

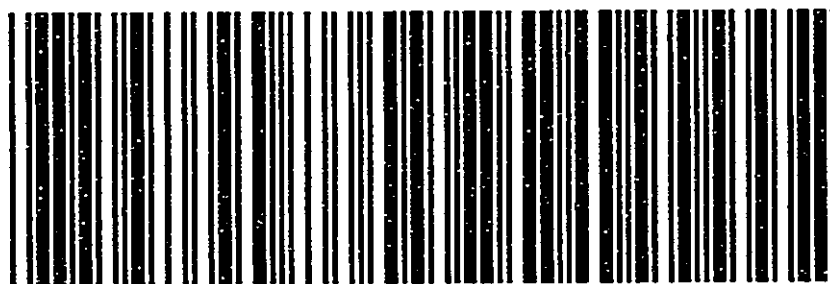
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PORT MORESBY	18 Nov		Message received from NGF. The following units will prepare for movement to AUSTRALIA.	
			HQ 3 Aust Div	
			HQ RAA 3 Aust Div	
			3 Aust Div Reception Sec	
			202 Aust LAD	
			No movement other than advance parties before 23 Nov.	
			The advance party HQ 3 Aust Div will move by air to ATHERTON on the 19 Nov.	
		1645	9 Aust Inf Bn moved from DONADABU to 876402 PORT MORESBY 1 inch to 1 mile.	
		1830	58/59 Aust Inf Bn moved from MORESBY area to DONADABU ref UBERI 1 inch to 1 mile 177400.	Appx 1 Serial 1740
				<i>St. Stephens Capt</i>

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PORT MORESBY	19 Nov	0315	HQ 3 Aust Div advance party left PORT MORESBY for MAREEBA by air.	
		0830	AA and CMG was senior officer with party. 61 Aust Inf Bn moved to JUNE VALLEY ref map PORT MORESBY	
			1 inch 888376.	
		1000	RAA 3 Aust Div instructed to move rear details of RAA 5 Aust Div	
			to HQ Comd AASC 5 Aust Div where they will await onward	
			movement to LAE.	
				Stephens Capt

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KAIRI	29 Nov	1115	Message received from 1 Aust Corps that 2/9 Aust Cav Regt will	
			be organised as a Cavalry Commando Regt northwith.	
		1245	Main body HQ 3 Aust Div disembarked at CAIRNS and proceeded by	
			train to TOLGA. GSO I arrived with main body and proceeded to	
			Adv HQ 3 Aust Div immediately.	
		1915	Warning order from 1 Aust Corps to prepare to move 8 Aust Inf Bde	
			to tropical service not before 20 Dec 43.	
		2047	Warning order dispatched to 8 Aust Inf Bde.	
		2100	Main body HQ 3 Aust Div arrived at 512398 GORDONVALE 1 inch and	
			assumed comd of units shown in Appx 2.	
				<i>Stephens bapt</i>

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KAIRI			The following appendices are attached.	
			Appx 1. GS 3 Aust Div Action Diary for November.	
			" 2. 3 Aust Div Order of Battle and Location Statement.	
			as at 2359 hrs 30 Nov 43.	
			" 3. 3 Aust Div sitreps for November.	
			" 4. 3 Aust Div Location Statement No 38.	
			" 5. Change of command.	
			" 6. 3 Aust Div Operation Instruction. Defence of MORESEY	
			area including BULLDOG WAU L of C.	
			" 7. Air-raid Warning Signals.	
			" 8. HQ 3 Aust Div Distribution List.	
			" 9. 3 Aust Div Location Statement 37.	
				<i>Phillips Capt</i>

ACT ON DEARY

Appreciate 1.

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
8150	RAA 3 Div			1217	O 452	approval granted 254 aust lt AA bty trial shoot 1 Nov 43. 5x40 mm guns 30 rds. location MORESBY standard 973348. 5 AF to determine exact time of firing.	1275
8151	NGF			1100	O 450	release requested following trg amm for 2/1 aust LG bn. rifle Tk/A SA AP .55 /1000 rds.	
1276		7 Bde		0900	O 973	ref availability unit signm for special task. strength sig pls follows 9 bn 28, 25 bn 28, 61 bn 54 all excl offr and batman, numbers required maintain unit comm 12 men per unit. available for task 9 bn 16, 25 bn 16, 61 bn 22. total available 54 from 3 inf units.	
1281		2/8 Armd Regt	1230		I 244	Unit location. same as for 3 div location statement number 56 17 Oct 43.	G 21/1
8152	NGF			1415	O 453	SD 5792 acknowledged by 3 Aust Div O 390 of 21 Oct 43.	1275 8101
8153	Multiple			2218	O 454	warning order. following regtl sigs will stand by for move directed by 18 L of C sigs. 9 aust inf bn 11 pers 25 aust inf bn 11 pers. 61 aust inf bn 14 pers. incl one L/cpl in each case. 2 aust fd regt 33 sig pers incl 3 bdrs. no move before 1200 hrs 3 Nov. party will be rationed by 18 L of C. dress and eqpt marching order. tour of duty one month ack all informed.	1300 1206
8154	NGF			0645L/2	O 455	Ack your SD 6061	
1282		NGF	1500		O 9099	Sitrep 980.	
1294		RAAF	1900		X 746	Weather report.	
1297		RAA 3 Div	2100		RAC 56	BURNS PEAK rifle range available 24 25 Nov 2/7 aust svy bty.	
1296		15 Bde	2100		O 1631	for Maj TRAVERS. Brig HAMMER adm comd 5 aust div temporary. SMITH adm comd probably no need your return.	

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1267		HGF	0800		O 9096	Sitrep 979.	
1272		HGF	0800		SD 6050	to 2 Aust Corps. Ref HGF SD 5655. advise despatch particulars.	813
1275		HGF	0800		SD 6055	request ack SD 5792.	8101 8152
1275		HGF	0800		SD 6055	approval granted 254 Lt AA bty trial shoot 1 Nov 43. 3x40 mm guns 30 rds. location MORESBY standard 973348. 5 AF to determine exact time of firing.	8150
8146	Reception Townsville			1005	O 449	for capt's STEPHENS and STURROCK of HQ 3 aust div. this HQ unable arrange air tpt. make arrangements return urgently.	
8147	RAA 3 Div			1005	O 447	24 aust bn AA bty (static). unit number 418. device red blue with white horizontal bar 2 inches deep at bottom of plate with HG in centre. 82 aust mob SL bty NOT yet listed.	
8148	RAA 3 Div			1005	O 446	approval granted 5 AF bombing practice BOERA arty range 2 Nov. time 1300 hrs to 1700 hrs. rds through range will be closed from 1100 hrs to 1730 hrs. advise all concerned.	1263 G 10/54
8149	57/60 Bn 1 Aust Lt Fd Amb			1140	O 451	57/60 aust inf bn will please make available three instrs 9 10 Nov for small arms trg 1 aust lt fd amb located at 894583. details as under. 9 Nov elementary instrn required three squads each 10 men bren ower. 10 Nov range practice BURNS PEAK 30 men to fire bren ower under instrn. object of trg to teach pers use of weapons and counteract simple stoppages. following amm has been made available to 1 aust lt fd amb ball .503 /1000 rds 9 mm /1500 rds. instrs will see that all safety precautions are understood and observed. 3 brens 3 owens and associated stores will be provided by 57/60 aust inf bn midday meals for instrs will be provided by 1 aust lt fd amb. senior instr will arrange all timings and locations with CO 1 aust lt fd amb NOT later than 7 Nov.	

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
1312	Multiple	NGF	1352		SDG076	SECRET . ref G/4999/SD 24 oct appx A serial 54 . 5 div reception camp less rear party of 1 or will be prepared air move MORESEY RADEAB under arrangement Q (AIR) NGF NOT before 3 nov . strength 7 pers . eqpt 9500 lbs . take personal arms and eqpt all tentage and accom stores available up to accom for 500 . under comd 5 aust div on arrival . rear party to remain with vehs and move by sea under arrangements Q(MOVTs) NGF . 5 div advise date air move and giving location ack	G 9/2 8161
8158	SIGS 5 DIV			1433	O 460	G43/79 of 31 oct ack	G 12/14
8159	Multiple			1434	O 459	SECRET . 306 aust LAD type A passed to comd MORESEY base sub area 2359 hrs 1 nov	1303
8160	2/8 Aust Armd Regt			1503	O 462	advise this HQ immediately number of W/T sets tropic proofed and installed in tks	1317
8161	NGF			1504	O 461	SD3076 ack	1318
8162	RAA 3 Div SIGS 5 Div			1600	O 463	as arranged by sigs 5 aust div. 4 corps of sigs pers from 2 aust fd regt will report adjt sigs 5 aust div pm 3 Nov for attachment 18 L of O sigs.	
1313		NGF	1415		O 9106	Sitrep 982	
1317		2/8 Armd Regt	1620		Q6	old sets tropic proofed and installed in tanks 8. new sets 3.	8160
1318		NGF	1715		SD 6083	approval granted 234 Lt AA bty trial shoot 3 Nov 43. 3x40 mm guns 30 rds. location MORESEY standard 973348. 5 AF to determine exact time of firing.	8162
1321		RAAF	1825		X 828	Weather report	G III(OW)

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1298		NGF	0800L/2		O 9104	Sitrep 981.	
1299		NGF	0800		SD 6061	Warning order for 2/1 Aust MG Bn.	1324
1300		7 Bde	0800		Q 468	Ack O 454.	8153
1303		NGF	0800		SD 6059	SECRET. 306 Aust LAD type A comes under comd MORESBY base sub area at 2359 hrs 1 Nov.	8159
8155	MFO Brisbane			2115	-	four packages consigned ROMA ST from 3 aust armd div 15 Sep name of Lt-col PEVERILL. forward to MFO MORESBY if already forwarded please advise date and method of despatch.	1326
1306		2 Aust Fd Regt	0900L/2		D27	Ack O 454.	8153
8156	Multiple			1105	O 457	cancel 3 aust div O 454 NOT to all addressees. warning order. following regimental sigs will stand by for move directed by 18 L of C sigs. 2 aust fd regt 65 pers incl 5 bdrs. 2/1 aust MG bn 10 pers incl 1 L/cpl. no move before 1300 hrs 2 nov. party will be rationed by 18 L of C. dress and eqpt marching order. tour of duty one month ack all inform	8155
8157	15 Bde			1155	O 458	vacancies for schools will be allotted 57/60 58/59 aust inf bns by this HQ while these units remain under direct command. copy for inform will be sent 15 aust inf bde	
1309		RAAF	1035		X 7690	weather	
1311		7 Bde	1300		O 976	Ack O 457	8156 8156

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
1524		2 Corps	1945		SD 556	in reply to SD 5061 mvt commenced 2 oct by air DOBODURA to MORESEBY.	1299
8165	RAA 5 Div			2050	O 464	approval granted 254 aust lt AA bty trial shoot 5 nov 43. 5x40 mm guns 30 rds. location MORESEBY standard 975548. 5 AF to determine exact time of firing.	1275
8164	NGF			1000	O 466	release requested following controlled stores. all item 1231. AA ops room type A / 1. AA ops room type C / 1. 73 aust mob SL bty / 4. 2/16 aust A fd coy / 5. 24 aust fd coy / 5. 129 aust bde workshop / 1. 254 aust lt AA bty workshop subsec / 1. 2/3 aust fd regt / 12. 15 aust fd coy / 5. 67 aust mob SL bty / 6. total sets required 41.	
8165	RAA 5 Div			1108	O 467	unit serial number coast arty MORESEBY. 586. red and blue horizontal plate with white horizontal bar 2 inch deep across bottom of plate in centre letters NG.	
1530		15 Bde	1015		AM 3	adv HQ 15 aust inf bde will open at 888576 map ref PORT MORESEBY 1 inch at 1200 hrs 3 nov. 15 bde units will then deal through this HQ for all matters.	8168
8166	ADV 15 Bde Multiple			1156	O 468	57/60 km 58/59 km rear details 24 km 15 Bde amb 266 LAD come under command 15 bde 1200 hrs 3 nov.	
8167	NGF			1640	O 471	release requested following trg am for fd firing practice 5 aust div carr coy. cartridges 31 ball 306 carton packed / 25000 rds.	
8168	Multiple			1655	O 470	ref map MORESEBY one inch. adv HQ 15 aust inf bde opened 1 200 hrs 3 nov at 888576.	1330
8169	RAA 5 Div			1635	O 469	ref special trg 75 aust mob ES L Bty. 15 aust fd coy will provide instr 8 9 10 11 nov on following subjects. use and handling grenades as booby traps. use of explosives in particular for gun demolition. instr selected will report maj WOODHAM 75 aust mob SL bty at 885408 am 5 nov to discuss details location times size	8173

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8169 (cont)						of squads. camflg trg will be arranged by HCF camflg sec. McCONNELL will advise WOODHALL.	
1531		RAAF	1035		X 868	Weather report	
1539		HCF	1410		C 9108	Sitrep 984, to 10001/5.	
1340		12 L of C	1410		Sigs 138	Ack C 457.	
1345		RAA	1630		RAQ 157	Ack 0457	8156
1346		RAA	1630		RAQ 158	Ack 0 454	8156
1348		RAAF	1930		X 902	Weather report.	8156
1350		HCF	1945		SDX 107	SECRET. warning order. 5 aust div will prepare 2/7 svy bty for mvt MORESBY AUSTRALIA under arrangements 2 (mvts) HCF. port of disembarkation BRISBANE final destination MELIDON. under comd first aust army. move with personal arms and eqpt unit. eqpt less vehs. vehs will be returned to RVG. advise HQ HCF rptd 2 mvts MORESBY GRO C 312 details ack.	Action by 3 branch 8712
1355		3 Branch	2200		C 3845	57/60 aust inf bn will make temporary transfer of two ordnance M 2 in mortars to 2/10 aust tk A bty. mortars will be delivered on 4 Nov.	
1354		15 Bde	2300		C 1641	for Maj TRAVERS. Brig HARTER administer comd 80 aust inf bde temporarily. bde HQ and att tps move MORESBY approx 0800 hrs 4 Nov 10 planes. 24 aust inf bn remain under the comd 5 aust div.	
1355		HCF	08001/4		C 9115	Sitrep 985 to 21001/5.	

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
8175	NGF			1350	O 478	In reply to SD 5940. SECRET. of 25 tks held by 2/8 aust and regt MORESBY area. 22 painted green and uncammouflaged. 5 painted with yellow stripes.	1159 1148
8176	NGF			1410	O 479	NGF OI 104. ack.	
8177	NGF			1410	O 480	G/1283/ops ack.	
8178	NGF			1548	O 481	Ack O 9128 of 4 Nov.	1379
1379		NGF	1540		O 9128	Ref Appx "A" to NGF G/1283/Ops of 19 Oct. Most Secret.	8178
8179	AA GP Coast Arty RAA 3 Div			1700	O 482	MORESBY aust AA gp and coast arty MORESBY revert from RAA 3 aust div to comd 3 aust div as from 0600 hrs 5 Nov 45.	
8180	15 Bde 7 Bde RAA AQ			2100	O 483	ref 50 pairs binoculars released by NGF. distribution as under 57/60 aust inf bn /10. 25 aust inf bn /10. 61 aust inf bn /5. 9 aust inf bn /10. 2 aust lt fd regt /15.	
8181	NGF			2215	O 484	release requested following trg amn for 2/10 aust tk a bty. bombs 11 HE 2 inch mortar complete /120 rds. illum /6 rds	
8182	NGF			22.15	O 485	release requested following trg amn for cadre shoot 2/5 aust fd regt. 25 pr QF HE complete /160 rds.	G 11/1/18
1382		NGF	1635		O 9118	Sitrep 986 to 1000L/4.	
1386		RAAF	1905		X 998	Weather report.	
1388		NGF	0800L/5		O 9124	Sitrep 987.	
1389		5 Div Cash	0800		Pay 326	relieved by 5 aust div cash office yesterday. 5 aust div requesting direction from SD NGF ref mvt this office. could you please take up this matter.	

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
1560		NGF	0800		SD 6114	SECRET. warning order. 3 aust div will prepare det 1 lt fd snb for air mvt MORESEY DOODURA under arrangements Q(air) NGF NOT before 4 Nov. under comd 11 aust div on arrival for on mvt to MORESEY to relieve 2/2 CG3: strength 2 offrs 50 GR with 2000 lbs medical and ordnance eqpt. additional eqpt will be provided at BUNA under arrangements 2 Branch NGF. on mvt to MORESEY under arrangements 11 aust div. 11 aust div advise HQ NGF dates of arrival DOODURA and MORESEY and location at final destination ack.	8171 Action by 2 branch
1561		NGF	0800		SD 6111	ref NGF SD 5035. please advise.	821
8170	NGF			0915	O 473	NGF adm instr 132 Ack.	
8171	NGF			0915	O 474	SD 6114 Ack.	1560
8172	NGF			0915	O 475	SDX 107 ack.	1560
1566		MFO Brisbane 1080			Q19515	3 packages for Lt-col FIDMERE received ex MORESEY 10/9. despatched GIDNEY 21/9 for shipment MORESEY. serial Q 18th 3492 convoy K283. GIDNEY please advise further despatch details. sig 1 nov to MFO BRISBANE refers.	2155
8173	RAA 3 Div 15 Fd Coy			1120	O 476	3 aust div O 469 of 3 Nov cancelled.	8169
1573		RAA 3 Div		1155	RAO 64	BURNS PEAK rifle range available 20 Nov 45.	
8174	NGF			1200	O 477	release requested following trg gun to 4 AC sqn RAAF for air shoots with 2 aust lt fd regt 2/5 aust fd regt ctges QF 25 pr cordite filled /550. shell QF HE streamlined 25 pr fuze /500. shell QF smoke streamlined 25 pr fuze /50.	816 G 11/1/28.

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
1596	15 Bde	RAAF	1040		X 51	Weather report	G III (CW)
1401		HCF	1500		C 9127	Sitrep 988.	
8185				1450	C 489	ref 57/50 aust inf bn 572/45 of 3 nov. watches GS NOT available.	G 32/97
1402		RAA 3 Div	1730		RAO 57	13 Nov 45	G 12/45
1403		RAAF	1850		X 69	Weather report.	G III (CW)
1404		RAAS Div	2030		RAO 66	Change location RAA 3 Div.	G 21/1 8191
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1408		HCF	0800		C 9150	Sitrep 988.	
1410		HCF	0900		SD 6155	Ref HCF SD 5277. HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde have completed handing over to air command HADEAR. will return to MORESBY under arrangements adv 3 air HCF commencing 4 Nov.	
1416		HCF	0900		SD 6161	SECRET. ref HCF 9/3855/SD 4 Nov and any amendments. essential all addressees advise HQ HCF immediately units move and arrive at destinations adn.	G 9/2
8186	COAST ARTY MORESBY			1600	C 490	Sights panoramic telescope HQ complete with lighting equipment. Started on route from mainland available shortly.	
8187	3 DIV CARR COY			2145	C 491	Vacancy allotted armourers course 2 HCF training school 7 Nov to 8 Jan for WX103579 Cpl EURL. Nominee report details depot by 0945 hrs 6 Nov.	
8188	15 Bde			2145	C 492	Vacancy allotted armourers course 2 HCF training school 7 Nov to 8 Jan for V500185 Pte HIND 57/50 Aust Inf Bn. Nominee report details depot by 0945 hrs 6 Nov for onward movement.	

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
1393		NGF	0800		SD 6128	arrange withdrawal from 2/8 aust armd regt sig tp to RSD one 1 1/2 KW charging set at present in 11 adv workshop and one 4/5 KW charging set. these sets were held pending receipt of 1260W charging sets now released to unit. advise on completion.	3 Branch for action
8183	RAA AQ ADOS			0955	C 486	following stores will be withdrawn from 2 aust lt fd regt. beacon banderol sets RA/1. quivers /1. plotters arty No 1 I/1. plotters field arty /1. plotters arty No 2 I/1. rules correction 30 No 3 I/1. boards arty No 2 /5. boxes GEC /1. boxes intelligence filled I/1. directors No 7 /5. lamps electric adjustable I/5. rules slide 20 inch /1. rulers parallel rolling RA No 1 I/1. stands instrument No 17A /5. compasses magnetic planetable /2. arrows /14. barometers aneroid /1. compasses beam 26 inch I/1. rules eight 10 inch /1. straight edges 36 inch I/1. strips terminal 2 pair /1. flags sig army I/1. blue small /2. flags sig army I/1. white striped small /2. poles 3 ft 6 in /4. fullermphones I/1. heliographs 5 inch I/1. lamps sig daylight short range /1. megaphones 10 inch /1. stands lamp helio "A" I/1. stickserock jointed /1. superposing units 3 transformers /2. switches telephone arty No 1 (Aust) /1. telephone sets D I/1. test sets portable No 2 /1. charging sets 12 volt 500 watt /5. disposal as follows (.) to 11 RAA 3 aust div. plotters arty No 2 I/1. plotters fd arty /1. boxes intelligence I/1. filled /1. lamps electric adjustable I/5. compasses beam 26 inch I/1. to 2 aust min bty. boxes GEC No 1 I/1. switches telephone arty No 1 (Aust) /1. balance to RSD.	3 52/101
8184	NGF			1120	C 432	release requested following try can for 2 aust min bty. QF 75 mm fuze 48 practice /100 rds. QF 75 mm fuze 54 practice /20 rds.	3 11/1/13

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8189	RAA 3 Div			0955	O 494	In reply to RAQ 66. ACK.	1404
8190	HGF			0935	O 495	In reply to SD 6161. ACK.	1416
1420		Sigs 5 Div	0950		Sigs 1182	Ack G 12/45	G 12/45
1421		RAAF	0950		X 107	Weather report	G III (CW)
1422		15 Bde	1045		O 1646	HQ closes present site reopens 897576 1400 hrs 6 Nov. all informed	8191
1426		15 Fd Coy	1205		AE 262	Ack G 12/45	G 12/45
1427		2/1 HG Bn	1215		I 107	Ack G 12/45	G 12/45
8191	Multiple			1450	O 496	HQ 15 aust inf bde opened 897567 1400 hrs 6 Nov. HQ RAA 3 aust div closed 897567 opened 954377 1500 hrs all informed	1422 1404
1432		HGF	1530		O 9132	Sitrep 990	-
1434		2/16 A Fd Coy	1800		O 665	Ack G 12/45	G 12/45
1443		RAA 3 Div	2045		RAO 68	2/10 Tk A bty conducting night shoot ECERA Tk A range at 2000 hrs 9 Nov.	-
1444		15 Bde	2100		O 1647	Ack G 12/45.	G 12/45
1445		HGF	0800L/7		O 9139	Sitrep 919.	

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
8193	15 Bde RAA 5 Div 2/1 MG Bn			1050	O 498	adv ech 5 AF ordnance sec is holding course subject captured Jap Tm A and lt AA weapons 8 Nov to 15 Nov. location HQ JACKSONS DRONE. following pers will attend. 15 aust inf bde 2 offrs. RAA 5 aust div 5 offrs. 2/1 aust MG Bn 1 offr. time of reporting each day 0830 hrs. midday meal will be provided by 5 AF. notebooks will be carried. advise this HQ names offrs to attend by 1600 hrs 7 nov all informed.	1462 8196 8197
1449		RAAF	1000 1000		Met 8	Weather report	G III(C)
1451		NGF	1150		O 9147	Acknowledgement not recd our O 9060 of 26 Oct.	1115
1455		5 Div Carr Coy	1345		O 54	In reply to G 4/2 of 5 Nov 43. Query colour patch. As unit is classified AIF should grey background be included.	G 4/2
1456		5 Div Carr Coy	1345		O 53	request allotment RIGO RD RR 15 and 18 Nov for IIC field firing and booby trap exercises.	
1457		5 Div Carr Coy	1345		O 52	request allotment BURNS PEAK RR 15 to 18 Nov incl for rifle firing.	
1458		5 Div Carr Coy	1345		O 51	In reply to G 12/43 of 5 Nov 43. Ack	G 12/43
1459		2/8 Armd Regt	1345		Q 15	Ack G 12/43	G 12/43
1460		5 Div Carr Coy	1345		O 69	Ref Signal operation instns of 5 Nov 43. Ack	G 12/43
1461		2/1 MG Bn	1345		O 171	In reply to O 498. Offr to attend 5 AF course HML2169 Capt CRANDON, I.C.	8195
1462		15 Bde	1345		O 1649	owing sickness unable accept vacancies sec 7 inf bn sig offrs and HCO refresher. telephone conversation BH and lieut JORDAN refers	G 24/179 t/b

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
8194	NGF School Sigs reptd NGF			1540	O 499	In reply to G/5242/SD of 5 nov 45. unable fill vacancies section 7 school of signals Series 9	G 2A/179
8195		HQ RAA		1615	RAO 70	Nominations VX102762 lieut F. SCOTT HQ RAA 3 Aust Div. QX4623 Lieut F.S. ALLAN and QX2851 Lieut C.E. SOUTHWICK 2/10 Aust Tk. A Bty.	8195
1465		15 Bde	1615		O 1650	In reply to O 498. NX51600 Lt HAMILTON A.P. 57/60 bn. VX23594 Lieut LANE G.R. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn	8193
8196	ADV Ech 5 AF			1640	O 500	For Lieut WHITE. Names of officers attending course on captured Jap Tk A and light AA weapons 8 Nov to 15 Nov. 15 Aust Inf Bde Lieut HAMILTON A P Lieut LANE G. RAA 3 Aust Div Lieut SCOTT F Lieut ALLEN F.S. Lieut SOUTHWICK C.E. 2/1 Aust MG Bn Capt CRANDON I.G.	8193
8197	15 BDE RAA 2/1 MG BN			2045	O 501	Amend 3 Aust Div 0498 as follows. Students will report 0830 hrs 8 Nov at Ordnance Office Adv Ech 5 AF reference MORESBY 1 inch 928435	8193
8198	NGF			0830	O 502	In reply to G/4174/SD of 19 Sep. WE I/5/2 an arm'd regt has been amended so that 57 mm and 75 mm gunners are classified gunner operators trade gp II. Please advise if analogous amendment to WE I/5B/1 light arm'd regt tropical scale will follow.	G 1/12
1467		2 Mob Met Regt 1950			MET 10	Weather report.	G III(CV)
1473	NGF			0800	SD6213	Vacancies for CCTU course 8 allotted as follows. 2 Aust Corps Inf 15. Arty 5 for 2/4 Lt AA Regt incl 1 Bty. 1 for 23 Lt AA Bty. Svy RAA 2. Pro 1 for 9 Aust Div Pro Coy. Arty 1 for 156 Lt AA Bty. AASC 1. 5 Div inf 4. Arty 1 for 2/3 Comp AA Regt A-3C 2. Pro 1 for 3 Div Pro. 7 Div inf 7. AASC 2. 11 Div inf 5. AASC 1. Arty 1 for 2/17 Lt AA Bty. MORESBY Base Sub area AASC 2. MILNE BAY base sub area 1 arty 1 for 114 Lt AA Regt. DDST NGF 2. Joining instructions follow course commences ADELAIDE 2 Dec 43. Students congress IG Details Depot 19 Nov. Nominal rolls HQ NGF 17 Nov 45.	G 2A/182

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1476		24 Fd Coy	0800		E 565	In reply to 12/43 ACK.	
1478	NGF	2 Mob Met Flt	1035		NET 12	Weather report	G 12/45 G III(C)
1485		C Arty MORESBY	1350		XXXX 106	it is proposed to hold practice shoot from R Hvy bty on Wed 10 Nov 45 (sub-calibre) and Fri 12 Nov 45 (full calibre).	
8199	NGF			1415	C 504	of 26 oct ack	9060
8200	NGF			1455	C 505	NGF CI 105 Ack	
8201	NGF			1455	C 506	ING standard operation procedure instruction 6 Ack	
1469		NGF	1445		C 9157	Sitrep 994.	
1497		RAAF	1830		Met 115	Weather report.	
1503		NGF	0830L/9		C 9061	Sitrep 995.	
1493		CEME	1640		ME 551	SECRET. ref SM15858 following new wireless sets No.19 Mk II Aust installed tanks 15 light 2/8 aust amad regt to 1800 hrs 7 Nov. 3 Zenith 4 English 3 RCA total 10.	1517 8206 G 17/22
1506		NGF	0845L/9		SD 6216	7 Aust div u/c NGF	8202
1508		NGF	0845L/9		SD 6229	approval granted 2 MD bn 503 para bn battery practice small arms. time am 10 11 12 Nov 45. location MORESBY standard square 9834.	8204 8255 8205
1509		NGF	0845L/9		SD 6241	approval granted 1 st bn 503 para bn battle practice small arms. time AM 9 10 11 Nov 45. location MORESBY standard square 9735.	8204 8255 8205
8202	NGF			0900L/9	C 507	In reply to SD 6216 Ack	1506
8203	NGF			0910L/9	C 508	G/1311/Ops Ack.	

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
8204	NGF			1025	O 510	In reply to SD 6229 and SD 6241. recommend that battle practices be discontinued areas stated in view proximity camp sites.	1508 8255 1509
8205	Multiple			1025	O 511	US paratp bns will carry out battle practice incl small arms fire on 9 10 11 12 Nov in squares 9755 9854 all informed	1508 1509
8206	NGF			1057	O 512	SECRET. ref HQ 5115050 of 1 Jul. Following wireless No 18 in 8 installed this 8/8 just and regt to 1800 hrs 7 Nov. 5 Zenith 4 English 3 ROA total 10.	1408 8 17/22
1518		7 Bde	1155		C 175	Practice loading planes conversation WOODS W. WOODS. Request use two practice planes WARDS DRONE 19 20 and both incl 22 to 26 Nov for the gp. Request also morning 19 assistance officer experienced loading.	8207
8207	NGF			1420	O 513	ref practice loading aircraft. request use two tpt aircraft WARDS DRONE 19 20 Nov and 22 to 26 Nov for trg 7 aust inf bde gp also request instn from offr experienced air loading Am 19 Nov.	1518 1525
1505		NGF	0800		SD 6235	SECRET. in sep two rocket launchers and 80 rockets were forwarded TAKEU BAY to 3 aust div for use against JAPANESE bunkers. 5 aust div advise RAA 3 aust div still hold these weapons. request earliest advice user trials.	
1524		NGF	1650		SD 6255	approval granted 11 Aust lt AA bty trial shoot 12 Nov and 19 Nov. time am. 6x40 mm guns. location MORESBY standard FOERA PT 710455 direction of fire seawards. 5 AF to determine exact time of firing.	
8208	Multiple			1950	O 514	NGF advises that 98 US arty bn will use area bounded by 991415 023553 995560 985405 for arty practice on days to be notified. reservations of RIGO ROAD ranges still hold good otherwise avoid area	

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
8209	NGF			1950	O 515	RIGO ROAD mortar range in use 12 15 18 nov . RIGO ROAD 200 yds range in use 12 19 26 nov 3 dec . request immediate advice use these and adjacent areas by US tps.	
8210	NGF NOIC MORESEY			2045	O 51 6	proposed practice shoot BCERA Bty 10 nov (sub calibre) 12 nov (full calibre) subject approval NOIC.	
1526		NGF	1745		O 9162	Sitrep 996.	
1527		2 Mob Met Flt	1845		Met 25	Weather report	G III(CW)
1528		NGF	2105		O 9164	Sitrep 997.	
1529		NGF	0800L/10		SD 6229	Secret. warning order. 7 aust div will return det 2/2 fd amb incl 6 OR 15 fd amb and det 262 dental unit 2 pers from BEIA BEIA to MORESEY by air. move with all eqpt held. on arrival MORESEY det 15 fd amb will rejoin unit under comd 3 aust div. det 2/2 dental unit will rejoin unit under comd NG force. det 2/2 fd amb will be prepared by 3 aust div for mvt to AUSTRALIA with personal arms and eqpt only under arrangements Q(mvts) NGF. medical eqpt of 2/2 fd amb will be returned to NGF depot medical stores. 7 aust div advise date move begins. 3 aust div advise date of arrival and date det 2/2 fd amb ready move AUSTRALIA giving strength ack.	
1533		NOIC MORESEY	0930		-	In reply to O 516 - approved.	
1534		24 Bn	0930		A 352	Nomination CCTU NIL return	8210
8211	5 Div Carr			0935	O 518	In reply to O 54 - grey background incl.	
1535		2 Mob Met	Det 1100		MET 14	Weather report.	1455
8212	NGF			1030	O 520	In reply to SD 6259 - ACK	1529

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
8213	RAA 3 Div			1055	O 521	Wrist watches 1029/15 released by NGF. Distribution as under. 2/5 Aust Fd Regt 10. 2/10 Aust Tk/A Bty 5.	
8214	5 DIV			1030	O 519	Please advise whether 24 Aust Inf Bn receiving quota schools and courses.	1567
8215	24 Bn			1040	O 522	Suggest addresses should be 5 Aust Div. (Reply to A352)	1534
1538		NGF	1300		Q 7411	In reply to O 513. request approved/	8207
1540		NGF	1500		O 9166	Sitrep 998.	
8126	7 Bde			1826	O 523	trg instr 55 ack.	
8217	7 Bde.			0855L/11	O 524	ref our G 12/43 of 3 Nov Sig op instrn visual signalling G 12/43. and fire control codes. ack NGF received.	
1547		NGF	0800		O 9168	Sitrep 999.	
8218	ADCS			1150	O 526	ref 3 charging sets 1260 W released by NGF SD 5175 of 31 Oct. authorised disposal as under. sigs 5 aust div /2 2 aust fd regt sig sec /2 7 aust inf bde sig sec /3.	
8219	NGF			1150	O 527	release requested following controlled stores. to 52 aust hy AA bty 826/1 1225/2. to 24 aust hy AA bty 1222A/2 994/5. to 75 aust mob 51 bty 994/4. last request urgent.	G 32/106
8220	18 Bde NGF			1155	O 528	approval granted 18 aust inf bde mortar practice PORTRESS HILL range. time pm 11 Nov.	

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
8221	ADOS Camp AA&QMG			1430	O 529	arrange transfer 5 SMGs and associated stores from HQ 5 aust div to 2/125 aust bde wkshop. NGE states gen authority has been issued through DDOS to bring all units up to NET scale LMG and associated stores. 2/125 bde wkshop deficient 5 LMG tripods and associated stores.	
1562		7 Bde	1515		O 717	In reply to O 524. ack: your G 12/43 of 5 Nov. papers were saturated during storm at weekend. now dried out satisfactorily. regret delay in ack.	8217
1564		NGF	1445		O 9170	Sitrep No. 1	
8222	NGF			1505	O 550	release requested following controlled stores. to 2/125 aust bde wkshop 552/3. to 115 aust bde wkshop 552/2. to 129 aust bde wkshop 552/2.	G 52/95
8223	Aust AA Gp (LE) Moresby			1520	O 551	In reply to 51/43/10 of 9 Nov advise range required.	G 10/62
1567		5 Div	1800		M 5652	In reply to O 519. Yes.	8214
8224	NGF			1955	O 553	release requested following controlled stores for 2 aust fd regt 1340/4 and associated stores. required to replace 1269/4 unserviceable and for which spare parts unavailable.	G 32/107
8225	NGF			1955	O 532	SECRET. CA radar out of action 1925 hrs. approx time of repair one hour.	1571
1571		FC Post C Arty	1945		796	CA radar out of action. approximate time of repair one hour	8225
1572		NGF	2130		SD 6510	RICO RD mortar range ref MORESBY standard 015832 019661 996261 999582 being used by AUSTRALIAN tys 12 15 18 Nov 45. RICO ROAD rifle range ref MORESBY standard 005402 003400 in use 12 19 26 Nov and 3 Dec 45. please advise US arty practice dates.	

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
1575	NGF	NGF	2130		3D 5311	one 6 wheeled breakdown previously loaned to 7 aust div for 307 IAD will be returned to 3 Aust div for 266 IAD transfer to be completed by 16 Nov.	
8226	Coast Arty			2110	O 554	In reply to 796 Ack.	1571
8227	AA Gp (IE) MORESEY			2110	O 555	SECRET. 163 aust lt AA bty (airborne) comes under comd HQ AA Gp (IE) MORESEY from 2359 hrs 11 Nov.	1569
1569		NGF	2100		3D 5325	SECRET. 163 Aust lt AA bty (airborne) will come under comd HQ MORESEY AA Gp from 2359 hrs 11 Nov.	8227
8228	15 Bde			2110	O 556	conversation WILL CARTLEDGE refers. 5 aust div advise that 24 aust inf bn being allotted schools courses pro rata basis.	1567
8229	NGF			2125	O 557	ref 3 aust div O 552 of 11 Nov. refer now in action.	8224 1571
8250	HQ CA MORESEY			2215	O 558	In reply to 16/105/45. EXERA practice 12 Nov approved.	G 10/51
1574		NGF	2130		3D 6509	LMQ Tactical School Course 9.	
1577		NGF	0800L/12		O 9173	Sitrep 2.	
1580		NGF	0800		3D 6541	SECRET. one sec 5 aust div pro coy located DONADATU will come under comd MORESEY BASE SUB AREA at 2359 hrs 11 Nov.	8251
1581		NGF	0800		3D 6550	SECRET. 1. 2/5 aust inf tps ori 2d pk will come under comd MORESEY base-sub area from 2359 hrs 11 Nov. 2. ref NGF 3D 4494 of 3 sep. unit will NOT now move but will remain MORESEY. role service 2/2 aust inf tps wkshop.	
8251	7 Bde			0920	O 540	SECRET. one sec 7 aust div pro coy located DONADATU will come under comd MORESEY BASE SUB AREA at 2359 hrs 11 Nov.	1580

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
8252	7 Bde			1150	O 541	In reply to C 715. trg arranged. daily times 0600 hrs 1600 hrs. each party to be under comd offr. three US instrs continuously available. location 917395.	1512
1592		NGF	1415		O 5177	Sitrep 3.	
8233	18 Bde			1530	O 542	move elements 18 aust inf bde to former area 3 aust IG bn DONADATU agreed to provided no move other than recon party before 22 Nov.	
1584		NGF	1040		XXXXXXXX CM 655	request infm be fwded lighting set despatched to H. 3 aust div. loaded on EDWARD RAKER. VLB33EL departed PERUMBERA for PERIMICAT 26 Oct.	This signal to Hqts NEINE BAY. Artd 3 Div
1597		RAAF	2000		--	Weather report.	C III (C)
<u>13 November</u>							
1601		NGF	0800		C 8172	Sitrep 4.	
1603		NGF	0800		SD 6377	approval granted 5 AF machine gun practice FIRMIN PT 12 and 13 Nov 43.	
1604		NGF	0800		SD 6371	SECRET: ref NGF G/5353/SD 4 Nov and further NGF SD 6161 in advising arrivals and departures of units request following particulars. first. appx and priority number. second. unit or det. third. strength. fourth number vehs. fifth. balance pers and vehs to move. sixth. location and comd on arrival. ack.	7217
8235	Multiple			2110L/12	O 543	NGF advises that 90 US arty bn will use area bounded by 991415 023353 995360 983405 for arty practice on 18 Nov. 3 aust div carr coy field firing exercise same area postponed to 19 Nov. all informed.	
8234	NGF			0906	O 545	could this formation be granted 2 vacancies category "A" 2 vacancies category "B" RAAF school army co-operation 25.	

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Serial Number	To	From	Ref	File	Remarks	
8236	NGF		1000	O 547	request issue vol II WE complete. required by ADOS 3 aust div to replace vol lost at sea.	
8237	NGF		1000	O 546	In reply to SD 6371. ack	1604
1608		RAA	1330	RAO 501	BOERA arty range allotted to 3 aust div carrier coy Nov 20 Nov 22. bivouac and deployment exercises only. all informed.	
1610		Moresby AA Gp	1330	AQ 84	In reply to G 24/4. Ack	G 24/4
1612		NGF	1510	O9182	Sitrep 5	
1615		NGF	1900	SD6396	Ref your memo G32/95 of 5 Nov. Arrange collection two converters rotary No 3 ex 10 AOD and return 2 converters rotary No 4 to RSD	P239
1617		NGF	1900	ME737	Please arrange withdraw tropic proofing materials from units indicated. Forward materials this HQ. Urgent. 11 AUST ADV WKSHP black condenser varnish 4 pints golden clear varnish 7 pints thinners 3 pints condenser wax 3 pounds shirlan 1/2 pound. 129 AUST BDE WKSHP clear tropical varnish 2 pints 1 Aust Indep Armd Regt WksHP thinners one pint black impregnating wax 2 pounds	
1618		NGD	1900	O9185	Sitrep 6	
14 NOV. 1623		NGF	0800	SD6409	Request forward to 3 Aust Div Vol II WE complete. Previous Vol held was lost at sea	
1625		NGF	0905	S D6416	SECRET. Further NGF SD5762 SD5592. Det HQ 24 Hy AA Bty and 470 and 471 Hy AA tps allotted SUVA. AUST MORESBY. 1 OR lveh. rejoin unit on arrival. Advise HQ NGF on arrival giving date. Pers. Veh by type ACK	P240
8238	NGF				<u>None used</u>	

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Ref	From	To	Time	Subject	Remarks
8239	HQ COAST ARTY MORESBY		1050	0550	Ref 6 pr eqpt boom GEMO btys. Arrange collection two converters rotary number 3 ex 10 AOD and return 2 converters rotary number 4 to RSD 1615
8240	HGF		1200	0549	In reply to SD6416 Ack 1625
8241	HGF		1200	0551	FORTRESS HILL range will be used by 18 aust inf bde on 1 7 Nov
8242	HGF		1509	0 552	ack SD 6421 1629
8243	HGF		2054	0 561	ack 8/1625/Ops
1629	HGF	1345		SD 6421	SECR T. ref 2 aust corps SD 510 HGT to 5 aust div. w warning order. 5 aust div will prepare 2 mtn bty less. det air wvt MORESBY IAD under arrangements 2 (AIR) HGF. move HGT before 15 nov. 5 aust div will arrange on wvt FORTRESS HILL to arrive by 16 nov. under command 2 aust corps on arrival. strength 4 odd 73 CR. move with personal arms and eqpt limited tentage and accom stores 1 jeep 2 guns need carry tech eqpt. 7 aircraft loads. am will be provided at destination. 5 aust div advise date unit leaves IAD. 2 corps advise date arrival and locati n ack 8242
1630		A Branch 1600		A 1046	Further to this HQ A 887 of 2 nov. owing interference with trg occasioned by monthly tour of duty units concerned will have to fortnightly relief of guards at 2/1 2/3 and 2/9 AGNs. 13/5
1637	HGF	1930		SD 6438	re verbal request HT for 103 aust lt. AA bty airborne. arranging release three trucks 15 cwt 4wd on HVS. utilise releases on CGMT 815/816 to provide outfit vehs. re not unable to provide trucks 5 ton. 3 aust div will provide sufficient HT for unit on resources-ref 8/3432/SD 15-nov
1649	7 Aust Inf RDE	1133		I 519	ref Dep ORDER 1 inch. HQ 7 Aust Inf bde closed 174396 151100 hrs. 8244, 1638

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Serial Number	To	From	At	Time	Remarks
8244	NGF Multiple		1318	0 554	H Q 15 cust inf bde closed MARESEY opened 174300 0800 hrs. HQ 7 cust inf bde closed DONADAY opened 007307 11 00 hrs all informed 1638 1649
8245	COAST ARTY		1318	0 573	approval granted coast arty practice 17 and 18 nov 43. time am. locality ref MARESEY standard 007307 007400 1x2 pr 100 hrs 1x155 am 84 hrs. direction of fire secrets 1638 1649
1649		7 Bde	1305	1 519	ref HQ MARESEY 1 inch. HQ 7 cust inf bde closed 174300 131100 hrs 1638 1649
1644	NGF	2035		3D 8446	approval granted coast arty practice 17 and 18 nov 43. time am. locality ref MARESEY standard 007307 007400 1x2 pr 100 hrs 1x155 am 84 hrs. direction of fire secrets 1638 1649
1638		15 Bde	2010	0 1656	this HQ closes MARESEY regions DONADAY 0800 hrs 18 nov 1638 1649
1654		7 Bde	1310	7 B de	H Q 7 bde opened 1500 ref HQ HQ MARESEY 1 inch. 007307. 007400 1x2 pr 100 hrs 1x155 am 84 hrs. direction of fire secrets 1638 1649
1639	NGF	2015		0 3191	sitrep 8 1638 1649
8246	NGF		1531	0 556	ack SD5420
8247	NGF		1800	0 557	ack SD5451
8248	NGF		1945	0 558	release requested following controlled stores. To 82 Aust Mob SL B ty 1147/2. to 202 LAD 1251/1

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Serial Number	TO	FROM	DATE	TIME	UNIT	REMARKS	
8249	RAA 3 Div		1945	0 559		wireless set Number 11 complete station /1 will be withdrawn from 2 Aust Mtn Bty and transferred to 2/5 Aust Fd Regt under arrangements ADCS	G32/112
8250	Aust AA Gp		2005	0 560		Reply 31/45/10 of 12 Nov. Burns Peak most suitable range. Earliest can be made available 19, 25, 27, 28, 29 Nov 1, 2 Dec. Please advise	8223 G10/62
8251	NGF		2045	0 561		ack G/1351/Cps	
8252	15 Bde		2050	0 562		NGF consider Sgt THOMSON instructor NGF School of Sigs unsuitable. Advise if you can supply suitable replacement giving particulars.	1670
1657		NGF	1500	0 9194		Sitrep 9.	
1658		18 Bde	1610	0 214		request permission to use Fortress Hill range 24, 25, 26 Nov. Mortar and ILLG shoot.	2253
1659		NGF	1603	SD5457		Secret. Ref NGF G/5235/SD 4 Nov. Appx B Gp 1 priority 7. 73 AASL Bty and 82 AASL Bty wkshop includes det 202 AA regt (comp) sig sec 1 Offr 12 OR	
1660		RAAF	1615	X 687		Weather	
1662		NGF	SD5457 1615	SD 6451		Secret. further NGF SD5783. det 189 CASL sec allotted SUVA. Aust Moresby. 1 OR 17 veh. Under comd 3 Aust Div on arrival. Advise HQ NGF on arrival giving date. Location. pers. veh by type ack	8247 SK

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Serial Number	To	From	Time	Serial Number	Text	Time
8253	NGF		2215	0563	18 Aust Inf Bde requests use FORTRESS HILL range 24 25 26 Nov. Does this conflict US program	1658
8254	NGF		2215	0564	Release requested following controlled stores, charging sets 4 KW 110V DC. One each to fortress wkshop AEME MORESBY 129 Aust Bde Wkshop 2/1 Aust Indep Armd Regt Wkshop total 3	8218 G32/110
8255	NGF		2230	0 565	In reply to SD6229 and SD6241. Further to 3 Aust Div O 510. HQ Coast Arty reports considerable damage by mortars or grenades to air line sig cable squares 9735 to 9935. By SA fire square 0235. Coast def comms. were disrupted. Former recommendation repeated.	8204 1508 1509
1665		3 Div	2200	Q2706	SECRET. 2 Aust Mtn Bty less one sec emplaned AM 15 Nov for BINOC ULAR. Strength 4 Gffrs 74 CRs. NGF Signal SD6421 of 14 NOV refers all informed	
1667	16 NOV	3 Div	0800	Q2708	SECRET. Confirming verbal instns. CEME will arrange pers rear details 2/53 Aust LAD move to 3 Aust Div reception Sec AM 16 Nov to await embarkation CLARENCE KING all informed	
1669		NGF-	0800	SD6458	FORTRESS HILL range will be in use 17 Nov 43 by Aust Forces. Location ref MORESBY standard 037390 041376 041376 015382	
1670		15 Bde	0945	Q1658	No suitable replacement available in this Bde	8252
1 671		HQ RAA 3 DIV	0945	RAO 75	for Capt CARTLEDGE. As arranged by phone herewith RAA NGF RAQ9081	
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Serial Number	To	From	At	Unit	Origin	Remarks
1676		3 Div.	1100		Q2711	Confirmation verbal instns. 2/8 Aust Arm'd Regt will transfer to HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde one truck $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4 accordance provisions 3 Div Adm Instn 27 para 30. veh to be delivered to HQ 15 Bde at DOWEDABU by 1500 hrs 16 Nov. Veh for use as D RLS by Bde Sig Sec all informed
1677		2 Met Flight	1130		MET 16	Weather
1678		3 Div	1130		Q2712	All pers of 73 Aust Mob SL Bty and 82 Aust Mob SL Bty Wkshops det less veh parties will move to NE W GUINEA. Details depot after midday meal 16 Nov. Veh parties with vehs detailed 3 Div signal Q2705 of 15 Nov will move to 3 Aust Div Reception Sec PH 16 Nov. Units will await call fwd for embarkation by this HQ. Advise completion all informed
1683		15 Bde	1310		A 1734	ref move 57/60 bn. A B C D coys and BHQ arrived DOWEDABU area 0945 hrs today.
1679		Q Branch	1130		Q 2715	confirmation verbal instns. 3 pairs windows reflecting infinity will be transferred to MILNE BAY AA gp forthwith. Articles to be packed and despatched by air mail at earliest. Advise completion sitrep No 11
1687		HGF	141 5		O 9196	
1688		7 Bde	1525		I 321	25 bn HQ closed DOWEDABU 161129L reopened 080309 MORSEBY 1 inch 161855L
1689		7 Bde	1610		I 327	
1690		2 Met Flt	1640		Met 16	Weather
1691		HGF	1640		SD 6492	ref HGF SD 4651 . amend veh to read 2
1693		2 Mob Met	1800		-	Weather

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Serial Number	To	FROM	IN	OUT	ORIG. REFERENCE	Remarks
8256	HGF			1820	O 567	release requested following trg ann for 3 aust div carr coy. .505 ball 10000 rds. required for special IMC practice
8257	18 Bde			1840	O 568	use FORTRESS HILL range 17 24-25 26 nov by 18 bde approved. warn tps that RIGG ROAD range area being used by US arty in same days
1696		Q Branch	1945		Q 2719	SECRET. det 180 CASL sec one CR and 17 vehs due arrive shortly per SUVA from AUSTRALIA. coast arty. a range reception and advise earliest after arrival details all vehs by types and date arrived all informed
1697		7 Bde	2055		Q 484	all coys excl HQ coy less Tk A pl 25 bn in posn new area 161855L
1698		Q Branch	2110		Q 2725	SECRET. det HQ 24 aust AA bty one CR with one veh due arrive from AUSTRALIA shortly. rejoin unit on arrival. advise 3 div immediately after arrival type veh and date arrived. HQ 24 aust by AA bty arrange reception all informed
1700		15 Bde	2115		I 590	locations D MALANW areas as at 182659L. USERI 1 inch. USERI in 11 inch. 15 bde HQ 174696 57/30 bn 174403. 266 LAD 58/59 bn remain JUNE VALLEY.
1702		HGF	0805		O 9197	3 itrep 12
1703		HGF	0805		3D 6526	american forces using RIGG ROAD target range 25 nov and 2 dec 43 also CIMANA range 23 24 25 26 27 nov 43
1704		No 2 Mob Met Flt	1055		X207	Weather
8258	ADOS			0950	0569	Release approved item 505/1 to 2/125 Aust Bde Workshops

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APPROXIMATE

Serial Number	Location	In	Out	Serial Number	Text
1705	Moresby Aust	1245		AQ86	Ack to G12/32
1709	AA Gp RAA				
	7 Bde	1255		Q485	HQ Coy 25 Bn moved out DONADAEU 17/1230L
1713	RAA 3 Div	1735		RAO 76	Ref your G17/30 11 Nov and own RAA 1415. Delete report on light 25 pr. Inform now available indicates report refers to pilot model which has been greatly improved on
	XXXX				
1714	2 Fd Regt	1735		G 2	Ack to G12/43
1715	2 MRF	1835		MEET 20	Weather
1716	7 Bde	1930		I 325	25 Bn move completed 1 71430L
1717	18 Bde	1930		I269	Receipt acknowledged 5 Aust Div location statement 37 copy No 39
18 Nov.					
1721	NGF	0014		SD6549	Secret. First. Following units will prepare movt mainland. HQ 3 Aust Div HQ RAA 3 Aust Div 3 Aust Div Sec Reception Camp 202LAD. Units will move with unit equipment and accommodation stores less vehs except in case 202 LAD which will move with personal equipment hand tools and accommodation stores only. No move before 23 Nov except adv party. Second. Adv party HQ 3 Aust Div will move by air to Atherton 19 Nov under arrangements Q movts NGF. Party to consist of key personnel only and to xxxxxx be limited to 20 all ranks. Landops please arrange reception ETA will be advised later. Third. Op Instn follows regarding change of cmd HQ 3 Aust Div to HQ MORESBY base sub area all ack

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18th	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	
8259	Aust AA Co (LA) Port Moresby			2115	C 572	Ref application amendment WE mob 3L bty. caterers report NOT yet received.	
8260	15 Aust Inf Bde			2110	C 571	In reply to C 1/60. Of 16 nov. monthly requirements approved. indent ADPS.	
8261	NGF			0726	C 575	In reply to SD 3549. ack.	
8262	NGF			1117	C 575	approval requested battle practice 5 Aust Div camp coy RICO ROAD mortar range 1 2 3 2 Dec.	1748 1747 8268 1703.
8265	NGF			1250	C 576	request 20 pack horses and necessary harness from pack tpt coy be made available for attachment 15 Aust inf bde DUMADAN area from 20 nov.	
1712		NGF	1335	1225	C 2202	Sitrep 13	
1718		NGF	2235		AM3 3260	Please advise urgently if Lt-col WHBEN your coy and considered suitable and could be released avail ble for appointment as comd of a base area. suggest officer over age for active operations might be considered.	
1720		15 bde	1300		C 1661	recommendations for comd and staff appointments month of nov nil return.	
1725		NGF	2100		SD 3548	In reply to C 370. INF advise sqpts NOT available as reserve.	
1751		7 bde	1030		C 468	25 bn move complete. all coys in posn.	
1752	"Q" Branch		1550		Q2729	SECRET. WARNING ORDER. The following units will prepare for movement by sea to CINABEL. HQ 3 Aust Div. 3 Aust Div Reception Sec. HQ RAA 3 Aust Div. 302 Aust LAD. No move before 25 Nov except advance parties from HQ 3 Aust Div and HQ RAA personnel detailed separately. All pers move with personal arms and eqpt. Following carried on man one blanket mosquito net groundsheet emergency ration 24 days atarbin amm 30 rounds per rifle 12 rds per pistol 50 rds per SIG.	

REPORT ON CHART

18th Nov 43

1732	"Q" Branch	1550	32729	Units except 202 LAD move with present holdings unit eqpt as per WET including ord accom stores vi+ cooking gear. 202 LAD take hand tools and cooking gear only. All units take one blanket per man in unit bulk together with medical stores for voyage. Amn for weapons NOT carried on man SMG and IMG 100 rds per weapon. Separate instns follow regarding disposal tentage surplus accom stores and vehs. Op instn follows regarding change of comd other units 3 Aust Div. Each unit moving will advise 3 Aust Div immed- iately following particulars. Total pers moving offrs CR. Total BW and cubic tonnage of stores for mvt. List of vehs at present on charge together with statement as to mechanical condition all informed.
1734	EGF	1550	AMS3269	Please arrange T/lt-col CARO and T/MAJOR R W HORSBURN proceed Moresby Base Sub Area for temporary duty as GSOI and BV RAA respectively
1735	EGF	1550	09211	Sitrep 15
1737	7 Bde	1645	3489	9 Bn HQ A B C Coys T/A Fl No 6 Fl and Adv Sig details reached new area 876402 1814001
1738	7 Bde	1850	1524	Locations. Ref map MORESBY one inch. 25 Bn HQ 882399 HQ Coy 884597. A Coy 884595 B Coy 885597 C Coy 882598 D Coy 882599
1739	7 Bde	1830	1525	9 Bn left DONADABU 1811501
1740	15 Bde	1850	1591	Ref URE RI one inch 58/59 Bn located 177400

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1745		NGF	2100	02212	Sitrep 16	
1745		BAL C	2140	---	Radar eqpt PACA Bty now in action	
1745	19 NOV	NGF	0810	SD6582	Aust F rces using RIGG road mortar range 1 8 9 Dec 45	
1748		NGF	0810	SD6580	Dates 1 8 9 ^{Dec} /approved. Ref NGFORCE SD6526 of 17 NOV US Fd Arty Bn using range 2 Dec 45	8262 1748 8265 1703
1750		NGF	0810	SD6588	Ref NGF SD 5792. 13MM 101 guns with assoc stores ex 153 Aust Lt AA Bty will be returned 102 FID prior to move of unit	8262 1703 8265 1747
1751		NGF	0810	SD6579	Approval granted 101 CA Bn (AA) night firing 18-25 Nov 45. Time 1800 to 2150 hrs. Location FURNED PT. 40 in and US 50 CAL GUNS	
8264	HQ Coast Arty Moresby		1354	0577	Ref indent sights panoramic telescope 106 complete. 1HQ advise eqpts NGF available as reserve	
8265	NGF		2005	0578	Radar eqpt PACA Bty out of action at 1955 hrs. Repairs proceeding will advise immediately again in action	
8266	NGF		2140	0579	Radar eqpt PACA Bty in action 2130 hrs	
1754		Q Branch	1000	Q2731	RAA 5 Aust Div will arrange move rear details RAA 5 Aust Div from present location to HQ Comd AASO 5 Aust Div to which unit they will be attached for rations and quarters until moved to BINOCULAR. Move with tentage and assoc stores. Move to be completed by 1700 hrs 18 Nov. Advise completion all informed	
1759		2/16 Fd Coy	1545	0650	As from 1800 hrs 18 Nov Lieut SMITH E F will be comd of this Unit. Please ack	
1760		15 Bde	1400	1392	Ref USMRE one inch 24 Bn rear details located 173300	

ADCS

19 Nov 45

8267	ADCS		1012	0580	1 x 1560 W BRIGGS and STRATTON charging set will be transferred from sig 5 Aust Div to 15 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec under arrangements ADCS
8268	5 Div Carr Coy		1845	0582	Approval granted RIGG ROAD mortar range 1 5 9 Dec 45. African forces using range 2 Dec
1761		HGF	1400	0 9215	Sitrep 17
1763		5 Div Carr	1815	0 54	Request permission explode booby traps vicinity our camp on morning 30 Nov
1766		7 Bde	1815	Q 490	9 Bn move completed 191630L
1767		7 Bde	1915	I 526	61 Bn HQ closed 913065 0830 hrs opened JUNE VALLEY 0830 hrs ref map PCNF MORESEY 1 inch 808376
1769		Q	1915	Q 2733	First. Detachment 9 Aust Fd Amb present at MDS RIGG RD will move ref map FBARI 1/63360 140415 and rejoin 82 at location. Move commence 1430 hrs 20 Nov. Second. 1 Aust Lt Fd Amb will move from present location to site MDS RIGG RD ref map MORESEY 1/63360 08442 on 30 Nov. Third. 7 Aust Inf Bde will arrange security guard take over engineer accommodation stores and fixtures on camp site vacated by 1 Aust Lt Fd Amb at ref map MORESEY 1/63360 895508 am 20 Nov. This site will be occupied at a later date by 11 Aust Fd Amb. Units concerned advise this HQ of completion all informed
1771		HGF	2110	09218	Sitrep 18
1772		HGF	2110	SD6592	Regrouping of tas as requested your 04/10 approved. COB HQ FORCE will be amended accordingly
1785	20 Nov 45	7 Bde	1130	1327	Locations 9 Bn: ref map MORESEY one inch. BNC 876402 A Coy 876403 B Coy 876405 C Coy 87740 2 HQ Coy 876402

1748 1747
8262 1703

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1792	NGF	1440	09221	Sitrep 19
1793	15 Bde		A1757	Movement of 15 Aust Fd Amb and 266 IAD completed by 1100 hrs 20 Nov
8269	NGF	1005	0565	Request approval release 24 2 inch mortar bombs illum with parachutes for 2/10 Aust Tn A Bty
8270	5 Div Carr Coy	1012	0564	permission granted explode booby traps morning 30 Nov 43 1765
8271	5 Div Carr Coy	1450	0566	Exercise 3-18 Dec approved
1799	NGF	1215	SD 6542	To 98 Fd Arty Bn (US) approval granted for use HICO road (CHIANA range) 015410 29-30 nov incl and Fortress Hill range 29-30 nov incl as requested.
1800	7 Bde	1915	I 329	Ref map Moresby standard. New locations. 241 Aust IAD 895872. 11 Aust Fd Amb 897336.
1801	15 Bde	1915	I 396	Ref UBERI one inch. Bde HQ sig sec 174896, 266 IAD 177398. 57/60 bn 174406. 30/59 Bn 177100. 34 Bn rear details 173899. 15 Fd Amb 177396 all informed
1803	NGF	0815	09223	Sitrep 20
1816	7 Bde	1015	0727	Please leave all maps on walls in situ. This Bde will arrange security guard on advise from you of impending vacation of HQ
1817	Adv 3 Div	0800		Secret. Adv 3 Aust Div established ref map GORDONVALE 1 in Series 92396 and ready assume comd from 241230L

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84 1710L		LTD Brisbane (0.1)	for transit(.) notify disposal luggage HX70905 Capt T E BEIRNZ left with you 13 nov 45(.) items one valise one tin box one stretcher one officers trunk(.) if in your custody forward first three items care RTO TOLGA trunk to kit store IPSWICH.
25 1000L		1 Aust Corps (0.2)	adv HQ 3 Aust Div opened ar ref GORDONVALE one inch 512398 at 250001L Nov 43
22 1920L	1 Aust Corps (1) SD1891		SECRET(.) following units have been warned by MGF for movement to mainland(.) HQ 3 Aust Div(.) HQ RAE 3 Aust Div(.) 3 Aust Div Sec RECEPTION CAMP(.) 202 LAD(.) units moving with unit eqpt and accomodation stores less vehs except in cases of 202 LAD which will move with personal eqpt hand tools and accomodation stores only
25 5115L		2/9 Aust Cav Regt 7 Aust MG Bn 3 Aust Inf Bde 23 Aust Inf Bde RAA 3 Aust Div (0.5)	ref LHQ 63001 of 17 xxx apr 45 selection of students as D & M instructors and testing officers (.) advise by 26 nov 45 following (.) one(.) number of students still required to do courses listed in above memo(.) two(.) number of vacancies that can be accepted for course commencing 11 dec 45
26 0930L	23 Aust Inf Bde (2) 0.2		one(.) nil(.) two(.) nil ref our 0.3
26 1645L	2/9 Aust Cav Regt (3) 70/333/43		In reply to our 0.3 Nil Return
22 1445L	1 Aust Corps (6) 0 1338		SECRET(.) add 8 aust fd coy to list of units in para 2 our G/1301/ops of 24 nov 43
27 1945L	(7) 0 128 7 Aust MG Bn		In reply to our 0 3.- NIL vacancies required for course commencing 11 dec 43
28	1 Aust Corps (8)		SECRET./ 5 Aust Mob Met Flt will move under own arrangements from MAREESA to MINTI area by 1 dec (.) on arrival under command RAA 1 Aust Corps (.) move with all personnel arms and eqpt accomodation stores tentage scale A (.) 5 Aust Mob Flt will be accomodated with fd regt to be nominated by RAA
28 11 43	RAA 1 Aust Corps (9)		ref 1 Aust Corps SD1968(.) 5 Aust Mob Met Flt to be accomodated by 2/7 Aust Fd Regt.
28 11 43	1 Aust Corps (10)		Ref my G/1702/SD of 22 nov (.) Please advise by 2 DEC whether accepting all vacancies allotted.
28 11 43	1 Aust Corps (11)		Release 1224 quantity 10 for issue ADV HQ 3 AUST DIV ex 13 AOD approved

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29 1115L	1 Aust Corps (12) SD1982		SECRET(.) Further by SD1891 of 22 nov (.) ETA port of disembarkation 29 nov
29 1115L	1 Aust Corps (13) SD 1970		SECRET (.) FIRST (.) 2/9 AUST CAV REGT will be reorganised forthwith as cavalry (commando) regt on dismounted basis(.) regt will consist of regtl Hq on WE to be determined and three cavalry (commando) sqns each on WE for sqn vide WE 111/10CA/2 (.) regtl Hq and two sqns will be raised at present from 2/9 AUST CAV REGT (.) SECOND (.) proposed maximum regtl Hq WE 7 offrs 53 CR (.) responsibility tactical control and supervision adm andtrg of sqns under comd (.) THIRD (.) all surplus unit eqpt incl controlled stores and vehicles of 2/9 AUST CAV REGT NOT required on re-organization will be returned to 15 AOD (.) FOURTH (.) 2/9 AUST CAV REGT being moved 1 AUST CORPS area under arrangement HQ FIRST AUST ARMY earliest at present strength(.) will be re-organized similarly to 2/9 AUST CAV REGT and trained along with that regt(.) 2/9 AUST CAV REGT will NOT retain any vehicles on movement (.) surplus eqpt and controlled stores NOT required under re-organization being retained by FIRST AUST ARMY (.) FIFTH (.) vehicles to bring regts to new WE scale will be provided under separate instructions(.) SIXTH (.) 2/6 2/7 and 2/9 CAV (COMMANDO) REGTS will be allotted 6 7 and 9 AUST DIVS respectively(.) CAV (COMMANDO) REGTS when allotted to divs will operate as div recce units (.) SEVENTH (.) regtl Hq and Hq sqn 2/7 AUST CAV (COMMANDO) REGT will be re-organised as regtl Hq on new WE then latter finalised(.) 2/5 and 2/5 AUST CAV (COMMANDO) SQNS will temporarily remain under comd Hq 2/7 AUST CAV (COMMANDO) REGT for ops (.) date of cessation of responsibilities 2/7 AUST CAV (COMMANDO) REGT under LHq SMD1603 of 26 Aug 45 will be notified later ACK
29 1335L		1 Aust Corps (0 4)	ACK. (SD1970)
29 1615L	1 Aust Corps (14) SD 2001		ref 3 AUST DIV G5130 of 19 nov (.) Offr from 3 Sqn 2/9 Armcd regt will RV with Capt GABSON RAE 2 Aust Corps 2nd and main roads representative at 1400hrs 30 Nov at DISTRICT MAIN ROADS OFFICE LEBERTON(.) Party will carry out RD Recce for this from present location to MAIN area

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29 1915L	1 Aust Corps (15) SD 1972		SECRET(.) ref SD 1970 of 28 Nov THIRD para (.) request recommendation earliest for requirements complete unit eapt for regtl HQ of cav commando regt on basis maximum strength stated
29 1915L	1 Aust Corps (16) SD 1997		MOST SECRET.
29 1915L	1 Aust Corps (17) SD 2005		RAA 1 Aust Corps will control the allotment of IRVINEBANK and WALSH RIVER arty ranges (.) before these ranges are allotted this HQ will first ascertain from 6 AUST DIV whether the area of the ranges are required for DIV trg(.) 6 AUST DIV will advise forthwith whether WALSH RIVER range is required from 6 - 9 dec incl and 13 - 18 dec incl
29 1945L	8 Aust Inf Bde (18) I 1		locstat no 1 (.) GORDONVALE one inch bde HQ 476367 4 Bn 474370 (.) 30 Bn 476368 35 Bn 476367 (.) approx reinf 18 coy AASC 506591 8 FD Coy 477384 FD PK and Wk/shops 476364
29 2000L		1 Aust Corps C 5	One (.) one and sixteen (.) two (.) mil (in reply to SD 1892)
29 2047L		8 Aust Inf Bde rptd AQ O 6	MOST SECRET.
29 2100L		1 Aust Corps O 7	3 Aust Div arrived GORDONVALE 1 in 512398 and assumed command 292100L
30 1000L	5 Aust Div AQ (19) Q K7		SECRET. confirming verbal advice (.) 10 offrs 181 OR 8 Aust inf bde arriving TOLGA 302000L Nov (.) please arrange reception and transport.
30 1015L	1 Aust Corps (20) SD 2008		SECRET(.) 2/15 AUST LT FD ALB has been warned to move to 1 AUST CORPS area for allotment to 8 AUST INF BDE GP (.) separate adm instns will be issued at early date for conversion unit to fd amb on WE 11/16/4 (.) re-organization will take place after arrival in 1 AUST CORPS area (.) designation unit on re-organisation will be 2/15 AUST FD ALB (.) unit moving with personal arms and eapt present unit eapt eight trucks amb 4 x 4 plus accom stores tentage scale A vide GRO G518/43 as amended (.) moving under arrangements NOVTS BRISBANE and 2 AUST ARMD BDE GP to arrive corps area NOT later 7 dec ACK
30 1150L		1 Aust Corps C 8 (reply to pro/111/1)	of 20 Nov 43 (.) request fifteen vacancies number 5 wing

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30 1120L		1 Aust Corps (0 9)	Ack. (SD2003)
30 1215L	1 Aust Corps (SD 2026) 21		Secret (.) 3 Aust Inf Bde Gp to be given priority of issue controlled stores over 23 Aust Inf bde.
30 1530L	1 Aust Corps (SD 2028) 22		SECRET (.) landforces raising one pl 2/1 Aust Hq guard regt for each of 8 and 23 Aust Inf Bdes.
30 1800L	1 Aust Corps (SD 2036) 1846		reference by SD1447 NOT to 3 AUST DIV (.) Hq "D" Coy 2/1 AUST CD REGT will move with personal arms and eqpt and accommodation stores under arrangements to be made by CALP to Hq 3 AUST DIV (.) under comd 3 AUST DIV on arrival (.) move to be completed by 2 Dec
30 1820	1 Aust Corps SD 2027 (1847)		MOST SECRET.
30 1920	1 Aust Corps SD 2024 (1846)		MOST SECRET.
30 1900	1 Aust Corps SD 2025 (1849)		following release controlled stores ex 13 AOD authorised (.) 508/1191 573/17 578/5 558/7 863/7 898/16 909/18 915/1 919/4 933/2 959/3 987/102 989/53 991/2 998/10 1010/2 1228/6 1240/1 1245/1 1240/12
30 1924		8 Aust Inf Bde rptd AQ ADMS (0 10) 8280	SECRET (.) 2/15 AUST LT FD ALB has been warned to move to 1 AUST CORPS area for allotment to 8 AUST INF BDE GP (.) separate adm instns will be issued at early date for conversion unit to fd amb on WE 11/16/4 (.) reorganiz ation will take place after arrival in 1 AUST CORPS area (.) designation unit on reorganiz ation will be 2/15 AUST FD ALB (.) unit moving with personal arms and eqpt present unit eqpt eight trucks and 4 x 4 plus accom stores tentage scale Avide GRO G318/45 as amended (.) to arrive corps area NOT after 7 dec ack
30 1924		1 Aust Corps (0 11) 8281	ack (SD 1997)
30 1924		1 Aust Corps (0 12) 8282	ack (SD 2024)
30 2117		8 Aust Inf Bde rptd AQ (0 13) 2883	MOST SECRET.
30 2117		8 Aust Inf Bde 23 Aust Inf Bde rptd AQ (0 14) 8284	SECRET (.) landforces raising one pl 2/1 Aust Hq guard regt for each of 8 and 23 Aust Inf bdes.

2. AUST DIV ORDER OF BATTLES AND LOCATION STATEMENT
AS OF 1 AUGUST 1963

Ref Map : GORDONVALE 1 inch to 1 mile

Serial	Unit	Location	Map Ref	Remarks
1	HQ 3 AUST DIV (AIF)	KAIRI	G512338	
2	2/9 AUST Cav Regt	KAIRI	G506379	
3	HQ RAA 3 AUST DIV (AIF)	KAIRI	G514408	
4	2/9 AUST Cav Regt Sig Sec	KAIRI	G506379	
5	7 AUST MG Bn	KAIRI	G506378	
6	2/92 AUST LAD (Type A)	KAIRI	G506379	Att 2/9 AUST Cav Regt
7	208 AUST LAD	KAIRI	G517403	
8	316 AUST LAD (Type A)	KAIRI	G506378	Att 7 AUST MG Bn
9	3 AUST Div Reception Sec	TOIGA RLY STA		Proposed site only

8 AUST INF BDE OP.

10	HQ 8 AUST Inf Bde	KAIRI	G482370	Adv party only
11	8 AUST Fd Coy	KAIRI	G477374	Not yet in area will move to site shown on arrival
12	8 AUST Inf Bde Sig Sec	KAIRI	G482370	
13	4 AUST Inf Bn	KAIRI	G471372	
14	30 AUST Inf Bn	KAIRI	G472378	Adv party only
15	35 AUST Inf Bn	KAIRI	G476337	Portion of Bn only
16	19 AUST Coy AASU	KAIRI	G506331	Not yet in area will move to site shown on arrival
17	153 AUST Bde Fd Park	KAIRI	G475378	
18	153 AUST Bde Ord Workshops	KAIRI	G475378	Not yet in area will move to site shown on arrival

23 AUST INF BDE OP.

19	HQ 23 AUST Inf Bde	KAIRI	G485395	
20	23 AUST Inf Bde Sig Sec	KAIRI	G485395	
21	7 AUST Inf Bn	KAIRI	G482391	
22	9 AUST Inf Bn	KAIRI	G479391	
23	2/100 AUST LAD	KAIRI	G485395	
24	Det 8 AUST Div Postal Unit	KAIRI	G485395	

UNITS UNDER COMD 3 AUST DIV FOR AREA ONLY

1	2/2 AUST Fd Regt	KAIRI	G471369	
2	2/7 AUST Fd Regt	KAIRI	G484373	
3	2/8 AUST Fd Regt	KAIRI	G472363	
4	2/3 AUST Tk A Regt	KAIRI	G476377	
5	1 AUST Hqs Bty	KAIRI		
6	3 AUST Survey Bty (less three Fd Secs)	KAIRI	G476377	One Fd Sec under comd 6,7,9 Divs
7	8 AUST Survey Bty AIF	KAIRI	G474377	
8	8 AUST Hqs Bty Fld	HARRERA		
9	Det AUST Corps Sig Sec	KAIRI	G512338	Att H. 3 AUST DIV
10	2/2 AUST Fd Regt Sig Sec	KAIRI	G471369	
11	2/7 AUST Fd Regt Sig Sec	KAIRI	G484373	
12	2/8 AUST Fd Regt Sig Sec	KAIRI	G472363	
13	2/3 AUST Tk A Sig Sec	KAIRI	G476377	
14	8 AUST Park Tpt Coy	KAIRI	G485365	
15	2/8 AUST Coy AASU	KAIRI		
16	2/12 AUST Fd Bn	KAIRI		
17	2/4 AUST Dental Unit	KAIRI		H., B., C and E Secs only
2	110 AUST Bde Ord Fd Pk	KAIRI	G485360	
9	110 AUST Bde Workshops	KAIRI	G485360	
0	2/40 AUST LAD	KAIRI	G471369	Att 2/2 AUST Fd Regt
1	2/63 AUST LAD	KAIRI	G484373	Att 2/7 AUST Fd Regt
1	2/64 AUST LAD	KAIRI	G472363	Att 2/8 AUST Regt

MESSAGE FORM.

ADDRESSEES : AS SITREP 55

FROM : 5 AUST DIV

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SITREP 59 to 0900L/1

ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV to 2100L/50 (.)
 2/16 Bn shelled by estimated 4 guns from general area
 YOKOPI - KANKIYU (.) 2/2 Bn relieved coy 2/14 Bn on
 track junc 7659 (.) 2/2 Cav Sqn reports NO sign Jap
 occupation PUKTABLO 367000 SITO 376998 RNAM 530995 NAWAR
 385960 SUMAU 589994 (.)

TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 0900L/31 (.)
 20 Bde (.) 2/15 Bn surrounded posn 595662 (.) Two enemy
 posns occupied 12 Japs killed (.) Jap unsuccessfully counter
 attacked late 30 Oct (.) Two further counter attacks during
 night repulsed (.) Patrolling and harassing fire carried
 on throughout night (.) Two coys 2/13 Bn now area 597662 (.)
 Japs reported in strong posn 555645 (.) Night and day move-
 ment continues along track BONGI-MARBO (.)
 26 Bde (.) Patrol 2/48 Bn to 613678 killed 14 of Jap patrol
 incl one officer (.)
 4 Bde (.) 29/46 Bn less two coys arrived LANGEMAK BAY now at
 635598 (.)
 2/4 Cav Sqn arrived LANGEMAK BAY now 6351643 (.)

THREE (.) SHIPPING SIGHTINGS (.) One sub 05 degrees 30 mins south
 152 degrees 10 mins east course south (.)

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SITREP 60 TO 0900L /2 (.)

- ONE (.) 7 AUGST DIV to 0900L/1 (.)
21 Bde (.) 2/14 Bn patrolled to area 7464 (.) 2/16 Bn maintained contact upper FARIA RIVER inflicting casualties (.) patrol to 683662 no contact (.) 2/27 Bn maintained contact area 6763 (.)
2/6 Cav Commando Sqn report small parties enemy still remain area 5570 evading our patrols (.)
- TWO (.) 9 AUGST DIV observer report to 2100L/31 (.) 20 Bde (.)
2/13 Bn and 2/17 Bn had numerous clashes with enemy in area 595663 all 31 Oct (.) Made slight advances vicinity 596663 (.) Further coy 2/13 Bn moved 597663 (.)
24 Bde (.) 2/43 Bn patrols report Jap digging in 640749 (.)
Patrols to 622701 and 613691 no contact (.)
26 Bde (.) 2/48 Bn patrol defeated enemy patrol 614684 (.)
- THREE (.) ENEMY AIR (.) 0900L/30 one enemy recon aircraft FINSCHHAFFEN area (.)
- FOUR (.) AIROPS 1 Nov (.) Night 29/30 Oct one LIBERATOR bombed destroyer PLANET HARBOUR VITU ISLANDS (.) Direct hit scored (.) Destroyer burst into flames and vanished (.)

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SITREP 61 to 0900L/3 (.)

ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV to 2100L/1 (.)
21 BDE (.) 2/16 Bn patrol keeping north JAP L of C
reached 665680 without contact (.)

TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 2100L/1 (.)
26 BDE (.) 2/48 Bn patrol along SIKI RIVER to 598675
NO contact (.)
20 BDE (.) 2/13 Bn and 2/17 Bn maintained pressure
596663 (.) 2/15 Bn patrols to 587653 and GURUNKOR NO
contact (.)
24 BDE (.) patrols to 644725 and 613705 and 619687 (.)
NO contact except small JAP party seen at 626682 (.)
4 BDE (.) HQ 619562 (.)
C SQN 1 TK BN (.) complete 642592

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SITREP 62 to 0900L/4 (.)

ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV to 0900L/3 (.)
21 BDE (.) local patrol 2/16 BN encountered enemy
patrol inflicting some cas with no loss (.)
ref sitrep 61 amended posn 2/16 BN patrol 590665 (.)

TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 0900L/3 (.) RAP posn on SATELPERG RD
at 596662 cleared (.) 2/15 BN and 2/17 BN now together
(.) mopping up continues (.) 2/15 BN (.) patrols to
590650 and GURUNKOR NO contact (.)
24 BDE (.) patrols to 657725 and 621710 and 619687
NO contact (.)

THREE (.) AIROPS 2 nov (.) 3 BEAUFIGHTERS destroyed 7 barges
in REIN BAY (.) 6 BEAUFORTS bombed TOBERA airfield
damage unobserved (.) 3 nov (.) 18 MITCHELLS attacked
barge hideouts ALEXISHATTEN to BOGADJIM (.) 4 barges
destroyed (.) villages and brs along coast also attacked
2 brs hit (.) one MITCHELL lost (.) 12 BEAUFORTS bombed
TOBERA airfield damage unobserved

FOUR (.) SHIPPING SIGHTINGS (.) 1142L/3 approx three 5/4000 ton
vessels WENAK harbour (.)

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SITREP 55 to 0900L/5

ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV (.) to 0918L/4 no change (.)

TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 2100L/5 (.)
 24 BDE (.) patrols to 619700 and 616685 no Japs (.)
 Standing patrol 635732 saw coy Japs moving WAKO
 from BONGA (.)
 20 BDE (.) 2/17 Bn drove Japs from 590662 repulsed counter
 attack (.) in contact Japs 589662 (.) 2/13 Bn mopping
 up 596663 (.) Relief 20 BDE by 26 BDE proceeding (.)
 2/15 Bn relieved by 2/23 Bn at KUMANA now at 628655 div
 res (.)
 26 BDE (.) 2/48 Bn patrol 619678 no Japs (.) Two coys
 2/24 Bn 614653 (.)
 Arrivals at FINSCHHAFEN (.) Adv party 37/52 Bn now
 646571 as 4 Bde res (.) 4 Fd Amb adv party FINSCHHAFEN
 Base Sub Area (.)

THREE (.) ENEMY AIR (.) 0910L/4 one OSCAR dropped four bombs strafed
 barges LANGEMAK BAY (.) AA engaged unsuccessfully (.)
 nil casualties or damage (.)

FOUR (.) AIRO 3 3 NOV (.) 12 V. GRANCES successfully attacked
 NAMPARIMA (4 mls SE of SIO) (.) 9 BOSTONS attacked
 dumps and bivouac areas BONGA and WAKO (.) Night 2/3
 NOV one LIBERATOR bombed merchant vessel CAPE LAMBERT
 (NW tip GAZELLE PENINSULA) believed sunk (.) Final
 report RABAU attack 2 Nov (.) 71 MITCHELLS with 72
 LIGHTNINGS as cover attacked shipping (.) 48200 tons
 merchant shipping sunk or damaged (.) one destroyer
 set on fire one destroyer damaged one heavy cruiser hit (.)
 heavy interception (.) 67 enemy fighters destroyed 23
 probables (.) 9 MITCHELLS 10 LIGHTNINGS lost 2
 LIGHTNINGS crash landed (.)

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SITREP 64 to 0900L/6 (.)

- ONE (.) 5 AUST DIV to 2000L/4 (.)
15 Bde less 24 Bn concentrating MORESEY under comd 3 Div (.)
24 Bn under comd 5 Div 3 Nov (.)
- TWO (.) 7 AUST DIV to 2100L/4 (.)
25 Bde (.) Patrol reached 6666 remaining in posn over-
looking Jap L of C (.)
2/7 Cav Commando Sqn (.) Patrols contacted enemy area OR OHUNA
4580 3 Nov (.)
Patrols 2/6 Cav Commando Sqn report area 5870 clear of enemy (.)
- THREE (.) 9 AUST DIV to 2100L/4 (.)
24 Bde (.) Patrol 2/43 Bn contacted Jap posns 656709 and
658705 (.) Posns later engaged by arty and mortars (.)
Standing patrol 655731 observed 130 Japs with fd gun moving
BONGA to WAREO 0730L/4 (.) Patrols to 826700 and 618665 no
contact (.) Arty harassed Jap posns 6372 (.)
26 Bde (.) Patrols 2/48 Bn to 619665 and 620682 no contact (.)
Two coys 2/24 Bn relieved two coys 2/17 Bn (.) 2/24 Bn less
two coys 615665 (.)
20 Bde (.) 2/17 Bn force Japs from 589665 (.) 2/15 Bn engaged
594666 with M24s and mortars (.)
4 Bde (.) Two coys 29/46 Bn concentrated 406427 (.)
2/6 Fd Regt less two blys (.) REQ 635608 (.) 12 Bty moving
KAKADU (.)
- FOUR (.) AIROPS 5 NOV (.) WENAK area (.) 4 THUNDERBOLTS intercepted
20 enemy fighters (.) 8 destroyed own losses NIL (.) RAHAI (.)
LIBERATORS bombed township (.) Fires started (.) 3 vessels
in harbour bombed (.) Results obscured by smoke (.)

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SITREP 65 to 0900L/7 (.)

ONE (.) 7 DIV to 2100L/5 (.)
21 BDE (.) after air strike elements 2/16 Bn attacked
JAP posns upper FARIA RIVER (.) results NOT yet known (.)

TWO (.) 9 DIV to 2100L/5 (.)
24 BDE (.) patrols to 658727 and 611693 no contact (.)
JAP abandoned posns 6570 (.)
26 BDE (.) 2/24 Bn completed relief 2/17 Bn in
JIVEVANENG area (.) Bde now commands JIVEVANENG and
KUMAWA sectors (.) 0900L/6 patrol 2/23 Bn 5 Nov reported
contacted JAP posn 553657 (.)
20 BDE (.) JAP posns 593663 and 590665 reported abandoned
(.) 2/17 Bn now concentrated HELDSBACH area (.)
4 BDE (.) patrol 22 Bn to GURUNKOR KANCORA and south bank
MAPE RIVER to 575552 no contact (.) 60 NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BN
arrived GODOWA night 4/5 Nov. 37/52 bn less one coy (27571 (.)
THREE (.) ENEMY AIR (.) 0855L/6 10 SSF 10 MB attacked NIDZAB airfield
from north (.) bombs dropped on one strip no report damage
or casualties yet received (.) 0905L/6 three OSCARS strafed
strip (.) some a/c damaged on ground slight casualties
among pers (.)

FOUR (.) AIROPS 5 Nov (.) 25 MITCHELLS 6 MARAUDERS accurately
bombed and strafed enemy posns upper FARIA RIVER area (.)
attack reported most effective (.)

FIVE (.) SHIPPING SIGHTINGS (.) 0916L/6 sub going north 05 degrees
30 mins S 152 degrees 10 mins E

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SITREP 66 to 0900L/8 (.)

ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV to 2100L/6 (.)
21 Bde (.)
Patrol 2/2 Pnr Bn contacted small enemy force HERRINGGE area (.)
- Goy PIB 585595 (.)
23 Bde (.)
2/25 Bn area LAKE 6857 (.)

TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 2100L/6 (.)
24 Bde (.)
Patrols north bank SONG RIVER to 618702 and along KATIKA TRACK to 619683 no contact (.) Patrol 2/43 Bn to 644730 no contact (.)
100 Japs seen 0700L/3 moving NE at 607721 engaged by arty (.)
Op at 634727 observed 24 Japs of which 203 unarmed moving east to BONGA (.) Only few sick and walking wounded remainder believed carrying party (.)

26 Bde (.)
Patrol 2/13 Bn 599664 to 599675 along SIKI RIVER to 612672 no contact (.) Jap posn 599675 found abandoned (.) Further patrol to 696670 no contact (.)
26 Bde (.)
Patrol 2/24 Bn found Jap posn 585661 abandoned but fired on from 580663 (.) Arty and mortars engaged (.) Patrol 2/23 Bn contacted Jap posn 571653 (.)
4 Bde (.)
Patrols 22 Bn to village 555605 and vicinity KANGORA 495572 no contact (.)

THREE (.) ENEMY AIR (.) 2040 to 2115L/6 four a/c dropped 11 bombs FINSCHHAFFEN area (.) no damage or casualties reported (.)
2130L/6 one a/c dropped 7 bombs vicinity strip DUMPU area (.)
no damage or casualties (.) 0752 to 0820L/7 9 MB 10 SSF dropped 75 anti personnel bombs NADZAB nil casualties (.) 1315L/7 ZEROS over NADZAB (.) No further report (.) 1335 - 1400L/7 four fighters strafed BENA BENA SIGONA and GAROKA (.) Some damage to a/c and buildings (.) Ref sitrep 66 raid NADZAB 0355L/6 caused casualties and damaged a/c (.)

FOUR (.) AIRCRAFT 7 NOV (.) 6 BEAUFORTS attacked 3 probable destroyers in area approx 52 miles SW BUKA PASSAGE (.) Hit on stern of one destroyer caused explosion (.) Results interception NADZAB area (.)
7 enemy bombers 2 fighters destroyed 3 bombers 3 fighters probable (.) 4 THUNDERBOLTS destroyed 4 enemy a/c SIO area (.)
12 KITTYHAWKS in 2 encounters destroyed 7 enemy fighters 1 probable ALREISHAFEN - MADANG area (.)

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SITREP 67 TO 0900L/9 (.)

ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV to 2100L/7 (.)

21 BDE (.) 2/16 BN relieved by 2/25 BN 1600L/7 (.) patrol
2/2 PNR BN dispersed JAP area REPTINGGE inflicting cas (.)
25 BDE to 2000L/7 (.) patrol in area 6666 increased to
coy strength (.)

TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 2100L/7 (.)

24 BDE (.) 2/43 BN OF 635751 reports that from 1200L/6
to 1200L/7 22 enemy mostly unarmed but all with packs
moved west to WAREO (.) 17C moved east to BONGA mostly
armed and with 3 HMGs 10 LMGs and one 37 mm (.) no move-
ments during night (.) patrol 2/23 BN located 12 JAPS
near diggings 625703 engaged by arty (.) patrol 2/32 BN to
613632 no contact (.)
20 BDE (.) patrol 2/15 BN to 596674 no contact (.)
26 BDE (.) 2/23 BN patrol found SISI unoccupied (.) further
patrol contacted enemy posn astride track 562650 (.)
patrol 2/48 BN contacted occupied JAP posn 584665 which
arty engaged (.) patrols to 582667 and 550640 no contact (.)
4 BDE (.) patrol 22 BN to GURUNKOR and 546597 and along
south bank MAPE RIVER to 576553 no contact (.) patrol PIB
engaged post 512618 inflicted cas (.)
11 BTY 2/6 FD REGT arrived LANGEMAK BAY night 6/7 nov (.)

THREE (.) ENEMY AIR (.) 2345L/7 three to nine a/c and 0010L/9
unknown number a/c made high level attacks IAE unknown number
bombs dropped NO report of damage or casualties either raid

FOUR (.) AIROPS 7 nov (.) 25 LIBERATORS bombed RAPOPO airfield (.)
bombing accurate large fires started (.) enemy fighters
intercepted 13 destroyed 5 probables (.) final reports
from escorting LIGHTNINGS not to hand

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SITREP 68 To 0000L/10 (.)

- ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV to 2100L/8 (.)
 21 BDE (.) relieved by 25 BDE completed 1700L/8 (.)
 2/31 BN relieved 2/14 BN (.) 2/25 BN relieved 2/16 BN (.)
 2/33 BN relieved 2/27 BN (.) B coy PIB now 531645 remains
 under comd 21 BDE (.) relieved 2/8 CAV COMMANDO SQN 1700L/8 (.)
 25 BDE (.) 2/2 PNR BN 7560 under comd (.) coy 25 BDE area
 6666 withdrew to 5500 ft feature 6335 pending relief by 21
 BDE (.)
 2/2 CAV COMMANDO SQN (.) patrols report JOBSO 2802 KEPSAU
 3005 and ULIAI 5407 clear of enemy (.) 50 JAPS located
 KULAU 3107 (.)
- TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 2100L/8 (.)
 24 BDE (.) 2/43 BN OP 335732 reports from 0700 to 1200L/8 35
 JAPS east 160 west most unarmed with hy packs and boxes (.)
 26 BDE (.) one pl 2/43 BN attacked posn 582662 killed 9
 remaining 24 dispersed by arty (.) posn then occupied (.)
 4 BDE (.) remaining two coys 29/43 BN arrived 632596 (.)
 wide patrolling in all areas 4 JAPS killed otherwise made no
 contacts (.)
 C SQN 1 TK BN less three tps moving JIVEVANENG (.)
- THREE (.) ENEMY AIR (.) 0005L/8 two flights A/C dropped unknown number
 bombs vicinity MALAHANG strip damage not yet reported (.)
 AA engaged
- FOUR (.) AIROPS 9 nov (.) NAZDAB area approx 12 enemy fighters inter-
 cepted by 8 AIRCOBRAS and 4 KITTYHAWKS (.) 5 enemy fighters
 destroyed 4 probable (.) one KITTYHAWK lost 1 transport shot
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SITREP 69 to 0900L/11 (.)

ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV to 0900L/9 (.)

21 Bde (.)

Bde HQ 610567 (.) 2/14 Bn 591596 (.) 2/16 Bn 615575 (.)

2/27 Bn 620573 with one pl 5500 feature 6363 (.)

HQ BENA FORCE closed 0600L/10 (.) 2/2 Cav Commando
Sqn under cmd 7 Div (.)

TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 2100L/9 (.)

24 Bde (.)

OP635732 reports 41 Japs east all unarmed probably walking
wounded or sick 96 west with 8 LMGs balance rifles all
packs (.) patrolling to north and west along SIKI RIVER
continued (.)

26 Bde (.)

After patrol engagement Jap posn 588674 occupied by D Coy
2/24 Bn (.) Jap posns 576662 and 573665 located by 2/48 Bn
patrols engaged by arty (.)

4 Bde (.)

B Coy 22 Bn LOGAWENG (.) Extensive patrol west no contact (.)

2/6 Pd Regt (.)

11 Bty 631642 12 Bty 637582 (.)

THREE (.) AIROPS 9 NOV (.) 35 MITCHELLS escorted by LIGHTNINGS bombed
and strafed ALEXISHAFEN airfield (.) 9 grounded aircraft
destroyed others damaged (.) Buildings and AA posns hit
large fuel fires started (.) Enemy fighters intercepted 14
destroyed 2 probables by LIGHTNINGS (.) 3 LIGHTNINGS missing (.)
9 MITCHELLS took off to attack shipping reported REIN BAY (.)
NIL shipping sighted 3 luggers attacked 2 destroyed (.)
16 BRAUFORTS made early morning attack on VUNAKANAU and
RAPOPO airfields (.)
AIROPS 10 NOV (.) 8 LIBERATORS bombed LAKANAI airfield
early morning (.) Large fires started 1 LIBERATOR unreported
(.) 24 MITCHELLS bombed and strafed airfields town and
dump areas ALEXISHAFEN and buildings SEK IS (.) One grounded
fighter destroyed others damaged (.)

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SITREP 70 to 0900L/12 (.)

- ONE (.) 7 DIV to 2100L/10 (.)
21 BDE (.) B coy PIB now 529655 (.)
25 BDE (.) patrol 2/2 PNR EN contacted enemy posn area 7068 (.)
2/6 CAV COMMANDO SQN relieved 2/7 CAV COMMANDO SQN at
KETORA 4476 and 501745 (.)
GUSAP area (.) native report of Japs WAMUNTI area 030470
being investigated (.)
- TWO (.) 9 DIV to 1200L/10 (.) Adv HQ 9 DIV 638650 rear HQ 657568 (.)
observer to 2100L/10 (.) extensive patrolling all areas (.)
24 BDE (.) PIB patrol along SONG RIVER contacted 15 Japs
617705 (.)
26 BDE patrols (.) contacted Jap posn spur 571669 and both
ends br at 574668 and 553657 saw Japs moving north from
SISI (.)
20 BDE (.) C coy 2/15 EN 624670 (.)
- THREE (.) AIROPS 11 Nov (.) 12 LIBERATORS bombed LAKUNAI airfield
early morning (.) large fires started

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SITREP 71 to 0900L/13 (.)

ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV to 0900L/12 (.)

25 Bde (.)

Patrol 2/25 Bn contacted small Jap party 714638

1/25000 map (.)

6 MG Bn (.) HQ and two coys arrived GUSAP under cond 7 Aust Div (.)

2/2 Cav Commando Sqn (.) Casualties inflicted on strong enemy patrol AMINIK 401022 (.)

2/6 Cav Commando Sqn (.) Located small party Japs 507745 (.) Relief of 2/7 Cav Commando Sqn completed (.)

TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 2300L/11 (.)

24 Bde (.)

PIB to 643756 9/10 Nov observed 341 Japs incl 55 JMS moving south to BONGA (.) 32 Japs north from BONGA (.) Patrol PIB located 30 Japs in coconuts 617705 (.)

26 Bde (.)

Patrol 2/24 Bn located Jap posn 594676 (.) Patrol 2/48 Bn fired on 30 Japs SISI village (.) Patrol 2/28 Bn sighted Jap party north bank creek 565623 (.)

THREE (.) AIROPS (.) Afternoon 12 Nov six MARAUDERS and eleven MITCHELLS bombed and strafed KIARI village and vicinity (.) 23 tons bombs dropped and fires started (.)

FOUR (.) SHIPPING SIGHTINGS (.) 1230L/12 eleven ship convoy sighted at 02 degrees 30 mins S 145 degrees E course 120 degrees (.) 1530L/12 nineteen barges 1 small merchant vessel off SCHARNECK POINT course not stated (.) Little other barge activity along RAI coast afternoon 12 Nov (.)

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SITREP 72 to 0900L/13 (.)

ONE (.) 7 DIV to 0900L/13 (.)

PIB patrol dispersed JAPS from high ground 557379 (.)
6 MI BN completed concentration 454136 (.) patrolling
through HINGGIA 6618 (.) 2/7 CAV COMMANDO SQN arrived
FARIA RIVER (.)

TWO (.) 9 DIV to 0900L/13 (.)

24 BDE (.)

patrol 2/43 BN unsuccessfully attempted to ambush small
JAP party 658715 (.)

20 BDE (.)

patrol 2/15 BN contacted JAP posn astride track 604377 (.)

26 BDE (.)

patrols 2/48 BN engaged JAP party GREEN RIDGE 576652 (.)
enemy posns 569856 contacted (.) patrol 2/23 BN contacted
JAP outpost 565652 (.) further patrol engaged JAP patrol
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SITREP 73 to 0900L/15

ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV to 0900L/14 (.)
C coy 6 MG BN arrived GUSAP (.)

TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 0900L/14 (.)
2/13 BN patrol with arty observer engaged posn 602678 (.)
2/24 BN patrol found small abandoned JAP camp 580680 and
at 587675 heard enemy to east (.)
2/48 BN patrol found SISI unoccupied (.) 2/23 BN patrol
engaged by IMG from 561653 (.) our arty active

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SITREP 74 to 150900L (.)

ONE (.) 7 DIV to 142100L (.)
HQ 2/2 CAV COMMANDO SQN 194846 (.)

TWO (.) 9 DIV to 142100L (.)
24 BDE (.) patrol 2/43 EN ambushed JAP patrol
645718 (.)
20 BDE (.) patrol 2/13 EN contacted posn 603678 (.)
posn engaged by hy accurate arty fire (.)
26 BDE (.) patrol 2/24 EN contacted posn 585679 (.)
patrol 2/48 EN found posn 573667 unoccupied but fired
on from north of track junc 573661 (.)

THREE (.) ENEMY AIR (.) 1050L 13 BETTYS dropped 30 bombs in entrance
FINSCH harbour NO damage one cas (.)

FOUR (.) AIROPS 14 NOV (.) 9 MITCHELLS bombed and strafed
suspected shore installations from KELANOA HBR to KANOMI
(.) results unobserved

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SITREP 75 55 170900L

- ONE (.) 7 AUST DIV to 160900L (.)
Patrol B coy P12 inflicted cas enemy party 552705 (.)
- TWO (.) 9 AUST DIV to 160900L (.)
26 BDE (.) patrol 2/24 IN to track 585579 saw 13 JAPS
carrying sups east (.) patrol 2/48 IN to coconut ridge
576665 fired on (.) JAP posn engaged by mortars and M16 (.)
- THREE (.) ENEMY AIR (.) 6/7 w/i enemy a/c bombed ORD BAY (.) NIL
damage or casualties (.) 151000L 30/40 SALLYTS escorted by
25/30 fighters bombed GUSAP area from SE (.) damage and
casualties believed slight (.) results of interception by
our fighters NOT yet to hand (.) 160200L one enemy a/c
dropped 3 bombs north shore LANGKAMAN BAY
- FOUR (.) AIROPS 15 now (.) ALEXISHAFEN (.) 30 LIBERATORS bombed air
fields (.) all bombs on target (.) results unobserved

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SITREP 77 to 181030L (.)

ONE (.) 7 DIV to 180930L (.)

2/2 PNR BN patrol inflicted cas on enemy patrol 7462 (.)

TWO (.) 9 DIV to 181015L (.)

24 BDE (.) arty and mortars engaged 648723 (.)

20 BDE (.) coy 2/15 bn moved west to jap posn
598686 (.) 2/13 bn standing patrol 597677 (.) coy
2/13 bn now 591662 (.)

26 BDE (.) attack continuing (.) Bde HQ 583662
shelled 180745L without damage from JAP gun believed
on sprr east of SATELBERG (.) two coys 2/24 bn advanced
against slight opposition to vicinity 579677. patrols
found Jap posns at 577677 and 582678 (.) 2/48 bn with
four tanks adv west astride SATELBERG track formed
perimeter 569661 (.) Two tanks damaged 17 nov one now
in action other being repaired (.) hy opposition en-
countered progress slow in thick jungle but mopping
up now taking place (.) 2/23 bn found no opposition
on track NE from KUMAWA (.) on NW track coy drove enemy
from 566654 but hy opposition 563657 (.) coy outflanking
to west met enemy 561660 (.) two coys now mopping up
track junc 562658 (.) 2/7 Fd coy and two guns 2 Mtn Bty
arrived 17/18 Nov.

THREE (.) AIROPS 17 Nov (.) 17 BEAUFORTS bombed LAKUNAI dispersal
areas early morning (.) fires and thick smoke observed
(.) 11 VENGEANCES bombed MASANGKOO village West of
FIOR scoring hits on huts (.)

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SITREP 78 to 200900L (.)

ONE (.) 7 DIV to 190900L (.)

(.) 25 BDE (.) Fwd elements observed two barge type craft approaching BOGADJIM 190600L (.)

TWO (.) 9 DIV to 190900L (.)

26 BDE (.) patrols 2/24 BN with arty sp forced JAPS from 571679 although enemy retain posn 577677 (.) Patrol contacted JAP posn 587679 (.) 181300L 2/48 BN captured coconut ridge 566663 against hy opposition and later drove JAPS from posn astride SATELBEP track 564663 (.) dispositions last light A and D coys 565662 B and C coys 566663 (.) after mopping up 563657 A coy 2/23 BN occupied track junc 562653 (.) C coy now in posn astride SATELBEP track 561666 (.) patrols 2/4 CAV COMMANDO SQN south and west from KUMAWA no contact (.)

24 BDE (.) standing patrol 2/43 BN engaged five JAPS 655714 (.)

20 BDE (.) C coy 2/15 BN occupied ARABOX 596687 (.) no contact but extensive diggings 598587 and evidence accurate bombing (.) patrol NW to 594639 found well defined but recently unused track (.)

THREE (.) SHIPPING SIGHTINGS (.) 181445L sub course south at 05 degrees 30 mins S 152 degrees 10 mins E

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3/8 Aust Armd Regt	3	3
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18 CR E Wro	7	7
9/15 Aust A Fd Coy	8	8
15 Aust Fd Coy	9	9
24 Aust Fd Coy	10	10
Sigs 3 Aust Div	11	11
2/1 Aust MG Bn	12	12
5 Aust Div Carr Coy	13	13
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AASC 3 Aust Div	15	15
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APPENDIX A

3. AUSTRALIAN DIVISION LOCATION STATEMENT NO. 10

as at 2359 hours 10 Nov 1964

Serial Number	Unit	Location	Remarks
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1	HQ 3 Aust Div	934367	
2	16 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Bn	934367	16 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ

ARMED TRPS

3	HQ 2/6 Aust Arm'd Regt	988360	
4	HQ Sqn 2/6 Aust Arm'd Regt	988360	
5	B Sqn 2/6 Aust Arm'd Regt	991582	

AFTY

7	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	934377	
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ZD

8	HQ 2/8 Aust Fd Regt	958417	
9	9 Bty	978418	
10	10 Bty	978419	
11	55 Bty	978418	
12	2 Aust Fd Regt	751401	
13	2 Aust Mtn Bty	978455	

TK A

17	2/10 Aust Tk A Bty (2/6 Aust Tk A Regt)	958417	
18			
19			

20

FIXED DEFENCES MORRESEY

21	HQ Coast Arty MORRESEY (AFV)	940810	
22	PAGA Bty	940810	
23	100M Sec	940810	
24	600M Sec	940810	
25	"C" Aust Hy Bty (Coast) AIF	940810	Coast Hy Bty
26	"R" Aust Hy Bty (Coast) AIF	940810	Coast Hy Bty
27	1 Aust Special Radio Det	940810	
28	186 CASL Sec	940810	
29	187 CASL Sec	940810	
30	188 CASL Sec	940810	
31	184 CASL Sec	940810	
32	185 CASL Sec	940810	
33			

AA DEFENCE MORRESEY

34	HQ Aust AA Gp MORRESEY	940810	
35	Aust AA Ops Room (Type "A")	940810	
36	Batelite Z2	940810	
37	Batelite Z3	940810	
38	Aust AA Ops Room (Type "B")	940810	

INF

167	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	897857
168	7 Aust Inf Bde Det Pl	897857
169	9 Aust Inf Bn	896402
170	25 Aust Inf Bn	892890
171	61 Aust Inf Bn	918561
172	HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde	174136
173	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	174136
174	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	177000
175	2/1 Aust MG Bn (less A Coy)	966794
176	3 Aust Div Carr Coy (less pl)	961868
177	5 Aust Div Carr Coy (less pl)	979574

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AASC

178	HQ Comd AASC 3 Aust Div	905189
179	Det 153 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	902353
180	2/153 Aust Gen Tpt Coy less two pls	902353
181	224 Aust Sup Depot Pl	938458
182	227 Aust Sup Depot P 1	955430
183		
184		

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MEDICAL

185	HQ 1 Aust Lt Fl Amb	934122	Det 1 Lt Fl Amb JACKSON S BROWN Det 2Lt Fl Amb
186			
187	HSP 1 Aust Lt Fl Amb	934121	
188	11 Aust Fl Amb (less B Coy)	175398	CONADARE
189	B Coy 11 Aust Fl Amb	145411	
190	HQ 9 Aust Fl Amb	908448	
191	Det 9 Aust Fl Amb	905475	
192	Det 9 Aust Fl Amb	145411	
193	15 Aust Fl Amb	937588	
194	Det A Coy 11 Aust Fl Amb	187458	
195	Det A Coy 11 Aust Fl Amb	934454	
196			

ORD

197	189 Aust Bde Ord HQ P 1 (AIF)	934344	
198	113 Aust Bde Ord HQ P 1 (AIF)	934370	
199	2/125 Aust Bde Ord HQ P 1	964343	Awaiting movement
200	127 Aust Bde Ord HQ P 1	954375	
201			

ASKE

202	2/42 Aust LAD	964325	Att 2/1 Aust MG Bn
203	2/42 Aust LAD	964325	Att 2/5 Aust Fl Regt
204	202 Aust LAD	890369	Att 31st 5 Aust Div
205	215 Aust LAD	959402	Att 2 Aust Fl Regt
206	241 Aust LAD	170333	Att 7 Aust Inf Bde
207	246 Aust LAD	882399	
208	284 Aust LAD	930341	Awaiting movement
209	297 Aust LAD	894370	"
210	296 Aust LAD	970376	"
211	2/1 Aust Indep Amal Regt Workshop	934355	
212	115 Aust Bde Workshop	964378	
213	129 Aust Bde Workshop	954344	
214	2/125 Aust Bde Workshop	884376	Awaiting movement
215	1 Aust Radio Maintenance Sec	874431	
216	Fortress Workshop ASKE MORSEY	874431	
217	234 Lt AA Bty Workshop 215 Bde (111)		
	Aust Lt AA Workshop)	944434	
218	82 Aust AASL Workshop Sec (Mol)	934408	Awaiting movement
219			
220			

111	73 Aust Mob S/L Bty	BHQ	875428
112	ECR	B2	875428
113	A Tp	HQ	890338
114	"	S9	921303
115	"	S9b	915367
116	"	S13	903323
117	"	S14	870376
118	B Tp	HQ	941460
119	"	S7	915458
120	"	S10	883454
121	"	S11	338480
122	C Tp	HQ	780414
123	"	S12	820431
124	"	S17	805352
125	"	S18	780414
126	"	GC	938385
127	"	3D	945387
128	73 Aust Mob S/L Bty		825408
129	163 Aust Lt Ar Bty		854445
	Alphons		
130	A Tp	HQ	971452
131	"	L40	973443
132	"	L47	968447
133	"	L45	972451
134	B Tp	HQ	971452
135	"	L44	970454
136	"	L43	968457
137	"	L48	962453
138	C Tp	HQ	958410
139	"	L42	917411
140	"	L37	924417
141	"	L38	935408
142	D Tp	HQ	958357
143	"	L39	933383
144	"	L40	932367
145	"	L41	928392

ENGNS

146	2/16 Aust A Rd Coy RAE	932359
147	24 Aust Pl Coy (less 3 Pl)	180392
148	3 Pl	957298
149	25 Aust Genlfg Unit	901353
150	27 Aust Genlfg Unit	901353
151	8/21 Aust Corps Genlfg Unit	901353
152	13 Aust Rd Coy HQ & five acas	963308
153	One acas	108418
154	Six acas	145425
155		
156		

SIGNS

157	HQ Sigs 5 Aust Div	898371	
158	HQ Coy 1 & 2 Cys Sigs 5 Aust Div	898371	
159	40 Aust Cipher Sec (Type B)	HQ	
160	2/2 Aust Armd Regt Sig Tp	990360	Att 2/C Aust Armd Regt
161	2 Aust Rd Regt Sig Sec	959401	Att 2 Aust Rd Regt
162	7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	897367	Att 7 Aust Inf Bde
163	2/1 Aust Comp 14 Regt Sig Sec	974436	
164	302 " " " "	543433	
	1 acas det		
165	15 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	174499	Att 15 Aust Inf Bde HONADARU
166			

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POSTAL

221	5 Aust Div Postal Unit less det	904367	
222	Det 5 Aust Div Postal Unit		Att 7 Aust Inf Bde
225	Det 5 Aust Div Postal Unit		Att 15 Aust Inf Bde

MISC

224	3 Aust Div Reception Ssg	558376
225	11 Aust Div Concert Party	908360
226	7 Aust Div Concert Party	957335
227		

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228	55 Aust Fd Pk Coy	938344	Awaiting movement
229	2/55 Aust LAD	828378	Awaiting movement
230	24 Aust Inf Bn	173399	UBER I
231	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	897367	Awaiting movement
232	HQ RAE 11 Aust Div	901355	
233			
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RAA 3 Aust Div	4 - 6	4 - 6
12 CR B Wks	7	7
2/18 Aust A Fd Coy	8	8
15 Aust Fd Coy	9	9
24 Aust Fd Coy	10	10
Sigs 3 Aust Div	11	11
2/1 Aust HQ Bn	12	12
3 Aust Div Carr Coy	13	13
6 Aust Div Carr Coy	14	14
AASC 3 Aust Div	15	15
New Guinea Force	16 - 17	16 - 17
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3. AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT

as at 2359 hours 16 Nov 1941

Serial Number	Unit	Location	Remarks
1	HQ 3 Aust Div	904507	
2	10 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ GA Bn	904507	All HQ 3 Aust Div
	<u>ARMED TPT</u>		
3	HQ 2/3 Aust Arm'd Regt	904507	
4	HQ Sqn 2/2 Aust Arm'd Regt	904507	
5	B Sqn 2/3 Aust Arm'd Regt	904507	
6			
	<u>ARTY</u>		
7	HQ RAA 3 Aust Div	904507	
	<u>FD</u>		
8	HQ 2/3 Aust FI Regt	904507	
9	9 Bty	904507	
10	10 Bty	904507	
11	55 Bty	904507	
12	2 Aust FI Regt	904507	
13	2 Aust Htn Bty	904507	
14			
15			
16			
	<u>TK A</u>		
17	2/10 Aust TK A Bty (2/3 Aust TK A Regt)	904507	
18			
19			
20			
	<u>FIXED DEFENCES MORESBY</u>		
21	HQ Coast Arty MORESBY (AIF)	904507	
22	PAGA Bty	904507	
23	BOON Sec	904507	
24	GRMO Sec	904507	
25	"C" Aust Hy Bty (Coast) AIF	904507	
26	"R" Aust Hy Bty (Coast) AIF	904507	
27	1 Aust Special Radio Det	904507	
28	166 CASL Sec	904507	
29	167 CASL Sec	904507	
30	168 CASL Sec	904507	
31	169 CASL Sec	904507	
32	170 CASL Sec	904507	
33			
	<u>AA DEFENCE MORESBY</u>		
34	HQ Aust AA Gp MORESBY	904507	
35	Aust AA Ops Room (Type "A")	904507	
36	Satellite 23	904507	
37	Satellite 23	904507	
38	Aust AA Ops Room (Type "C")	904507	

39	88	Aug 2	NY	AA	By	HRQ	942423
40						31	971357
41						32	916351
42						33	846108
43						34	954373
44	89	Aug 2	NY	AA	By	HRQ	972126
45						35	784413
46						36	273452
47						37	874413
48						38	904407
49	89	Aug 2	NY	AA	By	HRQ	939487
50						39	964572
51						40	968413
52						41	964413
53						42	928353
54	89	Aug 2	NY	AA	By	HRQ	947413
55	89	Aug 2	NY	AA	By	HRQ	946413
56						43	986413
57						44	947353
58						45	986353
59						46	986353
60						47	986353
61						48	922413
62						49	905410
63						50	909401
64						51	913414
65						52	908416
66						53	898319
67						54	894417
68	89	Aug 2	NY	AA	By	HRQ	946410
69						55	906407
70						56	907405
71						57	915413
72						58	913413
73						59	905472
74						60	908472
75						61	906400
76						62	946410
77						63	946473
78						64	955474
79						65	957469
80						66	958463
81						67	946471
82						68	940417
83	89	Aug 2	NY	AA	By	HRQ	862311
84						69	908413
85						70	908413
86						71	908413
87						72	914514
88						73	917511
89						74	924032
90						75	870331
91						76	867339
92						77	870331
93						78	869412
94						79	869332
95						80	854411
96						81	854411
97						82	840413
98	89	Aug 2	NY	AA	By	HRQ	960417
99						83	963417
100						84	963417
101						85	963417
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104						88	963417
105						89	963417
106						90	963417
107						91	963417
108						92	963417
109						93	963417
110						94	963417

111	72 Aust Mob S/L Bty	HHQ	375423
112	BB	BB	375423
113	A Tp	HQ	890333
114	"	89	921303
115	"	89b	918367
116	"	813	903323
117	"	814	370376
118	B Tp	HQ	941460
119	"	87	916483
120	"	810	338434
121	"	811	338480
122	C Tp	HQ	780414
123	"	813	620431
124	"	817	206258
125	"	818	780414
126	"	8C	955385
127	"	3D	943387
128	73 Aust Mob S/L Bty		985403
129	183 Aust Lt AA Bty		954443
	Airboms		
130	A Tp	HQ	971452
131	"	L40	973443
132	"	L47	968447
133	"	L43	972451
134	B Tp	HQ	971452
135	"	L44	970434
136	"	L43	968457
137	"	L48	962453
138	C Tp	HQ	938410
139	"	L42	917411
140	"	L37	924417
141	"	L38	936408
142	D Tp	HQ	952367
143	"	L39	933383
144	"	L40	932337
145	"	L41	928392

ENG23

146	2/18 Aust A Fd Coy RAE	939339
147	24 Aust Fd Coy (less 3 Pl)	130392
148	3 Pl	967295
149	25 Aust Comflg Unit	901355
150	25 Aust Comflg Unit	901355
151	2/21 Aust Corps Comflg Unit	901355
152	15 Aust Fd Coy HQ & five sec	953356
153	One sec	108413
154	Six sec	145433
155		
156		

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SIG2

157	HQ Higs 6 Aust Div	828371
158	HQ Coy 1 & 2 Coy Sig 6 Aust Div	828371
159	69 Aust Cipher Sec (Type 5)	HQ
160	2/3 Aust Aust Regt Sig Tp	990360
161	2 Aust 161 Regt Sig Sec	959402
162	7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	897367
163	2/1 Aust Comp 161 Regt Sig Sec	974436
164	202 " " " "	942433

Att 2/3 Aust
Armd Regt

Att 2 Aust Fd Regt
Att 7 Aust Inf Bde

165 15 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec

174399 Att 15 Aust Inf Bde
DONADAEN

166

INF

167	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	897767	
168	7 Aust Inf Bde Def Pl	897767	
169	9 Aust Inf Bn	876402	
170	25 Aust Inf Bn	882499	
171	61 Aust Inf Bn	915684	
172	B2 15 Aust Inf Bde	174398	
173	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	174413	
174	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	177400	66ERY
175	2/1 Aust MG Bn (less A Coy)	886284	
176	3 Aust Div Carr Coy (less pl)	901368	
177	5 Aust Div Carr Coy (less pl)	979374	

AASC

178	HQ Comd AASC 8 Aust Div	903163	
179	Det 158 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	982153	
180	2/158 Aust Gen Tpt Coy less two pls	982355	
181	224 Aust Sup Depot Pl	986435	21 Mile PWD
182	227 Aust Sup Depot P 1	955430	
183			
184			

MEDICAL

185	HQ 1 Aust Lt Fl Amb	894345	Det 1 Lt Fl Amb JACKSONS BOMB Det WARDS BOMB
186	MSP 1 Aust Lt Fl Amb	945381	
187	11 Aust Fl Amb (less B Coy)	173395	DONADANE
188	B Coy 11 Aust Fl Amb	115415	
189	HQ 9 Aust Fl Amb	008442	
190	Det 9 Aust Fl Amb	905425	
191	Det 9 Aust Fl Amb	110415	
192	15 Aust Fl Amb	937350	
193	Det A Coy 11 Aust Fl Amb	187428	
194	Det A Coy 11 Aust Fl Amb	036454	
195			
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ORD

197	129 Aust Bde Ord Fl P 2 (AID)	934544	
198	113 Aust Bde Ord Fl Pk (AID)	901370	
199	2/123 Aust Bde Ord Fl Pk	882373	Amalgamated
200	127 Aust Bde Ord Fl P 2	957373	
201			

AME

202	2/45 Aust LAD	964598	Att 2/1 Aust MG Bn
203	2/52 Aust LAD	968423	Att 2/3 Aust Fl Bde
204	202 Aust LAD	890559	Att Sign 5 Aust Div
205	215 Aust LAD	988402	Att 2 Aust Fl Bde
206	241 Aust LAD	173396	Att 7 Aust Inf Bde
207	256 Aust LAD	867599	
208	284 Aust LAD	904244	awaiting movement
209	292 Aust LAD	894370	"
210	295 Aust LAD	879576	"
211	2/1 Aust Indep Amc Regt Workshop	933555	
212	118 Aust Bde Workshop	163378	
213	129 Aust Bde Workshop	902444	
214	2/123 Aust Bde Workshop	904375	awaiting movement
215	1 Aust Radio Maintenance Sec	973411	
216	Fortress Workshop AME WORKSH	873498	
217	234 Lt AA Bty Workshop 2nd Sec (11)		
	Aust Lt AA Workshop)	944318	
218	88 Aust AASL Workshop Sec (Not)	884408	awaiting movement
219			
220			

POSTAL

221	5 Aust Div Postal Unit leave det	904367	
222	Det 5 Aust Div Postal Unit		Att 7 Aust Inf Bde
223	Det 3 Aust Div Postal Unit		Att 11 Aust Inf Bde

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224	5 Aust Div Reception Sec	558376	
225	11 Aust Div Concert Party	905560	
226	7 Aust Div Concert Party	957535	
227			

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228	55 Aust Fd Pk Coy	938346	Awaiting movement
229	2/53 Aust LAD	888378	Awaiting movement
230	84 Aust Inf Bn	175399	UBER I
231	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	897567	Awaiting movement
232	HQ RAE 11 Aust Div	901555	
233			
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Subject: CHANGE OF COMMAND

HQ 3 Aust Div

10 Nov 48.

3 9/33

except: All units at present under command 3 Aust Div

HQ RMA 3 Aust Div
203 Aust LAD
3 Aust Div Reception Sec

pass to command MORESBY BASE SUB AREA at 0300 hrs 30 Nov 48.

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HQ 3 Aust Div

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3 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO

DEFENCE OF MORESEY AREA INCLUDING BULLDOG-WAU LINES OF COMMUNICATION.

OBJECT.

1. The defence of the Port, Australian and US, Base Installations, airfields and signal communications in the MORESEY area against small seaborne or airborne raiding parties.

INFORMATION.

2. It is considered that the scale of attack the enemy can bring against the MORESEY area is limited to air attacks and small seaborne or airborne raiding parties.
3. Troops available for defence. When an attack upon a locality within the divisional area is imminent or in progress the operational control of all elements of the Forces of the SWPA in the threatened area will pass to command 3 Aust Div.

ROLE.

4. The divisional role can be divided into three parts, which are set out hereunder.
 - (a) Part I Defence of the MORESEY - PORT MORESEY area.
 - (b) Part II Defence of the BULLDOG - WAU Lines of Communication.
 - (c) Part III HQ Reserve.

PART I. DEFENCE OF THE MORESEY - PORT MORESEY AREA.

5. PHASE I.

AA and coast defences in the Divisional area will be maintained. The role and organization will remain unchanged. HQ Coast Arty Moresby and AA Gp HQ (LE) PORT MORESEY retaining command of their respective Groups.

6. PHASE II.

- (a) Object. (i) To prevent enemy penetration of vital points.
(ii) To maintain internal security and protect installations and equipment from sabotage.
- (b) Troops Available. Forces and units which will be available for the implementation of the above are tabulated on a sector basis (vide Appx A) and the defence sectors for which these units are responsible are shown on a trace attached as Appendix B. (incl all)
- (c) Method. (i) A Commander, who will command all units in the sector, has been appointed for each sector (vide Appx A) and he will be responsible for the preparation of plans for the defence of vital points within that sector.
(ii) He will ensure that all troops under command understand their particular tasks and the general scheme for the defence of the PORT MORESBY Area.
(iii) On arrival of new units within his sector, the Commander will allot roles to such units and advise this HQ.
(iv) If relieved, or appointment changed, the Commander will hand over all plans etc, either to this HQ or to his successor if appointed.
(v) This HQ will be notified immediately of any change in command.

7. PHASE III.

- (a) Object. To hold and contain the enemy within a limited area of where the landing has been effected.
- (b) Troops Available. Two mobile forces.
(i) Force I 2/8 Aust Armd Regt
less two sqns
3 Aust Carr Coy
5 Aust Carr Coy
Force II 2/1 Aust MG Coy

- (c) Method. (i) These ~~two~~ forces will be prepared to move to the area threatened within one hour of the initial alarm.
- (ii) Force (I) will be under cmd of CO 2/8 Aust Armd Regt.
- (iii) Cmd of each force will prepare plans, and carry out necessary reconnaissance and training to enable the force to attain the object stated above (Para 7a).

8. PHASE IV.

- (a) Object. The extermination of the enemy.
- (b) Troops available. 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp composed as follows:
- HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde
 - 7 Aust Inf Bde Def Pl
 - 9 Aust Inf Bn
 - 25 Aust Inf Bn
 - 61 Aust Inf Bn
 - 2/5 Aust Fd Regt
- (c) Method. This Bde Gp will move to the area threatened as soon as possible after necessary reconnaissance and planning have been carried out.

PART II. THE DEFENCE OF THE BULLDOG - WAU LINES OF COMMUNICATION.

9. PHASE I.

- (a) Object. (i) To prevent enemy penetration of vital points.
- (ii) To maintain internal security and protect installations from sabotage.

Troops Available. The area has been divided into two sectors namely WAU and BULLDOG. All troops either working in or based on these areas are available for the task.

Method. (1) Lt Col BROWN, cmd of the BULLDOG sector and the Sta Cmd WAU will command all units in their respective sectors and will be responsible for the preparation of plans for the defence of vital points within these sectors.

- (ii) They will ensure that all troops under command understand their particular tasks and the general scheme for the defence of the WAI-BULLDOG Lines of Communication.
- (iii) On arrival of new units within their sectors, commanders will allot roles to such units and advise this HQ.
- (iv) If relieved, or appointment changed, the commander will hand over all plans etc, either to this HQ, or to his successor if appointed.
- (iv) This HQ will be notified immediately of any change in command.

10. PHASE II.

- (a) Object. To exterminate enemy threatening any portion of the WAI - BULLDOG Lines of Communication.
- (b) Troops available. 15 Aust Inf Bde Gp including 2 Aust Fd Regt.
- (c) Method. 15 Aust Inf Bde Gp will be prepared to move by sea or air the whole or portion of the Bde to any part of these lines of communication with a view to the attainment of object stated above (para 10a).

PART III. NGF RESERVE.

11. As NGF Reserve 3 Aust Div will be prepared to move by sea or air on orders from NGF. For this purpose 15 Aust Inf Bde Gp including 2 Aust Fd Regt will be held at 7 days notice to move.

INSTRUCTIONS TO COMMANDERS.

12. (a) It is important that the normal functioning of units should not be affected by the roles given in this instruction.
- (b) Normal work will continue until an attack is imminent at which stage sectors commanders will take command of their sectors.
- (c) Bde Gps and units staging through this area will not be deployed on static defence roles.

- (d) In particular training will not be hindered by the construction of defence works.

REPORTS.

13. In the event of an enemy landing in or in close proximity to any sector, or an attack on any sector by an enemy force which has landed elsewhere, the sector commander will despatch a signal (franked emergency operations) direct to HQ 3 Aust Div and the plans set out above will be implemented immediately.

SIGNAL SECURITY.

14. It is considered likely that the enemy force will endeavour to tap line communication to the area being attacked in an endeavour to ascertain measures being taken to meet their attacks. It is therefore important that orders are not intercepted. To guard against this messages will be sent by fullerphone wherever possible.
- If no fullerphone circuit is available AMF R/T Code 2 with the current key word as issued by Sigs 5 Aust Div will be used. Sigs 5 Aust Div will ensure that sector commanders who are not normally under command 3 Aust Div are issued with and understand this code.

TRANSPORT.

15. In view of the continual changes in the Units in the MORESBY - PORT MORESBY area, it is not possible to allot specific transport coys to any unit, but in the event of an attack, sufficient transport will be made available to the various forces to enable them to carry out their roles.
- To facilitate quick provision of this transport it is essential that unit requirements be submitted to this HQ. To provide this information units will submit a return as under.

Unit

Return

2/8 Aust Arm Regt

3 Aust Carrier Coy

5 Aust Carrier Coy

2/1 Aust MG Bn

7 Aust Inf Bde Gp

15 Aust Inf Bde Gp

To be submitted by
2/8 Aust
Arm Regt

Number of 5 ton
vehicles required
to move unit as
per Para 7c

Number of 5 ton vehicles
required by each unit to
move Bde Gp as per
Para 8c

a) Number of aircraft
required by each unit
to move Bde Gp by air
as per Para 10c.

b) Number of personnel,
number of vehicles
giving dead weight
cubic tonnage and
heaviest dead weight
left, dead weight and
cubic tonnage of
stores not loaded on
vehicles required by
each unit to move Bde
Gp by sea as per para
10c.

Units will submit amendments to their requirements on the last
day of each month.

16. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Lt-col
GS 3 Aust Div.

Time of Signature hrs

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15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	2	2	2	By DRLS
2/3 Aust Arm Regt	3	3	3	By DRLS
5 Aust Div Carrier Coy	4	4	4	By DRLS
5 Aust Div Carrier Coy	5	5	5	By DRLS
RAA 5 Aust Div	6	6	6	By DRLS
HQ Coast Arty Moresby AIF	7	7	7	By DRLS
AA GP HQ (LB) MORREBY	8	8	8	By DRLS
18 GRS Works	9	9	9	By DRLS
Sign 5 Aust Div	10	10	10	By DRLS
2/1 Aust HQ Bn	11	11	11	By DRLS
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Air Bn GHQ	13	13	13	By DRLS
RGP	14	14	14	By DRLS
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HQ USASOS	16	16	16	By DRLS
HQ ANZUS	17	17	17	By DRLS
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ALLOTMENT OF FORCES AND UNITS TO DEFENCE SECTORS.

APPEX "A"

SECTOR
NAME

COMD

T ROOPS AVAILABLE

3 Aust Div
Operation
Instruction
No

SECTOR NAME	COMD	T ROOPS AVAILABLE
MORESBY	Comd Moresby Fixed Defences	Adm Staff HQ disp HQ Moresby Port Sub-area HQ USASOS HQ Coast Arty Moresby Boom Sec Bty 6 pr guns Page Bty HQ B tp 234 Lt AA Bty & 2 gun sites 156 CASL Sec 184 CASL Sec 186 CASL Sec HQ 10 AA & Fpt Coy RAE 44 Fpt Works Sec 1 Aust Port Maint Pl 1003 Engr HQ Battle Switch Naval Switch HQ 1 Water Transport Gp Medical Supply Dump Sec 2/8 Dental Unit 10 AOD Team 1 CM Corps Pro Coy 929 Army Postal Unit DAO Records 2/1 Docks Op Coy 23 Rmp Coy 33 Rmp Coy

KORIEDOHU Comd ANGAU

Adv Bch GHQ
 HQ ANGAU
 RAAF
 HQ C tp 234 Lt AA Bty & 5 gun sites
 B tp 235 Lt AA Bty
 S/L
 437 Ry AA Gun Stn
 432 " " " "
 23 " " " "
 US Engr Dump
 2 Pl 391 Engr Dep Coy
 RAE Stores
 14 RA Coy
 RAAF Switch
 Jockey Switch
 RIPOD
 1 Bulk Petrol Storage coy
 52 Pl RIPOD
 20 CM Trk Regt
 Storage Tanks
 2 Mob Met pl

**SECTOR
NAME**

COND

TROOPS AVAILABLE

**BARRACKS
AREA**

A Bty OC 253
AA S/L Bn

A Bty 253 AAA S/L Bn
483 Hy Gun Sta
35 " " "
25 QM decon Coy
1st Det Dabho depot
53 Sig Bn
60 " "
173 Sig repair Coy det
303 " " det
190 QM Coy (Gas)
35 ord Amn Coy
Laundry, Refrig, PX & Bakery

**GALANER Y
AREA**

OC 253 Lt AA Bty

HQ Adv sec USASOC
HQ 253 Lt AA Bty
2nd HQ 73 Mob S/L Bty
253 QM tpt Coy
300 QM Camp Coy (Bakery Sec)
Fresh meat mob freezers
804 Med Air evac Coy
117 Stn hosp det
171 " " "
720 MP Bn

**MURRAY
BARRACKS**

CRA 3 Anst Div

HQ 3 Anst Div
HQ Details Depot
HQ RAA 3 Anst Div
Det RAA 11 Div
15 Pz Coy
16 B1 2/1 HQ Gd Bn
HQ Comd AASOC 3 Anst Div
2/155 Gen tpt coy
MFO
1 Air Maint
2/8 Dental Unit
Medical Stores
1HQ Dental Stores
1 Parachute refolding pl
3 Div Cash Office
Det 3 Div pro coy
3 Div Postal Unit

**WARDS
AR RA**

OC 101 Bty D

HQ, 1 & 2 Pl 101 Bty D, & 8 gun sites
551 Lt AA Bty gun sites (2)
3 mile DID
Aviation POL
Wards Gas Dump
HQ 1 Lt Pz Amb
72 Ord Dump

SECTOR NAME	COMD	TROOPS AVAILABLE
KILA AREA		555 Lt AA Bty gun sites (3) 101 Bty B gun sites (2) 98 Engr GS Regt
HOSPITAL AREA	Comd Moresby Base Sub-area	HQ Moresby Base Sub-area 2/16 Fd Coy RAB 5 CE Works 2/5 Switch HQ 19 L of C Sigs 8 Tech maint sec 19 op sec BIPOD HQ 2/155 Gen Tpt Coy Det 152 Gen Tpt Coy 2/105 Gen Tpt Coy 2/1 Mob Op unit 2/1 AGH 2/5 AGH 129 Bde Ord Fd Pk 76 Depot Cash Office
JACKSON AREA	OC 101 Bty C	HQ, 1 & 2 pls, 101 Bty C and 3 gun sites 234 Lt AA Bty gun sites (5) 551 Lt AA Bty gun site
QUARRY HILL	Comd AA gp HQ (LE) Moresby	HQ 1 AL Sec AA Ops room type C & A 24 Hy AA Bty HQ 101 CA Bn and HQ Bty HQ 32 Hy AA Bty (HE) AA Gp HQ (LE) HQ 35 Hy AA Bty (HE) 576 Engr Dump trk coy Razor back Dandy Moresby Carrier Terminal Switch 4 PS Switch 4 AF Switch 25 Line Sec 227 Sup Depot pl 2/101 Gen Tpt Coy B sec 85 Dental Unit Det 9 Fd Amb 36 Emp Coy
BERRY AREA	OC 554 Lt AA Bty	2 Mtn Bty 2 Pl 101 CA Bn 101 Bty A HQ 554 Lt AA Bty S/L 23 Line Sec 24 Line Sec Cas Dump 2/1 HAC 2 HAC 2/104 Gen Tpt Coy Berry Ord Dumps

SECRET
NAME

CORD

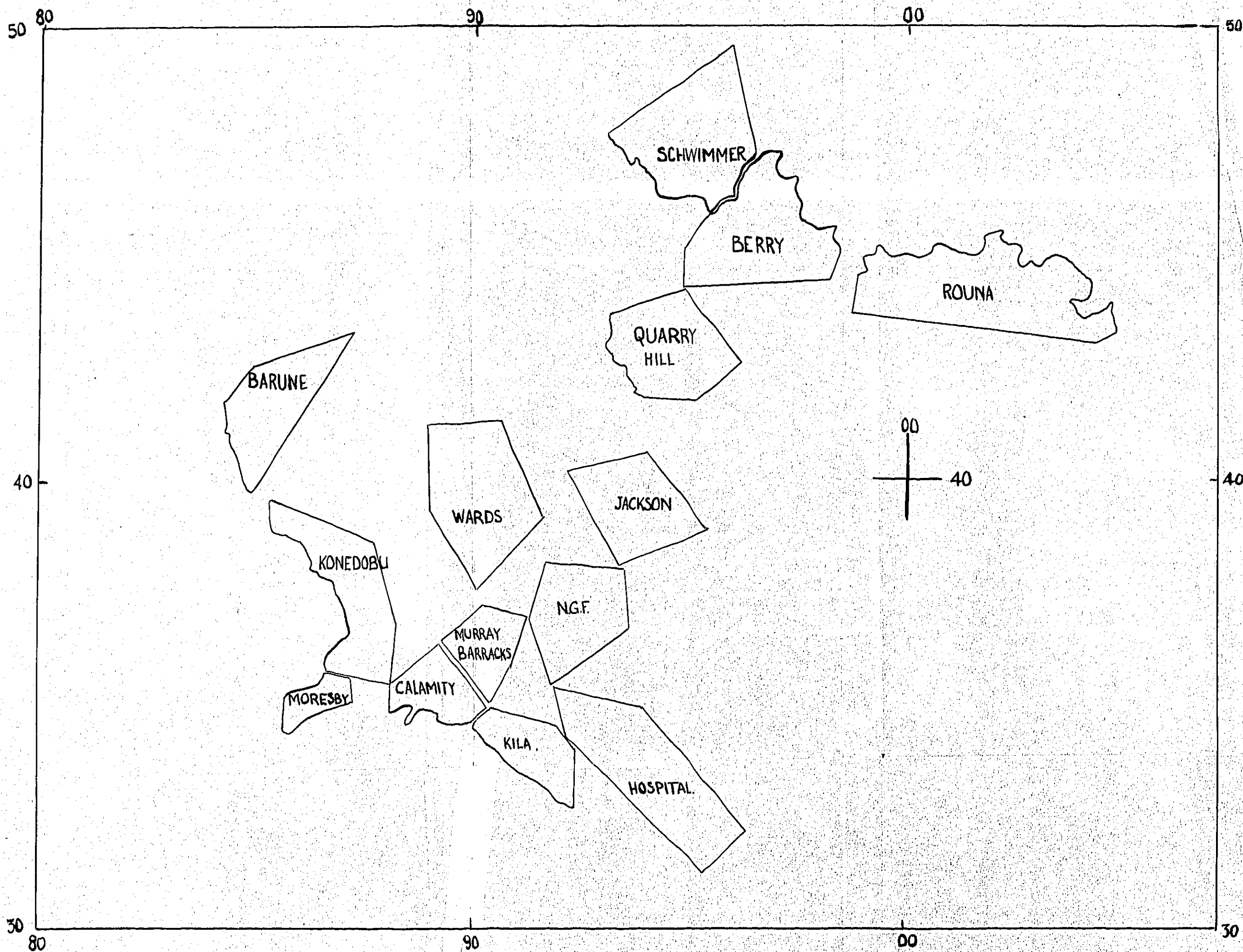
TROOPS AVAILABLE

SCHWIMMER
AREA554 Lt AA Bty gun site
Gas DumpROUNA
AREA

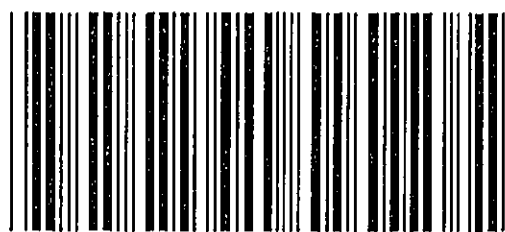
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CRE Works Dump
 17 Mile Switch
 2/9 AGH Switch
 2 Sig Pk Sec
 Det 3 Farm Coy
 224 Sup Depot Fl
 BIPOD
 2/101 Mob Path
 HGF Mob Laundry
 Det 3 Corps Mob Laundry
 7 Div Mob Laundry
 11 Div Mob Laundry
 2/9 AGH
 111 CCS
 9 Rd Amb
 C Sec 2/1 Dental Unit
 C Sec 85 Dental Unit
 F Sec 2/2 Dental Unit
 4 Mob Bact Lab Unit
 8 Adv Amn Depot
 Det 138 Bde Ord Rd Pk
 4 Ord Amn Coy
 16 Ord Amn Coy
 HQ 10 Adv Ord Depot
 HQ 8 Adv Ord Depot
 14 Ord Store Coy
 18 Ord Store Coy
 2/3 Inf Tps Ord Rd Pk
 128 Bde Ord Rd Pk BBD
 5 Bmp Coy
 Det 2/24 Gen Tpt Coy
 25 Sup Depot Fl

SUBDIVISION - PORT MORESBY AREA INTO DEFENCE SECTORS — Overlay for Port Moresby 1"



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3. ANST DIV OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS NO

DEFENCE OF MORESBY AREA INCLUDING BULLDOG-WAU LINES OF COMMUNICATION.

OBJECT.

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3. Troops available for defence. When an attack upon a locality within the divisional area is imminent or in progress the operational control of all elements of the Forces of the SWPA in the threatened area will pass to command 3 Anst Div.

ROLE.

4. The divisional role can be divided into three parts, which are set out hereunder.
 - (a) Part I Defence of the MORESBY - PORT MORESBY area.
 - (b) Part II Defence of the BULLDOG - WAU Lines of Communication.
 - (c) Part III NGF Reserve.

PART I. DEFENCE OF THE MORESBY - PORT MORESBY AREA.

5. PHASE I.

AA and coast defences in the Divisional area will be maintained. The role and organization will remain unchanged. HQ Coast Arty Moresby and AA Gp HQ (LE) PORT MORESBY retaining command of their respective Groups.

6. PHASE II.

- (a) Object. (i) To prevent enemy penetration of vital points.
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- (b) Troops Available. Forces and units which will be available for the implementation of the above are tabulated on a sector basis (vide Appx A) and the defence sectors for which these units are responsible are shown on a trace attached as Appendix B. (Not a H)
- (c) Method. (i) A Commander, who will command all units in the sector, has been appointed for each sector (vide Appx A) and he will be responsible for the preparation of plans for the defence of vital points within that sector.
(ii) He will ensure that all troops under command understand their particular tasks and the general scheme for the defence of the PORT MORESBY Area.
(iii) On arrival of new units within his sector, the Commander will allot roles to such units and advise this HQ.
(iv) If relieved, or appointment changed, the Commander will hand over all plans etc, either to this HQ or to his successor if appointed.
(v) This HQ will be notified immediately of any change in command.

7. PHASE III.

- (a) Object. To hold and contain the enemy within a limited area of where the landing has been effected.
- (b) Troops Available. Two mobile forces.
(1) Force I 2/8 Aust Arm Regt
less two sqns
3 Aust Carr Coy
3 Aust Carr Coy
Force II 2/1 Aust MG Coy

- (c) Method. (i) These four forces will be prepared to move to the area threatened within one hour of the initial alarm.
- (ii) Force (I) will be under comd of CC 2/8 Aust Arm Regt.
- (iii) Comd of each force will prepare plans, and carry out necessary reconnaissance and training to enable the force to attain the object stated above (Para 7a).

8. PHASE IV.

- (a) Object. The extermination of the enemy.
- (b) Troops available. 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp composed as follows:
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 - 7 Aust Inf Bde Def Pl
 - 9 Aust Inf Bn
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PART II. THE DEFENCE OF THE BULLDOG - WAU LINES OF COMMUNICATION.

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Troops Available. The area has been divided into two sectors namely WAU and BULLDOG. All troops either working in or based on these areas are available for the task.

Method. (i) Lt Col BROWN, comd of the BULLDOG sector and the Sta Comd WAU will command all units in their respective sectors and will be responsible for the preparation of plans for the defence of vital points within these sectors.

- (ii) They will ensure that all troops under command understand their particular tasks and the general scheme for the defence of the WAU-BULLDOG Lines of Communication.
- (iii) On arrival of new units within their sectors, commanders will allot roles to such units and advise this HQ.
- (iv) If relieved, or appointment changed, the commander will hand over all plans etc, either to this HQ, or to his successor if appointed.
- (iv) This HQ will be notified immediately of any change in command.

10. PHASE II.

- (a) Object. To exterminate enemy threatening any portion of the WAU - BULLDOG Lines of Communication.
- (b) Troops available. 15 Aust Inf Bde Gp including 8 Aust Fd Regt.
- (c) Method. 15 Aust Inf Bde Gp will be prepared to move by sea or air the whole or portion of the Bde to any part of these lines of communication with a view to the attainment of object stated above (para 10a).

PART III. NGF RESERVE.

11. As NGF Reserve 5 Aust Div will be prepared to move by sea or air on orders from NGF. For this purpose 15 Aust Inf Bde Gp including 8 Aust Fd Regt will be held at 7 days notice to move.

INSTRUCTIONS TO COMMANDERS.

12. (a) It is important that the normal functioning of units should not be affected by the roles given in this instruction.
- (b) Normal work will continue until an attack is imminent at which stage sectors commanders will take command of their sectors.
- (c) Bde Gps and units staging through this area will not be deployed on static defence roles.

- (d) In particular training will not be hindered by the construction of defence works.

REPORTS.

13. In the event of an enemy landing in or in close proximity to any sector, or an attack on any sector by an enemy force which has landed elsewhere, the sector commander will despatch a signal (franked emergency operations) direct to HQ 5 Aust Div and the plans set out above will be implemented immediately.

SIGNAL SECURITY.

14. It is considered likely that the enemy force will endeavour to tap line communication to the area being attacked in an endeavour to ascertain measures being taken to meet their attack. It is therefore important that orders are not intercepted. To guard against this messages will be sent by fullerphone wherever possible. If no fullerphone circuit is available AMF R/T Code 2 with the current key word as issued by Sigs 5 Aust Div will be used. Sigs 5 Aust Div will ensure that sector commanders who are not normally under command 3 Aust Div are issued with and understand this code.

TRANSPORT.

15. In view of the continual changes in the Units in the MORESEY - PORT MORESEY area, it is not possible to allot specific transport coys to any unit, but in the event of an attack, sufficient transport will be made available to the various forces to enable them to carry out their roles. To facilitate quick provision of this transport it is essential that unit requirements be submitted to this HQ. To provide this information units will submit a return as under.

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Return</u>
2/8 Aust Arm'd Regt	To be submitted by 2/8 Aust Arm'd Regt } Number of 3 ton vehicles required to move unit as per Para 7c
3 Aust Carrier Coy	
5 Aust Carrier Coy	
2/1 Aust MG Bn	
7 Aust Inf Bde Gp	Number of 3 ton vehicles required by each unit to move Bde Gp as per Para 8c
15 Aust Inf Bde Gp	a) Number of aircraft required by each unit to move Bde Gp by air as per Para 10c. b) Number of personnel, number of vehicles giving dead weight cubic tonnage and heaviest dead weight left, dead weight and cubic tonnage of stores not loaded on vehicles required by each unit to move Bde Gp by sea as per para 10c.

Units will submit amendments to their requirements on the last day of each month.

16. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Lt-col
GS 3 Aust Div.

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3 Aust Div Carrier Coy	4	4	4	By DRLS
5 Aust Div Carrier Coy	5	5	5	By DRLS
RAA 8 Aust Div	6	6	6	By DRLS
HQ Coast Arty Moresby AIF	7	7	7	By DRLS
AA GP HQ (LE) MORESBY	8	8	8	By DRLS
12 GRR Works	9	9	9	By DRLS
Sigs 5 Aust Div	10	10	10	By DRLS
2/1 Aust MG Bn	11	11	11	By DRLS
RASC 5 Aust Div	12	12	12	By DRLS
Adv Ech GHQ	13	13	13	By DRLS
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ALLOCATION OF FORCES AND UNITS TO DEFENSE SECTORS.

AREA "A"
3 Aust Div
Operation
Instruction
No

SECTOR
NAME

CODE

T ROOPS AVAILABLE

MORESBY

Comd Moresby Fixed
Defences

Adm Staff HQ Disp
HQ Moresby Port Sub-area
HQ USASOC
HQ Coast Arty Moresby
Bom Sec
Bty 6 pr guns
Page Bty
HQ 3 tp 254 Lt AA Bty & 2 gun sites
156 CASL Sec
154 CASL Sec
153 CASL Sec
HQ 10 AA & Fst Coy RAN
44 Fst Works Sec
1 Aust Port Maint Pl
1005 Engr HQ
Battle Switch
Naval Switch
HQ 1 Water Transport Co
Medical Supply Dump
Sec 2/3 Dental Unit
10 AOB
Team 1 CM
Corps Pro Coy
929 Army Postal Unit
DAO Records
2/1 Books Op Coy
22 Rep Coy
23 Rep Coy

KOROROBOR

Comd ANGAU

Adv Hqs GHQ
HQ ANGAU
RAAF
HQ 6 tp 254 Lt AA Bty & 5 gun sites
B tp 255 Lt AA Bty
S/L
437 Hy AA Gun Stn
432 " " " "
23 " " " "
US Engr Dump
2 Pl 391 Engr Dep Coy
RAN Stores
14 Fd Coy
RAAF Switch
Jockey Switch
HIPOD
1 Bulk Petrol Storage coy
52 Pl HIPOD
29 CM Trk Regt
Storage Tanks
2 Mob Met pl

**SECTION
NAME**

COORD

TROOPS AVAILABLE

**BARRAGE
AREA**

**A Bty CC 252
AA 8/L Bn**

A Bty 252 AAA 8/L Bn
458 Bty Gun Stn
25 " " "
25 CML decon Coy
1st Det Buldo Depot
22 Sig Bn
60 " "
175 Sig repair Coy det
208 " " det
190 QM Coy (Gas)
25 ord Am Coy
Laundry, Refrig, PX & Bakery

**GALANGEN Y CC 252 Lt AA Bty
AREA**

HQ Adv sec USASOS
HQ 252 Lt AA Bty
1st HQ 75 Mob 8/L Bty
2/105 Gen tpt Coy
200 QM Comp Coy (Bakery Sec)
Fresh meat mob freezers
204 Med Air evas Coy
117 Stn hosp det
171 " " "
720 MP Bn

**NEBRAY
BARRAGE**

CRA 3 Aust Div

HQ 3 Aust Div
HQ Details Depot
HQ RAA 3 Aust Div
Det RAE 11 Div
15 Fd Coy
16 M1 2/1 HQ 3d Bn
HQ Comd AASC 3 Aust Div
2/155 Gen tpt coy
MFO
1 Air Maint
2/2 Dental Unit
Medical Stores
1HQ Dental Stores
1 Parachute refolding pl
5 Div Cash Office
Det 3 Div pro coy
5 Div Postal Unit

**WARDS
AR RA**

CC 101 Bty D

HQ, 1 & 2 P1 101 Bty D, & 8 gun sites
551 Lt AA Bty gun sites (2)
3 mile DID
Aviation POL
Wards Gas Dump
HQ 1 Lt Fd Amb
72 Ord dump

SECTOR NAME	COND	TROOPS AVAILABLE
KILA AREA		555 Lt AA Bty gun sites (3) 101 Bty B gun sites (2) 96 Engr SS Regt
HOSPITAL AREA	Comd Moresby Base Sub-area	HQ Moresby Base Sub-area 2/16 Fd Coy RAE 5 CE Works 2/5 Switch HQ 19 L of C Sigs 8 Tech maint sec 19 op sec BIPOD HQ 2/155 Gen Tpt Coy Det 152 Gen Tpt Coy 2/105 Gen Tpt Coy 2/1 Mob Op unit 2/1 AGH 2/5 AGH 129 Bde Ord Fd Pk 76 Depot Cash Office
JACKSON AREA	OC 101 Bty C	HQ, 1 & 2 pls, 101 Bty C and 3 gun sites 234 Lt AA Bty gun sites (5) 551 Lt AA Bty gun site
QUARRY HILL	Comd AA gp HQ (LE) Moresby	HQ 1 AL Sec AA Ops room type C & A 24 Hy AA Bty HQ 101 CA Bn and HQ Bty HQ 32 Hy AA Bty (HE) AA Gp HQ (LE) HQ 23 Hy AA Bty (HE) 576 Engr Dump trk coy Razor back Bandy Moresby Carrier Terminal Switch 4 FS Switch 4 AF Switch 26 Line Sec 227 Sup Depot pl 2/101 Gen Tpt Coy B sec 85 Dental Unit Det 9 Fd Amb 36 Hap Coy
BERRY AREA	OC 554 Lt AA Bty	2 Mtn Bty 2 Pl 101 CA Bn 101 Bty A HQ 554 Lt AA Bty S/L 23 Line Sec 24 Line Sec Gas Dump 2/1 MAC 2 MAC 2/104 Gen Tpt Coy Berry Ord Dumps

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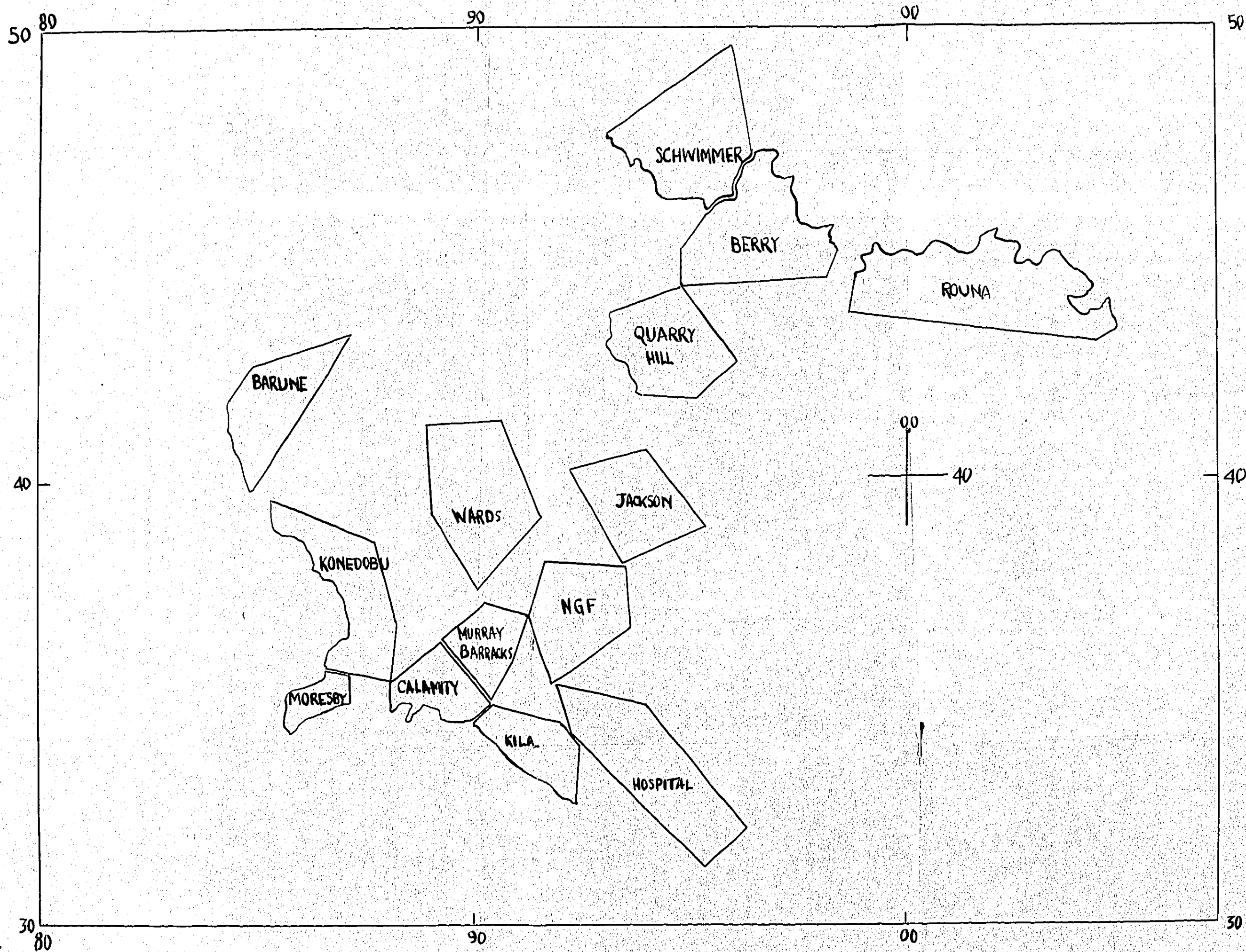
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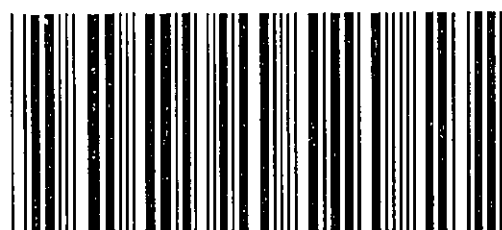
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 Det 2/24 Gen Tpt Coy
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SUBDIVISION - PORT MORESBY AREA INTO DEFENCE SECTORS — Overlay for Port Moresby 1"



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APPX 7

Subject : AIR RAID WARNING SIGNALS

HQ 3 Aust Div
5 Nov 43

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1. In order to prevent confusion arising from the use of different Air Raid Warning signals by the various Allied Forces in NEW GUINEA, a conference was held at which Allied Naval, Land and Air Forces were represented.

2. The following Air Raid Warning Signals were decided upon:-

(a) AIR RAID YELLOW

Indicating that there are unidentified aircraft in the vicinity.

Yellow Flag

A succession of "Y"'s on a lamp.

These signals will be displayed or made by the station commander in accordance with instructions in force in his arm or service.

(b) AIR RAID WHITE

Cancels a YELLOW warning.

White Flag

A succession of "W"'s on a lamp.

(c) AIR RAID RED

Indicating that hostile aircraft are in the immediate vicinity and that an air raid is imminent.

Red Flag

Red Light

Succession of "R"'s on a lamp.

Succession of short blasts on a whistle or siren

OR

A wailing siren if one rising and falling in pitch.

(d) AIR RAID GREEN

Indicating all clear.

Green Flag

Green Light

Long sustained blast on whistle or siren.

(e) PARATROOP ATTACK

A series of long and short blasts on a whistle or siren.

3. These signals will come into effect as from 15 Nov 43.

2. To prevent confusion with normal anti-aircraft artillery activities the following signals should NOT be used.

(a) Firing shots in the air.

(b) Firing rockets.

(c) Firing Verey lights.

In small areas where the signals laid down above would NOT meet the case, the local commander may use his discretion as to the warning system to be employed.

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Lt Col
CS 3 Aust Div

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List 'A' plus

Reception Sec 3 Aust Div
11 Aust Div Concert Party
7 Aust Div Concert Party

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HQ 3 AUSTRALIAN DIV (AIF)

5 Nov 43.

Serial No.	Unit	List "A"	List "B"	List "C"
1	7 Aust Inf Bde	1	5	25
2	15 Aust Inf Bde	1	5	25
3	2/8 Aust Armd Regt	1	1	5
4	RAA 3 Aust Div	1	6	12
5	HQ Coast Artillery MORESBY	1	1	7
6	HQ AA Gp (LE) MORESBY	1	1	15
7	12 ORR Wks	1	1	1
8	24 Aust Fd Coy	1	1	1
9	2/16 Aust A Fd Coy	1	1	1
10	15 Aust Fd Coy	1	1	1
11	23 Aust Camflg Unit	1	1	1
12	25 Aust Camflg Unit	1	1	1
13	2/21 Aust Corps Camflg Unit	1	1	1
14	Sigs 5 Aust Div	1	1	1
15	2/1 Aust MG Bn	1	1	4
16	3 Aust Div Carr Coy	1	1	6
17	5 Aust Div Carr Coy	1	1	1
18	Reception Sec 3 Aust Div	1	1	1
19	11 Aust Div Concert Party	-	1	1
20	7 Aust Div Concert Party	-	1	1
21	AASC 5 Aust Div	1	1	1
22	Comd	1	1	8
23	GS	1	1	1
24	AA & GNG	1	1	1
25	Medical	3	3	3
26	Ord	1	1	6
27	ARME	1	1	5
28	Pro	-	1	20
29	Pay	-	1	1
30	Postal	-	1	1
31	File	-	1	1
32	War Diary	2	2	2
33	NG Force (for information) (where applicable)	1	1	1
TOTAL		31	50	163

Distribution:

GS	4
AASCNG	4
ARME	1
ADOS	1
ARME	1
War Diary	8
File	1

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5 Nov 43.

Serial No.	Unit	List "A"	List "B"	List "C"
1	7 Aust Inf Bde	1	5	25
2	15 Aust Inf Bde	1	5	25
3	2/8 Aust Armd Regt	1	1	5
4	RAA 3 Aust Div	1	6	12
5	HQ Coast Artillery MORESBY	1	1	7
6	HQ AA Gp (LE) MORESBY	1	1	15
7	12 ORR Wks	1	1	1
8	24 Aust Fd Coy	1	1	1
9	2/16 Aust A Fd Coy	1	1	1
10	15 Aust Fd Coy	1	1	1
11	23 Aust Camflg Unit	1	1	1
12	25 Aust Camflg Unit	1	1	1
13	2/21 Aust Corps Camflg Unit	1	1	1
14	Sigs 5 Aust Div	1	1	1
15	2/1 Aust NG Bn	1	1	4
16	3 Aust Div Carr Coy	1	1	6
17	5 Aust Div Carr Coy	1	1	1
18	Reception Sec 3 Aust Div	1	1	1
19	11 Aust Div Concert Party	-	1	1
20	7 Aust Div Concert Party	-	1	1
21	AASC 5 Aust Div	1	1	1
22	Comd	1	1	8
23	GS	1	1	1
24	AA & QMG	1	1	1
25	Medical	3	3	3
26	Ord	1	1	6
27	ARME	1	1	5
28	Pro	1	1	20
29	Pay	-	1	1
30	Postal	-	1	1
31	File	-	1	1
32	War Diary	2	2	2
33	NG Force (for information) (where applicable)	2	2	2
		1	1	1
TOTAL		31	50	163

Distribution:

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AA&QMG	4
ADMS	1
ADOS	1
ARME	1
War Diary	2
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GS 3 Aust Div

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7 Aust Inf Bde
15 Aust Inf Bde (adv)
2/8 Aust Armd Regt
RAA 3 Aust Div
12 CRE Wks
2/16 Aust A Fd Coy
15 Aust Fd Coy
24 Aust Fd Coy
Sigs 5 Aust Div
2/1 Aust MG Bn
3 Aust Div Carr Coy
5 Aust Div Carr Coy
AASC 5 Aust Div
New Guinea Force
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Serial Number	Unit	Location	Remarks
1	HQ 3 Aust Div	904367	
2	16 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Bn	904367	Att HQ 3 Aust Div
	<u>ARMED TPS</u>		
3	HQ 2/8 Aust Armd Regt	989360	
4	HQ Sqn 2/8 Aust Armd Regt	989360	
5	B Sqn 2/8 Aust Armd Regt	991360	
6			
	<u>ARTY</u>		
7	HQ RAA 3 Aust Div	837387 934399	
	<u>FD</u>		
8	HQ 2/5 Aust Fd Regt	966417	
9	9 Bty	975416	
10	10 Bty	973419	
11	55 Bty	976416	
12	2 Aust Fd Regt	959401	
13	2 Aust Mtn Bty	972455	
14			
15			
16			
	<u>TK A</u>		
17	2/10 Aust Tk A Bty (2/3 Aust Tk A Regt)	959353	
18			
19			
	<u>SVY</u>		
20	2/7 Aust SVy Bty	934377	
	<u>FIXED DEFENCES MORESBY</u>		
21	HQ Coast Arty MORESBY (AIF)	860351	
22	PAGA Bty	862349	
23	BOOM Sec	857346	
24	GRND Sec	827344	
25	"C" Aust Hy Bty (Coast) AIF	976301	BOOTLESS Bty
26	"R" Aust Hy Bty (Coast) AIF	721448	BOXRA Bty
27	1 Aust Special Radio Det	945312	
28	156 CASL Sec	862349	Att PAGA Bty
29	157 CASL Sec	976301	Att "C" Aust Hy Bty
30	168 CASL Sec	721448	Att "R" Aust Hy Bty
31	184 CASL Sec	862349	Att PAGA Bty
32	185 CASL Sec	023316	
33	BASILISK Det (HP Coast and AA)	799355	
	<u>AA DEFENCE MORESBY</u>		
34	HQ Aust AA Gp MORESBY	941427	
35	Aust AA Ops Room (Type "A")	945439	
36	Aust AA Ops Room (Type "C")	945439	
37	Satellite Z2	943439	
	Satellite Z3	838436	

39	23 Aust Hy AA Bty		942428	
40	"	H1	871357	
41	"	G1	916361	
42	"	H2	846406	
43	"	H4	964478	
44	24 Aust Hy AA Bty		941430	
45	"	H5	784415	
46	"	H7	875459	
47	"	G7	874459	
48	"	H10	904497	
49	32 Aust Hy AA Bty		939427	
50	"	H3	964372	
51	"	H6	965414	
52	"	G6	964414	
53	"	H8	928356	
54	234 Aust Lt AA Bty		947418	Awaiting movement
55	551 Aust Lt AA Bty		946418	
56	"	A1	947397	
57	"	B1	898390	
58	"	B2	903389	
59	"	B3	904378	
60	554 Aust Lt AA Bty		946450	
61	A Tp		906486	
62	"	A1	905455	
63	"	A2	915473	
64	"	A3	913463	
65	"	A4	905472	
66	"	A5	903476	
67	"	A6	904490	
68	B Tp		949480	
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71	"	B3	956469	
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83	B Tp		870387	
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85	"	B2	970375	
86	"	B3	869382	
87	"	B4	859388	
88	"	B5	834401	
89	"	B6	833400	
90	67 Aust Mob SL Bty		947418	
91	BOR	B1	950417	
92	A Tp		961353	
93	"	S4	030337	
94	"	S5	981388	
95	"	S6b	961353	
96	B Tp		961353	
97	"	S8	965335	
98	"	S12	960298	
99	C Tp		947418	
100	"	S2	012456	
101	"	S6	952441	
102	Beacon Light		751771	KALO 4m - 1 in-
103	82 Aust Mob SL Bty		875428	
104	BOR	B2	875428	
105	A Tp		890358	
106	"	S9	921385	
107	"	S9b	915367	
108	"	S13	903328	
109	"	S14	870376	

163 Aust Lt AA Bty³⁻

110	B Tp		941460	
111	"	S7	916488	
112	"	S10	888434	
113	"	S11	862480	
114	C Tp		780414	
115	"	S15	820431	
116	"	S17	803338	
117	"	S27	780414	
118	75 Aust Mob Sg Bty		885408	Awaiting move

ENGERS

119	2/16 Aust A Fd Coy RAE	939339	
120	24 Aust Fd Coy (less 3 pl)	180392	
121	3 Pl	967295	
122	3 Aust Div Engr Dump	963579	Manned by 2/1 Aust A Fd Coy
123	25 Aust Camflg Unit	901355	
124	23 Aust Camflg Unit	901355	Awaiting move
125	2/21 Aust Corps Camflg Unit	901355	"
126	15 Aust Fd Coy		
127	Coy HQ and four secs	903356	
128	two secs	108418	
129	two secs	145423	
130			
131			

SIGS

132	HQ Sigs 5 Aust Div	892371	
133	HQ Coy 1 & 2 Coys Sigs 5 Aust Div	893371	
134	40 Aust Cipher Sec (Type E)	NGF	
135	2/8 Aust Armd Regt Sig Tp	990360	Att 2/8 Aust Armd Regt
136	2 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	989401	Att 2 Aust Fd
137	7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	174399	Att 7 Aust Inf Bde DONADABU
138	2/1 Aust Comp AA Regtl Sig Sec	974436	
139	202 " " " " "	942433	
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INF

142	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	174396	DONADABU
143	7 Aust Inf Bde Def Pl	174396	DONADABU
144	9 Aust Inf Bn	173398	
145	25 Aust Inf Bn	174405	
146	61 Aust Inf Bn	915365	MCRESBY area
147	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	882399	
148	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	876402	
149	Rear HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn	173398	
150	2/1 Aust M3 Bn (less A Coy)	966394	
151	5 Aust Div Carrier Coy (less pl)	981368	
152	5 Aust Div Carrier Coy (less pl)	979574	
153	HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde	877367	
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AASC

156	HQ Comd AASC 5 Aust Div	903369	
157	Det 152 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	922353	
158	Det 2/155 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	922353	
159	224 Aust Sub Depot Pl	988438	11 Mile BSD
160	227 Aust Sub Depot Pl	955430	
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165 HQ 2 Aust Lt Fd Amb
164 MSP 1 Aust Lt Fd Amb
165 11 Aust Fd Amb (less B Coy)
166 B Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb
167 HQ 9 Aust Fd Amb
168 Det 9 Aust Fd Amb
169 Det 9 Aust Fd Amb
170 15 Aust Fd Amb
171 107 Aust Mob Bath Unit
172 Det A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb
173 Det A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb
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176 129 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)
177 113 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)
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181 2/48 Aust LAD
182 2/52 Aust LAD
183 202 Aust LAD
184 213 Aust LAD
185 241 Aust LAD
186 266 Aust LAD
187 284 Aust LAD
188 292 Aust LAD
189 295 Aust LAD
190 306 Aust LAD
191 2/1 Aust Indep Armd Regt Wkshop
192 113 Aust Bde Wkshop
193 129 Aust Bde Wkshop
194 2/125 Aust Bde Wkshop
195 1 Aust Radio Maintenance Sec
196 Fortress Wkshop ARMS MORSEBY
197 234 Lt AA Bty Wkshop Sub sec (114 Aust
Lt AA Wkshop)
198 82 Aust AASL Wkshop Sec (Mob)
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964396 Att 2/1 Aust MG Bn
968413 Att 2/5 Aust Fd
Regt
892369 Att Sigs 5 Aust Div
959402 Att 2 Aust Fd Regt
176396 Att 7 Aust Inf Bde
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882399 11 Bde
938344 Awaiting movement
895570 " "
979376 " "
895572
985365
963380
938344
956378 Awaiting movement
875431
878428
946418
881407

POSTAL

201 5 Aust Div Postal Unit

904367

MISC

202 3 Aust Div Reception Sec
203 11 Aust Div Concert Party
204 7 Aust Div Concert Party
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PART II - REAR DETAILS

206 2/14 Aust A Fd Coy
207 55 Aust Fd Pk Coy
208 15 Aust Inf Bde
209 3 Aust Div Postal Unit
210 2/53 Aust LAD
211 24 Aust Inf Bn
212 HQ RAA 5 Aust Div
213 HQ RAE 11 Aust Div
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954376 Awaiting movement
938344 " "
888578
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964421 Awaiting movement
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887367 Awaiting movement
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 12 CRE Wks
 2/16 Aust A Fd Coy
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 24 Aust Fd Coy
 Sigs 5 Aust Div
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<u>ARMED TROOPS</u>			
3	HQ 2/8 Aust Arm'd Regt	989360	
4	HQ Sqn 2/8 Aust Arm'd Regt	989360	
5	B Sqn 2/8 Aust Arm'd Regt	991360	
6			
<u>ARTY</u>			
7	HQ RAA 3 Aust Div	897367	
<u>FD</u>			
8	HQ 2/5 Aust Fd Regt	966417	
9	9 Bty	975416	
10	10 Bty	973419	
11	55 Bty	976416	
12	2 Aust Fd Regt	959401	
13	2 Aust Mtn Bty	972455	
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20	2/7 Aust SVY Bty	954377	
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25	"C" Aust Hy Bty (Coast) ATF	976301	BOOTHLESS Bty
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31	184 CASL Sec	862349	Att PAGA Bty
32	185 CASL Sec	023516	
33	BASILISK Det (DP Coast and AA)	799355	
<u>AA DEFENCE MORESBY</u>			
34	HQ Aust AA Gp MORESBY	941427	
35	Aust AA Ops Room (Type "A")	945459	
36	Aust AA Ops Room (Type "C")	945439	
37	Satellite Z2	943459	
38	Satellite Z3	838436	

39	23 Aust Hy AA Bty		942428	
40	"	H1	871357	
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75	555 Aust Lt AA Bty		882351	
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80	"	A4	914544	
81	"	A5	917341	
82	"	A6	924354	
83	B Tp		870387	
84	"	B1	867359	
85	"	B2	970375	
86	"	B3	869382	
87	"	B4	859388	
88	"	B5	834401	
89	"	B6	833400	
90	67 Aust Mob SL Bty		947418	
91	BOR	B1	950417	
92	A Tp		961353	
93	"	S4	030337	
94	"	S5	981388	
95	"	S8b	961353	
96	B Tp		961353	
97	"	S8	965333	
98	"	S12	960298	
99	C Tp		947418	
100	"	S2	012436	
101	"	S6	952441	
102	Beacon Light		751771	KALO 4m - 1 in.
103	82 Aust Mob SL Bty		875428	
104	BOR	B2	875428	
105	A Tp		890358	
106	"	S9	921385	
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110	B Tp		941460	
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112	"	S10	888434	
113	"	S11	868480	
114	C Tp		780414	
115	"	S15	820451	
116	"	S17	805388	
117	"	S27	780414	
118	75 Aust Mob S1 Bty		885408	Awaiting movement

ENGRS

119	2/16 Aust A Fd Coy RAE		939339	
120	24 Aust Fd Coy (less 3 pl)		180392	
121	3 Pl		967295	
122	3 Aust Div Engr Dump		963379	Manned by 2/16 Aust A Fd Coy
125	25 Aust Camflg Unit		901355	
124	25 Aust Camflg Unit		901355	Awaiting movement
125	2/21 Aust Corps Camflg Unit		901355	"
126	15 Aust Fd Coy			
127	Coy HQ and four secs		905356	
128	two secs		108418	
129	two secs		145423	
130				
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SIGS

132	HQ Sigs 5 Aust Div		892371	
133	HQ Coy 1 & 2 Coys Sigs 5 Aust Div		893371	
134	40 Aust Cipher Sec (Type E)		NGF	
135	2/8 Aust Armd Regt Sig Tp		990360	Att 2/8 Aust Armd Regt
136	2 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		959401	Att 2 Aust Fd
137	7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec		174399	Att 7 Aust Inf Bde DONADABU
138	2/1 Aust Comp AA Regt1 Sig Sec		974436	
139	202 " " " "		942433	
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INF

142	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde		174396	DONADABU
143	7 Aust Inf Bde Def Pl		174396	DONADABU
144	9 Aust Inf Bn		173398	
145	25 Aust Inf Bn		174405	
146	61 Aust Inf Bn		915365	MARSBY area
147	57/60 Aust Inf Bn		882399	
148	58/59 Aust Inf Bn		876402	
149	Rear HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn		173398	
150	2/1 Aust MB Bn (less A Coy)		966394	
151	5 Aust Div Carrier Coy (less pl)		981368	
152	5 Aust Div Carrier Coy (less pl)		979374	
153				
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AASC

156	HQ Comd AASC 5 Aust Div		903369	
157	Det 152 Aust Gen Tpt Coy		922353	
158	Det 2/155 Aust Gen Tpt Coy		922353	
159	224 Aust Sup Depot Pl		988438	11 Mile BSD
160	227 Aust Sup Depot Pl		955430	
161				
162				

MEDICAL

163	HQ 1 Aust Lt Fd Amb	894383	Det 1 Lt Fd Amb JACKSONS DRONE Det WARDS DRONE
164	MSP 1 Aust Lt Fd Amb	966381	
165	11 Aust Fd Amb (less B Coy)	175393	DONADABU
166	B Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb	145415	
167	HQ 9 Aust Fd Amb	008442	
168	Det 9 Aust Fd Amb	955425	
169	Det 9 Aust Fd Amb	140415	
170	15 Aust Fd Amb	887386	
171	107 Aust Mob Bath Unit	966382	
172	Det A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb	187428	
173	Det A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb	038434	
174			
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ORD

176	129 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	958544
177	113 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	962370
178	2/125 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	957375
179	127 Aust Bde Ord Fd Fk	957375
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ARMS

181	2/48 Aust LAD	964396	Att 2/1 Aust MG Bn
182	2/52 Aust LAD	968413	Att 2/5 Aust Fd Regt
183	202 Aust LAD	892369	Att Sigs 5 Aust Div
184	213 Aust LAD	959402	Att 2 Aust Fd Regt
185	241 Aust LAD	176396	Att 7 Aust Inf Bde DONADABU
186	266 Aust LAD	882399	
187	284 Aust LAD	938344	Awaiting movement
188	292 Aust LAD	895370	" "
189	295 Aust LAD	979376	" "
190	306 Aust LAD	895372	
191	2/1 Aust Indep Armd Regt Wkshop	985365	
192	113 Aust Bde Wkshop	963380	
193	129 Aust Bde Wkshop	938344	
194	2/125 Aust Bde Wkshop	956378	Awaiting movement
195	1 Aust Radio Maintenance Sec	875451	
196	Fortress Wkshop ARMS WORKSBY	878428	
197	234 Lt AA Bty Wkshop Sub sec (114 Aust Lt AA Wkshop)	946418	
198	82 Aust AASL Wkshop Sec (Mob)	881407	
199			
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POSTAL

201	5 Aust Div Postal Unit	904367
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MISC

202	3 Aust Div Reception Sec	888376
203	11 Aust Div Concert Party	908360
204	7 Aust Div Concert Party	957335
205		

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206	2/14 Aust A Fd Coy	954376	Awaiting movement
207	55 Aust Fd Pk Coy	938344	" "
208	15 Aust Inf Bde	888378	
209	3 Aust Div Postal Unit	888378	
210	2/53 Aust LAD	964421	Awaiting movement
211	24 Aust Inf Bn	888376	
212	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	897367	Awaiting movement
213	HQ RAE 11 Aust Div	901355	
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1. Attached as Appendix "A" 3 Aust Div Location Statement No 37 as at 2359 hours 31 Oct 45.
2. It is requested that this HQ be advised immediately by signal of any change of location of units.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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2/8 Aust Armd Regt
RAA 3 Aust Div
12 CRE Wks
2/16 Aust A Fd Coy
15 Aust Fd Coy
24 Aust Fd Coy
Sigs 5 Aust Div
2/1 Aust MG Bn
3 Aust Div Garr Coy
5 Aust Div Garr Coy
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Copy No. of 3 Aust Div Location Statement No. 37 is acknowledged.

Name

Rank

Appointment

Formation or Unit

3 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION LOCATION STATEMENT No. 37as at 2359 hours 31 Oct 1943.

Serial Number	Unit	Location	Remarks
1	HQ 3 Aust Div	904367	
2	16 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Bn	904367	Att HQ 3 Aust Div
	<u>ARMED TFS</u>		
3	HQ 2/8 Aust Armd Regt	989360	
4	HQ Sqn 2/8 Aust Armd Regt	989360	
5	B Sqn 2/8 Aust Armd Regt	991360	
6			
	<u>ARTY</u>		
7	HQ RAA 3 Aust Div	897367	
	<u>FD</u>		
8	HQ 2/5 Aust Fd Regt	966417	
9	9 Bty	975416	
10	10 Bty	975419	
11	55 Bty	976416	
12	2 Aust Fd Regt	959401	
13	2 Aust Mtn Bty	972455	
14			
15			
16			
	<u>TK A</u>		
17	2/10 Aust Tk A Bty (2/3 Aust Tk A Regt)	959353	
18			
19			
	<u>SVY</u>		
20	2/7 Aust SVY Bty	934577	
	<u>FIXED DEFENCES MORESBY</u>		
21	HQ Coast Arty MORESBY (AIF)	860351	
22	PAGA Bty	862349	
23	BOOM Sec	857346	
24	GELO Sec	827344	
25	"C" Aust Hy Bty (Coast) AIF	976501	BOOTLESS Bty
26	"R" Aust Hy Bty (Coast) AIF	721448	BOERA Bty
27	1 Aust Special Radio Det	945312	
28	156 CASL Sec	262349	Att PAGA Bty
29	157 CASL Sec	976301	Att "C" Aust Hy Bty
30	168 CASL Sec	721446	Att "R" Aust Hy Bty
31	184 CASL Sec	862549	Att PAGA Bty
32	185 CASL Sec	023516	
33	BASILISK Det (IP Coast and AA)	799555	
	<u>AA DEFENCE MORESBY</u>		
34	HQ Aust AA Gp MORESBY	941427	
35	Aust AA Ops Room (Type "A")	945439	
36	Aust AA Ops Room (Type "C")	945439	
37	Satellite 22	943439	
38	Satellite 23	838436	

39	23 Aust Hy AA Bty		942428	
40	"	H1	871357	
41	"	G1	916361	
42	"	H2	846406	
43	"	H4	964478	
44	24 Aust Hy AA Bty		941430	
45	"	H5	784415	
46	"	H7	873459	
47	"	G7	874459	
48	"	H10	904497	
49	32 Aust Hy AA Bty		939427	
50	"	H3	964372	
51	"	H6	965414	
52	"	G6	964414	
53	"	H8	928536	
54	234 Aust Lt AA Bty		947418	Awaiting movement
55	551 Aust Lt AA Bty		946418	
56	"	A1	947397	
57	"	B1	898390	
58	"	B2	903389	
59	"	B3	904578	
60	554 Aust Lt AA Bty		946450	
61	A Tp		906486	
62	"	A1	905485	
63	"	A2	915473	
64	"	A3	913463	
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67	"	A6	904490	
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88	"	B5	834401	
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90	67 Aust Mob SL Bty		947418	
91	BOR	B1	950417	
92	A Tp		961353	
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98	"	S12	960298	
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101	"	S6	952441	
102	Beacon Light		751771	KALO 4m - 1 in.
103	82 Aust Mob SL Bty		875428	
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110	B Tp		941460	
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113	"	S11	868480	
114	C Tp		780414	
115	"	S15	820431	
116	"	S17	803338	
117	"	S27	780414	
118	73 Aust Mob S1 Bty		885408	Awaiting movement

ENGRS

119	2/16 Aust A Fd Coy RAE		939339	
120	24 Aust Fd Coy (less 3 pl)		180392	
121	3 Pl		967295	
122	3 Aust Div Engr Dump		963379	Manned by 2/16 Aust A Fd Coy
123	25 Aust Camflg Unit		901355	
124	23 Aust Camflg Unit		901555	Awaiting movement
125	2/21 Aust Corps Camflg Unit		901355	" "
126	15 Aust Fd Coy			
127	Coy HQ and four secs		903356	
128	two secs		108418	
129	two secs		145423	
130				
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SIGS

132	HQ Sigs 5 Aust Div		892371	
133	HQ Coy 1 & 2 Coys Sigs 5 Aust Div		893371	
134	40 Aust Cipher Sec (Type E)		NGF	
135	2/8 Aust Arm Regt Sig Tp		990360	Att 2/8 Aust Arm Regt
136	2 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		959401	Att 2 Aust Fd
137	7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec		174399	Att 7 Aust Inf Bde DONADABU
138	2/1 Aust Comp AA Regt Sig Sec		974436	
139	202 " " " " " "		942433	
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INF

142	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde		174396	DONADABU
143	7 Aust Inf Bde Def Pl		174396	DONADABU
144	9 Aust Inf Bn		173398	
145	25 Aust Inf Bn		174405	
146	61 Aust Inf Bn		915565	MCKESBY area
147	57/60 Aust Inf Bn		882399	
148	58/59 Aust Inf Bn		876402	
149	Rear HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn		173398	
150	2/1 Aust MB Bn (less A Coy)		966394	
151	5 Aust Div Carrier Coy (less pl)		981368	
152	5 Aust Div Carrier Coy (less pl)		979374	
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AASC

156	HQ Comd AASC 5 Aust Div		903369	
157	Det 152 Aust Gen Tpt Coy		923353	
158	Det 2/155 Aust Gen Tpt Coy		922353	
159	224 Aust Sup Depot Pl		988438	11 mile PSD
160	227 Aust Sup Depot Pl		955430	
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MEDICAL

163	HQ 1 Aust Lt Fd Amb	894383	Det 1 Lt Fd Amb JACSONS DROME Det WARDS DROME
164	MSP 1 Aust Lt Fd Amb	966381	
165	11 Aust Fd Amb (less B Coy)	175393	DONADABU
166	B Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb	145415	
167	HQ 9 Aust Fd Amb	008442	
168	Det 9 Aust Fd Amb	955425	
169	Det 9 Aust Fd Amb	140415	
170	15 Aust Fd Amb	887386	
171	107 Aust Mob Bath Unit	966382	
172	Det A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb	187428	
173	Det A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb	038434	
174			
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ORD

176	129 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	938344
177	113 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	962370
178	2/125 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	957375
179	127 Aust Bde Ord Fd Fk	957375
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ARMS

181	2/48 Aust LAD	964396	Att 2/1 Aust MG Bn
182	2/52 Aust LAD	968413	Att 2/5 Aust Fd Regt
183	202 Aust LAD	892369	Att Sigs 5 Aust Div
184	213 Aust LAD	959402	Att 2 Aust Fd Regt
185	241 Aust LAD	176396	Att 7 Aust Inf Bde DONADABU
186	266 Aust LAD	882399	
187	284 Aust LAD	933344	Awaiting movement
188	292 Aust LAD	895370	" "
189	295 Aust LAD	979376	" "
190	306 Aust LAD	895372	
191	2/1 Aust Indep Armd Regt Wkshop	985365	
192	113 Aust Bde Wkshop	963380	
193	129 Aust Bde Wkshop	938344	
194	2/125 Aust Bde Wkshop	956378	Awaiting movement
195	1 Aust Radio Maintenance Sec	875431	
196	Fortress Wkshop ARME MORESEY	878428	
197	234 Lt AA Bty Wkshop Sub sec (114 Aust Lt AA Wkshop)	946418	
198	82 Aust AASL Wkshop Sec (Mob)	881407	
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POSTAL

201	5 Aust Div Postal Unit	904367
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MISC

202	3 Aust Div Reception Sec	888376
203	11 Aust Div Concert Party	908360
204	7 Aust Div Concert Party	957335
205		

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206	2/14 Aust A Fd Coy	954376	Awaiting movement
207	55 Aust Fd Pk Coy	938344	" "
208	15 Aust Inf Bde	888378	
209	3 Aust Div Postal Unit	888378	
210	2/53 Aust LAD	964421	Awaiting movement
211	24 Aust Inf Bn	888376	
212	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	897367	Awaiting movement
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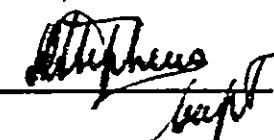
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Date and Time.—From...0001 hrs 1 Dec To...2359 hrs 31 Dec 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
ATHERTON	1 Dec	1845	Message from 1 Aust Corps stating that it is anticipated that the first reinforcements which are to accompany 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp will be concentrated in the Corps Area by 17 Dec	
		2040	Notification received from 1 Aust Corps that on arrival from NEW GUINEA 7 Aust Inf Bde will come under command of 3 Aust Div	
	2 Dec	1215	Adv parties of 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp disembarked at CAIRNS and moved to the KAIRI area	Appx 1 Serial 1888
		1.530	Maj Gen S.G. SAVIGE GOC 3 Aust Div arrived at Div HQ having returned from MELBOURNE ex leave	
		1945	Representatives from both 8 and 23 Aust Inf Bdes reported to G(SD) HQ 1 Aust Corps taking details of entitlements and holdings in MT and a Deficiency List of Controlled Stores	
	3 Dec	1500	Adv HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde opened at 485381 ref map GORDONVALE 1 inch to 1 mile	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
ATHERTON	3 Dec	1950	Message from 1 Aust Corps stating that 17 Aust Fd Amb has been warned for movement from Vic L of C. This ambulance comes under comd 3 Aust Div on arrival for allotment to 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp	Appx 1 Serial 1 905
	4 Dec	0945	1 Aust Corps advise that in all questions concerning reorganization and training as a Cav Commando Regt. 2/9 Aust Cav Regt will deal direct with 1 Aust Corps	
	5 Dec		N11	
	6 Dec	1700	HQ D Coy 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Regt moved to HQ 3 Aust Div Camp Site	
	7 Dec	1700	2/15 Aust Lt Fd Amb arrived at 486382 ref map GORDONVALE 1 inch from VICTORIA	
		1925	Notification received from 1 Aust Corps that the following Units have been warned for movement to the mainland by NGF, coming under command of HQ 3 Aust Div on arrival	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Atherton	7 Dec	1925	HQ RAE 3 Aust Div	
			Sigs 3 Aust Div	
			38 Aust Cipher Sec	
			HQ Comd AASC 3 Aust Div	
			16 pl D Coy 2/1 HQ Gd Regt	
			3 Aust Div Postal Unit	
			3 Aust Div Salvage Unit	
			3 Aust Div Cash Office	
		2055	Advise that received that approval has been granted	
			for two parties each of 4 offrs of 23 Aust Inf Bde to be	
			attached to forward units in NEW GUINEA for 14 days	
	8 Dec		Nil	
	9 Dec	0930	Advise ^c received from 1 Aust Corps that in future units	
				<i>Steffens Capt</i>

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Unit General Staff 3 Aust Div Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 1 Dec To 2359 hrs 31 Dec 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Atherton	9 Dec	0930	being equipped for tropical service will be issued with trucks	
			$\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4 Jeeps in lieu of Cars six seater Utility.	
		2250	8 Aust Inf Bde instructed to proceed with tropical proofing	
			of all wireless sets and signal equipment forthwith.	
			CAME 3 Aust Div will co-ordinate.	
	10 Dec	1400	Allied Land Forces SWP Area Gen Sir Thomas Blamey C in C visited GOC 3 Aust Div.	
		1640	Message to LANDOPS repeated First Aust Army and NGF Force	
			stating C in C directs that two Secs 3 Aust Div Pro Coy	
			warned for movement to NEW GUINEA be diverted to ATHERTON.	
		1845	Advice received from 1 Aust Corps that First Aust Army is rais-	
			ing 27 and 28 pls 2/1 HQ Gd Regt for allotment to 8 and 23	
			Aust Inf Bdes respectively.	
		2240	8 Aust Inf Bde informed that on arrival of 27 pl G Coy	
			2/1 Aust HQ Gd Regt it will be prepared for movement on the	<i>Stallphens Capt</i>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Atherton	10 Dec	2240	same basis as other units of the Bde Gp.	
	11 Dec	1400	GSO I left HQ 3 Aust Div to carry out a recce of area between CAIRNS and TOWNSVILLE.	
	12 Dec	1835	1 Aust Corps advise that 3 Aust Div Pro Coy less two secs have been warned to move to the mainland by NGF coming under command 3 Aust Div on arrival	
	13 Dec	1400	3 Aust Div Jungle Warfare School commenced the first course for offrs and NCOs of each Bde Gp. Syllabus and Joining Inst- ructions are attached as Appendix <u>h</u> .	
		1855	Message from 1 Aust Corps stating that an LHQ Training Team will be available to 3 Aust Div for one month commencing 27 Dec	Appx 1 Serial 2 120
			Message from 1 Aust Corps stating that two secs 3 Aust Div Pro Coy have been warned for movement TOOWOOMBA to ATHERTON.	<i>Stephens</i> <i>Sept</i>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Atherton	13 Dec	2000	8 Offrs 23 Aust Inf Bde left for NEW GUINEA where they will be attached to fwd units for 14 days	
		2215	1 Aust Corps advise that 27 Aust Inf Bn from 3 Aust Inf Bde has been allotted to 3 Aust Div for completion of 23 Aust Inf Bde.	
			27 Aust Inf Bn is moving to KAIRI earliest practicable date under arrangements with LANDFORCES	
	14 Dec		Nil	
	15 Dec	Morning	Brig GARRETT BGS 1 Aust Corps visited GOC	
		1830	Warning order from 1 Aust Corps. 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt will move from KAIRI to WONGABEL under arrangements Q 1 Aust Corps not before 23 Dec. Unit passes from comd 3 Aust Div to comd 1 Aust Corps on leaving present camp site	Appx 1 Serial 2167
	16 Dec	1400	3 Aust Div Air Photographic Interpretation Course commenced.	
			Object to train pers in the elements of air photograph interpretation so as to use air photographs in compiling topographical infm and patrol reports.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Atherton	16 Dec	1900	27 Pl G Coy 2/1 Aust G2 Regt formed from units 8 Aust Inf Bde	
			was established at 481368 GORDONVALE 1 inch to 1 mile	
		2000	Maj S. Hodgman GII 3 Aust Div was promoted to Lt-col and took	
			over duties of GSOI 3 Aust Div. Lt-col R.N. Peverill GSOI	
			3 Aust Div was posted to GSOI Ops 2 Aust Corps	
	17 Dec	2330	101 Aust Bde Sp Coy arrived in the ATHERTON area, came under	
			comd 3 Aust Div and moved into camp at 503386 GORDONVALE 1 inch	
	18 Dec	Morning	Lt-Gen Herring GOC 1 Aust Corps inspected and addressed 8 Aust	
			Inf Bde	
	19 Dec		Nil	
	20 Dec	1205	1 Aust Corps advise that 13 Aust Indep Bde Gp Pro Pl is being	
			raised in First Aust Army area for allotment to 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp.	
			Anticipated date for completion 31 Dec	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit.....General Staff 3 Aust Div Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 1 Dec To.....2359 hrs 31 Dec 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Atherton	21 Dec	0830	One Det 101 Aust Bde Sp Coy consisting of 1 Offr and 17 OR with four 4.2 inch mortars left KAIRI for INNISFAIL to carry out experiments with AUST CW Research and Experimental Sec	Appx 1 Serial 2270
		1055	Advice received from 1 Aust Corps that 8 Aust Inf Bde will not now move before 1 Jan 44. Also no vehicles will be taken. The disposal of 8 Aust Inf Bde vehicles already held will be advised later	Appx 2 Serial 2318
		1615	Advice received from 1 Aust Corps that HQ and three secs 80 Aust Dental Unit are due to arrive in 1 Aust Corps area at an early date. These secs will be allotted to 3 Aust Div	Appx 2 Serial 2349
	22 Dec	Morning	GOC 1 Aust Corps inspected trg 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp	
		1930	Adv party 27 Aust Inf Bn arrived at 480389 GORDONVALE 1 inch	
	23 Dec	1930	Main body 27 Aust Inf Bn moved into camp site 480389 GORDONVALE 1 inch	
		1630	HQ 80 Aust Dental Unit arrived at HQ 3 Aust Div Unit	

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Unit... General Staff 3 Aust Div..

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs..1 Dec....To...2359 hrs..31 Dec 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Atherton	28 Dec	1200	40 Aust Indep Tpt, 243 Aust Sup Depot, Pl and 244 Aust Sup Depot	
			Pl raised from composite pool AASC 1 Aust Corps were placed	
			under comd 3 Aust Div and allotted to 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp	
		1852	1 Aust Corps advise that as from 28 Dec the following will be the	
			priority for equipping Bdes within the Corps. 1. 8 Aust Inf Bde.Gp.	
			2. 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp. 3. 17 Aust Inf Bde Gp.	
	29 Dec		Nil	
	30 Dec	1320	Advice received from 1 Aust Corps that trailers jeep will not be	
			issued to units in the ATHERTON area or to units and formations	
			preparing for embarkation overseas except in specific cases which	
			will be defined by LHQ. Trailers will be considered frozen until-	
			further advice received.	
		1525	1 Aust Corps Operation Order No 1 For Defence of HAREESA airfield	
			received	

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Unit General Staff 3 Aust Div.

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Unit General Staff 3 Aust Div..... Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 1 Dec.....To.....2359 hrs 31 Dec 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			The following are attached as Appendices to 3 Aust Div December	
			War Diary	
			3 Aust Div Action Diary for Dec 43	Appx 1
			3 Aust Div Order of Battle and Location Statement as at 2359	Appx 2
			hrs 30 Nov 43	
			Location Statements and Location Reports	Appx 3
			3 Aust Div Location Statement 39 as at 2359 hrs 8 Dec 43	Appx 4
			Syllabus for 3 Aust Div Jungle Warfare School	Appx 5
			Joining Instructions 3 Aust Div Jungle Warfare School Course 1	Appx 6
			15 Dec - 22 Dec 43	
			Layout of KAIRI CAMP	Appx 7
			Joining Instructions for 3 Aust Div Air Photographic Inter-	Appx 8
			pretation Course 16 Dec - 24 Dec 43	
			3 Aust Div Training Instruction No 2. Training Amn Jan-Mar 44	Appx 9

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Atherton			Joining Instructions 3 Aust Div Intelligence Course No 1	Appx 10
			Syllabus for 3 Aust Div Intelligence Course No 1	Appx 11
			Joining Instns 3 Aust Div Jungle Warfare Course No 2.	Appx 12
			27 Dec 43 - 5 Jan 44	
			3 Aust Div Location Statement 40 as at 2359 hrs 25 Dec 43	Appx 13
			3 Aust Div Training Instruction 3 Training of Reinforcements	Appx 14
			5 Aust Div Distribution Lists	Appx 15
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			Personal letter from C-in-C to GOC - re Operations SALAMAU	Appx 16
			3 Aust Div Training Instruction No 1	Appx 17

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1850		1 Corps	0830	SD2047	ref my SD2033 of 30 nov . amend quantities serials as follows to read . 998/9. 1240/16. delete 915/1. full entitlement already released
1851		7 MG Bn	1015	A 647	ref our 1943/343 of 30 nov 43 TRG BARRELS. after telephone conversation with DAQMG this afternoon disregard application for issue of 48 spare barrels extractors still stand.
8285	ADOS		1045		authority received from SD 1 aust corps for release of following controlled stores ex 13 AOD. 508/1191 573/17 578/5 658/7 863/7 898/16 909/18 912/4 933/2 959/3 987/102 989/53 991/2 998/9 1010/2 1179/1 1201/71 1209/1 1218/10 1221/15 1224/8 1228/6 1240/17 1245/1
1863		1 Aust corps	1845	SD2052	MOST SECRET ✓
1864		8 Bde	1900	A 10	Ack 0 10 and 0 13
1866		1 Aust Corps	1935	SD2053	request representatives 8 and 17 aust inf bde report G(SD) HQ 1 aust corps 1945 hrs 2 dec. each to bring full detail entitlements holdings and deficiencies in MT. also deficiency list controlled stores. detail to be as at 2400 hrs 1 dec.
1867		1 Aust Corps	2040	SD2057	MOST SECRET
8286	8 Bde	8-Bde	2102	0 16	a representative 8 aust inf bde will report to G(SD) HQ 1 aust corps 1945 hrs 2 dec. he will take full details entitlements holdings and deficiencies in MT . also deficiency list controlled stores. detail to be as at 2400 hrs 1 dec ack.
1873		7 MG Bn	1030	Q 24	request replacement controlled stores serial stroke quantity 532/1. this was damaged beyond repair during night exercises 30 nov. report following.

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ACTION DIARY

2 Dec

Ref	To	From	Ref	Ref	Ref	Text	Remarks
1876		7 MG Bn	1140		Q 26	request release for replacement controlled stores serial stroke quantity 1019/1 item returned RSD via 110 Bde W/shops. 507/2 to complete WET,	8289 8298 1937
1878		1 Corps	1410		SD2072	ref my SD 2005 6 aust div not requiring range 6-9 dec incl and 13118 dec incl. corps arty will be using range during these periods.	
8288	7 MG Bn			1540	O 18	serial 532 was deleted from the controlled stores category by GRO G768 of 19 nov. submit normal indent for ordnance stores to obtain replacement.	1573
1886		1 Corps	1930		SD2068	following releases ex 13 AOD for issue 8 and 23 aust inf bdes authorized. 1214/10. 1220/2.	8296
3 Dec 1888 1927		7 Bde	0715		O 749	advance parties 7 aust inf bde gp disembarked CAIRNS 2dec in command maj JC MAHONEY HQ 7 bde. officers and ORs by unit. HQ 7 bde 3 and 17. Sig sec 1 and 12. 20 pl E coy 2/1 gd regt NIL nad 10. 24 fd coy nil and nil. 9 bn 5 and 142. 25 bn 5 and 140. 61 bn 5 and 142. B pl 158 gen tpt coy nil and 10. 224 sup depot pl 1 and 5. 227 sup depot pl nil and 6. 113 bde gp wk/shops nil and 16. 113 bde gp ord fd pk nil and 3. 241 LAD nil and 2. 11 fd amb 2 and 50. total 22 offrs 555 ORs.	
1894	8 Bde etc Q Branch		1200		Q 24	further to our Q 13 of 1 dec NOT to all addressees. 2/15 lt fd amb will now occupy portion site CS KAIRI and NOT site CR as advised previously.	
8289	1 Corps			1215	O 19	request release of following controlled stores for 7 aust MG bn. 1014/1 to replace item returned to RSD via 110 bde wkshops. 507/2 to complete WET.	1937 1276
8290	1 Corps			1217	O 20	LHQ SM26621. ack.	
1900		1 Corps		1815	sd2099	SECRET. further my SD1970. 2/39 and 2/82 aust LADs attached 2/6 and 2/9 cav regts respectively will remain present areas. units to which these LADs will be attached will be notified separately. 2/6 and 2/9 aust cav regts	1930

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Serial Number	Unit	Time	Date	Time	Text	Remarks	
1900 (cont)					sig secs will remain attached to regts. further details regarding role these sections will be advised later.		
1902	7 Bde	1830		0 750	ref map GORDONVALE 1 inch adv HQ 7 bde opened 485381 at 031500L.		
1905	1 Corps	1950		SD2090	SECRET. 17 aust fd amb has been warned move from VIC L of C area to 1 aust coprs area. on arrival under command 3 aust div for allotment 23 aust inf bde gp. moving after leave with personal arms and eqpt unit eqpt less vhs less controlled stores accommodation stores scale A less tentage. controlled stores and vehs will be supplied after arrival. jungle green NOT being issued.	8292	
8292	23 Bde			2135	0 22	SECRET. 17 aust fd amb has been allotted 23 aust inf bde gp. warned move from VIC L of C after competition leave with personal arms and eqpt accommodation stores scale A less tentage unit eqpt less controlled stores and less vehs. controlled stores and vehs supplied after arrival. jungle green NOT being issued. date of arrival advised later.	1905
4 Dec 8293	AQ Sigrmr			0905	0 24	adv HQ 7 aust inf bde opened at 485381 GORDONVALE 1 inch to 1 mile at 031500L.	
1912	1 Corps	0945		SD 2105		ref our SD1970 of 28 nov. in all questions concerning reorganization and trg as a/cav commando regt 2/9 cav regt will deal direct with HQ 1 aust corps	1974 1975
8295	8 Bde ADMS			1240	0 26	RMO from 4 bn and 35 bn will report to pathology dept 2/6 aust gen hosp daily at 1400 hrs from incl 6 dec to incl 10 dec. detailed arrangements by ADMS 3 div ack.	1917
1917	ADMS	1440		M 375		ack signal 0 26	8295

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Serial	To	From	Ref	Index Number	Text	Remarks
8296	1 Corps		1625	O 27	request release of following to enable 202 Aust LAD to commence work. Trucks 4x4 3 ton garage one 4x4 3 ton stores binned one 4x4 3 ton b/down one 4x4 3 ton GS one 4x4 15 cwt GS two	5110 2231
1937		1 Corps	1925	SD2123	Reply to 019 of 3 Dec. release 507/2 ex 13 AOD approved. 1014/1 replacement issue will be made earliest possible.	1284 / 1876 1937
8297	1 Corps		2030	O 28	Request release of controlled stores serial 849/12 for 7 Aust MG Bn in lieu of 545/12. 545/12 are authorized on WET and were released to 7 Aust MG Bn by 1 Aust Army but are not available for issue.	1932 8304
8278	7 Aust MG Bn		2107	022	Release 507/2 approved. 1014/1 replacement issue will be made earliest. ADOS 3 Aust Div will advise unit when 507/2 are available for issue.	1284 / 1876 1937
8299	1 Corps		1022	O 30	Following vehs considered minimum to provide working basis. 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp. 3 ton vehs fifteen $\frac{1}{4}$ ton four water carts 400 gal three motor ambbs two. 3 ton vehicles allotted as follows bde HQ two each bn three wkshops and fd pk one fd amb one ASC two	2118 2114 2233
1949		2/7 Fd Regt	1910	O 177	Most Secret. Ref G21/5	

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DATE: 7 Dec 43.

Serial No.	No	Unit	Date	Ref	Notes	Remarks
1957		D Coy 2/1 Aust Guard Regt	0900	D/192	LOCATION REPORT HQ D Coy vacated Camp S KAIRI 061600L Dec opened HQ 3 Aust Div 061700L Dec.	
1966		1 Corps	1925	SD2151	Secret. Following units of 3 Aust Div have been warned by NGF for movement to Mainland. HQ D Coy 16 Pl 2/1 Aust Gd Regt. HQ RAE 3 Aust Div 3 Aust Div Sigs and 38 Cipher Sec. HQ Comd AASC 3 Aust Div. 3 Aust Div Postal Unit. 3 Aust Div Salvage Unit 3 Div Cash Office. Units moving with accomodation stores less tentage plus unit eqpt less vehs. On arrival destination units under cmd 3 Aust Div. Further advise follows ref ETA. Leave vide GRO A598 on arrival authorised.	
1967		1 Corps	1925	SD2133	Release 4 MC ex 13 AOD for issue HQ 3 Aust Div approved	
1968		1 Corps	1925	SD2142	Release 1235/6 to 3 Aust Div for issue to 8 and 23 Aust Inf Bdes approved	93/20
1969		1 Corps	1925	SD2144	Following MT released for issue to 251 Aust LAD ex 1 Aust Corps pool 13 AOD. Trucks 1 ton 4x4 quantity 6. Trailers 2 wheeled jeep quantity 4	2162
1970		1 Corps	1925	SD2146	release trucks 3 ton 4x4 GS quantity 10 ex 1 Aust Corps pool 13 AOD for issue 39 Aust Gen Tpt Pl. approved	96/11
1971		1 Corps	1925	SD2147	release following MT for issue to 133 Aust Bde Wkshop approved. ex 1 Aust Corps pool 13 AOD. Trucks 1 ton 4x4 quantity 3. Trucks 3 ton GS 4x4 quantity 2. ex 13 AOD. Trucks 3 ton stores unbinned quantity 1	2162
1972		1 Corps	1925	SD 2161	Release reception set No. 4 quantity 4 for issue 8 Aust Inf Bde approved.	91/23

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AGSTON DIARY

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Serial Number	To	From	File	Unit Number	Text	Remarks
1973		8 Bde	1925	I 4	Secret. Location Statement No. 2. Refs GORDONVALE one inch. 2/15 Fd Amb reported area 486382 07 Dec. Three quarters 30 Bn arrived area 472372 06 Dec. Anticipated arrival remainder 30 Bn 08 Dec.	
1974		1 Corps	2055	BD2171	Approval granted two parties each of 4 offrs 25 Aust Inf Bde to be attached 14 days fwd units NG. Please advise names offrs and desired time departure.	8300
8300	23 Bde		2255	O 31	Approval granted two parties each 4 offrs 23 Aust Inf Bde to be attached fwd units NG for 14 days. advise names of offrs and desired times of departure.	1974
8301	1 Aust Corps		2220	O 32	LOCATION REPORT 1. 2/15 Aust Fd Amb moved to 486382 GORDONVALE 1 inch on 7 dec. HQ D Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt now located 512398.	

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8th Dec 43.

Serial Number	To	From	At	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
1978		1 Aust Corps	0830	SD 2139	SECRET. Further my SD 1970 of 29 Nov second para. Strength 7 offrs 52 ORs includes attached personnel. Also includes Cav (Commando) Regt Sig Tp 1 Offr 13 DRs on WE III/39/2 likely to be attached each regt.	1834 1912 1900
1982		1 Aust Corps	1055	SD 2172	In reply to O 28. of 5 Dec. release 849/11 ex 13 AOD for issue 7 Aust MG Bn approved. balance not available.	8297 8304
1983		1 Aust Corps	1055	SD 2173	2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt will transfer following controlled stores to 3 Aust Div for issue 8 Aust Inf Bde forthwith. 503/12 503/89 517/12. 528/12. 538/10. 909/8. advise when action completed ack.	8303
1984		1 Aust Corps	1055	SD 2167	Release following MT ex 1 Aust Corps Pool 13 AOD for issue 7 Aust MG Bn approved. MC Solo quantity 12. Vans 1 ton 4 x 2 Fd or Cvt quantity 25. lorries 3 ton 4 x 2 Fd or Cvt quantity 9.	2228 2218
8302	7 Aust MG Bn		1105	O 33	Ref your memo of 4 Dec. regret no supplies of controlled stores serial 1247 available.	
8303	1 Aust Corps		1130	O 34	In reply to SD 2173. ack.	1175
8304	7 Aust MG Bn		1355	O 35	Ref your controlled stores memo of 3 Dec. Release 849/11 has been approved. Balance not available. ADOS=will advise 7 MG Bn when stores are available for issue.	1982 8297
1992		2/9 Aust Cav	1635	Q 383	Transfer completed,	
2000	<u>9 Dec</u>	1 Aust Corps	0900	OS725	For DOS (OS2) indent for American gaiters and studs for 8 Bde marked NOT available. Items must reach this area within 14 days. 3500 pr gaiters 6½ cwt studs	

9th DEC 1943.

				Unit Number	Text
2003	1 Aust Corps	2108		SD 2187	Release following MT ex 1 Aust Corps Pool 13 AOD for issue units 8 Aust Inf Bde as stated approved. HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde. Trucks 15 cwt 4 x 4 GS quantity 1. Trucks 4 x 4 office quantity 1. M/C quantity 6. 8 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec. Trailers 2 wheel Jeep quantity 7. M/C quantity 4. 8 Aust Fd Coy. Trucks $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4, quantity 4. Trucks 15 cwt 4 x 4 GS (AUST) No.2 quantity 6. Trucks 3 ton 4 x 4 W/winch quantity 2. Trucks 4 x 4 tipping quantity 6. Trailers 2 wheel Jeep quantity 4 x 4. M/C quantity 14. Trucks 4 x 4 GS D/Sides No.2 quantity 14. 241 Aust Supply Depot Pl. Trucks 15 xcwt 4 x 4 GS quantity xxx . 1. Trucks 3 ton GS (AUST) No.3 quantity 1. 242 Aust Supply Depot pl. Trucks 3 ton GS (AUST) No.3 quantity 1. 39 Aust Gen Tpt pl. Trucks $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4 quantity 3. 2/15 Aust Fd Amb. Trucks 3 ton 4 x 4 water 400 gallon quantity 1. 133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Park. Trucks 3 ton stores (AUST) No.2 quantity 2. 133 Aust Bde Wkshops. Truck 3 ton stores (AUST) No.2 quantity 1. Trucks 3 ton 4 x 4 garage shell quantity 1. Det 8 Aust Inf Bde Postal. Trucks $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4 quantity 1. Delivery above vehicles to be completed earliest possible. 2164 2037
2004	1 Aust Corps	2006		SD 2185	Further my SD 2144 of 6 Dec. Trucks $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4 quantity 6 released for issue to 251 Aust LAD will now be issued 2/15 Aust Fd Amb. Jeeps quantity 8 for 251 Aust LAD already released on my SD 1794 of 14 Nov addressed 8 Aust Inf Bde only. 1769 1763
2009	1 Aust Corps	1330		SD 2198	Release 1223/8 ex 13 AOD or issue 8 Aust Fd Coy approved. 2008
2008	1 Aust Corps	1330		SD 2194	Cancel my SD 1995 of 29 Nov. release six cars DS ex. 13 AOD vide issue order OSI/J/574 for issue HQ 3. Aust Div authorised.

File Number	Date	Unit	File Number	Text	Remarks
9th Dec 1943.					
8013	1 Aust Corps	0942	SD 2195	Following controlled stores are released ex 15 AOD for issue to 8 Aust Inf Bde. 538/2. 982/2. 1091/5. 1092/9. 1093/9. 1097/3. 1098/6. 1100/6. 1110/9. 1114/4. 1117/12. 1131/1. 1214/7. 1228/4. 1245/1.	2020
2014	"	0948	SD 2197	Following MT released ex 1 aust corps pool for issue units 8 Aust Inf Bde as stated in lieu of cars six seater utility. HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde. Trucks 1 ton 4 x 4 quantity 1. 8 Aust Fd Coy. Trucks 1 ton 4 x 4 quantity 1.	2160
8015	"	0930	SD 2193	SECRET. Units being equipped for tropical service will NOT in future be issued with CARS SIX SEATER UTILITY. Jeeps to be issued in lieu. Units at present being equipped will be issued with Jeeps.	6/14
8306	1 Aust Corps	1050	0 37	In reply to SD 2181. ref vacancy LHC school of arty tk/a wing. can accept vacancy for one inf NCO.	
8305	1 Aust Corps	2104	036	following are names of observer parties from 23 bde. first. 1974 Lt-col B N BERRY Man A J C DESNOY Capt A R DRIVER Maj J N HENRY. second. Maj J J EDWARDS Capt O'KEEFE Capt H V BROWN Maj C JONES. Desired time of departure 14 Dec to enable early return to train units	
8307	1 Aust Corps	1635	039	request urgent release of following MT for 3 Aust Div Reception sec to enable sec to be established at TOLGA RLY STA. Trucks 3 ton water 4 x 4 400 gallons quantity 1 or in lieu trailers 2 wheel water 150 gallons quantity 1. trucks 15 cwt 4 x 4 quantity 1 or in lieu trucks 15 cwt 4 x 2 quantity 1	2130 2297

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Ref	To	From	Time	Unit	Remarks
8308	8 Aust Inf Bde 23 Aust Inf Bde ADOS AQ		1220	0 40	Compasses magnetic liquid pocket MK 1 will be transferred as follows. From HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde to 7 Aust Inf Bn quantity 6. From 4 Aust Inf Bn to 8 Aust Inf Bn quantity 5. HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde and 4 Aust Inf Bn will be issued with serial 988 in lieu. 932/26
2016		1 Corps	1630	SD2203	SECRET. Tropic proofing all wireless and sign eqpt 8 Aust Inf Bde gp will be proceeded with forthwith. CEME 3 Aust Div will coordinate
8309	8 Bde CEME		2250	0 41	SECRET. tropic proofing all wireless and sig eqpt 8 Aust Inf Bde gp will be proceeded with forthwith. CEME 3 Aust Div will coordinate
2018		1 Corps	1835	SD 2205	Cancel my SD2198 of 9 Dec 2009
2020		1 Corps	1905	01365	SECRET. Location report 458 at to 082100L dec 43. 30 AUST INF BN 35 AUST INF BN 18 AUST COY AASC 2/15 AUST LT FD AMB less rear party arrived KAIRI. arrived KAIRI adv parties following units 7 AUST INF BDE GP. HQ 7 AUST INF BDE 7 AUST INF BDE SIG SEC 20 PL 2/1 AUST GD REGT 9 AUST INF BN 25 AUST INF BN 61 AUST INF BN 158 AUST GEN TPT COY 224 AUST SUP DEPOT PL 227 SUP DEPOT PL 11 AUST FD AMB 113 AUST BDE ORD FD PK 113 AUST INF BDE WKSHOPS. ADV party HQ 19 AUST INF BDE 2/4 AUST INF BN 2/8 AUST INF BN 2/11 AUST INF BN 2/7 AUST FD AMB DEADMAN'S GULLY to WONDECLA
2029		1 Corps	1050	SD2208	Release trucks 3 ton stores Binned 4 x 4 quantity 2 for issue 2161 133 AUST BDE ORD FD PK approved
2030		1 Corps	1050	SD2209	Further my SD2195 of 9 Dec. Amend 982/2 to read 985/2 2013
2034		8 Bde		1 5	Please supply this HQ with 15 one inch sheets GORDONVALE

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Serial Number	To	From	Id	At	Unit Number	Text	Remarks
2045		1 Corps	1845		SD2210	SECRET. FIRST AUST ARMY raising 27 and 28 pls 2/1 Aust Gd Regt for allotment 8 and 23 Aust Inf Bdes respectively.	
2046		1 Corps	1845		SD2226	SECRET. Further my SD2210 of 9 Dec. 27 pl G coy 2/1 AUST HQ GD REGT will be prepared for movement same basis other units of Bde group ack	
2047		1 Corps	1845		SD2211	release following MT ex 1 Aust Corps Pool 13 AOD for issue units stated approved. 2/15 Aust Fd Amb. Truck 3 ton GS dropsides (aust) No. 2 quantity 2. 39 AUST GEN TPT PL. Trucks 15 cwt 4x4 GS (aust) No. 2 quantity 2.	2219
8310	1 Corps		22	2035	O 43	ack SD2226	
8311	8 Bde 23 Bde			2238	O44	SECRET. Further to my message O 14 of 30 Nov. first aust army raising 27 and 28 Pls 2/1 AUST HQ GD REGT for allotment to 8 and 23 AUST INF BDES respectively	
8312	8 Bde			2240	O45	SECRET. Ref my message O44 of 10 Dec. On arrival 27 Pl G Coy 2/1 AUST HQ GD REGT will be prepared for mvt on same basis as other units of the Bde Gp ACK	
<u>11 Dec</u> 2060		7 MG Bn	1630		Q 30	Request release control stores serial/quantity 503/5 508/24 for replacement. Items returned on G1033 with W/SHOPS certificate attached via 110 BDE W/SHOPS	2109
2062		RAA 3 Div	1850		RAQ 3	ref LHQ 3M24276 phosgene gas for training please advise urgently quantity if any required.	
2064		1 Corps	1850		SD2228	Following released ex 1 Aust Corps Pool 13 AOD. trucks 1 ton 4 x 4 quantity 4. trailers 2 wheel jeep quantity 4	2219 2362

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Sig Number	Text	Remarks
2075		1 Corps	1010		SD2246	require service of WO OR NCO small arms instructors for weeks instruction of A AUST CORPS SIGS personnel commencing 15 Dec. instruction will include bayonet training. instructor will be quartered and rationed by A AUST CORPS SIGS. please arrange instructor to report A AUST CORPS SIGS pm 14 Dec.	8314 8321 2219 8341
2076		1 Corps	1010		01379	SECRET. location report 459 to 112330L dec 43. 2/2 AUST FD COY 2/46 AUST LAD 19 AUST INF BDE SIG SEC 2/79 AUST LAD det 2/119 AUST BDE WKSHOP DEADMAN'S GULLY to WONDECLA. det 135 AUST BDE WKSHOP WONDECLA to DEADMAN'S GULLY. 228 AUST LT AA BTY and WKSHOPS now complete DEADMAN'S GULLY. 8 AUST INF BDE POSTAL UNIT arrived KAIRI	
2082		8 Aust Bde	1245		16	ref G 1/4. permission is requested for 4 BN to use 30 yd range at ref GORDONVALE one inch 439369	8316
2084		Q	1835		Q66	SECRET. 101 Aust Bde support coy 169 all ranks 19 MT 4 MC unit stores scale A accomodation stores LESS tentage ETA this area approx 15/16 dec. detailed time of arrival and detraining Sta. will be notified later. unit will occupy portion site CR. 7 aust MG Bn will foster	
2085		1 Corps	1835		SD2247	SECRET. further my SD2151 of 7 Dec. amend to include 3 AUST DIV PRO COY less two secs ACK	2106
2086		1 Corps	1835		SD2256	release generating set P.E. 4 kw 110 volt DC quantity 1 ex 13 AOD for issue to 133 AUST BDE WKSHOP in lieu charging set, engine driven 4 kw 110 volt DC and panel	83212
2087		1 Corps	1835		SD2260	ref my SD2187 of 8 Dec. delete all reference to release trucks 3 ton stores (Aust) No 2 quantity 2 to 133 AUST BDE ORD FD PK and amend release to 133 AUST BDE WKSHOP to read trucks 3 ton stores (Aust) no 2 quantity 3	2164 2002

13 Dec 43.

				Index Number	Text	
2119		1 Corps	1855	SD2267	LHQ trg team consisting of GII Capt F D TRAINOR one WO one OR allotted 1 Aust Corps for 3 months commencing 27 Dec. Team can be used for. One. Lecturing. Two. Preparing and directing of exercise and supervision of umpires. Three. conducting demonstrations. Propose allotting team as follows. 3 Aust Div for first month, 6 Aust Div second month Corps tps third month. Request you advise by 19 Dec requirements giving outline itenary duration and most convenient dates. On receipt of this infm firm dates for allocation of team will be issued.	2174 Corps advised by phone no action on his- tantic further notice
2120		1 Corps	1855	SD2268	SECRET. Two secs 3 Aust Div Pro Coy warned for movement from TOOWOOMBA to AHERTON area under arrangements FIRST AUST ARMY. On arrival destination under comd 3 Aust Div for allotment 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp. Secs to move with personal arms and eqpt tentage accomodation stores and unit eqpt. Move to be completed by 31 Dec. further advice whether vehicles accompanying secs will follow	see our letter G 36/1 14 Dec 2151 2146
8317	Adv 7 Bde		1623	O 50	Reply O 761 permission granted. Submit trace as per our G1/4 of 8 Dec	2106
8318	1 Corps		2100	O52	allotment requested seven telephones F Mk I for use at DANBULLA rifle range	2147
8319	Multiple		2040	O53	All officers of 3 Aust Div holding censor stamps will forward the following information through the normal channels to reach HQ 3 Aust Div by 152359L. rank number name unit of holder number and type (AIF AMF PMF etc) of censor stamp	
2121		1 Corps	2215	SD2285	SECRET. 27 Aust Inf Bn from 3 AUST INF BDE allotted to 3 Aust Div for completion 23 AUST INF BDE. 27 AUST INF BN to move KAIRI earliest practicable date under arrangements with LANDFORCES. Further infm follows as available.	8321 2146

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Serial Number	To	From	In	At	Time	Text	Remarks
8314	23 Bde			1145	0 47	Confirming telephone conversation EM G1110. 23 Aust Inf Bde will supply a WO or Sgt Instr to instruct A Aust Corps Sigs personnel in small arms and bayonet training for one week commencing 15 Dec. Instr will report to A Aust Corps Sigs afternoon 14 Dec. Nominal roll of instr will be despatched to reach this HQ by 141200L.	2319 8341 2075 8321
8315	1 Aust Corps			1425	0 48	Ack - SD 2247.	2500
2106		Adv 7 Bde	1420		0 761	30 yd ranges near camps ref map GORDONVALE one inch. Request permission use existing ranges 497384 and 482385 and 483383.	8317
2107		7 MG Bn		1430	Q 31	Request release controlled stores serial/quantity 988/1 for replacement. Items returned on G1033 with workshop certificate attached via 110 Bde Wkshops.	8312
2109		7 MG Bn		1550	Q 32	Request release controlled stores serial/quantity 508/36 for replacement. Items returned on G1033 with workshops certificate attached via 110 Bde Wkshops.	2060
8316	8 Bde			1623	0 49	In reply I 6. permission granted. submit trace as per our G1/4 of 8 Dec	2082
2114		1 Corps	1630		SD2279	further my SD2262 of 13 dec. quantity released 4.	2114 8299
2117		1 Corps	1855		SD2265	Ref verbal requests for reports on Capt TUTHILL and Lieut NEWTON. Reports despatched by school vide GRO 679/43	
2118		1 Corps	1855		SD2262	Reply O 30. of 6 Dec. release trucks 1 ton 4x4 ex 1 Aust Corps Pool 13 AOD for issue 7 Aust Inf Bde authorised.	2114 8299

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DATE: 13th DEC 43

Letter Number	To	From	In	Out	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
2123		15 Bde			01692	For GEN SAVIGE from BRIG HAMMER ACK your 025 preparing additional copy of SALAMAUA ops regards	
2123		1 Corps			SD2292	Ref your G2/7 10 Dec. Three day visit Brig C.E. CAMERON Lt-col P.W. CROSKY and Maj W.C. BANNEN to CANUNGRA at 17 Dec approved. Air travel BRISBANE being arranged for 17 Dec. Advise immediately regimental number unit and weight of officers. Maximum luggage 55 lbs	8320
8320	14 DEC 8 Bde			0913		Three days visit Brig CAMERON Lt-col CROSKY and Maj BANNEN approved. Air travel BRISBANE being arranged for 17 Dec. Advise immediately regtl numbers unit and weight of offr. maximum baggage 35 lbs	2125
8321	1 Corps			1120	0 55	VX53938 Sgt CARROLL J.W. 7 Bn reports to A Aust Corps 8igs afternoon 14 Dec.	2075 7341 8314 2219
8322	8 Bde:3 Div Recept ion Sec			1211	0 56	Ack my G21/1 of 9 Dec not received. Expedite.	
8323	1 Corps			1258	0 58	Confirming telephonemconversation BALDWIN STEPHENS. Request urgently War Office Serial numbers for units of 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp.	
8324	23 Bde			1235	0 57	SECRET. 27 Aust Inf Bn from 3 Aust Inf Bde allotted to complete 23 Aust Inf Bde. 27 Bn to move KAIRI earliest practicable date under arrangement LANDFORCES. Further information follows as available.	8337 2121 8329.
8135	8 Bde		1240		A 28	8 Bde Pay Det reported 13 Dec.	

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DATE: 14 & 15 DEC 43

Serial Number	To	From	Is	At	File Number	Text	Remarks
2145		1 Aust Corps	1930		SD2290	Release 1107/7 Ex 13 AOD for issue 8 Aust Inf Bde approved	932/36
2146		1 Corps	1930		SD2296	Secret: Further my SD2268 two secs 3 Aust Div Pro Coy moving with all vehicles and m/cs at present held	2120 2181
2147		1 Aust Corps	1930		SD 2300	of 13 Dec. Release telephones F MK 1 quantity 7 Ex 13 AOD for temporary issue 3 Aust Div for use on DABULLA rifle range approved	8318
8326	1 Corps			2105	O 60	Secret. Location report 2. 8 Aust Inf Bde pay det arrived 481368 GORDONVALE 1 inch on 13 Dec	
2160	<u>15 DEC</u>	ADOS	1400		OS183	Ref G6/16 of 9 Dec 43. Issues completed	2014
2161		ADOS	1400		OS182	Ref G6/17 of 10 Dec 43. Issues completed	2029
2162		ADOS	1400		OS184	Ref G6/10 of 9 Dec 43. Issues completed.	2004 1965
2163		ADOS	1400		OS181	Ref G6/9 of 8 Dec 43. Issues completed.	1971
2164		ADOS	1400		OS180	Ref G6/16 of 10 Dec 43. Issues completed in accordance with G6/16 of 10 Dec 43, as amended by G6/16 of 13 Dec 43.	2002 2077
2166		1 Corps	1630		SD2316	18 lorries 3 ton GS 4x2 repaired by AASC Wkshops will be returned to 13 AOD for completion POL and spare tyres issued. On completion 13 AOD action 18 trucks 3 ton GS 4x2 will be issued ex 13 AOD to 5 AC sqn. DDOS 1 Aust Corps will advise 5 AC sqn when vehicles ready for issue. 5 AC Sqn will transfer 18 trucks 3 ton GS 4x4 to 3 Aust Div for issue to 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp on receipt 4x2 vehicles. 5 AC Sqn will ensure 4x4 vehicles complete and good order and condition. 5 AC Sqn and 3 Aust Div liaise direct. All action to be completed by 18 Dec ack.	2027 8886 2194. 2212 2209 2226 26/4 2241 2252

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2167	1 Corps	1730	SD2327	WARNING ORDER. 2/9 Aust Cav Commando Regt will move from KAIRI to WONGABEL under instructions to be issued by Q Branch this HQ. Do NOT intend moving unit before 23 Dec but unit may be instructed to move before that date with as short as 48 hours notice. 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt will pass from under comd 3 Aust Div to under comd HQ 1 AUST CORPS for all purposes on leaving present site.	
2172	1 Corps	1855	O 1370	Secret. Location report 460 to 142200L Dec. Ref Location Report 459 amend 8 Aust Inf Bde Postal Unit to read det 2 Aust Div Postal Unit. All informed	
2174	1 Corps	1855	SD2328	Further my SD2267 12 Dec. Team giving lectures covering jungle warfare generally including attack defense supplies. Arrange demonstration patrols pl and coy attack using tps under instruction. Programme flexible. Object to assist comds during normal trg syllabus.	
8325	1 Corps	2110	O 61	In reply to SD2316. Ack	
8328	1 Corps	2111	O 62	In reply to SD2327. Ack	
2181	1 Corps	0845	SD2338	Secret: In view Landops SD1904 of 11 DEC and C-in-Chiefs direction vide 3 Aust Div 042 of 10 Dec NOT to Landforces request advice as to provision of two sections provost to move with 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp	

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DATE: 16 Dec 43

Serial Number	To	From	Ref	File Number	Text	Remarks
2184		1 Aust Corps	1115	SD2337	SECRET. Further my SD2285 of 13 Dec. 27 Aust Inf Bn to move with personal arms and eqpt present unit eqpt less vehs but incl controlled stores and with tentage and accommodation stores Scale A. Jungle green will NOT be issued. Deficiencies in controlled stores will be supplied by 1 Aust Corps. Request 3 Aust Div advise deficiencies in controlled stores immediately on arrival in area and minimum requirements MT for maintenance bn NOT available 3 Aust Div resources ack.	2297 2121 8324 8330 8329
2185		1 Aust Corps	1115	SD2315	Release 1201/10 ex 13 AOD for issue 8 Aust Inf Bde approved.	
2186		1 Aust Corps	1115	SD2317	Release following controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp approved. 507/2. 544/86. 995/2. 1218/4.	932/30
2187		1 Aust Corps	1115	SD2329	Reply to G32/30 Of 14 Dec. FIRST. Release following controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 133 Aust Bde Wkshops approved. Voltimeters DC 3 V secy cell Mk 1 quantity 2. Signal generator Phillips TA 101B quantity 1. SECOND. Gen set PE 4KW 110 volt DC already released in lieu charging set engine driven 4KW 110V DC and panel vide my SD2256 of 12 Dec. THIRD. Balance requested from LHQ resources. All items quoted in short supply.	932/30
8329	23 Bde		1345	0 63	SECRET. Further to my 057. 27 Aust Inf Bn are moving with personal arms and eqpt present unit less vehs but incl controlled stores and tentage and accommodation stores Scale A. Jungle green is not being issued at present. Deficiencies in controlled stores are to be supplied by 1 Aust Corps. 23 Aust Inf Bde will advise deficiencies in controlled stores immediately on arrival of 27 Aust Inf Bn in area ack.	2124 9337 8321 2121 2129
8330	1 Aust Corps		1346	0 64	Ack. - SD2337.	2124

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2192 23 Bde 1450
2194 1 Aust Corps 1610

8331 8 Bde

17 Dec 43

2205 1 Aust Corps 1055

2206 8 Bde 1330

8332 8 Bde

2209 ~~1 Aust Corps~~ 1 Corps 1500

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Ack - 0 63.

Further my SD2316 of 15 Dec. All action will be completed by 22 Dec NOT 18 Dec.

Concur. Submit first return as at 20 Jan 44.

SECRET. Location report 461 to 162330L dec. 29 Aust FD Security Sec arrived BARRINE.

SECRET. Location report No 3. GORDONVALE one inch 27 Pl G Coy 2/1 Aust Bd Regt marched in area 481368 161900L. From 16 Dec 241 242 Aust Sup Dep Pl supply 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp ack.

Ack I 15

Reference SD2316 of 15 Dec. Our release 1C/V/139 of 16 Nov releases quantity 5. Balance will be released as available.

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Serial Number	To	From	Time	Ref	Details	Remarks
2212		1 Corps	1800	SD2371	Cancel my SD2316 of 15 Dec and SD2345 of 16 Dec. 18 lorries 3 ton 4x2 GS undergoing repair by AASC Wkshops will be taken over by 2/3 Aust Coy AASC and 132 Aust Gen Tpt Coy. Above units will transfer to 3 Aust Div 18 trucks 3 ton 4x4 GS for issue to 39 Aust Gen Tpt Pl. Lorries 4x2 will be returned 13 AOD for completion VOL and spare tyres immediately. On completion 13 AOD action issue lorries 3 ton GS 4x2 quantity 12 to 132 Gen Tpt Coy and quantity 6 to 2/3 Aust Coy ASC. AASC units will ensure 4x4 vehs complete and in good order and condition. HQ Comd AASC 1 Aust Corps liaise direct with 3 Aust Div. All action to be completed by 22 Dec ack	2194 2252 2209 2226 2241 26/10.
8333	1 Corps		2052	O 67	Secret. Location report 3. 27 Pl G Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt established at 481368 GORDONVALE 1 inch at 161900L.	
2217		1 Corps	1900	O 1387	Secret. Location report 461 to 162330L Dec. 29 Aust Fd Security Sec arrived BARRINE.	
2218		1 Corps	1900	SD2346	Following releases controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 23 Aust Inf Bde approved. 1206/1. 1240/3. 1201/10.	2286292
2218		1 Corps	1900	SD2347	Following releases controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 8 Aust Inf Bde approved. 501/40. 1215/19. 1221/4.	
2219		ADOS	1900	OS185	Ref G6/16 of 11 Dec 43. Issues completed.	1047 2064 2262
2221		1 Corps	2335	SD2375	In reply to G36/1. Secret. Ref my SD2338 of 15 Dec to LANDOPS rptd 3 Aust Div. LANDOPS SD1958 of 17 Dec to LANDFORCES requests cancellation of instruction for movement two secs 3 Aust Div Pro Coy from TOOWOOMBA to ATHERTON for allotment 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp as advised my SD2268 of 12 Dec. LANDFORCES to provide two Pro Secs for 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp. Will advise further.	2258

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Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Time	Text	Remarks
2222		8 Bde	1230		I 11	Permission is requested for HQ 8 Bde to use 30 yd range at ref 481368 GORDONVALE 1 inch to 1 mile. Sketch of range attached.	
2226		1 Corps	1055		OS760	Ref Corps SD2371 of 17 Dec 43. This now cancels our OS 757.	216 217 219 220 2252 22 01 96/19
2227		1 Corps	1120		O 1391	Secret. Location report 462 to 172300L Dec 43. Amendment to 1 Aust Corps Location Statement of 27 Nov delete serial 95. 3 Aust Armd Div Salvage Unit arrived DEADMANS GULLY under comd 6 Aust Div. 101 Aust Bde Sp Coy arrived KAIRI under comd 3 Aust Div. Departed area 101 Mob Bac Lab HQ 3 Aust Svy Bty & Met Sec. All informed.	
2228		1 Corps	1120		SD2348	Cancel my SD2167 of 7 Dec.. Release following MT ex 1 Aust Corps Pool 13 AOD for issue 7 Aust MG Bn approved. Serial 6000/12. 6030C/7. 6065E/6. 6115/2.	193K 23 11
2229		1 Corps	1120		SD2357	Release 572/4 ex 13 AOD for issue 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt approved.	932/4 0
2230		1 Corps	1120		SD2358	Release lorry 30 cwt GS quantity 1 ex 13 AOD for issue 3 Aust Div Reception Camp approved.	8207 2297
2231		1 Corps	1120		SD2360	Reply 027 of 5 Dec. Release following MT ex 13 AOD for issue 202 Aust LAD approved. Lorry 3 ton stores (Aust) No. 2 quantity 1. Lorry 3 ton b/down (Aust) No. 2 quantity 1. Truck 3 ton GS (Aust) No. 3 quantity 1. Van 15 cwt 4x2 GS quantity 1.	2310 8296
2232		1 Corps	1120		SD2361	Release following MT ex source stated for issue units 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp approved. ex 1 Aust Corps Pool. 39 Aust Gen Tpt Pl. 6065/6. 6252/1. 8 Aust Fd Coy. 6252/1. 133 Bde Workshop. Trucks 3 ton machinery shell quantity 5. Ex 13 AOD. Pl 2/1 Gd Regt. 6037/1 6065/1. 8 Aust Fd Coy. 6071/1 6310/1. 2/15 Aust Fd Amb. 6037/2. 6415A/1.	2309

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Serial Number	To	From	Time	Ref	Details	Remarks
2252		Q Branch	2030	Q 94	Further to our Q93/18 ref transfer 18 vehicles 3 ton 4x4 from ASC 1 Aust Corps. Allotment as follows. 8 Aust Fd Coy 3 133 Aust Bde Ord P k 2 2/15 2/15 Aust Fd Amb 3 39 Aust Gen Tpt Pl 10. G52s will be submitted to ADOS 3 Aust Div within 24 hours of delivery of vehicles	2104 2212 2226 2241
8334	1 Corps		2230	O 68	SECRET. Location report 4. 101 Aust Bde Support Coy arrived 503386 GORDONVALE 1 inch at 172330L	
2265	<u>19 Dec</u>	1 Corps	1055	SD2378	Request release following controlled stores for issue 316 and 202 AUST LAD. NOT available 13 AOD. sets battery charging 1260W 32V quantity 1. Associated stores eqpt. B engine petrol 2 3/4 BHP No 1 or sets charging batteries 300W 12V quantity 1	922/24
2257		7 Bde	1030	O767	Ref 3 AUST DIV RO 402 Para 2 request 35 copies LHQ Fd Censorship Instn Nov 4 on basis one per coy or equivalent sub unit for add units Bde Gp	
2270		1 Corps	1755	SD2402	SECRET. Further my G/1355/SD of 4 Dec. Det 101 Bde Sp Coy strength 1 offr 17 OR complete with personal arms and eqpt four 4.2 mortars and associated stores will move from present location to AUST CW RESEARCH and EXPTL SEC IREISFAIL on 21 Dec. 3 Aust Div will arrange personnel and eqpt report 2 Aust Corps Reception Camp WONGABEL 210830L Dec for ON MVT ack.	8336
8335	23 Bde		1520	O 69	MOST SECRET. Re Location Statement.	G21/1
8336	1 Corps		1825	O 71	Ack - SD2402	2270

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Serial Number	To	From	Ref	Subject	Text	Remarks
2233		1 Corps	1120	SD2362	In reply to 030 of 6 Dec. Release following MT ex 13 AOD for issue 7 Aust Inf Bde approved. Serial 6364 ambulances 2 berth quantity 2.	8299. 2209
2234		1 Corps	1120	SD2363	release following controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp approved. 517/8 528/8 538/8 998/5 1209/6	932/43
2235		1 Corps	1120	SD2364	Release following controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp approved. 511/2 990/6	932/43
2236		1 Corps	1120	SD2367	Secret. LANDFORCES advise ETA 2/8 Coy ASC 1 Aust Corps area 26 Dec 43.	2250
2241		Q Branch	1440	Q 93	Confirming phone advice. Vehicles 3 ton 4x4 quantity 18 transferred from ASC 1 Aust Corps to 39 Aust Gen Tpt Pl. Arrange collect on 191000L Dec at HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde.	2252 1104 2256 1166 1189 65/12
2249		1 Corps	1900	SD2379	Secret. Further my SD2337 of 15 Dec. Carr Pl moving with bn. Bringing controlled stores but NOT carriers.	
2250		1 Corps	1900	SD2382	Cancel my 2367 of 17 Dec. 6 Aust Div unit.	2236
2251		1 Corps	1900	SD2380	Confirming telephone conversation Capt BALDWIN Capt STEPHENS ref War Office Serial Nos. Ref 3 Aust Div Location Statement 39. Serial 5 No. 45948 Serial 7 No. 49114 Serial 8 No. 49275. Serial 14 No. 45960. Serial 15 No. 45962. Serial 16 No. 45963 Serial 17 No. 45964 Serial 24 No. 49417 Serial 25 No. 49418 Serial 26 No. 49419 Serial 31 No. 49049 Serial 33 No. 49067 Serial 36 No. 46100 Serial 38 No. 45961 Serial 39 No. 46243 Serial 40 No. 48975 Serial 41 No. 46022	

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Series Number	To	From	Time	Code	Remarks	Remarks
8337	23 Bde		1100	O 68	SECRET. Further to 3 Aust Div O 63. Carrier Pl moving with bn. Bringing controlled stores but not carriers.	8329, 8324, 2121 2134 2127
2275	1 Corps	1857		O 1393	SECRET. Location report 463 to 182130L Dec 43. Returned from leave 109 Aust CCS. all informed.	
2279.	8 Bde	2000		I 29	Bde comd proceeded BRISBANE area 19.	
20 Dec 43 2281	7 MG Bn	0845		Q 33	Request release controlled stores serial stroke quantitty 502/6 503/20 508/62 for replacement Items returned on G1033 with workshops certificate attached via 110 Bde Wk/Shops	Issued 6 AUS.
2282	101 Bde Sp Coy	1100		W 1	SECRET. Location Report. 101 Aust Bde Support Coy completed move to Location Map ref 503385 19 Dec 43. Complement 10 Offrs 156 ORs	
2285	1 Corps	1205		SD 2399	110 AUST BDE WKSHOP will transfer serial 1249 Megometer quantity 1 surplus to WET 133 AUST BDE WKSHOP forthwith	2321
2286	1 Corps	1205		SD 2404	Further my SD2347 of 16 Dec. 1220/4 will be issued in lieu 1221/4.	2218, 2392
2287	1 Corps	1205		SD 2403	SECRET. Further my SD2337 Of 15 Dec. 27 AUST INF BN moving at present strength.	2154
2288	1 Corps	1205		SD 2401	SECRET. Further my SD2375 of 17 Dec. Instructions for movement two secs 3 AUST DIV PRO COY now cancelled. LANDFORCES= raising 13 13 AUST INDEF BDE GP PRO PL in FIRST AUST ARMY area for allotment 8 AUST INF BDE GP. Anticipate raising complete by 31 Dec 43.	2221
2289,	2/8 Fd Regt	1300		Q 27	Location Statement as at previous return.	

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20 Dec 43.

Serial	To	From	Time	Ref	Text	Remarks
8338	8 B de		1455	O 72	Reply O 105 approval granted	
8339	8 Bde		1605	O 73	Ref conversation GREGORY-CARTLEDGE please arrange as follows. One det mortars with bombs HE 40 smoke 3 will report 3 Aust Div Jungle School 210900L prepared to operate and live out until PM 23 Dec. Det will bring 2 D5 phones and 800 yds cable to be laid and operated by unit sigs NOT Corps of Sig personnel. Personal requirements ground sheet or gas cape woollen jersey spare socks mess and toilet gear felt hats personal arms and eqpt including water bottle anti malarial gear. Det will be rationed by Jungle School and will return to unit lines for evening meal 23 Dec ack	
8340	1 Corps		1700	O 74	Please advise war office serial number 101 Aust Bde Support Coy	
2302	1 Corps	1845		SD2408	Release following controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 23 Aust Inf Bde approved. 987/52. 988/5 1017/2. 1244/8	2303 2317 2347
2303	1 Corps	1845		SD2409	Release following controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 8 Aust Inf Bde approved. 511/8. 988/5. 1244/10.	
2304	7 Bde	1845		O 768	Reply G2A/29 of 13 Dec. First Aust Army Jnr Staff School Course 8, 22 Jan-1 Apr 44. Nominee for Div Selection. Message sent rear 7 Bde 15 Dec for Comds recommendation. Reply NOT yet received.	
2308	ADOS	2030		OS189	Ref G6/12 of 19 Dec. Issues completed.	2123 2199

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Serial	To	From	Ref	Serial	Remarks
2309		ADOS	2030	OS190	Ref G6/16 of 19 Dec. Issues completed
2310		ADOS	2030	OS191	Ref G6/5 of 19 Dec. Issues completed
2311		ADOS	2030	OS192	Ref G6/13 of 19 Dec. Issues completed
2313		1 Corps	2205	O 1399	Reply 074. War Office Serial No. 45203
2315		3 Div Jungle W'fare Sch	1000	F 7	Reply 073. Ack
2317		1 Corps	1055	SD 2415	Further my SD2408 of 19 Dec. Release additional 1244/10 approved for issue 23 Aust Inf Bde ex 13 AOD. 1240/2 also approved.
2318		1 Corps	1055	SD2423	SECRET. Ref my SD 1997 of 29 Nov. Amend as follows. No move before 1 JAN. 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp will now move with personal and unit eqpt and Scale A accomodation stores only NO vehicles. Disposal vehicles at present held will be advised later. ack
2319		A Corps Sigs	1135	Sigs 43	VX53938 Sgt CARROLL from 7 Aust Inf Bn will be returned to unit AM 22 Dec. Services of this capable instructor has been of benefit to all personnel under instruction.
2320		23 Bde	1150	O 8	Ref map GORDONVALE 1 inch 1 mile. 3 Aust Div RO Part 1 Nos 401-412 state 30 yd ranges this bde 500400 312 degrees 537397 40 degrees. Should read 500398 312 degrees 503397 46 degrees.
2321		"Q" Branch	1245	Q103	110 Aust Bde Wkshop 6 Aust Div will transfer serial 1249 quantity 1 to 133 Aust Bde Wkshop forthwith. Authority for transfer 1 Aust Corps SD2399 of 19 Dec 43. Advise when transfer is completed

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Serial Number	To	From	Time	Ref	Text	
8341	25 Bde		1206	0 76	ref 25 bde 3973/49/1 Sgt CARROLL 7 Bn is returning from A Aust Corps Sigs on morning 22 Dec. Corps sigs appreciate services of Sgt CARROLL.	
8342	1 Corps		1205	0 77	In reply to SD2423 Ack	
8343	8 Bde		1600	0 78	LANDFORCES raising 13 Aust Indep Bde Gp Pro P1 in first Aust Army area for allotment 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp. Anticipate raising complete by 31 Dec.	
8344	NGF		1655	0 79	RAA 3 Aust Div were instructed by 3 Div 0423 of 24 Aug. to fwd report SALAMAUVA ops this HQ. report inadvertently fwd RAA NGF. In order to finalise our report please fwd original or copy of arty report direct this HQ as soon as possible.	
8340	8 Bde	1000		A 53	Ack. In reply to 0 78.	
8344	1 Corps	1310		SD 2435	Transfer signal generator TA 101 B QUANTITY 1 released in my SD2419 of 20 Dec to 3 Aust Div for issue 135 Aust Bde Wkshops.	7350
8349	1 Corps	1615		SD2437	SECRET. FIRST. HQ and 3 Secs 80 Aust Dental Unit due arrive 1 Aust Corps area early date. On arrival Unit disposed for duty as follows. HQ 80 Aust Dental Unit Corps tps temporarily under comd 3 Aust Div and allotted less det HQ 3 Aust Div. Det HQ 80 Aust Dental Unit allotted 7 Aust MG Bn. C SEC under command 1 Aust Corps and allotted for duty with 2/7 Aust Fd Regt. "F" SEC Corps tps temporarily under comd 3 Aust Div and allotted for duty with 61 Aust Inf Bn. SECOND. "A" SEC at present treating L of O TPS IN ATHERTON area remains present location. Unit will be attached to "A" SEC Aust Corps Sigs at later date. ack.	
8345	LANDFORCES	1815		0 80	To GEN NORTHGOTT from GEN SAVIGE.	31/6-43/47

ADDITIONAL DATA

Serial Number	To	From	Date	Ref	Remarks	Initials
2354		Q	2000	Q116	Trucks 3 ton Water 400 gallons will be transferred from 7 Aust MG Bn as follows. 11 Aust Fd Amb 1 101 Aust Bde Support Coy 1. Transferee units arrange collect. G 52's to ADOS within 24 hrs of delivery. Advise this HQ on completion of action.	G6/16
2350		Q	1910	Q115	Bdes will arrange collection of students and officers students batmen from 3 Aust Div School of Jungle Warfare 240900L Dec	
8346	7 Aust Inf Bde 7 MG Bn AA&QM.G. copy ADMS		2053	O 81	SECRET. FIRST. HQ and three secs 80 Aust Dental Unit due arrive 1 Aust Corps areas early date. On arrival unit disposed for duty as follows. HQ 80 Aust Dental Unit corps tps temporarily under comd 3 Aust Div and allotted less det HQ HQ 3 Aust Div. Det HQ 80 Aust Dental Unit allotted 7 Aust MG Bn. C Sec under comd 1 Aust Corps and allotted for duty with 2/7 Aust Fd Regt. F Sec Corps. tps temporarily under comd 3 Aust Div and allotted for duty with 61 Aust Inf Bn. SECOND A SEC AT present treating L of C TPS IN ATHERTON area remains present location. Unit will be attached to A Aust Corps sigs at later date.	2349 8347
8347	1 Corps		2107	O 82	Ack	2349 8346
2362		ADOS 3 Div	1000	05198	Ref G6/16 of 13 Dec. Issue completed in accordance with G6/16 of 13 Dec as amended by G6/16 of 14 Dec.	
2363		NGF	0965	SD7646	Ref 3 Aust Div 6 79 of 21 Dec to NGF only. Arty report forwarded 3 Aust Div 22 Dec.	
8348	1 Corps		2225	O 83	SECRET. LOCATION REPORT 5. Det 101 Aust Bde Sp Coy moved off en route to Aust CW Research and Exptl Sec INNISFAIL 21 Dec. Adv Party 27 Aust Inf Bn arrived 480389 GORDONVALE one inch at 221930L.	

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Serial Number	To	From	Time	Ref	Remarks
2369		8 Bde		A 58	Ref Div RO 402. Twenty eight copies Field Censorship Instn No 4 required by this Bde Gp.
8349	8 Bde		1400	O 84	Location Statement 2 ack.
2371		8 Bde	1550	A(L)34	Bde Comd. returned from CANUNGRA. Arrived this HQ 231430L.
2372		1 Corps	1715	SD2458	Cancel my SD2357 of 17 Dec. 2229
2376		1 Corps	1850	SD2444	Secret. Instructions for movement and allotment 8 AUST INF BDE GP vide my SD2375 only cancelled. Secs being moved to join 3 AUST DIV under arrangements First Aust Army
2377		1 Corps	1850	O 1404	Secret. Location report 465 to 222130L dec 43. Adv party 27 Aust Inf Bn arrived KAIRI under comd. 23 Aust Inf Bde all informed
<u>24 Dec 43</u>					
2383		Adv 7 Bde	0815	O 769	Location statement 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp as at 232359L. No change adv parties only all units except AASC subunits now complete namely 224 and 227 Aust Sup Depot pls and B pl 158 Aust Gen Tpt Coy
2386		23 Bde	0815	INT 3	Location report No 1. Main party 27 Aust Inf Bn moved into area CM KAIRI CAMP 231930L.
2392		1 Corps	1100	SD2456	Cancel my SD2404 of 19 Dec. 1200 NOT available. Issue will be made in accordance my SD2347 of 16 Dec. 2215 2216
8350	1 Corps		1000	O 86	Reply to SD2367 and SD2328. Allotment trg team to 3 Aust Div first month preferred. Itinerary will include two weeks with 23 Aust Inf Bde two weeks with 7 Aust Inf Bde. Suitable date for attachment 5 Jan. 2344

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DATE: 24 Dec 43

Serial Number	To	From	Qty	Unit Number	Part	Remarks
2397		ADOS 3 Div	1200	os199	Ref G6/15 of 18 Dec 43. Issue completed.	8107 2230
2398		ADOS 3 Div	1200	OS200	Release of controlled stores. The following have been completed, G32/37, G32/36, G32/35, G32/32, G32/31, G32/26, G32/23, G32/21, G32/20, G32/13.	
8351	1 Corps		232200	O 85	Secret. Location Report 6. 3 Aust Div Reception opened TOLGA 396322 DIMBULAH 1 inch. Main body 27 Aust Inf Bn arrived 480389 GORDONVALE one inch 231900L	
8352	1 Corps		241600	O 87	Following vehicles considered provide working basis for 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp. 1/2 ton vehs /12. 15 cwt /20. 3 ton /19. Cars DS /2. Cars recce /3. Trucks water 400 gall /4. Trailers water /2. Amb four berth /4. M/C solo /20.	
2409	1 Corps		1840	O 1409	Secret. Location report 466 to 232130L dec 43. HQ and B C E F secs 80 Aust Dental Unit arrived KAIRI. 7 Aust FS sec det 5 Aust Div Postal under unit arrived KAIRI under comd 7 Aust Inf Bde all informed	
<u>24 25 Dec 43.</u>						
2417		7 Bde	0830	O 770	Lt-col E.S.MILES 25 Aust Inf Bn arrived KAIRI 241900L assumed comd adv parties 7 Bde Gp that hr.	
2422	1 Corps		1100	SD2470	Following controlled stores are released ex 13 AOD for issue 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp. 519/4. 547/15. 987/142. 988/19. 1010/1. 1011/7. 1114/4. 1201/4. 1209/7. 1213/1. 1215/4. 1224/8. 1231/2. 1244/8. multi testers VCT quantity 2	

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DATE: 25 Dec. 43.							
Serial Number	To	From	Time	Ref	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
2423		AQ	1130		A 134	Ack copies 13 14 15 3 Aust Div Location Statement No. 40.	
24286		7 Bde	2000		O 772	Reply G21/1 of 25 Dec. Ack Copy 1. Copy 5 also received and sent 7 MG Bn. Copy 1 statement 39 burned	
2427		7 Bde	2000		O 773	Reply G2A/29 of 13 Dec. First Aust Army Staff School course 8. Further our 0768 date 20 regret unable obtain Bde Comds recommendation. Consider T/Capt J.J.S.HOBBS Adjt 61 Bn suitable candidate div selection but unable submit nomination with comds certificate.	8353
2438		133 Bde Wkshops			ME2/43	Movement completed. 2 Offrs 80 ORs marched in. Map reference 476385. Total unit strength 2 Offrs 96 ORs.	
2439		23 Bde			O/10	Ref map GORDONVALE 1 inch 1 mile. Request permission permanent use 30 yard ranges as follows. 7 Aust Inf Bn 492392 direction of fire 45 degrees mag 10 targets 8 Aust Inf Bn 469395 direction of fire 44 degrees mag 8 targets 27 Aust Inf Bn 481393 direction of fire 40 degrees mag 10 targets.	
8353	7 Bde				O 88	closing date for nominations to first Aust Army Staff School Course 8 extended to 30 Dec to enable Bde Comd approval to be obtained	2427
8354	23 Bde		1200		O 89	Ref 3 Aust Div jungle warfare course number 2. 23 Aust Inf Bde will provide nine brens complete with tools 10 mags per gun less tripods also twenty machetes. Above items will be despatched with students ack	2439
2439		23 Bde			O 11	Ack	8354

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DATE: 26 DEC 43							
Serial Number	To						
2440		ADOS	1625	Os203	Ref G6/19 of 18 Dec. Issues completed		
2446		1 Corps	1845	SD2480	Serial 931 spectacles tinted No 3 Mk 11 NOT available for completion 8 and 17 Aust Inf Bde's. General shortage. Units to remain deficient	7355	
2447		1 Corps	1845	SD2489	SECRET. 23 AUST FD COY warned for movt at WE strength from SECOND AUST ARMY area to 1 AUST CORPS area under arrangements Mvts LHQ. On arrival destination under comd 3 AUST DIV for allotment 23 AUST INF BDE. Moving before 20 Jan with pers arms and eqpt WET scale unit eqpt accom stores scale A. NOT tentage or vehs. LANDFORCES advise personnel may be granted leave under GRO 598 prior departure SECOND AUST ARMY area. Advise deficiencies in controlled stores on arrival unit ack		
	27 Dec						
2448		CEME	0910	ME587	Ack G21/1 copy 18 serial 40. Serial 39 destroyed by fire		
2449		"Q" Branch	0925	Q129	Rear party 27 Aust Inf Bn 3 offrs 15 CR ETA TOLGA 271300L dec. Arrange tpt and reception		
2452		80 Dental Unit	1150	Den 100	In reply to G 21/1 Ack		
2454		7 Bde	1305	0777	It is regretted that owing to faulty guiding arrangements within the Bde students from units of 7 Bde were late in reporting at Course 2		
2456							
2460		23 Bde	1530	0 13	In reply to 091 Ack		
2461		2/9 Cav Regt	1530	0 18	Location statement. HQ of this Regt will close at GORDONVALE 506379 at 281200L and will reopen at Camp D WONGABEL at 281200L. all informed		

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Serial Number	To	From	At	Time	Port	Remarks
2452		1 Corps	1835		SD2502	FIRST. Release car DS quantity 1: ex depot stocks 13 AOD for temporary issue 7 Aust Inf Bde approved. SECOND. LHQ advise release cars DS quantity 3 for issue 7 Aust Inf Bde. Car issued vide para 1 will be returned 13 AOD immediately these received. Advise this HQ when done
2471		1 Corps	1930		MS476	Please advise if concur SX20848 Lieut G.W. DAVIDSON ex 2 CAV REGT posted 7 AUST INF BN attendance FIRST AUST ARMY STAFF SCHOOL. Do not desire to waste staff school on this officer if intended to post regtl duties. school commences 20 Jan other nominations available. advise urgently
2474		1 Corps	1930		SD2496	Release following controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 2/15 Aust Fd Amb approved. 1010/1. 1201/4 930/50
2475		1 Corps	1930		O 1415	SECRET. Location report 466 to 262200L Dec 43. 2/1 Aust Fd Coy arrived WONDECLA under comd 6 Aust Div. D Sec 80 Aust Dental unit arrived KAIRI all informed ✓
8355	8 Bde		1230		O 92	Serial 931 NOT available to complete issue 8 Aust Inf Bde gp owing general shortage ✓ 1446
8356						
8357	1 Corps		1207		O 90	In reply to SD 2489 Ack.
8358	Sigrm 3 Div		1630		O 93	Please supply phone facilities to HQ 80 Aust Dental Unit temporarily located Div HQ area. Liaise with Major WALL ref location phone ✓
8359	23 Bde		1640		094	Permission granted providing necessary safety precautions taken. Submit traces of ranges ✓

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Serial Number	To	From	No	Orig Number	Text	Remarks
8360	8 Bde rptd School of Jungle Warfare		1030	0 96	Please fwd urgent to 3 Aust Div School of Jungle Warfare 12 machetes. On loan and to be returned 8 Aust Inf Bde at end course 2.	
2484		1 Corps	1035	SD 2506	Release following LT ex 1 Aust Corps Pool 13 AOD for issue 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp authorised. 6052 trucks 15 cwt 4 x 4 W/T sigs quantity 4. 6065 trucks 3 ton GS 4x4 (Aust) No 1 quantity 1. 6065B trucks 3 ton 4 x 4 (Aust) No 3 quantity 20. 6118 trlrs 2 whl water 150 gall quantity 1. 6071 trucks 3 ton GS with winch quantity 5. 6010 trucks 1/4 ton 4 x 4 quantity 26. DDOS will advise time and place of collection.	
2485		1 Corps	1035	SD2500	In reply to O 30 of 6 Dec. Release following LT ex 13 DEPOT stocks 13 AOD doe issue 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp approved. 6065F lorries 3 ton GS 4x2 dropsides (Aust) quantity 5. 6071A lorry 3 ton GS with winch (Aust) quantity 1. 6127A lorry 3 ton stores (Aust) No 2 quantity 5. 6125B lorry 3 ton stores (Aust) No 1 quantity 3. 6132 lorry 3 ton breakdown (Aust) No 2 quantity 1. DDOS will advise time and place of collection.	
2486		1 Corps	1035	0 1419	SECRET. Location report 468 to 272130L Dec 43. Ref location report 466 of 23 Dec delete 7 Aust FS Sec. 2/1 Aust CCS arrived WONGABEL under comd 1 Aust Corps. 27 Aust Inf Bn now complete KAIRI all informed.	
2489		1 Corps	1115	SD2521	Secret. Ref my SD1997 of 29 Nov. Submit details vide GRO G318 forthwith. ack.	8216
8361	8 Bde copy to Camp		1125	0 97	requested that services of NCOs mentioned below be made available from 30 Dec to 16 Jan incl both incl as instructors 3 Aust Div Int Course No 1. NCOs will be rationed and quartered at HQ 3 Aust Div for period stated. NX124577 Sgt SLEATH R C 30 Aust Inf Bn. NX126872 Sgt Brown K 35 Aust Inf Bn	

ADJUTANT GENERAL

28 Dec 43.

Serial Number	To	From	Ref	Int	Dist Number	Text	Remarks
8362	7 Bde copy to CAMP			1135	0 98	requested that services of officers mentioned below be made available from 30 Dec 43 to 16 Jan 44 both incl as Instructors 3 Aust Div Int Course No 1. Officers will be rationed and quartered at HQ 3 Aust Div for period stated QX34431 Lieut MCDONALD R N 25 Aust Inf Bn. QX35089 Lieut WILMOTT D R 25 Aust Inf Bn	
8363	7 MG Bn copy to Camp			1133	0 99	Requested that services of NCO mentioned below be made available from 30 Dec 43 to 16 Jan 44 both incl as Instructor 3 Aust Div Int Course No 1. NCO will be rationed and quartered at HQ 3 Aust Div for period stated. NX127327 Sgt XXX McGOLDRICK D	
8364	Multiple Addressees			1240	0 95	As from 28 Dec pers of 29 RS Sec will be att to Units 3 Aust Div for rations and quarters as follows. HQ 3 Aust Div one Offr one CR. 7 Aust Inf Bde three CR. 8 Aust Inf Bde. three CR. 23 Aust Inf Bde two CR all informed.	
2494		1 Corps	1250		SD 2511	Release following controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk to complete 1st line maint spares. 503/6. 505/1. 508/79. 552/3. 521/5. 539/5 559/1. 528/1. 538/1. 1240/2. 1231/1.	
2497		Ad 7 Bde	1335		0 778	Of 27 Dec. Request permission send six offrs 7 Bde Gp visit 3 Div Jungle School 300930L. If date and time suitable will submit names visitors.	
8365	AQ		1835	1835	0 102	Ref move 8 Bde. L Aust Corps requires submission details vide GRO G 518 forthwith	
8366	1 Corps			1850	0 101	Ack. (SD2521)	2489
2508		1 Corps	1852		SD2527	Release following controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue as follows approved. For 8 Aust Inf Bde 906/1. For 133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk 574/1. 909/1. 1231/1. For 23 Aust Inf Bde. 1225/24. 1231/8.	

DATE: 28 Dec 43

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Serial Number	To	From	IC	IC	Serial Number	Text	Remarks
2509		1 Corps	1852		SD2525	MOST SECRET. Equipping of Bdes within 1 Aust Corps as from 28 Dec will be on following priorities. FIRST. 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp. SECOND 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp. THIRD. 17 Aust Inf Bde Gp. ack.	
2510		1 Corps	1852		SD2522	SECRET. 40 Aust Indep Tpt Pl 243 and 244 Aust Sup Depot Pls raised from comp pool AASC 1 Aust Corps are placed under comd 3 Aust Div for allotment 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp.	
2511		Q	Q137 1830		Q 137	The following controlled stores will be transferred as under. Serial 503 from 4 Aust Inf Bn 65 to 7 Aust Inf Bn 27 to 8 Aust Inf Bn. Serial 931. from 8 Aust Fd Coy 15 to 4 Aust Inf Bn 5 to 30 Aust Inf Bn 5 to 35 Aust Inf Bn 5. Serial 972 from 35 Aust Inf Bn 1 to 7 Aust Inf Bn. Serial 893 from 30 Aust Inf Bn 42 to 7 Aust Inf Bn 21 to 8 Aust Inf Bn 20 to 2/15 Aust Fd Amb 1. Serial 1014 from 8 Aust Fd Coy 7 to 9 Aust Inf Bn. Transferee units arrange collection. Advise this HQ on completion of action.	
8367	Multiple addressees			1700	O 100	Names of all staff Corps Officers who have NOT served overseas or in NEW GUINEA will be submitted immediately by signal to this HQ	
2512		Adv 7 Bde	1930		O 780	NIL	8367
2513		7 MG Bn	2005		O 150	No staff Corps offrs are on strength in this unit.	8367
2515		23 Bde	2045		A 82	NX160013 Lieut D B DUNSTAN 27 Aust Inf Bn	8367
8368	Adv 7 Aust Bde			2022	O 103	Permission Granted. Time suitable. (reply to O 778)	2497
8369	3 Div Jungle School			2022	O 104	Ref 3 Div G 1/15 of 27 Dec. 6 Offrs 7 Bde Gp will visit school at 30C930L.	

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Serial Number	To	From	Time	Ref	Text	Remarks	
8370	23 Bde AQ			2030	O 105	SECRET. 40 Aust Indep Tpt Pl 243 and 244 Aust Sup Depot Pls raised from composite pool AASC 1 Aust Corps came under comd 3 Aust Div at 281200L and are allotted to 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp.	2510
8371	1 Corps			2050	O 106	Ack (in reply to SD 2525)	2509
8372	1 Corps copy AQ			2050	O 107	SECRET. Location report 7. 281200L 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt closed 506379 G GORDONVALE 1 inch and reopened WONGABEL same time. 29 FS Sec arrived 512398. 281030L	
29 Dec 43							
2520		1 Corps	0920		O 1416	Herewith four copies air photos GORDONVALE area prints 6957 to 7163 7489 to 7694 7740 to 7831 and 7835 to 7932. Four copies prints 7261 to 7488 following. You will then hold five copies of complete coverage as requested.	
2522		RAA	0940		RAQ 9	In reply to O 100. NIL.	
2526		101 Bde Sp Coy	1045		W 10	NIL return.	
2527		7 Bde	1045		O 783	Offrs with haversack lunches arrive school 300930L observe trg methods. OC party. Capt E.G. WHITE 25 Bn Capt D.P. RADFORD 9 Bn Capt A.N. LAWSON 61 Bn Capt A.J. STONE 224 Sup Pl Lieut E.R. MULCAHY Bde HQ Maj J.K. DURBRIDGE 11 Fd Amb.	
2530		1 Corps	1230		SD2540	Release following controlled stores ex 13 ACD for issue 8 Aust Inf Bde approved. 501/34. 511/2.	
2532		7 Bde	1340		O 785	Reply to O 98/ Agreed.	
2494a		1 Corps	1250		SD2504	2/2 AUST FD REGT will transfer following controlled stores to 3 AUST DIV forthwith for issue 133 AUST BDE ORD FD PK to complete first line maint spares. 1216/5. 1224/8. 1228/2. 3 AUST DIV advise when transfer completed. Replacement issues being made to 2/2 AUST FD REGT by LHQ earliest.	7357

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Serial Number	To	From			Orig Number	Text	Remarks
2535		1 Corps	1340		SD2542	SECRET. First line maint spares for 133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk NOT being automatically supplied as set scalings for Ord Fd Pks NOT yet completed. Pending completion such scalings necessary submit indents for supply maints Necessary controlled stores required in accordance appx A and B to scales list 3 released and transferred in part vide my SD2504 SD2501 of 27 Dec. Provision action local resources for balance. Will be available early date.	
2536		2/9 Cav Regt	1440		O 19	Ref First Aust Army School of Signals Course 7B one nomination to remain if cancellation of course confirmed. SX6473 Cpl COFFEY E.P.	
8373	1 Corps			1645	O 109	Reply to G/1916/SD. Regret being unable to fill vacancy.	
2539		1 Corps	1820		O 1422	RAAF command advises title of 4 and 5 Sqn changed from Army Cooperation Sqn to TACTICAL RECONNAISSANCE Sqn effective from receipt this signal. The abbreviated title is TAC/R Sqn ack all informed.	
2541		1 Corps	1920		O 1421	SECRET. Location report 469 to 252230L dec 43. 2/9 Aust Cav Commando Regt KAIRI to WONGABEL all informed.	
2545		2/8 Fd Regt	1920		M 288	Carrying out sub-calibre .303 practice on following dates Dec 30 31 Jan 1, 8, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21 at map ref 454393 and 460390 (GORDONVALE 1 in - 1 mile). Unable to take up allotment DANEULLA rifle range Jan 17, 18, 19.	

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Serial	To	From	Ref	Time	Text	Remarks
8374	80 Dental Unit		1610	0 108	Ack d-n 43/43/3.	
8375	AQ ADOS		2310	0 110	SECRET. First line maintenance spares for 133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk NOT being automatically supplied as set scalings for Ord Fd Pks NOT yet completed. Pending completion sych scalings necessary submit indxts for supply maintenance. Necessary controlled stores required in accordance appx A and B to scale list 3 released and transferred in part vide 3 Aust Div G32/51 and G32/54. Provision action taken by 1 Aust Corps within local resources for balance. Are to be available early date.	
8376	1. Corps		2332	0 111	SECRET. Location report 8. 291500L two secs 3 Aust Div Pro Coy arrived 486385 GORDONVALE 1 inch. Location 80 Aust Dental Unit. HQ Sec less det att HQ 3 Aust Div. Det HQ Sec att 7 MG Bn. B Sec att 27 Bn. E Sec att 8 Bn. F Sec att 30 Bn/	
30 Dec 43						
8377	1 Corps		1030	0 112	In reply to 01422. Ack.	
2557		1 Corps	1220	SD2553	8 Trailers Jeep on issue to 23 Aust Inf Bde will be returned to 13 AOD forthwith. Advise when action completed ack.	8378
2561		1 Corps	1320	SD2554	SECRET. Trailers Jeep will NOT be issued to units in the ATHERTON area or to units and formations preparing for embarkation overseas service except in specific cases which will be defined by LHQ. Trailers will be considered frozen pending further advice ack.	8379
8378	1 Corps		1345	0 114	Ack - SD 2553.	2557
8379	1 Corps		1345	0 115	Ack - SD 2554.	2561

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Time	From	To	Subject	Remarks
2559		1 Corps	1320	SD 2558 LHQ advise NX133078 Lieut L.R. NEWBY HQ 3 Aust Div will attend OCTU No 5 special course 10 Jan 5 Feb joining instns to be collected from MILBANE BRISBANE by NEWBY student reports 16 Aust Personnel Staging Camp for on move 1 Jan 44 school earliest. 16 Aust Personnel Ataging Camp issue warrant forward journey AMBLESIDE SA.
8380	7,8,23 Bdes 7 MG Bn, 101 Bde Sp Coy		1530	0 116 RAAF command advises title of 4 and 5 Sqns have been changed from ARMY CO-OPERATION Sqn to TACTICAL RECON- NAISSANCE Sqn effective from receipt this signal. The abbreviated title is TAC/R Sqn all informed.
8381	1 Corps		1525	0 117 1 Aust Corps Operation Order No 1 copies 1 to 3. Ack.
2564		1 Corps	1820	SD 2565 3 Aust Div will transfer to 2/1 Aust CCS one car 6 seater utility/to 23 Aust Inf Bde vice my SD1840 NOT to issued
				3 Aust Div under mutual arrangements. 2/1 CCS advise when action completed.
8383	1 Corps		2100	0 118 Approval is requested for release following trg amn for special grenade trg HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde personnel. Grenades Hand 36M 75. Grenades Rifle 36M 60. Grenades Hand No 69 75. Grenades Aldershot 15. Grenades rifle No 68 Tk A complete 15.
8384	1 Corps		2105	0 119 Approval is requested for following offr of 23 Aust Inf Bde to be att as observers to fwd units in NEW GUINEA for period of 14 days. From 27 Aust Inf Bn. SX2930 Lt-col POPE A. SX25121 Maj DAY C M. SX4840 Capt MAGAREY B A. s20151 Capt SMITH L C. SX27623 Capt HEAIRFIELD R C V. SX25127 Lieut WHITROW C L. From 7 Aust Inf Bn SX231 Capt HOPTON L. From 8 Aust Inf Bn. NX76249 Capt THOMPSON C W.

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DATE: 30 Dec 43

Serial Number	To	From	In	Out	Ref Number	Text	Remarks
8382	1 Corps			1145	O 113	Range available on dates specified. (In reply to G/2032/SB)	
31 Dec 43							
2575		CEME 3 Div	0900		ME 589	Nil return. (In reply to O 100).	
2584		1 Corps	1330		SD 2577	Release following controlled stores ex 13 AOD for issue 8 Aust Inf Bde approved. 659/5. 988/1. 1017/2. 1014/416.	
2585		ADOS 3 Div	1330		OS 209	Ref G 6/12 of 28 Dec 43. Issue completed.	
2591		1 Corps	1850		Report 470	SECRET. Location report 470 to 302130L Dec 43. Ref 1 AUST CORPS location statement of 29 Dec 43 delete serial C12. Two secs 3 AUST DIV PRO COY KAIRI. 29 FS Sec BARRINE to KAIRI less det remaining BARRINE all informed	
2593		7 Bde	1830		O 788	Commander 7 Aust Inf Bde Brig JOHN FIELD arr KAIRI and took over comd 7 Bde Gp 311400L all informed.	

SECRET

APPK 2.

Subject : 3 AUST DIV ORDER OF BATTLE AND LOCATION STATEMENT

HQ 3 Aust Div

2 Dec 43

G 21/1

1. Herewith 3 Aust Div Order of Battle and Location Statement as at 302359 L Nov 43.
2. Acknowledge.

H. Hopman Maj
for Lt Col
GS 3 Aust Div.

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required).

Unit...General Staff...3 Aust Div...

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs..1 Dec...To....2359 hrs..31 Dec 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Atherton	24 Dec	0800	3 Aust Div Reception Sec opened at TOLGA RLY STA 396322 DIMBILAH	
			1 inch	
	25 Dec		Nil	
	26 Dec	1400	Lt-col R.W. Peverill left HQ 3 Aust Div to proceed on leave	
			prior to reporting to HQ 2 Aust Corps as GSOT Operations	
		1845	1 Aust Corps advised that 23 Aust Fd Coy have been warned for	Appxl Serial 2447
			movement to 1 Aust Corps area under arrangements Mvts LHQ. On	
			arrival under comd 3 Aust Div for allotment to 23 Aust Inf Bde.	
			Movement will be commenced before 20 Jan 44.	
	27 Dec		Nil	
	28 Dec	1200	2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt closed at 506379 GORDONVALE 1 inch	
			and reopened at WONGABEL, reverting to Comd 1 Aust Corps at the	
			same time.	
				<i>Stephens left</i>

3. AUST DIV ORDER OF BATTLE AND LOCATIONS STATEMENT
as at 200001 Nov 45

Ref Map : MORRISONVALE 1 inch to 1 mile

Serial	Unit	Location	Map Ref	Remarks
1	HQ 3 Aust Div (AIF)	KAIRI	G518388	
2	2/9 Aust Cav Regt	KAIRI	G508379	
3	HQ RAA 3 Aust Div (AIF)	KAIRI	G514482	
4	2/9 Aust Cav Regt Sig Sec	KAIRI	G508379	
5	7 Aust MG Bn	KAIRI	G508379	
6	2/82 Aust LAD (Type A)	KAIRI	G508379	Att 2/9 Aust Cav Regt
7	208 Aust LAD	KAIRI	G514483	
8	316 Aust LAD (Type A)	KAIRI	G508379	Att 7 Aust MG Bn
9	3 Aust Div Reception Sec	TOLGA RLY STA		Proposed site only

8. AUST INF BDE GP.

10	HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde	KAIRI	G482370	Adv party only
11	8 Aust Fd Coy	KAIRI	G477374	Not yet in area will move to site shown on arrival
12	8 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	KAIRI	G482370	
13	4 Aust Inf Bn	KAIRI	G471372	
14	50 Aust Inf Bn	KAIRI	G472372	Adv party only
15	35 Aust Inf Bn	KAIRI	G476367	Portica of Bn only
16	18 Aust Coy AASC	KAIRI	G508391	Not yet in area will move to site shown on arrival
17	153 Aust Bde Fd Park	KAIRI	G475375	
18	153 Aust Bde Ord Workshop	KAIRI	G475375	Not yet in area will move to site shown on arrival

23. AUST INF BDE GP.

19	HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde	KAIRI	G485395	
20	23 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	KAIRI	G485395	
21	7 Aust Inf Bn	KAIRI	G488391	
22	8 Aust Inf Bn	KAIRI	G479391	
23	2/108 Aust LAD	KAIRI	G485395	
24	Det 2 Aust Div Postal Unit	KAIRI	G485395	

UNITS UNDER COMD 3 AUST DIV FOR ADM ONLY.

1	2/3 Aust Fd Regt	KAIRI	G471389	
2	2/7 Aust Fd Regt	KAIRI	G484378	
3	3/8 Aust Fd Regt	KAIRI	G472363	
4	2/3 Aust Tk A Regt	KAIRI	G476377	
5	1 Aust Mtn Bty	KAIRI		
6	3 Aust Survey Bty (less three fd secs)	KAIRI	G476377	One fd sec under comd 6,7,9 Divs
7	8 Aust Survey Bty AIF	KAIRI	G474377	
8	5 Aust Mob Met Fd	KAH SA		
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	Unit	Location	Map Ref
10	2/3 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	KAIPI	G471589
11	2/7 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	KAIPI	G484578
12	2/8 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	KAIPI	G472385
13	2/3 Aust Tr A Sig Sec	KAIPI	G476577
14	2 Aust Pack Tpt Coy	KAIPI	G465365
15	2/6 Aust Coy AASC	KAIPI	
16	2/12 Aust Fd Amb	KAIPI	
17	2/4 Aust Dental Unit	KAIPI	HQ, B, C and X seen only
18	110 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	KAIPI	G455360
19	119 Aust Bde Workshops	KAIPI	G465360
20	2/40 Aust LAD	KAIPI	G471589 Att 2/3 Aust Fd Regt
21	2/63 Aust LAD	KAIPI	G484578 Att 2/7 Aust Fd Regt
22	2/64 Aust LAD	KAIPI	G472385 Att 2/8 Aust Fd Regt

APPX 3

SECRET

Subject : LOCATION STATEMENTS AND LOCATION REPORTS.

HQ 3 Aust Div

5 Dec 45

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LOCATION STATEMENTS.

1. Location Statements as at 2359 hrs on the 7th and 22nd of each month will be despatched to reach this HQ not later than the 8th and 23rd of each month.
2. The location statement will be set out as under.

Serial No	War Office Serial No	Veh No	Unit	Location	Map Ref	Remarks and projected moves

LOCATION REPORTS.

3. Notification of changes in unit location, or arrival of new units within the area, will be despatched to HQ 3 Aust Div by non priority signal. These signals will be prefixed by LOCATION REPORT and will be numbered concurrently.

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Lt-col
G3 3 Aust Div.

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List "A" plus

Units under cmd for Adm only.

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REF ID: A7

Subject : 3 Aust Div Location Statement 59

Re: 3 Aust Div

9 Dec 43

@ 21/1

1. Herewith 3 Aust Div Location Statement 59 as at 1559 hrs
8 Dec 43.

2. Please acknowledge.

[Signature]
Lt Col
3 Aust Div

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7 Aust Inf Bde	1
8 Aust Inf Bde	2
23 Aust Inf Bde	3
HQ RIA 3 Aust Div	4
3 Aust Div Reception Sec	5
1. Aust Corps	6
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CAEME	15
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File	19 - 20

APPX 5

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5 AUST DIV JUNGLE WARFARE SCHOOLCOURSE 1

DAY	TIME	SUBJECT	REMARKS
1.	131400 - 131430 L	Opening address	G. O. C.
	131445 - 131500 L	Security	Lecture G.I.
	131500 - 131700 L	Booby traps	Demonstrations and practice by groups
	131900 - 131945 L	Hygiene	Group discussion
	132000 - 132045 L	General central discussion of days work	C. I.
2.	140130 - 140915 L	Equipment	Group Discussion
	140930 - 141045 L	Shelters	Group Demonstration and practice
	141100 - 141200 L	Patrols and Reports	Group Discussion
	141330 - 141700 L	Patrols and Reports	C.D. Exercise
	141900 - 141945 L	Patrols and Reports	Group Criticism of Patrol Reports
	142000 - 142045 L	General Central Discussion of days work	C. I.
3.	150830 - 150915 L	Tracks and Track Formations	Group Discussion
	151000 - 151110 L	Evacuation Wounded and Stretchers	Group Discussion " Practice
	151115 - 151200 L	Food and preparation (F.O.R's)	Group Discussion
	151330 - 151430 L	Supply	" "
	151445 - 151515 L	Close Support weapons (use)	" "
	151530 - 151700 L	Spare	
	151900 - 152000 L	Defence	Group Lectures
	152005 - 152045 L	General central discussion	C. I.

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DAY	TIME	SUBJECT	REMARKS
4.	160930	March out	
5.	171700	Return to Camp	
		<u>DEFENCE</u>	Out door Exercise
		Occupation Defensive position	
		Siting Weapon pits & LMG's	
		Digging Weapon pits	
		Res. Ration }	
		Res Water }	
		Res Amm }	
		Booby Traps	
		Listening posts	
		Recco Patrols	
		Sentries	
		Stand to & down	
		Erecting shelters and latrines	
		Fire lanes & clearing	
		Camouflage	
6.	180900 - 180945 L	<u>DEFENCE</u>	Group discussion on Exercise
	181000 - 181045 L	Communications	" " " "
	181100 - 181215 L	Ambush & Types	" " " "
	181330 - 181700 L	" "	G.E.
	181900 - 182000 L	Attack	Group discussion
	182015 - 182045 L	General Central Discussion	G. I.

DAY	TIME	SUBJECT	REMARKS
7. }	190900 -	March out	Patrols Track and Recce
8. }			Selection Adv Base Camp
9. }		A T T A C K	Selection Forward Base Camp
			Protection of Base Camps
		O.D. EXERCISE	Formations for advance and attack
10. }			Approach March
	221000	Return Camp	Start Line
			Contact Drill
	221530 - 221430L	Discussion of Exercise	Attack
			Consolidation
	221430	Closing address	Defense in depth
		C.I.	Relief of Defensive position
	221600	March out.	Contact patrols

HQ 5 Aust Div

// Dec 43

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5 AUST DIV JUNGLE WARFARE SCHOOL
COURSE NO. 1 - 13 DEC to 22 DEC 43.

1. LOCATION. Ref Map GORDONVALE 1 inch to 1 mile 590486.
2. OBJECT OF COURSE. Practical training in

- (a) Minor Tactics
- (b) General Routine Operations.
- (c) Administration.

as applicable to jungle conditions.

3. DURATION OF COURSE. 10 days from 13 DEC to 22 DEC 43.
4. VACANCIES. Vacancies are allotted as follows :-

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>ORs</u>
8 Aust Inf Bde	16	88
7 Aust Inf Bde	2	6
23 Aust Inf Bde	2	6
Total	20	45

5. TIME OF REPORTING.

Students will report to School by 1000 hrs 13 Dec.

6. NOMINAL ROLLS.

All students will be in possession of nominal roll on reporting to the School.

7. ACCOMMODATION.

- (a) Students will bring personal gear, blankets, mosquito nets, bed-boards, individual water sterilizing outfits and field dressings.
- (b) Officers may bring stretchers and valises.
- (c) Batmen. One per officer.

8. CLOTHING.

- (a) Dress for the School will be jungle green shirts, long trousers and gaiters.
- (b) A complete change of clothing as per above paragraph will be brought.
- (c) Shorts will not be worn.

9. EQUIPMENT.

Students will bring -

- (a) Full set web equipment.
- (b) Rifle and bayonet or Owen SMG (10 magazines per gun)
- (c) Map board and compass if obtainable.
- (d) Field messing gear.

NOTE. No pistols, steel helmets or respirators will be brought to the School.

10. MAIL.

Students will arrange for their mail to be readdressed from parent units to 3 Aust Div School Jungle Warfare. Postal Orderly HQ 3 Aust Div will be responsible for collecting such mail from P.P.O. 0102 and delivering to the School.

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for Lt-col
GS 3 Aust Div

Distribution

7 Aust Inf Bde	2
8 Aust Inf Bde	2
23 Aust Inf Bde	2

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Camp

War Diary

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APPX "A"

3 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION LOCATION STATEMENT 39.
AS AT 2359 hrs 8 Dec 43

Ref Map GORDONVALE 1 inch to 1 mile.

3 AUSTRALIAN DIV VEHICLE SIGN KOALA on BOOMERANG

Serial No	Arm of Service	War Office Serial Number	Vehicle No	UNIT	LOC-ATION	Map Ref	Remarks
1	HQ UNITS,	45980	84	HQ 3 Aust Div (AIF)	KAIRI	512398	
2		61005	225	HQ D Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	"	512398	
3	CAV	61229	165	2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	"	506379	
4	ARTY	48376	69	HQ RAA 3 Aust Div (AIF)	"	514402	
5	ENGRS		85	8 Aust Fd Coy	"	477374	
6	SIGS	49113	83	7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	"	485381	Adv partyonly
7			65	8 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec (AIF)	"	481368	
8		61547		25 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	"	485395	
9	INF	46101	88	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	"	485381	Adv partyonly
10		46102	88	20 Pl E Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	"	485381	"
11		46104	53	9 Aust Inf Bn	"	478388	"
12		46105	50	25 Aust Inf Bn	"	484383	"
13		46106	99	51 Aust Inf Bn	"	482386	"
14			65	HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	"	481368	
15			92	4 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	"	471372	
16			91	30 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	"	472372	
17			77	35 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	"	476367	
18		61547		HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde	"	485395	
19		66175		7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	"	482391	
20		46176		3 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	"	479391	
21		47768	68	7 Aust MG Bn (AIF)	"	503376	
22	AASC	49028	64	324 Aust Supply Depot Pl	"	504388	Adv partyonly
23		49050	64	297 Aust Supply Depot Pl	"	504388	"
24			64	341 Aust Supply Depot Pl	"	506391	Being organ-
25			64	242 Aust Supply Depot Pl	"	506391	ised from 18
26			64	39 Aust Gen Tpt Pl	"	506391	Aust Coy AASC
27		48327	72	B Pl 158 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	"	504388	Adv partyonly
28	MEDICAL	46122	52	11 Aust Fd Amb	"	503384	"
29		61474	89	2/15 Aust Lt Fd Amb	"	486382	Being/organ-
30	ORD	46241		113 Aust Bde Ord Fd Park	"	476385	Adv partyonly
31			98	153 Aust Bde Ord Fd Park	"	475375	
32	AMEB	46240	144	113 Aust Bde Wkshops	"	476385	Adv Partyonly
33			90	153 Aust Bde Skshops	"	475375	
34		61240	165	2/82 Aust LAD	"	506379	Att 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt
35		46174		2/103 Aust LAD	"	485395	Att 25 Aust Inf Bde
36				202 Aust LAD (AIF)	"	512398	Att 3 Aust Div HQ
37		54108	88	243 Aust LAD	"	485381	Att 7 Aust Inf Bde
38			65	341 Aust LAD (AIF)	"	481368	Att 8 Aust Inf Bde
39			68	318 Aust LAD (AIF)	"	503376	Att 7 Aust MG Bn
40	POSTAL		65	8 Aust Inf Bde Postal Unit (AIF)	"	481368	
41	MISC.		24	3 Aust Div Reception Sec	"	512398	Moving to TOLGA BLY

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ALLOCATION OF CAMP SITES

CAMP SITE	OCCUPANT
CA	55 Aust Inf Bn
CB	50 Aust Inf Bn
CC	4 Aust Inf Bn
CD	2/7 Aust Fd Regt
CE	25 Aust Inf Bn
CF	61 Aust Inf Bn
CG	9 Aust Inf Bn
CH	113 Aust Bde Ord Wkshop 113 Aust Bde Fd Pk
H Bde	3 Aust Inf Bde
CF	2/2 Aust Fd Regt
J Bde	7 Aust Inf Bde
CI	8 Aust Inf Bn
K Bde	23 Aust Inf Bn
CL	7 Aust Inf Bn
CM	20 Aust Mot Regt
CN	7 Aust MG Bn
CO	2/9 Aust Cav Regt
CP	13 Coy AASC
CQ	11 Aust Fd Amb
CR	Sigs 3 Aust Div
CS	2/15 Aust Fd Amb
CS & ML	3 Aust Div Pro Coy 3 Aust Div Saly Unit
CT	2/8 Aust Fd Regt
CU	5 Aust Svy Bty (Proposed location 8 Aust Svy Bty (7 Aust Inf Bde (Ancillary Troops
CV	8 Aust Fd Coy RAR 133 Aust Bde Ord Wkshop 133 Aust Bde Fd Pk
CW	2/6 Aust Coy AASC 110 Aust Bde Ord Wkshop 110 Aust Bde Fd Pk
CX	2/13 Aust Fd Amb 8 MAG
DIV HQ AREA	101 3 Aust Div 101 RAR 3 Aust Div 101 Wd AASC 3 Aust Div 202 Aust MAG

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APPX 5.

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Address H. 3 Aust Div

Date 14 Dec 45

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subject : AIR PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION COURSE
16 DEC - 24 DEC 45 (8 half days)

3 Aust Inf Bde
 25 Aust Inf Bde

1. LOCATION. Camp Comdt's area H. 3 Aust Div.

2. VACANCIES. Vacancies are allotted as follows:

H. 3 Aust Div	1 (1 officer)
3 Aust Inf Bde	8 (4 officers 4 Intelligence NCOs)
25 Aust Inf Bde	1 (1 officer)
Total	10

3. OBJECT OF COURSE.

To train personnel in the elements of air photograph interpretation so as to use air photographs in compiling topographical information and patrol reports.

4. QUALIFICATION OF STUDENTS.

Students should have reached a good standard in field sketching and map reading prior to attendance at the course. The nominal roll of each student will be endorsed to that effect by his CO.

5. NOMINAL ROLLS.

Nominal rolls will reach H. 3 Aust Div by 0900 hrs 16 Dec 45.

6. TRANSPORT.

Units will provide transport for students to and from course location daily.

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7. ARRIVAL AND REPORTING.

Students will report to GSO III(1) at course location at 1330 hrs
16 Dec 43.

8. ACCOMMODATION AND MESSING.

Students will continue to live in unit lines, attending each
afternoon.

9. EQUIPMENT.

Note Books and pencils and a ruler.
Protractor - china-graph pencils - tracing paper.

10. TEXTBOOKS.

FSPB
MASTER } if available.

Hopman Maj
for Lt-col
GSO 3 Aust Div

APPX 9.

Subject : 3 AUST DIV TRAINING INSTRUCTION No 2

TRAINING AMMUNITION JAN - MAR 44

HQ 3 Aust Div

16 Dec 43

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1. The storing and maintenance of ammunition under jungle conditions presents a problem to units in the field and during this period of training, attention will be paid to this subject.
2. Training ammunition for period Jan - Mar 44 for all units 3 Aust Div has been released in advance and is now available for issue.
3. All units will submit indents immediately for full entitlements of all items laid down in GRO's 504 and 505 of 5 Jul 43. In preparing indents attention is drawn to para 7 of GRO 504.
4. The object of issuing the three months ammunition in advance is
 - (a) To train units in the storing of ammunition
 - (b) To eliminate the time lag between the submission of normal indents and delivery of ammunition.
5. To aid units in storing ammunition copies of the pamphlet "Care and Maintenance of Ammunition in the Field" will be issued on the basis of one per infantry company or equivalent unit, as soon as supplies are available.
6. To enable this HQ to maintain a check on the expenditure of training ammunition, units will render a return as at the 1st and 15th of each month to reach HQ 3 Aust Div by the 3rd and 17th showing by units the amount of training ammunition on hand and the expenditure during the previous period.
7. A certificate will also be required from commanders of each unit to the effect that the ammunition has been checked and is in good condition.
8. The first return is required as at 1 Jan 44 for the period 15 Dec - 31 Dec 43.
9. Units who have not yet submitted indents for the month of Dec will do so immediately.

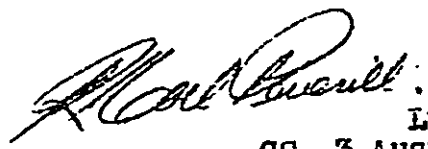
Distribution :
7 Aust Inf Bde
23 Aust Inf Bde
RAA 3 Aust Div
7 Aust MG Bn
HQ D Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt
202 Aust LAD
3 Aust Div Reception Sec
AA & QMG
Camp
File
War Diary
Spare

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Lt-col
GS 3 Aust Div

Subject: INTELLIGENCE COURSE NO 1.
3 AUS DIV (A.L.F.)

Hq 3 Aust Div

27 Dec 43

G 21/34.

1. DURATION 2 Jan 43 - 16 Jan 43 (14 days - 2 rest days)
 2. LOCATION Camp Comdt's Area Hq 3 Aust Div

3. VACANCIES

7 Aust Inf Bde	8
3 Aust Inf Bde	3
23 Aust Inf Bde	8
Hq RAA 3 Aust Div	2
7 Aust MG Bn	2
Unallotted	2

Total 30

4. OBJECT OF COURSE

To train personnel in intelligence duties in Battalion and Brigade Intelligence Sections.

5. QUALIFICATION OF STUDENTS.

Students should be selected from personnel performing intelligence duties on Bn or Bde Hq and who probably will be retained for some time in that posting.

6. NOMINAL ROLLS

Nominal Rolls will be forwarded to reach Hq 3 Aust Div by 0900 hrs 27 Dec 43.

7. TRANSPORT

Units will provide transport for students to and from course location daily. Where appropriate, Bde Hq will consolidate transport requirements.

8. ARRIVAL AND REPORTING

Students will report to CI of Course at 0900 hrs 2 Jan 43.

9. ACCOMMODATION AND MEETING.

Students will continue to live in unit lines, attending each day at course location. Out lunch will be brought daily by each student. Hot drink will be provided by Camp Comdt 3 Aust Div by arrangement with CI

10. EQUIPMENT.

Compasses
 Note Books, pencils, rubber, mapboard
 Protractor, chinagraph pencils, drawing paper
 tracing paper.

11. TEXTBOOKS

Manual of Military Intelligence
 Manual of Map Reading, Photo Reading and
 Field Sketching
 Field Service Pocket Book

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DISTRIBUTION

7 Aust Inf Bde	4
8 Aust Inf Bde	4
23 Aust Inf Bde	4
HQ RAA 3 Aust Div	2
7 Aust MG Bn	2
Comd	1
GS	1
AQ	1
Camp	1
War Diary	2
File	1
Spare	4

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APPX II

STRAITS OF
DIVISIONAL INTELLIGENCE

OFFICE No. 1

JAN 12 - 16 JAN 17

14 days plus 1 stand down day

SUMMARY

Subjects	Periods	
	Day	Night
Intelligence	16	
Battle Procedure	3	
Map Reading	11	
Observation Training	20	
Organizations	2	
Gas Intelligence	2	
Signals	1	
Security and Censorship	3	
The enemy	3	
Allied Armies	3	
Orders, Reports and Messages	3	
Question Periods	3	
Intelligence Exercises	3	
Joining Test	1	
Examinations	3	
Background Talks	3	
Aerial Photographs	10	
Total	112	111
		223

112 periods x 2 1/3 hours = 264 2/3 hours = 11 days of 2 1/3 hours

DAILY TIMETABLE

Roll in - March to lecture hall etc	0840	
First period	0945	0945
Second period	1045	1045
Break	1145	1145
Third period	1245	1245
Fourth period	1345	1345
Lunch	1445	1445
Roll in - March to lecture hall etc	1545	1545
Fifth period	1645	1645
Sixth period	1745	1745
Break	1845	1845
Seventh period	1945	1945
Eighth period	2045	2045
Dismiss	2145	2145

Training Plan per day
8 periods of 40 minutes duration
= 5 1/3 hours per day

INTELLIGENCE

Lessons

1. Objects and functions of Intelligence.
2. Nature and Sources of Information.
3. The Battalion Intelligence Section.
4. What a CO expects of an I.O.
5. General organization of Intelligence.
6. Recording, Grouping and Distributing Information.
7. Collating Information.
8. Map Reference, Time, and Shelling Codes.
9. Intelligence duties in the field.
10. Situation Reports.
11. Intelligence Duties as Unit Guides.
12. Situation Maps.
13. War Diaries and Files.
14. Patrol Reports.
15. Examination of Prisoners of War.
16. Going Maps.
17. Custody and disposal of Prisoners of War.
18. Handling of Captured Documents.

BATTLE PROCEDURE

Lessons

1. General
2. Night Operations
3. Verbal Orders.

MAP READING

Lessons

1. Introduction and definition
2. Scales and Units
3. Conventional Signs
4. Military Conventional Signs
5. Contours Formlines Gradients
6. True Magnetic and Grid North
7. Object and use of Map References
8. Prismatic Compass and Service Protractor
9. Setting a Map and finding a position
10. Tracing a Map
11. Practical Enlargements (2 periods)
12. Practical Application

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OBSERVATION - TRAINING

Lessons

- 1 Selection of Optic
- 2 Indication and Recognition of Targets
- 3 Judging Distance
- 4 Range Cards
- 5 Field Sketching (3 periods)
- 6 Thumbnail Sketching
- 7 Memory Sketching (4 periods)
- 8 Panorama Drawing (4 periods)
- 9 Compass Sketching (4 periods)

ORGANIZATIONS

Lessons

- 1 An Infantry Brigade
- 2 An Infantry Division

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GAS INTELLIGENCE

Lessons

- 1 War Cases - Methods - Weapons
- 2 Recognition and Mapping of Areas contaminated

SIGNALLING

Lessons

- 1 (D V Telephone
(Signal Procedure - Telephone and Phonogram

SECURITY AND CENSORSHIP

Lessons

- 1 Introductory
- 2 Unit Censorship
- 3 Signal Security

THE ENEMY

Lessons

- 1 Jap Army (2 periods)
- 2 Jap Army (2 periods)
- 3 Jap Air Force and Navy (2 periods)
- 4 Jap Weapons (2 periods)

ALLIED ARTIES

Lessons

- 1 American Army
- 2 American Airforce
- 3 American Navy

ORDERS, REPORTS, MESSAGES

Lessons

- 1 Orders and Instructions - General Principles
- 2 Report Reports (3 periods)
- 3 Appreciations (3 periods)
- 4 Message Writing (3 periods)

BACKGROUND TALKS

Lessons

- 1 New Guinea Topography
- 2 Why Japan is at War
- 3 Japan's Naval Bases
- 4 Japan's Economic Gains

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Lessons

- 1 Introduction - types and titling (1 period)
- 2 Elementary Photo reading (1 period)
- 3 Scales and measurements
- 4 Theory and use of Stereoscope
- 5 Vertical Photographs - interpretation (2 periods)
- 6 Oblique Photographs - interpretation (2 periods)
- 7 Preparation of Sketches from Photos
- 8 Uses of Photo maps and Arbitrary Grids
- 9 Mosaics
- 10 Close Air Support

DISTRIBUTION

3 Aust Inf Bde	1
8 Aust Inf Bde	1
23 Aust Inf Bde	1
7 Aust MG Bn	1
Comd	1
GS	1
G III I	2
CI	4
War Diary	2
File	1

W.D. APPX 12
HQ 3 Aust Div

23 Dec 43

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3 AUST DIV JUNGLE WARFARE SCHOOL
COURSE NO. 2 27 DEC 43 to 5 JAN 44 incl.

1. LOCATION Ref Map GPRDONVALE 1 inch to 1 mile 590486.

2. OBJECT OF COURSE Practical training in
(a) Minor Tactics
(b) General Routine Operations
(c) Administration

as applicable to jungle conditions.

3. DURATION OF COURSE 10 days from 27 DEC 43 to 5 JAN 44.

4. VACANCIES Vacancies are allotted as follows:-

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>ORs</u>
7 Aust Inf Bde	2	9
23 Aust Inf Bde	15	35
7 Aust Inf Bn	1	2
101 Aust Bde Sp Coy	1	1
Total	20	45

5. TIME OF REPORTING.

Students will report to School by 1000 hrs 27 Dec

6. NOMINAL ROLLS

All students will be in possession of nominal roll on reporting to the School.

7. ACCOMMODATION

(a) Students will bring personal gear, blankets, mosquito nets, bed-boards, individual water sterilizing outfits and field dressings, and one bottle of mosquito repellant.

(b) Officers may bring stretchers and valises.

(c) Batten. One per officer.

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Lt-col
GS 3 Aust Div

Distribution

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- 25 Aust Inf Bde
- 7 Aust LG Bn
- 101 Aust Bde Sp Coy
- 8 Aust Inf Bde
- Comd
- AG
- ADMS
- ADOS
- CEME
- Camp
- War Diary ✓
- File

APPX 13.

2032 SEP 27
COPY NO

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3. AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT 40.

NO 3 Aust Div

25 Dec 45

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1. Herewith 3 Aust Div Location Statement 40 as at 2300 hrs 25 Dec.

2. Please advise. Include in acknowledgment notification of distribution by file of 3 Aust Div Location Statement 40.

[Signature]
Lt-col
33 3 Aust Div

DISTRIBUTION.

COPY LIST

7 Aust Inf Bde	1
8 Aust Inf Bde	1
23 Aust Inf Bde	1
MG 333 3 Aust Div	1
7 Aust MG Bn	1
101 Aust Bde Engineer	1
3 Aust Div Engineer Bn	1
1 Aust Corps	1
Comd	1
GS	10 10
AQ	10 10
ARMS	10
ADOS	10
CEMB	10
Signal 3 Aust Div	10
War Diary	10
File	10

3 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT 40

AS AT 2359 HRS 22 DEC 45

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APPENDIX A

Ref maps GORDONVALE 1 inch to 1 mile
DIMEULAH 1 inch to 1 mile

3 AUST DIV VEHICLE SIGN HOALA ON BOOMERANG

Serial No.	Arm of Service	War Office Serial No.	Unit	Loc- ation	Map Ref	Remarks
1	HQ Units	45920	84 HQ 3 Aust Div (AIF) KAIRI	512898		
2		61005	226 HQ D Coy 2/1 Aust Cd Regt	KAIRI	512898	
3	Cav	61239	165 2/9 Aust Cav Commando Regt	KAIRI	512898	Moving to DIMEULAH
4	Arty	48376	69 HQ RAA 3 Aust Div (AIF)	KAIRI	512898	
5	Sign		Det "A" Aust Corps Sigs	KAIRI	512898	Under way
6	Inf	47768	62 1 Aust MG Bn (AIF)	KAIRI	512898	
7		45203	761 101 Aust Bde Support Coy	KAIRI	512898	Det with CW Research and Experimental Sec INDIANPALE
8	AADC		HQ & F Sec 20 Aust Dental Unit	KAIRI	512898	Det HQ Sec moving to 7 Aust MG Bn Bde Den, F Sec moving to 30 Aust Inf Bn
9	AMER	61540	165 2/22 Aust LAF	KAIRI	512898	
10		46100	84 102 Aust LAD (AIF)	KAIRI	512898	Attached HQ 3 Aust Div
11		46243	63 103 Aust LAD (AIF)	KAIRI	512898	Att 7 Aust Bn
12	Misc	46022	133 1 Aust LAF Re-Training	KAIRI	512898	
7 AUST INF BDE HQ						
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20		49030	64 227 Aust Sup Depot P1	KAIRI	504600	
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22	Medical	46107	88 1st Aust Fl Amb	KAIRI	504600	Adv Party Only
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27		61005	66	27th Coy 2/1 Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	45960	
28	Engrs	45945	66	6 Aust Engr Coy (AIF)	NAIRN	45945	
29	Sigs	49114	66	6 Aust Inf Bde Sigs	NAIRN	45945	
30	Inf	45968	67	4th Bn 2/1 Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	45968	
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32		45968	67	32nd Bn 2/1 Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	45968	
33	AASC	49437	64	4th AASC Coy	NAIRN	49437	
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35		49419	64	4th AASC Coy	NAIRN	49419	
36	Medical	61474	66	6th Medical Coy	NAIRN	61474	
37	Ord	49049	66	6th Aust Inf Bde Ord	NAIRN	49049	
38	AEHE	49057	66	6th Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	49057	
39		45961	66	6th Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	45961	
40	Postal	45976	66	6th Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	45976	
41	Pay		66	6th Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	45976	Arrived 1/8/45

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42	HQ Units	61547	66	6th Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	61547	
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44	Inf	66175	66	6th Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	66175	
45		46175	66	6th Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	46175	
46	AEHE	46174	66	6th Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	46174	
47	Postal	46186	66	6th Aust Inf Bde	NAIRN	46186	

6 AUST DIV TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO 5
TRAINING OF RECONNOITERERS

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1. In order to ensure that the training of reconnoiterers is as efficient as possible, it is essential that the training be conducted in a systematic and planned manner. The training should be organized into a series of units under control of the staff.

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9. AMST. REPT. REQUISITION

The following disbursement lists will be sent to the major and
services of 3 Aust. Inf. Div. as requested in the letter of 10 Dec 45.

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- 20 Pl. & Coy. (AMV)
- 3 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
- 23 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
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- 11 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
- 224 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
- 227 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
- 21 Pl. & Coy. (AMV)
- 115 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
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- 241 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
- Det 3. Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)

8 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)

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- 27 Pl. & Coy. (AMV)
- 4 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
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- 2/15 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
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- 242 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
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- 125 Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
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- Det 2. Aust. Inf. Div. (AMV)
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C O P Y

Headquarters

Allied Land Forces

South West Pacific Area

Melbourne

15 Dec 43.

Dear General Savige,

Although I have congratulated you personally this is the first opportunity I have had to write and convey my appreciation to you of your good work in New Guinea in command of the 3rd Australian Division.

The advance from Wau to Salamana through most difficult country and against determined opposition was effected by a series of well planned and energetically directed operations. These led directly to the capture of Salamana and greatly facilitated the seizure of Lae.

Your personal courage and the endurance of the hardship of battle over a long period in the terrain and climate in New Guinea were an inspiration to officers and men who served under you.

I congratulate you on the high honour of appointment to be a Commander of the Order of the Bath and extend to you best wishes for the future.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) T.A. BLANEY.

General.
Commander in Chief.
Australian Military Forces.

Major-General S.G. Savige, CB, CBE, DSO, MC, ED,
G.O.C.,
3 Australian Division

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7 Dec 43.

3 AUST DIV TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO 1.

1. INTRODUCTION.

The various units which have been concentrated in this area to form 3 Aust Div have had varying opportunities for training and operational activities. Every endeavour will be made to use the experiences of each for the benefit of the formation as a whole.

2. OBJECT.

Every unit in the formation will be trained so that, by the end of March 1944, the formation will be fitted for participation in any operational role in the South West Pacific area.

5. PERIODS OF TRAINING.

- (a) December. Recapitulation of individual and collective training up to platoon or equivalent sub-unit exercises. Special attention will be given to the instruction of ALL ranks in subjects mentioned in Para 5 sub-joined.

TEWIS will be conducted during this period in preparation for company or equivalent sub-unit exercises.

- (b) January. A continuation of the training carried out in December together with company or equivalent sub unit exercises.

At least two of these exercises (with troops) will be carried out during this period.

These exercises will be prepared and conducted by Bn HQ. TEWIS will be conducted under Brigade arrangements in preparation for Battalion exercises.

- (c) February and March. Recapitulation as required; with particular attention to specialist training, - embracing at least 100% reserve in excess of the numbers laid down in War Establishments.

At least two battalion exercises with troops will be carried out by each battalion during this period.

These exercises will be prepared and conducted by Brigade HQ. At least one exercise for each Brigade group will be prepared and conducted by Div HQ during the month of MARCH.

4. TRAINING AREAS.

Attached as Appx 1 is a trace showing the allocation of training areas. Where it is desired to train in areas other than those allotted - application will be made to this HQ first.

5. TYPES OF TRAINING.

Units will carry out all types of training necessary for the attainment of the object vide Para 2 above.

Special attention will be given to the following subjects:-

(a) General.

- (i) Musketry - complete normal practices - special course at opportunity targets in the jungle - training in shooting from the hip, using tracer ammunition.
- (ii) Hand and rifle grenades - most important.
- (iii) Bayonet fighting.
- (iv) Mortars.
- (v) Selection and preparation of areas for night halts - perimeter defence - fire lanes - shelters - development of a drill for the carrying out of all the tasks involved.

(b) Junglecraft.

- (i) Patrolling in the jungle - method - reports. (Reports will be accompanied by track going maps See Appx B).
- (ii) Ambushes - setting and springing.
- (iii) Booby traps - in defence - on tracks - delousing.
- (iv) Sanitation - water treatment - anti malarial precautions.
- (v) Platoon and Company treks - duration up to 7 days not less than 4 - route to be defined by Brigade Comd or G.O. - halts for night to be made in areas laid down, and preparation of perimeter defence, fire lanes, shelters rigorously enforced.

(NOTE. Use field ops and emergency rations only. Arrange periods without cooking fires. Use of canned heat - Tommy Cooker.

Arrange for two parties to be out at same time and working from opposite directions.

Adequate umpiring essential.)

(c) Supply in the jungle.

Selection and marking of dropping ground. Organization on the dropping ground.

Preparation of loads - organization of carrying parties and/or boy lines - protection of carrier and/or boy lines.

Provision of hot meals for front line troops - platoon and company cooking.

6. SYLLABUSES AND REPORTS.

Brigade summary of unit syllabuses showing :-

DATE	UNIT	AREA	LESSONS	REFERENCES

will be forwarded to reach this Hq one clear week before the commencement of the Syllabus.

Schemes for Battalion exercises will be forwarded to this Hq three clear days prior to the commencement of the exercise. Units will be prepared to forward schemes for company or equivalent sub-unit on demand to this Hq. Bdes, Div troops, and services, will render Monthly Reports of Training to this Hq.

7. LECTURES.

Tuesday night in each week will be reserved for lectures arranged by Div Hq. Details will be issued separately.

8. SCHOOLS.

The following schools will be arranged by Div Hq.

- (a) Jungle Fighting School for the instruction of officers and senior NCO's.
- (b) Intelligence Course.
- (c) Q Course.
- (d) Baker's Course.

Particulars and allocation of vacancies will be advised later.

9. COC'S MESSAGE.

"Units under command 3 Aust Div are destined to fight in the Islands.

Napoleon stated that there were three different types of terrain in which operations were difficult - desert, river country and mountains; the most difficult being the mountain country. You will be called on to fight in mountain country fiercer than any in Europe, clothed with dense jungle and against a determined foe.

Many units have had experience in New Guinea. It is the sum total of their experience which provide lessons from which we can learn the craft of jungle fighting. The purpose of our training will be to learn those lessons.

This warfare demands determined and knowledgeable leadership such as will rise above body and mind weariness brought about by jungle conditions. It demands man management in its real sense of leadership and care of troops. It necessitates improvisation to meet problems inherent in jungle fighting. All this is demanded of all leaders be he Div Commander or Section leader.

Experience has proved once again that our principles of war are sound and without a knowledge of them success cannot be achieved. You must master the principles of war as laid down in our Manuals of Training.

Every soldier must be fit and capable of using his arms to the best advantage. Men, as well as those in the specialist team, must learn their job and be ready to employ any type of weapon used by infantry. Training will be directed to this end.

The great enemies of the jungle are disease and fatigue. Much sickness and many diseases are controllable by strict regimental supervision of the methods designed to prevent them. It is only by applying these methods as a drill that desired results will be achieved.

Your success in battle will be in accordance with your success in training. Jungle fighting is hard. Your training must be conducted on hard lines. The sweat of training and the application of the leader to further his knowledge will save blood in the jungle. An old Arab proverb states : "A dead fish stinks first at its head". Let us prevent dead commands by live interest and hard work on the part of leaders.

W. A. R. R. R.
Lt-col
GS 3 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION

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7 Aust Inf Bde	1	1	3
8 Aust Inf Bde	1	1	4
23 Aust Inf Bde	1	1	4
RAA 3 Aust Div	1	1	1
2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	1	1	4
7 Aust MG Bn	1	1	1
Comd	1	-	1
G	2	-	2
AQ	3	-	3
ATTS	1	-	1
ADOS	1	-	1
CEME	1	-	1
War Diary	2	2	2
File	2	2	2

APPENDIX "B"

to

3 AUST DIV TRAINING INSTRUCTION No 1

1. The following instructions were issued early in the HUBO - SALAMAU campaign and their practicability of execution has been proven under actual service conditions in New Guinea.
2. The impossibility of Intelligence Section personnel covering all routes in operational area makes it necessary that every patrol leader be able to prepare a simple record of the route and terrain traversed.
3. It is desired therefore that every effort be made to train all personnel in the use of "Track Going Maps".

Owing to the inaccuracy and lack of detail of present maps, it is essential that all units collect as much information as possible concerning the topography of their area. Further, in heavily timbered and mountainous country it is often found that maps are of little assistance. It has been found that the "Track going map", as described below, provides the best solution to both these problems.

The "track going map" is intended for recording topographical information. If an operational patrol covers new country, one should be included as an appendix to the patrol's report. If convenient, the operational report may make reference to the track going map, by cross reference using letters.

A specimen is attached herewith, and the form illustrated will be followed. In the centre panel is drawn as accurate a sketch as possible of the country traversed. In the right is shown the track times between each feature. In the left is written a description of the track and country on either side of it. The track should be divided into convenient sections so that the map will fit on to foolscap size sheets at a suitable scale. It should be noted that the track going map does not supersede a large scale sketch map. A brief sketch however is better than none at all.

In preparation, attention will be paid to the following points:

- (a) General concise summing up of track traversed, dated and signed by person compiling it.
- (b) Starting and finishing points.
Where possible give reference of these points on standard map. This will assist in assessing approximately scale of going map.
- (c) Each feature described will be serially numbered.
- (d) Time of travel from each feature to the next. The times will be shown thus 1/20. The figure on either side of the arrow represent hours of travel and the arrow represent the approximate bearing of travel. Thus 1/20 represents one hour 20 minutes in a direction approximately NE. Similarly, 1/35 represents one hour 35 minutes in a SW direction. In addition to giving a rough bearing, this method enables differences in time of travelling in the reverse direction to be shown up.
- (e) Total time travelled.

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- (f) Class of track - hunting pad, native, bench cut surface; under fine and wet weather conditions. Whether capable of being made into jeep or MT track.
 - (g) The left hand panel will be ruled off so as to clearly indicate which information applies to a particular feature, and which to the track between.
 - (h) Grades. Whether up or down. If possible, estimate gradient.
 - (i) Indications of hill features and reentrants by form lines. This is important for the identifying of localities on air photos.
 - (j) Alternative tracks and branch tracks leading from route taken.
 - (k) Water courses. Width, depth, rate (for large streams) and direction of flow, navigability, whether fordable, approaches and possibility of constructing a bridge.
 - (l) Observation points. Features from which surrounding country can be seen. Give bearings to any prominent landmarks. If possible give bearings to same landmarks from a different point.
 - (m) Cover from observation; aerial and ground.
 - (n) Bivouac sites. Notes on water, accommodation, cover from observation, defence possibilities, native foods, pests, etc.
 - (o) Possible landing grounds.
 - (p) Existing signal communications.

Appendix 10 to 8 Jan 64
Training Instruction No 1.

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(Sgt) P. SCHICKLERJITZ Sgt
25 May 45.

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