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Item number: 8/2/18

18 Infantry Brigade
June - November 1940

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C 18
(adapted.)

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Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.

Date and Time.—From 1

To 30 Jun 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
H.M.T. X 4 At Sea.	1-6 Jun		On the assumption that our destination is England, the organisation of the force on its arrival there has been a matter for consideration. A proposed organisation has been drawn up and a conference has been called to meet on X 4 as soon as possible after arrival at Freetown.	
			During this period 8 M.M.G.s have been mounted on the ship to afford an additional measure of A.A. protection. Signals sent to Queen Mary and Empress of Canada show that similar protective measures are being taken on the former ship but there are no weapons other than rifles on the Canada.	
	7		Arrived at Freetown (Sierra Leone) and dropped anchor at about 1115 hrs. No leave ashore was allowed in this port. The conference referred to above took place at 1530 hrs and was attended by Brig. Morshead, Brig. Wynter, Lt-Col Wardell, Lt-Col Martin, Maj. Garrett, and Maj. Klose. The proposed organisation (Appx. "A") drawn up prior to the conference was approved. Whether it will be possible to bring this organisation into effect depends entirely on orders received on arrival. So far no instructions of any sort have been received from Australia.	Appx "A".
			We transferred to Empress of Canada 4 M.M.G.s and also obtained from Garrison at Freetown 1700 filled sandbags, 1200 of which went to the Queen Mary and 500 to the Empress of Canada. The personnel of the Queen Mary and the Andes who travelled on the Empress of Canada from Capetown were transferred to their proper ships.	
			We received a signal from S.N.O. Simonstown to the effect that 6 of the 8 men left behind there had been recovered and placed aboard S.S. Orcades which left for the United Kingdom on 1 Jun. Two other men who had not been reported missing were also stated to have been recovered and are to be sent on later. Appx "B"	Appx "B"

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.Date and Time.—From 1 To 30 Jun 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
H.M.T. X 4 at sea.	7 Jun ctd.		We were able to get from the Navy 1500 rds of .303 tracer for use with M.G.s. This has been distributed amongst the 3 ships of the Australian Sections. This was the most they could give us and though quite inadequate if we happen to be attacked it is, at least, of some assistance.	
	8		Fortunately there has been no recrudescence of pneumonic influenza, and though there are approximately 150 cases in hospital, these are chiefly mumps and measles. Left Freetown at 1700 hrs. From now on, extra precautions must be taken as we approach more dangerous waters and all ports on C and D decks have to be kept closed at all times. This has made conditions for personnel on these decks almost unbearable and a great proportion of them are now sleeping on the upper decks at night. Lifebelts are to be carried at all times and the M.G.s continuously manned. We now have as escort the cruisers Shropshire and Cumberland and also Aircraft Carrier Hermes. The Australia left us a few hrs after our departure from Capetown. It has now been learnt definitely that our destination is England.	
	16		Arrived in the Firth of Clyde without incident and anchored opposite Gourock at about 2 p.m. Mr. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty came aboard and welcomed us on behalf of the British Cabinet and later, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Dominions Undersecretary, who read to the troops a message from the King as follows:- "As you take your place before us, you find us in the foremost front of battle. I give you a warm welcome, knowing that stern purpose that brings you from your distant homes." Mr. Shakespeare was accompanied by the G.C.C. i/c. We learnt that we were not to commence disembarkation until the following day and that complete disembarkation of the other ships would not be completed until Wed. 19 Jun. We also learnt	ARKy.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde. Date and Time.—From 1 To 30 Jun 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	16 Jun. (ctd.)		our destinations which are shown in "Administrative Instns. Nos 1 & 2" attached at Appx "D". We were to be moved by rail from Gourock Stn. Only Unit baggage was to accompany the troops. The remaining stores go around to be off-loaded at Liverpool.	Appx "C" Message to liaison offr. Australia House.
Lopcombe Corner. Hants.	19 Jun		The concentration of the 18 Inf. Bde. with 2 Reinforcements of 5, 8 and 11 Bns., and H.Q. 19 Inf. Bde. was completed on this day at Lopcombe Corner. Owing to the unprepared state of the camp and the inadequate facilities for cooking and washing, 3 Fd Coy., 1 Fd Pk Coy and 3 Fd Amb were diverted to Bulford. The camp is an entirely tenanted one and has been erected in a very short time, but there is a great amount of work yet to be done. This applies chiefly to cooking and washing facilities. Also it is very exposed and very concentrated.	Appx "D". Administrative Instns Nos 1 & 2 for the accomodation of 2 A.I.F. - England.
	20 Jun		Gradually settling down. Have acquired more ground round the camp and all units are spreading out and are busily engaged in the digging of slit trenches. No leave has been granted yet and it will not be possible to do so until safety precautions have been completed. Last night there was a heavy air-raid on Southampton, only 21 miles away and the noise of this raid was distinctly heard in this camp and the glow of flames was seen and the troops are now beginning to realise that they have got at last, close to the war and that precautions are absolutely necessary.	
	21 Jun		H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester, visited the camp.	
			During the last nine days, work on P.A.D. has been completed, including complete provosional slit trenches, M.G. Posts, mounted for A.A. defence, command posts, cleansing centres etc. No war equipment has yet come to hand and we have still only	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe Corner.	21 Jun ctd.		the rifles and M.M.G.s that we brought off the ships. Individual training and route marching is occupying most of the training time.	
			The re-organisation of the force on a 2 Brigade basis is proceeding gradually. The principle in regard to this Brigade is that it should be maintained at full British war establishment. Working on this principle, although Bns had an average strength of 856 and are now required to get down to a total of 717, they are considerably over the latter total owing to the number of non-effectives due to sickness. The transfer of personnel to 25 Bde must therefore be a gradual process and will probably not be completed for some time, as the sick recover.	
			We have been informed that we have been placed on the War Office priority list for the issue of war equipment, but at present it is not known when this equipment will be available.	
			It has been decided that only units of 18 Inf Bde and 3 Fd Amb are to be located in this camp. 3 Fd Amb marched in on 28 Jun and the concentration at Lopcombe Corner is now complete. This concentration comprises the following units: H.Q. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde., K Sec. 6 Div Sigs., 47 L.A.D., 9, 10 and 12 Bns., and 3 Fd. Amb. (including 1 and 6 Spec Dental Units.)	
			It has been decided to grant leave to London for 36 hours to all ranks, not more than 10% to be away at one time. The first batch left on the morning 27 Jun. The strength of subsequent batches is to be reduced by the number of any who be AWL from previous batches, and this should have considerable effect in reducing absence without leave.	J.P.G.

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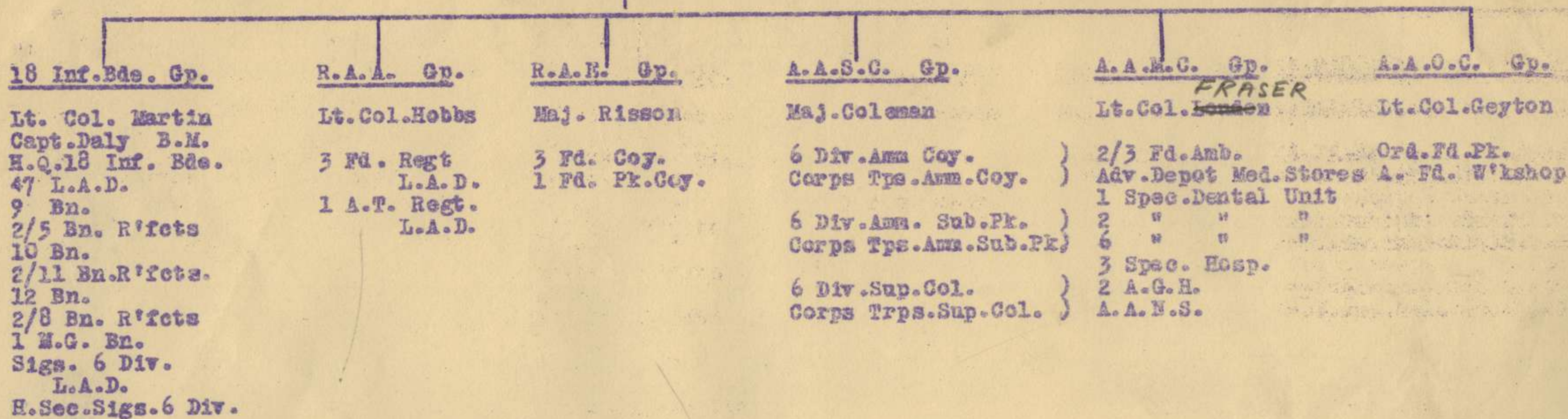
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Lopcombe Corner	21 Jun	ctd	The camp services are not yet completed, and a considerable amount of work is yet to be done in connection with water supply and roads through the camp.	
			Organisation of the Bde on British war establishment has meant the addition of 3 Liaison Officers at Bde H.Q. The officers selected are:- Lieut. F. E. C. Loxton, 2/9 Bn., Lieut. R. W. Seddon, 2/10 Bn., Lieut. C. S. Kirk, 2/12 Bn. These officers reported 26 Jun and already proved their worth.	Appx "E". Security scheme for Wallop Aerodrome.
			Lieut. I. D. Hayward, 10 Bn. was appointed Transport Officer on 20 Jun.	Appx "F" Embarkation instns.
			A security scheme for the protection of Wallop Aerodrome, 2 miles from here, has been formulated. See appx "E". The security of this aerodrome is an important factor in our own defence, consequently this duty was undertaken voluntarily, and the action has been approved by Force H.Q.	Appx "G". 18 Aus. Inf. Bde. S.O.s for War. Appx. "J". P.A.D. Instn. No 4.
			German planes continue to go over every night, and the "Air Raid Warning Red" is given. Troops do not leave their tents and will only do so if an attack is made on the camp or in the immediate vicinity of it.	Appx "H". Ing Instn No 1.

*A.R. Garrett Maj.
B.M. 15 Inf Bde.*

June
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FORCE H.Q. ----- ADM. H.Q.



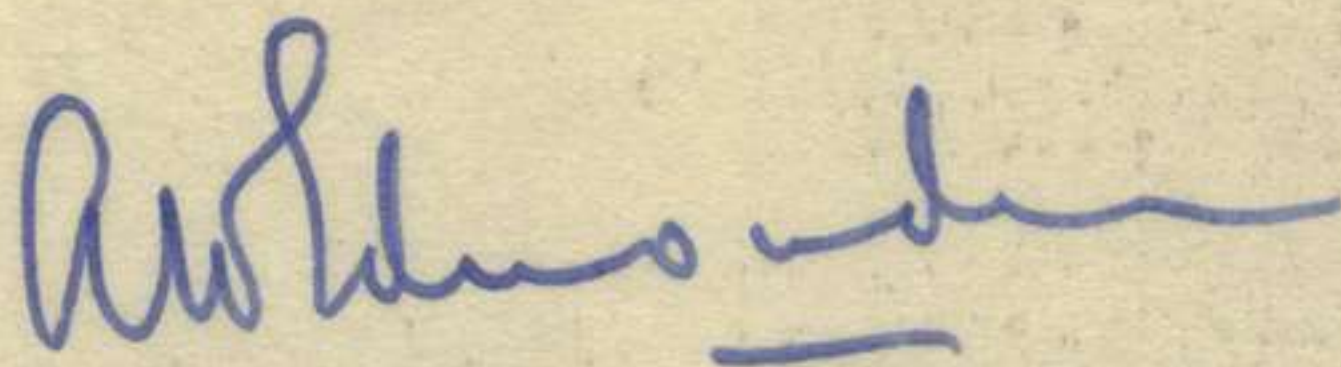
From ASSISTANT SECRETARY
TO COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

To THE OFFICER COMMANDING
DRAFT,

H.M.T. "Empress of Canada"

June
Appx "B"

The enclosed copy of a signal
which has been received from the Naval Officer
in Charge, Simonstown, regarding absentees
on sailing from Capetown, is forwarded for
information, please.



6/6/40.

Received H.M.T. X5 : 1800 hrs.
7 June 40. Relevant details
abstracted and passed to
O.C. Post Ser.
Barway U.S. 3.
H.M.T. X4
on 8 June 40

NAVAL MESSAGE.

S 1320i.
(Established, October, 1935.)

To:

FROM:

D of S.F., C in C S.A., Australian C'wealth
H.B., N.Z. I.M.N.B.

S.N.O. S'town.

1 - 11.

Convoy U.S. 3. Absentees on sailing from Capetown.

(GBPT) QUEEN MARY	10.
(GLRZ) AQUITANIA	3
(GMEJ) EMPRESS OF BRITAIN	1.
(GPOX) EMPRESS OF CANADA	4.
MAURITANIA	2
ANDES	2.

Names not known in all cases.

Following recovered and despatched in S.S. ORCADES 1st June for
U.K. Australian. VX 17333 W.J. PARDOE. VX 10065 G. MUSSET WHITE.
SX 1894 S.A. FREEMAN. SX 391. A.W. BURRELL. VX 18073 R.W. ALEXANDER.
17567 W.H. DEAN.

New Zealand. 20634. H. MARSHALL. Following since recovered and ..
will be despatched with any others at next opportunity.

VX 13721 A. COPLEY. QX 323 S.R.W. HOWELL BROWN. Following in
hospital at Cape, 2nd Lieut C.S. CADDIE. VX 126603 J.G. FOSTER. W.
19096. N. ALLEN. 21897 K. KEARNEY. 20870 R.L. WRIGHT. 21681 R. FINLAY.
20674 A. BAILEY. 20731 J. ASPELL. 3911 TUHOE MAHAKI. 20452 J.W. TINSLEY.

Following died and are buried at Simonstown.

9252. Capt. W.R. CRESSER. 3109. N. TRAYNOR.

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L/T. Ad Code.

TOR. 2125.

3/6/40.

App "C"

War Diary

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To

Military Liaison Officer
Australia House
London

From

Brigadier Morshead
S.O. 3/8

Estimated will have 200 non-infectious, 350 infectious
cases on arrival stop Two-thirds of all cases will require
hospital accomodation stop Stores carried in tons
measurement 115 Ordnance 200 Medical 70 Red Cross
75 Comforts 400 Canteen 230 Ammunition 1360 Reserve Rations
60 Emergency Rations 1150 War Equipment also 58 vehicles stop
Can you arrange rations whole force as from breakfast day
after disembarkation stop Will require 25000 pounds
sterling in ten shilling notes and silver for pay
immediately on berthing.

Appx "D"

SECRET.

AUSTRALIAN ADVANCE PARTY - ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No. 1.
FOR THE ACCOMMODATION OF 2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES -
ENGLAND.

S.P.A.

12 Jun. 40.

ALLOTMENT TO CAMPS.

1. Detailed allotment of units to camps is shown in Appx. 'A'.

LOPOOMBE CORNER CAMP.

2. Plan showing layout of camp is attached - Appx. 'B' (limited issue).

3. Lieut. R. BRASSEY, M.C., R.A.S.C. has been appointed Camp Condt.

4. For the purposes of rationing, the camp has been divided into five sites:-

9 Bn.	...	...	...	...	C.
10 Bn.	...	...	...	...	B.
12 Bn.	...	...	...	...	A.
H.Q. 18 Inf Bde.	}	1	...	...	D.
3 Fd. Coy.					
1 Fd. Pk Coy.					
3 Fd Amb.					
2 Fd Amb.					
Adv. Depot Med Stores Dental Units.					
H.Q. 19 Inf Bde.	}	1	...	...	E.
Reinforcements.					

H.Q., 18 Inf Bde should arrange for a specified unit to indent for rations in Site D.

Until such time as water facilities are developed in Sub-Area E, H.Q. 19 Inf Bde and reinforcements are sub-divided as shown in Appx. 'A'.

CAMPS TIDWORTH AREA.

5. A British Officer has been nominated as Camp Condt. for each camp in this Area. As these camps, however, are on a unit basis, these officers will hand over on arrival of Australian unit.

6. Locality plan of camps is shown in Appx. 'C' - limited issue.

RATIONS.

7. Camp Condt. have indented for three days rations.

8. 70 British cooks are being made available for the first 48 hours. These have been allocated by Camp Condt.

/ CAMP EQUIPMENT P.T.O.

CAMP EQUIPMENT & ACCOMMODATION STORES.

9. These have been requisitioned for by Camp Comdts. In the case of LOPCOMBE CORNER Camp they will be allocated on a sub-area basis.

PET.

10. (a) LOPCOMBE CORNER Camp.

A P.P. has been established in the vicinity of the camp. Units will indent on Camp Comdt.

(b) TIDWORTH Camps.

Units will draw pet. from neighbouring British units. Exact details will be notified later.

TRANSPORT.

11. This is allotted tentatively on following basis:-

Force H.Q.

- 3 4-seater cars.
- 2 30-cwt. trucks.
- 4 M/Cs.

O.C. Camps, TIDWORTH Area.

- 1 4-seater car.
- 1 30-cwt. truck.
- 1 M/C.

Bde. H.Q., LOPCOMBE CORNER Camp.

- 1 4-seater car.
- 1 30-cwt. truck.
- 2 M/Cs.

LOPCOMBE CORNER CAMP.

- 5 4-seater cars.
- 10 30-cwt. trucks.
- 1 Motor Amb.
- 1 Water truck.

TIDWORTH Area.

- 8 4-seater cars.
- 16 30-cwt. trucks.

MED.

12. Med. instructions for disembarkation and Camps are shown in Appxs. 'D' and 'E' respectively.

/SCALE OF ACCOMMODATION

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13. (a) Sleeping. 8 men per bell tent without bed boards.
2 Offrs. below fd rank per bell tent.
1 bell tent for each officer of fd rank and above.
- (b) Messing. 80 men per tent. In some camps two sittings may be necessary.
- (c) Adm. Each major unit, i.e. Bn. or equivalent, one marquee each for C.O., Adj. Ord Room and Guard.
Two store tents for Q.M. - one store tent for Med inspection.
Each Coy. or equivalent - one marquee for stores and one marquee for office.

The above scale for adm. purposes applies to LOPCOMBE CORNER. Camps at TIDWORTH may have a restricted scale.

LANDS.

14. In the LOPCOMBE CORNER area approved training grounds outside the camp boundary will be promulgated at a later date. The use by tps and vehicles of land other than within camp boundary is restricted to cases of absolute necessity, particularly in regard to land under crop or plough. Where any damage is caused by tps, including that to fences and hedges, Camp Comdt. will be notified as early as possible.

CONSERVANCY.

15. Contracts have been let by R.A.S.C. for disposal of swill and sewerage. Other refuse will be burnt by units in incinerators. Care must be taken that swill consists only of foodstuffs.
Water supply at LOPCOMBE CORNER Camp is on a restricted basis of 15 galls per man per day, and the greatest economy in the use of water will be necessary; for the first few days water for the officers' lines, etc., on the far side of the rd to the main camp will have to be obtained by bucket from stand pipe in the vicinity of the camp well and pumping plant.

INSTITUTES.

16. (a) N.A.A.F.I. has been supplied on the basis of one unit per 2,000 men. Each unit consists of a kitchen, coffee, restaurant, liquor and recreation tents.
- (b) An Australian Welfare Committee, through Y.M.C.A., is supplementing N.A.A.F.I. by provision of picture and recreation tents, and information bureaux.

PRO.

17. (a) As British Pro. personnel are limited in the Area, units will be responsible for supplying own personnel.
- (b) Detention Barracks are situated at SHEPTON MALLET.

/ POSTAL P.T.O.

POSTAL.

18. (a) Units at TIDWORTH Camps will draw own mails from local Post Offices. WIMBORNE HILL and BRIDGE END from LUDGERSHALL Post Office; remaining Camps from TIDWORTH Post Office.

(b) A Camp Post Office will be established at LOPCOMBE.

Address:- LOPCOMBE CORNER Camp,

near SALISBURY.

Two store tents for O.M. - one store tent for Med inspection.

and one tent for office.

Major,
Staff Officer, Adv. Party,

A.I.F.

Camps at TIDWORTH may have a restricted scale.

LANDS.

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DISTRIBUTION.

Force H.C. 30 copies.
S.F.A. 42 copies.
Spare 8 copies.

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GROUPING FOR ACCOMMODATION - CAMPS IN TIDWORTH AREA.

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APPX. 'A'.

Unit. etc.	Strength.		Camp.
	Offrs.	O.Bs.	
<u>Force H.Q.</u>			<u>AMESBURY ABBEY.</u>
H.Q., A.I.F.	1	2	
H.Q., 1 Aus. Corps	3	15	
Overseas Base Sub Area	1	5	
Personnel from Palestine	2	-	
H.Q., 6th Div.	2	-	
Official Correspondent	1	-	
Chaplain	1	-	
A.C. Funds	1	-	
Provost Coy.	-	1	
Total	12	23	
3 Field Regt.	36 (c)	626	ARENA ROAD.
Anti Tank Regt.	32 (d)	542	WINDMILL HILL.
One M.G. Bn.	26 (e)	677	TIDWORTH PENNINGES.
6th Div. Sigs.	11	328	
H. Sec. 6th Div. Sigs.	1	26	TIDWORTH PARK.
Corps Sigs.	2	42	
Total	14	396	
6th Div. Supply Coln.	5	348	
Corps Tps Supply Coln	-	16	TIDWORTH PARK.
Total	5	364	
6th Div Ann. Coy.	8	349	
Corps Tps Ann Coy.	-	26	TIDWORTH PARK.
Total	8	375	
Army Fd Workshops	9	385	
Light Aid Dets (5)	5	57	HEDGE END.
6th Div Sec Ord Fd Park	3	74	
Total	17	516	
6 Div. Ann Sub Park	6	402	
Corps Tps Ann Sub Park	-	23	WINDMILL HILL.
Corps Tps Ann. Coy.	-	26	
Special Hospital.	7	46	
Total	13	497	

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GROUPING FOR ACCOMMODATION - LOPCOMBE CAMP.

APPX. 'A'.

Unit etc.	Strength		Camp Site.
	Offrs.	O.Rs.	
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<u>18th Inf Bde.</u>			
H.Q.	8(a)	63	D Site.
9th Bn.	34 (b)	825	C Site.
10th Bn.	38 (b)	827	B Site.
12th Bn.	34 (b)	825	A Site.
	<u>Total</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>2540</u>
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3 Fd. Coy.	4	183	
1 Fd. Pk. Coy.	2	147	D Site.
	<u>Total</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>330.</u>
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3 Fd. Amb.	11	247	
2 Fd. Amb.	-	2	
Adv. Depot Med. Stores	1	8	D Site.
Dental Units. (3)	3	12	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>269.</u>
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H.Q., 19th Inf Bde.	3 (f)	57 (f)	attached D Site x
<u>Reinforcements:-</u>			
2nd Reinf. 5th Bn.	7	148	attd. unit C Site x
2nd Reinf. 8th Bn.	7	148	attd. unit B Site x
2nd Reinf. 11th Bn.	7	148	} attd. unit A Site x
Details 1 Bn.	-	3	
Details 6th Bn.	-	4	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>508</u>

- (a) include 1 Y.M.C.A.
- (b) includes 1 Chaplain,
- (f) includes 1 Chaplain.
- x to new site North West of Road when ready.

MED. INSTRUCTIONS - CAMPS.

1. LOPCOMBE CORNER CAMP.

- (a) A Camp Reception Station of 12 beds has been established. It will be staffed by personnel of 3 Fd. Amb.
- (b) 3 Medical Inspection Tents have been established.
- (c) Scale of Medical Equipment of Camp Reception Station and Medical Inspection Tents is to War Office standard. Applications for further supplies to be made to O.C., Southern Command Medical Store, Tidworth.
- (d) Disposal of Sick. All cases requiring Hospital Treatment will be sent to Military Hospital, Tidworth.
- (e) Motor Ambulance. If motor ambulance is required, application to be made to Military Hospital, Tidworth (telephone number Bulford Camp Post Office 3170, Extension 326). A motor ambulance will be stationed with 3 Fd. Ambulance after the unit arrives in camp.
- (f) A Dental Tent has been erected adjacent to the Camp Dressing Station. (It will be staffed by personnel of the Special Dental Units).

2. CAMPS - TIDWORTH AREA.

- (a) Medical Inspection Tents have been equipped at:-

Tidworth Park.
Tidworth Pennings.
Windmill Hill.
Arena Road.

At Hedge End Camp the adjacent Camp Reception Station can be utilised for a M.I. Room.

- (b) The scale of med. equip. will be to War Office standard.
- (c) Disposal of Sick: To Military Hospital, Tidworth.
- (d) Motor Amb. Applications for motor amb. to be made to Military Hospital, Tidworth. (Telephone number, Bulford Camp P.O. 3170, Extension 326).

MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS - DISEMBARKATION

1. Immediately on transports reaching port the A.D.M.S. Port of Disembarkation should be informed by the Senior Medical Officer of each transport the number and categories of sick and wounded on board. (It is essential that this information be secured at the earliest possible moment in order that adequate arrangements can be made for transportation to hospitals). These should be notified according to the following categories :-

Category 1.	(a)	M (No.)	S (No.)	Special (No.)
	(b)	"	"	"
	(c)	"	"	"
Category 2.	(a)	"	"	"
	(b)	"	"	"
	(c)	"	"	"

Legend:

Category 1	=	Stretcher cases
" 2	=	Walking and Sitting cases.
(a)	=	Officers
(b)	=	Other Ranks
(c)	=	Nurses, Masseuses and other Females
M.	=	Medical
S.	=	Surgical

Special cases should be classified as follows :-

Infectious	=	Infectious cases (the type of infectious disease should be described).
Head	=	Severe head injuries
Fracture	=	Severe fractures
Mental	=	Mental cases
V.D.	=	V.D. cases

The appropriate designation of the special cases should be inserted in the special section of each category. (A printed form is attached ready to be filled in).

2. The Authorities concerned have been warned of the arrival of the Transports and requested to make arrangements for the reception of sick into -

- (1) General Hospitals
- (2) Infectious Hospital
- (3) Hospital for any V.D. cases.

3. Motor Ambulances and/or Ambulance Train will be present at the wharf to convey sick to hospital.

4. The S.M.O. each Transport should furnish information regarding special diets and special treatment for any case being evacuated. Such information should be made available to A.D.M.S. Port when categories of sick are notified.

5. One Medical Officer should be detailed to reside at the hospital receiving the sick. Accommodation has been arranged. Duties:-
(a) To assist local hospital authorities. (b) To be responsible for A.I.F. sick for discipline, pay, records, kit, transfer of discharged patients to Salisbury Plain, travel warrants etc.

6. All patients travelling to hospital should be accompanied by their personal kit and Army clothes for subsequent travel.

7. S.M.O. each Transport should -
 - (a) Be responsible for medical arrangements of disembarkation of sick from his ship.
 - (b) Detail one M.O. and party of stretcher bearers to load and unload sick on lighters or to the ambulances if the ship berths.
 - (c) Arrange a check at gangway of sick disembarking.
 - (d) Arrange for treatment of any casualties or accidents during disembarkation and entraining of troops from his ship.

8. Trains. For each train one Medical Officer and one Medical Orderly should be detailed for treatment of any casualties during entraining, the journey, detraining and until camp is reached.

9. Detraining. At the detraining station an ambulance will be available if required (Telephone Tidworth Military Hospital).

10. On arrival at camp Unit M.Os. should take over equipment of M.I. Tents. Initial medical stores and medical comforts not issued prior to arrival can be obtained from O.C. Command Medical Store, Tidworth. Subsequent indents for medical stores to be made through A.D.M.S., S.P.A.

11. Medical Officers should be detailed for duty at Tidworth Park and Hedge End camps.

CATEGORY 1.

(a)

M

S

Special

(b)

(c)

CATEGORY 2.

(a)

(b)

(c)

Legend:

Category 1	=	Stretcher cases
" 2	=	Walking and Sitting Cases
(a)	=	Officers
(b)	=	Other Ranks
(c)	=	Nurses, Masseuses and other Females
M	=	Medical
S	=	Surgical

Special cases should be classified as follows :-

Infectious	=	Infectious cases (the type of infectious disease should be described).
Head	=	Severe head injuries
Fracture	=	Severe fractures
Mental	=	Mental cases
V. D.	=	V. D. cases

AUSTRALIAN ADVANCE PARTY ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No. 2.
FOR THE ACCOMMODATION OF 2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.

1. TRANSPORT.

SECRET.

a. Further to Para. 11. of Adm. Instruction No. 1. it is advised that it will be necessary for units to relieve British drivers of vehicles at the first opportunity.

b. It will be necessary eventually for 6 Div. Sup. Column to provide drivers for vehicles which accompanied convoy from Australia.

2. TELEPHONES.

The following telephone communications have been provided.

a. LOPCOMBE CORNER Camp.

9 line Switchboard with direct line to H.Q., A.I.F. at AMESBURY ABBEY and one ordinary exchange line and extensions to Brigadier, Staff Capt, 4 Bn. Cmdrs, N.A.A.F.I., Fd. Amb. Engrs, and Camp Commandant.

b. TIDWORTH Area.

9 line switchboard at HASTINGS HOUSE with direct line to H.Q., A.I.F. at AMESBURY ABBEY and one ordinary exchange line and extensions to orderly rooms of 3 Fd. Regt. ARENA Rd, Sigs TIDWORTH PARK; Supply TIDWORTH PARK; Amn. TIDWORTH PARK; A.I. Regt. WINDMILL HILL; Amn. WINDMILL HILL; Workshops. HEDGE END; M.E. Bn. TIDWORTH PENNINGS.

c. H.Q. A.I.F. AMESBURY ABBEY.

15 line switchboard with direct lines as above and two ordinary exchange lines. Internal extensions to be notified later.

3. EXTRA RATION ALLOWANCE.

For the present units will be required to spend extra allowance of 1½ per day with N.A.A.F.I.

The following telephone communications have been provided.

B. A. Ford,
L.S.

LOPCOMBE CORNER Camp.

P. Pennington
Major,
Staff Officer, Adv. Party. 2. A.I.F.

9 line Switchboard with direct line to H.Q., A.I.F. at AMESBURY ABBEY and one ordinary exchange line and extensions to Brigadier, Staff Capt, 4 Bn. Cmdrs, N.A.A.F.I., Fd. Amb. Engrs, and Camp Commandant.

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SECRET.

18 AUS. INF. BDE. SECURITY SCHEME FOR WALLOP AERODROME.

In the event of an attempt being made by parachutists against WALLOP AERODROME, 18 Aus. Inf. Bde. will be responsible for the despatch of troops for its protection.

Method.

1. MOBILE COLUMN.

(a) The initial troops to be despatched will be a mobile column, composition as under.

<u>Coy. H.Q.</u>	<u>Oftrs.</u>	<u>O.R.S</u>	<u>Vehicles.</u>
Comd.	1	-	1 car
2 i/c	1	-	
C.S.M.		1	1 truck
Runners		2	
M.C./D.R.s		2	2 M.C.s
Three rifle pls ----- (each)	1	26	2 lorries
<u>One M.M.G. Sec.</u>	1	11	2 lorries
<u>One W/T Det.</u>		3	1 truck
	6	97	13

(b) The mobile column will be provided by 9, 10 & 12 Bns, in rotation. Each Bn will have responsibility for a period of three days commencing with 9 Bn as from 0800 hrs on *Thurs 27 Jan.*

(c) The column will be at notice as under:-

By day:- One hour from receipt of Air Raid Warning - YELLOW.

By night:- 10 mins. from receipt of Air Raid Warning - RED.

(d) TPT. Until such times as units are able to supply their own tpt., it will be provided by pooling camp resources.

By night, the necessary tpt. will be parked in the lines of the duty unit in the order in which it will be required to move.

(e) W/T Det. will be supplied by Bde. Sig. Sec.

2. STAND-BY COLUMN.

The remainder of the duty Bn will "stand by" ready to move at 30 mins. notice after departure of the Mobile Column both by day and by night.

3. ADM.

- (a) Amn. 50 rds per riflr.
1000 rds per L.M.G.
2000 " " M.M.G.

Res. to be carried in vehicles:-

30 rds per rifle.
1000 " " M.M.G.

- (b) Sup. Emergency rations will be carried.
(c) Dress. Fighting order.

4. INTER COMMUNICATION.

- (a) The order for the despatch of the Mobile Column and, if necessary for the subsequent despatch of the "Stand By" Column, will be issued by Bde H.Q.
- (b) O.C. Bde. Sig. Sec. will arrange direct comm., visual and line, between WALLOP Aerodrome and Bde. H.Q.
- (c) C.C.s of Bns will ensure that all their officers become thoroughly conversant, both by day and by night, with the quickest route from the Camp to the Aerodrome, and with the area about the aerodrome itself.
- (d) The duty Bn. will send a Liaison Offr. to Bde H.Q. immediately the despatch of the Mobile Column is ordered.

A.R. Garrett
A.R. Garrett, Maj.
B.M. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.

Lopcombe Corner Camp,
24 Jun 40.

DISTRIBUTION.

Copy No. 1.	9 Bn
2	10 Bn
3	12 Bn
4	Sig. Offr.
5	C.O., Wallop Aerodrome.
6	Austforce.
7	S.Comd.
8 & 9	File
10 & 11	War Diary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

QMG2/ES

M O S T S E C R E T

MILITARY BOARD

S.M. 1445

Army Headquarters,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE. S.C.1.

- EASTERN COMMAND (20)
- SOUTHERN COMMAND (20)
- WESTERN COMMAND (10)
- 1 AUST. CORPS (20)

22nd April, 1940.

Copies for information to -

- Naval Board (6); Sec. Army (2); C.G.S. (6);
- A.G. (6) Q.M.G.; (6) M.G.O. (6); F.M. (3); S.M.B. (1);
- M.L.O., London (2); H.Q. Overseas Base (3);
- Northern Command (2)

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A.I.F. - 3RD CONVOY.

I am commanded by the Military Board to inform you that the embarkation of A.I.F. - 3rd Convoy will be carried out in accordance with the following allotments:-
Instructions issued with S.M. 1043 dated 29th March, 1940, will also be applied for embarkation of 3rd. Convoy.

2. ALLOTMENT OF UNITS TO TRANSPORTS:

- H.M.T. X.1 in accordance with appendix 1.a.
- H.M.T. X.4 in accordance with appendix 1.b.
- H.M.T. X.5 in accordance with appendix 1.c.

3. M.T. VEHICLES:

- (a) Space has been requisitioned for a total of 50 light vans and cars on Transport X.4 (Sydney) and a maximum of 6 cars on Transport X.5 (Melbourne).
- (b) Details of vehicles for shipment and instructions for preparation for loading will be issued separately.

4. BULK STORES ALLOTTED TO TRANSPORTS:

Bulk stores have been allotted to Transports in accordance with Appendix II.

Bills of Lading for war equipments shipped as bulk direct from Ordnance Stores or Holding Depots must be prepared by the Unit to whom issued. Two copies of these Bills will be held by O.C. Unit for checking at Port of Disembarkation.

5. STORES TO BE PLACED ON BOARD EACH TRANSPORT (EXCLUDING APPENDIX II) VIDE APPENDIX III.

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18. Bde

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6. DATES BY WHICH TRANSPORTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR LOADING OF STORES ETC. AND EMBARKATION OF UNITS:

Transport	Stores etc. to be embarked	Berth	Date
X.1	Stores allotted Appendix II Vehicles (if space available) Unit War Equipments etc. Appendix III Units - Appendix 1(a)	At anchor off) Bradley Head) Sydney)	To be arranged locally by S.S.T.O. - Embarkation Staff with ships agents D-1 day (complete 1400 hrs)
X.4	Stores allotted Appendix II Vehicles Unit War Equipments etc. Appendix III Units Appendix 1 (b)	Circular Quay) West)	To be arranged locally with ships agents the S.S.T.O. and Embarka- tion Staff. D.1. (complete 1300 hrs.
X.5	Stores allotted Appendix II Vehicles Unit War Equipments etc. Appendix III Units - Appendix 1(c)	Station Pier) Pt. Melbourne)	D-5 day onwards D.1. day (complete 1500 hrs)

N.B. Transports X.1 and X.4 will not call at Melbourne. Convoy will arrive Fremantle D.6. Day. Western Command will arrange embarkation of units included on appendices I(b) and I(c) in co-operation with S.S.T.O. Fremantle.

7. EMBARKATION OF UNITS - EASTERN COMMAND:

- (a) All units embarking in Eastern Command will proceed by rail to Berths 12 and 13, Pyrmont and thence by Ferry Service to their respective transports.
- (b) Details of Time Tables will be arranged by Embarkation Staff with S.S.T.O.

8. SHIP STAFFS:

- (a) The following are appointed O.C. Troops on board:-

H.M.T. X.1. Brigadier H.C.H. ROBERTSON D.S.O., Comdr. 19 Inf. Bde.
H.M.T. X.4. Lt. Colonel J.E.G. MARTIN O.C. 2/9 Bn.
H.M.T. X.5. Colonel F.H. BERRYMAN D.S.O. G.S.O.I. 6 Div.

8 SHIP STAFFS (cont'd.)

(b) O.C. Troops on board will detail the following staff from units on board:

Adjutant
 Baggage Officer
 Quartermaster
 Messing Officer
 Sergeant Major
 A/Orderly Room Sergeant
 Deck Sergeants (one from each unit of strength 50 or over)

Details (a) and (b) will embark at least 2 days ahead of their units.

(c) SENIOR MEDICAL OFFICERS ON BOARD:

H.M.T. X.1.	Lt.Colonel K.B. FRASER	2/3 Fd. Amb.
H.M.T. X.4.	Major K.C. ROSS	2 A.G.H.
H.M.T. X.5.	Major D.B. LOUDON	2 A.G.H.

To be present at Port day preceding embarkation for general supervision of medical arrangements on board.

(d) SHIP CHAPLAINS:

H.M.T. X.1.	Chaplain D.L. REDDING	C. of E.	2 A.G.H.
H.M.T. X.1.	Chaplain R. SCARFE	R.C.	2 A.G.H.
H.M.T. X.4.	Chaplain W.P. HOHENHOUSE	C. of E.	18 Aus. Inf. Bde.
H.M.T. X.4.	Chaplain O.B. STEELE	R.C.	18 Aus. Inf. Bde.
H.M.T. X.4.	Chaplain R.A. HELMORE	U.B.	18 Aus. Inf. Bde.
H.M.T. X.5.	Chaplain L.W.A. BENN	C. of E.	6 Aus. Div.

9. O.C. Australian Section of Convoy U.S.3.

Brigadier L.J. Morshead C.M.G., D.S.O., E.D., Comdr.
 18 Aus. Inf. Bde. is appointed O.C. Australian Section of Convoy U.S.3.

10. Receipt of this document is to be acknowledged on A.A.F. A.57 attached.

C.B. Luffan

Secretary to the Military Board.

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APPENDIX I(a)

ALLOTMENT OF UNITS TO TRANSPORT X.1

Port of Embarkation ... Sydney

Berth ... Off Bradley Head.

Date of Final Embarkation ... D-1 Day

Departing ...

Serial No.	Unit	Personnel				Present Location	Remarks
		Off.	W.Os. & Sgts.	O.Rs.	Total		
145	6 Div. Sigs. (Less W.A. Det.)	14	19	269	302	Eastern Command	
	1st Reinft.	1	1	22	24	" "	
146	6 Div. Sup. Col.	5	17	319	341	" "	
	1st Reinft.	-	1	15	16	" "	
151	49 L.A.D.	1	1	11	13	" "	
154	Corps Tps. Sup. Col. (Details)	-	-	18	18	" "	
155	" " Amn. Coy. "	-	-	27	27	" "	
157	6 Div. Amn. Coy. Sub Pk.	7	14	381	402	" "	
	1st Reinft.	-	-	8	8	" "	
158	Corps Tps. Amn. Sub Pk. (Details)	-	-	23	23	" "	
159	6 Div. Sec. Ord. Fd. Pk.	3	3	67	73	" "	
	1st Reinft.	-	-	6	6	" "	
171	2/3 Fd. Amb.	12	18	227	257	" "	
	1st Reinft.	-	-	5	5	" "	
176	2/12 Bn.	32	44	703	779	" "	
	1st Reinft.	7	4	70	81	" "	
179	2/3 Fd. Regt. (Less 2/6 Fd. Bty. w/1st Reinft.)	25	31	385	441	" "	2/6 Fd. Bty. w/1st Reinft. embark H.M.T. X.5, W.Comd.
	1st Reinft.	3	3	25	31	" "	
180	41 L.A.D.	1	1	11	13	" "	
183	48 L.A.D.	1	1	11	13	" "	
184	1 A. Tk. Regt.	29	38	488	555	" "	
	1st Reinft.	2	2	33	37	" "	
185	"H" Sec. 6 Div. Sigs.	1	1	25	27	" "	
	1st Reinft.	-	-	1	1	" "	
186	2/1 M.G. Bn. (Less W.A. Det.)	28	49	562	639	" "	W.A. Det. embark H.M.T. Y.3, W.Comd.
	1st Reinft.	5	4	5068	5969	" "	
188	Adv. Depot Med. Stores	1	1	7	9	" "	
190	No. 2 Spec. Dental Unit	1	1	3	5	" "	
Totals carried to Sheet 2		179	254	3,782	4,215		
				3772	4205		

Serial No.	Unit	Personnel				Present Location	Remarks
		Off.	W.Os. & Sgts.	O.Rs.	Total		
	Totals carried from Sheet 1	179	254	3772 3782	4205 4215		
201	3 Spec. Hosp. (Details)	5	-	21	26	Eastern Command	
205	H.Q. 19 Inf. Bde.	6	8	52	66	" "	
209	Details Corps Sigs. (Attached H.Q. 19 Inf. Bde.)	5	2	40	44	" "	
	A.A.N.S. (Nurses)	18	-	-	18	" "	
	Y.M.C.A.	1	-	-	1	" "	
	A.C.F.	1	-	-	1	" "	
	Chaplains -- Chaplain D.L.Redding (C.ofE.)						
	" R.Scarfe (R.C.)	2	-	-	2	" "	
	R.A.N. Personnel	6	-	2	8	" "	
	TOTAL	220	264	3897 3887	4381 4371		

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APPENDIX I(b)

ALLOTMENT OF UNITS TO TRANSPORT X.4.

Port of Embarkation ... Sydney

Berth ... Circular Quay West

Date of Final Embarkation ... D.1 Day

Departing ... 12.30 p.m.

Serial No.	Unit	Personnel				Present Location	Remarks
		Off.	W.Os. & Sgts.	O.Rs.	Total		
172	H.Q. 18 Inf. Bde.	7	8	55	70	Eastern Command	
	" " " Int. Corps attached	..	2	-	2	" "	
173	2/9 Bn.	33	44	704	781	" "	
	1st Reinft.	7	4	70	81	" "	
174	2/10 Bn.	33	44	704	781	" "	
	1st Reinft.	7	4	70	81	" "	
177	2/3 Fd. Coy. (Less W.A. Det.)	3	5	167	175	" "	W.A. Det. embark H.M.T. Y.3, W.Comd.
	w/1 Reinft.						
	1st Reinft.	1	1	6	8	" "	
178	2/1 Fd. Park Coy.	3	6	137	146	" "	
	1st Reinft.	-	1	8	9	" "	
182	47 L.A.D.	1	1	11	13	" "	
	Nurses	6	-	-	6	" "	
	2 A.G.H. - Surgeon	1	-	-	1	" "	
189	No. 1 Spec. Dental Unit	1	1	3	5	" "	
206	2/11 Bn. 2nd Reinft.	7	7	141	155	Western Command	Will embark Fremantle.
	S.A. Representative	1	-	-	1	Eastern Command	
	Official Press Corresp. (Mr.K.Slessor)	1	-	-	1	" "	
	Chaplains -	3	-	-	3	" "	
	Chaplain W.P.Hohenhouse (C.ofE.)						
	" O.B.Steele (R.C.)						
	" R.A.Helmore (U.B.)						
	R.A.N. Personnel	1	-	2	3	" "	
TOTAL		116	128	2,078	2,322		

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Port of Embarkation ... Melbourne
Date of Final Embarkation ... D.1 Day

ALLOTMENT OF UNITS TO TRANSPORT X.5

Berth ... Station Pier
Departing ... 3.30 p.m.

Serial No.	Unit	Personnel				Present Location	Remarks
		Off.	W.Os. & Sgts.	O.Rs.	Total		
134	H.Q. 6 Div. ✓	3	-	-	3	Southern Command	
147	6 Div. Amn. Coy. ✓ 1st Reinft.	8	12	329	349	" "	
152	A Fd. Workshop (Less One Recovery Sec.) 1st Reinft.	-	-	11	11	" "	
172	2/6 Fd. Bty. ✓ 1st Reinft.	10	57	319	386	" "	
194	No. 6 Spec. Dental Unit ✓	-	3	12	15	" "	
195	A.A.N.S. Nurses	8	8	130	146	Western Command	Will embark Fremantle:
201	3 Spec. Hospital (Less Details in E:Comd.)	1	-	10	11	" "	" " "
202	1 Aust. Corps	1	1	3	5	Southern Command	
203	H.Q., A.I.F.	8	-	-	8	" "	
204	Overseas Base Sub Area	2	-	25	27	" "	
207	2/5 Bn. 2nd Reinft.	3	2	13	18	" "	
208	2/8 Bn. " "	2	-	2	4	" "	
	A.R.C.S.	2	1	2	5	" "	
	2 A.G.H. Surgeon	7	7	141	155	" "	
	Chaplain C.W.A. Benn (C.ofE.)	7	7	141	155	" "	
	R.A.N. Personnel	1	-	1	2	" "	
		1	-	-	1	" "	
		1	-	-	1	" "	
		1	-	2	3	" "	
TOTAL		66	98	1,141	1,305		

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A. I. 3RD CONVOY

ALLOTMENT OF BULK STORES TO TRANSPORTS
(To be covered by Bills of Lading A.A.F. G.964)

LOAD SYDNEY.H.M.T. X.4 (Priority of Loading)

(a)	50 Vans, light, 15 cwt.	...	...	...	...	560 tons measurement
(b)	D.O.S. (Clothing)	...	...	...	...	82
	(Stoves and Mus. Instruments)	...	...	...	...	33
(c)	Medical Stores - 1 A.G.H.	...	...	...	...	200
(d)	Aust. Red Cross Society	...	...	...	...	70
(e)	Aust. Comforts Fund	...	...	...	...	75
(f)	Aust. Canteens Service	...	...	...	...	320
						}
	TOTAL	...	...	...	...	1,340

H.M.T. X.5

D. of A. (Ammunition)	...	...	...	...	...	140
30 days' reserve rations	...	...	...	...	...	1,153
Emergency and landing rations	...	...	...	...	...	58
						}
	TOTAL	...	...	...	...	1,351

H.M.T. X.1

No bulk stores allotted.

LOAD MELBOURNEH.M.T. X.5

D. of A. (Ammunition)	...	...	...	...	...	93½
30 days' supplies (Balance not provided Sydney)	...	...	...	...	...	215
Emergency and landing rations	...	...	...	...	...	2
Australian Canteens Service	...	...	...	...	...	80
						}
						390
	6 Cars, D.S.					—

230 Amn.
1368 Res Rat
58 Em Rat
80 Canteens

A. I. F. - 3RD CONVOYSTORES TO BE PLACED ON BOARD EACH TRANSPORT
(In addition to those listed in Appendix II)

- (a) War Equipments of Units shown on Appendices I(a), (b), (c).
Tonnage space required -

X.1	...	...	...	...	596 tons
X.4	...	...	...	...	263 "
X.5	...	...	...	...	301 "

- (b) Unit Baggage - including personnel baggage of Officers and Universal and Sea Kit Bags of other ranks.

- (c) S.A.A. -

	<u>X.1</u>	<u>X.4</u>	<u>X.5</u>
.303	300 boxes	150 boxes	99 boxes
.455	30 "	20 "	10 "

To be at disposal of O.C. Troopship for use on voyage.

- (d) Expense stores for voyage use. (These will be issued to Units before embarkation).
- (e) 15 tons Australian Comforts Fund stores (Voyage consumption).
- (f) Stationery boxes for O.C. Troopship.

- NOTES:-
- (i) All stores shown on this Appendix should be available for use on voyage.
- (ii) Stores in excess of the accommodation provided in any ship may, under direction from S.S.T.O. and E.S.O., be loaded into space which may be available in another ship of the convoy.
- (iii) Philanthropic Stores will be loaded as under -
- | | | |
|-----|-----|--------------------------|
| X.4 | ... | Salvation Army - 2 tons. |
|-----|-----|--------------------------|
- (iv) S.A.A. - .303 99 Boxes will be placed aboard X.5 Melbourne.
.455 10 " " " " " " Melbourne.
- (v) Unit War Equipment will, if space is available, be loaded in Ship's Baggage Rooms and will be available for use on voyage.

SECURITY.

18 AUS. INF. BDE.

Copy No 22

STANDING ORDERS FOR WAR.

Part I.

Introductory.

1. Object.

The object of these Standing Orders is to ensure the smooth working of Bde H.Q. in the field.

2. Issue.

The Brigade Major will be responsible for the preparation and issue of these Standing Orders and for such amendments as may be necessary from time to time.

They will be issued on the following scale:-

Officers of, or attached to Bde H.Q. each	1
Bns. (for information.)	1
File.	1
War Diary.	1

Officers to whom Standing Orders are issued will sign for them and return same if transferred.

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Part IIGeneral.3. Bde. Recce. Gp.

- (a) The following will be the normal composition of the Bde Recce Gp. Its primary task is Recce prior to an operation and, under the direction of the Bde Comd., the preparation of the outline plan.

Bde. Comd.	4-seater car.
B.M. or I.O.	Light van.
A.Tk. Coy. Comd.	" "
Bde. Sig. Offr.	" "
Liaison Offrs. (as ordered.)	Each - light van.
D.R. and/or W/T set.	M.C. and/or W/T truck.
Sgt. Int. Sec.	M.C.

One clerk with typewriter and stationery will normally accompany the B.M. in his van. If an advanced H.Q. is opened this clerk will erect the necessary sign which will be carried in the Bde. Comd's. car.

- (b) Representatives of other arms in support, or under comd of the Bde., will accompany the Bde Recce Gp. This representative will normally be the senior offr of each arm.
- (c) The Sgt. Bde. I. Sec. will be responsible for the control and concealment of the vehicles in the area in which the recce is taking place. The greatest care is to be taken that the movement, or unnecessary exposure of vehicles, does not give information to the enemy. Vehicles will be dispersed, under cover if possible.

4. Selection of Bde. H.Q.

- (a) The Bde. Comd. or B.M. will lay down the area in which the Bde. H.Q. will be sited. In mobile operations this area will be as close as possible to the Div Axis in order to facilitate the establishment of communications.
- (b) The actual recce of Bde H.Q. area and lay-out within the area will normally be the responsibility of the S.C. He will be accompanied by the C.Q.M.S. (if available) to assist in this work.
- (c) The H.Q. of a Fd. Regt. will often be located in the same area as Bde. H.Q. If this is to be so, an arty representative will accompany the S.C. or other officer on his recce. It should not be located alongside Bde H.Q.
- (d) The normal composition of a recce party from Bde H.Q. for billets, bivouacs, a new location in battle, or to act as a guide party, will be:-

S.C. (or I.O.)
 Sig. Offr or N.C.O.
 C.Q.M.S.
 One or two O.R.s (in S.C.'s truck.)
 One wireless vehicle.
 One sig D.R.
 One or more/ Pro personnel on M.C.s (if available.)

- (e) Further details in regard to selection of Bde H.Q. are given at Appx "A"

5. Moves of Bde H.Q.

- (a) Moves are classified in two categories:-

"X" operations not imminent.

"Y" operations imminent.

- (b) The allotment of personnel to vehicles and their subdivision into A and B Echelons is shown in Appx "B". In the case of "X" moves, "A" and "B" Ech vehicles will normally move together. In the case of "Y" moves "B" Ech will remain under cover in the original area until ordered to rejoin "A" Ech or to move to another area.

The L.A.D. will normally move with "B" Ech.

- (c) Responsibility for forming up vehicles and issuing executive orders for the move to a new area lies with:-
Category "X" - Bde T.O. for Bde H.Q. vehicles.
Bde Sig Offr for Bde Sig Sec vehicles.

Category "Y" - Bde T.O. or S.C.

The B.M. will lay down the policy in regard to all moves.

- (d) Before any move, the drivers will be given:-

Route.

Speed.

Density.

Destination.

Orders about lights if move is at night.

If possible each driver should have a map on which the route and destination can be marked.

The S.C. or Bde. T.O. will arrange for vehicles to be met at the destination and directed to the parking area.

- (e) Bde. H.Q. should, if possible, open at its new location at the same time as it closes at its old. When this is not practicable (e.g. in the case of a long move) a Staff Officer may have to travel in a wireless vehicle.

When the H.Q. moves, a man will be left at the old H.Q. for a time to redirect D.R.s etc.

- (f) During a long move, vehicles should, if possible, be halted at the end of the first 30 minutes running and checked over.

At subsequent halts, vehicles will be checked.

For short halts, vehicles will not be closed up.

For long halts, they will close up in an area in which cover is available. For this reason, the points at which halts are to be made must be carefully selected.

6. Carriage of Bde H.Q. Weapons.

These will be carried as follows:-

Bde I Sec Van } each one Bren L.M.G. and
Offrs Mess Van } 20 filled magazines.

Bde I. Sec Van } each one A.Tk rifle
Kitchen 30 cwt lorry } and 200 rds.

These weapons are for the protection of the Bde H.Q. and the above allotment provides for one of each being always with "A" and "B" Ech tpt should it be split.

Personnel of the vehicles must be trained in the use of the weapons.

7. Protection of Bde H.Q.

(a) When halted or on the move, Bde H.Q. will normally be protected by the dispositions of other troops. This, however, does not absolve the H.Q. from taking all practicable precautions to guard against surprise from ground or air attacks. The greatest danger is from A.F.V.s on ground and from bomb or gas spray attack, from the air.

(b) On the move A.A. L.M.G.s and A. Tk rifles will be carried ready for immediate action. Air sentries will be detailed on the vehicles, also personnel to maintain lookout to the flanks of the march route.

Should vehicles halt during a move, the A.A. L.M.G.s will be removed and mounted to engage aircraft. A.Tk guns will also be placed on the ground to cover the most probable lines of approach.

The offrs mentioned in para 5 (c) will be responsible for orders to the above effect.

(c) The Offr carrying out the recce of the Bde H.Q. will be responsible for protective measures against ground and air attacks.

He will site A.A. L.M.G.s and A.Tk rifles. He will fix "alarm posts" and ensure that their location is known to all personnel. Should H.Q. of other units be located in the Bde H.Q. area he will co-operate defensive arrangements with the representative of the other H.Q.

All personnel will be organised in permanent fire units.

(Note:- When formed, the O.C. Inf A.Tk Coy will take over responsibility for protective measures at Bde H.Q. when the move has been completed. If he is not available, the Bde I.O. will be responsible.)

(d) A.A. L.M.G.s should be sited close to the area they are designed to protect and should be capable of bringing fire to bear in any direction.

A.Tk rifles will be sited to cover the most likely lines of A.F.V. approach.

8. Sentries.

(a) The following sentries will be required :-

A.A.
Gas.
A.Tk.

(b) The C.Q.M.S. will be responsible for detailing these sentries. It will often be possible to combine the duties of A.A. and Gas sentry, or Gas and A.Tk sentry but the duties of A.A. and A.Tk sentry should never be combined.

8 (ctd)

- (c) Sentries will be found from M.T. drivers or spare personnel at Bde H.Q.

9. Signals.

Ground attack:- succession of long and short whistle blasts.
Air attack:- " " short whistle blasts.
Gas attack:- Long continuous blast on whistle, horn or rattle.

If gas spray is used the "Air attack" signal will be given followed by the "Gas attack" signal.

10. Concealment of H.Q.

It is most essential that the site of Bde H.Q. should be concealed from the air. In air photographs, tracks, slit trenches etc, show up very clearly. Tracks must therefore be carried well past Bde H.Q. and slit trenches camouflaged.

To the air observer the movement of traffic to and from the H.Q. is often a sure indication of its location. For this reason, no vehicle is to be permitted to approach the H.Q. but will be halted at least 100 yards distant and the passengers required to walk. The same rule will apply to M.C. D.R.s.

Movement in and about H.Q. must be restricted to the minimum.

11. Slit trenches.

Slit trenches will be dug for the protection of personnel against air bombing attack. They must be where they can be quickly occupied and should, if possible, be located where they are concealed from the air. (e.g. under hedges, trees, or close to walls.)

The C.Q.M.S. will be responsible that these trenches are dug.

12. Gas discipline.

- (a) The Bde I.O. is responsible for anti-gas measures and for gas discipline within the H.Q. area.

Early action must be taken to render Bde H.Q. itself gas-proof.

- (b) Very strict gas discipline must be maintained at all times. Personnel who become contaminated through failure to observe the precautions laid down are to be crimed.

- (c) Gas detectors will be put out as soon as the H.Q. is occupied.

13. Duties.

- (a) List of duties is given at Appx "C".

- (b) One Offr and one clerk or orderly will be on duty at Bde H.Q. at all times. The S.C. will detail offr and the sgt clerk the clerks or orderlies for this duty.

One signaller will always be on duty in the Bde Sig Office, also one orderly.

Except for the signaller on duty, it is not necessary for these personnel to remain awake at all times, but they must be immediately available if required.

13. Duties (ctd.)

- (c) Any offr leaving Bde H.Q. must notify the Duty Offr where he is going to and how long he expects to be away. If he is going to another unit, he must enquire of other Staff Officers whether they require any messages sent to that unit or information brought back from it.
- (d) An Offr going to a higher formation should visit all branches of the staff at that H.Q.

RECCE AND LAY OUT OF BDE H.Q.

1. In mobile operations the location/^{of} Bde H.Q. is changing frequently and any of the following may be called upon to carry out recce to select new sites and lay out new H.Q.
 B.M., S.C., Bde Sig. Offr., Bde T.O., L.O.s.
2. When ordered to carry out this recce the officer will be given the general area in which the new H.Q. is to be sited.
 Then go by car to carry out this recce accompanied by Bde C.Q.M.S. and a D.R. (if available) and reps of supporting arty and Bde Sig Sec.
3. In selecting site the main considerations are:-
 - (a) Cover from ground and air observation is essential.
 - (b) A site will never be selected near a cross roads, or any prominent object likely to be target for hostile arty.
 - (c) Sufficient cover should be available to permit essential dispersion in the lay-out of H.Q.
 - (d) A quiet site removed as much as possible from traffic noise.
 - (e) Easy access to road.
 - (f) Vehicles, if possible, should be able to reach site along existing tracks or hedges without making new tracks which are likely to be spotted from the air.
 - (g) Personnel will at all times avoid moving in the open and will use existing tracks. Vehicle radiators and headlamps will be well camouflaged. Vehicles will be parked, when possible, parallel to a hedge.
4. Having selected the site, the officer will send D.R. or his car back to guide H.Q. forward, while he proceeds with the lay-out.
5. During operations the Comd. will normally lay down in advance the times at which Bde H.Q. will close and re-open at any new site so that necessary arrangements for the move can be made early.
6. (a) The lay-out will consists of a number of car parks, sufficiently dispersed to prevent one shell from disabling several vehicles and/or M.C.s and to allow H.Q. staff to work without interruption from the movement of D.R.s and vehicles.
 (b) When a Fd Arty Regt/^{is working} with Bde H.Q., the area will be divided into two sectors, one for each H.Q. The actual offices of both H.Q. will be sited as near one another as possible.
 (c) Bde H.Q. area will also be divided into two sectors, when "B" Ech is accompanying it or when it is known the "B" Ech will rejoin at the site being reconnoit-ered. These area will be known as:-
 - (1) Ops. area.
 - (11) "B" Ech area.

6 std.

(d) As a general guide parks as detailed in paras (e) and (f) below will be required and should be sited approx. 50 to 100 yards apart.

(e) Ops.

(i) M.Cs. - if necessary a separate park for D.Rs. not more than 200 yards from the Sig Office will be arranged.

(ii) L.Os! and Bde cars other than Bde Comd's., including space for visiting Offrs' cars.

(iii) Cars of supporting arms other than Fd Arty Regt - e.g., Fd Coy R.E. - this park can be combined with (ii) if the number of vehicles is small.

(iv) Sig. vehicles which may be needed during operations e.g. Cable and spare W/T trucks. This park must have easy access to an exit from the area.

(v) Bde H.Q. Office Truck, Sig. Office and Bde Comd's car.

(vi) Vehicles that will not normally be required to move e.g. charging set.

(f) "B" Ech.

(i) Officers' Mess as near as possible to H.Q. Offices.

(ii) Cooks and water vehicles - normally between Ops. and remainder of "B" Ech Parks.

(iii) Baggage.

(iv) Pet.

(v) L.A.D.

7. The following will be selected:-

(a) Alarm posts for all members of Bde H.Q. and Bde Sig Sec if time permits. In selecting alarm posts arrangements will be made for all-round defence of Bde H.Q. When the H.Q. of a Fd Regt is co-operating with Bde H.Q. the defence will be organised in conjunction with R.A. rep. by arranging definite sectors for which each H.Q. will be responsible.

(b) Positions of A.A. L.M.G.

(c) Positions of A.TK rifles including that of Bde Sig Sec. On the arrival of Bde H.Q. at the new site selected, the senior Staff Offr will be informed of all defensive arrangements made. Should alarm posts NOT have been selected the Senior S.O. will be responsible that this is carried out immediately.

8.(a) Having decided on the lay-out the Offr will then await the arrival of Bde H.Q. and will direct vehicles to their parks.

(b) Should he anticipate difficulty in parking vehicles he will inform Bde H.Q. when he sends back to guide it to the new site; (See para 4.) and the Senior

Appx "A" P 3.

8 (b) ctd.

S.O. will be responsible for sending forward at once personnel to help with this duty.

(c) He will ensure that vehicles use existing tracks when driving into parks. If this is not possible he will arrange for any new tracks to be extended outside the Bde H.Q. area, either into cover not occupied or to join on to existing tracks.

9. Offrs. in command of various portions of Bde H.Q. are responsible for the parking of vehicles under their command.

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CARRIAGE OF PERSONNEL.
Allotment to Vehicles.

Appx "B"

Serial No.	Vehicle	Ech & No.	Driver	Who Carried.	Total	Remarks.	
1	Car D.S.	A 1	Dr M.T.	Bde Comd	2		
2	Van Light G.S.	A 2	Dr M.T.	B.M., clerk, batman	4		
3	" " "	A 3	Dr M.T.	S.C., C.Q.M.S., batman	4		
4	" " "	B 1	" "	T.O., batman, spare Dr M.T.	4		
5	" " "	A 4	" "	I.O., L/Cpl., Cpl., batman.	5		
6	" " "	B 2	A.A.S.C.	Dr M.T., Bde S.O., clerk, batman	5		
7	" " "	A 5	Dr M.T.	}			
8	" " "	A 6	" "				
9	" " "	B 3	" "			10	L.O.s and Chaplains.
10	" " "	B 4	" "				
11	" " "	B 5	" "				
12	" " "	B 6	" "				
13	" Hvy	B 7	" "	Sanitary Duties man	2		
14	2 2	B 8	" "	Spare Dr M.T.	2		
15	" " "	B 9	" "	W.O. A.O.C.C., Armourer, fitter M.T. mechanic, 2 Drs. I Class	7		
16	" " "	B 10	" "	Cook, Bde Comd's batman	3	Officers' Mess	
17	" " Office	A 7	" "	S/Sgt., 2 clerks	4		
18	Lorry, 30 cwt	B 11	" "	3 spare Drs.	4	Tools	
19	" " "	B 12	" "	Cook 2 spare Drs	4	Kitchen	
20	" " "	B 13	" "	Water duties man, Sgt A.A.V.C.	3	Water tank.	
21	M.C.	B 14	Tpt Sgt		1		
22	M.C.	A 8	"I" Sgt		1		
23	M.C.	B 15	A.A.S.C.		1		
24				8 orderlies, 2 cipher personnel	10	Travel in vehicles of Bde Sig Sec.	

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DUTIES AND OFFICE ORGANISATION.DISTRIBUTION.Brigade Major.

Responsible for all the Staff work at Bde H.Q. and can allocate it, subject to his Comd's approval, as he thinks fit.

Initiation of plans subject to the Comd's orders.

Preparing and issuing operation orders and instructions.

Transmission of information to Div H.Q. and to neighbouring troops.

Training.

Reports.

Reports on Officers.

Honours and awards.

War Diary.

Staff Captain.

Questions relating to:-

Personnel (except as above.)

Casualties.

Spiritual welfare.

Discipline.

Sanitation.

Prisoners of War.

Police.

Routine duties.

Ceremonial.

Distribution and detail of billets.

Supplies, petrol, ammunition, water, equipment, clothing etc.

Preparation of Administrative para in operation orders.

Traffic control.

Rece of sites for Bde H.Q. and allotment.

Control of tpt arriving at Bde H.Q.

Captain A.A.S.C.

Represents C.A.A.S.C. at Bde H.Q.

Advice on A.A.S.C. questions.

Maintains personal liaison with units to ensure smooth working of A.A.S.C. services.

Assists S.C. in all matters relating to A.A.S.C. supplies.

Forecasts requirements of petrol and oil and gives early warning of any abnormal demands.

Bde I.O.

Intelligence.

Distribution of information.

Disposal of prisoners of war and captured documents.

Supply of maps, and air photographs to units.

Tracings.

Situation maps.

Codes and ciphers.

War Diary (under direction B.M.)

Security measures within the Bde.

Defence of Bde H.Q. (if O.C. A.T.k Coy is not available.)

Preparations of information para of operation orders, and checking of co-ordinates in those orders.

Organisation of Bde R.V. when C.O.s come for orders.

Distribution of dutiesBde I.O (std.)

Ensuring that incoming orders, messages etc, are at once passed to the offr concerned, and that they are subsequently seen as necessary by other offr and filed.

(Note:- This duty may be allotted to the chief clerk.)

Duties relating to gas. - to collect and record all items of gas intelligence and to forward all full reports to Div H.Q. without delay.

To arrange for samples and specimens of technical interest to be collected and forwarded to Div H.Q. (see Bde S.O.S.)

Bde Sig Offr.

Comd, adm and technical efficiency of Bde Sig Sec.

Available as an officer of the Bde Staff to take his turn of duty at Bde H.Q.

Liaison with B.M. and Bde I.O. to obtain adequate information on which to base his signal plans.

Advice on all signal matters, specially with reference to the intercommunication para of operation orders.

Reporting to the B.M. any failures in signal communications or delays in the transmission of messages.

Advice to Bn Comds. on their own signal communications and co-operation with Bn Sig Offrs. including all possible assistance to them.

Siting at Bde H.Q. and general tactical control of Div wireless sets and R.A.F. wireless tender, if attached.

Administration of attached details of other sig units and R.A.F. personnel at Bde H.Q.

First line repairs to signalling equipment of Bns.

Bde T.O.

Comd. "B" Ech (inc B Ech of Bn tpt when brigaded)

Defence of "B" Ech area.

Mechanical tpt.

Pet.

Recce of site for "B" Ech.

Chief Clerk.

Organization and supervision of clerical duties.

Checking correct assembly, numbering and despatch of orders messages etc.

Ensuring that incoming orders, messages etc are at once passed to the officer concerned and that they are subsequently seen as necessary by other offr and filed. (Note:- This duty may be allotted to the Int Offr.)

Ensuring that all waste paper, carbons are burnt.

Ensuring that reliefs are carried out so that clerks get meals and rest.

Cipher Staff.

Responsible for cipher work and apparatus.

Will assist the Bde I.O. or the chief clerk when not engaged in cipher work.

W.O. A.O.O.C.

Represents D.A.D.O.S. at Bde H.Q.

Advice on A.O.O.C. questions.

Assists S.C. in all matters relating to ordnance stores.

(See Ordnance Manual 1939. Appx II)

Distribution of duties.

Offr. 1/c/ Offrs Mess.

Responsible for mess, public and private property (accounting for the former is through the C.Q.M.S.)
Mess accounts and wine sheets (the latter to be initialled daily.)
Messing.
Mess staff and officers' servants.
Ensuring that Offrs on late duty etc are catered for (see instns under Bde C.Q.M.S.- Messing.)

Bde C.Q.M.S.

Assists the S.C.
Drawing and accounting of equipment and stores. (except M.T.)
Accounting for and repair of Bde H.Q. property
Interior economy and discipline of O.Rs.
Messing of O.Rs. (Inc Sigs.) Arrange special meals, haversack rations etc. Inform personnel when meals are ready and keep meals for and tea etc to those unable to attend. Make a special point of ensuring that all concerned including visiting personnel get meals.
Indents for rations etc.
Payrolls.

Bde Tpt Sgt.

Assists Bde T.O.
Drawing and accounting of M.T. vehicles and spare parts.
Maintenance of M.T.
Pet.

VEHICLES OF BDE H.Q. AND SIG. SEC.CATEGORY X.All Vehicles.

Int Sec. - Comd., B.M., 2 D.R.s.
 A.Tk Coy Comd - C.Q.M.S., A.Tk Coy., S.C., Office Truck.
 L.O.s - Bde Sig Sec., (less 2 D.R.s) - A.A.S.C. Offr.,
 3 A.Tk Pls.
 Bde T.O. -
 "B" Ech - Baggage and great coats, spare clothing, Offrs' mess, cooks, A.Tk Pls' Baggage lorries 30 cwt., water, petrol, armourers and fitters.
 L.A.D.s.
 Bde Tpt Sgt.

CATEGORY Y.Vehicles less "B" Ech.

Int sec truck and M.C. @
 Comd @
 B.M.
 2 D.R.s @@
 A.Tk Coy Comd.
 A.Tk C.Q.M.S.
 S.C. @@@
 Office Truck
 L.O.s @
 Bde Sig Offr's Truck.
 Bde Sig Office.
 W/T Set @@ (incl no.9 set if sent up by H.Q. Div.)
 Cable truck.
 Charging set.
 M.Cs distributed as required, one to be in rear of column.
 Note:- A. Tk fighting portion to be distributed as tactical situation demands.

@ Bde "R" Gp.
 @@ One with Bde "R" Gp
 @@@ May be recce of new site
) If Bde "R" gp is formed, order of march of remaining vehicles will not be changed.

OFFICE ORGANISATION."In" messages etc.

1. Will be passed without any delay to the offr concerned; seen by other offrs as necessary and filed.
2. Offrs dealing with messages etc will note on them when action has been taken.
3. Registration other than that carried out by sigs is not required.
4. Sigs will supply two copies of messages (other than those received by D.R. or orderly)

"Out" messages.

1. The number of copies will be one for each addressee, one spare for sigs and one for filing in office of origin.
2. A list of message numbers and an acknowledgement check will be maintained.

Telephone Conversations.

A pad will be kept near each telephone.

Records of conversations and decisions will be made by speakers. These will be handled in the same way as messages.

Sig Offr will arrange a code so that individual offrs can be called to the telephone (esp. in the case of R.T.) without disclosing their appts or names. (e.g. unit code names preceded by No 1 might mean O.C. unit concerned; and preceded by No 2 might mean adjt etc.)

Office Box.

1. Messages, orders etc during operation will be filed in an office box. This will be the duty of the Int Sec. The Int Sec will also file messages which are purely of an "I" nature.
2. In principle a separate clip is required for each formation, unit or group of units from which messages may be received; one clip for the file copy of messages to Div; one clip for the file copy of ALL "out" messages to units and another clip for Bde operation orders.
3. Officers returning to H.Q. will read and initial all messages etc posted up in their absence (these will be retained temporarily in pending clips until initialled by all concerned.)
4. At the end of each day or other period ordered, the box will be cleared. Messages on file subject will be placed in the appropriate files. Operation messages etc will be filed for attachment to the War Diary.

ISSUE OF OPERATION ORDERS.

1. Clerks and Sig Office will be warned that an O.O. is to be produced and the approx. time.
2. The chief clerk will then organise:-
 - Preparation of envelopes (these can be prepared in advance.)
 - Typists ready for dictation; duplication and pinning up.
3. B.M. is responsible for the order; he will also see the sigs plan for despatch.
4. I.O. will assist as needed; in particular with tables and tracings.
5. S.C. will write admstve paras and assist with march tables if required.

CHECKING OF MESSAGES AND ORDERS.

1. These will be checked when possible by an officer other than the originator.
2. The carbon copy of a "war" will be checked before duplication takes place.

FILING SYSTEM.

1. An office stamp showing the following officers:-

Brig., B.M., S.C., I.O., A. Tk Comd.,

will always be kept at Bde H.Q.

2. All correspondence, messages etc. received at Bde H.Q. will be impressed with this stamp by the Sgt Clerk, Bde Int N.C.O. or duty clerk, marked to the officer concerned and immediately passed to him for action. Should the Officer concerned be away, the correspondence etc will be passed to a Staff Officer or to the Duty Offr.

The Offr will initial the appropriate place within the stamp and insert time of receipt. After action has been taken, he will mark the correspondence etc to any other offr or offr's who should be made aware of the contents.

3. Correspondence, messages, orders etc of an important character which should be attached to the War Diary will be marked W.D. and passed to the B.M. or I.O.

4. The Sgt Clerk will, at frequent intervals, go through all files to ensure that no unnecessary paper is being kept. He will bring forward to Offrs concerned, any files or papers which he considers "dead" and ready for destruction.

5. The date and hour of receipt will be recorded on all inwards correspondence.

All correspondence will be given a register number and a simple alphabetical index maintained.

Sigs will maintain the register of all in and out messages.

Appx "F"

SPECIMEN OF INTELLIGENCE LOG IN REGISTER.

Serial No.	Date.	From	Time hrs.	Precis of contents	Deduction	Action	Remarks
1	12 Jul	-	0700	-	-	Bde H.Q. opens &c	
2	12 Jul	9 Bn	0715	Bn dispositions	-	-	
3	12 Jul	10 Bn	0730	Enemy cav sqn located etc	Enemy working round flank	6 Div informed by phone	
	etc		etc	etc	etc		

Specimen OUT Log or Register.

Serial No.	Date	Time of issue hrs.	Addressed to	Precis	Remarks

Notes. (a) If given verbally, no number is given.
 (b) Serial no. becomes no. on message.

Appx "G"

SPECIMEN SHELLING REPORT.

Reported by LULU

Area shelled (Description.)

Time 0830 to 0845

Nature
 Type of gun Not known
 No of rds about 2 per minute.
 Type of shell H.E.

Location of Bty.
 Map ref. Not known.
 Bearing) 27° magnetic from etc
 distance) from about 700 yds from.....

Time of signature
hrs
date Sgd.....

Appx "H"

R/T CONVERSATION AND SECURITY.

No names or appts mentioned.
 Bde Comd or C.O. Bn will be code name with 10 added.
 Senior G Staff Offr " " " " " 1 "
 Senior Q " " " " " " " 5 "

e.g. B.M. 1 Adjt 1
 Bde I.O. 2 I.O. 2
 " A Tk Comd 3 Q.M. 5
 S.C. 5 Tpt Offr 6
 Tpt Offr 6
 R.A.S.C. 7

appx. 7d

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

18 AUS. INF. BDE.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO. 1.

Copy No. 22 War Diary

1. TRAINING AREAS.

Herewith 1 copy map SALISBURY PLAIN, 1" to 1 mile, showing training areas.

For the week ending 29 Jun. 40, training areas will be as under:-

9 Bn	-	Area B.
10 Bn	-	" A.
12 Bn	-	" C.

2. TRAINING.

The work to be carried out will be:-

- (a). Completion of P.A.D. requirements.
- (b). Route marching by platoons or companies with intervals.

As soon as possible, full equipments and packs will be carried on route marches.

Units should aim at attaining route marches up to 20 miles without undue fatigue.

- (c). Platoon exercises.

A.R. GARRETT, Maj.
F.M. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.

Lopcombe Corner Camp,
22 Jun 40.

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Appendix J
Sub

18 AUS. INF. BDE. P.A.D. INSTRUCTION NO. 4.

1. Sirens.

Three **air** raid sirens are now available for the Camp. They will be located:-

- One at Bde. H.Q.
- " " H.Q. 12 Bn.
- " " H.Q. 10 Bn.

2. Air Raid Warning RED - By night.

- (a) The receipt of this warning at the Camp Exchange will be notified as previously, by bugle and whistle.
- (b) To avoid the necessity for key personnel being turned out needlessly they should sleep in, or alongside, the place at which they will be required to function should an emergency arise. It will not then be necessary for them to turn out on the bugle sound.
- (c) Should it be necessary for personnel to turn out into slit trenches and for all posts to be manned, the signal for such action will be given by sounding the camp sirens. This signal will be a warbling note lasting for two minutes. It will be originated from the Bde. H.Q. siren or from the sirens located at other H.Q. at their discretion. Should one camp siren be sounded the note will be taken up by the other two. The sirens will only be sounded should the enemy operate in close proximity to the camp.
- (d) If personnel have been turned out the "All clear" signal will first be given by the siren at Bde. H.Q. and will be taken up by the other two sirens. This signal will be a continuous note lasting two minutes.

3. Sand Bags.

- (a) Sand bags should NOT be used for revetting slit trenches or, if used, the revettment should consist of not more than one course.
- (b) All sand bags available will be required for revetting first aid posts, command posts, cleansing centres etc..

It is anticipated that additional bags will shortly come to hand

4. Protection of Sentries, Lookouts etc.

These personnel will all be required to remain at their posts during a raid. They will therefore be provided with suitable protection.

9 Bn. will be responsible for revetting the tent occupied by the Main Guard and for protection for the sentry over the camp store
12 Bn. will provide protection for sentries at main camp entrance and at entrance to "E" Block.

A.E. Garrett
(A.E. Garrett) Maj.
E.M. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Sheet 1

Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.

Date and Time.—From 1 To 31 July 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe Cnr. Camp	1 July		<p>Instructions for training issued.</p> <p>Owing to the difficulty of getting any training stores it was decided to pay a personal visit to Ordnance, Tidworth. As a result a considerable quantity of sig. training stores was obtained, also 17 Bren Guns per Bn., and 12 Boys Anti-tank per Bn. Also visited 54 Training Regiment and R.A.S.C. Driving and Maintenance Schools at Perham Down, and arranged direct with O.C. Schools to send 3 Officers and 31 O.Rs. to a Bren Carrier Driving and Maintenance course starting tomorrow, and 1 Officer and 78 O.Rs. to an R.A.S.C. Driving and Maintenance Course, also starting tomorrow.</p>	Appx. "A"
	2 July		<p>At a conference held at Amesbury Abbey it was learnt that a most unsatisfactory position exists in regard to the supply of War Equipment, Transport and Ammunition. There appears to be little prospect of obtaining within a reasonable time more than a very small proportion of our War Equipment and Transport. The position in regard to Ammunition is very acute, and at present we have only 50 rounds per rifle, and 1500 rounds for 8 M.M.gs. It is difficult to say when we shall have our full Echelon of ammunition for the weapons we now hold, and there appears to be no possibility of any allotment for training purposes.</p> <p>There is every indication that we may be required to fight almost at any instant, and Southern Command has issued a warning that indications all point to the probability of the Germans commencing large scale operations attacks on Britain by tomorrow. If this occurs we shall be not only almost immobile owing to lack of transport, but we shall also be most inadequately equipped with the means to protect ourselves.</p>	

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Sheet 2

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde. Date and Time.—From 1 To 31 July 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe Cnr. Camp	2 July contd.		The Transport now available to Bns. consists of two 8 Cwt. trucks, five 15 Cwt. trucks, and one 30 Cwt. truck.	
	4 July		His Majesty The King visited the Camp and inspected all Bns. on Parade.	Appx."B".
	8 July		<p>On 6 July we received orders from Australforce that this Bde. is to transfer the following officers to 25 Inf. Bde.:-</p> <p>2 Majors. 4 Captains. 18 Subalterns.</p> <p>The Majors may be Capts. recommended for Major and the Capts. may be Lieuts recommended for Capts. The Lieuts. may be N.C.Os. recommended for 1st Appmt.. These names were submitted to Australforce today.</p> <p>Bns. had, before the transfer of these personnel only their full establishment of officers the majority of them having been appointed only since the formation of the A.I.F.. This transfer will result in very considerably decreased efficiency in all units, as in no case are there sufficient N.C.Os. of suitable type to fill the vacancies created in the ranks of Lieut. nor are there suitable officers to fill the more senior ranks..</p> <p>It must be remembered that immediately prior to leaving Australia 10 and 12 Bns. left behind 15 N.C.Os., and the 9 Bn. 9 N.C.Os. to attend O.T.Cs.. These personnel are not now likely to be available.</p>	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Sheet 3

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Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.

Date and Time.—From

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To

31 July 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe Cnr. Camp	10 July		Received list from Australforce of officers to be transferred to 25 Bde. Fortunately only 11 are to go.	Appx. "C".
	11 July		Received 9 Bren Carriers. Have now got 16 Brens, 13 A.T. Rifles, 2 2-in. Mortars per Bn; also about approximately 40 per-cent of transport. At a pinch the Bde. would now be able to move having sufficient transport to carry the absolute essentials in arms and ammunition.	
	13 July		At 0805 hrs. a German Dornier(?) bomber appeared suddenly out of low cloud immediately over the camp and fired 300 to 400 rds. M.G. chiefly into the areas occupied by 9 and 10 Bns. SX1363 Pte. Webb A.S. of 10 Bn. was shot through the buttock and groin, and one man in 12 Bn, received a slight crease on the cheek. Apart from these there were no casualties. A number of tents were pierced. Fire was opened by our A.A. L.M.Gs. but without effect. The enemy plane quickly disappeared in a southerly direction in the clouds and the whole incident occupied about 20 seconds. This action will probably have a very good effect on the troops. Instructions for Training issued (No.3)	Appx. "F"
	15 July		18 Mxd. Bde. Area Defence Scheme issued. (Appx."D")	Appx."D"
	26 July		Since previous entry there have been no events worth recording, but training is progressing steadily and considerable all round improvement has been shown. Equipment is coming to hand very slowly. Each Bn. received an additional 5 Bren Guns, making a total of 21 per Bn. and each has also received 3 Bren carriers.	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2115
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Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.Date and Time.—From 1 To 31 July 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe Cnr. Camp	26 July (Contd.)		The transport situation is still most unsatisfactory and there is no indication that an improvement can be expected. We have now approx. 35% of our War Equipment in Transport.	
			Today a conference was called by the G.O.C. A.I.F. at Australforce H.Q. The G.O.C. explained that the role of this mixed Bde. will now be:- (a) S. Comd. Striking Force, or (b) 5 Corps Reserve.	
			The composition of the mixed Bde. will be:- H.Q. 18 Inf. Bde. 18 Inf. Bde. 5 Fd. Bty. 1 A.Tk. Bty. 3 Fd. Coy. 1 M.G. Bn. 3 Fd. Amb.	
			The Fd. Bty. will probably have 3 18 prs. & 3 4.5 Hows. & the A.Tk. Bty. 2 or possibly 4 2 prs. A.Tk. Guns. If used as S. Comd. Striking Force it is anticipated that one complete Fd. Bty. (25 pr.) will be added, also 2 or 3 of the Mobile Striking Columns raised in the Salisbury Plain Area. In this event H.Q. Australforce will go into the Field and assume command.	
			Consequent upon the role now allotted it was directed that our responsibility (vide Appx."D") for the protection of Wallop and Andover Aerodromes and for the provision of a mobile striking column would cease as from 0800 hrs. 27 July.	
			Our new role may involve operations within a considerable radius of our present location, necessitating movement over long distances by road. To enable such movement to take place it is proposed to allot a 'bus Coy.	

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Appt "D"

Cancels 18 Aus. Inf. Bde. Security Scheme 5139

dated 5 Jul. 40.

WD July. Appx "A".

18 AUS. INF. BDE.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION. NO. 2.

Owing to the uncertainty that exists in regard to the provision of war equipment, including tpt., it is not possible to lay down, at this stage, any very definite policy. In general, training is to be framed with the following objectives in view:-

1. The progressive hardening of the troops to enable them to make long marches under load.
 - (a) In this connection, route marches must never be taken without a tactical setting. Troops should be directed to an objective and be required to carry out some tactical operation on reaching that objective. On most occasions it will be necessary to provide one or two meals away from camp.
 - (b) The fullest advantage should be taken of the long twilight.
2. A high standard in the handling of all weapons.
 - (a) As soon as L.M.G.s Mortars and A.Tk rifles become available, intensive training in these weapons is to commence. Every man of rifle Coys should be taught to handle the Bren L.M.G. When the 30 yd range, now in course of construction at 700540 is completed, the max. use of it should be made within the limits of ammunition available. In this connection, units will always have available 50 rds per rifle and 1000 rds per L.M.G. Stocks on hand will on no account be reduced below that figure.
 - (b) Units will notify Bde H.Q. of their open range requirements, and arrangements will be made with S.P.A. for an allotment. The nearest open ranges are at TIDWORTH.
3. The attainment of the max. degree of mobility.
 - (a) As soon as practicable Coys should experiment and fix upon a method of packing Coy. vehicles and should practise moves with complete coy tpt. (Insertion). As soon as coys. have attained a reasonable standard of mobility, Bn. moves should be practised.
 - (b) As in the case of route marches, all moves should have a tactical setting such as the occupation of a defensive position, the gaining of a br. head, etc.
 - (c) The control of traffic and the maintenance of communication when on the move will require special consideration. Whenever possible, prior recce. of the route should have been carried out by an offr. and, in M.T. moves, an offr. on a motor cycle should move with the column to ensure that proper distances and march discipline generally is maintained. Traffic control at cross rds or through defiles must be carried out by motor cyclists, and intercommunication throughout the column will normally be by the same means.

x Insertion. In the first stages it may be necessary to pool Bn tpt for this purpose.

4. M.T. Drivers.

Bns should aim at a reserve of 100% spare drivers.

5. Night Training.

Bns should not undertake training at night without first having notified Bde H.Q. of the area or areas in which they propose to operate and the time during which operations are to be carried out. This precaution is necessary to ensure that action is not enjoined with roving bands of parashots and other armed parties.

6. Concealment.

Particular attention must be paid to this and care should be taken not to disclose positions prematurely by opening fire too soon.

7. Schools and courses.

Details in regard to these will be issued later.

Lopcombe Corner Camp,
1 Jul 40.

A.R. GARRETT, Maj.
B.M. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.

DISTRIBUTION.

9 Bn	6
10 Bn	6
12 Bn	6
3 Fd Amb	2
Austral force	1
Comd	1
File	2
W.D.	2

Appx. "B."

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2 Jul 40.

18 AUS MKD BDE.

VISIT OF HIS MAJESTY THE KING - 4 JUL 40.

1. Time Table.

1130 hrs. His Majesty arrives LOPCOMBE CORNER
Meets Bde. Comd. and staff

1134 hrs. Moves to 9 Bn. area
Inspects 9 Bn.

1143 hrs. Leaves 9 Bn.

1145 hrs. Arrives 10 Bn.
Inspects 10 Bn.

1153 hrs. Leaves 10 Bn.

1155 hrs. Enters car - drives 12 Bn. area.

1158 hrs. Arrives 12 Bn.
Inspects 12 Bn. and 3 Fd. Amb.

1207 hrs. Leaves 12 Bn.

1210 hrs. Arrives Saluting Base.
Meets nurses.

1212 hrs. March past starts.

1221 hrs. March past completed.
Inspects M.G. post.

1225 hrs. His Majesty leaves.

2. Parade

(a) Bns. will form up in respective areas by :-
9, 10 Bns. - 1120 hrs.
12 Bn, 3 Fd. Amb. - 1140 hrs.

(b) Bns. will be organised in four Coys. each of equal strength. Each Coy. in three Pls. of equal strength. Bands in rear of centre of Bn. Bayonets fixed.

3. Dress

Drill order - hats turned up.
Officers will wear pistols.
Respirators will NOT be worn.

4. Procedure

(a) On arrival of His Majesty in Bn. area

Bn. brought to "Slope"
Royal Salute - Present Arms. Band plays first
six bars of National Anthem.

Slope Arms
Order Arms
His Majesty inspects.
The Royal Salute will be repeated immediately
prior to the departure of His Majesty from the
parade.

(b) March Past:

Order of march :- 9 Bn.
10 Bn.
12 Bn.
3 Fd. Amb.

S.P. :- June. main road and centre entrance to
E Block. 1212 hrs.

Route:- North along main camp road to road
junction 706569.

Bands:- At head of Bns.

Formation:- Column of threes.

Distances :- Between Bns. 75 yds.
" Coys. 15 yds.

Saluting Base:- 40 yds. North of road & track junc.
708565.

(c) On completion of March Past Bns. and 3 Fd. Amb. will
line road from road junc. 706569 southwards.

A. P. Gurratt
Maj.
B.M. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.

2 July 40.

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Copy Nos.

1 - 5	9 Bn.
6 - 10	10 Bn.
11 - 15	12 Bn.
16	3 Fd. Amb.
17, 18	Australforce.
19, 20	File
21, 22	War Diary.

Annex "C"



ADMINISTRATIVE		
Headquarters A.I.F. (U.K.)		
Admin.		401

AUSTRALFORCE.
10 July, 1940.

18 Inf. Bde.
25 Inf. Bde.

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TRANSFER OF OFFICERS.

- With reference to my 401 of 5 July, 1940, the following transfers of Officers from units of 18 Inf. Bde to units of 25 Inf. Bde have been ~~appointed~~ ^{approved} and will be put into effect forthwith.
- Arrangements for moves will be made direct between 18 and 25 Bdes.

To 70 Bn.

Lieut.	✓ J. H. Williams,	2/10 Bn.
"	✓ R. F. England,	2/9 Bn.
"	✓ C. H. R. Thorn,	2/12 Bn.
"	✓ J. G. Jackson,	2/12 Bn.
"	✓ T. A. Rafferty,	2/12 Bn.
"	✓ K. P. Kimmins,	2/12 Bn.

To 71 Bn.

Capt.	✓ D. P. Sharp,	2/12 Bn.
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To 72 Bn.

Major,	✓ C. S. Cummings,	2/12 Bn.
Capt.	✓ A. W. M. O. Buttrose,	2/10 Bn.
Lieut.	✓ S. L. Hopton,	2/10 Bn.
"	✓ P. H. Bright,	2/10 Bn.

- The G. O. C. has decided that the proposed transfer of N. C. Os from units of 18 Inf. Bde. to 25 Inf. Bde. will not now take place.

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Boad.*

Col. i/c Adm.

	INIT.	DATE
COMDR.	<i>Jm</i>	4/7
B.M.		
G.G. X		
D.M.G.G.		
I.O.		
T.O.		

18 MXD. BDE. AREA DEFENCE SCHEME.

Ref. Map:- ENGLAND SOUTH $\frac{1}{4}$ " to 1 Mile. Sheet II.

INFORMATION.

1. Own Tps.

(a) 18 Mxd. Bde. has been allotted responsibility for security measures within the following area in the event of emergency arising:-

incl. LUDGERSHALL U77 - excl. ANDOVER U78, thence South along Southern Ry. to ry. junc. U7646, West along ry to WEST DEAN U64, then North along WILTSHIRE County boundary excl. TIDWORTH.

(b) WALLOP Aerodrome at U7458 and ANDOVER Aerodrome at U7766 are vulnerable points within the area.

2. Enemy.

The types of attack against which our forces may have to operate may take any, or all, of the following forms:-

- (a) Landing of parachute tps with the object of causing disorganisation by the destruction of V.Ps and communications.
- (b) The landing of considerable forces from the air with a view to serious military operations.
- (c) Penetration of the area by enemy tps. landed elsewhere.
- (d) A large scale attack by enemy forces penetrating from outside.

INTENTION.

3. 18 Mxd. Bde. will attack enemy tps. landing in, or penetrating the area defined in para 1(a).

METHOD.

VULNERABLE POINTS.

4. (a) A mobile ^{coln.} composition as under, will be maintained for the protection of WALLOP Aerodrome:-

<u>H.Q.</u>	<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>O.Rs.</u>	<u>Vehicles.</u>
Comd.	1		1 car
2 i/c.	1		
C.S.M.		1	1 15-cwt. trk
Runners		2	
C. D/Rs.		2	2 M.Cs.
<u>Three Rifle pls.</u>			
Each	1	26	3 15-cwt. trks
One M.M.G. Sec.	1	8	1 15-cwt. trk.

9. STRIKING FORCE.

- (a) In the event of emergency a Striking Force, composition as under, will be provided:-

Comd. Lt.Col. E.F. MARTIN 9 Bn.

Provided by.

Two rifle coys.	9 Bn.
One Pl. M.M.Gs.	10 Bn.
One Sec. Bren Carriers	9 Bn.
W/T Det.	K.Sec. Div. Sigs.
Det. Fd. Amb.	3 Fd. Amb.

When 9 Bn. is also finding dets. specified in paras. 4, 5 and 6 above, the Carrier Sec. will be provided by 12 Bn..

- (b) Task of the Striking Force will be the support of either of the other dets. on immediate operations against enemy tps. appearing in any other part of the Bde. area.
- (c) Tpt. as follows will be found from resources available within the Bde.:-

1 car, 4-str.	Comd.
2 8-cwt. trks.	Coy. comds.
2 15-cwt. trks.	Res. Amn.
3 15-cwt. trks.	Pl. M.M.Gs.

Vehicles for conveyance of rifle personnel (12 30-cwt. lorries or 6 32-str. buses) will be supplied by Australforce, if available. Otherwise 6 30-cwt lorries and 12 15-cwt. trks will be provided from Bde. pool.

- (d) The force will be organised and personnel detailed by 1200 hrs. 15 Jul. but will be constituted only in case of emergency, some warning of which may be anticipated. Until constituted it will carry out normal training.

10. RECCE.

- (a) All offr., and as many other ranks as possible, will become familiar with the area defined in para 1(a).
- (b) Prior to relief of the ANDOVER det. the offr. of the relieving det. will recce. the area and thoroughly understand the local defence scheme.

11. INLYING PICQUET.

- (a) Bns. when NOT detailed to provide dets. for WALLOP and ANDOVER aerodromes will maintain an inlying picquet of one Pl..
- (b) This picquet will be completely mobile and its primary task will be to take immediate action against enemy tps. landing, or appearing in the vicinity of the camp.

12. CAMP DEFENCE.

- (a) The camp will be divided into sectors:-
North Sector.
South Sector.

	<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>O.Rs.</u>	<u>Vehicles.</u>
<u>X Carrier det.</u>		8	2 Bren Carriers.
<u>W.T. DET</u>		3	1 8-cwt. trk.

X Carriers NOT available till 17 Jul. 40.

(b) Column will be at notice:-

By day - One hour.

Night - Immediate.

Commencing 15 Jul. it will take up position at the aerodrome at 1900 hrs. daily and leave aerodrome for camp at 0700 hrs. the following morning.

5. (a) A mobile column, composition as under, will be stationed at ANDOVER Aerodrome for its protection:-

	<u>Tpt.</u>
One Rifle Coy.	1 8-cwt. trk., 1 15-cwt. trk.
One M.M.G. Sec.	1 15-cwt. trk.
W.T. det.	1 8-cwt. trk.

A Bren carrier det. of two carriers will report at 1900 hrs. daily and leave to return to camp at 0700 hrs. the following morning.

Balance of tpt. to make column fully mobile will be supplied by R.A.F..

Additional Carrier required by Duty Bn. will be provided by Bn. next for duty.

(b) The column will first take up duty at 1200 hrs. 15 Jul..

6. A picquet of one rifle pl. and a visual sig. terminal will be posted each night on the West slope of DANLBURY HILL 7657. It will occupy its post from dusk until one hour after first light. It will maintain visual communication with the column at WALLOP aerodrome.
7. The task of the mobile columns, and of the picquet, will be to engage enemy tps. who may land in the vicinity of their posts with the least delay and, if possible, before they have time to organise.
8. Mobile Columns and Picquet will be supplied by 9, 10 and 12 Bns. in rotation. Each Bn. will have responsibility for a period of three days commencing with 9 Bn. as from 0800 hrs. Mon. 15 Jul.

- (b) Units responsible for defence of Sectors are:-
North Sector - 12 Bn.
South Sector 9 Bn.
- (c) Should an alarm occur 9 and 12 Bns. will occupy the defences within their respective sectors. NOT MORE than two coys. of each Bn. will be employed on the perimeter of each sector.
- (d) 10 Bn. will be Bde. Res.

AMM.

13. (a) AMMUNITION. - to be carried for each weapon.
- | | | |
|--------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Rifle | - | 50 rds. on man.
100 rds. res. |
| L.M.G. | - | 1000 rds. with gun.
500 rds. res. |
| M.M.G. | - | 2000 rds. with gun.
1500 rds. res. |
| A.Tk.rifles- | | 200 rds. with gun.
40 rds. res. |

Replenishment will be from A.Ps. established by A.A.S.C. Australforce.

- (b) Sup.
Iron & Emergency Rations will be carried.
- (c) Dress - Fighting Order.

INTERCOMN.

- (a) The alarm may be by telephone or other message received at Bde. H.Q. from outside sources or from a unit within the camp.
Bde. H.Q. will immediately notify:-
All units in Camp.
S.P.A. (Bulford).
H.Q. Australforce.
Neighbouring Units.
- (b) O.C. Bde. Sig. Sec. will arrange direct comn., visual and line, between WALLOP Aerodrome and Bde. H.Q..
- (c) Reports from all units will be made to Bde. H.Q., LOPCOMBE CAMP. In the case of dets. at R.A.F. stations these reports will be through O.C. stations.
- (d) Training code names when allotted, and frequencies will be used until orders are issued for the adoption of operational W/T working.

ACK.

A.R. Garrett
(A.R. Garrett) Maj.
B.M. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde.

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1. 9 Bn.
2. 10 Bn.
3. 12 Bn.
4. 3 Fd. Amb.
5. K. Sec. Sigs.
- 6,7. H.Q. Australforce.
8. S.P.A.
9. North Hants Sub Area.
10. Sn. Comd.
- 11,12. File.
- 13,14. War Diary.

Approx. "E".

SECRET

Issued to L.Os. 0630 hrs.

NARRATIVE.

At 0605 hrs. G.O.C., A.I.F. rang Comd. 18 Mxd. Bde. and the following conversation ensued:-

G.O.C. If the reports coming in are correct the situation is serious. V. Corps appears to be having a bad time and German motor cyclists and Lt. tanks are reported as far North as LYNDBURST and RINGWOOD. Brig. St. Clair has been ordered to get as strong a force as possible onto the line of the Southern Ry. to prevent any break through onto the Plain. I have agreed to your employment for this purpose and your Bde. is to occupy the line WEST DEAN - MOTTISFONT both inclusive. Tps. from S.P.A. will be on your right but I do not know yet what unit will be in touch with you and I expect they will be some time getting into position, so watch that flank. By the way, when can you move, and at what time do you think you can get into position.

Bde. Comd. I expected a move when I first heard reports this morning and all units have been warned to be ready for it. It is now 6-7, my order should be out to units by 6-30, say 6-35,-- they ought to be away by 7-30. What about my marching personnel, are you sending any 'buses, I have only those three per Bn. that reported yesterday.

G.O.C. Sorry, G.H.Q. has collared everything it can lay its hands on so I can't give you any more.

Bde. Comd. Well, in that case -- one minute while I look at my map ----- the left Bn. will have 9-10 miles to go, that's at least 3 hrs. I know that country, it's very enclosed and difficult, I think it will take 2 hrs. for sub-units to get into position. That makes it 12-30.

G.O.C. That is a long time, don't you think you can cut it down.

Bde. Comd. I doubt it, sir, but we shall try.

G.O.C. Right! Now, I've told you about your right -- the Chemical Warfare Group will be on your left. They will probably be in position before you are. 5 Fd. Bty. and 1 A.T. Bty. have been ordered to join you and should be down inside an hour. Representatives from both should be reporting to you at any minute now. Risson is also reporting to you but I can't move his Coy. until I can squeeze some tpt. out of somebody.

Bde. Comd. What about amm. and supplies, sir?

G.O.C. A.A.S.C. will establish one or possibly two A.Ps., Q. will give you locations as soon as possible., I suppose your "B" Ech. will be left in your Camp, in which case supplies will be delivered there.

Bde. Comd. One last question, sir - what about kits?

G.O.C. Dump them. A.A.S.C. will pick them up and take them to the kit store. You will be under St. Clair's orders from now, but refer to me if you consider it necessary. I'll be at the Abbey.

18 MKD. BDE. EXERCISE - 30 JULY 40.Forecast of Events

- 28 Jul. 0900 hrs. Bns. & 3 Fd. Amb. warned breakfast 30 July to be 0600 hrs. Will be away from camp until approx. 2100 hrs.
Ball amm. to be collected from all personnel taking part in exercise and carried on Pl. trks.
Buses reporting 1400 hrs. 29 Jul. & coys. to be practiced embussing and debussing.
- 30 Jul. 0430 hrs. Rumours of enemy landings.
Units put at 1 hr. notice to move.
Order kits to be dumped.
- 0530 hrs. Landing at BOURNEMOUTH confirmed.
- 0605 hrs. G.O.C. A.I.F. rings Bde. Comd. Narrative.
- 0630 hrs. Umpires and R.A.A. reps. report to Bns.
Dets. 3 Fd. Amb. report Bns.
- 0635 hrs. L.Os. to Bn. with narrative & verbal orders.
Bde. H.Q. warned of move. S.C. to recce. new area.
Adv. H.Q. to be ready move 0715 hrs.
- 0720 hrs. Mobile Gps. move.
Adv. Bde. H.Q. moves with centre Gp.
- 0750 hrs. Mobile Gps. in areas given.
Bde. Comd. makes recce. with R.A.A. & R.A.E.
- 0800 hrs. Bns. cross co-ordinating line.
- 0900 to 1030 hrs. } R.A.F. attacks on columns.
1030 hrs. }
1030 hrs. Bns. reach area.
C.Os. report Bde. Comd. having recce. own areas.
- 1100 hrs. }
to } R.A.F. attacks on troops and tpt.
1230 hrs. } concentrations observed.
- 1230 hrs. Defensive position occupied.
Mobile Gps. withdrawn.
- 1300 hrs. Enemy A.F.Vs. appear on front and attempt crossings at various points.
- 1400 hrs. Reported enemy A.F.Vs. penetrated front Chem. Warfare Gp.
10 Bn. ordered to hold BOSSINGTON bridge.
- 1530 hrs. Dive bombing attack by R.A.F. on front 9 & 12 Bns. and attack by enemy inf.
- 1630 hrs. Exercise ends.
- 2000 hrs. Arrive camp.

Gist of verbal orders issued through L.Os. - 0635 hrs.INFORMATION

As Narrative.

INTENTION.13 Mxd. Bde. will defend line S. Ry.
incl. WEST DEAN - MOTTISFONT.METHOD.1. Mobile Gps. - under comd. Bde. H.Q.

(a) From each Bn.

One coy.
One sec. carriers.
W/T det.

(b) Move forthwith and occupy positions:-

9 Bn. Gp. - WEST DEAN FM. 6746.
12 Bn. Gp. - LOCKERLEY 7345.
10 Bn. Gp. - AWBRIDGE HOUSE 7644
covering approaches from South.(c) Routes:-9 Bn. - WARREN COURT 7053 - WEST TYTHERLEY
7150 - WEST DEAN 6946.12 Bn. - rd. & track junc. 723551 -
WHITESHOOT HILL 7253 - EAST
TYTHERLEY 7349 - LOCKERLEY.10 Bn. Cross rds. 735551 - rd. junc.
744525 - MOTTISFONT.(d) To be withdrawn as soon as Bns. in posn. & revert
Bn. control. Order for withdrawal from Bde. H.Q..2. MAIN Bodies.

(a) Move on routes as for mobile gps.

(b) Cross rd SALISBURY - STOCKBRIDGE 0800 hrs.

(c) Each responsible own protection.

(d) Inter Bn. boundaries - on map.
Any adjustments to be made after positions occupied.

(e) To be in position by 1230 hrs.

(f) Under comd. each Bn.-

Det. 3 Fd. Amb.
One Tp. 1 A.F. Bty.

Reps. report 0700 hrs.

3. Adv. Bde. H.Q. accompanied by recon. parties R.A.A.,
R.A.E. follows centre mobile gp.. Opens
STAR INN 7348.

4. 3 Fd. Bty. moves in rear 12 Bn..

ADM.

6. All kits to be dumped for tpt to kit store by A.A.S.O..
8. Rear parties - 1 offr, 3 n.c.c's, 25 O.Rs. remain each Bn.
7. T.O.P. Cross rds 707354.
8. B. Ech. Tpt remains camp.

INTERCOMMS.

9. Bde. H.Q. closes present location 0730 hrs. reopens EAST TYTHERLEY.
10. One W/T det. to each Bn. forthwith for mobile cols. Revert to Bn. H.Q. when mobile gps. withdrawn.
11. Location statement to Bde. H.Q. by each Bn. when in position.
12. Bn. Comds. report Adv. Bde. H.Q. 1030 hrs..

Issued 0635 hrs. by L.Os..

18 AUS MXD BDE.TRAINING INSTRUCTION. NO. 3.

1. By 15 Jul. 40 all units should have available sufficient tpt. to attain a reasonable degree of mobility. Also, by this date troops should be fit and have attained a degree of efficiency in the handling of all weapons to warrant very little further time being spent on individual training. Units will, in consequence, concentrate on Bn. training with the object of:-
- (a) Testing their mobility with the vehicles now allotted to them, and deciding upon the best allocation and loading of vehicles.
 - (b) Practising Bn. and sub-unit H.Q. in command, control and intercommunication in the field.
2. Until further advice a max. of the equivalent of one day in each week will be devoted to individual and weapon training. The object of this will be to:-
- (a) Counteract the slackness in drill and bearing that normally accompanies a period of field training.
 - (b) Practice handling weapons, particularly L.M.G., A.Tk. Rifle and Grenade, and firing on 30 yd. range.
3. With reference to the allotment of vehicles now available to Bns. it must be understood that there is a distinct possibility that units may be required to take the field without any increase on those now held. Units must, therefore consider very carefully how they can best employ the tpt. available. A table must be maintained in every unit showing the allotment of transport, the stores to be carried in each vehicle, and the personnel to travel in it.

On the basis of present equipment and transport available the following is a possible allotment of vehicles:-

Car 4-str.	1.	C.O. & Adjnt., I.O.
Trucks 8 cwt.	3.	Coy. comds. and Sigs.
Truck 12 cwt.	1.	" " "
" "	1.	M.O. and equip.
<u>Trucks 15 cwt.</u>		
Bn. office	1.	
A.A.L.M.Gs.	1.	
L.M.Gs. tools, amn.	8.	2 per rifle coy.
3" Mortar, amn., tools.	1.	
Res. S.A.A.	2.	
M.M.Gs. and amn.	2.	
<u>Lorries 30 cwt.</u>		
Cooking gear	2.	

4. The practice of command, control and intercommunication must be carried out in conjunction with Coy. and Bn. exercises. All available tpt. should be used on these exercises in accordance with its allotment, and the tpt. should be required to carry the stores that it may actually have to carry in the field. That is to say, the allotment of tpt. to a Coy. for a Coy. exercise should be only what it can get and NOT what it ought to get.

At least two Bn. exercises should be carried out during the forthcoming week. Copies of the exercises are to be forwarded to Bde. H.Q. 24 hours in advance.

Units will ensure that tps. are back in camp at least one hour before dark. Also, to ensure that there is always at least one Bn. available in camp, Bn. exercises will be carried out on the following days:-

9 Bn.	16, 18, or 19 July.
10 Bn.	15, 16, or 17 July.
12 Bn.	17, 18 or 19 July.

5. Lights of shine on the differential will be fixed to all vehicles for convoy work at night and H.T. drivers are to be trained in convoy work both by day and night.

A.R. Garrett (Maj.)
B.M. 18 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Distribution.

9 Bn.	8
10 Bn.	6
12 Bn.	8
3 P.A. Amb.	2
Australforce	1
Comd.	1
File	2
W.D. ✓	2

W.D.

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ 13 Aus Inf Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brigadier	HX 8	Mosshead J.F.	6 Aust Div	Yes	
Major	HX 346	Forrest R.H.	"	Yes	
Capt	GX 6060	Dodds M.G.	"	Yes	
"	GX 6064	Fleming G.W.	ANSC	Yes	
"	HX 7	Woods J.	6 Aust Div	Yes	
Capt. R.H.	GX 6074	Wicks O.B.	HHC C	No	Detached to 9th Ar
"	GX 6078	Hobbs J.	"	Yes	10th Ar
"	VX 147	Hobbs R.G.	"	Yes	12th Ar

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	SX 1438	Hayward J.B.	2/10 Ar	20/10/40	A/Bee J.O.
"	SX 620	Siddons R.W.	"	27/10/40	Luton Ar
"	GX 2817	Smith G.S.	2/12 Ar	"	"
"	GX 6075	Lawton J.E.	2/14 Ar	"	"
"	HX 348	Reid H.T.	HQOC HQOC	22/10/40	LHD 47
"	HX 196	Gray W.C.	"	"	"

H.Q. 15 Aust Inf Bde
(Unit.)

6 July 40
(Date of Despatch.)

R. Dodds Capt
H.Q. 15 Aust Inf Bde (Signature of Commander.)

H.Q. 15 Aust Inf Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ 18 Aus. Inf. Bde (Unit) 6 July 1940 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	50		
TOTALS	61	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Syts 1	Intell. Corps 6 Austs	Ptes 2.	6 Div Amv Coy
" 1	47 LAD. AF. Whel.	" 2	6 Div Sup. Sub.
" 1	6 Div Amv Sub-Pk.		
Syts 2	47 LAD. AF. Whel.		
Ptes 9	" " "		
" 8	10 Bn 1 Aus Bn		
" 1	12 Bn "		

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aus Inf Bde Unit.

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aus Inf Bde
Unit.

R.R. Dodds Capt.
Signature of Commander.
H.Q. 18 Aus Inf Bde
S.P.A.

Date of Despatch *6 Jul 40*
D.3459.

Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

.....(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brigadier	HXX	Macpherson J.	CAV	Yes	
Major	HX 246	Garrett A.P.	"	"	
Major	OX 6060	Dodds M.H.	"	"	
	OX 6064	Flaming B.W.	H.A.S.C.	No	attached to H.A.S.C. Bde
	HX 7	Good J.L.	CAV	Yes	
Major	OX 6074	Stark G.B.	H.A.C.C.	No	attached to 9 Bn
	OX 6078	Helmholtz K.	"	"	" 10 Bn
	HX 197	Helmholtz R.P.	"	"	" 12 Bn

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut.	OX 1428	Hargrave J.D.	10 B	10 June 40	9/Bde 2 D.
"	OX 620	Hubb R.	"	27 June 40	main office
"	OX 3817	Hibbs S.	12 Bn	"	"
"	OX 6030	Horton F.C.	9 Bn	"	"
"	HX 348	Reid A.S.	LA 247 H.A.C.	20 July 40	LAD 47
"	HX 146	Ray J.H.	H.A.S.C.	2 July 40	9/Bde 2 D.

H.Q. 18 Aust Inf Bde
(Unit.)

12 July 40
(Date of Despatch.)

R.R. Dodds
(Signature of Commander.)

S.E. 18 Aust Inf Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

4th A. 18 Aus Inf Bde (Unit) *13 July* 19*42* (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	50		
TOTALS		*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>Syts 1</i>	<i>Intell. Corps & Aust. Pts</i>	<i>Pts 4</i>	<i>Pet. Coy. AA.S.C.</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>47LAR AAOC</i>		
<i>Coys 2</i>	<i>" "</i>		
<i>1</i>	<i>Pet Coy. AA.S.C.</i>		
<i>Pts 9</i>	<i>17LAR AAOC</i>		
<i>2</i>	<i>10 Bn 1 Aus Coy</i>		
<i>1</i>	<i>12 Bn 1 Aus Coy</i>		

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

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

Unit.

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

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

HQ 18 Aus Inf Bde
Unit.

R. J. Doole
Bde. 18 Aus Inf Bde
Signature of Commander.
Australians
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 13 July 40
D.3459.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 18 Aus Inf Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Battalier</i> *	1	/	/
...	...		
Lieut.-Colonels ...	...	
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	3		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...	...	
Quartermasters <i>to Captains & Class</i>	3		
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Bombardier	MX 8	Monsieur J.	6. Aus Div	Yes	
Plat.	MX 246	Gunnell A.R.	"	"	
Serjt.	QX 6060	Dodd M.G.	"	"	
"	QX 6064	Fleming G.W.	AASC	No	Attached Sup. Wing AASC.
"	MX 7	Good S.	6. Aus Div	Yes	
"	SX 1438	Hayward J.D.	"	"	
Lieut	QX 6030	Loxton J.C.	"	"	
"	QX 3817	Shir A.S.	"	"	
"	SX 620	Seddon R.W.	"	"	
Capt. 464	QX 6074	Steele O.D.	AACC	No	att. 9 Bn
"	QX 6078	Holmes R.C.	"	"	" 12 Bn
"	QX 197	Holmes R.C.	"	"	att 10 Bn.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	MX 146	Day W.H.	AASC	5 Feb 40	at Base S.C.
Lieut	MX 348	Reid A.J.	AASC 19047	20 Feb 40	

H.Q. 18 Aus Inf Bde
(Unit.)

20 July 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

S.C. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde
Australia
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. 18 Aus Engr Bn (Unit) *20 July* 19 *40* (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	51		
TOTALS	62	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>1/1 Sgt</i> 1	<i>47 LAD AAOC</i>		
<i>Sgt</i> 1	<i>Small boat 6000</i>		
<i>8 Pts</i> 2	<i>47 LAD AAOC</i>		
" 1	<i>Pet boy AAOC</i>		
<i>Pts</i> 9	<i>47 LAD AAOC</i>		
" 4	<i>Pet boy AAOC</i>		

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

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

HQ 18 Aus Inf Bde Unit.

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

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

HQ 18 Aus Inf Bde Unit.

[Signature] Capt.
Signature of Commander.
18 Aus. Inf Bde
Australia
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 20 July 40
D.345B.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ 18 Aus Inf Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Bergacher</i> *	1	/	/
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	#		
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	4		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	3		
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brigadier	HA 8	Morshead L.V.	6 Aus Div	yes	
Col.	HA 246	Garnett C.R.	"	"	
Batt.	QA 6060	Doddie M.G.	"	"	
"	QA 6064	Fleming G.W.	AA SC	No	attached Supply Coy 114.
"	WA 7	Good S.	6 Aus Div	yes	
"	SX 1438	Edwards D.D.	"	"	
Lieut	QA 6030	Loxton F.G.	"	"	
"	QA 3817	Clark G.S.	"	"	
"	SX 620	Adams R.W.	"	"	
Batt. & Lt.	QA 6074	Steele G.D.	AA SC	No	att to 9 Bde
"	QA 6078	Hobhouse	"	"	att to 12 Bde
"	VA 197	Helmolt R.A.	"	"	att to 10 Bde

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Batt.	HA 246	Day W.B.	AA SC	5 Feb 40	Off Bde S.O.
Lieut	HA 348	Reid G.J.	AA OC	20 Feb 40	LAD 47

40 18 Aus Inf Bde
(Unit.)

27 July 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature] Batt.
(Signature of Commander.)

40 18 Aus Inf Bde
Australia
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

R 18th Aust Inf Bde (Unit) 27. 7. 1940 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	52		
TOTALS	63	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
S/Sgt 1	47 L A D A A O C	Corporals 1	A Post Unit
Sgt 1	Intell Corps 64th	Private 1	Intell Corp.
Corp. 2	47 L A D A A O C		
" 1	Pat Coy 4 A S E		
Privates 9	47 L A D A A O C		
" 4	Pat Coy A A S E		
Sgt 1	A A P C		

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aust Inf Bde Unit.

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aust Inf Bde.
Unit.

[Signature] Capt.
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 27 July 40
D.3459.

Australiana
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit H.Q. 18 Mxd. Bde. A.I.F. Date and Time.—From 1 To 31 August 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe Camp	3 August		8 additional Carriers arrived making a total of 17 in the Bde.	
	5 "		Further 7 carriers arrived which gives us 8 per Bn.	
			All units also received 1938 pattern Equipment, which is a great advantage over the 1908, with which we were previously equipped.	
			We need more Bren Guns and A.Tk. rifles, for owing to the increased number of carriers now available we are in the unfavourable position of having to decide to whether to equip them, thereby leaving Infantry Coys. very short indeed, or whether we are to equip the Infantry Coys. and leave the Carriers short of weapons. We have still only 21 Brens and 12 Boys per Bn.	
			We now form part of Australian Striking Force, which is the new name given to what was previously Southern Command Striking Force. The composition of the Force is the same as previously.	
			It has been decided that each Bn. is to form a Mobile Platoon consisting of:-	
			1 Lieutenant	
			1 Sgt.	
			4 Cpls.	
			26 O.Rs. , with 28 solo motor cycles,	
			and 4 combination machines. These personnel will be additional to our present establishment per Bn. of 717. There is no sign of the Motor Cycles yet.	

A.R.G.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

Unit H.Q. 18 Mxd. Bde. A.I.F. Date and Time.—From 1 To 31 Aug. 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe Corner Camp	13 Aug.		<p>At 1630 hrs. this afternoon a number of planes which were taken to be enemy flew high over the Camp above the clouds. Three (3) minutes later 4 planes appeared at about 2000 ft. We thought they were our own Blenheims until one of the planes was seen to release a number of bombs. Air Raid Warning "Red" had been given about 5 mins. previously and all troops were in their trenches. Eight (8) bombs fell in an open field about 200 yards to the East of the Camp. Nobody was hit and no damage was done. The largest crater was about 30ft. in diameter and 15 ft. deep.</p>	
			<p>During the last 4 days there have been large scale raids over England. Up to four and five hundred planes being used at the time. The papers report that in the last three (3) days our R.A.F. have brought down 203 planes with a loss of about 50 to ourselves.</p>	
			<p>The Bns. got an additional 7 Brens each. They now have 28 per Bn. They also got 14 motor cycles per Bn. to start the motor cycle Platoons.</p>	
	15 Aug.)		<p>On these two days a Bde. Exercise was carried out. The following units being under command:-</p>	
	16 ")		<p>3 Ed. Regt. 1 A.Tk. Bty. "C" 1 M.G. Bn. 3 Ed. Amb.</p>	
			<p>The Exercise involved the movement of all three Bns. by 'bus, 9 Bn. acting as Enemy moving out into position early on the morning of 15 Aug. The remainder of the Bde. and all attached troops moved</p>	
			<p>shortly after midday on the same day, and their task was to attack and capture 9 Bn. which represented a German Parachute Bn.</p>	

APG

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

Unit H.Q. 18 Mxd. Bde. A.I.F. Date and Time.—From 1 To 31 Aug. 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe Camp	15/16 Aug.		The Exercise was well carried out, and fighting was almost continuous from about 5 p.m. on the 15th until 3 p.m. on the 16 Aug. The conditions under which the action was fought were much more real than in any previous Exercise owing to the fact that a full scale enemy was available. (Appx. "A")	Appx. "A"
	Cont.			
			During our absence from Camp further bombing attacks by enemy aircraft were made in this vicinity, and on the night 15/16 Aug. about 400 incendiary bombs were dropped about seven or eight hundred yards from the Camp.	
			Indications are that attacks of this nature are now going to be an almost daily occurrence.	
	21 Aug.		LEAVE : Commencing on 21 Aug. each man is being granted six days leave. Personnel from this Bde. depart every alternate day - approx. 5% at a time - so that not more than 15% are away at any one time.	
			Free rail travel to any part of England or Wales has been granted, but personnel desirous of proceeding beyond Glasgow and Edinburgh are required to pay their fares beyond those towns.	
			Sustenance allowance of 2/5d (English) per day whilst on leave is being paid, and men may draw their pay in advance to the day their leave concludes.	
			Numerous offers of hospitality have been received by Australian Force, who have been advised that several hundreds of men from this Bde. are desirous of accepting same. Of these a large number have expressed a wish to be accommodated in Glasgow.	
			Men have been advised to save their money, and those short of funds will proceed on leave towards the end, and will thereby be enabled to save more.	

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War Diary.

NO CHANGE FROM VERBAL ORDERS.

SECRET.
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15 Aug. 40.

18 Mxd. Bde. O.O. No. 7

- Ref. Maps. SALISBURY PLAIN 1" to 1 mile O.S. 1" to 1 mile Sheet 112
ENGLAND SOUTH 1/2" to 1 mile Sheet 11.
- INFORMATION. 1. No additional.
- INTENTION. 2. 18 Mxd. Bde. will move to area VERNHAM DEAN 7776.
- METHOD. 3. Adv. Gd.
(a) Comd. Lt. Col. Verrier 10 Bn.
10 Bn.
One Tp. 1 A. Tk. Bty.
One Pl. 1 M.G. Bn.
Unit recee. parties debussing area.
(b) Route - see Movement Table Appx. A.
(c) Bounds - BURY HILL 7863 - ABBOTTS ANN 7863 by 1420 hrs
North edge DOLE WOOD 8072 by 1450 hrs.
VERNHAM ROW 7777-VERNHAM DEAN by 1545 hrs.
(d) Debussing Point - UPTON 8075
Buses return rd. UPTON - WILDHERN 7971 - HATHERDEN 787
4. Main Body. - See movement Table Appx. A.
5. Bren Carriers 9 and 12 Bns. Brigaded under comd. Lt. Gilmore 12 Bn.
Tasks.
(a) One Sec. move with Bde. R. Gp. for protection.
(b) Two Pls. less one Sec. move head adv. Gd. and picquet route of advance at:
x rds. 729582 -
x rds. 771627
rd. junc. 799655
rd. junc. 806666
x rds. 604706
rd. junc. 814725
x rds. 800753
Carriers follow tail of column after it has passed.
6. Debussing and Assembly area.
MANOR FM. 793767 VERNHAM DEAN.
7. Protection in Assembly area.
12 Bn. - rds. from East and S.W. to MANOR FM,
9 Bn. - Approaches from VERNHAM DEAN BOX FM and VERNHAM STREET 7977. 777777
8. Bde. O. Gp. - Report Pt. 605, 7678 . 1700 hrs.
Route - VERNHAM DEAN - BOX FM. - HENLEY 7679.
9. Sup. M.P. x rds. 800754, 1800 hrs.
Pet. P.P. UPTON 1900 hrs.- 2000 hrs.
10. One W/T ret. each Bn.
" " " Bde. R. Gp.
" " " Bde. H.Q.
11. Reports through Bde. R. Gp. to head main body during movement.
12. Bde. H.Q. closes present location 1500 hrs.
reopens VERNHAM DEAN 1615.

ADM.

INTERCOMN.

Ack.

Signed at

A. J. Barrett Maj.
B.M. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde.

Distribution.

- | | | |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. 9 Bn. | 5. 1 A. Tk. Bty. | 9. Bde. Cpm. 13. War Diar |
| 2. 10 Bn. | 6. Coy. 1 M.G. Bn. | 10. S.O. 14 War Diar |
| 3. 12 Bn. | 7. 3 Fd. Amb. | 11. T.O. |
| 4. Fd. Regt. | 8. Pro. Coy. | 12. File. |

MOVEMENT TABLE.

SECRET.
APPX. A.

Starting Point.
Route.

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Cross roads 729581.

rd. junc. 798655 - x rds. 804655 - rd. ry. br. 806667 - HURSTBOURNE TARRANT - IBTHORPE 3173

rd. junc. 782766 - Manor Fm. 793767.

Speed.
Density.

15 m.t.h.

15 v.t.m.

Serial No.	Unit.	Buses Allotted.	Embus.		No. of Vehicles.	S.P.		Arrive.		
			At.	Time.		Head	Tail	At.	Time	
1.	10 Bn. One Tp 1 A. Tk. Bty. One Pl 1 M.G. Bn.	1 - 18		1342	43 6 6	1355	1410	UPTON 8075	1500	Adv. Gd.
2.	R. Gp. 18 Mxd. Bde.				10	1430	1432			Incl. Comds. 3 Fd. Regt 1 A Tk Bty, Coy M G BN.
3.	12 Bn.	19 - 37		1442	43	1455	1507	MANOR 7976	1600	
4.	H.Q. 18 Mxd. Bde. K Sec. Sigs.				7	1508	1510	Assembly Area	1613	
5.	3 Fd. Regt.				64	1512	1529	"	1617	
6.	Coy. 1 M.G. Bn. less 1 pl.				18	1531	1536	"	1636	
7.	3 Md. Amb.				16	1538	1543	"	1643	
8.	9 Bn.				-	-	-	-	-	
9.	L.A.D.				3	1539	1540		1644	

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Ref. Map:- SALISBURY PLAIN. 1 in to 1 mile.
O.S. - 1 in to 1 mile Sheet 112

NO CHANGE FROM VERBAL ORDER.

INFORMATION.

1. Enemy. - 9 P.R. 1 holds HAYDOWN HILL 7576 and OAKHILL WOOD
excl. rd. 7677 to VERNHAM DEAN 7776 which rd. is
held by 10 Bn. Enemy strength almost intact.

2. Own Tps. -

(a) 10 Bn hold rd. VERNHAM DEAN - FOSBURY as far
as North edge OAKHILL WOOD.
MARLBOROUGH Det on right of 10 Bn. holds rd.
to CHURCH FM.

TROWERIDGE Det holds line ROUND HILL 7477
south for 2500 yds.

NORTH HANTS Det. hold CHUTE CAUSEWAY rd. south
of HAYDOWN HILL.

(b) 9 Bn. is reserve Bn to Bde in KIBLET DOWN 777⁵

(c) Arty. position is uncertain.
M.G. Bn. will support attack.

INTENTION.

3. 18 Mxd. Bde. will attack HAYDOWN HILL and kill or
capture enemy holding it.

METHOD.

4. Attack to be carried out by 12 Bn.

(a) Right of attack Track Fosbury 7678
Fosbury Farm 7577.

Left of attack

Northern outskirts OAKHILL WOOD

(b) Objective

HAYDOWN HILL

(c) Starting Line

Road VERNHAM DEAN - FOSBURY.

5. 10 Bn. and one Coy. advance through OAKHILL WOOD
with object of securing SW outskirts.

Remainder 10 Bn. to follow forward coy if its
objective reached and be prepared to assist defence
12 Bn.

Zero attacks 10 and 12 Bns. 0400 hrs.

6. Reserve - 9 Bn. - KIBLET DOWN 777⁵. Prepare
move CONHOLT PARK 7574 area to
prevent enemy escaping to South.

Arty.-

7. Concentrations

- (a) One bty house 75 5777 Zero to Zero plus 15.
Zero plus 15 to Zero plus 30 FOSBURY FARM
- (b) One bty N.W. edge OAKHILL WOOD
Zero to Zero plus 30.

Thereafter fire by observation in support
12 Bn.

8. M.G. Tasks.

One pl. N.W. edge OAKHILL WOOD
Zero to zero plus 30.

One pl. FOSBURY FARM area zero to Zero plus 20.

One pl. under comd. 10 Bn. to enfilade Southern
slopes HAYDOWN HILL

9. A.Tk.

Protection approaches VIERNHAN DEAN.

10. Success Signal.

Red-Green-Red.

ADM.

11. Medical.

Car Loading Post - Rd. junc. 767777
M.D.S. - UPTON.

12. Ann.

A.P. - MANOR FARM 796758.

13. Prisoners.

P.O.W. to be retained under unit arrangements. An
occasional man to be sent to Bde. for interrogation.

14. Traffic.

Traffic Map has been issued separately.

15. Tpt.

"B" Ech to remain present location until further orders.

INTERCOMN.

16. Reports Bde. H.Q. 783772.

17. Sigs. to lay line to each Bn. H.Q..

ACK.

Issued to Sigs 2040 hrs.

A.R. Garrett
(A.R. GARRETT) Maj.
B.M. 18 Mxd. Bde. A.I.F. **XXIV**

DISTRIBUTION:-

Copy No.	1	9 Bn.
	2	10 Bn.
	3	12 Bn.
	4	3 Fd. Regt.
	5	5 A.T. Bty.
	6	"C" Coy. 1 M.G. Bn.
	7.	3 Fd. Amb.
	8.	Marlborough Det.
	9.	Trowbridge Det.
	10.	Amesbury Det.
	11.	File.
	12, 13.	War Diary.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

A.Q. 16 Aus. Mtn. Bde. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Battalions</i> *	1	/	/
...			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	4		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
<i>Chaplain 4 class</i>	3		
TOTALS ...			

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brevet Major	FX 8	Abrahamson L.	6th Div.	Yes	
Major	FX 246	Garnett A.P.	"	Yes	
Capt.	QX 6060	Dunlop M.G.	"	Yes	
"	QX 6064	Blaney L.W.	AASC	No	Attached to Supply Coy, 4th Div.
"	FX 7	Good S.	6th Div.	Yes	
"	SX 1438	Hughes S.D.	"	Yes	
Lieut.	QX 6030	Winton J.B.	"	Yes	
"	QX 3817	Wink S.L.	"	Yes	
"	SX 620	Wilson R.W.	"	Yes	
Capt. 4th Div.	QX 6074	Steele P.B.	A.A.C.C.	No	Att to 9 Bn
"	QX 6078	Hutchinson W.P.	"	No	12 Bn
"	VX 197	Helmreich R.A.	"	No	10 Bn

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	FX 246	Day W.L.	AASC	5 Feb 40	At Rec S.O.

AQ 18 Ansell Bn
(Unit.)

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

3 Aug 40
(Date of Despatch.)

SC 18 Med Bn A 97
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

AD 13 Aus. Mosaic Bde (Unit) 3 Aug. 19 40 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	50		
TOTALS	61	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
S/Sgt 1	LAD 47 AHOC	Pte 9	LAD 47 AHOC
Sgt 1	A Force Intell Cps	" 4	Pet. Coy AASC
" 1	A.F.P.C.	" 1	A Force Intell Cps
Bpls 1	A Force Intell Cps		
" 2	LAD 47 AHOC		
" 1	A Force Postal Wk.		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
HX 8823	Pte	Storer W.		AIF Personnel Depot.

H.Q. 18 Aus Abnd Bde Unit.

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aus Abnd Bde
Unit.

R. J. Dooley Capt.
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch *3 Aug 40*
D.3459,

Australian Force M/S
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

W.D.

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Army Form W.3068
(Page 1.)
(Adapted.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

A.Q. 18 Mount Base AIF. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Brigadier</i> *	1	/	/
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	4		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	2		
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Bunguechin	MX 8	Morshead L.J.	Australian Force	yes	
Capt.	MX 246	Garnet A.R.	"	"	
	QX 6060	J Dodds M.G.	"	"	
	QX 6064	Fleming E.W.	A.A.S.C.	no	att Supply along A.A.S.C.
	WA 7	Good S.	Australian Force	yes	
	SX 1438	Howard J.D.	"	"	
Lieut.	QX 6030	Lorton J.L.C.	"	"	
"	QX 3817	Hugh C.S.	"	"	
"	SX 620	Seddon R.W.	"	"	
Capt. 4 Bns	QX 6074	Steele O.B.	A.A.S.C.	no	att 9 Bn
"	QX 6078	Helmhouse W.P.	"	"	att 12 Bn
"	VX 197	Belmore R.A.	"	"	att 10 Bn

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	MX 196	Ray W.L.	A.A.S.C.	5 Feb 40	A/Bn 10.
Lieut.	MX 348	Reid A.J.	A.A.O.C.	20 Feb 40	OME 47 L.A.D.

HQ 18th Abn Bde A.I.F.
(Unit.)
10 Aug 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)
18th Abn Bde
Australian Force A.I.F.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

4012th Mixed Bde AIF (Unit) 10 Aug 1940 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	50		
TOTALS	61	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
S/Sydt 1	LAD 47 AAOC	Pte 9	LAD 47 AAOC
Sydt 1	A Force Intell Cpt	" 4	Pte Coy AASC
" 1	A.A.P.C.	" 1	A Force Intell Cpt
b/pls 1	A Force Intell Corps		
" 2	LAD 47 AAOC		
" 1	A Force Postal Unit		
Pte 1	" " "		

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

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

H.Q. 18 Abroad Base A.I.F. Unit.

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

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

H.Q. 18 Abroad Base A.I.F. Unit.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.
S. G. 18 Abroad Base A.I.F.
Australian Force.

Date of Despatch 10 Aug 40
D.3459.

Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

A.O. 14 Mixed Bde A.I.I. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Bugbear</i> *	1	/	/
...			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	4		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	3		
<i>Chubbin 4 Class</i>			
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brigadier	MX 8	Abrahamson D.J.	1 Aust Corps	yes	
Major	MX 246	Gunnith A.R.	"	"	
Capt.	QX 6060	Dodds M.G.	"	"	
"	QX 6064	Flannery G.D.	AASC	no	Att. supply along AASC
"	MX 7	Goode S.	1 Aust Corps	yes	
"	SX 1438	Byrnes D.D.	"	"	
Lieut	QX 6030	Lidstone J.C.W.	"	"	
"	QX 3817	Shink G.S.	"	"	
"	SX 620	Spencer R.W.	"	"	
Chap. USARV	QX 6074	Stubb O.B.	AASC	no	Att. 9 Bn
"	QX 6078	Holmes M.P.	"	"	" 12 Bn
"	VX 197	Stebbins R.A.	"	"	" 10 Bn

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut	MX 196	Doug M.	AASC	5 July 40	A/Bn SO
Lieut	MX 348	Rind A.J.	AASC	20 Feb 40	OMF. 1712 47

HQ. 18 Abn Bn AIF
(Unit.)
17 Aug 40
(Date of Despatch.)

R.R. Dodds Lieut.
(Signature of Commander.)
S.C. 18 Abn Bn AIF
Australia Force AFHQ
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

AHQ 18th Abn Bde Bn AIF (Unit) *17 Aug* 19 *42* (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	50		
TOTALS	61	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>S/Sgt 1</i>	<i>LAD 47 AAOC</i>	<i>Pte 9</i>	<i>LAD 47 AAOC</i>
<i>Sgt. 1</i>	<i>A Force Intell Corps</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>Pet. Coy AASC</i>
<i>" 1</i>	<i>AA PC</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>A Force Intell Corps</i>
<i>B/Plt 1</i>	<i>A Force Intell Corps</i>	<i>" 1</i>	<i>10 Bn. 18 Abn Bde</i>
<i>" 2</i>	<i>LAD 47 AAOC</i>		
<i>" 1</i>	<i>A Force Postal Unit</i>		
<i>Pte 1</i>	<i>" " "</i>		

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

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

S.B. 18 all over Bde AIF Unit.

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

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

S.B. 18 all over Bde AIF
Unit.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.
S.B. 18 all over Bde AIF
Australian Force M.H.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch *17 Aug 42*
D.3459.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 18 Australian Base (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Brigadier</i> *	1	/	/
...			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	4		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	3		
<i>Captain 4. 10 less</i>			
TOTALS ...			

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brigadier	MX 8	Monahan J		Yes	
Major	MX 246	Gunnell A.R.		Yes	
Capt.	QX 6060	Proctor M.J.		"	
"	QX 6064	Fleming E.W.	HAASC.	no	act Supply along HAASC
"	WX 7	Good J.H.		Yes	
"	SX 1438	Hayward J.D.		Yes	
Lieut.	QX 6030	Loxton J.H. W.		"	
"	QX 3817	Mark G.H.		"	
"	SX 620	Seaton R.W.		"	
Capt. & Col.	QX 6074	Wade O.B.	HA.C.C.	no	att 9 Bn.
"	QX 6078	Whelan J.P.	"	"	att 12 Bn.
"	VX 197	Wheeler R.A.	"	"	att 10 Bn.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	MX 146	Day J.L.	HAASC.	5 July 40	att Bn 56

H.Q. 18 Aus Abnd Bde
(Unit.)
24 Aug 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)
S.B. 18 Aus Abnd Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

H.Q. 18 Aus Mounted Bde Unit.

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aus Mounted Bde Unit.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.
S. G. 18 Aus Mounted Bde
Australian Force
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch *24 Aug 40*
D.3459,

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H Q 18 Aus Abn Base (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Bugodier</i> *	1		/
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	4		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
<i>Quartermasters</i> ...	3		
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brigadier	HX 8	Moorehead L.J.		Yes	
Major	HX 246	Garnett A.R.		Yes	
Capt.	QX 6060	Doddle W.G.		"	
"	QX 6064	Fleming C.A.	A.A.S.C.	No	Act Supply along HASC
"	HX 7	Good S.H.		Yes	
"	SX 1438	Hayward S.B.		Yes	
Lieut.	QX 6030	Louison J.C.W.		Yes	
"	QX 3817	Stark C.S.		"	
"	SX 620	Seadon R.W.		"	
6 Capt. & 6 Lt.	QX 6074	Steele O.B.	H.A.C.C.	No	att. 9 Bn
"	QX 6078	Stokenhouse W.P.	"	"	att 12 Bn
"	VX 197	Stemore R.W.	"	"	att 10 Bn

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	HX 196	Day W.L.	HASC	5 Jul 40	at Base S.C.

H.Q. 18 Aus Mount Bde
(Unit.)
31 Aug 40
(Date of Despatch.)

James S. Hayward, Capt.
(Signature of Commander.)
for S.C. 18 Aus
Australian Force (M.S.)
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

40 18 Aust. ~~Infantry~~ (Unit) 31 Aug 1940 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	50		
TOTALS	61	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Sgt 1	A.H.P.C.		
Cpls 1	A Force Intell Corp		
" 1	A Force Postal Unit		
Ptes 2	A Force Postal Unit		
" 4	Reg. Along A.H.S.C.		
" 1	A Force Intell C. pr.		
" 1	10 Bn. 18 Bde		

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aus. Abroad Base Unit.

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aus. Abroad Base
Unit.

James S Hayward
Signature of Commander.
Australian Force (M.A.F.)
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch *31 Aug 40*
D.3459,

WAR DIARY PRECIS.

Classification of Subject.	<i>HQ</i> 18 ^{Inf} Brigade.	September 40.
Embarkation	Preparations for move from U.K. to M.E.	War Diary. 18 Brigade. 1 September 40.
Invasion	Preparations. Reports of enemy landing Stand to.	War Diary. 18 Brigade. 7 September 40. 8 September 40 22 September 40.
Operational Roll.	(a) Action against parachutists landing on Salisbury Plain. (b) Reserve to 5 Corps in South of England.	War Diary. 18 Brigade. 8 September 40.
Visitors.	H.R.H. Duke of Kent. Chief of General Staff Sir John Dill K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.	War Diary. 18 Brigade. 17 September 40. 20 September 40.
Enemy Air activity.	Molotof Bread Basket in camp area.	War Diary. 18 Brigade. 29 September 40.

WAR DIARY PRECIS.

Classification of Subject	<i>N.O.</i> ^{<i>Inf</i>} 18 _A Brigade.	October 40.
Training	Brigade exercises	War Diary 18 Brigade. 1 - 2 October 40. 4 - 5 October 40.
Location	Movement to Colchester.	War Diary. 18 Brigade. 7 - 15 October 40
Visitors	Rt. Hon. S.M. Bruce. H.M. the King.	War Diary. 18 Brigade. 11 October 40. 30 October 40.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

SECRET

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde.

Date and Time.—From 1

To 31 Oct. 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LOPCOMBE	1/2		A Brigade Exercise was carried out in the EASTLEIGH area commencing at approx. 1600 hrs. 1 Oct. and concluding at approx. 1500 hrs. 2 Oct. Exercise Order - O.O. No. 3	Appx. "A".
	4/5		An Exercise was carried out in the TIDWORTH - UPAVON area. The weather was exceedingly inclement, being the first wet weather that the Bde. had encountered on manoeuvres since its inception. Exercise Order. - O.O. No. 4	Appx. "B"
	7		A conference was held at Australian Force H.Q. Amesbury Abbey. The G.O. C. presided, and among those who attended were the Bde. Commanders of the 18 and 25 Brigades, and the G.Os. of all units Australian Force. G.O.C. advised the conference of the projected movement of the Force to Colchester on the 14,15,16 Oct.	
	8		The Staff Captain proceeded to COLCHESTER to carry out billeting arrangements.	
	9		The Brigade Major proceeded to Colchester to reconnoitre the Defence Sectors to be taken over by the 18 Bde.	
	11		Advance party proceeded to Colchester.	
			The Camp was visited by The Right Honourable S.M. Bruce who arrived at Bde. H.Q. at 1030 hrs. He was accompanied by the G.O.C. Australian Force, Major Gen. H.D. Wynter. After meeting members of Bde. H.Q. he proceeded to 12 Bn. where he was given a trial run in a Carrier.	
			Later he visited the 10 Bn. where he was given a demonstration in the use of smoke; then to 9 Bn. and 3 Fd. Amb.	
			He left Lopcombe Camp for Amesbury at 1230 hrs.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit H.Q., 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde. Date and Time.—From 1 To 31 Oct. 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LOPCOMBE	14		The Bde., less Rear Party, proceeded to COLCHESTER. Road Convoy left LOPCOMBE at 0640 hrs. arriving at Colchester 1800 hrs. Rail movement: Main body proceeded by motor transport to GRATELY, thence by train to Colchester. Five trains were required. The first left at 0845 hrs. and the last train arrived at Colchester at 0300 hrs. 15 Oct. The movement was carried out smoothly throughout.	
COLCHESTER	15		The Bde. settled at Colchester and disposed as follows: Bde. H.Q. and 9 Bn. - Meeanee Barracks. 10 Bn. - Hyderabad Barracks. 12 Bn. & 3 Bn. - Sobraon Barracks. Sub-Unit Commanders were very busy taking over their defence Sectors.	
	21		Training Instruction No. 7 issued. The Brigadier L.J. Morshead, C.M.G., D.S.O., E.D. became Acting Commander A.I.F. (U.K.) in the absence of Major General H.D. Wynter, C.M.G., D.S.O. - who was absent on sick leave. Lt. Col. J.E.G. Martin, 9 Bn., assumed temporary command of the Bde. in his absence.	Appx. "C".
	30		His Majesty the King visited Colchester Garrison. He was met by a Guard of Honour of the 9 Bn. in Lexton Road at 1130 hrs. and afterwards members of the Bde. Staff were introduced to him. He then inspected the Defences of the North and North East of Colchester, which were being manned by 3 Fd. Regt., 1 A.T. Regt. and 10 Bn. He then proceeded to the Southern Defences where he took the salute from the 9 Bn. returning from a route march. Later he visited the 12 Bn. at work on the Southern Defences of Colchester. His inspection of the 18 Mxd. Bde. was completed by 1600 hrs., and he then left to continue his inspection of other troops in the Australian Force.	

J. J. Dalrymple
Major.
B.M. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde.

INFORMATION

1. Enemy

Reliable information received that the Enemy earlier located at EAST WELLOW 7440 commenced at 1400 hrs today moving in the direction of ROMSEY 7941. From earlier information received it seems that the Enemy intends to proceed to WINCHESTER 9149 or at any rate to some fortress East of the R. ITCHEN. Reliable information however states that all bridges over R. ITCHEN North of OTTERBOURNE 8942 exclusive have been destroyed. The country between ROMSEY and R. TEST is inhabited by wild and lawless tribes who know no master other than force. The JELDIWALLAHS are unlikely to attempt to march through to the R. TEST during the few remaining hrs of daylight in case they should be ambushed and destroyed by the local tribesmen. Probably, therefore, the enemy will bivouac the night 1/2 Oct. in ROMSEY and will continue to march to cross the R. ITCHEN at first light 2 Oct..

2. Own Tps.

There is no change in posn or location of our own tps but we are now at 1 hrs notice.

INTENTION

3. (a) To move at first light to encounter the Enemy and recapture the Earl.
 (b) To destroy the Enemy forces.

METHOD

4. The advance will be carried out in two phases.

Phase I. (a) Move to R.V. of marching tps.

Adv. Gd. 12 Bn.

12 Bn. to R.V. DUMPERS OAKS 8455
 LONG COPSE 8354.

9 Bn. to move to R.V. WINTER DOWN COPSE 82.

Movement vide App. 'A'.

(b) Movement to R.V. by mobile tps.

Tp. 1 A/Tk. Regt.
 3 Fd. Regt. (less Bty.)
 3 Fd. Coy. (less Sec).
 Coy. 1 M.G. Bn.
 3 Fd. Amb.

to R.V. NORTH PARK WOOD 8053

Movement vide App. 'B'.

5. Phase II. Approach March.

Order of march -

Adv. Gd.
Comd. Lt. Col. Field.
12 Bn.
Tp. 3 Fd. Regt.
Sec. 1 A/Tk. Regt.
Pl. 1 M.G. Bn.
Rece. party 3 Fd. Coy.

Units to come under comd. O.C. Adv. Gd. 0530 hrs.

Route: Rd. junc. 849541 - rd junc 878521 - HURSLEY 866453.

S.P. Rd. junc. 849541

Adv. Gd. to clear S.P. by 0710 hrs.

6. Bounds.

The following bounds will be reported clear or otherwise by the following times -

Rd junction	873493	by	0630 hrs
HURSLEY	8645	by	0710 hrs.
Rd junction	871406	by	0740 hrs.

7. Main Body.

Movement vide. App. 'C'.

ADMIN.

8. "B" Ech to remain at LOPCOMBE CAMP at one hour's notice as regards units from that camp. Breakfast 2 Oct will be sent from "B" Ech. areas unless otherwise ordered.
9. Sup. Pt. 2 Oct. LOPCOMBE CAMP (for units from that camp).
10. Petrol Pt. area rd. junc. 810547 open 0100 hrs to 0200 hrs.

INTERCOMN.

11. Bde. H.Q. will close at LOPCOMBE CORNER at 2315 hrs.. Reopen at WOOLBURY RING 817554 0001 hrs.
12. Close at WOOLBURY RING 0800 hrs. Thence reports to head of main body.
12. W.T. Tenders will report to 9 and 12 Bns. at 1830 hrs.
13. Map code will be used for all messages sent by W.T..

ACK.

1 Oct. 40.

W. J. Daly
B.M. 18 Aus. Mtd. Bde. Maj.
Signed at 1620

MOVEMENT TABLEAPPENDIX "A"

Route : Rd. junc. 735551 - STOCKBRIDGE 7955.

S.P. Rd. junc. 735551

Speed 3 m.i.h.

Vehicle Density - 15 v.t.m.

Serial No.	Unit	Time	Destination	Remarks
1	12 Bn.	1900	Area - BUSHY COPSE LONG COPSE 8354	Via Rd. junc. 830545
2	9 Bn.	2130	Area - WINTER DOWN COPSE 8253 COPSE 8353	Via Rd. junc. 830545
3	Bde. H.Q.	2330	Area - WOOLBURY RING CAMP 8255	Via Rd. and track junc. 825545 Speed 10 m.i.h., Density 40 v.t.m.

MOVEMENT TABLE - APPENDIX "B"

Route - Rd. junc. 735684 - ANDOVER 8065 Rd. junc. 822590 - STOCKBRIDGE 7955
S.P. - Rd. junc. 735684
Speed - 10 m.i.h.
Density - 15 v.t.m.

Serial No.	Unit	No. of vehicles	Time past point	Route to Starting Point	Time	Destination	Remarks
1	Tp 1 A.T.Reg't.	8	3 mins	Via Rd. junc. 716692	0245	Off and along rd. West of Rd. & Track junc. 827545	
2	Coy. 1 MG Bn.	22	9 mins	Via Rd. junc. 714707	0253	West of Serial 1	
3	3 Fd. Reg't.	34	14 mins	Via Rd. junc. 716692	0307	NORTH PARK WOOD 8153	Via Rd. junc. 810548
4	3 Fd. Coy.	13	5 mins	Via Rd. junc. 714707	0326	West of Serial 2	
5	3 Fd. Amb.	14	6 mins	To move to area	TECDOWN	COTTAGE 800543 by	0700 hrs.

MOVEMENT TABLE

APPENDIX "C"

Route - Rd. junc. 873507 - HURSLEY 8645
S.P. - Rd. junc. 873507
Speed - 3 m.i.h.
Density - 15 v.t.m.

Serial No.	Unit	Starting Point	Route to S.P.	Time	Remarks
1	12 Bn. Sec. 1 A.T. Regt. Tp 3 Fd. Regt. Rece. 3 Fd. Coy. Pl. 1 M.G. Bn.	Rd. junc. 848541	Via Rd. junc. 830545	0600	
2	Sec. Carriers 9 Bn. Bde. R. Gp. Bde. O. Gp. Bde. H.Q.	Rd. junc. 873507	Via Rd. junc. 848541	0830	
3	Tp 1 A.T. Regt. (less 1 Sec)	Rd. junc. 873507	Via Rd. junc. 848541	0845	
4	9 Bn.	do.	Via Rd. junc. 827520	0900	
5	Coy 1 M.G. Bn. (less 1 Pl.)	do.	Via Rd. junc. 848541	1030	To move in bounds of 3 miles in rear of Serial 4.
6	3 Fd. Regt. (less 1 bty. & 1 tp.)	do.	Via Rd. junc. 858536	1040	To move in bounds in rear of Serial 5
7	3 Fd. Amb.	do.	do.	1100	To move in bounds in rear of Serial 6
8	Sec. Carriers	do.	do.	1105	To move in bounds in rear of Serial 7

DISTRIBUTION.

	<u>Ex. Order & App. "C"</u> <u>Copy No.</u>	<u>App. "A"</u> <u>Copy No.</u>	<u>App. "B"</u> <u>Copy No.</u>
Bde. Comdr.	1	1	1
Bde. T.O.	2	2	
9 Bn.	3	3	
12 Bn.	4	4	
3 Fd. Regt.	5		2
1 A/Tk. Regt.	6		3
3 Fd. Coy.	7		4
1 M.G. Bn.	8		5
3 Fd. Amb.	9		6
File	10 & 11	5 & 6	7 & 8
War Diary	12 & 13	7 & 8	9 & 10
Australian Force	15 & 16.	9 & 10	11 & 12.

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18 MXD. BDE. EXERCISE 1/2 OCT.

General Instructions.

(1) The following units will take part:-

H.Q. 18 Mxd. Bde.
2/3 Fd. Regt.
1 A.Tk. Regt.
3 Fd. Coy.
9 Aus. Bn.
10 " "
12 " "
Coy. 1 M.G. Bn.
3 Fd. Amb.

(2) The exercise will commence at 1600 hrs. 1 Oct. and conclude at approximately 1500 hrs. 2 Oct..

(3) Enemy.

(a) Comdr. Lt. Col. Verrier D.C.M.
Bty. 2/3 Fd. Regt.
Sec. 3 Fd. Coy.
10 Aus. Bn.
Pl. 1 M.G. Bn.
Det. 3 Fd. Amb.

(b) Representatives of Enemy units will report to H.Q. 10 Bn. for instructions at 0900 hrs. 1 Oct. 40.

(c) The enemy will wear felt hats.
All enemy M.T. and carriers will carry a white flag displayed in a prominent position.

(4) Blank Amn.

Blank amn. for Small Arms will be issued to M.G. and Infantry units.
Special arrangements are being made for Arty. units.

(5) Code Names.

Code names in accordance with list "A" will be used.

(6) Messages, etc.

All messages, will begin and end with the words "Exercise Message". Similarly orders will be marked "Exercise Order."

(7) Umpires.

Units will provide umpires on the following scale.-

<u>Umpires.</u>	<u>To be detailed by-</u>
3 Fd. Regt. R.H.Q. 1 Off. per bty. 1 Off.	C.O. 3 Fd. Regt.
1 A.Tk. Regt. per troop participating 1 Off. & 1 N.C.O.	C.O. 1 A/Tk. Regt.
9 Aus. Bn.	C.O. 9 Bn.
10 " "	C.O. 10 Bn.
12 " "	C.O. 12 Bn.
Each 5 Off. & 9 N.C.Os.	

<u>Umpires.</u>	<u>To be detailed by-</u>
3 Fd. Coy. 2 Offs. & 2 N.C.Os.	O.C. 3 Fd. Coy.
1 M.G. Bn. 1 Off. & 3 N.C.Os.	C.O. 1 M.G. Bn.

(8). Conference.

A conference will be held at H.Q. 18 Mxd. Bde. at 1430 hrs. 30 Sept. 40. The senior umpires of each unit are requested to attend.

(9). Units will be required to provide out lunches for Midday meal Wednesday 2 Oct..

F. J. Dalry
B.M. 18 Aus. Mxd. Maj.
Bde.

DISTRIBUTION:-

1 A.T. Regt
3 Fd. Regt.
3 Fd. Coy.
9 Aus. Bn.
10 Aus. Bn.
12 Aus. Bn.
1 M.G. Bn.
3 Fd. Amb.

Approx. "B"

EXERCISE ORDER

S E C R E T

Copy No. 14.
3 Oct. 40

H.Q. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde. O.O. No. 4.

Ref. Map: Salisbury Plain Area 1" to 1 mile.

INFORMATION.

1. Enemy. Strong enemy air-borne tps landed afternoon 3 Oct. at MANNINGFORD BRUCE (ref MARLBOROUGH Map 5878) then moved S.E. and by nightfall have captured and now hold UPAVON AERODROME 6074. Other enemy forces have effected landings at various points on the coast. Enemy at UPAVON aerodrome are a big force and have with them light tanks, light guns and mortars.
2. Own Tps.
 - (a) MARLBOROUGH Detachment is moving South to PEWSEY HILL 6278 and will on arrival be ordered to move and take up positions at MANNINGFORD BRUCE.
 - (b) TROWBRIDGE Detachment is now at RUSHALL 5676 and will prevent enemy movement West.
 - (c) AMESBURY Detachment is at NETHERAVON 5869 and will prevent enemy movement South.
 - (d) 25 Aus. Mxd. Bde. will move 0500 hrs 4 Oct to positions on line MILTON HILL 6378 - west edge of wood EVERLEIGH ASHES 6377 - west edge of small COPSE in sq. 6376 - EVERLEIGH 6274

INTENTION

3. To move on R.V. about cross rds 676723.

METHOD

4. Brigade will move embussed.

Order of March.

9 Bn. -
Sec. Carriers 10 Bn.
Bde. "R" Group.
Bde. H.Q.
Bde. "O" Group
10 Bn.
3 Fd. Amb.
12 Bn.
47 L.A.D.
Sec. Carriers 12 Bn.

Sec. Carriers 10 Bn. will report Bde. H.Q. at 0745 hrs.

Route.

Starting Pt.
Starting Time.
(As per Movement Table App. "A").

Embussing Points.

Busses will be drawn up at the following places:-

- 9 Bn. - Rd. running North and South through camp facing North with head at Bde. H.Q..
- 10 Bn. - SALISBURY-STOCKBRIDGE Rd facing East. Tail at rd. junc. 707554.
- 12 Bn. - Rd. SALISBURY-ANDOVER at JACKS BUSH 706569.

Method of Embussing.

Liaison Officer from 'bus coy. will report to each Bn. shortly after 0630 hrs. Bns. will embus under their own arrangements.

5. Bounds.

The following bounds will be reported by 0810 hrs:-

Cross rds. 677638.

6. Debussing.

Bns. will debus in the following areas:-

- 9 Bn. - pt 442 681720.
- 10 Bn. - COLLINGBOURNE DUCIS 6873
- 12 Bn. - Rd. junc. 675695.
- 3 Fd. Amb. - MOUNT ORLEANS FARM 694735.

7. Unit R.V.

On debussing units will proceed to the following areas:-

- 9 Bn. - HOUEMONT FARM 6772.
- 10 Bn. - COLLINGBOURNE DUCIS
- 12 Bn. - PENNINGS 6670.
- 3 Fd. Amb. - MOUNT ORLEANS FARM

8. Busses will R.V. LUDGERSHALL.

9. Debussing Recce Parties

Unit recce parties of 1 officer and 3 men from 10 Bn., 12 Bn., 3 Fd. Amb. will move in rear of Adv. Gd. Unit recce parties will report to C.O. 9 Bn. 0645 hrs.

Separate instructions issued to 1 A/Tk. Bty.

ADM.

10. Mid-day meal will be carried.

INTERCOMN.

11. Bde. H.Q. will close at LOPCOMBE CORNER 0730 hrs., thence reports to head of main body. Bde. H.Q. will reopen at 681714 at 0915 hrs. unless earlier notified.

12. W.T. Tenders will report Bn. H.Q. at 0700 hrs..

ACK.

J. Dal.
Maj.
B.M. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde..

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Issued to Sigs.....hrs.
4 Oct. 40

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| Copy No. | 1. | Bde. Comdr. |
| | 2. | Bde. T.O. |
| | 3. | "K" Sec. Sigs. |
| | 4. | 9 Bn. |
| | 5. | 10 Bn. |
| | 6. | 12 Bn. |
| | 7. | 3 Fd. Amb. |
| | 8-9. | Australian Force. |
| | 10. | 1 Aus. A/Tk. Bty. |
| | 11 -12. | File. |
| | 13 -14. | War Diary. |

MOVEMENT TABLE APPENDIX "A"

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Route - X Rds. 729582 - MANOR HOUSE 718585 - X Rds. 685625 - X Rds. 677638 - X Rds. 675686.

S.P. - X Rds. 729582

Density - 15 v.t.m. Speed 15 m.i.h.

Serial No.	Unit	Time past point	Start time	Debussing Area	Route to Debussing Area	Remarks
1	9 Bn. Unit debussing parties	16	0734	Along Rd. from X Rds. 576723 to X Rds. 634719 facing East.		Unit transport detaches from buses at X Rds. 676723 and proceeds to assembly area. Buses move East of Rd. junc. 691716 when debussing completed.
2	Sec. Carriers 10 Bn. Bde. R Gp. " H.Q. " O Gp.	4	0810	Area 676714		
3	10 Bn.	15	0824	Along rd. from Rd. junc. 684739 to Rd. junc. 691716 facing Sth.	X Rds. 675723 - Rd. junc. 684739	Unit transport detaches from buses at Rd. junc 675723 and proceeds to assembly area. Buses move East of Rd. junc. 691716 when debussing completed.
4	3 Fd. Amb.	5	0839	MOUNT FM. 6973	X Rds. 675723 - Rd. junc 694719	
5	12 Bn.	15	0854	Along TIDWORTH Rd. facing North-head South of X Rds 674704		Buses move North after debussing to X Rds. 675722 - Rd. junc. 691716.
6	47 L.A.D.	1	0910	To Bde. H.Q. area		
7	Sec. Carriers 12 Bn.	1	0911			
8	1 A. Tk. Bty.	2	1010	To move from present area direct to PENNING.		

18 AUST. MKD. BDE.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO. 7.

1. During the past month a number of tactical exercises have been held, varying from Coy. to Bde. schemes. The results achieved have varied considerably. It has been found, however, that certain faults were common to practically every exercise, some of which, in real operations, would undoubtedly have had serious consequences.

The object of training in the forthcoming month is, therefore to be the eradication of these weaknesses. This object will best be achieved by a combination of theory and practice designed to exercise all ranks in the phases of Battle drill and tactics in which the principal faults occur.

2. The main points requiring further training are:-

(a) Map Reading.

It is noticed that the scope of map reading in most units is very limited. Insufficient provision has been made, in many cases, for the instruction of M.C. Orderlies, the M.C. Pl., M.T. Drivers, Sec. Comds., "Q" personnel and the rank and file of the Carrier Pl. all of whom may be called upon to carry out tasks requiring a practical knowledge of map-reading.

In some cases there has been a shortage of maps, but this can usually be overcome by pooling Bn. resources and allotting them to classes at different periods. A minimum of theory, sufficient to acquaint pupils with basic principles, combined with a maximum of practice, should achieve rapid and satisfactory results. To this end, simple map-reading schemes and games should be devised, such as inter-section competitions in proceeding from point to point by varying routes, treasure hunts etc.. Full advantage should be taken of the strange country close to the camp area, which is ideal for practical map-reading purposes.

(b) Orders and Messages.

Here too, it is obvious that many officers and N.C.Os who are quite conversant with the theory of issuing orders, fail to put their knowledge into practice. Such vague orders as "Push on to the river" given by a Coy. Comd., or "Seize the bridge," without any attempt to give the picture, as far as is known, of the enemy and our own troops, our intention and method, must inevitably result in confusion, loss of control, and in many cases, complete failure. Clarity as well as rapidity is required. A clear order will save hours later on. Sub. unit Comds must therefore be continually practised in giving verbal orders rapidly and completely. This can best be carried out by means of T.E.W.T.s and pl. exercises.

Many messages are sent by Sec. and Pl. comds., but much information, of vital importance to Bde. H.Q., often fails to get farther back than Coy. H.Q.. In other cases, messages do not include essential information, but are complicated by irrelevancies. Only assiduous attention to detail, and much exercise in message writing will overcome this. The pro forma attached is recommended as a guide to the main points a message should contain. It should be remembered that first contact must always be reported to Bde. H.Q. through the normal channels.

(c) Dispersal of Comd.

Many examples have been observed of sub-unit comds dispersing their commands to a variety of widely separated tasks, without making any attempt to appreciate the situation from information to hand. This usually results in two-thirds of the unit proceeding on a wild goose chase, while the remainder, that encounters the enemy, is insufficient successfully to complete the task. It must be remembered that the infantryman is relatively slow-moving, and if he is allowed to disperse to the four winds early in the battle, with no definite objective, the remainder of the action will be spent in finding and collecting him again.

(d) Carriers.

In using carriers to seize and hold vital points, the name given to this A.F.V. must be borne in mind. The original object of the carrier was to carry automatic weapons from position to position, at the same time affording protection to the crew. When the feature to be held is reached, the L.M.G. and A/Tk. rifle should be dismounted and set up in a suitable position, and the carrier withdrawn under cover. They are bulky vehicles, and failure to do this must result in the giving away of the position and consequent loss of surprise, together with the provision of an excellent target for the enemy and the possible destruction of valuable equipment.

When used as recon units, the carrier crew must be vigilant, and, until contact is made, a speed of 15 M.P.H. should not normally be exceeded. If an enemy ambush has been prepared, it will not be discovered except by keen observation. A false "All clear" message may have grave consequences.

(e) Local Protection.

The more tired troops become, the greater is the need for adequate protection. It is a mistaken kindness to neglect to send protective units to observe approaches, and post gas and air sentries, in order to allow personnel concerned to rest. Similarly, sub-unit comds, no matter how fatigued they are, must never overlook this all important factor. Cases of this form of neglect have, unfortunately, become increasingly common towards the end of an exercise.

(f) March Discipline.

The standard of march discipline, particularly at night, has fallen off considerably. This appears to be due to lack of forcefulness on the part of N.C.Os and junior officers. This must be quickly remedied as slackness breeds slackness. Junior officers particularly must constantly be sure that their N.C.Os are alert and checking any signs of bad discipline. Popularity and respect was never won by complacency.

(g) Movement by M.T.

There is still a pronounced tendency for vehicles to bunch, particularly at halts. This is due to mental idleness on the part of drivers and N.C.Os in charge of vehicles and can only be overcome by continual concentration on the keeping of proper distances. When M.C. orderlies are available, they may be used for checking distances between vehicles, but the responsibility rests with the Tpt. Officer to ensure that the maintenance of correct intervals becomes a second nature to M.T. drivers and personnel in charge of vehicles.

(h) Supporting Arms.

Supporting arms, placed under cmd, or in support of a unit, must always be considered when a plan is formed. Arty and M.G.'s are too scarce to be forgotten in the stress of action, and to avoid this, the Comd. of any supporting arm should always accompany the unit Comd. until such time as he can be given a task. It is also the duty of the Comd. supporting arm, to suggest likely tasks to the unit Comd., and to place at his disposal the full value of his specialist knowledge.

(1) Medical.

The location of unit R.A.Ps. must be notified to Bde. H.Q. as soon as selected, in order that contact can quickly be made with Fd. Amb.. In turn Bde. H.Q. will advise units of the Fd. Amb. position. Efficient liaison between R.A.Ps. and the A.D.S. will then be possible.

3. TRAINING AREAS.

Training areas have been detailed separately to Bn. I.Os.. Any exercises carried out outside the areas detailed will be subject to the same restrictions that have previously applied.

4. MUSKETRY.

Attention is directed to para 5, G.S.I. 127. Application for the use of ranges will be forwarded direct by units to Garrison H.Q.

5. DRILL.

Every effort must be made to improve the smartness and the standard of turn-out in the Bde. Under the present living conditions there is no excuse for slovenly turn-out, and ample opportunities are available for the carrying out of smartening exercises.


B.M. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde. Maj.

MESSAGE REMINDER FOR PL. COMDS.

To _____

From _____

(1) No. _____ Pl. is now at _____ (indication and map ref. if necessary).

Pl. H.Q. is at _____

No. _____ Sec. at _____

No. _____ Sec. at _____

No. _____ Sec. at _____

(2) Since _____ hrs. (time of last message) I have _____ (action taken).

(3) I am in touch with _____ on my right and _____ on my left.

(4) No enemy has been seen

or

Enemy have been seen at _____ at _____ hrs estimated no. _____ with _____ (type of supporting arms).

{ (a) With NO Tpt.

or

{ (b) With _____ (No. and type of vehicles) }

{ (a) Moving towards _____

{ (b) Moving along the road _____ with head at _____

{ (c) Doing _____ }

(5) Enemy action has been (what, where, when)

(6) I have sustained _____ casualties.

(7) I require (what, where, when)

(8) I intend to (action proposed)

(9) Any other remarks.

{ This pro forma must be used only as a guide and may not cover every situation. In other cases }
{ only few of the paragraphs may be required. It is suggested that every Pl. Comd. carry a }
{ copy in his note book. }

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

N.D. 18 Aust. Mixed Bde. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Brigadier</i> *	1		
...			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	2		
Captains ...	3		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	3		
<i>Subalterns 4 classes</i>			
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>Fleming, E. W.</i>	<i>A.A.S.B.</i>	<i>30 Sep 40</i>	<i>Seconded from A.A.S.B. to ...</i>
<i>Leut.</i>	<i>Scott, W. W. D.</i>	<i>9 Bn.</i>	<i>1 Oct 40</i>	<i>Season Officer ...</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>Day, W. L.</i>	<i>A.A.S.B.</i>	<i>30 Sep 40</i>	<i>Rejoined A.A.S.B.</i>
<i>Capt</i>	<i>Blanton, J. B. W.</i>	<i>9 Bn.</i>	<i>1 Oct 40</i>	<i>Rejoined 9 Bn. - Active</i>

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	NX 8	Morhead L. J.		Yes	
"	SX 1436	Daly J. J.		"	
"	BX 6060	Dodd J. J.		"	
Capt.	WX 7	Good J. A.		"	
"	SX 1438	Hayward J. D.		"	
"	BX 6064	Flaming B. W.		"	
Lieut.	BX 3817	Fish J. S.		No	Patient - Craigetake Hospital
"	SX 620	Siddons R. W.		Yes	
"	BX 6016	Daunt W. W. B.		"	
Adjutant	BX 6074	Stule O. B.	A.A.B.C.	No	Det. 9 Coy.
"	BX 6076	Hohenhaus W. P.	"	No	" 12 Coy.
"	VX 197	Selmon A. A.	"	No	" 10 Coy.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

2Lt. 18 Aust. Med. Bde.
(Unit.)

5 Oct. 40
(Date of Despatch.)

R. R. Dodds
(Signature of Commander.)
2Lt. 18 Aust. Med. Bde.
Australian Force (U.K.)
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

3d. 18 Aust. Div. Bde (Unit) 5 Oct. 19 40 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	50		
TOTALS	61		

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Sgt. 1	A.A.P.C.		
Spl. 1	A. Force. Intell. Corps		
" 1	A. Force. Postal Mount		
L/Spl. 1	A. Force. Intell. Corps		
Pte. 1	A. Force. Postal Mount		
" 5	A.A.S.C.		
<u>total 10</u>			

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

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

4th 18 Aust. Med. Bde. Unit.

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

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

4th 18 Aust. Med. Bde.
Unit.

R. J. Dodds
4th 18 Aust. Med. Bde. Signature of Commander.
Australian Force (U.K.)
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch *5 Oct 40*
D.3459.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

AQ 18 Aus Marine Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Brigadier</i> *	1		
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	2		
Captains ...	3		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	3		
<i>6 Subalterns + 1 Clerk</i>			
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brigadier	PIX 8	Mansfield J. J.		Yes	
Major	SX 1436	Daley J. J.		"	
"	QX 6060	Doubles M. J.		"	
Capt	PIX 7	Good J. H.		"	
"	SX 1438	Hayward J. B.		"	
"	QX 6064	Flannery C. J.	AASC	No	Advance Party to Adelaide
Lieut	QX 3817	Hughes G. J.		Yes	
"	SX 620	Redmond R. W.		"	
"	QX 6016	Tranter M. J.		"	
Major	QX 6074	Steele O. B.	AASC	No	att of Bn.
"	QX 6078	Holmes W. P.	"	"	att 12 Bn.
"	VX 197	Hehner R. A.	"	"	att 10 Bn.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

AQ 18 Aus Mtd Bn
(Unit.)

12 Oct 10
(Date of Despatch.)

Tom R. Hayward Capt
(Signature of Commander.)
S. 6 18 Aus Mtd Bn
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

41218 *Amey's Bn* (Unit) 13 Oct 1940 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	50		
TOTALS	61	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Sgt 1	A.A.P.C.		
Cpl 1	A Force Intell Corps		
" 1	A Force Postal Unit		
L/Cpl 1	A Force Intell Corps		
Pte 1	A Force Postal Unit		
" 5	A.A.S.C.		

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

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

HQ 14 Aus. Mounted Bde. Unit.

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

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

HQ 14 Aus. Mounted Bde. Unit.

James D. Howard Capt
S. B. 14 Aus. Mounted Bde.
Signature of Commander.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 12 Oct 40
D.3459.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ 18 Aus Cavalry Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Brigadier</i> *	1		
...			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	2		
Captains ...	3		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	3		
<i>10 Captains 10 lieutenants</i>			
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Benjamin	MX 8	Mosshead G.J.		Yes	
Allyson	SX 1136	Daly J.J.		"	
"	QX 6060	Dodds W.G.		"	
Capt.	MX 7	Good S.H.		"	
"	SX 1138	Hayward J.D.		"	
"	QX 6064	Playford G.W.	AASC	"	
Lieut.	QX 3817	Kirk G.S.		"	
"	QX 6016	Tarrant W.D.		"	
"	SX 620	Seaton R.W.		"	
Chap. & Clerk	QX 6074	Stall C.D.		No	Att 9 Bn.
"	QX 6078	Holmes W.P.		"	" 12 Bn.
"	VX 197	Helmore R.A.		"	" 10 Bn.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

A.Q. 18 Aus. Abn. Bde
(Unit.)
19 Oct. 40
(Date of Despatch.)

J.W. Hayward
(Signature of Commander.)
A.Q. 18 Aus. Abn. Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

AHQ 18 Aus Medical Base Unit.

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

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

AHQ 18 Aus Medical Base
Unit.

Date of Despatch *14 Oct 40*

D.3459.

Tom Hayward Capt.
Signature of Commander.
S.B. 18 Aus Medical Base
Australian Force (USF)
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

MO 18 Aus Train Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Brigadier</i> *	<i>1</i>		
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	<i>1</i>		
Captains ...	<i>4</i>		
Lieutenants ...	<i>3</i>		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	<i>3</i>		
<i>Chaplains 4 class</i>			
TOTALS ...	<i>12</i>		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>Parry-Dredens W H</i>		<i>25 Oct 40</i>	<i>Seconded from 9 Bn to be Bde Transport Officer</i>
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>Marshall A.</i>		<i>25 Oct 40</i>	<i>Seconded from 9 Bn to be Liaison Officer</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>May 02600</i>	<i>Dodds N G</i>		<i>25 Oct 40</i>	<i>Appointed D.A.A.G. (Mobile) (Australian Force HQ)</i>
<i>Lieut 026016</i>	<i>Daunt W D</i>		<i>25 Oct 40</i>	<i>Relinquished appointment as Liaison Officer</i>

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Buscader	NX 8	Morhead L.F.		NO	
Major	SX 1436	Daly J.F.		Yes	
Capt	WX 7	Godd S.H.		"	
"	SX 1438	Hayward J.D.		"	
"	QA 6064	Fleming B.W.	R.A.S.C.	"	
"	QA 6077	Perry-Okedun W.N.		"	
Lieut	QA 3517	Hick G.S.		"	
"	SX 620	Siddons R.W.		"	
"	QA 4398	Marshall A.		"	
Chap 4 class	QA 6074	Atch O.B.		NO	alt 9Bm
	QA 6078	Wetherhouse W.P.		"	" 12Bm
	VX 197	Helmores R.A.		"	" 10Am

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

H.Q. 18 Aus Med Bde
(Unit.)

26 Oct 40.
(Date of Despatch.)

J. K. Hayward Capt
(Signature of Commander.)
H.Q. 18 Aus Med Bde.
Australian Med (U.K.)
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

HQ 18 Aus Mixed Bde. Unit.

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

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

HQ 18 Aus Mixed Bde
Unit.

Jack Heywood
Signature of Commander.
18 Aus Mixed Bde
Australian Force (W.P.)
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch *26 Oct 40*
D. 2459.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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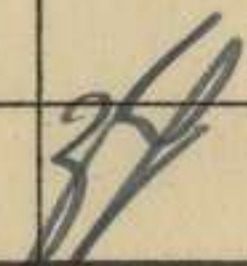
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Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde.

Date and Time.—From 1 To 30 September 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe	1 Sept.		<p>On Wednesday 28 Aug. at a conference at H.Q. Australian Force Commanding Officers of all Units were advised by the G.O.C. that the A.I.F. in the United Kingdom was under orders to move to the Middle East. There would be no move before the 25 Sept. and the 18 Mixed Brigade would move first. The mixed Brigade would consist of:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">H.Q. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde. "K" Sec. Sigs. 47 L.A.D. 9, 10 and 12 Bns. 3 Fd. Coy. 1 M.G. Bn. 3 Fd. Amb. 18 Aus. Independ. Coy. A.A.S.C.</p> <p>On arrival in the Middle East this force would form an independant Mixed Brigade.</p> <p>As a result of this information, and owing to the fact that 18 Mxd. Bde. were still required to maintain two infantry Bns. for an operational role, it was decided to vary the procedure for giving leave by sending all the remainder of 10 Bn. on leave on 2 Sep. and the balance of the other two Bns. in turn. The fact that the A.I.F. was to leave England was almost common property before the abovementioned conference was held. The information in this regard had apparently been freely divulged by the staff at Australia House to men on leave.</p> <p>On 31 Aug. we were advised that mobilisation was to be completed by 0001 hrs. 15 September, and that thereafter we were to be at 24 hrs. notice to move.</p>	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde.

Date and Time.—From 1 To 30 Sept. 40.

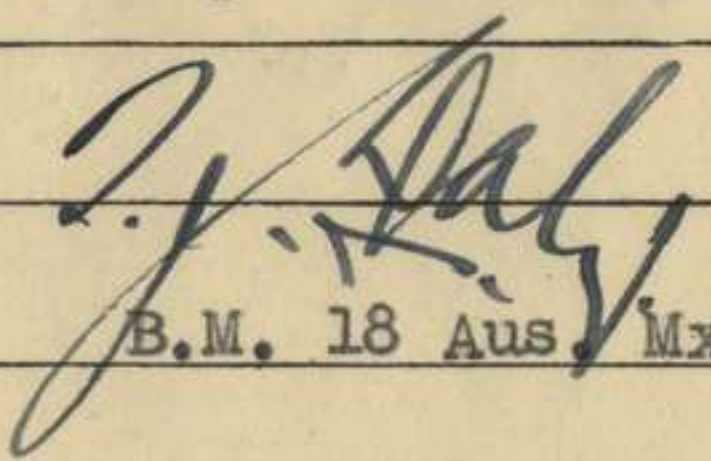
Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe	1 Sept. Contd.		This necessitated a further alteration to the leave procedure in order to get all personnel back prior to this date. At the same time we were informed verbally that we were relieved of our operational role.	
	7 Sept.		At 2130 hrs. code word "CROMWELL" was received from H.Q. Australian Force. This code word indicates the possible landing and invasion by enemy. All Units were placed at one hour's notice to move. Many rumours were current and it was almost impossible to get any reliable information. The Bde. was very handicapped by the incidence of leave, almost 50% of all units being away. Personnel of 10 Bn. who were due back on this night were unable to leave London, which was being very heavily bombed.	Appx. "A"
	8 Sept.		At 0900 hrs. reports of enemy landing still not being confirmed the 18 Bde. was placed under 3 hrs. notice. Personnel of 10 Bn. came back by small parties, and by 2000 hrs. this Bn. was almost complete, but all other units were only 50-60% effective, their personnel are not due to return from leave until the evening of the 10th. The balance of the Bde. who were to have gone on leave on 9 Sept. will not now depart.	Appx. "B"
			The tasks allotted this Bde. were: (a) Action against Parachute troops landing in Salisbury Plain Area. (b) Reserve to 5 Corps in South of England.	
	17 Sep.		The Camp was visited by His Royal Highness, the Duke of Kent in the afternoon. He was met by the Brigadier, and inspected a Guard of Honour from the 10 Bn. After visiting all Bns. who were carrying out normal training, he visited the 3 Fd. Amb. and inspected the Camp Hospitals. After having afternoon at Bde. H.Q. he departed at 1620 hrs. to inspect the 72 Bn.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde Date and Time.—From 1 To 30 Sep. 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Lopcombe	17		Training Instruction No. 6 issued.	Appex, "C"
	20		The Camp was visited by the Chief of the General Staff, General Sir J.G. Dill, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. He arrived at 1005 hrs. and inspected the Officers of the Bde. Staff. He afterwards visited the 10 & 12 Bns and 3 Fd. Amb. who were at their training. He returned to Bde. H.Q. at 1130 hrs. and departed at 1145 hrs.	
	22		The Bde. Stood To at 3 hrs. notice at 1245 hrs. 22 Sep. 40.	
	23		The Stand Down was issued at 1630 hrs.	
	29		The Camp at LOPCOMBE CORNER was attacked by enemy air-craft between 2200 hrs and 2230 hrs. 4 High Explosive bombs and a "Molotov Breadbasket" fell in the Camp area. There were no casualties and no damage was caused.	
			 Maj. B.M. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde.	

MESSAGE FORM

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

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War Diary

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FROM

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Originator's Number

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Date

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In Reply to Number

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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

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SIGNED

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T.O.R.

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. _____

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

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TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

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clouds	prove	harmless	(.)	inform	A.I.P.
units	your	area			

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ARMY FORM C.2130.
(Pads of 100.)
(Revised Sept., 1936.)

MESSAGE FORM.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.	IN	No. of Groups GR.	Serial No.
	OUT			OFFICE DATE STAMP
	<i>War Diary</i>	<i>40</i>	

TO *18BDE* (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)
~~*EXON*~~ ~~*25BDE*~~ ~~*1ST MG*~~ ~~*HASC*~~
~~*PLAT*~~ ~~*URAB*~~ ~~*SCAN*~~

FROM	Originator's Number.	Date	In Reply to Number
<i>FEBO</i> <i>REDT</i> <i>URA</i>	<i>G 31</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>-</i>

<i>Australian</i>	<i>imperial</i>	<i>Force</i>	<i>are</i>	<i>placed</i>	<i>at</i>
<i>three</i>	<i>hours</i>	<i>notice</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>They</i>	<i>will</i>
<i>be</i>	<i>prepared</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>operate</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>SALISBURY</i>
<i>PLAIN</i>	<i>AREA</i>	<i>against</i>	<i>airborne</i>	<i>troops</i>	<i>⊙</i>
<i>Inform</i>	<i>all</i>	<i>units</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>your</i>	<i>areas</i>
<i>⊙</i>	<i>ack</i>				

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means:

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T.H.I. *0310*

T.O.R. *0350*

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO. 61. GENERAL.

Exercises recently carried out show the necessity for particular attention being paid to the following points:-

- (a) Time is always vital, and minutes can only be saved by constantly looking ahead and arranging ahead. The most serious delays are usually those that occur between the decision to take a certain course of action and its execution. To arrive at a decision will normally entail personal recon on the part of the Comd. and this will be followed by orders to his subordinates. Before setting out on his recon, however, the Comd. will probably have formulated some plan which he hopes to be able to put into effect. Therefore if he directs officers to whom he will later have to give orders, to make a recon on the basis of such plan whilst he is making his own recon, he will nearly always find that he has saved them a considerable amount of time. At Appx. "A" is a table showing the various stages in the framing of a plan and issue of orders together with what the various Groups are doing at each stage. Sub-Unit Comds. should prepare similar tables for the instruction of their subordinates.
- (b) Units co-operating in support or under command must always be kept fully in the picture and the maximum use made of their particular characteristics. Comds. are apt to become engrossed in the action of their own particular unit, and to forget those on their flanks, or in their direct support. Comds. of supporting arms must themselves maintain the closest possible touch with the units they are supporting, and both comds. must ensure that this touch is maintained.
- (c) Principles of minor tactics are sometimes neglected when on Bn. and Bde. exercises. Protection and concealment are of primary importance at all times, and the Pl. Comd. who neglects these principles is jeopardising the lives of his men. It cannot be too strongly, or too often, stressed that the comd. attacks across open country in daylight without adequate direct support and smoke against an organised defence is courting certain disaster. At no time must troops be allowed to move across open country in daylight against un-neutralized defences.
- (d) Air and ground sentries must be posted by all sub-units whenever halted. Sentries must be located to ensure all round protection and for this purpose it may be necessary to post two or three ground sentries. During movement the same principles apply, definite personnel being detailed as observers in each sub-unit.
- (e) During H.T. moves an adequate proportion of L.H.Gs. must be mounted in unit vehicles, and manned for immediate action against low flying attack.
- (f) During embussing and debussing it is essential that troops be protected against air attack by L.H.Gs. sited for A.A. defence, and against ground attack by A.Tk. rifles disposed to cover approaches. The A.A. Pl. can carry out the first task, the A.Tk. rifles of pls. nearest probable lines of A.F.V. approach can carry out the second. This should be a matter of drill, and should not require the issue of orders for each occasion.
- (g) Halts, when made during H.T. moves should, if made in accordance with plan, always be under cover, in which case vehicles will close up. If it is necessary to halt in the open vehicles must maintain their correct distances. Debussing points must be reconnoitred prior to the arrival of a bus column. This duty will normally be allotted to the I.O or T.O.

(h) Fire discipline is very bad. Numerous instances have occurred of individuals firing their rifles entirely without any justification. When opposed to an enemy this will disclose our position to him; when not opposed to an enemy it is purely bad discipline, and must be stopped in either case.

(i) Knowledge of Bn. weapons

It is a matter of utmost importance that Sub-unit Comds. should have a thorough knowledge of all weapons in the bn. This particularly applies to the use of mortars. Numerous instances have occurred of Bn. Comdrs. having been allotted a det. of 3" Mortars, giving them impossible tasks, and also tasks which could be carried out efficiently by 2" Mortars. Such a waste of fire power must be avoided.

T. J. Daly
Maj.
B.M. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde.

Lopcombe, 17 Sept. 40.

Distribution

9 Bn.	6
10 "	6
12 "	6
3 Fd. Amb.	2
Australian Force	1
File	2
War Diary	2
Bde. Comd.	1

TRAINING INSTRUCTION No. 6

The above instruction should be amended as under:-

Para (i) line 4 for "Bn" substitute "Sub-Unit".

(T. J. DALY) Maj.
B.M. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde.

APPENDIX "A"

PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	PHASE 4	PHASE 5	PHASE 6	PHASE 7
Brigadier receives orders from higher formation	(1) Summons R Gp. (2) Issues warning order & appoints RV for O Gp. (3) Proceeds on Recce.	Bde. R. Gp. completes recce. - prepares orders & proceeds to O Gp. RV.	Bde. Comdr. issues orders. B.H. or I.O. check maps.	Bde. Comd. finalizes details of fire plan and admin.	B.H. completes written orders in confirmation of verbal orders in Phase 4.	
		(1) C.Os. make prelin. recce. (2) C.Os. issue warning order incl. (a) Probable role of their Units. (b) RV for Bn. "R" Gps. (3) Proceeds to Bde. RV.	(1) Bde. "O" Gp. receives orders. (2) Unit Comd. sends for Unit "R" Gp. (3) Unit Comd. sends messages to Units incl. (a) Unit Assembly area. (b) RV for Bn. O Gp. (4) Unit Comds. complete recce. with R Gp. and proceed to O Gp. RV.	Unit Comds issue orders. Adj. or I.O. check maps.	Unit Comds. co-ordinate fire plan and finalize Adm. details.	Adj. issues written orders in confirmation of verbal orders in Phase 5 if situation permits.
			(1) Bns. & Att'd. Units proceed to assembly area under 2's i/c. (2) Sub-unit Comds. appoint RV for Pl. Comdrs. (3) Sub-Unit Comds make prelin. recce. (4) Sub-Unit Comds proceed to RV for Unit "O" Gp.		Sub-unit Comds. make quick final recce. & issue order to Pl. etc. Comds.	

Vertical columns indicate various actions being taken approximately simultaneously.
Horizontal spacings indicate actions of various Units.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ 18 Cmsd Motor Bde. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Brigadier</i> * *	1		/
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	4		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ... <i>6 Lieut 4 6 Com</i>	3		
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	17X8	Alford, L. J.		Yes	
Major	17X246	Ames, A. P.		Yes	
Capt	QX6060	Burton, J. J.		Yes	
"	Q16064	Fleming, E. W.	AAFC	No	act AAFC Supplying
"	17X7	Good, E. H.		Yes	
"	SX 1438	Hayward, J. D.		Yes	
Lieut	QX6030	Loxton, J. W.		Yes	
"	QX3517	Mark, L. L.		"	
"	SX620	Swinton, R. W.		"	
Chap. & Clerk	QX6074	Loche, O. B.		No	act 4 Bn
"	QX6078	Hobhouse, W. P.		"	act 12 Bn
"	17X 197	Helm, R. G.		"	act 10 Bn

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

St Q. 18 Aus Mount Bde
(Unit.)
7 Sept 40
(Date of Despatch.)

Asley
(Signature of Commander)
for S. L. 18 Aus Mount Bde
Australian Force (M. S.)
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

AHQ 18 Cavalry Bde (Unit) *7 Sept* 19*40* (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	50		
TOTALS	61	•	•

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>Sgt 1</i>	<i>A.A.P.C.</i>		
<i>Splts 2</i>	<i>A Force Intell</i>		
<i>" 1</i>	<i>A Force Postal</i>		
<i>Ptes 2</i>	<i>A Force Postal</i>		
<i>" 1</i>	<i>A Force Intell Coy</i>		
<i>" 2</i>	<i>AAFC Ammunition</i>		
<i>" 1</i>	<i>10 Bn 18 Bde</i>		

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aus. Mounted Base Unit.

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aus. Mounted Base Unit.

Albert [Signature]
Signature of Commander.
for S.B. 18 Aus. Mounted Base
Australian Force (A.F.)
Ede., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 7 Sept. 40
D.3469.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ 18 Aus Abn Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Brigadier</i> *	1		
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	4		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters <i>4 6 hrs</i>	3		
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt.</i>	<i>Dary W.L.</i>	<i>AASC</i>	<i>11 Sept 40</i>	<i>To replace Capt Fleming transferred to Force Supply along.</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt.</i>	<i>Fleming Capt.</i>	<i>AASC.</i>	<i>11 Sept 40</i>	<i>Transferred to Force Supply along.</i>

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brigadier	MX 8	Monsieur L.J.		Yes	
Major	MX 246	Gunnell A.R.		Yes	
Capt.	QX 6060	Dodds W.G.		"	
"	MX 7	Good S.H.		"	
"	SX 1438	Hayward G.D.		"	
"	MX 196	Dow W.L.	A.F.S.C.	"	
Lieut.	QX 6030	Lockton J.B.M.		"	
"	QX 3817	Shirk B.S.		"	
"	SX 620	Seddon R.W.		"	
Capt. 4 Bn	QX 6074	Steele O.B.	A.F.C.C.	No	att 9 Bn
"	QX 6078	Hulme M.P.	"	"	att 12 Bn
"	VX 197	Helmoe R.A.	"	"	att 10 Bn

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	SX 1436	Daly G.J.	10 Bn	12 Sept 40	at/10 Bn

H.Q. 18 Aus Motor Bde
(Unit.)
14 Sept 40
(Date of Despatch.)

R. Dodds Capt.
S.L. 18 Aus (Signature of Commander.)
Australian Force (A.F.)
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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

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

H.Q. 18 Australian Bde. Unit.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch
D.3459.

[Signature]
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ 18 Aus Med Bde. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Brigadier</i> *	1		/
...			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	4		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ... <i>4 class</i>	3		
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Major</i>	<i>Baly J. J.</i>	<i>10 Bn.</i>	<i>16 Sep 40</i>	<i>To replace Major Garrett transferred to 70 Bn.</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Major</i>	<i>Garrett A. R.</i>	<i>HQ 18 Aus Med Bde</i>	<i>16 Sep 40</i>	<i>Transferred to 70 Bn.</i>

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brigadier	NX 8	Morshhead L. J.		Yes	
Major	SX 1436	Baly J. J.		"	
Capt.	GX 6060	Boads M. J.		"	
"	WX 7	Good S. H.		"	
"	SX 1438	Hayward J. D.		"	
"	NX 196	Day W. L.		"	
Lieut	GX 6030	Loston F. G. W.		"	
Lieut	GA 3817	Kirk C. S.		"	
"	SX 620	Jeddon R. W.		"	
Chap. 4 class	GX 6074	Steele O. B.	A.A.C.C.	No	attached 9 Bns.
"	GX 6078	Hohenhouse W. P.	"	"	" 12 Bns.
"	VX 197	Helmore R. A.	"	"	" 10 Bns.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

H.Q. 18 Aus. ^{mixed} Bde.
(Unit.)
21 Sep. 40.
(Date of Despatch.)

R. J. Dodds Capt.
S. 6 18 Aus. ^{mixed} Bde.
(Signature of Commander.)
Australian Force (U.K.)
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. 18 Aus Med Bde (Unit) 21 Sep 40 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		/
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	51		
TOTALS	62	*	

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Sgt. 1	A.A.P.C.		
Cpls. 2	Aust. Force Intell Corps		
" 1	" " Postal Unit		
Ptes. 2	" " " "		
" 1	" " Intell Corps		
" 2	A.A.S.C. Ammunition		
"			

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aus. Med. Bde. Unit.

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

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

H.Q. 18 Aus. Med. Bde. Unit.

[Signature]
S. 6. 18 Aus. Med. Bde. Signature of Commander.
Australian Force (U.K.)
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 21 Sep 42
D.3459.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 18 Aus Abn Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Brigadier</i> *	1		/
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	4		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters <i>4 Class</i> ...	3		
TOTALS ...	12		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brigadier	MX 8	Morshead G.F.		yes	
Major	SX 1436	Daly J.J.		"	
Capt.	QX 6060	Dodds W.G.		"	
"	WX 7	Good S.H.		"	
"	SX 1438	Stuyward J.D.		"	
"	MX 196	Day W.L.		"	
Lieut	QX 6030	Loxton J.C.W.		"	
"	QX 3817	Stark G.S.		no	Patient Balinglake Hosp.
"	SX 620	Seddon R.W.		yes	
Chap. 4 Blm	QX 6074	Steele O.D.	A.A.C.C.	no	att 9 Bn
" "	QX 6078	Stanhope W.P.	"	"	" 12 Bn
" "	VX 197	Stelmore R.A.	"	"	" 10 Bn.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

A.Q. 18 Aus. all out. Bde.
(Unit.)
28 Sep 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature] Capt.
A.Q. 18 Aus. Bde.
(Signature of Commander)
Australian Force (A.S.F.)
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ 18 Aus Mount Buss (Unit) 29 Sep 1940 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quar- termaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	50		
TOTALS	61	.	.

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Sgt 1	A.A.P.C.		
Cpls 1	A Force Intell Corps		
" 1	A Force Postal Unit		
Ptes 1	A Force Intell Corps		
" 1	A Force Postal Unit		
" 5	A.A.S.C.		

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

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

40.18 Aus Mount Bore Unit.

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

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

40.18 Aus Mount Bore Unit.

R. J. Dadds
S.L. 18 Aus. Mount Bore
Australian Force (M.B.)
Signature of Commander.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 28 Sep 40
D.3459.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde. Date and Time.—From 1 To 30 Nov. 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Colchester (Eng.)	1		The Brigade carried out a trial manning by night, and the cement shelters in front of 1 Abbey Fields were used as Brigade Headquarters. The trial manning was completed, and messages were received at Bde. H.Q. all within an hour, which was regarded as being very successful.	
	2		Capt. E.W. Fleming, Brigade Supply Officer, left to attend a Supply course near Bournemouth. In response to a telegram sent on the 8 Nov. Capt. Fleming returned on the 9 Nov. and resumed duty.	
	6		The Brigadier, L.J. Morshead, returned to command Bde.	
	7		The Brigade Major of 25 Aus. Mxd. Bde., Major Pollard, in company with his Staff Captain, Capt. I.D. Hunter, attended a conference with our Acting Brigade Commander, the Brigade Major and the Staff Captain, and discussed the handing over of the Colchester Defences to the 25 Brigade.	
	8		Coy. Commanders of 25 Aus. Mxd. Bde. visited Bde. H.Q. and had explained to them by the Brigade I.O. from the situation maps the general defence scheme of Colchester. Coy. Commanders then accompanied our Coy. Comds. in a tour of inspection to such parts of the Defences as they would respectively be interested in. The Brigadier went on leave, and Lt. Col. J.E.G. Martin again assumed temporary command of the Bde. in his absence.	Appendix "A"
	10		Formal handing over of the Defences by the 18 Bde. to the 25 Bde. The work was completely very smoothly. Up to this time several detachments, including Advance parties had gone forward from 18 Bde. to take Bde. equipment to the ports of embarkation.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

Unit H.Q. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde.Date and Time.—From 1 To 30 Nov. 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Colchester (Eng.)	11		Lord Cranbourne - Secretary of State for the Dominions, visited Colchester Garrison. He was met at the entrance gate by the Acting Brigade Commander and the Brigade Major, who introduced the Brigade staff to him. He was accompanied by the G.O.C. of the A.I.F. (U.K.). He then proceeded to visit the 9, 10 & 12 Bns., who were all doing training in the barrack area.	
	13		The Brigade Commander, Brigadier Morshead, returned from leave, and again assumed command of the Brigade.	
	14		The main body of Brigade H.Q. marched to North Station and entrained for Glasgow, where we arrived about noon 15 Nov., and after about 1½ hours wait we embarked on H.M.T. L13 (R.M.S. Straithaird). No rear party was left behind. A sealed letter was handed to the B.M. from Force H.Q.	
	17		The 10 Bn. embarked. The 9 Bn. was already on board. The 12 Bn. embarked on the Empress of Canada. At 1230 hrs. the Ship moved down the river Clyde and anchored amidstream off Gourrock.	
AT SEA	18		At approx. 0100 we sailed from river Clyde as a member of the convoy of 10 ships, plus the escort.	
	18 - 30		Owing to there being a very large number of troops on board, including British troops of all services, training was carried on under difficulties. Particular attention was paid to P.T., Map reading, and Weapon training. No enemy action was encountered.	
	25		The sealed letter, which was handed to 18 Bde. with instructions that it was not to be opened until we were 7 days at sea, was opened and found to be a circular letter from Sir John Dill C.I.G.S. thanking the Australian troops for their service in England.	Appx. "B"

J. Dill
Major.
B.M. 18 Aus. Mxd. Bde.

9 Bn

~~B~~ "B"

A U S T R A L I A N I M P E R I A L F O R C E .

AT SEA

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29 Nov. 40.

1. The following message from the Chief of the Imperial General Staff has been received by the G.O.C. 9 Aus. Div. :-

"ON THE DEPARTURE OF YOU AND THOSE UNDER YOUR COMMAND I WOULD LIKE TO LET YOU KNOW HOW GREATLY WE IN ENGLAND SHALL MISS YOU. AS SOLDIERS AND AS MEN YOU HAVE MADE MANY FRIENDS IN THIS COUNTRY WHO WILL CHERISH HAPPY MEMORIES OF YOUR STAY AMONG US AND WILL FOLLOW YOUR FUTURE WITH DEEP AND SYMPATHETIC INTEREST IN SENDING YOU AND YOUR MEN GOOD WISHES ON MY OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF THE OTHER SOLDIERS WHOM YOU LEAVE BEHIND IN ENGLAND MAY I SAY THAT I AM CONFIDENT THAT IN CARRYING OUT WHATEVER TASKS YOU MAY BE CALLED UPON TO PERFORM IN THE DAYS THAT LIE AHEAD YOU WILL ENHANCE THE TRADITIONS OF THOSE GREAT AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE YOU. MAY ALL GOOD FORTUNE ATTEND YOU." JG DILL GENERAL C.I.G.S.

2. The following reply was forwarded by the G.O.C. :-

"VERY MANY THANKS FOR YOUR VERY KIND MESSAGE. ALL RANKS HAVE APPRECIATED MANY KINDNESSES SHOWN DURING THEIR STAY IN ENGLAND. I WISH TO EXPRESS THANKS FOR CO-OPERATION AND ASSISTANCE OF WAR OFFICE COMMANDS AND AREAS. WE DEEM IT AN HONOR TO HAVE HAD PRIVILEGE OF SERVICE IN U.K. DURING CRITICAL PERIOD. MAJOR-GENERAL WYNTER."

3. The above messages are to be communicated to all ranks

A.P. White
Lt.-Col.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1 M.G.Bn
- H.Q. 9 Aus.Div.
- 3 Fd Regt.
- 1 A.A.Tk.Regt.
- 3 Fd Coy
- 13 Fd Coy.
- H.Q. 18 Bde.
- 9 Bn.
- 10 Bn
- 12 Bn.
- Ind.Bde. A.S.C.
- File (2)
- War Diary (2)

File
SP

Appax "B"

S E C R E T

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

UNITED KINGDOM.

Australian Force
10 Nov 40

All Units

MESSAGE FROM C.-in-C. HOME FORCES.

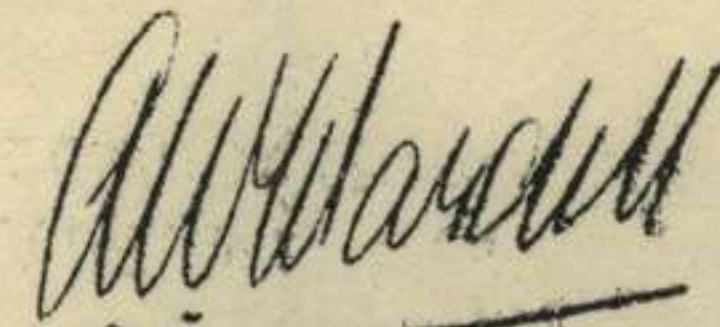
The following message to the A.I.F. has been received from the Commander in Chief Home Forces (General Sir Alan Brooke, K.C.B. D.S.O.)

"I wish to express to all ranks of the Australian Imperial Force my appreciation of their service during their period of duty in the United Kingdom. The units of the Australian Imperial Force concerned arrived in the United Kingdom at a critical period when their presence was most welcome not only on military grounds but also because of the moral effect on the civil population arising from the knowledge that troops from the Dominions were taking part in the defence of the United Kingdom. The unremitting work devoted to training in preparation for the operational roles allotted, and the marked progress made are worthy of the highest praise.

I wish you all the best of luck in your new sphere of operations"

The above message is to be communicated to the troops after their embarkation for service abroad.

The message will be put on permanent record by publication in A.I.F. (U.K.) Orders, which will be distributed later when security permits.



Colonel i/c Administration.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

No. 100. Inf. Bde (Unit.) For Week Ending *16 Nov 40*

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

War Establishment.	1	2	3	4
	Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
	<i>Regimental</i> *	<i>1</i>		
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	Lieut.-Colonels ...	<i>1</i>		
	Majors...	<i>1</i>		
	Captains ...	<i>4</i>		
	Lieutenants ...	<i>3</i>		
	2nd Lieutenants ...			
	Quartermasters ...			
	District Officers ...	<i>3</i>		
	<i>Chaplains</i>			
	TOTALS ...	<i>12</i>		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut.</i>	<i>Curdell. R.G.</i>		<i>10 Nov 40</i>	<i>Promoted as Senior Officer from 10 Bde</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut.</i>	<i>Tiddens R.G.</i>		<i>10 Nov 40</i>	<i>Promoted to 10 Bde</i>

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	M. or S.	Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	Date Joined Unit.	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
1		Capt		Monahan, L.J.		Yes		
2		Capt		Hayward, J.G.		Yes		
3		Capt		Hayward, J.G.		Yes		
4		Capt		Stanning, G.W.		Yes		
5		Capt		Boa, C.H.		Yes		
6		Capt		Wemy, Sidney Wm.		Yes		
7		Subst		Wetherill, G.		Yes		
8		Subst		Lundell, J.G.		Yes		
9		Subst		Leah, E.		Yes		
10		Chap		Blisk, O.S.		No		9 hrs
11		Chap		Robertson, W.P.		No		12 hrs
12		Chap		Helms, R.A.		No		12 hrs
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(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Yorke, M.		Hawthorn, H.L.		12 Nov 40	

No. 15th Coy Bde
16 Nov 40
(Date of Despatch.)

1st Lt Hayward Capt
No. 15th Coy Bde.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

A.O. Evans Inf. Bn (Unit) 17 Nov 40 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

Table with 4 columns: 1. Detail, 2. Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached), 3. Surplus to Establishment, 4. Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments). Rows include W.Os. Class I, II, III, Staff Serjeants, Serjeants, Buglers, Trumpeters, etc., Corporals, Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc., and a TOTALS row with handwritten values 55 and 55.

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Table with 4 columns: Detail, Unit and Corps to which they belong, Detail, Unit and Corps to which they belong. Handwritten entries include Sgt. Roberts, C.O., Sgt. Dorman, C.O., Pte. Helton, C.O., Sgt. Hulme, Int. Corps, and Sgt. Goodwin, Int. Corps.

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

Table with 5 columns: Army No., Rank, Name and Initials, Corps, Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known). The table is currently empty.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked)																				
" " (Wheeled)																				
Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
Equipment Repairers... ..																				
Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers and Harness Makers																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties... ..																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel																				
TOTALS (to agree with Col- umns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				

No. 15th Inf. Bde.
Unit.

Date of Despatch *17 Nov 1918*

F. Hayward
Signature of Commander.

No. 15th Inf. Bde.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

No. 15 Aus Inf Bde (Unit.) For Week Ending *23 Nov 40*

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

War Establishment.	1	2	3	4
	Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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<i>1</i>	<i>Brigadier</i> *	<i>1</i>		
<i>7</i>	Lieut.-Colonels ...	<i>4</i>		
<i>1</i>	Majors... ..	<i>1</i>		
	Captains	<i>4</i>		
	Lieutenants	<i>3</i>		
	2nd Lieutenants			
	Quartermasters			
	District Officers	<i>3</i>		
	<i>1</i> <i>Platoon</i>			
	TOTALS	<i>12</i>		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	M. or S.	Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	Date Joined Unit.	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
1		Brig		Wentham, L.J.		Yes		
2		Col		Lady, J.G.		Yes		
3		Capt		Harman, J.A.		Yes		
4		Capt		Stirling, C.W.		Yes		
5		Capt		Woods, J.		Yes		
6		Capt		Wynn, Thomas W.H.		Yes		
7		Major		Marshall, G.J.		Yes		
8		Major		Lundell, H.G.		Yes		
9		Major		Kelly, G.		Yes		
10		Chaplain		Stable, G.B.		No		of Br
11		Chaplain		Hohenbaum, W.		No		12th Bn
12		Chaplain		Belmont, H.G.		No		10th Bn
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(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Ymca. Off		Harman, J.A.			

H.O. Buss, Inf. Bde
(Unit.)
23 Nov 1918
(Date of Despatch.)

T. D. Hayward, Capt
(Signature of Commander.)
H.O. Buss, Inf. Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

No. *Bleas Inf Bde* (Unit) *20/10/40* (Date)

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	4		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	4		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	47		
TOTALS	57	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>Sgt. Muckley</i>	<i>Gr B Co</i>		
<i>Cpl. Norman E J</i>	<i>1st Bn</i>		
<i>W. Holland</i>	<i>"</i>		
<i>Cpl. Tully</i>	<i>1st Coy</i>		
<i>Sgt. Goodnow</i>	<i>"</i>		

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

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

H.O. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked)																				
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Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers and Harness Makers																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties... ..																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				

H.O. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde
Unit.

For Offaguard Capt
H.O. 18 Aus. Inf. Bde
Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch *23 Nov 50*

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

18 Bde

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

SECRET

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 47 L. A. D.

Date and Time.—From 1

To 30 Nov. 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Colchester	4		L.A.D. 47 supplied the convoy for Bde. Vehicles from COLCHESTER - LINCOLN on route to IMMINGHAM. One Motor Cycle was damaged. Heavy rain and sleet were experienced on the journey.	
	5		Considerable trouble was experienced in starting vehicles, owing to the water in petrol, and numerous stoppages occurred during the balance of the journey. Another motor cycle received damage. The first part of the convoy, which had now been divided into two sections, reached its destination at the estimated time of arrival. Owing to lack of proper facilities at the port L.A.D. undertook the immobilisation and minor repair of vehicles. The two cycles which were damaged had to be replaced.	
	7		A party of 1 officer and 3 men from the 9 Bn. with 1 L.A.D. in addition immobilised 30 carriers.	
	14		The Unit left COLCHESTER by rail for port of embarkation for movement overseas.	
	15		Unit embarked on H.M.T. L13. Accompanied and unaccompanied baggage was still in trucks at the wharf.	
	16		Unaccompanied baggage had been unloaded during the night by wharf labour. Accompanied baggage was unloaded by the Unit and placed in the ship's slings. Without the very willing assistance from troops the baggage would never have been placed in the ship.	
	20		The L.A.D. supervised the running of the Ship's Armoury, and the care of arms. Armourers and additional personnel being drawn from the 9 and 10 Bns.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

S E C R E T

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit L.A.D. 47

Date and Time.—From 1

To 30 Nov. 40.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
AT SEA (H.M.T. 113)	27		A course of instruction commenced in accordance with training syllabus (Appx. "A") In addition to armourers 2 other ranks from each Bn. and 2 from L.A.D. were enrolled for this course.	Appx. "A"
	29		M.T. Fitters Course of instruction in accordance with Training Syllabus (Appx. "B"). This course is for Fitters and Mechanics from 9 and 10 Bns. and Bde. H.Q.	Appx. "B".
			<i>Asbury</i> Capt. O.M.E. L.A.D. 47	

Appt. "A"

ARMOURERS COURSE OF INSTRUCTION - PART 1 - H.M.T. L 13.

Date	0900 - 1000 hrs.	1100 - 1200hrs.	1400 - 1600 hrs.	Instructor
27.11.40 to 30.11.40	Rifle .303 Stripping and assembling	Rifle .303 Stripping and Assembling	Rifle .303 Lecture	Sgt. French.
2.12.40 to 4.12.40	Rifle .303 Repairs and maintenance	Rifle .303 Repairs and maintenance	Lecture Care and clean- ing. Rifle gauges.	Sgt. French.
5.12.40	Recapitulation			S/Sgt. Clement.
6.12.40 to 9.12.40	M.G. Lewis Stripping and Assembling	M.G. Lewis Stripping and assembling	Lecture	Sgt. Berghoff.
10.12.40 to 12.12.40	M.G. Lewis Repairs and maintenance	M.G. Lewis Repairs and maintenance	Lecture Cleaning Stoppages and guages.	Sgt. Berghoff.
13.12.40	Recapitulation			S/Sgt. Clement
14.12.40 to 16.12.40	M.G. Bren Stripping and assembling	M.G. Bren Stripping and assembling	Lecture	S/Sgt. Clement
17.12.40 to 18.12.40	M.G. Bren Repairs and maintenance	M.G. Bren Repairs and maintenance	Lecture Care and clean- ing. and tripod mounting Bren.	S/Sgt. Clement.
19.12.40	Recapitulation			S/Sgt. Clement.
20.12.40 to 23.12.40	M.G. Vickers Stripping and assembling	M.G. Vickers Stripping and assembling	Lecture	Sgt. French.

DISTRIBUTION.

A.D.O.S. M.	1	9 Bn.	4
D.A.D.O.S. E.	1	10 Bn.	4
H.Q. 18 Bde.	2	War Diary	2
47 I.A.D.	3	File	1

Appx. "B"

M.T. FITTERS COURSE OF INSTRUCTION - PART 1 - H.M.T. L13

Date	1400 - 1600 hrs.	Instructor.
29.11.40	Work executed by unit fitters	S/Sgt. McMillan.
2.12.40	Attention to and adjusting brakes	" "
4.12.40	Steering gear adjustments	" "
6.12.40	Ignition adjustments and tune up.	" "
8.12.40	Notes on electrical service	" "
10.12.40	General practice of valve and ignition timing	" "
12.12.40	Locating motor troubles	" "

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

47 *Adm. Lt. Col. ...* (Unit.) For Week Ending *17 Nov 40*

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

War Establishment.	1	2	3	4
	Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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	<i>Captain</i>			
	Lieut.-Colonels			
	Majors... ..			
	Captains			
	Lieutenants			
	2nd Lieutenants			
	Quartermasters			
	District Officers			
	TOTALS			

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	M. or S.	Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	Date Joined Unit.	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
1		<i>Capt.</i>		<i>John A. J.</i>				
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(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

47 L.A.S. (Unit.)
17 Nov 40 (Date of Despatch.)

J. H. Hayward (Signature of Commander.)
S.C. 18th Div. Inf. Bde. (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked)																				
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Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
Equipment Repairers... ..																				
Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers and Harness Makers																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties... ..																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				

47 L.A.S.

Unit.

Date of Despatch

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For Majorant Capt
H.C. Bauer
Signature of Commander

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

47 L.A.S.
March 20 1918 (Unit.) For Week Ending *23 March*

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

War Establishment.	1	2	3	4
	Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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	Lieut.-Colonels ...			
	Majors... ..			
	Captains			
	Lieutenants			
	2nd Lieutenants			
	Quartermasters			
	District Officers			
	TOTALS			

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	M. or S.	Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	Date Joined Unit.	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
1		Capt		John A. J.		Yes		
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(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

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(Unit.)

23 Dec 40

(Date of Despatch.)

John Hayward Capt
(Signature of Commander.)

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

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

47 Las (Unit). 23 Nov 1940 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2		
Serjeants			
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	1		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	9		
TOTALS	12	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

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

Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked)																				
" " (Wheeled)																				
Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
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Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers and Harness Makers																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties...																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel																				
TOTALS (to agree with Col- umns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				

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Unit.

Date of Despatch

24 Nov 40

[Handwritten Signature]
Signature of Commander.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

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(Unit.) For Week Ending 30 Nov 40

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

War Establishment.	1	2	3	4
	Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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	Lieut.-Colonels ...			
	Majors ...			
	Captains ...			
	Lieutenants ...			
	2nd Lieutenants ...			
	Quartermasters ...			
	District Officers ...			
	TOTALS ...			

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	M. or S.	Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	Date Joined Unit.	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
1		Capt.		Reid, A.J.		Yes		
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(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

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30 Nov 40
(Unit.)
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
Lt. Col. B. des. Coy. 1st Bde.
(Signature of Commander.)
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

47 LRD (Unit) 20 Nov 1940 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2		
Serjeants			
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	1		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	9		
TOTALS	12	*	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

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

47 L.A.S. Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.				
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.O.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.		Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked)																				
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Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
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Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
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Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers and Harness Makers																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties... ..																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel																				
TOTALS (to agree with Col- umns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				

47 L.A.S. Unit.

J. H. Hayward
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 30 Nov 40

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

PRECIS FORM OF UNIT WAR-DIARY

SUBJECT

UNIT..... H.Q. 18 Aust Mxd Bde.

PERIOD &
UNIT

LOCALITY H.K. - At Sea.

MOVEMENTS (B)

EMBARKATION

Travelled from COLCHESTER to GLASGOW by train, H.Q. 18
14 Nov 40. Embarked in Strathaird and sailed Aust Mxd Bde.
for M.E. 18 Nov 40. Nov 40.

CEREMONIAL

LORD CRANBOURNE

Secretary for State for the Dominions H.Q. 18
visited 2/9, 2/10 & 2/12 Bns at Aust Mxd Bde
COLCHESTER 11 Nov Nov 40.

SPECIAL MESSAGES

Troops Thanked

Sealed envelope opened at sea contained H.Q. 18
letter from Sir John Gill, C.I.G.S. Aust Mxd Bde
thanking Australian troops for their services Nov 40.
in England.

MAPS & PLANS

COLCHESTER

Map showing COLCHESTER defence -Nov 40. H.Q. 18
Aust Mxd Bde
Nov 40.