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Item number: 8/2/16

16 Infantry Brigade

July 1943

Ref Maps :-

HERBERTON 1" to 1 mile
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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form. C. 2118. (adapted.)

Unit HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde *Date and Time.—From* 1 Jul 43 *To* 31 Jul 43

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information. SUMMARY OF POLICY AND RESULTS	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	INTENTION		(1) 16 Aust Inf Bde is to be strengthened by amalgamation with 30 Aust Inf Bde.	
			~~(2) INDIVIDUAL and collective Training to be continued within~~ the Bde.	
	RESULT		(1) The amalgamation of 16 Aust Inf Bde and 30 Aust Inf Bde was effected on 3 Jul 43.	
			(2) TRAINING	
			~~(a) Divisional Exercises Nos 2 & 3 were carried out~~ from 5 - 7 Jul and 26 - 29 Jul respectively.	See APPENDICES "A" "B" & "C"
			(b) 16 Aust Inf Bde took part in 2 Aust Corps exercise "RODEO" from 11 - 14 Jul 43.	
			(c) During the remainder of the month bns concentrated ~~mainly on weapon training, specialist training and~~ range practises	
			(3) SCHOOL & COURSES	
			~~16 Aust Inf Bde TACTICAL COURSE No1 commenced~~ on 19 Jul.	

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Unit .... Date and Time.—From .... To ....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
WONDECLA AREA	1 Jul		Capt W.J. Mc PHERSON appointed SC (L) 16 Aust Inf Bde	
"	2 Jul		Bde Comd carried out recce in connection with forthcoming Divisional Exercise No 2.	
"	3 Jul		30 Aust Inf Bde was amalgamated with 16 Aust Inf Bde Amalgamation was effected as follows:- HQ 30 Aust Inf Bde with HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde 49 Aust Inf Bn " 2/1 Aust Inf Bn 39 " " " " 2/2 " " " 3/22 " " " " 2/3 " " " and all personnel surplus to war establishment were carried as supernumaries.	
			Lt Col A.G.CAMERON was appointed CO 2/2 Aust Inf Bn.	
	4 Jul	1000	All offrs of 16 Aust Inf Bde were addressed by the Bde Comd on the amalgamation of 16 & 30 Aust Inf Bde and on the forthcoming dividional exercise.	
			4 NCO's from 16 Aust Inf Bde reported to 2/3 Aust Fd Regt as instructors in Jungle Warfare& weapon trg for one week.	
	5 Jul	1330	6 Aust Div Exercise No 2 commenced	) APPX "A"
	7 Jul	1820	6 Aust Div Exercise No 2 concluded	)

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	8 Jul		GOC 6 Aust Div addressed all offrs of 16 Aust Inf Bde in 2/1 Aust Inf Bn Recreation Hut, regarding training.	
			10 Pl "C" Coy 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Bn marched in to HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde.	
	10 Jul	1030	Bn Comd conference at Bde HQ to discuss forthcoming 2 Aust Corps Exercise "RODEO".	
		1300	2/1 Aust Inf Bn sponsored race meeting held at HERBERTON RACE COURSE.	
	11 Jul		Additional 4 NCO's sent to 2/3 Aust Fd Regt as instructors.	
		1225	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde moved out on 2 Aust Corps Exercise "RODEO".	Ref APPX "B"
	14 Jul	1745	After conclusion of Exercise "RODEO" HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde reopened at Camp Site	
	15 Jul	0900	Bde Comd, Maj Mayberry (BM) and Bn Comds left to attend conference at 2 Aust Corps on Exercise "RODEO"	

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Unit........................ Date and Time.—From .... To........................

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	15 Jul	1600	Offrs at Bde HQ conferred to discuss exercise "RODEO"	
	16 Jul	0900	Bn Comds conference at HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde to discuss training.	
		1630	Conference of all Offrs of 16 Aust Inf Bde to discuss 2 AUST CORPS EXERCISE "RODEO".	
	18 Jul		All "B" class personnel of 16 Aust Inf Bde were marched out to 6 Aust Div Reception Camp.	
	19 Jul		Bde HQ carried out route march along "EORA track".	
		1330	16 Aust Inf Bde TACTICAL COURSE No1 commenced A cloth model of jungle area was made for use at this course.	
	21 Jul		Bde Commander's recconnaisance of MOLO track, UPPER BARRON area in preparation for divisional exercise No 3	
			2/1 Aust Inf Bn carried out route march along "EORA track".	
	22 Jul	1400	Bde Comd attended conference at 6 Aust Div regarding forthcoming exercise	
		1930	Bn Commanders conference at HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde 2/2 Aust Inf Bn carried out route march along "EORA Track".	

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Unit ..... *Date and Time.—From* ..... *To* .....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	23 Jul	2000	CASC 6 AUST DIV lectured to all offrs 16 Aust Inf Bde on the re-organization of ASC.	
			2/3 Aust Inf Bn carried out route march along "EORA Track".	
	24 Jul		2/1 Aust Inf Bn held GYMKANA followed by a barbecue.	
	26 Jul	1100	16 Aust Inf Bde moved out to take part in DivisionalExercise No 3	see APPX "C"
	28 Jul		BM and Bn Comds left exercise area to attend a Combined Operations demonstration by 9 AUST DIV at CAIRNS.	
	29 Jul	0630	6 AUST DIV Exercise No 3 concluded	
		1200	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde reopened at Camp Site	
	30 Jul	1000	Bn Admin Comds conference at HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	
		1637	Bde Comd left for conference at HQ 6 Aust Div	
			BM & Bn Comds returned from CAIRNS,.	
	31 Jul	1000	S.C. and Adjts attended lecture on emplaning tables at HQ 6 Aust Div	
			Bn Comds plus representatives from 2/15 Aust Fd Coy, 5 Aust Fd Bty 2/1 Aust Fd Amb and 24 Sup Depot Pl conferred to discuss training policy 1 - 12 Aug.	

Note- Field Returns of Offrs & OR for month of JULY are attached as APPX "D"
Precis Bde Comd Conference 16 Jul 43 " APPX "E".

Brig
Comd 16 Aust Inf Bde

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6 AUST DIV EXERCISE NO 2

(16 Aust Inf Bde Gp)

GENERAL IDEA

Ref Map: ATHERTON TABLELANDS 1/253440

1. Landing at CAIRNS on 30 Jun 43 an enemy force estimated at one division with ancillary troops destroyed the weak CAIRNS DEFENCE FORCE and occupied the area. Seizing all available MT and rolling stock, the enemy advanced with approximately two regiments to the ATHERTON TABLELAND, where they encountered no opposition except from isolated bodies of VDC.

2. At 1400 hours 3 July 43, portion of this enemy force was in possession of the MAREEBA Airfield, whilst the balance of the force had moved SOUTH to KABAN 333796. Enemy patrols had been sighted at ATHERTON, HERBERTON and RAVENSHOE and moving along all roads in the district.

3. Because of the lack of MT, the enemy is largely dependent on the railway for major movements and maintenance.

4. The enemy has succeeded in gaining local air superiority with fighters and bombers based on the CAIRNS and MAREEBA Airfields.

5. 6 and 7 Aust Divs on completion of their re-organization on the jungle division basis in the TOWNSVILLE area were moved by road, rail and air to INNISFAIL. On arrival in INNISFAIL area orders were received from 2 Aust Corps for 6 Aust Div to clean up the ATHERTON TABLELAND, and for 7 Aust Div simultaneously to advance against the enemy force remaining in the CAIRNS area.

6. Dispositions of 6 Aust Div at 1800 hours 5 Jul 43:-

HQ 6 AUST DIV and DIV TPS	MILLAA MILLAA area
16 AUST INF BDE GP	MOREGATTA area
19 AUST INF BDE GP	Immediately WEST of BEATRICE RIVER crossing 364791
30 AUST INF BDE GP	MILLAA MILLAA area

7. Order of Battle (for 6 AUST DIV Exercise No 2 ONLY):-

HQ 6 Aust Div
- 6 Aust Div HQ
- One Pl 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Bn
- HQ 2/3 Aust Fd Regt
- HQ RAE 6 Aust Div
- Sigs 6 Aust Div (less dets)
- 6 Aust Div Cipher Sec (less dets)
- HQ Comd AASC 6 Aust Div
- One Sup Pl AASC
- 2/115 Aust Gen Tpt Coy AASC (NOT represented)
- 6 Aust Div Pro Coy (less dets)
- A Sec FSW (less det)

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16 Aust Inf Bde Gp

HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde
J Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div
Det 6 Aust Div Cipher Sec
Guard Pl (NOT represented)
5 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt
2/15 Aust Fd Coy
2/1 Aust Inf Bn
2/2 Aust Inf Bn
2/3 Aust Inf Bn
20 and 21 Sup Pls AASC
2/1 Aust Fd Amb
One Sec 6 Aust Div Pro Coy
Det A Sec FSW

19 Aust Inf Bde Gp } Composition similar to
30 Aust Inf Bde Gp } 16 Aust Inf Bde Gp

8. Subunits forming part of 16 Aust Inf Bde Gp will come under command 16 Aust Inf Bde at 1000 hours 5 Jul 43. For purpose of preparation of exercise, HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde may deal direct with subunits upon receipt of this instruction.

R G Pollard Col
GS 6 Aust Div

2 Jul 43

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6 AUST DIV EXERCISE NO 2

(16 Aust Inf Bde Gp)

AIR CO-OPERATION

GENERAL

1. 5AC Sqn are co-operating by providing aircraft to represent both enemy and own troops.

2. A limited number of sorties (estimated at twelve exclusive of enemy) will be available daily to 6 AUST DIV.

3. Sorties may be employed for either Tac/R, or dive bombing and strafing attacks. No representation of fire or bombing by aircraft will be employed.

4. As no Air Support Control is available, immediate direct support is not practicable. All sorties of whatever nature will be on a pre-arranged basis. Requests for Air Support should reach this headquarters by 1900 hrs on the day before the aircraft are required, to enable tasks for the following day to be co-ordinated by ALO.

RECOGNITION

5. Friendly aircraft will bear normal RAAF markings.

6. Hostile aircraft will a twelve inch dark blue band, edged in white, on each wing, between roundel and fuselage.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

7. Wireless communication between HQ 6 Aust Div, HQ 5AC Sqn, and aircraft in flight has been arranged by CO Sigs 6 Aust Div.

8. The following code names will be used:-

HQ 6 Aust Div	-	HILO
HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	-	PETO
5 AC Sqn	-	ROTA
Aircraft in flight	-	KADI

9. In messages to 5 AC Sqn, the following code letters will be used:-

A meaning Tac/R
D meaning dive bombing and strafing.

10. The map reference code will be used throughout. All references will be to local one inch maps.

MESSAGE DROPPING

11. Tac/R reports where possible will be dropped on both HQ 6 Aust Div and HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde.

12. HQ will display ONLY the following identification signs:-

HQ 6 Aust Div A

HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde L

Each letter to be of 9 foot side, made with towels or similar material.

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These signs should be displayed when the aircraft performs a series of wheels to the LEFT, meaning "I am looking for you".

In addition, if weather permits, troops in the vicinity of headquarters should flash mirrors to attract the attention of the pilot to the Message Dropping Point.

13. Care should be exercised in the selection of a Message Dropping Point to ensure that it is easily visible from the air.

for Col
GS 6 Aust Div

4 Jul 43.

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6 AUST DIV EXERCISE NO 2

(16 Aust Inf Bde Gp)

6 AUST DIV OPERATION ORDER NO 1

Ref Map: ATHERTON TABLELANDS 4 miles to 1 inch

INFM

1. ENEMY

See 6 Aust Div Int Summary 51.

2. OWN TPS

(a) 7 Aust Div continues its advance North from INNISFAIL. At 1600 hrs 4 Jul 43 leading elements were at CUCANIA 392830.
No opposition.

(b) At 1800 hrs 6 Aust Div completed concentration in the following areas:

(i) HQ 6 Aust Div	MILLAA MILLAA area
(ii) Div tps	MILLAA MILLAA area
(iii) 16 Aust Inf Bde Gp	MOREGATTA area
(iv) 19 Aust Inf Bde Gp	vicinity 364792
(v) 30 Aust Inf Bde Gp	MILLAA MILLAA area

INTENTION

3. 6 Aust Div will cut enemy L of C at WONDECLA 330809.

METHOD

4. Fwd Tps - Comd Brig R. KING
16 Aust Inf Bde Gp

Main Body - 30 Aust Inf Bde Gp
2/3 Aust Fd Regt (less 1 Bty)

L of C Def - 19 Aust Inf Bde Gp

5. Axis of Adv - See Trace "A" att.

6. Start Point - Rd and track junc 352802.

7. Start time - 0700 hrs 6 Jul 43 (leading tps to pass Start Point).

8. Report Lines -

(a) PIG STY HILL 349803

(b) Rd ATHERTON - RAVENSHOE 334807

(c) WESTERN EDGE of JUNGLE 339807

(d) Ry line HERBERTON-RAVENSHOE 330809

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9. Main Body

(a) Notice to move - one hr from 0700 hrs 6 Jul 43.

(b) Times across Start Point -
30 Aust Inf Bde Gp - Z
2/3 Aust Fd Regt (less one Bty) - Z plus 195

(c) Z will be notified.

ADM

10. 6 Aust Div Adm Instn No 2, att.

INTERCOMN

11. Location Div HQ:

Adv HQ - PALMERSTON 585960
Rear HQ - PALMERSTON 619949

12. Wireless silence until first contact.

13. Each HQ will be responsible for synchronizing watches prior to 0700 hrs 6 Jul 43. Sig Office Adv Div HQ will advise Signals Time to Bde Sig Offices between 0530 and 0630 hrs 6 Jul 43.

AIR CO-OPERATION

14. Where possible Tac/R reports will be dropped at Adv Div HQ. and specified Bde HQs.

HQs will display ONLY the following signs in letters to be of 9 foot sides:-

HQ 6 Aust Div	A
HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	L
HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde	Y
HQ 30 Aust Inf Bde	X

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Signed at 1845 hrs

Issued by SDR

K G Pollard, Col
GS 6 Aust Div

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and Trace A.

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2/4 Aust Pnr Bn	5
RAE 6 Aust Div	6
Sigs 6 Aust Div	7
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6 AUST DIV EXERCISE No 2 SECRET

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6 AUST DIV ADM ORDER No 2
(Issued with 6 Aust Div 00 No 2)

Ref Maps: ATHERTON TABLELANDS 1:253400
HERBERTON 1:63360
BARTLE FRERE 1:63360
PALMERSTON 1:63360.

1. ADM LAY-OUT: See Trace Appx 'A' attabhed.

2. 2/400 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (Location INNISFAIL) will come under Comd AASC 6 Aust Div 1800 hrs 5 Jul.

3. AMN: ARP opens P561983 at 1800 hrs 5 Jul.

4. POL and SUPS: (a) FSD and DID opens from 1900 hrs - 2330 hrs 5 Jul as follows:-

16 Aust Inf Bde Gp	- P565979	draws	1900-2000 hrs
19 Aust Inf Bde Gp	- "	"	2000-2100 hrs
30 Aust Inf Bde Gp	- "	"	2100-2200 hrs
Div Tps	- "	"	2300-2330 hrs

(b) Indents for rations for consumption 10,11 and 12 July will be lodged at Sup Pt on 5,6,and 7 July respectively.

5. REC: No attempt will be made to recover disabled vehicles without instructions from this HQ. Disabled vehicles will be moved clear of Rd or track and this HQ notified by quickest means:

(a) Type of Veh
(b) Location
(c) Loading
(d) Nature of Casualty (X Y or Z)

6. MEDICAL: Walking wounded unable to be evacuated by MAC will be moved to INNISFAIL by 2/400 Aust Gen Tpt Coy. ADMS 6 Aust Div will demand on DAQMG as required.

7. TRAFFIC: (a) Lighting Restrictions - Blackout lights only to be used forward of BF642904
(b) No tpt other than essential veh 19 Aust Inf Bde and MAC will use Rd MILLAA MILLAA - INNISFAIL from BF642904 to INNISFAIL during daylight
(c) TCPS - BF521019: P555970 : P565979.

8. RAE: 2/22 Aust Fd Pk Dump will be established BF515008 by 1200 hrs 6 Jul.

9. SALVAGE: Every effort will be made to collect salvage both enemy and own, in dumps adjacent to a track. These dumps will be marked on the track and locations and estimated weight signalled to this HQ.

10. PW: PW Cage opens BF523026 at 1200 hrs 6 Jul.

11. CANTEEN: Issue Pt will be established BF577983 by 1200 hrs 6 Jul.

ACK

Issued by: Sigs

Time of Signature 1700 hrs

A.P. Chapman Major
AA & QMG 6 Aust Div

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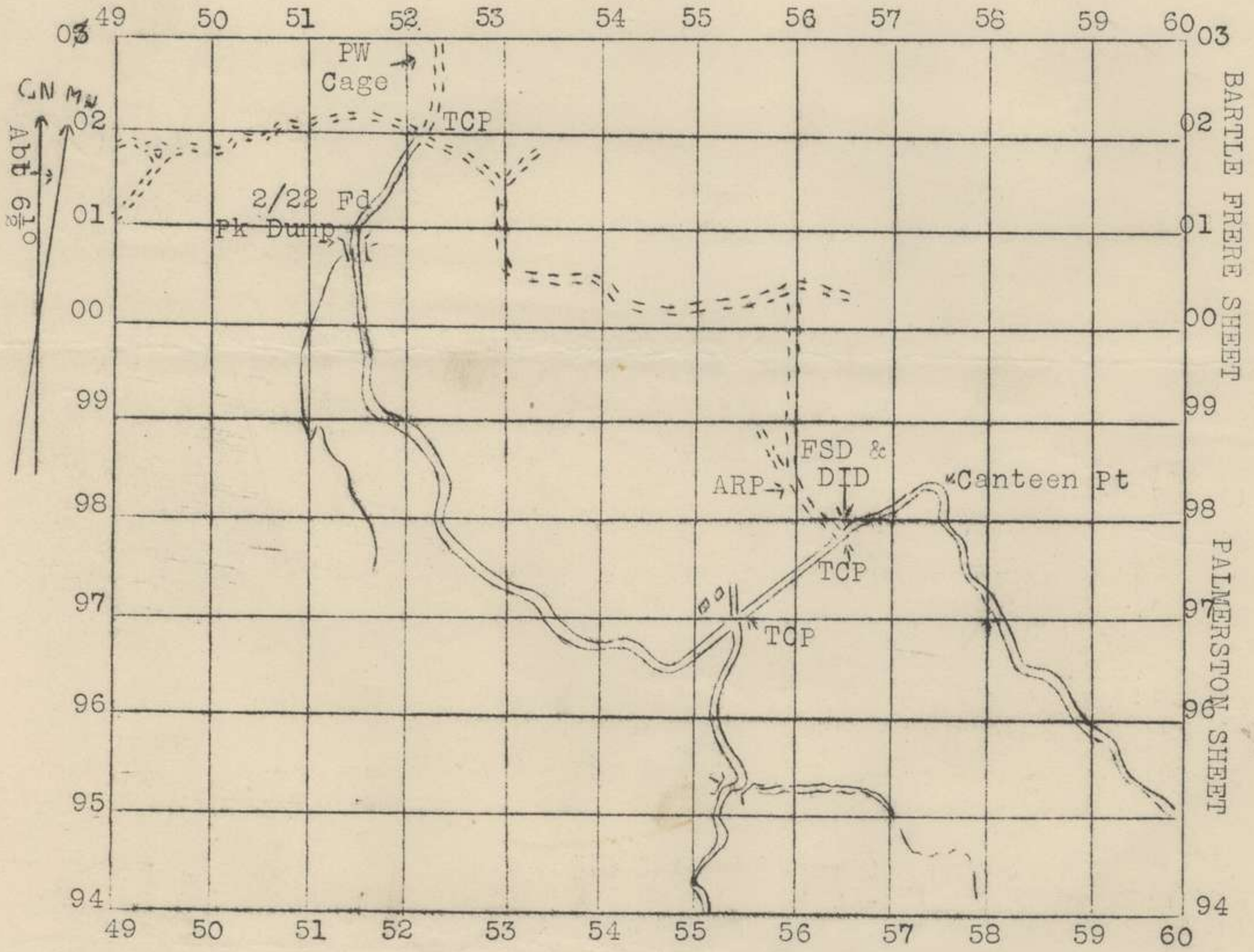
Appx A to 6 Aust Div Adm Order No 2



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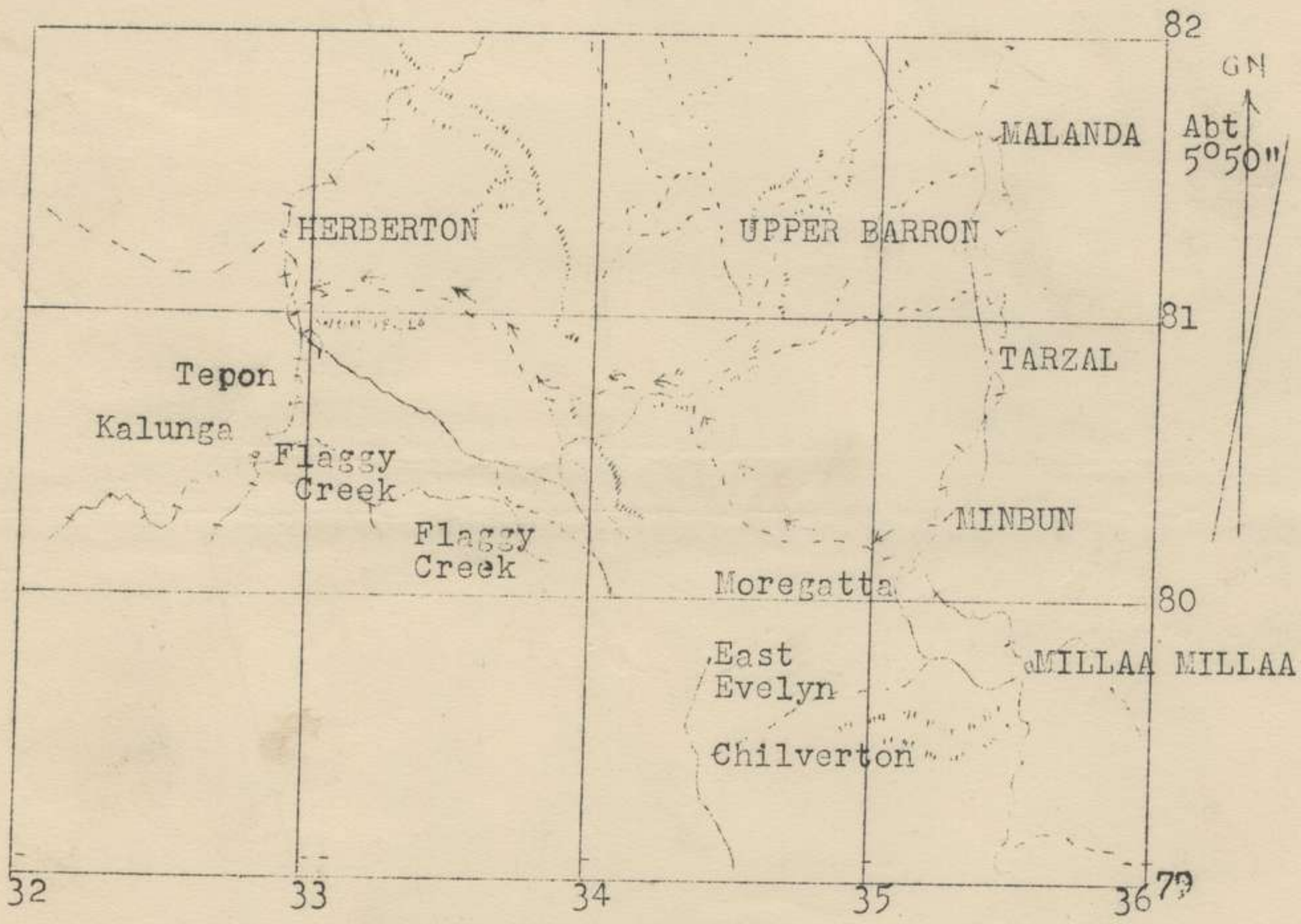
TRACE "A"

(Issued in conjunction with 6 Aust Div OO No 1 of 4 Jul 43)

Ref Map ATHERTON TABLELANDS 1:253440



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6 AUST DIV EXERCISE NO 2

6 AUST DIV INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO 51

Compiled from information received up to 1800 hrs 5 Jul 43.

Ref Map ATHERTON TABLELANDS 1:253440

PART 1

Japanese forces which landed at CAIRNS on 30 Jun 43 are estimated at one division with ancillary troops. Since that date there has been much movement of troops along the railway CAIRNS-RAVENSHOE as far as KABAN. The main forces are disposed at CAIRNS, MAREEBA and KABAN with smaller forces at other points along the railway protecting the lines of communication. As only a limited amount of serviceable civilian MT has been captured, the enemy is relying almost entirely on the railway for movement of troops and supplies.

NO further reinforcements are expected immediately as an enemy convoy in the CORAL SEA moving towards CAIRNS has been dispersed by our naval units.

The line of the railway and main roads are being patrolled vigorously by the enemy and main roads strafed from the air.

PART II

2. (a) LAND

Since moving fr[illegible], NO contact with the enemy has been made by units of this formation.

During movement northwards along axis road INNISFAIL-CAIRNS our troops are contacting strong enemy patrols, which are using delaying tactics.

(b) SEA

Simultaneously with the landing at CAIRNS on 30 Jun 43, a large enemy naval force was attacked by allied naval units off SANDY CAPE 25° 155° E. Complete details have NOT been received but it is known that the enemy suffered heavy losses, several ships being sunk and others damaged: unconfirmed reports state that 3 light cruisers and 4 destroyers were sunk and 2 destroyers and small vessels damaged.

Comment: It would appear that this was a deceptive move to draw attention from the landing at CAIRNS. As such, it had some success but the enemy losses were out of all proportion to the value of the operation as a decoy.

Early on 4 Jul 43, an enemy convoy was sighted in the CORAL SEA 13° S 150° E course SW: this convoy was successfully attacked by our light naval units.

(c) AIR

Tac/R 0800 hrs 5 Jul 43 reports MT moving road HERBERTON- EVELYN between HERBERTON and road junction 339804 and small concentrations of troops in HERBERTON-WONDECLA-TEPON areas. Small parties of enemy were seen vicinity road and track junctions 344807.

At 0730 hrs 5 Jul 43, 6 medium bombers and 12 fighters attacked MILLAA MILLAA causing some damage to railway installations. Aircraft returned at 0800 hrs and strafed MT on PALMERSTON HIGHWAY near bridge over BEATRICE RIVER.

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INNISFAIL and BABINDA were bombed at 1000 hrs and 1015 hrs respectively.

3. STRENGTH AND DISPOSITION OF ENEMY FORCES

CAIRNS

One regiment plus one battalion
Portion reconnaissance battalion
Some ancillary troops

Holding general line of railway CAIRNS-BIBOOHRA and road CAIRNS-INNISFAIL to EDMONTON with patrols as far South as GORDONVALE and ALOOMBA.

MAREEBA

One regiment
Portion reconnaissance battalion

Holding aerodrome and railway. Patrols on main roads including road MAREEBA-ATHERTON and GILLIES HIGHWAY.

KABAN

One regiment less two battalions

Recently arrived and troops still arriving in this area. Patrols along railway, KABAN road, road ATHERTON-RAVENSHOE and road HERBERTON- RAVENSHOE.

4. ORDER OF BATTLE

Enemy identifications are required particularly and should be forwarded to this headquarters by quickest means, also information as to enemy strengths and casualties, confirmed and estimated.

5. SECURITY

It is reported that small quantities of AMF clothing and equipment, which escaped destruction when dumps and stores were demolished, are being used by the enemy. All ranks should be warned that our uniforms may be used by the enemy, some of whom speak English fluently.

Macrae Capt
for Col
GS 6 Aust Div

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6 AUST DIV EXERCISE NO 2

6 AUST DIV INT SUMMARY NO 52

Compiled from infm received up to 2300 hrs 6 Jul 43

Ref Maps: HERBERTON one inch to 1 mile
BARTLE FRERE one inch to one mile

PART I

Our tps commenced their adv from MILLAA MILLAA area to cut enemy L of C at WONDECLA at 0700 hrs 6 Jul. Opposition was met but was dealt with successfully and, by 2000 hrs, our tps had reached junc rd ATHERTON-RAVENSHOE and MINBUN track 431069.

Enemy A/C bombed and strafed tps and MT but little damage and few casualties resulted.

Little infm about the enemy has been received but it was reliably reported that five hundred inf detrained at WONDECLA at 1700 hrs 5 Jul and that active patrolling was being carried out in that area.

PART II

2. (a) LAND

At 0700 hrs 6 Jul, our tps commenced adv along MINBUN track from rd and track junc 518019. First contact was made at 0830 hrs at 481026 when an enemy force estimated at two coys was successfully attacked and adv continued.

Our leading tps reported at 1035 hrs that snipers were being encountered along track.

At 1135 hrs approx one enemy pl was contacted at 448037 and withdrew after coy attack.

Leading elements met LMG fire from vicinity 44[illegible]. Adv was held up by hy fire from 445042 and vicinity 446046. At 1530 hrs one bn with arty sp attacked spur 446046 and another bn advanced on axis TURNERS track to capture clearing 455048. By 1550 hrs these posns were clear of enemy.

Enemy fire from 441044 was met by a two coy attack at 1610 hrs. Enemy posns at 435051 and 438025 were later attacked successfully.

By 1950 hrs rd and track juncs 433053 and 437057 had been reached and units took up posns for night.

Our tps advancing along axis rd INNISFAIL met light opposition until fwd elements had reached ALOOMBA. Here the adv was held up and an attack was in progress at 1600 hrs.

(b) SEA

Further details have been received of the attack on enemy convoy in CORAL SEA on 4 Jul. The convoy consisted of eight merchant vessels with an escort of four destroyers and three lt cruisers - of these, two lt cruisers, four destroyers and six merchant vessels were sunk.

Comment: It is considered that this convoy was bringing supplies and hy equipment to force in CAIRNS-ATHERTON TABLELANDS area.

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(c) AIR

At 1220 hrs vehs on rd 487022 were bombed. At 1410 hrs two enemy A/C attacked stationary MT and pers at 505022: one bomber was probably shot down by SA fire. Engrs working on br at 485025 were strafed.

Reports have been received that our MT on rd INNISFAIL-CAIRNS have been bombed and strafed.

3. STRENGTH AND DISPOSITION OF ENEMY FORCES

No change from Int Summary No 51 except that one bn arrived at WONDECLA at 1700 hrs 4 Jul. This bn is believed to have come by rail from CAIRNS.

4. SECURITY

A HQ was strafed on 6 Jul by enemy A/C, the location being given away by the presence of MT and pers on a nearby track. Advantage was NOT taken of the cover offered by the jungle. All MT should be quickly unloaded, dispersed, concealed on arrival at a new site.

Macrae Capt
for Col
GS 6 Aust Div

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Serial No	UNIT	REFERENCE	REMARKS
	19 AUST INF BDE GP (contd)		Immediately West of BEATRICE RIVER crossing 364791 ref Map ATHERTON TABLELANDS 1/253440
33.	2/11 Aust Inf Bn		
34.	22 Aust Sup Depot Pl		
35.	2/7 Aust Fd Amb		
36.	Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy		
37.	Det "A" Sec FSW		
	30 AUST INF BDE GP		General area BF 4602
38.	HQ 30 Aust Inf Bde		
39.	30 Bde Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div		
40.	Det 6 Aust Div Cipher Sec		
41.	Guard Pl		
42.	6 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt		
43.	2/2 Aust Fd Coy		
44.	3/22 Aust Inf Bn		
45.	39 Aust Inf Bn		
46.	49 Aust Inf Bn		
47.	23 Aust Sup Depot Pl		
48.	24 Aust Sup Depot Pl		
49.	2/12 Aust Fd Amb		
50	Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy		
51.	Det "A" Sec FSW		

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6 AUST DIV EXERCISE NO 2

(16 Aust Inf Bde Gp)

6 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT NO 103

AS AT 1800 HRS 5 JUL 43

Map Legend: P PALMERSTON - one inch to one mile
BF BARTLE FRERE - one inch to one mile

Serial No	UNIT	REFERENCE	REMARKS
	HQ		
1.	Adv HQ 6 Aust Div	P 585960	
2.	Rear HQ 6 Aust Div	P 619949	
3.	"A" Sec FSW (less dets)	P 585960	
4.	9 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Bn	P 585960	
	RAA		
5.	HQ 2/3 Aust Fd Regt	P 585960	
	RAE		
6.	HQ RAE 6 Aust Div	P 585960	
	SIGS		
7.	HQ Sigs 6 Aust Div	P 585960	
8.	6 Aust Div Cipher Sec (less dets)	P 585960	
	AASC		
9.	HQ Comd AASC 6 Aust Div	P 619949	
10.	21 Aust Sup Depot Pl AASC	P 563980	
	PRO		
11.	6 Aust Div Pro Coy (less dets)	P 585960	
	16 AUST INF BDE GP		
12.	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	P 524974	
13.	J Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div	P 524974	
14.	Det 6 Aust Div Cipher Sec	P 524974	
15.	10 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Bn	P 524974	
16.	5 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt	P 548966	
17.	2/15 Aust Fd Coy	P 528973	
18.	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	BF513998	
19.	2/2 Aust Inf Bn	P 518980	
20.	2/3 Aust Inf Bn	P 511980	
21.	20 Aust Sup Depot Pl AASC	P 550970	
22.	25 Aust Sup Depot Pl AASC	P 550970	
23.	2/1 Aust Fd Amb	P 545967	
24.	Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy	P 524974	
25.	Det "A" Sec FSW	P 524974	
	19 AUST INF BDE GP		
26.	HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde		Immediately West of BEATRICE RIVER crossing 364791 ref Map ATHERTON TABLELANDS 1/253440
27.	K Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div		
28.	Det 6 Aust Div Cipher Sec		
29.	Guard Pl		
30.	53 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt		
31.	2/9 Aust Fd Coy		
32.	2/4 Aust Inf Bn		
33.	2/8 Aust Inf Bn		

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Serial No	UNIT	REFERENCE	REMARKS
	19 AUST INF BDE GP (contd)		
34.	2/11 Aust Inf Bn		Immediately West of BEATRICE RIVER crossing 364791 ref Map ATHERTON TABLE-LANDS 1/253440
35.	22 Aust Sup Depot Pl AASC		
36.	2/7 Aust Fd Amb		
37.	Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy		
38.	Det "A" Sec FSW		
	30 AUST INF BDE GP		
39.	HQ 30 Aust Inf Bde		MILLAA MILLAA Area
40.	30 Bde Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div		
41.	Det 6 Aust Div Cipher Sec		
42.	Guard Pl		
43.	6 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt		
44.	2/2 Aust Fd Coy		
45.	3/22 Aust Inf Bn		
46.	39 Aust Inf Bn		
47.	49 Aust Inf Bn		
48.	23 Aust Sup Depot Pl AASC		
49.	24 Aust Sup Depot Pl AASC		
50.	2/12 Aust Fd Amb		
51.	Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy		
52.	Det "A" Sec FSW		

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Signed at 2300 hrs

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GS 6 Aust Div

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6 Aust Div

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6 AUST DIV EXERCISE NO 2

(16 Aust Inf Bde Gp)

6 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT NO 104

AS AT 1800 HRS 6 JUL 43.

Map Legend: P - PALMERSTON - one inch to one mile
BF- BARTLE FRERE-one inch to one mile
H - HERBERTON - one inch to one mile

Serial No	UNIT	REFERENCE	REMARKS
	HQ		
1.	Adv HQ 6 Aust Div	BF 505022	
2.	"A" Sec FSW (less dets)	BF 505022	
3.	9 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Bn	BF 505022	
4.	Rear HQ 6 Aust Div	H 366043	
	RAA		
5.	HQ 2/3 Aust Fd Regt	BF 507022	
	RAE		
6.	HQ RAE 6 Aust Div	BF 507022	
	SIGS		
7.	HQ Sigs 6 Aust Div	BF 505022	
8.	6 Aust Div Cipher Sec (less dets)	BF 505022	
	AASC		
9.	21 Aust Sup Depot Pl	P 563980	
	PRO		
10.	6 Aust Div Pro Coy (less dets)	BF 505022	
	16 AUST INF BDE GP		
11.	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde		
12.	J Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div		
13.	Det 6 Aust Div Cipher Sec		
14.	10 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Bn	BF 432065	
15.	5 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt		
16.	2/15 Aust Fd Coy		
17.	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	BF 432064	
18.	2/2 Aust Inf Bn	BF 434060	
19.	2/3 Aust Inf Bn	BF 430067	
20.	20 Aust Sup Depot Pl	BF 433055	
21.	25 Aust Sup Depot Pl		
22.	2/1 Aust Fd Amb	BF 432062	
23.	Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy	BF 432065	
24.	Det "A" Sec FSW		
	19 AUST INF BDE GP		
25.	HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde		Immediately West of BEATRICE RIVER crossing 364791 ref Map ATHERTON TABLELANDS 1/253440
26.	K Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div		
27.	Det 6 Aust Div Cipher Sec		
28.	Guard Pl		
29.	53 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt		
30.	2/9 Aust Fd Coy		
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32.	2/8 Aust Inf Bn		

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INSTRUCTION TO COMD RAE FIRING PARTY

Serial No. 1

Ry Br ~~or Culvert~~ 515011

Map Ref.

(i) You are resnohsible for successful demolition of above br when it is ordered.

(ii) A Covering party for protention of br will be provided by 2/1 Aust Inf Bn.

(iii) You will fire demolition on receipt written orders from Lt-Col CULLEN. Present HQ 513558
Comd 2/1 Aust Inf Bn.

(iv) You will fire on own inititive if you see demolition in danger of being captured ,
i.e. as soon as covering party fails to prevent enemy reaching within 200 yds.

(v) After firing OR after advance of our fwd tps on moving 6 Jul 43, you will return to your unit.

ACK

(signature)
Capt
B M 16 Aust Inf Bde

5 Jul 43

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EXERCISE ONLY

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ORDERS

(a) To Comd 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

(i) You are responsible to give RAE NCO's i/c Demolition parties orders to demolish the following :

Ry Br	515011
Rd Br	513009
Culvert	511998

(ii) In event of your absence from brs, you will delegate your responsiblity for giving this order to the NCO i/c covering party.

(b) You will not allow the enemy to capture the brs and culvert intact under any circumstances. If the enemy reach within 200 yds of demolition, it will destroyed at once.

(c) Covering parties will withdraw, after advance of fwd element 16 Aust Inf Bde NORTH of br 513009 6 Jul 43.

ACK.

Capt
B M 16 Aust Inf Bde

Jul 43.

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INSTRUCTION TO COND RAE FIRING PARTY

Serial No. 3

~~Br or~~ Culvert 5^11998

Map Ref.

(i) You are responsible for successful demolition of above br when it is ordered.

(ii) A Covering party for protection of br will be provided by 2/1 Aust Inf Bn.

(iii) You will fire demolition on receipt written orders from Lt-Col CULLEN. Present HQ Comd 2/1 Aust Inf Bn.

(iv) You will fire on own inititive if you see demolition in danger of being captured ,
i.e. as soon as covering party fails to prevent enemy reaching within 200 yds.

(v) After firing OR after advance of our fwd tps on moving 6 Jul 43, you will return to your unit.

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ORDERS

(a) To Comd 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

(i) You are responsible to give RAE NCO's i/c Demolition parties orders to demolish the following :

1 Ry Br 515011
2 Rd Br 513009
3 Culvert 511998

(ii) In event of your absence from brs, you will delegate your responsiblity for giving this order to the NCO i/c covering party.

(b) You will not allow the enemy to capture the brs and culvert intact under any circumstances. If the enemy reach within 200 yds of demolition, it will destroyed at once.

(c) Covering parties will withdraw, after advance of fwd element 16 Aust Inf Bde NORTH of br 513009 6 Jul 43.

ACK.

5. Jul 43.

W. M. Maybeard
Capt
B M 16 Aust Inf Bde

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4 JUL 43

16 AUST INF BDE ADMIN ORDER 1.

Ref Maps : ATHERTON TABLELANDS

PALMERSTON 1inc 1 mile

BATTLE FRERE 1 in to 1 mile

INFM

1. No change from 6 Aust Div Exercise No 2 - General Idea, already issued.

2. Additional units under comd from 1000 hrs 5 Jul 43.

5 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt.
2/13 Aust Fd Coy
20 and 21 Sup Depot Pls AASC.
2/1 Aust Fd Amb.
One sec 6 Aust Div Pro Coy.
Det A Sec F S W

INTENTION

3. 16 Aust Inf Bde Gp will move to assembly area, MOREGATTA area on 5 Jul 43.

METHOD

4.. Movement Table already issued, as Appendix A to 6 Aust Div Exercise No 2 of 1 Jul 43.

5. (a) Debussing - On arrival assembly area, units will close up in blocks of seven vehicles, 100 yds between blocks within allotted areas, vide trace of unit dispositions issued separately.

(b) All tpt proveded solely for conveyance of personnel to assembly area vide Movement Table - Allocation additional MT, will, on completion of debussing, return to unit lines by following routes :-

(i) Vehs from 2 Aust Corps Area- MINBUN - MALANDA - YUNGABURRA
(ii) Vehs from 6 Aust Div area - MINBUN - MALANDA - rd junc 486239 - rd junc 467236 - rd junc 424179 - HERBERTON - RAVENSHOE rd.
(iii) Vehs from 7 Aust Div area - turn round at MINBUN Ry Stn and return by outward route.

6. Unit dispositions as per trace, issued separately.

ADM

7. DRESS - Battle order (green drill and helmets).

8. Sups & POL

(a) Unexpended portion of days rations 5 Jul on man.

(b) One Fd Operational Ration and two Emergency Rations on man, to be used if required.

(c) (i) FSD will be established at location of 20 and 21 Aust Sup Depot Pls as per trace issued separately.

(ii) Units will collect sups and POL, for consumption 6 Jul, from FSD at times to be notified.

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9. Medical - MDS opens 1700 hrs 5 Jul in 2/1 Aust Fd Amb dispersal area.

10. Traffic Control - OC Pro Sec will report this HQ 1000 hrs 5 Jul for instns.

11. Water - From local resources, sterilizing tablets will be used.

12. Private Property -

(a) Care will be taken to ensure that no avoidable damage is done to private property.

(b) Where fences are cut to allow vehicles to disperse, the following action will be taken :-

(i) Fence posts plugged before cutting wire.
(ii) On veh returning to track, fence will be rejoined with spare wire carried, and nearest post clearly marked with large piece of paper tied with string.

(c) All vehs will carry wire cutters, axe, spare wire, newspaper and string to enable the above instructions to be carried out.

(d) 2/1 Aust Inf Bn will provide pioneer party 1 NCO 6 ORs with necessary equipment, incl wire, for permanently repairing damaged fences. Party will report this HQ 1030 hrs 5 Jul 43.

(e) (i) Pioneer party will move in rear of Bns.
(ii) Units cutting wire in rear of Pioneer party are responsible for permanently repairing such fences.

(f) Sig wire will NOT be used.

13. Porters.

(a) Will be supplied for Bde HQ by each Bn :-

Control	Porters
Two Sgts Two Cpls	19

(b) Allocation by Bde T O as follows :-

(i) 49 Porters - "J" Sec Sigs
(ii) 8 Porters - Bde HQ for I and G offices.

(c) Dress : (i) NCO's as for fighting tps
(ii) Porters as for fighting tps, less arms and amn.

INTERCOMN

14. (a) Bde HQ closes present location 1205hrs 5 Jul 43 - opens head of coln same time.

(b) Location in assembly area as per trace, issued separately.

(c) All comns in assembly area will be established and tested by 1800 hrs 5 Jul 43.

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15. ACK.

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2/2 Aust Inf Bn	4
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	5
20 Aust Sup Depot Pl	6
21 Aust Sup Depot Pl	7
2/1 Aust Fd Amb	8
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TRACE of DISPOSITIONS - 16 AUST INF BDE GP - ASSEMBLY AREA

Ref Map BARTLE FREERE 1/63360

MINBUN - MOREGATTA AREA

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Ref Maps : BARTLE FRERE (BF) 1 in to 1 ml
PALMERSTON (P) 1 in to 1 ml
HERBERTON (H) 1 in to 1 ml
Sketch of crossing DIRRAN CK (D) 486023
Sketch of area rd and track (S) 432065

INFN

1. Enemy

Enemy bombing has rendered movement of MT on main rd impractikable.

2. Own tps

6 Aust Div less 19 Aust Inf Bde is to adv and cut enemy ry L of C NORTH of WONDECLA.

INTENTION

3. 16 Aust Inf Bde and attached tps will act as fwd Bde group .

METHOD

4. Order of March

(a) Adv Gd - Comd : Lt-col CAMERON
2/2 Aust Inf Bn
1 pl 2/15 Aust Fd Coy in sp

Fwd elements will pass rd - track junc 518019 0700 hrs 6 Jul.

(b) Main body : Head passes S P

Bde R Gp	0715 hrs
Adv 16 Aust Inf Bde	0722 hrs
Stretcherbearer Coy 2/1 Aust Fd Amb	0728 hrs
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	0730 hrs
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	0743 hrs
Rear HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	0756 hrs
Stretcherbearer Coy	0759 hrs
2/15 Aust Fd Coy less one pl	0801 hrs
20 Aust Sup Depot Pl	0803 hrs
25 Aust Sup Depot Pl	0805 hrs

5. Route

Junc rd and track MINBUN 518019 (B F)
CK CROSSING 486025 (B F) - junc rd and track 432069 (B F) - junc rd and track 415068 (S) - track past CRATER - then WEST via track NOT shown on map.

6. S P - X rds 514013

7. Use of MT

Passibility of route by MT doubtful.
HQ and units will be prepared abandon vehs at any stage.
Porters will move with veh on which their loads are carried.

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8. Protection
(a) 2/1 Aust Inf Bn will send one pl posn main rd one mile NORTH [illegible].

(b) To be in posn 0620 hrs 6 Jul

(c) Pl will rejoin coln at rear of 25 Aust Sup Depot Pl.

9. Arty
FOO will xxxx report to 2/2 Aust Inf Bn 0600 hrs at br 513008 (DF).

ADM

10. Sups and POL
(a) Sup pt will be notified .

(b) (NOT FOR EXERCISE - indents for rations for consump tion 10,11,12, Jul to be submitted to Sup pt 5,6,7, Jul respectively)

11. Amn
AMP opens 561983 (P) 1800 hrs 5 Jul .
APs will be notified.

12. Medical
M D S remains present location.
(NOTE : Exercise casualties evacuated to MDS will be returned to units as reinfts on submission on daily strength return AFW 3006 .)

13. Rec
Disabled vehs will be moved clear on rd or track:

((a) If veh fwd this HQ; this HQ will be notified by quickest means.

(b) If veh in rear this HQ ; 6 Aust Div will be notified by quickest means.

(c) Particulars to be notified:-
(i) Type of veh
(ii) Location
(iii) Loading
(iv) Nature of casualty (X,Y or Z)

14. PW
Cage opens 523026 (DF) 1200 hrs 6 Jul.

INTERCOMN

15. (a) Sigs 6 Aust Div will lay main artery from rear leading Coy Adv Gd.

(b) (i) Coys and Bn HQ fwd of Adv Bde HQ may pin in on main artery.
(ii) Rear of Adv Bde HQ, only, unit HQ may pin in
(c) Cable will be carried as follows :-
(i) J Sec Sigs - 10 mls
(ii) Each Bn - 5 mls
(d) Unit HQ pin in and listen 10 minutes every hr while on march.

16. Wireless silence and contact.

17. This HQ closes present location 0620 hrs opens in coln same time.

18. ACK.

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B. M. 16 -

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FROM 16 Aust Inf Bde

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EXERCISE

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6 July 43

16 Inf Bde 002
(issued with trace)
Ref Map: Sketch from Air Photos
Rd-track 432065

INTENTION

1. Enemy

My fire from RIDGE ~~ridge~~ G and RIDGE ~~ridge~~ H, and CLEARINGS K and J are holding up adv of our fwd elements.

2. Own Tps

2/3 Inf Bn are disposed as per trace attached.

INTENTION

3. 16 Inf Bde and att tps will attack and secure rd running NE and SW in square 4305

METHOD

4. attack in two phases.

5. PHASE I

(a) 2/3 Inf Bn will in succession capture (i) H SPUR, 447043
(ii) G FEATURE, 445044

(b) Exploitation – Vigorous to T JUNC 433053

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(c) Start Line - 447038 to 448041

(d) Start Time - 1530 hrs

(e) Arty (i) Z - Z + 8 Target H, 447043
concentrations 5 rpg.
(ii) Z + 10 — Z + 18 Target G, 445044
20 rpg
(iii) 7 rpg available comd 2/3 Aust
Inf Bn for observed fire.

PHASE II

6. 2/1 Aust Inf Bn
(a) Objective - CLEARING K, using
minimum number of tps
(b) Route - NE along ~~[illegible]~~ CK to TURNERS
TRACK — track to Start Line
(c) Start Line - as laid down by Comd
2/1 Aust Inf Bn, but NOT
closer to edge of jungle
SW of T in TURNERS
than 300 yds.
(d) Start ~~Time~~ - 1530 hrs
(e) Exploitation — track to rd and
track junc, 435056

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(f) Arty - nil

ADM

7. <u>Medical</u>

ADS on track 800 yds SOUTH of Jungle Edge 453028

INTERCOMN

8. Bde HQ 451033

9. ACK.

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EXERCISE

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16 AUST INF BDE O.O. 3.

Ref Maps:- BARTLE FRERE 1 in to 1 mile (BF)
HERBERTON. 1 in to 1 mile (H.)
(W.) Sketch of Air Photos Showing WONDECLA Area } Sketch from Air Photos Area rd track 432065 (S)

INFM.

1. Contact was lost with enemy at rd track junc 433053 and 435056

INTENTION

2. 16 Aust Inf Bde and att tps. will continue adv on 7 Jul 43.

METHOD.

3. Order of March

(a) Adv Gd: Comd - Major Mac Donald
2/3 Aust Inf Bn
one pl 2/15 Aust Fd Lay in s,

Tail of column will be clear of SP 0730 hrs.

(b) Main Body:

	Head passes SP
Bde 'R' Gp	0740 hrs.
Adv. HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	0742 hrs.
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	0746 hrs.
two bearer Coys 2/1 Aust Fd Amb	0800 hrs
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	0804 hrs
Rear HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	0818 hrs.

4. Route
junc rd and track 4131
track past.

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CRATER - then WEST via track NOT shown on map.

5. SP. - 200 yds WEST of rd and track junc 432066 (S).

6. Protection

(a) 2/2 Aust Inf Bn will relieve standing patrol of 2/3 Aust Inf Bn located ??? yds NE of rd and track junc 432066 at 0630 hrs.

(b) Pl will remain in posn until passage of colm and will rejoin colm at rear of rear Bde HQ.

7. Arty

FOO will report to 2/3 Aust Inf Bn by 0630 hrs

ADM.

8. 20 and 25 Aust Inf Rept Bns will remain present area.

9. No vehs will be taken fwd of present locations.

INTERCOMN

10. This HQ closes present locations 0735 hrs. Opens in colm same time.

11. Ack.

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B. M. 16 Aust Inf Bde

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16 AUST INF BDE O.O.4

Ref Map: Sketch from Air Photos.
Rd and track 432065

INFM.

1. Enemy forces, strength unknown in timber astride track junc 416069, line of FDL timber edge.

2. 2/3 Aust Inf Bn attacked 0855 hrs, but failed to dislodge enemy.

INTENTION.

3. 16 Aust Inf Bde and att tps will capture rd from rd track junc 416069 to timber edge.

METHOD.

4. Outflanking movement on it.

5. 2/1 Aust Inf Bn will move right edge of timber, and attack enemy from the flank.

6. Route - edge of timber 429068. 429073, 425075 420075.

7. Start Line - 500 yds NORTH of rd from timber edge to 200 yds. WEST.

8. Start Time - 1000 hrs.

9. Rec. - 2/3 Aust Inf Bn start attack from present area.

ADM

10. ADS. 532063.

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INTERCOMN.

11. J Sec Sigs will lay line to 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

12. Bde HQ. 431066.

13. ACK.

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BM 16 AUST INF BDE

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Ref Map: Sketch from Air Photos showing WONDECLA Area.

INFM.

1. (a) Lwd elements 2/2 Aust Inf Bn contacted enemy WEST of Creek 327103

(b) P.W. - states enemy main posn features open mine 319105 and RED HOUSE HILL 318089.

INTENTION.

2. 16 Aust Inf Bde will capture RED HILL feature.

METHOD.

3. Attack in two Phases:

2/2 Aust Inf Bn will capture RED HILL FEATURE

4. Direction of attack - 220°.

5. Start time as laid down by Comd 2/2 Aust Inf Bn.

6. Start line as laid down by Comd 2/2 Aust Inf Bn.

Phase 2.

Only in event of 2/2 Aust Inf Bn being held up.

7. 2/3. Aust Inf Bn will capture RED. HILL FEATURE attack from flank.

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8. In anticipation 2/3 Aust Inf Bde will move to assembly area 329093.

9. Start Line as decided by Comd 2/3 Aust Inf Bde.

10. Start Line to be advised by Bde.

11. Res. – 2/1 Aust Inf Bde astride track 335099.

ADM.

12. ADS in rear 2/1 Aust Inf Bde.

INTERCOMM.

13. 2/3 Aust Inf Bde will lay line back to Bde.

14. Bde HQ located 334098.

15. Ack.

Time of signature.

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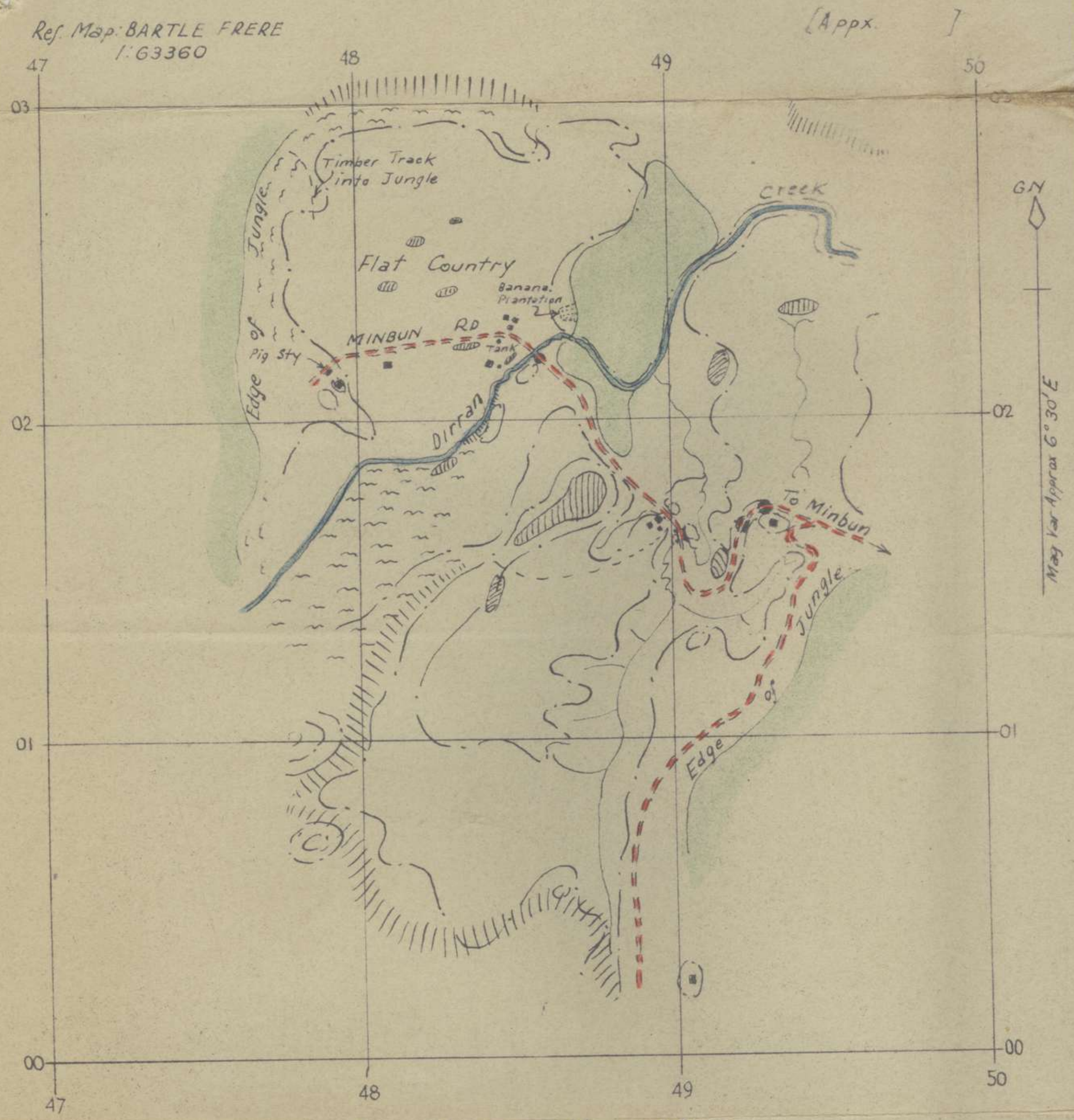
SHOWING PORTION OF MINBUN RD



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Yards 500 400 300 200 100 0 500 1000 1500 Yards

LEGEND

Roads		House	
Creek		Jungle	
Watercourse		Forest	
Formlines		Scrub	
Cutting		Bushy Trees	

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SHOWING PORTION OF MINBUN RD

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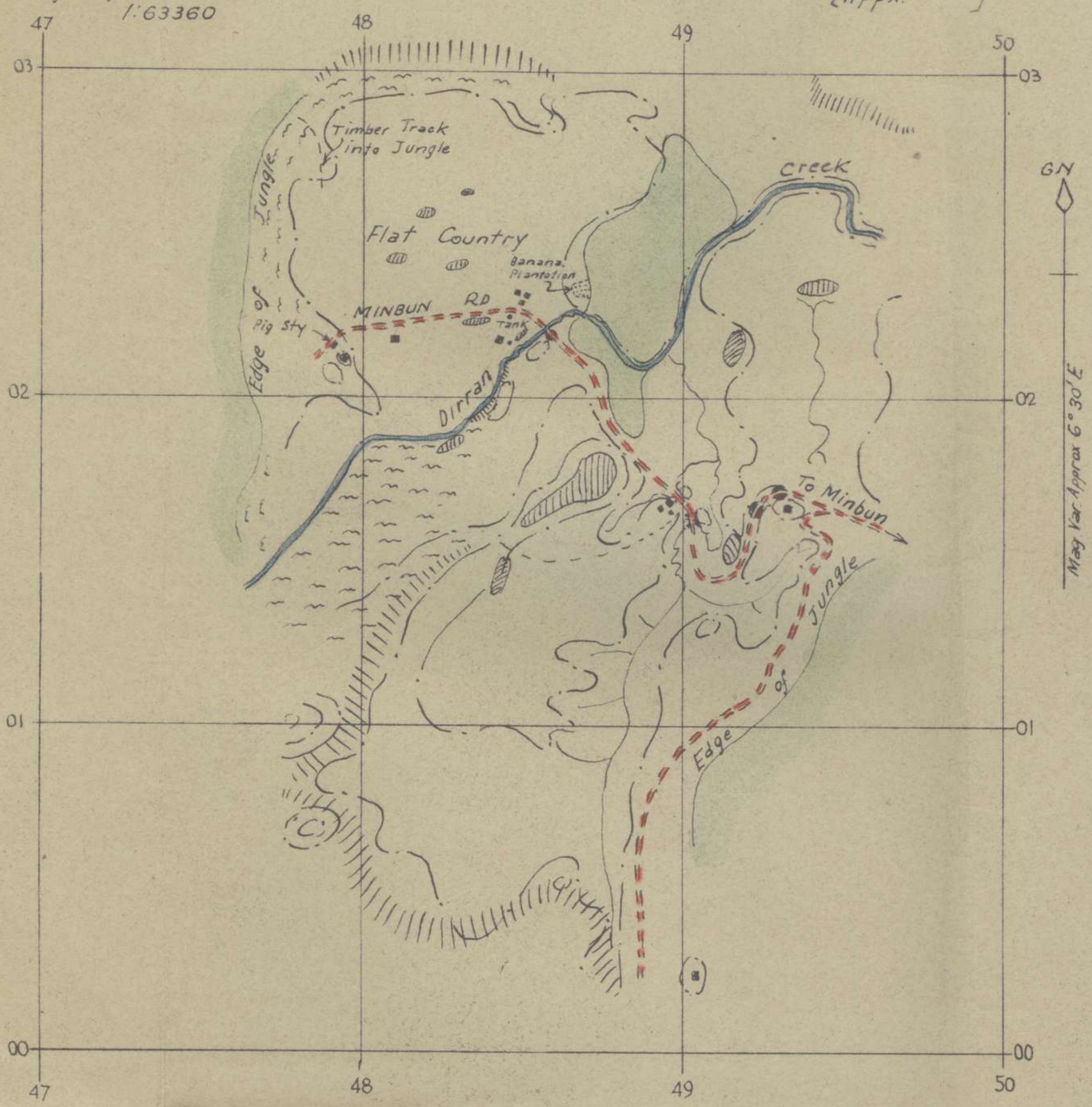

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SHOWING "WONDECLA" AREA

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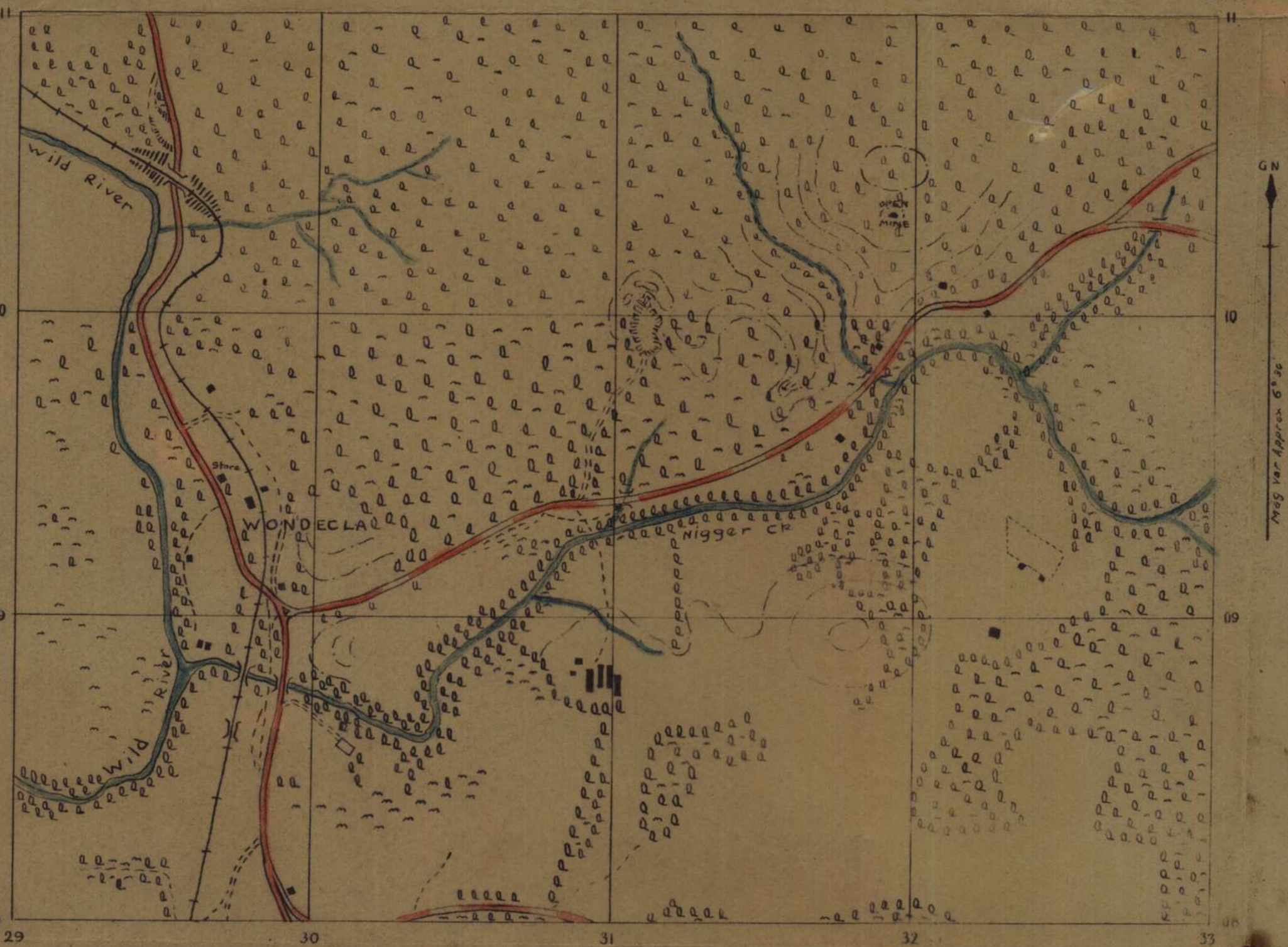

SCALE

4 INCHES TO 1 MILE

Mile 1 — 3/4 — 1/2 — 1/4 — 0 — 1 Mile

Yards 1000 — 500 — 0 Yards

LEGEND

Roads
Creeks
" " (dry)
Form lines
Embankment

Houses
Cultivation
Scrub
Railway
Gravel scrapes

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— SKETCH FROM AIRPHOTOS —

— AREA – ROAD TRACK 432065 —

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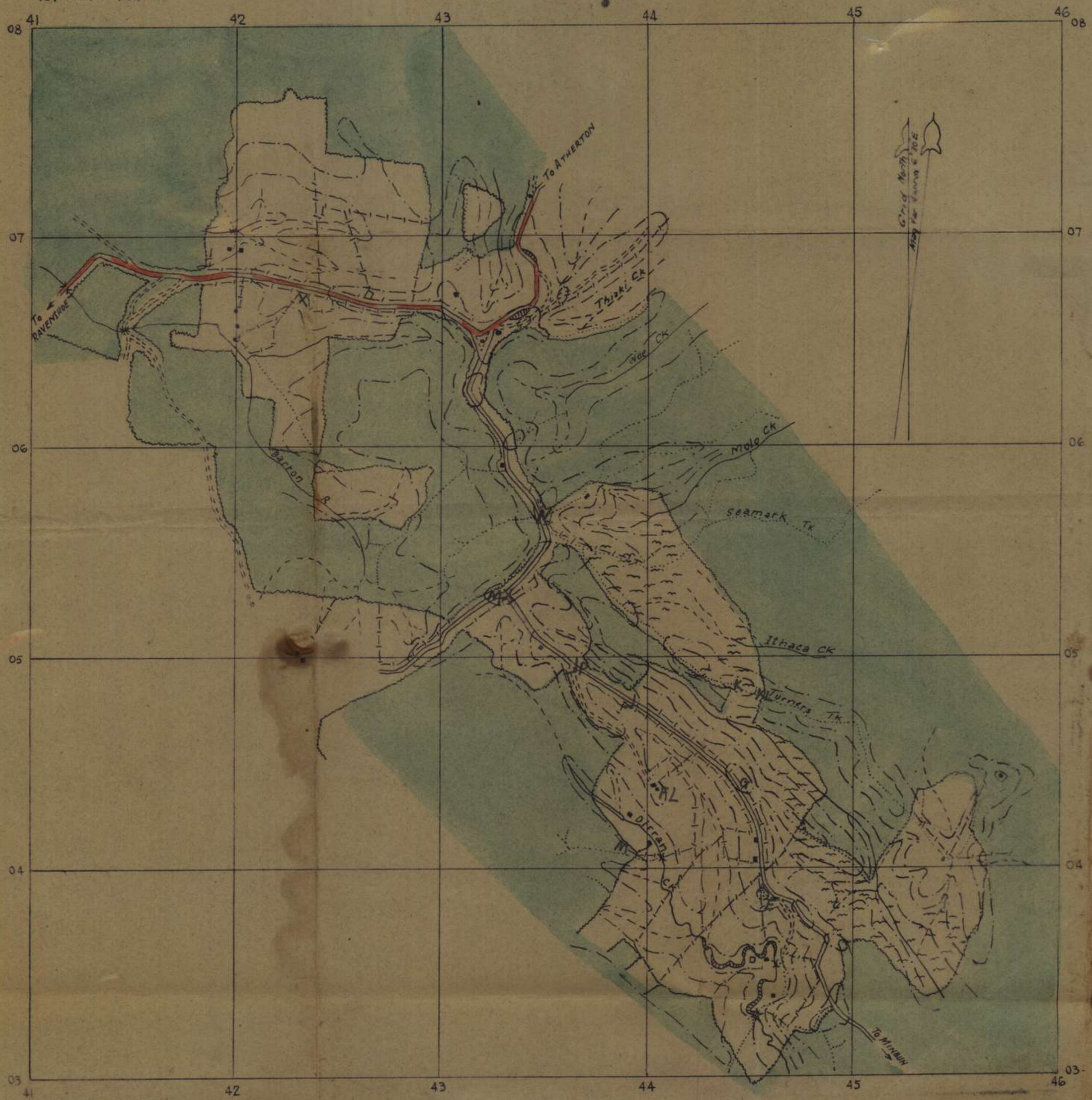

Roads
Tracks
Fences
Form Lines

V.I. Approx 50'

SCALE : 4 IN to 1 MILE

400 200 0 400 800 1200 1600

Jungle
Scrub
Creeks
Water Course

Prepared by 3/22 Bn. 1-3/6

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Ref maps:
H - HERBERTON 1 inch
M - MT GARNET 1 inch

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS - EXERCISE RODEO

16 AUST INF BDE

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and ref to Appendices, etc
1. CAMP AREA	11 Jul	1225	HQ 16 Jap Regt closed camp site, reopened in convoy proceeding to IRVINEBANK area.	
2. H 087080	11 Jul	1530	HQ 16 Jap Regt est in bivouac area.	
3. IRVINEBANK area	11 Jul	1722	Dispositions 16 Jap Regt Gp :- HQ 16 Jap Regt — H 087080 HQ 2/1 Jap Bn — H 060072 HQ 2/2 Jap Bn — H 053082 HQ 2/3 Jap Bn — H 102089 HQ 2/15 Jap Fd Coy — H 053086 HQ 24, 25 Jap Sup Pls — H 053089 Det 9 Jap Div Pro Coy — H 087080 HQ 5 Jap Fd Bty — H 102098 HQ 2/1 Jap Fd Amb — H 105102	
4.	11 Jul	1600	LO from 9 Jap Div with infm re co-operation of paratps and orders to adv on 12 Jul and cut enemy L of C vicinity of br 175800	
5.	11 Jul	1900	GOC 9 Jap Div arrived to confer with comd 16 Jap Regt - bringing O I for operation.	O I attached
6.	11 Jul	2030	Comd 16 Jap Regt issued written order for adv at conference of unit comds. GOC 9 Jap Div was present at conference.	O O attached

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and ref to Appendices, etc
7. TR JUNC H 076072	12 Jul	0800	Fwd tps 16 Jap Regt crossed SL (H 076072) in the following order of march :- (a) Adv Gd - 2/1 Jap Inf Bn plus Pl 2/15 Jap Fd Coy (b) Main Body - 2/2 Jap Inf Bn HQ 16 Jap Inf Regt 2/3 Jap Inf Bn 2/15 Jap Fd Coy 5 Jap Fd Bty 24 Jap Sup Depot Pl 25 Jap Sup Depot Pl 2/1 Jap Fd Amb	
8. MT MISERY H 1003	12 Jul	0937	MT MISERY reported clear of enemy by 2/1 Jap Inf Bn	
9. DECEPTION Rd Junc Area	12 Jul	1445	16 Jap Regt Gp took up temporary posn just NORTH DECEPTI ON TR JUNC M 123894 with 2/1 Jap Inf Bn 1 ml SW DECEPTION Pt on COOLGARRA track.	
10. "	12 Jul	1440	Coy 2/2 Jap Inf Bn departed DECEPTION Track Junc to secure track junc M 198855. A standing patrol one pl for local protection located on track 1000x SE DECEPTION PT.	
11. "	12 Jul	1630	Coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn plus tpt B Ech 16 Jap Regt left on deception task along track M 123894 - M 092868 - M 070 884 - M 050865 - M 050836.	
12.	12 Jul	1600	GOC 9 Jap Div arrived to confer with Comd.	
13.	12 Jul	1630	Conference unit comds for issue of verbal orders for move to assembly area and for attack against br area at first light.	
14.	12 Jul	1800	16 Jap Inf Regt less one coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn crossed SP M 123894 to take up posn track junc M 198855.	
15. Track Junc M 198855 area	12 Jul	2100	Dispositions 16 Jap Regt 2100 hrs. HQ 16 Jap Regt M 203863 2/1 Jap Inf Bn M 185864 2/2 Jap Inf Bn M 202837	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks etc
15. (Cont'd)			2/3 Jap Inf Bn M 190853 2/15 Jap Fd Coy M 154875 2/5 Jap Fd Bty M 1487 B Ech 16 Jap Regt M 123907	
			One coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn securing DECEPTION track junc at	
16.	12 Jul	2100	Brig Broadbent, chief umpire, informed Comd that no move SOUTH from assembly areas to take place before 1430 hrs 13 Jul.	
17. Deception track junc	12 Jul	2030	Deception patrol returned B ech area with truck and 10 prisoners captured M 050805 1930 hrs and identified as AASC 7 Aust Div.	
18. Track junc M198855	"	2130	16 Jap Regt Comd advised by GOC 9 Jap Div that there is to be NO move SOUTH before 1430 hrs 13 Jul.	
19.	12 Jul	2400	O O issued for attack 13 Jul.	O O att
20.	12 Jul) 13 Jul)	2200- 0600	Standing patrols and protective patrolling - nil reports	
21.	13 Jul	0720	Tac/R reported enemy movt	
22.	13 Jul	0803	Standing Patrols of 2 two secs of 2/2 Jap Inf Bn take up posn area 198848.	
23. Track junc area M198855	13 Jul		COs conference at HQ 16 Jap Regt - permission for move SOUTH from assembly areas at 1245 hrs obtained from GOC 9 Jap Div in order to do-ordinate attack by inf with that of paratps to be dropped 1400 and 1500 hrs.	
24.	13 Jul	0938	Patrol from 2/2 Jap Bn reports NO enemy 16 Jap Regt area.	
25.	13 Jul	1000	GOC 9 Jap Div arrived to confer with Comd.	
26.	13 Jul	1040	Order issued by signal - fwd bns to move from assembly areas 1245 hrs and to cross SL at 1430 hrs - ref OO.	
27.			written confirmation received from 9 Jap Div re alteration in time of attack.	att
28.	13 Jul	1015		

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, etc
29.	13 Jul	1150	2/1 Jap Inf Bn reported enemy strength approx one coy on track in SHADY CREEK area moving SOUTH along rd.	
30	13 Jul	1200	Deception patrol similiar to that on 12 Jul left to repeat task.	
31	13 Jul	1245	2/2 Jap Bn and 2/3 Jap Bn left assembly areas.	
32	13 Jul	1330	2/3 Jap Inf Bn contacted one coy enemy just NORTH of SHADY CK and forced enemy to withdraw.	
		1410	2/2 Jap Inf Bn reported 500 yds NORTH of br and preparing to attack.	
33	13 Jul	1430	2/3 Jap Bn crossed SL and D coy annihilated.	
34	13 Jul	1432	200 PsW reported taken by 2/3 Jap Inf Bn and enemy, 2/31 Aust Inf Bn and 2/10 Aust Inf Bn identified.	
35	13 Jul	1445	FOO reported 2/3 Jap Inf Bn attack successful (false report)	
36	13 Jul	1520	After enemy counter-attacked ~~passed~~ past 2/2 Jap Inf Bn right flank posn became very involved and umpires declared temporary armistice on 2/2 Jap Bn sector.	
37	13 Jul	1538	2/3 Jap Inf Bn now consisting of only rifle pls and HQ coy were located on fwd slopes of feature at M 172804 with enemy holding high ground to WEST.	
38	13 Jul	1800	2/3 Jap Inf Bn completely wiped out and area taken over by 2/1 Jap Inf Bn	
39	13 Jul	PM	GOC 9 Jap Div at 16 Regt HQ during afternoon.	
40	13 Jul	1830	Composite coy strength 2 pls - one pl 2/15 Jap Fd Coy, 10 Pl HQ Gd Bn placed in res in vicinity SHADY CK crossing.	
41	13 Jul	1725	Party 2/3 Jap Inf Bn under Lieut Cory destroyed enemy OP - culvert M 145788 blown up and rendered impassable till 1745 hrs.	
42	13 Jul	1730	Comd carried out recce fwd area. Posn ~~established~~ stabilised for night with 2/1 Jap Inf Bn on right, 2/2 Jap Inf Bn on left, Composite Coy SHADY CK area in res.	
43	13 Jul	1800	HQ 9 Jap Div Gd Pl arrives to augment composite coy.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks etc
44.	13 Jul	1815	GOC 9 Jap Div issues verbal orders by phone to BM. During night 13/14 Jul remainder 2/3 Jap Inf Bn plus composite coy are to outflank enemy on our left flank and get astride rd RAVENSHOE - MT GARNET well to the EAST of battle area.	
45.	13 Jul	1830	Comd returns and contacts GOC. Informs him that 2/3 Jap Inf Bn completely wiped out. Orders altered. 2/1 Jap Inf Bn to cap ture area br at first light while still controlling ridge on which they are at present.	
46.	13 Jul	1807	Heavy enemy shell fire on 2/2 Jap Inf Bn. Our casualties one offr and 6 ORs. The two coys EAST of WILD RIVER were wiped out.	
47.	13 Jul	1900 - 2030	3 destructive shoots by 2/2 Jap Inf Bn on br at M 175800 - but enemy still using br and rd.	
		1945	Enemy patrol activities in rear 2/1 Jap Bn posns.	
48.	13 Jul	2110	Dispositions 16 Jap Inf Regt as follows 2/1 Jap Inf Bn less one coy on feature NORTH WEST rd junc M 173802. 2/2 Jap Inf Bn area 188823 Comp Coy area 186842 and to be joined by coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn moving from Deception corner.	
49.	13 Jul	2115	OP Instn No 1 issued to 2/1 Jap Inf Bn to make dawn attack on br at the same time retaining possession of their present posn	Att
50.	13 Jul	2400	2/2 Jap Inf Bn reported that patrols sent to recce area br, reported br held by two coys of enemy.	
51.	14 Jul	0500	Regt HQ moved to area 185835.	
52.	14 Jul	0545	2/1 Jap Inf Bn commenced attack on br.	
53.	14 Jul	0600	A Coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn occupied br M 175800 at the same time sustaining 30 casualties.	
54.	14 Jul	0615	Enemy attack by one coy on 2/1 Jap Bn posn NW of br and overran D Coy area but attack repulsed.	
55.	14 Jul	0700	Attack by enemy AFVs on right flank of 2/2 Jap Bn posns - but was repulsed; two carriers.being knocked out.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks
56.	14 Jul	0730	54 Aust Fd Bty identified operating in br area.	
57.	14 Jul	0738	Coy attack on 2/2 Jap Inf Bn posn and attack repulsed.	
58.	14 Jul	0800	2/2 Jap Inf Bn reported enemy withdrawing after unsuccessful attack.	
59.	14 Jul	0805	Enemy still attacking 2/1 Jap Inf Bn unsuccessfully.	
60.	14 Jul	0838	Exercise concluded with 2/2 Jap Inf Bn at 182820 Remnants A coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn in possession of br. 2/1 Jap Inf Bn holding high ground 400 yds NW of br. Comp Coy plus coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn in res just SOUTH of SHADY CK.	

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EXERCISE RODEO

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16 AUST INF BDE ADM ORDER 1

INFM

1. 6 Aust Div is taking part in 2 Corps Exercise "RODEO", between 12 and 14 Jul 43, during which the div will act as JAP force.

INTENTION

2. 16 Aust Inf Bde and att tps will move to a concentration area (to be advised) on 11 Jul 43.

METHOD

3. Movement Table : att as appendix A.

4. Route : to be advised.

5. Zero : time at which leading veh of leading unit in order of march will pass bde SP.
To be advised.

6. Recce Parties.
Each unit will provide recce party, for recce of concentration area and to guide units from bde dispersal pt to unit areas, on following scale:-

(a) One offr per bn)
one NCO per coy) or equivalent units
one guide per coy)

(b) Recce parties will be prepared to move as from 0900 hrs 11 Jul.

ADM

7. Tpt
Allotment - the carrying tpt to units and disposal after move will be advised.

8. Rations
One days Fd Operational ration (in pack) and two days Emergency on man.
(If insufficient Fd Operational rations held by units, deficiency will be met with additional Emergency ration).

9. Sups & POL
Normal.

10. Amn
Blank will NOT be fired within 50 yds of enemy.

11. B Ech
Location to be advised.

12. Rec
By 2/45 Aust LAD.

13. PW
(a) Prisoners may be captured and taken back to unit or Bde HQ for interrogation as required. Afterwards they will be returned to the B Ech of their unit where they will take no further part in the ops.

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(b) To be "secure" personnel should give their number, rank and name only. NO mention should be made of the supposed title of the JAP regt or unit to which they belong.

(c) Casualties, which are decided on by umpires as a result of ops, will be ordered to move back to the B Ech of their units and will take NO further part in the manoeuvres.

14. Dress
(a) Battle order - steel helmets

(b) Packs in B Ech tpt.

15. Anti-Malaria Precautions
(a) The whole area over which "MANOEUVRE RODEO" is being conducted, is, for purpose of the exercise, to be considered as highly malarious. Mosquito nets will be used (carried in pack by day) and all normal anti-malaria precautions will be carried out as defined in GRO A404 of 24 May 43, para 5.

(b) Indents will be submitted forthwith for all anti-malarial requirements and maintenance demands submitted as required.

16. Traffic Control
(a) Check Posts
(i) Bde SP
(ii) Bde Dispersal Pt
(iii) As advised when route is known.

(b) Pro party will accompany bde recce party and will be posted en route as directed by SC (L).

INTERCOMN

17. Bde HQ closes at time to be notified, opens in coln same time.

18. Check Posts
(a) Comd of tps travelling in veh will ride in front with driver, except in the case of veh in which convoy comd is riding.

(b) Offr in leading veh of each unit will report designation of unit to offr at Check Post in a loud voice, so as to be heard above engine, without halting.

19. Codes
All R/T will be in clear, throughout exercise, but code names and call signs will be used, also map ref code.

20. Aircraft Markings
(i) AIF: - A/C will have normal BRITISH markings.

(ii) JAP: - A/C any marking, incl fuselage marking, which differs from normal BRITISH markings.

21. ACK

Signed at 2150 hrs

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25 Aust Sup Depot Pl	7	7
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RODEO

APPX A to 16 Aust Inf Bde
Adm Order 1

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MOVEMENT TABLE

SP)
Route) to be advised
Dis pt)

Speed 10 m i h

Density 20 v t m

Halts nil

SERIAL (a)	UNIT (b)	VEHS (c)	DESTINATION (d)	TIME PAST SP HEAD (e)	TIME PAST SP TAIL (f)	REMARKS (g)
1.	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde) J Sec Sigs) 10 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ) Gd Bn) Det A Sec FSW)	20	To be advised	Z	Z + 6	All vehs remain with units
2	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	42	" "	Z + 6	Z + 19	9 vehs return to 2 Aust Corps by route to be advised. 5 vehs report AASC 6 Aust Div pool at destination and by routes to be advised.
3	2/2 Aust Inf Bn	42	" "	Z + 19	Z + 32	14 vehs return to 2 Aust Corps by route to be advised.
4	2/3 Aust Inf Bn	46	" "	Z + 32	Z + 47	18 vehs return to parent unit by route to be advised.

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
5.	2/15 Aust Fd Coy	23	" "	Z + 47	Z + 55	8 vehs return to RAE 6 Aust Div by route to be advised.
6.	5 Aust Fd Bty	39	" "	Z + 55	Z + 67	All vehs remain with unit.
7.	2/1 Aust Fd Amb	22	" "	Z + 67	Z + 74	" " " " "
8.	24 Aust Sup Depot Pl 25 " " " "	6	" "	Z + 74	Z + 76	" " " " "
9.	Sec 6 Aust Div Pro Coy	1	" "	Z + 76	Z + 77	" " " " "
10.	2/45 Aust LAD	3	" "	Z + 77	Z + 79	" " " " "

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EXERCISE
RODEO

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16 JAP INF REGT OOI

Ref maps : HERBERTON 1 in to 1 mile
MT GARNET 1 in to 1 mile

War Diary

INFM

1. Enemy
(a) Enemy are holding passes through the GREAT DIVIDE to the WEST of MAREEBA and ATHERTON and have maintained their posns against our attacks.

(b) An enemy force identified as 7 Aust Div is in RAVENSHOE area. Reliable infm states that this force intends to adv on 12 Jul towards MT GARNET.

2. Own Tps
(a) Our forces have captured HERBERTON but exploitation to the NORTH, SE and SOUTH has been unsuccessful.

(b) 35 Jap Regt is in MT GARNET area with 5 Jap Bn gp in vicinity HANGING PINNACLE 059758.

INTENTION

3. 16 Jap Inf Regt will move to area track junc 198885 with a view to attacking the enemy's right flank.

METHOD

4. Adv in two phases.

PHASE I

5. (a) Adv Gd

Unit	Time hd passes SP
2/1 Jap Inf Bn	0800 hrs
one pl 2/15 Jap Fd Coy in sp	0813 hrs

(b) Main Body

2/2 Jap Inf Bn	0815 hrs
HQ 16 Jap Regt	0828 hrs
2/3 Jap Inf Bn	0838 hrs
2/15 Jap Fd Coy less one pl	0851 hrs
5 Jap Fd Bty	0856 hrs
24 Jap Sup Depot Pl	0910 hrs
25 Jap Sup Depot Pl	0912 hrs
2/1 Jap Fd Amb	0915 hrs

6. Route
IRVINEBANK - MT MISERY 098029 - track junc 106954 - track junc 123894.

7. SP
Track junc 076072.

8. Start Time : 0800 hrs.

9. R + O Gps
(a) Bde R Gp will move at head of main body.

(b) Bde O Gp will move at rear of Regt HQ.

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10. Action on arrival track junc 123894

(a) Adv gd will move down track running SW, leading to COOLGARRA, until tail is clear of track junc 123894.

(b) Main body will halt when fwd elements reach track junc 123894.

(c) Units will be dispersed and concealed and remain at fifteen mins notice.

(d) No movement on track SE from track junc 123894, before dark, with exception of patrols as ordered by this HQ.

11. Deception

(a) 2/1 Jap Inf Bn will move one coy, in such manner that it can be observed by enemy Toc R, towards COOLGARRA via track, leaving unit area 1730 hrs, commencing return journey 1815 hrs.

(b) "B" Ech brigaded, without stores or personnel other than dvr and one offsider per veh, will move by following route, leaving regt area. 1630 hrs.

Route:- track junc 123894
track junc 070885
track junc 050865
to pt 2 miles SOUTH track junc 050865.

(c) Coln will turn round NOT before 1815 hrs and return to "B" Ech area.

(d) One coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn will travel in leading vehs as protection.

(e) Regt TO will arrange for sufficient guides for side tracks etc: to enable coln to return after dark without headlights.

12. Protectio n
During halt at conclusion of phase I 2/1 Jap Inf Bn will provide standing patrol on high ground 1000 yds SW of track junc 123894.

PHASE II

13. Patrols
(a) Immediately on arrival of main body at track junc 123894, 2/2 Jap Inf Bn will send one rifle coy to track junc 198855 to secure high ground SOUTH of track junc.

(b) Vehs will NOT be taken and particular attention will be paid to concealing the movement SE and the occupation of objective.

14. Order of march of Regt Gp

2/2 Jap Inf Bn less one coy
one pl 2/15 Jap Fd Coy
2/3 Jap Inf Bn
HQ 16 Jap Regt
2/1 Jap Inf Bn
2/15 Jap Fd Coy less one pl
one bearer coy 2/1 Jap Fd Amb
5 Jap Fd Bty.

15. Start Time)
) to be advised.
16. SP)

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17. Engrs

Pl in sp adv gd will repair track sufficiently to enable two wheel drive vehs to travel, personnel being detached as required to do this.

ADM

18. Traffic Control

Sec div pro coy will move under comd Lieut McLellan, HQ 16 Jap Regt with adv gd and will be posted as directed.

19. "B" Ech

(a) "B" Ech will be brigaded.

(b) Under comd Regt TO as from 0800 hrs 12 Jul.

20 Rec

All veh casualties will be moved clear of track and will be recovered by 2/45 Jap LAD.

21. Medical

(a) In coln during phase I.

(b) One bearer coy will move with coln during phase II.

(c) MDS - as advised.

22. Water

(a) From normal water pts during night 11/12 Jul.

(b) Vehs to be back in unit areas by 0730 hrs 12 Jul.

INTERCOMN

23. Regt HQ closes present location, opens in coln 0820 hrs.

24. (a) Sigs 9 Jap Div are to lay line from rear of fwd coy of adv gd.

(b) All units will pin in at hourly halts.

25. J Sec Sigs will provide one 208 set and operator each to patrol at 198855 and "B" Ech.

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26. Wireless silence until contact.

27. ACK

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BM 16 Jap Regt

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Appendix A to 16 Jap Inf Regt 001

Phase II

1. Order of March of Regtl Gp.

Unit	Head Passes SP
(a) 2/2 Japs Inf Bns less one Coy one Pl 2/15 Japs Fd Coy one Pl	1800 hrs
2/3 Japs Inf Bns	1830 hrs
One Pl 2/15 Japs Fd Coy in SP.	
HQ 16 Japs Inf Regt	1855 hrs
2/1 Japs Inf Bns	1915 hrs
2/15 Japs Fd Coy less one Pl	1940 hrs
1 Bearer Coy 2/1 Japs Fd Amb	1955 hrs

Tail of column clear of SP 2010 hrs

(b) SP Deception Pt.

2. Vehicles

Scale of tpt to accompany units on night March will NOT exceed

(a) each inf bns	Mortars	4	vehs
	MMGs	2	"
	Cmd	1	"
	Sigs	1	"
	Kit Det	1	"
	Total	9	"
(b) one pl 2/15 Fd Coy		1	" (for mines only)
(c) balance Fd Coy		4	"
(d) Bearer Coy Fd Amb		4	" (incl amb)

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(c) balance unit tpt will remain present unit areas and rejoin units after daylight 13 Jul under arrangements Bde TO.

3. Arty
(a) Guns area square 1587
(b) Tail of Regt column will be clear of gun area by 2130 hrs.
(c) 5 Jap Fd Bty will be clear of the by 2330 hrs

4. B Ech
Will bring up hot meal at 2400 hrs

5. MDS
Present area

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16 JAP INF REGT O O 1

Ref Map : MT GARNET 1 in to 1 ml

INFM

1. Enemy
(a) TAC R reports
(i) 1100 hrs 2000 tps with MT moving WEST from MILLSTREAM FALLS with head at 250807 at 1115 hrs.
(ii) 1130 hrs tps seen br 175800 - some further WEST incl 4 guns, 2 ambulance cars.
(iii) 1355 hrs 7 carrs moving WEST 160096.
(iv) 1400 hrs 3 vehs stationary 125085.
(v) 1404 hrs 3 carrs stationery 180800.
(vi) 1405 hrs inf moving WEST 190802.
(vii) 1406 hrs 8 vehs, incl W/T van, with inf extending from 190802 to 200802.
(viii) 1412 hrs 4 guns, 2 being towed, 2 on ground 190802.

(b) No AFVs seen, other than carrs but reliable reports state some probably in area.

2. Own Tps
(a) 5 Jap Regt no change.

(b) 1 Bn 503 Jap Para Regt (less one coy) is co-operating with 9 Jap Div on 13 Jul as follows :-

(i) At 1400 hrs a landing is to be made vicinity br 175800 by main body of this force. The br is to be demolished and a def posn occupied astride enemy L of C on WEST bank WILD RIVER.
(ii) At 1500 hrs remainder this force is to be dropped astride enemy L of C vicinity 145788. Br slightly EAST this pt is to be demolished and a def posn occupied with particular attention being paid to the Western approaches.
(iii) Paratp force is to establish its HQ in vicinity Traffic Check Post 100 yds WEST of br 175800.

INTENTION

3. 16 Jap Inf Regt and att tps will move night 12/13 Jul and during afternoon 13 Jul capture area from CULVERT 145700 to RIDGE 1000 yds EAST br 175800 at 190802.

METHOD

4. In two phases.

PHASE I

5. Move to assembly area
(a) Order of March

Unit	Head Passes SP
2/2 Jap Inf Bn less one coy) One Pl 2/15 Jap Fd Coy in sp)	1800 hrs
2/3 Jap Inf Bn) one pl 2/15 Jap Fd Coy in sp)	1830 hrs
HQ 16 Jap Inf Regt	1855 hrs
2/1 Jap Inf Bn	1915 hrs
2/15 Jap Fd Coy less two pls	1940 hrs
one bearer coy 2/1 Jap Fd Amb	1955 hrs

(b) Route - Track SE from DECEPTION PT 123895 - track junc 198895.

(c) SP - DECEPTION PT 123895.

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(d) Start time - 1800 hrs.

6. Dispositions Assembly Area
(a) 2/2 Jap Inf Bn - area just SE track junc 198895.

(b) 2/3 Jap Inf Bn - area just SW track junc 198895.

(c) 2/1 Jap Inf Bn - on track of route with head 1000 yds WEST of track junc 198855.

7. Boundary
Inter bn bdry track from track junc 198855 SOUTH incl 2/2 Jap Inf Bn.

8. Arty
(a) will occupy posn square 1587 and be prepared to shoot by observation from first light.

(b) FOO to each of 2/2 and 2/3 Jap Inf Bns. To report by 1800 hrs.

(c) One tp in sp each 2/2 and 2/3 Jap Inf Bns.

(d) Tail of main coln will be clear of gun area by 2130 hrs. 5 Jap Fd Bty will be clear of track vicinity gun area by 2230 hrs.

9. Engrs
(a) one pl in sp each 2/2 and 2/3 Jap Inf Bns.

(b) One pl res along track in rear of 2/1 Jap Inf Bn.

(c) Probable tasks -
(i) Mine Fd across rd from 2/2 Jap Inf Bn.
(ii) Improve comms across WILD RIVER.
(iii) Reconstruct br to be blown by paratps at 175800.

PHASE II

10. Adv from assembly area
(a) Axis of adv

Track running SOUTH from track junc 198855 to rd and track junc 172800.

(b) Bdy

Track incl 2/2 Jap Inf Bn.

(c) Fwd bns will move from Assembly Posns 1430 hrs.

(d) By 1545 hrs bns will be in posn as follows :-

(i) 2/2 Jap Inf Bn on ridge EAST of track overlooking main rd, approx 190814.
(ii) 2/3 Jap Inf Bn on ridge overlooking main rd, BLAIR CREEK and track approx 163816.

(e) Start time for attack 1600 hrs.

(f) Should opposition be encountered prior to start time, necessary action will be taken by unit concerned, using minimum force necessary, so that bns will be in posn to launch attack at 1600 hrs in greatest possible strength.

11. Objectives
(a) Right - 2/3 Jap Inf Bn - culvert seized by paratps incl to br 175800 excl.

(b) Left - 2/2 Jap Inf Bn - br 175800 and rd incl to depth of 1000 yds EAST.

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12. Res
When fwd bns are clear of Assembly Area, 2/1 Jap Inf Bn less on e coy will move to area 1 mile SOUTH track junc 198855, in res.

13. Deception
(a) One coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn with two Tk A guns will move from 2/1 Jap Inf Bn Assembly Area in MT to 16 Jap Regt B Ech area, to arrive B Ech area by 1030 hrs.

(b) Bde TO will arrange tpt from B Ech vehs.

(c) At 1200 hrs coln of as many MT as can be spared from B Ech, protected by tps mentioned in sub para (a) above will move slowly from Regt B Ech area to 050835 by following route:-

track junc 123895
track junc 070883
track junc 050865 to area 050835.

(d) Comd coln OC Coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn.

(e) Coln will remain at 050835 until after main attack has gone in and will commence return journey 1630 hrs.

14. Recce Parties
(a) One small recce party from each fwd bn may be sent SOUTH of present assembly areas prior to attack but NOT before 0930 hrs.

(b) Fullest precautions will be taken for such parties NOT to be observed.

15. Security - Assembly Areas
(a) Movement will be kept to a minimum.

(b) Fireswill NOT be lit prior to attack.

(c) All vehs will be well dispersed and thoroughly camouflaged.

ADM

16. Tpt
(a) "A" Ech
Following scale of tpt will be moved to and retained in assembly areas prior to attack.

(i)	Each inf bn -	mortars	4
		MMG	2
		Comd	1
		Sigs	1
		W/T	1
		Tk A	3
		RAP	1
			13
(ii)	Each pl fd coy in sp bns	1	(for mines)
(iii)	Fd coy (balance)	4	
(i v)	Bearer coy 2/1 Jap Fd Amb	4	(amb cars)

(b) "B" Ech
Bal ance "A" Ech and "B" Ech tpt remain present area under comd Regt TO.

17. Meals
Hot meals will be delivered by "B" Ech at following times:

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2400 hrs
0700 hrs
1100 hrs

18. Sups, Amn & POL
From sup depot pls "B" Ech area.

19. Medical
ADS - opens 2130 hrs on track 191860.
MDS - on track 117923.

20. Traffic Control
No movement of any description on track between DECEPTION POINT and track junc 198855 after 1130 hrs.

21. Rec
All casualties will be moved clear of track and this HQ informed by quickest means.

INTERCOMN

22 (a) 16 Jap Inf Regt HQ closes 122906 1830 hrs opens in coln same time.

(b) HQ in assembly area at 198856.

(c) During phase II HQ remains at 198856.

23. On moving from assembly areas bns will lay own line.

24. 2/3 Jap Inf Bn will contact comd paratps WEST of br at 175800 and 2/2 Jap Inf Bn EAST of br incl.

25. Wireless silence until contact.

26. Battle Patrol constituted as under will move with fwd elements 2/3 Jap Inf Bn to contact comd paratps at MP Check Post just WEST of br at 175800:-

Lieut Long HQ 16 Jap Inf Regt
one sec 2/1 Jap HQ Gd Pl att HQ 16 Jap Regt.

27. A/C Contact Recognition
(a) If A/C wish to locate fwd tps it will circle in anti-clockwise direction over area. Fwd tps will then flash mirrors if weather permits or display T strips wit h bar of T facing enemy and leg towards own tps. These may be made with towels.

(b) If A/C desires recognition of HQ 16 Jap Inf Regt it wil l circle in anti-clockwise direction. HQ 16 Jap Regt will display letter L.

28. ACK.

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BM 16 Jap Inf Regt

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16 JAP INF REGT OP INSTN 1

To: Lt-Col CULLEN Comd 2/1 Jap Inf Bn

1. 2/2 Jap Inf Bn are in close contact on their front and left flank.

2. (a) A composite force made up as follows is in res astride track where SHADY CK crosses track :

   Gd Pl HQ 16 Jap Regt
   Gd Pl HQ 9 Jap Div
   One Pl 2/15 Jap Fd Coy.
   Comd Capt PRIOR.

   (b) This force will be augmented during evening 13 Jul by the addition of one coy 2/1 Jap Inf Bn on its return from Deception Patrol.

   This force will be 16 Inf Regt res.

3. You will adv at first light and capture area br 175800, while still retaining possession of feature on which you are now located.

4. Fire sp within the following limits will be made available as arrange d by you.

   (a) 6 mort ars of 2/2 Jap Inf Bn
   50 rds HE) per
   15 rds Smoke) mor.

   (b) Arty - 30 r p g HE
   6 r p g Smoke

   5 Jap Fd Bty will be in sp attack.

5. 2/2 Jap Inf Bn will create diversion as required by fire on their front.

6. 2/2 Jap Inf Bn Mortars will range on br area from OP in 2/1 Jap Inf Bn area during moonlight night 13/14 Jul.

7. You will arrange for your own line to be laid fwd to br.

8. This HQ will move from present area to vicinity track and SHADY CK crossing 185837 at 0500 hrs 14 Jul.

9. ACK.

W. M. [signature] Capt
BM 16 Jap Inf Regt

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9 JAP DIV OPERATION INSTRUCTION No 1

OF 11 JUL 43

Ref Maps: ATHERTON 4 mls to 1 in
HERBERTON 1 in to 1 ml
MT GARNET 1 in to 1 ml

Comd 16 Jap Inf Regt

1. An Australian force is holding the general line MAREEBA-ATHERTON-HERBERTON. It is expected that another Australian force will adv along the rd RAVENSHOE-MT GARNET on 12 Jul with the object of seizing the MT GARNET airfield.

2. 17 Jap Inf Regt is prepared to hold HERBERTON against an enemy counter attack in that area.

3. 35 Jap Regt is moving by MT BALDICK 039027 (ATHERTON 4 ml) to secure the landing ground at MT GARNET. The occupation of this airfield is essential to ease the already overstrained MT supply system.

4. 5 Bn of 35 Jap Regt is moving by forced march with orders to delay the enemy East of MT GARNET by denying the line of BATTLE CK 0775 (MT GARNET 1") until 0130 hrs 13 Jul, destroying the br over the creek before withdrawing and by denying the Westward and SW exits from MT GARNET to 0300 hrs 14 Jul.

5. 1 Bn 503 Jap Para Regt (less one coy) is co-operating with 9 Jap Div on 13 Jul as follows:-

(a) At 0630 hrs 13 Jul a landing will be made in the vicinity of br 175800 by the main body of this force. The br will be demolished and a def posn occupied astride the enemy L of C on West bank of WILD RIVER.

(b) At 0730 hrs 13 Jul, the remainder of this force will be dropped astride the enemy L of C vicinity 145788. The br slightly East of that pt will be demolished and a defensive posn occupied paying particular attention to the Western approaches.

6. 16 Jap Regt Gp under your comd will seize and hold a posn astride the Australian L of C on the rd RAVENSHOE-MT GARNET immediately East of br at 175800.

7. You will move via rd junc 106956 - rd 197855 NOT crossing South of rd IRVINEBANK-HERBERTON before 0800 hrs 12 Jul.

On reaching 123895, you will send one bn SW as far as 104873 (MT vehs will proceed beyond this pt to 050845).

The remaining portion of your Regt will NOT move beyond 123895 during the hours of daylight, except for such protective or recce patrols as are necessary to ensure the security of your mvt during the night 12/13 Jul towards your objective.

8. The object of these dispositions is to deceive the enemy as to our real line of adv. Because of this it is desired that reasonable mvt on the rd 123895 - 050845 be seen by enemy recce planes. In order to ensure security, only essential pers will be informed that the move in daylight is purely for deceptive purposes.

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9. When darkness falls, you will move via rd junc 196855 as far as is practicable without betraying the presence of your main body.

10. You will carry out the task assigned to you in para 6 at 0700hrs/13 or as soon after as your tps can be got into posn. It is imperative that you make every effort to attack at 0700 hrs to take full advantage of the action of the paratps and to relievre them.

11. On securing a posn astride the enemy L of C you will adopt one of the three following courses according to the enemy dispositions and the extent of his opposition.

(a) establish a strong def posn astride enemy L of C, patrol to East, and move with maximum available portion of your force to attack the reat of the enemy coln.

(b) occupy with your whole force a def posn astride the enemy L of C.

(c) if the enemy force has NOT reached the area seized, you will adv on RAVENSHOE and attack the enemy wherever encountered.

12. You will bear in mind the following points:-

(a) I can NOT reinforce you. You will therefore NOT become inextricably involved with your whole force.

(b) You must protect your own L of C South of IRVINEBANK, which must not be uncovered.

(c) Any withdrawal forced upon you must be in the general direction of IRVINEBANK.

13. A Flight 5 AC Sqn will be at your call as from 1130 hrs 12 Jul.

14. Adm Instn will be issued separately.

15. Intercomn arrangements are as outlined by CO Sigs 9 Jap Div at this HQ. These will be confirmed by a Sig Instn.

J G Stevens
Maj-Gen

GOC 9 Jap Div

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INSTRUCTIONS TELEPHONED TO COMD 16 JAP REGT

BY COMD 9 JAP DIV AT 2140 Hrs 12 JUL 43

Note: The following orders were given by Comd 9 JAP DIV to Comd 16 JAP REGT as the result of a request by the CHIEF UMPIRE that our advance on BRIDGE 175800 be postponed from 0700 hrs to 1430 hrs 13 Jul:-

1. There will be no movement along track from DECEPTION CORNER (123895) to present Regt HQ after 1130 hrs 13 Jul.

2. The 16 JAP REGT operation ordered for 0700 hrs 13 Jul will now NOT take place until 1430 hrs 13 Jul.

3. There will be NO move of tps South of present localities until approach march for operation at 1430 hrs commences.

4. Paratps will now land on same objectives at 1400 hrs and 1500 hrs 13 Jul instead of 0630 hrs and 0730 hrs respectively.

5. Original plan with amended times will be proceeded with. Detailed recces may be made during time now available but the utmost care will be taken to ensure that our presence in that area is NOT disclosed to the enemy.

6. Deception plan will be repeated 13 Jul by employing one coy, two Tk A guns and MT. These will be moved along track in a SW direction from DECEPTION CORNER at 1200 hrs.

7. All tps between DECEPTION CORNER and present posn will be concealed until fwd move is made.

R.G. Pollard, Col

GS 9 Jap Div

In the field
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WAR DIARY

16 JAP INF REGT ADM O 1

Ref map HERBERTON 1: 63360.

1. AMN SUPS & POL

(a) FSD and ARP remains present location 298082.
(b) AASC will deliver to Regt "B" Ech area each night at approx 2000 hrs.

2. REC

Veh rec pt will be located at rd junc 076072 until further notice.

Vehs will NOT be evacuated beyond this pt without instns from HQ 9 Jap Div.

Nature of casualty (X Y or Z) to be notified by signal to HQ 9 Jap Div.

3. MEDICAL

(a) CCS 385281
(b) Walking wounded will be evacuated from MDS area by AASC convoys returning to FSD.
(c) The area of ops is highly malarious and attention is drawn to GRO A404/43 for strict compliance with the exception that nets mosquito will NOT be used. Mosquito nets will be carefully packed and loaded into "B" Ech Vehs.
(d) Contact with all local inhabitants is prohibited between 1700 hrs and 0800 hrs and bivouac sites must be selected at least 800 yds from any water holes, pools or creeks.
(e) Units will ensure that anti-mosquito squads are operating vigorously and police the observance of all anti-malarial regs.

4. TRAFFIC

(a) Lighting restrictions - Blackout lights only to be used SOUTH of grid 03.
(b) Traffic circuit - One way traffic only via rd junc 272107 - rd junc 075072 - rd junc 093040 - NEWELLTON 164030 - rd junc 272107.

5. SALVAGE

Every effort will be made to collect salvage both enemy and own, in dumps adjacent to a rd or track. These dumps will be indicated on the rd or track and locations and estimated weight signalled to this HQ.

6. WATER

Water pts present location - area 315073.

7. PW

PW will be held in regt B Ech area and this HQ notified of number held by signal.

8. CANTEEN

Issue pt - 298082.

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W Hutchinson
Capt
for SC 16 Jap Inf Regt

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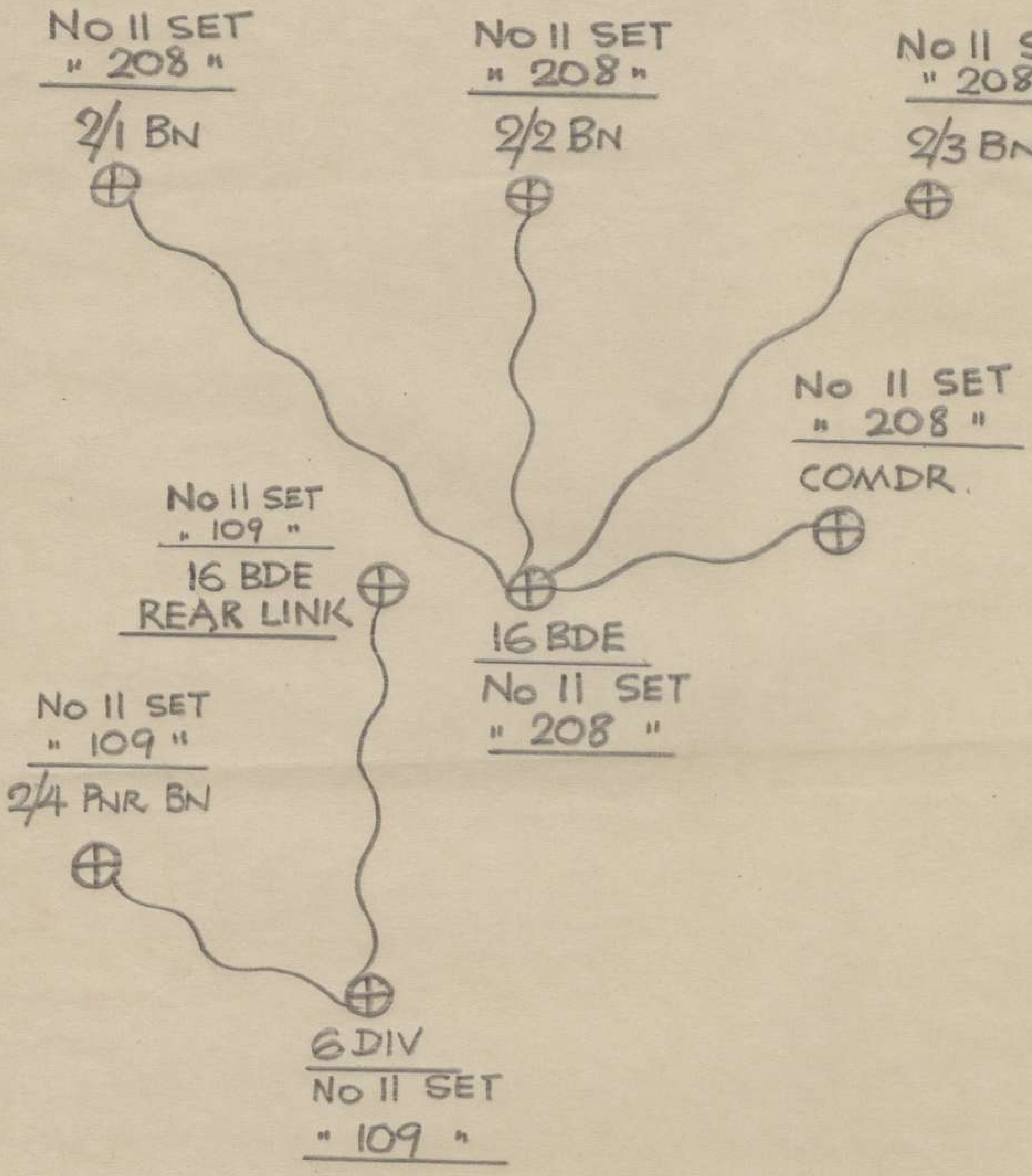

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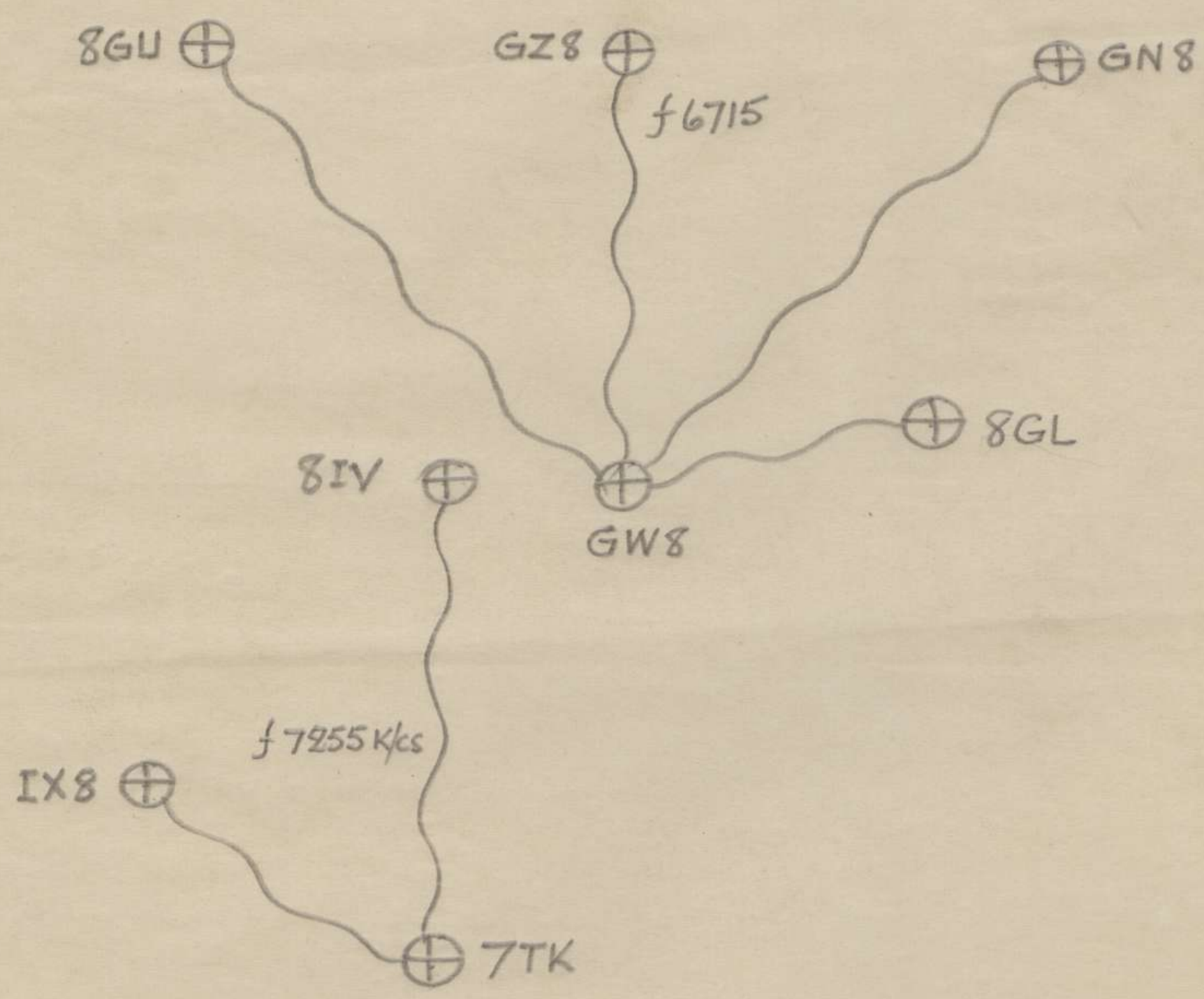

CHANGE FREQ. CALL SIGN DAILY

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16 BDE	GW8	8GG	GR8	4PH7	7FK	8GB	1PB7
2/1 BN	8GU	GT8	40W	763E	5YW	OS4	43ET
2/2 BN	GZ8	40S	OU4	53ES	NWI	40X	27PI
2/3 BN	GN8	GU8	58G	4EC3	5FO	24G	77PY
FREQ 11 BDE.GP.	5465	5340	5790	5445	5790	5340	5465
	6715	6625	6490	6665	6490	6625	6715
	4765	4705	4970	4745	4970	4705	4765
FREQ 208 BDE GP	2670	2935	2670	2740	2970	2740	2970
ALT FREQ 208 BDE GP	2950	2650	2950	2550	2715	2550	2715
BDE COMD	8GL	GI8	GO8	57PO	NO1	OA4	63EZ
6DIV CONTROL	7TK	IH8	8IJ	97GQ	GV3	8IA	5GV7
16 BDE	8IV	TM7	TK7	49XZ	YE7	7TE	7XE9
2/4 PNR BN	IX8	8IE	IP8	5XR9	7YQ	TC7	69XQ
FREQ 11	7255	7290	7170	7080	7170	7290	7255
ALTERNATE FREQ 11 + 109	4435	4360	4570	4410	4570	4360	4435
FREQ 109.	2970	2740	2670	2935	2670	2740	2970

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6 AUST DIV W/T DIAGRAM FOR RODEO EXERCISE

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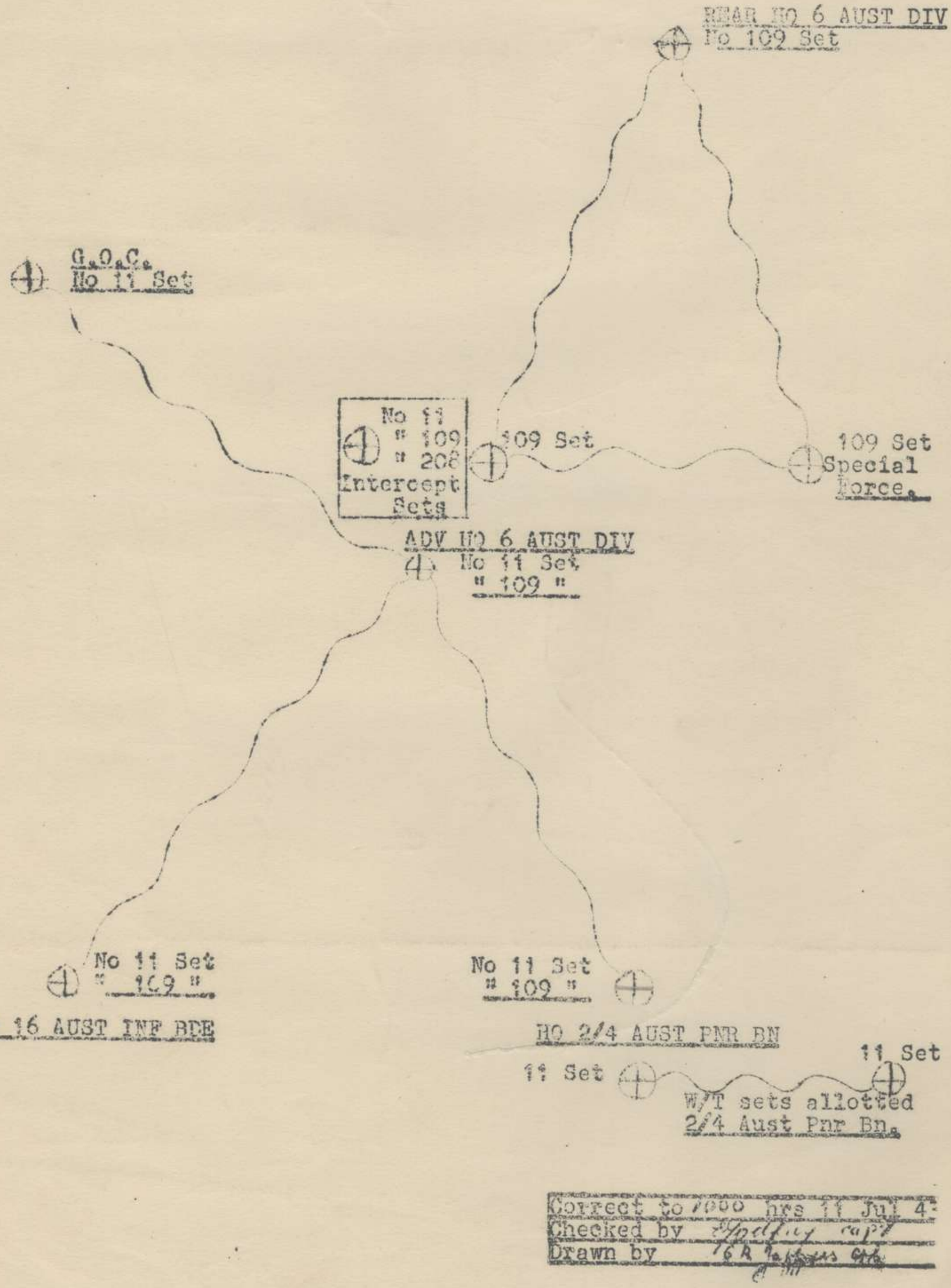

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Subject: EXERCISE RODEO - GROUPINGS

HQ 6 Aust Div

/° Jul 43

Ref No: G2287

1. Composition of 16 AUST INF BDE GP for Exercise Rodeo will be as follows:-

	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde
	2/1 Aust Inf Bn
	2/2 Aust Inf Bn
	2/3 Aust Inf Bn
	10 Pl 2/1 Aust Gd Bn
RAA	5 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt
RAE	2/15 Aust Fd Coy
Sigs	J Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div Det 6 Aust Div Cipher Sec
AASC	24 and 25 Sup Pl AASC
AAMC	2/1 Aust Fd Amb less Mob Sec
PRO	Sec 6 Aust Div Pro Coy
AEME	2/45 Aust LAD (Type J - augmented)
Postal	Det 6 Aust Div Postal Unit
FSW	Det "A" Sec FSW

2. Composition of 2/4 AUST PNR BN GP will be as follows:-

2/4 Aust Pnr Bn
Det No 1 Coy Sigs 6 Aust Div plus Cipher det.
C Tp 6 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt
4 Pl 2/1 Aust Fd Coy
Mob Sec 2/1 Aust Fd Amb (2 vehs)
1 Pl 6 Aust Div Carr Coy
Sec 2/115 Aust Gen Tpt Coy
2/42 Aust LAD

3. Sub-units constituting Brigade and Battalion Groups will come under command their respective Group Headquarters at 2000 hrs 10 Jul 43.

Col
GS 6 Aust Div

DISTRIBUTION

List "B"

Method of Issue: LO to 16 Aust Inf Bde
2/4 Aust Pnr Bn
2/3 Aust Fd Regt
RAE 6 Aust Div
Sigs 6 Aust Div
AASC 6 Aust Div
2/1 Aust Fd Amb

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TO RJE-SIGS-16 JAP INF REGT-17 JAP INF REGT GP-5 JAP INF BN-JASC(2)-

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number.
9 JAP DIV	Q858	13	

ADDRESSEES CONTD - 9 JAP DIV PRO COY-A SEC FSW-CAMP- RPTD 2/1 JAP FD AMB-
G - ADMS - REAR DIV- JAP FORCE(2)

SECRET	(.)	EXERCISE	RODEO	(.)
MOVEMENT	ORDER	(.)	ref	map
MT G1:63360	(.)	ADV	HQ	9
jap	div	B ECH	16	jap
regt	and	HQ	2/1	jap
fd	amb	will	move	from
present	locations	to	following	locations
14	jul	(.)	ADV	HQ
area	rd	BTITBT-LHLTBH	(.)	HQ
2/1	jap	fd	amb	area
rd	LHLTBH-LHKITT	(.)	B ECH	16
jap	regt	area	rd	LHKITT-
rd	junc	BTIIKK	(.)	order
of	march	B ECH	16	jap
regt	ADV	HQ	HQ	2/1
jap	fd	amb	(.)	SP
present	locations	(.)	ST	B ECH
16	jap	regt	0615	hrs
rear	of	coln	to	clear

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FROM

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number.

rd	junc	BTIIKK	by	0830
hrs	(.)	ADV	HQ	NOT
before	0900	hrs	(.)	HQ
2/1	jap	fd	amb	to
follow	immediately	in	rear	of
ADV	HQ	coln	(.)	vtm
and	mih	8	and	7
(.)	B ECH	16	jap	regt
and	HQ	2/1	jap	fd
amb	come	under	comd	this
HQ	at	ST	and	will
revert	to	comd	on	arrival
new	location	ACK		

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Suggested

OOM :-

90

Amb

Stappers

Bty Inf

7/1 2/1

2/3

4

5

1 Bde

2

3

4

5 Inf

6 Amb Rugs

7 Bty

8 LAD

Route :-

NEWELLTON

WONDECLA

O.OM :-
Bde
2/3
2/4
2/1
Inf. Depot Pln
2/15 Fd Amb
2/1 Amb
5 Bty
LAD.

SECRET

1

9 JAP DIV LOCATION STATEMENT NO 1

AS AT 2000 HRS 11 JUL 43

Map Legend H-HERBERTON 1 in to 1 ml

SERIAL	UNIT	REFERENCE	REMARKS
	HQ		
1.	Adv HQ 9 Jap Div	H 142139	
2.	Det "A" FS Sec	H 142139	
	RJE		
3.	HQ JAE 9 Jap Div	H 142139	
4.	Br Sec 2/22 Jap Fd Pk Coy	H 155130	
	SIGS		
5.	Sigs 9 Jap Div (less dets)	H 155130	
6.	9 Jap Div Cipher Sec (less dets)	H 155130	
	INF		
7.	16 Jap Inf Regt	H 087080	
8.	J Sec Sigs 9 Jap Div	H 087080	
9.	2/45 Jap LAD	H 087080	
10.	Det 9 Jap Div Postal Unit	H 087080	
11.	Det 9 Jap Div Cipher Sec	H 087080	
12.	Det 9 Jap Div Pro Coy	H 087080	
13.	Det "A" FS Sec	H 087080	
14.	10 Pl 2/1 Jap HQ GD Bn	H 087080	
15.	2/1 Jap Inf Bn	H 060072	
16.	2/2 Jap Inf Bn	H 053082	
17.	2/3 Jap Inf Bn	H 102089	
18.	5 Bty 2/3 Jap Fd Regt	H 102098	
19.	2/15 Jap Fd Coy	H 053086	
20.	24 Jap Sup Depot Pl	H 053089	
21.	25 Jap Sup Depot Pl	H 053089	
22.	2/1 Jap Fd Amb (less Mob Sec)	H 105102	
23.	17 Jap Inf Regt Gp	H 272108	
24.	5 Jap Inf Bn		
25.	Det Sigs 9 Jap Div		
26.	One tp 10 Jap Fd Bty		No report
27.	One sec Engrs 9 Jap Div		
28.	Mob Sec 10 Jap Fd Amb		
29.	One pl 9 Jap Div Carr Coy		
	JASC		
30.	HQ Comd JASC 9 Jap Div	H 142139	
	MISC		
31.	9 Jap Div Pro Coy (less dets)	H 142139	

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one copy each
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No 2. 3. 4.

[signature] Capt
Col
GS 9 Jap Div

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5 Jap Inf Bn	5	Medical	16
JAE 9 Jap Div	6	Pro	17
Sigs 9 Jap Div	7 - 9	Camp	18
HQ Jap Force	10 - 11	File	19 - 20
GOC	12	War Diary	21 - 22
G	13		
AQ	14		

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

WCO/CW

SECRET

HQ 6 Aust Div
9 July 43
Ref : AQ 4006

H. Q. 16 AUST. INF. BDE.
RECEIVED.
Date 9/7/43 Hrs 1630
No G 34 ff.

4 Copies

Subject: 2 AUST CORPS EXERCISE

SIGS 6 AUST DIV
AASC 6 AUST DIV
RAE 6 AUST DIV (3)
16 AUST INF BDE (4)
19 AUST INF BDE (4)
2/4 AUST PNR BN
2/1 AUST FD AMB
6 AUST DIV PRO COY
2/3 AUST FD REGT
CAMP 6 AUST DIV
G
2 AUST CORPS

1. Trucks ¼-ton 4 x 4 and Trailers 2 wheel Jeep on charge to units 6 Aust Div will be pooled and reallocated in accordance with schedule hereunder for duration 2 Aust Corps Exercise commencing 11 Jul 43:

Serial	VEHICLE ALLOTMENT FOR EXERCISE			PROVIDED BY		
	UNIT	Trucks ¼-ton 4 x 4	Trailers 2 wheel Jeep	UNIT	Trucks ¼-ton 4 x 4	Trailers 2 wheel Jeep
1	HQ 6 Aust Div	4	-	HQ 6 Aust Div AASC 6 Aust Div 2/8 Aust Inf Bn	1 2 1	
2	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	3	-	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	3	
3	J Sec Sigs 6 Div	2	-	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	2	
4	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	2	1	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	2	1
5	2/2 Aust Inf Bn	2	1	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde	2 -	 1
6	2/3 Aust Inf Bn	2	1	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde HQ RAE 6 Aust Div	2 -	 1
7	HQ 2/4 Aust Pnr Bn Gp	2	1	2/4 Aust Pnr Bn HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde	1 1	1 -
8	2/15 Aust Fd Coy	1	-	RAE 6 Aust Div	1	-
9	2/1 Aust Fd Amb	1	-	2/1 Aust Fd Amb	1	-
10	HQ Comd AASC 6 Aust Div	1	-	AASC 6 Aust Div	1	-
11	Sigs 6 Aust Div	6	-	Sigs 6 Aust Div 2/11 Aust Inf Bn RAE 6 Aust Div 6 Aust Div Pro Coy	3 1 1 1	- - - -
12	5 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt	1	-	2/3 Aust Fd Regt	1	-
	Totals	27	4		27	4

2. Drivers for vehicles reallocated will be detailed by the unit holding vehicle on charge.

3. Units to which vehicles are allocated will be responsible for the rationing of drivers for such vehicles.

4. Vehicles will report to units to which they have been allocated for the exercise by 1800 hrs 10 Jul 43.

Capt tr
Major
AA & QMG 6 Aust Div

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

Ref file 2/A /43

2/3 Aust Inf Bn
10 Jul 43

16 Aust Inf Bde

NOMINATION OF UMPIRES

Reference your signal 052 of 9 Jul 43.

2 The following officers are nominated by this Unit as Umpires:-

Bn HQ	NX 88	Capt	G H PRINCE
A Coy	NX127371	Capt	D R STAINLEY
B Coy	NX128779	Capt	T C BOAG
C Coy	NX127345	Capt	F C RIGGIN
D Coy	NX141440	Capt	M S NORDSVAN

Pool

NX128436	Lieut	D MARCHANT
NX 70771	Lieut	M A LAMB
NX127562	Lieut	S F DOUGLAS
NX139920	Lieut	N R RUMBLE

R W F McDonald Major
Adm Comd 2/3 Aust Inf Bn

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Subject: Ref. EXERCISE RODEO 052/9.

2/2 Aust. Inf. Bn.,

Ref. A370/2/43.

16 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Hereunder is nominal roll of umpires submitted by this unit for the forthcoming exercise:

To Bn. H.Q.	VX 100099	Capt.	LOVETT	K.H.
Rifle Coys.	VX 100098	Capt.	McCLEAN	D.I.H.
	WX 2902	"	SEWARD	M.S.
	WX 3567	Lieut.	SALOM	A.L.
	NX 25098	Lieut.	MORAY	G.G.
Bn. Pool.	VX 117102	Lieut.	CONNOLLY	H.P.
	VX 117105	"	KELLY	H.H.
	NX 70730	"	HALL	L.T.
	NX 12177	"	DERBYSHIRE	M.
2/4 Pnr. Bn.	VX109100	Lieut.	SHIELD	G.W.
	VX 117110	"	PENTLAND	W.C.

.....Lt.Col.
Comd. 2/2 Aust. Inf. Bn.

10 July 43.

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Subject; UMPIRES - 2 AUST CORPS MANOUVRES

2/1 Aust Inf Bn
10 Jul 43
Ref 82/7/43

16 Aust Inf Bde

The following return is submitted

Bn HQ	Major	FLEMING	E.W.
"A"Coy	Capt	SHAW	H.F.
"B"Coy	Lieut	VAUGHAN	G.F.
"C" Coy	Lieut	DANDY	A.G.
"D" Coy	Lieut	ANDREWS	W.H.
POOL	Lieut	HARMON	C.J.
"	Lieut	WOOD	H.G.W.
"	Lieut	PETERS	W.A.A.
"	Lieut	SCARLETT	N.L.
2/4 Pr.Bn	Lieut	WATT	J.
	Lieut	MOYES	P.M.

Paul A Cullen Lt Col
// Comd 2/1 Aust Inf Bn

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TO 16 AUST INF BDE 2/4 AUST PNR BN

FROM 6 AUST DIV	Originator's Number 0453	Date 10	In Reply to Number

EXERCISE	RODEO	(.)	WARNING	ORDER	(.)
9	JAP	DIV	will	prepare	for
operations	South	present	location	(.)	no
operational	move	before	12	jul	(.)
preparatory	move	to	concentration	area	NOT
before	1000	hrs	11	jul	(.)
concentration	area	to	be	notified	later

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FROM

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(.)	35	JAP	REGT	cooperating	on
12	jul	in	easterly	direction	from
MT	GARNET	9876	ack		

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TO 16 AUST INF BDE 2/4 AUST PNR BN

FROM 6 AUST DIV	Originator's Number 0452	Date 10	In Reply to Number

EXERCISE	RODEO	(.)	6	AUST	DIV
and	2/4	AUST	PNR	BN	GP
will	be	known	as	9	JAP
DIV	and	35	JAP	REGT	respectively
(.)	details	other	exercise	unit	designations
later	(.)	air	photos	some	routes
in	operational	area	forwarded	herewith	ONLY

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FROM

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to	16	AUST	INF	BDE	ack

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TO 2/1 2/2 2/3 Aust Inf Bns 3 Aust Fd Bty, 2/15 Aust Fd Coy 1st Ind 2/5 Aust Inf Depot Pls., 2/1 Aust Fd Amb

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
16 Aust Inf Bde	055	11	

EXERCISE	RODEO	(.)	SECRET	(.)	ORDERS
(.)	9	JAP	DIV	will	prepare
for	ops	SOUTH	present	location	(.)
preparatory	move	to	concentration	area	as
follows	(.)	35	JAP	REGT	cooperating
on	17	Jul	in	easterly	direction
from	MT	GARNET	(.)	ref	map

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Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

HERBERTON	one	inch	(.)	16	aust
inf	bde	gp	will	move	to
assembly	area	IRVINEBANK	on	11	Jul
~~ZERO~~ (.)	ZERO	1230	hrs	(.)	Bde
SP	Racecourse	gate	308073	(.)	route
WONDECLA	298094	rd	june	290123	WATSONVILLE
2013	IRVINEBANK	area	(.)	bde	dispersal

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FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

pt	on	rd	half	mile	EAST
IRVINEBANK	(.)	TCPs	WONDECLA	HERBERTON	turn
off	290127	rd	junc	277108	WATSONVILLE
306137	(.)	6	each	with	units
(.)	route	for	disposal	surplus	Mat
will	be	advised	(.)	recce	parties
in	accordance	para	6	adm	order

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FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

RV	Racecourse	entrance	308078	1100	hrs
(.)	bde	hq	closes	1335	hrs
(.)	ack				

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Sequence of Events for 6 Aust Div Ex. No 3

DAY	Time	Ref	EVENT	Remarks.
26	1115	Camp Area	HQ closes - reopens same time in convoy	
"	1215	430069	Location Bde HQ	
"	1300		Leading Bn crossed S.L.	See O.O.1
"	1400		Bde HQ crossed S.L	"
"	1430	486078	Enemy scout captured	
"	1435	486078	2/3 Aust inf bn established	
"	1440	474076	2/2 " " " "	
"	1515	471074	16 Bde HQ established	
"	1530	449067	2/1 Aust inf bn established	
"	1545	Left Flank 2/3	2 enemy seen	
"	1546		Orders for patrols sent to units	See Trace & ORDERS.

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Day	Time	Ref	EVENT	Remarks
26	1630	2/3 FDL's	P.W. captured - unidentified as 2/4 Pnr Bn	
"	1635		Areas of responsibility promulgated to units	See TRACE. & ORDERS
"	1635	447067	2/15 Fd coy established	
"	1725		Orders for stand to promulgated (1730-1830 0530-0630 daily)	
"	1830	494087	Enemy posn located - also mine enclosed area at 496788	See trace (1)
"	1830	2/3 FDL's	Slight enemy patrol activity reported	
"	2015		Approval of D.F. tasks given Nos 1 - 4 incl	See trace
27	0841		Bde orders promulgated to units	SEE TRACE & ORDERS.
"	1135	446074	Enemy patrol located - combi patrol left at 1135 hrs.	
"	1150	JAGGAN Rd	Patrol reports recent signs of enemy	
"	1200	4½ ml. pg MOLOTK	Enemy Pl located - NO enemy 4¾ ml Pg	

DAY	TIME	REF	EVENT	Remarks
27	1325	446074	Now clear of enemy	
"	1330	494088	Enemy pl. driven off by 5 Bty Enemy cas 1 Sec. P.W. indentified as 2/4 Pnr Bn.	
"	1520		additional D.F. task registered No 5	See Trace
"	1530	4½ ml Peg	Known enemy posn - coy strength	See Trace (2)
28	0615	2/3 FDL's	captured enemy grenade fwd to Div	
"	0616	492087	Posn enemy patrol vacated during night and occupied by our tps counter attacked - attack repulsed.	SEE Trace (3)
"	0920	493094	1 offr 33 OR's moving SE	
	10[illegible]	—	Brig Martin Comd. 19 Aust Inf Bde & C.O Inf Bns of that Bde visited.	
	1030	—	GOC 6 Aust Div visited area.	
"	1115	MOLO TK	TK from 5¼ ml peg to 2/3 FDL's clear of enemy	
"	1130	491081	Pl of enemy moving West along JAGGAN TK.	
	1330		Lt Gen Morshead GOC 2 Aust Corps visited area.	
"	1330	491081	Coy of enemy moving West along JAGGAN TK	
"	1625	MOLO TK	Enemy 80 strong cut tk at 2¼ ml. peg - 2 patrols 2/2 missing (captured)	See Trace (4)

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DAY	Time	Ref.	EVENT	REMARKS.
28	1635	MOLO TK	'B' coy 2/2 to attack enemy at 2 1/4 mile peg - patrol one sec a troop of 2/2 to ambush retreating enemy at 2 mil peg.	
"	1745	" "	Pl of 2/1 attacked rear of enemy post at 2 mile peg.	
"	1746	" "	Attack by coy 2/2 successful our cas 4 enemy cas 24	
"	1755		Password previously passed captured by enemy - new one issued	
"	1815	4709	Unconfirmed report by escaped prisoner states enemy withdrew to JAGGAN TK	See Trace (5)
29	0630		EXERCISE ENDED	
"	1200	Camp	H.Q. re opens.	

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ORDERS

To 2/1 2/2 r/tol 23

	0100	26

2/1 2/2 Bns will each send standing patrols strength one pl to be in posn 1630 hrs ors follows ⊙ 2/1 Bn on th jungle edge 4630620 ⊙ 2/2 Bn jungle edge near th 4770670 ⊙ roll both patrols deny use of th to small parties enemy and delay acts along th large force ⊙ ack.

TOO 1546.

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ORDERS (contd)

TO 2/1 2/2 2/3 Bns 2/1 Fd Regt 2/15 Fd Coy 5 Bty

	0101	26	–

Bde will halt for night present areas ⊙ anticipated NO move 27 Jul ⊙ Patrols ⊙ Unit area responsibilities ⊙ 2/3 Bn from rear 2/3 Bn def area incl to enemy FDL's and from SEAMARK'S Rd incl on right – to JAGGAN TK exclusive on left ⊙ 2/1 Bn from Beach track excl – to rear 16 Bde def excl – and from inclusive SEAMARK'S Rd on right to excl. JAGGAN on left ⊙ MOLO TK patrols ⊙ 2/1 2/2 2/3 Bns will maintain continuous patrols along MOLO TK ⊙ 2/1 from Beach to 2/1 Bn and fwd to 2 ml. post ⊙ 2/2 from 2 ml. post incl to 3¼ mile post incl ⊙ 2/3 Bn from 3¼ ml post incl to 2/3 Bn

T.O.O. 1635

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ORDERS (cont)

TO ALL UNITS rptd 6 DIV			
	0110	27	

ORDERS ⊙ Bde will remain present def area until further orders ⊙ units will develope defences in present areas by progressive stages as far as time available permits and patrol vigorously within areas of responsibility laid down in my 0100 and 0101 of 26 JUL ⊙ object to deny enemy access to 6 Div L of C on road RAVENSHOE - ATHERTON within bde area of responsibility ⊙ Bde boundaries excl. tk 431068 - 480097 and incl SEAMARK'S TK to 462062 then fringe of jungle 462058 - 4970580 arty will reg. zone and fire by observation to-day ⊙ requests for DF tasks additional to those 26/27 JUL to this HQ by 1500 hrs 27 JUL ⊙ Units requiring amn dumped in area requisition BASCO 1200 hrs ⊙ ack.

T.O.O. 0841

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EXERCISE

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25 Jul 43

16 AUST INF BDE O O 1

Ref map: BARTLE FRERE 1 in to 1 ml
HERBERTON 1 in to 1 ml

INFM

1. Enemy

(a) Force, estimated one Jap div has landed at CAIRNS; one regt, of this force occupied MAREEBA on 20 Jul and ATHERTON on 24 Jul.

(b) One bn gp of regt at ATHERTON occupied rd and ry junc MALANDA 1800 hrs 25 Jul.

2. Own Tps

(a) 6 Aust Div, less 16 Aust Inf Bde Gp and 2/4 Aust Pnr Bn is to adv along main rd HERBERTON - ATHERTON and attack enemy force at ATHERTON.

(b) 2/4 Aust Pnr Bn is to occupy def posn area track junc 432055.

(c) 19 Aust Inf Bde is responsible for area from incl track 433072 - 488113 to incl main HERBERTON - ATHERTON rd.

3. ~~Appreciation~~

It is anticipated that Jap bn gp at MALANDA will adv WEST along MOLO TRACK with a view to cutting L of C 6 Aust Div.

4. Topographical

(a) MOLO TRACK - from 435060 - 454069 - 480075 - 505094 - 505107.

(b) (For exercise purposes) MOLO TRACK is only MT route in area except for main rd HERBERTON - ATHERTON and MILLAA-MILLAA - MILANDA.

INTENTION

5. 16 Aust Inf Bde and att tps will adv along MOLO TRACK with a view to denying enemy access to L of C 6 Aust Div.

METHOD

6. Move by MT and marching

7. Order of March by MT - see Appx A.

8. Route)
SP) See Appx A
Start Time)
Speed & Density)

9. Assembly area on debussing

(a) On arrival debussing area First Ech will march down MINBUN TRACK (rd and track junc 431068 - track junc 435060) until hd of coln reaches track junc 435060 and will disperse until 1300 hrs.

(b) On arrival debussing area Second Ech will move same route

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until hd of coln meets tail of First Ech and will disperse to WEST of track and SOUTH of rd HERBERTON - ATHERTON until 1300 hrs.

10. Order of March from Assembly Area

Unit	Hd passes SP
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	1300 hrs
Bde R Gp	1320 hrs
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	1330 hrs
one bearer coy 2/1 Aust Fd Amb	1355 hrs
HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	1400 hrs
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	1410 hrs
one bearer coy 2/1 Aust Fd Amb	1435 hrs
2/15 Aust Fd Coy	1440 hrs

11. Start Point

Track junc 435060.

12. Route - MOLO TRACK.

13. Bounds

Units will NOT move fwd following pts without orders this HQ.

2/3 Aust Inf Bn	495087
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	475072
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	450068

14. AA

Passive unless directly attacked when enemy A/C will be engaged with all arms.

15. Bde O Gp

Move with units.

16. Arty

(a) Be prepared to sp adv from 1300 hrs.

(b) Gun posn area NORTH of rd 425074.

(c) FOO with each bn to report by 1230 hrs at assembly areas.

17. Engrs

Will establish water pt 412067 by 1600 hrs.

ADM

18. Allotment Tp Carrying Tpt

Unit	Vehs	Time of Reporting
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	40 x 3 ton	0830 hrs
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	(22 x 3 ton	0830 hrs)
	(18 x 3 ton	1100 hrs)
HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde	4 x 3 ton	1100 hrs
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	42 x 3 ton	1100 hrs
2/1 Aust Fd Amb	3 x 3 ton	1045 hrs

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19. A Ech Weapons & Stores Carrying Tpt

Unit	Veh	Time of Reporting
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	4 x 30 cwt	0830 hrs
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	4 x 30 cwt	0830 hrs
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	4 x 30 cwt	0830 hrs

Vehs to tpt A Ech stores and weapons from unit areas to A Ech stores unloading pts - thence stores will be ferried to def areas by jeep.

20. Allotment of additional jeeps

(a)

Unit	Vehs	Time of Reporting
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	2 plus 1 trailer	0830 hrs
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	2 plus 1 trailer	0830 hrs
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	2 plus 1 trailer	0830 hrs

(b) Immediately on occupation of def posns bns will each be allotted one additional jeep by HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde for ferrying A Ech stores and weapons from A Ech stores unloading pts to unit areas and for conveyance of rations throughout exercise.

(c) HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde and 2/15 Aust Fd Coy will each be allotted two jeeps for carrying rations.

(d) No jeeps will be retained in unit def areas.

21. A Ech Stores Unloading Pts

As indicated by MP guides in area 430067.
Stores vehs will unload immediately on arrival and depart under orders AASC.

22. Traffic Control

(a) TCPs rd junc 392035
Debussing pt 428072
rd and track junc 431069
track junc 435060

(b) MOLO TRACK - one way only.
EAST bound traffic - hour to half hour
WEST bound traffic - half hour to hour.

Turning pts will be constructed in unit areas.

(c) Responsibility for traffic control

(i) B Ech - 2/1 Aust Inf Bn - TO
Bde TO
(ii) 2/1 - 2/2 Aust Inf Bns - TO 2/1 Aust Inf Bn
(iii) 2/2 - 2/3 Aust Inf Bns - TO 2/2 Aust Inf Bn.

23. Medical

(a) One bearer coy each with 2/1 and 2/2 Aust Inf Bns, will report to units half hour before move from camp areas. Bearer coys will be incl within def areas of bns.

(b) MDS opens 415066 1300 hrs.

24. B Ech

(a) Allotment Vehs

Unit	Veh	Time of Reporting
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	5 x 3 tons	0830 hrs
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	5 x 3 tons	0830 hrs
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	5 x 3 tons	0830 hrs

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(b) Evening meal 26 Jul will be cooked prior to leaving camp areas.

(c) B Ech will move under Bde arrangement to arrive B Ech area 430067 by 1530 hrs .

25. Rec

(a) 2/45 Aust LAD will patrol rd from 0900 - 1300 hrs, from SP to debussing pt.

(b) Casualties along MOLO TRACK will be pushed clear of track and this HQ notified immediately.

26. Water

(a) Water bottles will be filled from local resources - individual sterilizing tablets will be used.

(b) Water for cooking will be drawn by B Ech from water pt 412067.

27. Sups

(a) Rations 2/3 soft 1/3 hard.
1/3 hard rations for 26, 27, 28, 29 Jul will be issued before departure present areas and carried on man. It will be impressed on all ranks that these rations are midday meals for 4 days and that they must be conserved as such.

(b) Sup pt - B Ech area.

(c) Bearer coys will be rationed by units in whose def area they are located.

28. POL and Amn Pts

B Ech area.

29. Dress and Weapons

(a) Jungle Order (pack on back) - steel helmets.

(b) 1 MMG and 12 belts, 1 3" mortar and 36 bombs 1 Tk A gun will accompany bns on march.

(c) All remaining bn weapons will be ferried up as soon as possible.

INTERCOMN

30. Bde HQ closes present area 1115 hrs, opens in coln same time.

31. W/T comn with fwd bn during march.

32. Units will pin in to trunk line 10 mins to each hour.

33. On arrival def area L/T comn will be established to all units.

34. B Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div is to lay line from leading coy fwd bn.

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MARCH TABLE

APPX A TO 16 AUST INF BDE O O 1

1. From CAMP AREA to rd and track junc 430070
2. Route track and rd junc at ADOS DUMP - rd junc 394034 - main rd RAVENSHOE - ATHERTON - rd junc 430070
3. SP track and rd junc ADOS DUMP
4. Speed 15 m i h
5. Density 20 v t m
6. Debussing Pt NORTH of rd RAVENSHOE - ATHERTON 426072.

Serial (a)	Unit (b)	No of Vehs (c)	Time Head to Pass SP (d)	Remarks (e)
1.	2/3 Aust Inf Bn	47	0900 hrs	Incl 4 A Ech stores & weapons vehs and 3 jeeps
2.	Bde R Gp	3	0915 hrs	
3.	Part 2/2 Aust Inf Bn	26	0920 hrs	Incl 4 A Ech stores & weapons vehs and 3 jeeps
4.	Bal 2/2 Aust Inf Bn	18	1115 hrs	
5.	one bearer coy 2/1 Aust Fd Amb	3	1125 hrs	
6.	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde) Gd Pl) J Sec Sigs)	10	1130 hrs	
7.	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	49	1135 hrs	Incl 4 A Ech stores & weapons vehs and 3 jeeps
8.	2/15 Aust Fd Coy	20	1150 hrs	
9.	5 Aust Fd Bty	30	1155 hrs	
10.	2/1 Aust Fd Amb less two bearer coys		1210 hrs	

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Subject:-R/T MAP REFERENCE AND TIME CODES.

Sigs 6 Aust Div
23 July 43.
Ref. C2/1/8.

1. R/T CODE.

In accordance with 6 Aust Div Instructions R/T Code need not be employed on Exercises. Particular care must be taken to ensure that References to Units are always concealed by use of Code Names or Call Signs.

2. MAP REFERENCE CODE FOR 2 AUST CORPS AREA.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0
H	A	S	D	P	E	O	K	X	N
B	Z	C	Q	F	T	L	W	M	Y
I	J	C	R	U	V				

Example:- Map Reference 188785 could be sent as H K W L W P or B W K O K F.

3. TIME ADDER CODE FOR 6 AUST DIV AREA.

The following "non-carrying" adders will be used to encode ALL FUTURE TIMES.

	CODE
For one week from 0100hrs Mon 19 July 43	0245
" " " " 0100hrs " 26 July 43	7911

NOTE:- The word "hours" is NOT sent.

Example:- To encode a time of 2355hrs.,

TIME - 2355hrs) Add together, do NOT
CODE FOR WEEK- 0245) "carry" when adding.
(2590
ENCODED TIME - (

To decode, subtract the code for week from the encoded time, do NOT "carry" when subtracting.

4. APPOINTMENTS CODE FOR 6 AUST DIV AREA.

Appointment Code previously issued will be used, but is repeated again for information. -

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4. Appointments Code for 6 Aust Div Area (Contd)

APPOINTMENTS CODE

CODE	DIV	BDE	Bn or Equivalent Unit.
1. BLUE	G-O-C	Comd	C.O.
2. RED	All appointments General Staff	B.M.	Adjt
3. BLACK	All appointments AQ Staff	S.C.	Q.M.
4. GREEN	G111 (I) IO	IO	IO
5. PURPLE	Comd Sigs	Bde Sig Offr.	Bn Sig Offr.

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Ref map BARTLE FRERE 1:63360

16 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No 1.

From Information received up to 2000 hrs 26 Jul 43

OWN OPS 1. Bde group crossed startline 1300 hrs and moved along MOLO track towards east until enemy encountered. Thereafter defensive position was taken up.

ENEMY OPS 2(a) LAND

Enemy force which occupied MAREEBA has moved south ~~and~~ has taken up position covering ATHERTON. Forward elements are reported on line BARRON River 465250 to 420113. Enemy were met at 1430 hrs at 486078 and later were found occupying area at 494087 and appeared to be either in occupation of, or had recently so been, area 496788. On each occasion a prisoner was taken. An enemy patrol was also encountered NW of 2/2 AUST INF BN position at 1700 hrs but was driven off. It is considered that strength of enemy so far encountered does not exceed one platoon

(b) AIR

No enemy air activity

IDENTIFICATIONS

3. Both PW belonged to 2/4 AUST PNR BN

[signature] Lieut
I.O.
16 Aust Inf Bde.

Time 2130 hrs

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Ref Map BARTLE FRERE 1:63360

16 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No 2

From Information received from 2000 hrs 26 Jul 43
to 0800 28 Jul 43

OWN OPS 1 (a) The Bde Group remained in same location during the period
(b) Vigourous patrolling was carried out throughout the period
(c) The construction of defensive works proceeded rapidly during 27 Jul and is being continued 28 Jul

ENEMY OPS 2 (a) LAND
(i) Enemy section was encountered at 451071 at 1130 hrs 27 Jul but withdrew
(ii) Enemy platoon was located on MOLO track at 495 098 by patrol which returned 1215 hrs
At 1330 hrs enemy platoon at 494088 probably same platoon as that already mentioned - were driven off losing one section.
A patrol which returned at 1530 hrs located enemy company astride MOLO track at 500090. The platoon already mentioned probably forms part of this company. The enemy main position is apparently in this vicinity and extends in depth for 400 yards. It is ~~surrounded by tank wire & wire~~
At 0630 hrs 28 Jul enemy attacked our forward patrol without success.
(iii) A section of enemy were found on MOLO track at 1330 hrs at 482076 and were driven off. At 1400 hrs this section was captured and found to consist of NCO and three men.
(iv) Traces of enemy occupation of areas between MOLO and JAGGAN tracks in vicinity of 486091 were found. Enemy troops are also operating between MOLO and SEAMARKS tracks south of forward battalion of this Bde's position
(v) The enemy has suffered 15 casualties apart from men captured.

3 (b) AIR
NO enemy air activity

IDENTIFICATION 3 The 4 PW captured belonged to same battalion as the PW captured on 26 Jul. They belong to a different platoon or possibly company to the other PW whose platoon was operating on MOLO track. The 4 PW had been operating south of forward battalions positions between MOLO track and SEAMARKS road.

CASUALTIES 4 Our casualties have been slight

[signature] Lieut
for Major
BM 16 Aust Inf Bde.

Time signed: 0920 hrs.

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VEBI INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

27 JUL 43

REF. MAP. BARTLE FRERE (MOLO Enlargement)

VISIBILITY – Good – WIND – NIL – WEATHER – Overcast –

ENEMY ACTIVITY: Active and consistent patrolling astride track vicinity 4½ mile peg.
Has made several attempts during day with small patrols of two to four men to penetrate along high ground left and Rt flank of our positions with no observed success.

OWN ACTIVITY: Recce, Standing, Fighting and Roving Patrols have been maintained throughout day to front flanks and rear.
Patrols to either flanks have made no contact with enemy during day.
Forward patrols on reaching vicinity 4¼ mile peg have made constant contact with enemy standing patrol of Pl strength.
Recce Patrol, strength three men, infiltrated to enemy main position at approx 498089. This position has trip wires & wires on the flank in area of contact. Patrol reports this position to have a depth of 400 yds.
Fighting Patrol, 1 offr 16 ORs contacted enemy, 1600 hrs, at 498089 and confirm Recce Patrol report as to enemy in strength at this position.
No other enemy activity has occurred within our area up till 1900 hrs.

CASUALTIES: Allowed enemy casualties – number fifteen plus four POWs captured by F.O.O at 1400 hrs left front of D Coy position.

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OWN CASUALITIES: allotted casualties total 26.
Eleven casualties sustained during Patrol engagements with enemy and fifteen as allotted by 16 Aust Inf Bde signal O/115.

MORALE: Excellent of high order - anxious to be up and doing.

GENERAL. Field works & progressing satisfactorily and have reached an advanced stage of construction.

B Kilk Lieut Signed

1900. T.O.O.

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MOLO GREEN

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ENLARGEMENT AMENDED BY AIR PHOTOS

SCALE 4 inches = 1 ml.

Ref. Map BRATLE FRERE (Rev) 1:63360
Drawn by 'I' sec. HQ 16 Aust. Inf. Bde.
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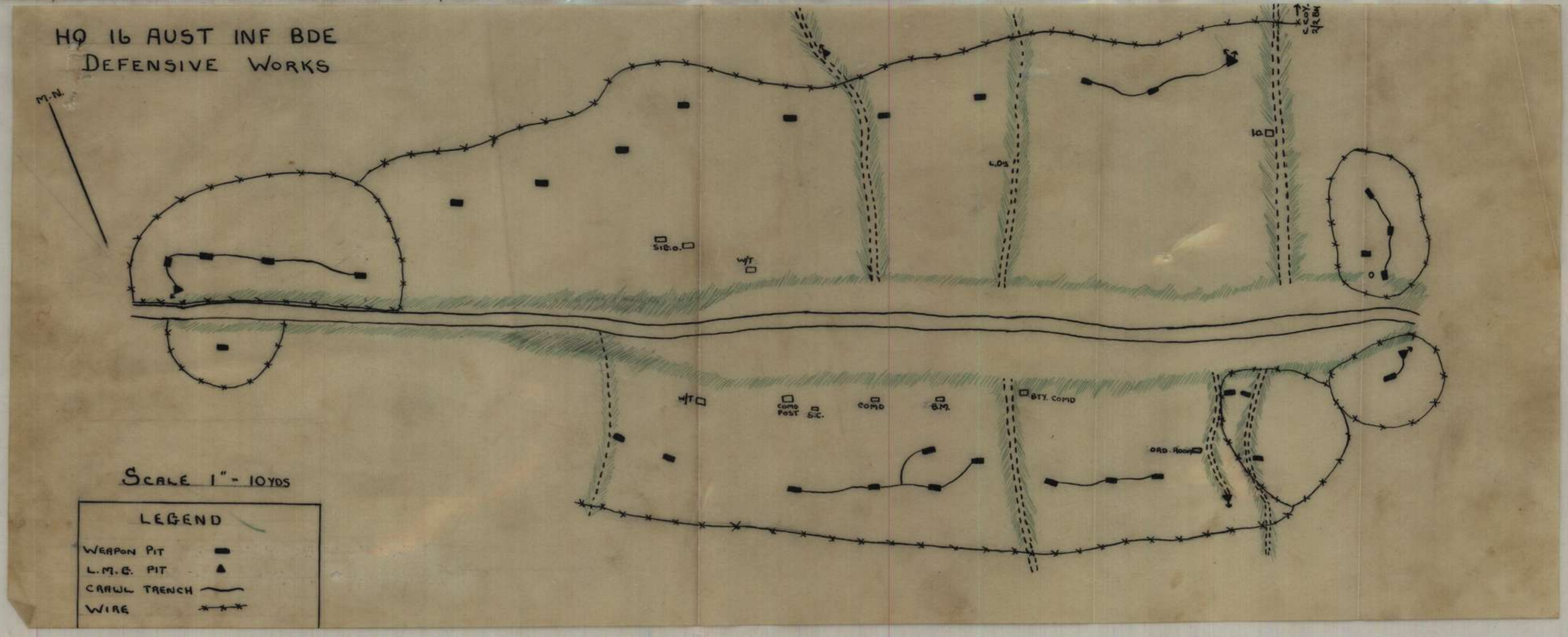

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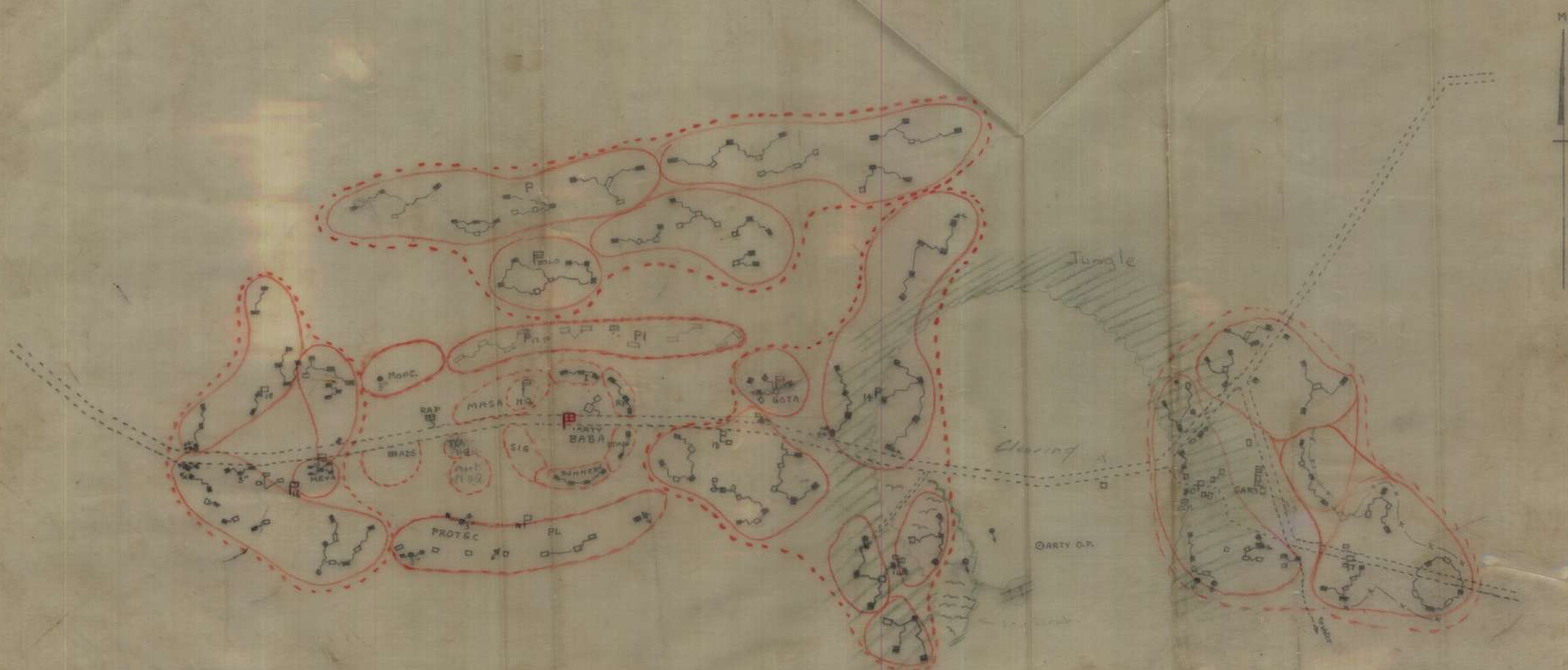

BABA DISPOSNS.

SCALE 1 INCH TO 25 YARDS

Yards 25 0 25 50 75 100 Yards.

Legend

- Pl. Areas ———
- Coy " - - - -
- Low Scrub
- Weapon pits
- Personnel Pits
- Trip Wire

Date 28 JUL 43.

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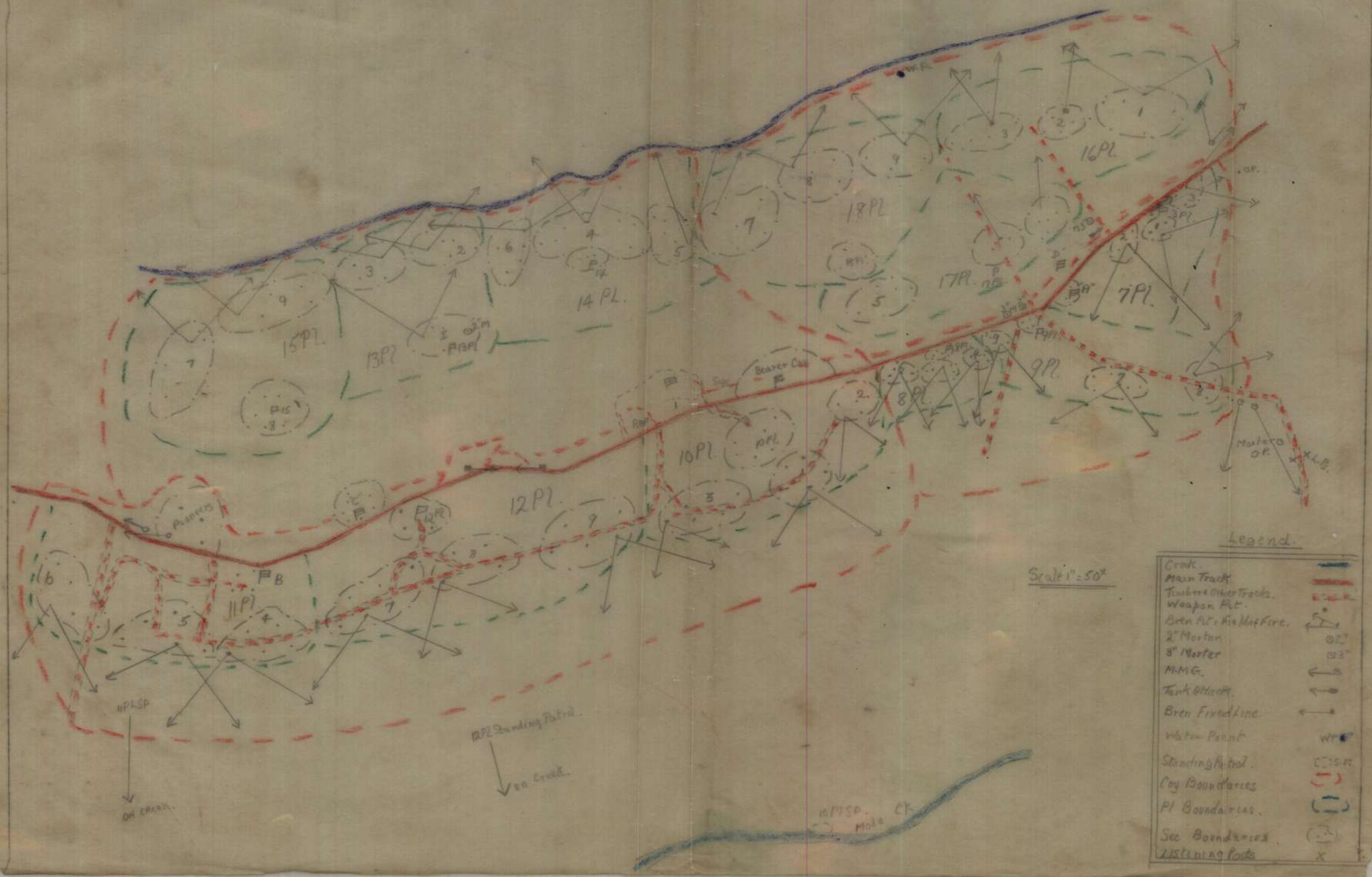

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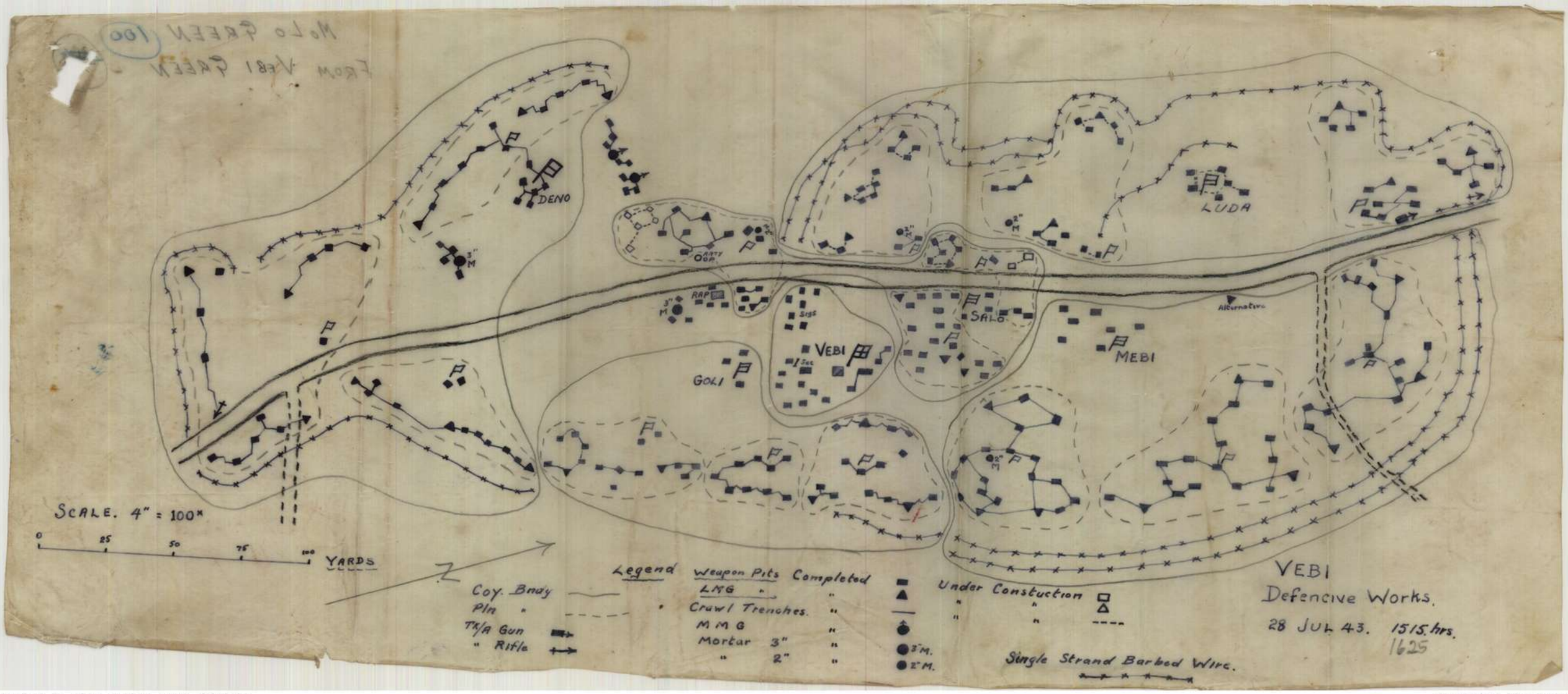

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 3 / 7 /1943. HQ 16 Aust (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 3 / 3. OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 Inf Bde 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'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
			1	Brigadier *					
				Lieut.-Colonels *					
2	2			Majors					
3	3		2	Captains	AACH D	3		1	1
1	1		3	Lieutenants	AAMC			1	1
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
6	6		6			3		2	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).	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.
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	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.
VX3272	Capt	MAYBERRY W.M.	SD LHQ	30/6	BM
NX2474	"	McPHERSON W.	2/2 Aust InfBn	29/6	SC(L)
NX34872	"	PRIOR C.J.	2/1 " " "	1/7	BM(L)
NX137513	"	TOWN J.W.	30 Aust Inf Bde	3/7	Attached as SC
VX46026	"	ARUNDEL R.E.H.	do	3/7	" " TO
QX38830	"	DIDDAMS R.H.F.	AASC	3/7	" " BAASCO

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK. (contd).

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit from	Date.	CAUSE.
NX128775	Capt	BECKETT J.S.	30 Aust Inf Bde	3/7	Attached as SC(L)
NX4784	Lieut	HODDINOTT F.J.	2/3 " " Bn	26/6	L.O.
WX1991	"	KING C.F.K.	30 Aust Inf Bde	3/7	Attached as LO
VX1414	"	MOY D.G.	do.	3/7	" " IO
QX1669	"	ALISON G.L.	do.	3/7	" " Hyg Offr
NX10393	"	VARNEY C.W.	do.	3/7	" " LO
QX11835	"	FYNES-CLINTON P.	do.	3/7	" " Educ Offr
VX117103	"	HIRST J.R.	do.	3/7	" " LO

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / /194.

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

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HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde ..... Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 3 / 7 /1943 (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.
Brigadier	VX20315	KING	R.	Comd.			
Capt	VX3272	MAYBERRY	W.M.	BM			
"	NX70223	DARCEY	W.L.	SO			
Lieut	NX70746	LONG	M.B.	LO			
"	NX70714	McNEILL	D.J.	LO			
"	NX36318	DUVAL	F.J.	TO			
Chap	NGX340	GLOVER	S.	Chap	No	Detached to 2/1 Bn	
"	SX9764	PHILLIPS	B.H.	"	No	" " 2/2 "	
"	NX245	SWINDLEHURST	L.M.	"	No	" " 2/3 "	

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.
		SEE BACK OF SHEET.			

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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

Rank	Army No.	Name and Initials		Unit	Date of Attach.	Nature of Attachment
Capt	NX1800	BAYLISS	C.P.W.	2/2 Bn	24/4	BM(L)
Lieut	NX14699	ARNOLD	R.E.	Sigs	-	OC J Sigs
"	VX72523	WILSON	H.R.	"	-	2i/c J Sec
"	NX1405	McLELLAN	A.A.	2/2 Bn	25/5	A/IO
"	NX4073	FLEMING	T.O.	AASC	12/6	BAASCO
"	NX36873	SEWARD	A.	2/3 Bn	25/6	Camp Condt
Capt	NX80928	McCOOK	C.P.	6 Div	17/6	Bde LSO
"	NX2474	McPHERSON	W.	2/2 Bn	29/6	SC(L)
"	NX34872	PRIOR	C.J.	2/1 Bn	1/7	BM(L)
Lieut	NX4784	HODDINOTT	P.J.	2/3 Bn	26/6	LO
Capt	NX137513	TOWN	J.W.	30Bde	3/7	Att as SC
Capt	VX46026	ARUNDEL	R.E.H.	"	3/7	" " TO
Capt	QX38830	DIDDANS	R.H.P.	AASC	3/7	" " BAASCO
Capt	NX128775	BECKETT	J.S.	30 Bde	3/7	" " SC(L)
Lieut	WX1991	KING	C.F.K.	"	3/7	" " LO
"	VX1414	MOY	D.G.	"	3/7	" " IO
"	QX1669	ALISON	G.L.	"	3/7	" " Hyg O.
"	NX10393	VARNEY	C.W.	"	3/7	" " LO
"	QX11835	FYNES-CLINTON	P.	"	3/7	" " Educ O.
"	VX117103	HIRST	J.R.	"	3/7	" " LO

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 3 / 7 /1943 HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 /3 . OFFRS. 12 O.R's 66 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 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.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.	AAOC	1			
1	1		1	W.Os. Class II.					
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
			1	Staff Sergeants					
		2	6	Sergeants	AEME	1			
		3	9	Corporals	AASC AAMC	1		1	1
		3	53	Troopers, Privates, etc.	" "	3		5	6
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
1 *	1	8	71 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		6 *		6	7 *

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * 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.

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		77									77
B(1)											
B(2)											

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
4	Det 6 Aust Div Postal		
35	Sigs 6 Aust Div J Sec		
4	2/1 Aust Inf Bn		
7	2/2 Aust Inf Bn		
7	2/3 Aust Inf Bn		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

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

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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 3/ 7/194 3.

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, 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				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	2	1	1	Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				Drivers MT	16	16	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Batmen	13	12	1
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Ords Sig	6	4	2
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	6	7		Hygiene	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Gen duties	3	5	2
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				C S M	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	8		Coach Trimmers				C Q M S	1	2	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks	3	4					
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AAMC Cpl	1	2	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AASC	4	2	2
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				AAOC WO1	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AEME	3	3	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				Batmen	3	2	1
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	2	1	1	CARRIED FORWARD	6	9	1	CARRIED FORWARD	15	20	1	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	68 *	71 *	9

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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PART B - NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS

Subst. Rank & higher T/ Rank, if held	Army Number	Name and Initials		Unit	Date of Attachmt	Nature of Attachm't
Lieut	NX14699	ARNOLD	R.H.	Sigs	-	OC J Sigs
Lieut	VX72523	WILSON	A.R.	"	-	2i/c J Sigs
Lieut	NX1435	McLELLAN	R.A.	2/2Bn	25/5/43	A/IO
Lieut	NX4073	FLEMING	T.C.	ASC	12/6/43	A/BRASCO
Lieut	NX54573	HOWARD	A.	2/3Bn	26/6/43	Camp Comdt
Capt	NX50928	McCOSH	C.P.	Corps	17/6/43	Bde LSO
Capt	NX2674	McPHERSON	W.	2/2Bn	2[illegible]/6/43	BC(L)
Capt	NX34572	PRIOR	C.J.	2/1Bn	2/7/43	BM(L)
Lieut	NX4784	[illegible]	F.J.	2/3Bn	26/6/43	LO
Capt	QX38830	DICKENS	R.H.F.	30Bde	3/7/43	BRASCO
Lieut	NX1591	KING	G.F.K.	"	"	LO
Lieut	NX10393	VARNEY	C.H.	"	"	LO
Lieut	VX117163	HIRST	J.R.	"	"	LO
Lieut	VX1414	ROY	D.G.	"	"	IO
Lieut	QX11835	FYNES-CLINTON	F.H.	"	"	Educ. Offr.
Lieut	QX1669	ALISON	G.L.	"	"	Hyg. Offr.

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 10/ 7 /1943. 16 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11/ 3 / 3. OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 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'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
			1	Brigadier*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
2	2			Majors	AA Ch D	3		1	1
3	3		2	Captains					
1	1		3	Lieutenants	AAMC			1	1
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
6	6		6			3		2	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).

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.		9									9
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.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX1800	Capt	BAYLISS C.F.W.	2/2 Bn	x15/7	R T U

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO .... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ..../..../194....

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 10 / 7 /1943 (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.
Brig	VX20335	KING	R.	Bde Comd	Yes		
Capt	VX3272	MAYBERRY	W.M.	BM	Yes		
Capt	NX70223	DARCEY	W.L.	SC	Yes		
Lieut	NX70746	LONG	M.B.	LO	Yes		
Lieut	NX70714	McNEILL	D.J.	LO	Yes		
Lieut	NX36318	DUVAL	F.J.	TO	Yes		
Chap	NGX340	GLOVER	S.	Chap	No	Det 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
Chap	SX9764	PHILLIPS	B.H.	Chap	No	" 2/2 " " "	
Chap	NX245	SWINDLEHURST	L.M.	Chap	No	" 2/3 " " "	

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.
		(See attached sheet)			

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander Capt.
S.C. to Aust. Inf. Bde.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 10 / 7 / 194 3 . HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde **(Unit)**

W.E. 11 / 3 / 3 . **OFFRS.** 12 **O.R's.** 56 + **OFFRS.** 5 **O.R's.** 12 **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.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.	AACC	1			
1	1		1	W.Os. Class II.					
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
			1	Staff Sergeants					
		3	7	Sergeants					
		2	8	Corporals	AASC&AAMC	2			
		10	61	Troopers, Privates, etc.		5			
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
1 *	1	15	79 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		8 *			*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * 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.

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		87						[redacted]	[redacted]		87
B(1)											
B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
3	ex 30 Aust Inf Bde		
5	2/1 Aust Inf Bn		
7	2/2 " " "		
3	2/3 " " "		
2	AASC		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	2/1 Aust Inf Bn		
1	2/2 " " "		
4	19 Aust Inf Bde		
7	6 Aust Div		
3	Home Leave		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

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

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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 10/ 7 /1943.

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, 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				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	2	1	1	Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				Drivers MT	16	29	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				CSM	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				CQMS	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	6	7	-	Batmen	13	18	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Sig Ords	6	5	1
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Hyg Duties	1	2	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	7	-	Coach Trimmers				Gen Duties	3	1	2
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks	3	7	-				
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AAMC Cpl	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AASC	4	2	2
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				AAOC WOI	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AEME	3	2	1
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				Batmen	3	2	1
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	2	1	1	CARRIED FORWARD	6	8	1	CARRIED FORWARD	15	22	1	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	68	87 *	8 *

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.

13 Jul 43
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
Comd 16 Aust Inf Bde

Capt.
X.C. 16 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

19/.....(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 17/7/194 3. HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11/3/3. OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 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'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
			1	* Brigadier					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
2	2			Majors					
3	3		2	Captains	AA Ch D	3		1	1
1	1		3	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters	AAMC			1	1
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
6	6		6			3		2	2

	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.		9									9
	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.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX10393	Lieut	VARNEY C.H.	2/3 Aust Inf Bn	10/7	R.T.U.
NX1991	"	KING C.F.K.	2/1 " "	" 10/7	R.T.U.
NX34873	"	SEWARD A.	2/3 C.C.S.	13/7	Malaria

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO.....(Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../...../194.....

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 17/7/194. (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.
Brig	VX20335	KING	R.	Bde Comd	Yes		
Capt	VX3272	MAYBERRY	W.M.	BM	Yes		
Capt	NX70223	DARCEY	W.L.	SC	Yes		
Lieut	NX70746	LONG	M.B.	LO	Yes		
Lieut	NX70714	McNEILL	D.J.	LO	Yes		
Lieut	NX36318	DUVAL	F.J.	IO	Yes		
Chap	NGX340	GLOVER	S.	Chap	No	Det 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
Chap	SX9764	PHILLIPS	B.H.	Chap	No	" 2/2 " " "	
Chap	NX245	SWINBURNE	L.M.	Chap	No	" 2/3 " " "	

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.
		(See back of sheet)			

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
Captain.
S.C. 16 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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PART E - NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS

Rank	Army No.	Name and Initials		Unit	Date of Attach.	Nature of Attach.
Lieut	NX1405	McLELLAN	A.A.	2/2 Bn	25/5	A/IO
Lieut	NX4073	FLEMING	T.O.	AASC	12/6	BAASCO
Capt	NX80928	McCOOE	C.F.	6 Div	17/6	Bde LSO
"	NX2474	McPHERSON	W.	2/2 Bn	29/6	SC(L)
"	NX34872	PRIOR	G.J.	2/1 Bn	1/7	BM(L)
Lieut	NX4784	HODGINOTT	F.J.	2/3 Bn	26/6	LO
Capt	QX38830	DIDDAMS	R.H.F.	AASC	3/7	BAASCO
Lieut	VX1414	MOY	D.G.	30 Bde	3/7	IO
"	QX1869	ALISON	G.L.	"	3/7	Hyg Offr
".	QX11835	FYNES-CLINTON	P.H.	"	3/7	Educ Offr
"	VX117103	HIRST	J.R.	"	3/7	LO
Capt	NX137513	TOWN	J.W.	"	3/7	Det to 6 Div

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

10 / ..... (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 17 / 10 /194 3 HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 3 / 3 . OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 18 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				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W E.	Deficient W E	Reinfts Required
				W.Os Class I					
				W.Os. Class II	AAOC	1			
1	1		1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts					
			1	Staff Sergeants					
		3	7	Sergeants					
		2	8	Corporals					
		11	62	Troopers, Privates, etc	AASC AAMC	3			
				Civilians counting as O.R		5			
1 *	1	16	79 *	Totals of cols marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		9 *			*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * 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

Detail		A.I.F	C.M.F Under 19 Years.	C.M.F 19 Years and over	A W A.S.	A.A.M.W S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL
A											
B(1)		65									65
B(2)		3									3

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong
X XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX			
3	2/1 Aust Inf Bn		
6	2/2 " " "		
6	2/3 " " "		
1	AASC		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs	Unit to which detached	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
2	2/1 Aust Inf Bn		
1	2/2 " " "		
1	2/3 " " "		
5	19 Aust Inf Bde		
7	6 Aust Div		
3	Home Leave		
1	School		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

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

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ANALYSIS OF Part A B(2) - "L" LIST

Number	Rank	Name and Initials		Date proceeded on Leave.	L of C Area in which Leave to be taken
NX56069	Pte	BIGGAR	N.	2/7/43	N.S.W.
NX56240	Pte	SUTTON	M.T.	2/7/43	N.S.W.
VX100660	Pte	JAMES	G.C.	2/7/43	VIC.

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Hq 16 Aust Inf Bde .... *Unit*

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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 / 7 /194 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.*	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfs. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths			
Bricklayers			
Computors			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen	2	1	1
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters			
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)			
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber			
Saw Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD	2	1	1

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength	Reinfs. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering			
Surveyors, R.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			
GROUP II.			
Armourers			
Axemen			
Bakers			
Bty. Comd's. Asst.			
Boilermakers			
Carpenters			
Carpenters and Joiners			
Cooks			
Dental Mechanics			
Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)			
Driver-Operator			
Drainers			
Electricians			
Electricians (Engineers)			
Fire Control Operators			
Gun Operator			
Hatchman			
Height Taker			
Helio Operator			
Instrument Operator			
Intelligence Duties	6	7	-
Joiners			
Lineman			
Lineman, Signals			
Lithographers			
Machinists, Metal			
Machinists, Wood			
Masons			
Masseurs			
Mechanics, M.T.			
Miners			
Moulders			
Nurses, Trained			
Observation Post Assts.			
CARRIED FORWARD	6	8	1

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength	Reinfs. Required.
Operating Room Assts.			
Operator, Keyboard			
Operator, Line			
Operator, Signal			
Operator, Switchboard			
Operator, Wireless			
Opticians			
Painters			
Panel Beaters			
Photographer, Dry Plate			
Predictor Numbers			
Printers			
Radiographers			
Riggers			
Sawyers			
Signallers			
Signwriters			
Telescope Identfn Numbers			
Well Borers			
Wheelers			
Winchman			
Wireman			
Woodturners			
GROUP III.			
Battery Surveyors			
Butchers			
Clerks	6	8	-
Clerks, Supply			
Clerks, Technical			
Coach Trimmers			
Concretors			
Cooks	5	6	-
Dental Clerk Orderlies			
Despatch Riders			
Draughtsmen, Signals			
Drivers, H.T.			
Driver Mechanics			
Driver Tptn. Plant			
Engine Hands, I.C.			
Equipment Repairers			
Farriers			
Fitters' Mates			
Gun Layers			
CARRIED FORWARD	15	22	1

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfs. Required.
G.P.O. Assistants			
Hammermen			
Leather Stitchers			
Orderlies, Nursing			
Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Plate Layers			
Rangetakers			
Rivetters			
Roughriders			
Saddlers			
Saddletree makers			
Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Stevedores			
Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Storemen, Technical			
Tailors			
Textile Refitters			
Tinsmiths			
Vulcanizers			
Wagon Erectors			
Whitesmiths			
Drivers MT	16	31	-
DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
CSM	1		1
CQMS	1	1	
Batmen	13	17	-
Sig Ords	6	8	1
Hyg Duties	1	2	-
Gen Duties	3	1	2
ATTACHED BY W.E.			
AAMC Cpl	1	2	-
AASC	4	2	2
AAOC WOI	1	1	-
AEME	3	2	1
Batmen	3	2	1
Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	58	88 *	9 *

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.

Jul 43
Date of Despatch

[signature]
Captain,
Signature of Commander
S.C. 16 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 24 / 7 / 1943. HQ 16 Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 3 / 3. OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 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'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
			1	Brigadier *					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
1	1		1	Majors					
4	4		21	Captains	AAChD	3		1	1
1	1		3	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters	AAMC			1	1
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
6	6		6			3		2	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).	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.		9									9
	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.
QX38468	Chap	TAYLOR C.R.	1 Motor Bde	22/7	Attached while Chap Phillips on X List

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
SX9764	Chap	PHILLIPS B.H.	2/6 AGH	22/7	Sickness

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../...../194.....

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 24 / 7 /1943 (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.
Brig	VX20335	KING	R.	Bde Comd	Yes		
Maj ~~Capt~~	VX3272	MAYBERRY	W.M.	BM	Yes		
Capt	NX70223	DARCEY	W.L.	SC	Yes		
Lieut	NX70746	LONG	M.B.	LO	Yes		
Lieut	NX70714	McNeill	D.J.	LO	Yes		
Lieut	NX36318	DUVAL	F.J.	TO	Yes		
Chap	NGX340	GLOVER	S.	Chap	No	Det 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
"	QX38468	TAYLOR	C.R.	"	No	Det 2/2 " " "	
"	NX245	SWINDLEHURST	L.M.	"	No	Det 2/3 " " "	

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.
		(See back of sheet)			

24 Jul 43
Date of Despatch

for Captain,
S.C. 16 Aust. Inf. Bde.
Signature of Commander

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PART E - NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS

Rank	Army No.	Name and Initials		Unit	Date of Attachmt	Nature of Attachmt.
Capt	NX80928	McCOOE	C.P.	6 Div	17/6	Bde LSO
"	NX2474	McPHERSON	W.	2/2 Bn	29/6	SC(L)
"	NX34872	PRIOR	C.J.	2/1 Bn	1/7	BM(L)
"	QX38830	DIDDAMS	R.H.F.	AASC	3/7	BAASCO
"	NX137513	TOWN	J.W.	30 Bde	3/7	Det to 6 Div
Lieut	NX1405	McLELLAN	A.A.	2/2 Bn	25/5	A/IO
"	NX4073	FLEMING	T.O.	AASC	12/6	BAASCO
"	NX4784	HODDINOTT	F.J.	2/3 Bn	26/6	LO
"	VX1414	MOY	D.G.	30 Bde	3/7	IO
"	QX1669	ALISON	G.L.	"	3/7	Hyg Offr
"	QX11835	FYNES-CLINTON	P.N.	"	3/7	Educ Offr
Mr.		GAVIN-LONG			17/7	War Correspondent

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 24 / 7 / 1943 HQ 16 Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 3 / 3 . OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 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.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts Required.
				W.Os Class I	AAOC	1			
			2	W.Os. Class II					
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts					
				Staff Sergeants					
		1	5	Sergeants					
		2	8	Corporals	AASC&AAMC	3			
		13	56	Troopers, Privates, etc		5			
				Civilians counting as O.R					
*		16	72 *	Totals of cols marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		9 *			*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * 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 "L" List

Detail		A.I.F	C.M.F Under 19 Years.	C.M.F 19 Years and over	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL
A		78									78
B(1)											
B(2)		3									3

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong
4	2/1 Aust Inf Bn		
4	2/2 " " "		
4	2/3 " " "		
1	Amen. Services		
1	AAMC		
1	AAOC		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs	Unit to which detached	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
1	2/1 Aust Inf Bn		
1	2/2 Aust Inf Bn		
1	2/3 Aust Inf Bn		
3	19 Aust Inf Bde		
2	6 Aust Div		
3	Home Leave		
2	School		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194....

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

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ANALYSIS OF PART A B(2) - "L" LIST

Number	Rank	Name and Initials	Date proceeded on Leave	L of C Area in which Leave to be taken
NX56069	Pte	BIGGAR N.	2/7/43	N.S.W.
NX56240	"	SUTTON M.T.	2/7/43	N.S.W.
VX100660	"	JAMES G.C.	2/7/43	VIC.

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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 24/ 7 /194 3.

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 Asstn.				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				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	2	1	1	Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Drivers MT	16	22	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				CSM	1	1	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	6	8	-	CQMS	1	1	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Batmen	13	17	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Sig Ords	6	5	1
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	6	-	Coach Trimmers				Hyg Duties	1	2	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Gen Duties	3	2	1
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks	3	7	-				
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AAMC Cpl	1	2	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AASC	4	2	2
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				AAOC WOI	1	1	-
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AEME	3	2	1
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				Batmen	3	2	1
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Asstn.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	2	1	1	CARRIED FORWARD	6	7	1	CARRIED FORWARD	15	22	1	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	68	81 *	7 *

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(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 against the blank spaces on this page.

24 Jul 43
Date of Despatch

Captain,
S.C. 16 Aust Inf Bde
Signature of Commander

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 31 / 7 / 1943. HQ 16 Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 3 / 3. OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 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'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
			1	Brigadier *					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
1	1		1	Majors					
3	3		2	Captains	AAChD	3		1	1
3	3		1	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters	AAMC			1	1
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
7	7		5			3		2	2

	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.		8									8
	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.
NX127366	Lieut	HUTCHINSON J.T.	X List	28/7	Attached as Amenities Offr.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX70746	Lieut	LONG M.B.	2/3 C C S	27/7	Malaria (unconfirmed)
NX12472	Capt	McPHERSON W.J.	do	29/7	" "
NX34872	Capt	PRIOR C.J.	do	29/7	" "

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../...../194.....

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 31 / 7 /194.3 (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.
Brig	VX20335	KING	R.	Bde Comd	Yes		
Maj	VX3272	MAYBERRY	W.M.	BM	Yes		
Capt	NX70223	DARCEY	W.L.	SC	Yes		
Capt	NX36318	DUVAL	F.J.	TO	Yes		
Lieut	NX70714	McNEILL	D.J.	LO	Yes		
Chap	NGX340	GLOVER	S.	Chap	No	Det 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
"	QX38468	TAYLOR	C.R.	"	No	Det 2/2 Aust Inf Bn	
"	NX245	SWINDLEHURST	L.M.	"	No	Det 2/3 Aust Inf Bn	

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.
		(See back of sheet)			

Jul 43
Date of Despatch

Captain,
16 Aust. Inf. Bde.
Signature of Commander

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PART E - NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS

Rank	Army No.	Name and Initials		Unit	Date of Attachmt	Nature of Attachmt.
Capt	NX80928	McCOOE	C.B.	6 Div	17/6	Bde LSO
"	QX38830	DIDDAMS	R.H.F.	AASC	3/7	BAASCO
"	NX137513	TOWN	J.W.	30 Bde	3/7	SC
Lieut	NX1405	McLELLAN	A.A.	2/2 Bn	25/5	A/IO
"	NX4073	FLEMING	T.O.	AASC	12/6	BAASCO
"	NX4734	HODDINOTT	F.J.	2/3 Bn	26/6	LO
"	VX1414	MOY	D.G.	30 Bde	3/7	IO
"	QX1669	ALISON	G.L.	"	3/7	Hyg Offr
"	QX11835	FYNES-CLINTON	P.N.P.	"	3/7	Educ Offr.
"	NX127366	HUTCHINSON	J.T.	"	3/7	Amenities Offr.
Mr.		Cavin-Long			17/7	War Correspondent

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

21 / ..... (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 31 / 7 / 1943 . HQ 16 Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 3 / 3 . OFFRS. 12 O.R's 66 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 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.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts Required.
				W.Os Class I	AAOC	1			
		1	3	W.Os. Class II					
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts					
			1	Staff Sergeants					
		3	7	Sergeants					
		2	8	Corporals	AABC & AAMC	2			
		14	37	Troopers, Privates, etc		5			
				Civilians counting as O.R					
*		20	76 *	Totals of cols marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		8 *			*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * 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 "L" List

Detail		A.I.F	C.M.F Under 19 Years.	C.M.F 19 Years and over	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL
A		61						[redacted]	[redacted]		61
B(1)											
B(2)		3					[redacted]				3

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong
3	2/1 Aust Inf	Bn	
3	2/2 Aust Inf	Bn	
5	2/3 Aust Inf	Bn	
1	AAMC		
1	AAOC		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs	Unit to which detached	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
1	2/1 Aust Inf	Bn	
1	2/2 Aust Inf	Bn	
2	19 Aust Inf	Bde	
2	6 Aust Div		
3	Home Leave		
2	School		
2	Motor Pool		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194....

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

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ANALYSIS OF PART A B(2) - "L" LIST

Number	Rank	Name and Initials		Date proceeded on Leave	L of C Area in which leave to be taken
NX56069	Pte	BIGGAR	H.	2/7/43	N.S.W.
NX56240	"	SUTTON	M.T.	2/7/43	N.S.W.
VX100660	"	JAMES	G.C.	2/7/43	VIC.

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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 31 / 7 /1943 .

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, 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				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	2	1	1	Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Drivers MT	16	22	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				CSM	1	2	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	6	9	-	CQMS	1	1	-
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				Batmen	13	17	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Sig Ords	6	5	1
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	7	-	Coach Trimmers				Hyg Duties	1	2	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Gen Duties	3	2	1
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks	3	8	-				
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AAMC Cpl	1	2	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AASC	4	1	3
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				AAOC WOI	1	1	-
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AEME	3	2	1
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				Batmen	3	2	1
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	2	1	1	CARRIED FORWARD	6	8	1	CARRIED FORWARD	15	25	1	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	68	84 *	8 *

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31 Jul 43
Date of Despatch

[signature]
Signature of Commander

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APPX "E"

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

CONFIDENTIAL

Headquarters
16 Aust Inf Bde
Ref: G 274

PRECIS OF BDE COMD'S CONFERENCE 16 JUL 43

Present: Brig R. King Comd 16 Aust Inf Bde
Lt-Col F.A. Cullen Comd 2/1 Aust Inf Bn
Lt-Col A.G. Cameron Comd 2/2 Aust Inf Bn
Lt-Col I. Hutchison Comd 2/3 Aust Inf Bn
Maj W.N. Mayberry BM 16 Aust Inf Bde.

1. Trg for Week 19 - 24 Jul

(a) Bns will be at CO's disposal for trg during this period.

(b) Syllabi of trg will be submitted to Bde by 1800 hrs 17 Jul 43.

(c) (i) Bns will each do one days "hardening up" march in the Bde Jungle Trg area, during which particular attention will be paid to maintaining control and comms. Men will march well loaded and NOT in skeleton order.
(ii) If cable is already laid along track it may be use d by units, if NOT the first bn will lay cable which will be used by all three bns and picked up by the last bn to do the exercise. Enquiries will be made by Bde as to existence of line along track and units informed accordingly.
(iii) Bns will be lifted by MT to entrance of jungle track and picked up at the exit.

(d) The jungle march will also be carried out by Bde HQ personnel.

(e) Days on which units will carry out exercise are as follows :

20 Jul 2/1 Aust Inf Bn
21 Jul 2/2 Aust Inf Bn
22 Jul 2/3 Aust Inf Bn
23 Jul HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde and Cd Pl.

2. Trg for Period 1 - 21 Aug

(a) Syllabus has to be submitted to Div for onward submission to Corps on 18 Jul for period 1 - 15 Aug. It is proposed to leave the trg during the first three weeks of Aug entirely to COs.
Outline syllabi to be submitted to Bde by 1800 hrs 17 Jul 43. Following suggestions were offered by Bde Comd :

(i) Let coy comds have as "free a go" as possible.
(ii) Concentrate on trg of, and placing of responsibility onto junior offrs and NCOs.
(iii) Three bn exercises of one days duration each run completely by bns. Nights NOT to be spent away from camp.
(iv) Coy and pl exercises.
(v) Certain periods entirely at coy comds' discretion.
(vi) Bn and Bde HQ exercises.

Comd
18/7/43

18/7

20/7

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(b) During this period:

(i) A bde parade will be held also
(ii) A bde exercise down to and incl bn HQs.

3. Cloth Model TEWT

(a) A course on "Jungle Tactics" will be conducted by Bde commencing on 19 Jul.

(b) Each course will be of a weeks duration but TEWTS will only be held in the mornings, leaving the afternoons free for study and individual work.

(c) Lieut Hirst will instruct for the first course and it is hopedt that Maj Walcott GII (L) 6 Aust Div will be made available also as instructor.
Each unit will incl in the students attending the first course one offr each, suitable to replace these offrs during the second and subsequent courses.

4. Navigation Course

The Navigation Course will be continued.

5. Snipers Course

Each unit will conduct a course for instn of snipers. As snipers' weapons are NOT available this trg will be based on an intensification of normal trg. Courses will e ach last three weeks and units will aim at at least one sniper per sec plus two extra per rifle coy.

6. Intelligence Course

Bde will conduct an Intelligence Course to instruct as many offrs as possible in the interpretation, mapping and gridding of air photos.

7. Message Writing

Standard of message writing within the Bde is very low. A series of lectures will be held under Bde arrangements on "Message Writing". These lectures will take place in the evening and will be attended by coy comds and adjutants of bns. Bns will, on conclusion of series of lectures, arrange for the instn of all other offrs.

8. Adm Arrangements for Move

It is essential that the Bde be prepared to move at a few hrs notice. With this end in view units will make necessary adm arrangements, details of which are being forwarded to units separately. During the unit trg period in Aug practice moves on the basis of moves by

(i) rd
(ii) ry
(iii) air

will be carried out under bde arrangement.

Colin Prior
Capt
for Maj BM 16 Aust Inf Bde

2/1 Aust Inf Bn
2/2 Aust Inf Bn
2/3 Aust Inf Bn
File
√ War Diary.

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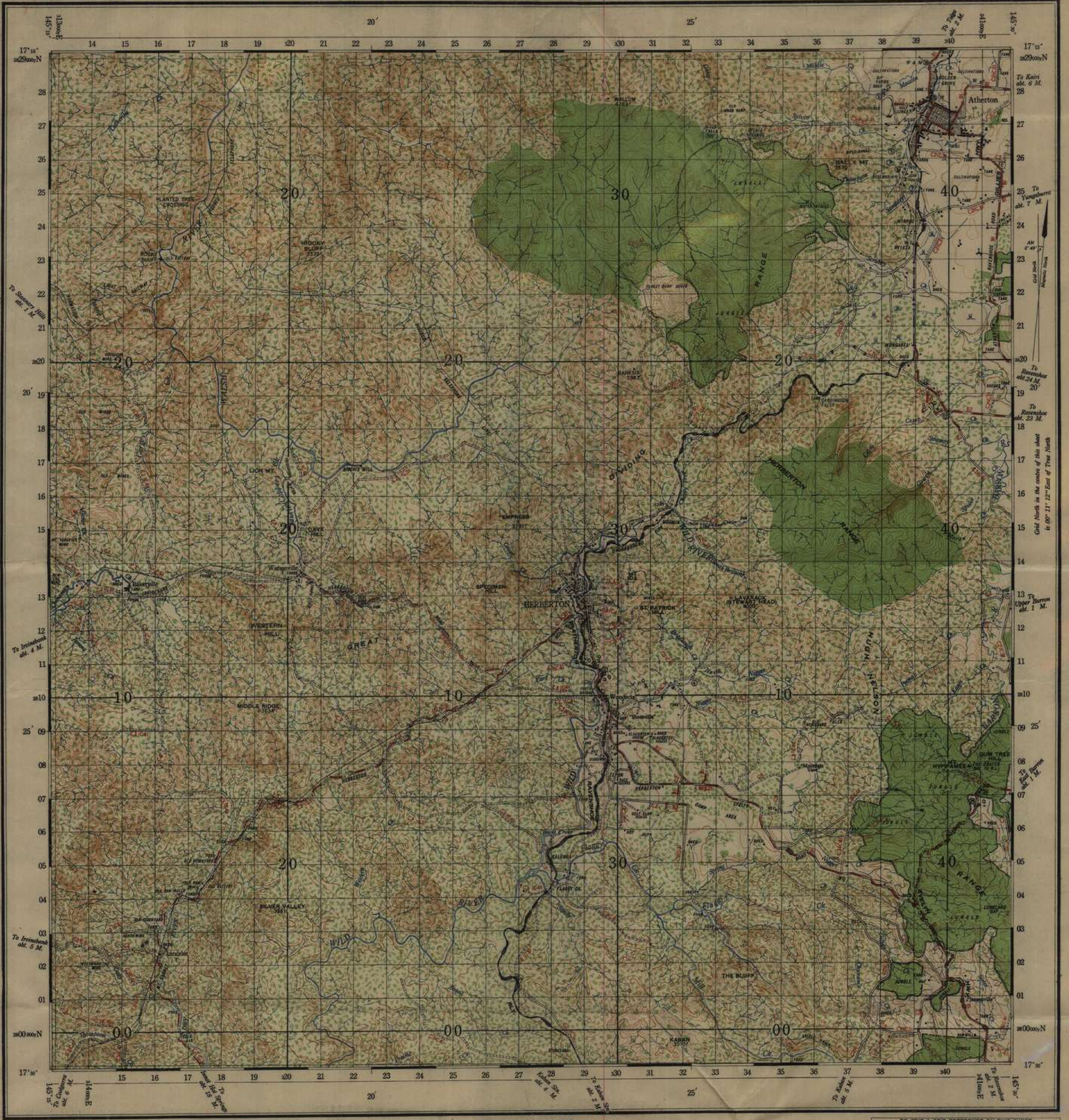
QUEENSLAND

AUSTRALIA 1:63,360 SHEET 61 ZONE 7

HERBERTON

EASTERN HALF

REFER TO THIS MAP AS:
2013 HERBERTON 1 INCH SERIES



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Scale 1 Inch to 1 Mile

Mile 1 ¾ ½ ¼ 0 1 2 3 4 5 Miles

Yards 1000 500 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8000 Yards

Contour interval 50 Feet

CONTROL: 2nd Order Triangulation by 5 Aust Fd Svy Coy AIF, June '43.
Origin Cairns Astronomical Station.
Longitude 145° 46' 54·60" E
Latitude 16° 55' 27·77" S

COMPILATION and DETAIL: Surveyed by 5 Aust Fd Svy Coy AIF. Detail from Air Photos and Plane Table June '43.

AIR PHOTOGRAPHY: Svy Flight RAAF.

ELEVATIONS: Feet Datum Mean Sea Level Brisbane.

PROJECTION: Transverse Mercator.

REPRODUCTION: 6 Aust Army Topo Svy Coy, July '43.

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CHILLAGOE	DIMBULAH	GORDONVALE
ALMA DEN	HERBERTON	BARTLE FRERE
MUNDERRA	MT. GARNET	PALMERSTON

CONVERGENCE IS GIVEN FOR CENTRES OF WEST AND EAST SHEET LINES AND IS BASED ON TRUE NORTH AT LONGITUDE 146° EAST

C= 00° 13' 20" C= 00° 8' 57"

MAGNETIC DECLINATION FROM TRUE NORTH IN CENTRE OF SHEET IS ABOUT 6° E (ANNUAL VARIATION 2')

THESE CONVERGENCE VALUES REFER TO STANDARD MERIDIAN ZONE 7

TO GIVE A GRID REFERENCE ON THIS SHEET

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PAY ATTENTION TO LARGER MARGINAL FIGURES AND TO THOSE PRINTED ON THE FACE OF THE MAP: VIZ. 350

POINT BANKSIA (TRIG)

East		North	
Take west edge of square in which point lies and read the figures printed opposite this line on north or south margin or on the line itself on the face of the map. Estimate tenths eastwards.	30 4	Take south edge of square in which point lies and read the figures printed opposite this line on east or west margin or on the line itself on the face of the map. Estimate tenths northwards.	19 7
East	304	North	197

REFERENCE 304197

Unit: Yard
Square: 1000
Reference to nearest: 100
Nearest similar reference distant 60 miles

Full Cover or Dense Timber	
Camouflage Cover or Medium Timber	
Scattered Timber	
Low Scrub	
Orchards	
Mangroves	
Trig. Sta. & altitude — First Class	▲905'
Second	652'
Third	529'
Fourth	206'
Aerodromes — A or A1 Class	
B Class	
C (or Emergency Landing Ground)	
Seaplane Base	
Seaplane Mooring Area	

Roads — Concreted or sealed (Fenced / Unfenced)	
Metalled or gravelled	
Earthen	
Sufficient width for two traffic streams	A
" " one " " with occasional passing	B
Sufficient width for one traffic stream only	C
Suitable for heavy M.T.	1
" " light " (up to 3 ton lorries)	2
" " Horse transport only	3
" " Pack	4
Roads impassable to MT in bad weather	
Note: Brackets denote wet weather classification	B2 (C3)
Track	
Cliffs & Steep Slopes	
Contours (numbers read facing uphill)	

Bridge with load capacity in tons (wood except where shown as masonry or iron)	M or I
Culvert	
Spring, Well or Waterhole	S W W.H
Swamp or Marsh	
River or Creek	
Watercourse (non perennial)	
Water Channel	
Fathom lines	
Wind Pump	
Cemetery	C
Embankment	
Cutting	
Railway (double line)	STATION
Railway (single line)	STA WITH SIDING
Light Railway	SIDING

House	■
Garage	■G
School	■S
Hotel	■H
Blacksmiths Shop (forge)	■F
Church	+
Mill or Factory	
Lighthouse	
Post Office	P
Post & Telegraph Office (in villages)	T
Telegraph or Telephone Line	
Electric Transmission Line	
Electric Power Stations — Main	
Terminal sub-station	
Municipal	

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AUSTRALIA 1:63360 WESTERN HALF **BARTLE FRERE** SHEET NO. 62 ZONE 7

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East	511	North	230

REFERENCE 511239

Unit	Yard
Square	1000
Reference to nearest	100

Nearest similar reference distant 60 miles

Full Cover or Dense Timber
Camouflage Cover or Medium Timber
Scattered Timber
Low Scrub
Orchards
Mangroves
Trig. Stations and Altitude: *First Class* 696′; *Second* 805′; *Third* 507′; *Fourth* 796′
Aerodrome A or A1 Class
Aerodrome B Class
Aerodrome C Class or Emergency Landing Ground
Seaplane Base
Seaplane Mooring Area

Fathom Lines
Contours (*numbers read facing uphill*)
Cliffs & Steep Slopes
Spring, Well, or Waterhole — OS OW OWN
Swamp or Marsh
River or Perennial Stream
Non-perennial Stream
Water Channel
Railway (double line) — STATIONS
Railway Station with siding
Railway Siding
Railway (single line)
Light Railway
Embankment
Cutting
Post Office — P
Post & Telegraph Office (in villages) — T

Bridge (*Wood except where shown as masonry or iron, with load capacity in tons.*) — M
Culvert
Roads Sealed — Fenced
Roads Metal or Gravel — Fenced
Roads Earth — Unfenced
Width sufficient for: *two traffic streams*; *one traffic stream with occasional passing* — B; *one traffic stream* — C
Suitable for: *Heavy M. T.* — 1; *Light M. T. up to 3 ton lorries* — 2; *Horse transport only* — 3; *Pack transport only* — 4
Note: Brackets denote wet weather classification — B2(C3)
Roads impassable to M. T. in wet weather
Tracks

Wind Pump
Cemetery
House
Garage — G
School — S
Hotel — H
Blacksmith's Shop (forge) — F
Church
Mill or Factory
Lighthouse
Telegraph or Telephone Line
Electric Transmission Line
Electric Power Station: *Main*; *Terminal Sub-station*; *Municipal or Private*
Stone Wall

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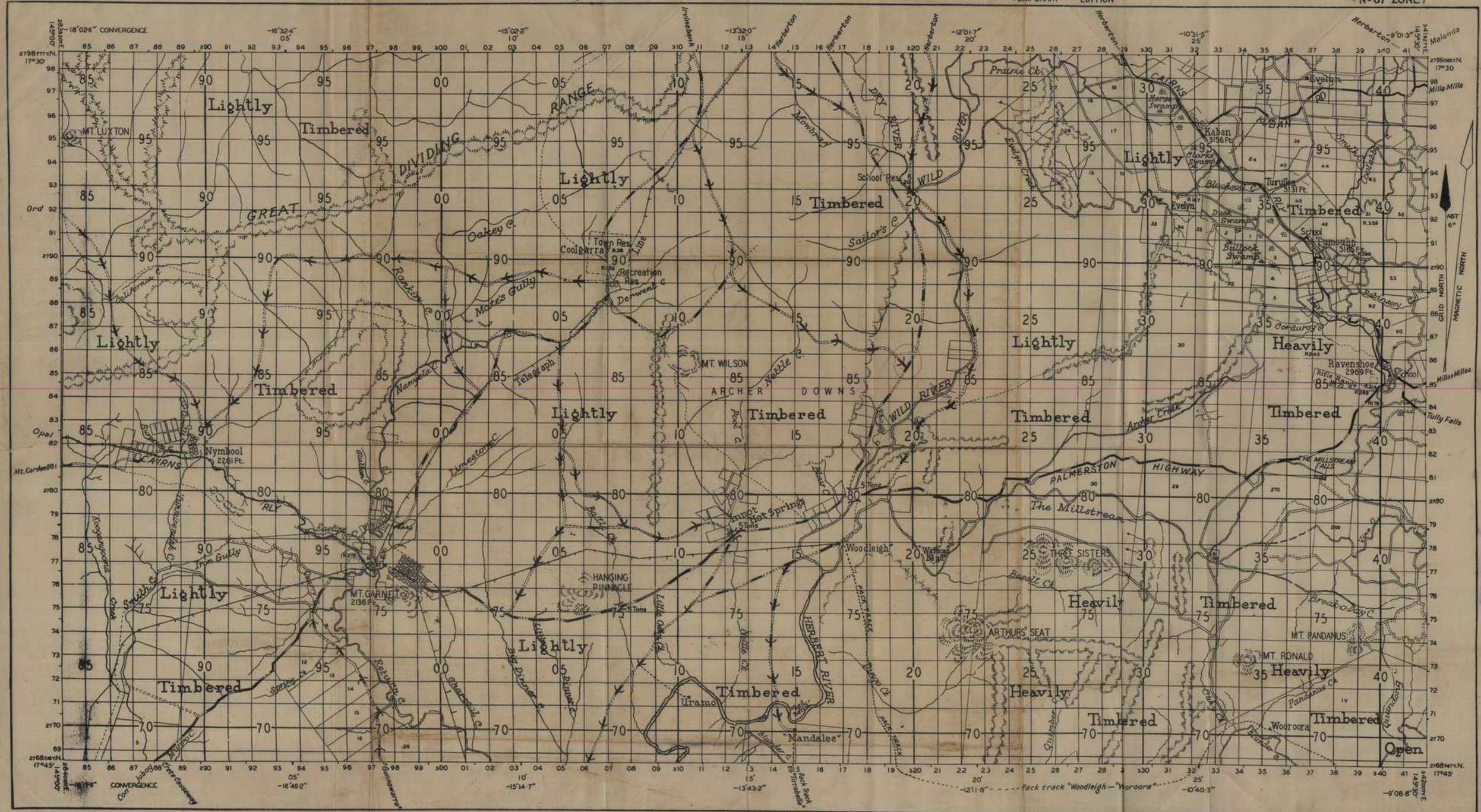

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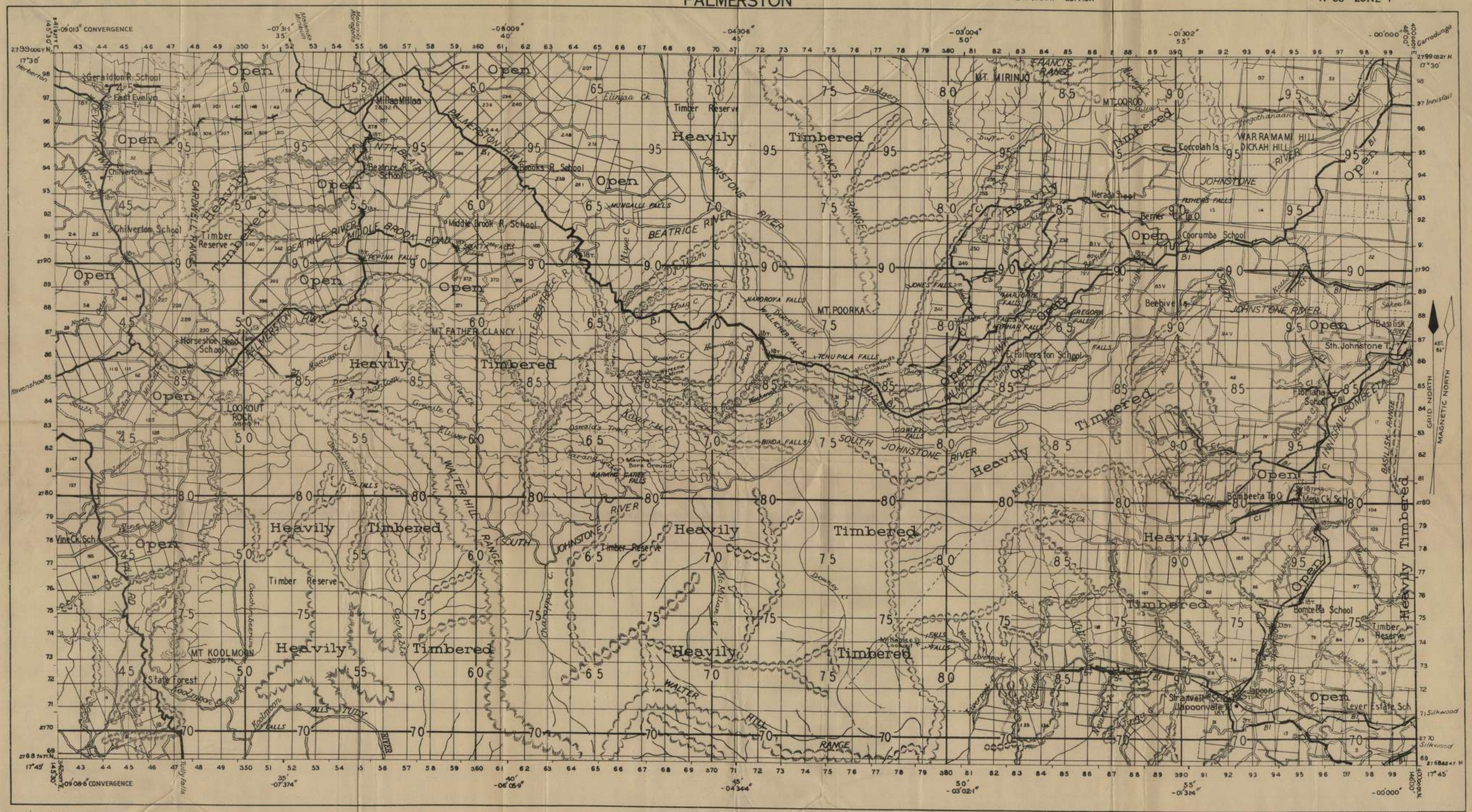

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MILE 0 1 2 3 4 5

YARDS 1000 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8000 YARDS

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REFERENCE 792743

Unit ..... Yard
Square 1000

Reference to nearest 100
Nearest similar reference ... distant 60 miles

Railways
Roads: Bitumen; Metal or Gravel; Earth
Impassable in Wet Weather
Watercourse — Watercourse approx.
Surveyed Roads (Not known whether trafficable or fenced)
Portion Boundaries (Not necessarily fenced)

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Date	Serial No	Orig No	Out To	In From	TOO	TOR	Text	Action
31	94	0544		6 Div	0910	–	Authority given 16 Aust Inf Bde draw following training amn ⊙ Q F 2 pr shot FH HC 500 rds ⊙ 2 AUST CORPS O 5586 refers.	
31	95	A 584	–	6 Div.	2020/30	1040/31	Attention is directed to 2 Aust Corps routine order 163 of 25 Jun 43 for strict compliance ⊙ Any breaches of this order will result in severe disciplinary action being taken against offenders. all informed	9 MAY 1944
31	96	128		2/1 Fd Amb	1238	1250	Reply to No AQ 3A – Ack	
31	97	226		2/3 Bn	1230	1250	Reply to AQ 3 – Ack	
31	98	A 36		2/2 Bn	1255	1306	Reply to A.Q. 3 – Ack	
31	99	0546		6 Div	1420	1520	ref G 2691 of 30 Jul ⊙ joining instns as detailed G 2474 of 20 Jul students report 1600 hrs 2 Aug all informed	
31	100	L 662		6 Div	1420	1520	AQ 8 of 30 Jul ⊙ ref Joint 689/122/43 of 23 Jul No further action considered necessary stop	
31	101	L 664		6 Div	1430	1520	ref our L 596 of 17 Jul enquiry N 132241 Sgt R. A. WOOLCOCK ex 39 Bn ⊙ please expedite reply	
31	102	A 600		6 Div	1655	1750	of 23 Jul ⊙ Please expedite	
31	103	202	–	2/1 2/2 2/3	1715	–	School for interpretation of Air Photos for offrs ⊙ 3 Aug to 12 Aug ⊙ Units submit one nomination each to reach this HQ by 0900 hrs 1 Aug.	copy retd. to BM (c)
31	104	AQ 7	6 Div rpt 2/1 Bn	–	1655	–	following CMF personnel at present with 2/1 Bn Q 89857 Pte Longton J – Q 28746 Pte DWYER D.J.C ⊙ may they be moved to 6 Aust Reinft Camp for disposal.	Copy Rey to S.C

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30	85	A/108		MERAUKE FORCE	0785/29	2315	NOT rpt NOT to addressees 2 and 2 Capt Hulls disposal still under consideration ⊙ can NOT rpt NOT recommend leave.	
30	VERBAL	-	-	-	1000	-	AM Commanders conference in Comd. office.	
30	86	A/35	-	2/2 Bn	1433	1500	ack. (to AQ G)	
30	87	218		2/3 Bn	1410	1500	In Reply to AQ.4. Ack	SC
30	88	0537		6 Aust Div	1415.	1510	Ref air move exercise ⊙ AA and QMG will give lecture on emplaning tables 1000 hrs 31 Jul EDUCATION TENT DIV HQ ⊙ Staff captains and adjts will attend all informed.	Rptd 2/1, 2/2, 2/3 Aust Inf Bns 1515 hrs. See also serial 89
30	89	-	6 Aust Div	-	1515		In Reply to No 0537 — Ack	see serial 88
30	90	JH412		2/1 Bn	1500	1530	In reply to HQ4 — ack.	SC
30	90(A) VERBAL	—	—	—	1637	—	Brig went to Div with ADC	
30	91	1	2/1 2/2 2/3	—	1645	-	Ref Bde Band contest ⊙ all unit bandmasters will report to comn. offr. 16 Bde at 0900 hrs 31 Jul 43 to arrange details of above.	
30	92	222		2/3 BN	1715	1910	amount of seven pounds paid for funds of 6 Div [illegible] ⊙ will confirm by letter	
30	93	I33		2/1 BN	1830	1910	Locstat 31 July ⊙ All coys in battalion area A B.CD. weapon training HQ spec. training	
31	93(A)	VERBAL					Bn Comds & BM returned from demonstration CAIRNS area	

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27	79	A102		MILAUKE FORCE	1512 K/24	1930	Secret ⊙ Second addresses requests transfer to 2/1 Aust Inf Bn of NX12176 TEMP CAPT. AD HULL ⊙ This force and 62 AUST INF BN. agreeable ⊙ Recommend approval	28 Inf Bn + Bn Comds left tonight to attend demonstration CAIRNS area
29	80	O 532		6 Aust Div	0916	1105	Amendment loc. statement 8 ⊙ add ⊙ serial 30 det 6 AUST DIV POSTAL UNIT. 55 WONDECLA F BDE area H 315078 ⊙ Corps Afs ⊙ serial 52 B 104 Aust CCS WONDECLA H 310096 ⊙ serial 52 C ⊙ 19 Aust ANTI MALARIAL CONTROL UNIT WONDECLA div Afs area H 325073 All informed	
29.	81.	I 201	2/1, 2/2, 2/3 AUST. INF. BNS		1207		Amendment loc. statement 8 ⊙ add ⊙ serial 30 det 6 AUST DIV POSTAL UNIT 55 WONDECLA F Bde area H 315078 ⊙ Corps Afs ⊙ serial 52(B) 104 Aust. CCS WONDECLA H 310096 ⊙ serial 52(C) ⊙ 19 Aust anti-malarial CONTROL UNIT WONDECLA div Afs area H 325073 All informed	
29	82	208		2/3 Bn	1325	1552	Ref 6 aust div memo AQ 201 of 6 June 43 ⊙ NX 13022 SGT PEARN HM marched in this unit ex 16 A.I.T.B 28 jul 43 ⊙ attached AEME as armourer Sgt.	Copy passed to SC
29	83	0534		6 Div	1600	1715	Ref this HQ 0408 dated 29 jun 43 ⊙ difficulty to complete return is experienced here owing to late rendition of return must be submitted to reach this HQ not later than 2000 hrs each saturday all informed	
29	84	0535		6 Div	1605	1715	students attending school of mech WONCHBEL to take mat boards all informed	

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25	72	Q866		6 Div	1520	1630	Ref 6 Div exercise No 3 allocation of additional MT table ⊙ amend as follows ⊙ Serial 1 delete 6 Div proceed 1 ⊙ serial 3 trucks 1/4 ton 4x4 delete 19 Bde replaced by 6 Div/proceed ⊙ serial 5 trucks 1/4 ton 4x4 delete AASC 6 Div replaced by 2/4 Bn bn	
25	73	A31		2/2 Bn	1700	1715	Ref memo 716/114/43 ⊙ VX 118207 Pte MACKIE C & VX 132145 Pte CRAPPER R6 not on strength this unit ⊙ believed on strength 2/1 fd amb.	
25	74	01	2/1, 2/2, 2/3 Aust Inf Bns		1900		Units will ensure that NO ball ammn will be taken out on DIV exercise NO3 ⊙ Ack	Ack Ack Ack 2/3 Bn 014 2330 hrs
26	75	A31		2/2 Bn	0735	0805	ack refy to AQ10	
26	76.	0512.		6 Aust Div	0945	1055	Ref. G 2469. of 21 JUL. school cancelled All informed.	
26	77	05.15		6 Aust Div	1500		Amendment location statement 8 ⊙ add ⊙ Serial 292/79 Aust LAD 65 WONDECLA F Bde Area H315078 ⊙ Serial 39 135 Aust Bde Wk shops WONDECLA A H335066 ⊙ Army Aps ⊙ ARMD CORPS. 49 AC SQN 2/9 Aust ARMD REGT 53 TUMOULIN MT G373905 delete Serial 60 ALL INFORMED.	
26	78	I 200	2/1 2/2 2/3 Aust Inf Bns		1830		Admendment location statement 8 ⊙ add ⊙ Serial 292/79 Aust LAD 65 WONDECLA F Bde Area H315078 ⊙ Serial 39 135 Aust Bde Wk shops WONDECLA H335066 ⊙ Army Aps ARMD CORPS 49 A SQN 2/9 Aust ARMD Regt 53 TUMOLIN MT G373905 delete Serial 60 All informed.	

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24	63.	A620		6 Aust. Div	1523	1718.	Ref A10321 of 16 Jul ⊙ Unit concur transfer BOBBINS.	
24	64	205		2/3 Bn.	1835	1940	All stocks amm. returned ADOS.	
25	65	OF830		6 DIV	0810	0900	ref our OF819 of 21 Jul ⊙ application submitted by 2 Aust Corps to remove NX7596 Capt K.M. MACKENZIE 2/3 Bn from PSL WEF 20 Jul vide their memo A10846 to LHQ.	
25	66	Q863		6 DIV	1030	1127	SECRET ⊙ medical consultations ⊙ the following will report to 2/2 ACH at 1330 hrs 26 Jul sigs 6 Div 2 6 Div provoy 2 2/1 gd bn 1 2/119 bde wkshops 1 2/4 pnr bn 2 2/3 bn 1 2/8 bn 1 2/4 bn 1 2/2 bn 1 2/1 bn 2 ⊙ all pers RV 19 bde HQ by 1145 hrs 26 Jul who will arrange tpt ⊙ all informed	
25	67	A27		2/2 Bn	1126	1135	ref gymkhana ⊙ offrs for committees ⊙ military events Lieut R.L. SMITH ⊙ athletics Lieut A.B. Wilson ⊙ boxing Lieut G COYLE ⊙ football Lieut E.F. BYRON	
25	68	A630		6 Div	1420	1510	One Sgt one cpl one cook two clerks to be detached to MT POOL BRISBANE ⊙ will report to 2 Aust Corps reception camp WONGABEL today ⊙ all pers gear incl greatcoats to accompany tps ⊙ confirmation phone message.	
25	69	A632		6 Div	1500	1615	ref attachment VX2993 Pte PENTON C.G. to 2/1 from 2/3 bn as armourer from AEMED cas return not yet received by ADME	
25	70	A637		6 Div	1504	1615	approval granted transfer Sgt WELSH A.G. 2/3 bn to HQ 17 (CAIRNS) L of C subarea ~~prov~~ med class A2	
25	71	A639		6 Div	1504	1615	confirmation phone message OR three prisoners of 2/1 bn being held police station INNISFAIL by L of C provo ⊙ unit to arrange collection	

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23	57	—		2/1	—	1800	Ref your Signal 028 of 23/7/43. NX34834 Capt C.M. Kendall is nominated as umpire for 6 Aust Div Exercise 26-29 Jul.	
23	58	0508		6 Aust. Div	1910	2150	All stocks 380 amm. marked day date oblique two oblique forty-three with MQ on box will be returned to A.DOS dump immediately for replacement all informed.	
24	59.	I 27	6 Aust Div.		1112	1118.	Ack receipt three copies air photographs of area involved in forthcoming bde. exercise.	
24	60	08		2/2 Bn	0912	1102.	Lt-Col. CAMERON has relinquished command 3/22 Bn. now commanding 2/2 Bn. ⊙ Lt. JOHNSTON NOT a member of 2/2 Bn. therefore Cameron has no authority to approve transfer.	
24	61	1105		6 Aust. Div.	1600	1700.	Ref. this H.Q. GSI 434 of 19 Jul ⊙ Add to appx A study number 38 copy no. 155 AROE ISLANDS. ⊙ Miscellaneous studies ⊙ Study no. 12 MADANG ALEXISHAFEN coastline & tracks ⊙ Study No. 13 coastline HOPOI to FINSCHHAFEN ⊙ Study No. 14 overland routes LAE MARKHAM valley to WEWAK & to FINSCHHAFEN SAIDOR MADANG BOGIA ⊙ Study No. 15 LINDENHAFFEN & vicinity.	
24	62.	OF 829.		6 Aust. Div.	1530	1710	Ref OF 102 of 22 Jul ⊙ Please obtain concurrence of C.O. 62 Aust. Inf. Bn to transfer vide TROMS 13/43 para 2 ⊙ On receipt recommendation will be fwded.	

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22	46	086	2/1 2/2 2/3 Aust Inf Bn		0837		Ref L.H.Q school of signals BONEGILLA 23 Aug to 2 Pts O for officers or N.C.O. prospective officers O each addressee will submit one nomination to reach this H.Q by 1600 hrs 23 Jul.	
22	47	087	2/1 2/2 2/3 Aust Inf Bn		0840		Lecture by CASC on organization AASC 2000 hrs 23 Jul H.Q. 16 Aust inf Bde ORs Mess Tent O all offrs will attend O ack.	ACK 2/1 Bn ACK 2/2 Bn ACK 2/3 " JH 83 A17 164
22	48.	JH 383		2/1 BN.	1045	1155	Reply to 087. - Ack.	See Serial 47.
22	49.	A. 17.		2/2 BN.	0930	0945	Reply to 087 - Ack	See Serial 47
22	50	164.		2/3 BN.	1030	1115.	Reply to 087 - Ack	See Serial 47.
22	51.	165		2/3 BN.	0930	1145	Ref. near exercise O Approximate number of persons training 7000 O Vehicles required 40.	
23.	52	088	2/1, 2/2, 2/3 Bns.		1235		Ref. para 6 6 Aust. div. exercize No. 3 O units will provide umpires as follows O 2/3 Aust. Inf. Bn. two capts. 2/1 2/2 Aust. Inf. Bns. each one capt O nominations to this H.Q. by 1800 hrs 23 Jul O umpires will report this H.Q. 0845 hrs 24 Jul to move 6 Aust. Div. for detailed instns. O ack.	Ack Ack 2/2 Bn 1545 Serial 54 Ack 2/3 Bn 1455 Serial 53
23	53	179		2/3 Aust Inf Bn	1420	1455	Reply to No 088 - Ack	See Serial 52
23	54	03		2/2 Bn.	1510	1545	Reply to No. 088 - Ack.	
23	55	04		2/2 Bn.	1515	1545	VX100099 Capt. K. H. LOVETT is nominated as umpire	
23	56	181		2/3 Bn	1435	1605	Umpires nominated by this HQ NX128779 Capt T.C. BOAG and NX127854 Capt F.C. PIGGIN	

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20	38	081	2/1, 2/2, 2/2/3 Bns & 2/4 PNR. Bn.	[redacted]	1125	1130	Ref. school for interpretation of air photos ⊙ following nominations have been accepted ⊙ Lt SEATON 2/1 Bn. ⊙ Capt McCRACKAN 2/3 Bn. ⊙ Lt HOBSON 2/4 Pnr. Bn. ⊙ movement & equipment advised later	ack 2/3
20	39	082	2/1-2/2-23 Bns		1625		CASC'P lecture at 2000 hrs 20 Jul cancelled	
21	40	083	2/1-2/2-2/3 Bns 2/4 Fd		0840		ref school for interpretation of air photos ⊙ students report this HQ at 1300 hrs 21 Jul for onward mvt	
21	41	138	[illegible]	2/3 BN	1510	1652	Reply to 087 - Ack.	
21	42	084	2/1 2/2 2/3	—	0915		Grens 36 M MK1 lot No 144635 fuze 4 secs MK5 lot No 10189 beleived faulty ⊙ segregate stocks held sending further advice ⊙ certificates to reach this HQ by 1500 hrs 21 Jul stating stocks held and action taken	
21	43.	151	[illegible]	2/3 Bn.	0930.		unit security officer NX 12474 Lt G. GIBBONS	
21	44	Q885		6 Aust Div.	1030	1140	SECRET. Following units will supply 3 ton trucks to convoy 16 Bde Ders from and to trg area 21 Jul A3 ⊙ A.A.S.C. 6 Aust Div. 25 2/3 Aust ~~Inf Bn~~ Fd Regt 8 6 Aust Div Cavalry Coy 2 R.A.E. 6 Aust Div 5 ⊙ A.A.S.C. will supply convoy Comd. ⊙ Two 6 Aust Div Rec Coy motor cyclists report to convoy. Comd 1630 hrs ⊙ R.V. at 1700 hrs with leading veh found towards 6 Aust Div HQ vicinity T.C.P. 1 EVELYN Bde 6 Aust Div HQ ⊙ trucks will convoy 2/3 Aust Inf Bn ders to unit lines, then convoy 2/3 Aust Inf Bn ders to trg area MINBUN returning to own lines approx 2300 hrs ⊙ all informed acks	~~Copy only but to S.C.~~

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20	~~080~~ 37	080	2/1 Bns, 2/2, 2/3		0945	-	M.M.G. open range may be used as follows @ 2/1 Bn 23 Jul @ 2/2 Bn 22 Jul @ 2/3 Bn 24 Jul @ Stalkers ranges and area around M.M.G. range may NOT be used for trg on those dates.	

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19	26	A9		2/2 Bn	1450	1500	School for interpretation of air photos ⊙ NX 26794 Lieut FL Ley is nominated	
19	27	OF804		6 Div	1400	1500	Chaplin N Earl ex 39 Aust Inf Bn to be posted 109 CCS ⊙ To report 109 CCS immediately authority 2 Aust Corps A/10287 of 16 Jul ⊙ 16 Aust Inf Bde to arrange T/A.	
19	28	A644		6 Div	1350	1500	Ref ABO 2 of 14 Jul CME personal ⊙ basic documents of pers. ex 39 Aust Inf Bn NOT yet received reception camp except for V125282 Pte HICKSWA ⊙ please arrange for documents for following personal ex 49 Aust Inf Bn also to be sent reception camp Q135613 Pte QUINN Q17012 pte SCRIVEN Q16301 pte LAURIE	
19	29	0492		6 Div	1500	1520	ref 8222 G 244 of 16 Jul approval granted for mortar practice	
19	30	077	2/4 Aust Inf Bn		1520		Approval granted for mortar and TK/A firing practices on 28 Jul am 29 Jul respectively	
19	31	0491		6 Div	1535	1605	Ref G2414 of 18 Jul ⊙ dates of course should read 22 Jul to 31 Jul all informed	
19	32	0492		6 Div	1635	1930	Ref G2412 19 Jul ⊙ conference to be held at hall in Hawn ⊙ 3rd June MS G410850 will directly all informed	
19	33	134		2/3 Bn	2200	0805	Ref 31 May 450 Mil return.	
20	34	078	2/1, 2/2, 2/3 Aust Inf Bn		0845		During negotiations base is in AASC at this HQ 2000 hrs 20 Jul ⊙ location Bde HQ. ORS Mess tent ⊙ all offrs will attend ⊙ ack.	See serial 35 See " 36. Ack 2/3 Bn
20	35	A11		2/2 Bn	0905	0930	Reply to 078 — ack	See serial 34
20	36	136		2/3 Bn	0900	0930	Reply to 078 — ack	See serial 34
20	37	LMcP52.		2/1 Bn.	1030	1120	Reply to 078. ack.	See serial 34.

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18	18	072	2/1 2/2 2/3		1520		ref units jungle march this week ⊙ J sec sigs NOT available to lay line ⊙ 2/1 Aust Inf Bn will lay line along track ⊙ 20 JUL ⊙ 2/3 Aust Inf Bn will pick up line 22 JUL ⊙ ack	ack received 1640 hrs (JH368) 2/1 Bn 1705 hrs (C4) 2/2 Bn 1840 hrs. (131) 2/3 Bn
18	19	073	2/1 2/2 2/3		1600		ref my 072 of 18 Jul ⊙ instrs. cancelled ⊙ cable previously laid by J Sec Sigs still on tk ⊙ ack.	ack received 1640 hrs (JH369) 2/1 Bn 1705 hrs (C5) 2/2 Bn 1840 hrs. (132. 2/3 Bn
18	20	074	2/1 2/2 2/3		2000		ref 16 Aust Inf Bde Tactical course ⊙ Course commence this HQ lines 1330 hrs. 19 Jul 43 ⊙ There after 0830 hrs.	
19	21	015		19 Aust Inf Bde	0842	0850	19 Bde NCO School No 1 Course ⊙ School NOW repeat NOW commences 22 Jul students report 1600 hrs 21 Jul ⊙ this cancels dates previously given	
19	22	076	2/1 2/2 2/3		0935		ref our Q286 18 Jul ⊙ students for NCO's School NOW repeat NOW report this HQ 1300 hrs 21 Jul for onward movement ⊙ this cancels previous instrs.	
19	23	Q882		6 Div	1000	1120	ref this HQ 868 of 15 Jul should read ⊙ attention is drawn to 6 Aust Div adm instn Q 545 of 26 Apr 43 0 all informed	
19	24	127		2/3	1140	1425	nominations from this unit NX 128778 T/capt. J.A. MCCRACKAN.	
19	25	A645		6 Div	1345	1443	Ref 'B' Class personal ⊙ reception camp state basic document did NOT accompany pers ⊙ fwd. same to recept. camp to-day	

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17	8	Q870		6 Aust Div.	0916	1135	of 4 July ref post offices ⊙ 16 AUST INFBDE will use office in WONDECLA area.	To SC
17	9	G46	2/1, 2/2, 2/3		1120		Secret ⊙ pending further receipt of stocks at FAD no further issues of 1kg ammn will be made ⊙ units may expend present holdings ⊙ units will refrain from indenting until further notice from this HQ.	
17	10	Q876		6 Aust Div	1205	1442	M/cycles with faulty exhausts will be grounded forthwith and NOT re-commissioned until faults rectified ⊙ all informed	
17	11	OF802		6 Aust Div	1145	1450	following offrs will report to 2/1 Aust HQ Yd Bn today for duty on att Q1 Lieut CB. HARTNETT VX 22535 Lieut J WATT VX 36706 Lieut AP CHIVERS VX 42800 Lieut AG DANDY all ex 49 Bn VX 117100 Lieut WC PENTLAND VX 100100 Lieut DW SHIELDS both ex 39 bn ⊙ applications for transfer being applied for	
17	12	0485		6 Aust Div	1520	1545	Ref G2255 11 Jul. educ offcr course postponed.	to BML
17	13	A629		6 Div	1440	1620	ref A598 of 14 Jul NX126268 Pte CARPENTER C ⊙ please arrange soldier report 2/1 19 Aust Bde wkshop for duty today ⊙ 2/3 bn will submit car returns transferring him to AEME ⊙ 2/1 19 wkshops will take on attachment of soldier AEME	
17	14	A633		6 Div	1520	1633	seasonal leave NX4755 Pte HETHERINGTON RH HQ 16 bde NOT approved ⊙ 16 bde 151/114/43 of 12 Jul refers	
17	15	107		2/3 Bn	1735	1918	transfer Pte CARPENTER to 2/1 19 Aust Bde wkshops effected 1730 hrs today	reply to AQ 5
18	16	070	2/2		1115	1118	Lieut HODGE attending First Aust Army Junior Staff School will report to Aust Div reception camp 1800 hrs 18 Jul.	
18	17	0488		6 Div	1215	1343	Ref map GORDON VALE one inch ⊙ HY repairs being undertaken on Br 465324 rd KULARA KAIRI ⊙ Br closed approx one week from 0600 hrs 19 Jul ⊙ alternate TOLGA ATHERTON ALL INFORMED.	Rptd to 2/1 2/2 2/3 & 2/4 Pnr Bns. (I 25) 1855 hrs.

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IN THE FIELD

Sheet No. 11

DATE: 16 Jul 43

Serial No	Message No	T.O.O.	T.O.R	TO	FROM	CONTEXT	REMARKS AND/OR ACTION TAKEN
1	–	0807	–	2/1, 2/2, 2/3 Bns.	BM.	Confirming telephone call ⊙ conference 0900 hrs 16 Jul subject Log.	
2	G44?	1036	–	2/2 Bn.	Bde.	6 Aust. Div. advises approval granted to carry out 3" mortar shoot as requested on 20 JUL.	
3	T027	1047	–	2/1, 2/2, & 2/3 Bns	Bde.	All motor cycles held by units will be taken to 2/45 Aust. L.A.D. at 0830 hrs. 17 JUL for inspection.	
4	070	1350	–	2/1, 2/2, 2/3 Bns.	Bde.	Conference on corps exercise 1630 hrs 16 JUL 16 Aust. Inf. Bde. open air cinema ⊙ All officers will attend ⊙ ack.	
5	G 44?	1420	–	2/1, 2/2, 2/3 Bns., 2/4 Pnr. Bn.	Bde.	Following return to reach this H.Q. by 1700 hrs today ⊙ A ⊙ Number of officer instructors at training schools ⊙ B ⊙ number of N. C. O. instructors at training schools ⊙ C ⊙ number of students at schools specifying number of officers & number of other ranks.	
6	93.	1420	–	Bde	2/3 Bn.	ack. 070	
7	G45	1737	–	6 Aus.	Bde.	A ⊙ 2/1 Bn. four 2/2 Bn. four 2/3 Bn. nil ⊙ B ⊙ 2/1 Bn. six 2/2 Bn. three 2/3 Bn. four ⊙ C ⊙ 2/1 Bn. four & twenty-five 2/2 Bn. six & nineteen 2/3 Bn. nil & twenty-four HQ. 16 Aust. Inf. Bde. nil & two.	
7		1440			2/2	ack (in reply to 070	passed to S.C.

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DATE: 15 Jul 43

Serial No	Message No	T.O.O.	T.O.R.	TO	FROM	CONTEXT	REMARKS AND/OR ACTION TAKEN
1	5.21	0820	0830	I.O.	16 Aust Inf Bde N.C.O. School.	For Lt Moy ⊙ Can you supply sheet BARTLE FRERE area ⊙ will need it from Thursday till Saturday ⊙ 3/38 area is what I want.	Bartle Frere WESTERN HALF Loaned.
2	G40	1030	–	All Bns and 2/4 Pnrs	BM	Ref combined camouflage Trg school course No 4 ⊙ Students will report this HQ 1500 hrs 15 Jul for onward movement.	
3.	0473	1900	2040	16 Bde	6 Div	amendment location statement 7 ⊙ delete serial 51 departed area ⊙ serial to read less 3 pls ⊙ add serial 36 ⊙ 2/4 Aust Sup Depot Pl WANDECLA ry stn H298098 all informed.	Bns & Pnrs informed.
4	1310	2045	–	all Bns and 2/4 Pnrs.	IO	repeat serial ③ (above)	

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IN THE FIELD

DATE: 14 Jul 43

Serial No	Message No	T.O.O.	T.O.R.	TO	FROM	CONTEXT	REMARKS AND/OR ACTION TAKEN
1	-	1945	-	6 Aust Div	I.O.	LOCSTAT @ HQ. now reopened camp area 322069	
2	0465	1855	2020	G.O.	6 Aust Div	Amendment location statement 7 @ add Serial 35 2/3 Aust Coy AASC H326076 All informed.	File Amended

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IN THE FIELD

DATE: 10 Jul 43

Serial No	Message No	T.O.O.	T.O.R.	TO	FROM	CONTEXT	REMARKS AND/OR ACTION TAKEN
1	I23	1755	1800	I.O.	2/3 Aust Inf Bn	LOCATION STATE 11 Jul 43 ⊙ bn in camp area until moving out on 2 Aust Corps MANOEVRES.	
2	-	1800	-	2/1, 2/2, 2/3 Bns 2/4 Lnr Bn	B.M.	Cand for combined camouflage course No 4 report this HQ 1600 hrs 15 Jul for onward movement.	
3	G30	1812	-	2/1, 2/2, 2/3	BM.	Ref G24 4 Jul ⊙ undermentioned additional N.C.O instructors will report to 2/3 AUST FD REGT by 1700 hrs 11 Jul ⊙ 2/1 Bn one, 2/2 Bn two 2/3 Bn one	

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Sheet No 7

H.Q. 16 AUST INF BDE
IN THE FIELD

DATE: 9 Jul 43

Serial No	Message No	T.O.O	T.O.R	TO	FROM	CONTEXT	REMARKS AND/OR ACTION TAKEN
11	I 70	1815	1830	I.O.	2/3 Bn	LOCATION STATE 9 Jul 43 O bn in camp area for normal tng	For 9 Jul
12	I 18	2030	2045	I.O.	2/1 Bn	Locstat O A.M. bn on exercise bn in tng area P.M. bn in bn area.	For 9 Jul.

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DATE: 9 Jul 43

Serial No	Message No	T.O.O.	T.O.R.	TO	FROM	CONTEXT	REMARKS AND/OR ACTION TAKEN
1	050	0814	-	All Units Incl 2/1 Pnrs.	B.M.	Secret ⊙ Grenade number 68 Tk A. mk three repeat mk three will NOT be fired until further notice ⊙ With this mk there is a danger of premature ⊙ stocks segregated and marked must NOT be fired ⊙ Ack	Ack Registr. see serials 5 & 6
2	G36	0845		16 Aust Inf Bde NCO's School	BM	Personnel from this HQ. will be firing on 300 yd range WONDECLA this morning.	
3	051	1115	-	2/1 Bn 3/2 Bn	B.M.	Staff School Junior wing ⊙ following nominations have been accepted for course commencing approx mid Aug ⊙ NX 70333 Capt W.L. Darcey HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde NX1800 Capt CAW BAYLIS 2/2 Aust Inf Bn Capt SHAW 2/1 Aust Inf Bn ex 49 Aust Inf Bn ⊙ Details later.	
4		1230	-	2/1 Bn 2/2 Bn	B M	Ref combined camoflage course number 4 ⊙ Further to our telephone conversations ⊙ nominal rolls for one NCO per addressee to reach this HQ. by 1400 hrs.	
5	AW79	1105	1150	~~2/4 Pnrs~~ BM	2/4 Pnrs	Ack in Reply to No 050	Ack Registr Serial ~~5~~ 1
6	JH337	1110	1135	BM	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	Ack in Reply to No 050	Ack Registr see serial ~~5~~ 1
7	G28	1450	1700	2/1 Bn	B M.	Certificates of holdings of gren 68 TK/H MK III to reach this HQ by 0800 hrs 10 Jul 43 ⊙ nil returns required.	
8	I/19	1620	1635	~~2/1~~ I.O.	2/1 Bn	Locstat ⊙ 10 JUL AM. Coys in Bn area ⊙ PM. half holiday for race meeting.	
9	I/21	1750	1800	I.O.	2/3 Bn	LOCATION STATE 10 Jul 43 ⊙ Bn in camp area for normal Trg.	
10	052	2047	-	2/1, 2/2, 2/3.	BM	Ref EXERCISE RODEO. ⊙ first ⊙ each addressee will provide umpires on the following scale ⊙ one per Bn HQ. and one each per rifle coy plus four as Bn pool for allotment fwd plg, patrols special tasks etc ⊙ second ⊙ 2/1 and 2/2 Aust inf Bns will each provide two umpires for coys on loan 2/4 Aust Pnr Bns ⊙ these umpires will only umpire their own coys and will NOT be used for other umpiring duties with 2/4 Aust Pioneer Bn ⊙ third ⊙ umpires selected will include proportion of senior offrs ⊙ fourth ⊙ nominal rolls of umpires will be submitted in duplicate to this HQ by 1200 hrs 10 Jul	

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Sheet No 5.

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DATE: 8 Jul 43

Serial No	Message No	T.O.O.	T.O.R.	TO	FROM	CONTEXT	REMARKS AND/OR ACTION TAKEN
1	I20	1815	1830	16 BDE.	2/3 Bn.	Location State 9 Jul 43 ⊙ Bn. in camp area for normal tng.	
2.	I18	2030	2035	16 BDE	2/1 Bn.	Location State ⊙ AM bn. on exercise bn. tng. area PM bn. in bn. area.	
3			2315	16 BDE	2/2 Bn.	Location of Bn 9 July.	

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Sheet No. 3

H.Q. 16 AUST INF BDE

IN THE FIELD

DATE: 4 Jul 43

Serial No	Message No	T.O.O.	T.O.R	TO	FROM	CONTEXT	REMARKS AND/OR ACTION TAKEN
1	I 17	1835	–	16 BDE.	2/3 A.I.B.	Location State 5 Jul 43 ⊙ Bn. in camp area till midday then move out on DIV. exercise.	

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DATE: 4 Jul 43

Serial No	Message No	T.O.O.	T.O.R	TO	FROM	CONTEXT	REMARKS AND/OR ACTION TAKEN
5	G23	1155	–	All Bns incl 2/4	BM.	Ref trg chiropodists AAMC course No 1. Personnel will report HQ 6 Aust Div by 0700 hrs 5 Jul. Units to arrange tpt.	
6	G24	1300	–	2/1 2/2 2/3 Bns 16 Bde.		undermentioned will report to 2/3 Aust Std Reg. by 1700 hrs today instructors in subjects bayonet grenade owengun jungle courses 0 2/1 Bn one N.C.O. 2/2 Bn ~~[illegible]~~ one N.C.O. 2/3 Bn two N.C.O's 0 duration one week. 0 further advice later.	
7	Q870	0825	1230	16 Bde	6 Div.	Ref aff (a) to 6 Aust Div exercise No 2 ~~[illegible]~~ 0 2051 of 1 Jul and details allocation additional M.T. of 3 Jul 0 Amend reporting times serials 2, 3, 4, 5 to read 1115 hrs all informed.	Refer to serial 12
8	0424	1600	15~~[illegible]~~	~~[illegible]~~ BM	6 Div.	Weapon trg school WONGABEL Course 1 0 Students available for return of units 1400 hrs 14 Jul NOT 15 Jul all informed.	TO BM
9	~~[illegible]~~ G25	1745	–	All Bns 2nd ~~[illegible]~~	BM	Repeated serial 8.	
10	17	1740	1800	16 Bde	2/3 Aust Inf Bde	Ack. in reply to No 1/33	Ref serial 1, sheet 1. Ack request
11	0430	1730	1800	16 Bde	6 Aust Div.	For submitting location reports during exercise all references will be given from local one inch sheet 0 first reports due 1800 hrs all informed.	~~BM advised~~
12	Q870	0825	1215	16 Bde	6 Aust Div.	Ref affx "a" to 6 Aust Div exercise No 2 G 2051 of 1 Jul and details allocation additional MT of 3 Jul 0 Amend reporting times serials 2, 3, 4, 5, to read 1115 hrs all informed.	Refer to serial 7
13	1/33	2130	–	2/1 2/2 2/3	I.O.	Ref this HQ. admin order number 1 para 5 subpara (b) (ii) amend map ref 486239 to read 486229	

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H.Q. 16 AUST INF BDE

IN THE FIELD

DATE: 7 Jul 43.

Serial No.	Message No.	T.O.O.	T.O.R.	TO	FROM	CONTEXT	REMARKS AND/OR ACTION TAKEN
14	219	1905	1910	-	2/3 Aust Inf Bde	LOCATION STATE O bde completed exercise and returned camp 1900 hrs O will be in bde area 8 Jul 43	

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