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30 Infantry Brigade
January - February 1942

WAR DIARY.

A.F. C.2118.

UNIT : H Q, 30 Bde.

From 1500 hrs Sat, 3 Jan 42 To 2400 hrs Sun, 4 Jan 42.

Place. Date. Hour. Summary of Events and Information. Remarks, Refs to Appendices.

PORT MORESBY. 3 Jan 42. 1500. Arrival of H.M.T., "PA". Preparations for disembarkation of tps by naval boats and by H.M.S. "Achilles" include details 30 Inf Bde & 8 M.D.
 " " 1730. Disembarkation completed of details 30 Inf Bde H Q.
 KONDOBU CAMP. " 1900. Details H Q, 30 Inf Bde (5&48), 30 Bde Def Pl (1&42) & 30 Inf Bde Sig Sec (2&37) march into camp.
 " 4 Jan 42. 0900. Organization of Camp Area, H Q, 30 Inf Bde.
 " " 1030. Conference of Unit Comds & others in Officers' Mess. Also present Brig Comd, 8 M D, & G S O 1, 8 M D. O D B, 30 Inf Bde Gp.

Unit.	C O	or Staff.	Present Location.
30 Bde H Q.	Comd	Lt.Col. N.G. Hatton	KONEDOBW CAMP.
	B M	Maj E.K. Newman	
	S C	Capt R.J. Miller	
	B M G O	Lieut F.J. Mansfield	
	B I O	Lieut J.F. Kellock	
30 Bde Def Pl	O C	Lieut A. Lord	KONEDOBU CAMP.
30 Bde Sig Sec	O C	Lieut Barnett	KONEDOBU CAMP.
13 Fd Regt, R A A	C O	Lt.Col. Fox	MURRAY BARRACKS.
13 Fd Regt Sig Sec	O C	Lieut Scarce	MURRAY BARRACKS.
"C" Tp, 17 A/Tk Bty A I F.	O C	Lieut Drysdale	Stations on top 3 MILE HILL.
7 Fd Coy, R A E	O C	Capt McKenzie	MURRAY BARRACKS.
39 Bn	C O	Lt.Col. Conran	7 MILE AERODROME.
49 Bn	C O	Lt.Col. Oliver	On Stations (See previous dispositions 8 M D War Diary.)
53 Bn	C O	Lt.Col. Ward	SIMPSONS GAP.

8 M D, O O No 1 distributed. Explanations & discussion.
 Allotment of roles and boundaries 30 Bde Gp.

Refer 30 Bde Gp Ops Instn No 1
 to be issued later.

J. Stewart

WAR DIARY

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UNLT : H.Q. 30 Bde.

From 1500 hrs. Sat, 3 Jan 42 To 2400 hrs Sun 4 Jan 42 (Cont)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks, Refs. to Appendices.
KONEDOBU CAMP	4 Jan 42	1030.	Intention of 8 M.D. 00 No.1 " 30 Bde. Gp.. will hold Port Moresby so as to " allow continuous use of SEVEN MILE AERODROME and PORT MORESBY "HARBOUR" <u>Information Supplied at Conference</u> <u>Priorities</u> Dispersion of tps. Slit trenches. Dispersion of vehicles when they arrive Own protection local (air @ land) pending recces & getting out onto Battle Stations. <u>Local dispositions of other Services.</u> <u>Naval</u> Shore installations only. <u>R.A.A.F.</u> 2 squadrons & H.Q. Nearest supporting station TOWNSVILLE. <u>Tactical considerations</u> PORT MORESBY AREA to be considered as an island. <u>Enemy action</u> Attack on Rabaul 16 planes 9 bombs dropped no casualties. (Mitsubishi bombers)	
"	"	1245.	Conference Concluded.	
SIMPSONS GAP	"	1430.	2 Coys 53 Bn. move to NAPA NAPA area.	
KONEDOBU CAMP	"	1700.	One O.R. marched in to H.Q. 30 Inf.Bde. (Pte Ward) Previously left aboard H.M.T. "PA" for attention by Medical Board.	
"	"	2150.	Further attack on RABAU reported. occurred approx. 1 hr. previously 50 bombs dropped. 600 yds. off target (UPPER AERODROME) no white casualties some native casualties.	Phone message from 8 M.D.
"	"	2220	Message received- No immediate danger of air attack.	Phone message from 8 M.D.

From 0001 hrs 5 Jan 42 To 0001 hrs 7 Jan 42

7 M. AERODROME
7 Mile VALLEY
5 Jan 42 0930 Bde. Comd. accompanied by B.M. & B.I.O. contacted C.O. & Adj. 39 Bn. Recce by Bde. Comd., B.M. & B.I.O.

J. Keewick

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UNIT : H.Q. 30 Bde.

From 0001 hrs 5 Jan 42 to 0001 hrs 7 Jan 42 (Cont)

Place	Date	£	Hour	Summary of Events And Information.	Remarks, Refs. to Appendices
THREE MILE VALLEY PYRAMID PT.	5 Jan 42		1200	Contacted Maj. Stukely O.C. "D" Coy Gp. 39 Bn. which is located this area. B.E.L.S. @ M.M.Gs. on beach below CURLYS' CREST. Much effect of wiring in THREE MILE VALLEY.	
KONEDOBU	"		1430	Bde. Comd. (with 8 M.D. & I.O.) out to NAPA NAPA.	See Appx. 1 I.Os. Recce Report (NOT att. of B)
NAPA NAPA	"		1610	Contacted C.O. & Recce Party 53 Bn.	
PORT MORESBY	6 Jan 42		0900	Stores continue to be unloaded on wharf but very little delivered to Bde. H.Q.	
KONEDOBU	"		1000	Conference of C.Os. & Adjts, called by Bde. Comd. discussed tactical situation and progress of preparations.	
"	"		1700	One Ford 1 Ton van received from Ord. Wkshops.	
"	"		1700	Phoned from 8 M.D. "Catolina E 247 will leave port at 0600 hrs. Tomorrow" --- Notifications issued	
"	"		1930	Phoned from 8 M.D. " 9 Enemy planes over RABAU"	
"	"		2145	Report from 8 M.D. (from several sources) Searchlight & 8 Explosions vicinity BOOTLESS INLET (Ascertained 7 Jan 42 that this was Mortar & B.E.L. practice by "D" Coy Gp. 49 Bn., after giving previous notification)	
				53 Bn. Ops. Instn. No. 1 Received during the day.	See Appx. 11.

~~MURRAY BKS. 7 Jan 42~~

From 0001 hrs. 7 Jan 42 to 0001 hrs 8 Jan 42

MURRAY BKS.	7 Jan 42		0930	Conference of I.Os. re Intelligence channels & procedure. Present. B.L.O. Lieut Kellock I.O. Lieut Mc. Quade (13 Fd. Regt.) I.O. Lieut Lovett (39 Bn.) I.O. Capt. Mc. Kell (49 Bn.) I.O. Capt. Mc. Cormick (53 Bn.) Lieut Wilmot of 8 M.D.	
				Discussion-- progress & dispositions to date. 8 M.D. representative to request G.S.O.3 (I) to state policy (Pro Forma for Int. Reports and times at which required etc.)	
KONEDOBU	"		1200	8 M.D. phoned "Raid on RABAU now on"	
			1230	C.O. 53 Bn. handed sketch of Bn. dispositions to B.M.	See Appx. 111.

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UNIT : H.Q. 30 Bde.

From 0001 hrs. 7 Jan 42 to 0001 hrs 8 Jan 42 (Cont)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, Refs. to Appendices
KONEDOBU	7 Jan 42	1630	<p>8 M.D. Phoned "Raid finished (RABAUL) some damage done to 'drome"</p> <p>Lieut Lord (O.C. Def Pl.) borrowed temporarily by Army Signals to assist on special work regarding new Radio Transmitter.</p> <p>Stores continue to come to hand-H.Q. 30 Bde received today 3 Lewis guns & several pistols. Typewriter & other items of office furniture arrived KANBY and office is now actually functioning.</p> <p>NB 300 mosquito nets delivered 39 Bn. at 7 M AERODROME. n</p> <p><u>INTER COMN</u> Messages regarding aircraft--B.M. & I.O. concerned regarding delays in relaying news of raids and routine reports re movements of own planes. Line communication at present very strained. G.S.O.1 8 M.D. has today granted absolute priority to B.M. & I.O. 30 Inf. Bde in relaying these messages.</p> <p><u>Establishment of GENERAL DETAILS & TRAINING DEPOT.</u></p> <p>Received from H.Q. 8 M.D. "INSTN RE FORMATION. Genl Details & Tng. Depot"</p>	See Appendix iv
KONEDOBUS	093042	0930	<p>Warning order to vacate KONEDOBU. Moving to MURRAY BKS. probably in 3 days.</p> <p>Mobile Canteen improvised by Padre K. Dowding travelled to tps. in NAPA NAPA AREA.</p>	From 0001 hrs 8 Jan 42 to 0001 hrs 9 Jan 42
7 MILE	"	1000	B Coy 49 Bn. hands over area to 39 Bn. and moves to PARI. (according to message recd. from 49 Bn.)	
AERODROME	"	1200	Report received from 49 Bn. of lights similar to carlights seen by patrol in PYRAMID PT. AREA Appeared to come from OYSTER BAY.	
KONEDOBU	"	1200	<p>Establishment Bde. I. Sec. provides for 3 O. Rs. Positions have been vacant up to the present. This afternoon Pte. T. Rees transferred from H.Q. Details. No previous experience.</p> <p>30 Inf. Bde. Op. Instn. No. 1 issued (see ref. War Diary 4 Jan 42)</p>	See Appendix v

J. Kellock

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From 0001 hrs 9 Jan 42 to 0001 hrs 10 Jan 42

UNIT : H.Q. 30 Bde.

<u>Place</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Hour</u>	<u>Summary of Events And Information</u>	<u>Remarks, Refs to Appendices</u>
KONEDOBU	9 Jan 42	1000	Censoring of last of a heavy outwards mail completed most showed security sense but a number of foolish indiscretions deleted.	
		1030	Sketch showing dispositions recd. from C 17 A Tk Bty.	
		1500	Sgt Giddings reported. <i>to be Bde I Sgt.</i>	
		1400	Aerial Recce (by Bde Comd. & C.O. 13 Fd. Regt. & G.S.O.ii from GALLEY REACH LOLOKI R. RIGO A.A.F.W 3008 A.A.F.W.3009	Appendix vi Appendix vii
KONEDOBW	10 Jan 42			<u>From 0001 hrs 10 Jan 42 to 0001 hrs 11 Jan 42</u>
		0545	Report recd. X Navy sources planes in formation over TOBRIAND Inf. passed to units.	
		0800	No immediate danger sharp look out. (message recd.)	
		0930	Bde. Comd. & B.M. to 39, 49, 53 Bns. 13 Fd. Regt. & 7 Fd. Coy. Saw them all. XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX LEARNED water position will be O.K. Tanks have been put in Map Ref. 169983 (H.Q. of one Coy. of 39 Bn.)	Appendix viii.
		1030	30 Bde. Int. Report No. 1 issued all units. Great difficulty still experienced in putting aircraft messages over phone. e.g. :-	
		1430	Message received "Mail plane coming in 1500 hrs"	
		1430-1450	Time taken to ring units.	
		1450	Switch reports unable to raise 39 Bn. Pl. "D" Coy. 13 Fd Regt. moved to POREBADA to relieve P.I.B. Beach Patrols.	
KONEDOBU	11 Jan 42			<u>From 0001 hrs 11 Jan 42 to 0001 hrs 12 Jan 42</u>
			13 Fd. Regt. moved positions as per Int. Report No. 1 (13 Fd Regt. Int Report)	
		1030	H.Q. 30 Bde movement from KONEDOBU to MURRAY BKS. commenced	
		1630	Movement completed.	
MURRAY BKS.	12 Jan 42	1000	Phone installed in Int. Office as a move to overcome previous difficulties in relaying aircraft reports. When 30 Bde. Sig. System completed these will be relayed by multiple Phone message. <i>Direct line to 8th Ops Room</i>	<i>J. Keenock</i>

WAR DIARY

UNIT 30 Bde.H.Q.

From 0001 hrs 12 Jan 42 to 0001 hrs 13 Jan 42 (Cont)

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, Refs to Appendices
KONEDOBU	12 Jan 42		7 Fd.Coy and 13 Fd Regt. to positions as per 13 Fd.Regt. Int.Report No. 1 (7 Fd. Coy positions to be obtained later)	
"	13 Jan 42		S/Capt.Miller transferred to 8 M.D. Lieut. Mamsfield now acting in position. Direct communication to 39 Bn. by phone.Sigs linking up H.Q. with 49 Bn. and Napa Napa.	<u>From 0001 hrs 13 Jan 42 to 0001 hrs 14 Jan 42</u>
"	14 Jan 42	1900	Conference of I.Os. together with Lieut R.Fletcher (8 M.D. Graves Registration Unit) re Coordinated survey of PORT MORESBY & AREA. (To date 49 Bn. has been charged with mapping of area as up to the arrival of 30 Inf.Bde. 49 Bn.was only Unit available) Lieut Fletcher has been delegated by 8 M.D. to organise combined aerial and ground survey. W.O.ii KRUTLI, who has been attached to 49 Bn. as a surveyor will complete area at present being ground surveyed(estimated time 5 wks.) and will join Lieut Fletcher when the latter has made all arrangements to commence work. Decided that Lieut,Fletcher approach 8 M.D. immediately about the following.	<u>From 0001 hrs 14 Jan 42 to 0001 hrs 15 Jan 42</u>
"			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 R.A.A.F. Cooperation (air photos of areas) 2 Services of 2 Draftsmen & additional Surveyor required immediately. 3 Provision of stereoscope. 	
"	16 Jan 42	1132	2 Hostile planes reported WAU District .	
"	18 Jan 42		Recce by Maj.K.Newman (B.M.) & Lieut J.Kellock (I.O.) in hills overlooking 3 M.VALLEY for O.Ps.& Bde. Battle H.Q. Further Recce to be made.	
"	19 Jan 42		Dispositions of 30 Inf.Bde. units to Pl.strength recorded for A.G.H. by I.O.. XXXXX	
"	20 Jan 42		Recce Tovabada, unsuitable for H.Q. site too much dead ground. Major Newman, after recce. reported point Ref.08500 also unsuitable (referred to in diary 18 Jan 42)	

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UNIT 30 Bde. H.Q.

From 0001 hrs 20 Jan 42 (Cont) to

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, Refs to Appendices
MURRAM BARRACKS				
"	20 Jan 42		RABAUL RAID No.7 see attached report H.Q. 53 Bn. now established NAPA NAPA	
"	21 Jan 42		Raid No.1 (BULOLO) " No.2 (SALAMAUA) see attached reports " No.3 (MADANG)	
"	22 Jan 42		Slit Trenches (Bde.H.Q. Completed) 6 shots fired by A.A. guns on TUAGUBA HILL to prove guns. Reports Japanese landings at MUSSAU. Twice daily news bulletin (wireless news) commenced by Padre K.Mc.Dowding in endeavour to reduce rumours	
"	23 Jan 42	0940	Reported raid on BULOLO 0929 hrs. also reported landing at KIETA. Town of RABAUL evacuated radio station taken up into the hills. Landing expected.	Appendix J 15
		1000-1200	A.Tk. shoot 64 rds. (32 full charges 32 reduced) Results about 60% hits. Opportunity given Jun. numbers to lay guns, with natural effect on accuracy/	
		1330	'False Air Alarm' MORESBY due to guard at Power Station mistaking flags at PAGA Sig. Stn. for signals of watching post on hill above. Resulted in general exodus of natives in all directions from MORESBY.	
	25 Jan 42		<i>Change in dispositions following conference of Lt. Col. Halton & Maj. Newman with Lt. Col. Pitt. 4.5.01 PM. 53 Bn to be withdrawn from NAPA area to MORESBY area. Bn HQ to be vicinity HANUABADA.</i>	
	27 Jan 42	1400	<i>Capt. L. Benjamin arrived to relieve Lieut. J. Kellock as D.I.O. Blackout which had previously been from 2300 hrs each night to be from dusk commencing 27 Jan 42.</i>	
	28 Jan 42	1100	<i>Lieut. J. Kellock marched out to be L.O. HQ 8 PM.</i>	<i>J. Kellock</i>

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required).

Unit HQ 30 Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 28 Jan 42 To 31 Jan 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PORT MORESBY	28 Jan	1000-1055	Reports were received from each 39, 49 and 53 Bns that an unidentified plane had been heard flying above clouds - which were then about 3000 feet. No plane was sighted	8 M.D. informed and later advised plane NOT RAAF. Possibly a recon plane photographing through cloud which was only light. If so, this was first known enemy activity in MORESBY sector.
" "	29 Jan	1100 approx	Cloudy conditions of previous day gave place to first real "rainy season" day - drawing rain and very low visibility.	Lt-Col HATTON ordered all sentries and observers doubled. Comds to ensure intensified vigilance maintained
" "	31 Jan	1400 approx	39 Bn reported by phone that its C Coy, vicinity MERIGEDDA Mission, had seen five unidentified ships towards TUPUSULEI with two apparent warships. Ships then lost sight of in poor visibility.	8 M.D. informed and ships NOT identified as ours. B.M. ordered 39 Bn to send a patrol to TUPUSULEI
		2015	39 Bn I.O. came to say patrol had just returned and a Cpl in charge reported he had seen ships between BOOTLESS INLET and MORESBY	8 M.D. informed and desired further particulars. B.I.O. ordered 39 Bn I.O. to interrogate the Cpl over L/T and report was found to be a false alarm due to poor visibility

Cpl. [Signature]

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

30 INF. BDE. H.Q. ROUTINE ORDERS, No. 1.

by
Lt.Col. H.G. Hatton, M.C., M.M., V.D. Commanding 30 Inf. Bde.
12 Jan 42.

1. PROGRAMME.

Reveille	-	0600 hrs.
Roll Call to be completed by		0610 hrs.
Breakfast	-	0700 hrs.
Sick Parade	-	0800 hrs.
Parade.	-	0830 hrs to 1130 hrs.
Lunch	-	1200 hrs.
Parade	-	1400 hrs to 1600 hrs.
Evening Meal	-	1700 hrs.
Tattoo Roll Call	-	2100 hrs.

2. WASHING OF EATING UTENSILS. Utensils will be washed in tubs provided and not under taps.

3. MAIL. All mail will be handed in by 2000 hrs today.

L. Manfield Lieut.
~~L. S. / capt~~

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

30 INF. BDE., H.Q., ROUTINE ORDER NO. 2

by

Lt. Col. N.G. Hatton, M.C., M.M., V.D., Commanding 30 Inf. Bde.

13 Jan., 42

1. RUBBISH BINS Bins have been placed between huts for rubbish. All N.C.Os. and Hut Commanders will see that all rubbish goes in these bins and not all over the ground.
2. SHOWERS Receptacles have been placed in showers for razor blades and small pieces of soap etc.
3. WASH HOUSE Bins are provided for empty "Lux" packets, odd pieces of soap and any other rubbish.
4. KITCHENS Tins are placed by the kitchens for tins etc. and only food scraps will go into the hole.
5. LATRINES Latrine lids MUST be closed after using. Fouling the ground or making use of the woodheap as a latrine is a serious offence and disciplinary action will be taken against anybody found offending.
THE LATRINES ARE THERE FOR USE - USE THEM.
6. MAIL All outward mail must have in top right hand corner of letter the following particulars:-

No.	V 111111
Rank & Name.	Pte. Blank, J.J.
Unit.	30 Inf. Bde., H.Q. or Defence
Address	Platoon (whichever applicable Port Moresby, PAPUA.

D. Mansfield Lieut.
A/ Staff Capt. 30 Inf. Bde.

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30 INF. BDE., H.Q., ROUTINE ORDER NO. 5

B.T.O.

BY

Lt. Col. N.G. Hatton, M.C., M.M., V.D., Commanding 30 Inf. Bde.

16 Jan., 42

1. ORDERLY CORPORAL.

Corporal Haywood. Next for duty Corporal Francis.

2. ALLOTMENTS.

All personnel who have made allotments should forward immediately, to the person named as the allottee, the form supplied. The allottee will then complete this form and forward same to the District Finance Officer, 3rd. Military District, 339 Swanston Street, Melbourne, Victoria. Payment of allotments can not be made until this form has been completed as necessary.

3. PROMOTIONS.

V.58059 Cpl. Withers, W.A. Promoted Sergeant 14/1/42.
V.52744 Pte. Lindsay, W.H. Promoted Corporal 14/1/42.
V230015 Pte. O'Brien, A.L. Appointed Lance Corporal 14/1/42.

H. Mansfield
Lieut.
for Lt. Col. Comd. 30 Inf. Bde.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

30TH. INF. BDE. H.Q., ROUTINE ORDER NO. 6

BY

LT.COL. N.G. HATTON, M.C., M.M., V.D., COMMANDING 30 INF. BDE.

17 Jan, 42

1. ORDERLY CORPORAL.

Corporal Francis. Next for duty Corporal McKay.

2. BADGES OF RANK.

N.C.Os. will wear their badges of rank at all times.

3. FOUND.

1 set of equipment with water bottle. Apply at Bde. H.Q.

4. CHURCH PARADE.

Church Parade will be held at 0900 hrs. on Sunday 18/1/42

L. Mansfield Lieut.
for Lt. Col. Comd. 30 Inf. Bde.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

30th. INF. BDE. H.Q., ROUTINE ORDER NO. 7

T.O.

by
LT.COL. N.G. HAYTON, M.C., M.M., V.D., COMMANDING 30th. INF. BDE.

20 Jan. 42

1. ORDERLY CORPORAL. Cpl. Coyne. Next for duty Cpl. Stanesby.

2. PILFERING.

It has come to notice that various members of the Army are removing without authority Canteen Stores, Supplies, Ordnance Stores, Engineer Stores and civilian property. These offences are most prevalent.

Such acts are offences under Army Act 44 and the Maximum penalty is Penal Servitude.

Action is to be taken to bring to the notice of all Personnel the seriousness of such offences, and also of the fact that such pilfering has caused a serious setback to the war effort.

In future all such acts will be dealt with with the utmost severity.

Officers and N.C.Os. under whose notice such offences are committed will be held responsible for such acts and dealt with accordingly.

3. LEAVE

(a) Units may grant 24 hrs Leave in every 21 days for each member of their unit.

(b) Units ~~may grant~~ will ensure that not more than 6% of their Unit is on leave at any one time.

(c) Members on leave may proceed to any locality within 20 miles of their Headquarters.

(d) All Members on leave must be in possession of a Leave Pass.

(e) Leave Personnel proceeding to Port Moresby may be transported by Supply Launch or A.A.S.C. M.T. when available.

4. XXXX PASSES

(a) All personnel stationed in Port Moresby will be issued with a pass signed by their Commanding Officer stating the nature of the duty which necessitated the member moving within the Town Area.

(b) All Units not stationed in Port Moresby will similarly issue passes to members of their Units who are required to proceed to the Town Area on duty. Such personnel will be reduced to a minimum. Officers of and above Field Rank need not be in possession of passes.

(c) When more than 5 members are proceeding in one group, they will be under the control of a responsible N.C.O. or Officer, who will be in possession of a pass to cover the group. Such personnel will not be permitted to break off from the group.

5. RELIEF OF PERSONNEL IN TROPICAL STATIONS.

In view of the existing International Situation, it has been decided that the scheme for the relief of personnel in Tropical Stations is to be discontinued pending further instructions.

6. SPEED LIMIT (ALL VEHICLES) - PORT MORESBY.

The following Speed Limits will be observed by drivers of all vehicles:-

<u>AREA</u>	<u>MAXIMUM SPEED</u>
Roadway passing Port Moresby Area to R.A.A.F. Headquarters, the Wharf Area, Port Road and Musgrave Street	5 M.P.H.
Elsewhere in Port Moresby Town Area	20 M.P.H.
Areas other than those referred to above	20 M.P.H.

7. PERSONNEL EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL.

On being evacuated to Hospital, personnel will take with them blankets, respirator and steel helmet and such personal property as is needed, e.g. shaving gear etc. Section leaders or platoon commanders of personnel being evacuated will take action to have the remainder of the soldier's belongings (including Arms and equipment) packed, labelled and forwarded to Q.M. of Unit for transfer to Kit Store, G.D. & T. Depot. Unit Q.Ms. will obtain a receipt for delivery of these kits to G.D. & T. Depot on A.A.F. F.14 (packing note), one copy of which will be delivered to or held on safe keeping for the soldier. Upon discharge from Hospital, soldiers will present this receipt to N.C.O. i/c Kit Store to obtain delivery of his belongings. In the case of those personnel who will not be returned to their Units an A.A.F. F.6 (transfer voucher) will be passed to G.D. & T. Depot by the Unit transferring. This, together with card A.A.F. F 200 or Form F.52 will be forwarded with the soldier's kit and papers.

8. COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK AND PAYBOOK FACILITIES.

The following arrangements at the Commonwealth Savings Bank will operate forthwith:-

DEPOSITS Not less than £ 25 will be accepted.

WITHDRAWALS Not more than one withdrawal per fortnight.

To avoid any inconvenience to personnel owing to the restrictions imposed on Savings Bank Deposits, it is advised that pay may be allowed to accumulate in Pay-books.

9. ARMY POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Units are advised that outgoing mails for Air despatch must reach Base Postal Office not later than 0900 hrs. each Friday. O.Cs. will arrange for Unit mail to be posted to reach Orderly Room in ample time to allow of censorship requirements being fulfilled.

In the event of additional mails being despatched from Base Postal Office, units will be advised at earliest opportunity.

10. CLEANLINESS OF HUTS.

The cleanliness of huts is still not up to standard. Hut Commanders will see that huts are correct by 0800 hours each morning.

The Signal Section hut is very untidy. Action will be taken unless improved by the 21st. Jan. 42.

L. Mansfield
LIEUT.
STAFF CAPT. 30 INF. BDE.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

30th. INF. BDE., H.Q. ROUTINE ORDER NO. 8

by

LT. COL. H.G. HATTON, M.C., M.M., V.D., COMMANDING 30 INF. BDE.

21 Jan., 42.

1. ORDERLY CORPORAL.

Stanosby.
Corporal ~~XXXXXX~~. Next for duty Corporal Norman.

2. PAY BOOKS.

All Pay Books not already in must be handed in to the Orderly Room before 0900 hours tomorrow, 22 Jan. 42.

D. Mansfield
Lieut.
Staff Capt. 30 Inf. Bde.

Distribution:-

Notice Board.
C.S.M.
Bde. I.O. (2)
Sig. Sec.
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

30TH. INF. BDE. H.Q., ROUTINE ORDER NO. 9.

by

LT. COL. N.G. HATTON, M.C., M.M.W.D., COMMANDING 30 INF. BDE.

24 Jan. 42

1. ORDERLY CORPORAL.

Corporal Barton. Next for duty Corporal McKay.

2. CHURCH PARADE.

Church Parade will be held at 0900 hrs. on Sunday 25 Jan.

3. A.I.F. VOLUNTEER RESERVE LIST.

All personnel who wish to be included in the A.I.F. Volunteer Reserve List and have not handed their names in will give details to the C.S.M. by 0900 hrs, 25 Jan.

H. Manfield
Staff Capt. 30 Inf. Bde. Lieut.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDER NO. 10

by

LT. COL. N.G. HATTON, M.C., M.M., V.D., COMMANDING 30 INF. BDE.

28 Jan. 42

1. ORDERLY CORPORAL.

Corporal McKay. Next for duty Corporal Hayward.

2. SLIT TRENCHES.

Tins and bottles will not be thrown in slit trenches. They are for your safety - look after them.

3. IRON RATIONS.

Iron Rations will be drawn tonight at 1800 hrs. from Q. Store. These Rations will be kept in Ration Bag as a reserve.

4. PAY ARRANGEMENTS.

30 Inf. Bde. will be paid on 3rd. Feb. 42 and thereafter every fortnight. Personnel who require pay on that date MUST hand in their Pay Books to the Orderly Room before 0900 hrs. tomorrow, 29 Jan. 42, together with the amount of pay required. All amounts must be drawn in even £ 1 (pounds) or 10/- ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ notes. All personnel not requiring pay may leave same to their credit on their Pay Books.

5. PASSAGE OF M.T. VEHICLES THROUGH NATIVE VILLAGES.

In order to minimize the risk of accident and ensure the safety of small children and domestic animals, drivers of M.T. will not exceed a speed limit of 10 M.P.H. when passing through Native Villages.

6. PROGRESS OF TRANSPORT PAST CAMP HOSPITAL AREA, MURRAY BARRACKS.

The Camp Hospital Area at Murray Barracks is not to be used by drivers of transport as a turning or passing point. Drivers will wait at the passing point or at the top of the road until the way is clear for their vehicles to proceed.

7. LOSSES OF RIFLES AND EQUIPMENT - WHARF.

The following losses have been reported by men employed at the Wharf during unloading operations:-

- (a) Rifle No. 68300, full set of equipment with 150 rounds S.A.A. in pouches, and knife, fork, spoon and mug in haversack.
- (b) Rifle No. 68228, full set of equipment, respirator, steel helmet and puttees, on issue to Q.24828 Pte. E. Kingsman, 49 Bn. Respirator and Steel Helmet branded with name and number. Any information received is to be forwarded to Bde. H.Q.

Distribution:

Notice Board
C.S.M.
Bde. T.O.
Bde. I.O. (2)
Bde. Sig. Sec.
File.

D. Mansfield
Lieut.
Staff Capt. 30 Inf. Bde.

War Diary Appendix II

53 BN. OPERATION INSTRUCTION. No. 1.

SECRET.

COPY NO. 15

REF. PORT MORESBY 1:63360.

1. INFORMATION.

Enemy landings by sea or air or a combination of both methods is possible at any time.

30 INF. BDE. G.P. is disposed for defence of Port Moresby.

2. INTENTION.

53 BN. will:-

(a) Prevent enemy landings between BOERA and NAPA NAPA.

(b) Should enemy effect landings, will deny to him NAPA NAPA PENINSULAR.

3. METHOD.

"A" Coy. to occupy position on neck between FAIRFAX HARBOUR and IDLERS BAY and prevent enemy advance from the WESTWARD.

"B" Coy. to occupy MAVARALOLA PENINSULAR and prevent landings on beaches on South and deny to him that general AREA.

"D" Coy. to occupy position FOREBADA AREA and prevent enemy landings on beaches, patrol to establish watching post at BOERA.

"C" Coy. RESERVE in AREA, WEST OF NAPA NAPA.

"E" (MMG) Coy.:-

1 Pl. each under Comd. "A" & "B" Coys.

1 SEC. under Comd. "D" Coy.

1 SEC. RESERVE.

MORTARS:-

2 DETS. each under Comd. "A" & "B" Coys.

2 DETS. RESERVE.

CARRIER PL.:-

2 SECS. FOREBADA AREA to patrol between BOERA AREA and IDLERS BAY.

1 SEC. "A" Coy AREA to patrol right flank as far as BOERA.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

A/A. LMG. PL.:-

To be disposed for protection of BN. HQ. and Transport.

ARTILLERY.

1 FD. TP. 18 pounders under Comd. to be prepared to perform following tasks:-

(a) 1 SEC. to cover beaches on MAVARALOLA PENINSULAR.

(b) 1 SEC. to be prepared to fire on selected AREAS on "A" Coy. AREA.

ENGINEERS-C

1 SEC. 7 Fd. Coy. under Comd.

1st. TASKS- Locate and improve water supply FOREBADA AREA as a matter of urgency, thence improve water supplies and communications in AREAS in accordance with priorities to be laid down.

4. ORGANISATION OF DEFENCES.

All AREAS to be organised for all round defence and A/A defence. To be dug in, obstacles constructed and camouflaged.

Alternative positions ~~positions~~ within AREAS will be prepared.

RESERVE.

Role to defend present AREA or be employed at a moments notice on any portion of BN. ~~WAR~~ AREA.

ADMINISTRATION.

All ranks to carry full war equipment, ammunition and iron rations.

6. INTER-COMMUNICATION.

BN. HQ.: NAPA NAPA.

Complete plan of intercommunication to be prepared by SIG. OFFICER.

ISSUED verbally 1200 hrs. 6 Jan. '42.

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W. G. Wible Lieut.
 (W. G. Wible) Adj. 53 Bn.

DISTRIBUTION:-

Copy No. 1	C.O.	Copy No. 13	"E" (MG) Coy.
2	R i/c.	14)	
3	Adj. t.	15)	30 INF. BDE.
4	Q.M.	16)	
5	T.O.	17)	No. 3 Sec. 7 Fd. Coy.
6	Sig. O.	18)	Tp. 49 Fd. Bty.
7	I.C.	19)	
8	"H" Q" Coy.	20)	
9	"A" Coy.	21)	
10	"B" Coy.	22)	FILE.
11	"C" Coy.	23)	
12	"D" Coy.	24)	

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4 inches = 1 mile

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SMD INSTN RE FORMATION OF GENERAL DETAILS + TNG DEPOTMEMO TO ALL UNITS (PORT MORESBY AREA)GENERAL DETAILS AND TRAINING DEPOT.

A General Details and Training Depot is being established forthwith at No. 4 Group 3 Mile Camp.

ORGANIZATION

The depot will consist of :-

- (a) Headquarters (Provisional W/E issued separately)
- (b) Infantry Wing.
- (c) Artillery Wing.
- (C) Headquarters Units Wing.
- (e) Evacuation Wing.

TRANSFERS IN.

All Units will submit a return not later than 1800 hrs. 8 Jan 1942 showing by ranks the numbers of Personnel surplus to Establishment who are at present with their Unit. This will include first reinforcements.

The numbers of cooks included to be shown separately.

Units will be advised time and date of despatch of such personnel to the General Details Depot.

All reinforcements arriving in Port Moresby Area and all convalescents on discharge from Hospitals or Convalescent Depots will be taken on strength of the General Details Depot.

Casualty returns and Mob 3s will be submitted by Units for all personnel transferred into the General Details Depot.

TRANSFERS OUT.

Normally weekly drafts will be despatched to Units to replace wastage.

The D.R.O. will advise H.Q. General Details Depot of the Units requirements to complete to Establishment. Casualty returns and Mob 3s will accompany each draft.

STAFF.

The following Staff are appointed :-

- O.C. - Major Hooper.
- Adjutant and Quarter - Master - Lieut. Brand.

Other necessary personnel not exceeding the number vide Provisional War Establishment (issued separately) will be selected by O.C. depot from personnel transferred in.

R. J. Smith Major,
A.A. & Q.M.G. S.M.D.

Recd. 7 JAN 42

S.F. 42/1/11.

SECRET

Copy No. 100

8th January, 1942.

30th INFANTRY BRIGADE OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO. 1.

(Issued in confirmation of verbal instructions of 4th January, 1942).

REFERENCE
MAP.

PORT MORESBY 1" - 1 Mile.
NEW GUINEA and PAPUA.

INFORMATION.

1. ENEMY. The only known threat at the present time is that of action against us by the Japanese. With the fall of MANILA it is reasonable to assume that this action becomes more imminent each day.

Enemy action in 8 M.D. has consisted so far of bombing raids on RABAUL and aerial reconnaissance and possibly photography on KAVIENG, SALAMAUA and LAE.

2. OWN TROOPS. No 1 Independent Coy has garrisons at LORENGAU, KAVIENG, BUKA, TULAGI and VILA. RABAUL is defended by a Garrison of one Heavy Battery of Arty, one Infantry Bn and attached troops.

N.G.V.R. is organised on N.G. mainland and has detachments stationed to protect the main aerodromes.

A V.D.C. Platoon exists at SAMARAI.

PORT MORESBY is defended by Heavy Arty in fixed defences and by district troops, whose areas are R.A.A.F. from incl. ELEVALA PT. to excl. Shipping 999004. By. Arty. and Frt. Engr. From incl. Slipway to incl. Native Hospital 002999. V.D.C. ELA BCH. from excl. Native Hospital to incl. EAST end of beach, H.Q. 8 M.D. Reserve.

INTENTION.

3. 30th Inf. Bde. Gp. will;
(a) Prevent the enemy landing in the area bounded by the coastline from BOERA 860103 to TUPUSELEI HD. 200904, less the PORT MORESBY area from incl. ELEVALA PT. 005031 to incl. EAST end of ELA BCH. 018003.

(b) Give immediate warning of any enemy activity.

(c) Deny to him the NAPA NAPA Peninsular.

(d) Defence of L. of C. area.

METHOD.

4. Three Bns. fwd. 53 Bn. on right, 49 centre, 39 left.

5. Inter Bn. boundaries. 53 Bn. from incl. BOERA 860103 to excl. ELEVALA PT. 005031.

49 Bn. from excl. EAST end of ELA Beh. 018003 to incl. INLET 108984.

39 Bn. from excl. INLET 108984 to incl. TUPUSULEI Hd. 200904.

6. ROLE.

53 Bn. (a) Prevent enemy landing from BOERA 860103 to ELEVALA PT. 005031.

(b) Deny NAPA NAPA Peninsular to enemy.

(c) To patrol as far NORTH as BOERA.

(d) To prevent enemy movement EASTWARDS along NORTH shores of FAIRFAX HARBOUR.

(e) To prevent landing of Para. Tps.

49 Bn. (a) Prevent enemy landing from ELA Beh. to INLET 108984.

(b) Defence of 3 mile VALLEY.

(c) Defence of KILA KILA Aerodrome.

(d) To liason with 39 Bn. on left with view to assist by counter attack if needed.

(e) Prevent landing of Para. Tps.

P.T.O.

/39 Bn.

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- 39 Bn. (a) Prevent landing of enemy at entrance to 7 Mile VALLEY.
- (b) Defence of 7 Mile AERODROME.
- (c) To patrol as far SOUTH as TUPUSULEX Rd.
- (d) To patrol NORTH to LALOKI River.
- (e) To prepare defensive position astride 7 MILE - LALOKI RIVER ROAD for defence of aerodrome from the NORTH (not to be occupied).
- (f) To liason with 49 Bn. on right with view to assist by counter attack if needed.
- (g) To prevent landings by Para. Tps.

7. ARTY. 1 Trp. (4.5 How.) to 53 Bn. to come under command immediately.

1 Trp. to 49 Bn. to come under command immediately.

1 Trp. to 39 Bn. to come under command immediately.

1 Trp. in reserve, area 3 MILE VALLEY to carry out tasks on 7 MILE VALLEY, BOOTLESS INLET, 3 MILE VALLEY.

8. A.TK. Reserve disposed in area KILA KILA - 3 MILE VALLEY to be with reserve Coy. 49 Bn.

9. ENGR. One section to be allotted to each Bn. for Digging, Wiring, A. Tk. Mines and Water.

10. RESERVE. 39 and 49 Bns. will dispose their Coys. so that one Coy. plus 1 Sec. of Carriers of each can act as reserve for Bde. Gp. and also carry out role of reserve to Bn.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

11. RATIONS. Every man will carry his IRON RATIONS.

12. AMMUNITION. 100 rounds on the man, balance in Bn. reserve. Dump to be well dispersed.

13. WATER. Where water not laid on, units will have to cart own water.

14. MEDICAL. From R.A.P. direct to Camp Hospital MURRAY BARRACKS. 6 bed C.C.S. at NAPA NAPA.

INTERCOMMUNICATION.

15. Bde. H.Q. KHEDEBU. MURRAY BKS. L/T, D/R and W/T when sets available.

Ed. W... MAJOR, BRIGADE MAJOR, 30th. INFANTRY BRIGADE.

DISTRIBUTION :

- Copy No 1. 39 Bn.
- 2. 49 Bn.
- 3. 53 Bn.
- 4. 13 Fld. Regt.
- 5. "C" Tp. 17 A/Tk.
- 6. 7 Fld. Coy.
- 7-8. 8 M.D. H.Q.
- 9. File.
- 10. War Diary.
- 11-13. Spare.

11. Lt Col Mansfield RAAF

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. 30 Inf Bde (Unit) *8 Jun* 19*42* (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	1		
Corporals	1		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	45*		1 2 10 } <i>may be received within unit</i>
TOTALS	48	*	* 13.

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

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

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H.Q. 30 Inf. Bde. Unit.

APPENDIX VII

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

APPENDIX VI (att)

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks		1	Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply		1	Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties		2	Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Batman (Chaplain)		1						
Batman		5						
Orderlies, Burs. M.T.		2						
Batman P.A.O.S.C. (Capt)		1						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		11			2			

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.

(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. 30 Inf. Bde.

Unit.

for Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 7 June 42

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK

ARMY FORM W. 3008

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

(Date) (Title of Unit or Regiment) (To be furnished by all units and all Headquarters units)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required		Detail	
No. in unit	No. in surplus	Rank	Description
			Staff Sergeants
			Sergeants
			Corporals
			Troopers, Privates, etc.
			TOTALS

NOTE :-

3 Ammunition dropped to H.Q. 30 Feb. 44 by
S. Bomb. Coy. Depot included 2 Ammunition
Cpts. W.E. II/404/2/2 provided only for
3 Ammunitions Train Coy, II, 1 does not
include Cpls.

These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W. 3008.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Other Ranks attached from other Corps		Detail	
Rank	Name and Initials	Rank	Description

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

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Corps	Remarks (or Present whereabouts known to the unit)

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APPENDIX VI

PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in

Part A of Army Form W. 3009

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Quantity	Remarks	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Quantity	Remarks
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators		
Armament Artificers			Electricians		
Armourers			Electricians and Turners		
Artificers, Artillery			Electricians, Cycle		
Assemblers			Electricians, Drivers		
Bakers			Electricians, M.V.		
Battery Servitors			Electricians, Railway Signal		
Battery Company, Asst.			Electricians, Signal		
Blacksmiths			Electricians		
Boltmakers			Gun Layers		
Bricklayers			G.P.O. Assistants		
Butchers			Gun Operators		
Camouflage Modeler			Hammockmen		
Carpenters and Joiners			Height Layers		
Clerks			Helio Operators		
Clerks, Receiving			Instrument Mechanics		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Operators		
Coachmen			Intelligence Duties		
Computers			Joiners		
Conductors			Leather Binders		
Cooks, Hospital			Linenmen		
Coppersmiths			Linenmen, Signal		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers		
Dispatch Riders			Mechanics		
Dispensers			Masons		
Draftsmen			Mechanics, Mechanical		
Draftsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, M.T.		
Draftsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, Typewriter		
Draftsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Wireless		
Draftsmen, Topographical			Millwrights		
Driver Mechanics			Minters		
Driver Operators			Woodworkers		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Nursing Orderlies		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies (General)		
Electricians			Nurses, Trained		
Electricians, Exp. Units			Observation Post Assistants		
Electricians, Signal			Operating Room Assistants		
Engine Artificers			Operators, Signal		
Engine Hands I/C			Opticians		
Equipment Repairers			Painters		
Farmers					

CLERKS SUPPLY - 1 CPL

INTELLIGENCE DUTIES - INCLUDES 1 CPL

Part E. Other ranks

Note: (a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back. (b) Authorized Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

Signature of Commander: _____ Unit: _____
 Date of Dispatch: _____ Bde, Dism., Area, etc., with which unit is serving: _____

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

H.Q. 30th Inf Bde 24th Div (Unit) 9 Jan 1942 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	6	1	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	35		1 (Cook Tde Co II).
TOTALS	43	* 1	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

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

a.w. 3m bks 9/41

* NOTE: Total of 43 includes 5 Reinforcements.

(Adapted)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

.....(Unit) 19.... (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants			
Corporals			1
Troopers, Privates, &c.	17*		2
TOTALS	52	*	3

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

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

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* SEE NOTE ON BACK.

H.Q. 30 Coy. 2502.....Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering		1	Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply		1	Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical		1	Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		9						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. 30 Coy. 2502.....
Unit.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 2-2-42

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Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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PART D. Detail of ... (To be furnished by all units and all Headquarters units)

NOTE - 3 ARMOURERS DRAFTED TO H.Q. 30 INF. BDE FROM S. COMD. TNG DEPOT INCLUDE 2 ARMOURER CPLS. W.E II 1940/R/R PROVIDES ONLY FOR ARMOURERS TDE. GP. II & DOES NOT INCLUDE CPLS.

Table with columns for ranks: Troopers, Privates, etc. and rows for various unit details.

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3008.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps

Table with columns for 'Detail', 'Unit and Corps to which they belong', and 'Unit and Corps to which they belong'.

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

Table with columns: Army No., Rank, Name and Initials, Corps, Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts, knowledge of V.I. brass badge).

Unit Signature of Commander Date of Despatch

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

..... (Unit) 19..... (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

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

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

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

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* TOTAL OF 42 INCLUDES 4 REINFORCEMENTS.

H.Q. 101st Div. P.O. No. 121. Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks <i>T.S. No. 11</i>			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	1	1						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. 101st Div. P.O. No. 121. Unit.

[Signature] Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch *1-2-42.*

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 30 Inf Bde. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT	EVAN S. R.D.	H.Q. 8 M.D.	14/11/42	TAKE OVER DUTIES H.Q. T.O.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
CAPT.	MILLER R.J.	H.Q. 8 M.D.	15/11/42	DUTY H.Q. 8 M.D.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT. COL	Q 185157	HATTON N.G.	H.Q. 30 INF BDE	YES	
MAJ.	V 59632	NEWMAN E.K.	" "	"	
LIEUT.	V 57291	MANSFIELD F.J.	" "	"	
"	V 56173	KELLOCK T.F.	" "	"	
"	Q 197706	EYANS R.O.	" "	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Chaplain	V 144580	DOWDING K.M.C.	A.A.Ch.D.	18/12/41	Chaplain
"	N 0160	WATTON R.A.	"	22/12/41	"
"	Q 119683	DICKINSON S.F.	"	13/12/41	"

H.Q. 30 Inf Bde

(Unit.)

16/1/42

(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
for Lt Col. [Name] 30 Inf Bde
(Signature of Commander.)

S.M.D.

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 30 Inf Bde Reforce Pl. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LIEUT	V58449	LORD A.C.	30 th INF. BDE DEFENCE PL.		

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

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

30th INF. BDE DEFENCE PL.
 (Unit.)
 16 Jan 42
 (Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
 for Lt. Col. *[Signature]* 30th Inf. Bde.
 (Signature of Commander.)
 (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

30 INF. BDE. DEFENCE PL. (Unit) 16 Jan 1942 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	6	1	
Troopers, Privates, &c.			1 (COOK. TRADE G P II)
TOTALS	42	* 1	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

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

Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivettors		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital		(SP 2)	Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
CORPORALS	1							
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	1	1						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.

(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

30th INF. BDE DEF. PL.

Unit.

[Handwritten Signature]
Signature of Commander.

8 M.D

Date of Despatch 16 Jan 42

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

M. Q. 30 Inf Bde (Unit) 16/11 1947 (Date)

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	1		
Corporals	1		2
Troopers, Privates, &c.	45		9
TOTALS	50	*	* 11

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

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

H. Q. 30 clnf Bde

Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks		1	Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply		1	Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties		1	Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
BATMAN (A.A.S.C)		1						
BATMAN DVR (CH)		1	CPL. CLERK		1			
BATMEN		5	SIG. ORD.		2			
ORDERLIES DVR MS		2						
DVR. M.T.		2						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		11			4			

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H. Q. 30 clnf Bde

Unit.

Date of Despatch

16 Jan. 42

Signature of Commander

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 30 Inf Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
CAPT.	BENJAMIN A.L.	H.Q. 4 DIV.	27/1/42	To be Bde. I.O.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT.	KELLOCK J.F.	H.Q. 30 INF BDE	28/1/42	DUTY WITH S.M.I.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT. COL.	Q 185157	HATTON N.G.	H.Q. 30 INF	YES	
MAJ.	V 59612	NEWMAN E.K.	" " BDE	"	
CAPT.	V 55291	BENJAMIN A.L.	" "	"	
LIEUT.	V 55291	MANSFIELD F.J.	" "	"	
LIEUT.	Q 107706	EVANS R.O.	" "	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CHAPLAIN	V 144850	DOWDING R.M.C.	AA-CH.D	18/12/41	CHAPLAIN
"	N 0160	WATTON R.A.	"	23/12/41	"
"	R 119683	DICKINSON S.F.	"	13/12/41	"

H.Q. 30 INF. BDE

(Unit.)

30 JAN 42

(Date of Despatch.)

F. Mansfield
for Lt. Col. Mansfield
(Signature of Commander.)

S.M.D.

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 30 Inf. Bde Pop. Rec Pl. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LIEUT	VXXXX	LORD H.C.	30 th INF BDE DEFENCE PL		

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

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

30th INF BDE DEFENCE PL.
 (Unit.)
 30 Jan 42
 (Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
 for Lt Col [Name] 30th Inf Bde
 (Signature of Commander.)
 (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

H.Q. 30 d.M.F. Bde (Unit) 30 Jan 1942 (Date)

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	✓		
Serjeants	1		1
Corporals	1		2
Troopers, Privates, &c.	43		11
TOTALS	47	*	* 14

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
Q 90765	Sgt.	GIDDINGS M.	H.Q. 30 INF BDE	CAMP HAS R. MURRAY BARACKS
V 208555	PTE	STIELOW L.H.	do	GDPT. DEPOT " "
V 230032	"	ANDREWS W.G.	do	" " " "

Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks		/	Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply		/	Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties		/	Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
BATMAN (CAPT)		1						
BATMAN DVR (CM)		2						
BATMEN		5						
ORDERLIES DVR MT		2						
SIG. ORDERLIES		1						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		13			1			

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.

(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. 30 INF. BDE

Unit.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.
8 M.D.

Date of Despatch 30 Jan 42

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

H.Q 30 INF. BDE DEFENCE PL. (Unit) 30 Jan 1942 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	1		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	-		
Staff Serjeants	-		
Serjeants	1		
Corporals	6	1	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	32		3 (INCLUDES COOK TRADE GP. GP II)
TOTALS	40	* 1	*

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
V200065	PTE	SCRIMSHAW, R.W.	30 INF. BDE DEFENCE PL.	AT. G.D + T. DEPOT MURRAY BARRACKS

Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks <i>G.P. II</i>		1	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
<i>CORPORALS</i>	1							
<i>PRIVATES</i>		2						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	1	3						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.

(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

30 INF. BDE. DEF. PL
Unit.

for Lt. Col. [Signature]
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch *30 Jan 42*

S.M.D.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

..... (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

..... (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 30 Inf Bde. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

Diary

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT COL.	Q. 185157	HUTTON N. G.	H.Q. 30th Inf Bde	YES	
MAJ.	V. 59632	NEWMAN E. K.	"	"	
CAPT.	VX. 62315	MILLER B. J.	"	"	
LIEUT.	V. 57291	MANSFIELD F. J.	"	"	(R.N. A. D.)
"	V. 56173	KELLOCK J. F.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CHAPLAIN	V. 14457	DOWDING B. V.	P.M. B.	18/12/41	CHAPLAIN
"	N. 0160	WATSON R. D.	"	23/12/41	"
"	Q. 119683	DICKINSON J. F.	"	12/12/41	"

H.Q. 30th Inf Bde
(Unit.)

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

9 Jan 42
(Date of Despatch.)

8. M. D.
(Bde., bn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 30th/4th Div. A. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

Diary

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LIEUT.	V-58449	LORD H.C.	H.Q. 30 INF. BDE. DEEPL.	YES	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

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

H.Q. 30 Inf Bde 24th M (Unit.)
 9 Jan 42 (Date of Despatch.)
 [Signature] (Signature of Commander.)
 8.11.42 (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H. Q. 30 enpf Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT. COL	Q185187	HATTON NG	H.Q. 30 INF BDE	YES	
MAJ.	V59632	NEWMAN E.K.	" "	"	
LIEUT	V57291	MANSFIELD F.J.	" "	"	
"	V56173	KELLOCK J.F.	" "	"	
"	Q107706	EVANS R.O.	" "	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CHAPLAIN	V144850	DOWDING K. McC	P.A. CH. D	18/12/41	CHAPLAIN
"	No 160	WATTON R.A	" "	23/12/41	"
"	Q119683	DICKINSON J.F.	" "	13/12/41	"

H.Q. 30 INF. BDE
(Unit.)

23 JAN. 42
(Date of Despatch.)

J. Mansfield Field
for Lt. Col. ...
(Signature of Commander.)

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q. 30 Inf. Bde Depo me Pl. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

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

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LIEUT	V58449	LORD A.C	30th INF BDE DEFENCE PL		

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

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

30th INF. BDE DEFENCE PL.
(Unit.)
23 Jan 42
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
for Lt. Col. ... 30th Inf Bde
(Signature of Commander.)

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

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

H.Q. 30 INF. BDE (Unit) 23 Jan 1942 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2		
Serjeants	2		
Corporals			3
Troopers, Privates, &c.	38		16
TOTALS	42	*	* 19

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
V 52724	CPL.	LINDSAY W.H.	H.Q. 30 INF. BDE	G.D. + T.D. MURRAY BARRACKS
V 52603	PTE	DUFFELL E.T.	"	" "

M-Q 30 INF. BDE Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks		1	Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply		1	Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties		1	Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
BATMAN (A.A.S.C.)		1						
BATMAN (CAPT)		1						
BATMAN DVR (CH)		2	CA CLERK		1			
BATMEN		6						
ORDERLIES DVR M.A.		2						
DVR. M.T.		2						
SIG. ORDERLIES		2						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		17			2			

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

M-Q 30 Inf. Bde
Unit.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 23 JAN 42

[Signature]
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

30 INF. BDE. DEFENCE PL. (Unit) 23 Jan 1947 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	2		
Corporals	6	1	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	29		5 (COOK) TRADE GP II
TOTALS	37	* 1	* 6

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

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

Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks <i>G.P.U.</i>		1	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
<i>CORPORALS</i>	1							
<i>PRIVATES</i>		5						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	1	5						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.

(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

30 INF. BDE. DEFENCE PL

Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch *23 Jan 42*

8 M.D.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

30 Bde. H.Q. INTELLIGENCE REPORT NO 1

From Information Received up to 1800 hrs. 9 Jan 42

Ref. Map PORT MORESBY 1"

(This report embodies Provisional Pro Forma to be used in Int. Report within 30 Bde. Gp.)

A. OPERATIONAL

1 Movement of Trps. The following are the present general locations of Bde. trps.

	<u>Map Ref.</u>	
H.Q. 30 Inf. Bde. (with Def. Pl. and Sig. Sec.)	014014	Konedobu
13 Fd. Regt.	-	Murray Barracks
C Tp. A/Tk. Coy.	0400	At Stations on 3 Mile Hill
7 Fd. Coy.	-	Murray Barracks
39 Bn.	1105	7 Mile Aerodrome
49 Bn.		
B.H.Q. @ Details	0500	S.E. of vW/Transmitter
A Coy.	0599	
B Coy	0895	Pari Area.
C Coy	0699	
D Coy Sp.	1194)	
	1195)	Pyramid Pt. Area.
	1294)	
<u>Details</u>		
Post C	0895	Pari Area
Post D	8707	Porebada Area
53 Bn.		
53 Bn. less A @ B Coys.	0100	
A Coy	9602	
B Coy	9303	

2 The following will be concerned in moves within the next 72 hours.

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
H.Q. 30 Inf. Bde. (with Def. Pl @ Sig Sec.)	Konedobu	Murray Bks.
13 Fd. Regt.	Murray Bks.)	* To Bn. areas with
7 Fd. Coy.	Murray Bks.)	Bde. Op/Instn. Nol
*- C.O. 13 Fd. Regt. @ Details, O.C. 7 Fd. Coy.		
will be located with H.Q. 30 Inf. Bde. (Murray Barracks)		

3 ENEMY ACTIVITY

B TRAINING

4 (Regular reports re Tng. Of Trps. are essential)

C TOPOGRAPHICAL

5 (All inf/ collected should be forwarded IMMEDIATELY. Copies of Recce. Reports should be attached to Int. Reports as Appendices.)

6 In order to avoid confusion in the naming of Topographical features, all new names will be submitted through 30 Inf. Bde for confirmation by 8 M.D.

Map Refs. of place names used by 49 Bn. will be issued as an Appendix to a later Int. Report.

D MORALE

7 See note below regarding Unit Censorship Diary.

E MILITARY SECURITY

8 See also para re Unit Censorship Diary. Tps. must be impressed w. need for reticence in even apparently trivial matters. Fragrant breaches of security must IMMEDIATELY be reported through this H.Q. to Security Services 8 M.D. and the actual letter forwarded

F SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

9 A letter discussing Communist activities has been delivered by 53 Bn to Securities Services 8 M.D. The author had torn his address from the head of the letter.

G GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

10 Censorship of correspondence often provides unexpected sources of General Intelligence, in addition to being an obvious "pulse" of Morale, Security & Subversive Activities. Unit & sub-unit franking officers will keep running censorship diaries from which information will be digested under the above headings. Censorship diaries should be attached periodically to Int. Reports as Appendices.

Lieut.

B.I.O.30 Inf.Bde

Distribution

13 Pd. Regt.	Copy No.1
"C" Tp. 17 A/Tk Bty	2
7 Fd Coy	3
39 Bn	4
49 Bn	5
53 Bn	6
War Diary	7
File	8

For Information.

H Q, 8 M D. 9

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Received from 39 INF. BDE. H.Q., Copy No..... of Secret Document No. 1 (I) of 9 JAN 42.

Signed.....

Appointment.....

Date.....

TO BE RETURNED IMMEDIATELY IN UNSEALED ENVELOPE.

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Unit HQ 30 Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 29 Jan 42 To 30 Jan 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Supplementary				
Moresby Area	29 Jan	—	Lt Col KESSELS took over comd 49 Bde from Lt Col OLIVER who was shortly to return to AUSTRALIA.	
	30 Jan		Tng Instruction N ^o 2 issued	See att.
			J. Dwyer capt.	

H.Q., 30 Inf. Bde.
Murray Barracks,
30 Jan. 48.

39
49 D.
53 A.
13 d. Regt.
7 A. Coy, R.A.E.
"C" Tp. 17 A.Tk.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO. 2

1. The subjoined copy of message received from 8 H.D. is forwarded:-

"Japanese Forces advanced over hill tops, through country considered sufficient obstacle to require only light defence; British held valleys. Pillboxes a failure compared with slit trenches. Counter attacks by reserve troops after front line absorbed initial shock proved most effective. Japanese carried absolute minimum of equipment, though even privates had detailed maps of defences and own line of advance. Japanese attack in parties of fifty, half behind armed with auto rifles and half with grenades. Japanese units showed great bravery. Experience showed handicap of Army boots and equipment compared with Japanese rubber shoes and light portable weapons. Japanese advanced by night and dug in during day, relying on efficient supply lines for rations instead of burdening bodies of troops".

2. To meet the lessons from this message all C.Os. will review their defensive positions and administrative instructions in the following order:-

- (a) Beach defence is the primary task, but, where advantage can be taken of height for rifle sections, that position is to be prepared with a maximum of all round defence.
- (b) Review unlikely landing places with a view to strengthening the defences of those particular areas.
- (c) Place infantry reserves, all arms in defiladed areas where, for counter attack, they will not have to scale heights.
- (d) Counter attacks for full effect to be delivered immediately enemy's first phase has lost momentum.
- (e) Use slit trenches in lieu of Armo pillboxes, prepare alternative positions as foil for dive bombing and machine-gunning.
- (f) Ensure wiring of all positions to prevent being over-run.
- (g) As directed by the Commandant in a previous memorandum, positions **NOT** to be given up, even though the enemy has passed a post. This emphasises the necessity of all round defence by fire and wire.
- ~~that~~ Reserves by counter-attack will deal with infiltration.
- (h) C.Os. will ensure that personnel will be in possession of:-
 - (a) Arms, equipment (fighting order), grenades, pyrotechnics.
 - (b) Ground sheets, mosquito nets (without poles), iron ration, mess tin and utensils.

The retention of Packs, Blankets, Kit Bags is a temporary measure and these will, on an order from Bde. H.Q., be dumped under Coy. arrangements and to be moved, if possible, by "B" Echelon.

- (i) Ensure mobility of the soldier at all times, even though on foot.
- (j) Ensure completed plans for the destruction of all kinds of documents if they are likely to fall into enemy hands.

A. Bayanni Capt
for Major.
H.N., 30 Inf. Bde.

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Unit HQ 30/Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 1750hrs 1 Feb 42 To 3 Feb

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PORT MORESBY	1 Feb	1750	After "false alarm" sighting of shipping by 39 Bn and several similar "jumps", Bde Comd ordered all bns to be instructed to continue rapid reporting of sightings, even at risk of false alarms, then to discourage any tendency to "cry Wolf"	Ref WAR DIARY 31 Jan See Sig message I 55 - Appx I and Int Summary No 1 para 5. (Appx III) 39 Bn had mistaken BASILISK PASSAGE beacon for a cruiser and DAUGO ISLAND for a transport.
" "	2 Feb	1000	8 M.D. advised by phone that RAAF wanted KILA drone (which had formerly been obstructed and then cleared for use of WIRRAWAYS) to again obstructed.	49 Bn instructed by L/T.
" "	3 Feb	0255	39 Bn reported that its C. Coy had heard two flights of planes flying high over BOOTLESS INLET	Duty offr checked report with 8 M.D where duty offr stated they might be home- coming CATALINAS
		0259	Duty offr rang 49 Bn which confirmed hearing	planes.

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Ref Map PORT MORESBY 1:63360

Unit HQ 30 Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 0300 hrs 3 Feb To 1200 hrs 3 Feb

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PORT MORESBY	3 Feb	0300	Planes could now be heard very high over MORESBY. Duty offr phoned 8 M.D. and confirmed earlier report. 8 M.D. still checking up.	All bns advised by L/T "Air alert"
		0307	Duty offr phoned back to 8 M.D. and ascertained that "planes were enemy and MORESBY alarm sounded. MORESBY Raid No 1 was on	Bde HQ alarm sounded and all units notified by L/T "Air alarm"
		0325 - 0340	After circling over MORESBY for 25 mins, planes dropped first bombs vicinity KILA KILA and from then on bombs were dropped until when an orange-coloured flare was seen and planes made off after firing two short bursts of M.G. fire.	
		0345	All clear sounded at Bde HQ on advice 8 M.D.	All bns notified by Lt
		1200	From reports from unit 1.05 and Cpl 7th Coy Capt MCKENZIE who conducted recess of crater, following estimate of bombs dropped and damage done was formed and conveyed to 8 M.D. by B.I.O. Capt BENJAMIN :-	
			KILA : 7 bombs within radius of 100 yds of rd junction 048994 NW of KILA drone.	Damage Nil
			7 MILE : 1 bomb North of drone 75 West of ROUNA rd. Reports of two more unexploded bombs were found NOT to be correct.	" "
			53 Pm : 17 bombs were dropped in close proximity to C. Coy posn - LAWES rd	" "

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Ref map FORT MORESBY 1563360

Unit HQ 30 Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 1200 hrs 3 Feb To 0330 hrs 4 Feb.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PORT MORESBY	3 Feb	1200	Air Raid No 1 (contd) ELA Beach - 3 bombs vicinity AASC mess 1. bomb in sea and possibly 2 more also in sea Total 29 bombs at least, possibly 31	Baking store demolished taken and Nurses quarters damaged. Casualties NIL in Bde Gp but 1 killed and 2 wounded amongst other tps
		1600	B.I.O. Capt BENJAMIN with L.O. 8 M.D. Lieut KELLOCK interviewed Station Comd RAAN Comd HUNT and obtained details of form in which RAAN required sightings of ships. Also obtained from 8 M.D. form in which RAAF required bombing reports.	
		1930	Bde Int Conference at Offrs Mess HQ 30 Inf Bde. Present Capt BENJAMIN (Bde) Capt MCKELL (49 Bn), Capt MCCORMACK (53 Bn) Lieut MCQUADE (13 Ed Regt) Lieut GOVATT (39 Bn). Proformas for naval sightings and bombing reports were given to I.O's together with official report of MORESBY Raid No 1. B.I.O. confirmed that daily SITREPS from units were to supersede weekly Int Reports previously rendered.	
	4 Feb	0300 - 0330 (Approx)	Air raid sirens sounded in MORESBY and on advice from 8 M.D. Bde alarm was sounded. All clear sounded 0330 hrs (approx)	Alarm due to mech fault in POWERHOUSE Alarm system.

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Unit HQ 30 Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 0800hrs 4 Feb To 5 Feb

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PORT MORESBY	4 Feb	0800	53 Bn HQ opened new posn. 13 Fd Regt - D. Tr 50 Fd Bty now in Bde res C Tr 50 Fd Bty guns in beach defence	See Appx III para 3 for new posns.
		1100	New orders for guards and patrols issued	
	5 Feb	0310	MORESBY Air Raid No 2. Account in 30 Inf Bde	See Appx III para I
		- 0345	Int Summary No 1 is correct except that 10 bomb craters were later found in GOAL GARDENS area, which is NOT in MORESBY but approx 10 miles North)	
		0945	Capt MCKELL reported that 49 Bn observers estimated that planes in Raids 1 and 2 both seemed to pick up posns from PRUTH wreck and may have used navigation leads on VANUKORI. Permission sought to cover leads.	1310 Capt BENJAMIN with L.O. 8 M.D. Lieut KELLOCK obtained permission from RAAN (Comd HUNT) to cover leads until RAAN ordered uncovering
		1930	49 Bn informed by LIT that leads might be covered and to remain covered until further orders from RAAN through 30 Inf Bde or, in case of emergency, direct from RAAN.	To provide for emergency map ref of Comd Alay 49 Bn (Coy HQ) was conveyed to 8 MD for use by RAAN D/R in case of intercomm through 30 Inf Bde NOT being possible.

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Ref map FORT MORESBY 1:53360
Date and Time.—From 0830 hrs 6 Feb To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PORT MORESBY	6 Feb.	0830	30 Inf Bde Gp O.O. No 2 issued superseding O.O. No 1	See att. as Appx IV
" "	7 Feb.	2000 approx	Air raid sirens sounded in MORESBY. All units warned by LIT air alert.	Duty offr communicated with HQ SMD and after an interval all bns and MURRAY BARRACKS switch were notified by LIT that there had been and would be NO air alarm from Bde.
" "	7 Feb.	2000 -	HQ C.P. 17 ATK Regt now at rd bend 068038. It in Bde res. Adjut 39 Bw requested P.I.O. Capt BENJAMIN to visit Bn H.Q. where he learnt that Padre 39 Bw and R.M.O. (Capt EDWARDS) had that day visited village square 1895 near TUPUSULEI and had become very suspicious of three brothers named AH WONG, half-castes. One had some years ago fished for trochus with TOMMIE TANAKA and TETU (internees) had an intimate knowledge of reefs, AH WONGS were in possession of a ketch, and as a result of evacuees leaving material in their charge, also had a motor launch three trucks and three cars. Also had a camera, possibly a wireless receiver and very large stores of food.	
				AH WONGS house in close proximity of defensive position C. Coy 39 Bw. After conference with C.O. and Staff decided that attempt should be made to clear out this village. I.O. SMD Capt HILDER was phoned by B.I.O. and "form" of AH WONGS checked on. Appt with B.I.O. 1000 hrs 8 Feb.

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Date and Time.—From 1000 hrs 8 Feb To 2400 8 Feb.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PORT MORESBY	8 Feb	1000	Capt HILDER called on B.I.O. and authorised any appropriate action necessary to clear out AH WONGS. Also issued verbal order that in future preliminary bombing reports to be sent to 8 M.D. one hour after each raid and full reports as soon as possible after daylight.	All bns ordered by B.I.O. (to 1.03) by Lt. that preliminary bombing reports will be sent within one hour after each raid followed by full reports two hours later or two after daylight (whichever is later)
		1045 - 1200	Bde Comd (Lt Col HATTON) held conference of all C.O.s at Bde HQ. Present:—Lt Col FOX (13 Fd Regt) Lt Col CONRAN (39 Bn) Lt Col RESSELS (49 Bn) Lt Col WARD (53 Bn) Capt MCKENZIE (7 Fd Coy) Lieut BARNETT (Bde Sig Sec) Lieut KILPATRICK (C Troop 17 ATK Regt) all Adjts of bns also present. Principal matter on agenda was action to be taken to minimise casualties in air raids and to co-ordinate air alarm system.	
		1230 - 1730	B.I.O. (Capt BENJAMIN) and I.O. 39 Bn (Lieut LOYATT) on recce to AH WONGS' Village. As THREE MILE VALLEY Rd was known to be impassable after heavy rains, C.O. 39 Bn sent a sec of carriers to the recce party and obtain incidental info. Recce did NOT disclose any evidence of suspicious activity by AH WONGS, but it was decided to evacuate this village as a precaution.	See 30 Inf Bde Int Summary No. 3 para 99 (iii) - Appx III

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Date and Time.—From 000 hrs 9 Feb To 2400 hrs 11 Feb.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PORT MORESBY	10 Feb	0200	alarms were heard by duty offr in direction MORESBY Co.I.C. contacted and it advised there was no alarm. Blee alarm NOT sounded, and all bus and MURRAY BARRACKS Exchange were advised by L/T "all clear" (There was a high wind blowing at this time and CATAZ-INAS in Harbour were compelled to shift berth, causing engine noise)	Investigation later showed that RAAF (KONEDOBU) and three boys of 53 Pm had sounded alarm without authority. 53 Pm to take disciplinary action against alarmists.
	11 Feb.	1045-1130 approx.	Enemy recce flight over MORESBY	} See 50 Inf Bde Int Summary No. 2 para aa. Appx III
	" "	1220-1234 approx	Second enemy recce flight	
	" "	2000	C.O.I.C. passed by L/T message from 8 MD to all units - "During hrs of daylight air raid alarm will be firing of AA Bty. All other air raid alarm seqs. will be discontinued during daylight"	Passed to all units 30 Inf Bde Gp by Sig message I 69 Appx IV a/ Benjamin Capt

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Unit HQ 30 Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 0001 hrs 14 Feb To 2400 hrs 16 Feb 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
FORT MORESBY	14 Feb	0505	C.O.I.C. passed AWA message re unidentified planes heading NW. All units warned but alarm NOT sounded.	See 30 Inf Bde Int Summary No 3 para aa.
"	15 Feb	1253 -1300	C.O.I.C. advised that PAGA had sighted an unidentified plane high up over MORESBY. No alarm developed, and after approx 15 mins plane was heard to fly off NE. C.O.I.C. later reported it identified as a Serial 5A.	All units and BARRACKS exchanged warned.
"	15 Feb	1325	Capt PROCTOR, D Coy, 53 Pm reported through his Pm HQ a native story that 15 paratroops had been dropped approx 40 miles NW BOERA 12 Feb. Lieut GORE of 7.I.B. who was at HQ 15 Pl, 53 Pm was to investigate.	Advised C.O.I.C. and progress to be reported to G.I.
"		2130	Conference at HQ Bde of G.I. (Lt Col PITT) C.I.I. (Lt Col BERGIN) I.O. 53 Pm (Capt MCCORMICK) Lieut GORE and B.I.O. on result of Lieut GORE'S investigation at BOERA decided that story warranted further careful investigation.	See 30 Inf Bde Int Summary No 5 para aa for steps taken and result. (Appx III)
"	16 Feb	1205 - 1230 hrs	Enemy recon plane over MORESBY. No alarm.	See 30 Inf Bde Int Summary No 4 para aa (Appx III) and No 5 para aa. (also Appx III)

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Unit

Date and Time.—From 000hrs 17 Feb To 1200 hrs 21 Feb.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Vicinity TUPUSOLEI	18 Feb	1100	13 Fd Regt practice shoot. Bde Comd and B.M. in attendance.	See 30 Inf Bde Int Summary No 5 para 99. (Appx III)
Vicinity SMELTERS	19 Feb	1000	13 Fd Regt shoot.	See above.
Vicinity GABATU	20 Feb	1100 0930-1200	13 Fd Regt shoot. Bde Comd and B.M. on recce to 53 Pm area with C.O. inspecting new posns. No adjustments were found necessary. Ascertained that 53 Pm had contacted those RAAF offrs who would comd RAAF contingent responsible for defence MORESBY Town Area. Recce of posns by these offrs proceeding but difficulty of marshalling & moving RAAF personnel into defensive posns noted.	See Int Summary No 6 para 99 Appx III See 53 Pm O.O.
	21 Feb	1030 1200	Conference of C.Os and Adjts at Bde HQ. Agenda: Introduction of new G II Maj WALKER G I Col PITT addressed conference on itng policy. Question of slowness of supply of information was raised by C.O. 39 Pm and G I stated that all available information was being and would be passed on rapidly. C.Os present same as on Feb 8 also present new G III (O) Cpt SHAW.	

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Unit HQ 30 Inf Bde Date and Time.—From 21 Feb To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
SEVEN MILE (T. Sp. to next page)	26 Feb	1015	39 Bn reported an unexploded bomb found in A Coy area - map ref 085 053. Hole about 2ft in diameter	Informed C.O.I.C. 39 Bn instructed to perimeter 100 yds radius all round
MURRAY BARRACK & MOLESBY AREA.	22	1325	Enemy recon aircraft sighted by Cpl NORMAN, Bde Int Sec. 49 Bn advised plane overhead 1328. Seemed same type as recon jet 16 Feb. (B.I.O. rang C.O.I.C. but that centre was temporarily out of comm owing to an accidental fire at C.O.I.C.)	Comm. estab at 1345 hrs.
		1331	Plane came from NE circled and went behind cloud flying NE. AA guns went into action and engaged intermittently until 1338 hrs. All AA Secs (less MORRIS HILL Sec) engaged target, which was identified as a Serial 18	
			G.O.C. 8 MD. (Major Gen MORRIS) commenced a tour of inspection of bases to view defensive positions. He was to spend two days with each base.	

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Unit HQ 30 Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 22 Feb 42 To 26 Feb 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MURRAY BARRACKS	22 Feb	2215	An unidentified number of "HUDSON Mark VI" were reported by C.O.I.C. as due to arrive MORESBY from approx 0800 hrs 23 Feb. They would bear U.S.A. markings. Information NOT to be generally published.	0615 hrs 23 Feb personally notified I.O.'s (if any) or Comd of each unit concerned.
"	23 "	0850	First U.S.A. bombers sighted - They were 4-engined.	The ^{sergeant} noticed markings and showed obvious enthusiasm, which was shared by all officers at H.Q.
		0855	Three more U.S.A. bombers arrived. SEVEN MILE. Three bombers had departed by same time 24 Feb and fourth soon followed.	
MORESBY Area	24	1225-1300	MORESBY Raid No 3. First daylight raid.	See Int Summary No 8 Appx 1, and No 9 para aa.
"	25	1055-1155	Enemy Recce Flt	See Int Summary No 8 para aa.
"	26	1700	39 Pm brought in a bomb fragment bins long by 2 ins wide consisting of a painted green metal strip on which enclosed in a black cube were two Japanese characters. I formed 8 M.D.	By discussion with Capt Lloyd h.o. and interpreted 8 M.D., it was established that characters were "for round the" near "for round the"

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Unit HQ 30 Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 27 Feb 42 To 28 Feb 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TUPUSULEI	27 Feb	1900	39 Bn I.O. reported that natives in hill village map ref 140010 were short of food and had been turned back by M.Ps when on way to MORESBY to replenish stocks	Rang Lt Col ELLIOT-SMITH, 17 MILE who requested safe conduct of natives to that place. Arranged with 39 Bn.
	27 Feb	1455	Enemy Recce Flt	See Int Summary No 12
MORESBY Area	28 Feb	1315	Warning received through C.O. I.C. of approaching planes. MORESBY Raid No 4	See Int Summary No 12 para aa and No 12!
			Appxs NOT abovementioned	
			<u>VIII</u> File of Bde HQ Routine Orders	
			<u>VIII</u> File of AF W 3008 and 3009	
			<u>IX</u> Sig diagram.	

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30 INF. BDE. INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO. 1.

Ref. Map Port Moresby 1:63360.

1. ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY - MORESBY RAID NO. 2.

1. TIME: Planes first heard 0255 hrs., first bombs dropped 0335 hrs., planes made off 0345 hrs. Roughly identical with Raid No. 1, except for longer searching period before first bomb.

2. NUMBER OF PLANES: At least 5. Some observers counted 6.

3. TYPE OF PLANES: Monoplane, probably 4 engined. (XXXXXXXX KAWASINI Type 97 or MITSUBISHI Type 96).

TACTICS AND FORMATIONS: Following is from report of Capt. G.P. Spring, o/c "C" Coy., 53 Bn., who observed from Ref. Map Port Moresby 1:63360 020009.

"Formation approached up coast from S.E. A recon plane broke formation when off entrance to reef, approached town from S.W. and moved on line generally along South of harbour front. Was distinctly observed by me crossing face of moon at height judged 6000/8000 feet... This plane moved in a large circle and at approx. 0412 came in on exact course at same height, passing across face of moon. As it moved away over LOCAL ISLAND area it appeared to lose height... As first plane moved in on recon, 5 planes of similar type were observed flying in a close arrow in Easterly direction. I do NOT know their course until the third circle was being commenced by recon plane when they appeared to join it from LALORUA Island area. As planes came in on third run they appeared slightly lower. Immediately prior to bombing, two dull red slow moving objects were observed to fall toward town from first plane. These were followed within 15 secs. by bomb bursts. Planes were then following slightly more Southerly course than on first and second recon. Estimated height of bombing 5,000 - 6,000 feet."

Other observers noted that planes appeared to establish poss. from PRUTH Wreck and TAUHANA - a point noted also in Raid No. 1.

2. BOMBING REPORTS from all Bns. will be rendered to these H.Q. as usual) ^(Bombs Dropped etc. cont. after Topographics) as practicable after conclusion of any future Raids, in accordance with pro forma already communicated to I.Cs.

3. OWN TPS. - CHANGES IN POSNS.

(a) 53 Bn. now occupies sector incl. KLEVALA - incl. KOKI Village with A Coy. on right, C Coy. on left, B Coy (res.) vicinity CRUKERY and Bn. H.Q. at 035022, D Coy. remaining on NAPA NAPA (WARDS) PENINSULAR, with deta. vicinity PORBADA and vicinity RAKOO

(b) "C" Tp. 50 Fd. Bty now has 18 pds. at 011028, 013025, 024001 and 036992. "D" Tp. 50 Fd. Bty. is in res. at 050029.

4. SIGHTINGS OF AIRCRAFT AND SHIPPING: Pro formas for sightings reports, which have been provided by R.A.N. and R.A.A.F., have been promulgated to all I.Cs. Purpose of using these pro formas is to attempt to obtain information more detailed and exact, and "pre-digested" for feeding to other services.

5. TOPOGRAPHICAL:

(a) Map ref. of PRUTH wreck is 039898 (This should be useful for distance and tonnage. Comparisons: PRUTH was approx. 5,000 tons

(b) Map of THE BEACON at BASILISK PASSAGE is approx. 982930 From East of BOOTLESS INLET this beacon has appearance of a ship seen bow-on, and may be confusing under conditions of poor visibility.

ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY (Continued)

X 6. BOMBS DROPPED etc.

(a) Estimated 14 dropped on MORESBY area:-

- I. S M.D. H.Q. (fire started and dynamite in B.P. Store set off by sympathetic detonation).
- I. Steamships Store.
- I. STEAMSHIPS Timber Store (fire started).
- 4. In SEA SOUTH side R.A.A.F. Hangar.
- 4. In " NORTH " " "
- I. GAOL GARDENS.
- I. Rear R.A.A.F. Hangar.
- I. Vicinity KONEDOBU Camp.

(b) Estimated 3 dropped in ELA BEACH vicinity A.A.S.C. mess, which was demolished.

(c) Several bursts of M.G. fire as planes departed. Target evidently wreckage of A.A.S.C. mess.

(d) Size and type of bombs and craters same as Raid No. 1/
Unexploded NIL.

7. CASUALTIES NIL.

8. DEFENCE Passive. 30 Inf. Bde. alarm sounded 0256 (approx).

9. WEATHER Full moon, but overcast.

10. GENERAL Nil.

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11 Feb. '42.

30 INF. BDE.

Int. Summary No. 2.

(Ref. map PORT MORESBY 1:63360)

(Pre forma as for Sitreps.)

PART 1. INTERNAL.

aa. MORESBY Raid No. 2. Account given in Int. Summary No. 1. confirmed, except that ten craters were found in GOAL GARDENS (vicinity Nine Mile) NOT one as previously stated.

Recco Flights 11 Feb.

Times Flight. (i) 1045 to 1130 approx.

(ii) 1220 to 1234 approx.

Numbers of Planes : Flight (i) At least two.

Flight (ii) One.

Types:

Flight (i) KAWANISI Type.97.

Flight (ii) Same or MITSUBISHI Type 96.

Formations and Tactics.

During both flights single planes circled over town between 17,000 and 20,000 feet.

Defence.

Passive. Ack Ack Bty. stood by to engage planes if target presented but guns were NOT fired. MORESBY and 23 A.A. Bty. alarms sounded during Flight (i), also H.Q. 53 Bn. H.Q. 30 Inf. Bde. ordered "An alert" during both flights but Alarm was NOT sounded.

cc. "C" Tp. 17 A/Tk. Regt. now in Bde.res. vicinity rd. bend 068038 opposite house named "WANGA".

ff. Bombing attacks made on enemy naval targets at GASHATA; 10 Feb, did NOT, according to R.A.A.F., succeed in hitting any enemy shipping but damaged runway of GASHATA landing ground.

gg. O.P.'s. To simplify sightings / reports, following O.P.'s which are continuously manned by bns, will be referred to as shown in col 2 below :-

1. Unit.	2. Ref.	3. Previous ref (if any)	4. Location.
49 Bn.	Post A.	KILA KILA Hill.	045989
"	"	B. DRYSDALE'S Hill.	126944
"	"	C. Post "C"	093959
53 Bn.	"	D. Post "D"	890066
"	"	E. BOREA.	853110
"	"	F. MAVARALOLA.	952019
"	"	G. ---	023005
"	"	H. ---	995045
"	"	I. ---	001045
"	"	J. ---	003041
50 Bn.	"	K. ---	028031
39 Bn.	"	L. TUPTITOP	092017
"	"	M. ROBINSON'S LOOKOUT.	188957

50 Inf. Bde. Int. Summary No. 2. PART 1. - INTERNAL. (Cont'd)88 (ii). Sightings of shipping.

To provide a basis of comparison for sightings reports following information has been obtained from R.A.N. re ships which have in past frequently called at PORT MORESBY.

Serial.	Vessel.	Approx. Tonnage.	Remarks.
1.	MACDHUI.	4,600	1 funnel amidships, very square, two straight masts, square bridge.
2.	MALAITA.	5,300	Similar build to MACDHUI
33	TULAGI†	2,300	Goal-post masts, small squat funnel toward stern.
4.	MULIAMA.	700	1 funnel toward stern. Looks like a small tanker.
5.	MAMUTU.	300	1 funnel Inter-island trader. Now in port having come off slips.
6.	MAKO.	400	Similar to MAMUTU.

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Distribution.

39 Bn.
49 Bn.
53 Bn.
13 Pd. Regt.
7 Pd. Coy.
"C" Tp. 17 A/Tk. Regt.

Int. Summary. No. 2.

PART II. - EXTERNAL.

Japanese Equipment and Tactics.

(1). H.E. BOMBS.

Japanese have H.E. bombs following weights 50, 60, 250 and 500 kilos. All filled picric or hexamite and anisol. Any yellow or yellow green powder found near bomb crater should **NOT** be touched with bare hands, should be buried. Contact causes acute dermatitis. Suspect a small bomb similar to grenade used bright flash on impact and small crater. Presumed anti personnel. Many bombs camouflaging (exploding underground) care should be taken in vicinity of point of entry of bomb. Unexploded bombs make holes 50 kilo 8 inches by 14 inches. Long delay fuses ^{250 kilo 14 inches by 10 inch} 30 minutes ^{500 kilo 19 inch by 30 inch} 11 to 15 hours and up to 125 hours being used. Only short delays used MALAYA to date. Incendiary bombs 50, 60 and 50 kilo partially H.E. partially incendiary. 50 kilo consists of 3 containers each electron filled with thermite. Explosion ejects these from bomb casing. Each container ejects small stars which cause subsidiary fires. Some cases containers have not ejected but continue to burn in bomb body, which causes major fire. 60 kilo consists of steel casing inside steel casing of bomb. On impact this usually ejected from its outer casing. A thermite filled central tube ignites paraffin wax mixed with kerosene, causes major fire. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~. Some bombs reported as unexploded. This due to finding hole 10" to 16" diameter where bomb has entered soft ground. If examination reveals smoke being emitted from hole or heat felt it is incendiary. If neither present grey blue powder may be found, this caused by burning of thermite underground. Hole may be filled with water or later filled in. Japanese gas bombs usually 50 kilo in weight filled SO-SO mustard - Lewisite gases. No gas used MALAYA (to 13 Jan. 42.)
(H.B. S.N. 717)

(2) COMBINED H.E. & INCENDIARY.

A new type is reported as being used. It is partly H.E. and partly incendiary. H.E. causes a crater not quite as large as that caused by a normal 50 kilo bomb. The incendiary element consists of numerous small pieces of black rubber, one inch long and $\frac{1}{2}$ " in diameter and suspected to be impregnated with phosphorus. This rubber is thrown to a radius of at least 50 yards and is likely to ignite during any period up to at least 2 hours. To extinguish, cover rubbers with sand, earth or water.

(3) JAPANESE TPT. AND CYCLISTS.

Motor transport and Cyclists bunch up both on the move and when halted and lights are frequently used at night. Our troops have had considerable success with ambushes, as local protection whilst on the move and when halted is very poor.

(4) EQUIPMENT.

Equipment is very light and only the minimum is carried above arms and ammunition. Dress is often not military, Commanders wearing a single white sash at night and H.C.Os. a white arm band.

(5) SMALL ARMS FIRE.

is inaccurate, but mortars and grenades are being well used. Mortars are probably 70 mm. and most likely "Stokes" type, but prisoners have no knowledge of them other than "Grenade Dischargers". It is being reported that Tommy guns are being used, but prisoners disclaim any knowledge of this, and these guns are **NOT** part of a normal armament. There is a tendency to aim forward tps. with M.G. and possibly Tommy guns. These produce fire power effect and create the impression that the forces are more heavily armed than actually is the case.

Japanese armament is less effective than the British

Int. Summary No. 2. Part II. - External.
Japanese Equipment and Tactics. (Cont'd)

- (6) GENERAL TACTICS, appear to consist of a vigorous advance using the roads until contact is gained; a direct frontal attack avoided. Small parties carry out attacks on flanks and rear by an outflanking movement through the jungle, river and sea. These tactics show considerable initiative. (M.B. S.M. 433)

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Distribution :-

39 Bn.
 49 Bn.
 53 Bn.
 13 Pd. Regt.
 7 Pd. Coy.
 "G" Tp. 17 A/T. Bty.

(7) JAPANESE MED. TKs.

- (a) According to a recent report from MALAYA it has been established that the Medium tk (1937-1939) being used by the Japanese has ~~2 1/2~~ 2" armour on the turret and front and ~~1 1/2~~ 1 1/2" armour on sides. Armament consists of 1 M.M.G. mounted in the rear of the turret, 1-57 (?) mm. gun in front of the turret and 1 L.M.G. in rear hull. As M.M.G. has a very limited traverse the tk must turn before fire can be brought to bear on a flank target.
- (b) Same report revealed that the following tactics were used by the Japanese in MALAYA :- Each armoured patrol consisted of from 3 to 5 Fighting Vehicles headed by a Medium tank and invariably the patrols used only the main roads. Experience ~~has~~ shown that they are not a menace to deployed troops and that our force should deploy, re-organise and advance under cover ignoring the fire from the A.P.Vs. The latter continue down the road, firing at everything visible. Our road-blocks, backed by A/Tk guns have proved to be an effective counter-measure.

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aa. SUSPECTED ACTIVITY 14 FEB.

At 0500 hrs. approx. this morning A.W.A. received a message that three unidentified planes were heading N.W. A.W.A. could NOT pick up Station call sign. Accordingly NOT known where these planes were sighted, but it is suspected that a raid on PORT MORESBY was being attempted.

bb. GASMATA. Prior to R.A.A.F. raid on 11 Feb., five destroyers, three merchant ships and one tanker had been reported there by R.A.A.F. reces. After that raid one merchant vessel was left blazing for two thirds of its length and another blazing all over. During successful P/R 13 Feb, by an R.A.A.F. HUDSON, only one merchant vessel was sighted at GASMATA; but it is NOT known whether the others had been destroyed by previous raid. Enemy destroyers showed an intimate knowledge of reef passage at GASMATA in dispersing and dodging during earlier raids.

cc. RABAU. Station DLD, GERMANY on 2 Feb. broadcast as follows:
"TOKYO. After occupying Flying Field WUNAKOKOR (VUNAKANAU) in NEW BRITAIN, in the BISMARCK ARCHIPELAGO, Japanese forces are advancing along the coast of the Island to the SOUTH. Imperial H.Q. has announced, 'In course of operations in the BISMARCK ARCHIPELAGO 200 prisoners were captured, 4 aircraft, 3 tanks and other war material was captured by January 29th.' "

ee. N.G.V.R. now has dets. at each BULOLO, SALAMAUA, WAU and LAE. No contact with enemy. Enemy has NOT landed at any point on MAINLAND of NEW GUINEA or PAPUA.

gg. (1). PAGA BTY shoot, 10 Feb. Following is from Report of Shoot by O.C. Bty., Maj. BAKER :-
"A Practice Shoot was carried out by PAGA Bty. on morning 10 Feb. In all, 36 Rounds were fired, made up as follows : 4 Plugged Rounds (Ranging), 20 Powder Filled and 12 H.E.
All safety precautions were taken and method of Ranging by one Round Battery fire. Allotment of ammunition : 18 Rounds per series making a Practice shoot of 2 series. Visibility was good and both B Comds' initial corrections for line proved correct and no alteration for line was necessary after observing Ranging rounds.
Owing to the nature of the target all rounds falling short minus or short plus must be considered as hits as records show on a correction of only 25 yards to range being given the fall of shot altered from one side of the target to the opposite side.
Also all plus rounds exploded after passing through the hulk, the resistance of which was NOT sufficient to explode the shell.
Whilst it was not possible to dislodge the wreck, the results of the shoot must be considered very satisfactory and recorded number of hits observed are as follows:-

<u>Series 1</u>	<u>Series 2</u>
14 hits.	5 hits.
Total Hits Recorded	19
Total Rounds Fired	36.

It is possible more hits were recorded but can NOT be classed as such, owing to no flank observation being maintained.

(ii) KILA KILA Village. (Square 0498) has been completely evacuated. 49 Bn. had had trouble with natives of this village, who showed light during blackouts. Most of inhabitants proceeded to TUPUSULEI.

(iii) Unnamed Village. (Square 1895) is in process of being completely evacuated, owing to its proximity to defensive positions 39 Bn. Inhabitants included three brothers named AH WONG, who were well known to mil. authorities 8 M.D. as suppliers to army of timber and fish. AH WONGS with families and all workboys from village are being moved to GAOL GARDENS. AH WONG'S ketch "BLUEJACKET" and launch "NANCY LEE" (owned by WHYBOURNE of REGO, but left with AH WONG) has now been left in control of O.C., C Coy, 39 Bn, together with M.T. formerly in possession of AH WONGS

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eg. (IV) MERRIGEDDA Mission Station has been vacated by S.D.A. Mission and is now occupied exclusively as H.Q., C Coy. 39 Bn.

11(i) INFORMATION RE MOON AND TIDES.

Following has been supplied by N.O.I.C., R.A.A.N.

- (a) New moon was 15 Feb.
Full moon will be 3 Mar.
New moon will be 16 Mar.
Full moon will be April 1.
- (b) Spring Tides occur at Full and New Moon, Full moon tides being the bigger. Max. rise at Springs 8-9 feet. Neap tides are half-way between Springs.
- (c) At Neap tides occurs a "Stand", when the tide does not vary more than one foot during a period of about 36 hrs.
- (d) Tides are 40 minutes later every day e.g: H.W. today 1200 hrs.
H.W. tomorrow 1240 hr
Tides take 6 hrs. 10 mins. approx. to either rise or fall.
- (e) At present in MORESBY area, there is a slight difference in height between day and night tides. The night or early morning tides fall lower and rise higher than the day ones.

(ii) MAGNETIC VARIATION. Magnetic Variation in MORESBY area according to Govt. Svy. Office and Lands Dept. is $5^{\circ} 30'$ EAST and $36'$ EAST as shown in F.S.P.B. Pam. 12 Table No. 9. Annual change is NOT appreciable and, according to Local Observation, annual variation of $4''$ East, as shown in the abovementioned table, does NOT take place

(iii) EXTRACTS FROM RECCE REPORTS.

- (a) CALLOW Rd. from SMELTERS Ry. line at approx. 185003 to ROUND Rd. at junc. approx 143097. This was reced and named by 39 Bn. I. Sec on 1 Feb. 42.
"Rd. is really only a bush track without formation. At time of recce, after approx 1 inch of rain had fallen, rd. was very soft and there were indications where trucks had been bogged that day. MERRIGEDDA Mission tel. line runs along this rd. Rd. surface could readily be improved".
- (b) Rd. from 7 mile to MERRIGEDDA Mission Stat.
"This rd. is good in dry weather but would be impassable in wet weather to any other vehicle than those with tracks.
- (c) There is no rd. East of rd. 190952 to MERRIGEDDA. There is however, a native footpath from MERRIGEDDA Mission to TUPUSULEI Village and thence from the Village to Tupusulei
- (d) Area between TUPUSULEI and BARAKAU is impassable to any type of vehicle owing to soft sand, mangroves and several headlands, which consist of huge boulders.

Distribution:

- Copy No. 1. 13 Fd. Regt.
- 2. "C" Tp. 17 A.Tk. Regt.
- 3. 7 Fd. Coy.
- 4. 39 Bn.
- 5. 49 Bn.
- 6. 53 Bn.
- 7. 8 M.D.
- 8. Paga Bty.
- 9. War Diary.
- 10. File.

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Copy No.//.....
17 Feb 42.

30 Inf. Bde.

Int. Summary No. 4.

(Ref. map PORT MORESBY 1:63360)

(Pro-forma as for 30 Inf. Bde. Sitreps)

PART 1. INTERNAL.

- aa. (i) PORT MORESBY Enemy Recce. 16 Feb.
Single enemy plane which recedded MORESBY area between approx 1205 and 1220 16 Feb., was identified as Serial 5A. Type 97 KAWASAKI KAWA (Army Hy Bomber). TUAGUBA A.A.Bty. engaged at heights ranging from 15 -20,000 ft, firing 12 rs. and claim a hit on port wing with second salvoe. Plane dissappeared into a convenient cloud drifting N.E. out of range. MORRIS HILL A.A. Bty. did NOT open fire.
- (ii) DARWIN. A U.S.A. ship was recently attacked by one Serial 43, 60 miles N.W. of DARWIN. NO damage or aasualties reported.
- (iii) PALEMBANG 12 Feb. Enemy air attack intercepted by Hurricane which shot down three bombers. One Hurricane lost.
- (iv) DILLI. 15 Feb. Reported machine-gunned by two enemy fighters.
- ee. RABAU. After Japanese landings 22/23 Jan. our forces now reported to have divided into two cols, one going over KERAVAT R. (S.W. of RABAU) other toward MALABUNGA. These cols now scattered in small parties in these areas. NO definite casualty information.
- ff. RABAU Recce/14 Feb. Disclosed eleven tpts, one probably aircraft carrier, three cruisers, three destroyers and twelve seaplanes. At VUNAKANAU, Six hy bombers, eight twin-engined planes and five single-engined planes.
- gg. (i) SHIPPING.
- (1) WANAKA, Tpt approx 2,500 tons arrived approx 0630 hrs 17 Feb. MALAITA arrived approx 1000 hrs 16 Feb departed approx 1800 16 Feb after unloading deck cargo incl one Sec A.A. guns. Gun crews also disembarked.
- ELAVALA, Schooner, 1000 tons arrived 1830 hrs 17 Feb.
- (ii) Rumour.
A sig att. to 39 Bn was charged under Army Act Sec. 5 Subsec.5, and today admonished by C.O. 39 Bn. for spreading a report calculated to cause unnecessary alarm on dispondency. Rumour was that four Catalinas had been captured by Japanese with bomb loads intact, and that, consequently 23 A.A. Bty. had orders to fire on any "Cats" approaching with loaded bomb-racks. This was entirely false but manner in which rumour almost certainly grew is instructive:-
- Stage 1. Two Hudsons reported missing after raid on GASMATA .
(True). // (raid. (False))
- Stage 2. Four Hudsons missing and captured after GASMATA
- " 3. Four "Cats" captured when RABAU was captured. (False.)
- " 4. Four "Cats" captured with bomb load intact. (False.)
- " 5. Order to A.A. defence to fire on suspicious "Cats".
- (iii) Censorship. Recent deletions found necessary are refs to following :
- (a) Presence of "Yanks" in MELBOURNE and BRISBANE.
- (b) R.A.A.F. personnel wounded in action being in hospital PORT MORESBY.
- (c) Exedus of natives to bush (revealing loss of labour resource).
- (d) Exaggerated dysentery casualties.
- (e) Fact or possibility of Units changing location or "going bush".
- Generally Security-mindedness in correspondence seems to be improving.

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COPY NO. 12

30 INF. BDE.

INT. SUMMARY NO. 5.

19 Feb. 42

(ref. map PORT MORESBY I:63:360).

(Pro forma as for 30 Inf. Bde. Sitreps)

PART I - Internal.

- aa. (i) MORESBY Enemy Recce 16 Feb.
(Ref. para aa 30 Inf. Bde. Int. Summary No. 4)
23 A.A. Bty., which observed enemy plane through powerful instruments, identified it as a Serial 10, FIAT B.R.20, Hy Army Bomber. Identification was based on tapering of wings both front and rear, NOT only in rear, as in Serial 5 A. (Comparison of these two Serials shows that this point and difference in number of tail fins are only notable differences between these types). 30 rs. were fired at this plane, first being fired at approx. 23,000 ft.
- (ii) Enemy recce planes have been sighted over SAMARAI (18 Feb) and SALAMAU (18 & 19 Feb).
- cc. (i) Rumoured KEREMA landing. Native reports which reached 15 Pl., 53 Bn. on night 14/15 Feb. stated that about 15 tps. landed 12 Feb. from a big plane this side KEREMA (N.W. Coast). Reports were NOT clear as to whether tps. had parachuted from plane or disembarked after a landing. Tps. were said to have been armed with Tommy guns, to have camped near beach under a fly and then moved inland near MOIARE. A native who went inland after them was reported NOT to have returned. After checking of native reports by 53 Bn. and a P.I.B. Patrol which happened to be in vicinity, it was concluded that landing of an enemy meteorological det. was possible. Native police patrols were sent from YULE Is. and OBU and a third patrol under G.S.O.III (I) 8 M.D. moved from BOERA 15 Feb. An intensive continuous radio-watch for suspicious signals was also maintained. On 16 Feb. a Catalina carrying an L.O., 8 M.D. and 2 offr. of a 49 Bn. Coy. (which was standing by for possible action) recce coastal strip as far N.W. as KEREMA, with negative result. From these measures following conclusions are drawn:-
- (a) Landing could NOT have been made unbeknown to natives, who were still in vicinity 16 Feb.
- (b) Natives in vicinity did NOT see any landing or any party of strangers who could have landed unseen.
- (c) Natives who started rumour did NOT see anything unusual at all; but whole story evidently grew from a vivid description given by one native of what an enemy landing might look like. Incident shows difficulty of sifting information from natives; because original reports were carefully checked before further investigation was commenced.
- (ii) Patrols, consisting of a Dist. Offr. and native police, have been stationed at each OBU, RIGO and KAKODA.
Role: Information and propaganda. They will be relieved by P.I.B. patrols.
- (iii) Following is quoted from 39 Bn. Sitrep 15 Feb:-
Beach Landing Exercise NAGANI Ck. (Vicinity TUPUSULEI).
Carried out with one Pl. lightly equipped, wearing sandshoes and armed with Tommy guns acting as enemy. Exercise commenced with enemy tps. about 400 yds. out to sea & water about 2 ft. deep. Two small parties moved successfully through mangrove swamps. Parties moving through these swamps stated they had no trouble in getting through. Tps. taking part were No. 3 & 4 guns Arty, M.M.G. Pl., one Mortar Det., 13 & 15 Pls. with 14 Pl. as enemy landing party.

(IV) Fd. Arty/

(iv) Fd. Arty. Shoots; 18/20 Feb.

(a) 18 Feb. From 180948; one 18 pr. fired 72rH.E. at target about size of 44 gal. drum, which was drifting in a stiff wind. 17 actual hits on target were scored, with high percentage of near misses and no wide shots. Det. drill was steady. Ranges were from 1,000 to 3,500 yds. Same gun also fired 2nshrap with air-burst fuse as a demonstration. Burst of shrap. was approx. 50 x 100 yds. Shoot was witnessed by Bde. Comd. and B.M. and was considered highly satisfactory.

(b) 19 Feb. From 132955; one 18 pr. fired 36rH.E. and 1r. shrap. at 44 gal. drum targets and at targets on MOTUHUNUA IS. 7 hits were scored on drums in conditions of poor visibility and high wind. Shoot considered satisfactory.

(c) 20 Feb. A further shoot will be held from 031002.

(v) RABAUL. Further information to hand reveals that Col. SCANLON was last seen at TOMA with one coy. One coy. was cut off at KOKOPO. Remainder had been ordered to withdraw on WANAWUTUNG and N.O.H.S. MISSION. E.S.B. and R.A.E. personnel had demolished dromes before withdrawal.

PART II : External.

1. HONG KONG. Extracts from a report on Japanese tactics are incl. in Appx. 1. Extra copies of this Appx. are att. to facilitate distribution of this information to sub-units of 30 Inf. Bde. Gp.
2. PALEMBANG. Between 400 and 800 para. tps. were in attack 14 Feb preceding capture of PALEMBANG. (N.E.I.) More than 100 planes participated in areas drome and oil refinery. Some planes reported bearing British markings, (unconfirmed).
3. Japanese A. Tk. Bomb. See note in Appx. 1.
4. Japanese para. tps. (Nonarrival). During a broadcast in English on night 17/18 Feb, a SHANGHAI radio sta. stated that Japanese para. tps. would make a landing in MORESBY on 18 Feb.

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30 INF. BDE.

INT. SUM. NO. 5.

APPX. I.

JAPANESE TACTICS - HONGKONG.

(Ref. 30 Inf. Bde. Tng. Instrn. No. 2)

A. INF.

1. Special storm tps formed spear-head of Japanese advs, armed with tommy guns, with half inch cal M.G. firing A.P. bullets for piercing pill box shutters, with abundant grenades and efficient long range mortars. Fire of latter particularly effective.
2. Following characteristics were noted:-
 - (a) Equipment very light, consisting only of arms and iron rations.
 - (b) Light rubber soled shoes worn by tps, who were extremely silent and good at taking cover. Each soldier carried a 1:20,000 map on which our positions were shown in red and Jap. starting line, route and objectives in blue.
 - (c) Map reading was very efficient and probably offr's had made a previous recce of the area.
3. Tp. movements were carried out at night and during day they dug themselves in or lay up in the scrub. They appeared to excel at mountain warfare and invariably made for the hilltops, getting above our pill boxes and defended points. Rds and tracks were avoided and our known defences skirted. Parties of their snipers continually found their way behind our lines but were not difficult to locate.
4. When held up they employed severe arty and dive-bombing tactics with mortars and M.G. support, followed by an adv. in rushes of parties of ten men. Finally an assault was made with tommy guns, showers of grenades and bayonets.
5. Japanese use stalking tactics and lt equipment proved to be effective when compared with heavily booted British inf, who could be heard considerable distance away. Silk flags were used to indicate their fwd posns to their aircraft.

B. ARTY.

1. Amn supply was carried by impressed coolies and appeared excellent and plentiful. Quality of equipment was inferior but gunnery good. Estimated that one shell in every seven was a dud.
2. They carried out most accurate bombardments of British fixed defences, probably by aid of data pre-determined by survey methods. Cr Bty work was good. S.R., F.S. and air observation were used, former being discovered by intercepted W/T. Our Cr. Bty. stopped Jap. night bombardments excepting those for supporting attacks.
3. Following weapons were used:-
 - (a) Fd. - 10.5 c.m. and 75 m.m. guns.
 - (b) Med. - 15 c.m. hows.
 - (c) Hy. - up to 9 inch.
 - (d) 4 inch guns firing A.P. shells were used for systematic destruction of our pill-boxes.

C. A.F.Vs. and M.L.Cs.

1. A.F.Vs. were used. Our 2 prs. successfully destroyed three.
2. Landing Craft used were of shallow draft type strung together in threes; first boat of each three being powered by out-board motors. Possibly rubber boats also were used.

/D. MILITARY LESSONS LEARNT.

D. MILITARY LESSONS LEARNT.

1. Enemy has been underestimated and actually is a body of well equipped first class tps.
2. They have been trained in best principles of mountain warfare and invariably go for hilltops. Essential we get there first. Japanese tps. keep off tracks and paths, hence active patrolling must be carried out, particularly at night.
3. Concrete mindedness is fatal and pill boxes can be death traps.
4. Our tps. MUST prepare alternative posns.; should be equipped with adequate tools and trained to dig in anywhere. Mob. res. essential. Carriers and Armd. Cs. are most valuable.
5. Sound adm. is most important; e.g., fighting value of one of our units was seriously curtailed through failure of feeding arrangements. Adequate alternative methods should be arranged.
6. Excepting when on move, our tps. must fight lightly equipped, excess equipment should be dumped in M.T. or otherwise disposed of. Before close contact is made with enemy our tps should don light rubber soled shoes.
7. During tng., necessity for absolute silence should be instilled in all tps.

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CHEMISTS REPORT ON PRUSSIC ACID ANTI-TANK BOMB.

Trials carried out at PORTON against VALENTINE Tk. with glass bottles charged 4/5 repeat 4/5 pint PRUSSIC acid made up to resemble Japanese grenade showed that one bottle thrown from distance of three to four yds. and breaking on gun Mantlet of closed tk. with engine running produced sufficient gas in tk. to cause at most loss of consciousness. Two such hits might cause death. Further hits in quick succession would probably cause death. Bottles were heated to 75° F. to simulate MALAYA temperature.

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(Ref. Map. PORT MORESBY I:63,360)

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- aa. ENEMY RECCE PLANES sighted. One over BOUGAINVILLE 16 Feb was probably Serial 31. It flew low, evidently to draw fire and thus locate tps. One Serial 43 was sighted over TULAGI 13 Feb.
- bb. GASMATA. One vessel seen 10 Feb identified as probably submarine supply ship ZINGEI. See also para ff.
- ee. DEMOLITIONS. On 17 Feb. orders were given to N.G.V.R. to apply "Scorched Earth" policy at SAMARAI. Same day orders were given for preparation of demolitions at BULOLO, which are now all set to blow.
- ff.i R.A.A.F. RECCE RABAU 18 Feb. 2 runs were made over harbour, 2 over VUNA KANAU. In harbour six flying boats at anchor, two on slipway, six tpts, no warships. Considerable A.A. fire. At VUNA KANAU, three triple-engined bombers, three aircraft not radial engines attempted interception. Also a M.E. 109. Aircraft did NOT close. A larger area about twice area of runway had been cleared around drome, large increase in buildings since Jan, much stores and pet drums.
- ii. GASMATA 18 Feb. Absence of clouds enabled two quick runs over harbour and drome. Approx three tpts observed in harbour, eight single-engined planes dispersed in bays off runway, on which there was little activity. Two planes took off to intercept but did NOT close.
- iii. Wing Comd LARUE, who was recently reported missing when in comd of three Hudsons, two of which were lost, in raid on GASMATA 11 Feb, has passed through MORESBY on way to AUSTRALIA. After ordering his crew to bale out he parachuted from his burning plane. Fighters followed him down, indicating his whereabouts to ground tps, which he had great difficulty in eluding. After three days in jungle, one day waterless, he contacted a white man with a launch, hidden up from Japs, making his way down coast in this he picked up eight other white settlers who had gone bush, eventually party made its way in a small leaky ketch through monsoonal gale to safety. Story released to Press will NOT mention Wing Comd's name or arrival here.
- gg. 13 FD. REGT. SHOOT 20 FEB (Ref Int Summary No. 5 para gg). Conditions good. Targets L.P., anchored, Ranges 750 to 2,200 yds. 25 hits on targets and on small island in vicinity also fired on. Two of four targets were completely demolished. Good percentage of near misses, no wild rounds. One round shrap was also fired to give dets demonstration of effectiveness of air-burst fuse.

PART II - EXTERNAL.

PALEMBANG, N.E.I. (Ref Int Summary Nos 4 & 5). During attack 15 Feb one drome was captured early but our planes, flying from second drome, continued to harass landing, causing heavy destruction of barges and personnel. All our planes were withdrawn to dromes in Western JAVA.

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Pro forma as for 30 Inf. Bde. Sitreps.

25 Feb 42.

Ref. Map PORT MORESBY. 1 : 63360.

PART I : INTERNAL.

aa. MORESBY Raid No. 3, 24 Feb. See Appx. 1.

MORESBY Recce., 25 Feb.-- One heavy land bomber similar to Serial 37 (but only one tail fin) carried out an extensive recce. over MORESBY between approx. 1055 and 1155 hrs. A.A. guns TUAGUBA engaged without success. Plane reportedly dropped a meteor balloon which drifted East over BOOTLESS INLET.

gg. FD. FIRING EXERCISES, 23 Feb. Following are notes on fd. firing practice carried out by B. Coy., 39 Bn. with rifles, L.M.G., Tommy Gun and hand grenades:-
"Targets. (a) Rifle & L.M.G. : Three (3) rafts anchored at 250 to 300 yds. off shore.
(b) Tommy Gun : Cardboard discs set up in mangroves.
(c) Hand Grenade : Prepared holes representing shell holes.
Procedure. Exercise commenced with tps assembled in scrub back from beach line. Tps. moved to fire posns. observing concealment and camouflage, etc. Fire orders were passed through regular chain of cmd. to sec. leaders.
Grenades. After lecture by 2 i/c, Coy. tps. fused own grenades. Balance of Coy. witnessed throwing from 150 yds. away."
(39 Bn. Sitrep).

ii. Topographical.

- (a). Native well located 145030.
- (b). Native village (name NOT known) approx 200 inhabitants located in hills at 140010.
- (c). Map PYRAMID AREA; 1:7920 (2 sheets) prepared by 49 Bn. Int. Sec. and printed by A.H.Q. Cartographic Coy, MELBOURNE, has been distributed to all units of and att. to this Bde.
- (d). A map (R.F. 1:31,680) enlarging PORT MORESBY 1:63,360 and combining all available additional information re rds., contours, etc. is being prepared by Bde. Int. Sec. and it is hoped to make copies available shortly to all units of and att. to Bde.

PART II : EXTERNAL.

Japanese Landing Tactics.

Following is condensed from a press release from U.S.A. War Dept., WASHINGTON, 21 Feb., (reproduced in TOWNSVILLE Daily Courier, 23 Feb.). It contains little that was NOT already well known to us but is particularly interesting as confirmation that Japanese are continuing to employ tactics which, by repetition, they had reduced almost to a drill in CHINA :-

1. Equipment includes a mother ship - a barge carrier resembling a whaler - from which small boats laden with arms and men slide into sea down side hatches.
2. Japanese have also developed "V" shaped lt. tks., whose sloping exterior deflect direct hits by A. Tk. guns.

/3. Preliminary stage

3. Preliminary stage of landing technique is a night rv of tp ships, mother ships and naval convoys. Attack usually made at dawn, at high tide and during rain or stormy weather. Landings are aided by intense fire from warships and planes.
4. In PHILIPPINES a typical Japanese landing covered five miles of Beach. Half a mile off-shore a line of destroyers gathered, with a heavy cruiser or a battleship three miles out. Between them were two groups of tpts, also an aircraft carrier.
5. Then about 50 barges, each carrying 150 men, started for the shore, shielded by naval gunfire and aerial protection.
6. Japanese have developed the closest liaison between air observers and ground tps, planes transmitting orders to Coy Comds wearing wireless receivers strapped to their chests.
7. Japanese have used at least six types of landing barges, one of which was driven by an aeroplane propellor.

Note:- Ref. para aa. Later information has established that what appeared to be a meteor balloon was actually a planet (probably VENUS), which was visible through binoculars. Seen in proximity to plane, it appeared to drift away from plane as plane moved away from it, and then to remain stationary. All observers should be cautioned against deception by this optical illusion. During recce, and by coincidence, approx same time as above-mentioned phenomenon was observed, a black meteor balloon was actually released from MORESBY. Release of this type of balloon is a daily occurrence.

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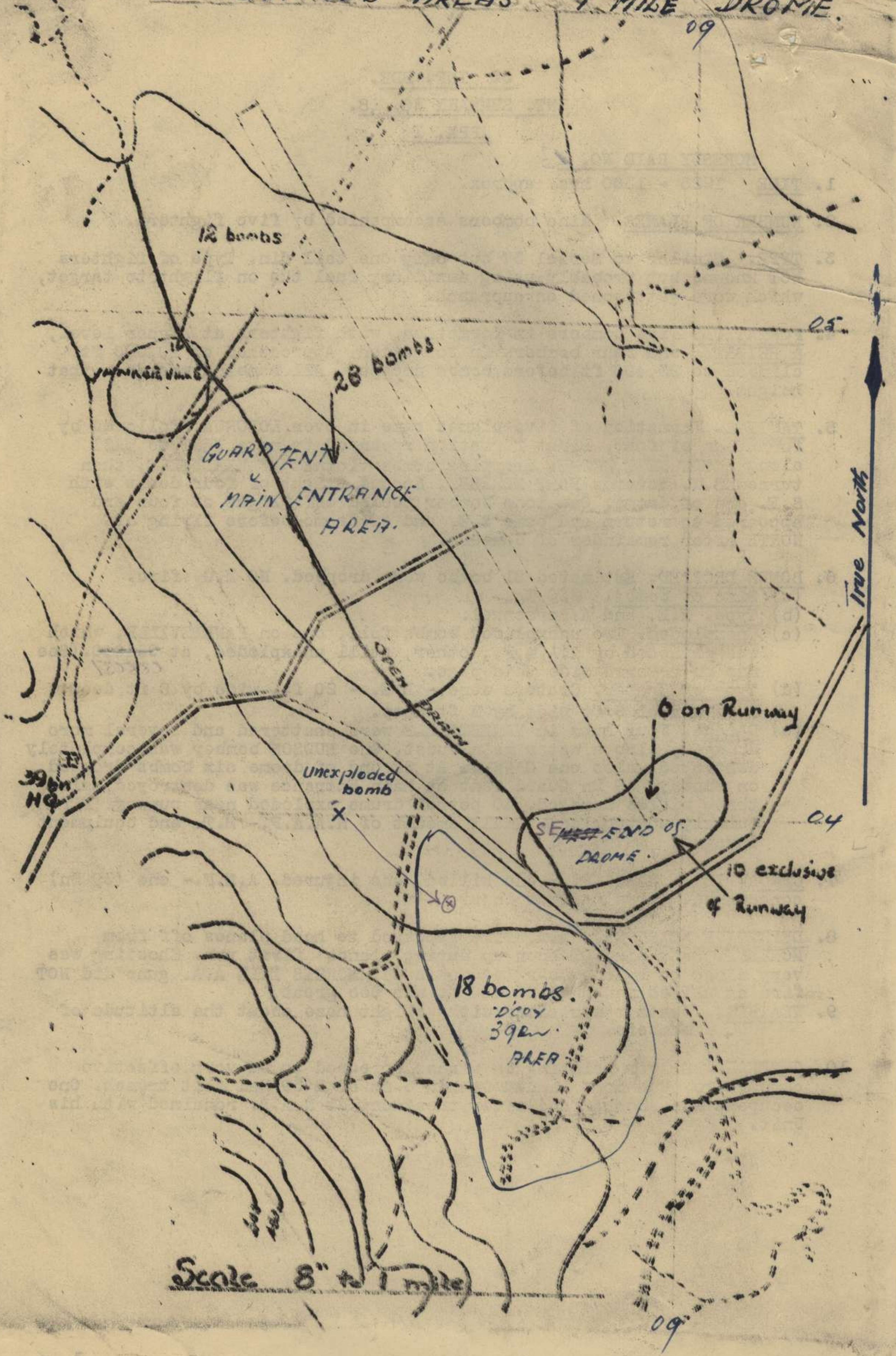
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APPX. I

MORESBY RAID NO. 43

1. TIME 1225 - 1300 hrs. approx.
2. NUMBER OF PLANES. Nine bombers accompanied by five fighters.
3. TYPE. Similar to Serial 37 but only one tail fin. Type of fighters NOT known, but probably using auxiliary fuel tks on flight to target, which were jettisoned on approach.
4. FORMATIONS & HEIGHT. Five bombers in formation, with fighters at higher level, and four bombers in formation. Approached at 19,000 ft, climbed to 23,400 ft before bombs dropped. All bombing was from that height.
5. TACTICS. Formation of five planes came in over LOLORUA, followed by formation of four. First formation appeared to move WEST to EAST along SEVEN MINE DROME, dropping bombs vicinity YANKKEVILLE, then turned S.W. towards PORT MORESBY. Second flight of four dealt with S.E. end of drome. One lone bomber peeled off flight of four and appeared to return and bomb S.E. end of drome before flying off NORTH after remainder of bombers.
6. BOMBS DROPPED. Estimated 81 bombs were dropped. NO M.G. fire.
 - (a) Size of bombs. 250 Kg.
 - (b) Type. H.E. and A/Personnel.
 - (c) Unexploded. Two unexploded bombs fell, one on YANKKEVILLE, which was exploded by R.A.A.F., other, still unexploded, at ~~081040~~. (See map on reverse side this page. 085037)
 - (d) Type of Crater. Craters were:- H.E. - 20 ft. wide by 8 ft deep. A/Personnel 6 ft wide by 2 ft deep.
 - (e) Damage. Four huts in YANKKEVILLE were shattered and several more damaged, also a water main burst. One HUDSON bomber was completely destroyed, also one GANNET. At SE end of drome six bombs dropped on runway. 39 Bn Guard Tent at Main Entrance was destroyed, also three rifles damaged. 40 petrol drums exploded near runway (fire quickly controlled). Small amount of R.A.A.F. M.T. and equipment damaged.
7. CASUALTIES. R.A.A.F. - one killed, one injured. A.M.F. - one (39 Bn) concussion. Three natives injured.
8. DEFENSIVE MEASURES. A.A. fire appeared to head planes off from MORESBY. Guns did NOT open up during planes' first run. Shooting was very close to lone bomber (see para 4). MORRIS HILL A.A. guns did NOT fire at all as range of 23,400 ft was too great.
9. WEATHER. Weather was clear with slight haze about the altitude of bombers.
10. GENERAL. Silver painting on planes appeared to be very effective camouflage. One bomb landed within 6 ft of a 39 Bn. slit trench. One occupant was shocked and after treatment at R.A.P. remained with his Unit.

BOMBED AREAS 7 MILE DROME.



PART I : INTERNAL.

- aa. MORESBY Raid No. 3. Closer inspection of bomb-size hole at 085037 (Ref. Int. Summary No. 8, Appx. 1) does NOT confirm presence of an unexploded bomb; nevertheless, precautions are being taken for seventy two (72) hrs. from bombing. Another suspected unexploded bomb has been discovered 26 Feb, in guard tent area, near Main Entrance to drome. R.A.A.F. Offrs. believe this to mark posn. of an unexploded bomb and R.A.A.F. are cordoning area for seventy two (72) hr. period. Assuming only one of these two suspected is actually a delayed action or dud, total will remain eighty one (81); (i.e. nine (9) bombs from each of nine (9) bombers).
- ff. RABAUL Raid, Night 25/26 Feb.
- (a). A small force of R.A.A.F. aircraft departed with RABAUL as target. After encountering heavy weather en route, they found weather conditions over target bad, making observation difficult. Nevertheless, they succeeded in attacking drome. One stick seen to explode on runway; bldgs. vicinity drome bombed and at least one was observed as a hit. One enemy aircraft on ground was hit, burst into flames and set fire to another aircraft alongside.
- (b). A single fighter was sighted but did NOT attempt to close. When fired on by our planes it rapidly took refuge in cloud.
- (c). For approx. thirty (30) mins. after leaving RABAUL, five (5) fires could be observed burning there. All our planes returned safely.
- gg. Censorship. Instances have been noted in letters written since MORESBY Raid No. 3 of exaggeration of numbers of bombs dropped, in one case figure given being seven hundred (700). Generally speaking, however, tps. refer to that and other raids very light-heartedly and mention that hardly any damage was done. Franking Offrs. should note such instances of both good and bad morale for inclusion in unit censorship diaries and report to these H.Q. from time to time.
- Sixty (60) letters from members of crews of H.M.A.S. "PERTH", "CANBERRA", "WESTRALIA", "BATHURST", and "AUSTRALIA" were examined. Manner in which Censorship Regs. have been observed certainly entitles writers to be known as the "Silent Service".
- NOTE: Last sub-para and Part II, which follows, are condensed from 8 M.D. Int. Notes No. 1, which has been distributed to units but may NOT in future be distributed below Bde.

A. JAPANESE ARMY.

1. Air Activity

(a) Reports from AMBOINA state that on first raid at LAHA, R.A.A.F. H.Q., Japanese used Flying Boats (apparently KAWASAKI Type 97); no damage was experienced. Continuing their flight to HALONG. Bombs were dropped, but no material damage. Seven aircraft took part. All navigation lights and cabin lights were on.

(b) Second raid on AMBOINA, twenty seven bombers operated. They flew at a lower altitude until H.M.A.S. "SWAN" (the presence of which was apparently unknown) opened fire, when raiding aircraft dispersed and sought a very high altitude.

(c) Following day, Japanese developed a bombing attack considered to be on "SWAN", without effect.

(d) DUTCH Air Force, flying two BREWSTER BUFFALOES, engaged and accounted for at least one bomber.

(e) It appears from reports of MANILA Campaign, now again borne out during raids on AMBON, Japanese develop an indiscriminate M.G. attack, following initial bombing attack on environs of original objective. For about one hundred yards radius the grass and timber etc. is literally peppered with fire.

2. A.Tk. Bombs. In notebooks belonging to P.Ws. and statements obtained, mention is made of A.Tk. bombs NOT so far reported in MALAYA action.

(1) Pop bottles filled with gasoline, with a safety stopper and fuseatt.

(2) Metal hemisphere which is magnetised and adheres to metal surfaces when placed in contact, and explodes after a definite period on removal of pin.

3. Tactics. (Ref. 30 Inf. Bde. Int. Summary No. 5, Appx. I).

It is now confirmed that penetration in SLIM RIVER area on 7 Jan was made by mod tks - Model 97. Arty fire knocked out one of these. Bulk of A.F.Vs. used previously were two-man track laying tankettes, resembling Bren Gun Carriers and classified by Japs as lt arm'd cars. In MALAYAN terrain Japs have been using very little Fd Arty and up to Jan had no Fd. Arty in use. It would have been of little use except occasionally as A.Tk. British used Fd Arty to cover demolition and to delay enemy without success. Tpt of Arty was a nuisance, loss of guns being an over present worry. Inf by weapons and automatic small arms are extremely valuable. Howitzers on trucks would be of great value.

B. N.E.I.

(1) Java. A writer from BATAVIA:- "We are inclined to read in to your letter that there is a certain amount of fear in your country that this country will be invaded. In fact, from what we hear from various parts of AUSTRALIA, the position had been magnified out of all proportion; and to be quite frank with you, we are surprised. You must NOT feel that because the people in MALAYA made such a b---y mess of things that we DUTCH are in the same canoe; far from it. Our people have seen this coming for ages and when the Jap arrives they will be ready. There has been an exodus of women and children, but that is no criterion for scaring the people in AUSTRALIA and having them take to the hills, which is the report we are receiving here every day. The place, to fight the Japs is up here, and if you fight him here you will never see him in AUSTRALIA; but, if you sit tight in AUSTRALIA he will knock on your door one of these days."

2. Netherlands East Indies An American representative of Associated Press and Columbia Broadcasting Corp, who is understood to have travelled considerably in N.E.I. recently, expressed opinion that DUTCH were out to defend and hold JAVA at any cost; they more or less expected to suffer reverses in BORNEO and SUMATRA, but particular attention was drawn to endeavours being made in precautionary measures by DUTCH in case of JAVA. Air-raid shelters were plentiful, well manned and well organised.

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(Pro forma as for Bde. Sitreps.)
Ref. Map PORT MORESBY. 1:63360.

NOTE. A.A.F. A.57s for these summaries will NOT in future be required from recipients. Note Serial No. of Summary and notify this H.Q. immediately if any Serial has NOT been received.

- aa. (i). Some competent observers think that planes engaged in recent recce. flights included Serial 5. Exact identification is NOT certain, as planes were too high.
- (ii). A green band, approx. 2-ins. in width and 6-ins. long, riveted at each end, with two Japanese characters in black enclosed in a circle, was found by 59 Bn. in SEVEN MILE area, 26 Feb. Characters are believed to mean "For use over land", indicating type of fuse. Two such bands were found, one by R.A.A.F. Japanese characters will be reproduced in a later Summary.
- cc. Bomb Disposal Sec. R.A.E. A Sec. of experts has arrived in Dist. Suspected unexploded bombs (ref. Int. Summary No. 9, para aa) are now to be left 120 hrs. before being touched, NOT 72 hrs. as previously stated.
- ff. (i). Attempted Raid, night 26/27 Feb. Only two EMBSONS instead of three took off approx. 2100 hrs. Both were forced to return after encountering a violent electrical storm which upset their instruments.
- (ii). All damage to SEVEN MILE drome caused by Raid No. 3 has now been repaired.
- (iii) Work on Fighter Control Posts is well advanced. A 39 Bn. working party is assisting in construction of Posts, which entails excavation of solid rock.
- gg. (1) a. A rough map of MORESBY area (Scale 1:31,680) has been distributed to all units of and att to Bde. This will serve as a stop gap and a basis for further recce until a more accurately contoured map is available (Ref Int Summary No. 8 para gg).
- (ii) Silhouettes of Aircraft of AUSTRALIA and N.E.I. are being distributed to all units of 30 Bde. Gp. It is hoped to make further distribution of silhouettes of Japanese planes on them becoming available shortly.
- (iii) 53 Bn Int Sec is running a course for orderlies and runners. 39 Bn. Int Sec is carrying out combined int tng of N.C.Os. who man Bn O.Ps.
- (iv) Morale of own tps. Censorship of mail reveals frequent references to determination that what is happening to DARWIN and MORESBY must not be allowed to happen to other parts of AUSTRALIA. Tps seem to recognize that what they are doing here will help to prevent any such misfortune overtaking AUSTRALIA. Nevertheless, there is still too much rumour spreading. Some recent examples heard are:-
- ROOSEVELT gave CURTIN 48 hours to make up his mind whether or not U.S.A. was to control operations in NEW GUINEA.
- U.S.A. nurses have reached MORESBY.
- Relief of 30 Inf. Bde. Gp by U.S.A. is imminent.
- Raid No. 3 was made with captured Australian made bombs.
- Recent issue of sandals to 49 Bn means that their re-embarkation for Australia is imminent.

PART II - EXTERNAL

N.E.I. BALI. Now estimated that damage to enemy navy inflicted 19/20 Feb. was one cruiser torpedoed and sunk, considerable damage to two cruisers, two destroyers.

SUMATRA 20 Feb. Our planes attacked shipping in BANKA area, resulting in four direct hits on three tpts. All planes returned.

PALEMBANG 21 Feb. Our planes attacked shipping in river; hit one tpt, sank one launch.

TIMOR Communications with AUSTRALIA were cut 25 Feb.

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(Pro Forma as for Bde Sitreps)
Ref Map PORT MORESBY 1:63,560

28 Feb. 42

MORESBY RAID NO. 4 (Report from information received to 1730 hrs)

1. **TIME** 1315 - 1400 approx.
2. **NUMBER OF PLANES.** At least eleven bombers, accompanied by six fighters
3. **TYPE.** Bombers incl Serial 5A. Fighters Serial 48 (MITSUBISHI Type 0).
4. **FORMATIONS & HEIGHT** Five bombers in formation, with a further formation of six, at approx 20,000 ft. Fighters came in at less than 1,000 ft in wide V formation. One lone plane seen early in raid.
5. **TACTICS.** Fighters came in low over WRECK, appeared to warm up guns by firing a few bursts at WRECK, approached CATALINAS and nearby launches and M.G'd. or cannoned them from 200 - 300 ft. Bombers followed fighters in and high-level bombed CATALINAS and waterfront area vicinity HANGAR. Other formation of bombers high-level bombed SEVEN MILE drome.
6. **BOMBS**

Estimated 18 vicinity HANGAR.	} Unconfirmed.
II vicinity KONEDOBUBU.	
2 vicinity 53 Bn. H.Q.	
3 vicinity NATIVE GAOL. Fell in water.	
90 vicinity SEVEN MILE DROME.	

 - (a) Size: NOT known.
 - (b) Type: H.E. and A/Personnel. Some fragments with Japanese paper labels and some with painted markings have been handed to R.A.A.F.
 - (c) Unexploded: Possible 2 near MORRIS HILL.
" 1 drain at 7 Mile drome.
 - (d) Craters: 18/20 ft wide by 6/8 ft deep.
3/4 ft wide by 1/2 ft deep.
 - (e) Damage: HARBOUR Two CATALINAS burned out and sunk. One CATALINA damaged beyond repair, motors reclaimable. One CATALINA slightly damaged. Motor launch sunk.
HANGAR AREA - Hangar:
Sig Room demolished.
Roof punctured.
Waterpipes burst.
Oil pipeline fractured (can be repaired)
Telephone Wires down (Sigs are repairing).
Aquatic Club.
One nearby house demolished, other houses damaged.

<u>KONEDOBUBU</u>	NOT known.
<u>53 BN. H.Q.</u>	NIL.
<u>SEVEN MILE DROME</u>	Approx three huts YANKEEVILLE fired. Small number of 39 Bn. tents destroyed.
<u>GAOL AREA</u>	Wreck target apparently a lakatol.
7. **CASUALTIES.** R.A.A.F. - Two crew of CATALINAS may be missing, two badly wounded, one slightly wounded.
A.A., (MORRIS HILL) - possibly Seven incl shell (unconfirmed)
39 Bn. - one wounded, one shock.
8. **DEFENCE.** Passive and 3.7 A.A. engaged bombers. Some rounds were seen to burst in front of and close to a formation of five. One plane was seen to lose its posn in formation of six after A.A. burst close. 49 Bn A.A. LMG's engaged fighters.
9. **WEATHER.** Fine, slight haze in patches at height of bombers.
10. **GENERAL.** One plane (thought to be fighter) came down in sea vicinity MOTU HONUA, posn marked. One occupant parachuted into sea and was rescued and taken prisoner by 39 Bn. He is seriously burnt and is being evacuated to Hospital. Wears shirt and shorts, Naval pattern singlet, anchor design on belt - rank NOT known. A second parachute was reported to have come down on land (NOT confirmed). A patrol is investigating. Fighter planes bore on both wing tips and both sides fuselage a marking consisting of a white star superimposed on a dull-coloured circle with a red bar inside the circle and passing horizontally above the white star. One bomber prior to bombing dropped a balloon (white) with a small dark object attached. Balloon exploded in air.

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MORESBY RAID NO. 4. (Ref Int Summary No. II)

COPY NO. 12

2 MAR. 42

- (i) Fighter planes used air-cannon of approx 20 mm cal. One cannon salvaged intact reveals it to be of Japanese make, excellently turned out and powered by a compressed air or gas cylinder, also salvaged, made in Germany. Portions of shell were found in cannon and in area occupied by "B" Coy, 39 Bn.
- (ii) Salvage also reveals plane to have been of high quality light metal construction, radial type engine, instruments of Japanese make, almost certainly a MITSUBISHI, Type C, Serial 48 (as reported Int Summary No. II. R.A.A.F. are holding post mortem on remains, after which it is hoped to make fragments available for exhibition to all ranks of all sub-units of this Bde. Gp., together with pieces of bombs to be returned by R.A.A.F.
- (iii) Interrogation of pilot is proceeding in hospital, where he is under guard. So far he has revealed a good deal of information. This will be collated and issued as an Appx to later Summary, to be read to all ranks as an example of what useful information enemy may obtain from a Soldier who forgets the rule; "NAME, RANK and NUMBER ONLY."
- See map of bombed areas SEVEN MILE att
- (iv) Recce Flight Mar 2. 0940 hrs one unidentified plane reported very high, 0945 hrs 53 Bn. reported plane identified by A.A. as Japanese recce plane. 0950 49 Bn. gave Telmoread description T22222II circling, Japanese markings visible. Plane headed NW over MORESBY and then over SEVEN MILE. Identified and reported to C.C.I.C. as Serial 37 or 10, probably 37.
- (v) Unexploded Bombs. (Reported Int. Summary No. 11 as suspected). On closer examination shown NOT to be duds or delayed action bombs.
- (vi) A.A. engaged three times, firing 47 in all at 20,000 ft. 3.7 Sec claim near miss or hit in last series (one bomber behaved very irregularly). Some observers claim hit on an engine in first series. There is no confirmation however that any bomber was brought down anywhere near MORESBY.
- (vii) Casualties. Number reported in Int Summary No. 11 confirmed. 23 A.A. Bty. casualties all slight.
- RECCE 27 FEB. At 1455 hrs on day previous to raid No. 4 a single recce plane was reported flying high (approx 20,000 ft) over BOOTLESS INLET toward MORESBY (49 Bn).
- bbVICTORIA. A submarine was recently reported sighted off SHELLBACK Island West coast WILSON'S PROMONTORY. An air recce was made.
- ffR.A.A.F. Night Raids. 25/26 Two CATALINAS raided LAUNNI drome, one dropped bombs on drome - damage uncertain but five fires started and two planes destroyed on ground.
- 26/27 Feb. RABAUL Raid (Reported Int. Summary No. 10.)
- 28 Feb/1 Mar. HUDSONS raided GASMATA - bombs dropped on runway - four hits observed. Rapid A.A. fire encountered. Formation of four planes and a single fighter were seen in air but did NOT engage. All ours returned safely.
- gg. (1) WORKS - 7 Fd Coy (R.A.E.)
- (a) 12 MILE VALLEY RD (CALLOW Rd) to BOOTLESS INLET. Bldgs and crossings, repairs nearly completed - trafficable in an emergency.
- (b) ELA BEACH Rd from A.W.A. Station MORESBY to KOKI (Native village) is being drained. Job almost completed.
- (c) Rd to VABUKOU. Only 75 yds (approx) to metal to complete job.
- (ii) FIRES reported in native huts KOKI 1430 hrs 1 Mar are being investigated.
- (iii) RUMOURS - Story still being circulated that 8 M.D. tps will be relieved early in Mar by U.S.A. tps. This rumour should be regarded as dangerous. It is strongly suggested anyone caught spreading it, charged under Sec 5 (5) Army Act as a deterrent example. One or two rumour spreaders "jumped on" in this way in each unit would probably do much to diminish present rumour mongering.
- (iv) HOW REGISTRATION. Proposed registration by how tp, 13 Fd. Regt has been postponed for time being.

PART 11 - EXTERNAL.

BURMA. 23 Feb. A diary taken from a dead Japanese enabled local Comd. to establish at that time that two enemy warships were in SOUTH BURMA Area and gave us two valuable targets. It is suggested that this fact be communicated to all tps as an example of danger of writing about military matters in diaries.. (Steps may be anticipated to enforce collection of all diaries within Bde. Gp. and their transmission to 2 Ech).

N.E.I. 23 Feb. Eight warships and six tpts sighted 150 miles North of SUMBAWA. U.S.A. submarines reported two hits on each of two ships in convoy.
Our planes sank two enemy tpts in mouth of MACASSAR River.

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MESSAGE FORM

Appx I HQ 30th Bde
WAR DIARY (Feb 42)

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

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Propagate	to	all ranks	⊙	Pro forms for sightings	following

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30 INF. BDE. GP.

Copy No. 13

6 Feb 42.

OPERATION ORDER No. 2.REF. MAP.PORT MORESBY 1st to mile.
NEW GUINEA & PAPUA.

INFORMATION. 1. Enemy action in 8 M.D. Enemy landings at RABAU and KAVIENG. Bombing raids on various places throughout the district, including PORT MORESBY. An attack on PORT MORESBY by a force of all arms may be expected.

2. Own Tps.

N.G.V.R. are in operation on N.G. Mainland, PAGA Bty. and 30 INF. BDE. GP. are in occupation of PORT MORESBY.

INTENTION.

3. 30 INF. BDE. GP. will :

- (a) Prevent the enemy landing in the area bounded by the coastline from BOERA 860103 to TUPUSULEI Hd. 200904.
- (b) Give immediate warning of any enemy activity.
- (c) Deny to him the NAPA NAPA Peninsular.
- (d) Defence of L. of C. area.

METHOD.

4. Three Bns. fwd. 53 on right, 49 centre, 39 left.

5. Inter-Bn. boundaries.

53 Bn. from incl. BOERA 860103 to incl. KOKI 026003.

49 Bn. from excl. KOKI 026003 to incl. INLET 108984; PORT MORESBY - ROUNA Rd. incl; rear boundary, excl. 6 MILE VALLEY.

39 Bn. from excl. INLET 108984 to TUPUSULEI Hd. 200904.

6. Role.

53 Bn. (a) Prevent enemy landing from BARONI LEADING LIGHTS to KOKI.

(b) Deny NAPA NAPA Peninsular to enemy.

(c) Patrol as far NORTH as BOERA.

(d) Prevent enemy movements EASTWARDS along NORTH shores of FAIRFAX HARBOUR.

(e) Prevent landing of Para Tps.

49 Bn. (a) Prevent enemy landing from KOKI to INLET 108984.

(b) Defence of 3 MILE VALLEY.

(c) Defence of KILA KILA Aerodrome.

(d) To Liaison with 39 Bn. on left with view to assist by counter-attack if needed.

(e) Prevent landing of Para Tps.

39 Bn. (a) Prevent landing of enemy from INLET 108984 to TUPUSULEI Hd.

(b) Defence of 7 MILE Aerodrome from attack in any direction.

(c) To prepare 7 MILE Aerodrome for all round defence.

(d) Patrol as far SOUTH as TUPUSULEI Hd.

(e) Patrol NORTH to LALOKI River.

(f) Liaison with 49 Bn. on right with view to assist by counter-attack if needed.

(g) To prevent landing of Para Tps.

7. Arty. One Tp. 13 Fd. Regt. under comd. of each INF. Bn.

53 Bn. One gun at 011029, 012025, 023001, 036992.

49 Bn. " " " 048974, 077961, 139943, 133952.

39 Bn. One Tp. at 168967, one at 178952 & 178948.

Role Beach Defence.

How. Bty. in reserve at 051020. Counter attack in direction of PORT MORESBY and 7 MILE Aerodrome.

8. A. Tk. Bde. Reserve disposed in WONGA 054015 area.

/9. Engr.

9. Engr. Works as directed by Bde. H.Q.

10. Reserve.

2 Coys. 39 Bn. now in position aerodrome will act as Bde. Reserve, to remain in present position until needed; DETAIL DEPOT to take over these positions when Bde. Reserve needed.

11. Rations.

Every man will carry his IRON RATIONS. 8 days rations will be maintained by Units.

12. S.A.A.

100 rounds on the man, remainder in Bn. reserve. Dumps to be well dispersed.

13. Water.

Where water not laid on, Units will have to cart own water.

14. Medical.

A.D.S. at FIBRO HOUSE 013026 and MURRAY BARRACKS.

INTERCOMM.

15. Bde. H.Q.,

P.I.B. HILL, MURRAY BARRACKS.

S.O.S. Two REDS.

ACK.

METHOD OF ISSUE.

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TIME OF SIGNATURE.

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E. H. Newman
..... Major,
B.M. 50 INF. BDE.

DISTRIBUTION:

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- 2. 49 Bn.
- 3. 53 Bn.
- 4. 13 Pd. Regt.
- 5. "C" Tp. 17 A. Tk.
- 6. 7 Pd. Coy.
- 7. 3 Pd. Amb.
- 8/9. 8 M.D.
- 10. Detail Depot.
- 11. Paga Bty.
- 12. File.
- 13. War Diary. ✓
- 14/15. Spare.

39 Bn.
 49 Bn.
 53 Bn.
 13 Fd. Regt.
 H.Q. 30 Inf. Bde. D.P.
 8 M.D.
 Paga Bty.
 G.D. & T. Depot.

GUARDS AND PATROLS.

- AMN. DUMPS.
1. All permanent guards on amn. dumps will cease at 1800 hrs. 4 Feb. '42.
 2. Units will be responsible for patrolling amn. dumps in their areas.
 3.

<u>Dumps.</u>	<u>Units Responsible.</u>
7 Mile 'Drome.	39 Bn.
Lower 3 Mile.	49 Bn.
Upper 3 Mile.	13 Fd. Regt.
4 Mile.	H.Q. 30 Inf. Bde. Def. Pl.
SIMPSONS GAP.	53 Bn.
 4. Units will stress the importance of these dumps; disciplinary action will be taken against anyone found removing amn. without authority.

- PATROLS.
5. The following patrols and picquets will be taken over at 1800 hrs, 4 Feb. '42.
 - 53 Bn. (a) Patrol from REMOTE WIRELESS Station to PAGA BT., making contact with PAGA patrol, and from PAGA PT. along ELA BEACH making contact with PAGA patrol and 49 Bn.
 - (b) Take over from 49 Bn. OIL TANK and POWER HOUSE picquets; also wharf guard when needed.
 - 49 Bn. (a) Patrol from ELA BEACH to 119980, making contact with 53 Bn. and 39 Bn.
 - (b) Take over LOCAL ISLAND picquet from DETAILS DEPOT.
 - 39 Bn. Patrol from 119980 to TUPULEI, making contact with 49 Bn.
 - 39 - 49 Bn. If personnel contact between 39 and 49 Bns. is not possible, contact will be made by telephone.
 6. Units will advise this H.Q. when change over is complete.

(Signed) E.K. Newman. Major.
 B.M. 30 Inf. Bde.

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HQ 30 Inf Bde
(Feb 42)
AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

30 INF. BDE., H.Q., ROUTINE ORDERS NO. 11

by

LT. N.G. HATTON, M.C. M.M. V.D., COMD. 30 INF. BDE.

6
7 Feb. 42

1. DUTIES. Orderly Corporal - Cpl. McKay. Next for duty Cpl. Francis.
2. LATRINES. As from 7 Feb. 42, all personnel of Bde. H.Q., Defence Platoon and Bde. Sig. Sec. will use tin shed by wood pile as latrine. The main latrine will not be used as from that date.
3. CHURCH PARADE.
Church Parades will be held on Sunday, 8 Feb. as follows:-
0700 hrs. Holy Communion in C.Os. Hut. General Details Area.
0900 hrs. Regt. Church Parade in No. 2 Mess Hut, General Details Depot.
4. PUNISHMENTS.
V.53866 Sigm. Fogarty, W.J.J., 30 Inf. Bde. Sig. Sec., while subject to Military Law under the Australian Military Regulations, committed the offence of, when on active service, disobeying a lawful command given by his superior Officer.
Fined £ 2, with 14 days detention.
5. COURT OF INQUIRY.
C.O., 53 Bn. will convene a Court of Inquiry to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the death of N. 260123, Pte. Hunter, H.P.

J. Mansfield
Lieut.
Staff Capt. 30 Inf. Bde.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

30 INF. BDE., H.Q., ROUTINE ORDERS NO. 12

by
BRIG. N.G. HATTON, M.C., M.M., V.D., COMD. 30 INF. BDE.

12 Feb. 42.

1. DUTIES. Orderly Cpl. - Cpl. Francis. Next for duty Cpl. McKay.
2. GENERAL APPEARANCE OF TROOPS.

All ranks are to maintain as smart and soldierly an appearance as circumstances permit. Troops will shave ~~regularly~~ regularly and the hair will be cut short.

3. CAMOUFLAGING OF TENTS.

Camouflaging of tents is to be completed immediately and regarded as a matter of urgency.

Fly, tent ends, sides and a 12" margin around top front and back of tent itself (where it might show under fly) should be treated. Soil colorations should be used and white patches are to be avoided. If foliage is used it should be replaced when turning brown.

Foliage should not be taken from vicinity of camps. It is observed that tent ends and sides have been disregarded and these portions will be completed immediately. On no account will flaps be thrown back over camouflaged flies.

Tents must not be erected within (50) fifty yards of main road nor within (50) yards to entrance roads to camps or dumps. Dispersal procedure will be adhered to when erecting tents and those already erected within close proximity to each other will be dismantled and re-erected.

4. CANTEEN PRICES.

Units will in future submit orders to Canteen Services weekly for canteen goods and make necessary arrangements to sell and distribute same within their units. Prices are as follow:-

Cigarettes	4d.	per	pkt.
Tobacco R.R.	1/3d.	"	tin.
Matches	9d.	"	doz. 1d. box.
Pepsodent Tooth Paste	1/3d.	"	tube.
Gillette Blades	1/6d.	"	pkt.
Minora "	6d.	"	"
Salted Peanuts	1/-	"	tin.
Cashew Nuts	1/6d.	"	"
Starch	3d.	"	pkt.
Rinso	7d.	"	"
Lux Toilet Soap	5d.	"	cake.
Protex " "	4d.	"	"
Ingram's Shaving Cream	2/-	"	jar.
Tally Ho Cig. Papers	1d.	"	pkt.
Tek Tooth Brushes	1/9d.	"	each.
Johnson's Baby Powder	1/6d.	"	tin.
Siren Soap	4d.	"	cake.
Bex Powders	1/3d.	"	pkt.
Beer	1/3d.	"	bottle.

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J. A. Confield
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Staff Capt. 30 Inf. Bde.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

30 INF. BDE. H.Q., ROUTINE ORDERS NO. 13

by

Lt. COL. N.G. HATTON, M.C., MERRY M.M., V.D. COMD. 30 INF. BDE.

13 Feb. 42

1. DUTIES.

Orderly Corporal - Cpl. McKay. Next for duty Cpl. Francis.

2. AIR RAID ALARM.

During hours of daylight the Air Raid alarms will be the firing of the "Ack Ack" Batteries. Other air raid alarm signals will be discontinued during daylight.

3. PORT MORESBY - TOWN AREA.

The town area, Port Moresby, is out of bounds to all troops.

4. DISPOSAL OF WASTE.

All wastes, faeces, urine, ~~water~~ ^{wet} and dry garbage and waste water shall be effectively disposed of as listed below:-

FAECES - With fly-proof deep pit latrines. Shallow trench latrines shall be used in the interval prior to establishment of deep trenches

URINE - Into covered soakage pits.

GARBAGE - Shall be incinerated as completely as possible and deposited in a deep pit and immediately covered with a layer of earth. This instruction applies in all areas not provided with a garbage service.

WASTE WATER - Shall be run through straw or grass traps into covered soakage pits.

5. SPECIALIST PAY - DRIVERS M.T.

M.B. Memo 26392 of 28/4/41 and 81719 of 29/10/41 directed that Drivers M.T. were to be deleted from Trade Classification, Group III.

In some instances, Drivers M.T. are still classified Trade Group III. Action is to be taken to revert such personnel to Non-specialists.

6. LOSSES OF EQUIPMENT - ARTILLERY.

Baskets cane for packing ammunition totalling (64) sixty-four are missing from (2) trailers artillery.

Also small box approx. 15" X 10" containing Keys Setting Fuses, and Boxes percussion for spare primers essential to Artillery for setting fuses on T. & P. 80s., useful for Artillery only. Latter stores last seen aboard "P.A." with Officers' baggage.

Any personnel knowing the whereabouts of missing equipment report to Bde. H.Q.

7. CENSORING OF MAIL

Unit Censoring Officers will in future insert their rank when franking mail matter.

8. BADGES OF RANK - ALLIED FORCES The following particulars of the badges of rank worn by Officers of the U.S.A. and NETHERLANDS Armies are published for the information of all ranks:-

<u>U.S.A. ARMY</u>	Worn on Shoulder Strap.
General	4 Silver Stars.
Lieut.-General	3 Silver Stars.
Major-General	2 Silver Stars.
Brig.-General	1 Silver Star.
Colonel	1 Silver (spread) Eagle.
Lieut-Colonel	1 Silver Oak Leaf.
Major	1 Gold Oak Leaf.
Captain	2 Silver Bars.
1st. Lieutenant	1 Silver Bar.
2nd. Lieutenant	1 Gold Bar.
Warrant Officer	An eagle rising with wings displayed on a bundle of two arrows, all enclosed in wreath.

U.S.A. ARMY (Continued)

Chevrons, Non-Commissioned Officers worn on sleeve, shown below:-

1st. Grade
Master Sgt.2nd. Grade
Tech. Sgt.2nd. Grade
1st. Sgt.3rd. Grade
Staff Sgt.4th. Grade
Sgt.5th. Grade
Cpl.6th. Grade
Pte. 1st. Class

- NETHERLANDS ARMY -

Lieut.-General	4 Silver Stars on Gold Ground, Black Border
Major - General	2 Silver Stars & 2 Gold Stars on Gold Ground, Black Border.
Colonel	3 Silver Stars on Gold Ground, Black Border.
Lieut-Colonel	2 Gold Stars on Silver Ground, Black Border.
(Cavalry etc.)	
Lieut.-Colonel (Gen. Staff)	2 Silver Stars on Gold Ground, Blue Border.
Major (Infantry etc.)	1 Silver Star on Gold Ground, Black Border.
Major ("Q" Branch)	1 Silver Star on Gold Ground, Red Border.
Captain (Gen. Staff)	3 Silver Stars on Blue Ground.
Captain ("Q" Branch)	3 Silver Stars on Maroon Ground, Silver Braid
Captain (Mil. Admn.)	3 Gold Stars on Maroon Ground, Silver Braid
1st. Lieutenant	2 Silver Stars or 1 Silver Star and 1 Gold Star on Black Ground, Gold Braid.
2nd. Lieutenant	1 Silver Star on Gold Ground, Gold Braid.
Ensign	2 Silver Buttons on Black Ground, with or without Gold Braid.
Under Officer (In line for commission)	1 Silver Button & 1 Gold Button on Black Ground.
Regt. Sgt. Major.	1 Silver Button on Black Ground.
Regt. Sgt. Major (not-instructing)	1 Silver Button on Black Ground, Blue Stripe.
Regt. Sgt. Major (Q Branch)	1 Silver Button on Maroon Ground, Blue Braid.
Regt. Sgt. Major (Admn.)	1 Gold Button on Maroon Ground, Black Braid.
Sgt. Major (Instructor)	2 Gold Braid Bands on Field Green Ground.
Sgt. Major (Administrative)	2 Gold Braid Bands, Blue Stripes, Field Green xxxx Ground.
Quartermaster Sgt.	1 Narrow, 1 Wide Gold Braid Band with Blue Stripe.
European Sgt. (1st. Class)	1 Narrow, 1 Wide Gold Braid Band, Field Green Ground.
Sergeant (2nd. Class)	1 Gold Braid Band, Field Green Ground.
Sergeant (Medical)	1 Narrow, 1 Wide Gold Braid Band, Field Green Ground
Corporal (Mil. Police)	1 Narrow, 1 Wide Yellow Band, Field Green Ground.
Corporal (Cavalry)	1 White Band, Field Green Ground.

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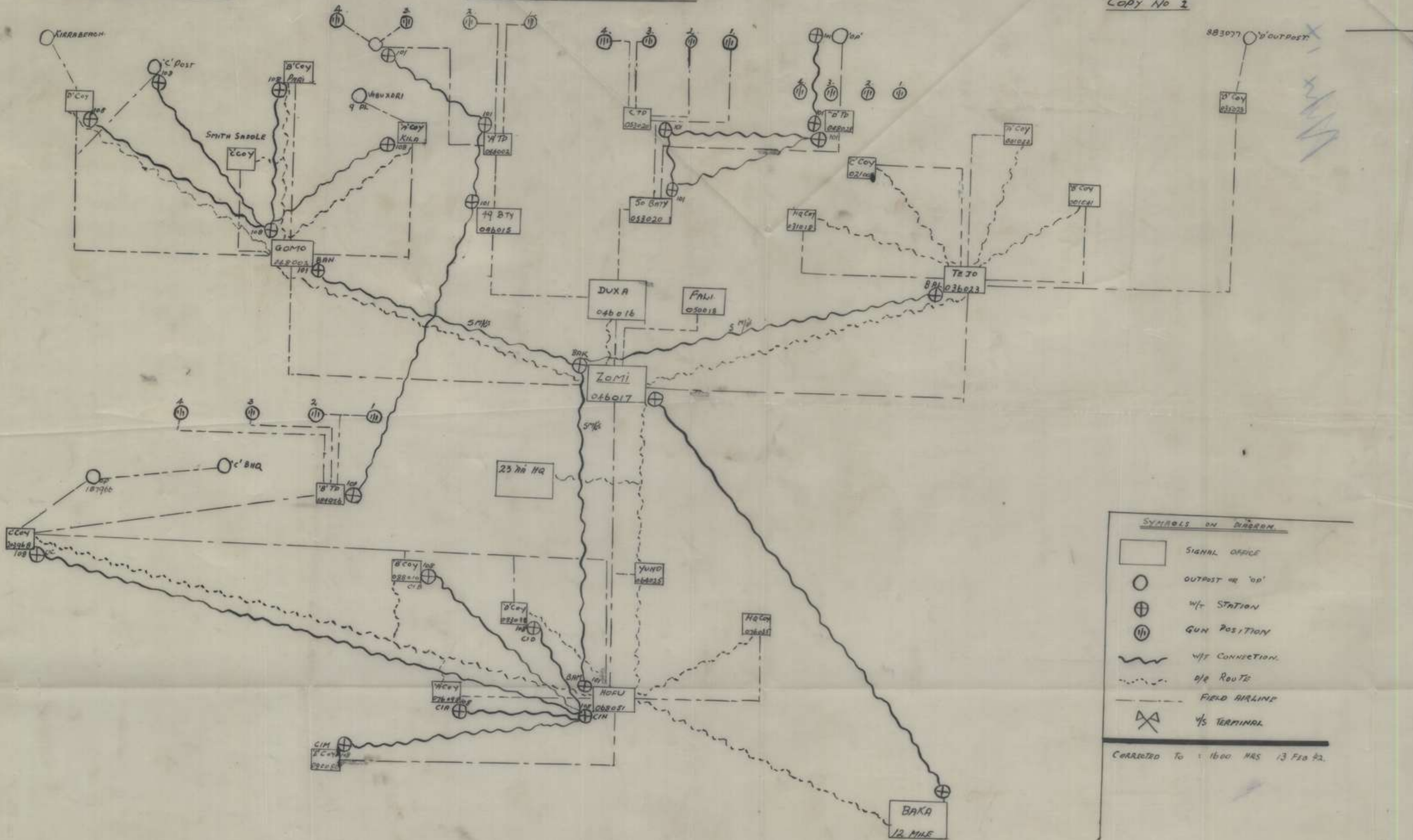
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DIAGRAM No 1
 REF MAP - PORT MORESBY 1" = 1 MILE

30 INF BDE SIGNAL DIAGRAM

APPENDIX IX To 50 INF
 BATTAL War Diary
 (Fishes)
 SECRET
 COPY No 2



SYMBOLS ON DIAGRAM

[Rectangle]	SIGNAL OFFICE
[Circle]	OUTPOST OR 'OP'
[Circle with cross]	W/T STATION
[Circle with vertical lines]	GUN POSITION
[Wavy line]	W/T CONNECTION
[Dashed line]	D/R ROUTE
[Dotted line]	FIELD AIRLINE
[Crossed lines]	W/T TERMINAL

CORRECTED To 1600 HRS 13 Feb 52.