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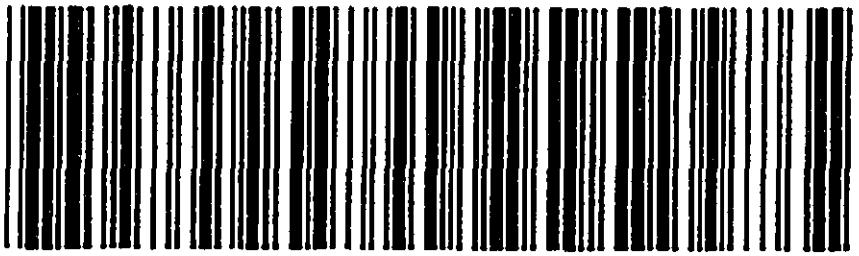
AIR LIAISON

3 Command Air Liaison Section (3 Comnd AL Sec)

March - September 1945



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ORIGINAL SECRET

3 Aust Comd AL Sec (AIF)
CS3/49/45.
8 Apr 45.

Subject: WAR DIARY - 1 MAR TO 31 MAR 45.

MEMO

CRTC NADZAB 1 Mar Capt. R. KENT marched into 3 Comd Sec to take over as ALO 43 Sqn Sec from Capt. NOBLETT as per copy of signal from 5 Aust Div held by Capt. KENT. No other intimation of his appointment received from any sources or information of the disposal of Capt. NOBLETT.

6 Mar G (Air) First Aust Army advised receipt of instructions from G (Air) Adv L.H.Q. for movement of 3 Comd Sec to MOROTAI for attachment to HQ XIII Bomber Command. OC and Sgt to proceed forthwith by aircraft. Driver/Batman to move with Section Equipment by sea under command 45 Aust AL Sec and 83 Wing RAAF.
OC 3 Comd Sec interviewed G (II) Air First Aust Army with the information that the Commanding Officer of CRTC requested departure of Section personnel to be deferred till 12 Mar pending the complete take-over of AL duties by Capt. KENT in view of depleted number and inexperience of ALOs available. It was further pointed out that no instructions had been received regarding relinquishing command and responsibility of remaining AL Secs. Also, there was still no information regarding disposal of Capt. NOBLETT. G (II) Air First Aust Army insisted on immediate move of Section. Matter was discussed with Staff Duties, who recommended deferred departure in view of the request of the Commanding Officer CRTC and the attendant circumstances. Recommendation ruled out by G(II) Air F.A.A. Departure set down for 10 Mar.

7 Mar Ground support mission on enemy positions in BUT area, BOSTONS and MITCHELLS engaged to rendezvous with BOOMERANG for lead-in. All aspects of mission successful.
HQ CRTC advised of departure of Section personnel. Arrangement made to hand over air liaison responsibilities to senior Sqn AL Sec pending further instructions from 2 Aust AL Group.
G (Air) First Aust Army recommended to G (Air) Adv L.H.Q. that remaining Secs be placed under the direct command of HQ 2 Aust AL Group.

8 Mar Commanding Officer CRTC requested BGS First Aust Army in telephone conversation to authorise deferred departure of 3 Comd AL Sec personnel till 15 Mar. Protest was made regarding CRTC crews engaged in operational support of First Aust Army ground troops being left with only two inexperienced ALOs instead of the original establishment of five. BGS on the recommendation of G (II) Air declined to accede to CRTC request.

9 Mar All air liaison responsibilities to CRTC handed over to Capt. KENT and 3 Comd AL Sec relinquished command of the remaining 26, 38 and 43 Sqn AL Secs (Capt. STRONG 26 Sqn AL Sec absent on A.R.L.).
No information yet received re disposal of Capt. NOBLETT. Section personnel to move by air marched into Details Depot LAE. Driver/Batman transferred to 45 AL Sec (4 Tac/R Sqn) for movement by sea with 83 Wing RAAF.

LAE	10 Mar	OC and Sgt departed LAE en route to XIII Bomber Command, MOROTAI, via Adv L.H.Q. HOLLANDIA. Arrived HOLLANDIA 1300 hrs and reported to G (Air) Adv. L.H.Q. Received outline of special duties at XIII Bomber Command in connection with projected 1 Corps operations from G (Air).
	11 Mar	Departed HOLLANDIA by courier plane and arrived at MOROTAI 1800 hrs.
XIII BomCom MOROTAI.	12 Mar	Marched in to XIII Bomber Command and set up operations centre in A-3 Section. Contacted Australian units, HQ Base Sub Area and representatives of Adv. L.H.Q. and 1st TAF RAAF.
	13 Mar	Investigated air component of XIII Air Force, especially Photo units. Rear HQ only of XIII Air Force remaining in MOROTAI area (Adv HQ at LEYTE) . Main aspect of initial duties of ALO to collate all information relevant to previous photographic coverage of BORNEO areas in preparation for arrival of 1 Corps planning team. Therefore HQ 12 P.I.D. (Photo Interpretation Detachment) contacted. This unit under command XIII Air Force controls all photographic coverage of XIII Air Force aircraft in MOROTAI area. The main operational units being 17 Ph/R Sqn and 2 Ph/Ch Sqn.
	14 Mar	Complete list compiled of photo coverages of areas of Aust interest from 12 P.I.D. and 2 Ph/Ch Sqn records.
	16 Mar	Instituted daily check of all XIII Bomb Com strike pictures and requested future distribution for 1 Aust Corps of prints and photo interpretation reports of all relevant areas. G (III) Air, Adv L.H.Q. arrived in area. List of BORNEO photo coverages available from 12 P.I.D. films handed to him for forwarding to FORELAND.
	17 Mar	OC attended function arranged by Colonel BRANDT, C.O. XIII Bomber Command for C in C, General BLAMEY; Lt-Gen HERRYMAN, Chief of Staff; Brig SECOMBE, DAQMG Adv L.H.Q.; Air Commodore COSBY, C.O. 1st TAF RAAF; Col. STIRLING, Chief of Staff XIII Air Force.
	19 Mar	OC attended function arranged by Colonel BRANDT, C.O. XIII Bomber Command for Group Capt. CALDWELL, RAAF, and Wing Cmdr RAINGER.
	22 Mar	Discussed operational photo requirements and allotment of air support with G (I) Air on his arrival at Adv. L.H.Q. Contacted remaining representatives of 347th Fighter Group and 42nd Bomb. Group (M) about to leave area for new base at PALAWAN regarding future attachment of ALOs as per Allied Air Force HQ communication AX 38601 of 1 Mar to HQ XIII Air Force.
	23 Mar	Arranged with 12 P.I.D. for distribution of annotated prints covering complete future sorties of BORNEO areas flown by XIII Air Force aircraft. Secured details of new method of bombing through overcast in conjunction with a smoke bombline. Also new type loading of 55 gal. drums for NAPALM bombing. Reports on both subjects prepared for Adv. L.H.Q. and HQ 1 Aust AL Group.
	25 Mar	Discussed photo coverage BORNEO area pending receipt of 1 Corps consolidated requests with Senior A-2 Officer XIII Bomber Comd, SIO Adv RAAF Comd and SIO 1st TAF RAAF. Discussed air allotment for operations with W/Cdr MUNRO, RAAF GHQ. Also chain of command down to Photo Sqns with necessary directive for prompt execution of photo requests. W/Cdr MUNRO advised that directive was already in transit.

XIII BOMCOM MOROTAI.

26 Mar — Contacted Chief of Staff Rear HQ XIII Air Force regarding possibility of securing additional photo coverage prior to arrival of the directive contained in the forthcoming GHQ xx air ops instruction. Chief of Staff agreed to all photo requests being placed by RAAF Comd direct with 12 PI.D. who exercise operational control of 2 Ph/Ch Sqn and 17 Ph/R Sqn. He further directed Capt. CRANE of 12 P.I.D. that 1 Aust Corps requests of OBOE 1 area being given first priority over all current commitments.
The above information was passed to Capt. BUTLER, Ops Officer of 2 Ph/Ch Sqn, who stated that the immediate execution of OBOE 1 coastal obliques (Area A) would be carried out by 2 Ph/Ch Sqn. He pointed out that under existing weather conditions it was advisable to secure the coastal runs irrespective of tidal conditions, but when requested by ALO, agreed to concentrate primarily on pictures at low tide. He stated that due to prevailing weather conditions complete prints could not be ready before 1 Apr. Capt. CRANE stated that Area B verticals of OBOE 1 area had already been allotted to 17 Ph/R Sqn and would be flown immediately.
The request for OBOE 2 verticals was placed with Capt. CRANE, who stated that it would be flown as soon as practicable after completion of OBOE 1 requests.
The number of prints required was increased to nine (9) to allow two copies for Adv HQ RAAF Comd.
S/Ldr BURR, SIO Adv HQ RAAF Comd, was introduced to all XIII Air Force officers concerned.

Secured complete annotated mosaic of TARAKAN and BALIKPAPAN and passed same to G (Int) 1 Aust Corps.

Composition of newly formed XIII Air Task Force passed to G (Air) Adv. L.H.Q.

27 Mar — NAPALM trial of new 55 gal. drum containers carried out over sea XIII Bomber Command area. Results very successful. Discussed with Lt.Col. A.P. FLEMING, Air Planning GHQ, and G (I) Air Adv L.H.Q. activities of XIII Bomber Command aircraft in forthcoming operations and pre-operational photographic coverage.

Endeavoured to secure from 12 P.I.D. some indication of commencement of photographic missions for 1 Corps requests. Difficult to obtain complete cooperation due to non-arrival of GHQ directive.

28 Mar — ALOs allotted to 307 Bomb Group (H) and other Sections staging en route to PALAWAN and ZAMBOANGA, were billetted with 307 Bomb. Group on their arrival from the mainland.

29 Mar — Checked with Adv RAAF Comd for arrival of Air Ops directive in order to expedite photo request but directive not yet received.
Approached C.O. XIII Bom Com to undertake portion of 1 Corps requests as aircraft available. C.O. instructed Senior A-2 Officer to allot aircraft of 17 Ph/R Sqn on first priority.

Introduced Colonel BRANDT, C.O. XIII Bom Com, to Maj-General WOOTTON, G.O.C. 9 Aust Div and 1 Aust Corps Planning Team. General WOOTTON attended XIII Bom Com daily briefing. Reported to Major WILLIAMS, G(II) Air 1 Aust Corps, on situation on Corps photo requests.

Photo mission of first TARAKAN runs set up for 31 Mar for 17 Ph/R Sqn by 12 P.I.D. Details discussed with C.O. 12 PI.D.

XIII BOM COM
MOROTAI.

30 Mar — Recommended to SIO Adv RAAF Comd that 12 P.I.D. be directed to retain all negatives of 1 Corps request missions at local HQ until a completion of ground operations in the area. On taking up with 12 P.I.D. they agreed to request their HQ at LEYTE for permission to do this.

Arranged strike on TARAKAN oil wells for 1 Apr. Suggested shipyards at TARAKAN SANDAKAN as secondary target.

31 Mar — With 1 Corps HQ ready to function, instituted regular despatch of complete information features to G (Air) including consolidated XIII Bom Com mission report, Field order, P.I. reports and strike pictures.

Revised lay-out of 1 Corps Photo requests in order of priority and handed copies to 12 P.I.D. and A-2 XIII BOM COM.

TARAKAN strike cancelled by HQ XIII Air Force.

Major
OC 3 Aust Comd AL Sec (AIF)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

15/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/4/1945 3 Aust Comd A.L. Sec (Unit)

W.E. 11/3D/1. OFFRS. 1 O.R's 2 + OFFRS. — O.R's. — ATT. BY W.E.

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

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

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

DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.		1									1
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).

3 Aust Comd A L Sec (AIF) Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/4/1945 (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.
Capt (T/Maj)	VX104376	CRAIG	D.R	O.C. 3 Aust Comd A.L. Sec	Yes		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.

14 Apr 45
Date of Despatch

D.R. Craig MAJ.
Signature of Commander

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

15145 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/4/1945. 3 Aust Comd A.L. Sec (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 111/3D/1. OFFRS. 1 O.R's 2 + OFFRS. — O.R's — ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arms or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.					
				W.Os. Class II.					
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
			1	Sergeants					
				Corporals					
			1	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
•			2•	Totals of cols. marked • should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		•			•

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

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

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 18 Years.	C.M.F. 18 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	• •	TOTAL.
A		2						[redacted]	[redacted]		2
B(1)											
B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong

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

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

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

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

3 Aust Comd A.L. Sec (AIF) Unit

Army Form W.3009 (Adapted) (Page 2) (Revised Jan., 1943.)

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 14/4/1945.

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering			
Surveyors, R.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			

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WAR DIARY - 1 APRIL to 30 APRIL 1945

3 AUST COMD AIR LIAISON SEC. AIF

Attchd to XIII Bomber Command MOROTAI.

1 Apr Tidal Time Table for east coast of BORNEO secured and distributed to Adv LHQ, 1 Corps and 1 AL Group.

2 Apr 17 Photo Reconnaissance Sqn verticals of TARAKAN ex 1 Corps requests secured, checked and delivered to G I (Int) 1 Corps.
ALO arranged with A2 XIII Bom Com to co-ordinate all 1 Corps Photo requests via Adv RAAF Comd through A2 instead of direct with 12 PID.
Checked and delivered 2 F.C.S. obliques and verticals of TARAKAN to G I (Int) 1 Corps.
G.O.C. 9 Aust Div rang and thanked C.O. XIII Bom Com for TARAKAN pictures.

3 Apr ALO conference at Adv RAAF Comd and briefing by C.O. on Air Liaison job in CBCE 1 operations.
Prints of JAVA photo coverage to G (Air) 1 Corps.

4 Apr Prints and of photo runs areas "C" and "D" checked and delivered to 1 Corps.
ALO introduced B.G.S. 1 Corps, who attended XIII Bom Com daily conference, to C.O. XIII Bom Com.

5 Apr ALO arranged meeting of Photo Interp personnel of 1 Corps and XIII Bom Com.
ALO arranged special oblique photos run on BALIKPAPAN for 1 Corps.
Preparing daily extracts Mission Reports PALAWAN-based aircraft for 1 Corps.

6 Apr ALO prepared review of all enemy air attacks in LEYTE operations (in relation to CBCE 1 Ops) and forwarded to G (Air) 1 Corps.
A2 Section XIII Bom Com instructed 307 Bomb. Group not to permit 307 Bomb. Group ALOs to phone mission reports to 1 Corps. ALO 3 Comd Sec discussed matter with A2, and matter was adjusted.

7 Apr Report on Wind Characteristics for CBCE 1 Area around end of April, in connection with smoke laying, prepared by ALO for 1 Aust Corps.
Pte. MILES, L.A., Driver/Batman, marched in from CRTC, NADZAB.

8 Apr ALO discussed aspects of smoke laying operation for CBCE 1 with Chemical Warfare personnel of XIII Bom Com. These latter to prepare technical details for conference at RAAF Comd prior to rehearsal.
Visit to Section by G I (Int) and G III (Air) 1 Corps.
ALO attended function arranged by C.O. XIII Bom Com for Air Vice Marshall BOSTOCK, A.O.C. Adv RAAF Comd.

9 Apr BALIKPAPAN obliques checked and delivered to G (Air) 1 Corps.

10 Apr ALO secured special prints for 1 Corps of CBCE 1 photo run made for General MACARTHUR.
Mis-X information on JAVA secured and passed to XIII Bom Com.
ALO attended Court of Inquiry on stolen pistol.
ALO arranged for Major HUTTON, G II (Int) Adv LHQ to lecture at XIII Bom Com Daily Conference.
Arranged daily preparation of AAF air activity for G (Air) Adv LHQ.
ALO and I.O. 77 Wing RAAF visited Section.

11 Apr Further CBCE 1 photo requests received from 9 Aust Div. Reprints and new flights mixed on same request forms. No priority stated with relation to existing requests. Several separate quantities ordered on same flight in the one request.
Reprints difficult to obtain and Army requests late. Negatives go on to LEYTE. Essential reprint requests be made same day as first runs received. All details forwarded to G (Air) 1 Aust Corps.

Still no GHQ directive on AF responsibility for securing photos.
2 Photo Charting Sqn under WASHINGTON orders will cooperate only as favour.

Attchd to XIII Bomber Command MOROTAI.

12 Apr ALO briefed Ops personnel of 2 Photo Charting Sqn and 17 Photo Recce Sqn for TARAKAN photo runs.
Photo conference with G (Air) 1 Corps and 9 Div - Requests from 9 Div not being edited by 1 Corps or RAAF Comd before forwarding to ALO for execution - New flights and reprint requests on same sheet - Reprint quantities not consolidated - small numbers of same run ordered separately for different purposes.

13 Apr SANDAKAN photo run to 1 Corps.
A-2 XIII Bom Com refuses reprints of special photo runs. ALO pointed out that if selected reprints not forthcoming, necessary to make future requests for maximum number of entire run, resulting in much unnecessary processing. A-2 agreed to reprints.

14 Apr Receipt of Target Indication series maps 1:50000 TARAKAN area. System unfamiliar to U.S. Air Crews and suggested that sudden switch would be unsuccessful and that old air support photos be used.

15 Apr Discovered that reprint requests not forwarded to 12 P.I.D. by XIII Bom Com A-2. Recovered same and ascertained negatives now forwarded to LEYTE. ALO reported to G (Air) 1 Corps and Adv RAAF Comd. Suggested unofficial visit to HQ 12 P.I.D. with XIII Air Force, LEYTE to bring back completed requests. Adv RAAF Comd approved of ALO's unofficial mission under own arrangements.

16 Apr ALO arrived LEYTE and presented requests for 1 Corps reprints to CO. 12 P.I.D. attached to HQ XIII Air Force. Arranged to be completed by Wednesday morning to bring back personally.
ALO discussed holding of BORNEO negatives at MOROTAI until 1 Aust Corps reprint requests complete. C.O. 12 P.I.D. agreed to signal MOROTAI attachment giving permission for negatives to be held in the area for four days after first rush sets forwarded.

17 Apr ALO discussed with C.O. 12 P.I.D. question of flying further requests in new areas, and arrangements made to co-ordinate Aust requests with current Air Force program for prompt execution.
ALO investigated location of negatives of CBCE 6 Area, required for planning. Not known at 12 P.I.D.

18 Apr ALO secured completed 1 Aust Corps reprints, and arranged for prompt execution of future requests.
ALO returned to MOROTAI, and delivered prints to G (Air) 1 Aust Corps.

19 Apr Copy of 12 P.I.D. instructions to MOROTAI Detachment received authorising holding of BORNEO negatives at MOROTAI as arranged.
Final arrangements made with 12 P.I.D. MOROTAI.
G (Air) 1 Corps advised that requests for reprints to be placed with HQ Adv RAAF Comd 12 hours after receipt of original runs.
ALO checked location of negatives of 1 Corps requests of CBCE 6 area again with Rear 12 P.I.D., who suggested positives may be held by FEAF Lab, HOLLANDIA. Radioed FEAF, LEYTE for authority to secure prints.

21 Apr ALO inspected 38 Photo Recce Sqn pictures of DJUEATA-BATOE (TARAKAN) run yesterday. Useless due to cloud coverage. Arranged to re-run tomorrow.

22 Apr Delivered remaining TARAKAN coastal obliques to G (Air) 1 Corps.
Photo aircraft weathered out of TARAKAN verticals. Further aircraft not available for three days. Details reported to G III (Air) 9 Div, who stated that pictures would be too late for purpose, and advised mission to be cancelled.

23 Apr ALO ascertained details of loading of convoy for 6 U.S. Combat Camera Unit, and cameramen taken to loading points.
ALO took G I (Air) Adv LHQ on inspection of B29 Superfortresses (F13) staging through MOROTAI from GUAM.

Attchd to XIII Bomber Command MIROTAI.

24 Apr ALO requested direction on early photo requests of CBCE 2 Area from G (Air) 1 Corps, who advised situation at present under revision.

26 Apr Commencement of preliminary bombing of CBCE 1 Area. Final mission reports do not reach Corps by radio from PALAWAN-based aircraft till following morning. Arranged to ring in-flight messages from Strike aircraft to Corps immediately on receipt. Request received from 1 Corps for copy and reprints of mosaic of CBCE 6 Area pending commencement of operation of 1 Aust Svy Coy. Arranged for delivery of prints for 27 Apr.

27 Apr Reply received from FEAF, LEYTE granting authority for print reproduction at FEAF Lab HOLLANDIA, but advised Unit due to move and prints of CBCE 6 Area not available till 10 May. Requested 2 Photo Charting Sqn to signal 2 Photo Charting Sqn Lab HOLLANDIA to contact FEAF Lab and endeavour obtain prints prior to move. A.I.B. made requests for bombing of BORNEO targets. Advised them to refer to HQ Adv RAAF Comd.

D.R. Craig

Major

OC 3 Aust Comd AL Sec AIF.

SECRET

WAR DIARY - 1 MAY to 31 MAY 1945

3 AUST COMD AIR LIAISON SEC

Attchd to 13th Bomber Command MOROTAI.

3 May — Visit to Sec by Lt-Col LOVETT, C/I RAAF School of Army Co-op, who was given an outline of 13th Bom Com role in OBOE 1 operations.

4 May — Request received from A.I.B. for strikes on targets notified by their BORNEO patrols. Copies of information forwarded to ALO's 4 Comd AL Sec and 58 Sqn AL Sec, of PALAWAN and ZAMBOANGA respectively, with request for engagement, if not as primaries, as secondaries for OBOE strikes or negative fighter and shipping sweeps.

6 May — Recommended to G (Air) Adv L.H.Q. that ALO be posted to 5th Bomb. Group (H) based at SAMAR, which will be supporting OBOE operations.

7 May — Briefed B-29 (Superfortress) crews on JAVA escape procedure for photo missions to SOERABAJA. Aircraft staging through MOROTAI from GUAM.

10 May — Details ofbombs in use by U.S. aircraft in this theatre furnished to 1 Aust Corps for bomb disposal unit. ALO Conference at Group HQ and details of OBOE 6 operation announced.

17 May — Request for support strike on enemy positions G. API TARAKAN. Message incl map references garbled. To ensure accuracy of strike and safety of own troops original message followed by later repeat may be warranted.

18 May — Copies of 13th Bom Com Target Inidcator photos to G (Air) Adv L.H.Q., 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust AL Group with this Comd Sec Brief Sheet for direct support strike on TARAKAN. G (Air) Adv. L.H.Q. requested similar documents for future strikes to be sent to C.I. R.A.A.F. School of Army Co-op.
Requests received for direct support strike on TARAKAN for 19 May - area of target given only in general and no bombline, troop limits or time over target stated in request up till 182200I. Arranged with strike unit to send one aircraft twenty minutes ahead of strike to contact Ground Control if no further information received by time of take-off.

22 May — ALO 307th Bomb. Group enquired regarding possibility of avoiding night take-offs on strikes in support of troops TARAKAN. Instructed him to point out to Group operations that due to long time of flight, night take-off cannot be avoided as : (a) in TARAKAN area cloud coverage is too low by 1000 hrs daily for medium level bombing, and (b) when the strike is co-ordinated with attack by ground troops, if the TOT is late in the day, troops do not have time to complete attack and consolidate before dark.

23 May — On direct support strike at TARAKAN yesterday B24s dropped 100 lb NAPALM bombs. Auster recce plane reports these did not have effective fire coverage. On investigation it appears that the 100 lb bomb has an insufficiently large napalm concentration to be effective in jungle areas and is primarily intended for use on buildings, or open positions.

Attchd to 13th Bomber Command MOROTAI.	23 May	NNapalm containers, such as 165 gallon belly tanks and 55 gallon drums, are more generally effective.
	24 May	Direct support targets have been invariably changed by Air Support Party on TARAKAN less than an hour or so before take-off. Further confusion added by request signals being despatched on wrong transmission priority and being unaccountably delayed. Many messages also garbled or lacking sufficient information. ALO 19 Sqn AL Sec suggesteddaily air alerts over TARAKAN. ALO 3 Comd AL Sec discussed matter with 13th Bom Com, suggesting that Adv TAF RAAF at TARAKAN merely request number of aircraft on alert ~~xxx~~ at specified time, ~~xxxxx~~ latest information regarding target and troop positions to be passed by ground control to aircraft when over target. 13th Bom Com favourable providing that worthwhile alternative targets are available. Matter recommendedto I Aust Corps and I Aust AL Group.
	26 May	Conference Adv RAAF Comd - present Asst SASO, A2 & A3 representatives 13th Bom Com, A3 13th Air Force, Representatives Naval Task Group 78, ALO 3 Comd Sec. Discussed OBOE 2 preliminary Air Plan. SASO also approved TARAKAN air alert suggestions and RAAF Liberator co-operation on direct support strikes. Both ~~xx~~ of which matters he implemented himself.
	27 May	Report to G(Air) I Aust Corps on results of U.S. Bomb Nose Fuse T29~~xx~~ for air burst. Considered unsuitable. New form of air request for aircraft on air alert received from Air Support Section TARAKAN. All details correct as suggested. ALO discussed air support OBOE 2 Operation with G III (Air) 7 Aust Div. Section Jeep, Army No. 155330 transferred to 34 Aust Sqn AL Sec as per I Aust Corps Instruction ~~xx~~ G 130. RAAF Comd personnel and 7 Aust Div Planning Team at 13th Bomb Command briefing.

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OC 3 Aust Comd AL Sec (AIF)

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Unit 3 Aust Comd A.L. Sec Date and Time.—From 1 Jun To 30 Jun 1945

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Attached to HQ 13th Bomber Comd U.S. Air Force MOROTAI	1-8 Jun		Routine operational duties.	[illegible]
	9 Jun		O.C. Major D.R. Craig posted to RAAF WAR STAFF COURSE No 8 and Major W.H. Harper posted O.C. ex RAAF WAR STAFF COURSE No 7	
			Section received instructions from 1 Aust AL Group to move to 1 TAF RAAF REAR - MOROTAI.	
			QX 6317 Capt. D.G. May-Wilkie attached from 42 Aust Sqn AL Sec to administer command pending arrival of O.C. from mainland.	[illegible]
Attached to 1 TAF RAAF REAR MOROTAI	10-24 Jun		General liaison duties	[illegible]
	25 Jun		Embarked "WESTRALIA" for BALIKPAPAN - Attached to No 3 Air Support Section 1 TAF RAAF for OBOE 2 Operation	[illegible]
	26-30 Jun		at sea.	[illegible]

D. May-Wilkie Capt.

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit 3 Aust Comd A. L. Sec. Date and Time.—From 1 July '45 To 31 July '45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BALIKPAPAN	1 July	1100 I	Section landed BALIKPAPAN "F" Day "H" hour plus 2 hours.	
			Temporarily located in Army/Air HQ area (7 Div, CP 1st TAF RAAF),	
			pending arrival of Air Support Section	
	2 "		Section joined RAAF Air Support Section under command 7 Div, O.C.	
			providing close liaison with G III (Air) 7 Div in coordinating requests for air support.	
	3 "		Lt. Col. CAPE (G I (AIR) Landops), Major DEERHAM (~~[illegible]~~) Capt GILL (G III (AIR) Landops)	
			arrived in area as observers.	
	4-11 "		Section continued to function with Air Support Section which was controlling	
			Air support in area.	
	12 "		7 Div HQ moved to new area and section remained with A.S. Section	
			and C.P. 1st TAF RAAF O.C. continuing in a liaison capacity.	
	15 "		NX 107758 Major W. HARPER arrived to relieve QX 6317 Capt D.G. MAY-WILKIE	
			who had been administering command.	
	24 "		Capt. D.G. MAY-WILKIE returned to 1 Aust AL Group	
			Throughout period close liaison was maintained between G III (AIR)	
			7 Div, Air Support Sec in support 7 Div & C.P. 1st TAF RAAF.	

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

20 AS (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 29/1/194- 3 Aust Corps AL Sec (Unit)

W.E. 11½/22½ OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 2 + OFFRS. — O.R's. — ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.					
				W.Os. Class II.					
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
			1	Sergeants					
				Corporals					
			1	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
*			2*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		*			*

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

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 30 U.K. Forces. 10 N.E. Forces.

Detail	A.T.P.	C.M.P. Under 18 Years	C.M.P. 18 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	2									
A	2						[redacted]	[redacted]		2
B(1)										
B(2)						[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong

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

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

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

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

3 Aust Corps AL Sec Unit

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. 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				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Stores				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				Shorehorse			
Compositors								Riggers				Stokers, Stnly. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Airmen				Signarticers				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identin. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bdy. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Valeniners			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erecters			
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)				Drivers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Searchers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway (Sigs)				Hatchman				Butchers				Cpl Clerk	1	1	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks				Cpl Storeman	1	1	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Survey)				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, Examiner				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, M.T.							
Painter, Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Messers				Driver Tpts. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Musicians				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.	2	2	-

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 detailed show details on back.
(d) Where replacements not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reinfts. Required."
(e) Where any request or decision is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

28 Jan 45
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday [illegible]/[illegible]/194[illegible] [illegible] (Unit)

W.E. [illegible] OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 2 + OFFRS. — O.R's. — ATT. BY W.E.

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

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

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

DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.		[illegible]									
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.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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).

[illegible] Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday [illegible]/[illegible]/194[illegible] (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.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		

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.

[illegible] Jul. 45
Date of Despatch

[illegible]
Signature of Commander

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit 3 Aust Comd AL Sec (A.I.F.) Date and Time.—From 1 Aug 45 To 31 Aug 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BALIKPAPAN Attchd to 79 Wing RAAF	1-6 Aug		General liaison duties.	
	7-11 Aug		Following instructions from 1 Aust Corps, Section embarked BALIKPAPAN 7th Aug arriving MOROTAI 11 Aug. and attached 11 Group RAAF.	
MOROTAI Attchd to No 11 Group RAAF.	12-20 Aug		General liaison duties.	
			NK 107758 Major W.H. HARPER received advice of discharge to industry.	
	21 Aug.		Major HARPER marched out to G.D.D. for movement to Australia.	
			TX 6113 Capt. TURNER, H.J., marched in from 58 Aust Sqn AL Sec to administer command of 3 Comd AL Sec.	
	22-31 Aug		General liaison duties.	

H. Turner Capt
O.C. 3 Aust. Comd. A.L. Sec. A.I.F.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

3L/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25/8/1945 26 Gen A.L.Sec (Unit)

W.E. 1/1/3/2 OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 2 + OFFRS. — O.R's. — ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.					
				W.Os. Class II.					
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
			1	Sergeants					
				Corporals					
			1	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
*			2 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	*	*			*

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

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

Detail		A.T.S.	C.M.P. Under 18 Years.	C.M.P. 18 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.M.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	1	1						[redacted]	[redacted]		2
B(1)											
B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
		*	

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

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

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

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

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

[illegible]/[illegible] (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday [illegible]/[illegible]/194[illegible] [illegible] (Unit)

W.E. [illegible]/[illegible]/[illegible]. OFFRS. [illegible] O.R's [illegible] + OFFRS. — O.R's — ATT. BY W.E.

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

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

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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

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

..... Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 21 / 6 /1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinf. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinf. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinf. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinf. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Asstn.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, H.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 Instrumental				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Ropemakers			
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				Shrouderers			
Compositors								Riggers				Slaters, Slate. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Slatesmen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identin. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd'rs. 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)				Drivers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Equipment)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				[illegible]	1	1	—
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				[illegible]	1	1	—
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concreters							
Mechanics, Radio				Linemen				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Linemen, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Kinescope				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, M.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Mattresses				Driver Tptr. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Reads, I.C.							
Photostatter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Asstn.				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.	2	2	—

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is required give details on back.
(b) Authorized 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. "Reinf. 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.

25 Aug 45
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday [illegible]/9/194[illegible] (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.

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

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Unit 3 Aust Comd. A. L. Sec. A.I.F. Date and Time.—From 1st Sep. 1945 To 30th Sep. 1945

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Attd. to 11 Group RAAF MOROTAI	1 to 9 Sep		Routine liaison duties.	
	10 Sep		A.L.O. interrogated crew of Japanese aircraft which arrived at MOROTAI to return Lt. General TESHIMA (G.O.C. 2nd Jap. Army) to PINRANG. Information was obtained on serviceability of and facilities available at Japanese airstrips in the CELEBES and HALMAHERAS.	
	12 Sep		A.L.O. briefed crews of Japanese aircraft for the movement of Lt. General TESHIMA from MOROTAI to PINRANG. Crews were also briefed on landing and strip procedure for any other Japanese aircraft which may have to land at MOROTAI.	
	13 to 19 Sep		General routine liaison.	
	20 Sep		A.L.O. to represent RAAF at C. of S. daily conference at Adv. L.H.Q.	
	21 to 30 Sep		General routine liaison.	

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