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16 Infantry Brigade

July - August 1945

WAR DIARY ~~ON INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

Army Form C.2118.
(Adapted)

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Unit HQ 16 AUST INF BDE Date and Time.—From 1 JUL 45 To 31 JUL 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BORAM	1 Jul		The BM returned after observing operations of 9 AUST DIV at BRUNET BORNEO.	
	2 Jul		4 Javanese who had escaped from the enemy at SAMBAKAUA W185071 reached C Coy 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
	3 Jul		Native patrol report enemy est str ll occupying two huts sq 2310	
	5 Jul		Patrol from C Coy 2/1 Aust Inf Bn investigating reported enemy conc contacted 3 enemy W 234104 killing 1. The patrol proceeded until fired on by enemy sentry W234112. The patrol cleared the position and destroyed 19 huts and a considerable quantity of enemy equipment in the area WEST of YARRABOS.	
	7 Jul		16 Aust Inf Bde 005 issued	Appx B
	12 Jul		1 Javanese PW surrendered to 2/3 Aust Inf Bn in the Cape PUS area.	
	13 Jul		2/3 Aust Inf Bn OP at Cape PUS reported small craft entered bay on MUSCHU IS W283203.	
	13/14 Jul		15 Pl 2/1 Aust Inf Bn moved to unmapped track junction W226097 as advance party for C Coy who will patrol along the SAMBAKAUA track. The platoon killed 2 enemy W228098. During the night an enemy party attacked the perimeter of C Coy 2/1 Aust Inf Bn W226097. The attack was repulsed the enemy losing 4 killed and 1 LMG.	
	14 Jul		Patrol from C Coy 2/1 Aust Inf Bn contacted the enemy W226094 cas own 3 wounded cas enemy 2 killed. Following conc arty fire the patrol attacked and cleared the enemy position cas enemy 3 killed. The patrol proceeded and killed 4 enemy square 2108. Patrol from 2/3 Aust Inf Bn investigated and reported enemy conc W240151. Found a quantity of grenades , gelignite and AP mines.	

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1945

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	15 Jul		2 Javanese PW surrendered to C Coy 2/1 Aust Inf Bn in the YARABOS area.	
	15/16 Jul		During the night the enemy were active around the perimeter of C Coy 2/1 Aust Inf Bn 1 being killed.	
	16 Jul		C Coy 2/1 Aust Inf Bn contacted the enemy W200072 cas own 1 killed.	
	17 Jul		C Coy 2/1 Aust Inf Bn returned to the coastal area responsibility for the YARABOS sector being taken over by B Coy.	
	18 Jul		B Coy 2/1 Aust Inf Bn patrolling to WIRIRU W 230098 report NMS	
	21 Jul		16 Aust Inf Bde defence scheme for sector A of the WEWAK area issued	Appx C
	23 Jul		Advance party from HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde arrived at MAKOW W296007 to prepare HQsin the area at present occupied by HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde.	
	24 Jul		16 Aust Inf Bde Adm Instr No 6 issued	Appx D
	27 Jul		Adv BHQ and D Coy 2/2 Aust Inf Bn arrived in the HAMBRAURI area.	
MAKOW	28 Jul		HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde arrived at the new camp site at MAKOW W296007.	
		1200	A Coy 2/2 Aust Inf Bn arrived at HAMBRAURI B292975.	
			Comd of the area HAMBRAURI-BANAHITAM passed from 2/8 Aust Inf Bn to 2/2 Aust Inf Bn.	
	29 Jul	0900	Comd of operations passed from 19 Aust Inf Bde to 16 Aust Inf Bde.	
			Advance party from 2/3 Aust Inf Bn arrived in the SHIBURANGU area to relieve 2/4 Aust Inf Bn .	
			B Coy 2/2 Aust Inf Bn arrived at ST PATRICKS B296975.	
			Patrol from 2/2 Aust Inf Bn killed 2 enemy B281963, 3 enemy B282964 and 5 enemy B285964. Patrol reports that the track	

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1943*

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			<p>from HAMBRAURI to the SOUTH very difficult owing recent heavy rains.</p> <p>Patrol from 2/2 Aust Inf Bn killed 2 enemy in the area SE of HAMBRAURI and reports the area between the 29 and 30 vertical grids as far SOUTH as the 955 horizontal grid now clear of enemy.</p> <p>Native patrol to BANAHITAM ridge reports 37 enemy and 6 armed natives moving rapidly WEST along BANAHITAM ridge</p> <p>5 Pl 2/2 Aust Inf Bn completed a corduroy track from ST PATRICKS to HAMBRAURI 2.</p> <p>During the night the enemy were active along the WESTERN slopes of HAMBRAURI 2 .</p> <p>C Coy 2/2 Aust Inf Bn arrived at B287967. Adv BHQ A and B Coys</p> <p>2/3 Aust Inf Bn arrived in the SHIBURANGU area.</p> <p>Patrol from 2/2 Aust Inf Bn killed 2 enemy offrs B288959.</p> <p>A patrol to the BANAHITAM ridge area proceeded to B272968 and on returning to base contacted enemy est str 9 at W285969 cas enemy 3 killed 1 wounded.</p> <p>Patrol from 2/2 Aust Inf Bn contacted enemy est str 6 dug in at B 284969. The enemy were engaged by arty fire. Patrol withdrew to HAMBRAURI.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Attached as appendicies are :</p> <p>Unit casualty details Appx A 16 Aust Inf Bde 005 Appx B 16 Aust Inf Bde Defence scheme for sector A of the WEWAK are Appx C 16 Aust Inf Bde Adm Instr No 6 Appx C</p>	
	29/30 Jul			
	30 Jul			
	31 Jul			

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CASUALTY FIGURES 1 JUL to 31 JUL 45A. OWN CASUALTIES

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>KILLED</u>	<u>WOUNDED</u>
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	2	6
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	-	1
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	-	-
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B. ENEMY CASUALTIES INFLICTED BY

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>KILLED</u>	<u>P W</u>
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	27	-
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	18	-
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	-	-
ANGAU	-	-
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	45	-
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1947*

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7 Jul 45

16 AUST INF BDE 005

Ref maps :	BUT EAST	1 in to 1 mile
	KAIRIRU WEST	1 in to 1 mile
	MAPRIK WEST	1 in to 1 mile
	MAPRIK EAST	1 in to 1 mile
	WEWAK WEST	1 in to 1 mile.

INFM

1. Enemy

No change from 6 Aust Div Int Summaries and Revisits to date.

2. Attention is drawn to native reports of enemy pts of resistance area of square 2501 - 2505 - 2306 - 2102 approx str estimated at 100 (unconfirmed native report). An additional force of approx 50 Japs is reported in square 2801.

3. Own Tps

(a) 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp comes under comd 6 Aust Div on arrival from MADANG.

(b) 3 Aust Base Sub Area comes under comd 6 Aust Div at 0001K 1 Jul 45.

(c) 17 Aust Inf Bde with under comd 2 NG Inf Bn is to adv eastwards from YAMIL.

(d) 2/6 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt with under comd one bty 2/2 Aust Fd Regt and one bty less two tps 2/1 Aust Tk A Regt is to continue to hold area DAGUA - HAWAIN

19 AUST INF BDE

4. Tasks

19 Aust Inf Bde with under comd
C Sqn 2/4 Aust Armd Regt
Det 2/1 Aust Tk A Regt (F Force)
C Coy 2/2 Aust Inf Bn

is to

(a) remain responsible for area incl BIG ROAD - MANDI until relieved by 8 Aust Inf Bde on orders 6 Aust Div;

(b) destroy enemy in area THE BLOT 3099 - NUMOIKUM.

(c) After relief in (a) hold only area all incl SAURI 2802 - BIG ROAD - MOUNT SHIBURANGU - CK and track junc 323007.

8 AUST INF BDE

5. Tasks

8 Aust Inf Bde is responsible for the def of the area excl WIRUI CREEK - MANDI and will hold line excl track and ck junc 323007 - all incl MOUNT TAZAKI 334005 - HILL 910 352022 - 364027 - 364034 - 383032 - BRANDI RIVER 411015 - MANDI 430008

6. Reliefs

(a) Relief 2/4, 2/8 Aust Inf Bns, 2/3 Aust MG Bn under mutual arrangement comds 19 and 8 Aust Inf Bdes.

(b) 19 Aust Inf Pde comds op area EAST of incl BIG ROAD until further notice.

(c) 2/3 Aust MG Bn comes under comd 8 Aust Inf Bde on assumption of their area of responsibility.

7. Engrs

RAE 6 Aust Div less one pl 2/14 Aust Fd Coy with under comd

1 Aust Fd Sqn RAE
8 Aust Fd Coy less one pl

is supporting ops in WEWAK area

INTENTION

8. 16 Aust Inf Bde will

(a) be responsible for the def of the area incl CAPE PUS - RANIMBOA to excl BIG ROAD - SAURI;

(b) form a divisional res and be prepared to recapture any of the following localities :-

- (i) SAURI
- (ii) MOUNT SHIBURANGU
- (iii) MOUNT TAZAKI
- (iv) HILL 910
- (v) BRANDI PLANTATION.

METHOD

9. 2/1 Aust Inf Bn will

(a) be responsible for the def of the area incl CAPE PUS - RANIMBOA to excl BIG ROAD - SAURI;

(b) maintain patrol bases in area MINGA GARDENS and YARABOS.

10. 2/2 Aust Inf Bn less one coy - NO change from present task.

11. 2/3 Aust Inf Bn remains at rest present area.

12. Arty

One tp 2/1 Aust Fd Regt is available for immediate sp 2/1 Aust Inf Bn.

ADM

13. (a) In the event of 2/2 Aust Inf Bn being unable to meet present div commitments through either shortage of manpower, sickness or inability to sup adequate loading parties this HQ will be notified immediately.

(b) 2/3 Aust Inf Bn will make itself familiar with the details of tasks of 2/2 Aust Inf Bn and be prepared to take over if situation in para 13 (a) arises. Separate instrs will be issued if this occurs.

INTERCOMN

14. HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde remains present location.

ACK.

T J Schmedje
Maj

(T J SCHMEDJE)
BM 16 Aust Inf Bde

Method of issue SDS

Signed at 1230 *h*.

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2/1 Aust Inf Bn
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16 AUST INF BDE DEFENCE SCHEME - SECTOR A - WEWAK AREA

Ref Maps :	WEWAK EAST	one inch to one mile
	WEWAK WEST	one inch to one mile
	KAIRIRU WEST	one inch to one mile
	MAPRIK EAST	one inch to one mile

PART 1 - GENERAL

1. Object:

- (a) To defend the area SECTOR A with a force of not more than one battalion plus units NOT of the brigade but located in the Sector.
- (b) To form a divisional reserve with the remainder of 16 Aust Inf Bde and be prepared to recapture any of the following localities :
 - (i) SAURI
 - (ii) MT SHIBURANGU
 - (iii) MT TAZAKI
 - (iv) HILL 910
 - (v) BRANDI PLANTATION

2. Enemy Action

- (a) Enemy information will be kept up to date by the issue of 6 Aust Div Intelligence Summaries and Situation Reviews.
- (b) It is considered that the main enemy force will be forced to withdraw under the steady pressure of our forces along the SAURI - KAMBRAURI - NUMOIKUM axis but that elsewhere and particularly opposite our left flank he will hold his present positions.
- (c) Recent reports of infiltration and offensive patrolling at night have confirmed the enemy's intention to harass our positions with raiding parties. It is considered that the enemy may increase the size of these parties in an attempt to destroy our rear and base installations and it is possible that he may counter attack in force with a view to denying this area to us as a base.

3. Bde Areas of Responsibility

- (a) Command of the WEWAK area is being exercised by 6 Aust Div.
- (b) Details of sectors are shown in Appx A .
- (c) SECTOR B commanded by BRIG J E G MARTIN 19 Aust Inf Bde being defended by units whose areas are within the sector in accordance with 6 Aust Div Location Statement.
- (d) SECTOR C commanded by BRIG M A FERGUSON 8 Aust Inf Bde being defended by units whose areas are within the sector in accordance with 6 Aust Div Location Statement.

3. (c) The local defence of areas D and E within Sector C is to be the responsibility of commanders nominated by 3 Aust Base Sub Area, the commander of which is responsible to the commander of Sector C for the coordination of the defence plans.

PART II - ORGANIZATION OF SECTOR A

4. Summary

- (a) Sector A will be defended by 2/1 Aust Inf Bn plus units located in the sector in accordance with 6 Aust Div Location Statement.
- (b) These units will be organized into groups under cmd of an officer, nominated by this HQ, who will be responsible for the defence of sub sectors within the bde sector.
- (c) The divisional reserve consisting of 2/2 and 2/3 Aust Inf Bns will remain in their present location and will be responsible for the local defence of their own areas. These units will not come under cmd of sub sector comds.

5. Cmd

- (a) Comd 16 Aust Inf Bde will exercise cmd of Sector A and the divisional reserve.
- (b) In the event of the divisional reserve having to be committed the cmd of Sector A will pass to Lt-Col P A CULLEN 2/1 Aust Inf Bn.

6. Definition of Sub Sectors

Sub sectors to be defended are shown in Appx A.

7. Allocation of Comds and Tps to Sub Sectors

- (a) Units as shown hereunder are those at present occupying the areas in accordance with 6 Aust Div Location Statement. In the event of changes in location, sub sector comds will make the necessary arrangements to adjust the defence of their locality accordingly.
- (b) Allocation of comds and tps to sub sectors are covered in the succeeding paragraphs.

8. Sub Sector 1

- Comd : Officer of 2/11 Aust Inf Bn to be nominated by HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde.
- Tps : 2/11 Aust Inf Bn less sub units employed for subsequent operations.
2/20 Aust Sup Dep Pl.
2/118 Aust Sup Dep Pl.
12 Aust Air Maint Pl.

9. Sub Sector 2

- Comd : Maj L M COWAN 2/3 Aust MG Bn.
- Tps : HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde
2/3 Aust MG Bn less A and B Coys.
RAA Comd Post
2/6 Aust Svy Bty.
2/1 Aust Fd Coy.
2/35 Aust Sup Dep Pl.

10. Sub Sector 3

2/1 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for this area and will be prepared to commit one coy if required in the area.

11. Sub Sector 4

Comd : Maj G E K PITT 2/22 Aust Fd Pk Coy.
Tps : HQ 6 Aust Div and att units.
HQ RAA 6 Aust Div
HQ RAN 6 Aust Div
2/22 Aust Fd Pk Coy
110 Aust Bde Wksp
110 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk.

12. Sub Sector 5

Comd : Maj W R ROBERTS 2/155 A G T Coy.
Tps : 2/155 Aust Gen Tpt Coy
2/3 Aust Gen Tpt Coy
2/5 Aust Sup Dep Coy
F S D
Amn Dump
POL Dump
F M C
6 Aust Div Reception Camp

13. Sub Sector 6

Comd : Maj M L FOTHERINGHAM 2/1 Aust Tk A Regt.
Tps : 2/1 Aust Tk A Regt less dets.
2/7 Aust Fd Amb
2/119 Aust Bde Wksp
2/119 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk
6 Aust Div Sal Unit.

14. Sub Sector 7

Comd : Maj JORK STRONG 2/2 Aust Fd Regt
Tps : 2/2 Aust Fd Regt
17 Aust Inf Bde Rear Details
2/2 Aust Fd Amb
135 Aust Bde Wksp
135 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk
2/46 Aust LAD

15. Sub Sector 8 and remainder Sector A

Comd : Lt-Col P A CULLEN 2/1 Aust Inf Bn
Tps : 2/1 Aust Inf Bn
2/8 Aust Fd Coy

16. Divisional Reserve

Tps : 2/2 Aust Inf Bn
2/3 Aust Inf Bn

Tasks

- (i) Will be prepared to recapture areas as per para 1 sub para (b).
- (ii) Will carry out local def of their present areas.

17. Artillery

RAA 6 Aust Div less units outside the area to be defended will be in sp of Sector A.

18. Engineers

RAE 6 Aust Div less units outside the area to be defended will be in sp of Sector A.

19. Alarm

(a) Warning of an attack apprehended by sub sector comds will be sent to HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde by quickest means preceded by the phrase " ENEMY ATTACK".

(b) On receipt of an enemy attack warning, if it is required for units to man action stations, the code word TURU will be issued by the fastest means available.

20. Area Defence

(a) Sub sector comds will ensure the def of all units within their area is coordinated.

(b) Adequate weapon pits will be constructed and all tps will be made conversant with their positions in the event of having to man action stations.

(c) Sufficient sentries to ensure protection will be maintained by day and night.

21. Patrolling

(a) Sub sector comds will ensure active and offensive patrolling is carried out within their areas.

(b) Patrolling to cover the remainder of Sector A will be in accordance with the general policy laid down by 2/1 Aust Inf Bn.

22. Coastal Defence

(a) The enemy on MUSCHU and KAIRIRU Islands are considered to be the only threat in this respect. The limited number of barges or other facilities for making an attack together with the operations of the MLs in support of the Division make it unlikely that stronger action than the launching of an occasional raid could be undertaken by the enemy.

(b) Commanders of sub sectors will ensure sentries are maintained for coastal defence and will be prepared to take any necessary action to prevent raids of this nature being effective.

23. Medical

All medical units will remain operative in present areas and personnel will not be called to fight other than in defence of their own or their patients' lives.

24. Destruction of Stores and Equipment

No stores or equipment will be destroyed without orders from 6 Aust Div.

25. Traffic Control

DAPM is responsible for traffic control and manning of traffic posts.

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T J Schmedje Maj
(T J SCHMEDJE)
BM 16 Aust Inf Bde

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Signed at *1600K*

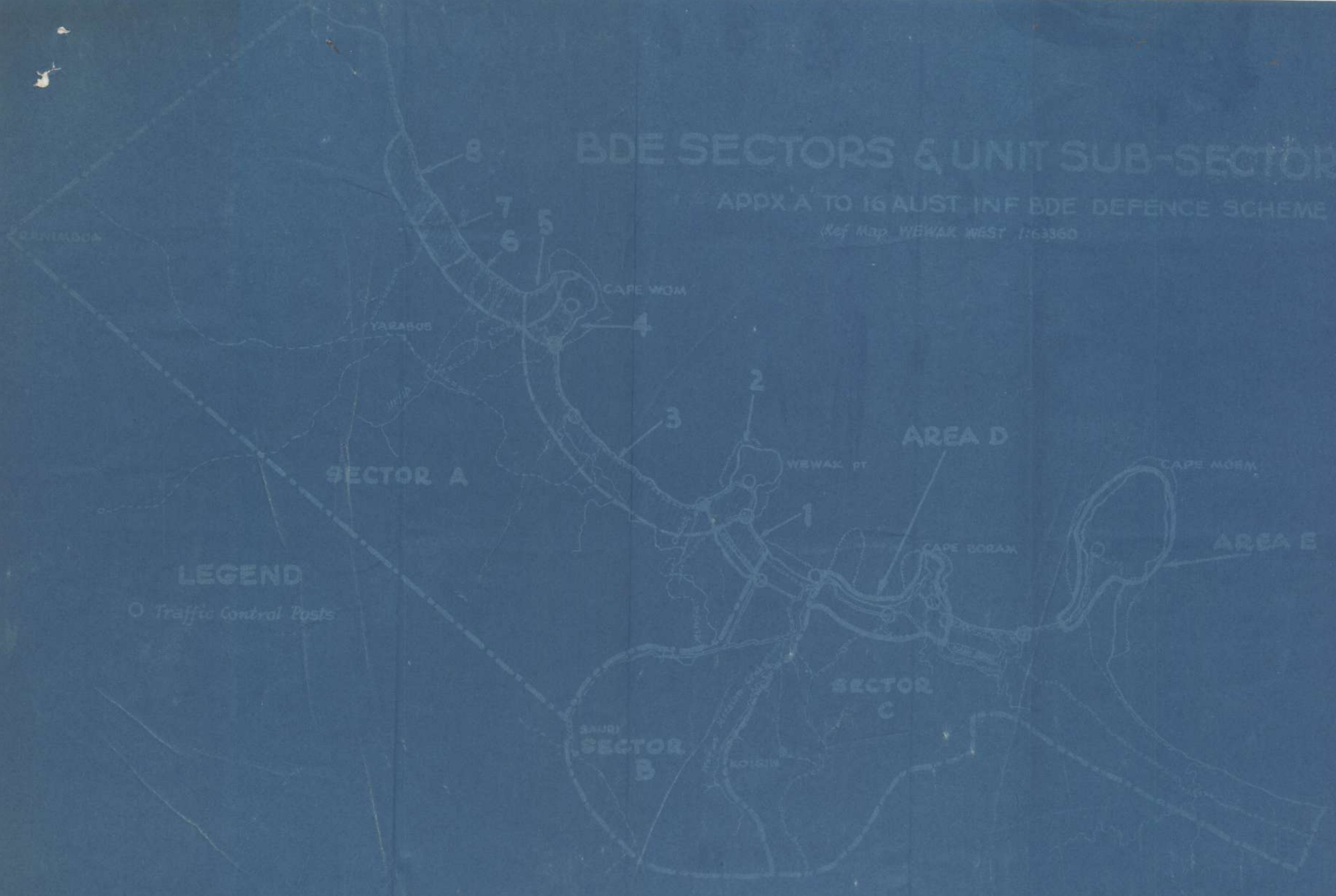
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2/3 Aust Inf Bn	3	3
2/11 Aust Inf Bn	4	4
2/2 Aust Fd Regt	5	5
2/1 Aust Tk A Regt	6	6
2/22 Aust Fd Pk Coy	7	7
2/3 Aust MG Bn	8	8
2/155 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	9	9
19 Aust Inf Bde	10	10
RAA 6 Aust Div	11	11
RAE 6 Aust Div	12	12
6 Aust Div	13	13
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BDE SECTORS & UNIT SUB-SECTORS

APPX A TO 16 AUST INF BDE DEFENCE SCHEME

(Ref Map WEWAK WEST 1:63360)



War Diary

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16 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTR NO 6

Ref map WEWAK WEST 1 ; 25000

1. This instr covers adm details for relief of units 19 Aust Inf Bde.

2. DETAILS OF RELIEF

- (a) As per this HQ O 307 of 23 Jul 45. (Not to all addressees).
- (b) Units will move in coys plus att tps from BHQ and HQ Coy. Four gps per bn.
- (c) Mov will be by MT from unit lines at 0730 hrs unless otherwise advised as far fwd as rd permits and then by native.
- (d) Maximum number natives available each coy gp 80. Units will advise exact requirements to this HQ by 1600 hrs day previous to mov and natives will be made available at debussing pt.
- (e) First Coy gp 2/2 Aust Inf Bn will move on 26 Jul 45.
- (f) Dates of mov of other coy gps will be advised by this HQ. If road conditions satisfactory, a coy gp of 2/2 Aust Inf Bn will move each day and possibly two coys of 2/3 Aust Inf Bn per day. If road unsatisfactory, mov may be each second day.
- (g) In event pers and stores being debussed below TRACTOR HD W294013 owing road conditions, tps stores and natives may have to bivouac night TRACTOR HD area.
- (h) Unit tpt requirements for each day to be notified this HQ.
- (i) Tpt taking incoming unit fwd will return with coy gp of relieved unit.

3. HANDOVER OF STORES

- (a) Units will arrange mutually to take over stores from units 19 Aust Inf Bde. Maximum stores possible will be taken over, especially amn, tents, tables, forms and water cans to reduce native carrier loads.
- (b) Stores, except amn, taken over from units 19 Aust Inf Bde will be replaced by Rear Details units this bde on arrival 19 Aust Inf Bde units WEWAK area.

4. CHANGE OVER BDE HQ

Comd Post 19 Aust Inf Bde will be progressively relieved by HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde.

5. REAR DETAILS

- (a) Units will leave REAR DETAILS in present locations.
- (b) Rear Details must be located at either end camp areas so as to allow any incoming unit remainder of area.
- (c) Tentage will be left erected and tentage not required for Rear Details will be handed over to incoming unit.
- (d) Following units will occupy present unit areas:-
 - (i) 2/2 Aust Inf Bn - 2/8 Aust Inf Bn as relieved.
 - (ii) 2/3 Aust Inf Bn - 2/4 Aust Inf Bn as relieved.
 - (iii) 2/1 Aust Inf Bn - Unit 17 Aust Inf Bde as relieved.
- (e) Stores not required for ops will be left Rear Details.
- (f) Units will ensure detailed written instrs are issued for security of Rear Details.
- (g) Tpt at present att units from AASC will remain att Rear Details.
- (h) Maintenance of Rear Details as at present.

6. RATIONS

- (a) Unexpd portion days ration, one days res and one emergency ration to be carried on man.
- (b) In event units staging TRACTOR hd area, one days rations to be drawn from DID that area.
- (c) During period change over, incoming unit will be rationed by mutual arrangements of unit in area.
- (d) DIDs
 - (i) TRACTOR Hd - For units SOUTH SAURI
 - (ii) SAURI - For units SAURI area & sub units
 - (iii) 2/25 Aust Sup Depot Pl will relieve deta of 2/188 Aust Sup Depot Pl at DIDs on 27 Jul 65.

7. AMN

- (a) Available DID T RACTOR Hd.
- (b) Amn not carried on man to be returned to AP WOM.

8. POL

- (a) Petrol pt to be opened location to be notified.
- (b) Expense POL available from DIDs.

9. WATER

- (a) Unit arrangements.

9. (b) 2/1 Aust Fd Coy establishing WP TRACTOR Hd.

(c) All available 2 gal containers will be carried, if sufficient are not taken over from 19 Aust Inf Bde.

10. NATIVES

(a) Present allotment as follows , to remain until further notice :

2/8 Aust Inf Bn = 50 located compound HAMBRAURI 1 for unit duties, plus natives as required for maintenance from compound TRACTOR Hd. Requirements to be notified Bde HQ nightly.

2/4 Aust Inf Bn = 7 at Coy SAURI.
150 SHIBARANGU compound for own maintenance from DID.

11. MEDICAL

(a) ADS 2/7 Aust Fd Amb 295009.

(b) Evacuations from ADS to Medical Post WENAK AIRSTRIP by jeep ambulance.

(c) After completion change over 2/3 Aust Inf Bn and 2/4 Aust Inf Bn ADS 2/1 Aust Fd Amb will relieve ADS 2/7 Aust Fd Amb .

12. CANTEEN

Det AACS opens DID TRACTOR Hd date to be notified.

13. POSTAL

(a) 16 Aust Inf Bde Postal Sec to open TRACTOR Hd at date to be notified.

(b) Initially paper and parcels will not be received at Postal Section. After completion change over , position will be reviewed.

14. TRAFFIC CONTROL

(a) NO vehs allowed on BIG ROAD without authority 19 Aust Inf Bde and when comd changes , by 16 Aust Inf Bde .

(b) TCPs established :

314046

SAURI

294013

15. PROVOST

Section att 16 Aust Inf Bde will relieve Section 19 Aust Inf Bde by mutual arrangements between NCOs.

16. UNIT TPE

(a) Unit vehs will remain unit Rear Details.

(b) Any mov stores after change over to be arranged through Rear Details HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde.

17. LAD

- (a) 2/45 Aust LAD less det remain present location.
- (b) Det LAD to open vicinity TRACTOR Hd date to be notified.

18. COTS FOLDING

Where carriage of stretcher legs does NOT involve native carriers, these may be taken.

19. BLANKETS

One blanket to be carried on man.

20. ORD STORES

- (a) An ordnance store will be est at TRACTOR Hd holding; limited stocks clothing and essential non controlled ord stores
- (b) Date stores available will be notified.
- (c) In view of above large stocks res clothing etc will NOT be carried by units.

ACK.

J W Town
 Capt
 (J W TOWN)
 Staff Capt 16 Aust Inf Bde

Signed at *J W Town*

Method of Issue S D R

DISTRIBUTION

- 2/1 Aust Inf Bn
- 2/2 Aust Inf Bn
- 2/3 Aust Inf Bn
- 16 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec
- 10 PL 2/1 Aust Cd Regt
- 2/45 Aust LAD
- 16 Aust Inf Bde Postal Sec
- 2/1 Aust Fd Amb
- 2/7 Aust Fd Amb
- 19 Aust Inf Bde
- 6 Aust Div
- RAA 6 Aust Div
- RAE 6 Aust Div
- AASC 6 Aust Div
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- Bde Sup O
- NCO BC Pro Sec
- File
- War Diary

War Diary

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
27 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7 / 7 / 1945 HQ 16 BDE (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS 19 O.R's 66 + OFFRS O.R's ATT. BY W.E.
(Tropical Scale)

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
NR	1		1	* Brigadier *									
NR	2		2	Lieut.-Colonels									
			9	Majors									
			4	Captains									
				Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
	3		16										
		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.		16									16
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
QX 18044	Lt	MARCH C.V.	2/1 Inf Bn	4/7/45	Actg LO

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX 70746	Capt	LONG M.B.	2/1 Inf Bn	1/7/45	Detached
NX 29302	Lt	EWING B.C.	2/1 P& Amb	4/7/45	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).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7 / 7 / 1945 (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	VX 20315	KING R.	R.	Comd	Yes		
Maj	SX 649	SCHMEDJE	T.J.	BM	Yes		
"	VX 85254	PARKINSON	V.T.	BM(L)	Yes		
Capt	NX137513	TOWN	J.W.	SC	Yes		
"	NX 36318	DUVAL	F.J.	TO	Yes		
"	NX 407 3	FLEMING	T.O.	BASCO	Yes		
"	NX 68660	SILK	T.B.	IO	Yes		
"	VX100823	STEELE	R.C.	LSO	Yes		
"	NX 70746	LONG	M.B.	LO	No	Detached 2/1 Bn	1/7/4
Lt	NX 8740	STRETTON	E.J.	LO	Yes		
"	NX 4784	HODDINOTT	F.J.	LO	No	Detached 2/3 Bn	
"	QX 35054	MAGUIRE	V.A.	Amen. Offr	Yes		
"	TX 2777	GARLIE	A.L.	Hyg. Offr	Yes		
Chap	NGX 304	GLOVER	J.	Chap	No	Detached 2/1 Bn	
"	QX 23680	ALCORN	I.W.	"	No	" 2/2 Bn	
"	SX 35215	HARLEY	R.R.	"	No	" 2/3 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.
Lt	NX 40047	McLEOD A.B.	2/3 Bn	24/6/45	Actg SC (L)
"	NX 4553	BINNEY J.N.	"	24/6/45	Actg LO
"	QX 18044	MARCH C.V.	2/1 Bn	4/7/45	Actg LO

9 Jul 45

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 7 / 7 / 1945.

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				Bangetakers				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters				
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				Stevadores				
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters				
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				By. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				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												
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors								
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers								
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks								
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals								
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.								
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics								
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tpin. Plant								
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.								
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates								
								Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*	*

SEE APPENDIX A

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.

9 July 45
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander

W E : 11/2/4

DATE: 7 JULY 45

	Rank	W E	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Reqd
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>						
Draughtsman	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>						
Intelligence Duties	S/Sgt	1	1	2	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	1	-	-
	Pte	2	1	1	-	NR
Cooks	Cpl	1	2	-	1	-
	Pte	2	3	-	1	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>						
Clerks	Woll	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
<u>NON SPECIALSITS</u>						
CSM	Woll	1	1	-	-	-
CQMS	S/Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Storeman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Drivers MF	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	8	9	-	1	-
Orderlies	Pte	9	8	1	-	NR
Hygiene Duty	Pte	1	-	1	-	NR
Water Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
General Duties	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batman	Pte	13	13	-	-	-
AASC- Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batman Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAOC- EXAMN Ann Examn.	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Batms ^N Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAES - Clerk	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
AAAS - Clerk	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
AACHD - Batman Dvr	Pte	3	1	2	-	NR
AANC - Med Orderly	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
AALC ² Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
TOTALS		66	61	87	3	4

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
28 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14 / 7 / 1945 HQ 16 BDE (Unit)
11 2 4 19 66
W.E. / / OFFRS. O.R's. + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.
(Tropical Scale)

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
			1	Brigadier*										
			2	Lieut.-Colonels										
NR	1		9	Majors										
NR			6	Captains										
				Lieutenants										
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
	1		18											
				DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	18									18
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX109272	Lt	O'HEARN A J	2/11 A G H	8/7/45	R T U
NX 29302	Lt	EWING B C	2/1 Pd Amb	9/7/45	R T U

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

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).

Unit HQ 16 AUST INF BDE Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14 / 7 / 1945 (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	VX 20315	KING	R	Comd	Yes		
Maj	SX 649	SCHMEDJE	T J	BM	Yes		
Maj	VX 85254	PARKINSON	V T	BM(L)	Yes		
Capt	NX137513	TOWN	J W	SC	Yes		
"	NX 36318	DUVAL	F J	TO	No	24 Days A R L	7/745
"	NX 4073	FLEMING	T O	BASCO	Yes		
"	NX 68660	SILK	T B	I O	Yes		
"	VX100823	STEELE	R C	LSO	Yes		
"	NX 70746	LONG	M B	LO	No	Detached 2/1 Bn	1/7/45
Lt	NX 8740	STRETTON	E J	LO	Yes		
"	NX 4784	HODDINOTT	F J	LO	No	Detached 2/3 Bn	
"	NX 29302	EWING	B C	BOO	Yes		
"	QX 35054	MAGUIRE	V A	Asst Offr	Yes		
"	TX 2777	CARLILE	A L	Hyg Offr	Yes		
"	NX109272	O'HEARN	A J	Educ Offr	Yes		
Chap	NX 304	GLOVER	J	Chap	No	Detached 2/1 Bn	
"	QX 23680	ALCORN	I W	"	No	" 2/2 Bn	
"	SX 35315	HARLEY	R R	"	No	" 2/3 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.
Lt	NX40047	McLEOD A B	2/3 BN	24/6/45	Actg SC(L)
Lt	NX 4553	BINNEY J N	"	24/6/45	Actg LO
Lt	QX18044	MARCH G V	2/1 BN	4/7/45	Actg LO

14 July 45
Date of Despatch

W. C. Owen Capt
Signature of Commander
S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 14 / 7 / 1945 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefakers			
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			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifn. 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							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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.
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14 Jul 45
Date of Despatch

McQueen Capt
Signature of Commander

UNIT : 16 AUST INF BDE

APPENDIX A

WE : 11 / 2 / 4DATE : 14 JULY 45

	Rank	W E	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Reqd
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>						
Draughtsman	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>						
Intelligence Duty	S/Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	-	1	-	1
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Cooks	Cpl	1	2	-	1	-
	Pte	2	3	-	1	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>						
Clerks	Woll	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>						
CSM	Woll	1	1	-	-	-
CQMS	S/Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Stereman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Drivers MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	8	9	-	1	-
Orderlies	Pte	9	9	-	-	-
Hygiene Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Water Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
General Duties	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Oftrs Mess	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batmen	Pte	13	13	-	-	-
AASC- Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Bat Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAOC- Amn Examiner	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Bat Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAES - Clerk	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
AAAS - Clerk	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
AACHD- Bat Dvr	Pte	3	1	2	-	NR
AAMC - Med Orderly	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
AALC - Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batmen	Pte	1	-	1	-	NR
		66	63	6	3	1

Unit
16 AUST INF BDE POSTAL SECTION

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 21 / 7 / 1945 .

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 Assis.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Bangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Elvetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Besters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radlographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				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							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

21 Jul 45
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander

UNIT ; 16 AUST INF BDE POSTAL SECTION

APPENDIX A

WE : 11 / 21B / 1

Date ; 21 JUL 45

Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Rqd
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NON SPECIALISTS

Postal Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
" Cpl	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
" Pte	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
		4	4	-	-	-

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

29 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21 / 7 / 1945 HQ 16 BDE (Unit)

W.E. 112 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.
(Tropical Scale)

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10					
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
NR	2	1	18	1 Brigadier * Lieut.-Colonels 2 Majors 8 Captains 7 Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
	2	1	18											
				DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	18									18
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

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).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21/7/1945 (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.
	VX 20315	KING	R	Comd	Yes		
	SX 649	SCHMEDJE	T J	BM	Yes		
	VX 85254	PARKINSON	V T	BM(L)	Yes		
	NX137513	TOWN	J W	SC	Yes		
	NX 36318	DUVAL	F J	TO	No	24 days A R L	7/7/45
	NX 4073	FLEMING	T O	BASCO	No	24 days A R L	18/7/45
	NX 68660	SILK	T B	I O	Yes		
	VX100823	STEELE	R C	LSQ	Yes		
ant	QX 18044	MARCH	C V	LO	Yes		
	NX 8740	STREPTON	E J	LO	Yes		
	NX 4553	BINNLY	J N	LO	Yes		
	NX 29302	EWING	B C	BOO	Yes		
"	QX 35054	MAGUIRE	V A	Amgn Offr	Yes		
"	TX 2777	CARLILE	A L	Hvg Offr	Yes		
"	NX109272	O'HEARN	A J	Educ	No	24 days A R L	18/7/45
Chap	NGX 304	GLOVER	J	Chap	No	Detached 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
"	QX 23680	ALCORN	I W	"	No	" 2/2 " " "	
"	SX 35215	HARLEY	R R	"	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.
Lt	NX40047	McLEOD A E	2/3 Bn	24/6/45	Actg SC(L)
Lt	VX 1902	JEWSON L J	2/3 AGF Coy	19/7/45	Actg BASCO

21 Jul 45

Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
Signature of Commander

S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 21 / 7 / 1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitches			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
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				Stevadores			
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifn. 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											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Lithographers				Despatch Elders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant							
Photowriter				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Saw Doctors				Moulders				Farriers							
Surveyors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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21 Jul 45

Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
 Signal Officer Commanding

UNIT : HQ 16 AUST INF BDE

APPENDIX 'A'

W E : 11 / 2 / 4DATE : 21 JUL 45

m	Rank	W E	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Reqd
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>						
Draughtsman	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>						
Intelligence Duties	S/Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	-	1	-	1
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Cooks	Cpl	1	2	-	1	-
	Pte	2	3	-	1	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>						
Clerks	Woll	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>						
CSM	Woll	1	1	-	-	-
CQMS	S/Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Storeman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Drivers MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	8	9	-	1	-
Orderlies	Pte	9	9	-	-	-
Hygiene Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Water Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
General Duty	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batman	Pte	13	13	-	-	-
AASC-Clerk Bat Dvr	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAOC- Amn Examiner Bat Dvr	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAES-Clerk	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
AAAS-Clerk	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
AACHD- Bat Dvr	Pte	3	1	2	-	NR
AAAC - Med Orderly	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
AALC- Clerk Batman	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	-	1	-	NR
		66	62	7	3	1

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
30 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23 7 5 / 194 HQ 16 BDE (Unit)

W.E. 11 2 4 / 19 66 OFFRS. O.R's. + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.
(Tropical Scale)

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
NR	2	2	19	1 Brigadier* Lieut.-Colonels 2 Majors 8 Captains 8 Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
	2	2	19											
				DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	19									19
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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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.

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).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 28/7/1945 (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	VX 20315	KING	R	Comd	Yes		
Maj	SX 649	SCHMEDJE	T J	BM	Yes		
"	VX 85254	PARKINSON	V T	BM(L)	Yes		
Capt	NX137513	TOWN	J W	SC	Yes		
"	NX 36318	DUVAL	F J	TO	No	24 days ARL	7/7/45
"	NX 4073	FLEMING	T O	BASCO	No	do do	18/7/45
"	NX 68660	SILK	T B	I O	Yes		
"	VX100823	STEELE	R C	LSO	Yes		
Lieut	NX 40047	McLEOD	A E	SC(L)	Yes		
"	QX 18044	MARCH	C V	LO	No	Compassionate Leave	26/7/45
"	NX 8740	STRETTON	E J	LO	Yes		
"	NX 4553	BONNEY	J N	LO	Yes		
"	NX 29302	EWING	B C	BOO	Yes		
"	QX 35054	MAGUIRE	V A	Amn Offr	Yes		
"	TX 2777	CARLILE	A L	Hyg Offr	Yes		
"	NX109272	O'HEARN	A J	Educ Offr	Yes	No 24 Days ARL	18/7/45
Chap	NGX 304	GLOVER	J	Chap	No	Det 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
"	QX 23680	ALCORN	I W	"	No	" 2/2 " " "	
"	SX 35215	HARLEY	R R	"	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.
Lt	VX 1902	JEWSON L J	2/3 AGF Coy	19/7/45	Actg BASCO

28 Jul 45
Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
Signature of Commander
S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 28/ 7/194 5.

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				Riveters			
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								Radlographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Azemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd'a. 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											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photewriter				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Saw Doctors				Moulders				Farriers							
Surveyors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			* *

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28 Jul 45
Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
Signature of Commander
S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

UNIT : HQ 16 AUST INF BDE

APPENDIX A

W.E : 11 / 2/4

DATE ; 28 JUL 45

	RANK	W E	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENT	SURPLUS	RFTS RQD
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>						
Draughtsman	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>						
Intelligence Duty	s/sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Cooks	Cpl	1	2	-	1	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>						
Clerk	Woll	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>						
CSM	Woll	1	1	-	-	-
CQMS	s/sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Storeman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Drivers MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	8	9	-	1	-
Orderlies	Pte	9	10	-	1	-
Hygiene Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Water Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
General Duty	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batmen	Pte	13	14	-	1	-
AASC - Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Bat Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAOC- Amn Examiner	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Bat Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAES - Clerk	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
AAAS- Clerk	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
AACHD - Bat Dvr	Pte	3	1	2	-	NR
AAMC- Med Orderly	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
AALC - Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batman	Pte	1	-	1	-	NR
		66	64	6	4	-

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, 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				Riveters			
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				Stevadores			
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Reftters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				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							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			* *

SEE APPENDIX A

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28 Jul 45
Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
Signature of Commander
S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

UNIT ; 16 AUST INF BDE POSTAL SECTION

APPENDIX A

WE : 11 / 21B / 1

Date 28 Jul 45

RANK	WE	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENT	SURPLUS	RPTS RQD
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NON SPECIALISTS


Postal Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
" Cpl	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
" Pte	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
		4	4	-	-	-

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form G.2118.
(Adapt ed.)

Unit HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde Date and Time.—From 1 August 45 To 31 August 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MAKOW	1 Aug		<p>D Coy 2/2 bn were ordered to advance towards NUMOIKUM - RINDOGIM track junc and secure two knolls to the south of the BIG ROAD. After a series of encounters both knolls were captured by 1700hrs. Cas enemy 5 killed own 1 killed 1 wounded.</p> <p>First of a series of air droppings at HAMBRAURI 2 commenced 1300hrs.</p> <p>Native patrols left 0800 hrs to recce enemy situation RINDOGIM and NUMOIKUM. Patrols returned 1800hrs with following infm: (1) RINDOGIM was held by approx 20 enemy (2) NUMOIKUM held by approx 30 enemy (3) tracks indicated about 20 enemy had moved from RINDOGIM area to MT SHOTO. MT SHOTO is a steep knoll overlooking the main track junc 282960.</p>	
	2 Aug		<p>A coy 2/2 bn took over the lead with the task of securing NUMOIKUM. Coy cleared creek and track junc 287960 and by 1200 hrs MT SHOTO 279960 was also cleared. Advance continued until contact was made 276955. Cas for day 13 enemy killed own 2 wounded.</p> <p>B coy patrol along BANAHITAM ridge contacted 5 enemy cas one police boy killed.</p> <p>D coy patrol reached outskirts RINDOGIM. Observed approx 15 enemy digging in Northern end of village. Arty fire brought down and patrol withdrew. Cas enemy 5 killed.</p> <p>Enemy active A coy front cutting sig wires and throwing grenades. Cas 1 enemy killed own 2 wounded.</p>	
	3 Aug		<p>A coy consolidating and preparing for attack on NUMOIKUM. Arty preparation during day.</p> <p>B coy patrol advises BANAHITAM ridge cleared to 260977</p> <p>Further air droppings at HAMBRAURI 2</p>	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C 2118.
(adapted.)

Unit HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From To

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			Brig R KING instructed to Adm Comd 6 Aust Div. Comd left Bde HQ for Cape WOM 1200hrs. Lt Col P A CULLEN assumed Adm Comd 16 Aust Inf Bde.	
	4 Aug		2/2 Aust Fd Regt took over from 2/1 Aust Fd Regt. A coy 2/2 bn commences attack on NUMOIKUM. First contact 275954. Cas own 1 killed 1 wounded. Coy advanced and reached creek 275953 report both sides creek sheer. After securing creek crossing strong opposition was met 274949. Enemy well dug in. Arty fire called for, after completion of shoot pl attacked, cleared posn Cas enemy 10 killed own 1 killed 1 offr and 2 wounded. D coy commenced attack on RINDOGIM . First contact 279952. Coy cleared posn and after a series of charges up the steep sides of the high feature on which village stands RINDOGIM was captured by 1700 hrs cas enemy 10 killed. During night enemy threw grenades into A coy perimeter. Cas own 4 wounded. All sig lines cut.	
	5 Aug		A coy securing our L of C and clearing area. Arty conc brought down on enemy def posn 272950. Long range native patrols left 0800 hrs to ascertain (1) whether enemy moving back from NUMOIKUM to PAPARAM. (2) any enemy conc in village SASSUIA-PAPARAM group. (3) Any movement along BIG ROAD towards KIRAIWU.	
	6 Aug		A coy attacked enemy posn 272950 cleared posn and continued advance capturing the NUMOIKUM gp following order ; BARKIMBEM KUIMBIPA - WARINAMAW. Cas enemy 13 killed own 1 killed 2 wounded.	

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Unit HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From To.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	7 Aug		A coy took SAKIPU and completed capture of NUMOIKUM gp. Est enemy str in villages 50. D coy contacted 5 enemy with LMG and rifles 274938. Arty fire brought down. Cas enemy 2 killed.	
	8 Aug		A coy contacted enemy 261951 cas enemy 4 killed cas own one wounded. D coy contacted enemy 276942. Pl attack was launched by but owing to flamethrowers jamming attack was called off after suffering 1 killed 3 wounded. Native patrol along track RINDOGIM-PASSAM killed 4 enemy 290938	
	9 Aug		After arty conc D coy cleared knoll 276943. Advanced SOUTH along track running SW along spur 276940. Coy contacted enemy 275940 cas enemy 1 killed own 4 wounded.	
	10 Aug		Native patrol along KASAUAN- RINDOGIM track unable cross SILIN river owing enemy sentries. Patrol then moved NORTH and report 32 enemy dug in astride BIG ROAD 258944.	
	11 Aug		Patrolling on all fronts confined to local only. 1 enemy killed 275962.	
	12-20 Aug		Bde ceased active patrolling and held present posn, pending clarification of JAP surrender.	
	20 Aug		one enemy surrendered NUMOIKUM. Did not know war was over.	
	24 Aug		Bde Gd Pl moved to DALLMAN HARBOUR to commence construction new camp site for HQ. Blackout restrictions lifted in Bde area.	
	26 Aug		Rear HQ closed BORAM and reopened DALLMAN HARBOUR 250137	<i>td</i>

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Unit HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From To

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	28 Aug		Lt BOWER 2/2 Aust Inf Bn appointed Bde Education Officer, being part of the new education scheme to fit soldiers for return to civilian life.	
	30 Aug		Bde 006 issued today. During the month 20 Offrs 199 ORs were returned to AUSTRALIA under Long Service Plan.	
			<u>List Appendices</u>	
			A message to avoid further Aust cas	
			B " ref fire will cease	
			C " received from C in C SWPA	
			D " Victory Salute	
			E " Redistribution of 16 Bde Gp	
			F Bde 006	
			G Bde Operation Report WEWAK campaign	
			H C in C order of the Day	
			I Bde Field returns	
			<u>Casualties for Month Aug 45</u>	
			<u>Enemy</u>	
			<u>2/1 Aust Inf Bn 2/2 Aust Inf Bn 2/3 Aust Inf Bn ANGAU RAA</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
			nil 73 1 6 3	83 killed
			<u>OWN</u>	
			<u>2/1 Aust Inf Bn 2/2 Aust Inf Bn 2/3 Aust Inf Bn ANGAU</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
			nil 5 K 20 W 1 K 1 W 1 Police Boy	7 k(incl 1PB) 21 W

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Unit HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde Date and Time.—From To

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<u>CASUALTIES 28 JAN - 15 AUG</u>	
			OWN	
			ENEMY	
			K W	K PW
			2/3 Aust MG Bn 16 31	2/3 Aust MG Bn 108
			2/1 Aust Inf Bn 28 59	2/1 Aust Inf Bn 222
			2/2 Aust Inf Bn 35 105	2/2 Aust Inf Bn 362
			2/3 Aust Inf Bn 39 82	2/3 Aust Inf Bn 274
			2/6 Aust Cav(Cdo) 6 16	2/7 Aust Cav Sqn 7
			Regt	2/9 Aust Cav Sqn 19
			RAA 4	RAA 40
			ANGAU 4	ANGAU 67
				Unallotted 12
			<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>1139 36</u>
				<i>HS</i>

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

31 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 8 / 1945 HQ 16 EDR (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.
(Tropical Scale)

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
NR	2	2	19	1 Brigadier * Lieut.-Colonels 2 Majors 3 Captains 3 Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	2	2	19						

DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	* *	TOTAL.
A.	19									19
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 1945.

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

Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday ⁴ / ⁷ / 19⁴⁵ (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.
Prig	VX 20315	KING	R	Comd	No	Det 6 Aust Div Adm Comd	3/8/45
Maj	SX 649	SCHMEDJE	T J	BM	Yes		
"	VX 85254	PAREINSON	V T	EM(L)	Yes		
Capt	NX137513	TOWN	J W	SC	Yes		
"	NX 36318	DUVAL	P J	TO	No	24 days ARL	7/7/45
"	NX 4073	FLEMING	T O	BASCO	No	24 days ARL	18/7/45
"	NX 68660	SILK	T B	I O	Yes		
"	VX100323	STUELE	R C	LSO	Yes		
Lieut	NX 40047	McLEOD	A E	SC(L)	Yes		
"	QX 18044	MARCH	C V	LO	No	Compassionate leave	26/7/45
"	NX 8740	STENTON	E J	LO	Yes		
"	NX 4553	BINNEY	J N	LO	Yes		
"	NX 29302	EWING	B C	POO	Yes		
"	QX 35054	MAGUIRE	V A	Amen offr	Yes		
"	EX 2777	GARLILE	A L	Hyg offr	Yes		
"	NX100272	O'HEARN	A J	educ offr	XXX No	24 days ARL	10/7/45
Chap	NOX 304	GLOVER	J	Chap	No	Det 2/1 Aust Inf B _n	
"	QX 23680	ALCORN	I W	"	No	" 2/2 " " "	
"	SX 35215	HARLEY	R R	"	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.
Lt Col	NX 163	CULLEN P A	2/1 Aust Inf B _n	3/8/45	Adm Comd 16 Aust Inf Bde
Lt	VX 1902	JERSON L J	2/3 ACT Coy	19/7/45	Actg BASCO

4 Aug 45

Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
Signature of Commander
S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assis.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Bangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Benders				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Big. 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											
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Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
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Signature of Commander

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UNIT : 16 AUST INF BDE POSTAL SECTION

APPENDIX A

W E : 11 / 21B / 1

Date : 4 Aug 45

Rank	W E	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Rqd
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NON SPECIALISTS

Postal	Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
"	Cpl	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
"	Pte	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
			4	3	1	-	NR

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 4 / 8 / 1945.

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Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
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Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
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Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
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Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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4 Aug 45
Date of Despatch

W. Brown Capt
Signature of Commander

UNIT : HQ 16 AUST INF BDE

APPENDIX A

W E : 11 / 2 / 4

Date : 4 AUG 45

	RANK	W E	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENT	SURPLUS	RPTS RQD
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>						
Draughtsman	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>						
Intelligence Duty	S/Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Cooks	Cpl	1	2	-	1	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>						
Clerk	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	3	-	1	-
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>						
CSM	WOI	1	1	-	-	-
COMS	S/Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Storemant	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Drivers MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	8	9	-	1	-
Orderlies	Pte	9	10	-	1	-
Hygiene Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Water Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
General Duty	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batmen	Pte	13	14	-	1	-
AASC - Clerk Bat Dvr	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAOC - Amn Examiner Bat Dvr	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAES - Clerk	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
AAAS - Clerk	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
AACHD - Bat Drs	Pte	3	1	2	-	NR
AAMC- Med Orderly	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	-	1	-	1	-
AALC- Clerk Batman	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	-	1	-	NR
		66	65	7	6	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

32 21 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11 / 8 / 1945 HQ 16 BDE (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E. WAV
(Tropical Scale) Beady

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

1				2				3				4				5				6				7				8				9				10			
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.				ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.																															
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.					Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.																											
NR	2	1	18	1	Brigadier *																																		
				2	Lieut.-Colonels																																		
				8	Majors																																		
				7	Captains																																		
					Lieutenants																																		
					Quarter-masters																																		
					A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.																																		
					Civilians Counting as Offrs.																																		
NR	2	1	18																																				
				DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.																									
				A.	18									18																									
				E.(1)																																			
				E.(2)																																			

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
QX35045	Lieut	MAGUIRE V A	QLD L of C AREA HQ	9/8/45	Transfer as Amenities officer

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).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11 7 / 194. 5 (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	VX 20315	KING	R	Comd	No	Det 6 Aust Div Adm Comd	3/8/45
Maj	SX 649	SCHMEDJE	T J	BM	Yes		
"	VX 85254	PARKINSON	V T	BM(L)	Yes		
Capt	NX137513	TOWN	J W	SG	Yes		
"	NX 36318	DUVAL	F J	TO	No	24 days ARL	7/7/45
"	NX 4073	FLEWING	T O	BASCO	No	24 days ARL	18/7/45
"	NX 68660	SILK	T B	I O	Yes		
"	VX100823	STEELE	R C	LSO	Yes		
Lieut	NX 40047	McLEOD	A E	SC(L)	Yes		
"	QX 18044	MARCH	C V	LO	No	Compassionate leave	26/7/45
"	NX 8740	STRETTON	E J	LO	Yes		
"	NX 4553	BINNEY	J N	LO	Yes		
"	NX 29302	EWING	B C	BOO	Yes		
"	TX 2777	CARLILE	A L	Hyg Offr	Yes		
"	NX109272	O'HEARN	A J	Educ Offr	No	24 days ARL	18/7/45
Chap	NGX 304	GLOVER	J	Chap	No	Det 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
"	QX 23680	ALCORN	I W	"	No	" 2/2 " " "	
"	SX 35215	HARLEY	R R	"	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.
Lt Col	NX 163	CULLEN P A	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	3/8/45	Adm Comd 16 Aust Inf Bde
Lt	VX1902	JEWSON L J	2/3 AGT Coy	19/7/45	Actg BASCO

11 Aug 45
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander Capt

S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 11 / 8 / 1945.

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.F.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				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
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				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Whealers				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											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photowriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
								Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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11 Aug 45

Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
Signature of Commander

UNIT : HQ 16 AUST INF BDE

APPENDIX A

W E : 11 / 2 / 4

Date: 11 AUG 45

	RANK	W E	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENT	SURPLUS	RPTS RQD
<u>TRADE GROUP I</u>						
Draughtsman	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP II 2</u>						
Intelligence Duty	S/sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Cooks	Cpl	1	2	-	1	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>						
Clerks	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	3	-	1	-
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>						
GSM	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
QMS	S/sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Storeman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Drivers MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	8	9	-	1	-
Orderlies	Pte	9	10	-	1	-
Hygiene Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Water Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
General Duty	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	2	1	1	-	NR
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batman	Pte	13	14	-	1	-
AASC - Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Bat Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAOC - Amn Examiner	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Bat Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAES - Clerk	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
AAAS - Clerk	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
AACHD- Bat Dvr	Pte	3	1	2	-	NR
AAMC - Med Orderly	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	-	1	-	1	-
AALC - Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batman	Pte	1	-	1	-	NR
TOTAL		66	64	8	6	NR

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, 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				Riveters				
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				
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Reftters				
Draughtsmen				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												
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
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Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers								
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks								
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals								
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.								
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics								
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant								
Photowriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.								
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates								
								Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*	*

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11 Aug 45
Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
Signature of Commander

UNIT : 16 AUST INF BDE POSTAL SECTION

APPENDIX A

W E : 11 / 21B / 1

Date : 11 AUG 45

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Rank	W E	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Rqd
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NON SPECIALISTS

Postal Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Postal Cpl	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
Postal Ptes	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
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TOTAL		4	3	1	-	NR

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

33

(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18 8 5 HQ 16 BDE (Unit)
11 2 4 19 66
W.E. / / OFFRS. O.R's. (Tropical Scale) OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
NR	2	2	19	1 Brigadier * Lieut.-Colonels 2 Majors 8 Captains 8 Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
	2	2	19											
				DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL
				A.	19									19
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX140157	Lt	VENESS J E	LHQ AMENITIES POOL	14/8/45	Posted as Amenities Officer

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

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).

10 10 AUST INF BDE Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18 8 5 / 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	VX 20315	KING	R	Comd	No	Det 6 Aust Div Adm Comd	8/8/45
Maj	SX 649	SCHMEDJE	T J	BM	Yes		
Maj	VX 65254	PARKINSON	V T	BM(L)	Yes		
Capt	NX137513	TOWN	J W	SG	Yes		
"	NX 36310	DUVAL	F J	TO	No	24 days ARL	7/7/45
"	NX 4073	FLEMING	T O	BASCO	No	24 days ARL	18/7/45
"	NX 88600	SILK	T B	I O	Yes		
"	VX100023	STEELE	R C	LSO	Yes		
Lieut	NX 40047	McLEOD	A E	SG(L)	Yes		
"	NX 6740	STREPTON	B J	L O	Yes		
"	QX 18044	MARCH	C V	L O	No	Compassionate leave	26/7/45
"	NX 4553	BINNEY	J N	L O	Yes		
"	NX 29302	EWING	B C	BOO	Yes		
"	TX 2777	CARLILE	A L	Hyg Offr	Yes		
"	NX109272	O'HEARN	A J	Educ Offr	No	24 days ARL	18/7/45
"	NX140157	VENESS	J E	Amn Offr	Yes		
Chap	NGX 304	CLOVER	J	Chap	No	Det 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
"	QX 23680	ALCORN	I W	"	No	" 2/2 " " "	
"	SX 35215	HARLEY	R R	"	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.
Lt Col	NX 163	CULLEN P A	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	3/8/45	Adm Comd 16 Aust Inf Bde
Lt	VX1902	JEWSON L J	2/3 AUST COY	19/7/45	Actg BASCO

18 AUG 45
 Date of Despatch

[Signature]
 Signature of Commander
 S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 18 / 8 / 1945.

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				Riveters				
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								Radlographers				Stevadores				
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters				
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				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												
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors								
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers								
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks								
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals								
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.								
Pharmacist				Massours				Driver Mechanics								
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tpin. Plant								
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.								
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates								
								Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*	*

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18 Aug 45
Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
Signature of Commander
S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 18/ 8 /1945.

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 Assis.				G.P.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen				
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Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Bangetakers				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters				
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				Stevadores				
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Restiters				
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
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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												
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator												
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman												
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker												
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator												
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator												
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties												
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners												
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman												
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals												
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers												
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal												
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood												
Pattern Maker				Masons												
Pharmacist				Masseurs												
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.												
Photewriter				Miners												
Plumber				Moulders												
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained												
Surveyors				Observation Post Assis.												
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*	*

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18 Aug 45.
Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
Signature of Commander

UNIT : HQ 16 AUST INF BDE

APPENDIX A

WE : 11 / 2 / 4Date : 18 AUG 45

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	RANK	W E	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENT	SURELUS	RPTS RQD
<u>TRADE GROUP I</u>						
Draughtsmen	Cpl	1	-	1	-	-
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>						
Intelligence Duty	S/Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Cooks	Cpl	1	2	-	1	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>						
Clerks	WOII	1	-	1	-	NR
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>						
CSM	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
CQMS	S/Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Storeman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Drivers MF	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	8	9	-	1	-
Orderlies	Pte	9	9	-	-	-
Hygiene Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Water Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
General Duty	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	2	1	1	-	NR
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
Batmen	Pte	13	15	-	2	-
AASC - Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Bat Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAOC - Amn Examiner	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Bat Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAES - Clerk	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
AAAS - Clerk	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
AACHD - Bat Dvrs	Pte	3	1	2	-	NR
AANC - Med Orderly	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	-	1	-	1	-
AALC - Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batman	Pte	1	-	1	-	NR
TOTAL		66	60	11	5	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
34 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / 8 / 1945 HQ 16 BDE (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.
(Tropical Scale)

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.							
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.			
NR	2	2	19	1 Brigadier * Lieut.-Colonels 2 Majors 8 Captains 8 Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.								
	2	2	19									
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).		DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
		A.	19									19
		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.

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).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / 8 / 1945 (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	VX 20315	KING	R	Comd	No	Det 6 Aust Div Adm Comd	3/8/45
Maj	SX 649	SCHMEDJE	T J	BM	Yes		
"	VX 85254	PARKINSON	V T	BM(L)	Yes		
Capt	NX137513	TOWN	J W	S C	Yes		
"	NX 36318	DUVAL	F J	T O	No	24 days ARL	7/7/45
"	NX 4073	FLEMING	T O	BASCO	No	24 days ARL	18/7/45
"	NX 68660	SILK	T B	I O	Yes		
"	VX100823	STEELE	R C	LSO	Yes		
Lieut	NX 40047	MCLEOD	A E	SC(L)	Yes		
"	NX 8740	STRETTON	E J	L O	Yes		
"	QX 18044	MARCH	C V	L O	No	Compassionate Leave	26/7/45
"	NX 4553	BINNEY	J N	L O	Yes		
"	NX 29302	EWING	B C	BOO	Yes		
"	TX 2777	CARLILE	A L	Hyg Offr	Yes		
"	NX109272	O'HEARN	A J	Educ Offr	No	24 days ARL	18/7/45
"	NX140157	VENESS	J E	Amen Offr	Yes		
Chap	NGX 304	GLOVER	J	Chap	No	Det 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
"	QX 23680	ALCORN	I W	"	No	" 2/2 " " "	
"	SX 35215	HARLEY	R R	"	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.
Lt Col	NX 163	CULLEN P A	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	3/8/45	Adm Comd 16 Aust Inf Bde
Lt	VX1902	JENSON L J	2/3 AGT Coy	19/7/45	Actg BASCO

25 Aug 45
Date of Despatch

W. Chouen Capt
Signature of Commander
S C 16 Aust Inf Bde

UNIT : 16 AUST INF BDE POSTAL SECTION

APPENDIX A

W E : 11 / 21B / 1

Date : 18 AUG 45

RANK	W E	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENT	SURPLUS	RPTS RQD
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NON SPECIALISTS

Postal Sgt	Sgt	1 , 1	-	-	-
Postal Cpl	Cpl	1 -	1	-	NR
Postal Ptes	Pte	2 4	-	2	-
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TOTAL	4	5	1	2	

UNIT : HQ 16 AUST INF BDE

APPENDIX A

W E : 11 / 2 / 4Date: 25 AUG 45

	RANK	W E	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENT	SURPLUS	RPTS RQD
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>						
Draughtsmen	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>						
Intelligence Duty	S/sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Cooks	Cpl	1	2	-	1	-
	Pte	2	3	-	1	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>						
Clerks	WOII	1	-	1	-	NR
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>						
CSM	WOII	1	1	-	-	-
CQMS	S/sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Storeman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Driver MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
	Pte	8	9	-	1	-
Orderlies	Pte	9	9	-	-	-
Hygiene Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Water Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
General Duty	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	2	2	-	-	-
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
Batman	Pte	13	13	-	-	-
AASC - Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Bat Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AACG - Arm Examiner	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
Bat Dvr	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
AAES - Clerk	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
AAAS- Clerk	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
AACHD- Bat Dvr	Pte	3	1	2	-	NR
AANC - Med Orderly	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Pte	-	1	-	1	-
AALC- Clerk	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Batman	Pte	1	-	1	-	-
TOTAL		66	60	10	4	-

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 25/ 8/194 5

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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				Rangefakers				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders				
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Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers				
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Bricklayers								Radlographers				Stevedores				
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
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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												
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Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators												
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Fitters, Signals				Height Taker												
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator												
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator												
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties												
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners												
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman												
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Pattern Maker				Masons												
Pharmacist				Masseurs												
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.												
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25 Aug 45
Date of Despatch

W. Brown Capt.
Signature of Commander

UNIT : 16 AUST INF BDE POSTAL SECTION

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WE : 11 / 21B / 1

Date: 25 AUG 45

	RANK	WE	POSTED STRENGTH	DECICIENT	SURPLUS	RFTS RQD
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>						
Postal Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Postal Cpl	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
Postal Ptes	Pte	2	3	- ,	1	-
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TOTAL		4	4	1	1	-

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Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders				
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Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores				
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
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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												
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors								
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers								
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks								
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals								
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.								
Pharmacist				Massseurs				Driver Mechanics								
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant								
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.								
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates								
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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.

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Signature of Commander

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(A)

16 INF BDE

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For Action

TO

2/2 INF BN 2/3 INF BN

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions GR

2/1 INF BN 2/2 FD REGT 1 FD SQN 2/1 FD AMB

ORIGINATOR'S No.

0 374 SECRET (.) in view probability early cessation

hostilities ops in 16 bde area until further notice will be confined

to those necessary for the maint of present main posns reached and

every effort is to be made to avoid further aust cas all infm

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Message Instructions **GR**

(re) For Information (INFO.)

2/2 FD REGT 1 FD SQN WOII GODWIN

ORIGINATOR'S No. 0 380 SECRET (.) except for purposes maintaining def all firing and engagements will cease with object of encouraging enemy surrender (.) in event of enemy still adopting an offensive attitude unit comds will conduct ops as normal (.) as still possibility of treachery by enemy ~~XXXXXX~~ security measures will NOT be relaxed *all m/m*

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ORIGINATOR'S No. **O 385 SECRET (.) following received from C in C SWPA (.)**

quote (.) negotiations are in progress with the jap government for the
cessation of all hostilities (.) while preserving safety of your
comds you will discontinue further offensive action against the jap
forces in your respective area of responsibility (.) this order will
NOT be construed to prohibit all necessary security measures incl
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0391 RESTRICTED (.) 101 GUN VICTORY SALUTE will be fired by
 tp 2/3 fd regt commencing 190900K (.) interval 20 secs target area
 320120

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Signed *Capt*

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A COY 2/1 INF BN

TO

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

0 397 SECRET (.) following changes in disposns will be

effected 27 aug (.) one (.) 2/2 bn will relieve 2/3 bn of

responsibility for THE PATCH 286964 by 0900K (.) two (.) one coy

less one pl 2/3 bn will relieve A coy 2/1 bn in MAKOW-SAURI area by

1200 K (.) three (.) A coy 2/1 bn will move from present location

to coast on relief and will revert to comd parent unit all infm

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ORIGINATOR'S No. **O 401 SECRET** (.) one (.) 16 ~~regt~~ inf bde less 2/3 inf bn
 will concentrate camp site area CAPE FUS as adm situation allows
 (.) two (.) 2/2 inf bn will move at earliest (.) all tps fwd
 of HAMBRAURI 2 will be withdrawn by 011300K (.) three (.) on
 completion rearward mov 2/2 inf bn and NOT later 021300K 2/3
 inf bn will withdraw all tps fwd of THE BLOT and will hold
 gen line MAKOW - SHIBURANGU maintaining present outpost
 on the BLOT with further outpost NOT less than one pl
 covering BIG ROAD in vicinity THE BLOT (.) four (.) ADS
 HAMBRAURI 2 will be withdrawn when notified (.) med staging
 post only will be maintained this area (.) five (.) ADS
 MAKOW remains present location (.) six (.) bde hqs will
 move on completion 2/2 inf bn mov (.) on bde hq mov HQ 2/3 inf
 bn will take over MAKOW (.) seven (.) adm details for mov
 as arranged by SC all infm

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appendix H
MILITARY FORCES

ORDER OF THE DAY

by GENERAL SIR THOMAS BLAMEY,
Commander-in-Chief

Advanced LHQ, Borneo,
15th August, 1945.

SURRENDER OF JAPANESE.

The Japanese have surrendered.

Our long and arduous struggle has ended in complete victory.

The climax has come at the time when all six Australian Divisions are fighting strenuously, each on its own area, in the far flung battle lines. No divisions amongst the Allies have contributed more to the downfall of our enemies than ours.

Our general officers and our commanders of all grades, our regimental officers and our warrant and non-commissioned officers have led you unfalteringly to victory. Under their guidance, the troops have been formed into a magnificent army to the pride and glory of Australia.

We have fought through the burning days and freezing nights of the desert. We have fought through the ooze and sweat of tropical jungles. We have defeated the Italians and the Germans and we would soon have destroyed completely the Japanese before us.

We are now to go to our homes, having done our part in ensuring freedom for all peoples. We will not forget this freedom, for which we have fought so long and successfully, and so let us stand together in future years to ensure that it remains the crowning heritage of Australian people. Above all, we give thanks to the Almighty for His greatest and crowning mercy that marks for all people the total downfall of tyranny.

A large, handwritten signature in black ink, reading "T. Blamey", with a red circular stamp or mark over the bottom part of the signature.

General,
Commander-in-Chief,
AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCE
ORDER OF THE DAY
BY GENERAL SIR THOMAS BLAIR
Commander-in-Chief
Advanced Air Force
10th August, 1945

RETURN TO

G. MCKEOWN

FOR 16 BDE W/DIARY

AUG 1945

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SECRET

Copy No 18

30 Aug 45

16 AUST INF BDE 006

Ref Maps : WEWAK WEST 1 in to 1 mile.

INFM

1. 16 Aust Inf Bde less 2/3 Aust Inf Bn is to concentrate in the area DALLMAN HARBOUR and it is anticipated this concentration will be completed by 1 Sep 45.
2. On withdrawal 2/2 Aust Inf Bn from present posns, no def localities fwd of THE BLOT will be held.

INTENTION

3. 2/3 Aust Inf Bn will take over responsibility for the defence of the area MAKOW - SHIBURANGU.

METHOD

4. Comd

- (a) Lt Col I HUTCHISON 2/3 Aust Inf Bn will assume comd of the area at 1200K 1 Sep providing road conditions permit movement.
- (b) In event of changes in comd being effected as notified by this HQs the comd being relieved will ensure these instrs are handed over.

5. Allotment of Tps

2/3 Aust Inf Bn

with under comd : ADS 2/1 Aust Fd Amb
 Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy
 Det 6 Aust Div FSS Sec
 Det ATIS.

with in sp : 52 Bty 2/2 Aust Fd Regt
 4 Bty less one tp 2/2 Aust Fd Regt.
 2/1 Aust Fd Coy.

6. Tasks

- (a) Will be responsible for the def of the SHIBURANGU-MAKOW area.
- (b) Will ensure the following vital pts are NOT yielded to the enemy :

SAURI
 MAKOW
 SHIBURANGU
 SOUTHERN APPROACH W312003
 THE BLOT.

(c) Will establish an outpost of str NOT less than one pl to cover BIG ROAD in vicinity of the WEST slopes of THE BLOT.

(d) Will be responsible for reception and handling of all PWs surrendering in the area.

7. Rear Bdy

Line SAURI - MAKOW - SHIBURANGU - SOUTHERN APPROACH
W312003.

ADM

8. Sups

2/188 Aust Sup Dep Pl remains present location for drawing of sups.

9. Med

ADS remains MAKOW.

10. Canteen

CIP remains MAKOW.

11. Postal

16 Aust Inf Bde Postal Sec DALLMAN HARBOUR.

12. Natives

(a) 200 natives will be available as required from ANGAU compound MAKOW.

(b) of these 40 will be allotted for engr duties.

13. TC

2/3 Aust Inf Bn in conjunction with 2/1 Aust Fd Coy will be responsible for TC on BIG ROAD from PICCADILLY to MAKOW.

14. Pro

Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy is available for :

(i) handling of PWs.

(ii) escort duties.

(iii) TC on BIG ROAD.

15. PWs

(a) 2/3 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for :

(i) reception of PWs.

(ii) Disarming.

(iii) Removal of docs.

- (iv) Rationing if PWs are to be held.
 - (v) Any immediate med treatment through ADS required.
 - (vi) evac to 6 Aust Div Pro Coy at earliest.
 - (vii) maintenance of record of numbers of PWs by days.
- (b) In event of large numbers surrendering and which is beyond the capabilities of Pro to handle 2/3 Aust Inf Bn will supplement with inf personnel for guarding and escort duties as required.
- (c) Tpt for evac of PWs will be available on application to this HQs.

INTERCOMN

16. On mov HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde to DALLMAN HARBOUR HQ 2/3 Aust Inf Bn will be established in bde HQs present site at MAKOW.

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MBJ
(T J SCHMEDJE)
BM 16 Aust Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION

2/1 Aust Inf Bn
2/2 Aust Inf Bn
2/3 Aust Inf Bn
2/2 Aust Fd Regt
2/1 Aust Fd Coy
2/188 Aust Sup Dep Pl
2/1 Aust Fd Amb
Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy
Det 6 Aust Div FSS Sec
Det ATIS
6 Aust Div
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16 AUST INF BDE REPORT ON OPERATIONS

PERIOD 9 MAY 45 - 15 AUGUST 45

PART I : RECORD OF EVENTS

INTRODUCTION

1. This report, in continuation of the Brigade report for the period 23 Jan 45 to 8 May 45 which dealt with operations up to Phase 4, covers the period of the brigade's movement to WEWAK, subsequent operations in WEWAK and a further advance SOUTH to NUMOIKUM VILLAGES. It is divided into the following phases: -

PHASE 5. DEFENCE of KARAWOP-BOIKEN-HAWAIN area.

PHASE 6. Operations in WEWAK area.

PHASE 7. Relief of 19 Aust Inf Bde in SHIBURANGU - HAMBRAURI area.

PHASE 8. RINDOGIM and NUMOIKUM operations.

PHASE 5. DEFENCE OF KARAWOP-BOIKEN-HAWAIN AREAS

Period 9 May - 4 Jun

2. In the period of the capture of WEWAK by 19 Aust Inf Bde the task of the brigade was to defend the area KARAWOP - HAWAIN RIVER and units were disposed as follows :

Area KARAWOP	:	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde 2/1 Aust Inf Bn
Area BOIKEN	:	2/3 Aust Inf Bn
Area HAWAIN	:	2/2 Aust Inf Bn

3. On 13 May 2/2 Aust Inf Bn moved to the area of CAPE WOM and came under command 19 Aust Inf Bde. As a result the extent of 2/3 Aust Inf Bn's area of responsibility was increased to include that held by 2/2 Aust Inf Bn and was achieved by C Coy and 5 Platoon 2/3 Aust Inf Bn occupying the area WELUBI 157204 - PAROM 163180 - HAWAIN RIVER. Patrol bases at KOANUMBO 106176 and YENGO 121205 were reduced to one platoon in strength.

4. Patrolling with the object of clearing the unit sectors continued. Reconnaissance patrol from 2/1 Aust Inf Bn on 15 May destroyed two enemy but long range reconnaissance patrols failed to make any further contacts. On 21 and 22 May 2/3 Aust Inf Bn patrols were active in the RANUMBOA - NUMIKIM area. Lt STONE and 10 Other Ranks from 5 platoon launched a surprise attack against 15 enemy located at NUMIKIM. 7 enemy were killed and remainder were forced to withdraw. During this attack Pte

ROBINSON displayed conspicuous bravery by advancing forward of the patrol firing his bren from the hip and silencing one enemy LMG. On 21 May A Company moved to the RANIMBOA " NUMIKIM area with the object of breaking up any enemy concentrations and as a result of their activities a further 7 enemy were killed. From 22 May to 27 May small patrols, including native police boys, were active over the whole area but only two enemy were killed with one Prisoner of War.

5. On 28 May 2/1 Aust Inf Bn took over all patrol bases in the area allowing 2/3 Aust Inf Bn to concentrate preparatory to movement to WEWAK and 2/1 Aust Inf Bn continued to be responsible for this area until relieved by 2/3 Aust MG Bn on 3 Jun 45.

6. Total casualties Phase 5 were as follows:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>OWN</u>		<u>ENEMY</u>	
	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Prisoner of War</u>
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	"	"	3	-
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	"	"	"	-
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	2	5	25	2
TOTALS	2	5	28	2

PHASE 6. OPERATIONS WEWAK AREA

Period 13 May - 4 Aug 45

Defence of WOM - WEWAK area by 2/2 Aust Inf Bn

7. The task initially allotted to the battalion by 19 Aust Inf Bde was to protect the Lines of Communications from EAST of CAPE WOM to MINGA CREEK and to provide working parties to maintain the brigade group. On 13 May Battalion Headquarters was established at 285088 and sub units were deployed along the coast with one company at YARABOS gardens 2410. On 16 May as a result of Tactical Reconnaissance and native information a patrol moved to creek and track junction WEST of YARABOS but only two enemy were sighted.

8. 19 Aust Inf Bde Operation Order 7 gave 2/2 Aust Inf Bn the additional task of preventing enemy infiltration from YARABOS, The battalion less one company at YARABOS was to act as brigade reserve and would relieve 2/4 Aust Inf Bn of responsibility of WEWAK DROME by 1200 hours on 20 May. The battalion area of responsibility was further extended to include CAPE PUS .

9. In the period 20 May to 2 June enemy attempts at infiltration to the drome and coast were made without success, 3 enemy being killed. On 26 May two INDIAN Prisoners of War were recovered on YARABOS track and on the same day a hostile 75 mm gun fired 10 rounds ineffectively into A company's area at EAST end of WEWAK DROME and repeated this on 29 May.

10. One company was moved on 3 June from WEWAK POINT to MINGA gardens area to forstall enemy attempts to infiltrate into the WEWAK DROME area and to protect the BIG ROAD.

Brigade Tasks WEWAK area

11. On 21 May Headquarters 16 Aust Inf Bde and 2/3 Aust Inf Bn were at 72 hours notice to move to WEWAK area. The task allotted to the brigade was the responsibility of the BORAM area from inclusive BORAM CREEK to BRANDI PLANTATION. On assuming command of this area 2/6 Aust Cav(Cdo) Regt located in the BRANDI area came under command of the brigade.

12. The brigade was still responsible for the KARAWOP - HAWAIN RIVER area, 2/1 Aust Inf Bn continuing with this task until relieved by 2/3 Aust MG Bn.

2/3 Aust Inf Bn's activities BORAM area

13. 2/3 Aust Inf Bn effected the relief of 2/8 Aust Inf Bn on 29 and 30 May and were then disposed as follows:

Battalion Headquarters	:	BORAM PLANTATION 3605.
A Company	:	375040
B Company	:	367052
C Company	:	Spur 355039
D Company	:	365036.

14. With the relief of 2/8 Aust Inf Bn a period of active operations commenced. During the first two nights enemy raiding parties harassed A company with grenades killing one Other Rank. On 30 May a reconnaissance patrol under command Lt STONE, with the task of determining the extent of the enemy defences on 910 feature W350020, encountered enemy in strength, resulting in own casualties 2 killed and 2 wounded.

15. In this action A/Cpl COLBERT despite wounds engaged the enemy with fire allowing evacuation of casualties without further loss. Then on his own initiative he carried out a reconnaissance of the enemy defences and found them to be extensive. As a result an artillery concentration was brought down.

16. B company carried out further reconnaissances on 1 Jun in which intensive small arms fire was encountered but despite this a thorough reconnaissance was made by Capt McCRACKEN and A/Cpl COLBERT. On the evening of the 1 Jun and the morning of 2 Jun feature 910 and an adjoining feature were engaged with an artillery concentration of 3500 rounds, following which B company successfully attacked and captured both features, killing 30 enemy 18 of which were credited to the artillery. During the action Capt McCRACKEN was wounded but refused to leave his company until the position was taken.

17. Also on 2 June 13 platoon attacked 6 enemy in position at 354043, killing 5 and capturing one LMG and 4 rifles for own casualties 1 killed and 3 wounded. Cpl WING QUAY took over command of the platoon when the platoon commander was wounded and led it into the enemy position.

18. D company relieved B company on the feature 910 on 3 Jun and up to 9 Jun patrolling was carried out to ensure the area was kept clear of enemy.

19. On 10 Jun 2/11 Aust Inf Bn completed the relief of 2/3 Aust Inf Bn which then moved to a rest area in CAPE PUS and where it remained until 30 Jul.

Concentration 2/2 Aust Inf Bn WEWAK POINT

20. On 2 Jun 2/2 Aust Inf Bn reverted to command of 16 Aust Inf Bde and on 10 Jun the battalion less C company commenced to concentrate at WEWAK POINT, the concentration being completed by 18 Jun when 2/1 Aust Inf Bn took over responsibility of YARABOS and MINGA gardens. The battalion's task now became the supply of working parties for division commitments and barge unloading.

Activities C Company 2/2 Aust Inf Bn in SAURI Area

21. On 13 June C company relieved 2/8 Aust Inf Bn at SAURI and came under command 19 Aust Inf Bde with the role of preventing enemy infiltration to the BIG ROAD from SHIBURANGU 3000.

22. Local patrolling was carried out and on 27 June during a diversionary attack in support 2/8 Aust Inf Bn 4 mortar bombs fell off line, killing 2 including the Company Commander, and wounding 8.

23. On 2 July a fighting patrol was ordered to clear SOUTH of SAURI in conjunction with an attack on SHIBURANGU by 2/8 Aust Inf Bn and on 4 July a patrol moved forward and linked with elements of 2/8 Aust Inf Bn after having previously encountered strong enemy opposition, which was overcome by artillery and mortar concentrations.

24. On 17 July C company was relieved by A company 2/8 Aust Inf Bn, reverted to command 2/2 Aust Inf Bn and moved to WEWAK POINT.

Defence of CAPE PUS - RANIMBOA - SAURI - BIG ROAD area

25. The brigade task, after 19 Aust Inf Bde had taken over the responsibility of the BORAM - BRANDI area on 4 June, became the defence of the area CAPE PUS - RANIMBOA to exclusive BIG ROAD - SAURI. Not more than one battalion was to be committed for this task.

26. Further the remainder of the brigade was to form a divisional reserve prepared to recapture any of the following localities:

- (I) SAURI
- (II) MT SHIBURANGU
- (III) MT TAKAKI
- (IV) HILL 910
- (V) BRANDI PLANTATION

27. 2/1 Aust Inf Bn, responsible for the area from all inclusive W323065 - track junction W321058 - SOUTH along track to track junction W314046 - thence BIG ROAD - SAURI VILLAGES - thence WEST to inclusive CAPE PUS - RANIMBOA, were given the following tasks:

- (a) Establish patrol base in MINGA GARDENS
- (b) Establish patrol base in YARABOS W2509
- (c) Actively patrol the area from exclusive point W321058 - BIG ROAD - SAURI VILLAGES to line URFIP creek - YARABOS with a view to prevention of enemy infiltration.
- (d) Owing to need of conservation of manpower will not clear the area SOUTH of a line through SW corner MINGA GARDENS - YARABOS.
- (e) Carry out a detailed reconnaissance of tracks leading into DALLMAN HARBOUR area with view to establishing forward patrol base to prevent penetration to divisional installations.

28. 2/1 Aust Inf Bn, who had been relieved of their tasks in KARAWOF - BOIKEN - HAWAIN area and moved to WEWAK POINT on 4 June, relieved 2/2 Aust Inf Bn of its tasks on 18 June and assumed responsibility of their area. A company occupying EAST YARABOS GARDENS, B company MINGA GARDENS and C company DALLMAN HARBOUR, following which on 31 June the remainder of the battalion moved from WEWAK POINT area to DALLMAN HARBOUR.

MINGA GARDENS BASE

29. B company patrolled the area until 7 July when D company relieved them but no contact was made over the whole period.

EAST YARABOS BASE

30. A company patrols operated in this area from 18 June to 1 July. On 19 and 20 June patrols located a small enemy position 3000 yards WEST along the YARABOS track. A platoon attack on the following day captured the position. In the period two enemy were killed, the remainder having been forced to withdraw. 3 more enemy attempting to forage food were killed on 22 June.

31. 9- 9 platoon, commander Lt H B MAVAY, killed 5 enemy 500 yards SOUTH of a covered bridge, but was ambushed on the return journey. In the ensuing action 3 Other Ranks were wounded and a police boy and native sentry were killed. Enemy casualties were 3 killed and 2 wounded. Pte B W KRUGER showed conspicuous courage by attacking the enemy with grenades and rifle fire, accounting for 2 killed and one wounded. This individual action allowed the patrol to extricate itself from a very awkward situation.

32. Further contact was made on 26 June by 9 platoon at BURRELL BRIDGE. 7 platoon then moved out to join 9 platoon. Contact was made on the right flank and a defensive position was occupied on night 26/27 June. After an artillery concentration the following morning 7 platoon attacked, killing 2 enemy. No further contact was made, and on 1 July C company relieved A company. The base was then moved 2000 yards WEST to shorten patrol routes and deny enemy access to the gardens.

YARABOS BASE

33. The new base at YARABOS was occupied on 1 July. Natives reported 11 enemy in huts at WIRURU on 4 July. The enemy was attacked on 5 July and 7 July by 13 and 14 platoons, and three were killed. The enemy fled leaving large quantities of gear.

DALLMAN HARBOUR BASE

34. No enemy activity occurred in this area and on 1 July C company was withdrawn and relieved A company.

Advance on SAMBUKAUA

35. During the above period 19 Aust Inf Bde had successfully attacked the enemy in the PRINCE ALEXANDER RANGES and were in position on the main heights. An attack, preceded by artillery concentrations and Air strikes, was planned to take place on 15 July against THE BLOT. 6 Aust Div ordered 2/1 Aust Inf Bn to create a diversion by advancing along the SAMBUKAUA track to contain the enemy in that area.

36. C company was ordered to commence the advance on 13 July, B company being responsible for establishment of Base along the Lines of Communications.

37. 15 Platoon, commander Lt R R RICHARDSON, advanced to WIRURU on 13 July, where they were joined by 11 platoon. 2 enemy were killed before last light and one Prisoner of War taken. During night 13/14 July the enemy attacked the position but were repulsed with three killed, including the Prisoner of War. Own casualties NIL.

38. The advance continued next morning, but met heavy opposition 300 yards from the base. After a sharp action 15 platoon withdrew, having killed 2 enemy with 3 own wounded. After an artillery concentration 14 platoon, commander Lt R J WYBURN, continued the advance. 3 enemy were killed by the artillery fire and 4 more during the day.

39. During the night 14/15 July a defensive position was occupied at GIVNEY CREEK, an additional enemy being killed. The enemy was active during the night but was dispersed by Defensive fire from the artillery. The following day the advance continued, 5 enemy being killed in an extensive SAK SAK area, and quantities of food and equipment destroyed. A defensive position was occupied at 200075 during the night 15/16 July. One enemy was killed that night.

40. On 16 July after advancing 800 yards along the track enemy fire forced the patrol to withdraw. During the engagement our forward scout was killed. After an artillery concentration orders were received to withdraw to YARABOS.

41. Before the withdrawal, a native sentry boy, YARAWONGY climbed a very tall tree and successfully directed artillery fire onto the SAMBUKAUA VILLAGES. C company then withdrew to YARABOS having killed 21 enemy and B company 4.

42. B company occupied YARABOS until 4 August when the battalion was relieved by 2/4 Aust Inf Bn. On 10 July a reconnaissance of URFIP CREEK proved its suitability as a water Lines of Communications. This was due to the efforts of Capt R WOOD and saved considerable time both in the forwarding of supplies and evacuating the wounded.

43. Total casualties for Phase 6

Unit	OWN		ENEMY	
	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Wounded</u>	<u>Killed</u>	<u>Prisoner of War</u>
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	2	10	39	"
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	"	1	2	"
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	4	6	17	1
	6	17	58	1

PHASE 7. RELIEF OF 19 AUST INF BDE
IN SHIBURANGU - HAMBRAURI AREAS
Period 26 July - 30 July

Details of Relief

44. In accordance with 6 Aust Div Operation Instruction 14 of 22 July the brigade relieved 19 Aust Inf Bde in the SHIBURANGU area with a view to continuing operations SOUTH.

45. The relief was to commence as soon as practicable after HAMBRAURI was captured by 19 Aust Inf Bde on 31 July, whichever was the earlier.

46. The rear boundary given was the line all inclusive SAURI - WEST KNOLL - SHIBURANGU - SOUTHERN APPROACH at W 312003. Due to maintenance difficulties it was NOT possible for a force greater than two battalions to be employed forward of this line and consequently 2/2 Aust Inf Bn and 2/3 Aust Inf Bn only were employed to effect the relief of 19 Aust Inf Bde units.

47. 19 Aust Inf Bde captured the area HAMBRAURI II, allowing the relief of 2/3 Aust Inf Bn by 2/2 Aust Inf Bn to be commenced on 26 July and was completed by 30 July, 2/2 Aust Inf Bn assuming command of the area at 1200 hours 28 July. Dispositions on 1 August were as per Appendix C.

48. The relief of 2/4 Aust Inf Bn by 2/3 Aust Inf Bn in the SHIBURANGU area commenced on 29 July and was completed by 1 August. Dispositions of 2/3 Aust Inf Bn were then as per Appendix C.

49. 2/1 Aust Inf Bn was then relieved by 19 Aust Inf Bde of its responsibilities in the YARABOS and MINGA areas on 4 August and then concentrated on the coast at 2907 as brigade reserve.

50. Headquarters 16 Aust Inf Bde established at MAKOW 2900 assumed command of the area at 0900 hours on 29 July.

PHASE 8. NUMOIKUM and RINDOGIM Operations

Period 1 August - 15 August

Enemy Situation

51. At the time of relief patrols of 19 Aust Inf Bde were out of contact with the enemy who had withdrawn SOUTH following the capture of their strategic positions. No contact had been made with any large parties.

52. Information gained from natives and Tactical reconnaissance reports indicated that the enemy was holding RINDOGIM in strength and that NUMOIKUM was only lightly held if held at all. However captured documents indicated that both were held and that a MT SHOTO near the RINDOGIM - NUMOIKUM track junction was also held.

53. On completion of the relief of 19 Aust Inf Bde a vigorous native patrol policy was brought into effect. The information so gained and which later proved correct was:

- (i) A knoll just NORTH of the track junction RINDOGIM-NUMOIKUM, assumed to be MT SHOTO, was held by approximately 10 enemy.
- (ii) RINDOGIM was occupied by 20 enemy.
- (iii) NUMOIKUM was occupied by 30 enemy.
- (iv) BANAHITAM RIDGE held by approximately 15 enemy.

Brigade Tasks

54. 6 Aust Div Operations Instruction 14 gave the brigade tasks as follows:

- (a) Capture NUMOIKUM VILLAGES B 2695
- (b) Clear RINDOGIM B 2794 and retain control of tracks in that vicinity.
- (c) Patrol vigorously from all forward bases to locate and destroy the enemy.
- (d) Prepare for further advance WESTWARDS towards PAPARAM when maintenance situation permits.

Order of Battle

55. 2/1 Aust Inf Bn
2/2 Aust Inf Bn
2/3 Aust Inf Bn
2/1 Aust Fd Amb
2/45 Aust LAD.

With in support :

2/1 Aust Fd Regt
2/2 Aust Fd Regt
1 Aust Fd Sqn
2/1 Aust Fd Coy

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Capture of RINDOGIM and NUMOIKUM - 2/2 AUST INF BN

56. 2/2 Aust Inf Bn were given the task of capturing RINDOGIM and NUMOIKUM, when the maintenance situation allowed. 2/3 Aust Inf Bn were given the additional responsibility of HAMBRAURI II thus allowing 2/2 Aust Inf Bn to concentrate its force forward for the advance.

57. Patrolling SOUTH from HAMBRAURI II and WEST along BANAHITAM RIDGE in the period 30 - 31 July resulted in 13 enemy being killed for own casualties 3 slightly wounded.

58. Successful air dropping at HAMBRAURI II, the rapid advance of the construction of the BIG ROAD by RAE 6 Aust Div the corduroying of the track from Road Head to HAMBRAURI II and a well organised carrier line eased the supply situation and allowed sufficient reserve stocks to be built up at the DID established at HAMBRAURI II. As a result the advance of 2/2 Aust Inf Bn could be commenced earlier than was anticipated.

59. On the 1 August preparatory to an attack on RINDOGIM D company 2/2 Aust Inf Bn was ordered to capture TWIN KNOLLS at 283957. After clearing THE PATCH at 286963 strong opposition was encountered at 280960 and following a brisk action the TWIN KNOLLS were captured. A company then occupied THE PATCH and a standing patrol established at 280960. Casualties for the day were enemy 5 killed with own 1 killed 1 wounded.

60. On the following day A company was ordered to capture NUMOIKUM and advance SOUTH along the BIG ROAD, B company taking over the responsibility of THE PATCH. Contacts were made with an enemy position at MT SHOTO, the company having reached a point 800 yards SW from THE PATCH. D company patrols had reached the outskirts of RINDOGIM, 15 enemy being sighted in the area. 19 enemy were killed for own casualties 2 wounded and one police boy killed.

61. On 3 August patrols operated along the BIG ROAD towards NUMOIKUM, towards RINDOGIM, clearing the track to TAMBAFAIN creek and along BANAHITAM RIDGE. No contact being made.

62. RINDOGIM was captured by D company on 4 August after a superb assault had been made up a very steep slope, thus capturing the enemy's outer defences. A further assault resulted in the complete capture of the village area. As this was in progress A company advancing towards NUMOIKUM encountered strong opposition at the EASTERN approach to NUMOIKUM. Observation was difficult because of the dense secondary growth and pit pit covering the area but the company attacked and succeeded in securing a knoll 900 yards EAST of the villages. A total of 21 enemy were killed with own casualties 2 killed and 6 wounded in these actions. Contacts had also been made on BANAHITAM RIDGE.

63. On 5 and 6 August A company continued advancing and following artillery concentrations captured ONE TREE KNOLL, 400 yards EAST of NUMOIKUM and then with further artillery concentrations and supported by flamethrowers captured in succession the villages, BARKIBEM, WARINAMAW, KUIMBAW and MEWIM, 13 enemy were killed and the remainder withdrew in panic. With the occupation of SAKIPU on 7 August

all of the NUMOIKUM villages had now been captured. In the series of bitter engagements enemy small arms fire had been most intense and enemy snipers were active.

64. In ensuring patrol actions enemy were encountered on the track SOUTH from RINDOGIM and SW from NUMOIKUM in vicinity of TAMBAFAIN creek. In these actions from 7 to 9 August 11 enemy were killed and own casualties were 1 killed and 9 wounded.

65. 2/3 Aust Inf Bn, who had been carrying out local patrolling and protection of the BIG ROAD Lines of Communications, were given the additional responsibility of THE PATCH, thus allowing 2/2 Aust Inf Bn to move forward to consolidate positions gained. Battalion Headquarters was established at BARIBEN, B company moved to RINDOGIM and C company to SAKIPU.

66. To allow 2/3 Aust Inf Bn to take over additional areas from 2/2 Aust Inf Bn, A company 2/1 Aust Inf Bn had been moved forward to take over the area SAURIMAKOW, coming under operational command Headquarters 16 Aust Inf Bde.

67. Dispositions as at 15 August 45 were as shown in Appendix D.

CONCLUSION

68. With the capture of RINDOGIM and NUMOIKUM preparations were being made in anticipation of a further advance WESTWARDS when the following instruction was issued on 11 August.

"In view of probability of the early cessation of hostilities operations in 16 Aust Inf Bde area until further notice will be confined to those necessary for the maintenance of present main positions reached and every effort is to be made to avoid further Aust casualties".

69. Casualty figures for Phase 8:

Unit	OWN		ENEMY	
	Killed	Wounded	Killed	Prisoner of War
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	-	-	-	-
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	5	21	87	2
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	-	2	1	-
TOTAL	5	23	88	2

Total Casualties for Period 9 May 45 - 15 Aug 45

Unit	OWN		ENEMY	
	Killed	Wounded	Killed	Prisoner of War
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	2	10	42	-
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	5	22	89	2
2/3 Aust Inf Bn	6	13	43	3
RAA 6 Aust Div	-	-	21	-
RAE 6 Aust Div	-	-	-	1
TOTALS	13	45	195	6
ANGAU (Natives)	2	1	10	1

LIST OF APPENDICIES TO 16 AUST INF BDE

REPORT ON OPERATIONS - PART I

- Appendix A : Administrative Report.
- Appendix B : Map showing operations - main thrusts -
areas patrolled by units, WEWAK - BIG
ROAD - NUMOIKUM areas.
- Appendix C : Trace showing dispositions at commencement
Phase 8, 1 August 45.
- Appendix D : Trace showing brigade dispositions at
completion of Phase 8, 15 August 45.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT ON OPERATIONS

PHASE 6 : WEWAK AREA

1. Maintenance of brigade in this area presented no problems and was normal.
2. All maintenance was a unit responsibility.

PHASE 7 AND 8

1. The administrative set up at time of taking over from 19 Aust Inf Bde was as follows :

(a) Supplies:

- (i) DID 2/188 Aust Sup Dep Pl, less det - MAKOW
- (ii) Det DID 2/188 Aust Sup Dep Pl - SAURI
- (iii) DID MAKOW responsible for rationing of all troops in area TRACTOR HEAD - MAKOW and forward.
- (iv) DID SAURI responsible for rationing of all troops in area SAURI and rear thereof.
- (v) A Field Bakery and Refrigerator, for storing of fresh commodities, were in course of construction at DID MAKOW.
- (vi) Units were responsible for drawing own rations and maintaining own troops. Natives were allotted for this task.
- (vii) 6 Aust Div were responsible for resupply from ASD to DIDs.

(b) Ammunition:

Ammunition Points were established at DIDs.

(c) POL:

No Petrol Point was in operation.

(d) Medical:

ADS was established at MAKOW.

(e) Natives :

SAURI	Compound	:	360
MAKOW	Compound	:	280
SHIBURANGU	Compound	:	150
HAMBRAURI	Compound	:	60
TOTAL			<u>850</u>

(f) Water Points:

MAKOW - SHIBURANGU.

2. Redistribution of Administrative Arrangements Immediately After Take Over.

(a) Supplies:

- (i) An additional det of 2/188 Aust Sup Dep Pl opened a DID at HAMBRAURI 2, to receive supplies air dropped at that location.
- (ii) Supplies air dropped built up a reserve at this point for advance forward.

(b) POL:

A Petrol Point was opened at DID SAURI.

(c) Medical:

An additional ADS was established at HAMBRAURI 2.

(d) Natives:

- (i) All natives from SAURI compound were moved forward as these natives were used for forwarding fresh commodities when BIG ROAD was out. As Refrigerator and Bakery were now operating, necessity for these natives at SAURI ceased.

- (ii) Further allotments of natives were made to units and dispositions were as follows:

- (a) MAKOW compound 450 - effective 325.
Responsibility: Maintenance to HAMBRAURI 2.
Engineer work.
Building up reserves at HAMBRAURI 2.
Evacuation stretcher cases.

- (b) SHIBURANGU compound - 150 - effective 115.
Responsibility: Maintenance of 2/3 Aust Inf Bn.

- (c) HAMBRAURI compound 250 - effective 190.
Responsibility: Maintenance of 2/2 Aust Inf Bn.
Collection air drops HAMBRAURI 2.

(d) Total : 850.

(e) Field Post Office:

16 Aust Inf Bde Postal Section opened at MAKOW.

(f) Canteens:

A Canteens Issuing Point opened at MAKOW.

3. Advance 2/2 Aust Inf Bn forward to RINDOGIM and NUNOIKUM.

(a) Administrative arrangements were unchanged except that native compound at HAMBRAURI 2 was moved forward to CROSS ROADS and carriers, maintaining 2/2 Aust Inf Bn, from MAKOW carried to CROSS ROADS where carriers from CROSS ROADS compound took over.

4. GENERAL

(a) Rations:

- (i) Rations throughout the operations were excellent, good supplies of fresh rations were always available.
- (ii) The establishment of Field Bakery and Operation Refrigerator was of great assistance in maintaining fresh commodities, as without this service fresh commodities could NOT be kept up to troops when BIG ROAD was closed.

(b) Natives:

- (i) Although all native carriers are under control of ANGAU overseers, it is neither possible nor necessary for them to accompany the numerous trains, provided that an efficient system of escorting is in operation. With escorts properly briefed in their duties, moving in front and behind each train to prevent splitting or interference with trains and to maintain at least a 10-15 minute track gap between trains. It was also found that the willingness and efficiency of carriers was increased if all natives, and particularly "Boss Boys", were briefed in their duties, by an ANGAU representative, before leaving the compound.
- (ii) Trouble was experienced at times, when natives were backloaded with stores, but if natives are briefed correctly beforehand and told they would be required to back carry, no trouble is experienced.
- (iii) Wherever possible only "Mountain" boys should be used to carry in the hilly country as "Coast" boys soon develop leg trouble when carrying in hills.

Annexure A to Appendix B
16 Aust Inf Bde Report
on Operations Part I.

16 AUST INF BDE OPERATIONS : WEWAK : BIG ROAD : NUMOIKUM
Period 9 May 45 to 15 Aug 45

SEQUENCE OF MAIN EVENTS : PHASE 6 - 8

PHASE 6

1. 30 May - 9 Jun : 2/3 Aust Inf Bn's patrol activities in BORAM area.
2. 1 Jun - 2 Jun : Capture of feature 910 by 2/3 Aust Inf Bn.
3. 2 Jun - 18 Jun : 2/2 Aust Inf Bn less C company reverts from command 19 Aust Inf Bde and concentrates at WEWAK POINT.
4. 13 Jun - 17 Jul : C company 2/2 Aust Inf Bn under command 19 Aust Inf Bde occupies out-post position at SAURI.
5. 18 Jun - 4 Aug : 2/1 Aust Inf Bn's patrol activities from patrol bases established at MINGA GARDENS, YARABOS and DALLMAN HARBOUR.
6. 13 Jul - 16 Jul : C company 2/1 Aust Inf Bn's advance to SAMBUKAUA.

PHASE 7

7. 26 Jul - 30 Jul : Relief of 19 Aust Inf Bde in SHIBURANGU - HAMBRAURI area.

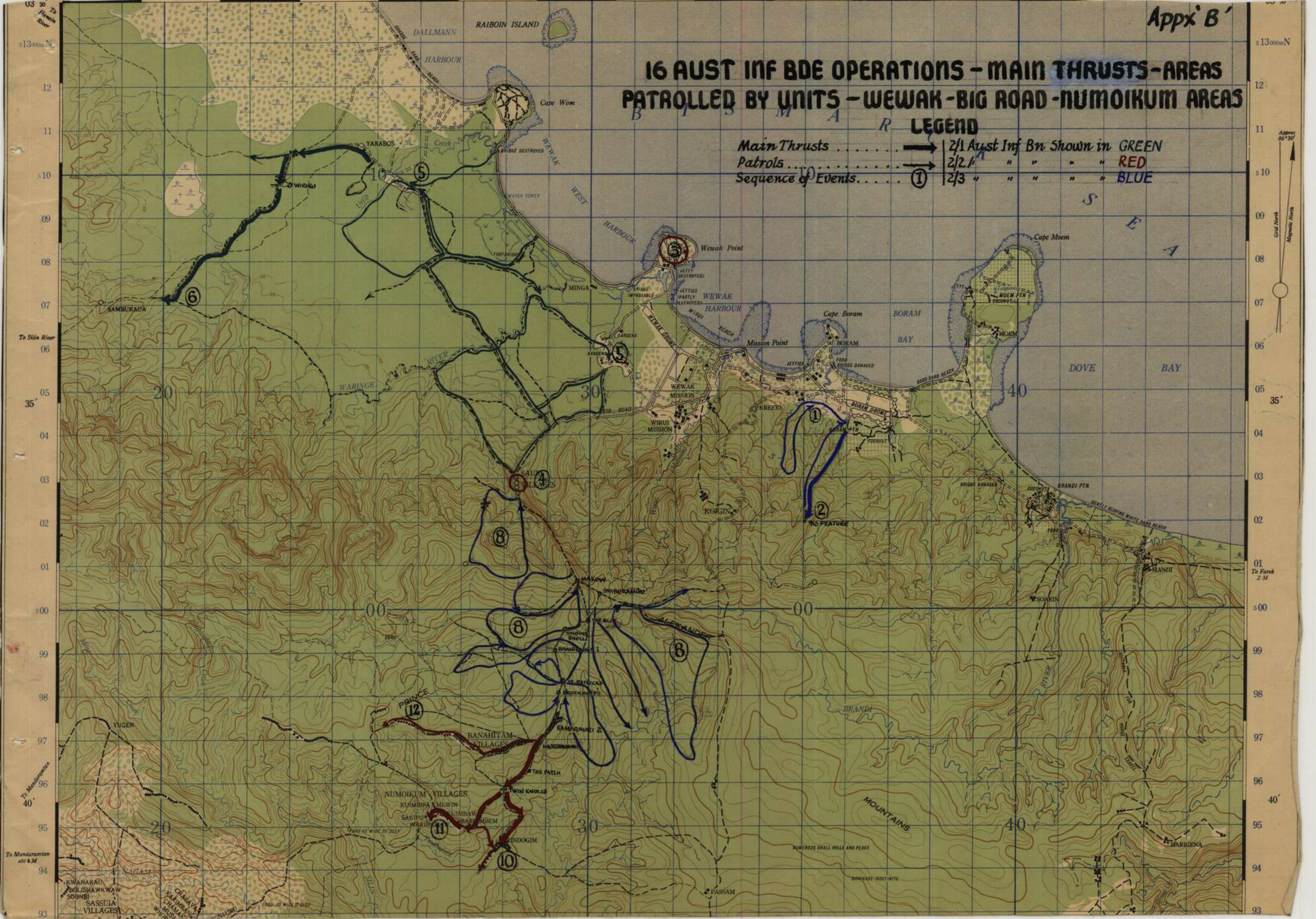
PHASE 8

8. 2 Aug - 10 Aug : 2/3 Aust Inf Bn's patrol activities in SHIBURABGU - HAMBRAURI areas.
9. 1 Aug : 2/2 Aust Inf Bn's initial advance from HAMBRAURI 2 and capture of TWIN KNOLLS.
10. 2 Aug - 4 Aug : D company 2/2 Aust Inf Bn's advance to and capture of RINDOGIM.
11. 2 Aug - 7 Aug : A company 2/2 Aust Inf Bn's advance to and capture of NUMOIKUM VILLAGES.
12. 2 Aug : 2/2 Aust Inf Bn's patrol activities on BANAHITAM RIDGE.

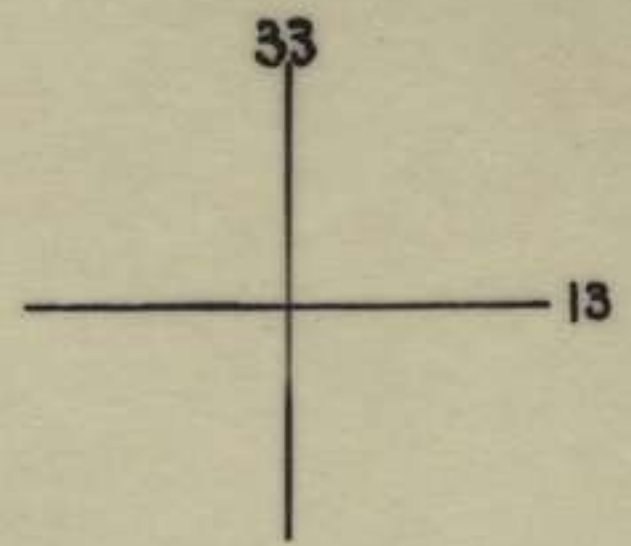
16 AUST INF BDE OPERATIONS - MAIN THRUSTS - AREAS PATROLLED BY UNITS - WEWAK - BIG ROAD - NUMOIKUM AREAS

LEGEND

Main Thrusts	→	2/1 Aust Inf Bn Shown in GREEN
Patrols	→	2/2 " " " " RED
Sequence of Events	①	2/3 " " " " BLUE



2/1 Less B&D



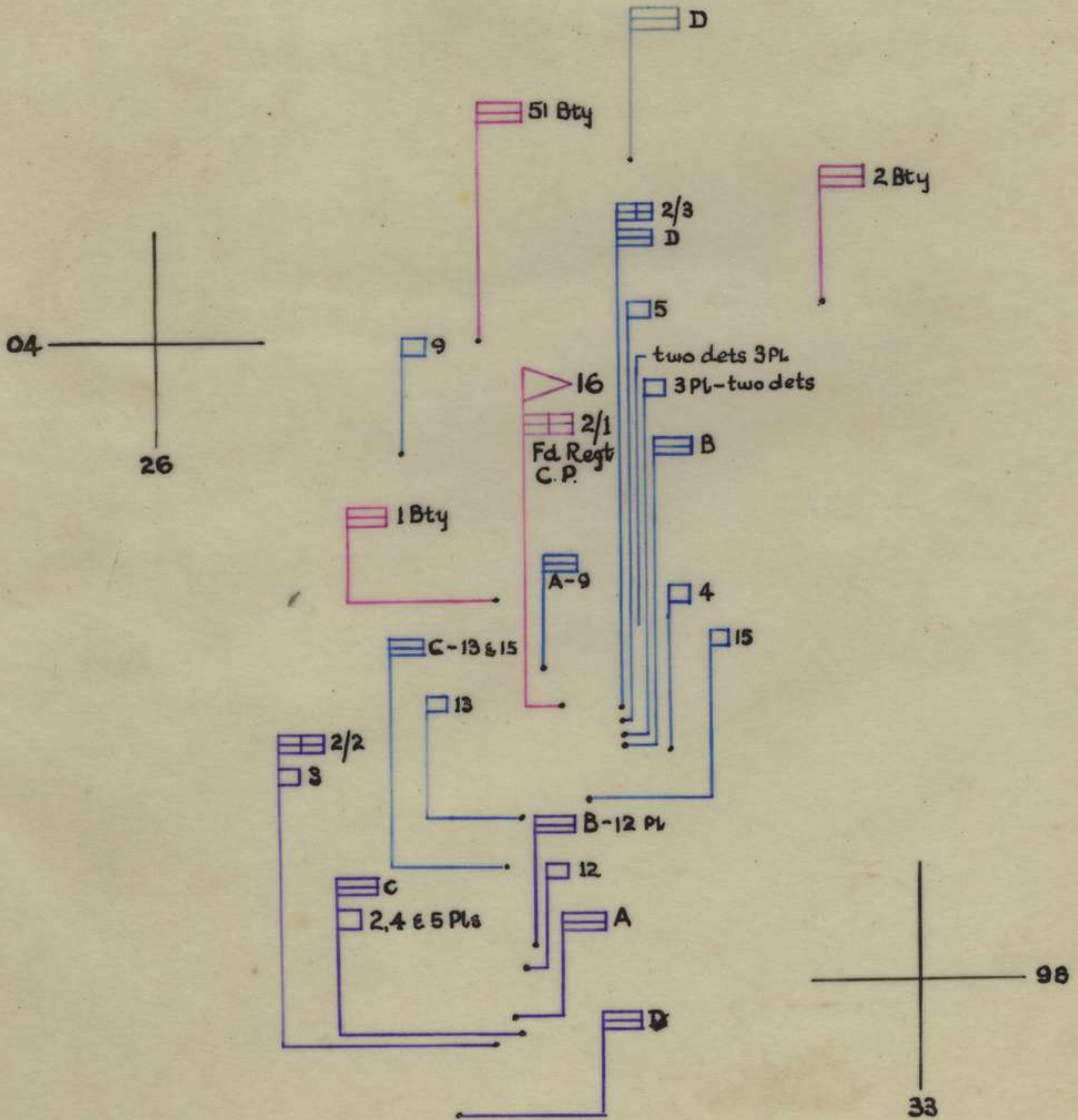
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To be superimposed on Map WEWAK 1 inch to 1 Mile

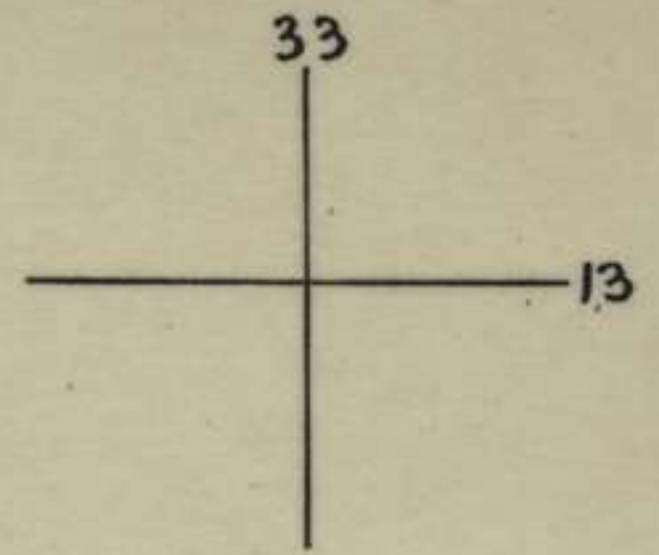
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LEGEND

- 2/1 Inf Bn GREEN
- 2/2 Inf Bn PURPLE
- 2/3 Inf Bn BLUE
- Supporting Arms RED



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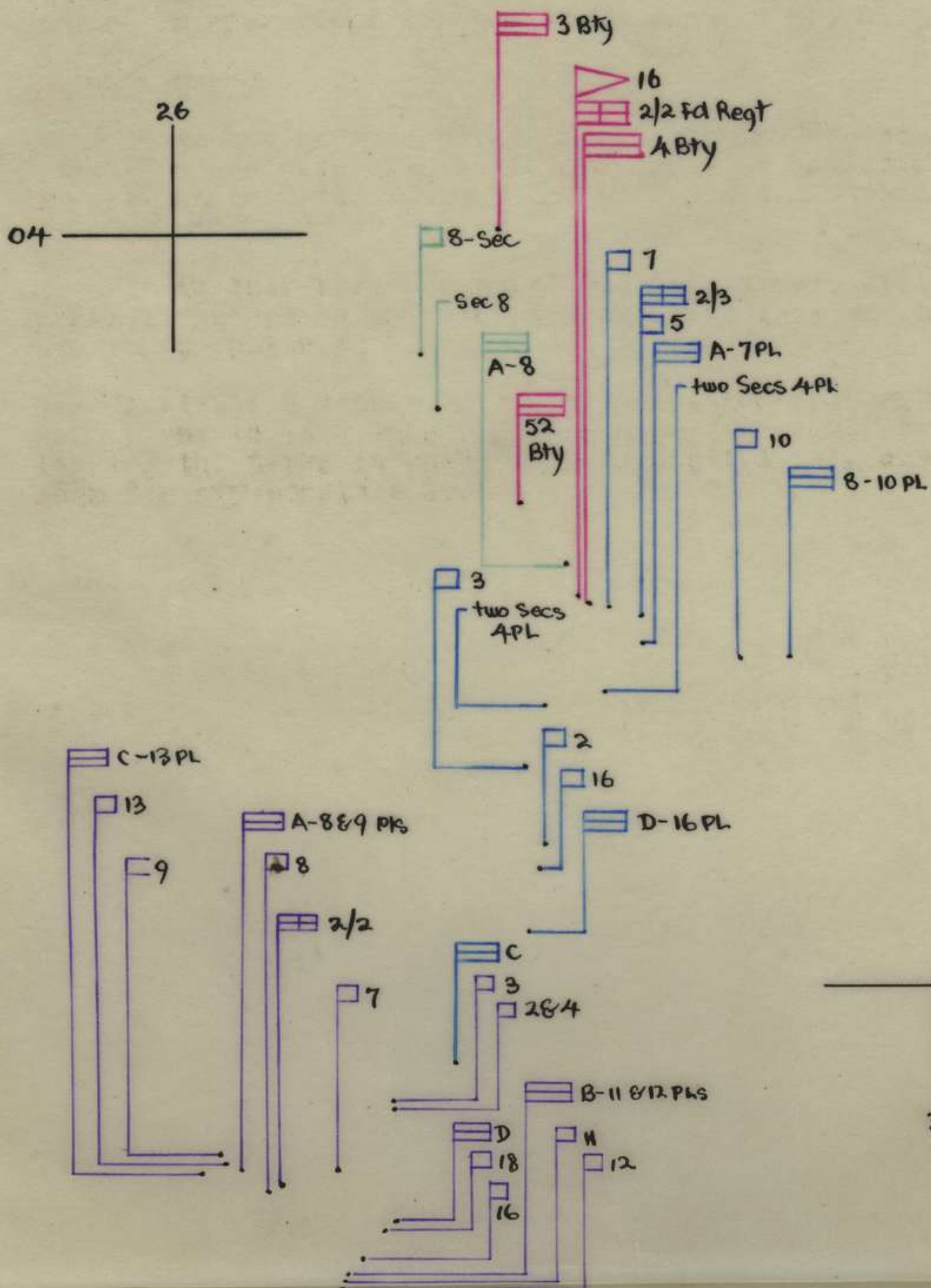


DISPOSNS 16 AUST INF BDE AT COMPLETION OF PHASE 8 ~ 15 AUG 45

Appx 'D' to 16 Aust Inf Bde Operation Report, Phase B
To be Superimposed on Map WEWAK Inch to 1 Mile

LEGEND

- 2/1 Inf Bn shown GREEN
- 2/2 Inf Bn " PURPLE
- 2/3 Inf Bn " BLUE
- Supporting Arms Shown. RED



PART II - LESSONS FROM OPERATIONS

The lessons enumerated in the operational report for period 23 Jan - 8 May 45 are also applicable to these subsequent operations. No further lessons can be given but once again the adherence to normal principles and the application of training to battle is stressed.

PART III - EQUIPMENT AND WEAPONS

Owen Sub Machine Gun

1. Throughout the operations the OSMG was the cause of a number of accidental casualties and in its present form is a very unsafe weapon. An uncocked weapon with change lever on safe will fire if the gun receives a jolt.
2. A suggested modification to overcome this disadvantage was submitted to 6 Aust Div in our report G 1281 of 14 April, and was further brought to notice in the brigade report on operations for period 23 Jan - 8 May 45.

Flame throwers

3. Instances have occurred of leakage from pressure tanks, in one case with serious results in operations. Investigation revealed that the pressure tanks were leaking at the check valve.
4. It is therefore essential that units have available pressure gauges as additional stores and that the tanks are tested prior to being used.
5. Australian tanks are roughly finished and are more prone to leak than American made tanks. Before issuing the tanks to units it is essential AEME check them for any possible leakage.

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