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Item number: 8/3/25

2/25 Infantry Battalion

October 1944

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

2/25 Aust Inf Bn.

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Unit ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Date and Time.—From 1st Oct 1944 To 8th Oct 1944

23494 5.42 St. 1621

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|-------|------|----------------------|---|---|-------------|
| KAIRI | 1 | 0300 0500 | Reveille Bn moved out for exercise in Dimbulah area. Maj O'Bryen admin cmd. 23 miles marched this day. | appendix 1. | |
| | 2 | L | Capt Howes rejoined unit—ceased to be detached at 25 bde. Lt Col Marson returned to unit from LHQ offrs pre-selection board. | | |
| | 3 | | Lt Col Marson joined Bn on exercise, but did not resume cmd until thursday. | | |
| | 4 | | Exercise contd - party of 12 offrs & 34 ORs warned for movement to Trinity beach (Cairns sht 1") for amphibious trg cadre. | | |
| | | | 1500 | Exercise concluded - party for Trinity beach & part of Bn transported back to camp. | appendix 2. |
| | 5 | 0645 0730 1430 | Party for Trinity beach departed Remainder Bn returned to camp from exercise. Party of offrs & NCOs - approx 100 - attended flame throwing demonstration at 2/33 Bn area. | | |
| | | | 3 Projectors Infantry Anti-Tank Mk 1 were issued to Bn as part of war eqpt. | | |
| | 6 | | List of offrs who marched out to amphibious trg cadre-- Maj O'Bryen Lt. Carvosso Lt Jefferson " Robinson " Thomas " Rodgers " O'Rouke " McFarlane " Sweeting " McCosker " Taubman | | |
| | | | Capt Milford seconded to HQ 25 Bde 25 Bde " Roots m/o to LHQ tact schl to attend course. | | |
| 7 | | | Pnr pl finished trg at HQ 7 Aust Div. Lt Aked m/o to Edmonton MT park-det for duty. | | |
| 8 | | | 1 troop tanks under Lt G Hall from 2/9 tk A ^{and} regt (Matilda) arrived to take part in inf-tank coop trg. | | |

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Unit 2/25 Aust Inf Bn.

Date and Time.—From 9th Oct 1944 To 23rd Oct 1944.

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| KAIRI | 9 | <i>Vac.</i> | <i>In vaccinated during this period.</i> Lt Yunghanns & tk A pl m/o to 2/2 tk A regt-det for duty. " Long " " " " " " " " " " " " | |
| | 10 | | " Cameron m/i from Edmonton MT park-ceased to be det. Mortar pl at Black Rock range (445415 Gordonvale 1") for firing practice "D" coy at Lake Eacham for days outing. "A" coy at " " " " | |
| | 11 | | 3 day cadre in MR&FS for offr, NCOs & prospectives commenced. Day 1 offr, snr NCOs. Day 2&3 junior NCOs & prospectives. Mortar pl at Black Rock range MG pl " " " | |
| | 12 | | Cadre contd. Mortar & MG pls at range. "B" coy at Lake Eacham. Cadre concluded. "C" coy at Lake Eacham. | |
| | 13 | | "HQ" coy less Mortar, MG & tk A pls at Lake Eacham. | |
| | 14 | | Mortar & MG pls at Black Rock range. | |
| | 16 | | Amendment to camp standing orders -a Admin order 8 issued-re move to Trinity Beach (Cairns 1") Piano recital in Bn rec hut- Bde instr trg issued- | appendix 111. " V1. programme app1V. appendix V. |
| | 18 | | Bn outline plan for amphibious exercise issued- Bde special Int summary covering amphibious exercise issued Capt Hayden det for duty to amphibious trg centre. | " V11. " V111. |
| | 19 | | Pl exercise with tanks-00 attached Admin order 9 issued- restaff for HMS Glenearn- " " 10 " re move to Trinity Beach on 22nd Oct. | " IX. " X. " X1. |
| | | | 2000 Lt Col Marson departed for Trinity Beach. Maj Gow admin cmd. Lt Hodge det for duty to amphibious trg centre " Howie seconded to HQ 25 Bde. as LO. | |
| | | 21 | " Yunghanns & tk A pl returned to unit from 2/2 tkA regt. | |
| | | 22 | Bn moved to Trinity Beach area-arrived 1120 hrs. | |
| | TRINITY BEACH | 23 | Trg commenced. | |

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Unit 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 23rd Oct 1944 To 29th Oct 1944

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| KAIRI TRINITY BEACH | 23 | contd | Capt Walker m/i from RAAF schl Army coop-course concluded. Lt Burns m/i from LHQ schl of Mil Hygiene | " |
| | | | " Steward m/i from LHQ SMG(field) | " |
| | 24 | | Bn CO 1 & landing table issued | appendix X11. |
| | 25 26 | 0600 | Lt Searles m/o to FAARTS to attend course. Bn less rear party began move by truck to Palm Beach for embarkation in LCAs to HMS Glenearn (LSI). | |
| At Sea | | 1030 | Bn & attached tps boarded HMS Glenearn. Ships ROs read out Copy of ships ROs & instr to boat team leaders attached | " X111. " X1V. |
| | | | Trg for 26th & 27th - The ship rode at anchor about 2 miles off Palm Beach. Rear party moved tents & stores to south Unity Beach area (513 971 McAlister 1") | |
| | 27 | 0840 | Bn & attached tps made first practice landing on Palm Beach in LCAs & LCMs-carried out smoothly. | |
| | | 1200 | Bn returned to ship | |
| | 28 | 2000 | Practice loading into assault craft carried out | |
| | | 0345 | Revielle | |
| | | 0520 | Practice dawn landing - touchdown 0520. | |
| | | 0700 | Back on ship | |
| | | 2000 | Pictures shown in after well deck-programme-Shorts & "Flight For Freedom". Troops were all over the ship-perched on riggings -in assault craft---everywhere. | |
| Unity Beach | 29 | 0800 | Final landing. LSI weighed anchor, steamed out to sea a few miles, then proceeded north to a point about 2 miles off Unity Beach. Troops loaded into assault craft & effected a good landing on south Unity Beach. Touchdown at 509984 at 0930. Beachhead consolidated - Bn moved to camp area at 513971 | |
| | | | The trg on the LSI was carried out smoothly & successfully with only 1 or 2 minor accidents. The assault craft crews were Royal Marines, some of them were in | |

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| UNITY BEACH | 29 | contd. | the Sicily & Normandie landings. Troop accomodation was good by comparison with other troopships. Though she was not as spotless as british ships are expected to be | |
| | 30 | | Lt Hodge m/i from amphibious trg centre Mortars carried out practice shoot -LCA 40s used- onto 5666 Double Is. (sq6392 McAlister 1") Results were very successful. | appendix XV. |
| | 31 | | Maj Gen Milford GOC 7 Aust Div. Paid an unofficial visit to our camp. Dance held at Mossman for Bn- Lt Hodge m/o to 1 Aust Corps-det as GSO111 fd eqpt sec - | appendix XV1. |
| | | | secondment pending | |
| | | | <u>SIDELIGHT</u> - Our present MO is Capt M.V. Mutton-his batman's name is Pte K. Ham. | |
| | | | Instruction on protection against scrub typhus received | " XV11. |
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SUMMARY FOR MONTH OF OCT 44.

This month must be classed as one of the most interesting in the history of the Bn.

It started off with an exercise set by Bde which practically amounted to a marathon endurance test and in which the Bn acquitted itself creditably.

Shortly after returning from this exercise some training was carried out with Matilda tanks which proved very interesting to all ranks and in which both confidence in, as a supporting arm, and vulnerability as an enemy were established.

The period of amphibious trg at Trinity beach area was the highlight of the month comprising as it did so much time in the sea under ideal conditions and during which the non swimmers gained the greatest confidence in their lifebelts; also the good fellowship and camaraderie between our men and the Royal Marines and English naval ratings was most marked.

The Bn returned from this trg very bronzed and in very good health and spirits.

R. H. Marston Lt Col.
C. O. Cmd 2/25 AIB.

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until further notice - Serjeant GREEN F C

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LT-COL R H MARSON DSO
Commanding 2nd 25th Australian Infantry Battalion.

Headquarters
2nd 25th Australian Infantry
Battalion
6th October 1944.

6. DUTIES : TO MOUNT AT 1300 HOURS 6TH OCTOBER 1944.

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| Battalion Orderly Officer Next for duty | - Lieutenant R D GLANVILLE - Lieutenant J M EGAN |
| Battalion Orderly Serjeant Next For Duty | - Corporal CAMPBELL E D - Lance Serjeant COE R J |
| Duty Company Next For Duty | - "D" Company "HQ" Company |


7. PROVISION OF TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES.

Personnel marching out to LTD on leave or to CDD for discharge etc, are entitled to buy from unit canteen, 4 days supply of tobacco or cigarretes. This is to alleviate the present heavy demand on intermediate canteens.

8. NEXT OF KIN.

- (a) A member of the AMF may nominate any person as his next of kin for army purposes, although that person is not his legal next of kin.
- (b) It is the function of the 2nd Echelon organisation to notify fatal and certain other casualties sustained by a member to the person recorded in army records as the member's next of kin, or to any other nominated by such next of kin to receive casualty advices.
- (c) Failure by a member to report promptly particulars of a change of next of kin or a change of address of next of kin, in order that the appropriate 2nd Echelon component may be advised, causes considerable administrative work to the Army and may delay or prevent notification of a casualty being given to the proper person, thereby causing distress to the member's relatives.
- (d) Each member will, therefore, be instructed that, on the occurrence of any event (such as his marriage or the death of his next of kin) which renders a change of the record of his next of kin desirable or necessary, he will promptly notify his unit of the change he desires to make. Similar prompt notification should be given of any change of address of his next of kin.

- (e) (i) Each member will be advised that, on his marriage, any will or codicil previously made by him, save in exceptional circumstances, becomes of no effect and, under Australian Military Regulations, he is bound, upon marriage, to make a new will.
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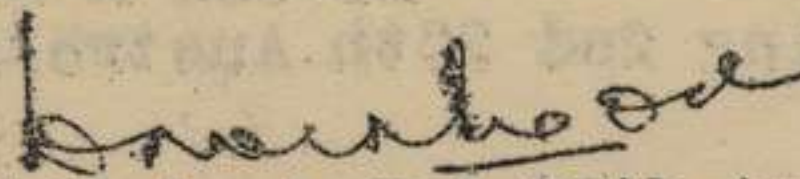
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Church Parades, Sunday, 8th October 1944.

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| CHURCH OF ENGLAND HOLY COMMUNION | 0700 hrs | 2/31 Bn Recreation Hut. |
| GENERAL PARADE | 0830 hrs | 2/25 Bn Recreation Hut. |
| PRES-METH COMMUNION | 0900 hrs | 2/25 Bn Recreation Hut. |
| ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS | 0930 hrs | 2/31 Bn lines. |

Transport will leave Bn HQ at 0645 hours for C of E Holy Communion and at 0915 hrs for RC Mass.

CHRISTMAS CARDS : Two prizes of £1-1-0 will be given for the following:

1. Suitable verse
2. Design
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Entries to Bn HQ by 2100 hours on Monday, 9 Oct 44.

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12. DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL : QX 33130 Pte EDWARDS K T

A District Court Martial ordered to assemble by Major-General E J MILFORD DSO, Commander 7 Aust Div, was held in the field on 29 Sep 44 for the trial of QX 33130 Pte EDWARDS, Kevin Thomas of 2/25 Aust Inf Bn, on the charge of AA 15(1) WOAS ABSENTING HIMSELF WITHOUT LEAVE from 0830 hours on 26 July 1944 till he surrendered himself at 1400 hours on 3 September 1944.

Finding: Guilty

Sentence : To suffer field punishment for fifty days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of fifty days.

Date of Sentence : 30 September 1944.

Confirmed by Maj-Gen E J MILFORD : 4 October 1944.

Promulgated to Accused : 9 October 1944.

The accused will suffer loss of pay in respect of 6 days spent by him in close arrest awaiting trial.

13. ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE

(a) GRO 598/43 para 101 sub para (a) states :
Periods of absence without leave will be debited against authorised recreation leave, provided that the maximum debit in respect of any one period of absence without leave will not exceed 24 days. Such debit is not part of the penalty imposed for absence without leave, but is an administrative act and is made on the basis that the member, by absenting himself without leave has to the extent of his absence used up his eligibility for leave. The period to be debited will be calculated on the same basis as the period of forfeiture of pay under AMR & O 490.

- (b) Under an amendment to above GRO the CO is empowered to remit the whole or part of a debit against accrued recreation leave. The remission of the whole or part of a leave debit will be exercised only in exceptional circumstances.

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TENNIS : The Bn has obtained the use of Koala Club tennis courts from 1300 hours to 1630 hours on Wednesday 11 October 1944. Coys will advise RSM numbers of intending players by 1200 hours Tuesday 10 October 1944.

BAND RECITAL : The following Bands will give a recital in the HQ Coy Mess on Thursday 12 October 1944 :

- (a) 2/33 Bn Brass Band
- (b) 2/33 Bn Dance Band

Supper will be provided at conclusion of recital.

COMMUNITY CONCERT : A Community Concert will be held in Bn Recreation Hut commencing 1915 hours on Saturday 14 October 1944. Quizz sessions. Supper to follow.

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The accused will suffer loss of pay in respect of 6 days spent by him in close arrest awaiting trial.

13. ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE

(a) GRO 598/43 para 101 sub para (a) states :
Periods of absence without leave will be debited against authorised recreation leave, provided that the maximum debit in respect of any one period of absence without leave will not exceed 24 days. Such debit is not part of the penalty imposed for absence without leave, but is an administrative act and is made on the basis that the member, by absenting himself without leave has to the extent of his absence used up his eligibility for leave. The period to be debited will be calculated on the same basis as the period of forfeiture of pay under AMR & O 490.

- (b) Under an amendment to above GRO the CO is empowered to remit the whole or part of a debit against accrued recreation leave. The remission of the whole or part of a leave debit will be exercised only in exceptional circumstances.

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NOTICES

TENNIS : The Bn has obtained the use of Koala Club tennis courts from 1300 hours to 1630 hours on Wednesday 11 October 1944. Coys will advise RSM numbers of intending players by 1200 hours Tuesday 10 October 1944.

BAND RECITAL : The following Bands will give a recital in the HQ Coy Mess on Thursday 12 October 1944 :

- (a) 2/33 Bn Brass Band
- (b) 2/33 Bn Dance Band

Supper will be provided at conclusion of recital.

COMMUNITY CONCERT : A Community Concert will be held in Bn Recreation Hut commencing 1915 hours on Saturday 14 October 1944. Quizz sessions. Supper to follow.

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by

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10th October 1944.

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LIBELLED LADY - Jean Harlow,
Wm Powell, Myrna Loy, Spencer
Tracy.

SHORTS : Fishing Made Easy
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Sanctuary of the Seals

Annie Luarie
The Public Pays
News from Home

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| Thu 12 " | - | DID Area |
| Fri 13 " | 2/31 Bn Area | - |
| Sun 15 " | DID Area | 2/25 Bn Area |

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| Battalion Orderly Officer | - Lieutenant C I G HUXLEY |
| Next For Duty | - Lieutenant M G SEARLES |
| Battalion Orderly Serjeant | - Corporal O'RIELY B |
| Next For Duty | - Serjeant BEVERIDGE D G |
| Duty Company | - "D" Company |
| Next For Duty | - Composite |

16. DISTRICT COURT MARTIAL

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Finding : Guilty of the charge with the exception of the periods from 0800 hours on 8 April 1944 until 2359 hours on 12 Apr 44, and from 1000 hours on 16 May 44 to 0800 hours on 20 May 44.

Sentence : To suffer field punishment for ninety days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of ninety days.

Date of Sentence: 2 Oct 44.

Confirmed by Maj-Gen E J MILFORD : 6 Oct 44.

Promulgated to Accused: 11 Oct 44.

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12th October 1944.

17. DUTIES : TO MOUNT AT 1800 HOURS 12TH OCTOBER 1944.

| | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Battalion Orderly Officer | - Lieutenant M G SEARLES |
| Next for Duty | - Lieutenant R D GLANVILLE |
| Battalion Orderly Sergeant | - Serjeant BEVERIDGE D G |
| Next for Duty | - Corporal WORLEY W R |
| Duty Company | - Composite |
| Next for Duty | - "A" Company |

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NOTICES

PIANO RECITAL

A Piano Recital will be conducted by WO I Peter COOPER at 1930 hours 16th October 1944, in Battalion Recreation Hut.

BATTALION DANCE

The KOALA CLUB has been booked for an ORs' dance on Wednesday 22nd November. Great difficulty is experienced in obtaining sufficient numbers of girls to make the party successful. Transport will be arranged for Army Personnel but civilians are not allowed to attend the CLUB. It is suggested that troops give the dance as much publicity as possible.

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13th October 1944.

18. DUTIES : TO MOUNT AT 1800 HOURS 13TH OCTOBER 1944.

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|----------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Battalion Orderly Officer | - | Lieutenant R D GLANVILLE |
| Next For Duty | - | Lieutenant W S MCKEWEN |
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| Next For Duty | - | Corporal KIMMORLEY R |
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19. USE OF FORMS FOLDING, FIELD SERVICE.

It is NOT desired that members be restricted in the taking of forms to picture shows but unless the practice ceases of failing to return the forms to Company lines after the pictures, it will be necessary to prohibit their use for such purpose.

20. CANTEEN

Empty soft drink bottles will be returned to Canteen by 0815 hours daily.

R. H. Marson Captain.
Adjutant 2nd 25th Australian
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Headquarters,
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14th October 1944.

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| Battalion Orderly Officer | - | Lieutenant W S MCKEVEN |
| Next For Duty | - | Lieutenant A V CALCINO |
| Next For Duty | - | Lieutenant J H EGAN |
| | | |
| Battalion Orderly Serjeant | - | Corporal KIMMORLEY R |
| Next For Duty | - | Corporal PORTER V A |
| Next For Duty | - | Corporal GILLESPIE A C |
| | | |
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No member, when in uniform, shall :-

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- (v) On any part of a park or recreation reserve; or
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NOTICES.

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0830 hours GENERAL PARADE Bn Recreation Hut. Those wishing to attend may do so. NO parade.

0930 hours C OF E HOLY COMMUNION Bn Recreation Hut.

0930 hours R C MASS, tent adjoining Bn Recreation Hut.

1000 hours PRESBYTERIAN - METHODIST HOLY COMMUNION 2/33 Aust Inf Bn
Transport leaves Bn HQ at 0945 hours.

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Headquarters
2nd 25th Australian Infantry
Battalion.
16 October 44.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS & CONFIRMATION OF RANKS

| | | | | | | |
|----------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|
| QX 16273 | Sjt | McKIRDY | R.E. (C) | Promoted | A. S Sjt | 21 Jun 44 |
| QX 9792 | L Sjt | CHAMBERLAIN | R.G. (HQ) | " | A Sjt | 26 Aug 44 |
| NX 79709 | Cpl | MOREY | F.D. (C) | " | A Sjt | 25 Jul 44 |
| QX 7832 | L Cpl | TILLER | D.H.H. (HQ) | " | Cpl | 29 Sep 44 |
| QX 9829 | L Cpl | BATHGATE | A.M. (HQ) | " | Cpl | 29 Sep 44 |
| QX 14205 | L Cpl | BELL | L.S. (HQ) | " | A Cpl | 26 Aug 44 |
| QX 9426 | L Cpl | DAVIS | M.C.S. (HQ) | " | Cpl | 21 Aug 44 |
| QX 23519 | Pte | MIDDLETON | I.K. (A) | " | Cpl | 2 Oct 44 |
| QX 10489 | L Cpl | COLE | W.J.R. (B) | " | Cpl | 10 Sep 44 |
| QX 15468 | L Cpl | SHANAHAN | H.J. (D) | " | Cpl | 28 Sep 44 |
| QX 27327 | Pte | DUNCAN | B. (D) | " | Cpl | 2 Oct 44 |
| QX 11031 | A Cpl | MOULD | G.B.T. (HQ) | Confirmed in rank | Cpl | 29 Sep 44 |
| QX 17700 | Pte | BROGMURST | H.E. (D) | Appointed | L Sjt | 2 Oct 44 |
| QX 16889 | Pte | JILLETT | A.H. (HQ) | " | paid L Cpl | 4 Sep 44 |
| NX 20844 | Pte | BOLES | J.T. (D) | " | L Cpl | 2 Oct 44 |
| (GpIII) | | | | | | |
| QX 11000 | Pte | STANBOROUGH | J.A. (AACC) | Promoted | Cpl | 22 Sep 44 |
| NX 84397 | Pte | CLARE | R. (AACC) | " | Cpl | 7 Oct 44 |
| QX 11002 | Cpl | McGARRIGLE | J.E. (AACC) | " | Sjt | 22 Sep 44 |

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NX129194 Pte NEVILLE D.E. (C) Relinquishes Gp III (Tech Storeman) 'At Own Request' 12 Oct 44

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| QI 15468 | L Cpl | SHANAHAN | H.J. (D) | " | Cpl | 28 Sep 44 |
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| QI 17700 | Pte | BROCKMURST | H.E. (D) | Appointed | L Sjt | 2 Oct 44 |
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| (Gp III) | | | | | | |
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Headquarters,
2nd 25th Australian
Infantry Battalion.
16th October 1944

23. DUTIES : TO MOUNT AT 1800 HOURS 16TH OCTOBER 1944.

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MILK SESSION

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by
LT-COL R H MARSON DSO
Commanding 2nd 25th Australian Infantry Battalion

Headquarters,
2nd 25th Australian
Infantry Battalion.
16th October 1944

23. DUTIES : TO MOUNT AT 1800 HOURS 16TH OCTOBER 1944.

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AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

ROUTINE ORDER PART I

NOTICES

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| MOBILE CINEMA No 12 | MOBILE CINEMA No 96 |
| FEATURE : SING YOU SINNERS - Fred MacMurray, Bing Crosby | TUTTLES OF TAHITI - Jon Hall, Chas Laughton |
| SHORTS : SILVER MILLIONS PICTORIAL 8/3 | THE BITER BIT INTERNATIONAL BOXING TOURNAMENT SHOOTING TO VICTORY NEWS FROM HOME No 109 |

| Date | Location | Location |
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Adjutant
Australian Infantry Battalion

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by
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FEATURE : SING YOU SINNERS -
Fred MacMurray,
Bing Crosby
SHORTS : SILVER MILLIONS
PICTORIAL 8/3

MOBILE CINEMA No 96

TUTTLES OF TAHITI - Jon Hall,
Chas Laughton
THE BITER BIT
INTERNATIONAL BOXING TOURNAMENT
SHOOTING TO VICTORY
NEWS FROM HOME No 109

| Date | Location | Location |
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| Wed 18 Oct | 2/25 Bn Area | - |
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2nd 25th Australian Infantry
Battalion
18th October 1944

27. DUTIES : TO MOUNT AT 1800 HOURS 18 TH OCTOBER 1944

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FINDING Guilty of the Charge

SENTENCE To suffer field punishment for fourteen (14) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for the period of fourteen (14) days.

DATE OF SENTENCE 9 Oct 44

CONFIRMED BY MAJOR-GENERAL E J WILFORD 14 Oct 44

PROMULGATED 19 Oct 44

TOTAL FORFEITURE 48 days at 6/6 = £15.12.0

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Bring pannikins.

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APPENDIX I

AMENDMENTS TO 2/25 AUST INF BN ADM ORDER 6

EXERCISE
SECRET

Delete Para 10 "Tpt" and substitute -

10. Tpt

(a) Each tpt will comprise 8 jeeps which will be available by 2 Oct 44 and will be loaded as follows:-

| <u>Serial</u> | <u>To carry</u> | <u>Remarks</u> |
|---------------|---|---------------------|
| 1 | Sig Eqpt | } excl personnel |
| 2 | One sec MMG incl amn Two dets mortars incl amn | |
| 3 | Three dets mortars incl amn | |
| 4 | do | |
| 5 | RAP and Pnrs stores | } for use by CO |
| 6 | One sec MMG and Bn res amn | |
| 7 | Bn res amn | |
| 8 | - | |

(b) A further 9 jeeps will be made available by 25 Aust Inf Bde for the carriage of B each stores and blankets.

2/25 AUST INF BN ADM ORDER 6

EXERCISE

SECRET

COPY 1/1

1 OCT 44

Ref Maps DIMBULAH } 1/63360
GORDONVALE }

GEN

1. 2/25 Aust Inf Bn will carry out 25 Aust Inf Bde Tactical Exercise with top Number 4 on 4/5 Oct 44 preceded by a march to bivouac area 1844 on 3 Oct 44.

OBJECT OF EXERCISE

2. To exercise one Bn in the attack, def, and withdrawal with particular ref to the adm and tpt requirements when using TS
3. Particular lessons to be learnt :-
 - (a) Every portion of the attacking force must be given a definite objective ----- attacking tps should start square to their objective. (FSR vol II)
 - (b) It is the duty of the adv tps to keep commanders behind informed of the situation by frequent reports. (FSR vol II)
 - (c) A plan of def should be made in terms of fire rather than of men ----- against inf, concealed MGs are the real backbone of the def. (FSR vol II)
 - (d) Counter attacks are classed as immediate or deliberate --- the actual time taken to prepare it must depend on circumstances ----- it will usually be advisable, if possible, first to check the enemy and stabilize the situation. (FSR Vol II)
 - (e) It is always desirable that, once rear gd tps have disengaged from the enemy and left a posn, they should be able to go straight back through a posn already held.

GEN INSTRS FOR EXERCISE

4. The enemy will be controlled and will wear white hat bands.

5. Water

- (a) Water will be supplied by unit water truck.
- (b) Water in streams may be used for cooking and bathing purposes only, it will NOT be used for drinking.
- (c) Bde TO will arrange sup of water to Bn Camp Area.

6. Amn

Amn for exercise will be delivered on 2 Oct 44 and will be available to Coys on the following basis from RSM :-

.303 blank 1400 rounds per rifle Coy
400 rounds HQ Coy.

7. POL

Under TO arrangements.

8. Sups

- (a) Rations will be delivered to DS camp by 1400 hrs each day and will be held at this pt until such time as B ech area is notified.
- (b) QM is responsible for rationing att umpires etc.
- (c) Ration vehs will be loaded in camp lines, and now to DS camp,

2/...and

and enemy B ech area will be under arrangement TO 25 Aust Inf Bde.
Vehs when loaded will report to tpt lines 25 Aust Inf Bde.

9. Med

Cas to be evac to DS Camp where onward mov will be arranged.

10. Tpt

A maximum of 10 jeeps will be available by 2 Oct 44 for the carriage of stores, sups, amm etc and will be allotted as follows:-

| Serial | To carry | Remarks |
|--------|-----------------------------|---|
| 1 | Signal eqpt | } excl } personnel |
| 2 | one sec MMG incl amm | |
| 3 | two dets mortars incl amm | |
| 4 | three dets mortars incl amm | |
| 5 | RAP and Pnrs stores | } for use by CO } Ferry } service |
| 6 | one sec MMG & Bn res amm | |
| 7 | Bn res amm | |
| 8 | - | |
| 9-10 | Tk A guns | |
| | Trailers for kitchen gear | |

11. Sigs

- (a) Phones Inf number 1 will be used by Number 3 pl and a report on their performance submitted to this HQ on conclusion of exercise.
- (b) A sig sta (Number 11 set) will be allotted to the bn and all messages, operational or adm, normally sent to Bde will use this channel.
- (c) Line will NOT be laid on left of tracks as this is reserved for DS.
- (d) Sig Offr will report to Bn HQ for additional sig infm.

12. DS will wear white arm bands on both arms.

OPENING SITUATION

- 13. Large bodies of enemy para tps have dropped in the DIMBULAH area 9641 and seized the town. A further body, strength unknown, was observed dropping in area 0353.
- 14. The enemy have secured air superiority, and long range patrols have already observed tpt planes landing on a new strip in the DIMBULAH area.
- 15. The Div Cav Regt was moved out by MT, and reached track junc 998434, here they were held up and quickly encircled by a superior force. It reports by air attacks, and increasing Arty fire.
- 16. 25 Aust Inf Bde was ordered to adv to DIMBULAH, relieve the Div Cav and recapture the town.
- 17. 2/25 Bn as adv gd to the Bde with under comd one Bty 2/4 Aust Fd Regt, RAE recce party, and one pl 2/1 Aust MG Bn, moved from present location and reached area 1844 without opposition. Bivouac was made for the night, and adv resumed to the WEST

3/....early

early on the following morning.

ACKNOWLEDGE

Knowledge
Capt
Adj 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

METHOD OF ISSUE Runner

TIME OF SIGNATURE 1415 hrs

DISTRIBUTION

| | Copy |
|-----------|---------|
| "A" Coy | 1 |
| "B" Coy | 2 |
| "C" Coy | 3 |
| "D" Coy | 4 |
| "HQ" Coy | 5 |
| QM | 6 |
| Sig Offr | 7 |
| TO | 8 |
| MO | 9 |
| File | 10 - 11 |
| War Diary | 12 - 13 |

WD
2/25 AUST INF BN 00 10

EXERCISE SECRET
Copy 12
1 Oct 44

Ref Maps DIMBULAH) 1/6336
GORDONVALE)

INEM

1. As per opening situation Adm Order 6.

INTENTION

2. 2/25 Aust Inf Bn will move to area 1844 on 3 Oct 44 with a view to continuing the adv towards DIMBULAH on 4 Oct 44.

METHOD

3. 2/25 Aust Inf Bn will move to area 1844 by march route with B ech tpt moving independently.

4. Route

Rd and track junc 350408 via ROCKY CREEK - 293435 - 235450 - 193440.

5. Order of March

Comd Post
B Coy
C Coy
D Coy
Bn HQ
HQ Coy
Det RAP
Pl 2/1 Aust MG Bn
RAE Recce Party
Bty 2/4 Aust Fd Regt

6. Interval

100 yds between coys.

7. Fmn

- (a) Secs staggered either side of rd.
- (b) A Coy will detail one offr to move in rear of coln and check on stragglers.

8. Start Time

0500 hrs

9. SP

Main rd detention compound.

10. Halts

- (a) Ten mins to clock hr.
- (b) Lunch 1100 hrs

11. F ech tpt

- (a) Will move in bounds in rear of coln ferrying 4 Tk A guns.
- (b) Time of mov 0830 hrs
- (c) Control of mov.
 - (i) Offr responsible - TO.
 - (ii) Route as laid down in para 4.

12. B Ech tpt

QM and TO will arrange mov of B ech, using jeeps and trailer from Bde Pool.

ADM

13. Dress

- (a) Battle Order, JGs, Sweater, Hat KF, gaiters, boots, ground sheet, half tent.
- (b) Pack containing one blanket and greatcoat will be dumped in coy areas by 0500 hrs 3 Oct 44. Nothing will be strapped on outside of packs. 1 OR per coy will be left in charge.
- (c) Fuggarees will NOT be worn on hats KF.
- (d) It is recommended that a change of clothing be carried on the man.

14. Routine

Reveille 0330 hrs
Breakfast 0400 hrs

15. Water

Water discipline will be strictly enforced and unless otherwise advised tps will be restricted to one water bottle per day.

16. Amn

Full WA will be carried, to be represented by lummy boxes.

17. Sups

02 Rations for lunch 3 Oct 44. will be issued to coys by QM by 1700 hrs 2 Oct 44.

18. Med

Det RAP will move in rear of coln.

INTERCOMN

19. Wireless

SCR 536b will remain on receive during ten min halts.

20. Synchronisation

With all offr by sigs 0415 hrs

AGK

Snarehole
Adj't 2/25 Aust Inf Bn ^{Capt}

METHOD OF ISSUE Runner
TIME OF SIGNATURE 2100 hrs

| <u>DISTRIBUTION</u> | Copy |
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| "A" Coy | 1 |
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| "C" Coy | 3 |
| "D" Coy | 4 |
| "HQ" Coy | 5 |
| QM | 6 |
| Sig Offr | 7 |
| TO | 8 |
| MO | 9 |
| File | 10 - 11 |
| War Diary | 12 - 13 |

2/25 AUST INF BN ADM ORDER 7

SECRET
COPY No 21
6 Oct 44

Reference Map GORDONVALE 1/63360

GEN

1. 2/25 Aust Inf Bn Cadre of 12 Offrs, 31 ORs plus 3 ORs att for duty, will move 6 Oct 44 to TRINITY BEACH for Amphibious Trg.

MOV

2. (a) Mov will be by rd, in convoy of 25 Aust Inf Bde Gp under arrangements TO 25 Aust Inf Bde.
(b) H hr 060645K.
(c) Route - SP rd King 480353 - KAIRI - KULARA - rd King 554342 - rd junc 597318 - GILLIES HIGHWAY - GORDONVALE - EDMONTON.

COMPOSITION OF PARTY

3. (a) OC 25 Aust Inf Bde Cadre Gp - Maj T J C O'BRYEN.
(b) Appx "A" att.

DRESS & EQPT

4. (a) Personnel will carry arms & eqpt, personal gear and mosquito nets.
(b) Three blankets per man will be carried in bulk.

ANTI-MALARIA PRECAUTIONS

5. Full precautions will be taken on arrival CAIRNS area. Insect repellent lotion will be made available on arrival CAIRNS.

PAY

6. Pay parade, for members of Cadre ONLY, will be at B Coy Orderly Room 52000K.

RATIONS

7. Unconsumed portion of ration for 6 Oct will be carried.

ACCN STORES

8. Tents 15, tables 13, forms 24, buckets 12, tubs, washing 12, lamps 14, Fowlers 1, Sawyers 1, containers cooking 3, kettles camp oval 5, pans fry 2, forks cooking 5, bowls hand 1, spoons gravy 1, butchers kit 1.

TRG

9. (a) 2 x 3 ton vehs report at H - 180 for conveyance of 12 offrs 22 ORs.
(b) 3 x 3 ton vehs report at 52000K for conveyance of 12 ORs and stores.
(c) The 5 vehs above to RV at SP at H - 25 under arrangement unit TO.
(d) Mov to SP responsibility unit TO, thereafter under arrangements TO 25 Aust Inf Bde

AGK

E. A. Stacey
Lt
Assistant Adjt 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

METHOD OF ISSUE: RunnerTIME OF SIGNATURE: 1545 hrs

| <u>DISTRIBUTION</u> | Copy No |
|---------------------|---------|
| "A" Coy | 1 - 2 |
| "B" Coy | 3 - 4 |
| "C" Coy | 5 - 6 |
| "D" Coy | 7 - 8 |
| HQ Coy | 9 - 10 |
| CO | 11 |
| OC Party | 12 - 15 |
| QM | 16 |
| TO | 17 |
| File | 18 - 19 |
| War Diary | |

APPX "A" TO 2/25 AUST INF BN ADM ORDER 7

NOMINAL ROLL

OFFICERS

| | | |
|----------|----------------|---------------|
| QX 6305 | Maj | T J C O'BRYEN |
| QX 6414 | Capt | W M CROMBIE |
| QX 17291 | Lt | K M JEFFERSON |
| QX 11094 | Lt | R E THOMAS |
| QX 35916 | Lt | M E O'ROURKE |
| QX 754 | Lt | K E ROBINSON |
| QX 98 | Lt | S MACFARLANE |
| VX 66020 | Lt | F A SWEETING |
| QX 2064 | Sgt | R F RODGERS |
| NX127939 | Lt | A TAUBMAN |
| QX 740 | Lt | I G CARVOSSO |
| QX 37987 | Lt | H F MCCOSKER |

NCOs

| | | | |
|----------|-------|------------|-------|
| QX 10035 | Sjt | ROSS | A H |
| QX 11012 | Sjt | PETERSON | W A A |
| QX 16210 | Sjt | STUART | L R |
| QX 8365 | Sjt | FERROW | L J |
| QX 11420 | L/Sjt | BROOKER | C W |
| QX 28340 | L/Sjt | PEARDON | F K |
| QX 9365 | Cpl | BOYTON | B |
| QX 11041 | Cpl | LONDOS | G J |
| QX 21032 | Cpl | WILDEN | D W |
| QX 20160 | Cpl | DANIELS | D D |
| QX 14222 | Cpl | SULLIVAN | R J |
| NX 85090 | Cpl | NOBBS | R E |
| QX 12265 | Cpl | GANTER | W F |
| NX 79709 | Cpl | MOREY | F D |
| QX 17700 | Cpl | BROCKHURST | H E |
| QX 5996 | Cpl | LANE | L M |
| QX 9697 | Cpl | FORD | C H |
| QX 20218 | L/Cpl | THOMAS | H E |
| QX 14205 | L/Cpl | BELL | L S |

BATMEN

| | | | |
|----------|-----|-------------|-------|
| QX 16857 | Pte | LAWTON | R W G |
| QX 20181 | Pte | HOWARD | A S |
| NX 91709 | Pte | JOHNSTONE | M E |
| NX 51003 | Pte | REDMOND | E W |
| QX 20141 | Pte | BOCK | M |
| NX 89423 | Pte | BOOKALLIL | K C |
| VX117661 | Pte | CARNELL | K A |
| QX 31393 | Pte | CAMERON | J |
| QX 8442 | Pte | MCCARTHY | F A |
| NX 89517 | Pte | PAPOUTSAKIS | L |
| NX161824 | Pte | DURANT | D H |
| QY 1894 | PTE | LOUDON | D |

COMS

| | | | |
|----------|-------|------|-----|
| QX 13154 | S/Sgt | READ | A R |
|----------|-------|------|-----|

COOK

| | | | |
|----------|-----|--------|---|
| TX 14370 | Pte | BARNES | A |
|----------|-----|--------|---|

CLERK

| | | | |
|----------|-------|---------|-----|
| QX 17174 | L/Cpl | KENNEDY | W M |
|----------|-------|---------|-----|

Subject : AMENDMENTS TO 2/25 AUST INF BN STANDING ORDERS FOR
KAIRI CAMP, DATED 15 SEP 44

HQ 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
16 Oct 44.

1. Para 13 ATEBRIN : Delete all reference.
2. Substitute - 13 LEAVE : All personnel proceeding on local leave will be in possession of a leave pass (AAF A96) signed by an officer.

DISTRIBUTION

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| 25 Aust Inf Bde | 1 |
| CO | 2 |
| 2IC | 3 |
| Adjt | 4 |
| QM | 5 |
| RMO | 6 |
| Padre | 7 |
| RSM | 8 |
| HQ Coy | 9/10 |
| A Coy | 11/12 |
| B Coy | 13/14 |
| C Coy | 15/16 |
| D Coy | 17/18 |
| Bn HQ Details | 19 |
| Guard Tent | 20 |
| File | 21 |
| War Diary | 22/23 |

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APPENDIX 27

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PIANO RECITAL BY WO I PETER COOPERASSISTED BY PTE LES ROBERTSON, BARITONEIN RECREATION HUTAT 1930 HRS 16 OCT 44

| | |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Organ Prelude and Fugue | Bach - Szanto |
| Nocturne F sharp major | Chopin |
| Waltz G flat major | " |
| Etude G flat major | " |
| To the Spring | Grieg |
| Etude C major | Rubenstein |

(PETER COOPER)

Vocal

| | |
|---------------|---|
| To the Forest | Tschaikowsky |
| Sea Fever | Ireland (Words by John Masefield) |

(LES ROBERTSON)

| | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Papillons | Rosenthal |
| Reflections in Water | Debussy |
| Pastourelle | Poulenc |
| Tango | Albeniz |
| Naila Waltzes | Delibes |

(PETER COOPER)

Copy No...!9..

Oct 44

25 AUST INF BDE TRG INSTR NO 38Ref Map CAIINS 1:65360GENERAL

1. 25 Aust Inf Bde will carry out amphibious trg TRINITY BEACH Area between 24 Oct and 3 Nov 44.

OBJECT

2. To exercise Bde, Bn, Beach and Military landing Gps in the planning, and execution of a landing by a Bde gp, and beach gp.

DIRECTION

3. 25 Aust Inf Bde will direct trg of 25 Aust Inf Bde and att tps.

TRAINING CADRE

4. The cadre trained by 21 Aust Inf Bde gp is responsible for instruction of respective units.

5. 18 Aust Inf Bde trg cadre will be trained with 25 Aust Inf Bde, personnel will be allotted to appropriate units.

SHIPPING AVAILABLE

| | | | | |
|----|-----|--------|---|--------------------------------|
| 6. | (a) | LSI | 2 | |
| | (b) | LST | 2 | |
| | (c) | ALC 40 | 6 | |
| | (d) | ALC 15 | 1 | From 67 Aust landing Craft Coy |
| | (e) | LCI | 4 | |
| | (f) | ALCA | 2 | |

MOCK UPS

7. (a) Ship's side - 652860. Scrambling net practice.
(b) LSA (both decks) - 645848. Trg dvrs.

ENGR EQPT

8. Held by 1 Aust Combined Ops Sec -

1 Set SEG
1 Set tubular scaffolding
2 Units PL B
3 FBE
18 Steel bridge cribs
10 tons ARC mesh
6 Inverkip sledges
1 ton explosives

MAINTENANCE STORES

9. Trg stores representing rations, amn, POL, and ordnance stores to DW tonnage 300 tons are held by 1 Aust Combined Ops Sec, and are available to Units for trg.

LIFE JACKETS

10. 2500 for wading trg held by 25 Aust Inf Bde.

25 AUST INF BDE TRG INSTR NO 38

(CONTINUED)

TRG FILMS

11. (a) From ATU with projector, generator from CEME 7 Aust Div
 Waterproofing vehs
 Amphibious warfare. Troop life aboard ship
 Military stevedoring. Veh loading and stowage
 " " . Loading cargo ships
- (b) 1 Aust Corps (Projector and operator supplied)
- C473 Combined Ops 30 Mins
 C477 Beach organization 25 Mins
 USC 75 Beaching the LST 30 Mins
 USC 76 Retracting the LST 10 Mins

SECTORS

12. Map showing beaches by sectors is att APPX 'A'.

OUTLINE TRG SUBJECTS

13.

| Serial | Subject | Tps |
|--------|-------------------------------|---|
| 1 | Trg with LSIs | Inf Bns, dismounted tps likely to be committed in assault |
| 2 | LSTs | All Units with Vehs |
| 3 | ALC | Armd Units, and Units with Vehs |
| 4 | Wading | All tps |
| 5 | Wading Vehs | All units with Vehs |
| 6 | Scrambling Net practice | All tps NOT embarked in LSIs |
| 7 | LST Mock up | Units with Vehs |
| 8 | Films | All Units |
| 9 | Lectures | All Units |
| 10 | Aircraft and Ship Recognition | All Units |

SPECIAL MATTERS FOR STUDY

14. (a) Wet landings on gradients 1:50
 (b) Clearance of lanes through sea and beach obstacles.
 (c) Close support of landing by using Mortars from landing craft.

25 AUST INF BDE TRG INSTR NO 38

(CONTINUED)

SPECIALIST TRG

15. Supervision Engr advisor 1 Aust Comb Ops Sec

(a) Engrs. additional subjects

- (i) Beach rd way
- (ii) Demolition Beach, and under water obstacles
- (iii) Detection and clearance under water, and beach mines
- (iv) Sea watermanship with FBE
- (v) Bridging water gap
- (vi) Tubular steel scaffolding

(b) Sigs.

All sig units are grouped for trg under Sig advisers ATU, and 1 Aust Comb Ops Sec.

(c) MEDICAL

Discussions on seaward evacuation will take place between all medical Offrs, and Med rep ATU.

(d) Ships' Adjts

Special trg under ATU and MLO 1 Aust Military Landing gps.

(e) Loading Offrs

Will be nominated for permanent future use trg Units. Records will be retained by Bde. MLO 1 Aust Mil Landing gp will advise on trg.

(f) Waterproofing Vehs

(i) 25% of operational vehs will be waterproofed, and only these will be carried on exercise.

(ii) The waterproofing of vehs will be under control of OC 2/117 Aust Bde Wkshops. A central waterproofing centre will be established, and all vehs will be waterproofed there. All LADs are available to OC 2/117 Aust Bde Wkshops for this purpose. Lectures to dvrs will be included in trg syllabus.

The instructions shown APPX 'F' will be supplied to each Veh.

EXERCISE

16. (a) One bde gp landing exercise will be undertaken.

HQs

17. ATU Seventh amphibious force YONKEY'S BEACH
Trg HQ 7 Aust Div TRINITY BEACH
1 Aust Combined Ops Sec TAYLOR'S PT
HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde 635838
1 Aust Beach gp 622863
1 Aust Mil landing gp TRINITY BEACH

18. Loading pts and assembly areas - APPX 'B'
19. Meteorological Infm - APPX 'C'
20. Astronomical - APPX 'D'
21. Beach Intelligence - APPX 'E'

25 AUST INF BDE TRG INSTR NO 38

(CONTINUED)

22. Training programmes and syllabus will be issued separately.
23. Conferences at SECTOR CONTROL post will be held daily
- (a) 1200 hrs to co-ordinate afternoon periods
(b) 1600 hrs to co-ordinate following morning periods
24. To attend conferences
- (a) Reps of all ships and craft working in the Sector
(b) Unit instructors in charge of trg in the SECTOR
(c) MLO (if convenient)
(d) LOs co-ordinating instruction
25. Sector control posts
- Location centrally in each SECTOR indicated by sign "CONTROL" during day and light "CP" by night.
26. LOs
- (a) The fol units will supply LOs for assisting in trg -
- 2/6 Aust Fd Regt for LST trg
2/25 Aust Inf Bn for LCI trg
2/31 Aust Inf Bn for ALC40 incl wading and loading
2/33 Aust Inf Bn for mock ups, ALCAs, pictures
- (b) These LOs are responsible for ensuring availability of equipment, and that units use them at correct times.
- (c) LOs will be supplied with jeeps by units, and will be available for duty daily
- (d) LOs will report 0900 hrs 24 Oct 44 to BM 25 Aust Inf Bde,

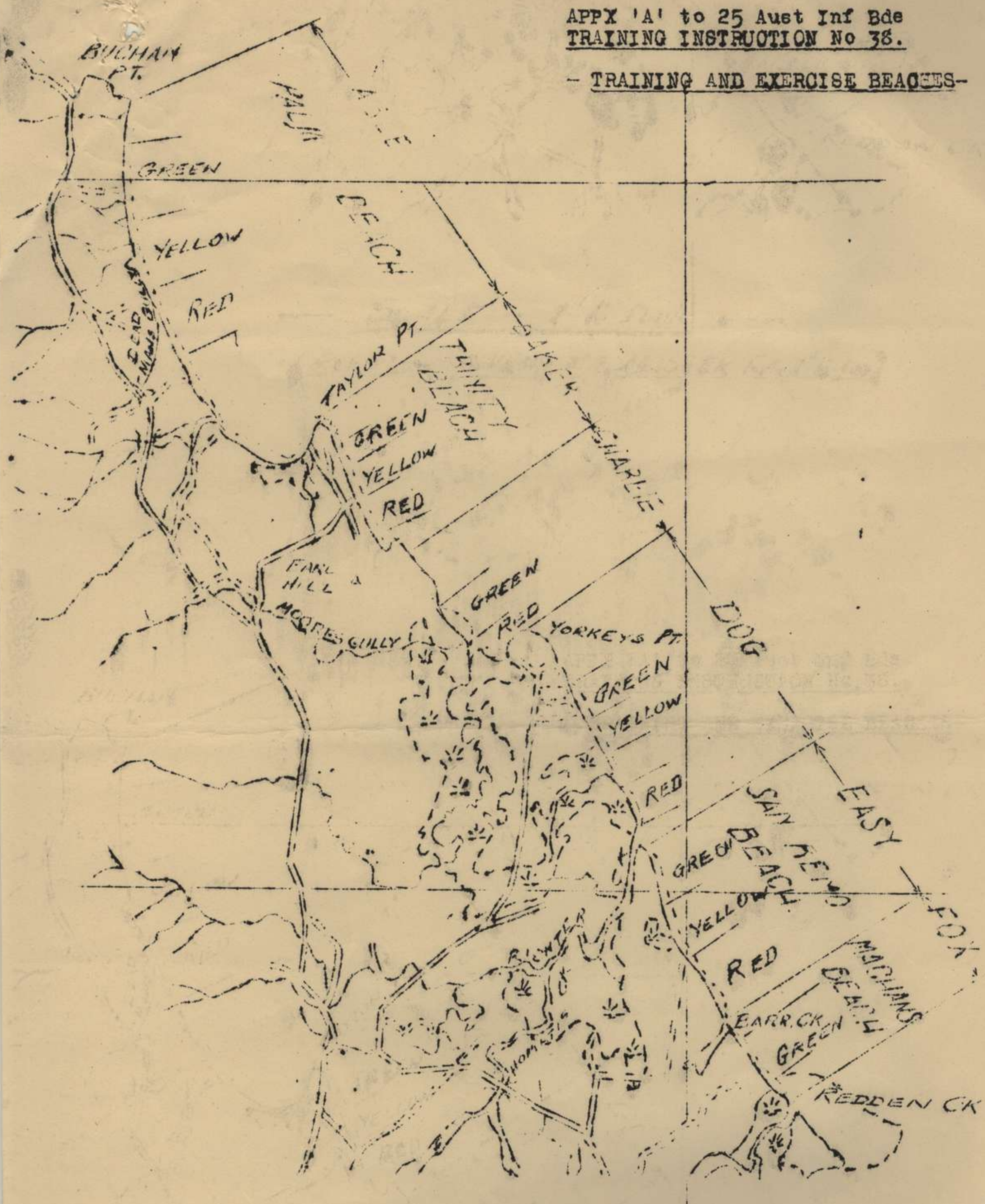
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BM 25 Aust Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION

| | | | |
|-------|-----------------------------|------------|----|
| 1st A | 4 each extra for each Bn | Total | 15 |
| | 4 extra | 7 Aust Div | 5 |
| | ATU | | 10 |
| | 1 Aust Comb Ops Sec | | 3 |
| | 41 Aust Ldg Craft Coy | | 1 |
| | 1 Aust F Ldg Gp | | 2 |
| | 1 Aust Ben G p | | 3 |
| | Trg LOs | | 4 |
| | LOs | | 3 |
| | Capt LONGWORTH | | 1 |
| | Comm Task Force 76.9 | | 1 |
| | Lt-col HAWARD ROYAL MARINES | | 1 |
| | 2/15 Lt SA Bty | | 1 |
| | 2 Aust Mob SL Bty | | 1 |

APPX 'A' to 25 Aust Inf Bde
TRAINING INSTRUCTION No 38.

- TRAINING AND EXERCISE BEACHES -



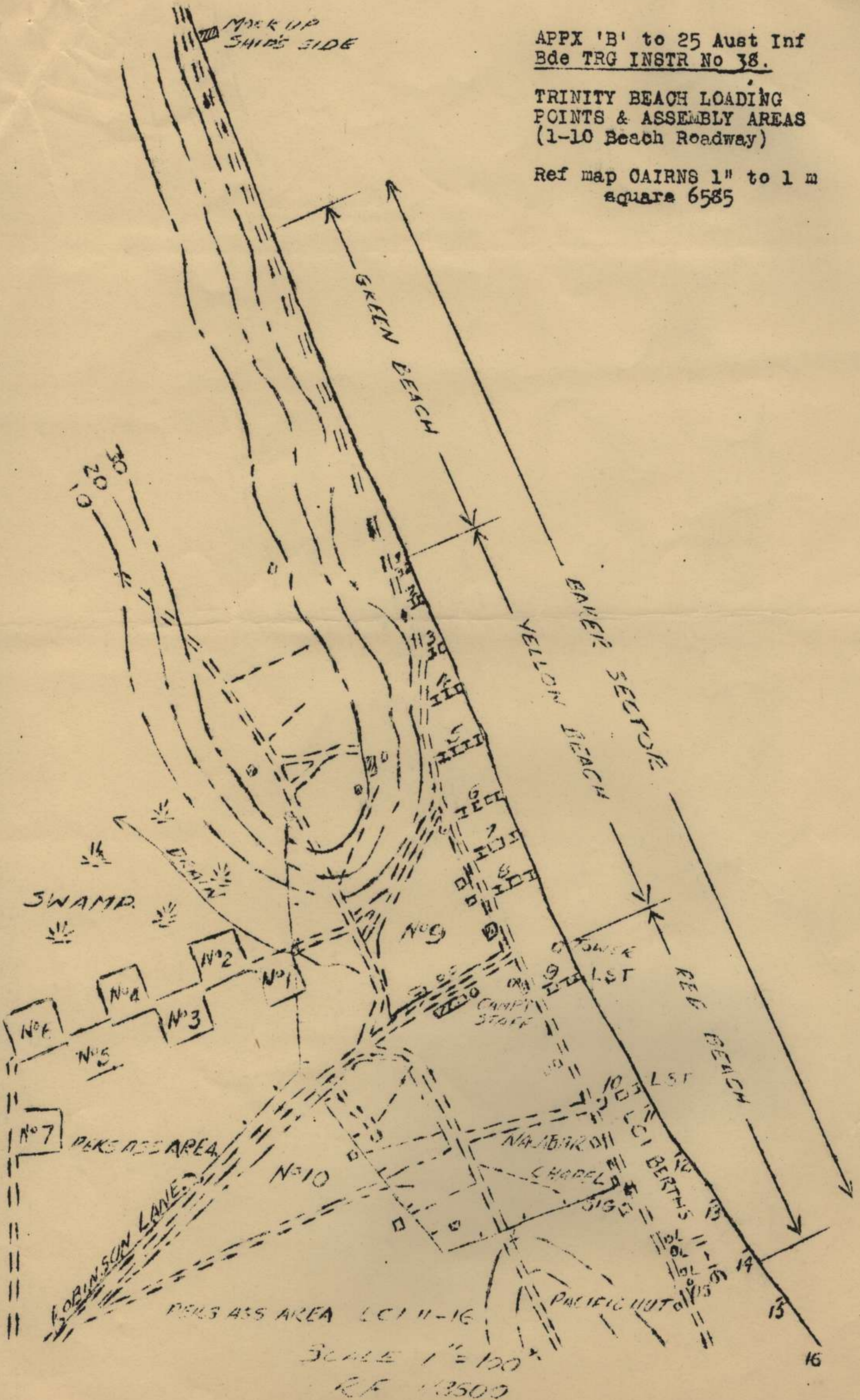
SCALE - 1" to 1 mile

(Ref Maps CAIRNS, MACALISTER RA. 1" to 1 m.)

APPX 'B' to 25 Aust Inf
Bde TRG INSTR No 38.

TRINITY BEACH LOADING
POINTS & ASSEMBLY AREAS
(1-10 Beach Roadway)

Ref map CAIRNS 1" to 1 m
square 6585



METEOROLOGICAL DATA

OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 1944

WIND - In the main, light airs will prevail from 2200 to 1000, daily. For the remainder of the day, the SE Wind rises to a strength of approx 20 knots in the late afternoon and dies away again. Variations to this will occur before and after rain and may cause long periods of calm culminating in SW to E winds rising in strength to 40 knots.

SEA AND SURF -

With the SE wind, a short surf up to 3 feet in height can be expected accompanied by a confused sea. Otherwise sea and surf will be slight.

RAINFALL - Up to 10 days rain per month occurring in spells of 2 to 3 days is to be expected.

CLOUD - Sky 5/10 covered with cumulus clouds is to be expected.

VISIBILITY -

Good to excellent

ASTRONOMICAL DATA

HOURS OF DAYLIGHT - Approx times are given. These will not vary more than 6 minutes either way during the period covered by the remaining data :-

First light - 0500
 Sunrise - 0545
 Sunset - 1815
 Last light - 1900

MOON AND TIDES - Tides are given for the port of CAIRNS. A variation of 20 minutes either way is the maximum which will be met over distances up to 50 miles of the port, these being earlier to the Southward and later to the Northward. Variations of height are negligible.

| 1944 OCT | MOON | | TIDE | | | | | | | |
|-------------|------|------|------------|------|------|------|-----------|------|------|------|
| | RISE | SET | HIGH WATER | | | | LOW WATER | | | |
| | | | Time | Ht | Time | Ht | Time | Ht | Time | Ht |
| Wed 18 | 0629 | 1909 | 0915 | 6'6" | 2104 | 6'4" | 0256 | 1'5" | 1504 | 2'4" |
| Thur 19 | 0707 | 1959 | 0941 | 6'5" | 2124 | 6'1" | 0310 | 1'4" | 1525 | 2'6" |
| Fri 20 | 0738 | 2049 | 1015 | 6'5" | 2145 | 5'7" | 0330 | 1'4" | 1555 | 3'0" |
| Sat 21 | 0832 | 2142 | 1100 | 6'2" | 2209 | 5'1" | 0357 | 1'6" | 1636 | 3'5" |
| Sun 22 | 0919 | 2236 | 1207 | 6'0" | 2243 | 4'5" | 0432 | 1'9" | 1750 | 4'1" |
| Mon 23 | 1011 | 2332 | - | - | 1354 | 5'9" | 0525 | 2'3" | 2238 | 3'9" |
| Tues 24 | 1106 | - | 0111 | 4'0" | 1543 | 6'3" | 0715 | 2'7" | 2319 | 3'1" |
| Wed 25 | 1203 | 0027 | 0355 | 4'2" | 1615 | 7'0" | 0950 | 2'5" | 2350 | 2'4" |
| Thur 26 | 1304 | 0119 | 0509 | 5'0" | 1739 | 7'6" | 1106 | 2'0" | - | - |
| Fri 27 | 1404 | 0211 | 0559 | 5'9" | 1820 | 8'1" | 0023 | 1'7" | 1157 | 1'4" |
| Sat 28 | 1504 | 0259 | 0641 | 6'7" | 1859 | 8'4" | 0055 | 1'0" | 1244 | 0'9" |
| Sun 29 | 1548 | 0357 | 0724 | 7'4" | 1935 | 8'4" | 0126 | 0'5" | 1326 | 0'7" |
| Mon 30 | 1650 | 0417 | 0804 | 7'9" | 2011 | 8'1" | 0159 | 0'1" | 1409 | 0'7" |
| Tues 31 | 1753 | 0458 | 0845 | 8'1" | 2048 | 7'7" | 0231 | 0'0" | 1451 | 1'0" |
| Wed 1 | 1856 | 0550 | 0927 | 8'1" | 2125 | 7'0" | 0305 | 0'1" | 1537 | 1'5" |
| Thur ✓ 2 | 1959 | 0638 | 1013 | 7'9" | 2203 | 6'3" | 0340 | 0'4" | 1626 | 2'2" |
| Fri 3 | 2100 | 0728 | 1105 | 7'5" | 2243 | 5'4" | 0416 | 0'9" | 1728 | 2'9" |
| Sat 4 | 2159 | 0821 | 1206 | 7'0" | 2337 | 4'5" | 0456 | 1'5" | 1904 | 3'5" |
| Sun 5 | 2253 | 0915 | 1206 | 7'0" | 1331 | 6'6" | 0549 | 2'2" | 2129 | 3'4" |
| Mon 6 | 2359 | 0958 | 0120 | 4'0" | 1515 | 6'5" | 0729 | 2'9" | 2258 | 2'9" |
| Tues 7 | 0103 | 1047 | 0420 | 4'0" | 1635 | 6'8" | 0935 | 3'0" | 2346 | 2'3" |

PHASES OF THE MOON

New Moon - Tuesday 17 October
 First Quarter - Wednesday 25 October
 Full Moon - Tuesday 31 October
 Neap tides - Sunday 22 October

BEACH INTELLIGENCE NOTES

1. The sectors and beaches referred to are shown on Map "Training and Exercise Beaches" issued with these notes.

2. On all beaches, the following characteristics are common :-

Above HW mark - Beach roadway is required for the majority of vehicles.

Between HW and LW Mark - Firm sand obtains.

In shallow water -

(a) ABLE to DOG SECTORS - Firm sand obtains.

(b) EASY to FOX SECTORS - Slime is present in which heavier vehicles may bog down.

3. Beaching Conditions within the Sectors for Landing Craft

(a) ABLE - Except at High Water Springs, wading may be expected. Maximum 50 yards in 2 feet at Low Water Springs.

(b) BAKER - No water gap is expected.

(c) CHARLIE - A wade of between 100 and 200 yards is expected, being greatest at half tide, greatest depth, 3 feet.

(d) DOG -

(i) Green and Yellow - Below half tide a wade may be expected. Maximum 15 yards in 1½ feet of water at low water.

(ii) Red - False beach may appear two hours, either side of LWA causing a wade of up to 50 yards. Greatest depth, 3 feet. This occurs with Spring Tides.

(e) EASY - Shallows and False Beaches appear 2 hours either side of LW causing a wade of up to 100 yards; greatest depth 4 feet. EASY YELLOW is better than the other two beaches, as maximum depth there is 3 feet.

(f) FOX - Very treacherous as sandbanks move frequently. False beaches have been known with 5 feet of water at ramp when craft has struck.

NOTE : Units using the beaches should consult the Tidal Information given in the Meteorological Data in order to select times which will achieve the conditions of landings which it is desired to practise.

4. Except during the strongest wind craft should be able to beach at all times without danger of stranding (See Meteorological Data).

DRIVING THROUGH WATER

(To be pasted in Driver's vehicle LOG BOOK)

1. Have engine warmed up to driving temperature before entering water.
2. Set hand throttle at fast idling speed.
3. Use lowest gear possible.
4. Be prepared to use choke CAUTIOUSLY.
5. DO NOT use foot brake or clutch while vehicle is in water.

DEWATERPROOFING

1. Open all vents. Remove all plugs. (Do this as soon as cover is reached)
2. Within a few hours the following will be done:-
 - (a) Flush generator and starter with fresh water.
 - (b) Check oil and grese for enterance of water. (Vehicles can now be operated for a couple of days) Then -
 - (c) Remove attachments, i.e., carburetor extension, flexible exhaust, grease, etc.
3. Have vehicles checked by Dewaterproofing Station or Second Ech maintenance. Constant velocity joints and wheel bearings should be checked within three days after going through water.

TO BE PASTED ON WINDSCREEN.

BEFORE driving through water, see instructions in
your log book.

2/25 AUST INF BN ADM ORDER 8SECRET
Copy Number 18
16 Oct 44

Ref map CAIRNS 1/63360

1. GEN

2/25 Aust Inf Bn less rear party (approx 40) will move to TRINITY BEACH area approx 23 Oct 44.

2. ACCN

Area B3 638832.

3. WATER

- (a) WP 646823
(b) Water carts will NOT draw water between the following times.
- 1130 hrs - 1330 hrs
1530 hrs - 1730 hrs
- in order to allow for the correct working of the water reticulation scheme.
- (c) Every effort will be made by all ranks to conserve the sup of water in the area.

4. SUPS

- (a) Rations KAIRI - move with unconsumed portion of day's ration plus one day track. QM to indent to 25 Aust Inf Bde for track rations by 1000 hrs Thu 19 Oct 44. Rations drawn Sun 22 Oct 44.
- (b) O2 rations will be indented for and drawn as per track ration. Scale - 3 per man carried in unit bulk and NOT consumed.
- (c) Rations CAIRNS - Indents to Ede Sup Offr by 19 Oct 44 for rations which will be supplied by DID TRINITY BEACH area on day following mov, for the day following mov to CAIRNS.
- (d) Rations LOB personnel KAIRI area - Indents submitted to 25 Aust Inf Bde LOB as normal.

5. MED

- (a) Full malarial precautions will be observed in CAIRNS area incl
- (i) The taking of atabrine as being carried out in this locality.
 - (ii) The use of protective clothing, mosquito nets, repellent lotion and mosquito spray.
 - (iii) The restriction on bathing between dusk and sunrise.
- (b) PAC - 65 Grafton Street, CAIRNS.
- (c) Scrub typhus precautions --
- (i) 2 sets of clothing will be treated with anti-mite fluid prior to leaving KAIRI area.
 - (ii) This will be supplied under arrangements 25 Aust Inf Bde approx 20 Oct 44.
- (d) A "milk run" amb will call twice daily for evac of personnel to 116 AGH.

6. HYG

- (a) Sub-unit areas will be kept clean.
- (b) Bottles, tins and other refuse will NOT be left on beaches.
- (c) Incineration and burial of all refuse.
- (d) Bde Hyg Offr will advise on all hyg problems.

7. TC

- (a) Individual tps walking on rds will keep to the edge of the rd against oncoming traffic.
- (b) Formed bodies will move in single file staggered on either side of rd.
- (c) Hitchhiking is forbidden.
- (d) Road discipline - the following are maximum speeds for MT and will NOT be exceeded.
 - (i) COOK'S HIGHWAY or other areas and rds NOT excepted below:-
 - Cars, Jeeps, MCs - 35 mph
 - All other vehs - 25 mph
 - (ii) Between Toll Gates or Gillies Highway and also on Cook Highway:-
 - ALL vehs - 15 mph
 - (iii) Within rd area bounded by Southern and Northern Camps or Cook Highway:-
 - ALL vehs - 20 mph
 - (iv) CAIRNS area

| | <u>By Day</u> | <u>By Night</u> |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Cars, Jeeps MCs | 25 mph | 20 mph |
| Vans & Trucks (under 1 ton) | 25 mph | 20 mph |
| Vans & Trucks | 20 mph | 15 mph |

Maximum speeds will be further reduced to local orders and regulations.

8. CANTEEN

- (a) Bulk Canteen 644828.
- (b) Purchasing days Mon and Thu AM
- (c) scale of Issue similar to T. BULLOCKS Area.

9. ROUTINE

| | |
|------------|----------|
| Reveille | 0600 hrs |
| Adm Parade | 0615 hrs |
| Breakfast | 0700 hrs |
| Lunch | 1200 hrs |
| Dinner | 1700 hrs |

10. PAY

Det 7 Aust Div Fd Cash Office Bde HQ.

11. SECURITY

- (a) In correspondence no indication of mov may be given, nor the nature of the trg.
- (b) No purchases will be made from civs in unit name

12. DRESS

- (a) Dress as laid down for KAIRI Area.
- (b) Personnel proceeding to and from beaches for bathing will be correctly dressed.

13. LEAVE

- (a) 10 per cent of unit str may be granted, until further notice, leave to CAIRNS from 1700 hrs - 2400 hrs daily.
- (b) Dress - JG or KD, Hat, web belt, gaiters, boots.
- (c) Repellant lotion will be carried.
- (d) Personnel must be in possession of a leave pass, AAB 83, and identity discs.

14. FIRE CONTROL

- (a) Lighting of fires will be strictly controlled.
- (b) Fire Orders - Appx A to 2/25 Aust Inf Bn Standing Orders KAIRI Camp will be observed in TRINITY BEACH area.

15. BOUNDS

The following areas are out of bounds to ALL ranks.

- (a) All vacant camps and buildings within the area.
- (b) Womens Services Rest Home, TRINITY BEACH, except for personnel required to be in that camp or building for the purpose of performing duty.
- (c) All civ buildings and property on San Remo and YORKLEY'S KNOB.

16. DISCIPLINE

- (a) Organised gambling is strictly forbidden.
- (b) Tps will NOT carry intoxicating liquor whilst on leave.
- (c) Nude bathing is forbidden.

17. AMENITIES

- (a) A picture show will be available for TRINITY BEACH area.
- (b) Location and nights of screening will be advised later.

18. DRLS

Leaves 0810, 1110, and 1455 hrs daily.

ACK

*Le... Capt
Adj 2/25 Aust Inf Bn*

METHOD OF ISSUE

Runner

TIME OF SIGNATURE

1500 hrs

DISTRIBUTION

Copy

| | |
|---------------|---------|
| A Coy | 1 |
| B Coy | 2 |
| C Coy | 3 |
| D Coy | 4 |
| HQ Coy | 5 |
| Bn HQ Details | 6 |
| CO | 7 |
| QM | 8 |
| IO | 9 |
| TO | 10 |
| Sig Offr | 11 |
| Canteen Sjt | 12 |
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FINCH

TOP SECRET
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18 Oct 442/25 AUST INF BN OUTLINE PLANRef Maps McCALISTER RANGE 1/63360
Att sketch A.INFM1. Enemy

Issued verbally by IO.

2. Own Tps

- (a) 25 Aust Inf Bde Gp with 2/31 and 2/33 Aust Inf Bns fwd and 2/25 Aust Inf Bn in res will seize a covering posn on UNCLE sector SE UNITY ISLAND.
- (b) Air sp force available from D Day to D + 1.
- (c) Strategic air ops will be carried out prior to the assault.
- (d) Det 25 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec comes under comd prior to op.
- (e) FOO att to bn with guns on call.

PROBABLE TASK

3. After landing secure area shown on att sketch A and patrol.

METHOD

4. Op will be carried out in three phases.

Phase 1 Landing and assembly
Phase 2 Mov to covering posn
Phase 3 Patrolling

PHASE 15. Composition

1st flt B, C, D plus elements of Hq Coy and Bn Hq
2nd flt A Coy plus remainder Bn.

6. Shore assembly posn

Bend in rd 496009

PHASE 2

7. The bn will adv on main NORTH rd to covering posn shown on att sketch A

8. Adv Gd

- (a) Comd Capt W M CROMBIE
- (b) Tps - D Coy
- (c) Time of move - to be notified later.

9. Main body

- (a) Composition - remainder bn in order B, Comd post, C, Hq, Bn Hq, A F ech tpt.
- (b) Time for mov - 8(a) + 50 mins

10. Arty

FOO will move with comd post.

11. Mortars

- (a) 2 dets only will be landed.
- (b) Dets will sp mov to covering posn from assembly area.
- (c) FOO will move with fwd coy.

12. Prns

Prn pl will come under comd 2/5 Aust d Coy for op.

PHASE 3

13. On securing covering posn coys will be ready to patrol as shown on att sketch.

ADM

14. Issued later

INTERCOMN

15. Issued later.

ACK

Isaacson Capt
Adjnt 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

METHOD OF ISSUE Runner

TIME OF SIGNATURE 1715

DISTRIBUTION

Copy with sketch A

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| Sig Offr | 10 |
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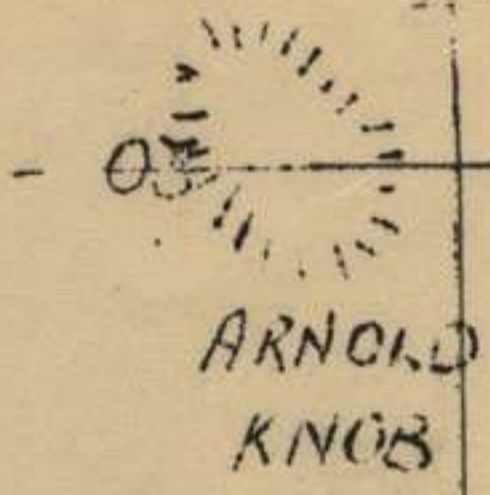
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SKETCH A

APPX to 25 Aust Inf BDE (TOP SECRET)
OUTLINE PLAN "FINCH"

~~PHASE 3~~



ARNOLD
KNOB



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2/25

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GREEN
RED
CORSE

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CAV.

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PHASE 1. — (red line)
" 2 — (blue line)
" 3 — (green line)

SCALE 4" to 1 MILE

25 AUST INF BDE "FINCH" SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No.1.
(Based on information received up to 1200hrs 8 Oct 44)

1. GENERAL

After our successful ops against TRINITY ISLAND the enemy began to reinforce UNITY ISLAND.

1 AUST CORPS is preparing to invade FAKI ISLAND 500 miles to NORTH of TRINITY ISLAND, but capture of UNITY ISLAND is essential before ops against FAKI ISLAND can be commenced. Therefore it is necessary that this be done as soon as possible.

2. JAP INTENTIONS AND INFORMATION.

To establish an air base on UNITY ISLAND possibly as a springboard to attack TRINITY ISLAND.

Present enemy dispositions :-

| AREA | INF | ARTY | ENGRS | A.A. | BASE L of C | TOTAL |
|-----------|------|------|-------|------|-------------|-------|
| UNITY IS. | 1200 | 490 | 240 | 170 | 1000 | 3100 |
| FAKI IS. | 5535 | 500 | 480 | 500 | 8950 | 15965 |
| TOTAL | 6735 | 990 | 720 | 670 | 9950 | 19065 |

The main enemy formations in KAWA SEA area is 100 DIV, comprised of 500 type A Regt and 501 and 502 type B Regts, a Tank Unit of 17 light tanks (DIV Troops), and a Tank Unit of 14 light tanks (Type A Regt Tps), also complete Fd Arty Bn of 12 x 75 mm guns plus plus 4 x 70 mm guns and 4 x 37 mm guns, Airfield Bn, Engrs and Base Tps.

ON UNITY ISLAND ENEMY DISPOSITIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS :-

Total Tps 3100.

Area WEST COAST PLAIN

501 Inf Regt (less 3 Bn) B 1050
1 Bn 100 Fd Arty Regt (Less 1 Bty & 2 Guns) 260
Base and L of C Tps 350

1660

Area UNITY AIRSTRIP

2 x 75 mm guns 100 Fd Arty Regt 80
1 Airfield Bn 500
2 A.A. Unit (6 hy guns) 170
Base & L of C 180

930

Area SE COASTAL PLAIN

One Bty 1 Bn 100 Fd Arty Regt (4) 150
5 Coy 500 Inf Regt 150
L of C Tps 210

510

(Also 4 x 70 mm Bn guns & 4 x 37 mm guns not pin pointed) 501 > Bus.

Enemy reserves to have in Umby's area a complete
to only be of 12 x 75 mm guns

In addition estimates to have the normal WE
of the guns in the area

These covered amount to 4 x 70 mm & 4 x 37 mm guns

2 x 75 mm guns less 70 mm guns & 37 mm guns in
def in Amphurs + fire from AA guns

(6 Hq AA Amphurs)

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TABLE 5

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TABLE 7

TABLE 8

TABLE 9

TABLE 10

25 AUST INF BDE "FINCH" SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No.1. (Cont.)

The main enemy strength is concentrated on FAKI ISLAND, where he has 15965 tps, comprising :-

| | |
|-----------------------|-------|
| 100 DIV HQ | 300 |
| 500 Inf Regt A | 3900 |
| 502 Inf Regt B | 2700 |
| 2 Bn 100 Fd Arty Regt | 500 |
| 2 & 3 Air Fd Bns | 1000 |
| 3,4 & 5 AA Units | 510 |
| Base & L of C | 7055 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 15965 |

over intention
 To capture UNITY is by NOT
 later than 23 Oct 44
 we enjoy complete control
 of sea area - 2100 to
 land on eastern beaches
 as soon as possible to be
 followed by 25 Bde Gp later.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT

Enemy Aircraft based at FAKI & NAKUL IS and UNITY IS airfield threat to our landing. Total enemy A/C at 7 Oct 291 all types.

Main Air strength NORTH of KAWA SEA within cover of NAKUL IS. Therefore reinforcements could be brought forward prior to D Day.

A/C on FAKI IS sufficient to cause light opposition early on D Day.

| AREAS | F | 2EF | L/B,M/B | T/B,D/B | F/B | F/P | OBSN | Totals |
|---------------|------------|-----------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| UNITY IS | 10 | - | - | - | - | 3 | 4 | 17 |
| FAKI IS | 20 | 4 | 6 | 3 | - | 6 | 6 | 45 |
| NAKUL IS | 90 | 9 | 100 | - | - | 10 | 20 | 229 |
| TOTALS | 120 | 13 | 106 | 3 | - | 19 | 30 | 291 |

3. INFORMATION (GENERAL)

NO indication of artificial obstacles either off shore or on beaches SE of UNITY ISLAND. NO Indication of tanks but likelihood of some being moved forward from FAKI ISLAND.

50 - 60 MT carrying supplies from WEST Coast to Airfield.

Probably 150 barges stationed on FAKI ISLAND. Apart from one Regtl Gp on FAKI ISLAND, which could be moved forward immediately to reinforce UNITY ISLAND, it is appreciated that NO further tps will be available to enemy for defence of FAKI ISLAND until later in OCTOBER when a further Regtl gp is expected to be moved into Area. Therefore the most reinforcements that can be expected into UNITY Area would consist of one Regtl Gp until towards end of Oct when a further Regtl Gp could be expected.

Enemy intention to hold UNITY as an air base. He will reinforce it up to one Regtl Gp until towards end of OCT when further reinforcements will be available to him. These probably would be landed NO more than two Coys per night. Enemy counter landings are possible.

No likelihood of enemy paratroops or airborne troops being encountered owing to our air superiority. It is considered that the enemy will fight to the last as any withdrawal would be possibly and disastrous.

NO serious opposition is anticipated to a landing which will NOT take place prior to 0630hrs D Day.

25 AUST INF BDE "FINCH" SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No.1 (Cont).

Remarks : The enemy, apparently expecting an attack on the vulnerable western beaches has concentrated his forces there and in defence of the airfield and will be unwilling to draw troops from either place until sure of our intention. Therefore NO large change in enemy dispositions is expected for some time after our landing on D Day and by then our forces should be in a position to attack the airfield.

Attached as Appx A is sketch showing all known gun positions on UNITY ISLAND.

Attached as Appx B is diagrammatic sketch showing general enemy dispositions KAWA SEA Area.

4. TOPOGRAPHICAL

The Island is of volcanic origin irregular in shape - greatest length running NW & SE for 9 miles and widest part approx 4 miles. Hills rise sheer from the sea except in SE corner and on WEST Coast. On the WEST Coast is a flat coastal plain extending inland and stretching for approx 2 to 3 miles along the coast. In SE, flat to undulating strip extends inland for approx 1 mile at its greatest breadth in SOUTH and tapering to 50 yards in NORTH. In the interior is a flat plateau suitable for development as an airfield.

Vegetation - stunted bush with fairly dense undergrowth. No swamps.

Roads - rd constructed from Jap barge unloading point 499996 NORTH along coast to 465087 possibly to link with airfield. Further road moves inland from main road at 498003 and leads to airstrip (bush track only).

Coast - Care should be exercised when navigating in vicinity of reefs shoals etc (data NOT complete). Apart from these obstructions remainder of coast line can be approached to an average distance of 5000 yards by ships up to 26 feet draught.

Winds - In main light airs will prevail from 2200 to 1000 hrs daily. for remainder of day SE wind rises to approx 20 knots in late afternoon and dies away again. Variations of this will occur before and after rains and may cause long periods of calm culminating in SW to EAST winds rising to 40 knots.

Surf - Short surf up to 3 feet in height accompanied by a confused sea can be expected with SE winds. Otherwise sea and surf will be slight.

Current - Northerly set for full length of coast $\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ knots.

Rainfall - Up to 10 days rain per month occurring in spells of two to three days is expected.

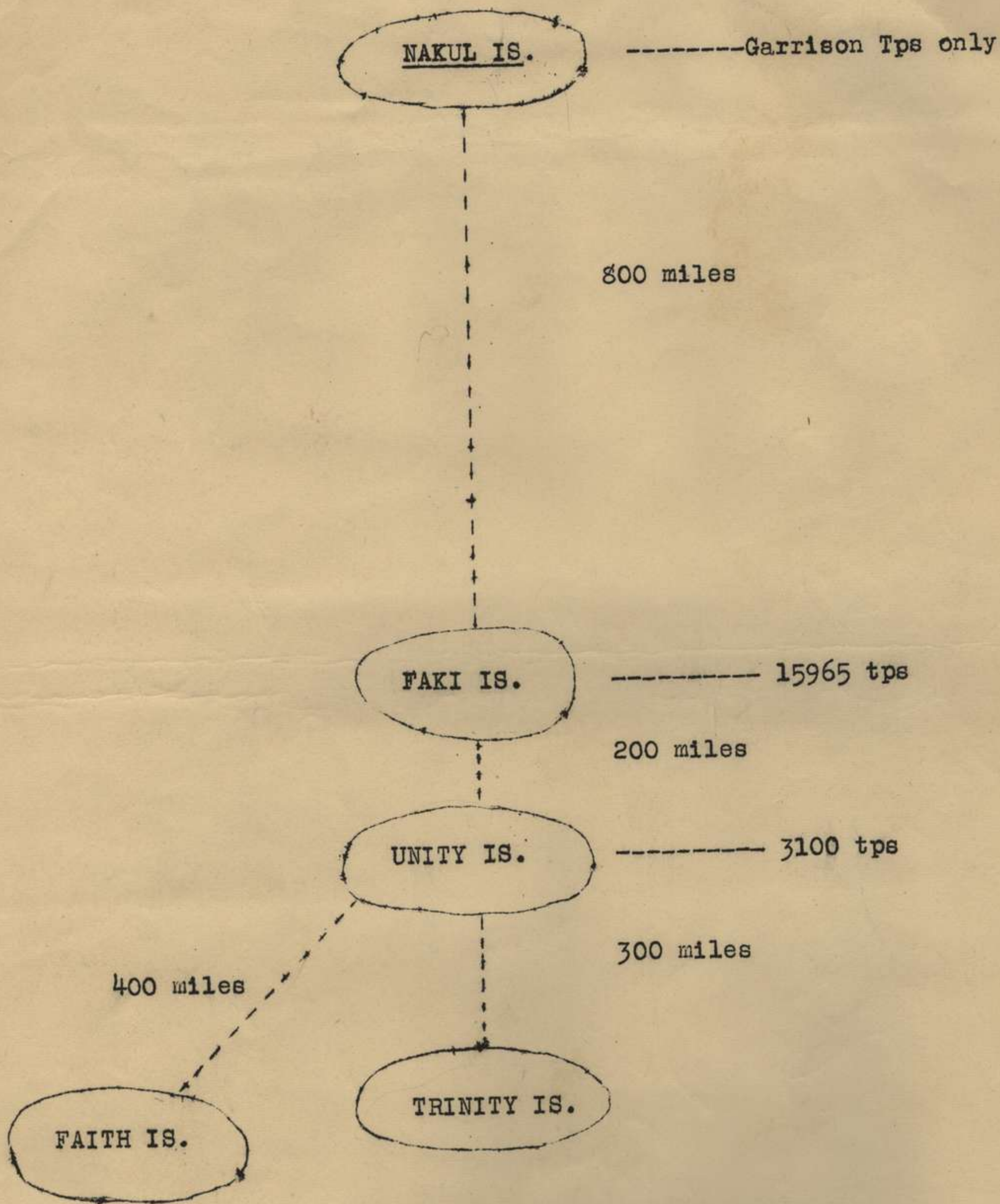
Visibility - Good to excellent. Cloud - sky 5/10 covered with cumulus.

Water - Practically negligible on SE coast plain.

Attached as Appx C is information re TARE and UNCLE Beaches.

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Lt.
I.O. 25 Aust Inf Bde.

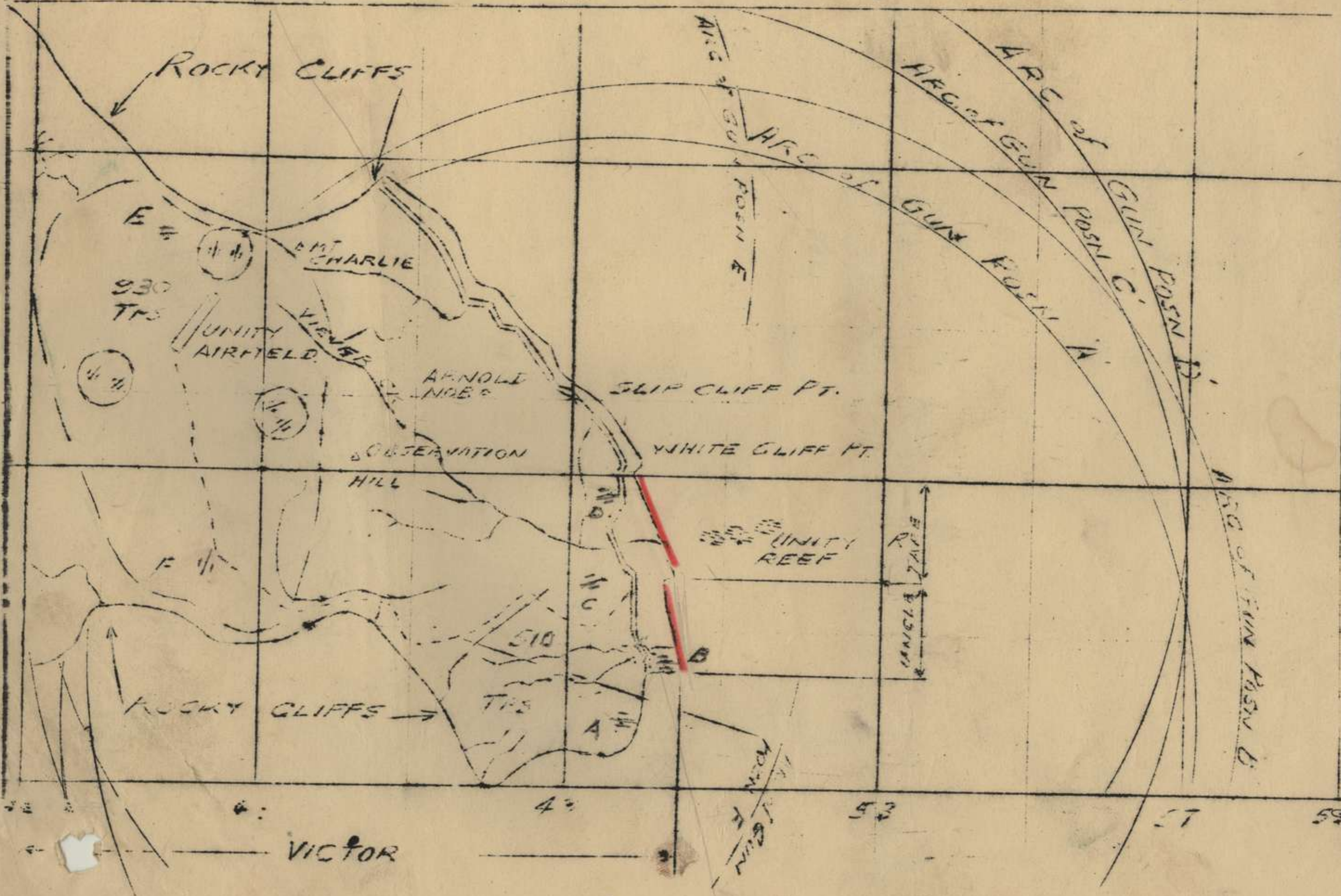
GENERAL ENEMY DISPOSITIONS



BEACH INFORMATION

| SECTION (REFERENCE POINTS) | DESCRIPTION FROM RIGHT TO LEFT LOOKING FROM SEAWARD | NAVAL COMMENTS. |
|---|--|---|
| <p><u>TARE</u></p> <p>Being from SOUTH end of WHITE CLIFF PT (497024) to SOUTH end of unnamed pt (502006) incl UNITY REEF.</p> <p>Total length - 1550 yds</p> <p>Ref Map EXERCISE "FINCH" UNITY IS 1/63360.</p> | <p>(a) 1150 yds of white sand badly obstructed with flat rocky ledges and boulders around low water mark. 20-30 yds of soft sand above HW mark. 10-20 yds of firm sand between HW and LW marks Gradient - above HW mark about 1 in 10; between HW & LW marks about 1 in 15.</p> <p>(b) 400 yds of white sand covering a coral formation which leads out to UNITY REEF. The approach to this part of the sector is fouled by the reef. Gradients as at (a).</p> <p>(c) UNITY REEF :- a coral and sand formation running about 1500 yds off shore to the ENE with less than 3 ft of water over it in parts at low water. at low water Springs parts of it show.</p> | <p>(a) LC can use parts of the beach after a careful survey has been made to locate positions of the obstructions in shallow water. Craft should beach with NO water gap at HW and with 10-20 yds water gap below half tide with greatest depth of 18" at the ramp. Suitable for amphibians.</p> <p>(b) Unsuitable for LC.</p> <p>(c) LC should not approach within the charted limits of the REEF until a careful survey of it has been made</p> |
| <p><u>UNCLE</u></p> <p>Being from SOUTH end of unnamed pt (502 006) to NO CLIFF PT (504996)</p> <p>Total length 1000 yds.</p> | <p>1000 yds of white sand beach, the approaches to which are clear. There appears to be a false beach 5 to 10 yds off shore at LW. Approaches to the beach are unobstructed except for UNITY REEF (in TARE Sector) which lies to the NORTHWARDS.</p> <p>20 - 30 yds of soft sand above HW mark. 10 - 20 yds of firm sand between HW and LW Mark.</p> <p>Gradients - Above HW mark above 1 in 6; between HW and LW marks above 1 in 15.</p> | <p>Suitable for LC. Craft should beach with dry ramps at HWE. At other states of tide water gap up to 20 yds may be expected with greatest depth at ramp of 18 inches.</p> |

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APPEX 'A' to 25 Aust
Inf Bde Special
FINCH Int Summary
No 1.

ARTY

| A' REA | 37mm | 75mm | AA |
|-----------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| SE Coa st Plain | 4 | 4 | |
| UNITY Airfield | | 2 | 6 |
| W Coast Plain | 2 | 6 | |
| Total | 6 | 12 | 6 |

| Area | SE Coast Plain | UNITY Air Field | W Coast Plain | Total |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|
| Inf | 150 | | 1050 | 1200 |
| Fd Arty | 150 | 80 | 260 | 490 |
| Engrs | | 500 | | 500 |
| AA | | 170 | | 170 |
| Base & L of C | 210 | 180 | 350 | 740 |
| Total | 510 | 930 | 1660 | 3100 |

LEGEND

- Arc of Fire 75mm guns
- Airfield Area
- Arc of Fire 75mm guns in Coast Plain
- AA Posns
- Beach

War Diary

APPENDIX IX

PL EXERCISE IN CO-OP WITH TKS 19/20 OCT 44.

HQ 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
G422/967
Oct 44.

All Coys.

Copy to - Tp 2/9 Aust Arm Regt (Matilda Tks)
CO
25 Aust Inf Bde
File
War Diary ✓

1. Attached is CO covering the pl exercise in coop with tks 19/20 Oct 44.
2. This CO is given as a model for a simple op and should be shown to all Offrs and NCO's.
3. Coys may consider that minor changes may be necessary to the text of the order but it should be remembered that it is given as a guide only to the correct method of producing an CO and if given verbally it will be noted that it could be quoted verbatim.

Overhead Capt.
AHQ 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

Ref Enlargement Area B

INFM

1. Enemy
HILL 462346. (1) Estimated one pl str located feature ONE TREE
(11) Area clear mines and Tk A def.
2. Own Tps
One tp 2/9 Aust Armd Regt (Matilda Tanks) comes
under comd 1400 hrs 13 Oct 44.

INTENTION

3. 7 P1 will capture ONE TREE HILL.

METHOD

4. tks co-op. Attack with two sec fwd and one in res with

5. Fwd TpsLeft

1 sec
with under comd
one Matilda Tk

Right

2 sec
with under comd
one Matilda Tk.

6. Objective
Crest ONE TREE HILL.
7. Bdys
Inter sec incl to number 1 sec TREE
8. Assembly posn
Timber 454347
9. SL
Fence 454346 - 454348
10. H hr
0600 hrs.
11. Rate of adv
100 yds in 1 min
12. Bearing of attack
91 degrees true
13. Res
(a) 3 sec
(b) Task - exploitation 100 yds
14. Action on reaching objective
(a) Fwd tps - consolidation.
(b) Res - exploitation
(c) 1 Tks - remain on objective 5 mins thence
move to assembly area 456347

(d) CS I Tks - remain on objective 10 mins then move to assembly area 456347.

15. Tks

- (a) one tk I will be under cmd each 1 & 2 secs and will move at inf speed with assaulting secs and engage targets.
- (b) one tk CS I under cmd 7 pl HQ with the following role :
 - (1) move at tk speed reach objective 5 mins before assaulting secs and engage targets.
 - (ii) remain on objective and move to assembly area 456347 with other two tks.

ADM

16. Water

Bottles filled.

17. Ann

Coy res 454346

18. FOL

Tks will carry sufficient for 60 mins.

19. Supps

Unexpired portion of days ration and one emergency ration.

20. Blankets & res clothing

Dumped rd junc 451349

21. Med

RAP 451349

22. Rec

Non runners will be towed.

23. PW

Cage 452349

INTERCONN

24. P1 HQ

Assembly area thence axis of adv with res sec.

25. Wireless

Silence until H hr.

26. Lt sigs

Success RND RND RND

27. Synchronisation

By P1 Comd H - 15 mins.

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Lt.
Comd 7 Pl.

METHOD OF ISSUE

Runner

TIME OF SIGNATURE

0400 hrs

DISTRIBUTION

1 Sec

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2 sec

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3 sec

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tp 2/9 Aust Armd Regt
(Matilda tks)

4

File

5 - 6

War Diary

7 - 8

2/25 AUST INF BN ADM ORDER 9

SECRET
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19 Oct 44

Ref Map CAIRNS 1/63360

1. Gen

The staff for LSI GLEN AIRN as per appx A will move to TRINITY BEACH area 0800 hrs 21 Oct 44 and probably embark from UNITY BEACH AM 22 Oct 44.

2. OC Party

Lt M W YUNGHANNS

3. Assembly

Personnel will assemble vicinity C Coy tennis court 0730 hrs.

4. Dress

- (a) Shirts JG, Slacks JG, Hats KFF, gaiters, marching order, personal weapons.
- (b) Kit bags will be left in Coy lines
- (c) SD will NOT be taken.

5. Supps

Personnel will carry unexpired portion of days ration plus one days hard ration all carried in bulk.

6. Gear to be carried

- (a) Tent shelter halves, mosquito nets, three blankets, one ground sheet and two pairs of boots per man.
- (b) Offrs may take valises.

7. Med

- (a) OC Party will carry 14 days sup of atebrine for issue to personnel and be responsible for its daily issue to tps.
- (b) One bottle of insect repellent lotion will be issued in assembly area at 0730 hrs.

8. Tpt

2 x 30 cwt vehs will report assembly area 0755 hrs.

9. MOV

2/25 Aust Inf Bn party will move independently and will report to Capt A S GEE 25 Aust Inf Bde 638837.

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Knerrilood Capt
Adjnt 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

| METHOD OF ISSUE | Runner | | |
|-------------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|
| TIME OF SIGNATURE | 1200 hrs | | |
| DISTRIBUTION | Copy with Appx A | | Copy with Appx A |
| A Coy | 1 | Bn HQ Details | 6 |
| B Coy | 2 | QM | 7 |
| C Coy | 3 | OC Party | 8 |
| D Coy | 4 | File | 9 - 10 |
| HQ Coy | 5 | War Diary | 11 - 12 |

App A

STAFF FOR LSI to move Sat 21 Oct 44

| | | | | | | |
|----------|----------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|--|------------------|------|
| | VX 71499 | Lt | M W YUNGHANNS | | Ships QM | (HQ) |
| | QX 49370 | Lt | L V LACHLAN | | Messing Offr | (B) |
| Qx10916 | QX 14267 | Sjt | MARK THOMAS W S J R | | Orderly Room Sjt | (D) |
| | QX 15433 | L sjt | HILL B | | Tp deck sjt | (B) |
| | QX 11136 | Sjt | TURNER C A | | " " " | (C) |
| | QX 10064 | Sjt | JAMES J J | | " " " | (A) |
| | QX 12143 | Pte | DITTMAN F S | | Butcher | (B) |
| | QX 11992 | Pte | PEDERSEN J L | | Baker | (HQ) |
| | QX 10838 | Pte | SHIELDS A S | | Cook | (HQ) |
| | QX 26999 | Pte | ROBERTS C W | | " | (D) |
| | QX 10986 | Pte | McGUINNESS M J | | " | (HQ) |
| | QX 11119 | Pte | MEEKIN W D | | " | (C) |
| | NX 86272 | Pte | FISHER D | | Guide Bn HQ | |
| Nx137431 | NX 105048 | Pte | HALL GRIMSHAW B A J | | " HQ Coy | |
| | QX 10064 | Pte | RYAN D | | " A Coy | |
| Qx23334 | NX 96964 | Pte | De BRITT C W J Budden E G | | " B Coy | |
| | VX 133832 | Pte | GILLILAND M H | | " C Coy | |
| | TX 3111 | Pte | MANWARRING R D | | " D Coy | |
| | QX 17513 | Sjt | MOORE H C) | | | |
| | QX 29171 | Pte | WEH H C) | | | |
| | QX 38241 | Pte | WATTS J H) | | | |
| | NX 116931 | Pte | GARLINGE C F) | | | |

Kitchen fatigues (HQ)

2/25 AUST INF BN ADM ORDER 10

SECRET
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19 Oct 44

to be read in conjunction with Adm Order 8

Ref Map CAIRNS 1/63360
GORDONVALE 1/633601. Gen

Main body 2/25 Aust Inf Bn less rear party (2 offrs
57 ORs) will move to TRINITY BEACH area B4 640828 (this
amends accn area shown in Adm Order 8) at 0800 hrs Sun 22
Oct 44.

2. Allotment of MT

Appx A

3. Embussing

- (a) Vehs will report to coy lines at 0500 hrs
- (b) Tps, stores etc will be embussed in unit lines.

4. Guides

- (a) 2 per coy and 1 from Bn HQ will report to TO at
Bn HQ at 0430 hrs.
- (b) Party will then move to 25 Aust Inf Bde and report
to TO by 0445 hrs.

5. Marking of vehs

TO will mark vehs with unit serial number chalked on
each side of the truck in 18 in letters.

6. Tpt marshalling area

Vehs to be at 478335 by 0755 hrs.

7. SP

478335

8. Start Time

0800 hrs

9. Order of mov

- (a) Serial order - Appx A.
- (b) TO will supervise under direction Lt B R SEYMOUR
25 Aust Inf Bde.

10. Halts

Between MARLEBA and KURANDA - 20 mins

11. Rec

- (a) Breakdown lorry will travel in rear of convoy.
- (b) Rec pts MARLEBA and TRINITY BEACH area.

12. OC Convoy

Maj G A T GOW

13. TC

7 Aust Div Pro.

14. Dress

- (a) Shirts JG, Trousers JG, Hats KFF (incl chin straps), gaiters, marching order, personal weapons.
- (b) Kit bags will be left in Coy lines.
- (c) SD will NOT be taken.
- (d) Tent shelter halves, mosquito nets, three blankets, spare boots and gaiters and 1 set spare clothing will be carried on the man.
- (e) Swimming togs or underpants will be taken.

15. Sups

- (a) Tpt dvrs of vehs (2 per veh) will be rationed for breakfast and lunch 22 Oct by coys to whom they are allotted.
- (b) Dvrs will be first priority to be fed.

16. Eqpt

Full (less first line amn, gas eqpt, etc).
Tentage, accn stores, palliasses, bed boards and beds if available will be taken.

17. Med

Sick parade 1600 hrs 21 Oct 44.

18. Tk A

Will be moved incl guns under direction 2/2 Aust Tk A Regt.

19. Routine

| | |
|---|------|
| Reveille | 0430 |
| Breakfast | 0500 |
| Stores and personnel loaded into vehs, ready to move to marshalling area by | 0730 |

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Capt
Adj 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

METHOD OF ISSUE
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| C Coy | 3 |
| D Coy | 4 |
| HQ Coy | 5 |
| Bn HQ Details | 6 |
| CO | 7 |
| QM | 8 |
| TO | 9 |
| TO | 10 |
| Sig Offr | 11 |
| MO | 12 |
| Padre | 13 |
| Offrs Mess Secretary | 14 |
| Sjts Mess Secretary | 15 |
| File | 16 - 17 |
| War Diary | 18 - 19 |
| Spares | 20 - 24 |

ALLOTMENT OF VEHS

Issued with 2/25 Aust Inf Bn Adm Order 10

| Serial | Sub Unit | Tpt excl domestic vehs | | | Domestic vehs | | | | | Remarks | |
|--------|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------|---------|---------------|--------|------|-------|----------|---------|--|
| | | 3 tonners | Semi trailers | Tippers | 3 ton | 30 cwt | Vans | Jeeps | Trailers | | Water Truck |
| 1 | HQ Coy | 12 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | Personnel, tentage, stores & kitchens |
| 2 | A Coy | 8 | 1 | | | | | | | | do |
| 3 | B Coy | 8 | 1 | | | | | | | | do |
| 4 | C Coy | 7 | 1 | | | | | | | | do |
| 5 | D Coy | 9 | 1 | | | | | | | | do |
| 6 | Bn HQ | 3 | | | | | | | | | Personnel and tentage |
| 7 | Offrs Mess | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Sjts Mess | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 9 | Mortar Pl | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 10 | Sports store & Rec Hut | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | Sigs Pl | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| 12 | MMG Pl | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| 13 | Pnrs Pl | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| 14 | RAP & Hyg | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| 15 | TO | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| 16 | Adm Pl | | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |

FINCH

2/25 AUST INF BN 00 1

Ref Map McCALISTER RANGE 1/63360
Att Sketch 'A'

INFM

1. Enemy

No change from verbal infm by IO.

2. Own Tps

- (a) 25 Aust Inf Bde Gp with 2/31 Aust Inf Bn and 2/33 Aust Inf Bn fwd, 2/25 Aust Inf Bn in res are to seize a covering posn on UNCLE SECTOR SE UNITY ISLAND with bn roles as shown on Sketch A. Phase II to be completed by H + 60.
- (b) Allotment of shipping - Space allotted in the following ships and craft.
LSI EXE - 20 LCA
 3 LCM (3)
LST 4
- (c) Naval sp allocated to 25 Aust Inf Bde Gp.
4 - 6 in gun cruisers
12 - 5 in gun destroyers
2 - LCI (R)
8 - PC Boats
- (d) Air sp available 25 Aust Inf Bde Gp from D Day
6 sqns BOSTONS
3 sqns MITCHELLS
3 sqns BEAUFIGHTERS
Army co-op 'A' flt 5 Tac R Sqn
- (e) The following come under comd 2/25 Aust Inf Bn at 1800 hrs 25 Oct 44
 - (i) 25 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec 4 ORs
 - (ii) 2/5 Aust Fd Coy 1 S sjt
 - 4 sprs
 - (iii) FOO party 2/6 Aust Fd Regt 1 Offr
 - 3 gnrs
 - (iv) 7 Aust Div Fd Security Sec 1 NCO

INTENTION

3. 2/25 Aust Inf Bn will land on UNCLE SECTOR as directed and assemble on shore.

METHOD

4. Landing will be carried out in two main flts each of two coys with subsidiary flts following.

Composition and timings of flts

| | | |
|-----|-----------------------------------|---------|
| 1st | D Coy ULO C Coy | H + 85 |
| 2nd | A Coy Guard post B Coy | H + 90 |
| 3rd | 3 Pl 5 Pl Bn H. (part only) | H + 100 |
| 4th | Remainder bn | H + 115 |

6. Shore assembly posn

Bend in rd 496007.

7. D Day

2 Nov 44

8. H Hr

To be notified.

9. ULO

Maj T J C O'BRYEN

10. Task

(a) Direction of tps to assembly posn.

(b) Remain on beach till bn clear.

11. SFCP

Number 3 comes under comd at assembly.

12. Arty

(a) FOO party under comd from 1800 hrs 25 Oct 44.

(b) Guns on call.

13. Engrs

Recce party under comd from 1800 hrs 25 Oct 44.

14. MMGs

2 guns only will be taken and will be manhandled.

15. Mortars

4 mortars only will be taken and will be manhandled.

16. Tk A

(a) Personnel and guns will move on LST 4.

(b) 4 jeeps and trailers available for towing.

17. Pnrs

5 Pl will come under comd 2/5 Aust Fd Coy on disembarkation and will report to R¹ track junc 498003.

18. Probable Subsequent task

Adv on main NORTH rd to covering posn on att Sketch 'A' with one coy fwd and then patrol.

19. Adv Gd

(a) Comd Capt R W P DODD

(b) Tps D Coy

(c) Time of move - to be notified later.

20. Main body

- (a) Composition - remainder bn in order B Coy, Comd post, C Coy, HQ Coy, Bn HQ, A Coy, F ech tpt.
- (b) Time of move - to be notified later.

21. Mortars

- (a) FOO will move with D Coy.
- (b) Dets will sp move to covering posn from assembly area.

22. Patrolling

As per sketch 'A'

ADM

23. Water

- (a) An additional water bottle will be issued to each man - water bottles to be filled prior to embarkation and NOT used (mythical).
- (b) 2 gal water containers (filled) will be taken on the basis of 3 per pl.
- (c) Under no circumstances will water be used that has NOT been treated.
- (d) One bottle water sterilising tablets will be issued to each man prior to embarkation - further sups can be had on demand (mythical).

24. Amn

1st line will be taken (mythical).

25. POL

- (a) All unit vehs will be embarked with tks 3/4 full.
- (b) Spare petrol will be carried on all vehs. 4 gals per jeep.
- (c) Grease guns to be filled prior to embarkation.

26. Sups

One Fd Op Ration and one emergency ration to be carried on the man (emergency ration mythical).

27. Blankets & res clothing.

- (a) Blankets will NOT be taken.
- (b) Spare set of clothing treated with anti-mite fluid will be taken on board and NOT worn until D - 1. Soiled sets to be bundled in 50s and left on ship (mythical)

28. Dress

As normal.

29. Malarial Precautions

- (a) One mosquito net will be carried.
- (b) QM will carry 10% res of mosquito nets (mythical).
- (c) One bottle mosquito repellent to be carried on the man.
- (d) 100 per cent res in Q store gear (mythical).
- (e) 24 Atebrine tablets per man (mythical).
- (f) 7 days res atebrine in bulk (mythical).
- (g) Normal check on taking of atebrine.

30. Med

- (a) Man Beach DS 502997.
- (b) ADS approx 497008.
- (c) RAP with Bn HQ.
- (d) Bearer party 2/4 Aust Fd Amb moves with 2/25 Aust Inf Bn when bn passes through 2/31 Aust Inf Bn.
- (e) Exercise only
 - (i) Cas evac through Beach DS and staging areas by 8 MAC to 116 AGH.
 - (ii) Hyg - All refuse to be buried. Latrines to be dug and filled in at completion of exercise and marked.

31. Burials

- (a) As normal.
- (b) Beach Maint Area ^{Cemetery} will be used where possible.

32. Personal Effects

Forwarded to 25 Aust Inf Bde for disposal to 2nd ech records.

33. Embarkation

Issued separately.

34. PW

- (a) Two required D Day.
- (b) Beach Maint Area cage 500003.

INTERCOMN

35. Bn HQ

- (a) Before embarkation 641832.
- (b) After embarkation - HMS "EXE" (LSI BLUE).
- (c) Ashore - Comd post moves with B Coy.

36. Wireless

Silence until H - 30 mins.

37. Code words

- (a) For op - FINCH
- (b) For completion Phase III TIPTOP

38. Air Raid Warning

- (a) By RT or LT up to H + 4 hrs.
- (b) After H + 4 hrs three consecutive rounds from a nominated BOFORS.

39. Synchronisation

By sigs H - 120 mins.

ACK

Donner Capt
Adjnt 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

METHOD OF ISSUE Sigs

TIME OF SIGNATURE 0900

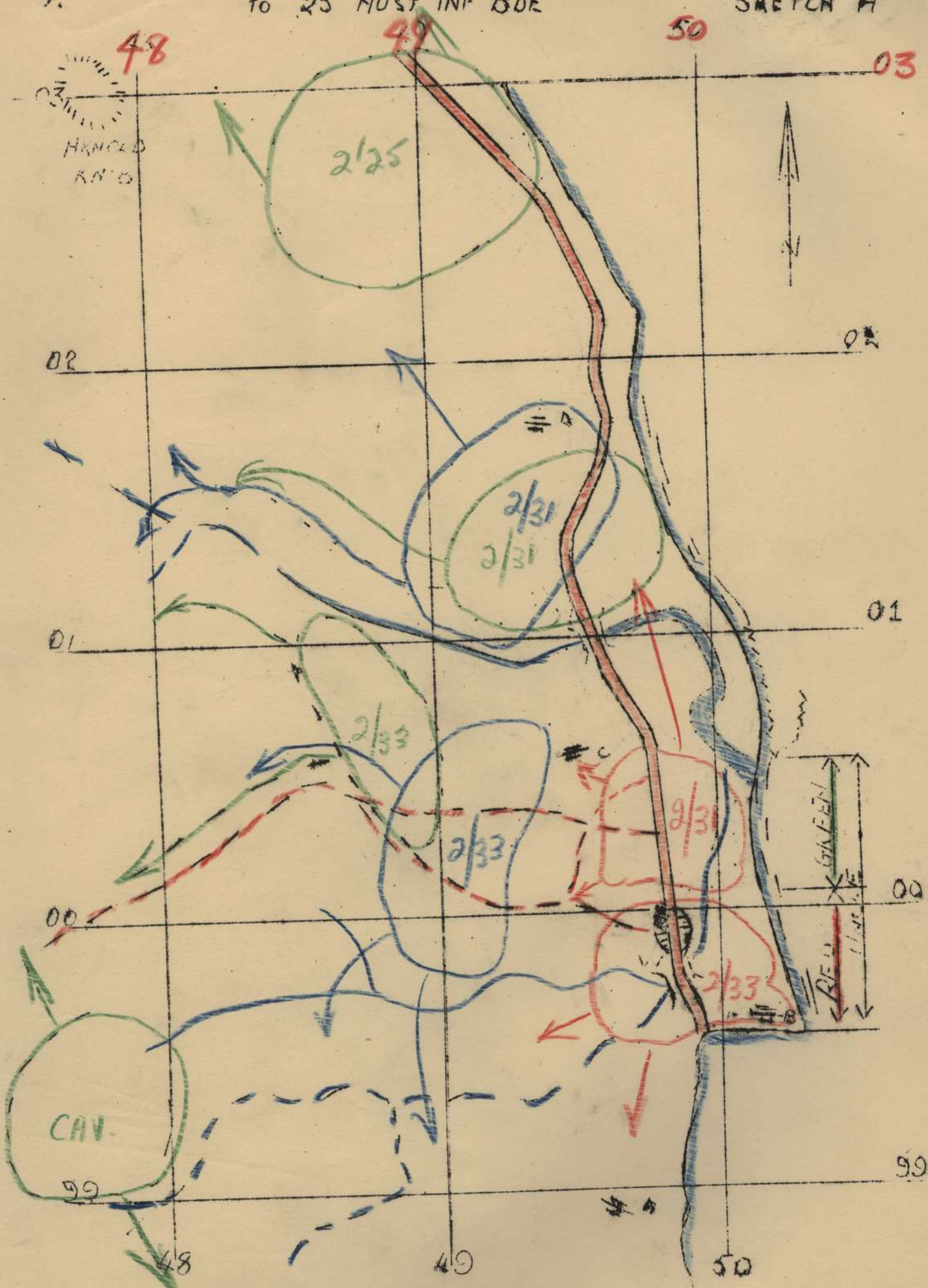
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| 2/5 Aust Fd Coy | 8 |
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OUTLINE PLAN "FINCH"
TO 25 AUST INF BDE

TOP SECRET
SKETCH A



SCALE 4" TO 1 MILE

PHASE 1 ——— (red line)
2 ——— (blue line)
3 ——— (green line)

War diary

2/25 AUST INF BN LANDING TABLE
(Issued in conjunction with 2/25 Aust Inf Bn 00 1)

SECRET
Sheet 1

Craft available - 20 LCA
3 LCM (3)
Turn round times- To ships - 70 mins
To SOUTH UNITY - LCA 80 mins

| Idg Craft Serial Number (a) | Craft Ready to Beach (b) | UNIT (c) | Personnel parties | | Vehicles & guns | | Stores | | Embark sector or Beach (h) | CRAFT (i) | SHIP (j) | Landing Sector and Beach (k) | REMARKS (l) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|--------------|-------------|--|--|
| | | | Foot (d) | Veh (e) | No (f) | Type (f) | Tons (g) | Type (g) | | | | | |
| 68 | H + 85 | 16 Pl | 1 | 29 | | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 69 | H + 85 | 17 Pl 18 Pl | 1 | 25 4 | | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 70 | H + 85 | 2/5 Engr party 18 Pl D Coy HQ Sigs Int | 3 | 5 8 10 3 1 | | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | 108 set, 1 reel cable, DV phone Carried on the man |
| 71 | H + 85 | 18 Pl 13 Pl 14 Pl 15 Pl | 1 | 14 3 6 6 | | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 72 | H + 85 | 13 Pl Bn 2IC and batman 3 runners ex 18 Pl | 2 1 | 23 1 3 | | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 73 | H + 85 | 14 Pl C Coy HQ Sigs Int | 1 1 | 23 1 3 1 | | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | 108 set, 1 reel cable, DV phone Carried on the man |

2/25 AUST INF BN LANDING TABLE (CONTINUATION)

SECRET
Sheet 2

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) | (i) | (j) | (k) | (l) |
|-----|--------|---|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------|-----|-------------|----------------------|---|
| 74 | H + 85 | 15 Pl C Coy HQ | 2 21 1 6 | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 77 | H + 90 | 7 Pl A Coy HQ FOO party | 1 22 1 3 1 3 | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 78 | H + 90 | 8 Pl A Coy HQ (OC & batman) Sigs Int | 2 22 1 1 3 1 | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | 108 set, 1 reel cable, DV phone Carried on tthe man |
| 79 | H + 90 | 9 Pl Sig Offr & batman Sigs | 1 23 1 1 4 | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | 1 x 108, 3 reels cable, 2 DV phones Carried on the man |

2/25 AUST INF BN LANDING TABLE (CONTINUATION)

SECRET
Sheet 3

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) | (i) | (j) | (k) | (l) |
|-----|---------|---|--------|---|-----|-----|---------|-----|-------------|----------------------|---|
| 80 | H + 90 | CO and batman IO and batman Sigs Bde Sigs 18 Pl (to assist BdeSigs) RP 3 Pl (to act with RP as protective sec) 12 Pl Mortar Recce party MMG Recce party A Coy HQ | 1 1 | 1 1 3 4 4 1 2 4 2 2 3 | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | 108 set, 1 rec cable, DV pho Carried on the man 1 x 46 set, 1 22 set, 2 mile cable. Carrie on the man. |
| 81 | H + 90 | 10 Pl B Coy HQ | 1 | 25 4 | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 82 | H + 90 | 11 Pl B Coy HQ (OC & batman) Sigs Int | 1 1 | 23 1 3 1 | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | 108 set, 1 rec cable, 1 DV phone carried on the man, |
| 83 | H + 90 | 12 Pl B Coy HQ | 2 | 23 24 4 | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 85 | H + 100 | Bn HQ 9 Pl 3 Pl | 2 | 3 10 18 15 | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | 2 mortars manhandled |

2/25 AUST INF BN LANDING TABLE (CONTINUATION)

SECRET
Sheet 4

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) | (i) | (j) | (k) | (l) |
|-----|---------|---|-----------------|--|-----|---------------------|---------|-----|-------------|----------------------|--|
| 86 | H + 100 | Adjnt & batman MO & batman Bn HQ 3 Pl | 1 1 | 1 1 | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | Med sups on the man 2 mortars manhandled |
| 87 | H + 100 | 5 Pl | 2 | 28 | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 88 | H + 115 | Bn HQ HQ Coy HQ 1 Pl 2 Pl 6 Pl 8 Pl 11 Pl 12 Pl 18 Pl Fd Security Sec | 2 1 1 | 15 8 7 18 4 4 8 4 3 1 | | | WILLIAM | LCM | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | 108 set, Switch board LOUC, 3 reels cable, 2 DV phones carried on the man 2 MMGs manhandled |
| 89 | H + 115 | HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde 84 Aust Mob SL Bty 7 Aust Div Pro Det 7 Aust Div Sigs Beach Gp Ind Bde Gp Pro Pl 2/4 Aust Pnr Bn | 1 1 | 4 12 14 5 28 | 2 | 1 Jeep & Trailer | WILLIAM | LCM | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 91 | H + 125 | Beach Gp 2/4 Aust Pnr Bn | 5 | 95 | | | WILLIAM | LCM | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |

2/25 AUST INF BN LANDING TABLE (CONTINUATION)

SECRET
Sheet 5

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) | (i) | (j) | (k) | (l) |
|-----|---------|--|------|-----|-----|-----|---------|-----|-------------|----------------------|-----|
| 92 | H + 150 | <u>Beach Gp</u> 2 Aust Ord Beach Gp | 1 23 | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 93 | H + 150 | <u>Beach Gp</u> 2 Aust Ord Beach Gp | 23 | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |
| 94 | H + 150 | 8 Pl 2/1 Aust Gd Regt | 1 28 | | | | WILLIAM | LCA | LSI BLUE | UNCLE as directed | |

*Maj O'Brien
2 1/2 Ho*

H.M.S. GLENEARN

19 Oct 44.

STANDARD INSTRUCTIONS TO BOAT TEAM LEADERS.

1. You are the leader of your Craft Serial, and as such, are responsible for all personnel in the Craft Serial, whether they belong to your Unit or not. You will continue in command of these personnel whilst on the ship and until your landing craft hits the beach, when your responsibility ceases.
2. On arrival in your troop deck, all personnel will place their equipment etc. within the area allotted to your serial and ALL RANKS including Officers, will remain in the troop deck until orders are given over the P/A system that personnel may disperse. This is necessary so that all concerned will hear instructions over the P/A system.
3. Roll call will be made and corrected immediately on arrival at respective troop decks. This will be done in the presence of a member of the R.N. Parade States, by serials, will be handed to Troop Deck Sjts without delay.
4. The Troop Deck Sjt will hand you a copy of Ship's Routine Orders, which will be read to your Craft Serial.
5. The Troop Deck Sjt will issue you with Naval Stores, hammocks etc. for your craft serial, and inform you of hygiene arrangements for your troop deck.
6. You will be required, during the afternoon of day of embarkation, to purchase cigarettes in bulk from Ship's canteen for your Boat Team for the full period of training, as arranged by Messing Officer.
7. When permission is given for personnel to disperse, Officers will report to Billetting Officer at Ante Room, "B" Deck forward, who will arrange for guides to show you your cabins.

(Signed) C.S. MORRIS Capt
Ship's Adjutant

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

H.M.S. GLEBEARN

Lt-Col R. H. MARSON D.S.O.

At Sea

1/44.

O.C. TROOPS

26 Oct 44.

1. ROUTINE: (Unless otherwise ordered for exercise)

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Reveille | 0600 hrs |
| Admin Parade | 0615 |
| Breakfast | 0745 |
| Lunch | 1300 |
| Tea | 1600 |
| Retreat | Sunset |
| Attebrin Parade | 1800 |
| Supper | 1930 |

NOTE Attebrin parade to be conducted by Boat Team Leaders.

2. DUTIES

(a) The following details will mount at 1815 hrs daily:-
Orderly Sjt and 2 Runners
Picquet of 1 Sjt and 6 ORs (Dismount 2400 hrs)

(b) Cleaning Fatigue. All troop decks, including well Deck. Two men per troop deck to be detailed by Troop Deck Sjts and will work under their supervision.

(c) Hygiene. Bn Hygiene Section will be responsible for daily supervision of latrines and ablutions throughout troop deck area.

3. SHIP'S INSPECTION:

During Ship's Army Inspection at 1000hrs, all troops will be clear of troop decks

4. SICK PARADE - 0700 hrs:

Sick personnel will parade to Troop Deck Sjts at 0645 hrs and will be paraded to Ship's Army Orderly Room. Orderly Sjt will parade sick personnel to SICK BAY located on "C" DECK, GENECASTLE AFT PORT SIDE.

5. MAIL:

To be censored by Boat Team Leaders and forwarded to Orderly Room. Army mail will NOT be posted in Ship's letter boxes.

6. SECURITY:

(a) SHIP'S NAME, NATURE OF TRAINING AND LOCALITY WILL NOT BE MENTIONED.

(b) Refuse will be thrown overboard whilst the ship is in training area. This assists greatly in maintenance of cleanliness. NOTE. The Ship's normal order in this regard is that refuse will not be thrown overboard but placed in receptacles provided.

(c) Cameras will not be used on the ship or in port. Any cameras brought aboard must be in hold luggage; if found elsewhere, they will be confiscated and held by OC troops.

6. SECURITY (Cont):

- (d) Radio sets, electric razors, phonographs and flashlights are forbidden. (Boat Team Leaders will pay particular attention to this matter).
- (e) Only those specifically authorized by emergency regulations will carry flashlights, and this in the performance of duty.

7. WATER:

- (a) Water conservation measures may be in force throughout the training. The hours during which water will be available will be posted on Bulletin Board on troop decks.
- (b) There must be no wastage in the use of fresh water. Water bottles should be kept filled.
- (c) Troops may wash clothes whilst on board, but they are requested to use the minimum quantity of water for this purpose.

8. SLEEPING ON DECKS:

Troops are permitted to sleep on decks and in the L.C.M. Craft aft (engine room excepted). They will not, under any circumstances, sleep in LGMs. Troops will NOT sleep in or in the vicinity of the forward LGM boats.

9. HYGIENE:

Attention of all ranks is drawn to Captain's Orders reference to prevention of dirt. These orders are posted throughout the Ship.

10. DISCIPLINE:

- (a) Sitting on rails or exposed positions is forbidden.
- (b) Cabin doors will be hooked back when opened and not closed at night.
- (c) All electric lights and fans will be switched off when cabins are not in use.
- (d) Gambling is NOT permitted.
- (e) TRAFFICKING IN FOOD AND DRINK BETWEEN TROOPS AND MEMBERS OF THE CREW IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN.
- (f) Climbing of rigging, entering of Landing Craft, and sitting or lying on upper deck hatchways, by day or night, is prohibited.

11. DRESS:

Troops may remove shirts when off parade, except when otherwise ordered.

12. WEAPONS:

To be unloaded prior to embarkation.

13. FIRE:

- (a) Fire fighting equipment must not be tampered with. Clothing or other equipment must not be hung on these units.
- (b) All personnel are forbidden to tamper with water tight doors or fire doors.
- (c) Any person discovering a fire should at once attempt to extinguish it. At the same time, he should summon assistance from the nearest person at hand, who will quickly and quietly inform the Ship's Officer on the bridge. Personnel will not proceed to Emergency Stations until the signal for such action is announced over the Public Address system.

(3)

14. SHIP'S DRILL:

For Emergency Station Routes, Action Stations and "Abandon Ship" Stations, see Appendix "A". Hatch doors on 5 and 6 Troop Deck will not be interfered with by troops.

15. COMPLIMENTS:

The Naval custom is to sound "Retreat" at sunset, when all Army personnel will stand to attention facing aft. Officers and WOs, wearing head dress, will salute. Troops under cover will sit to attention. Ceremonial is also observed at 0800 hrs when ship is in port.

When boarding or leaving the ship over the gangway, all ranks will salute the Quarter-deck.

Compliments will be paid as above.

16. GENERAL:

- (a) Life jackets will be worn at all times when on duty.
- (b) Noise will be reduced to a minimum to prevent interference with verbal orders to ship's crews and to army personnel. This is essential.
- (c) Kitchen staff will have weapons and steel helmets available at all times.

17. CANTEEN:

CANTEEN IS OUT OF BOUNDS AT ALL TIMES.

Cigarettes, on the basis of 10 per man per day, will be obtainable from Boat Team Leaders under Army arrangements.

(Signed) C.S. MORRIS Capt.
Ship's Adjutant.

APPENDIX "A" TO SHIP'S ROUTINE ORDERS.EMERGENCY STATIONS, ROUTES ETC:

| <u>Troop Deck</u> | <u>Messing</u> | <u>Emergency Station</u> | <u>Route</u> |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| E-1 | 29 | Port side, f'wd well | Up Port staircase to Port alleyway and f'wd to well deck. |
| E-2 | 79 | St'bd side, f'wd well | Up St'bd staircase to St'bd alleyway and f'wd to well deck. |
| E-3 | 134 | Port side, f'wd well | Up Port staircase to Port alleyway and f'wd to well deck. |
| E-5 | 112 | St'bd side, well deck | Up St'bd staircase to St'bd alleyway and f'wd to well deck. |
| E-4 | 189 | Port side, aft well | Up Port staircase to port side aft well deck |
| E-6 | 108 | St'bd side aft well | Up St'bd staircase to St'bd aft well deck. |
| D-7 | 106 | Port & St'bd side, aft well deck. | Troops in this compartment will stand fast until E-4 & F-6 have taken their position, then proceed onto aft well deck thru St'bd & Port exits. |

All troops are to maintain silence when at their allotted stations and are to inflate their lifebelts. They are not to move about, but remain still until ordered to move. They are to leave a clear gangway on either side of the ship to enable the seamen to carry out their work.

B.T.L. will go to their compartments immediately on "ACTION or EMERGENCY STATIONS" sounding. They will be responsible for the rapid clearance of troop decks for "Emergency Stations" and will leave after assuring themselves that no one has been left behind. B.T.L. will post responsible NCOs to regulate traffic and to keep men moving on to their respective "Emergency Stations".

All personnel will remain at their stations until the order to dismiss is given by the Ship's Captain or the Officer Commanding Troops.

HOSPITAL PATIENTS will be evacuated under the supervision of the Ship's surgeon in accordance with evacuation plan.

Officers and other cabin occupants will assemble with their own troops unless detailed for special duty.

It must be clear to all ranks that Emergency Stations are assembly points and are NOT to be regarded as allocations to any particular landing craft.

ACTION STATIONS:

When "Action Stations" is sounded on the bugle or passed over

ACTION STATIONS (Cont):

the Wa/T as "ACTION, ACTION, ACTION", all embarked troops are to proceed to their troop decks and remain there, AND LIE DOWN.

"ABANDON SHIP"

The warning -- "ALL HANDS ON DECK" will be sounded by Public Address system, when troops will proceed to emergency stations.

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"GLENEARN"
15 OCT 44

ORDERS FOR EMBARKED TROOPS

PREVENTION OF DIRT

1. The throwing of matches, match boxes, cigarette ends and any other kind of refuse anywhere on to the deck is ABSOLUTELY forbidden as also is spitting on the deck.
2. One has only to contemplate the consequences of 1500 men using the decks of the ship, which is their home, as an ash-tray or dust bin, in order to realise how necessary it is to ENFORCE this order rigidly. Sentries must be posted for this purpose. For example, if each man smokes only 5 cigarettes per day, this may mean 7500 cigarette ends on the deck, to which must be added matches and cartons.
3. Officers on "A" and "B" decks are requested to be very careful not to throw rubbish into the L.C.A.'s hoisted level with "B" deck.

SMOKING

Smoking is prohibited everywhere except on the upper deck and only then between sunrise and $\frac{1}{4}$ hour after sunset. Smoking in or in the vicinity of LCA's is STRICTLY FORBIDDEN.

PARTS OF THE SHIP TO WHICH EMBARKED TROOPS ARE CONFINED

1. All decks above D Deck are out of bounds.
2. No embarked troops are allowed to move anywhere except:
 - (a) On the troop decks
 - (b) On the after well decks
 - (c) On the Poop, starboard side.
3. Exceptions to above:--
 - (a) Embarkation into LAC's for drills and operations
 - (b) Men attending at the sick bay.
 - (c) Officers' batmen.

BLACKOUT :-

Darken Ship is the order to blackout.

Undarken ship is the permissive order to open dead lights and pull blackout curtains.

During the blackout NO matches may be struck and NO smoking is permitted on the upper deck, and NO electric torches may be used. All dead lights are to be down and blackout curtains drawn.

BY ORDER

(Signed) C.L.G. HUTCHISON
CAPTAIN R.N.

H.M.S. GLENHORN
26 Oct 44.

TRAINING IN BOAT DRILL

POINTS TO BE OBSERVED

The following instructions will be read by all Boat Team Leaders to their troops before the commencement of training:-

1. Movement from Troop Decks to Boat Positions

The timetable allows ample time for slow and careful movement of troops. Speed is secondary to control, especially by night. The undermentioned procedure will be followed in training:-

(a) On the command "STAND BY", Boat Team Leaders will form up in serial in line, having regard to the order necessary to comply with para 2.

(b) On the order to move, each man will clasp some portion of the equipment of the man in front and retain contact until Boat Station is reached.

(c) Boat Team Leader will move slowly so as to ensure continuity of serial during movement.

2. Method of entry into LCA'S at Davit Positions

Troops will embark at the stern of the craft, file forward and fill up from bow to stern. Fill the outboard side first, inboard side next and centre last.

So that assault waves may do this without confusion on arrival at craft, Boat Team Leaders will require to marshall their troops correctly before leaving the Troop Deck. The reverse procedure will be adopted when disembarking from craft to L.I.

3. CREW DISCIPLINE

Troops must remain seated in craft as follows:-

(a) On entering craft at davit position, remain seated until craft has been lowered to the water and is clear.

(b) During the final phase of the ~~xxxxxx~~ run-in to the beach for the assault. The crew will notify Boat Team Leaders when this ~~xxxx~~ stage is reached.

(c) On returning to ship during approach and until hoisting has been completed.

4. Re-embarkation into Craft during training.

Troops must always be ready for immediate embarkation before arrival of craft on beach. It is essential that craft be kept on beach for the absolute minimum of time. Strict observance of this ~~xxxx~~ rule and speedy embarkation greatly reduces the risk of craft broaching to with consequent damage.

C. J. MORRIS Capt.
 Ship's Adit.

H.M.S. "GLENEARN"
24 OCT 44

2/25 AUST INF BN L.T.

CRAFT DIAGRAM

| WAVE | TO TOUCH DOWN AT | CRAFT | | | | | | | NO & TYPE OF CRAFT |
|------|------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1 | H Hr | 12P 74 | 9P 73 | 7P 73 | 2P 71 | 2S 70 | 7S 69 | 9S 68 | 7 LCAs |
| 2 | H Plus 5 | P10 83 | P5 82 | P3 81 | S3 80 | S5 79 | S10 78 | S12 77 | 7 LCAs |
| 3 | H Plus 15 | | | P6 87 | S6 86 | S8 85 | | | 3 LCAs |
| 4 | H Plus 30 | P8 94 | Z 89 | | | Y 88 | | | 2 LCM 1 LCA |

CRAFT REQUIREMENTS 12 LCA
2 LCM

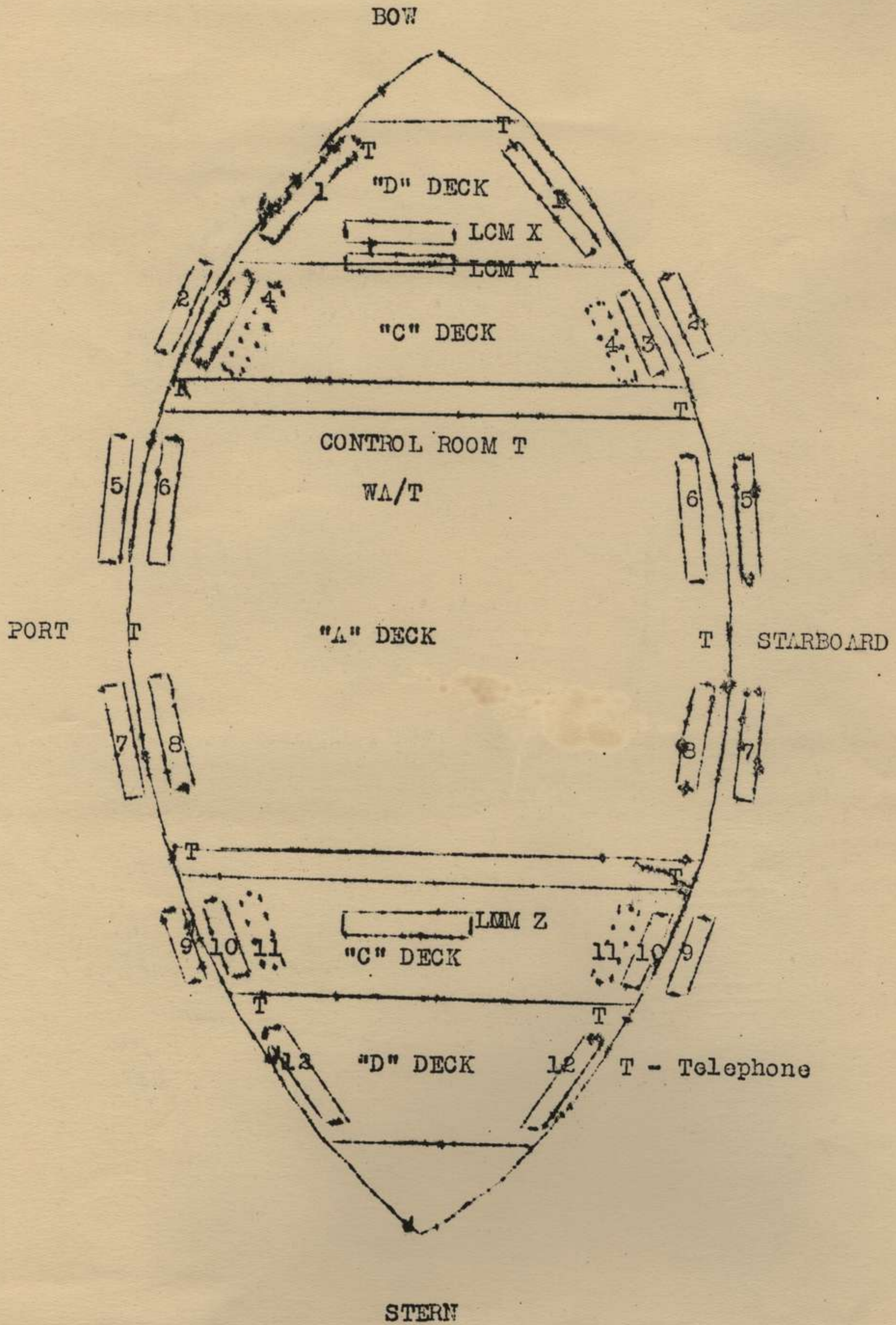
(SGD) C.S. MORRIS CAPT
SHIP'S ADJT

15 Oct 44.

DIAGRAMATIC PLAN SHOWING CRAFT DAVIT POSITIONS ON

H.M.S. "GLENEARN".

(Not to Scale)



H.M.S. "GLENEARN"
26 Oct 44

TRAINING PROGRAMME AND NOTES FOR DAY 1 AND DAY 2

1st DAY

- 1000 - Conference in Wardroom "C" Deck forward
Captain and Ships Officers attend.
All Army Officers and any NCO's who are Boat Team
leaders attend.
- 1045 (approx) Ships Officers show Boat Team Leaders routes to their craft
from Troop Decks.
- 1115 (approx) Complete serials to exercise in movement from Troop Decks
into craft - without equipment.
Order to move will be given over P/A system. Return to
Troop Decks when ordered over loud speaker.
- 1630 hrs Exercise in movement into craft with full equipment - all
heavy weapons, stores and wireless equipment will be left
in craft.

2nd DAY

- 0845 Make Ready - for practice landing
1st Wave Touch Down 0938 hrs
- Serials will re-embark commencing at 1100 hrs in REVERSE
ORDER to ~~the~~ the landing i.e. commencing with 4th wave.
Serials will be marshalled on beach in the same relative
positions in (lowest Nos on the right flank facing inland
at 50 yard intervals) and will be ready for speedy
re-embarkation the moment the craft touches down. On return
to ship heavy gear will be left in craft.
When ready to re-embark Bn LT will arrange for white flag
supplied by the ship to be waved in the centre of the
strip of beach being used.
Craft may be called in earlier than 1100 hrs (if required)
by the same method.
- 1630hrs Boat Team Leaders meet in Wardroom to synchronise watches and
carry out timed exercise WITHOUT TROOPS.
- 1730 hrs Talk by Ships Officers to Troops in the following Troop
Decks:-
2 3 4 and 7
(Tps in No 1. Deck will move to No.2 for talk.
" " No 5 " " " " No.3 " "
" " No 6 " " " " No.4 " "
- ²⁰⁰⁰
2030 hrs Night Embarkation Practice.

(SGD) C.S. MORRIS CAPT
SHIP'S ADJT.

Subject: CLOSE SP OF LDOS
TRIAL OF 3 IN MORTARS FIRED FROM ALC 40

HQ 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
G/22/1109
30 Oct 44

Hq Coy
CO
QM
TO
MO
War Diary ✓
File

1. GEN

A series of trials firing 3 in mortars from an ALC 40 will be conducted on 31 Oct 44.

2. LOCATION

Area bounded by DOUBT ISLAND 628924 - 628927 and 638930 - 640926 ref map MACALISTER RANGE 1/63360

3. OBJECT

The object of these trials is to test the effectiveness of 3 in mortars fired from a ldg craft during the approach to a bch.

4. TPS

Mortar Pl plus 2 pnr personnel for constn of mortar posn and demolition of blinds.

5. CRAFT AVAILABLE

1 ALC 40 from 41 Aust Mil Ldg Craft Coy.

6. METHOD

- (a) Mortars are mounted in craft braced against hardwood beams. The foremost part is mounted 18 ft from bow of craft to ensure safe clearance of the raised ramp.
- (b) Augmenting charges to be used - 3 in mortar 100 grain MC (Y).
- (c) Firing to open at 2000 yds.
- (d) Firing to cease 400 yds from target area.
- (e) Target area to be engaged by 3 in mortar - 100 yds on either side of zero line and 350 yds from water line.
- (f) Programme of firing attached as Appx "A"

7. ADM

- (a) MO will sup 1 med orderly.
- (b) 102 rounds 3 in mortar 12 as supplied by 25 Aust Inf Bde.
- (c) 4 shovels, 4 axes, carpenters kit will be supplied by pnr pl, also 40 sandbags.
- (d) Tpt will leave 2/25 Aust Inf Bn Area at 0630 hrs 31 Oct 44 for 41 Aust Mil Ldg Craft Coy and return from that area at approx 1500 hrs 31 Oct 44.
- (e) QM will arrange 02 rations for midday meal.

PROGRAMME OF FIRING

| <u>RUN</u> | <u>TYPE OF MORTAR</u> | <u>CHARGE</u> <u>1 PRIMARY</u> <u>PLUS</u> | | | | |
|------------|-----------------------|--|--------------|-----------|---------|------|
| 1 | 3 in | 9 | H hr | 2000 yds) | 6 rpgpm | |
| | | 8 | H + 1 min | 1800 yds) | | |
| | | 7 | H + 2 mins | 1600 yds) | | |
| | | 6 | 3.5 | 1300 | | yds) |
| | | | H + 3 mins | 1200 | | |
| | | 5 | H+ 4.5 mins | 1100 yds) | | |
| | | 4 | H + 5.5 mins | 900 yds) | | |
| | | Half 3) | H + 6.5 mins | 700 yds) | | |
| | | Half 2) | H + 8 mins | 400 yds) | | |

2 Repetition of run No 1

NOTE (a) Total bombs to be fired:-

Run 1 48
Run 2 48

(b) Speed of barge based at 6 knots or approx 200 yds per min.

-2-

8. INTERCOMN

By SCR 536(b) from ALC 40 to observers on BUCHAN PT.

General Capt
Adj't 2/25 Aust Inf Bn

~~2/25~~
heat brassSubject: DANCE MOSSMANHQ 2/25 Aust Inf Bn
A30/1114
31 Oct 44All Coys
Bn HQ Details
2IG
TO

1. A dance will be held at Shire Hall MOSSMAN on Tue 31 Oct 44.
2. Allotment ~~is~~ as follows:-

| | | |
|-----------------|---------------|---|
| A, B, C, D Coys | 15 | |
| Bn HQ Details | 21 | 7 |
| HQ Coy | 23 | |
| Offrs | | |
3. Tpt will leave tpt lines 1730 hrs and return 2359 hrs. TO will supervise.
4. Admission is free - regimental funds will defray cost.
5. Dress - JG, web belt, boots, gaiters.
6. Leave to CAIRNS 31 Oct 44 is cancelled.
7. Nominal rolls to Bn HQ by 1630 hrs.

Franklin
Adjnt 2/25 Aust Inf Bn ~~xxxxx~~ Capt

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

A/24 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7/10/1944 2/25 Bn AIF (Unit)

W.E. 11 120/3 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

| W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED. | | | | DETAIL. | ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E. | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|----------|----|--------|--|--|
| 1 Rein'ts Required. | 2 Deficient W.E. | 3 Surplus to W.E. | 4 Posted Strength. | | 6 Arm or Corps. | 7 Posted Strength. | 8 Surplus to W.E. | 9 Deficient W.E. | 10 Rein'ts Required. | | | | | | | |
| Nil | 2 | 2 | 1 3 7 22 | * * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs. | AAMC | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nil | 2 | 2 | 33 | | | 1 | Nil | Nil | Nil | | | | | | | |
| | | | | DETAIL | A.I.F. | C.M.F. | A.W.A.S. | A.A.N.S. | A.A.M.W.S. | CIVIL. | R.A.N. | R.A.A.F. | ** | TOTAL. | | |
| Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2). | | | | A. | A | | | | | | | | | 34 | | |
| | | | | E.(1) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | E.(2) | | | | | | | | | | | | |

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | Unit From. | Date. | CAUSE. |
|----------|--------|--------------------|---------------|---------|------------------------|
| 6378 | Lt-Col | MARSON R H | LHQ OFFR PRE- | 4.10.44 | Ceased to be detached. |
| 6302 | Maj | O'BRYEN T J C | 2/2 AG H | 2.10.44 | Discharged to unit |

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING THE WEEK

| | | | | | |
|-------|------|---------------|----------------|---------|-------------------|
| 6305 | Maj | O'BRYEN T J C | Amphibious Trg | 6.10.44 | Detached for duty |
| 6414 | Capt | CRONBIE W M | do | do | do |
| 17291 | Lt | JEFFERSON K M | do | do | do |
| 11094 | Lt | THOMAS R E | do | do | do |
| 35916 | Lt | O'ROURKE M E | do | do | do |
| 66020 | Lt | SWEETING | do | do | do |

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | Unit To. | Date. | CAUSE. |
|----------|-------|--------------------|-----------|---------|----------------------|
| 740 | Lt | CARVOSO I G | do | do | do |
| 754 | Lt | ROBINSON K E | do | do | do |
| 20640 | Lt | RODGERS R F | do | do | do |
| 98 | Lt | MAGPARLANE S | do | do | do |
| 37987 | Lt | McCOSKER H F | do | do | do |
| 14477 | Capt | MILFORD C F | Hq 25 Bde | 5.8.44 | Seconded AMF List 48 |
| 53261 | Lt | ROSS R R H | Hospital | 5.10.44 | Evacuated |
| 48370 | Lt | LACHLAN L V | do | 4.10.44 | do |

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known). |
|----------|-------|--------------------|---|
| | | N I L | |

2/25 AUST INF BN Unit

A 24 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7/10/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|--|---|---------------------|
| Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held. | Army Number. | Surname. | Initials. | Posting. | Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No) | If not present with Unit, state how employed. | Date of Detachment. |
| LT-COL | OX 6378 | MARSON | R H | CO | YES | | |
| MAJ | OX 6305 | O'BRYEN | T J | 2IC | NO | Amphibious Trg Cadre | 6.10.44 |
| MAJ | OX 6352 | ROBERTSON | A C | - | NO | INDIA as Observer (Secondment pending) | 31.8.44 |
| CAPT | OX 6338 | ROOFS | W C | OC B | YES | | |
| T/MAJ | OX 6339 | GOV | G A | OC HQ | YES | | |
| CAPT | OX 6336 | ANDREW | C S | OC A | YES | | |
| CAPT | OX 12255 | HAYDON | F B | OC D | YES | | |
| XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | | | | |
| CAPT | OX 6337 | DODD | R W | OC C | YES | | |
| CAPT | OX 6414 | GRONBYE | W M | 2IC C | NO | Amphibious Trg Cadre | 6.10.44 |
| CAPT | OX 7326 | COX | D L | ADJT | YES | | |
| XXXX LT | OX 17291 | JEFFERSON | K M | IO | NO | Amphibious Trg Cadre | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 9814 | HODGE | B A | A ADJT | YES | | |
| T/CAPT | OX 8570 | MAHONEY | B B | OM | YES | | |
| LT | OX 113715 | AKED | G G | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | OX 10781 | HOWIE | T M | Rifle | NO | Hq 25 Aust Inf Bde | 20.9.44 |
| LT | OX 14393 | McIVER | I K | TO | YES | | |
| LT | OX 11094 | THOMAS | R E | Mortar | NO | Amphibious Trg Cadre | 6.10.44 |
| LT | VX 71499 | YUNGHANNS | M W | Tr A | YES | | |
| LT | OX 2605 | CAMERON | A A | Rifle | NO | GAINNS Reception Camp | 15.9.44 |
| LT | OX 35916 | O'ROURKE | H E | Sigs | NO | Amphibious Trg Cadre | 6.10.44 |
| LT | VX 66020 | SWEETING | F A | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 17776 | OSTON | W C | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | VX 105958 | EGAN | J M | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | OX 127939 | TAUBMAN | A C | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 740 | CARVOSSO | I G | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 754 | SKELTON | | | | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 4203 | ROBINSON | K R | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 4203 | CALCINO | A V | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | OX 52222 | MOFFATT | W S | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | OX 20640 | RODGERS | R P | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 98 | MACFARLANE | B | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 37987 | McCOCKER | H P | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 777 | LONG | K J | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | OX 46596 | GLANVILLE | R D | Rifle | YES | | |

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

| Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held. | Army Number. | Name and Initials. | Unit. | Date of Attachment. | Nature of Attachment. |
|--|--------------|--------------------|-------|---------------------|--|
| CAPT | OX 167015 | MUTTON H V | AAMC | 29.6.43 | RHO |
| ATTACHMENTS NOT ALLOWED BY WE | | | | | |
| CHAPLAIN | OX 54941 | ROBINSON G G | AAMC | 16.7.43 | Chaplain attached from 25 AUST INF BDE |

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 7 / 10 / 1944.

| Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.) B/Fwd | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.) B/Fwd | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.) B/Fwd | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. |
|--|------|------------------|-------------------|--|------|------------------|-------------------|---|------|------------------|-------------------|---|------|------------------|-------------------|
| Ammunition Examiners | | | | Surveyors, Engineering | | | | Operating Room Assts. | | | | G.P.O. Assistants | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter | | | | Surveyors, R.A.A. | | | | Operator, Keyboard | | | | Hammermen | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical) | | | | Surveyors, Topographical | | | | Operator, Line | | | | Leather Stitchers | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.) | | | | Surveyors, Trigonometrical | | | | Operator, Signal | | | | Orderlies, Nursing | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.) | | | | Toolmakers | | | | Operator, Switchboard | | | | Orderlies, Nursing Mental | | | |
| Armament Artificer Instrument | | | | Turners | | | | Operator, Wireless | | | | Plate Layers | | | |
| Armament Artificer Radio | | | | Watchmakers | | | | Opticians | | | | Bangetakers | 4 | 3 | NR |
| Armament Artificer Signals | | | | Welders | | | | Painters | X | 1 | | Riveters | | | |
| Armament Artificer Wireless | | | | | | | | Panel Beaters | | | | Roughriders | | | |
| Artificer, Artillery | | | | | | | | Photographer, Dry Plate | | | | Saddlers | | | |
| Artificer, Engine | | | | | | | | Predictor Numbers | | | | Saddletree makers | | | |
| Blacksmiths | 1 | 1 | | | | | | Printers | | | | Shoemaker and Boot Repairer | | | |
| Bricklayers | | | | | | | | Radiographers | | | | Stevadores | | | |
| Computors | | | | | | | | Riggers | | | | Stokers, Staty. Engine | | | |
| Cooks, Hospital | | | | GROUP II. | | | | Sawyers | | | | Storemen, Technical | 4 | 4 | |
| Coppersmiths | | | | Armourers | | | | Signallers | 26 | 30 | | Tailors | 2 | 2 | |
| Dispensers | | | | Axemen | | | | Signwriters | | | | Textile Refitters | | | |
| Draughtsmen | | | | Bakers | | | | Telescope Identfn. Numbers | | | | Tinsmiths | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Architectural) | | | | Bty. Comd's Asst. | | | | Well Borers | | | | Vulcanizers | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Engineering) | | | | Bollermakers | | | | Wheelers | | | | Wagon Erectors | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Mechanical) | | | | Carpenters | 6 | 7 | | Winchman | | | | Whitesmiths | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Topographical) | | | | Carpenters and Joiners | | | | Wireman | | | | NON-SPECIALISTS | | | |
| Electricians | | | | Cooks | | | | Woodturners | | | | Batmen | 35 | 33 | NR |
| Electricians (M.V.) | | | | Dental Mechanics | | | | | | | | Dyrs MT | 12 | 8 | NR |
| Electricians (Signals) | | | | Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.) | | | | | | | | Gen Duties | 3 | 2 | NR |
| Fitters | | | | Driver-Operator | | | | | | | | Hyg Duties | 4 | 4 | |
| Fitters (Cycle) | | | | Drainers | | | | | | | | IMG Nos & Rfn | 397 | 335 | 98 |
| Fitters (Electrical) | | | | Electricians | | | | | | | | MMG Nos | 22 | 24 | |
| Fitters (Gun) | | | | Electricians (Engineers) | | | | | | | | Mortar Nos | 73 | 65 | NR |
| Fitters (Instrument) | | | | Fire Control Operators | | | | GROUP III. | | | | DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN. | | | |
| Fitters (M.V.) | | | | Gun Operator | | | | Battery Surveyors | | | | Orderlies | 32 | 18 | NR |
| Fitters, Railway Signal | | | | Hatchman | | | | Butchers | 1 | 2 | | Pioneers | 32 | 23 | NR |
| Fitters, Signals | | | | Height Taker | | | | Clerks | 12 | 14 | | Provost | 1 | 1 | |
| Grinder, Precision | | | | Helio Operator | | | | Clerks, Supply | | | | Regt Police | 6 | 2 | NR |
| Mechanics, Instrument | | | | Instrument Operator | | | | Clerks, Technical | | | | Storemen | 6 | 5 | NR |
| Mechanics, Instrument (Signals) | | | | Intelligence Duties | 10 | 9 | NR | Coach Trimmers | | | | S/Bearers | 21 | 14 | NR |
| Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical) | | | | Joiners | | | | Concretors | | | | Tk Gun Nos | 19 | 18 | NR |
| Mechanics, Radio | | | | Lineman | | | | Cooks | | | | Water Duts | 2 | 1 | NR |
| Mechanics, Typewriter | | | | Lineman, Signals | | | | Dental Clerk Orderlies | | | | RSM | 1 | 1 | |
| Mechanics, Wireless | | | | Lithographers | | | | Despatch Riders | | | | ATTACHED BY W.E. | | | |
| Millwrights | | | | Machinists, Metal | | | | Draughtsmen, Signals | | | | RQMS | 1 | 1 | |
| Operators, Excavator | | | | Machinists, Wood | | | | Drivers, H.T. | | | | CSM | 5 | 5 | |
| Pattern Maker | | | | Masons | | | | Driver Mechanics | X | 10 | | CGMS | 5 | 4 | NR |
| Pharmacist | | | | Masseurs | | | | Driver Tptn. Plant | | | | Sgts P1 | 25 | 23 | NR |
| Photographer, Wet Plate | | | | Mechanics, M.T. | | | | Engine Hands, I.C. | | | | | | | |
| Photowriter | | | | Miners | | | | Equipment Repairers | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Plumber | | | | Moulders | | | | Farriers | | | | | | | |
| Saw Doctors | | | | Nurses, Trained | | | | Fitters' Mates | | | | | | | |
| Surveyors | | | | Observation Post Assts. | | | | Gun Layers | | | | | | | |
| CARRIED FORWARD | 1 | 1 | | CARRIED FORWARD | 17 | 17 | | CARRIED FORWARD | 57 | 75 | | Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively. | 769 | 671 | 98 |

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| DETAILS OF ATTACHED | | | | | DETAILS OF NCOs | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|----|----|------|-----|-----------------|-------|-----|-----|------|-----|--|
| TRADE | WE | PS | SURP | DEF | TRADE | RANK | WE | PS | SURP | DEF | |
| <u>AAMC</u> Chiropodist | 1 | 1 | | | Int Duties | SGT | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Hyg Inspr | 1 | 1 | | | " " | CPL | 2 | 2 | | | |
| Med Orderlys | 2 | 1 | | 1 | Signallers | CPL | 4 | 2 | | 2 | |
| <u>AAOC</u> Shoemaker | 1 | 1 | | | Clerks | SGT | 2 | 2 | | | |
| <u>AEME</u> Armourers | 2 | | | 2 | " | CPL | 6 | 6 | | | |
| Fitter Gun | 1 | | | 1 | Tailor | SGT | 1 | 1 | | | |
| <u>AAPS</u> Postal Duties | 1 | 1 | | | " | CPL | 1 | 1 | | | |
| <u>AAPC</u> Pay Clerks | 2 | 2 | | | Tech Storeman | SGT | 1 | 1 | | | |
| <u>AACC</u> Caterer | 1 | | | 1 | Driver MT | CPL | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Cooks | 23 | 16 | | 6 | LMG Nos & Rfn | CPL | 36 | 27 | X 1 | 10 | |
| | | | | | MMG Nos | CPL | 2 | 2 | | | |
| | | | | | Mortar Nos | CPL | 5 | 4 | | 1 | |
| | | | | | Pioneers | CPL | 4 | 2 | | 2 | |
| | | | | | Provost | SGT | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Total attached | 35 | 23 | | 12 | S/Bearers | SGT | 1 | 1 | | 1 | |
| | | | | | " | CPL | 2 | 1 | | 1 | |
| | | | | | Tk A Gun Nos | CPL | 4 | 3 | | 1 | |
| | | | | | RSM | WO I | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | RQMS | WO II | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | CSM | WO II | 5 | 5 | | 1 | |
| | | | | | CQMS | S/SGT | 5 | 4 | | | |
| | | | | | Sgts (Pl) | SGT | 25 | 23 | | 2 | |
| | | | | | <u>ATTACHED</u> | | | | | | |
| | | | | | <u>AAMC</u> | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Chiropodist | CPL | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | Hyg Inspr | SGT | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | Med Orderly | SGT | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | <u>AAOC</u> | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Shoemaker | CPL | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | <u>AEME</u> | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Armourer | SGT | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | | | | | <u>AAPS</u> | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Postal Duties | SGT | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | <u>AAPC</u> | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Pay Clerk | SGT | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | " " | CPL | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | | | | | <u>AACC</u> | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Caterer | WO II | 1 | | | 1 | |
| | | | | | Cooks | SGT | 5 | 3 | | 2 | |
| | | | | | " | CPL | 5 | 4 | | 1 | |
| | | | | | TOTAL NCOs | | 130 | 105 | 1 | 26 | |

X = OX 18214 A/Cpl CASTLE A B to be carried superannary to WE for recreational purposes. Authority HQ 7 AUST DIV. Reference Routine Orders Part II 26/5483 of 3 Aug 43

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

A / 25 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/10/1944 2/25 Bn AIF (Unit)

W.E. 11/12e/3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|---|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|--------|--------|----------|----|--------|
| W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED. | | | | DETAIL. | ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E. | | | | | | | | | |
| Rein'ts Required. | Deficient W.E. | Surplus to W.E. | Posted Strength. | | Arm or Corps. | Posted Strength. | Surplus to W.E. | Deficient W.E. | Rein'ts Required. | | | | | |
| N11 | 2 | 5 | 1 3 7 25 | Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs. | AAMC | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| N11 | 2 | 5 | 36 | | | 1 | N11 | N11 | N11 | | | | | |
| | | | | DETAIL | A.I.F. | C.M.P. | A.W.A.S. | A.A.N.S. | A.A.M.W.S. | CIVIL. | R.A.N. | R.A.A.F. | ** | TOTAL. |
| | | | | A. | A | | | | | | | | | 37 |
| | | | | E.(1) | 37 | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | E.(2) | | | | | | | | | | |

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | Unit From. | Date. | CAUSE. |
|----------|-------|--------------------|------------------------------|----------|------------------------|
| QX14949 | Capt | HOWES J F | Hq 25 Aust Inf | 2.9.44 | Ceased to be seconded. |
| QX 38303 | Lt | HUXLEY G I G | Bde 2/1 Aust Con Depot | 11.10.44 | Discharged to unit |
| QX 36518 | Lt | SEARLES H G | do | 11.10.44 | do |
| QX 2605 | Lt | CAMERON A A | EDMONTON MT Pk | 8.10.44 | Ceased to be detached. |
| QX 49370 | Lt | LACKLAN L V | 2/2 CCS | 8.10.44 | Discharged to unit. |

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | Unit To. | Date. | CAUSE. |
|----------|-------|--------------------|------------------------|---------|--|
| QX 6338 | Capt | ROOPE W C | LHQ Tactical School | 6.10.44 | To attend Course 14 "B" Wing. Duration 6 weeks. (No replacement required. Attending sch over 28 days) |
| NK113715 | Lt | AKED G G | EDMONTON MT Pk | 7.10.44 | Det for duty |
| VX 71499 | Lt | YUNGHAIUS M W | 2/2 Tk A Regt | 8.10.44 | " " " |
| QX 777 | Lt | LONG K J | DO | 8.10.44 | " " " |

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 14/10/1944

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known). |
|----------|-------|--------------------|---|
| | | N I L | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/10/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|---|--------------|------------|-----------|----------|--|---|---------------------|
| Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held. | Army Number. | Surname. | Initials. | Posting. | Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No) | If not present with Unit, state how employed. | Date of Detachment. |
| LT COL | OX 6378 | MARSON | R H | CO | YES | | |
| MAJ | OX 6305 | O'BRYEN | T J C | 2IC | NO | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| MAJ | OX 6352 | ROBERTSON | A G | - | NO | INDIA as observer (secondment pending) | 31.8.44 |
| T/MAJ | OX 6339 | GOV | G A T | CC HQ | YES | | |
| CAPT | OX 6336 | ANDREW | C S | CC A | YES | | |
| CAPT | HX 12255 | HAYDON | F B | CC D | YES | | |
| CAPT | OX 6337 | DOED | R W P | CC C | YES | | |
| CAPT | OX 6414 | CROSBIE | W H | 2IC C | NO | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| CAPT | OX 7326 | COX | D L | ADJT | YES | | |
| CAPT | OX 14949 | HOWE S | J F | CC B | YES | | |
| LT | OX 17291 | JEFFERSON | K H | IO | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 38303 | HUXLEY | C I G | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | OX 9814 | HODGE | B A | A Adj | YES | | |
| T/CAPT | OX 8570 | MALONEY | B B | CM | YES | | |
| LT | HX 113715 | AKED | G G | Rifle | NO | EDMONTON HT Park | 7.10.44 |
| LT | OX 10781 | HOBBS | T H | Rifle | NO | Hq 25 Aust Inf Bde | 20.9.44 |
| LT | OX 14393 | NEIVER | I K | TO | YES | | |
| LT | OX 11094 | THOMAS | R E | Mortar | NO | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 36518 | SEARLES | H G | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | VX 71499 | YUNGHANS | M W | Tk A | NO | 2/2 Aust Tk A Regt | 8.10.44 |
| LT | OX 2605 | CAMERON | A A | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | OX 35916 | O'ROURKE | H E | Sigs | NO | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| LT | VX 66020 | SWEETING | F A | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 17776 | ORTON | W C | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | VX 105958 | EGAN | J H | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | HX 127939 | TAUBMAN | A G | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 740 | CARVOSO | I O | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 754 | ROBINSON | K E | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 4203 | CALCINO | A V | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | OX 52222 | McKENN | W S | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | OX 20640 | RODGERS | R F | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 49370 | LACHLAN | L V | Rifle | YES | | |
| LT | OX 98 | MACFARLANE | S | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 37987 | McOSKER | H F | Rifle | NO | do | 6.10.44 |
| LT | OX 777 | LONG | K J | Rifle | NO | 2/2 Aust Tk A Regt | 8.10.44 |
| LT | OX 46596 | GLANVILLE | R D | Rifle | YES | | |

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

| Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held. | Army Number. | Name and Initials. | Unit. | Date of Attachment. | Nature of Attachment. |
|--|--------------|--|-------|---------------------|--|
| MAJ | HX 167015 | ATTACHMENTS ALLOWED BY HQ MUTTON H V | AMCO | 29.6.43 | MO |
| Captain 4th Class | OX 54941 | ATTACHMENTS NOT ALLOWED BY HQ ROBINSON G G | AMCO | 16.7.43 | Captain attached from 25 Aust Inf Bde |

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 14 / 10 / 1944.

| Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.) B/Fwd | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.) B/Fwd | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.) B/Fwd | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. |
|--|------|------------------|-------------------|--|------|------------------|-------------------|---|------|------------------|-------------------|---|------|------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ammunition Examiners | | | | Surveyors, Engineering | | | | Operating Room Assts. | | | | G.P.O. Assistants | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter | | | | Surveyors, R.A.A. | | | | Operator, Keyboard | | | | Hammermen | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical) | | | | Surveyors, Topographical | | | | Operator, Line | | | | Leather Stitches | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.) | | | | Surveyors, Trigonometrical | | | | Operator, Signal | | | | Orderlies, Nursing | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.) | | | | Toolmakers | | | | Operator, Switchboard | | | | Orderlies, Nursing Mental | | | |
| Armament Artificer Instrument | | | | Turners | | | | Operator, Wireless | | | | Plate Layers | | | |
| Armament Artificer Radio | | | | Watchmakers | | | | Opticians | | | | Rangotakers | 4 | 4 | |
| Armament Artificer Signals | | | | Welders | | | | Painters X | | 1 | | Riveters | | | |
| Armament Artificer Wireless | | | | | | | | Panel Beaters | | | | Roughriders | | | |
| Artificer, Artillery | | | | | | | | Photographer, Dry Plate | | | | Saddlers | | | |
| Artificer, Engine | | | | | | | | Predictor Numbers | | | | Saddletree makers | | | |
| Blacksmiths | 1 | 1 | | | | | | Printers | | | | Shoemaker and Boot Repairer | | | |
| Bricklayers | X | 1 | | | | | | Radiographers | | | | Stevadores | | | |
| Computers | | | | | | | | Riggers | | | | Stokers, Staty. Engine | | | |
| Cooks, Hospital | | | | GROUP II. | | | | Sawyers | | | | Storemen, Technical | 4 | 4 | |
| Coppersmiths | | | | Armourers | | | | Signallers | 26 | 30 | | Tailors | 2 | 2 | |
| Dispensers | | | | Axemen | | | | Signwriters | | | | Textile Refitters | | | |
| Draughtsmen | | | | Bakers | | | | Telescope Identfn. Numbers | | | | Tinsmiths | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Architectural) | | | | Bty. Comd's. Asst. | | | | Well Borers | | | | Vulcanizers | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Engineering) | | | | Boilermakers | | | | Wheelers | | | | Wagon Erectors | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Mechanical) | | | | Carpenters | 6 | 7 | | Winchman | | | | Whitesmiths | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Topographical) | | | | Carpenters and Joiners | | | | Wireman | | | | NON-SPECIALISTS | | | |
| Electricians | | | | Cooks | | | | Woodturners | | | | Batmen | 35 | 31 | |
| Electricians (M.V.) | | | | Dental Mechanics | | | | | | | | Dvrs MT | 12 | 9 | NR |
| Electricians (Signals) | | | | Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.) | | | | | | | | Gen Duties | 3 | 3 | |
| Fitters | | | | Driver-Operator | | | | | | | | Hyg Duties | 4 | 4 | |
| Fitters (Cycle) | | | | Drainers | | | | | | | | LMGNos&Rfn | 397 | 354 | 82 |
| Fitters (Electrical) | | | | Electricians | | | | | | | | MMG Nos | 22 | 22 | |
| Fitters (Gun) | | | | Electricians (Engineers) | | | | | | | | Mortar Nos | 73 | 59 | NR |
| Fitters (Instrument) | | | | Fire Control Operators | | | | GROUP III. | | | | DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN. | | | |
| Fitters (M.V.) | | | | Gun Operator | | | | Battery Surveyors | | | | Orderlies | 32 | 19 | NR |
| Fitters, Railway Signal | | | | Hatchman | | | | Butchers | 1 | 2 | | Pioneers | 32 | 24 | NR |
| Fitters, Signals | | | | Height Taker | | | | Clerks | 12 | 14 | | Provost | 1 | 1 | |
| Grinder, Precision | | | | Helio Operator | | | | Clerks, Supply | | | | RegtPolice | 6 | 1 | NR |
| Mechanics, Instrument | | | | Instrument Operator | | | | Clerks, Technical | | | | Storemen | 6 | 7 | |
| Mechanics, Instrument (Signals) | | | | Intelligence Duties | 10 | 10 | | Coach Trimmers | | | | S/Bearers | 21 | 14 | NR |
| Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical) | | | | Joiners | | | | Concretors | | | | Tk A GunNos | 19 | 20 | |
| Mechanics, Radio | | | | Lineman | | | | Cooks | | | | WaterDuts | 2 | 1 | NR |
| Mechanics, Typewriter | | | | Lineman, Signals | | | | Dental Clerk Orderlies | | | | RSM | 1 | 1 | |
| Mechanics, Wireless | | | | Lithographers | | | | Despatch Riders | | | | ATTACHED BY W.E. | | | |
| Millwrights | | | | Machinists, Metal | | | | Draughtsmen, Signals | | | | RQMS | 1 | 1 | |
| Operators, Excavator | | | | Machinists, Wood | | | | Drivers, H.T. | | | | CSM | 5 | 5 | |
| Pattern Maker | | | | Masons | | | | Driver Mechanics X | | 7 | | QMS | 5 | 4 | |
| Pharmacist | | | | Masseurs | | | | Driver Tptn. Plant | | | | Sgts P1 | 25 | 23 | |
| Photographer, Wet Plate | | | | Mechanics, M.T. | | | | Engine Hands, I.C. | | | | | | | |
| Photowriter | | | | Miners | | | | Equipment Repairers | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Plumber | | | | Moulders | | | | Farriers | | | | | | | |
| Saw Doctors | | | | Nurses, Trained | | | | Fitters' Mates | | | | | | | |
| Surveyors | | | | Observation Post Assts. | | | | Gun Layers | | | | | | | |
| CARRIED FORWARD | 1 | 2 | | CARRIED FORWARD | 17 | 19 | | CARRIED FORWARD | 57 | 74 | | Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively. | 769 | 687 | 82 |

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|---------------------------|----|----|------|-----|-----------------|-------|-----|-----|------|-----|
| TRADE | WE | PS | SURP | DEF | TRADE | RANK | WE | PS | SURP | DEF |
| <u>AAMC</u> Chiropodist | 1 | 1 | | | Int Duties | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| Hyg Inspr | 1 | 1 | | | " " | CPL | 2 | 2 | | |
| Med Orderlys | 2 | 1 | | 1 | Signallers | CPL | 4 | 2 | | 2 |
| <u>AOC</u> Shoemaker | 1 | 1 | | | Clerks | SGT | 2 | 2 | | |
| <u>AEME</u> Armourers | 2 | - | | 2 | " | CPL | 6 | 6 | | |
| Fitter Gun | 1 | - | | 1 | Tailor | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| <u>AAPS</u> Postal Duties | 1 | 1 | | | " | CPL | 1 | 1 | | |
| <u>AAPC</u> Pay Clerks | 2 | 2 | | | Tech Storeman | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| <u>AACC</u> Caterer | 1 | - | | 1 | Driver MT | CPL | 1 | - | | 1 |
| Cooks | 23 | 19 | | 4 | LMG Nos & Rfn | CPL | 36 | 28 | x 1 | 9 |
| | | | | | MMG Nos | CPL | 2 | 2 | | |
| | | | | | Mortar Nos | CPL | 5 | 2 | | 3 |
| | | | | | Pioneers | CPL | 4 | 2 | | 2 |
| | | | | | Provost | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| Total attached | 35 | 26 | | 9 | S/Bearers | SGT | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| | | | | | " | CPL | 2 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | Tk A Gun Nos | CPL | 4 | 4 | | |
| | | | | | RSM | WO I | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | RQMS | WO II | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | CSM | WO II | 5 | 5 | | |
| | | | | | CQMS | S/SGT | 5 | 4 | | 1 |
| | | | | | Sgts (P1) | SGT | 25 | 23 | | 2 |
| | | | | | <u>ATTACHED</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | <u>AAMC</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Chiropodist | CPL | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | Hyg Inspr | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | Med Orderly | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | <u>AOC</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Shoemaker | CPL | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | <u>AEME</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Armourer | SGT | 1 | - | | 1 |
| | | | | | <u>AAPS</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Postal Duties | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | <u>AAPC</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Pay Clerk | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | " " | CPL | 1 | - | | |
| | | | | | <u>AACC</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Caterer | WO II | 1 | - | | 1 |
| | | | | | Cooks | SGT | 5 | 5 | | 2 |
| | | | | | " | CPL | 5 | 3 | | |
| | | | | | TOTAL NCOs | | 130 | 105 | 1 | 26 |

X = OX 18214 A/Cpl CASTLES A B to be carried supernumerary to WE for Recreational purposes. Authority HQ 7 AUST DIV. Reference Routine Orders Part II 26/5483 of 3 Aug 43.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

A / 26 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21 / 10 / 1944 2/25 Bn (Unit)

W.E. II / 1203 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|---|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|--------|----------|----|--------|
| W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED. | | | | DETAIL. | ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E. | | | | | | | | |
| Rein'ts Required. | Deficient W.E. | Surplus to W.E. | Posted Strength. | | Arm or Corps. | Posted Strength. | Surplus to W.E. | Deficient W.E. | Rein'ts Required. | | | | |
| | | 6 | 1 3 7 26 | * * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs. | AAMG | 1 | | | | | | | |
| - | - | 6 | 37 | | | 1 | - | - | - | | | | |
| | | DETAIL | | A.I.F. | C.M.F. | A.W.A.S. | A.A.N.S. | A.A.M.W.S. | CIVIL. | R.A.N. | R.A.A.F. | ** | TOTAL. |
| | | A. | A | 38 | | | | | | | | | 38 |
| | | E.(1) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | E.(2) | | | | | | | | | | | |

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | Unit From. | Date. | CAUSE. |
|----------|-------|--------------------|------------|----------|--------------------|
| QX 13661 | Lt | J.R.Anderson | 2/6 AGH | 18.10.44 | Discharged to unit |
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OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | Unit To. | Date. | CAUSE. |
|----------|-------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------|-------------------|
| NX12255 | Capt | F.B.Haydon | Amphibious Trg Centre | 19.10.44 | Detached for duty |
| QX 9814 | Lt | E.A.Hodge | do | do | do |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 2/25 Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 21 / 10 / 1944

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known). |
|----------|-------|--------------------|---|
| | | Nil | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday/...../194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|---|--------------|------------|-----------|----------|--|---|---------------------|
| Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held. | Army Number. | Surname. | Initials. | Posting. | Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No) | If not present with Unit, state how employed. | Date of Detachment. |
| Lt-Col | QX 6378 | Marson | R.H. | GO | Yes | | |
| Maj | 6305 | O'Bryen | T.J.C. | 2 IC | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Maj | 6352 | Robertson | A.C. | - | No | India as an observer (secondment pending) | 31.8.44 |
| T/maj | 6339 | Gow | G.A.T. | OG HQ | Yes | | |
| Capt | 6336 | Andrew | C.S. | OG A | Yes | | |
| Capt | NX 12255 | Haydon | F.B. | OG D | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 19.10.44 |
| Capt | QX 6337 | Dodd | R.W.P. | OG C | Yes | | |
| Capt | 6414 | Crombie | W.M. | 2IG C | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Capt | 7326 | Cox | D.L. | Adjt | Yes | | |
| Capt | 14949 | Howes | J.F. | OG B | Yes | | |
| Lt | 17291 | Jefferson | K.M. | IO | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | 38303 | Huxley | C.I.G. | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 9814 | Hodge | E.A. | A.Adjt | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 19.10.44 |
| Lt (T/Capt) | 8570 | Mahoney | E.B. | QM | Yes | | |
| Lt | NX 113715 | Aked | G.G. | Rifle | No | Edmonton MT Park | 7.10.44 |
| Lt | QX 10781 | Howie | T.M. | Rifle | No | HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde | 20.9.44 |
| Lt | 14393 | McIver | I.K. | TO | Yes | | |
| Lt | 13661 | Anderson | J.R. | Pnrs | Yes | | |
| Lt | 11094 | Thomas | R.E. | Mtr | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | 36518 | Searles | M.G. | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | VX 71499 | Yunghanns | M.W. | Tk A | No | 2/2 Aust Tk A Regt | 8.10.44 |
| Lt | QX 2605 | Cameron | AA | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | QX 35916 | O'Rourke | M.E. | Sigs | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | VX 66020 | Sweeting | F.A. | Rifle | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | QX 17776 | Orton | W.C. | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | VX 105958 | Egan | J.M. | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | NX 127939 | Taubman | A.C. | Rifle | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | QX 740 | Carvosso | I.G. | Rifle | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | 754 | Robinson | K.E. | Rifle | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | 4203 | Galicino | A.V. | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 52222 | McKewen | W.S. | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 20640 | Rodgers | R.F. | Rifle | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | 49370 | Lachlan | L.V. | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 98 | Macfarlane | S | Rifle | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | 37987 | McGosker | H.F. | Rifle | No | Amphibious Trg Centre | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | 777 | Long | K.J. | Rifle | No | 2/2 Aust Tk A Regt | 6.10.44 |
| Lt | 46596 | Glanville | R.D. | Rifle | Yes | | |

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

| Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held. | Army Number. | Name and Initials. | Unit. | Date of Attachment. | Nature of Attachment. |
|--|--------------|-------------------------------|-------|---------------------|--|
| | | ATTACHMENTS ALLOWED BY WE | | | |
| Capt | NX 167015 | Mutton M.V. | AAMG | 29.6.43 | RMO |
| | | ATTACHMENTS NOT ALLOWED BY WE | | | |
| Chaplain 4 th class | QX 54941 | Robinson G.G. | AACHD | 16.7.43 | Chaplain attached from 25 Aust Inf Bde |

21 Oct 44
Date of Despatch

W. G. ... Lt-Col A.O.D.
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 21/ 10/1944.

| Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.) B/FWD | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.) B/FWD | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.) B/FWD | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Totals | | |
|--|------|------------------|-------------------|--|------|------------------|-------------------|---|------|------------------|-------------------|---|------|------------------|-------------------|--------|---|----|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Ammunition Examiners | | | | Surveyors, Engineering | | | | Operating Room Assts. | | | | G.P.O. Assistants | | | | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter | | | | Surveyors, E.A.A. | | | | Operator, Keyboard | | | | Hammermen | | | | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical) | | | | Surveyors, Topographical | | | | Operator, Line | | | | Leather Stitchers | | | | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.) | | | | Surveyors, Trigonometrical | | | | Operator, Signal | | | | Orderlies, Nursing | | | | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.) | | | | Toolmakers | | | | Operator, Switchboard | | | | Orderlies, Nursing Mental | | | | | | |
| Armament Artificer Instrument | | | | Turners | | | | Operator, Wireless | | | | Plate Layers | | | | | | |
| Armament Artificer Radio | | | | Watchmakers | | | | Opticians | | | | Rangefinders | 4 | 2 | | | | NR |
| Armament Artificer Signals | | | | Welders | | | | Painters X | | 1 | | Riveters | | | | | | |
| Armament Artificer Wireless | | | | | | | | Panel Beaters | | | | Roughriders | | | | | | |
| Artificer, Artillery | | | | | | | | Photographer, Dry Plate | | | | Saddlers | | | | | | |
| Artificer, Engine | | | | | | | | Predictor Numbers | | | | Saddletree makers | | | | | | |
| Blacksmiths | 1 | 1 | | | | | | Printers | | | | Shoemaker and Boot Repairer | | | | | | |
| Bricklayers X | | 1 | | | | | | Radlographers | | | | Stevadores | | | | | | |
| Computers | | | | | | | | Riggers | | | | Stokers, Staty. Engine | | | | | | |
| Cooks, Hospital | | | | GROUP II. | | | | Sawyers | | | | Storemen Technical | 4 | 2 | | | | NR |
| Coppersmiths | | | | Armourers | | | | Signallers | 26 | 30 | | Tailors | 2 | 2 | | | | |
| Dispensers | | | | Axemen | | | | Signwriters | | | | Textile Refitters | | | | | | |
| Draughtsmen | | | | Bakers | | | | Telescope Identfn. Numbers | | | | Tinsmiths | | | | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Architectural) | | | | By. Comd's. Asst. | | | | Well Borers | | | | Vulcanizers | | | | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Engineering) | | | | Boilermakers | | | | Wheelers | | | | Wagon Erectors | | | | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Mechanical) | | | | Carpenters | 6 | 6 | | Winchman | | | | Whitesmiths | | | | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Topographical) | | | | Carpenters and Joiners | | | | Wireman | | | | <u>Non Specialists</u> | | | | | | |
| Electricians | | | | Cooks | | | | Woodturners | | | | Batmen | 35 | 34 | | | | NR |
| Electricians (M.V.) | | | | Dental Mechanics | | | | | | | | Drs MT | 12 | 11 | | | | NR |
| Electricians (Signals) | | | | Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.) | | | | | | | | Gen Duties | 3 | 4 | | | | |
| Fitters | | | | Driver-Operator | | | | | | | | LMGNos&Rfn | 397 | 362 | | | | 76 |
| Fitters (Cycle) | | | | Drainers | | | | | | | | Hyg Duties | 4 | 3 | | | | NR |
| Fitters (Electrical) | | | | Electricians | | | | | | | | MMG Nos | 22 | 21 | | | | NR |
| Fitters (Gun) | | | | Electricians (Engineers) | | | | | | | | Mortar Nos | 73 | 63 | | | | NR |
| Fitters (Instrument) | | | | Fire Control Operators | | | | GROUP III. | | | | <u>DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.</u> | | | | | | |
| Fitters (M.V.) | | | | Gun Operator | | | | Battery Surveyors | | | | Orderlies | 32 | 18 | | | | NR |
| Fitters, Railway Signal | | | | Hatchman | | | | Butchers | 1 | 2 | | Pioneers | 32 | 24 | | | | NR |
| Fitters, Signals | | | | Height Taker | | | | Clerks | 12 | 12 | | Provost | 1 | - | | | | NR |
| Grinder, Precision | | | | Helio Operator | | | | Clerks, Supply | | | | RegtPolice | 6 | 1 | | | | NR |
| Mechanics, Instrument | | | | Instrument Operator | | | | Clerks, Technical | | | | Storemen | 6 | 10 | | | | |
| Mechanics, Instrument (Signals) | | | | Intelligence Duties | 10 | 10 | | Coach Trimmers | | | | S/Bearers | 21 | 14 | | | | |
| Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical) | | | | Joiners | | | | Concretors | | | | Tka GunNos | 19 | 18 | | | | NR |
| Mechanics, Radio | | | | Lineman | | | | Cooks | | | | WaterDuties | 2 | 1 | | | | NR |
| Mechanics, Typewriter | | | | Lineman, Signals | | | | Dental Clerk Orderlies | | | | RSM | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Mechanics, Wireless | | | | Lithographers | | | | Despatch Riders | | | | ATTACHED BY W.E. | | | | | | |
| Millwrights | | | | Machinists, Metal | | | | Draughtsmen, Signals | | | | RQMS | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Operators, Excavator | | | | Machinists, Wood | | | | Drivers, H.T. | | | | CSM | 5 | 5 | | | | |
| Pattern Maker | | | | Masons | | | | Driver Mechanics X | | 6 | | CQMS | 5 | 5 | | | | |
| Pharmacist | | | | Masseurs | | | | Driver Tptn. Plant | | | | Sgt (Pl) | 25 | 21 | | | | NR |
| Photographer, Wet Plate | | | | Mechanics, M.T. | | | | Engine Hands, I.C. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Photewriter | | | | Miners | | | | Equipment Repairers | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Plumber | | | | Moulders | | | | Farriers | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saw Doctors | | | | Nurses, Trained | | | | Fitters' Mates | | | | | | | | | | |
| Surveyors | | | | Observation Post Assts. | | | | Gun Layers | | | | | | | | | | |
| CARRIED FORWARD | 1 | 2 | | CARRIED FORWARD | 17 | 18 | | CARRIED FORWARD | 57 | 70 | | Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively. | 769 | 693 | | | | 76 |

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

21 OCTOBER 1944
Date of Despatch

Lawrence Maj. for LT-COL
Signature of Commander A.O.D.

DETAILS OF ATTACHED

DETAILS OF NCOs

| DETAILS OF ATTACHED | | | | | DETAILS OF NCOs | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|----|------|-----|------------------------|-------|-----|-----|------|-----|
| TRADE | WE | PS | SURP | DEF | TRADE | RANK | WE | PS | SURP | DEF |
| <u>AAMC</u> Chiropodist | 1 | 1 | | | Int Duties | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| Hyg Inspr | 1 | 1 | | | " " | CPL | 2 | 2 | | 2 |
| Med Orderlys | 2 | 2 | | | Signallers | CPL | 4 | 2 | | |
| <u>AAOC</u> Shoemaker | 1 | 1 | | | Clerks | SGT | 2 | 2 | | |
| <u>AEME</u> Armourers | 2 | | | | " | CPL | 6 | 1 | | |
| Fitter Gun | 1 | | | | Tailor | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| <u>AAPS</u> Postal Duties | 1 | 1 | | | " | CPL | 1 | 1 | | |
| <u>AAPC</u> Pay Clerks | 2 | 2 | | | Tech Storeman | SGT | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| <u>AACC</u> Caterer | 1 | 1 | | | Driver MT | CPL | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| Cooks | 23 | 19 | | 4 | LMG Nos & Rfn | CPL | 36 | 32 | 1 | 5 |
| | | | | | MMG Nos | CPL | 2 | 2 | | 1 |
| | | | | | Mortar Nos | CPL | 5 | 4 | | 1 |
| | | | | | Pioneers | CPL | 4 | 4 | | 1 |
| | 32 | 25 | | 4 | Provost | SGT | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Total attached | 35 | | | | S/Bearers | SGT | 2 | 1 | | 1 |
| | | | | | " | CPL | 2 | 2 | | 1 |
| | | | | | Tk A Gun Nos | CPL | 4 | 3 | | 1 |
| | | | | | RSM | WO I | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | RQMS | WO II | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | CSM | WO II | 5 | 5 | | |
| | | | | | CQMS | S/SGT | 5 | 5 | | 4 |
| | | | | | Sgts (Pl) | SGT | 25 | 21 | | |
| | | | | | <u>ATTACHED</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | <u>AAMC</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Chiropodist | CPL | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | Hyg Inspr | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | Med Orderly | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | <u>AAOC</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Shoemaker | CPL | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | <u>AEME</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Armourer | SGT | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | <u>AAPS</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Postal Duties | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | <u>AAPC</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Pay Clerk | SGT | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | " " | CPL | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | <u>AACC</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | Caterer | WO II | 1 | 1 | | |
| | | | | | Cooks | SGT | 5 | 5 | | |
| | | | | | " | CPL | 5 | 5 | | |
| | | | | | <u>TOTAL NCOs</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 130 | 115 | 1 | 15 |

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.300
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

/ 27 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23/10/1944 (Unit) 2/25 Bn

W.E. 126 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 ATT. BY W.E. OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 32

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

| W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED. | | | | DETAIL. | ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E. | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|---|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|--------|--------|----------|----|--------|
| Rein'ts Required. | Deficient W.E. | Surplus to W.E. | Posted Strength. | DETAIL. | Arm or Corps. | Posted Strength. | Surplus to W.E. | Deficient W.E. | Rein'ts Required. | | | | | |
| Nil | 1 | 7 | 1 3 8 27 | * * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs. | AAMC | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Nil | 1 | 7 | 39 | DETAIL | A.I.P. | C.M.F. | A.W.A.S. | A.A.N.S. | A.A.M.W.S. | CIVIL. | R.A.N. | R.A.A.F. | ** | TOTAL. |
| | | | | A. | A 40 | | | | | | | | | 40 |
| | | | | E.(1) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | E.(2) | | | | | | | | | | |

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* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | Unit From. | Date. | CAUSE. |
|----------|-------|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| QX 721A | Capt | WALKER B J C | RAAF School of Army Co-op. | 23.10.44 | Completion of Course |
| QX 10366 | Lt | BURNS R T C | LMH School of Military Hygiene | 23.10.44 | Completion of Course |
| | Lt | STEWART R G | LMH SMO (PA) | 23.10.44 | Completion of Course |

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | Unit To. | Date. | CAUSE. |
|----------|-------|--------------------|------------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| QX11094 | Lt | THOMAS R B | 116 AGH | 12.10.44 | Evac to Hospital |
| QX36518 | Lt | SEARLES M G | First Aust Army Regt Trg Sch | | To attend school. |

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. (Unit) IS 2/25 Bn

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known). |
|----------|-------|--------------------|---|
| | | nil | |

2/25 Aust Inf Bn Unit

127 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25.10.44 /194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|---|--------------|------------|-----------|----------|--|---|---------------------|
| Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held. | Army Number. | Surname. | Initials. | Posting. | Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No) | If not present with Unit, state how employed. | Date of Detachment. |
| Lt-Col | 6378 | MARSH | R H | CO | Yes | | |
| Maj | 6305 | O'BRYEN | T J C | 2IC | Yes | | |
| Maj | 6352 | ROBERTSON | A G | | No | India as an observer (secondment pending) | 31.8.44 |
| T/Maj | 6359 | COX | G A T | CO HQ | Yes | | |
| Capt | 6316 | ANDERSON | C S | CO A | Yes | | |
| Capt | 12255 | BRIDSON | F B | | No | 1 Aust Combined Op Sec | 19.10.44 |
| Capt | 6337 | BIRD | R W P | CO B | Yes | | |
| Capt | 6414 | CHERRIE | B H | CO C | Yes | | |
| Capt | 7326 | COX | D L | Adj't | Yes | | |
| Capt | 7210 | WALKER | B G C | 2IC A | Yes | | |
| Capt | 14949 | HOWES | J P | CO B | Yes | | |
| Lt | 10366 | BURNS | R T O | 2IC C | Yes | | |
| Lt | 17291 | JEFFERSON | K M | 10 | No | 25 Aust Inf Bde | 16.10.44 |
| Lt | 35303 | HULLAY | C I G | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 9814 | HODGE | B A | A Adj't | No | 1 Aust Combined Op Sec | 19.10.44 |
| T/Capt | 8570 | MAHONEY | R B | CO | Yes | | |
| Lt | 113715 | AKED | G G | Rifle | No | SHAWTON ST PARK | 7.10.44 |
| Lt | 10781 | HOWIE | F M | Rifle | No | 25 Aust Inf Bde | 20.9.44 |
| Lt | 14393 | MOIVER | I K | PO | Yes | | |
| Lt | 13661 | ANDERSON | J R | Plns | Yes | | |
| Lt | 36518 | SEARLES | H O | Rifle | No | PAARTS | |
| Lt | 71499 | YUNGHANS | H W | Tr A | Yes | | |
| Lt | 2525 | CAMERON | A A | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 35916 | O'ROURKE | M B | Sigs | Yes | | |
| Lt | 66020 | SWEETING | F A | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 17776 | ORTON | W C | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 105958 | EGAN | J M | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 127939 | TAUWAN | A C | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | | STEWART | K G | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 740 | CARVOSO | I G | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 754 | ROBINSON | K E | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 4203 | CALCINO | A V | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 52222 | BERNARD | F S | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 20640 | RODGERS | R P | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 49370 | LACHLAN | L V | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 98 | MACFARLANE | B | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 37987 | MCJURKER | H P | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 777 | LONG | K J | Rifle | Yes | | |
| Lt | 46596 | GLAVILLE | R D | Rifle | Yes | | |

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

| Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held. | Army Number. | Name and Initials. | Unit. | Date of Attachment. | Nature of Attachment. |
|---|--------------|--------------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| ATTACHMENTS ALLOWED BY WE | | | | | |
| Capt | 167015 | HUTTON M V | AAC | 29.6.43 | EMO |
| ATTACHMENTS NOT ALLOWED BY WE | | | | | |
| Chaplain 4 class | 54941 | ROBINSON C G | AACHD | 16.7.43 | Chaplain attached from 25 Aust Inf Bde |

Date of Despatch

Frank [Signature]
Signature of Commanding Officer
Comd 2/25 Aust Inf Bde

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 28 / 10 / 194

| Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.) | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.) | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. | Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.) | W.E. | Posted Strength. | Reints. Required. |
|--|------|------------------|-------------------|--|------|------------------|-------------------|---|------|------------------|-------------------|---|------|------------------|-------------------|
| Ammunition Examiners | | | | Surveyors, Engineering | | | | Operating Room Assts. | | | | G.P.O. Assistants | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter | | | | Surveyors, E.A.A. | | | | Operator, Keyboard | | | | Hammermen | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical) | | | | Surveyors, Topographical | | | | Operator, Line | | | | Leather Stitchers | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.) | | | | Surveyors, Trigonometrical | | | | Operator, Signal | | | | Orderlies, Nursing | | | |
| Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.) | | | | Toolmakers | | | | Operator, Switchboard | | | | Orderlies, Nursing Mental | | | |
| Armament Artificer Instrument | | | | Turners | | | | Operator, Wireless | | | | Plate Layers | | | |
| Armament Artificer Radio | | | | Watchmakers | | | | Opticians | | | | Rangetakers | | | |
| Armament Artificer Signals | | | | Welders | | | | Painters | | | | Riveters | 4 | 2 | |
| Armament Artificer Wireless | | | | | | | | Panel Beaters | 1 | 1 | | Roughriders | | | |
| Artificer, Artillery | | | | | | | | Photographer, Dry Plate | | | | Saddlers | | | |
| Artificer, Engine | | | | | | | | Predictor Numbers | | | | Saddletree makers | | | |
| Blacksmiths | 1 | 1 | | | | | | Printers | | | | Shoemaker and Boot Repairer | | | |
| Bricklayers | | 1 | | | | | | Radlographers | | | | Stevadores | | | |
| Computers | | | | | | | | Riggers | | | | Stokers, Staty. Engine | | | |
| Cooks, Hospital | | | | GROUP II. | | | | Sawyers | | | | Storemen, Technical | | | |
| Coppersmiths | | | | Armourers | | | | Signallers | 26 | 30 | | Tailors | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Dispensers | | | | Axemen | | | | Signwriters | | | | Textile Refitters | 2 | 2 | |
| Draughtsmen | | | | Bakers | | | | Telescope Identfn. Numbers | | | | Tinsmiths | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Architectural) | | | | Bty. Comd's. Asst. | | | | Well Borers | | | | Vulcanizers | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Engineering) | | | | Bollermakers | | | | Wheelers | | | | Wagon Erectors | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Mechanical) | | | | Carpenters | 6 | 6 | | Winchman | | | | Whitesmiths | | | |
| Draughtsmen (Topographical) | | | | Carpenters and Joiners | | | | Wireman | | | | | | | |
| Electricians | | | | Cooks | | | | Woodturners | | | | | | | |
| Electricians (M.V.) | | | | Dental Mechanics | | | | | | | | NON SPECIALISTS | | | |
| Electricians (Signals) | | | | Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.) | | | | | | | | Batmen | 35 | 34 | NR |
| Fitters | | | | Driver-Operator | | | | | | | | Dvrs MT | 12 | 11 | NR |
| Fitters (Cycle) | | | | Drainers | | | | | | | | Gen Duties | 3 | 4 | |
| Fitters (Electrical) | | | | Electricians | | | | | | | | Hyg Duties | 4 | 3 | NR |
| Fitters (Gun) | | | | Electricians (Engineers) | | | | | | | | LMG Nos | 97 | 21 | 28 |
| Fitters (Instrument) | | | | Fire Control Operators | | | | GROUP III. | | | | MMG Nos | 22 | 21 | NR |
| Fitters (M.V.) | | | | Gun Operator | | | | Battery Surveyors | | | | DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN. | 73 | 63 | |
| Fitters, Railway Signal | | | | Hatchman | | | | Butchers | 1 | 2 | | Orderlies | 32 | 18 | NR |
| Fitters, Signals | | | | Height Taker | | | | Clerks | 12 | 12 | | Prns | 32 | 24 | NR |
| Grinder, Precision | | | | Helio Operator | | | | Clerks, Supply | | | | Pro | 1 | - | NR |
| Mechanics, Instrument | | | | Instrument Operator | | | | Clerks, Technical | | | | RF | 6 | 1 | NR |
| Mechanics, Instrument (Signals) | | | | Intelligence Duties | 10 | 10 | | Coach Trimmers | | | | Storemen | 6 | 10 | |
| Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical) | | | | Joiners | | | | Concretors | | | | SB | 21 | 14 | NR |
| Mechanics, Radio | | | | Lineman | | | | Cooks | | | | Tr Gun Nos | 19 | 18 | NR |
| Mechanics, Typewriter | | | | Lineman, Signals | | | | Dental Clerk Orderlies | | | | Water Duts | 2 | 1 | NR |
| Mechanics, Wireless | | | | Lithographers | | | | Despatch Riders | | | | ATTACHED BY W.E. | 1 | 1 | |
| Millwrights | | | | Machinists, Metal | | | | Draughtsmen, Signals | | | | | | | |
| Operators, Excavator | | | | Machinists, Wood | | | | Drivers, H.T. | | | | | | | |
| Pattern Maker | | | | Masons | | | | Driver Mechanics | | | | | | | |
| Pharmacist | | | | Masscurs | | | | Driver Tptn. Plant | | 6 | | | | | |
| Photographer, Wet Plate | | | | Mechanics, M.T. | | | | Engine Hands, I.C. | | | | | | | |
| Photewriter | | | | Miners | | | | Equipment Repairers | | | | | | | |
| Plumber | | | | Moulders | | | | Farriers | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Saw Doctors | | | | Nurses, Trained | | | | Fitters' Mates | | | | | | | |
| Surveyors | | | | Observation Post Assts. | | | | Gun Layers | | | | | | | |
| CARRIED FORWARD | 1 | 2 | | CARRIED FORWARD | 17 | 18 | | CARRIED FORWARD | 57 | 70 | | Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively. | 769 | 741* | 28 |

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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XVII

Protection Against Scrub Typhus

Scrub Typhus can be prevented if clothes are treated with anti-mite fluid. This fluid is harmless to the skin and clothes, but poisonous to "mites", and it resists washing much better than mosquito repellent lotion.

- (a) **Frequency of application.** One treatment protects until the clothes have been washed cold or warm with soap or persil 7 times, or boiled (10 minutes) with soap three times. Sweat and rain do not effect this time. Generally, therefore, under field conditions, treatment should be done every fortnight. Treated clothing put away and not washed, will remain protective for at least two months. If mosquito repellent lotion is used, treatment must be carried out weekly.
- (b) **Amount Used.** 1 fluid ounce (two tablespoons) for one set of clothes—shirt, trousers and socks.
- (c) **Method of Application.** Is by rubbing the fluid into the cloth (all cloth in contact with the body) by hand. Dipping is out of the question and spraying must be avoided as it gives erratic results.

Details. Each man receives his issue (enough to treat all his clothes, worn and unworn) in a tin. He dips the finger tips of one hand into the fluid, taking out enough to give a light smear over the inner surfaces of the two hands. With the smeared hands he rubs the fluid into the material with an action like that of washing, or he may spread the clothes on a flat surface, e.g. a ground sheet on the ground, and wipe the hands firmly over them. Socks and trousers being worn may be stretched and rubbed against the skin, but a shirt must be taken off, and turned inside out to avoid the pockets. From the point of view of protection it does not matter which side of the cloth is treated.

There are at least 75 light smears in a fluid ounce. Heavier smears would give a patchy cover. Success depends on thoroughness. The full quantity must be used thus :

Socks : 6 smears to each. If no socks are worn, 6 smears inside each boot, but treated boots will not protect if worn with untreated socks.

Trousers : 10 smears to each leg, 10 about waist and fly.

Shirt : 6 smears to each sleeve and 20 on the body of the shirt. If underpants and singlet are worn, extra fluid should be issued to allow 10 smears to each garment.

Gaiters : Need not be treated.

The reason for requiring a full cover is as follows :

The fluid acts by poisoning mites. This poisoning takes time. Treated cloth that has been washed may take half-an-hour to kill a mite, in which time the mite can travel for a foot or more, and could therefore cross a treated band and bite under an untreated patch. Double dosage is no more effective than that laid down (1oz is liberal). Therefore heavy treatment of strips or patches will not protect. Complete cover is essential.

To treat a set of clothes takes 15 minutes.

- (d) **Distribution.** The fluid is in five-gallon drums. The scale of issue is 1 ounce per set of clothes per man initially, replenishable fortnightly.

Within the unit the fluid should be issued to companies or platoons in clean containers of suitable size (some tins which make convenient measures are listed below).

The men parade with all their tropical clothes to be treated. Each man with a container in which to receive his issue of fluid. The best container would be a jam tin but cut down so that its walls are about 1 inch high to give the effect of a deep saucer. In New Guinea tobacco tins are used.

The men file past the issuing point and receive 1 ounce per set of clothes. The fluid should be ladled out with a measure. A 2oz Capstan Tobacco tin or 4oz cream tin, cut half way down and fitted with a handle, makes a good 2 fluid oz ladle. Clothes should be treated on the spot and under supervision. The clothes may be dry, damp or wet, but preferably dry, as the fluid then "shows up" better. New clothes fresh from store take and hold the fluid as well as those that have been worn and washed. Treatment of all articles at one time is necessary to avoid confusion later as to which are done and which were not.

When in mite country the men should live and sleep in treated clothes.

Measures : Kia-ora fruit tin 30 ozs. Jam tin 20 ozs. Milk tin 12 ozs. Bully beef tin 8 ozs. 2oz tobacco tin 4ozs.

(e) **Results.** Where anti-mite fluid has been made available, its use has been followed by a marked reduction in scrub typhus. Where typhus has occurred, failure in distribution has been by far, the most important factor, e.g.

Whole platoons or sections have been sent no fluid or too little.

Men returning to units have not immediately received fluid, and have worn untreated clothes until the next general issue.

New clothing (particularly socks) have been taken forward and issued without fluid.

All available evidence indicated that where men are given the fluid and shown how to use it, they get results.