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WAR DIARY

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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	Jan 42			List of Appendices
<u>HILL 69</u>	1	0900	Church pde at Camp Cinema	A. Field Returns
		2000	Owing to heavy rains and strong winds several tents collapsed in the lines.	
	2	1700	Bde instructed Bn to recall personnel on PALESTINE leave.	B. Operation Orders
		1930	Capt COOPER went to JERUSALEM, Capt WALSOE to TEL AVIV and Capt HANDLEY to HAIFA to ensure that leave personnel returned to camp on 3 Jan 42.	Situation Reports
	3	1200	Leave party returned from JERUSALEM.	Appreciations.
	4	0830	Church pde cancelled.	C. Routine Orders
		1800	Leave party returned from TEL AVIV.	Standing Orders
	5	1400	Football match between 2/15 Bn and 2/13 Bn. Extract from letter from HQ AIF(ME): "Maj R.W.N. TURNER will temporarily command 2/13 AUST INF BN vice Lt-Col F.A. BURROWS, MM, ED. who will be placed on Regtl Supernumerary List."	Intelligence Summaries
	6			
	7		Respirator and rifle drill by all Coys during the morning. Parties proceeded on leave to CAIRO, TEL AVIV, JERUSALEM and HAIFA.	
	8		Warning order received for Bn to move to SYRIA.	B
	9	0130	Leave party returned from CAIRO.	
		1335	Adv Party left BN HQ.	
		1400	Adv party left 2/15 BN HQ in following order: Bde, 2/17, 2/13, 2/15.	
		1700	Adv party arrived BEIT LID and bivouaced for night.	
	10	0730	Adv Party convoy moved off in order: Bde, 2/13, 2/15, 2/17. En route convoy passed through HAIFA and crossed SYRIAN-PALESTINE border during the morning.	
		1200	Convoy halted for lunch.	
		1630	Arrived at TRIPOLI and were quartered in LEGOULT BARRACKS with 2/33 Bn.	
	11	0730	Convoy left TRIPOLI in order: Bde, 2/15, 2/17, 2/13. Convoy split up at LATTAKIA - ALEPPO Rd Junction. 20 Bde less 2/13 Bn proceeded on ALEPPO RD. 2/13 proceeded to LATTAKIA.	
		1230	2/13 Bn arrived at BN HQ, 2/9 Bn. BN HQ, HQ, B & C Coys adv party remained at camp. A Coy adv party proceeded to KASSAB, D Coy to BEDRIYE.	
<u>HILL 69</u>		0900	Church pde.	
		1400	CO and IO went to KASSAB and inspected demolitions on Rd LATTAKIA-ANTIOCH.	
	12		CO and IO went to D Coy at BEDRIYE and inspected.	
<u>HILL 69</u>			BDEPde for Deputy C in C (ME).	
	13		Throughout the day preparations were made by adv party to take over from 2/9 Bn.	
		2200	Main body of Bn left Hill 69 by MT and proceeded to AL MAJDAL where they entrained.	B
	14	0200	Train left AL MAJDAL.	
		0800	Arrived HAIFA.	
		0915	Tps embussed.	<i>[Signature]</i>

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	14	0930	Convoy left HAIFA.	
		1400	Reception party from adv party at LATTAKIA left for TRIPOLI to meet main body of Bn.	
			During the day stores were taken over from 2/9 Bn. CO accompanied by CO, 2/9 Bn called on General MONCLAR, Comd FREE FRENCH FORCES and FRENCH Delegate General at LATTAKIA.	
		1830	Convoy arrived at TRIPOLI and was quartered at Barracks.	
	15	0930	Convoy left TRIPOLI.	
		1200	Arrived LATTAKIA. A and D Coys proceeded to their respective positions. Bn dispositions as follows: BN HQ, HQ Coy, B & C Coys in camp near BOUKA Monastery, LATTAKIA; A Coy at KASSAB on the TURKISH/SYRIAN Frontier, and D Coy at BEDRIYE approx 40 miles from LATTAKIA on the ALEPPO RD.	
			Information was received that Maj TURNER had been promoted to the rank of Lt-Col. Accommodation for night was shared with 2/9 Bn.	
	16	0900	Coy Comds conference.	
		0930	2/9 Bn left, leaving rear party.	
		1100	Lieut TIMSON, "B" Sec, AUST FSS reported that he was taking up duty in this area.	
	17	0930	CO visited D Coy at BEDRIYE.	
			During the day the IO visited BRITISH SECURITY MISSION, Lieut LANGLOIS (FREE FRENCH NAVY), Capt LOHEAC (SERVICE SPECIALE), M. LEONETTI (SURETE GENERALE).	
		1400	CO visited A Coy at KASSAB.	
		2000	CO was entertained by General MONCLAR at his residence.	
	18	0930	Church pde at BN HQ for BN HQ, HQ Coy, B & C Coys.	
		1200	Bde Comd, ADMS and BM accompanied by Lt-Col OGLE and Lieut MARTIN, (Bde LO) visited 2/13 BN.	
	19	0915	Coy Comds conference.	
		1000	Capt MORGAN of BSM visited CO.	
		1200	Capt LOHEAC of Service Spéciale paid CO an official visit.	
		1230	Recce party of Coy Comds went to KASSAB to recce alternative route to KASSAB but were unable to do so owing to bad condition of road. 2 Sec, 2/7 FD COY under Comd Lieut MURRAY reported at Bn. They will prepare demolitions on LATTAKIA-ANTIOCH and LATTAKIA-TRIPOLI RDS.	
			ALAOUIE tribesmen arrived in LATTAKIA to hear proclamation of new "MOHAFAZAT OF DJEBLE ALAOUIE"; for this reason the town was put "out of bounds" for two nights.	
		2000	Lieut LANGLOIS, Commanding FREE FRENCH NAVY at LATTAKIA, dined with CO.	
	20		Proclamation of new ALAOUIE State attended by CO.	
		1230	Remainder of rear party arrived.	
		1930	Lieut-Comd RYAN (RN) reported to CO that SS AMATHUS (500 tons) had foundered in LATTAKIA Harbour and that assistance was required in making the vessel fast. Assistance was given by 2/13 AUST INF BN MT personnel	

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	21		Lecture on Security was given by FS Offr, Lieut TIMSON in morning to HQ and HQ Coy and in afternoon to C Coy. Informed that A/GOC will visit BN on 23 Jan.	
	22		Arrangements completed for GOCs visit.	
		1100	16 Pl, D Coy returned moving into accommodation beside B Coy. It is proposed to bring in another Pl when further accommodation is found.	
		1800	General CAZAUD, Comd 2 Inf Div FFA, accompanied by General Monclar called on CO at his residence.	
		2000	Report received from FREE FRENCH NAVY at TRONJE. From a ship headed NORTH, a boat put off near RASS BASSITE and endeavouring to come ashore was wrecked. Four of its crew were drowned and the remainder taken into custody. It was reported that they were AUSTRALIANS and later JEWISH refugees from PALESTINE.	
	23	0200	Truck was sent to pick up survivors by LATTAKIA Gendermerie. 0830 the matter was reported to BSM and Surête Generale. /ship	
		1000	FSS Offr (Lieut TIMSON) lectured B Coy on security. Information received that boat from which boat put off was SS "TIQUA" (300 tons) which had foundered and been abandoned. Five members of crew were drowned. Credentials of remainder were examined by BSM.	
		1100	Information recd that A/GOC would not arrive as rd LATTAKIA-ALEPPO unpassable. Arrangements cancelled.	
		1300	Gen MONCLAR entertained to lunch by CO at his residence.	
	24	1400	Lt-Col ADAMS, 2/9 FD REGT visited CO.	
		1500	Lieut BAKER (255 Sec FSS att 9 Army) and 10 ORs arrived to take up duty in this area thereby relieving B Sec Aust FS.	
			Very stormy night. Many tents were blown down and huts in B Coy unroofed. Schooner broke loose and was smashed in LATTAKIA Port.	
	25	0915	Church Pde.	
	1100	CO attended Requiem Mass for late Lord BADEN-POWELL in Armenian Church, LATTAKIA and was escorted after ceremony to his residence by bodyguard of Gen MONCLAR.		
		Capt DAINTREE, OC, A Coy, was promoted to rank of Maj as from 6 Jan 42.		
	1200	TEWT held at NAHR-EL-DANDIL Valley to examine this situation as a delaying posn to be held by one Coy.		
26	0900	Tpt Offr visited ALEPPO in order to obtain instructions re supply of petrol to and by this Unit.		
	1400	Capt WALSOE made recce of KASSAB positions.		
27	0900	The weather was very cold. Snow fell at A & B Coys. Rd ALEPPO-LATTAKIA was unpassable. B Sec Aust FSS left for ALEPPO but were unable to get through. Lieut BAKER of 255 Sec sustained injury through a motor accident and Lieut TIMSON was instructed to remain temporarily at LATTAKIA in charge of 255 Sec.		
	1000	Maj SIMPSON reported for duty as 2i/c BN. Maj COLVIN became OC HQ Coy and Capt CRIBB became OC B Coy.		

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	28	1400	Lt-Col NOTTON (DADOS) visited the Unit. Recce made by I Sec of right flank of area where TEWT was held. 255 Sec FSS made an inspection of the SECURITY measures in this Unit.	
		2000	An "At Home" was held in the COs Residence which was attended by the FRENCH DELEGATE GENERAL, the CO of the CHAD Bn of the FFL, the CO of the BATAILLON AUTOCHTONE" at LATTAKIA, the Commander at TRIPOLI of the FREE FRENCH NAVY and the Officer Commanding the FREE FRENCH NAVY at LATTAKIA and other AUSTRALIAN, BRITISH and FREE FRENCH Officers.	
	29	1400	At a conference, Capt EVANS-PRICHARD (Political Officer of SPEARS MISSION) informed of some aspects of Ninth Army policy in event of a major attack in this district.	
	30		CO and 2i/c went to KASSAB, inspected demolitions en route and held a conference with OC A Coy, (Maj DAINTREE)	
		2000	The Offrs of the BRITISH SECURITY MISSION and of the SPEARS MISSION entertained the CO, the FRENCH DELEGATE and other Officers of FFL and 2/13 AUST INF BN.	
	31	1200	Coy Comds conference with CO and 2i/c.	
		1500	CO departed to visit Bde HQ at ALEPPO.	
		1600	Lieut BROWN (Bde LO) visited the Unit with instns from Bde.	
				<i>D. W. Mansfield</i> Lieut 10 2/13 Bn
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FIELD RETURNS

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

2/13 AUST INF BN.
 DETAILS OF CASUALTIES SINCE 13 SEP 1942.

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25/9/41	NX16920	Pte	TAYLOR	JD	Bruised Leg	
12/10/41	22971	"	HANSON	R	Bayonet Wnd.L.Leg	DOW.10/11/41
10/11/41	22208	"	WALMSLEY	R	BW.Abdomen,Legs, R.Arm and face	DOW.10/11/41
"	14880	Sgt	MAIR	DC	BW.R.Leg	
22/10/41	21511	Pte	CRUISE	JI	Penetrating GS Wnd) R.Arm	
29/11/41	27300	Pte	AIRD	N	Killed in Action	
29/11/41	14767	Lieut	NUGENT	AAB	Killed in Action	
"	14457	L/Cpl	CULLEN	CW	Killed in Action	
"	16061	Pte	WILSON	EJ	Killed in Action	
"	24193	"	HORTON	WK	Killed in Action	
"	17324	"	FEENEY	A	Killed in Action	
"	24238	"	LUCK	RF	Killed in Action	
"	22302	"	HILL	GT	Killed in Action	
"	22985	Cpl	PATTERSON	WJ	Killed in Action	
"	16013	Pte	BARD	RW	Killed in Action	
"	21030	"	REES	H	Killed in Action	
"	15034	Sgt	SPOONER	GB	Killed in Action	
"	33767	Pte	CHAPFER	ACL	Killed in Action	
"	18534	L/Cpl	WEBBER	EJ	Killed in Action	
"	16037	Pte	XXXX SIRL	CP	Killed in Action	
"	31391	"	O'MALLEY	WE	Killed in Action	
"	35486	"	IRVINE	F	Killed in Action	
"	35659	"	MAXWELL	JS	SW.L.Arm & Thigh	
"	22301	"	CRAMP	HR	SW. Legs	
"	17482	"	HIVES	JE	SW. Buttock	
"	22290	"	PIERENS	WGF	SW. Buttocks	DOW 7/12/42
"	(X) 36543	A/Cpl	SHEATHER	AJ	SW.R.Thigh	
"	17488	Pte	O'CONNOR	J	SW.L.Leg & Thigh	
"	25089	"	GASKETT	V	SW. Back	
"	36768	"	HELLIER	GD	Fractured Arm	
"	16195	"	O'SULLIVAN	JBP	SW.Hand & Arm	
"	16194	"	SULLIVAN	EE	SW.L.Thigh	
"	(X) 15037	Cpl	DAVIS	FAM	SW.R.Arm	
"	(X) 16532	"	DUFF	AWH	Reported Missing	Believed Drowned.
"	20077	Pte	FEARNSIDE	FE	Penetrating Abd-) omen wound	DOW 30/11/41
"	(X) 16663	"	RYAN	RM	SW.L.Foot	
"	18970	"	PAGE	W	SW.R. Buttock & Neck	
"	21160	L/Cpl	GILFOYLE	H	SW.L.Knee	
"	21908	Pte	SILVA	TH	Penetrating Wound) Knee	
"	22493	Pte	HALLIBURTON	GW	NYDN	
"	16799	Pte	HEARD	JJ	BSW L.Shoulder & both legs	
"	(X) 36557	Pte	CRAWFORD	AM	GSW.L.Wrist	
"	35179	Pte	LUDWIG	HP	SW. Buttock & Legs	DOW 1/1/42
"	17550	Pte	McCAFFERY	WP	SW.L.Leg & Face	
"	(X) 16303	Pte	OLIVER	EA	SW.L.Leg	
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"	17906	Pte	HAYES	LW	Blast Effect	
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"	16631	Pte	MILTON	SM	GSW.L.Leg	
"	36163	Pte	DICK	CR	GSW.L.Leg	
"	(X) 16614	L/Cpl	BANTIN	RJ	GSW.L.Leg	
"	(X) 21147	Pte	HOCKEY	FG	GSW.L.Ankle	
"	15924	Pte	SPINK	OW	NYDN	
"	17907	L/Cpl	SMITH	JO	Blast Effect	
"	21583	Pte	COOK	PW	NYDN	
"	24475	Pte	SHUEMAKER	RL	SW.L.Leg	
"	20794	Pte	TAYLOR	WJ	NYDN	
"	15881	Pte	ISENBERG	B	NYDN	
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"	(X) 36244	"	VENEBALES	WA	GSW.Foot	
"	56756	"	PATTERSON	JAJ	GSW.Thighs,Legs, Elbow & Hand	
"	(X) 24586	"	ELLIOTT	CE	SW.Buttock	
"	(X) 19455	"	ADAMSON	BN	GSW.L.Elbow	
"	21863	"	JONES	AC	Injury L.Foot	
"	(X) 36789	"	FISHER	KE	GSW.L.Arm	
"	35274	"	CLIFFORD	CEJ	Fracture 5th Metar	
"	17256	"	SMITH	C	GSW.R.Ear	
"	17713	"	BOURKE	PH	NYDN	
1/12/41	(X) 18067	Cpl	COSTELLO	P.	SW.R.Shoulder	
"	(X) 23202	Pte	GLASS	BB	SW.R.Thigh	
"	383	Lt-Col.	F.A.BURROWS		SW.Head.	
"	21195	Lieut	D.W.B.MAUGHAN		SW.Both Arms & Cheek	
"	21483	Pte	DEVENISH-MEARS	WJ	Shell Blast	
"	21481	"	PERRY	G	Shell Blast	
"	21426	"	BUCKE	ETR	Shell Wnd.R.Thigh	
"	22919	"	BROOKS	G	Shell Blast	
2/12/41	(X) 35464	"	SCOTT	J	SW.L.Axilla & L.Leg	
3/12/41	36585	"	SMITH	W	Burns Face & Both Arms	
6/12/41	14757	WO(11)	HENDERSON	WGH	Bomb Wnd.L.Foot, R.Hand,R.Leg Fract.	
9/12/41	21148	Pte	SINCLAIR	JA	BW.Both Eyes,Torn Citera L.Eye.	
"	18971	"	BRAMB LE	AS	BW Both Legs	
11/12/41	18264	L/Cpl.	BOYLE	EJ		
13/12/41	12394	Capt.	WATCH	JR	BW.Both Legs & Back	

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (Unit.)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment)
Lieut.-Colonels ...	-		1
Majors ...	2		1
Captains ...	8		1
Lieutenants ...	19		-
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
Totals ...	29		3

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	DWB MAUGHAN	2/13 Bn	30.12.41	Seconded 9 Div Spec Gp. Ex 20 Aust Inf Tng Bn

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	CS TAYLOR	2/13 Bn	3.1.42	Seconded 9 Div Spec Gp

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.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials	Corps	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	NX12213	RWN TURNER	2/13 Bn	Yes	Adm Comd. Aux 2/13 Bn
Major	NX12217	GE COLVIN	"	"	A. 2 i/c
Captain	NX12384	CM DAINTREE	"	"	OC A Coy
"	NX12222	EA HANDLEY MC	"	"	OC D Coy
"	NX12336	HG GILLAN	"	"	OC HQ Coy
"	VX16965	FS WALSH	"	No	AIF ME Gas School
"	NX12383	HH COOPER	"	Yes	2 i/c A Coy
"	NX70221	OM WALSOE	"	"	OC C Coy
"	NX34860	DF FAULKNER	"	"	QM
"	NX12375	HT GRAHAM	"	"	OC B Coy
Lieutenants	NX12223	P DESCHAMPS	"	"	2 i/c C Coy
"	NX34891	GD EVANS	"	No	Det 20 Bde
"	NX12452	MJ WALKER	"	Yes	Pl Comd
"	NX13645	SR LEACH	"	"	Adjt
"	NX14772	RJ SOMERVILLE	"	"	Pl Comd
"	NX15031	KC WILSON	"	"	"
"	NX15678	RJ BURRELL	"	"	"
"	NX34786	GC CLARK	"	"	"
"	NX56181	FS TREWEEKE	"	"	"
"	NX13888	JB MARTIN	"	"	"
"	NX21195	DWB MAUGHAN	"	"	I.O.
"	NX32220	WCJ HEDGER	"	"	Pl Comd
"	NX13864	MT FAIRBAIRN	"	"	"
"	NX13863	PB MARTIN	"	No	AIF ME SME No.5
"	NX27934	EM PINKNEY	"	Yes	Pl Comd
"	NX15077	JE MADDEN	"	"	"
"	NX36162	AJ RACKHAM	"	No	AIF ME Regt1 Offr Course No 3
"	NX58329	DH GREEN	"	"	Det.20 Aust ITB
"	NX35980	AR ROBERTS	"	Yes	Pl Commander

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
SX 9183	Capt	PCR GOODE	RAMC	27.2.41	M.O.
NX35097	Chaplain	C FRANCIS	AA Ch D	30.7.41	Padre-awaiting move 2/8 Bn
SX12188	"	AJ ROBJOHNS	"	19.11.41	Padre

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

(Unit.)

4 Jan 42

(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature] Maj
Adm Comd 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
20 Aust Inf Bde.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving).

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/13 AUST INF BN (Unit.)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment)
Lieut.-Colonels ...	-		1
Majors ...	2		1
Captains ...	8		1
Lieutenants ...	19		-
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
Totals ...	29		3

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	D.W.B. NAUGHAN	2/13 Bn	30/12/41	Ex 20 Aust ITB.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	C.S. Taylor	2/13 Bn	3/1/42	Seconded to 9 Div Spec

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.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials	Corps	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	NX12213	RWN TURNER	2/13 Bn	Yes	Adm Comd
"	NX12217	GE COLVIN	"	"	A. 2 1/c
Captain	NX12384	GM DAINTREE	"	"	OC A Coy
"	NX12222	EA HANDLEY MC	"	"	OC D Coy
"	NX12336	HG GILLAN	"	"	OC HQ Coy
"	VX16965	FS WALSH	"	No	AIF.ME.Gas School
"	NX12393	HH COOPER	"	Yes	2 1/c A Coy
"	NX70221	OM WALSOE	"	"	OC C Coy
"	NX34860	DF FAULKNER	"	"	QM
"	NX12375	HT GRAHAM	"	"	OC B Coy
Lieutenant	NX12223	F DESCHAMPS	"	"	2 1/c C Coy
"	NX34891	GD EVANS	"	No	Det. 20 Bde
"	NX12452	MJ WALKER	"	Yes	P1 Commander
"	NX13646	SR LEACH	"	"	Adjt
"	NX14772	RJ SOMERVILLE	"	"	P1 Commander
"	NX15031	EC WILSON	"	"	P1 Commander
"	NX15678	RJ BURRELL	"	"	"
"	NX34786	GC CLARK	"	"	"
"	NX56181	FS TREWBEKE	"	"	"
"	NX13888	JB MARTIN	"	"	"
"	NX21195	WMB WAUGHAN	"	"	IO
"	NX32220	WCJ HEDDER	"	"	P1 Commander
"	NX13834	HT FAIRBAIRN	"	"	"
"	NX13863	PB MARTIN	"	No	AIF.ME.SMR.P.O.S
"	NX27934	EM PINKNEY	"	Yes	P1 Commander
"	NX15077	JL MADDEN	"	"	"
"	NX36162	AJ RACKHAM	"	No	AIF.ME.Regtl.Offrs Course.No.3
"	NX58329	DH GREEN	"	"	Det. 20 Aust ITB.
"	NX53980	AR ROBERTS	"	Yes	P1 Commander

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
SX9183	Capt	PCW GOODE	RANC	27.2.41	M.O.
NX35097	Chaplain	C FRANCIS	AI Cl D	30.7.41	Padre-awaiting movement 2/8 Bn
SX12188	"	AV ROBJOHN	"	19.11.41	Padre

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

(Unit.)

4 Jan 41

(Date of Despatch.)

Adm Comd 2/13 Aust Inf Bn

(Signature of Commander.)

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment)
*			
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	•		1
Majors	2		1
Captains	7		8
Lieutenants	81	2	
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
District Officers			
Totals	30	2	4

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	F S Walsh	2/13 Bn	6.1.42	rejoined from ME Gas School No 15 Regtl Instrs Course
Capt	B G Cribb	"	10.1.42	rejoined from 20 ITB & ceases to be seconded
Lieut.	D H Green	"	10.1.42	rejoined from detach 20ITB
Lieut.	J R Wood	"	10.1.42	joined Unit- reinftr offr
Lieut.	I O Edwards	"	10.1.42	" " " "

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	F S Walsh	2/13 Bn	6.1.42	detached HQ 9 Aust Div G3 (O) CW
Capt	H G Gillan	"	6.1.42	seconded 20 AITB
Capt	E A Handley MC	"	8.1.42	seconded 20 AITB
Lieut	J B Martin	"	9.1.42	detached 20 Aust Inf Bde LG
Chap	D Francis	AA Ch D	6.1.42	to 2/8 Bn & ceases to be attached

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.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials	Corps	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	NX12213	R W N Turner	2/13 Bn	Yes	Comd Offr
Major	NX12217	G B Colvin	"	"	2 1/c
Capt	NX12384	G M Daintree	"	"	CO A Coy
"	NX12443	B G Cribb	"	"	CO HQ Coy
"	NX16965	F S Walsh	"	No	HQ 9 Div 63(0) CW
"	NX12383	H H Cooper	"	Yes	CO B Coy
"	NX70221	O H Walsoe	"	"	CO C Coy
"	NX34860	D F Faulkner	"	"	QM
"	NX12375	H T Graham	"	"	CO B Coy
Lieut	NX12223	P Deschamps	"	"	2 1/c C Coy
"	NX34891	G D Evans	"	No	det 20 Bde
"	NX12452	M J Walker	"	Yes	P1 Comd
"	NX13646	S R Leach	"	"	Adj
"	NX14772	R J Somerville	"	"	P1 Comd
"	NX15031	K G Wilson	"	"	P1 Comd
"	NX15673	R J Burrell	"	"	2 1/c B Coy
"	NX34786	G C Clark	"	"	P1 Comd
"	NX56181	F S Treweeke	"	"	"
"	NX13888	J B Martin	"	No	det 20 Bde
Pl	NX21195	D W B Maughan	"	Yes	IO
"	NX32220	W C J Hedger	"	"	P1 Comd
"	NX13864	M T Fairbairn	"	"	2 1/c A Coy
"	NX13863	P B Martin	"	No	AIF(MR)SME
"	NX27934	E M Pinkney	"	Yes	P1 Comd
"	NX15077	J B Madden	"	"	"
"	NX36162	A J Rackham	"	No	AIF(MR)Regtl Offrs Course 3
"	NX58329	D H Green	"	Yes	P1 Comd
"	NX47083	J E Wood	"	"	"
"	NX35980	A R Roberts	"	"	"
"	NX56579	I G Edmunds	"	"	"

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	SX 9183	F C R Coode	AASC	27.2.41	RMO
Chap	SX12188	A J Robjohns	AA Ch D	19.11.	Padre

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

(Unit.)

10 Jan 42

(Date of Despatch.)

A. H. Macpherson
(Signature of Commander.)
Comd. 2/13 Bn., A.I.F.
2/13 Aust Inf Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (Unit.)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment)
Lieut.-Colonels ...	-		1
Majors ...	2		1
Captains ...	7		2
Lieutenants ...	21	2	
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
Totals ...	30	2	4

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	F S Walsh	2/13 Bn	6.1.42	rejoined from ME Gas School No15 Regtl Instrs Course
Capt	B G Cribb	"	10.1.42	rejoined from 20ITB & ceases to be seconded
Lieut	D H Green	"	10.1.42	rejoined from detach 20 ITB
Lieut	J E Wood	"	10.1.42	joined Unit-reinft offr
Lieut	I G Edmunds	"	10.1.42	" " " "

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	F S Walsh	2/13 Bn	6.1.42	detached HQ 9 Aust Div G3 (O) CW
Capt	H G Gillan	"	6.1.42	seconded 20 AITB
Capt	E A Handley MC	"	8.1.42	seconded 20 AITB
Lieut	J B Martin	"	9.1.42	detached 20 Aust Inf Bde LO
Chap	C Francis	AA Ch D	6.1.42	to 2/8 Bn & ceases to be attached

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.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials	Corps	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Major	NX12213	RWN Turner	2/13 Bn	Yes	Comd Offr
Major	NX12217	GE Colvin	"	"	2 i/c
Capt	NX12384	CM Daintree	"	"	OC A Coy
"	NX12443	BG Gribb	"	"	OC HQ Coy
"	NX16965	FS Walsh	"	NO	HQ 9 Div G3(0) CW
"	NX12383	HH Cooper	"	Yes	OC D Coy
"	NX70221	OM Walseo	"	"	OC C Coy
"	NX34860	DF Faulkner	"	"	QM
"	NX12375	HT Graham	"	"	OC B Coy
Lieut.	NX12223	P. Deschamps	"	"	2 i/c C Coy
"	NX34891	GD Evans	"	No	Det 20 Bde
"	NX12452	MJ Walker	"	Yes	Pl Comd
"	NX13645	SR Leach	"	"	Adjnt
"	NX14772	RJ Somerville	"	"	Pl Comd
"	NX15031	KC Wilson	"	"	Pl Comd
"	NX15678	RJ Burrell	"	"	2 i/c D Coy
"	NX34786	GG Clark	"	"	Pl Comd
"	NX56181	FS Treweeke	"	"	Pl Comd
"	NX13888	JB Martin	"	No	Det 20 Bde
"	NX21195	DWB Maughan	"	Yes	I.O
"	NX32220	WCJ Hedger	"	"	Pl Comd
"	NX13864	MT Fairbairn	"	"	2 i/c A Coy
"	NX13863	PB Martin	"	No	AIF (ME) SME
"	NX27934	EM Pinkney	"	Yes	Pl Comd
"	NX15077	JE Madden	"	"	Pl Comd
"	NX36162	AJ Rackham	"	No	AIF (ME) Regt 1 Offrs Crs 3
"	NX58329	DH Green	"	Yes	Pl Comd
"	NX47083	JE Wood	"	"	"
"	NX35980	AR Roberts	"	"	"
"	NX56579	IG Edmunds	"	"	"

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	SX 9183	PCR Goode	AAMC	27.3.41	RMO
Chap	SX12188	AJ Robjohns	AA Ch D	19.11	Padre

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

(Unit.)

10 Jan 42

(Date of Despatch.)

20 Aust Comd 2/13 Bn A.I.F.

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

W. H. ...
Signature of Commander.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (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		4
Majors	21		2
Captains	7		2
Lieutenants	22	3	
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	31	3	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.
Lieut	R. J. Barrett	2/13 Bn	12.1.42	Rejoined Unit from X List
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Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
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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 Major	NxI22I3	RWN Turner	2/13 Bn	Yes	Comd Offr
Major	I22I7	GE Colvin	"	"	2 1/e
Capt	I2384	CM Daintree	"	"	OC A Coy
	I2443	BG Cribb	"	"	OC HQ Coy
	VXI6965	FS Walsh	"	No	HQ 9 Div G3(0)CW
	NXI2383	HN Cooper	"	Yes	OC D Coy
	7022I	OM Walsoe	"	"	OC C Coy
	34860	DF Faulkner	"	"	QM
	I2375	HT Graham	"	"	OC B Coy
Lieut	I2223	P Deschamps	"	"	2 1/e Coy
	3489I	GD Evans	"	No	Det 20 Bde
	I2452	MJ Walker	"	Yes	Pl Comd
	I3645	SR Leach	"	"	Adjt
	I4772	RJ Somerville	"	"	Pl Comd
	I503I	KC Wilson	"	"	" "
	I5678	RJ Burrell	"	"	2 1/e D Coy
	34786	GC Clark	"	"	Pl Comd
	56I8I	FS Treweeke	"	"	" "
	I3888	JB Martin	"	No	Det 20 Bde
	2II95	DWB Maughan	"	Yes	I O
	32220	WCJ Hedger	"	"	Pl Comd
	I3864	MT Fairbairn	"	"	2 1/e A Coy
	I3863	PB Martin	"	No	AIF(ME)SME
	27934	EM Pinkney	"	Yes	Pl Comd
	70729	RJ Barrett	"	"	" "
	I5077	JE Madden	"	"	" "
	36I62	AJ Rackham	"	No	AIF(ME)Regtl Offr Course 3
	58329	DH Green	"	Yes	Pl Comd
	47083	JE Wood	"	"	" "
	35980	AR Roberts	"	"	" "
	56579	IG Edmunds	"	"	" "

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	SX9I83	PCR Goode	AAMC	27.3.4I	RMO
Chap	SXI2I88	AJ Robjohns	AA Ch D	I9.II.4I	Padre

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

(Unit.)

R. W. Turner Lt Col.
Comd. 2/13 Bn AIF
(Signature of Commander.)

27 Jan 42

(Date of Despatch.)

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (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		1
Majors ...	1		1
Captains ...	7		2
Lieutenants ...	22	3	
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
TOTALS ...	31	3	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.
Lieut	R J Barrett	2/13 Bn	12.1.42	Rejoined Unit from X List

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)

W. M. Barry

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.
T/Lt Col Major	NxI22I3	RWN Turner	2/13 Bn	Yes	Comd Offr
Major	I22I7	GE Colvin	"	"	2 i/c
Capt	I2384	CM Daintree	"	"	OC A Coy
	I2443	BG Cribb	"	"	OC HQ Coy
	VXI6965	FS Walsh	"	No	HQ 9 Div G3(0)CW
	NXI2383	HH Cooper	"	Yes	OC D Coy
	7022I	OM Walsee	"	"	OC C Coy
	34860	DF Faulkner	"	"	QM
	I2375	HT Graham	"	"	OC B Coy
Lieut	I2223	P Deschamps	"	"	2 i/c Coy
	3489I	GD Evans	"	No	Det 20 Bde
	I2452	MJ Walker	"	Yes	Pl Comd
	I3645	SR Leach	"	"	Adjt
	I4772	RJ Somerville	"	"	Pl Comd
	I503I	KC Wilson	"	"	" "
	I5678	RJ Burrell	"	"	2 i/c D Coy
	34786	GC Clark	"	"	Pl Comd
	56I8I	FS Treweeke	"	"	" "
	I3888	JB Martin	"	No	Det 20 Bde
	2II95	DWB Maughan	"	Yes	I O
	32220	WCJ Hedger	"	"	Pl Comd
	I3864	MT Fairbairn	"	"	2 i/c A Coy
	I3863	PB Martin	"	No	AIF(ME)SME
	27934	EM Pinkney	"	Yes	Pl Comd
	70729	RJ Barrett	"	"	" "
	I5077	JE Madden	"	"	" "
	36I62	AJ Rackham	"	No	AIF(ME)Regtl Offr Course 3
	58329	DH Green	"	Yes	Pl Comd
	47083	JE Wood	"	"	" "
	35980	AR Roberts	"	"	" "
	56578	IG Edmunds	"	"	" "

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	SX9I83	PCR Goode	AAMC	27.3.41	RMO
Chap	SXI2I88	AJ Robjohns	AA Ch D	19.II.41	Padre

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

(Unit.)

27 Jan 42

(Date of Despatch.)

W. M. Barry Lt. Col.
Comd. 2/13 Bn A.I.F.
(Signature of Commander.)

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/13 AUST INF BN (Unit.)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment)
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	1	-	2
Captains ...	6	-	3
Lieutenants ...	22	3	-
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
Totals ...	30	3	5

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	FS WALSH	2/13 Aust Inf BN	28.12.41	ceases to be detached and is seconded to HQ 9 Aust Div.

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.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials	Corps	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
T/Lt-col	EX 12213	R W N TURNER	2/13 Inf	Yes	Comd Offr
Major	12217	G B COLVIN	"	"	2 1/c
Capt	12384	G W DAINTRIE	"	"	OC A Coy
"	12443	B G CRIBB	"	"	OC HQ Coy
"	12385	H H COOPER	"	"	OC D Coy
"	70221	G M WALSOE	"	"	OC E Coy
"	34360	D F PAULNER	"	"	QM
"	12375	H T GRAMM	"	"	OC B Coy
Lieut	12223	P DESCHAMPS	"	"	2 1/c C Coy
"	34391	G B EVANS	"	No	Det. 20 Bde
"	12452	M J WALKER	"	Yes	P1 Comd.
"	15645	S R LEACH	"	"	Adjt
"	14772	R J SOMERVILLE	"	"	P1 Comd.
"	15051	K G WILSON	"	"	P1 Comd
"	15883	R J BURRELL	"	"	2 1/c D Coy
"	34786	G C CLARK	"	"	P1 Comd.
"	56131	F S TREWEEKS	"	"	"
"	13883	J B MARTIN	"	No	Det 20 Bde.
"	21195	D W B HAUGHAN	"	Yes	I.O.
"	32220	W C J HEDGER	"	"	P1 Comd.
"	13364	M T FAIRBAIRN	"	"	2 1/c A Coy
"	13363	P B MARTIN	"	No	AIF. M.S. S.M.E.
"	27934	E W PINKNEY	"	Yes	P1 Comd.
"	70729	R J BARNETT	"	"	P1 Comd.
"	15077	J E MADDEN	"	"	P1 Comd.
"	36162	A J RACKHAM	"	No	AIF. M.S. Regtl. Offrs Course 3.
"	58329	G H GREEN	"	Yes	P1 Comd.
"	47063	J E WOOD	"	"	P1 Comd.
"	35980	A R ROBERTS	"	"	P1 Comd.
"	56579	I G EDMUNDS	"	"	P1 Comd.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	EX9133	PCR GOODE	AAMC	27.3.41	R.M.O.
Chaplain	EX12133	AJ ROBJOHN	AA.Cl.D.	19.11.41	Padre

2/13 Aust Inf Bn
24 Jan 42. (Unit.)

R W N Turner (Signature of Commander.)
Comd. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn (R W N TURNER) 24 Jan 42. (Date of Despatch.)
Comd. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/13 AUST INF BN (Unit.)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment)
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Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	1	-	2
Captains ...	6	-	3
Lieutenants ...	22	3	-
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
Totals ...	30	3	5

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	FS WALSH	2/13 Aust Inf BN	23.12.41	ceases to be detached and is seconded to HQ 9 Aust Div.

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.	Higher acting or temporary rank if held.	Name and Initials	Corps	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No.)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
T/Lt-Col	12213	R W N TURNER	2/13 Inf	Yes	Comd offr
Major	12217	G R COLVIN	"	"	2 i/c
Capt	12384	G W DAINTREE	"	"	OC A Coy
"	12443	B G CRISP	"	"	OC HQ Coy
"	12385	H H COOPER	"	"	OC B Coy
"	70221	G H WALSON	"	"	OC C Coy
"	34360	D F PAULKNER	"	"	OC
"	12375	H T GRAHAM	"	"	OC B Coy
Lieut	12223	P DESCHAMPS	"	"	2 i/c C Coy
"	34391	G D EVANS	"	No	Det. 20 Bde
"	12452	H J WALKER	"	Yes	Pl Comd.
"	13045	S R LEACH	"	"	Adjt
"	14772	H J SOMERVILLE	"	"	Pl Comd.
"	15031	R C WILSON	"	"	Pl Comd
"	15070	R J DURRELL	"	"	2 i/c B Coy
"	34786	G C CLARK	"	"	Pl Comd.
"	56131	F S TRENWHEE	"	"	"
"	13888	J B MARTIN	"	No	Det 20 Bde.
"	21195	D W B MAUGHAN	"	Yes	I.C.
"	32220	W C J HEDDER	"	"	Pl Comd.
"	13854	H T FAIRBAINH	"	"	2 i/c A Coy
"	13863	P B MARTIN	"	No	AIF. MR. S.M.S.
"	27934	E H PINKNEY	"	Yes	Pl Comd.
"	70729	H J HARRITT	"	"	Pl Comd.
"	15077	J E MADDEN	"	"	Pl Comd.
"	36162	A J RACKHAM	"	No	AIF. MR. Regtl. Offrs Course 3.
"	53329	D H GREEN	"	Yes	Pl Comd.
"	47033	J E WOOD	"	"	Pl Comd.
"	35930	A R ROBERTS	"	"	Pl Comd.
"	56579	I G EDMONDS	"	"	Pl Comd.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	3X9133	FOR GOODE	A.A.M.C.	27.3.41	R.M.O.
Chaplain	3X12198	AJ ROBJOINS	AA.Cl.D.	19.11.41	Padre

(Unit.)

(Signature of Commander.)

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

(Date of Despatch.)

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

24 Jan 42.

Comd. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
(R W N TURNER)

Lt-Col.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	5		4
Lieutenants ...	21	2	
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
TOTALS ...	30	2	4

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.)

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Major	Mr. SIMPSON	2/13 Bn	27/1/42	Rejoined Unit and ceases to be seconded Hq 7 Aust Div.
Lieut.	PD Martin	"	27.1.42	Rejoin Unit from school

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	MR FAIRBAIRN	2/13 Bn	26/1/42	Avac 2/11 Pd Amb to 2/3 CCS-2nd Degree burns both hands.
Lieut	GC Clarke	"	26.1.42	Att. 1st Gas School, No 17 Regtl Inst Course
Lieut	SM Pinkney	"	28.1.42	Att. 9 Aust Div mortar demonstration school

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.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
V/Lt-Col	12213	RWF TURNER	2/13 Bn	Yes	Comd Offr
Major	12021	NW SIMPSON	"	"	Bn 2 1/c
"	12217	ES COLVIN	"	"	CC HQ Coy
"	12384	ON DAINFRED	"	"	CC A Coy
Capt	12443	DS CRIDE	"	"	CC B Coy
"	12383	HE COOPER	"	"	CC B Coy
"	70221	ON WALSON	"	"	CC C Coy
"	34860	DF FAULKNER	"	"	"
"	12375	RT GRAHAM	"	"	2 1/c B Coy
Lieut	12223	P DESCHAMPS	"	"	2 1/c C Coy
"	34591	ED STANG	"	No	Det. 20 Aust Inf Bde
"	12452	NI WALKER	"	Yes	Pl. Comd.
"	13645	BR LEACH	"	"	Adjt
"	14772	BJ SCHERVILLE	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	15031	KO WILSON	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	15678	BJ BURNELL	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	56121	FS BRIDGEMAN	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	34786	CC CLARK	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	13888	JD MARTIN	"	No	Det. 20 Aust Inf Bde
"	21195	DWD NAUGHAN	"	Yes	I.C.
"	32220	WJ HEDDER	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	13863	FB MARTIN	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	27934	WH FINKNEY	"	No	Pl. Comd. 9 Div Hqr. Darwin.
"	70729	RF BARNETT	"	Yes	Pl. Comd.
"	15077	JS HADEN	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	36162	AJ RADHAM	"	No	Headst. AIF 28 Reg. Officers Course No. 3.
"	58129	DE GREEN	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	47083	FR HOOD	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	35980	AR ROBERTS	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	56579	IG KIMMUND	"	"	Pl. Comd.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	12183	FOR COOPER	AA HQ	27.3.41	MO
Chaplain	12188	WJ ROBERTS	AA, C.I., D.	19.11.41	Padre

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

(Unit.)

31 Jan 42

(Date of Despatch.)

Archibald Simpson Lt. Col.
Comd. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
Signature of Commander.

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

2/13 AUST INF BN (Unit)

PART A.— STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	5		4
Lieutenants	21	2	
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
District Officers			
TOTALS	30	2	4

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.)

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Major	W. SIMPSON	2/13 BN	27/1/42	Rejoined Unit and ceases to be seconded HQ 7 Aust Div.
Lieut	FB Martin	"	27.1.42	Rejoin Unit from School

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	BT FAIRBAIN	2/13 BN	26/1/42	Evac 2/11 Pd Amb to 2/3 CGS-2nd Degree burns both hands.
Lieut	CS Clarke	"	26.1.42	Att. MB Gas School, No 17 Regtl Inst Course
Lieut	BA Pinkney	"	28.1.42	Att. 9 Aust Div mortar Demonstration School

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.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
T/Lt-Col	NX12213	RWN TURNER	2/13 Bn	Yes	Comd Offr
Major	12021	NW SIMPSON	"	"	Bn 2 i/c
"	12217	GE COLVIN	"	"	OC HQ Coy
"	12384	CM DAINTREE	"	"	OC A Coy
Capt	12443	BE CRIBB	"	"	OC B Coy
"	12383	RH COOPER	"	"	OC D Coy
"	70221	OR WALSON	"	"	OC C Coy
"	34860	DF FAULKNER	"	"	OC
"	12377	HT GRANTON	"	"	2 i/c B Coy
Lieut	12223	P DESCHAMPS	"	"	2 i/c C Coy
"	34891	GD EVANS	"	No	Det. 20 Aust Inf Bde
"	12452	BJ WALKER	"	Yes	Pl Comd.
"	13645	JR LEACH	"	"	Adjt
"	14772	RJ SOMERVILLE	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	15031	KC WILSON	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	15678	RJ BURNELL	"	"	Pl Comd.
"	56181	FB TREWEEK	"	"	Pl Comd.
"	34786	GC CLARK	"	"	Pl Comd.
"	13888	JB MARTIN	"	No	Det. 20 Aust Inf Bde
"	21195	DWB MAUGHAN	"	Yes	I.O.
"	32220	WCJ HEDDER	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	13863	FB MARTIN	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	27934	EM PINKNEY	"	No	Pl. Comd. 9 Div War. Remonstr.
"	70729	HJ BARRATT	"	Yes	Pl. Comd.
"	15077	JB MADDEN	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	36182	AJ RACKHAM	"	No	Pl. Comd. AIF MB Reg. Officers Course No. 3.
"	58329	EM GREEN	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	47083	JB WOOD	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	35900	AR ROBERTS	"	"	Pl. Comd.
"	56579	IG BOURNDS	"	"	Pl. Comd.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	AX 9183	MGR GOODE	AA MC	27.3.41	RMO
Chaplain	AX 12188	AJ ROBJOINS	AA. Cl. D.	19.11.41	Padre

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

(Unit.)

Walter Simpson
Lt. Col.
Comd. 2/13 Bn. A.I.F.
(Signature of Commander.)

31 Jan 42

(Date of Despatch.)

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

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (Unit). **3 Jan** 19 **42** (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		1
W.Os. Class II.	5		
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	5		
Serjeants	27		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	62	1	
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	630		22
TOTALS	730	1	23

*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.
SX 7813 Sgt Bell RJ	AAMC	NX 60042 Cpl Larkin D.	AAOC
NX 7053 Sgt Holt AE	AAPC	NX 36646 A/Cpl Brazier AJ	"
NX 17358 Cpl West GT	AAMC	NX 57535 Pte Smith S.	"
NX 24673 A/Cpl Jones FS	"	NX 16001 Cpl Hownds RE	9 Div Post Uni
SX 6406 Pte Baxter HC	"	NX 16794 Pte Stevenson R	20 Bde
NX 21151 " Fraser R	"	WX 4323 " Hayward EV	"

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)
NX 59592	Pte	Woods AG	AAOC Att 2/13 Aust Inf Bn	9 Div Spec Gp

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (Unit). **3 Jan** 19 **42** (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	I		
W.Os. Class II.	5		I
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	5		
Serjeants	27		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	62	I	
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	630		22
TOTALS	730	I	23

*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.
SK7813 Sgt Bell RJ	A.A.M.C.	NX60042 Cpl Larkin D	A.A.O.C.
NX7053 Sgt Holt AE	A.A.P.C.	NX36646 A/Cpl Brazier AJ	"
NXI7358 Cpl West GT	A.A.M.C.	NX57535 Pte Smith S	"
NX24673 A/Cpl Jones FS	"	NXI6001 Cpl Bownds RE	9 Div Post Uni
SX6406 Pte Baxter HC	"	NXI6794 Pte Stevenson R	20 Bde
NX21151 " Fraser R	"	WX4323 " Hayward EV	"

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)
IX59592	Pte	Woods AG	AAOC att 2/13 Aust Inf Bn	9 Div Spec Gp

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

Table with columns: SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT (W.Os. Class I-III, S.Q.M.S., Staff-Serjeants, Serjeants, Buglers, Corporals, Troopers, Guardsmen) and REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED (W.Os. Class I-III, S.Q.M.S., Serjeants, Buglers, Corporals, Troopers, Guardsmen). Rows include Bricklayers, Butchers, Carpenters, etc., with a 'TOTALS' row at the bottom showing 22 surplus and 23 reinforcements.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn. Unit. Date of Despatch 3 Jan 42

Signature of Commander: Admin Comd, 2/13 Bn., A.I.F. 20 Aust Inf Bde Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	1		
W.Os. Class III.	5		1
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	6		
Serjeants	38	1	
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.	23	1	
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	64	3	
	672	20	
TOTALS	775	24	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.
AK7313 Sgt Bell RJ	AAAC	AK38846 Cpl Frazier AJ	AAAC
AK7653 Sgt Holt AJ	AAAC	AK57535 Pte Smith S	"
AK17353 Cpl West JF	AAAC	AK16001 Cpl Downs RB	9 Div Post Unit
AK6406 Pte Baxter AC	"	AK4523 Pte Hayward IV	20 Aust Inf Bde
AK21151 Pte Fraser H	"		
AK60042 Cpl Larkin D	AAAC		

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)
AK59582	Pte	Hoods AJ	AAAC att 2/13 Aust Inf Bn	Servies by Regt 17 1943

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners ...																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ...																				
" " (Wheeled)																				
Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
Equipment Repairers ...																				
Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ...																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers & Harness Makers																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers																				
Storemen-technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel ...																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				

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2/13 Aust Inf Bn
Date of Despatch

10 Jan 42

Unit.

[Signature]
Lt Col.
Comd. 2/13 Bn., A.I.F.

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

20 Aust Inf Bde.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	1		
W.Os. Class III.	5		1
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	3		
Serjeants	28	1	
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.	38	1	
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	64	3	
	678	20	
TOTALS	775	24	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.
SK7813 Sgt Bell RJ	AAOC	EX36646 Cpl Brazier AJ	AAOC
HK7953 Sgt Holt AE	AAFC	HK57535 Pte Smith S	"
HK17358 Cpl West GT	AAOC	HK18001 Cpl Lownds RB	9 Div Post Unit
SK6406 Pte Baxter HC	"	HK4323 Pte Hayward EV	20 Aust Inf Bde
HK21151 Pte Fraser R	"		
HK60042 Cpl Larkin D	AAOC		

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)
HK59593	Pte	Woods AG	AAOC att E/13 Aust Inf Bn	Service by Regt 20 Aust Inf Bde

2/13 Aust Inf Bn Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.					
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.		Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked)																				
" " (Wheeled)																				
Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
Equipment Repairers																				
Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers & Harness Maker																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)																				

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2/13 Aust Inf Bn Unit. Date of Despatch 10 Jan 42

Lt. Col. Comd. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn. Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving. 20 Aust Inf Bde.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (Unit), 17 Jan 1942 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	I		
W.Os. Class II.	5		I
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	5		
Serjeants	27		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	63	2	
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	663	II	
TOTALS	764	I3	I

*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.
SX7813 Sgt Bell RJ	A A M C	NX36646 A/Cpl Brazier AJ	A A O C
NX7053 Sgt Holt AE	A A P C	NX57535 Pte Smith S	"
NXI7358 Cpl West GT	A A M C	NXI6001 Cpl Bownds RE	9 Div Post Unit
SX6406 Pte Baxter HC	"	WX4323 Pte Hayward EV	20 Bde
NX21151 " Fraser R	"		
NX60042 Cpl Larkin D	A A O C		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
NX59592	Pte	Woods AG	AAOC Att 2/13 Aust Inf Bn	9 Div Spec Gp

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.									REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked)																				
" " (Wheeled)																				
Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
Equipment Repairers																				
Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers & Harness Maker																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel									2	II	13									I
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).									2	II	13									I

2/13 Aust Inf Bn Unit.

Date of Despatch 17 Jan 42

[Signature] Lt. Col.
 Comd. 2/13 Bn., A.I.F.
 Signature of Commander.
 20 Aust Inf Bde
 Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (Unit). 17 Jan 1942 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	I		
W.Os. Class II.	5		I
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	5		
Serjeants	27		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	63	2	
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	663	II	
TOTALS	764	I3	I

*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.
SX7813 Sgt Bell RJ	A A M C	NX36646 A/Cpl Brazier AJ	A A O C
NX7053 Sgt Holt AB	A A P C	NX57535 Pte Smith S	"
NXI7358 Cpl West GT	A A M C	NXI6001 Cpl Bownds RE	9 Div Post Unit
SX6406 Pte Baxter HC	"	WX4323 Pte Hayward EV	20 Bde
NX21151 " Fraser R	"		
NX60042 Cpl Larkin D	A A O C		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
NX59592	Pte	Woods AG	AAOC Att 2/13 Aust Inf Bn	9 Div Spec Gp

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS. TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners ...																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ...																				
" " (Wheeled) ...																				
Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
Equipment Repairers ...																				
Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen) ...																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ...																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers & Harness Maker																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel ...																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				

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2/13 Aust Inf Bn Unit.

Date of Despatch 17 Jan 42

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.
Comd 2/13 Bn., A.I.F.

20 Aust Inf Bde
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

24 Jan 42

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

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	5		1
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	36	1	
Serjeants	27		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	63	2	
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusillers, etc.	663	11	2
TOTALS	765	14	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.
SX7813 Sgt Bell RJ	A A M C	NX36646 A/Cpl Brazier AJ	A A O C
NX70533 Sgt Holt AE	A A P C	NX57535 Pte Smith S	"
NX17358 Cpl West GT	A A M C	NX16001 Cpl Bownds RS	9 Div Post Unit
SX6406 Pte Baxter HC	"	WX4323 Pte Hayward EV	20 Bde
NX21151 " Fraser R	"		
NX60042 Cpl Larkin D	A A O C		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
NX59592	Pte	Woods A G	AAOC Att 2/13 Aust Inf Bn	9 Div Spec Gp

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners ...																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ...																				
" " (Wheeled) ..																				
Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
Equipment Repairers ...																				
Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen) ...																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ...																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers & Harness Makers																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel ...					1			2	11	14										1
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).					1			2	11	14										1

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (Unit), 24 Jan 42 19 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	5		1
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	26	1	
Serjeants	27		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	63	2	
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	663	11	1
TOTALS	785	14	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.
IX7813 Sgt Bell RJ	A A B C	NX36646 A/Cpl Brazier AJ	A A O C
IX70538 Sgt Holt AB	A A F C	NX77535 Pte Smith S	"
IX17358 Cpl West GT	A A B C	NX16001 Cpl Bouds AB	9 Div Post unit
IX6406 Pte Baxter HC	"	NX4323 Pte Hayward LV	20 Bde
IX21151 " Fraser R	"		
IX60042 Cpl Larkin D	A A O C		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
NX59592	Pte	Woods A. G.	A A O C	2/13 Aust Inf Bn 9 Div 3000 up

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.									REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.		TOTAL
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked)																				
„ „ (Wheeled)																				
Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
Equipment Repairers																				
Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers & Harness Maker																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel				1			2	11	14	1										1
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).				1			2	11	14	1										1

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

Unit.

[Signature]
 Signature of Commander.
 Comd. 2/13 Bn., A.I.F.

Date of Despatch 24 Jan 42

20 Aust Inf Bde

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

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Unit) 19 .. (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	1		1
W.Os. Class III.	1		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	8	1	1
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.	20		
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	64 653	3 1	
TOTALS	755	5	2

*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.
SX7813 Sgt Bell NJ	A A B C	NX26646 W/O J. H. H. H. H. H.	A A B C
NX7053 " Holt AS	A A B C	NX77535 Pte Smith S	"
NX17358 Cpl West ST	A A B C	NX16001 Cpl Hounds AS	9 Div Post
SX6406 Pte Baxter B	"	NX4323 Pte Hayward BV	20 Bde
NX21151 " Fraser BC	"		
NX60042 Cpl Larkin D	A A B C		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
NX59592	Pte	WOODS	AS	9 Div Post

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

Unit.

W. H. Gray

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.				
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.		Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																				
Butchers																				
Carpenters and Joiners ...																				
Clerks																				
Cooks																				
Despatch Riders																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ...																				
" " (Wheeled)																				
Drivers-Mechanics																				
Drivers-Operators																				
Electricians																				
Equipment Repairers ...																				
Farriers																				
Fitters																				
Machine Gunners																				
Masons																				
Motor Mechanics																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ...																				
Range Takers																				
Saddlers & Harness Maker ...																				
Saddle Tree Makers																				
Sanitary and Water Duties ...																				
Signallers																				
Storemen technical																				
Tailors																				
Wheelers																				
General duty personnel ...					1				3	1	5			1					2	2
TOTALS (to agree with Col- umn 3 and 4 of Part A).					1				3	1	5			1					2	2

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

Unit.

Date of Despatch 31 Jan 42

W. H. Gray

Comd. 2/13 Bn, A.I.F. Col. Signature of Commander.

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20 Aust Inf Bn Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	3		1
W.Os. Class III.	5		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	6	1	1
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.	25		
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	64	3	
	653	1	
TOTALS	755	5	2

*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.
SX7813 sgt Bell	A A A O	NX36646 A/Cpl Draxlor	A A O O
NX7053 " Holt	A A A O	NX57535 Pte Smith	"
NX17358 Cpl West	A A A O	NX16001 Cpl Bouc	9 Div Post
SX6406 Pte Baxter	"	NX4323 Pte Hayward	20 240
NX21151 " Fraser	"		
NX6042 Cpl Martin	A A A O		

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)
NX55552	Pte	Smith	A A A O	9 Div Post

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS. TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.									REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.		TOTAL.	
Bricklayers																					
Butchers																					
Carpenters and Joiners																					
Clerks																					
Cooks																					
Despatch Riders																					
Drivers I.C. (Tracked)																					
" " (Wheeled)																					
Drivers-Mechanics																					
Drivers-Operators																					
Electricians																					
Equipment Repairers																					
Farriers																					
Fitters																					
Machine Gunners																					
Masons																					
Motor Mechanics																					
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen)																					
Plumbers and Pipefitters																					
Range Takers																					
Saddlers & Harness Maker																					
Saddle Tree Makers																					
Sanitary and Water Duties																					
Signallers																					
Storemen technical																					
Tailors																					
Wheelers																					
General duty personnel					1			3	1	5			1			1				2	2
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).					1			3	1	5			1			1				2	2

2/13 Aust Inf Bn

Unit.

Date of Despatch

31 Jan 42

Charles Thompson
 Comd. 2/13 Bn., A.I.F.
 Signature of Commander.
 ADD

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

20 Aust Inf Bn

appendix

B

ENEMY AGENTS.

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3. All Units will in future cooperate in defeating such attempts by-
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4. INFORMATION AS TO MOVEMENT OF AIRCRAFT.
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 - (b) The following information is required:
 - (i) Location of observer and exact time of observation.
 - (ii) Bearing from observer, direction of flight, approximate height, type, number, and approximate location of aircraft seen.
 - (c) Information will be forwarded through the following channels:
By Ens to Div rpt to Bde.
By Bdes to Div.
 - (d) Reports received by the Army from Civil population will be forwarded by the same channels with name and address of informant.
5. ACTION TO INVESTIGATE REPORTS OF PARACHUTE LANDINGS.
 - (a) As speed is the essential factor, all unit commanders will act at once on their own responsibility. This applies to bodies of tps of any arm or service wherever they may be.
 - (b) On receiving information the commander will: / reported
 - (i) Send an armed patrol to the place of the landing with orders to act as in para 6 of this instn.
 - (ii) Forward the information as received through the channels as set out above, and inform his immediately superior command of the action he is taking.
 - (iii) Warn any neighbouring British or French Units of the presence of the patrol.
 - (iv) Warn the civil authorities, if this is practicable. The Commander should also, if possible, arrange himself or through the civil authorities for the picketting of roads etc leading from the place concerned.
6. ORDERS TO PATROL INVESTIGATING REPORT.
 - (a) The object of the patrol will be to investigate the report of the dropping by parachute of an enemy agent, and if possible to apprehend the agent and collect anything dropped with him. The patrol will be armed, and will normally be commanded by an officer.
 - (b) The person claiming to have seen the landing should accompany the patrol.
 - (c) The patrol commander should search the area concerned and endeavour to obtain any further available information from persons in the neighbourhood.

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(d) In addition to searching for the agent, the patrol commander should search the area for, and take possession of any other articles dropped. These should include the parachute itself and any containers which have been dropped. These may be expected to contain weapons, equipment, or stores as well as maps, instructions, or other documents.

(e) The area should also be searched for hidden dumps or vehicles belonging to Fifth Column agents in the country.

7. Any person apprehended as an enemy agent will be searched immediately and every article except his clothing removed from his person. If he has any food with him he must NOT be allowed to eat it. Everything removed from him will be sent immediately to this HQ who will forward it to 9 AUST DIV.

8. The patrol commander will in all cases make a report which will be forwarded to this HQ through the normal channels as rapidly as possible. Any person detained will be dealt with as P.O.W. until further instructions are received.

9- This Instr is taken from 20 Aust Inf Bde Instr No 1/1/87.

R. W. Turner
.....Lt-Col
Comd 2/13 AUSTINF BN
(R W-H TURNER)

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2/13 AUST INF BATTALION.

Standing Orders for Mobile Coy.

1. INFORMATION% (a) Own Troops.
One Coy 2/13 Aust Inf Bn.
Coastal patrols and watches at..... as per Append "A"
Possible assistance from Free French Forces.
(b) Enemy Unknown. Will be seaborne and at present not likely to consist of more than fairly small parties of saboteurs or agents.
2. INTENTION. Mobile Coy will counter beach landings or landings by para troops on warning by coastal patrol. In the event of landing by parties of saboteurs or agents they will ensure that all such persons are apprehended.
3. METHOD. According to situation. Coy will be prepared to move from Camp a maximum period of 30 minutes from time of warning order.
4. TPT. Transport available as follows:-

3 ton lorries -	1	20	personnel.
30 cwt "	2	30	"
1 ton Van	1	10	"
15 cwt Van	3	18	"
	<u>7</u>	<u>78</u>	

As further tpt becomes available Coys will be notified. Coy Comds will immediately make allotment of personnel to vehicles. Excess personnel over tpt capacity will be spread over Coy sub-~~unit~~ units so as not to interfere with organisation of Coy.
5. Personnel to be left out of fight.
 - (a) Coy 2 i/c
 - (b) Non fighting troops.
 - (c) Personnel in excess of tpt capacity.

Coy 2 i/c will remain Comd personnel left in camp and will be responsible for security of lines and equipment. Rifles and revolvers as issued. All available automatic weapons will be taken.
6. WEAPONS.
7. ADM. Ammunition to be carried:-
 - 100 rds SAA - carried on the man.
 - 1000 rds SAA - per LMG
 - 500 rds SAA - per TSMG

Dress- Battle Order.
8. RATIONS. (a) One days hard rations on the man.
(b) On departure of Coy, 2 days hard rations will be loaded on Coy vehicle. Vehicle to stand ready to move if required.
9. TOOLS. Picks and shovels will be carried in Coy reserve.
10. MEDICAL. Coy SAs will move with Coy
11. INTERCOM. From Coy to En- DR
12. Allotment for duty. Coy not engaged in Camp duties.

Time of Signature.....
1220 hrs
DR

[Signature]
Adj 2/13 Aust Inf Bn

APPENDIX "A".

COASTAL DEFENCE POSTS.

Ref. LATTAQUIE-HAMM R.F 1: 200,000.

L1 -	16064306	
? -	16064305	
L2 -	16004304	
D2 -	16044204	
D3 -	16034200	
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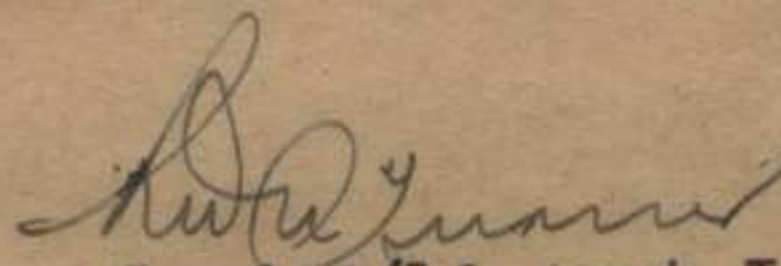
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Q.M.	3
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6. ORDERS TO PATROL INVESTIGATING REPORT. (Cont)

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8. The Patrol Commander will in all cases make a report which will be forwarded to these HQ through the normal channels as rapidly as possible. Any person detained will be dealt with as POW until further instructions are received.
- 9, This instruction is taken from 20 Aust Inf Bde Instruction ~~of~~ 1/1/87.
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 Lt-Col.
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RAIL MOVES : 9 AUST DIV

APPENDIX "A"
D.2 DAY

SERIAL	UNIT	TRAIN	STRENGTH		BAGGAGE TONS	ENTRAIN MAJDAL		DEPART MAJDAL		DETRAIN HAIFA		EMBUS HAIFA		DEBUS TRIPOLI		ENTRAIN TRIPOLI		DETRAIN ALEPPO		REMARKS
			OFF	ORS		HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY		HRS	DAY
6	2/15 Aust Inf Bn	C	16	482	25	2100	13	2330	13	0430	14	0530	14	1930	14	0054	15	1524	15	Maximum baggage to be taken by road
7	9 Aust Div Cav Regt	C	7	127	38	2100	13	2330	13	0430	14	0530	14	1930	14	0054	15	1524	15	
8	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	D	17	568	25	2200	13	0030	14	0530	14	0600	14	2000	14	See remarks				13 Bn. Stage nig 14/15 Jan at LEGC Bks and move by M.T. of 7 Aust Div Pet Coy to LATAKIA on 15 Jan 42.

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ROAD MOVES : 9 AUST DIV

APPENDIX "B"
D.2 DAY

SERIAL	UNIT	STRENGTH			DEPART CAMP		DEPART ACRE		DEPART TRIPOLI		DESTINATION AREA	STAGING PLACE NIGHT		STAGING PLACE NIGHT		RESPONSIBLE FOR CONVOY		REMARKS
		OFF	ORS	VEH	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY		PLACE	NIGHT	PLACE	NIGHT			
7	2/15 Aust Inf Bn	12	260	25	0630	13	0630	14	0630	15	ALEPPO	ACRE	13/14	TRIP- OLI	14/15	2/15	Inf Bn	3-3 Ton Vehs for baggage
8	9 Aust Div Cav Regt	32	334	37	0642	13	0642	14	0642	15	ALEPPO	ACRE	13/14	"	"	"	"	"
9	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	✓ 2	38	9	0700	13	0700	14	0700	15	ALEPPO	ACRE	13/14	"	"	"	"	"

Order of march
 2-38. 10 of 13
 2-62 1V 20 Bn
 26-37 11 26 Bn
 Adv Veh at 0630 pm
 } O.C. ~~Long Calm~~ Critch
 Grouped near Col Bostwick

HQ 2/13 AUST INF BN
11 Jan 42

20 AUST INF BDE

MOVE OF 2/13 AUST INF BN

The following particulars are supplied
ref. this mornings conference:

(1.	<u>ROAD PARTY</u>	<u>Vehs</u>	<u>Offrs</u>	<u>Ors</u>
	(a) Number travelling		1	28
	(b) Number of vehicles	8 10	2	38
2.	<u>RAIL PARTY</u>			
	(a) Number travelling		13	537
	(b) Tpts required to shift stores to rail, each of 3 tons	4 ✓		
	(c) Tpt required to take troops to rail, each of 3 tons	39 ✓		
3.	<u>REAR PARTY</u> Composition		1	14
4.	<u>LEAVE PARTY</u> (Returning from Cairo 15 Jan 42)		2	93
			3	107

A. Leach Kent
.....
Comd. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn **LIEUTENANT MAJOR**

11 Jan '42.

MOVE ROAD & RAIL PARTIES.

20 AUST INF BDE & ATT TPS

1. ROAD PARTY.

(a) <u>12 Jan.</u>	<u>Vehs.</u>	<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>OR's</u>
2 /17 Bn.	33.	12.	323.
2/8 Fd Amb.	13.	20.	42.
Estimated No att. convoy drivers-			35.
<u>TOTAL-</u>	<u>46.</u>	<u>32.</u>	<u>400.</u>

(b) 13 Jan.

20 Bde HQ.	8.	3.	54.
"J" Sec Sigs.	3.	1.	33.
58 L.A.D.	4.	-	14.
9 Div Postal Unit.	1.	-	4.
SUB-TOTAL-	<u>16.</u>	<u>4.</u>	<u>105.</u>
9 Div Cav.	33.	14.	143.
2/13 Bn.	8.	1.	28.
2/17 Bn.	1.	-	2. (Under comd. 2/15 Bn for move)
2/15 Bn.	18.	2.	44.
2/8 Fd Amb.	1.	-	3. (Under comd 9 Div Cav for move)
Estimated No.att convoy drivers-			40.
<u>TOTAL-</u>	<u>77.</u>	<u>21.</u>	<u>365.</u>

2. RAIL PARTY.

(a) Night 12/13 Jan.

	<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>OR's.</u>
2/17 Bn.	14.	417.
2/8 Fd Amb.	2.	149.
<u>TOTAL.</u>	<u>16.</u>	<u>566.</u>

(b) Night 13/14 Jan.

(i) 1st Train.

20 Bde HQ.		4. (Under comd 2/15 Bn for move)
9 Div Cav Regt.	17.	334.
2/15 Bn.	24.	699.
2/8 Fd Amb.	1.	1. (Under comd 2/15 Bn for move)
<u>TOTAL.</u>	<u>42.</u>	<u>1038.</u>

(ii) 2nd Train.

2/13 Bn.	13.	537.
<u>TOTAL.</u>	<u>13.</u>	<u>537.</u>

3. VEHICLES REQUIRED TO LIFT PERSONNEL & BAGGAGE FROM CAMP AREA TO RAIL HEAD.

	3 TON TRUCKS TO LIFT-	
	(a) Personnel	(b) Baggage.
<u>Night 12/13 Jan.</u>		
2/17 Bn.	25.	4.
2/8 Fd Amb.	8.	3.
<u>TOTAL.</u>	<u>33.</u>	<u>7.</u>
<u>Night 13/14 Jan.</u>		
9 Div Cav.	23.	1.
2/13 Bn.	39.	4.
2/15 Bn.	52.	1.
<u>TOTAL.</u>	<u>114.</u>	<u>6.</u>

4. PERSONNEL REMAINING.

(a) Rear parties.

Bde HQ	1.	1.
9 Div Cav.	1.	10.
2/13 Bn.	2.	14.
<u>TOTAL.</u>	<u>4.</u>	<u>25.</u>

(b) Leave party.

9 Div Cav.	2.	
2/13 Bn.	2.	93.
<u>TOTAL.</u>	<u>4.</u>	<u>93.</u>

[Signature] Maj.
B.M.20 Aust Inf Bde.

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MOVE ROAD & RAIL PARTIES.20 AUST INF BDE & ATT TPS1. ROAD PARTY.

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3. VEHICLES REQUIRED TO LIFT PERSONNEL & BAGGAGE FROM CAMP AREA TO RAIL HEAD.

Night		3-TON TRUCKS TO LIFT-	
		(a) Personnel	(b) Baggage
12/13 Jan.	2/17 Bn.	25.	4.
	2/8 Fd Amb.	8.	3.
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9 AUST DIV MOVEMENT ORDER NO.1

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1. The following infm has been issued separately :-

- (a) Location Statement units 7 AUST DIV
- (b) Notes for drs on driving on frozen or slippery rd surfaces
- (c) Rd maps ?

- 1(a) a 7 AUST DIV moves to the GAZA area for tng.
- 2. 9 AUST DIV will relieve 7 AUST DIV in SYRIA.
- 3. Recce and adv parties of all units moved, or are moving on the days shown under separate instns.

- (a) 9 Jan 20 and 24 Aust Inf Bde Gps 9 Aust Div Cav
Sigs 9 Aust Div.
- (b) 12 Jan RAA 9 Aust Div 2/7 Fd Coy 2/2 MG Bn
AASC 9 Aust Div 2/4 Fd Hyg Sec.
- (c) 13 Jan 26 Aust Inf Bde.

4. Formations and units of 9 AUST DIV will relieve formations and units of 7 AUST DIV as shown below :-

- (a) 20 Aust Inf Bde relieves 18 Aust Inf Bde
- 24 Aust Inf Bde relieves 21 Aust Inf Bde
- 26 Aust Inf Bde relieves 25 Aust Inf Bde
- 9 Aust Div Cav relieves 7 Aust Div Cav
- RAA 9 Aust Div relieves RAA 7 Aust Div
- 2/2 Aust MG Bn relieves 2/3 Aust MG Bn

(b) Remaining units will relieve their corresponding unit in 7 AUST DIV.

5. The move other than by all-road route will be in the following stages :-

- (a) GAZA - HAIFA by rail
- (b) HAIFA - TRIPOLI by rd
- (c) TRIPOLI- ALEPPO by rail.

6. The move will be carried out in accordance with the following appendices att :-

- APPX A - rail-rd-rail table) will be issued separately.
- APPX B - all rd table)
- APPX C - adm instns - rail-rd -rail
- APPX D - do - all rd.

7. In view of the possibility of delays the appendices do not constitute authority to move until confirmation has been given by this HQ.

8. Carriers will NOT be taken, but will be left with rear parties for handing over to 7 AUST DIV. 9 AUST DIV will take over 24 carriers from 7 AUST DIV in SYRIA.

9. Rear Parties - All Units will leave rear parties of sufficient strength to safeguard stores left for handing over to incoming units and for obtaining acquittances on hand over.

10. Locations 7 AUST DIV

Units 7 AUST DIV will take over camp areas of 9 AUST DIV as follows :-

21 Aust Inf Bde Gp from 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp

25 Aust Inf Bde Gp from 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp

18 Aust Inf Bde Gp from 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp

Other units from corresponding units.

Dependent upon clearance prior to arrival of 9 AUST DIV some temporary alterations to allotments may be necessary. Instrns will be issued on receipt from AIF Base Area.

11. Stores

(a) Units will move with G1098 equipment on issue and will take offrs and Sgts Mess gear.

(b) Tentage and all camp accomodation stores will be handed over between corresponding units. Full acquittances must be given.

(c) The following will be carried by personnel in addition to personal equipment :-

Five blankets, if on issue, and ground sheet.

50 rds SAA to be carried ^{on the man.} ~~under unit arrangements.~~

(d) Kit bags of personnel may be taken under unit arrangements. Unessential kits will be handed in to AIF Kit Store before departure.

(e) Rations - rail parties 3 days reserve rations
road parties 4 do do do

Reserve rations now held by units may be drawn on, but will be replaced through AASC for handover to incoming units.

A C K.

Signed at 1355 hrs 11 Jan 42.

Method of issue - By S. D. R.

H. Wall
COL.
GS 9 AUST DIV.

DISTRIBUTION

<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Copy No.</u>
20 Aust Inf Bde	1 - 4
24 Aust Inf Bde	5 - 8
26 Aust Inf Bde	9 - 12
9 Aust Div Cav Regt	13
RAA 9 Aust Div	14- 17
2/7 Aust Fd Coy.	18
Sigs 9 Aust Div	19
2/2 Aust MG Bn	20
Comd	21
G	22
AQ	23- 24
Camp	25
AASC 9 Aust Div	26- 27
1 Aust Res MT Coy	28
Medical	29-31
Provost	32
Ord	33
File	34
War Diary	35- 36
Spares	37- 42
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1 Aust Corps (for infm)	43- 44
7 Aust Div (for infm)	45- 46
AIF Base Area (do)	47- 48

SERIAL	UNIT	STRENGTH		BAGGAGE TONS	ENTRAIN MAJDAL		DEPART MAJDAL		DETRAIN HAIFA		EMBUS HAIFA		DEBUS TRIPOLI		ENTRAIN TRIPOLI		DETRAIN ALEPPO		REMARKS
		OFF	ORS		HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	
					JAN		JAN		JAN		JAN		JAN		JAN		JAN		
1	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	3	130	8	2200	11	0030	12	0530	12	0600	12	2000	12					
2	2/11 " " "	5	135	2	2200	11	0030	12	0530	12	0600	12	2000	12					
3	HQ 20 Aust Inf	4	63	4	2200	12	0030	13	0530	13	0700	13	2000	13	0054	14	1524	14	
	Bde																		
4	2/17 Aust Inf	10	260	25	2200	12	0030	13	0530	13	0700	13	2000	13	0054	14	1524	14	
	Bn																		
5	2/8 Aust Fd Amb	2	155	2	2200	12	0030	13	0530	13	0700	13	2000	13	0054	14	1524	14	

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APPENDIX "B"
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ROAD MOVES : 9 AUST DIV

SERIAL	UNIT	STRENGTH			DEPART CAMP		DEPART ACRE		DEPART TRIPOLI		DESTINATION AREA	STAGING PLACE		UNIT RESPONSIBLE FOR CONVOY	REMARKS
		OFF	ORS	VEH	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY		PLACE	NIGHT		
1	9 Aust Div Pro Coy	2	25	2	1130	11	0630	12			TRIPOLI	ACRE	11/12	2/3 Fd Amb	Will act as Convoy Adv party for staging camp
2	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	2	45	12	1130	11	0630	12			"	"	"	"	
3	2/11 Aust Fd Amb	2	35	7	1130	11	0630	12			"	"	"	"	
4	HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde	5	38	15	0630	12	0630	13	0630	JAN 14	ALEPPO	"	12/13	HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde	Stage night 13/14 TRIPOLI
5	2/17 Aust Inf Bn	24	510	31	0638	12	0630	13	0630	14	"	"	"	"	" " "
6	2/8 Aust Fd Amb	2	45	13	0655	12	0630	13	0630	14	"	"	"	"	" " "

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONSRAIL MOVEMENTS -9 AUST DIV

1. Rail movements will be effected in three stages :-
 - i. MAJDAL to HAIFA - By rail
 - ii. HAIFA to TRIPOLI)
and LATTAQUIE) - By road, under arrangements
MOV NINTH Army.
 - iii. TRIPOLI- ALEPPO - By rail
2. Schedule of movement is given in Appendix A.
3. Unit comds concerned will appoint officer i/c train, and will be responsible for entraining, detraining, embussing and debussing arrangements. Care will be taken that preliminary marking of compartments is completed before arrival of troops.
4. Departure times shewn are those for movement of train or head of M.T. coln.

Units will arrive at entrainment points, if possible, two hours before time of departure, and at embussing points at least one hour before departure.
5. M.T. for move of rail parties and baggage from Camps to MAJDAL Sta is being arranged by Div HQ. Vehs will report to unit lines three(3) hours prior to departure of train. Units will be responsible that vehs arrive at MAJDAL Sta two(2) hours before train departure.
6. Stores
 - (a) Stores not taken by rd parties, not to exceed weight approved by Div HQ, will be loaded under unit arrangements.
 - (b) Where baggage van is limited on any train, care will be taken that heavier baggage is placed in van. Light baggage and kit bags in these circumstances will be loaded in other compartments or carried by the troops in own compartments.
 - (c) Adequate guards, loading and unloading parties must accompany stores.
7. Meals
 - (a) Three(3) days dry rations will be carried.
 - (b) Hot Meals.
 - i. Hot meals will be provided at HAIFA Ry Sta.
 - ii. Hot tea will be provided at TRIPOLI Barracks for parties passing through to ALEPPO or LATTAQUIE.
8. Loading of MT

Vehs will be loaded to full weight capacity of stores, or 20 or 12 personnel to 3-ton or 30-cwt vehs respectively.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS.ROAD MOVEMENT - 9 AUST DIVISIONMovement

1. Units will move by road and rail combined as per Appendix A, the balances of units moving by road in first line transport (supplemented as shown in Appendix B.
2. Composition of daily road parties in unit first line transport will adhere as closely as possible to that of rail parties.
3. The following transport is being used under NINTH Army arrangements for ferrying purposes in LEBANON and SYRIA :-
 - (a) 7 Aust Div Pet Coy } ferrying of units and return to new
 - (b) 7 Aust Div Amn Coy } location as per Appx A and B.
 - (c) 4 Amn Sub Pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk
 - (d) 2 Secs 40 Res M.T. Coy.
4. (a) 1 Aust Res M.T. Coy remains under comd 9 AUST DIV for the move.

(b) Vehs will be distributed temporarily to following units for the move by OCs units concerned :-

9 Aust Div AASC

Six 3-ton lorries to HQ 9 AUST DIV by 11 Jan 42.
Twenty four 3-ton lorries to 2/17 Aust Inf Bn by 11 Jan 42.

1 Aust Res M.T. Coy

Sixteen	3-ton lorries	to 2/15 Aust Inf Bn	by a.m. 12 Jan
Fifteen	do	to 9 Aust Div Cav	by a.m. 12 Jan
Two	do	to HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde	by a.m. 13 Jan
Twenty	do	to 2/28 Aust Inf Bn	by a.m. 13 Jan
Twenty	do	to 2/32 Aust Inf Bn	by a.m. 13 Jan
Twenty	do	to 2/43 Aust Inf Bn	by a.m. 13 Jan
One	do	to HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde	by a.m. 16 Jan
Fifteen	do	to 2/23 Aust Inf Bn	by a.m. 16 Jan
Fifteen	do	to 2/24 Aust Inf Bn	by a.m. 16 Jan.

Vehs will be delivered with own driver and spare driver under command of an officer for each group and will remain detached until further instructed.

5. Road Parties - Staging

Road parties will move as per att Appendix B and will stage as follows :-

- | | | |
|-----|-------------------------|---------------------|
| (a) | From GAZA (for TRIPOLI) | - ACRE |
| (b) | From GAZA (for ALEPPO) | - First night |
| (c) | For LATTAKIA | ACRE - Second night |
| | | TRIPOLI |

6. Actual allotment at staging areas will be notified on arrival of units.

7. Meals - Hot tea will be provided as follows :-

- (a) At LEGOULT Barracks for all tps arriving from or moving to ALEPPO or LATTAQUIE by road under arrangements 7 AUST DIV.
- (b) At ACRE for all staging parties under arrangements PAL Base and L of C Sub Area.

8. Winter Clothing - Leather jerkins and special issues of winter or waterproof clothing made to 7 AUST DIV to be collected from units and handed over to incoming formation.

9. Recovery - Responsibility for recovery of vehs will be as follows :-

- (a) ALEPPO to excl TRIPOLI - 1 Aust Corps
- (b) TRIPOLI to incl BEIRUT - 1 Aust Corps
- (c) Excl BEIRUT to incl HAIFA - PAL Base and L of C Area
- (d) Excl HAIFA to incl GAZA - PAL Base and L of C Area

10. Traffic Control

Responsibility for traffic control and provision of guides will be as follows :-

- (a) ALEPPO - 18 Aust Inf Bde
- (b) TRIPOLI - 7 Aust Div
- (c) BEIRUT - 84 Base Sub Area
- (d) ACRE-HAIFA-to HADERA - PAL Base and L of C Area
- (e) Excl HADERA to excl AQIR - PAL Base and L of C Area
- (f) Incl AQIR to GAZA - PAL Base and L of C Area.

11. Daily advance parties of three (3) loaded vehs will leave ½ hr in advance of main parties and will proceed with speed consonant with safety to day's destination to assist in guiding to staging or debussing points.

12. P.O.L.

All vehs will carry P.O.L. for 250 miles from camp area and re-fuelling points are available at ACRE and TRIPOLI.

13. Medical

Medical arrangements for the moves are being made as follows:-

- (a) NORTH of SYRIAN Border - 1 Aust Corps
- (b) SOUTH of SYRIAN Border - PAL Base and L of C Area.

14. Route for Rd Movement

For units moving NORTH :-

ISTUD YIBNA - QEDERA - AQIR - LYBDA - WILHELMA- HADERA
BINYAMINA - HAIFA - ACRE - BEIRUT - TRIPOLI - LATTAQUIE-
ALEPPO.

15. Speed and Density

15 m.i.h.) vehs move in groups of approx 30 vehs.
30 m.i.h.) as arranged by OC Convoy, interval of half mile
between groups.

16. Halts

10 minutes at end of first two, four and nine hours. One hour
at the end of five hours. At halts vehs will pull off rd as far
as possible, unit arranging traffic control at each end of coln. Vehs
must not approach closer than 80 yards.

17. Rd Discipline

Instructions as to timings, speed, density and halts are to
be strictly adhered to.

18. Loading of Vehicles

Vehs will be loaded on the basis of full store capacity or
20 and 12 men respectively in 3-ton and 30-cwt lorries.

at the end of five hours.
As possible, unit arranging traffic control at each end of coln. Vehs
must not approach closer than 80 yards.

17. Rd Discipline

Instructions as to timings, speed, density and halts are to
be strictly adhered to.

18. Loading of Vehicles

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20 and 12 men respectively in 3-ton and 30-cwt lorries.

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RAIL MOVES : 9 AUST. DIV.

APPENDIX "A".
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SERIAL	UNIT	TRAIN	STRENGTH		BAGGAGE TONS	ENTRAIN MAJDAL		DEPART MAJDAL		DETRAIN HAIFA		EMBUS HAIFA		DEBUS TRIPOLI		ENTRAIN TRIPOLI		DETRAIN ALEPPO		REMARKS
			OFF	ORS		HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	
6	2/15 Aust Inf Bn	C	14	502	25	2100	JAN 13	2330	JAN 13	0430	JAN 14	0530	JAN 14	1930	JAN 14	0054	JAN 15	1524	JAN 15	Maximum baggage to be taken by road
7	H.Q., 20 Aust InfBde	C	2	47	4	2100	13	2330	13	0430	14	0530	14	1930	14	0054	15	1524	15	
8	9 Aust Div Cav Regt	C	7	127	38	2100	13	2330	13	0430	14	0530	14	1930	14	0054	15	1524	15	
9	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	D	17	568	25	2200	13	0030	14	0530	14	0600	14	2000	14	See remarks				13 Bn. Stage night 14/15 Jan at LEGOE Bks and move by M.T. of 7 Aust Div Pet Coy to LATAKIA on 15 Jan 42.

MOST SECRET.

ROAD MOVES : 9 AUST DIV

APPENDIX "B"
D. 2 DAY

SERIAL	UNIT	STRENGTH			DEPART CAMP		DEPART ACRE		DEPART TRIPOLI		DESTINATION AREA	STAGING PLACE NIGHT		STAGING PLACE NIGHT		RESPONSIBLE FOR CONVOY		REMARKS
		OFF	ORS	VEH	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY	HRS	DAY		PLACE	NIGHT	PLACE	NIGHT			
7	2/15 Aust Inf Bn	12	240	25	0630	13	0630	14	0630	15	ALEPPO	ACRE	13/14	TRIP- OLI	14/15	2/15	Inf Bn	3-3 Ton Vehs for baggage
8	9 Aust Div Cav Regt	32	334	37	0642	13	0642	14	0642	15	ALEPPO	ACRE	13/14	"	"	"	"	" " " "
9	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	2	38	10	0700	13	0700	14	0700	15	ALEPPO	ACRE	13/14	"	"	"	"	"
10	H.Q., 20 Inf Bde	2	62	12	0705	13	0705	14	0705	15	ALEPPO	ACRE	13/14	"	"	"	"	"
11	Recce parties 26 Aust Inf Bde	25	37	11	0710	13	0710	14	0710	15	ALEPPO	ACRE	13/14	"	"	"	"	"

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

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OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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20 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

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THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

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T.O.R.

2/13 AUST INF BN

MOVE TO SYRIA

1. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn will move to SYRIA on 13 JAN 42 as follows:-

(a) ROAD PARTY:- RV 2/15 Bn HQ 0600 hrs 13 Jan 42

(b) RAIL PARTY:- Depart EL MAJDLE 0030 hrs night 13/14 Jan

(c) REAR PARTY:- By rail on completion of duty

(d) CAIRO LEAVE:- With rear party if arrive in REAR PARTY time, otherwise as separate party

2. ROAD PARTY

(1) Comd Lt Col Bastion 9 Div Cav

(11) Composition :-

Offrs.	ORs		
1	12	) Sgt Negus	1
Lt Pinkney		) One per Coy	5
		) Cpl Walker	1
		) Offrs Mess	1 (Luskan)
		) Cpl Graves	1
		) Cook	1

(111) Vehicles

3 Ton Lorries	3
30 Cwt "	1
Water Tanks	2
15 Cwt Vans	1
Office Van	1

All Vehicles to carry 250 Miles Petrol

(1V) Loading of Vehicles

- (a) Offrs Mess gear
- (b) Sgt Mess gear
- (c) G1098
- (d) Band Instruments
- (e) Sig Gear
- (f) Supplementary rations
- (g) Offrs Kits
- (h) Coy records
- (i) Parcels & Mail
- (j) Mens' surplus parcels

Officers and Sgts Mess gear will be dumped on Bn parade ground not later than 1200 hrs on 12 Jan 42

Band instruments on conclusion of Bde parade

Coy records by 1200 hrs

Sig gear by 1700 hrs

Supplementary rations by 1200 hrs

Weappns by 1200 hrs

Mails & parcels by 1200 hrs

Officers kits by 1200 hrs

2. ROAD PARTY
(IV) Loading of Vehicles;
Duty Coy will supply 1 NCO and 5 Men to QM at 0830 hrs 12 Jan 42
- (V) Personnel
All personnel on Road party will carry the following:
5 Blankets
50 rds .303 SAA
- 4 Days rations will be carried in bulk by Road Party
Road Party will embus at Bn HQ at 0530 hrs on 13 Jan 42
RV = 2/15 Bn 0600 hrs 13 Jan 42

3. RAIL PARTY
Rail Party will depart EL MAJDIE 0030 hrs on night 13/14 Jan 42
- Depart camp = 2100 hrs for EL MAJDIE
Train to HAIFA = road to TRIPOLI $\frac{3}{4}$ train to ALLEPO = road to destination
- DRESS :-
KEMBUKING Service dress , full marching order, water bottles filled
- EMBUSSING:-
Embussing and entraining Officer = Capt O.M. Walsoe
Bn will assemble on Bn parade ground at 2000 hrs on 13 Jan 42
- BLANKETS
Each man will carry 5 blankets. Blankets will be rolled in ground sheet and carried under the arm
- BAGGAGE
All kit bags will be delivered to QM on 13 Jan 42 at 1500 hrs
- Each Coy will supply 2 men to act as guards and baggage party. This party to be ready to move out of camp when they report
- RATIONS
Three days rations will be placed on train in bulk and will be issued at HAIFA
- AMM
50 rds per man will be carried

4. REAR PARTY
Composition
- | | |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Capt. D.F. Faulkner | |
| Sgt Windridge | HE |
| Pte Walkerden | LG |
| Pte Humphries | AT |
| Pte Shinn | HJ |
| Cpl Ryan | A |
| Cpl Chowne | A |
| Cpl Hawthorne | LB |
| three ptes from Pnr Pl | (to be nominated) |
| three dvr | (to be nominated) |

Rear party will travel by road on completion of duty

4. REAR PARTY
Each Coy will detail one man to remain behind to guard Cairo personnel's kits. They will proceed NORTH with CAIRO leave party

5. LEAVE PARTY
Later instns will be issued

6. CAMP
Coys will ensure that Coy areas are thoroughly cleaned by 1600 hrs 13 Jan 42

7. TENTS
Tents will remain standing but all walls will be struck and stacked in one tent in each Coy lines

8. MEDICAL
RMO will travel with rail party

R. Haen
Lieut
Adj. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn

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TIME OF SIGNATURE.....
2745

METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION.....Runner

<u>DISTRIBUTION.</u>	<u>Copy No</u>
Hq Coy	1
A Coy	2
B Coy	3
C Coy	4
D Coy	5
Comd	6
20 Aust Inf Bde	7
Adj. 2	8
1/c	9
TO	10
QM	11
RMO	12
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

SECRET
 9 Aust Div Cav Regt
 Copy No 3
 12 Jan 42

20 AUST INF BDE GP ROAD CONVOY - MOVEMENT ORDER NO 1

1. COMPOSITION 2/15 Aust Inf Bn No 1 Block)
 9 Aust Div Cav Regt No 2 Block) Under Command CO 9 Aust Cav
 2/13 Aust Inf Bn No 3 Block) Lt-Col H.E. Bastin MC
 20 Aust Inf Bde Hqs))
2. INTENTION Bde Gp Convoy will move from CAMP HILL 69 PALESTINE to ALEPPO SYRIA.
3. METHOD Convoy will move in the following Order:
 Rce Gp of Nos 2 1 and 3 Blocks followed by Blocks Nos 1 2 and 3.
4. STARTING TIME Head of No 1 Block will pass S.P. at 0630 hrs 13 Jan 42.
5. STARTING POINT R/J Main Camp Rd - Main Rd ISDUD - EL MAJDAL.
6. ROUTE ISDUD YIBNA GHDERA AQIR LYDDA WILHELMA HADERA BINYAMINA HAIFA
 ACRE BEIRUT TRIPOLI LATTAQUIE ALEPPO.
7. HALTS 10 mins at end of first two, four and nine hours one hour at end of
 Five hours.
8. SPEED and DENSITY 20 mph 30 vtm 880x between Blocks.
9. STAGING CAMPS Convoy will harbour at the following Staging Camps:
 Stage No 1 EZ ZIB
 2 TRIPOLI
 3 ALEPPO
10. INTERCOM Reports to head of Column and at Staging Camps. Conference with
 Block Comds at each Staging Camp for instructions re the move next day.
11. ADMIN Senior Officer each Unit is responsible to OC Convoy for Maintenance,
 Discipline Rations and Accomodation of Troops under his command. 4 days Iron
 Rations per man including personnel of MF Res Supply Column.

signed at 2145 hrs

Capt
[Signature]
 Adjt 9 Aust Div Cav Regt.

DIST
 9 Aust Div Cav Regt 1
 2/13 Aust Inf Bn 2
 2/15 Aust Inf Bn 3
 War Diary 4-5

2200 hrs
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Spencer's Unit
Spencer's Unit

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From the Office of
HEADQUARTERS,
20 AUST INF BDE.
9 JAN '42

FILE

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2/15.
2/17 AUST INF BNS!

RECEIVED
- 9 JAN 1942
REFERENCE

MOVEMENT ORDER.

- AUTHORITY: Local Reinft Order No 1640.
- INTENTION: The undermentioned personnel will move by road from 20 AUST INF TNG BN on 10 JAN '42, "A" Schedule at 0900 hrs, and "B" Schedule at 1430 hrs.

Sch Ser	edu ial	le. NO.	FROM.-	TO.-	No to move.	REMARKS.-
					OFFRS-OR's.	
"A"	18.		20 AUST INF TNG BN. HQ	20 AUST INF BDE.	1.	General reinft.
	19.	"	" " " "	2/13 AUST INF BN.	3. 70.	1 Mason.
	19s.	"	" " " "	2/17 " " "	4.	
	20.	"	" " " "	2/15 " " "	42.	1 Cook, 8 clerks, 10 Dr Mecs, 1 Equip. repairer, 1 range take, 1 storeman tech.
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"B"	21.	"	" " " "	2/17 AUST INF BN.	50.	2 carpenters, 2 cooks, 1 mech MT, 1 butcher, 1 range taker, 1 store- man tech, 15 Drs MT, 7 mortarmen, 6 gnrs, 14 Drs Mecs.)
	21s.	"	" " " "	2/17 " " "	2.	-
	22.	"	" " " "	20 A/Tk. Coy.	1.	
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- SERIALS marked (s) are Reinft Offrs to go fwd supernumerary to establishment in terms of 9 AUST DIV R.O.411.
- All ranks will carry the unexpended portion of the days rations and one days reserve bulk to be handed to Unit Q.M.

W. L. A. Kelly
 (W. L. A. KELLY) Capt.
 S.C. 20 AUST INF BDE.

2/13 AUST INF BN

NOMINAL ROLL OF ADVANCE PARTY

9 JAN 1942

NX12213	Major	RWE	FURBER	-	Commanding Officer	
21895	Lieut	DWS	MAUGHAN	-	Intelligence Officer	
12394	Capt.	CM	DAINTREE	-	Coy Comd	
12383	Capt	HH	COOPER	-	" "	
53950	Lieut	AR	ROBERTS	-	" 2 i/c	
14772	Lieut	HJ	SOMERVILLE	+	"Q" Officer	
15077	Lieut	JR	MALDEN	-	Additional Officer	
13356	Cpl	MARCHI	FE	-	Orderly Room	
21149	Pte	DAINWOOD	EP	-	"Q" Clerk	
21896	Pte	HILDER	AS	)	Batman - Maj TUNNEN	
21533	Pte	YOFF	LR	)	" - Capt DAINTREE	
14614	Pte	EVES	REL	)	" - Capt COOPER	
32474	Pte	DOENELLE	H	)	" - Lieut ROBERTS	
21100	Pte	MILFORD	HO	)	" - Lieut SOMERVILLE	
36550	Pte	DEAR	H	)	" - Lieut. MALDEN	
21013	Pte	JOHNSON	G	)	Driver Car BS 2414	
18863	Pte	MCALPIN	ES	)	" Van 1 ton 12146	
57506	Pte	DUNOHUE	JP	)	" Van 1 ton 15227	
14433	Pte	JOHNSON	F	)	" Van 30 cwt 15123	
16040	A/Cpl	THOMPSON	AV	)	Representative	Ba HQ (I Sec)
21679	Cpl	ARNOYT	WR	)	"	HQ Coy (Carriers)
18317	Cpl	HUBSON	H	)	"	A "
20884	Cpl	MURRAY	J	)	"	B "
21987	Cpl	McKILLAR	RV	)	"	C "
15024	Sgt	KIRKMAN	JA	)	"	D "
57535	Sgt	SMITH	S		Filter	

R Leach
Lieut.

Adjt 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
(S B LEACH)

8 Jan 42

2/13 Aust Inf BnPROJECTED MOVENOMINAL ROLL OF ADV PARTY

En Commander	-	Major R.W.N. TURNER	
I.O.	-	Lieut. D.W.B. MAUGHAN	# HQ
Coy Commander	-	Capt. C.M. Daintree	A
Coy Commander	-	Capt. H.H. Cooper	B
Coy 2 1/c	-	Lieut. A.R. Roberts	B
Coy 2 1/c	-		
"Q" Officer	-	Lieut. R.J. Somerville	# HQ
Additional Officer	-	Lieut. J.B. Madden	# A
Orderly Room	-	Cpl. Meroney	F.E. HQ
"Q" Clerk	-	Pte. Dalwood	HQ
Batmen (8) ORs			
Cook	-	Pte Di Paulo	J. HQ

Vehicles being taken:-

Cars DS	1
Vans 1 ton	2
Lorries 30 cwt	1

NOTE: # denotes subject to return from leave morning of 9 Jan 41.

R Leach Lieut.
Adj't 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
(S R LEACH)

2/13 AUST INF BN

NOMINAL ROLL OF ADVANCED PARTY

9 JAN 1942

212213	Major	RWE	TURNER	-	Commanding Officer
21595	Lieut	DWS	MADHAN	-	Intelligence Officer
12304	Capt.	GM	DAINTON	-	Coy Smd
12363	Capt	HR	COOPER	-	"
55960	Lieut	AR	ROBERTS	-	" 2 i/o
14772	Lieut	HJ	SOMERVILLE	+	" officer
15077	Lieut	JB	MADHAN	-	Additional Officer
13356	Cpl	MARGERY	PE	-	Orderly Room
21149	Pte	LALWOOD	HF	-	" Clerk
21596	Pte	HILSON	AG	)	Driver - Maj TURNER
21535	Pte	YOPP	IR	)	" - Capt DAINTON
14614	Pte	EVES	HRL	)	" - Capt COOPER
32474	Pte	DONNELLY	H	)	" - Lieut ROBERTS
21100	Pte	KILFORD	SG	)	" - Lieut SOMERVILLE
36550	Pte	DEAN	H	)	" - Lieut. MADHAN
21015	Pte	JOHNSON	G	)	Driver Car DS 2414
15663	Pte	MCALPIN	MO	)	" Van 1 ton 12145
57506	Pte	DUNN	JF	)	" Van 1 ton 12287
14433	Pte	JOHNSON	F	)	" Van 50 cwt 15129
16040	A/Cpl	THOMPSON	AN	)	Representative
21679	Cpl	ABBOTT	HR)	"
13317	Cpl	HULSON	K)	"
20684	Cpl	MURRAY	J)	"
21667	Cpl	McVILLAR	EV)	"
15024	Sgt	KIRKMAN	Ja)	"
57535	Sgt	SMITH	S		Filter

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2/13 AUST INF BN

PROJECTED MOVE - ROAD PARTY

1. VEHICLES.

Vans - 15 cwt	-	2
XXXXXXXXXX	-	XIX
Lorries - 30 cwt	-	2
Lorries - Office	-	1
Lorries - 3 ton	-	1
Lorries - W.Tank	-	2

2. PERSONNEL.

(a) Each vehicle will carry driver and relief driver - total personnel - 18 ORs.

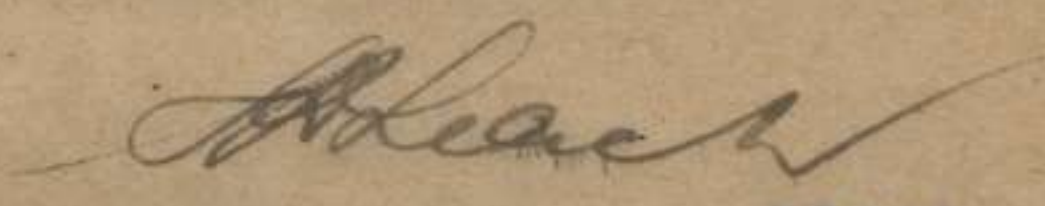
(b) OFFICERS. One officer to be detailed - also transport Sgt.

TOTAL PERSONNEL - 1 Offr - 19 ORs.

3. SUGGESTED LOADING OF VEHICLES.

(a) Two blankets per member - En strength.

(b) LMGs - TSMGs - SAA on issue to Unit.



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ALAOUTES AREA HQ

Plan concerning anti parachutist defence.

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1. This order concerns only defence against parachutists and air borne troops.
 2. It includes the following subjects:-
 - Observation.
 - Transmission of reports.
 - Communicating reports.
 - Making use of them.
 3. Observation.
 - (a) Sea shore - Marines of the FFF are responsible.
 - (b) Inland - Frontier posts, observation posts of Lattakia Haffe, Massyaf, Tell Kalah and in general, without interfering with their own duties, all Customs, Gendarmerie Garde-Mobile posts etc., are responsible and should make enquiries from the local population on the following:-
 - Landing of aeroplanes or parachutists
 - Evidence of landings, in lands other than aerodromes
 - Strangers in villages.
 - Parachutes complete or partly destroyed.
 - Signals in places not frequented by troops and so on.
 4. Transmission of reports. The Alaoutes area is divided into three sub-areas:-
 - Lattakia Sub-area - HQ in Lattakia (Officer Commanding troops there) including Cazas of Kassab, Haffe, Djebble, Banias.
 - Massyaf sub-area: HQ in Massyaf (Officer commanding troops there) including Cazas of Massyaf and Banias, Tartous, Tell Kalah
 - sub-area, HQ in Tartous (Officer Commanding troops there) including Cazas of Tartous, Safita, Tell Kalah.

Any inhabitant receiving reports, immediately informs the officer commanding the Gendarmerie, Customs, Service Speciaux post, or allied troops, whichever is the senior in the area. If there are none of the above in the area, he informs the Mouchter (mayor) who will himself do what is necessary (by sending a horseman or a car) to inform the nearest post.
 5. Communicating reports. The report will be transmitted by the post which receives it, to the following authorities, in the following order:-
 - Lattakia sub-area (a) Officer commanding the cavalry detachment of the area concerned Kassab, Haffe, Djebble.
 - (b) Officer commanding Lattakia area or sub-area.
 - Massyaf sub area (a) Officer commanding troops in Massyaf.
 - (b) Officer commanding the Alaoutes area at Lattakia.
 - Tartous Sub Area. (a) Officer commanding the cavalry detachment of the Service Speciaux in the caza concerned, Tartous, Safita, Tell Kalah.
 - (b) Officer commanding troops in Tartous.
 - (c) Officer commanding Alaoutes area at Lattakia.

Officer commanding the Alaoutes area at Lattakia will inform North Syria HQ area or Tripoli Area HQ according to the circumstances.

In the phone A.A. priority will be asked for this communication. Besides this, after having fulfilled these orders, the post which receives the report, will communicate it to the neighbouring posts, so that they will be on the alert. Finally Gendarmerie posts which are on the telephone will

5. (requisitioning a car, or failing that a horse) to the nearest post which is on the telephone.
6. Making use of the reports. The report will be followed up by the first detachment to arrive on the spot (Gendarmerie, Garde-Mobile or Customs patrols). In other words, the Officer or Sgt of the Gendarmerie post (as most often the case will be out of town) will start patrolling on the spot and will take the necessary steps. Second detachment to arrive on the spot will probably be a formation of Garde-Mobile or a small military detachment despatched by the officer commanding the sub-area. Finally, and according to the nature of the reports, Officer commanding the area will send such larger forces as he has at his disposal. Whatever the officer commanding the strongest detachment to arrive on the spot may be, he will act according to the circumstances. The suspected area must be encircled as widely as possible to prevent escape. It should be carefully researched, the searchers being prepared to repel a surprise attack.
7. Forces detailed to deal with parachutists.
- (a) 1. Static troops.
Lattakia Sub-area: AA in accordance with the AA defence plan.
ii. Massyaf-Banias sub area: ditto.
iii. Tartous-Tell Kalah sub area: ditto.
- (b) Mobile forces to be sent first.
All the Gendarmerie and Customs posts of the sub area.
- (c) Mobile forces to be sent later:-

Area.	Personnel.	Strength.	Transport.	Place of assembly.	Remarks.
<u>GENDARMERIE, GARDE-MOBILE, CUSTOMS</u>					
Lattakia	Mobile	28	Truck or horse	Civilian Prison	At the
Sub area.	Gend tps				discretion
	Garde-Mobile	40	Truck of the SS	Serail.	of the
	troops		or horses.		
	Garde-Mobile			HQ SS Officer	Officer
	tps of Naffe	20	do	do	commanding
	Djeble	20	do	do	Lattakia
	Massyaf	20	do	do	
<u>TROOPS.</u>					
	Cyclist	1 Offr	Cycles.	Gouraud Barracks	sub
	Platoon.	2 Sgts			area.
		27 ORS			
	1st Coy 2BDL	3 Off	Lorry	do	
		180 ORS			
	AFV P1	10	Armoured Car	Saillard Camp.	
<u>GENDARMERIE, GARDE-MOBILE.</u>					
Banias	Section of				
Massyaf	Massyaf	6	Tpt to be	Officers	At the
Sub	do Banias	6	requisitioned	Bureau.	discretio
area	Garde-Mobile	20	SS truck or	Serail.	of the
	troops.		horses.		Offr com-
					manding
					Massyaf
					sub area
<u>TROOPS.</u>					
	1 P1 Massyaf	1 Off	Car to be	Camp.	
		30 ORs	requisitioned		
	1 P1 Banias	1 Off	do	College	
		30 ORs.			

Area.	Personnel.	Strength	Transport	Place of assembly.	Remarks.
<u>GENDARMERIE, AND GARDE-MOBILE</u>					
Tartous	Section Tartous	6	Car to be	Officers	At the discretion of the officer commanding Tartous sub area.
Tell-Kalah	" Tell Mahah	6	requisitioned	Bureau.	
sub area.	" Safita	6	do	do	
	Garde-Mobile troops of Tartous	20	Lorry or horses	Serail	
	do Tell Kalah	20	do	do	

		<u>TROOPS.</u>			
1 Pl (Tartous)		1	Offr Lorry to be	Billets	
2nd SDL		30	ORs requisitioned	Barracks.	

Troops in reserve Lattakia area.	20th Sqdn B.M. 3 1st Coy	100 180	Horses Military lorry	Lattakia Harbour Saillard camp.	At the discretion of the General commanding Alaouite Area.
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REMARK.

As agreed with the British, the latter will not cooperate in this defence plan, unless requested to do so by the FFF.

It is to be remembered that a large reward would be given for information leading to the capture of parachutists or enemy aeroplanes in good condition.

General MONCLAR,
Commanding the Alaouites Area.

Officer Adjutant to the General.
Major DARRIEUTORT.

HQ 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
23 Jan 42.

FREE FRENCH FORCES.

ORGANISATION OF COASTAL DEFENCES.

Post L.1 & D.1. (KHODOR)	{ Personnel { { { Weapons {	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 1 Petty Officer (Quartier Maitre) 8 Marines 1 HMG 1 LMG
Post L.2 (BAZIT)	{ Personnel { { Weapons {	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 6 Marines 1 HMG 1 LMG
Post D.2 (TRONJE)	{ Personnel { { { Weapons {	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 1 Petty Officer (Quartier Maitre) 6 Marines 1 HMG 1 LMG
Post D.3 (EL KANDIL)	{ Personnel { { { Weapons {	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 1 Petty Officer (Quartier Maitre) 6 Marines 1 HMG 1 LMG 1 Gun 37 mm.
Post L.3 & D.4 (SLAYEB)	{ Personnel { { { Weapons {	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 1 Petty Officer (Quartier Maitre) 6 Marines 1 LMG
Post L.4 (RAS FASSORI)	{ Personnel { { Weapons {	1 Petty Officer (Quartier Maitre) 4 Marines. 1 LMG
Post D.5 (MINAT EL BAIDA)	{ Personnel { { { Weapons {	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 1 Petty Officer (Quartier Maitre) 8 Marines 1 HMG 1 LMG
Post L.5 (RAS HANI)	{ Personnel { { { Weapons {	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 1 Petty Officer (Quartier Maitre) 5 Marines 1 LMG
Look-out Post Poste de guet L.6 Cutter	{ Personnel { { { { { Weapons { { { { {	1 Petty Officer (First Class - FRENCH) 1 Petty Officer 4 Petty Officers (Second Maitre) 8 Petty Officers and Marines 3 Petty Officers (Second Maitre) 67 Petty Officers and Marines. 2 Guns 37 mm. 5 HMGs 3 LMGs 4 Vans 4 Motor Cycles
Mounted Patrol Post P.1. HAMMINE	{ Personnel {	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 6 Mounted Guards.

ORGANISATION OF COASTAL DEFENCES (Contd)

Post L.7 (DJEBLE)	(Personnel ((Weapons	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 5 Marines 1 LMG
Patrol Post P.2 on NAHR-SENE Rd.	(Personnel (	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 9 Mounted Guards
Post L.8	(Personnel ((Weapons	1 Petty Officer (Quartier Maitre) 4 Marines 1 LMG
Post L.9 & D.8 (MARKAB)	(Personnel (	1 Petty Officer (Second Maitre) 2 Petty Officer (Quartier Maitre)
Post D.7 (BOUSTAN EL NAJJAR)	(Personnel ((Weapons	14 Marines 2 LMGs
Post D.9 (SUD MARKAB)	((2 LMGs.

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ALAOUITES AREA HQ

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PLAN CONCERNING ANTI-PARACHUTE DEFENCE

1. This order concerns only defence against parachutists and airborne tps.
2. It includes the following subjects:-
 - Observation.
 - Transmission of Reports
 - Communicating of Reports.
 - Making use of them.
3. OBSERVATION.
 - (a) Sea-shore - Marines of the FFF are responsible.
 - (b) Inland - Frontier Posts, Observation Posts of LATTAKIA, HAFFA, MASSIAF, TELL KALAH and in general, without interferring with their own duties all customs, Gendarmerie, Garde-Mobile Posts etc., are responsible and should make enquiries from the local population on the following:-
 - Landing of aeroplanes or parachutists.
 - Evidence of landings, in lands other than aerodromes
 - Strangers in villages.
 - Parachutes complete or party destroyed.
 - Signals in places not frequented by troops and so on.
4. TRANSMISSION OF REPORTS. The ALAOUITES Area is divided into three sub-areas:-
 - LATTA KIA SUB-AREA - HQ in LATTAKIA (Officer commanding tps there including Cazas of KASSAB, HAFPE, DJEBLE, BANIAS, MASSAIF Sub-area: HQ in MASSAIF (officer commaninf tps there) including Cazas of MASSIFA and BANIAS, TARTOUS, TELL KALAH sub-area, HQ in TARTOUS (officer commanding tps there), including Cazas of TARTOUS, SAFITA, and TELLKALAH.

Any inhabitant receiving reports, immediately ~~concerns~~ informs the offr commanding the Gendarmerie, Customs, Service Speciale Post, or allied tps, whichever is the senior in the area. If there are none of the above in the area, he informs the Moukahtar (Mayor) who will himself do what is necessary (by send. a horseman or a car) to inform the nearest Post.
5. COMMUNICATING REPORTS .
 - The report will be transmitted by the Post which receives it, to the following authorities in the following order:-
 - LATTAKIA (a) Offr Comd. the Cavalry Detachment of the area concerned KASSAB, HAFPE, DJEBLE.
 - Sub-Area (b) Offfr Comd. LATTAKIA Area or Subarea.
 - MASSIAF (a) Offr Comd Tps in MASSIAF.
 - Sub-Area (b) Offr Comd the ALAOUITE Area at LATTAKIA.
 - TARTOUS (a) Offr Comd. Cavalry Det of the Service Speciale in the Caza Concerned, TARTOUS, SAFITA, TELL KALAH.
 - Sub-Area (b) Offr Comd. Tps in TARTOUS.
 - (c) Offr Comd. ALAOUITES Area in LATTAKIA.

Offr Comd the ALAOUITES Area, LATTAKIA will inform NORTH SYRIA HQ Area or TRIPOLI AREA HQ according to the circumstances. In the phone AA priority will be asked in this communication. Besides this after having fulfilled these orders, the Post which receives the report, will communicate it to the neighbouring Posts, so that they will be on the alert. not
Finally Gendarmerie Posts which are/on the telephone will (requisitioning a car, or failing that a horse) inform the nearest Post which is on the telephone.
6. MAKING USE OF THE REGRITS. The report will be followed by the first detachment to arrive on the spot (Gendarmerie, Garde Mobile or Customs Patrols).

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In other words the officer or Sgt of the Gendarmerie Post (as most often the case will be out of town) will start patrolling on the spot and will take the necessary steps. Second detachment to arrive on the spot will probably be a formation of Garde Mobile or a small military detachment despatched by the officer commanding the sub-area. Finally, and according to the nature of the report, officer cmd. the area will send such larger forces as he has at his disposal.

Whatever the officer commanding the strongest detachment to arrive on the spot may be, he will act according to the circumstances.

The suspected area must be encircled as widely as possible to prevent escape. It should be carefully re-searched, the searchers being prepared to repel a surprise attack.

7. FORCES DETAILED TO DEAL WITH PARACHUTISTS.

(a) i. Static Troops.

LATTAKIA Sub-Area: AA in accordance with the AA Defence Plan.

ii. MASSIAF-BANIAS Sub-Area Ditto.

iii. TARTOUS-TELL KALAH Sub-Area. Ditto.

(b) Mobile Forces will be sent first.

All the Gendarmerie and Customs Posts of the Sub-Area.

(c) Mobile Forces to be sent later:-

Area	Personnel	Strength	Transport	Place of Assembly	Remarks
<u>GENDARMERIE, GARD MOBILE, CUSTOMS.</u>					
LATTAKIA	Mobile Gend. Tps	28	Truck or Horse	Civilian Prison	At the
Sub-Area	Garde-Mobile Troops	40	Truck of the SS	SERAIL	Discretion of
	Garde-Mobile Tps of HAPPE	20	"	HQ SS Officer	the Offr Comd.
	DJEBLE	20	"	"	LATTAKIA
	MASSAIF	20	"	"	
<u>TROOPS</u>					
	Cyclist Platoon	1 Offr 2 Sgts 27 ORs	Cyçes.	GOURAUD BKS.	Sub-AREA.
	1st Coy 2 BDL	3 Offrs	Lorry	"	
	AFV Pl	180 ORs 10	Armoured Car	SAILLARD CAMP.	
<u>GENDARMERIE, GARDE-MOBILE.</u>					
BANIAS	Sec of MASSIAF	6	Tpt to be req-	OFFrs. Bureau.	At the
MASSIAF	" " BANIAS	6	uisitioned SS		Discretion of
Sub-Area	" GARDE-MOBILE troops	20	Truck or Horses	SERAIL.	the Offr Comd.
<u>TROOPS.</u>					
	1 Pl. MASSIAF	1 Offr 30 ORs	Car to be req-	Camp	MASSAIF Sub-Area
	1 " BANIAS	1 Offr 30 ORs.	"	College	

Area : Personnel : Strength : Transport : Place of Assembly: Remarks

GENDARMERIE AND GARDE-MOBILE

TARTOUS	Sec.	TARTOUS	6	Car to be requis	Offrs Bureau.	At the Discret -ion of the Offr Comd. TARTOUS Sub-Area
TELL-KALAH	"	TELL-KALAH	6	-itioned.		
Sub-Area.	"	SAFITA	6	"		
	Garde-Mobile					
	tps of	TARTOUS	20	Lorry or Horses	SERAIL	
	"	" TELL-KALAH	20	"	"	

TROOPS.

1 Pl.	TARTOUS	1 Offr	Lorry to be req-	BILLETE
2nd	SDL	30 ORs	uisioned	BKS.

Troops in	20th Sqn.	100	Horses	LATTAKIA	At the Discret- ion of the Gen- eral Com- -d. ALAO- UITE Area
Reserve	BM 3			Harbour.	
LATAKIA	1st Coy.	180	Mil. Lorry	SAILLARD	
AREA				Camp.	

REMARKS .

As agreed with the British, the latter will not co-operate in this defence plan, unless requested to do so by the FREE FRENCH FORCES.

It is to be remembered that a large reward would be given for information leading to the capture of Parachutists or enemy aeroplanes in good condition.

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Commanding the ALAQUITES AREA.

Officer Adjutant to the General
Major DARRIEUTORT.

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SITUATION 2/13 AUST INF BN AREA.SOURCES OF INFORMATION.

The information and opinions contained in this summary are mainly derived from conversations with the following persons, all of whom are well informed;
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INTRODUCTION.

The country commonly known as SYRIA consists in reality of two States, SYRIA and LEBANON, politically independent of one another with their respective heads of Government at DAMASCUS and BEYRUT. Such theoretical independence as they enjoy is at present subordinated in fact to military requirements. Military authorities pay small attention to the fact that TRIPOLI is in one political state and ALEPPO in another.

ALAOUITE.

In the NORTH WEST of the SYRIAN territory and occupying the entire sea-board of SYRIA proper is situated the heretofore autonomous State of ALAOUITE, now officially designated the "MOHAFAZAT du DJEBEL ALAOUITE". The area for the defence of which this Unit is responsible lies wholly within its territory.

1. Description of Area.

The territory of the MOHAFAZ is bounded in the WEST by the sea, in the NORTH by the TURKISH frontier as far as BDAMA, in the SOUTH by the Frontier LEBANON and in the EAST by the EASTERN edge of the ORONTES Marshes and then by a line running due SOUTH to the Border of LEBANON with the exception of a tongue of country projecting WESTWARDS to include the country surrounding MASSAIF.

There are two coastal strips of fairly undulating country on an average of four miles wide NORTH and SOUTH of BANIAS where the mountains come down to the sea. In the NORTH, this coastal strip stops at SLAYEB (16074161).

The remainder of the country is mountainous, in part wooded, for the most part so steep as to be impassable to wheeled vehicles of any description.

The principal towns, namely LATTAKIA - the seat of the Government - HAFJE, MASSAIF, BANIAS, DJEBLE, are centres of commerce exchange and intrigue rather than of industry.

2. Roads.

There are three main roads in the area:-

- | | | |
|-----------------------|-------|-----|
| 1. ALEPPO - LATTAKIA | Class | A.1 |
| 2. LATTAKIA - ANTIOCH | Class | A.1 |
| 3. LATTAKIA - TRIPOLI | Class | A.1 |

In addition there are several metalled or gravel roads one NORTH and SOUTH.

BORNAZ (195427) SLENFE (196406) MASSAIF (208347) and a large number from the EAST to WEST which are SOUTH of the road LATTAKIA - HAFJE (181406) SLENFE, the chief of which is the BANIAS - MASSAIF - HAMA Rd.

In the area bounded by the ALEPPO - LATTAKIA and the LATTAKIA - ANTIOCH Rds are three B.2 roads impassable in wet weather.

Other than the three main roads in the LATTAKIA - SLENFE and the BANIAS - MASSAIF Rds, the roads are deteriorating under present weather, due to slips of the banks overhanging the roads and washouts of the roads themselves.

At DJISR ECH CHOUGOUR (207429) the ALEPPO - LATTAKIA Rd is joined by a road from the NORTH which follows the EASTERN side of the ORONTES VALLEY from TURKEY.

3. Population

The population of the ALAOUTES is about 399,000. It is heterogeneous, consisting of a large number of opposing groups, divided and sub-divided by divergencies of race, religion, political.

(a) Religious.

The population is divided in allegiance between the main branches of religion in the following proportions:-

ALAOUTES	247,361	
MOSLEMS (SEMNITES)	73,816	
CHRISTIANS	71,077	
ISMAILITES	6,872	399,126.

The ALAOUTES, who are the majority profess a secret religion. Hence it is difficult to discover much about it. It is an off-shoot of MOHAMMEDANISM. The ALAOUTES worship ALI, Son-in-Law and Cousin of MOHAMMED; some worship him through the sun, some through the moon, some through the wind. It is not an exclusive sect. ALAOUTES, while adhering to their own tenets and observances, may embrace the Christian or Mohammedan faith, and in point of fact they are not strict in religious observance.

Nevertheless their religious head is a man of great power in the country. He is of shepherd origin and completely illiterate, by name SULEIMAN MURSHED. ~~His~~ He is regarded by them as a MESSIAH by reason of the Divine Radiance which is said to have been observed to emanate from him and is called by the word corresponding in their tongue to "GOD".

The MOSLEMS include several thousand TURKAMANS, with pro-TURKISH sympathies. The majority are thought to be pro-AXIS and they are attracted by the AXIS Pan-ISMAILIC Ideal. But some of the most influential MOSLEMS in LATTAKIA appear to be pro-BRITISH.

Of the CHRISTIANS 50,000 are GREEK AUTHORDOX. On the whole they are not thought to be very sympathetic with the FREE FRENCH or ALLIED Course. Of the remainder about 15,000 are ARMENIANS who dwell chiefly in the Frontier Districts, in and near KASSAB (a completely ARMENIAN town). They are violently anti-TURK and have shown themselves to be very friendly to our troops.

The ISMAILITES are followers of AGA KHAN, politically they are not of great importance.

(b) Political.

The key to the political situation is the existance of three separate political powers. The stability of the situation depends on the degree of harmony or discord in their relations inter se. They are - Central Government, exercising power through officials and police; the local army - at present under command of General MONCLAR, and of the ALAOUTE people armed and united under their religious leader in opposition to the FRENCH.

The ALAOUTES have always been a fighting people and have always been armed. Before they left this area, the VICHY authorities are said to have distributed to them 10,000 rifles and a few LMGs, and there is further traffic in arms across the TURKISH Border. At a conservative estimate they have at least 40,000 rifles, and an army, to some extent trained, at least 6,000. Moreover, they are said to have plenty of ammunition.

It is therefore patent that in a country which favours guerilla warfare, as this does the ALAOUTES are a force which must be taken seriously in a military sense.

The ALAOUTES are said never to have been conquered. After the last war they asked to be taken under FRENCH nationality unconditionally. Since then the FRENCH have

earned the hatred of the ALAOUITES by reason of the incessant incroachments in the Governmental sphere.

The hatred of the FRENCH is the dominant note of the ALAOUITE policy. But the ALAOUITES are also anti-MOSLEM as they see a threat to their liberty and independence in the pan-ISMAILIC movement.

Until now the country has been known as the ~~Autonomous~~ autonomous territory of ALAOUITE, for under a law of 1939 the local Executive Council, on which ~~the~~ the ALAOUITES, were a majority, selected the "MOHAFAEZ" or Chief Executive Officer, the appointment, however, being made by the SYRIAN Government.

That status has been enjoyed in theory up to the present, though sub-ordinated in practice, to military requirements.

By the Proclamation made on 20th January, 1942, the territory is made an integral part of the SYRIAN State and given the designation of "MOHAFAZAT de DJEBEL ALAOUITE". This Document is in effect a death warrant for ~~KAX~~ ALAOUITE aspirations. Under it the President of the Republic nominates the MOHAFAEZ and the Judges. He also makes the appointment of other important executive officers on the selection of the MOHAFAEZ.

The President has officially, but not publically, announced to the FRENCH Delegate (General MONCLAR) that he will make this appointment only on agreement with the Delegate, General MONCLAR.

The Proclamation has pleased no one except the CHRISTIAN minority and possibly some of the influential MOSLEMS in LATTAKIA; for the latter appeared to make speeches favourable to BRITAIN at the Proclamation Ceremonies.

It has displeased General MONCLAR who wished, as representative of the Central Government, to wield most of the power now conferred on the MOHAFAEZ.

Above all it has infuriated the ALAOUITES, who have heretofore been pro-BRITISH, seeing us as the proclaimed guardians of small states and races - the ALAOUITES who alone in these parts command a military force of any account and who refuse to employ that force against us in the SYRIAN campaign, who are at once our best friends and our most powerful potential enemies.

MILITARY AND POLICE.

The Military Authorities in the District are:-

- (a) The Australian Group under Command Lt-Col. R.W.N. TURNER.
- (b) The FREE FRENCH FORCES under Command General MONCLAR.

Each of these two forces regards itself as the supreme military force of the District; and ~~at~~ the right is recognised to interfere in the Government of the Country if military security is threatened.

Whilst we regard ourselves as the decisive authority should hostilities occur, we are seeking to secure co-ordination through willing collaboration so that the necessity to dictate shall not arise. Our relations have been heretofore exceedingly cordial.

The exact strength of the FREE FRENCH FORCES has not yet been ascertained. There is one CHAD BN and a certain number of SYRIAN troops. They are said to have plenty of weapons. It is doubtful if they could be relied upon in active operations. Should such occur, it is suggested that they should not be assigned a major role.

- (c) B.S.M. There are two officers stationed at LATTAKIA - one concerned with political relations and one with Frontier Control.
- (d) SPEAR'S MISSION. There are two officers at LATTAKIA, Major MITCHELL deals with economic affairs and is concerned with the distribution of wheat. Capt. EVANS PRICHARD is the Area Liaison Officer. Under instructions from the SPEAR'S MISSION he is watching the Political Situation for the B.S.M.. He has made himself acquainted with all the chiefs and influential personalities in the District.

(e) SERVICE SPECIALE. The SERVICE SPECIALE is in fact a body of Military Police through which heretofore the FRENCH Army had dominated and controlled the country.

They have an officer in every important centre.

They control the GARDE MOBILE, who are the only troops who patrol the TURKISH Frontier in ALAOUITE. Six Frontier Posts are at present operating.

There are 35 kilometres of Frontier. The Strength of the Frontier Patrol has recently been doubled and is now 78.

They will eventually be brought up to the strength of 120. In view of the long stretch of Frontier this is quite inadequate; it is quite easy to cross without observation.

The SERVICE SPECIALE for this Area is controlled by Capt. LOHEAC from LATTAKIA (see under "PERSONALITIES").

Attached as Appendix "B" is a sketch showing the Frontier Posts as manned by the GARDE MOBILE.

COASTAL GUARD - FREE FRENCH NAVY.

COASTAL GUARD is under command Lieut. LANGLOIS. This has a present strength of 140 but Lieut. LANGLOIS has authority to increase his strength to as many as he considers necessary.

Lieut. LANGLOIS has made it a principle to choose his men from every segment of the population and he follows this principle down to the selection of the personnel for each Post. He considers that in the case of the defection of any section of his men (e.g. the MOSLEMS) he would be informed by others (e.g. the CHRISTIANS).

For defence the Coast is divided into three areas, the two NORTHERN of which are controlled each by a FRENCH Petty Officer under whom are Native Petty Officers, and a third controlled from his HQ at LATTAKIA.

Posts along the Coast are so situated that the whole Coast is under surveillance (except at ARAB EL MOULK where the coast is patrolled by mounted marines) and each Post is in visual contact with some other post.

In each Post is an MG and a LMG.

The Force has also three 37 mm Guns and personnel trained in their use but no ammunition.

All the Posts, except those at TROUNJE and SAMALI are connected by telephone to HQ at LATTAKIA, but these are civilian lines and therefore insecure. HQ at LATTAKIA are in W/T Communication with BEYROUTH.

Lieut. LANGLOIS aims at being able to hold out in his defensive posts against an enemy raiding party until reinforcements arrive.

In cooperation, this Unit proposes as did the 2/9 Aust Inf Bn, to maintain a Mobile Coy, ready to move at 30 minutes notice to any part of the Coast. At present, sufficient weapons are not available to carry out this primary operational role.

Lieut. LANGLOIS has prepared positions for the defence of LATTAKIA Power House against a raid from the Sea.

Lieut. LANGLOIS is under command of General MONCLAR.

Attached as Appendix "C" is a sketch showing the strength, weapons and dispositions of the Coastal Guard.

SURETE GENERALE

The chief officer of the SURETE GENERALE, a man named LEONETTI, co-operates fully with the BSM, and in particular in Frontier Control.

ALAOUITE GENDARMERIE

This consists of two Coys under a FRENCH officer and a SYRIAN Major. They are very poorly paid and are reputed to be corrupt.

PERSONALITIES.

GENERAL MONCLAR. The Commander of the FREE FRENCH FORCES and Delegate of LATTAKIA. He is a soldier rather than a politician. Being in the true sense of the word an "old campaigner". He has rows of medals, including three BRITISH decorations. He was in the ABYSSINIAN Campaign. He appeared to be rather an ingenious and temperamental character, much disposed to take offence when anyone acts in any respect without his prior knowledge.

He, in fact, chooses the Executive Officer of the ALAOUITE State. It has been remarked that he is not the type to play second fiddle and is expected that he will be active in the political sphere.

CAPT. LOHEAC. Commander of the SERVICE SPECIALE for this District and is reputed to be very efficient and clever. He is thoroughly acquainted with the country and particularly with the Frontier Districts, where he did two years service in KASSAB.

On the other hand he is thought to be pro-BRITISH and possible pro-GERMAN. He at first intended to leave for FRANCE with the supporters of the VICHY after the Armistice but was persuaded to remain as it was thought that his services could not easily be dispensed with, his knowledge of every aspect of ALAOUITE being so extensive.

Capt. LOHEAC paid a call on the Commander of this Unit. Relations between us are very friendly and cordial and Capt. LOHEAC has shown himself anxious to help us in any respect in which he can be of assistance. It is possible that there is an ulterior motive behind this show of collaboration.

LIEUT. SICHELLE. Has recently been appointed Commander of the Frontier Mobile Guard. He was previously employed in the OTTOMAN BANK in TURKEY where he knows many personalities. He speaks both TURKISH and ENGLISH very well. He is distinctly in favour of our course. *CAUSE*

LIEUT. POULGOS, who is the SERVICE SPECIALE officer at HAFTE, is also said to be pro-BRITISH. He has already established relations with some officers of this Unit. ~~XXXX~~

LIEUT. LANGLOIS. In charge of the FREE FRENCH NAVY in LATTAKIA is without a doubt the best friend we have here. He is managing, against great odds, to establish a really efficient system of Coastal Guard. He is absolutely frank and open in his dealings with us and in giving us information.

M. LEONETTI. Is in charge of the SURETE GENERALE of LATTAKIA. He was for a long time in SHANGHAI. He appears to be pro-BRITISH and he works in close collaboration with Lieut. LANGLOIS, the BSM and the FSS. His representative at KASSAB M. PADOVANI (also from SHANGHAI) co-operates closely with the FSS representative there.

CAPT. EVANS PRICHARD. Is the Political Representative of the SPEAR'S MISSION at LATTAKIA. He is an adventurous intellectual who might not unjustly be described as a spiritual disciple of T.E. LAWRENCE. Student and lecturer in Anthropology he has a deep knowledge of native customs, languages and religions in the EAST. He makes contacts with all the native leaders and is able to speak their language and to converse with them with a thorough understanding of their emotional and intellectual approach. He played a role in ABYSSINIA similar to that played by T.E. LAWRENCE in the last War; and one suspects that he dislikes his present work because there are no explosives and sabotage and other warlike revelry to keep him happy.

SULEIMAN MURSHED - "GOD" of the ALAOUITES. As already mentioned he is of shepherd origin and illiterate. He is now extremely wealthy by reason of a more or less lawless exploitation of his religious and political powers. Whilst the ALAOUITES are divided internally in allegiance to opposing families, they

display a great degree of unity externally towards other political or religious groups. To this extent SULEIMAN MURSHED receives practically undivided allegiance. He is very powerful in the HAFTE district.

"GOD" has already shown himself friendly towards the BRITISH, this is probably only because ALAOUITE political aspirations appeared to be most likely to be realised by BRITISH support. He is known to have entertained relations with the ITALO-GERMAN Armistice Commission, but it is thought that he is definitely anti-AXIS.

His friendly attitude may cease in view of the recent political settlement.

He lives like all the main ALAOUITE leaders, in a remote part of the country at JOUBET BARGHA (194394).

CHOUKAT EL ABBAS. The "MOHAFEZ" or Chief Executive Officer. He is one of the few educated ALAOUITE leaders and appears to be competent.

JABEK EL KINJ. The KINJ family is perhaps the most influential ALAOUITE family apart from that of BURSHED. ABRAHAM lives in DJEBLE and is influential in that area. Has been director of Home Affairs, an office at present held by his brother ALI EL KINJ.

SALAMEH BEK EL MASRI. Had an inter-Regnum as MOHAFEZ under Colonel JOURDAN, General MONCLAR'S predecessor, during which time he made himself very unpopulat.

APPENDICES.

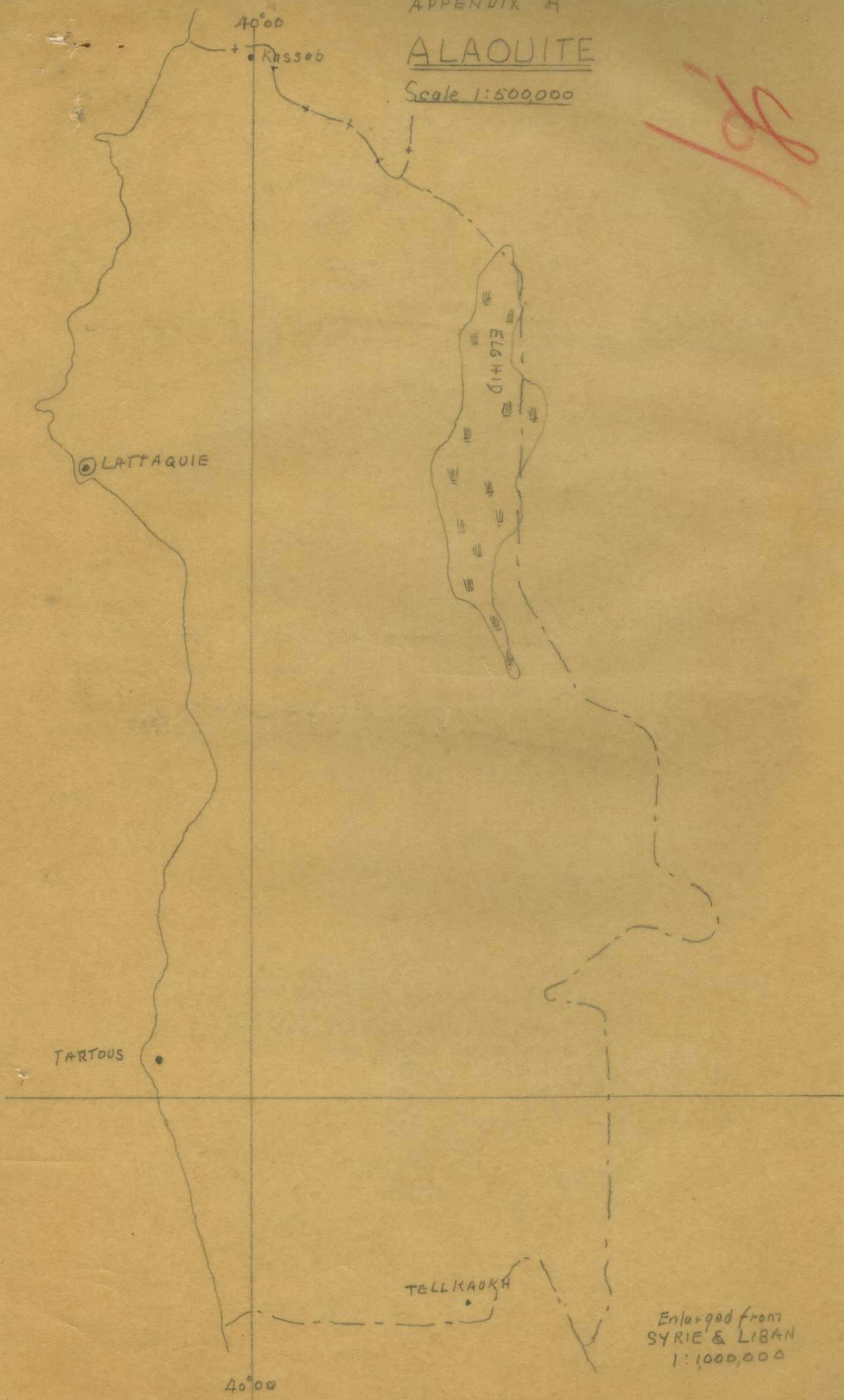
- Joseph Henry Brown
2/13 bn
Lieut*
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"B" Showing the Posts as manned by the GARDE MOBILE.
"C" Showing manning, weapons and dispositions of COASTAL GUARD.

APPENDIX A

ALAOUITE

Scale 1:500,000

28/1



Enlarged from
SYRIE & LIBAN
1:1,000,000

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The budget of the Mohafazat will comprise the following expenditure:

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4. The payment of pensions.

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War Diary

HQ 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
LATTAKIA.
22 Jan 42.

APPRECIATION BY Lt-COL. R.W.N. TURNER.

AT LATTAKIA on 21 JAN 42.

REF MAP: MALLAQUIE - HAMA 1 : 200,000.

1. OBJECT. To delay enemy forces entering SYRIA in the area bounded in the EAST by the ORONTES VALLEY, the NORTH by the TURCO-SYRIAN Border and the WEST by the MEDITERRANEAN and to maintain effective lines of withdrawal to TRIPOLI.

2. CONSIDERATIONS:

i. Comparitive Strengths.

Our Forces: One Inf Battalion.
Possible attached Forces. One Tp Fd Arty.
One Sec A Tk Guns.

Frontier patrols by Service Speciale by a company of men approximately 100 strong on a frontier approximately 60 kilos in length. Coastal OPs and Section Posts are manned by FREE FRENCH UNITS. Personnel of both these units are locally recruited. Full particulars of each in separate report.

Other FREE FRENCH Forces at present stationed in LATTAKIA amount to approximately 2 Bns and a detachment of artillery. Full details of these as yet not known nor is yet known whether or not it is intended that they co-operate in any action in this area. It has been ascertained that they have prepared anti-parachutest plans.

ix. Enemy Forces:

Quite unknown. Will almost certainly comprise armoured units and lorried infantry. Air and sea borne troops also most probable. Possible infiltration on frontier by horsed troops or dismounted infantry.

ii. Time and Space.

An attack before Spring is considered unlikely as an advance by any considerable mechanised force before termination of the winter rains is most improbable. Probably at least four days warning of movements inside TURKEY will be received. Heavy rains experienced during late December and January are reported as unusual, the usual rainy month being February.

iii. Topography.

The sector may be divided roughly into three areas:-
(a) The Border Area.
(b) The Coastal Plain
(c) The ALAQUITE hills.

The Border area is mountainous, steep and rugged, impassable to MT off main roads. The roads come down from TURKEY, one along the ORONTES VALLEY, this being covered by the 2/15 Aust Inf Bn on the right, the other being the ANTIOCH Rd through KASSAB.

This may be taken as the only direct route from foreign territory by which a force of any size can enter the area. The coastal loop road from KASSAB may be tried as an alternative route to the main road.

2. Contd.

The Coastal Plain commences in the NORTH with a good landing place at the mouth of NAHR ex DANDIL 16204195. From LATTAKIA SOUTH to TRIPOLI landings are possible almost anywhere. Landings of parachute or airborne troops can be carried out with the greatest of ease along the whole of the Coastal Plain. At two places along the Coastal Plain defiles exist which would be likely places for sea or airborne troops to occupy. The first is between the cliff and marsh at NAHR SEHE 17403690. The second is where the hills come down to the sea in the area immediately behind BANIAS.

The ALAQUITE Hills are steep and rough and contain numerous bridle paths. Two roads there demand notice. Firstly the loop road off the ALLEPPO-LATTAKIA road branching SOUTH at BORNAZ 19504270 and the other, the road HAMA-MASSAIF-BANIAS both of which are fair roads for use by MT, particularly in dry weather.

3. Courses open to the Enemy.

- (a) An attack in force down the road ANTIOCH-LATTAKIA. This is considered most unlikely in view of the confined nature of the road.
- (b) An attack in force down the GRONTES VALLEY - or on the open country further EAST - followed by penetration to this area via ALLEPPO road or MASSAIF road. This is considered the most likely main attack.
- (c) A diversion down the ANTIOCH road to assist a main attack further EAST, accompanied perhaps by infiltration or horsed or foot parties of saboteurs and ambush parties over the open border.
- (d) An attempt to cut the main coastal road by sea and/or air borne troops anywhere along the Coastal Plain - particularly at the two defiles previously referred to.

A combination of courses (b), (c) and (d) is considered the most likely of all.

Therefore it is considered that the Battalion's role will comprise the following:-

- (a) Prevent movement down road ANTIOCH-LATTAKIA by enemy forces probably of not very great strength.
- (b) Assist in maintaining road ALLEPPO-LATTAKIA as an effective route of withdrawal.
- (c) Provide flank guard on road HAMA-MASSAIF-BANIAS.
- (d) Maintain as large a fighting body completely mobile as is possible to counter enemy landings from sea or air.

Courses open to us.

- (a) Role (a) Previous appreciations and plans provided for three or possibly four Coy positions between KASSAB and LATTAKIA. If these were all used the result would be a running fight from which it would be very difficult to disengage. The alternative is to rely on one main fighting position and then impose further delay by means of road demolition.

3. Contd.

Therefore outline plan for role (a) is to hold already prepared Coy less one pl. posn, astride road at 17754360. One detachment of Mortars attached. Remaining pl of this Coy to deny use of KASSAB Coast loop road to enemy, with one section vicinity demolitions at 17394390 and Pl less one sec at 17054285.

Another Coy position to be fully reconnoitred on excarpment immediately SOUTH of NAHR DANDIL, at 16704180 for use if required by this Coy in its withdrawal and also for possible use by mobile reserve Coy in the event of beach landings at or NORTH of NAHR DANDIL.

Road from forward position to LATTAKIA to be patrolled by one Section Carrier Platoon. Suitable demolitions for delaying purposes to be reconnoitred and prepared on cross track to ALLEPPO road in square 1742 and 1842.

Role (b)

Previous dispositions on this road was a full Coy posn in vicinity of bridge and crater demolitions near BEDRIYE 1985433 and further projected Coy posns back along the road.

The position at BEDRIYE is close behind posns held by 2/15 Aust Inf Bn, astride all main avenues of approach and tactically is redundant, its only useful purpose being (a) possibly intercept small enemy horsed or inf parties infiltrating over the border.

(b) Protect local demolitions.

Outline plan for role (b) is therefore:-

- i. One Pl to remain at present BEDRIYA posn to protect demolitions and also check any infiltration from the border. Route for withdrawal of this Pl to be by BORNAZ-SLENFE-HAFIE loop road. Suitable delaying demolitions on this road to be reconnoitred and prepared and blown by this Platoon in withdrawing.
- ii. A holding position for one Coy less one pl to be prepared at KEBIA gorge 1780413 together with suitable road demolition. This posn to be held until withdrawal of rear elements of 2/15 Aust Inf Bn and also 2/13 Aust Inf Bn elements on ANTIOCH road. Road to be patrolled by one sec Carrier Platoon.

Role (c)

Owing to the large number of branch tracks from road HAMA-MASSAIF-BANIAS WEST of MASSAIF it will be necessary to hold this road at or EAST of MASSAIF together with in order to ensure efficient flank protection. Outline plan for this role - full recce and preparation of Coy posn astride road at MASSAIF together with suitable road demolitions.

Role (d)

Remaining rifle Coy and remaining elements of HQ Coy to be fully mobile and ready to move at short notice to counter any landing.

So far as beach landings are concerned, liaison with FF coast watching patrols has already been established and a direct 'phone line from their HQ to HQ this Unit is in use.

Re airborne landings: Copy of FF plans for anti-parachute defence has just been received (copy attached). Further information from Formation is requested on the relationship arranged between the two forces before further liaison in this connection is attempted.

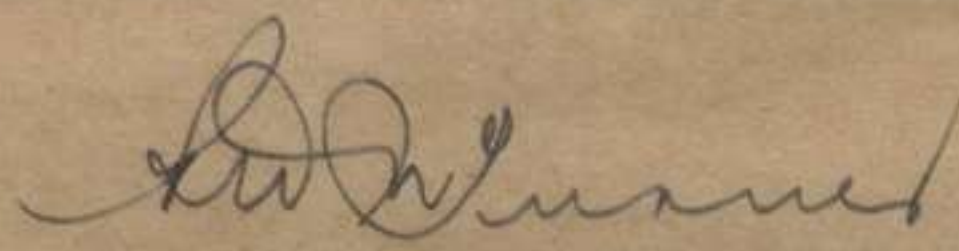
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In case of necessity in a hard pressed withdrawal possible positions are at:-

1. (a) Rising ground SOUTH of NAHR KEBIR at approx 16353970.
(b) NAHR SEHR defile 17403680.
(c) Neighbourhood of BANIAS.

To be reconnoitred and known by officers down to Coy Comds and Pl Comds Specialist Platoons.

- ii. Whole Unit to be provided with MT sufficient to become completely mobile.
- iii. Long range radio to be available for contacting and controlling Coys.
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2/13 AUST INF BN
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Part 1. No 272

Mills Lines, Hill 69
~~31 Dec 41~~ - 1 JAN 1942

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Duty Coy 1/2 Jan 42-----HQ Coy
Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut M.T. FAIRBAIRN
" " Sgt-----Cpl BUDDEN, A.J.
" " Cpl-----Cpl BROWN, A.R.G.

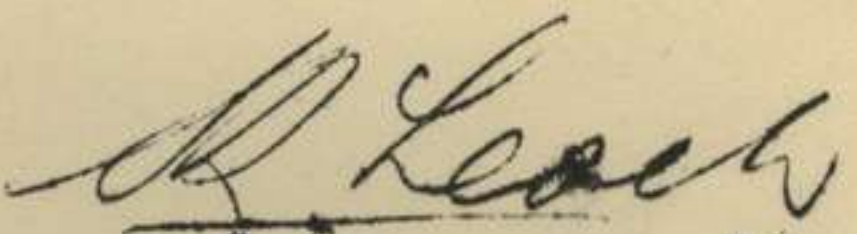
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" " Sgt-----Cpl RICHARD, A.V.
" " Cpl-----Cpl DELAUNEY, T.E.

Next for duty coy 3/4 Jan-----B Coy.

2. IMMOBILISATION OF VEHICLES

Where any M.T. Driver has to leave his vehicle in any place where there is no vehicle park guard, the vehicle will always be immobilised.

This instruction will be brought to the notice of all M.T. Drivers and details explained as to the immobilisation of his own particular vehicle.


.....Lieut
Adj 2/13 AUST INF BN
(S R LEACH)

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No 273 Part 1.

Mills Lines, Hill 69
2 Jan 42.

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" " Cpl-----Cpl DELAUNEY, T.E.

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" " Sgt-----Sgt FEARNSIDE, E.
" " Cpl-----L/Cpl DONOGHUE, R.

Next for duty Coy 4/5 Jan 42-----C Coy

S R Leach
.....Lieut
Adj 2/13 AUST INF BN
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
8/15 AUST IMP BN
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Mills Lines, Hill 69
3 Jan 42.

CORRECTION. Ref Camp Guarding Orders dated 1 Nov 41 Para 2 (a)
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 " " Sgt-----Sgt BRENNAN, R.P.
 " " Cpl-----Cpl SHAMBLER, L.E.R.

Next for duty Coy 5/6 Jan 42-----D Coy.

2. SCHOOLS AND COURSES.

When nominations for schools and courses are called for, they will submit to BN HQ with their nominations full particulars of military service of each nominee as per Appendix "A" attached hereto.

3. SECURITY OF DOCUMENTS

AIF (ME) ORDER NO 890 dated 29 Dec 41 is repeated: "Captured GERMAN documents refer to the valuable information which has been obtained from the diaries of British prisoners of war. It is once more pointed out that personnel going into action, or going into areas where there is a possibility of contact with the enemy, are forbidden to carry any personal papers which could possibly be of use to the enemy."

4. MILITARY PAMPHLETS, PAPERS ETC., DESPATCHED IN UNACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE.

(a) Pamphlets, notebooks, papers, etc., concerning military subjects are being despatched in unaccompanied baggage. It is appreciated that it is not always possible for Officers to carry such documents with them when travelling, and that their duties may be interfered with if the ordinary censorship rules are applied in these cases.

(b) Officers who wish to send such documents in their unaccompanied baggage will place them together in one package with a Certificate from the Commanding Officer, listing the documents and stating that they are required by the Officer for his service duties. The documents will then be released by the censorship authorities.

(c) In no circumstances will documents of a higher classification than "NOT TO BE PUBLISHED" be sent in unaccompanied baggage.

(d) This will apply only to baggage which is labelled a military address. Documents which are labelled to private addresses (hotels, pensions etc) will be retained by the censorship authorities in the usual way.

5. DENTURES - LOSSES AND REPAIRS.

AIF (ME) Order No 895 dated 29 Dec 41 is repeated: "In many instances Commanding Officers are charging against Public Funds costs of renewals and repairs to dentures lost or damaged through the fault of the soldier. This practice will cease forthwith.

Unless a Commanding Officer is satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that loss or damage to dentures was due to NO fault of the soldier, cost of renewal or repair will be charged to the soldier.

6. UNIDENTIFIED PROPERTY - AIF(ME) KIT STORE

There are a number of unidentified articles of private property at AIF(ME) KIT STORE. Coys will submit a nominal roll of personnel who have lost private property from their kits, whilst in kit store, stating the articles missing and a description of same to these HQ by 1200 hrs on 10 Jan 42.

7. CHURCH PARADES.

(a) A combined church service will be held in Camp Cinema at 0930 hrs on Sunday 4 Jan 42.

Bn Parade -----0840 hrs
Markers (one per Coy) report to RSM on BN Pde Grnd-----0830 hrs
Order of march: BN HQ, HQ COY, A Coy, B Coy, C Coy, D Coy.

Dress: All ranks - WINTER DRESS (Battle dress) Hats KF (turned up) boots, puttees, belts waist and sidearms.

Duty Coy will detail a responsible NCO as BN Marker who will report to BN HQ at 0845 hrs, Sun 4 Jan 42 for instructions, and th the Camp Orderly Officer at Camp Cinema at 0900 hrs.

(b) R.C. Parade: Mass will be celebrated in YMCA Reading Room at 0915 hrs.

One marker from Duty Coy will report to R.S.M. on BN Pde Gnd at-----0830 hrs.

Confessions will be heard before masses at 0700 and 0915 hrs.

(c) Communion.

Communion will be held at the Camp Cinema for Protestants at 0700 hrs, Sun 4 Jan 42.

.....Lieut
Adj 2/13 AUST INF BN
(S R LEACH)

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Pro-Forma

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE

SURNAME: _____ OTHERS _____

ARMY NO: _____ UNIT: _____ AGE _____

RANK(AND DATE OF PROMOTION THERETO) _____ (DATE) _____

PRESENT APPOINTMENT _____

PAST STAFF APPOINTMENTS (IF ANY) _____

Other details of previous service A.I.F., A.M.F.

Civil employment and qualifications:

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2/13 AUST INF BN
ROUTINE ORDERS
BY

Lt-Col F.A. BURROWS, MM, ED, Commanding
Part I No 275

Mills Lines, Hill 69
4 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES:

Duty Coy 4/5 Jan 42-----	C Coy
Bn Orderly Offr-----	Lieut M.J. WALKER
" " Sgt-----	Sgt BRENNAN, R.P.
" " Cpl-----	Cpl SHAMBLER, L.E.R.
Next for duty Coy 5/6 Jan 42-----	D Coy.
Bn Orderly Offr-----	Lieut R.J. BURRELL
" " Sgt-----	STRATFORD, A.
" " Cpl-----	L/Cpl RODERICK, C.
Next for duty Coy 6/7 Jan 42-----	HQ Coy.

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Part I No 276

Mills Lines, Hill 69
5 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES

Duty Coy 5/6 Jan 42-----	D Coy
Bn Orderly Offr-----	Lieut R.J. BURRELL
" " Sgt-----	Cpl TUTTLEBEE, R.
" " Cpl-----	L/Cpl ROD RICK, C.
N.F. Duty Coy 6/7 Jan 42-----	HQ Coy
Bn Orderly Offr-----	Lieut K.C. WILSON
" " Sgt-----	Sgt McCREA, J.
" " Cpl-----	L/Cpl CHURCHES, R.E.
N.F. Duty Coy 7/8 Jan 42-----	A Coy

2. AIRMAIL TO AUSTRALIA - LIMITATION OF WEIGHT

Owing to the limited space at present available for the conveyance of airmail to AUSTRALIA, it is of prime importance that the weight of mail loading should be kept as low as possible. So far as possible, Air Mail Letter Cards will be used in lieu of letters, and letters should be restricted to a maximum of two sheets of air mail paper in order to cut down weight. It is desired as far as possible to avoid having to hold mails over for later despatch, and the cooperation of all ranks in curtailing the weight of correspondence to be conveyed will materially assist in this direction.

3. E F M CABLES

The attention of all ranks is drawn to the fact that at present, cable channels are unable to provide adequate accommodation for EFM traffic which will therefore be used ONLY when essential.

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BY

Maj R.W.N. TURNER, Commanding
Part I No 277

Mills Lines, Hill 69,
6 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES:

Duty Coy 6/7 Jan 42-----HQ Coy.
Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut K.C. WILSON.
" " Sgt-----Cpl LIVERMORE, C.A.
" " Cpl-----Cpl EVE, W.L.

NF Duty Coy 7/8 Jan 42-----A Coy.
Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut G.C. CLARKE.
" " Sgt-----L/Sgt McVICAR, M.
" " Cpl-----L/Cpl DONOGHUE, R.

NF Duty Coy 8/9 Jan 42-----B Coy.

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ROUTINE ORDERS
BY

Naj R.W.N. TURNER, Commanding
 Part I No 278

Mills Lines, Hill 69
 7 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES:

Duty Coy 7/8 Jan 42-----A Coy.
 Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut G.C. CLARKE.
 " " Sgt-----L/Sgt McVICAR, M.
 " " Cpl-----L/Cpl DONOGHUE, R.

NF Duty Coy 8/9 Jan 42-----B Coy.
 Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut M.J. WALKER.
 " " Sgt-----L/Sgt McVICAR, M.
 " " Cpl-----L/Cpl DONOGHUE, R.

NF Duty Coy 9/10 Jan 42-----C Coy.

2. AIF ENTERTAINMENT SECTION REVUE:

The above Section will play in the Camp Cinema on the following dates:

Thursday 8 Jan 42.
 Friday 9 Jan 42.
 Saturday 10 Jan 42.

Admission will be by roll ticket ONLY which will be issued free to Coys by BN HQ.

The Cinema will be OUT OF BOUNDS on THURSDAY and FRIDAY nights to all ranks, 2/13 AUST INF BN and disciplinary action will be taken against personnel who attempt to gain admission on those nights.

Allocation of tickets will be notified later.

Reservations may be made on a restricted basis. Charge for reservations will be 40 mils and holder of reservations must also be in possession of FREE tickets.

Performance will commence on Saturday 10 Jan 42 at 1930 hrs SHARP.

3. MISUSE OF FIREARMS:

Adm Instn dated 2 Jan 42 is repeated:

" The indiscriminate firing of firearms on the night 31 Dec 41-1 Jan 42 necessitates much stricter control over the issue of SAA.

As from receipt of this memo the following procedure will be adopted and will be strictly adhered to:-

1. Coys will return all amm to QM by 1700 hrs, 2 Jan 42.
2. NCO I/c each prowler picquet will draw 20 rds amm from Guard Comd at 1730 hrs daily and return by 0800 hrs the following day. He will render a certificate to Guard Comd. Guard Comd will receipt certificate on return of amm. Coys will fwd to BN HQ not later than 1000 hrs on the day following.
3. In the event of a shot being fired by a sentry or picquet, the firer will render a written report on the firing of such shot. Coys will investigate and forward report to BN HQ not later than 12 hrs after the shot being fired.
4. Guard Comd will render to BN HQ, Guard report stating number of rds held."

4. DISCIPLINE:

The following personnel, absent without leave were awarded punishments as shown hereunder:

NX 14528	Pte McGRATH, J.M.	- AWL 4 days	- 9 days detention.
23266	" HARPER, J.T.	- " 8 "	- 21 " "
16814	" CLARK, J.	- " 7 "	- 21 " "
27130	" PITTS, E.S.	- " 7 "	- 21 " "

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

Major R.W.N. TURNER - Commanding
Part 1 Number 279

Mills Lines, Hill 69.
8 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy 8/9 Jan 42	-----	B Coy
Bn Orderly Offr	-----	Lieut. A.R. Roberts
Bn Orderly Sgt	-----	Sgt McVicar M.
Bn Orderly Cpl	-----	L/Cpl Donoghue R.
N.F. Duty Coy 9/10 Jan 42	-----	C Coy
Bn Orderly Officer	-----	Lieut. M.J. Walker
Bn Orderly Sgt	-----	Cpl. McDougal LR.
Bn Orderly Cpl	-----	L/Cpl. Fitzsimmons B
N.F. Duty Coy 10/11 Jan 42	-----	D Coy.

2. LIGHTS.

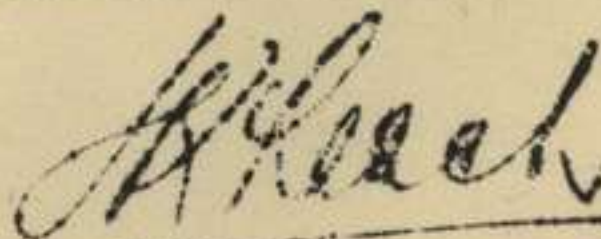
Attention is drawn to RO No 260 para 5 dated 15 Nov 41.
A complete BLACKOUT will be rigidly observed during hours
of darkness.

Coy Comds will ensure that this order is strictly adhered to.

3. DISCIPLINE.

The undermentioned soldier was awarded the punishment shown
hereunder for neglect in losing his Baybook:-

NX 18465 Pte RICE E.J. - Fined £2: 0; C.


Lieut.
Adjt 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
(S R LEACH)

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

By

Major R.W.N. Turner - Commanding.
Part. 1. Number 280.

Mills Lines. HILL 69.
9 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Company	9/10 Jan.....	'C' Coy.
Bn Orderly Officer	.....	Lieut. G. C. Clark.
Bn "	Sgt.....	Cpl. McDougal. L.R.
" "	Cpl.....	L/Cpl. Fitzsimmons. B.
Next for Duty Coy	10/11 Jan.....	'D' Coy.
Bn Orderly Officer	.....	Lieut. M. J. Walker.
" "	Sgt.....	Sgt. Leach. H.W.
" "	Cpl.....	Cpl. Roberts. L.
Next for Duty Coy	11/12 Jan.....	H.Q. Coy.

S.R. Leach
Lieut.
Adj. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn. A.I.F.
(S.R. Leach.)

NOTICES.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Holy Communion will be held each Sunday at the following hours:-

Church of England - in Camp Cinema immediately after Church Parade Service.

Presbyterian - In Y M C A immediately after R C Mass.

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

By

Major R. W. H. TURNER. - Commanding.
Part. 1. Number 281.

Mills Lines, HILL 69.
10 Jan 42.

DUTIES.

Duty Company. 10/11 Jan. 'D' Coy.
Bn Orderly Officer. Lieut H. J. Walker.
" " Sgt. Sgt. Leach. H. S.
" " Cpl. Cpl. Roberts. L.

Next for Duty Coy. 11/12 Jan. H. Q. Coy.
Bn Orderly Officer. Lieut. D. H. Green.
" " Sgt. Sgt. Harper. C. R.
" " Cpl. Cpl. Bowen. R. W.

Next for Duty Coy, 12/13 Jan. 'A' Coy.

2. CHURCH PARADES.

(a). A combined Church Service will be held in camp Cinema at 0930hrs on Sunday, 11 Jan 42.

Bn Parade 0815hrs.

Markers. One marker per Coy to report to the RSM on Bn Pde Grd at 0830hrs.

Order of March. Bn. H. Q. A, B, C & D Coys.

Dress. All Ranks, Winter Dress - (Battle Dress). Hats. K.F. (turned up) Boots, anklets web, belts, waist and side-arms.

Duty Coy will detail a responsible NCO as Bn Marker. He will report to Bn. H. Q. at 0815 hrs Sun 11 Jan for instructions, and to the Camp Orderly Officer at Camp Cinema at 0900hrs. He will collect the Parade State from Bn. H. Q. prior to his reporting.

(b). R.C. Parade. Mass will be celebrated in the Y.M.C.A. Reading Room at 0915hrs.

One marker from the Duty Coy will report to the RSM on Bn Pde Grnd at 0830hrs.

Confessions will be heard before masses at 0700hrs and 0915hrs.

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(S. R. LEACH)

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

By

Major R.W.N. Turner, Commanding.
Part. I. Number 232.

Mills Lane, HILL 69
11 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Company, 11/13 Jan. 'A' Coy.
Bn Orderly Officer.....Lieut. D.N. Green.
" " Sgt.....Sgt. Harper, C.R.
" " Cpl.....Cpl. Bowen, R.E.

Next for Duty Coy. 12/13 Jan. 'A' Coy.
Bn Orderly Officer.....Lieut. J.E. Wood.
" " Sgt.....Sgt. Craig, C.L.
" " Cpl.....L/Cpl. Davidson, C.G.

Next for Duty Coy. 13/14 Jan. 'B' Coy.

2. DRIVING POINTS FOR OFFICERS AND DRIVERS.

The following notes on driving on WEF roads or roads the condition of which has been altered materially by FROST must be impressed upon all drivers immediately.

(a). Without skid chains, rubber treads prove almost useless on FROZEN roads, icy surfaces are treacherous, and vehs can only negotiate them when the slopes are not steep and when Vehs are driven at a crawl.

(b). On a slippery surface or at a corner - NEVER use the engine as a brake - for the reason that the engine brakes on two wheels only - whereas our vehs are fitted with four-wheel brakes.

(c). Approach corners at such speed that the veh is at the correct speed for the corner. When the corner is reached, if the speed has been misjudged, slow the veh by means of the FOOT BRAKE - NOT by changing down which is liable to produce a dangerous skid.

CHANGE DOWN when the required slowness has been obtained and the POWER DRIVE the veh round the corner.

Fuller notes on driving and cornering will be issued later.

3. BLOOD GROUPING.

Days will make a complete check of all pay-books and identity discs to ensure that blood-grouping has been noted

Personnel whose blood-group is not shown in their pay-books will be typed at 2/13 P.I. Bn., (Aust) MILANE LINES on Wed, 14 Jan.

Days will submit a full sheeting names of persons not waiting to be typed, to reach Pt. H.Q. not later than 1300hrs 12 Jan 42.

4. AIRMAIL SERVICE - AUSTRALIA.

The air-mail service AUSTRALIA-MIDDLE EAST has been temporarily interrupted, and although it is hoped to restore communications in the near future, in the meantime no mails are being received by air.

Air-mails are being despatched in the direction of the MIDDLE EAST - AUSTRALIA, but these are also being held up at an intermediate point, en route, awaiting the full or partial restoration of the through service.

R. Beach
Adj. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn. AIF.
(R. BEACH.)

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2/13 AUST INF BN

ROUTINE ORDERS.

By

Major R.W.N. Turner, commanding
Part 1. No. 283

Mills Lines. Hill 6
12 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy, 12/13 Jan.....	"A" Coy
Bn Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. J.E. Wood
Bn Orderly Sgt.....	Sgt. Craig C.L.
Bn Orderly Cpl.....	L/Cpl Davidson C.G.
Next for Duty Coy 13/14 Jan.....	"B" Coy.
Bn Orderly Officer.....	Lieut. I G Edmunds
Bn Orderly Sgt.....	Sgt H.W. Leach
Bn Orderly Cpl.....	-

Duties mounting on 13/14 Jan will remain on until further notice after mounting.

2. VENTILATION OF TENTS.

To ensure ventilation of the interior of tents, tent walls on at least two sides will be rolled up or folded back (in the case of tents RD and EPIP respectively) for at least three hours daily.

This is specially important at the present juncture for the health of troops, owing to the prevalence of germs of certain diseases.

3. DRESS - BADGES OF RANK AND TITLES "AUSTRALIA".

Embroidered badges of rank and titles "AUSTRALIA" may be worn, by Officers only, on shirts with summer dress.

The practice of wearing embroidered badges and titles in other cases will cease.

(Sgd) S R Leach
Lieut.
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(S.R. Leach)

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CAMP STANDING ORDERS
BY

Lt-Col R.W.N. TURNER, Commanding

21 Jan 42.

1. DAILY ROUTINE

Reveille -----	0700 hrs.
Admin Pde)	
Sick ")-----	0715
Breakfast-----	0745
Fall in-----	0830
Dismiss-----	1230
Mens' dinner-----	1300
Fall in-----	1400
Dismiss-----	1600
Mens' tea-----	1700
Retreat-----	1800
First post-----	2130
Last post-----	2200
Lights out-----	2230

2. DUTIES

The following duties will be supplied by the Duty Coy daily, to mount at Retreat:

Bn Orderly Sgt
Bn Orderly Cpl
Runners - 2 ORs.

Camp HQ Guard - Strength: 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl, 9 ORs.

Town Picquet - Strength: 1 Offr, 1 Sgt, 2 Cpls. 12 ORs.

CO's Residence Guard - Strength: 1 Cpl, 3 ORs.

Town Picquet and CO's Residence Guard will draw 24 hrs rations from Coy and will cook meals on primus provided.

Transport Section will provide transport for Town Picquet and CO's Residence Guard at 1715 hrs daily to Coy HQ.

All duties will be inspected by Bn Orderly Offr at BN HQ before mounting or leaving camp.

3. M.T. MOVEMENT

Any movement of MT outside camp area must be made under the following conditions:

1. At least two personnel on vehicle.
2. Two days rations to be carried.
3. Rifle and ten rds amn to be carried.
4. Any recce or other trips off main road must be checked out and in by Coy Comd authorising same and any case of a vehicle being overdue immediately reported to BN HQ.
5. No vehicle will move off main roads LATTAKIA - KASSAB, LATTAKIA - ALEPPO, LATTAKIA - TRIPOLI without the approval of the CO, IO, Adjnt or a Coy Comd.

4. SECURITY OF ARMS

The greatest possible measures for the security of arms will be implemented at all times. Whenever not actually in use, all arms will be retained in Coy armouries. Bolts of rifles, LMGs will be divorced from weapons and kept in a locked box. Two men will be detailed as armoury guard and the armoury will on no account at any time be left unattended. Rifles will be secured in the armoury by means of locks and chains

5. CAMP SECURITY

On no account, at any time will civilians of any description be allowed in Coy Lines. The only passes authorised by this Bn are in favour of four boys from the orphanage to collect food scraps. They can be easily identified by their dress. Any person found in possession of a pass issued by any previous Unit will be detained and sent under escort to BN HQ so that the cancellation of the pass may be explained to him. Dealing with individuals for laundering will not be permitted. Separate instructions are being issued re BN Laundry arrangements.

Coy Comd of left fwd Coy may make arrangements for local laundering, but this must be controlled through Coy and not left to individuals.

Coys will be responsible for the effective prowling of their own lines. At least two prowlers by day and four by night will be maintained.

Transport and carrier lines will be treated by HQ Coy as a separate Coy area. HQ Coy area will include the area of BN HQ and Q store.

6. TREATMENT OF NATIVE POPULATION

The greatest care will be taken not to antagonise the native population by interference with them in any way in their own sphere. Strict measure will be taken to teach them that they must not enter camp boundaries, and fraternising with natives will be strongly discouraged. All tps will be warned that the selling of any articles to natives will be treated as a very serious offence no matter how small the subject of sale.

7. DISCHARGE OF ARMS

Expenditure of amm is on the same basis as in our last encampment. Expenditure of every round must be reported on in writing. Prowlers and sentries will be warned that the firing of a shot will only be warranted as a last resort.

8. VENEREAL DISEASE

All tps will be warned of the danger of intercourse with native women from the point of view of VD risk. They will also be warned of the religious objections that are strongly held by Mohammedans regarding any advances towards their womenfolk.

9. ALLIED TROOPS BARRACKS

All barracks or other buildings occupied by Free French Forces are out of bounds to all ranks at all times unless on duty or with the express permission of the CO or Adjt.

10. TENTAGE

Coys will ensure that all tents are securely pegged. Two rows of pegs will be used on all tents and pegs will be in line.

11. HORSE DRAWN CABS

All ranks will pay the driver of any cab or taxi before the trip commences. All ranks will be warned that failure to comply with this order will result in disciplinary action being taken against the offender. Town Picquet will stop cabs and ensure that personnel travelling have paid. Names of offenders will be forwarded to BN HQ with Picquet Report.

12. LEAVE

25 per cent of each Coy will be allowed town leave from 1800 hrs to 2300 hrs daily. Leave personnel must be clear of town by 2230 hrs.

13. DISPOSAL OF GOVT PROPERTY

All ranks are warned of the consequences of disposing of Govt property. Any member apprehended or reported for selling or giving Govt property to natives or other unauthorised parties will be dealt with to the full extent of the Army Act.

14. R.C. ORPHANAGE

All ranks are reminded that the use by this Unit of the Orphanage is by courtesy only. Full respect of property and persons will be shown by all ranks in the vicinity.

15. HOT SHOWERS

Hot showers are installed at the Orphanage. The following time table will be strictly adhered to by Coys in the HQ area:

Alternate days commencing 22 Jan 42.

Day 1. 1130 hrs -----B Coy
 1500 -----C Coy.

Day 2. 1130 hrs-----BN HQ, 1,2,3 & 4 Pls.
 1600 -----5 & 6 Pls.

16. BOUNDS

(a) All native villages and dwellings are out of bounds to all ranks at all times.

(b) Cafes: Cafes marked " IN BOUNDS" only will be patronised. All other cafes will be considered " OUT OF BOUNDS TO ALL RANKS".

(c) Native bazaar: That portion of the town where the native bazaar is situated is "OUT OF BOUNDS TO ALL RANKS."

(d) The beach is out of bounds to all ranks after Retreat. The Coastal Patrol have orders to shoot on sight any person using the beach during hours of darkness.

S.R. Leach
Lieut
 Adjnt 2/13 AUST INF BN
 (S.R. LEACH)

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IO	1	D "	2
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TO	1	20 Bde	1
RMO	1	War Diary	2
Sig Offr	1	File	1
	Spare	3	

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

2/13 AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

Lt-Col R.W.N. TURNER, Commanding
Part I No 284

FIELD
22 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES

Duty Coy 23/24 Jan 42-----	B Coy
Bn Orderly Offr-----	Lieut G.C. CLARK
" " Sgt-----	Sgt FRINSIDE, G.
" " Cpl-----	L/Cpl DONOGHUE, R.

NP Duty Coy 24/25 Jan 42---	C Coy
Bn Orderly Offr-----	Lieut A.R. ROBERTS
" " Sgt-----	Sgt SEARLE, J.
" " Cpl-----	L/Cpl FITZGERALD, C.

FIELD CENSORSHIP - PHOTOGRAPHY

AIF(MA) Order No 904 is repeated:

AIF(MS) Order No 369 of 7th June 1941, is cancelled and the following substituted:

1. The indiscriminate use of cameras and, in particular, the sending of films to unauthorised photographic dealers have become most prejudicial to security. The following regulations are issued for immediate enforcement.

2. Every Unit will keep a register showing the rank and name of personnel in possession of cameras. An Officer-in-Charge of Photography will be appointed within each unit. He will be responsible for keeping the Register up to date and for ensuring that each member of the Unit in possession of a camera is fully acquainted with the provisions of GHQ(MEF) Field Censorship Regulations, 1940 Part II, Paragraph 10 (published hereunder) and with the list of authorised dealers.

"GHQ(MEF) Field Censorship Regulations, 1940, Part I Para 10.

PHOTOGRAPHY.

- (i) Photography of the following is prohibited:
- | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Military vehicles of all sorts | Aerial views |
| Tanks | Aerodromes |
| Signal equipment | Fortifications |
| Artillery weapons | Camps |
| Defences | Military operations |
| Aircraft | Diagrams of weapons |
| Ships of any kind. | |

(ii) Photographs, films and pictorial matter of any kind will not be despatched to neutral or enemy countries.

(iii) Photographs of a purely personal nature may be included in correspondence, but attention must be paid to the background which must not include anything, the photographing of which is prohibited.

(iv) All ranks are forbidden to join civilian (photographic) clubs or similar institutions, or to exhibit or submit for exhibition photographs taken by them.

3.

When a Unit proceeds to any zone of active operations, all cameras, with the exception of those referred to below, will be withdrawn by the Officer in Charge of Photography, and forwarded for safe custody to Officer in Charge 2nd Echelon, AIF(ME). The Officer in Charge of Photography may accept a certificate from the owner of the camera that he has deposited it at a bank as an alternative to the above. An exception may be made and one or more authorised units

FIELD CENSORSHIP - PHOTOGRAPHY CONTD3. Contd.

photographers per unit, as laid down by commands, permitted to retain cameras with the object of increasing the supply of photographs of value for record and publicity purposes. The Officer in Charge of Photography will be held strictly responsible that, in zone of operations, cameras are used only by these authorised unit photographers. Each authorised unit photographer will be issued with a numbered pass under Command arrangements. On the back of this pass will appear directions on the following lines:

"All security films or unit films for record purposes must be forwarded for developing to the following special authorised dealer:

Messrs KODAK (EGYPT) S.A., 20 SHARIA ADLY PASHA, CAIRO.

On no account will security films or unit record films be despatched to any other dealer than the above."

4. Films will on no account be sent by personnel for developing or printing to any other than approved and authorised dealer. Commands will ensure that lists of authorised dealers in their areas are distributed in sufficient scale, and each authorised dealer should be supplied with a notice board to be hung in a prominent place stating that this dealer has been officially authorised by the British military authorities. It will be the duty of Officers in Charge of Photography to ensure that all ranks are fully acquainted with this list and do not deal with any dealers or sub agents other than those on the list. Films belonging to military personnel found in any unauthorised dealer's possession will be confiscated and destroyed and disciplinary action taken against the owner. The number of authorised dealers should and will be increased as and when more censorship personnel are available.
5. Commands will ensure that all films of a security nature and all unit films for record purposes, if not developed by Army personnel are sent for developing to one firm only: Messrs KODAK (EGYPT) S.A. 20 SHARIA ADLY PASHA, CAIRO. As soon as more censorship personnel are available, one firm in each Command will be chosen for such work. Such films will not be sent to any other of the authorised dealers. This includes films of a secret nature to be used solely for record or instructional purposes; and films taken by official unit photographers of operational activities etc. for inclusion in war diaries and for official purposes only. In the latter case, where the censor considers that for security reasons these films should not be returned to a unit, they will be retained at 2nd Echelon AIF(ME) in the name of the Unit. Commanding Officers must ensure that this privilege is not abused and that private films are not submitted as unit record films.
6. GHQ (MEF) retains the right to take copies of any photographs and to use such copies for any purpose without payment. The cost of developing the films containing photographs of which use is made by GHQ (MEF) will be defrayed by GHQ (MEF).
7. There have been cases of interference by local police with Service personnel using cameras in prohibited areas or taking photographs of prohibited objects. Commands will ensure that lists of prohibited objects and prohibited areas are published at frequent intervals and that disciplinary action is taken against military photographers failing to comply with the legitimate instructions of the police concerned.
8. Films found developed or stored in any manner in contravention of this Order are liable to confiscation and destruction; and in view of the extremely serious results to security of non-compliance with the above instructions, strict disciplinary action will in all cases be taken against offenders.

The undermentioned establishments are authorised to develop or print films in LATTAKIA:

KRIKOR BABAZIAN of PHOTO SYRIA

MANDUK MALIAN of PHOTO MANDUK.

3. VENTILATION OF TENTS.

To ensure drying and ventilation of interior of tents/on tent walls at least two sides of all tents will be rolled up or folded back (in the case of RB and EPIP respectively) for at least three hours daily, whenever weather permits. This is specifically important at the present juncture for the health of the troops owing to the prevalence of certain diseases.

4. SPEED LIMITS - ALEPPO.

No WD vehicle will exceed 20 mph within the built up area of ALEPPO. Traffic signs and signals by gendarmerie will be strictly observed. Attention is drawn to the fact that "One way Streets" are marked by red discs with a white horizontal bar across the centre.

5. STOLEN VEHICLES.

No WD vehicle will be left unattended in any city street and strict precautions will be taken by all Officers in charge of transport to ensure that the vehicle in their charge is not removed by any unauthorised person.

6. RECORDS.

Coy's are notified that personnel evacuated beyond this Unit RAP will NOT automatically be transferred to "X" List. Such personnel will remain on Coy strength under the heading of "Hospital" until notification is received from these HQ.

7. DISCIPLINE.

The following personnel of this Unit were awarded the punishments stated for the offences mentioned:

No	Rank	Name	Offence	Punishment
NX				
16523	Pte	KING, J.E.	AWL 12 1/2 hrs	Fined 10/-
27609	"	RYAN, W.J.	AWL 21 hrs	Fined £1.
35836	"	TONGUE, C.G.	AWL 68 1/2 hrs	Fined £2.
23370	"	CLANCY, K.	AWL 18 1/2 hrs	Fined £1.
22303	"	LUKEMAN, L.J.	Neglect in losing his paybook and clothing	Fined £5 and ordered to pay cost of lost articles of clothing.
35778	"	SINGH, B.	Defacing walls of Aust Soldier's Club. (Writing his name there on)	Fined 5/-
7309	"	CHAMPION, J.I.	1. Improperly dressed on Church Pds 2. Failure to stand to attention during the playing of National Anthem	Fined £5. Fined £5.
26291	"	DUNN, G.I.	Neglect in losing his paybook	Fined 10/-.

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Sheet 4.

8. DRESS.

Attention is drawn to the wearing of ties with SD Uniform. Ties will NOT be worn with this uniform and the collars will be buttoned up. If a shirt is worn underneath the uniform the collar of the shirt will not show out from the collar of the tunic.

S.R. Leach
.....Lieut
Adj't 2/13 AUST INF BN
(S.R. LEACH)

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NOTICES.

PICTURES.

One exclusive programme IN ENGLISH will be shown EACH SATURDAY NIGHT at the EMPIRE THEATRE for AIF PERSONNEL ONLY commencing 31 Jan 1942.
Admission charges: 7f., 3f., and 2f.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
2/13 AUST INF BN
ROUTINE ORDERS

Lt-Col R.W.N. TURNER Commanding
Part 1 No 285

FIELD
23 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES

Duty Coy 24/25 Jan 42-----C Coy.
 Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut A.R. ROBERTS.
 " " Sgt-----Sgt SEARLE, J.E.
 " " Cpl-----L/Cpl FITZSIMMONS, C.

NF Duty Coy 25/26 Jan 42-----B Coy.
 Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut E.M. FINKNEY.
 " " Sgt-----Sgt BROWNING, V.T.
 " " Cpl-----Cpl WALSH, E.K.

2. PARCEL RATES

<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>PIASTRES</u>
1 lb	18
2 "	27
3 "	36
5 "	45
8 "	54
11 "	63

STAMPS

<u>DENOMINATION</u>	<u>PIASTRES</u>
1 d	3
2 d	6
3 d	9
6 d	18
9 d	27
1/-	36
2/-	72
5/-	177

3. CHURCH PARADE - 25 Jan 42.

(a) PROTESTANT PARADE.

BN Parade rear BN HQ-----0915 hrs.
 Markers (One from
 HQ, B & C Coys) report
 to RSM at BN HQ-----0910 hrs.

BN will form up in hollow square, B Coy on right,
 C Coy plus one Pl D Coy on left.
 RSM will arrange position for band and for table to
 be in position by 0910 hrs .

(b) RC PARADE

BN Parade behind BN HQ at 0830 hrs.
 Lieut P. DESCHAMPS will command.

S.R. Leach

.....Lieut
Adjt 2/13 AUST INF BN
(S.R. LEACH)

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NOTICES.

FOUND. Rosary Beads, believed to be left behind at Hill 69.
Please apply BN Orderly Room.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

2/13 AUSTRALIAN INF BN

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

Lt-Col R.W.N. TURNER, Commanding
Part 1. No 286

FIELD
24 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy 25/26 Jan 42-----	B Coy
Bn Orderly Offr-----	Lieut E.L. PINKNEY.
" " Sgt-----	Sgt BROWNING, V.T.
" " Cpl-----	Cpl WALSH, A.K.

NF Duty Coy 26/27 Jan 42-----	C Coy.
Bn Orderly Offr-----	Lieut D.E. GREEN.
" " Sgt-----	L/Sgt MEERS, J.F.
" " Cpl-----	Cpl SOUTHALL, I.P.

2. CANTEEN STORES LABELLED WITH DEFENCE DEPT LABELS.

(a) It has been notified that a shipment of 500 cases (1000 doz) 30 oz tinned apricots from the Goulburn Valley Cannery Pty. Ltd., has been branded with the marking: "D Arrow D" in addition to the usual DDAC brand.

(b) These have been distributed - 250 cases each to the Canteen Bulk Stores at REHOVET AND BEIRUT.

(c) It is promulgated for information that AIF(ME) have directed that as the Canteen Services purchased the stores, they are to dispose of them in the usual manner.

This information is passed to Coys to avoid complaints arising from error in branding the cases.

3. SUPPLEMENTARY RATIONS.

It is notified for information that the sum of £P 663.350 has been expended on Supplementary Rations for consumption by members of this Unit from 20 Oct 41 to 23 Jan 42.

4. WINTER HEATING - DANGER OF.

Cases have been reported of men suffering from Carbon Monoxide poisoning while sleeping in closed rooms heated by charcoal braziers.

In view of the danger involved, Coy Comds will take immediate and effective steps to ensure adequate ventilation in rooms heated by this method.

5. RAILWAY LEVEL CROSSINGS - ROAD TRAFFIC.

It has been observed that drivers of Military vehicles are not taking sufficient precautions at Railway Level Crossings and are even attempting to cross the railway line in front of approaching trains.

It is the duty of all officers to impress upon drivers the need for extreme care when approaching level crossings, which are always marked but often unguarded.

It should be noted that, at the present time, train engines have no headlights at night and this necessitates even more care during night movement of MF.

6. ASSISTANCE TO PROVOST.

Reports have been received indicating that officers are not giving assistance to Provost personnel on duty, and in some cases are actually hindering MPs in the execution of their duty.

6. ASSISTANCE TO PROVOST CONTD.

All officers are bound to assist Provost personnel in carrying out their duties and any case of interference or obstruction will be treated as a disciplinary matter.

7. THROWING OF SNOW.

The practice of throwing loose snow at WD vehicles, either stationary or in motion is dangerous and liable to cause serious injury to personnel and vehicles. The practice will cease forthwith and severe disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

(Sgd). S.R. LEACH...Lieut

Adjt 2/13 AUST INF BN

(S.R. LEACH)

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2/13 A UST INF BN
ROUTINE ORDERS
BY

Col R.W.N. TURNER, Commanding
Part 1

IN THE FIELD
25 Jan 42.

DUTIES.

- Duty Coy 26/27 Jan 42.....C Coy
- Bn Orderly Offr.....Lieut. D E Green
- Bn Orderly Sgt.....L/Sgt Meers J.F.
- Bn Orderly Cpl.....Cpl Southall J.P.

- NF Duty Coy 27/28 Jan 42.....B Coy
- Bn Orderly Offr.....Lieut. F.S. Treweeke
- Bn Orderly Sgt.....Sgt Browning V.T.
- Bn Orderly Cpl.....Cpl Walsh E.K.

COURTS OF INQUIRY.

Courts Of Inquiry consisting of the Officers named hereunder will assemble at a time and place to be appointed by the President for the purpose of:-

- (a) Inquiring into and reporting upon the alleged loss of blankets at TRIPOLI by NX26273 Pte. Smith W.

President: Maj. G.E. Colvin
Members: Capt. B.G. Cribb
 Lieut. D.E. Green

Report of the Court will be fwded to these HQs by Sat 31 Jan 42.

- (b) Inquiring into and reporting upon the alleged loss of the sum of £3250 being a shortage of the said sum in A Coys sub-imprest advance.

President: Maj. G.E. Colvin
Members: Capt. O.M. Walsoe
 Lieut. R.J. Burrell

Report of the Court will be fwded to these HQs by Wed 28 Jan 42.

S.R. Leach
 Lieut.
 Adj., 2/13 Aust Inf Bn.
 (S.R. Leach)

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2/13 AUSTRALIAN INF BN
ROUTINE DUTY IS

BY
Lt-Col W.W.N. TURNER, Commanding
Part 1 No 287

FIELD
26 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES

Duty Coy 27/28 Jan 42-----B Coy
Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut D.E. GREEN
" " Sgt-----Sgt BROWNING, V.T.
" " Cpl-----Cpl WELSH, E.K.

NF Duty Coy 28/29 Jan 42-----C Coy.
Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut M.J. WALKER
" " Sgt-----L/Sgt MEERS, J.F.
" " Cpl-----L/Cpl PARRAMORE, M.R.

2. BOUNDS

The HOTEL CASINO in LATPAKIA is IN BOUNDS to Officers,
WOs and Sgts ONLY.
It is OUT OF BOUNDS TO ALL OTHER RANKS.

S P Leach
.....Lieut
Adj. 2/13 AUSTRALIAN INF BN
(S P LEACH)

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2/13 AUST INF BN

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

27 Jan 42.

Lt-Col. R.W.N. TURNER, Commanding
Part 1 No 288

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy 28/29 Jan 42-----	C Coy
Bn Orderly Officer-----	Lieut. M. J. Walker.
Bn Orderly Sgt-----	L/Sgt Meers J.F.
Bn Orderly Cpl-----	L/Cpl Parramore M.R.
NF Duty Coy 29/30 Jan 42-----	B Coy
Bn Orderly Officer-----	Lieut. A. J. Roberts
Bn Orderly Sgt-----	L/Sgt Crawford G.R.
Bn Orderly Cpl-----	L/Cpl Kennedy R.J.

2. SECURITY.

- (a) All ranks will be warned against originating or spreading rumours and the danger of repeating military information that they may acquire.
- (b) Strictest attention must be paid to civilians riding on army vehicles.

Security in the area is of vital importance and all ranks are reminded that the giving of lifts to civilians is absolutely forbidden.

3. VACANCIES SIGNAL ORDERLIES - 20 Aust Inf Bde.

- (a) Vacancies exist at 20 Aust Inf Bde for two signal orderlies.
- (b) Coys will submit applications of experienced personnel desirous of transferring to 20 Aust Inf Bde signals to these HQ by 1800 hrs 27 Jan 42.

4. NEWS PAPERS - SYRIA

- (a) Owing to the shortage of newsprint both the "EASTERN TIMES" and the "PALESTINE POST" (SYRIA edition) cannot be supplied.
- (b) The object of these newspapers is entirely for the convenience of the troops.
- (c) Coys will arrange for a vote to be taken amongst the troops. Result of the vote to be notified to these HQ by 1800 hrs 27 Jan 42.

5. VISITS - Offrs to SYRIA

- (a) Any Offr who proposes to visit an area in SYRIA or the LEBANON for purposes which have any connection with civil questions, or for which conversation with civilian authorities or persons is required will give prior notice to SPEAR'S MISSION of the date and intended purpose of the visit, so that the local FRECH authorities can be informed.
- (b) Should he be unable, owing to shortage of time, or other reason to do this, he will immediately on arrival at his destination inform the local Mission or Political Officer of SPEAR'S Mission of his arrival and intended purpose of his visit.

6. DRESS. Attention has been directed to the fact that ORs have purchased and are wearing Caps SD, Offr's Pattern. This is an offence and will be treated accordingly.

7. ILLEGAL FISHING. Reports have been received indicating that fish are being taken from streams and along the coast of SYRIA and LEBANON by means of explosives. This practice is contrary to Civil Law and will cease forthwith.

8. TREE CUTTING. All Forestry matters in SYRIA and LEBANON are controlled by Ninth Army, and trees will NOT be cut nor will there be any interference with forestry activities without approval of Army HQ obtained through the usual channels.

9. EGYPTIAN CURRENCY NOTES - 50 Piastre: Warning is issued that there is in circulation a considerable number of 50 Piastre (EGYPTIAN) currency notes which are NOT legal tender. These notes are stamped with serial numbers ranging from:-

and /13 000001 to 100000
and /15 200001 to 400000

The notes do not bear the usual signature in the bottom right hand corner. If any notes bearing the serial numbers mentioned are signed, the signature has been forged.

Personnel in possession of any of these notes should report the matter to the nearest Provost HQ.

10. USE OF DECORATIONS in CORRESPONDENCE and ORDERS TO BE DISCONTINUED.

- (a) The addition of decorations after the names of offrs and ORs in official and semi-official correspondence and orders within the MIDDLE EAST is to be discontinued. This will apply to both addresses and text of correspondence.
- (b) This decision has been made in view of the difficulty in many instances of ensuring accuracy in the decorations to which offrs and ORs are entitled, and the expenditure of time in seeking such information.
- (c) Decorations will continue to be used in Lists of Appointments, Promotions etc., and in correspondence outside the MIDDLE EAST.

11. THEFTS FROM MILITARY VEHICLES - Precautions. When a military veh is carrying stores and two men, including the driver, accompanying it, one man will invariably travel on the body of the veh to safeguard the stores. He will NOT sit in the front seat with the driver.

12. MILITARY TRAINING PAMPHLETS.

- (a) The following Military Training Pamphlets are cancelled:-
 - X No. 5 Notes on the Organisation of Field and RHA Units.
 - X No. 26 Notes on concealment and camouflage.
 - X No. 27 Troop Training for Light Tank Troops.
 - X No. 30 Part 1. Assault and Reconnaissance Boats 1940.
 - No. 33 Part 5. R.C - Weapons VMG (.303" Vickers MG MkV11)
 - No. 35 Part 25. R.C - Weapons Cruiser Tank, Mk 1 & 11 (A13)
 - No. 35 Part 33. R.C - Weapons Heavy Cruiser Tank Mk 1 (A9)
 - X No. 45 Bomb Reconnaissance and Protection against Unexploded Bombs (All Arms) 1941 (January).
- (b) Any of the above Publications in the possession of Coys will be returned to HQ forthwith.

13. DISCIPLINE. The following punishments have been awarded against personnel of this Unit:-

NX36529	Pte MALLOYN WJ	.WL 55hrs45mins.	Fined £2.
NX16729	" GIBSON RP	Loss of 1 blanket	Admonished and to pay value of lost article.
NX13884	" McCONNELL JP	Did throw a greatcoat over head of superior officer	Fined 10/-
NX36529	" MALLOYN WJ.	1. Refused to wear a sheath or have P.C treatment when using a brothel frequented by other Brit.tps after having been warned to do so 2. without leave or being relieved or without urgent necessity did leave the place of Pde, appointed by his CO for the purpose of visiting the brothel other than for duty.	28 days Fd Punishment with forfeiture of pay for that period. Fined £5.
NX23242L/Cpl	FITZSIMMONS C.	Did write a letter advising the death of a comrade when in fact this soldier was alive.	Reprimanded.

13. DISCIPLINE (Cont)

NX22898	Pte	PARR-SMITH	LC	Loss of Paybook	Fined 10/-
NX29112	"	FOSTER	TJ	Loss of 1 Blanket--	Fined 5/- end to pay value of article.
NX36302	"	COWLEY FR		Loss of 1 Blanket--	Fined 5/- end to pay value of article.
NX17312	"	DOWNER MW		Loss of 1 Blanket--	Fined 5/- end to pay value of article.
NX29502	"	KHAN CC		1. Did not appear for duty	Fined £1.
				2. Did break out of Barracks whilst under open arrest	14 days Fd Punishment with forfeiture of pay for that period.
NX36258	"	HATCH J		Loss of Paybook	Fined £1
NX36335	"	CLIFT L		1. Whilst a member of Coy Guard did quit Barracks & was not available for his tour of duty	28 days Fd Punishment with forfeiture of pay for that period
				2. Failing to appear at a place of pde appointed by his CO in that whilst a member of Coy Gd he did not appear for his tour of duty	Admonished
NX56619	"	SALISBURY EA.		1. Whilst a member of Coy Gd did quit barracks and was not available for his tour of duty	28 days Fd Punishment with forfeiture of pay for that period
				2. Failing to appear at a place of pde appointed by his CO in that whilst a member of Coy GD did not appear for his tour of duty.	Admonished.
				3. Drunkenness	Admonished
				Loss of P. Book	Fined £1.
				Loss of P. Book	Fined £1.

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 Lt 2/13
 Lieut. Cust, Inf Bn

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.
2/13 AUST INF BN.
ROUTINE ORDER

BY
Lt-Col R.W.N. TURNER, Commanding
Part 1 No 289.

FIELD
28 Jan 42.

1. DUTIES

Duty Coy 29/30 Jan 42-----B Coy.
Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut A.R. ROBERTS.
" " Sgt-----Sgt CRAWFORD, G.R.
" " Cpl-----L/Cpl FARRAMORE, R.J.

NF Duty Coy 30/31 Jan 42-----C Coy.
Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut J.R. BURRELL.
" " Sgt-----L/Sgt BLOWES, A.J.
" " Cpl-----L/Cpl IRVINE, R.T.

2. HYDROPHOBIA.

Cases of Hydrophobia have been found among dogs in SYRIA.
All ranks are warned of the danger of touching dogs and of
allowing unknown dogs into their quarters.

3. VEHICLES - ANTI FROST PRECAUTIONS.

1. Anti-frost precautions will be observed with all vehs
operating in SYRIA and LEBANON from 1 Dec to 1 Mar.
2. Full details are obtained in AIF(ME) Mechanization Instr
No 78 of 8 Jan 42.

4. POWERS OF MEMBERS OF PROVOST CORPS.

The effect of AA 6(3) (c) and AMR&O 386 is published for
information:

1. Any Officer, non commissioned officer or soldier who impede
a provost marshall or any officer, non commissioned officer
or member of the military police commits an offence
(AA Sec 6 (3)(c)).
2. Any warrant officer, non commissioned officer or soldier
who when called on, refuses to assist in the execution of
his duty a provost marshall or any member of the military
police, commits an offence. (AA Sec 6(3)(c)).
3. Every Warrant officer, non commissioned officer or soldier
even though he is of superior rank, shall obey any order
given by the military police, and, on failure to do so,
commits an offence. (AMR&O 386)
4. Officers of whatever rank, shall comply with directions of
any provost marshall or officer of the military police.

5. CANTEEN PROFITS DISTRIBUTION.

1. Canteen profits amounting to £A 12091/0/7. have been
distributed for the month of Sept 41.
2. Total amounts distributed to 30 Sep 41: £A 128803/3/2.

6. COMFORTS.

Receipt is acknowledged of the undermentioned comforts:

1. from ACF:

Socks	334 prs.
Scarves	334
Mittens	224 prs.
Balaclavas	222
Skull caps	278
Pullovers	55

2. From 2/13 AUST INF BN LADIES AUXILIARY:

Socks 71 prs		Stockings	7 prs
Balaclavas	8	Woollen vests	3
Woollen wrists	2	" knees	2
" caps	18	Mittens	3 prs

6. Contd

(2) Contd.

Scarves	19	Pullovers	19
Cotton underpants	54	Cotton singlets	12
Handkerchiefs	24	KD shirts	1
Woolen hosiery	2 prs	Copying encils	2 doz.
Small parcels for lonely soldiers			50.

3. FROM MR L.S. PLATT:

Air Mail paper	2 rms	Pencils	204
Fruit saline	36 tins.	Durham Duplex Razors	4 doz.
Durham Duplex blades	1 doz.		

4. FROM MR E.H. WICKHAM:

Cigarettes 10,000.

S.R. Leach

Lieut
Adj 2/13 AUST INF BN
(S.R..LEACH)

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NOTICES.

- FOUND - In canteen, hat, khaki felt with puggaree (68). Owner apply at canteen.
- LIBRARY - It is notified that the BN LIBRARY is now open in the canteen during canteen hours.
- LOST - Pack containing personal gear the property of VX 48125 Pte SMYTH, A.J. lost on convoy on 17 Jan 42 at TRIPOLI. Any person who has any knowledge of this expt will report same to BN HQ by 1000 hrs on 30 Jan 42.

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2. Canteen Property Distribution.

- Canteen property to be distributed to all personnel in the canteen for the month of 8-1-42.
- Total amount of property to be distributed to 30 all 128803/2.

6. COMMENTS.

Headquarters is advised of the information contained in the following:

- From AGP:
 - Boots
 - Scarves
 - Mittens
 - Balacavas
 - Skull caps
 - Pullovers

2. From 2/13 AUST INF BN LADIES AUXILIARY:

- Boots 7 prs
- Balacavas 8
- Woolen wristers 2
- " 18
- caps
- Stockings
- Woolen vests
- "
- mitts
- "
- pr

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 AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.
 2/13 AUST INF BN.
 ROUTINE ORDERS
 BY

Lt-Col R.W.N. TURNER, Commanding
 Part I No 291.

FIELD
 29 Jan 42.

CORREIGENDUM:

BRO dated 25 Jan 42 to be numbered-----287.
 " " 26 Jan 42 " " " -----288.
 " " 27 Jan 42 " " " -----289.
 " " 28 Jan 42 " " " -----290.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy 30/31 Jan 42-----C Coy.
 Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut J.R. BURRELL,
 " " Sgt-----L/Sgt BROWN, A J
 " " Cpl-----L/Cpl IRVINE, R.T.
 NF Duty Coy 31 Jan/1 Feb 42-----B Coy.
 Bn Orderly Offr-----Lieut I.M. EDMUNDS.
 " " Sgt-----Sgt FEARNSIDE, G.H.
 " " Cpl-----L/Cpl PLATT, W.R.

2. CHURCH PARADE - 1 Feb 42.

(a) PROTESTANT PARADE:

Bn Pde rear Bn Hq-----0915 hrs.
 Markers (One from HQ, B&C
 Coys report to RSM at BN HQ)-0910 hrs.
 Bn will form up in hollow square, B Coy on right,
 C Coy plus 1 Pl D Coy on left.
 RSM will arrange position for band and for table to
 be in position by 0910 hrs.
Communion: Holy Communion will be held in Unit
 Canteen at 0715 hrs.

(b) RC PARADE. Bn Pde at rear of Bn Hq at 0830 hrs.
 Lieut P. DESCHAMPS will command.

3. PERSONNEL WITH LANGUAGE QUALIFICATIONS.

1. In order to maintain records of personnel with
 language qualifications, 9 AUST DIV have called for
 a return of personnel with fluent knowledge of any
 of the following languages:

GERMAN	RUSSIAN
ITALIAN	TURKISH
PERSIAN	ARABIC

2. Coys will submit to these HQ by 1800 hrs on 31 Jan 42,
 a return of both Offrs and ORs in accordance with the
 pro-forma set out hereunder.

No Rank Name
 Unit:
 Language(s):
 Speak(Fluent or otherwise):
 Read
 Write
 Working knowledge only.

4. AIR MAIL SERVICE.

1. The Air Mail service between AUSTRALIA and the MIDDLE
 East has been restored and mails are going through in
 both directions. During the next few weeks it is
 probable that air postings to AUSTRALIA will take
 three or four days longer en route than formerly.
 2. It is still necessary to limit the weight of air mail
 postings and the restrictions set out in BRO 276
 dated 5 Jan 42 are to continue in force.

5. SPECIAL ORDER BY C IN C, ME FORCES.

The following Special Order by the Commander-in-Chief, Middle East Forces, is repeated:

"I wish to remind Commanders of all ranks of their responsibility for safeguarding both British equipment and stores and that captured from the enemy, from loss or damage.

This war is largely one of material and the side which can outlast the other in this respect will achieve a great advantage.

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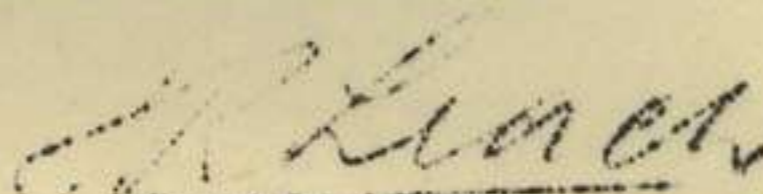
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Though it is for the leaders to oversee these matters, the best results cannot be obtained without the ready cooperation of all ranks, on which, if they are made to understand the need, I know I can rely.

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(Sgd) C.J. AUCHINLECK General
Commander-in-Chief.



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HQ 2/13 AUST INF BN
23 Jan 42.SECURITY INSTRUCTION No 1.GENERAL

The question of security in this present area becomes one of vital importance, which must be studied and practised by all ranks.

Apart from the political situation of the country, which is still unsettled and requires tactful approach always, the activities of enemy agents in SYRIA are a very real danger and control is difficult.

It must be clearly understood that it is the duty of every man to assist in this control which becomes ineffective without 100% cooperation at all times from all ranks.

1. LIAISON

Close contact is essential, not only with our own tps, but also with FREE FRENCH authorities. Until we become familiar with the country we can expect to receive far more help than we can give, but every link in the chain helps.

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These should be reported at once to BN together with any information that can be gleaned as to their source. Unfavourable rumours should be scoffed at and discouraged in every way possible.

3. ENEMY AGENTS

Known to be very active. Every soldier should be suspicious without being antagonistic and when in doubt refer to higher authority.

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5. THEFTS OF ARMS AMN ETC.

In some cases these are stolen on religious principles, in others on political, but the fact remains that they are frequently stolen and seldom recovered. It is a matter of pride of the Unit to guard against such losses.

6. SALE OF ARMS AMN ETC.

This must be carefully watched and offenders, both military and civilian, dealt with at once.

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These will on no account be regarded as free to move as they like, nor to hear and see Military matters which are not their concern.

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9. MARKED MAPS.

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10. VISITING TPS, OFFICERS ETC.

These must report to these HQ on entry to the area.

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offer these lifts, not only to civilians, BUT ALSO TO SOLDIERS IN UNIFORM.

12. PROSTITUTES.

Much military information is released through this source.

13. BEHAVIOUR OF TROOPS.

At all times the smart appearance and good behaviour of troops is important to the prestige of the Unit and the AIF generally but in this country that importance is increased. The people will be very much impressed one way or the other by the behaviour of our troops, and it is our job to see that that impression is favourable. ~~This~~ This will play a big part in the country's feelings towards us which are at present good, but which can still be improved.

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At the present time the importance of guarding against disclosing either the whereabouts or the movements of Units of the AIF cannot be too strongly stressed. Coy and Pl Comds must impress on all ranks the necessity for reticence. In censoring mail, they may permit tps to say they are in SYRIA, but anything which goes beyond disclosing that the soldier is in SYRIA and which directly or indirectly gives information as to Unit dispositions is forbidden.

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No. 1-1942

**(For 14 days ended 1200 hrs
27 Jan 42)**

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1. GENERAL.

Almost continuous wet weather during the last fortnight has reduced both training and work on defences by this Unit to a minimum.

2. OWN DISPOSITIONS.

2/13 Aust Inf Bn (less Adv Party and Rear Party) left HILL 69 at 2200 hrs 13 Jan 42 and proceeded to AL MAJDAL by MT where they entrained for HAIFA. The Battalion arrived at HAIFA at 0800 hrs 14 Jan 42 and proceeded thence by MT Convoy to TRIPOLI where they arrived at 1800 hrs the same day. At 0930 hrs 15 Jan 42 the Unit left TRIPOLI by MT convoy for LATTAKIA where it arrived at 1200 hrs.

On arrival at LATTAKIA 2/13 Aust Inf Bn relieved 2/9 Aust Inf Bn and made the following dispositions:-

Bn HQ, HQ Coy, B Coy and C Coy - at BOUK Camp (160400)

A Coy - at KASSAB (170442)

D Coy - near BDRIYE (at 198432)

On 22 Jan 42, 1st Pl (D Coy) moved back to BOUK Camp. Otherwise disposition remains as above.

3. OTHER UNITS.

On 16 Jan 42 one offr and one cpl of "B" Sec. Aust FSS took up duty at LATTAKIA. The cpl was stationed at KASSAB.

On 24 Jan 42 an ENGLISH FSS Sec (under Comd Lieut. BAKER) relieved "B" Sec: Strength 1 Offr, 10 ORs.

On 19 Jan 42 one sec of 2/7 Aust Fd Coy, RAE (1 Offr and 26 ORs) arrived in the area. One sub-sec (18 ORs) is stationed near KASSAB and one at the HARR SENS, NORTH of BANLIS.

The strength of the FFL Forces in the area is not yet exactly ascertained but is approx. two Inf Bns and one Bty of Arty. These are stationed in barracks in LATTAKIA.

4. AIR ACTIVITY. NIL

5. OTHER ENEMY ACTIVITY. Nothing to report.

6. BORDER ACTIVITY. No contact (friendly or otherwise) has been made with TURKISH tps or officials.

Patrolling of the Frontier is done solely by the GARDE MOBILE of the SERVICE SPECIALE, as to which see Situation Report of 22 Jan 42.

7. OFFICIAL VISITS ETC. On 14 Jan 42/ accompanied by the CO 2/9 Aust Inf Bn called on General MONCLAR, commander of FFL Forces at LATTAKIA.

On 17 Jan 42 the I.O. paid calls on the following officers in LATTAKIA - Capt. MORGAN (Political Offr) and Lieut. WILLS (Frontier Control Offr) of the BSM, Capt. LOHELO, of the SERVICE SPECIALE and M. LEONETTI of the SERETE GENERALE at LATTAKIA.

On 17th January, 1942 the C.O. was entertained by General MONCLAR to dinner at his residence.

On 18th January, 1942 the Brigade Commander accompanied by the Brigade Major, the ADMS, the Comd. Offr of 2/15 Aust Inf Bn visited this Unit.

On the morning of 19th January 1942 Capt MORGAN (British Security Mission) visited the Commanding Officer and gave an account of the Political situation in this area.

At 1200 hrs on the same day Capt LOHEAC, Comd. the Service Speciale of this district, paid an official visit on the Commanding Officer at his residence.

On the same evening Lieut. LANGELOIS, Commanding the FREE FRENCH NAVY at LATTAKIA, dined with the Commanding Officer.

On 20th January, 1942 the Commanding Officer attended the Proclamation of the New Constitution for the ALAOUITE State.

On 22nd January, 1942 Lieut. SICHELE (OC FRENCH FRONTIER MOBILE GUARD at KASSAB) dined with the Commanding Officer.

On 23rd January, 1942 the GOC, 9 Aust Div, was to have visited the Unit but the visit was cancelled as the road to ALLEPPO to LATTAKIA was impassable. However General MONCLAR, who had been invited to meet the GOC, lunched with the Commanding Officer at his residence.

On 24th January, 1942 Lt-Col. DDAMS (2/9 East Fd Regt) visited the Unit.

On 25th January, 1942 the Commanding Officer attended a Requiem Mass for the late Lord BADEN POWELL which was also attended by General MONCLAR and officers of the SPEAR'S MISSION and the BRITISH SECURITY MISSION. After the Service, which was held in the ARMENIAN Church LATTAKIA, the Bodyguard of General MONCLAR, by the General's order, escorted the Commanding Officer to his residence.

On 27 January, 1942 Major N.W. SIMPSON reported to this Unit for duty as Bn 2 i/c.

Most daily contact is made between the Commanding Officer and the officers of the SPEAR'S MISSION at LATTAKIA, namely Major MITCHELL and Capt EVANS-PRICHARD.

7. MISCELLANEOUS SECURITY MATTERS.

- (a) Telegraph Line to TURKEY. An investigation was made by Lieut. TIMSON of the Aust FSS of the international Telegraphic Line from LATTAKIA to TURKEY. It is a simple matter to pass information to TURKEY through this line without the knowledge of the military authorities. This matter has been reported by Lieut. TIMSON to the 9th ARMY.
- (b) Lectures on Security Matters. Lieut. TIMSON lectured personnel of HQ and B and C Coys at length on the subject of "Security".
- (c) Brothels. Of the two brothels in LATTAKIA one has been reserved solely for Australian troops. The other is out-of-bounds to Australian troops and is piqueted. Piquet is stationed in the brothel reserved for Australian Troops. P.C treatment is also compulsory and is given by personnel of this unit.
- (d) Ship Wrecks. On the night 20/21 Jan 42 SS MATHEUS of 500 tons of the Cie ATIS foundered near the entrance to the Port of LATTAKIA and has since broken up. Most personnel from TRIPOLI took charge of salvage operations and assistance in making fast the wreck was given by personnel of the Transport Platoon of this Unit. The Cargo consisted of Chromium Ore, Skins, Tobacco etc.
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On night 24/25 Jan 42 a Schooner from the Port of LATTAKIA broke loose and was smashed on the foreshores
- (e) Communications. The only communication between this Unit HQ and its fwd Coys, situated about 40 miles away, is by civil telephone, which apart from being insecure is subject to frequent breakdowns. Furthermore, the roads between these Coys and HQ frequently become impassable in bad weather conditions. This Unit has already made a request for W/T Equipment to supersede or supplement the civil telephones.

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German note on Patrols (from a captured document).

The following observations are based upon experiences gained during the patrol activities on 14 Sep 41.

Every unit must make it a rule always to be ready to carry out all kinds of patrols in its sector, with varying strengths and objects. Preparations must be most carefully made and kept continually up to date. This is only possible by regular patrol activity forward, even when the situation is quiet, and without special orders. Patrol activities on a larger scale, especially any into the enemy positions, are dependent on previous approval from the division. The following points are particularly important:-

Knowledge of important objectives, the routes leading to them, knowledge of the ground on the part of the patrol commander, fire-protection (by infantry as well) signal communication, and complete equipment of the patrol. It is almost invariably necessary to include one light mortar; in all cases where there is the slightest possibility of meeting enemy AFVs an Anti-tank rifle and mines should be added. Definite arrangements must be made for the reinforcement of patrols, their reception on return, and medical arrangements (ambulance).

The cross formation similar to that in the following sketch has proved its value in all cases as the basis formation for an advancing patrol:-



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It is/best suited to all cases and obviates the most dangerous error - bunching. Naturally the cross formation has to adapt itself to the ground. In open country with a strong patrol it will be relatively large. In some circumstances it is even necessary to detail connecting files to the centre of the cross. In country with cover and in the case of a weaker patrol the cross will be smaller. It will have to adapt itself to broken country by adopting a less regular form.

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- a - forward party
 - commander with Machine Pistol
 - 2 scouts
 - 2 men with a LMG.
- b - right flank protection - 2 men with Machine Pistols.
- c - left flank protection - 2 men with Machine Pistols.
- d - support group
 - Second-in-command with Machine Pistol.
 - 2 men with light mortar.
 - 2 men with LMG
 - 2 W/T operators.
- e- connecting files - 2 men with Anti-tank rifle.

The size of the cross changes with the country. In open flat country it should be at least 150 x 100 metres, and even in covered broken country should never be smaller than is necessary for maintaining visual communication.

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