

**AWM52**  
**2nd Australian Imperial Force and**  
**Commonwealth Military Forces unit war**  
**diaries, 1939-45 War**

Item number: 8/3/27

2/27 Infantry Battalion

July 1945, Operation "Oboe Two",  
Additional material, part 1 of 3

all  
 Naval Bombardment

F. Q's C Coy & one Pl D Coy disembark  
 from HMAS. WESTRALIA.

0812

Two planes overhead bombing beach.  
 Heavy Naval bombardment continues

0900

A & B Coys ~~are~~ land

0906

H Q land.

0910

CO to U.I.O.

0915

B Coy complete Phase 3. Bde notified

0920

B Coy clear spur 3

0925

B Coy report NO fire from ENEMY

0935

B Coy enquire about fire on their right flank

0940

A Coy pushing to ROTTNEST. NO opp.

0945

CO to Bde. B Coy landed YELLOW BEACH  
 pushed in too far to left. Pls  
 moving across to SPUR 4.

1000

A Coy report. We are on saddle 300' SOUTH  
 one Pl striking scattered opposition  
 CO to Brig. re situation.

1010

A Coy moving onto ROTTNEST

CO pushes C Coy across MUSTER FLAT  
 to secure STALKOEDO.

~~B Coy ~~is~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~area~~~~

1010

ROTTNEST captured and 6" Coastal Gun  
 captured.

1 July

011020 Brig contacts CO on SPUR 1.  
 1025 A Coy consolidation ROTTNEST. One sec on CHARLIE SPUR.  
 1035 C Coy strike isolated from but are pushing on  
 1045 CO orders all Coys to lay A/C Panels. Line to be laid to A & B Coys.  
 1120 CO orders D Coy Comd to report to H.Q.  
 1130 JAPS suicide on SPUR 3  
 1145 CO orders D Coy to remain this side of KLANDANSAN RIVER. C Coy to cross river. CC to B Coy, re situation. B Coy to consolidate. C Coy report on first spur with very light cas. B Coy report have NOT contacted A Coys. Two dead JAPS shot by A Coy. searched and papers and personal effects taken back to Bde. One of the JAPS after being wounded committed suicide with grenade. C Coy occupy CHARLIE SPUR and two Plo are fighting at RD June. C.O. orders them NOT to proceed any further, after clearing it. Bde notified of capture CHARLIE SPUR. C Coy report on spur.  
 1200 CO to A Coy. Re situation.  
 1230 CO to D Coy Comd. D Coy report C Coy cleared EAST OF CHARLIE SPUR.  
 1255 RD JUNE C Coy will consolidate CHARLIE SPUR. D Coy to move back and clear stray JAPS from SPURS 2 & 3, who are firing on our HQ.  
 1300 CO to C Coy. C Coy report ENEMY MG Post 150 yds from RD JUNE. CO orders him to attack with M3 rifle.

1 JULY

SHEET 3

TIME	MESSAGE
011310	Line laid to all Cays.
1315	Gen McArthur, Lt Gen Marshead come ashore
1320	and part a rally on Big Dougherty at 21 Bde HQ A Cay Patrol report see above C.O. on phone to May Lms asking if he can pin point enemy MG firing on their front.
1340	Patrol to investigate.
1420	A Cay Patrol report see above Brig visits BN HQ
1427	Brig on phone enquiring 2/16 Bn location.
1430	C.O. & Adj fwd to C. Cay, to prepare attack on feature fwd of Rd June. C.O. informed that Cav have recd fwd. C.O. postponed attack awaiting info from 2/5 Cav.
1445	B Cay reports Lt Pudney wounded.
1450	Bde informs that 2/14 Bn will attack KING feature, NOT before 1630I.
1454	May Richalls to 21 Bde re stand to & stand down & password.
1510	Brig goes fwd to CHARLIE SPUR.
1520	C Cay to consolidate on CHARLIE SPUR for night with in sp 2 det's M3" & 1 sec MMGS
1525	May Richalls orders C & B Cays to return their abt engs & Bns to this HQ.
1535	Brig to 2/16 Bn. Brig requests an strike on MALANG & PIGEON features at 1600I.
1545	C.O. informs I.O. that he is on way to A Cay A Cay informs. Brig contacts C.O. & moved on to A. Cay to inspect 6" Coastal Gun captured by A Cay.
1548	Stand to tonight 1830I to 1930I
	" " morning 0530I to daylight.
1600	A, B & C Cays notified of yesterday's offshooting their despatches, required at Bde HQ by 1600I
1604	D Cay in posn 601599. A Cay trace to land.
1608	I.O. to BM. 2/16 Bn to have first call on all up arms. Brig going fwd to ROTTNEST.

1 JULY 45

SHEET 4

TIME	MESSAGE
011620	Brig & Col Pickett arrive at A Cay HQ.
1645	A.D.S. 2/6 Hd Amb opens VASEY HIGHWAY 602596 at 011540Z.
1658	C&D Coy overlays of dispositions.
1700	Sitreps from A & B Coys.
1715	Reported carriers between ROTTNEST & RAVENSHOE features fired on by enemy from vicinity KING feature.
1745	B Coy SITREP and overlay.
1746	C.O. arrives back at BN HQ.
1750	See patrol from 18 pl. report re-entrants RIGHT of ROTTNEST clear of enemy.
1800	SITREP. to 21 Bde.
1840	B Coy attacked by 20 japs. Cas enemy 6 K.I.A. own 1 K.I.A. Bde notified all Coys uniform.
1900	B Coy reports japs who attacked were trying to escape from a tunnel near store ahead.
1943	All Coys notified that sitreps are required at 10 mins to each hour throughout night.
2039	B Coy reports one naked jap killed while trying to escape from tunnel.
2048	SITREP, all Coys. Bde informed.
	21 Bde message. Water pts spring 61145973 two scoops No javians. WELL at 597594 five scoops NO " VASEY HIGHWAY clear for jeeps 400 yds beyond KLANDASAN BESAR.

2135

A B C & D Coys sitrep report everything O.K.  
Bde. notified.

2150

A and C Coys sitrep report everything O.K.  
Major Nicholls speaks to a C Coy officer  
regarding their patrol to the bridge  
between C Coy and 2/14 Bn.

2205

B and D Coys sitrep report sitnorm.  
Brigade notified

2255

3. sitrep patrol contacted 2/14 at Bridge & they  
have a standing patrol there

2257

2 sitnor

2310

1 "

2320

4 " (Brigade notified)

2330

21 Bde message

2350

3 sitnor 124. all OK. Brigade notified.

Overlay FIRE PLAN from A Coy.

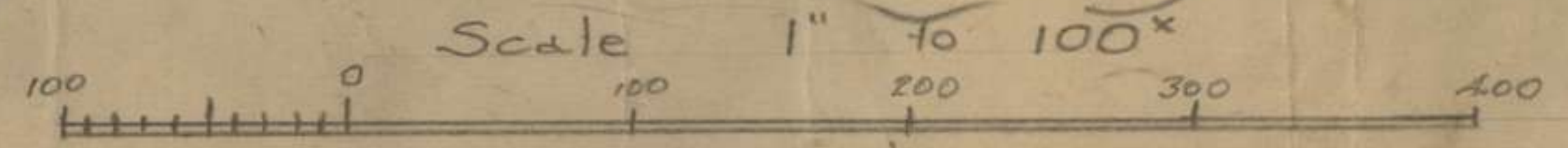
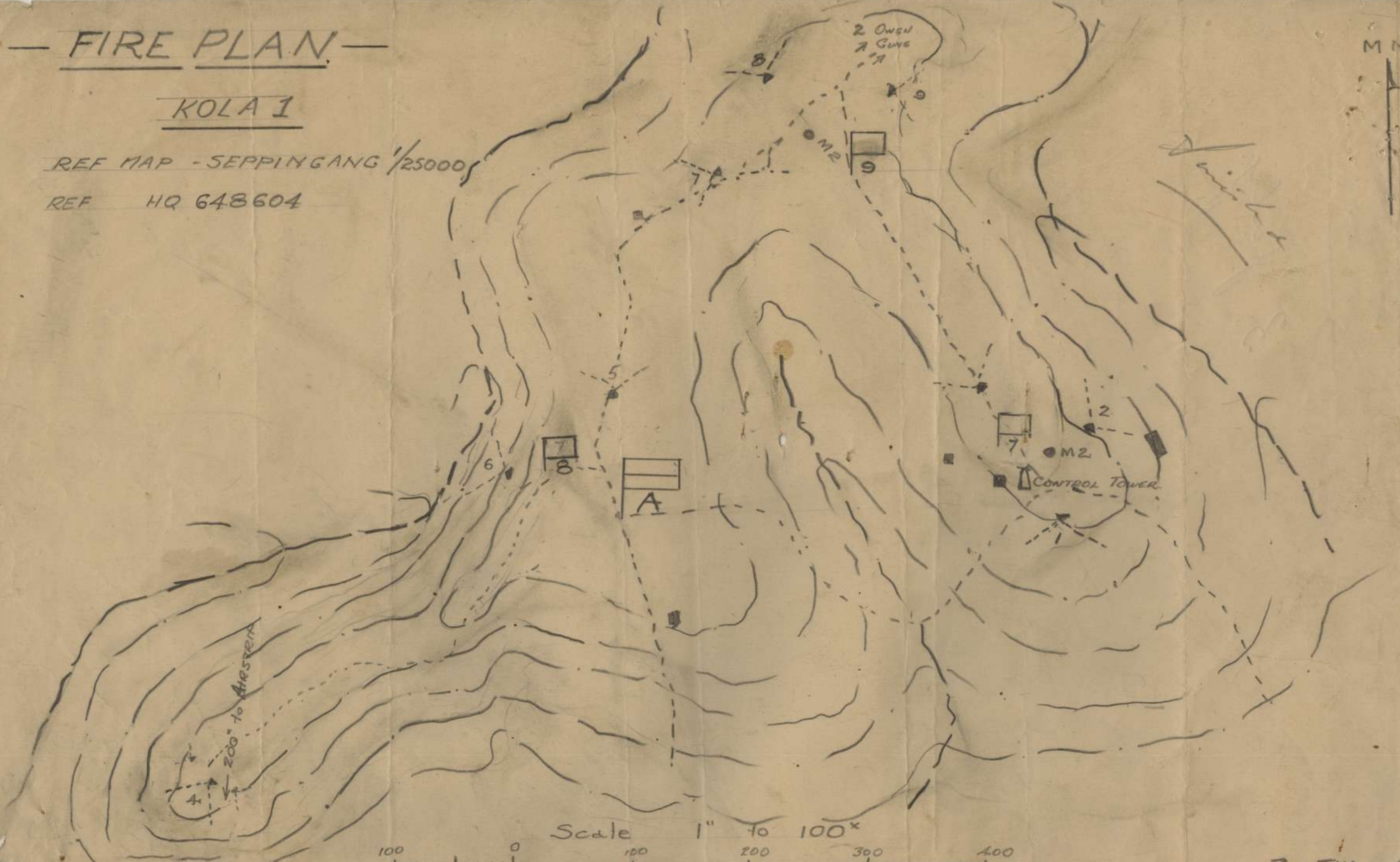
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FIRE PLAN

KOLA 1

REF MAP - SEPPINGANG 1/25000

REF HQ 648604



V I 10'

METHOD - COMPASS & PACING  
TIME TAKEN 2 HOURS

3 JUL 45

# FIRE PLAN KOLA 1

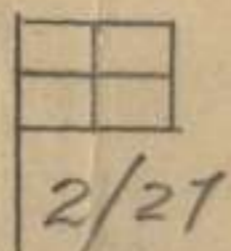
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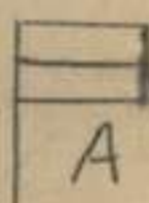
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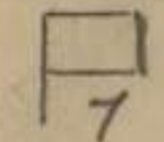
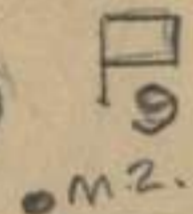
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M.G PLATOON



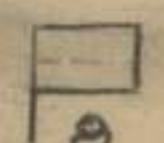
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M.2.

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Scale 1" to 50' (approx)

V.I 10' (approx)

TIME TAKEN 3/4 HR

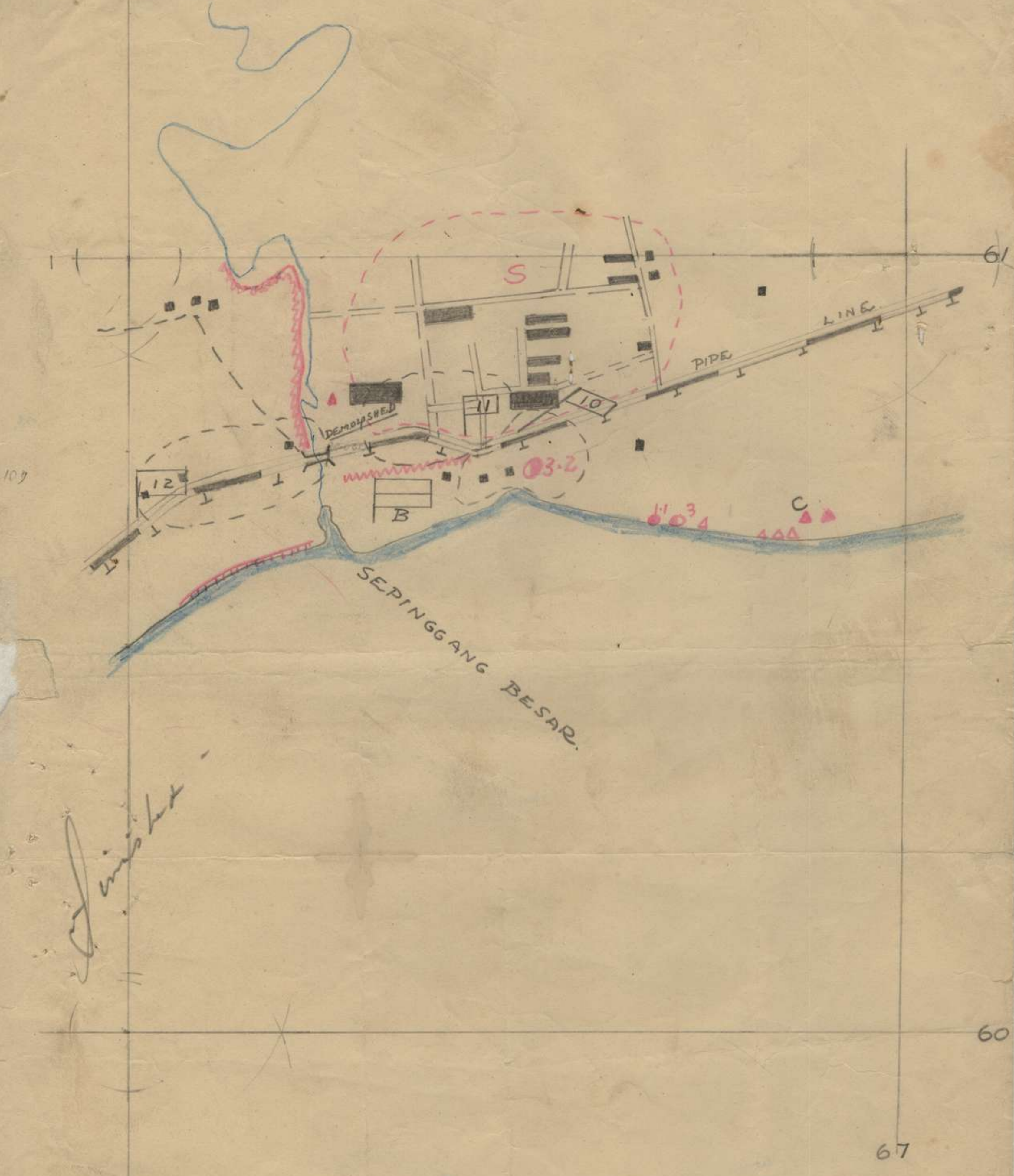




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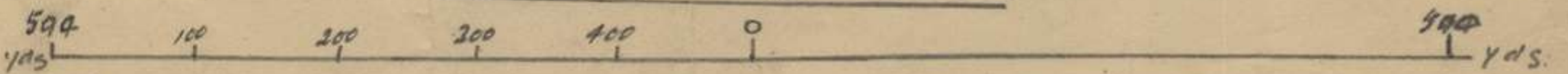
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RF 1:6250



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SCALE 1" TO 174 YDS



TIME TAKEN. 1/2 HRS

INT SEC

KOWA

3<sup>rd</sup> JULY 45

7 Pl. Patrol Report

Recon patrol

NCO and 2 men

1 July 45

Balikpapan 1:25000

ref. 601602

Object What enemy activity can you find on EAST slope of the main spur running NORTH by ROTTNEST.

Answer No enemy or posts found.  
Note Pl had previously been fired on features KING & FLEAY

Patrol bound Epl BRIDGE

Time out 1315 hrs

Time in 1340 hrs

Route out from 601602 due WEST

to creek thence S.W. along

creek to about 20' contour.

thence direct up slope to 601602

Obs (both sides) NIL

219 Patrol Report

Rice patrol.

NCO and 4 men

1 July 45

BALIKPAPAN

1:25000

ref 601602.

Object Are there any enemy on  
feature LARK?

Answer NO.  
Patrol bound. t/c FRENCH

Time Out 1230 hrs

Time In 1315 hrs

Route out. From 601602 along  
spur and saddle to LARK

Route in From LARK Bank  
along SOUTH Slope of LARK spur

Obs (both sides) Nil.

Note Patrol fired on by own  
troops. After return of patrol  
attack launched on feature  
from ROMILLY

Patrol Report

7 PL

Recd patrol

1 Opn. 4 OR's.

2 Nov 43.?

2 JULY

Ref Map BALIK PAPAN.

Object To clear LARK feature.

Answer - No enemy seen.

Patrol Comd. Lt Dunman

Time out 0815 hrs

Time In 0900 hrs.

Route out Direct along spur to LARK

Route In S.W. along spur towards

THRUSA feature thence around  
re. entrench towards ROTWEST.

casualties out nil.

enemy nil.

Dunman Lt.

Note Enemy patrol sighted on LARK  
feature immediately below own  
position - we fired on party  
and had only temporary

Casualties in return. ~~There~~  
Examination of bodies shows  
1 off and 6 OR's killed  
1 OR wounded during night  
also - evacuated alive.

① On July 1, 7 Aust Div landed at Balikpapan on a three Battalion front. 2/27 Aust Inf L the assault Bn of 2/1 Aust Inf Bde was designed to land on Green Beach but was actually landed on Yellow Beach.

② ~~These two features were the objectives~~  
B Coy had then captured their objectives as planned.

③ Hotnest was the planned objective of A Coy.

④ With the capture of Charlie Spur the 2/27 Aust Inf Bn had completed the task assigned for the plan for F day in operation OBOE Tn/O.

15A

WAR DIARY

OBOE TWO

F DAY - 1 JULY 45 ( Cont)

15 pl moved to left of rd as res pl.

Coy pushed fwd - 14 pl held up on lower slopes of CHARLIE SPUR by two JAPS in a bunker posn - 1 man KIA.

13 pl continued adv and gained high ground KNOLL 605602. 14 pl fired at slit in bunker whilst grenades were hurled into the posn. The ENEMY was wiped out and pl advanced and captured CHARLIE SPUR.

15

15 pl then moved EAST down CHARLIE SPUR to clear NE slopes and rd junc area. They came under fire from an ENEMY post on EAST end of CHARLIE SPUR. 2 JAPS attempted to get away but both were killed - our cas 1 wounded. When CHARLIE SPUR had been cleared 13 pl pushed down the NORTH slopes towards "Huts and Garden Area" 608601 but were held up by ENEMY fire from this area and also LMG and MMG fire from KING. Pl withdrew onto CHARLIE SPUR. 14 pl with two tanks in support then moved fwd and cleared Hut and Garden Area. One JAP with incendiary <sup>had to be body</sup> was killed whilst attempting to creep on tank. The ENEMY had withdrawn ~~back~~ to KING feature. ENEMY fire from 2 LMG and 3 MMG held up further advance as tanks could NOT cross A/Tk ditch and difficult terrain. Pl then withdrew <sup>completely</sup> on CHARLIE SPUR. Plans were made to mortar KING and FLEANY but were NOT carried out as a Cav patrol moved into area. C Coy consolidated on CHARLIE SPUR.

(4)

At approx 1300I D Coy less 18 pl moved back from CHARLIE SPUR and ~~we~~ searched all spurs and reentrants in the beachhead area for JAP stragglers with NIL results. D Coy established a defensive posn on the high ground between A and B Coys. 18 pl less one sec standing patrol were recalled from AUSTER FLAT and took up a posn on SPUR 1 connecting BnHQ and the remainder of D Coy.

Meanwhile stores were being unloaded and landed and the roads were being cleared; B Ech was established in 21 Bde Unit Stores Area.

During the afternoon the Bn dug defensive posns for the night and sent out short local patrols. A Coy on ROTTNESST patrolled fwd and contacted 2/16 Bn on RAVENSHOE.

The Brig and CO inspected the Coy areas and passed on to the troops the happenings on the Div front and the results achieved during the day.

At 1840I a party <sup>of (est strength 20)</sup> of ~~20~~ JAPS attempted to escape from tunnels on left flank of B Coy in the direction of ROTTNESST. B Coy opened fire and <sup>reported</sup> killed 6 JAPS for the loss of one of our own men. <sup>the fire fight continued until dark and</sup> <sup>at first light the following morning revealed 20 lay dead.</sup>

Throughout the night C Coy maintained contact patrols with 2/14 Bn standing patrol on Br over KLANDASAN RIVER.

ENEMY CASUALTIES 31 KIA 1 PW  
OWN CASUALTIES 2 KIA 1 offr and 7 ORs wounded

On July 1, 7th Div ~~landed at~~ <sup>landed at</sup> Bulabul  
on a ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~ballater~~ <sup>ballater</sup> ~~foot~~ <sup>foot</sup>.

~~2/27 B~~ ~~designed to~~ ~~land~~ ~~at~~ <sup>assault</sup> ~~on~~ ~~our~~ ~~Green~~ ~~Bank~~  
~~the~~ ~~beach~~ ~~for~~ ~~21~~ ~~Boys~~ ~~was~~ ~~actually~~ ~~landed~~ ~~a~~ ~~yellow~~ ~~beach~~.

1st Coy continued to advance and gained light ground...  
at slit in bunker whilst grenades were hurled into the open...  
wiped out and advanced and captured CHAMBERLAIN...  
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During the afternoon the 1st Coy defended the area...  
out effort local patrol. A Coy on ROT WEST patrolled and contacted...  
The 1st and 2nd Coy inspected the Coy area and passed on to the troops the...  
happenings on the 1st front and the results achieved during the day...  
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Throughout the night 1st Coy maintained contact...  
standing patrol on 1st over the area...

HEAVY CASUALTIES TO KIA 1st DIV  
OWN CASUALTIES KIA 1st DIV AND 7th DIV WOUNDED



WAR DIARY

OBOE TWO

F DAY - JULY 1 1945

*over*  
\* ① On July 1 2/27 Bn landed on YELLOW BEACH BALIKPAPAN as right flank unit of the assaulting force - 7 Aust Div

Units of US NAVY RAN and DUTCH NAVY carried out pre F day bombardment and also a prearranged bombardment programme from H - 120 to H plus 10

Aircraft from 13 US Airforce RAAF and from carriers provided strategic and close sp bombing of the objective area.

*Two U.S. teams*  
A det of UDT <sup>teams</sup> blew gaps in the offshore obstacles and checked <sup>the</sup> shore for mines.

Carried ashore in LVTs B Coy on the left linked with 2/12 Bn. A Coy was on the right with 18 pl D Coy on the extreme right to provide flank protection to the two assault Coys.

*Five minutes before H hour*  
At 0855I the assault wave hit the beach and disembarked from the LVTs. The Coys quickly moved inland whilst forming up into battle formation.

B Coy with 11 pl on the left, 12 pl on the right and 10 pl in reserve were NOT able to keep contact with 2/12 Bn. 11 pl and 12 pl advanced rapidly inland against very light opposition and by 0920 had occupied RATION - an objective of 2/12 Bn. 10 pl and Coy HQ swung further to the EAST and by 0920 had cleared SPUR 4 and occupied ROMILLY. B Coy HQ was established on SPUR 3. Wireless comms within the Coy were NOT good and B Coy HQ could NOT contact the fwd pls on RATION. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

*up to*  
A Coy assaulted with 8 pl on the left 7 pl on the right and 9 pl in res. 8 pl moved inland keeping contact with 12 pl B Coy and without meeting serious opposition occupied RATION in conjunction with 11 pl and 12 pl

7 pl landing near WILMOTH'S CK swung to the EAST and advanced up SPUR 2. 9 pl followed quickly and cleared SPUR 3 and linked with 7 pl. Driving inland to ROTTNEST 7 pl contacted ENEMY in the reentrant between SPUR 2 and SPUR 1 and also on the upper slopes of SPUR 1. After a short sharp action the ENEMY fled in disorder and the adv continued. At 1010I the capture of ROTTNEST was accomplished. ③

2/27 Bn held a line from RATION to ROMILLY and ROTTNEST and had established the beachhead as planned.

18 pl D Coy providing right flank protection drove along the shore line to the mouth of the KLANDASAN RIVER without meeting any opposition. A standing patrol of one sec was established here and the remainder of the pl moved NORTH to the Pipeline. At this point the pl came under fire from an ENEMY posn on STALKOEDO - the pl halted.

D Coy less 18 pl landed in the support wave at F plus 3 and pending the clarification of the situation of A and B Coys were held in reserve.

17 pl then cleared SPUR 1 and a Knoll at 604599 - there was slight opposition on SPUR 1 but the posn was quickly cleared.

16 pl moved SOUTH of SPUR 1 and then passed through 17 pl by 1030I and cleared the area on C SPUR between ROTTNEST and Knoll 605602. A 4 man JAP post was quickly liquidated without any cas to our own tps.

*Charlie Spur*  
BnHQ had by this time established on SPUR 1

The pls on RATION had repulsed several ENEMY counter attacks and at 1100 were relieved by 2/12 Bn and then rejoined their Coys in the ROTTNEST ROMILLY area

*along line of Yellow Highway*  
At 1025I C Coy, moving left of road, attacked CHARLIE SPUR - 14 pl fwd, 15 pl right rear right of road, 13 pl left rear left of road. When 300 yds from CHARLIE SPUR came under ENEMY fire 4 wounded, one of whom remained on duty. 13 pl moved to left flank and level with 14 pl with task of gaining high ground on CHARLIE SPUR to assist 14 pl fwd

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D. Coy

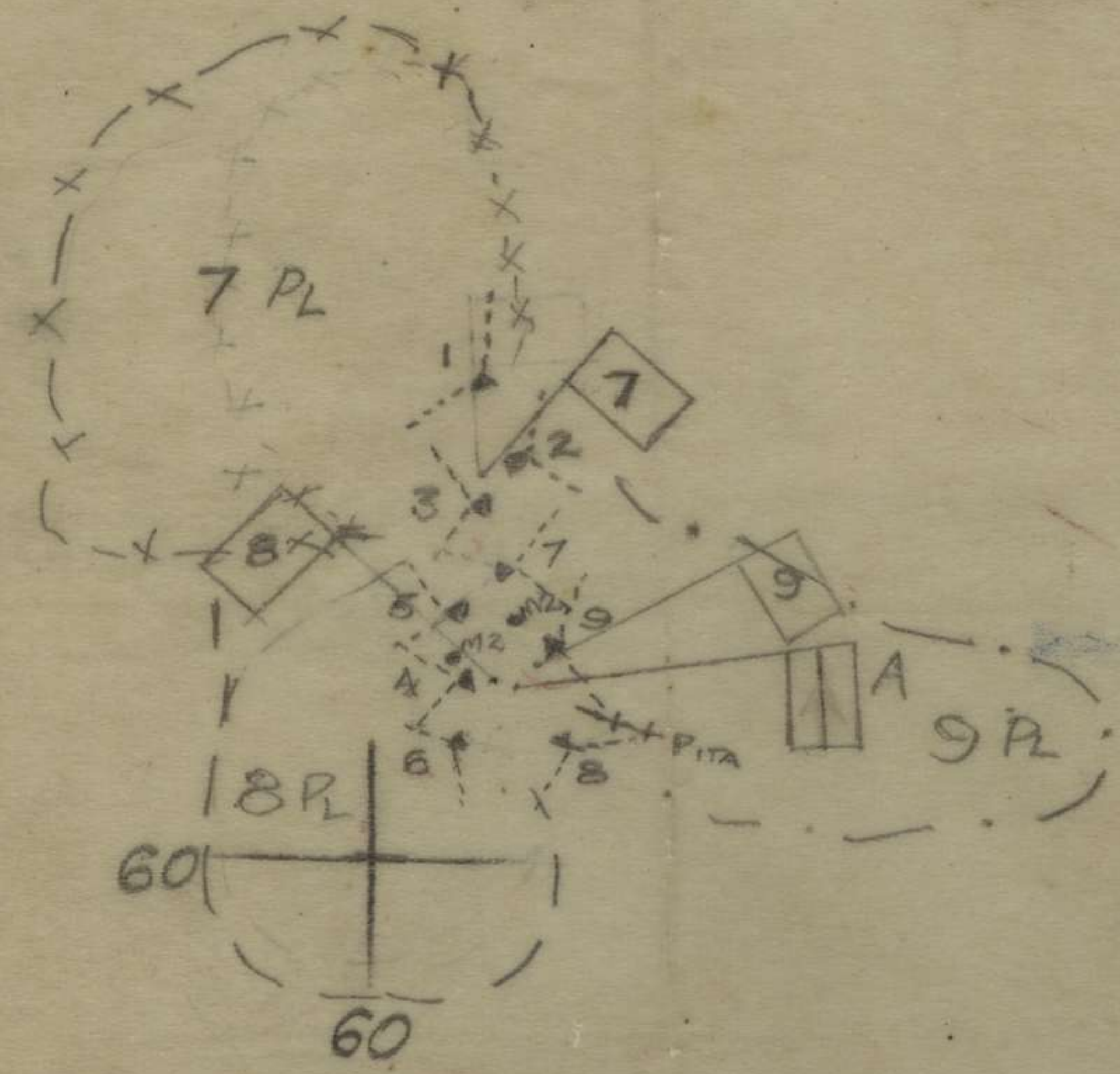
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KOLA 1

OVERLAY FIRE PLAN

BALIKPAPAN 1:10000



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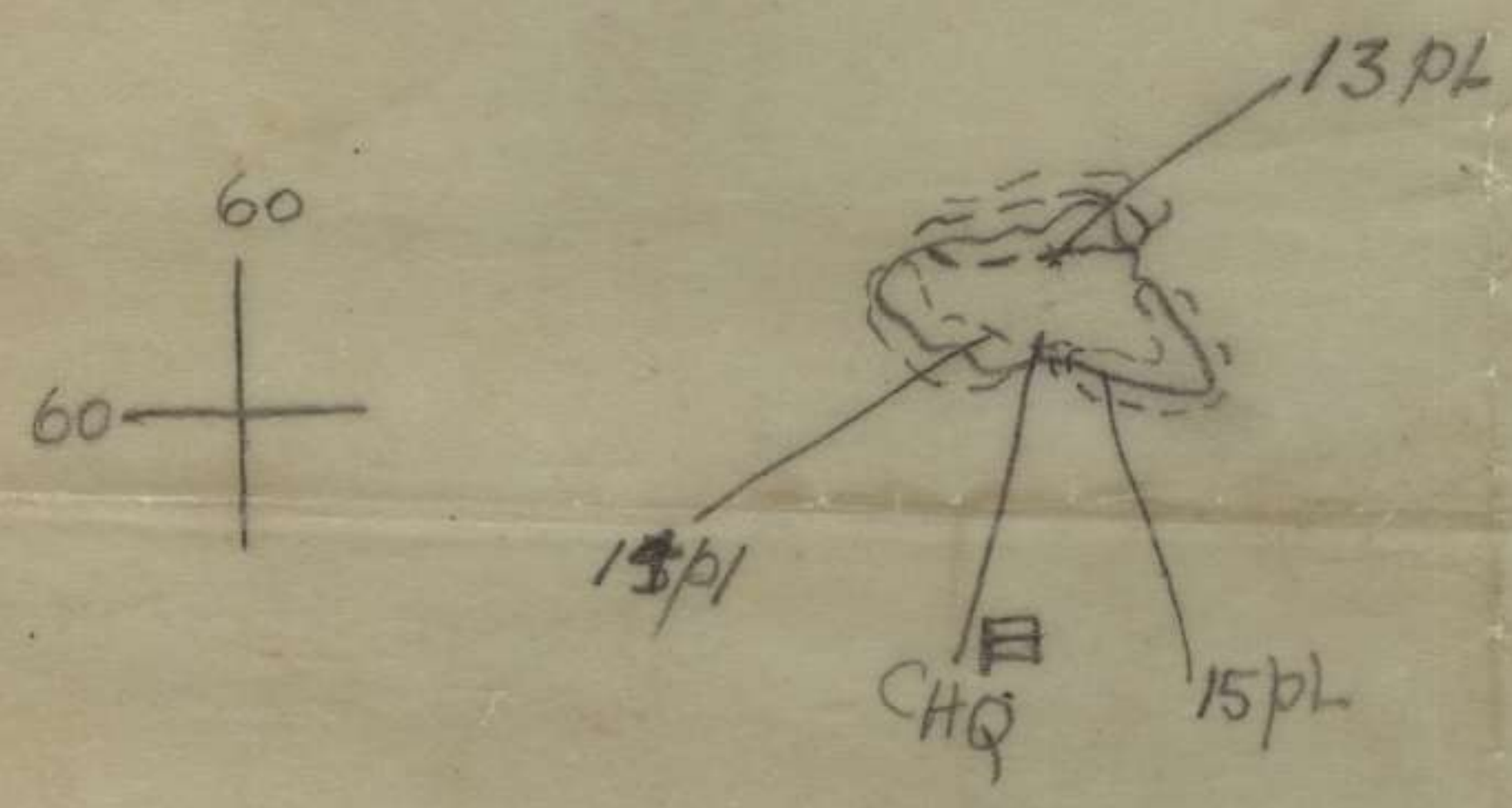
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# C COY DISPOSITIONS

OVER LAY

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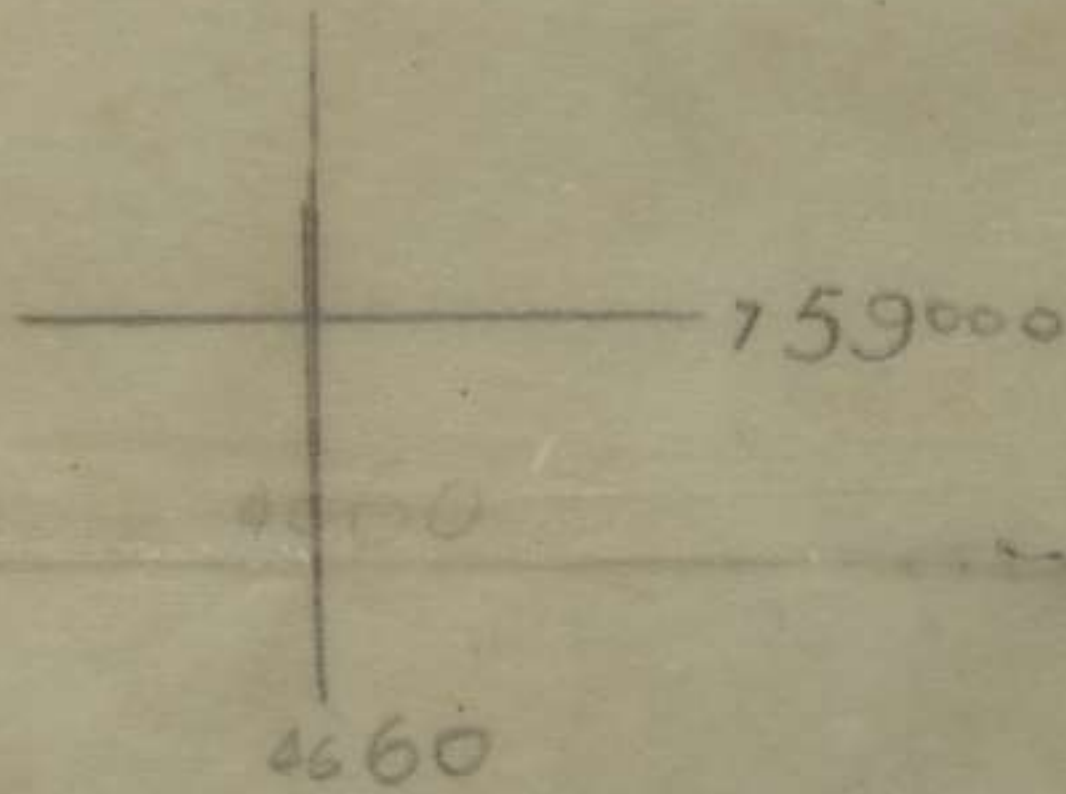
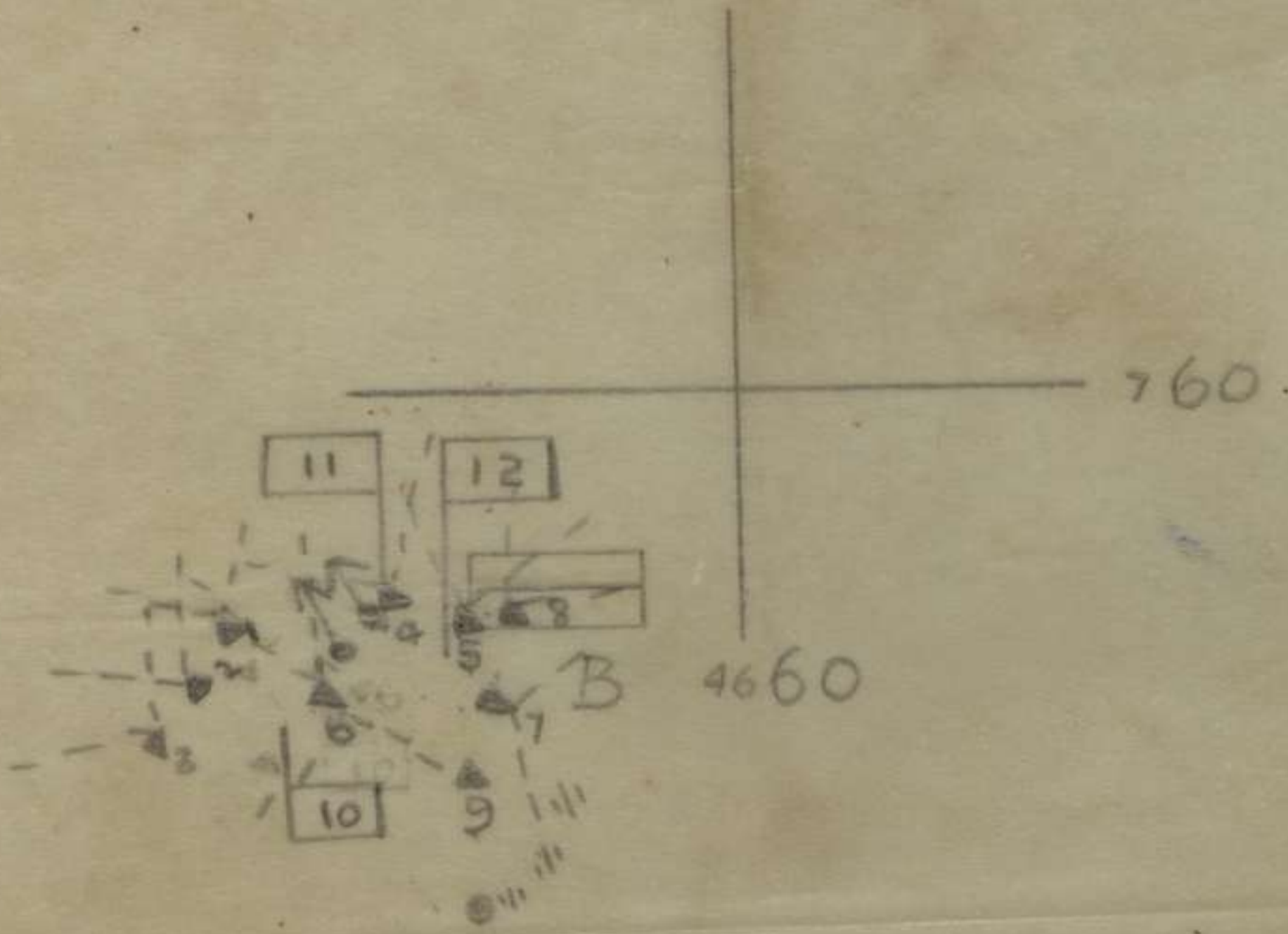
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BCOV DISPOSITIONS

REF MAP BAKIPARAN 1:10000

Ref ROMILLY

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INT SEC

3/27Bn

1 JULY 1945

TIME TAKEN 1/2 hr.

METHOD EYE

VISIBILITY GOOD

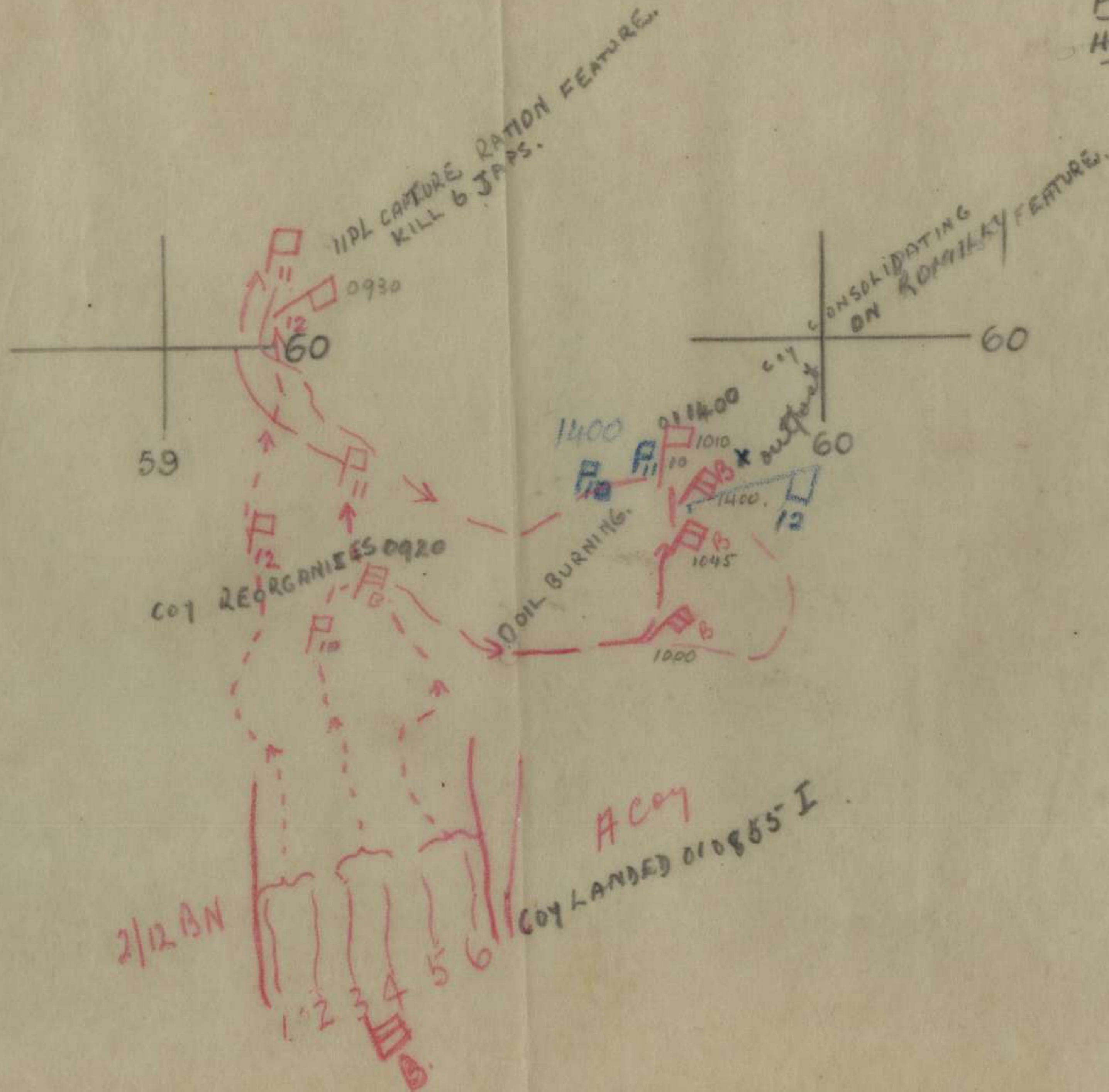
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Overlay  
B. Coy Activities F. Day 1st July.

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F DAY  
H Hour

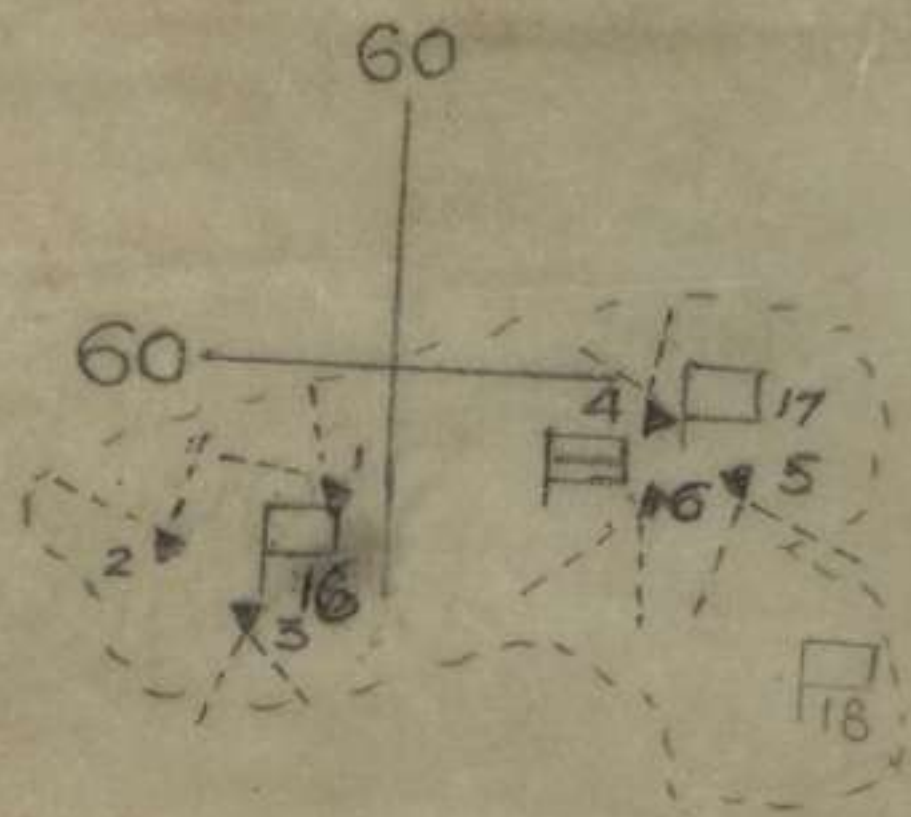
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OVERLAY

- KOLA 4 DISPOSITIONS -

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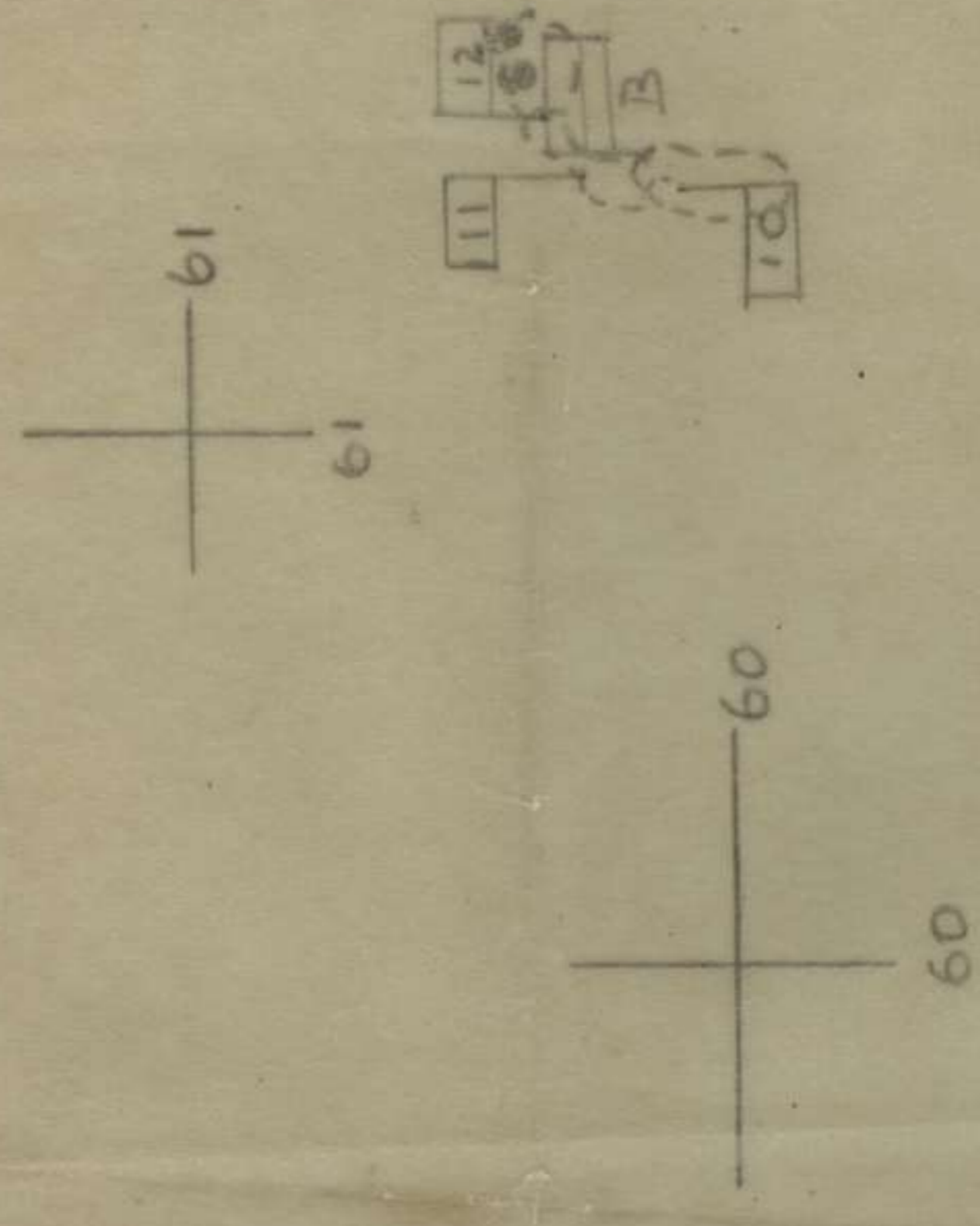
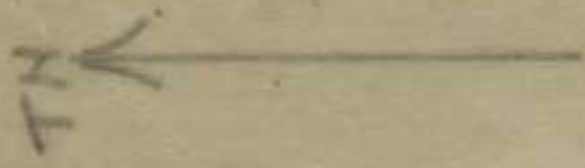
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1 JUNE 45

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B Coy DISPOSITIONS  
Ref MAP BALIKPAPAN 1:25000

RF 1:2500



TIME TAKEN 1 hr  
METHOD EYE  
VISIBILITY GOOD

KOINT SEC  
KOLA  
JULY  
2nd ~~JUNE~~ 45



# MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

KOLA 1

011700I

For Action

TO

KOLA

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions **GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

R 1 SITREP NO 1 to 011700I @ SECRET @ 0100900I  
 Coy ashore vicinity SPUR 4 @ 0945 SPUR 2  
 TAKEN @ own casualties nil estimated enemy casualties  
 4 KIA @ 1015 7 PL occupy ROTTNEST and patrol fwd  
 to EAGLE and LARK @ 1030 9 PL along CHARLIE'S SPUR  
 establish 1 sec standing patrol @ Maresal gun and  
 Rangefinder captured intact @ 1400 patrol

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN  
 by any means { except

..... } Wireless

Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into  
 enemy hands, this message must be  
 sent IN CIPHER

Signed

Originator's Instructions  
 Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

# MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

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Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

**FROM**

(A)

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

For Action

**TO**

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

**GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

Casualties step No 1 to read 31 instead of 21  
 Grand total now 39 KIA 1 wounded

This message may be sent **AS WRITTEN**  
 by any means { except

Wireless

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# MESSAGE FORM

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**FROM**

Originator

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(A)

KOLA B2

071730Z

For Action

**TO**

KOLA

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions **GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

SECRET STREPT FROM 0900Z to 1730 0 011000 B Coy capture  
Spur 3 captured 011100 ROMILLY & Spur 4 captured, cas 1 wounded  
& Coy consolidated B Coy gaps killed 3 buried in tunnel  
011500 Coy dug in on objective.

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Sit res. To Bde

Sit res No 1 To 011800 I

No 1 @ 011015 I ROTTERDAM

occupied @ our cas Hill  
every 4 @ A Coy captured  
Six inch Naval gun and  
range finder on CHARLIES  
SPUR @ 011000 I B Coy  
captured SPUR 3 and  
pushed on and occupied  
ROMILLY @ cas own one  
wounded enemy 8 killed.

011250 rd gun area  
EAST CHARLIES SPUR  
cleared by C Coy. @  
cas One killed 5 wounded

@ 011500 D Coy dug  
in on CHARLIES  
SPUR @ enemy ca  
for day 21 killed  
3 buried alive

1

D Coy Attack Lundy Spur  
Jul 2ND 1145 hrs.

Report

(a) Enemy

night 1st 1TP Cad ~~reported~~ held up on Lung Feature  
by 1 MG & sniper fire unable to proceed  
found 2 Enemy observed digging in  
on ~~highest feature~~ (main feature) <sup>ref 612609 morning 2nd</sup>

(c) Area 1st NICA Patrol

<sup>morning 2nd</sup> report NO enemy interference along  
rd as far as rd junction 614609

INTENTION

D Coy will capture Lundy Feature on  
Lundy Spur. 612609

Method - 4 Phase Attack - see sketch

~~4 Phases 1 2 3 4~~ } see sketch  
~~the objectives~~

Pl Assets

arty 1TP Phases 1 & 2 Three on call

MOR. 4 Det. " 1 & 2 " " "

M7 M7 G & Ph. " 1 & 2 Three on call

H River 1TP T14 Phase 1 in H. 18 Pl.  
1145

Adm

Normal

Bed rolls left FUP.

WVCP + AID POST FUP.

Interdium

Line to Ben Camp Post

Line to 3" MOK.

536 with 18 Pl.

TK Lason offer with Cay Camp.

Remarks on Operation.

18 Pl Complete Phase 1, no opposition or cas  
supporting fine <sup>with</sup> accurate, close support from Tds.

16 Pl Commence phase 2 as left flanker protection  
heavy going through dense jungle, simultaneously

18 Pl with 17 Pl in net capture main feature  
no opposition or cas completing Phase 3  
at H+20. Report made to Benland by wireless

Cay then consolidated an main feature

trapping of commenced 4000 in bunker

tunnel system <sup>Completed</sup> killed, <sup>possibly more.</sup> TK engineers called to destroy

2  
tunnel

Phase 4 commenced, exploitation  
North to subsidiary features

17 Pl found left flank Colburn spur  
613612, extensive trench system and  
hundreds of pits ~~at~~ 3 pits observed to desert  
pass ~~no~~ opposition. 18 Pl and Coy  
HQ consolidated on rear of same spur  
612611. Report made to Co by line

16 Pl advance and clear high  
ground around left flank Consolidated  
along without opposition 611613.

Local patrolling.

Orders received from 2 Pl to remain present  
from until relieved by 2 Pl. Recce patrol  
(1 rec from 18 Pl) sent to investigate reservoir  
~~at the~~ and enemy strength OPTIMUST Feature  
616619. (Time out 1630 time in 1745 bearing  
to feature 37° True Bearing) No enemy found  
in occupation optimust feature, no pump station  
observed in vicinity of reservoir tanks.

(14)  
patrol was engaged on reaching  
feature by 4 salvos from our  
cannon off shore, Cav observed our  
features to right flank and suspected  
of diving fire. M1967 fire from  
2/6 at Malong feature also engaged  
patrol. No casualties ~~caused~~ suffered  
and patrol completed task. Request  
made direct to base re naval + M1967  
fire which ceased promptly.

1730hrs message received from Cay  
as relayed from Sk to return to Hawaii  
feature if possible before daylight, if  
not to remain the night.

Counter March Commenced 1745 to Stallbed



45

0130

1st Coy report 1st JAP found, then arrow, the  
was fired on but escaped. Bde notified

0150

All Coys SITNOR. Bde notified.

0200

All Coys " " "

0250

A, B, C, Coys SITNOR.  
D. Coy report killed 1 JAP trying to infiltrate

0300

Sitrep to bde.

0400

all Coys SITNOR Bde notified.

0455

A Coy Sitrep, O B Coy, Sitrep, O C Coy  
Bde informed. D Coy Sitrep

0530

C Coy standing to O I.O to C Coy \* C Coy patrol  
made contact with 2/14 \*  
I.O to A Coy, some of Japs killed for A Coy -  
13 counted O  
I.O to B Coy. & D Coy.

0550

ENEMY KILLED TO DATE - 39.

0715

I.O to bde I.O \* SITREP to BDE (see 1)  
Stand down  
General \*

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Sheet 2.

TIME

Message.

- 0745 10-15 japs running down from EAGLE  
feature to SPUR of ROTTNEST found on  
by A Coy @ Bde informed.
- 0735 Warning order to D Coy @ Be prepared  
to move & clear SANDY SPUR
- 0815 A Coy sending in wounded jap.
- 0825 B.M. informed a jap stretcher case on  
way down from A Coy.
- 0830 C.O. fwd to C Coy.
- 0840 C.O. contacts D & C Coy Comd, Cav Comd & 9th Comd.
- 0900 I offer to report to the C.O. at rd junction  
where two of his men are waiting.  
C.O. & receive gp fwd. A Coy Patrol report via Affx -
- 0912 A Coy confirms 7 dead japs; sending documents  
back immediately.
- 0915 C.O. points out tasks to charter office &  
indicates objective to D Coy Comd & 9th Comd.  
Arty Comd receives his tasks @ Enemy  
cas total 46 K.I.A. 4 prob killed, one P.W.
- 0945 M3 firing on to SANDY SPUR.
- 0950 Arty " " " " " " @ D Coy well  
attack SANDY SPUR at 1145Z with Arty & M3 sp.
- 1007 PW reveals some details of their def fwd of  
ROTTNEST.
- 1010 I.O. 21 Bde Capt Moore to 21C asking if M.M.G.S  
of 2/14 Bn can be of any assistance to the attack  
on SANDY SPUR.
- 1032 Bug to Maj Nicholls @ 2/14 Bn to move along  
VASEY HIGHWAY to SEPINGGANG @ B. Coy 2/24 Bn  
move on to RANDWICK @ A Coy to patrol  
fwd of ROTTNEST until relieved by 25 Bde  
sometime today @ 2/27 Bn area incl  
ROTTNEST - NE to SPUR 605612 thence along  
SANDY SPUR to river along same to be 613 Co P.  
thence to RANDWICK @ 2/15 Cav under comd  
27 Bde to patrol to PUMP STN, LADY SCHOFIELD - LANCE  
21 Bde H.Q. to move to STALKOEDO during  
afternoon.

2 July 45

Sheet 3

Time	Message
1040	M.M.G.s fire on SANDY SPUR.
1050	B Coy - enemy cas to date 31 killed 4 prob.
1105	A Coy ask permission to bury 7 Jap dead all documents etc, have been removed from bodies. yes.
1125	C.O. to 21 C.O. D Coy will attack at 1145I with sp from 2p of 2ks, Pl M.M.G.s & one det M3.
1130	B 25 planes spray area with DDT.
1140	1:0. rang A Coy to ascertain posn of Jap gun firing on small craft in bay. Situated fwd of 2/16 Bn. One shell burst in BN.H.B area.
1145	D Coy commence <sup>attack</sup> <del>attack</del> on SANDY SPUR.
1148	Bde notified that A Coy is patrolling <sup>ROTTNES</sup> to EAGLE and RAVENSHOE. Asked Bde to advise 2/16 Bn.
1210	D Coy pushing on to objective. Terrain difficult.
1212	D Coy report phase 1 completed, NO Cas.
1220	A Coys patrol to re-entrant NORTH of CHARLIE SPUR. NIL report.
1221	A Coy advised that 2/16 Bn will patrol from SPARROW to River to recce a crossing.
1226	D Coy & OP advised.
1226	C.O. asks A Coy for info re by explosion - ascertained as aerial bomb.
1235	OP advise they cannot contact D Coy but have gained link of line halfway to D. Coy. H.Q.
1245	C.O. to D. Coy, Coy still adv. No opposition.
1300	Warning order to Bn H.Q. will move to KING feature. C.O. to 21 Bde outlining situation on D. Coy front.
1305	D. Coy out of comm. by line & wireless.
1310	D Coy occupy SANDY SPUR.
1332	C.O. asks to contact 21 Bde for info.

2 July 45.

Sheet 4

TIME	Message
021332	about 18 Bde @ No infm to hand.
1357	Bde infm that D Coy suffered No cas.
1415	BN HQ closed down - moving to KING feature
1430	C.O fwd to 2/5 Cav posn to recce in preparation for relieving them.
1600	D. Coy shelled by our own NAVAL gunfire @ suffered NO CAS @ This BN HQ est at 615596
1700	27 Bde HQ now at ref 613598. SITREP from A Coy
1730	2/27 Bn <sup>less C Coy</sup> in def posn on RANDWICK-REWARD area. C. Coy on CHARLIE SPUR.

2 JULY

SHEET 5.

TIME

MESSAGE

- 021800 SITREP 3 to 1800 I C A Coy @ 020415 A Coy engaged approx 15 japs moving from EAGLE to ROTTNEST. Cas enemy 7 killed. One PW @ B. Coy @ further search tunnel area revealed an additional 15 dead japs @ 021200 I B Coy moved to RENARD. C Coy @ 021600 I Coy moved to RANDWICK @ D. Coy @ 021130 I captured SANDY SPUR Cas NOT known @ enemy cas to this sitrep 22 killed one PW @ grand total 61 K.I.A. 4 prob killed one P.W. (wounded).
- 1815 Orders received for BN HQ to move back to RANDWICK feature
- 1900 BN HQ arrive at RANDWICK.
- 2030 Line through to Lt Divine @ A patrol from C Coy to contact Lt Divines patrol every two hours during night.
- 2100 C.O. in conference with Sig Offr, T.O. and sp arms comd outlining plan for attack on LADY SCHOFIELD. QM backed to report to BN HQ.
- 2230 QM Capt Parburton reports to BN HQ to receive orders for the attack. C.O. requests hot meal for troops prior to attack.
- 2255 all Coys SITNORO Bde informed.
- 2300 C. Coy reports one jap infiltrated their perimeter and wounded one man. and escaped @ Bde informed
- 2355 A, B & D Coys. SITNORO @ C. Coy on the alert Bde satisfied.
- Overlay B Coy disposes see appx -  
 Fire Plan H Coy " " " -

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KOLA 1

021700I

For Action

**TO**

KOLA

(re) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions **GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

R3

SECRET

Strip No 3 to 021700I @ 0715

between LARK and EAGLE 7 enemy killed @ 0730

and enemy wounded during night captured @ 1200 standing

patrol occupied SPUR 4 @ 1500 patrol SPUR 4

killed 2 enemy wounded 3 @ 1610 Coy vacated

ROTTNEST @ 1720 then HQ moved <sup>020598</sup> to ~~SPUR 4~~ @ Coy

in defensive posn

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Robert H. Alago  
for OC. Alago

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2/27 Aust INF BN

02 0540Z

1

For Action

**TO**

21 Aust INF Bde

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

Sitep No 2 to 020530Z @ If any one gap probably wounded @ No other enemy seen @ B Coy 011830Z 20 gaps contact attempting escape from tunnel 6 gap KIA @ 2040Z one gap KIA @ C Coy contact patrol to 21st BN NMS @ D Coy 0250Z one gap KIA - probably an officer @ enemy casualties this unit sitep 8 KIA one probably wounded @ AMEND

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3 July

SHEET 1.

TIME	MESSAGE
030055	all Cays SITNOR. Bde informed.
0145	C.O. inquires about SA fire on C. Cay front.
0155	all Cays SITNOR. Bde informed.
0225	Switch advises all lines clear. Testing all lines 10 mins to 420 mins past the hour.
0250	SITNOR all Cays. 21 Bde informed.
0350	" " " " " "
0500	A, B, D Cays SITNOR. Bde informed C Cay 485 pl out of comm.
0530	D. Cay report quiet night.
0715	C.O. and Bn R & O Gps fwd on recce for attack <sup>LADY</sup> SCHOFIELD feature.
0750	C.O. orders smoke bombs to be laid on to LADY SCHOFIELD feature. May Pichalls <sup>inform</sup> by 21 Bde that one 4p of 25 Cav occupied LADY SCHOFIELD feature. C.O. inform
0814	Mortar shoot on feature cancelled.
0845	C.O. to Bde & Bn & Gp recce area 628598
*0600	SITREP NO 4 to 030600 I @ 022250 at CHARLIE SPUR one jap infiltrated C Cay perimeter. Cas own one wounded. C.D. Cay attack 2 July on SANDY SPUR enemy cas 4 killed.
0625	C. Cay still out comm, line OK to 485 pl.
0630	C.O. asks Bde where arty are firing. Bde informed area being shelled is LADY SCHOFIELD.
*0915	Bn notified that LADY SCHOFIELD was occupied by Bn R & O Gps NOT Cav as previously reported. May Pichalls notifies A, C & D Cay and gives warning order for moves to def of SEPANGGANG airstrip. Order of march A Cay, BN HQ elements of H & I Cay, D Cay.
0920	B Cay to move independently to airstrip



3 JULY

SHEET 2

TIME

MESSAGE

- 031000 21 Bde informs that Hostile shelling reports must be reported by the quickest possible means & later confirmed in writing.
- 1000 Bde notified H.Q. closing down present pass.
- 1115 Bn arrive at SEPINGGANG airstrip and relieve 2/14 Bn who are to adv to MANGGAR airfield.
- 1730 Bn depasens. BN HQ 656603. 2 pl 641599  
4 pl 643599, 5 pl 642601, A Coy 648604.  
7 pl 651603 8 pl 647604, 9 pl 650605.  
B Coy 664607, 10 pl 665607, 11 pl 664608  
12 pl 660606, C Coy 655603. 13 pl 654601  
14 pl ~~655601~~ 655601, 15 pl 654602, D Coy 652604  
16 pl 652603, 17 pl 652605, 18 pl 654605.  
Standing patrol ~~at~~ see 656606
- 18201 Password received from 21 Bde.
- 18251 Password to all Coys. Stand to times changed, Coys notified.
- 1920 All coys in comm. Bde line still out.
- 2115 One offr & one sec of C Coy to move out at 22001 to contact 2/14 Bn Comm to 2/14 Bn pass  
Patrol to find out 2/14 Bn intentions & any other info. B Coy advised.
- 2350 Line through to 21 Bde H.Q.
- 2358 Patrol report back from 2/14 Bn. Lt Twist to see duty offr. Report 2/14 at ref 685615.  
A Coy Form plan, see appra -  
Embargement of B Coy from ~~su~~ appra -

INSIGNIA OFF "MERCURY" CAR.  
FOUND BY C. COY AT REF 693694.

REF MAP SEPINGGANG 1/25,000



INT SEC  
2/27 POST INF Bm  
4 JULY 45.

F+3

4 July 45

US VDT carried out demolition of 200' of offshore obstacles to allow tanks and arty to be landed.

C Coy moved north along Vasey Highway to keep contact with 114 Bn who were held up on Manggal Airfield by fire from two large calibre guns, 15 pl at

C Coy established ~~pl posts~~ <sup>14 pl</sup> at BERTAKAN BESAR  
Coy HQ = 1322 MANGGAR KETIL and 72V645. Coy HQ

14 pl maintained contact with 114 Bn. 5 pl moved into area vacated by C Coy and a pl of 114 Bn. For first time encountered gap mines in quantities; disposal areas on the airfield and tracks leading north from Vasey Highway were mined with depth charges and aerial bombs.

a patrol from B Coy found 60 natives in a village (662611) approx 10 miles NE of Seppangan camp.

# AIRSTRIP

*Sketch*

ROAD

2/27 BN AREA

RP's

BN HQ

CRATER

HUT

HQ Coy  
Cookhouse

STOREROOM

LOMO

DRAIN

DRAIN

TPT

RAP

DISPERSAL

RUNWAY

TPT

SIG PL

6Q & 6.T

AMN RES

5 PL

SEA

4 JULY 45

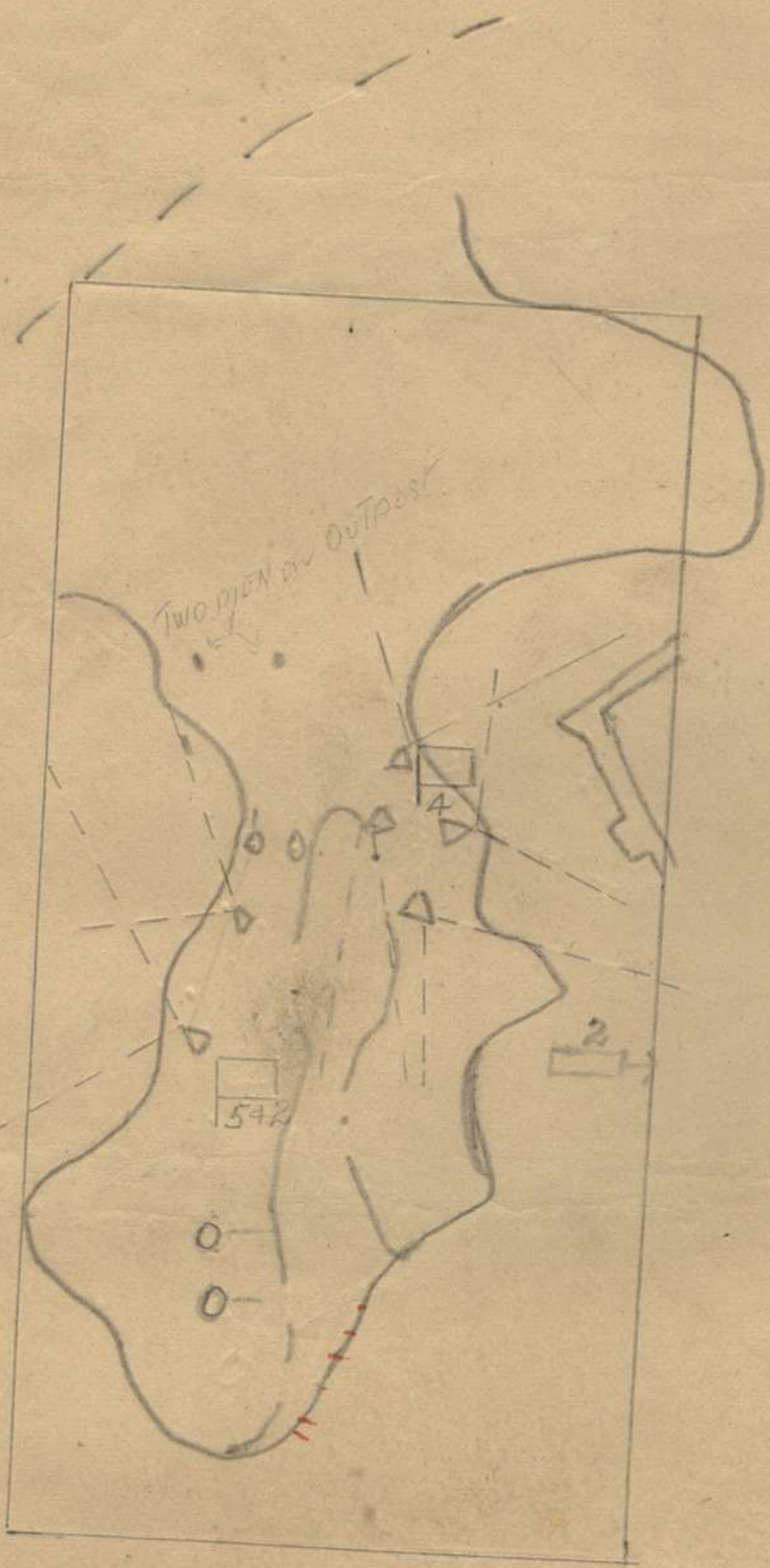
DISPOSITIONS OF 2-A-5 PLS 4 JULY 45

Depunggang

1:25,000

Map Ref. 640 600

West end  
of Strip



SCALE 1" = 6250

TAKEN FROM  
ENLARGEMENT  
COMPASS  
PACING

INT SEC  
2/27 Inf Bn  
4/7/45

4 July

SHEET 1

1/0 TIME

040025Z

C Coy security patrol contacted PRN's — all correct.

Bde

0320

Message from Bde. Four L.C.T. LCM landing Beach obstacles from approx 663607 from SEPINGGAN BESAR. S.W for 200 yds will be blown approx 040900. All Coys notified.

O Bde

0550

SITREP to Bde.

0850

B Coy advised to keep at least 600' away from beach obstacles when they are blown.

W Bde

0915

Car Patrol left 0900 i. Route JUTE — JUDGE — JUMPY and expect to contact 2/27 Bn in vicinity of 660612 by approx 1200 i. A B D Coys notified.

0920

C Coy move. They will proceed along VASEY HIGHWAY towards MANGAR AIRSTRIP.

1000

CO fwd to BATAKAN-BESAR to inspect B+S area.

1030

C Coy reach BATAKAN-BESAR. CO pushes patrol inland along track.

R.S

1045

Patrol informs us there are numerous BOOBY TRAPS along side of track. Engineers fwd to de-louse same.

1100

CO pushes along track until met by patrol 2/14 Bn. SITREP from 2/7 Cav Regt.

1200

CO to Maj Pickolls. Have not located any loot in area.

1240

CO to OC C Coy. On his task

1250

C Coy location 697625

2/14 Bn reached 727650 NO contact with ENEMY. Land mines located.

1255

2/14 Bn on edge of MANGGAR air field.

4 July

SHEET 2

1/0

TIME

1300

1-C Coy.

1440

CO returns to Bn H.Q.

C Coy report Patrol along KING feature to track 686627 located ENEMY dump of tents, ammo & food. Appears to be a fresh dump. Patrol was fired on by two JAPS. Further patrol being sent out to clear area. Bde informed.

2/13 Bn fwd elements enter MANGGAR air strip Bn being shelled.

1455

SITREP from Bde.

1500

CO calls for AB&D Coy Comd to report to H.Q. SITREP from 2/7 Cav.

1530

CO holds conference with AB&D Comd.

General infm. D.I.D. will probably establish on SEPINGGANG AIRSTRIP. Natives report JAPS retreating <sup>40 MILES</sup> inland with POW's including Australians. If and when we move the Road, will be clear to enable us to use mobile force for MORTARS MITC's etc.

1710

Infm from Bde. 2/14 being heavily shelled. One Coy ordered to hold at MANGGAR STRIP. One destroyer engaging ENEMY GUNS.

1715

C Coy desposns. H.Q. 415 PL 713637

13 PL 697625 14 PL 720643.

C Coy Patrol report finding JAP staff car near HERO feature, and are receiving ground for track to main rd.

1730

B Coy patrol report finding 60 Natives in village 662622.





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For Action

<b>TO</b> 21 Inf Bde	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
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2/27 Inf Bn.

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 660 Confidential Patrol plan area A  
 patrol 1 time out 0700 time in 1000 from SUDFIELD  
 to GINGO TOKE. to JESTER + JUICY + return same  
 route. Area B patrol 2 time out 0900 from Jelly  
 to Jude Judge Jumpy. to track junction Ref  
 660612. Patrol 3 time out 1000 time in 1200 from  
 Jelly to Jazy Judy return NW to Jelly. Patrol 4  
 time out 0900 from Jelly NW + SOUTH along track  
 through PUMP STATION to BECHELON + return same  
 route approx 1600. Patrol 5 from Jelly to  
 investigate smoke at cultivation 635623 time  
 out 0900 time in 1000. C. Area 1 Area JELLY  
 established base on gate Patrol 6 time out 0700  
 from base on gate to track inclusive 639626  
 also to track end 636631 + WEST to MERIT  
 MUFLE POLGLIASE road 634636 approx time in  
 1600 this patrol 1 section strength 11 off 17 OR'S  
 Patrol 7 1 sec strength time out 0700 from gate GRAND  
 to track at 627647 along track ECHO approx time in  
 1600 Patrol 8 + 7 to track at 627647 WEST

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TO	For Action	Message Instructions
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2/27 Inf Bn.
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ORIGINATOR'S No. 4 NW along track to 6176520 Patrol  
 6 7 + 8 return same route approx time in  
 1600

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	21 Aust Imp Bde	04 1300 R.	

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<b>TO</b>	1 Aust div	Message Instructions
	(w) For Information (INFO.)	GR

2/16 2/27 2/7 baw.  
18 Bde 25 bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

01270 Confidential 0 Sitrep to  
041300 I 0 2/14 BN 0 041115 fwd element  
on MANGGAR air strip 0 2/16 BN 0  
no change 0 2/27 BN 0 C Coy established  
at rd June 697625 preparatory to patrol  
2/1 baw Regt 0 Patrol report JINGO JAZZ  
JAZZ clear of enemy. Two patrols held  
up by suspected ambush 631631 at 1015 I  
1135 I Patrol reported track from JELLY to  
PUMP STATION clear track from JELLY to  
BE-ECH. reported clear at 1215 I 0  
1200 I JUICY and JESTER clear of enemy 0  
1225 I JAZZ and JUDY clear of enemy 0

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	2/7 Law	04 1230 I	

For Action

<b>TO</b>	2/ Bde	Message Instructions	GR
	(w) For Information (INFO.)		

2/27 BH.

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 71 Confidential @ At 041215 I our patrol no. 4. reached beach area @ Tracks clear from there to JELLY @ at 1200 I our patrol no. 1 reported JUICY and JESTER clear of enemy @ patrol no 3 reported back here with 1225 I JAZZ and JUDY clear @

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TO **7 AWST DIV**

(w) For Information (INFO.)

**2/27 BN**

Message Instructions **GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

**GI 30 Confidential @ 04 1410Z CAV**  
 reports 3 patrols vicinity GAME fired  
 on at ref track junc 632 632 by at  
 least 3 LMG's from bunkers @ Retired to  
 633 626 630 625 629 622 CAS 1 OR  
 wounded and missing one OR wounded  
 @ 6 sec E of missing NO communication  
 with them since 04 1330Z @ Patrol  
 along track past house 635 621 to 639 625  
 found weapon pits and fresh cut TAP  
 track leading NE @ Sig wire laid  
 along track @ Further patrol investigating  
 @ Documents found near weapon pit being sent  
 to this HQ @ All informed

Patrol Report of 15 PL C Coy.

PART I.

Recece Patrol.

Strength 2 OR.

Date 4 July 45

Ref Map ~~SEVENTEEN~~ MANGGAR 1:25000.

M.R. 710691

Object To Recece right hand track from 15 PL position  
Answer. Track followed for approx 1500 yds. NO ENEMY  
sighted

Patrol Comd L. DUFFELL Pte.

Time Out -

" In -

Route Out along track in ~~WESTERLY~~ <sup>NORTHERLY</sup> direction for 1500 yds

" In Same way.

Cas Own NIL

" ENEMY "

PART II

Recece Patrol

Strength 2 OR

Date 4 July 45

Ref Map MANGGAR 1:25000.

Object To Recece right hand track from 15 PL from M.R. 710691

Answer. Disturbed ground ~~indicates~~ <sup>to Bridge</sup> at approaches ~~indicates~~  
indicates possible mines. Footmarks observed  
show recent signs of ENEMY movement.  
NO ENEMY sighted.

Patrol Comd L. Duffield Pte.

Time Out -

" In -

Route Out along main track in NORTHERLY direction for 1500 yds.  
Track is wide enough for FEEDS but is  
very soft in places. After going some  
distance we came to a Bridge over creek.  
The Bridge is blown and the disturbed  
ground on the approaches indicates possible  
mines. The Ck is approx 66 ft wide with  
6" of water unsuitable for drinking. The  
depth of Ck bed is 10 ft at Bridge with banks  
rising steeply.

Route In Same way.

Cas Own NIL

" ENEMY "

PATROL REPORT of 9 SEC C Coy.  
PART I.

1. Recce patrol
2. ~~at~~ Pte 4 ORN
3. 4 July 45
4. REF MAP SEPINGGANG 1:25,000.
5. To Recce Coy area.
6. ~~Area~~ Blast-proof shelters found, also footprints which appeared to be natives. NO other signs of habitation.
7. Patrol Comd T.T. GROSE Pte.
8. Time out. 04 1330 I.
9. " In 04 1430 I.
10. Route out on WESTERLY direction along left hand fork track for approx 1000 yds.
11. Route in same way.
12. Cas Owen NIL
13. " ENEMY "

PART II.

Recce Patrol  
~~at~~ Pte 4 ORN  
Date 4 July 45  
REF MAP SEPINGGANG 1:25000

Object To Recce Coy area.  
Approx 200' along track 7 Blast-proof shelters were found and inspection showed NO signs of recent occupation. 1000 yds along track, we found one set of footprints, these appeared to be made by small native shoe. NO other signs of habitation was observed.  
NO marked features in area. Vegetation. Timber was tall and thick and undergrowth very thick.

Patrol Comd T T GROSE Pte.  
Time out 04 1330 I  
" IN 04 1430 I

Route Out. on WESTERLY direction along left hand fork track which is quite good for M.T. for approx 200'. We continued along track in WESTERLY direction for approx 1000 yds. Track rose very slightly through out route.

Route In same way.  
Cas Owen NIL  
" ENEMY "

5 July 45

Bn firmly established at Seppulang  
airfield.

~~Extensive patrolling carried out by B and  
C coys~~

C coy patrolled BATAKAN BESAR beach  
area and fired on a party of 12 Japs.  
Patrol to the beach between Pasir Rd  
and BATAKI MANEGAR KETSIK found  
dumps stores but no Japs.

\* ~~B coy patrolled to KNIFE.~~

~~A & D coys patrolled locally for security~~

A & D coys sent out local security  
patrols.

One pl of N.F. troops came  
under command of this unit &  
occupied a pos on west end of strip.

B coy moved to KING feature (BATAKAN BESAR)  
and established a patrol base. Local  
security patrol were sent out but did not contact anyone.  
C coy maintained hourly contact with  
pl 4 d throughout the night.



# PATROL REPORT

## PART I

1. Fighting Patrol
2. Offs 20 Ok's
3. 5 July '45
4. Leaving at 1:25:00
5. To patrol the following features & clear them of enemy.  
HUNGER, HONEY, HOME, HOLY,  
FERN, FILE, FISH.
6. Area thoroughly patrolled  
3 to enemy encountered.

- 4 051000 I
- 9 051730 I
- 10 From 13 Pt. area  
along TIMBER LINE to  
685647 then on  
bearing of 356° onto  
main feature
- 11 Along high ground  
from FISH to HOME  
and then through low  
ground from HOME to  
approx. 695.631
- 12 Nil
- 13 Nil

## PART II

After leaving 13 Pt area we proceeded along old timber line leading off in approx N.W. direction after passing through village 695.631 the track becomes very narrow and growth on each side of track very dense. Visibility to flankers practically nil. At 685 647 we left the timber line and moved on a bearing of 356° to spot leading onto main feature.

2

Foliage thinned out slightly on the route but visibility was still limited to 20 to 30x at very best. Area along File, Fish exactly the same. Moved back from Fish to FERN and then along ridge from FERN to Holy. Timber in this area slightly more sparse. Visibility 30 to 40x. After leaving Holy the foliage became almost impenetrable and it was necessary to cut a track. Visibility 2 to 3x at best. It was at this juncture that we left the high ground by taking ~~SE~~ S.E. Spur instead of S.W. Spur leading from HOME.

Area from bottom of spur 702 637 to ~~695~~ 695 631 covered by kuni grass 12 to 14' high and very low swamp land.

Only evidence of emulsion after leaving timber track was old disused timber chute — probably not used for 5 or 6 years. Numerous British propaganda leaflets

3

Apparently dropped by air.

Only sign of human tracks seen after leaving disused timber schute was between bottom of spur and main rd. A made road about 6' to 8' wide running E & W and apparently leading to Village 695.631.

R. J. Atkins Jr.

Patrol Bond.

O. C. C. C.

05-14001

From 14P1

Further info re Area 728 645 15  
733 647 (Area - Pacer Rd)

1. Old w/p's & air raid shelters
2. Approx 60\* cubic yds of coral suitable for road repair, end of Pacer Road 733 646  
Area looks as if was used by Road Repair Gang
3. Two or three concrete wells. (water dead)
4. Good Road to beach. B class

Further info re 721 640 15 726 643

1. (a) Old hospital area.  
(b) Large good conditioned building approx 100' long by 50' wide, in four bays. containing latrines, baths, wooden double deck beds, tables & cupboards.
2. Chemical store at 722 640, containing full medical bottles bandages.
3. Folding operating table (crated) . OVER

~~0. ~~11/11~~~~  
~~from 11/11~~

~~Area from 722645~~

4 Large refrigerator (electric) good condition  
at 723641.

5 Good coal road from beach to 724643  
to 722641 to 719643.

© One large bomb crater at 719643

requires attention before traffic could be taken  
by shed at 721643 containing approx 20-4 gal  
tins of thick grease. Approx 8 good belly boots.

*[Signature]*  
11/11

To O C C Coy  
From 1481

5/7/45

① Area of all buildings clear of mines &  
body traps - areas - 734646 to 723654  
714648 - ~~720648~~ to 722645

② Some charged aerial bombs found in  
bomb huts at 723644 & 724645

③ No other notes

③ Area 724646 (W.T) Some wireless equip.

④

Area 722645 - 725643 - 718637  
718640 - 722645.

Above area (4) still being reced.

  
1481

finished



NX 170 954

PATROL COM D. CPL. WAITE  
REC. PATROL

STRENGTH 8 MEN DATES 5-7-43

OBJECT TO REC. AREA

FOR ENEMY ~~MIA~~

NO ENEMY SIGHTED

TIME OUT 0900

TIME IN 1100 AND IN

ROUTE OUT 722645 6719642

6714648 6718651 6724647

6722645

PART II

Report. But a area clear  
of mines. But appears to  
have been occupied by  
natives no evidence of  
Jap occupation. Area  
very dense jungle.

CPL Waite

NX 170 954

Besteld per : .....

Verzonden per : .....

Verrekend per : *Patrol Report* .....

Aan : .....

Order No. *517 JWS*

*By 9 Section Coy.*

Fuhri 42228

Strength Section of 8 men  
Time Out. 0930 hrs. Map Ref MANGGAR  
In 1200 hrs.  
Objective. To proceed along left fork track  
from junction at MR. 709 641  
Patrol moved along track for a distance  
of 2400 yds without seeing any signs  
of any occupation then came upon  
numerous pill-boxes and trenches on the  
low hill area in sq. rd. by many of these  
showed signs of recent occupation much  
Japanese gear left lying around. These  
fortifications extended for approx 100 yds  
at forest end a track branched off to  
the right along the side of which ran  
a signal cable. The track to the left  
lead down to numerous huts and cultivation  
down this we moved sighted a dead Japs at  
the spot of the hill they moved through  
the huts all of which showed signs  
of recent occupation  
The tracks leading up to the position on  
low hill was mined in numerous



places. mines hung both on the track and  
along the sides.  
after moving through the culvertions  
continued down along track striking  
13 Pln at road junction ~~map~~  
# 697 - 620 From here proceeded  
along Vasey highway back to Pln area.

R. M. Latham.

5 JULY.

SHEET 1

1/0. TIME

050335

Bde running out another line. Comm should be restored soon.

0400

In comm with Bde & D.

0600

SITREP NO 8 to Bde. SITNOR.

0900

Adj fwd to C Coy.

Bn maybe guarding AIR STRIP for some considerable time. CO re-arranges his H.Q.

1030

Staff car, Mercury V8 captured by C Coy arrives at H.Q. Car in excellent running order. Bde line out owing to Bde moving up.

1135

area being sprayed with DDT by planes

1228

May hullo to Bnd. <sup>alleged</sup> report of Jap hospital reported to be in KNIFE feature area. B Coy to send patrol to investigate.

1235

I see to Bde & enquire if any new maps on issued. advised new maps to hand.

1245

B Coy advise 2 patrol join out to Biv area, this afternoon.

1250.

May hullo advised east line, 2 NICA reporting to B Coy to accompany patrol to search for Jap hospital in KNIFE area.

1320

CO reported in from C Coy on phone to Bde. at 1100 C Coy patrol from Batakam. Beach. Bernado area - haul WEST to HERO. went started approx 12 Japs, carrying arms only. patrol fired on Japs.

1330

one see of 2/1 M Coy Bn to be at Batakam Ketyl at 1430. With <sup>with</sup> move, B Coy to HERO

5 June

Sheet 2

I	O	TIME	
		1400	one pl of N.E.I. troops to come vic C.O. will arrive in area half hr. (one pl, one com, one bn N.E.I.)
		1635	C Coy reports - (1) C Coy route from 728645 to 733647, - old water point and air raid shelter. (2) approx 60 cubic yards suitable for rd repair end of PACER RD ref 733646. (3) 2/3 concrete wells (4) good B class rd from VASEY HIGHWAY to Beach (5) 721640 to 726643 (1) old hospital area with large good condition Building, approx 100' x 50', numerous latrines and beds (2) chemical stores at 722640 containing full bottles medicine and bandages (6) at 721643 large shed containing 20 x 4 gallons of fuel grease. approx 8 alc belly tanks one refrigerated beer sent to Bn
		1645	B Coy line to Bn.

S	1/0	TIME	MESSAGE
		1655	unconfirmed report two japs shot in arty area 200 yds EAST of Bn HQ.
		1657	may nubbels passed this on to D Coy O.C. he is going to make enquiries.
		1715	Bde info re. 2/14 Bn.
		1730	C Coy line out.
1 Bde		1732	WP at 671612.
		1755	adv to 2 pl @ N.E.I. off to report to CO at 1915 @ jeep will pick him up.
		1855	D Coy patrol to est area re - two japs in arty area reported during afternoon * report contacted arty and person- nel on strip who knew nothing about it. Patrol found old hut and some old rice. - coys notified.
		1915	C.O. to B Coy. one pl N.E.I. to move to your area in the morning.
		1930	CO to C Coy * hourly patrols to contact 2/14 Bn during night * CO ordered patrol of one off and two sees to patrol to JOLLY - FLAP.
		2100	1.0 to Eng. arranged transport for N.E.I tps from AIR STRIP to B Coy.
		2135	Bn inquired how far B Coy patrol went fwd of HERO feature.
		2140	2 pl advised N.E.I. tps will be moving during them at 0630.
		2320	SITREP from A.B.D Coy. SITNOR.
		2359	SITREP from A.B.D Coy. SITNOR
		2359	21 Bde. Notified A.B.D Coy. SITNOR.

# PIPELINE

Borneo  
AAES NEWS  
the Good Oil

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## AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER DEAD

Mr John Curtin, Australian Prime Minister, died this morning at 4 o'clock. Acting Prime Minister, Mr Forde, said the end came peacefully. Mr Curtin had a cup of tea with his wife at 12 o'clock and died in his sleep. He leaves a widow, a daughter, and a son in the RAAF.

Mr Curtin, who was 60 years old, became Prime Minister in October, 1942, when the Jap threat to Australia was most serious. His "single-mindedness and zeal" and his organisation to meet that threat were praised in statements by Mr Menzies and Mr Fadden for the Opposition. Mr Forde said Australia had lost her captain as the ship was coming to port.

A Labor Party meeting called for this morning adjourned after condolences. The House of Representatives will meet at 2.30 and adjourn.

## PARLIAMENT'S PEACEFUL SESSION

### PROGRESS ON MANY BILLS

The last two sitting days in the House of Representatives in Canberra have been the quietest in years.

The Life Insurance Bill passed all stages with one amendment. Mr Drakeford, Air Minister, obtained leave to bring down the Airlines Bill.

The Minister for External Affairs (Mr Ward) introduced a Bill to establish a Papua-New Guinea Civil Administration. Mr Ward foreshadowed a better deal for NG natives, including better health and education facilities, and the removal of the "indentured labor" system within five years.

### GRATUITIES BILL

A Bill for war gratuities for servicemen is rapidly going through. The Opposition is giving support to the Bill.

In the Senate the Banking Bill and Superannuation Bill have passed the second reading.

## PACIFIC BREVITIES

For the first time in three years the North Burma rice-crop will be a normal planting. Labor from the rice-fields will not be recruited for military purposes.

Two more VC's have been awarded to Indian soldiers.

Indian Congress Party supports proposed Indian interim Govt under Viceroy's executive, but calls for a Constituent Assembly.

## DIV OPERATION REPORT

An official report released this morning states:

21 Bde after seizure of Manggar air-strip came under fire from enemy 20-mm guns and mortars from positions to the North and North East of the air-strip and are now making arrangements to deal with the position.

Troops of 25 Bde pushing North have now reached a point approx. 3000 yards NE of the township proper brushing aside light opposition, although Jap AA fire is being directed against our planes from a position 5000 yds NE of township.

A single-engined light enemy aircraft dropped some bombs in the area causing few casualties.

Enemy casualties in the Balikpapan area are now in the vicinity of 1500 including 16 POW.

Enemy equipment captured to date includes 3 twin-barrel 4-in naval guns, 2 t-b 5-in naval guns, 1 single-barrel 5-in naval gun, 3 twin-type .5-in guns, 1 single-barrel 3-in gun, 1 tankette with gun removed and approx 100 motorcycles, cars and trucks.

## PACIFIC WAR

250 bombers and fighters went over the Japanese homeland yesterday in daylight. There are no reports yet of results... 3 B29's were lost from the latest 500-bomber attack on Japan.

Chinese troops have captured a town North of Liuchow in which a street fighting was reported yesterday.

July 6<sup>th</sup>.

~~Bn still patrolling~~

Bn still engaged in active patrolling

~~B Coy - based on King feature patrolled~~  
to HARO HEAVY HAVEN HAREN HAIL and  
HABIT <sup>and contacted</sup> without making contact <sup>of enemy on</sup>.

latter feature

a patrol to HARO failed to contact

enemy but found numerous mines  
The NCO <sup>found</sup> ~~stop~~ <sup>the days of patrolling</sup> were placed <sup>of Bn for</sup>

north thru Haro

B Coy based on King feature patrolled  
north to HAIL and HABIT; north west to  
HARO and also <sup>via</sup> HARO and <sup>to</sup> Seppinggan <sup>Beloro</sup>  
via HARO, <sup>was</sup> Japs contacted at HARK.

No other enemy seen but mines were  
plentiful. B Coy returned to Seppinggan Beloro  
for the night.

C Coy patrolled from Mangga Ketsil to  
Hark; another patrol to IVNK found <sup>only</sup> old

Jap points.

15 PL patrol found sign of Jap  
not in JOE-JOLLY-FLINT-FLIP area

~~1st PL moved fwd. to links~~

~~with 1st Lt~~

13 PL patrolled from Galakan Desol  
to Fish without gaining contact.







6 Jul

Plan. SEPINGGANG AIR-STRIP

Sheet I

1		
B.	0635 0735	C.O. at 10 gone just to B Coy B Coy report 6 Japs were disturbed at 692624 at 0610 Japs went back when sighted our troops Bde info
	0745	B Coy pl disps. 10 pl 692623 11 pl 690624 12 pl 692625.
	0845 0935	CO to May huts. B Coy patrol just left B Coy comd reports 10 pl + NEI patrol fired on by sniper at 685638 HERO feature patrol pushed on to HEAVY feature and found one .5 MG and ammo. CO ordered gun to be destroyed Bde info.
	0940	CO reports one C.O. gun been knocked out by 6 pl & not confirmed.
	0945 1130	one native brought in by F.S personnel found at 658607. from B Coy. report patrol found Jap sig wire on HEAVY feature. CO ordered patrol to follow wire
	1225	Bde info re. patrol, who been for time some through since 0900. Bde I do I see @ 16 Bn area @ 6 guns in area 2 at 738677, one at 737678, 737683, 743678, 745680, 4 MG at 747678, and 4 bullets at 745677 @ 2/16 area @ a Coy on MAHANGA Coy, RAVENSHOE, and A & D moving to GATE.
	1225	from comd at B Coy @ one rec patrol of 12 pl. KING. KIND. HARRY. HASTY KIDDY - KING - report NIMS. but

1310

KIND - HARRY - HASTY - digging were found, but not recently occupied.

1320

native to be sent back to Bde  
GOC arrived to see Col Paken & the general enquired after the troops welfare, how many cas we have had, and how many enemy we have killed, Maj Nicholls asked if we would eventually push up to oil fields, the general said "there was no hurry for that" - presented the general with a bottle of SAKI.

1350

cas - Jones. SC Bde. to see Maj Nicholls

1410

Bm on phone - call being put through to Bm to I.O.

1415

Bde reports 683614 at 061500 I

1410

patrol to HAIL will be returning same route - going difficult.

1450

Bde I.O. - captured map - shows Jap tank market from HAIL - to HABIT.

1455

EVENT - ESSAY - ENVY - EMERY - COCOA - COKE - MILFORD H'WAY

1500

Bm I.O. at Bm advised of this Bde advised of two rec patrol to go HAIL, return if pos south through HACK, HAIR, HALO KEEL if unable to return along that route then back through HAROY - KITTY

1535 15 pl patrol to HARK returned to Bunker on feature & showed signs of recent occupation.

1805 Sit rep NO 10 to Bde

1715 Brig to see the CO

2000 Lt Van Deseep to see C.O.

2043 Brig to CO.

2045 warning order to Mr Devine, 8 pl to pack and get ready to move to 727 651 ady to WS caterer & 5 pl to be rationed &

2047 rations going fwd to B Coy

2130 B Coy ran and want overlay showing enemy posns. 2116 dis posns. 25 Bn bdy

CO ref 50.

2200 TO back from Bde to Bde by off sending cable to Bn for patrol.

5 pl moved out to 727 651 as rear

protection 2114 Bn.

2300 All Cops SITNOR. Bde notified

2310 Bell to 1.0 Bn Patrol O.K. with 25 Bde & Bn R.A.A. requests patrol NOT move beyond inter-bde bdy (EMERY) B.M. suggests Arty F.O.O. move with patrol to bring down arty fire or stop R.A.A. shattering BATCHO. ? - to allow patrol to move fwd to VASEY HIGHWAY. NOTE - notify B.M. of details early 07AM.

2318 all Cops SITNOR. Bde notified

0200 all Cops SITNOR Bde notified. (over)

0300



6 June

SHEET 4.

I O TIME

MESSAGE

I Switch

~~060020~~  
060025

C. Coy is in contact <sup>by phone</sup> with 21 Bde. and information will be relayed to us. C Coy SITNOR.

I Switch

0055

From 21 Bde. 052315 Item. 2/27 Bn. orig. number Queen George 444. Confidential @ W.P. at 671612 closes 061000 item. W.P. at 684615 opens 061000. 3 scoop water all informed. Brigade advises that C Coy report SITNOR and that their patrol contacts the 2/14 Bn. every hour.

I Switch

0058

A and D Coys. report SITNOR.

I Switch

0059

All sitreps. SITNOR.

O Bde.

0105

Bde. notified that all sitreps. SITNOR.

I Switch

0152

A, B and D Coys sitreps SITNOR, and 2 Pl. sitrep. SITNOR.

I Switch

0156

14 P.C. Coy have struck no trouble or infiltration, C Coy. SITNOR.

I Switch

0158

Informed Bde. that all Coys. sitreps SITNOR.

I

0255

A, B, D. bays + 2 Pl. sitnor

I SWITCH

0258

b. bay report everything OK between here (to) 2/14 Bn.

O Bde

0300

Bde notified all bays sitnor.

I

0350

A, B, D. bays + 2 Pl. sitnor Bde notified

0500

C. Coy comm out to 21 Bde. All Coys SITNOR. Raw comm with C Coy Bde informed.

0555

All Coys. SITNOR, Bde notified.

~~0735~~

~~B. bay report b. bays at 692624 (over) were observed at 0610 Bde infm~~

ROLL NO. 2

Name .....

Sub-Unit .....

Unit .....

Action of Sub-Unit

Remarks

17 PL Patrol report see appra.

C Coy " " " "

14 PL " " " "

9 Dec " " " "

Borneo Paper line shows shut. see appra.

13 PL Patrol Report appra -



6 JULY

No. 2

- 1035 I. CO to ~~10 PL~~ about edge.
- 1037 10 PL report contacted 11 PL sec
- 1048 CO to 10 PL comd. re his posn and to report his bounds by 1775 phone.
- 1117 CO to 10 PL comd. Patrol following NTH along JAP sig wire. CO orders them to follow wire and report progress.
- 1120 W/T out to all patrols
- 1145 N.E.I. report still moving.
- 1200 12 PL sec patrol reports in. They patrolled to HARDY feature. On route numerous JAP posns were found all facing EAST. TRUCK found on KISS feature. Numerous booby traps and mines found. Tracks found leading in all directions. JAP posns showed no recent signs of occupation.
1300. SEC of 12 PL to patrol along route of 10 PL, to check sig wire in case it has been cut, and to search area for sniper who fired on 11 PL posn.
- 1340 N.E.I. report located ENEMY HALL feature held up for time being.
- 1345 10 PL & N.E.I. patrols on HALL feature, owing to dense timber & time, may have to return same route. CO order them to return.
- 1415 CO sending patrol 12 PL through HARDY feature to HABIT then down through HACK - HAIR - KEEL to SEPINGGANG - BESAR. If there is NO track back thru HACK - HAIR ect they will come back to HARDY then swing right to SEPINGGANG - BESAR.
- 1435 CO fwd to C Coy.
- 1445 Infn from 15 PL Patrol, left MANGGAR KEIALL moved along th to HARK feature Bunker on HARK feature with recent signs of occupation, perhaps last night.



- 1500 CO contacts 14 Pl. Lt Twist gives info  
in his patrol. Left their H.Q. moved N & W  
to 715658 then W to JUNK where they  
found numerous bunkers also an O.P. with a  
ladder leading up.
- 1540 15 Pl Patrol returned. Numerous signs along  
track through JOE across to Jolly - FLINT  
FLIP then back to JOE and through  
JUNK. recent foot prints located.
- 1600 CO to OC 10 Pl who have returned from Patrol  
Track fairly good right then to HAIL feature
- 1610 CO to Bde

# MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) 21st Inf Bn	Originator	Date—Time of Origin 061800I
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Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO 21st Inf Bde.	(w) For Information (INFO.)
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Message Instructions GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 18 @ Sidrop number 10 to 061800I @  
 Bsey. @ 060610I air japs at 722 644. @ 10 pe  
 plus one pe NEI patrol to HAIL feature @  
 3 MNC's located on HEAVY @ track <sup>approx</sup> 10 feet  
 wide could be made jugable to HEAVY @  
 patrol fixed on 4 japs on HABIT feature @  
 Cey @ 13 pe patrol BATAKAN BESAR NW  
 track to 685647 to FERN FILE FISH @  
 return FISH FERN HOLY HOME to VASEY  
 H'WAY 706633 @ No tracks found after  
 clearing track No enemy seen @  
 14 pe patrol to JOF - JELLY JUNK  
 NMS recent footprints vicinity 708653

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless	If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time	System	Op
			THI or TOR		
Signed	Signed		Time Cleared		

# MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

<b>FROM</b> (A)	Originator 21 Bde	Date—Time of Origin 06.2320 I	Office Date Stamp
For Action			
<b>TO</b>	2/14 2/27 Bns (w) For Information (INFO.)		Message Instructions <b>GR</b>

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GT 57 @ Restricted @ 25 Bde fwd  
 disposition 2/23 BN MARSHALL MUTUAL  
 MARGIN and METAL @ 2/25 BN  
 LIVERPOOL enemy concentration 595648  
 and 602 651 MUSCHE @ 2/9 BN patrolling  
 towards RIKO river and SESOEMPO  
 river continues reports not yet to  
 hand @ disposition HQ 517627  
 A Coy 508672 B Coy 519625 C Coy feature  
 square 4963 D Coy 513618 @  
 otherwise no change all informed

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PATROL REPORT.

PART I.

B Coy

- 1) Recce.
- 2) 2 NCOs, 7 ORs.
- 3) 6 Jul 45.
- 4) SEP 1/25000
- 5) ~~Is~~ Is. area clear of enemy?
- 6) YES.
- 7) Cpl Murdoch.
- 8) 060845
- 9) 061145
- 10) KING SW to road to KIND to HARRY.
- 11) Same.
- 12) NIL
- 13) NIL.

PART II.

Patrol moved SW from KING to mined road then 250' North along road & swung NW up onto KIND up a steep track. ~~are~~ Several mines were seen. Area is thickly timbered & many gap pens covering east approaches to KIND and HARRY. Much gap equipment clothing, amm, rations & tents was found along the track. Track from KIND to Harry only a footpad. leaves main ridge & crosses footbridge at 678629.

PATROL REPORT.      PART I.

1) Fighting

1 off 33.0.0's 10 PL 1 off 4 HU.0.R: NEI

2)

3) 6 Jul 45.

4) SEP 1/25000

5) To clear any enemy located

6) ~~to~~ 4 enemy encountered & cleared from HAVEN.

7) LA HILL

8) 060845

9) 061545

10) KING along ridge to 660646

11) Same.

12) NIL

13) NIL

PATROL REPORT

10 P1. B Coy

PART II

Patrol moved NW from King feature keeping to high ground. No enemy sighted until HAVEN where four Japs were encountered. Shots exchanged. No casualties. Japs withdrew. Patrol continued to 660646 & then returned.

Along whole length of ridge, good ~~footpa~~ wide footpad exists. Jap defences on all high features. Numerous food & stores dumps located. 3 destroyed. 5 MG. left by Japs. Pans have not been occupied for some time. Areas show signs of hasty withdrawal. Surrounding country rainforest w. fairly thick undergrowth.

Sgt Rossman + ~~two~~ ~~ser~~ platoon 6 July

② Route out King Kind Harry Hardy Hank Hal  
Habit

① L Hail Hack Hais Halo Keel to  
mouth Sepunggan Besar

Foot track follows complete route from  
From Keel to Vasey Highway jeepable

Locations incl Kind incl Habit all  
contain recently dug defences - extensive  
dumps Amm med clothing and some  
food on each feature.

Few dumps on feature Hack - Keel

No signs of any weapons

No enemy observed - but some recent  
footprints of man were observed Habit to  
Keel

Decomposed body (native?) with hands  
bound behind back observed nearby  
Hail

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# Borneo PIPELINE

AAES NEWS

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Vol 2 No. 5 AFTERNOON TOP THURSDAY 5 Jul 45

## AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER DEAD

Mr John Curtin, Australian Prime Minister, died this morning at 4 o'clock. Acting Prime Minister, Mr Forde said the end came peacefully. Mr Curtin had a cup of tea with his wife at 12 o'clock and died in his sleep. He leaves a widow, a daughter, and a son in the RAAF.

Mr Curtin, who was 60 years old, became Prime Minister in October, 1942, when the Jap threat to Australia was most serious. His "single-mindedness and zeal" and his organisation to meet that threat were praised in statements by Mr Menzies and Mr Forde for the Opposition. Mr Forde said Australia had lost her captain as the ship was coming to port.

A Labor Party meeting called for this morning adjourned after condolences. The House of Reps will meet at 2.30 and adjourn.

## PARLIAMENT'S PEACEFUL SESSION

### PROGRESS ON MANY BILLS

The last two sitting days in the House of Representatives in Canberra have been the quietest in years.

The Life Insurance Bill passed all stages with one amendment. Mr Drakeford, Air Minister, obtained leave to bring down the Airlines Bill.

The Minister for External Affairs (Mr Ward) introduced a Bill to establish a Papua New Guinea Civil Administration. Mr Ward foreshadowed a better deal for NG natives, including better health and education facilities, and the removal of the "indentured labor" system within five years.

### GRATUITIES BILL

A Bill for war gratuities for servicemen is rapidly going through. The Opposition is giving support to the Bill.

In the Senate the Banking Bill and Superannuation Bill have passed the second reading.

## PACIFIC BREVITIES

For the first time in three years the North Burma rice-crop will be a normal planting. Labor from the rice-fields will not be recruited for military purposes.

Two more VC's have been awarded to Indian soldiers.

Indian Congress Party supports proposed Indian interim Govt under Viceroy's executive, but calls for a Constituent Assembly.

## DIV OPERATION REPORT

An official report released this morning states:

"21 Bde after seizure of Manggar air-strip came under fire from enemy 20-mm guns and mortars from positions to the North and North East of the air-strip and are now making arrangements to deal with the position.

Troops of 25 Bde pushing North have now reached a point approx. 3000 yards NE of the township proper brushing aside light opposition, although Jap AA fire is being directed against our planes from a position 5000 yds NE of township.

A single-engined light enemy aircraft dropped some bombs in the area causing few casualties.

Enemy casualties in the Balikpapan area are now in the vicinity of 1500 including 16 POW.

Enemy equipment captured to date includes 3 twin-barrel 4-in naval guns, 2 twin 5-in naval guns, 1 single-barrel 5-in naval gun, 3 twin-type .5-in guns, 1 single-barrel 3-in gun, 1 tankette with gun removed and approx 100 motorcycles, cars and trucks.

## PACIFIC WAR

250 bombers and fighters went over the Japanese homeland yesterday in daylight. There are no reports yet of results... 3 B29's were lost from the latest 500-bomber attack on Japan.

Chinese troops have captured a town North of Liuchow in which street fighting was reported yesterday.



Recece Patrol <sup>cpt Murdoch + one sec</sup> 6 July  
Route King Kind Hoory Hardy Hasty  
Kiddy Kiss King

No enemy observed - mines to Hoory  
Foot track complete route  
Further track observed to Hell feature  
Numerous enemy stores dump.  
No contact

① Lt Hill + two pls (N.E.I. ① Bay ①)  
arty + M3 F.O.O.

③ Route King Hero Heavy Haven  
Haven Hail Habit and return  
Foot track complete route and appears  
to branch to "event" and "Fancy"

Enemy - ifaps (I) contacted on Habit  
Japs withdrew under fire.

Numerous enemy store dumps along  
features on this track

Considered track could be made  
jeepable to Heavy with little work

Note Personal effects of enemy appeared  
to be hastily discarded

6 July

④ Lt Latimer + two Sec  
out Batakan Besar north along <sup>tramline</sup> track to  
682 648 hence Jan

In Iron Holly Hope Honey Hunte  
then Batakan Mangga Ketchil to  
Batakan Besar

Tramline used as foot track <sup>q mined</sup> to 689 636  
then a track swings west to <sup>(Knoll)</sup> 684 637

Tramline northerly from 689 636  
over grown and unused

Game tracks only on Iron Holly  
Home Spud - no signs of enemy activity

⑤ One Sec

Route Mangga Ketchil Hark Honey  
Lunge Batakan Besar

Track jeepable to Hark - capable of  
being made into jeepable circuit

Unoccupied enemy position Hark

⑥ One RL (Coy)

Route Vasey Highway 712 644 to  
~~Mangga Ketchil~~

northerly to TOE ground before feature  
flat & swampy - track on map not  
located 716 655

unoccupied enemy defences incl OP with observation  
South

Track runs northerly TOE both of  
FLINT, FLAP. - hence <sup>had not been</sup> <sup>observed</sup>

(6) Continued a track observed leading  
to Northwesterly along SPUR<sup>x</sup>

From 71655 another track appears  
to run NE to Mangga Besar river  
Recent footprints of one Jap observed<sup>x</sup>

Patrol returned on same route to 71360  
thence southern slopes JUNK to

# PATROL REPORT.

## PART I.

- 1) FIGHTING.
- 2) 12 PI.
- 3) ~~00~~ 6 Jul 45.
- 4) SEP 1/25000
- 5) To clear ridge from KIND to HAIL to KEEN.
- 6) Cleared ridge from KIND to HARRY to KEEN.
- 7) SGT ROSMAN.
- 8) 061400
- 9) 061700
- 10) KING feature across mined road to KIND up ridge to HARRY SW to KEEN.
- 11) KEEN south to Coy HQ at 664608.
- 12) NIL
- 13) NIL

## PART II.

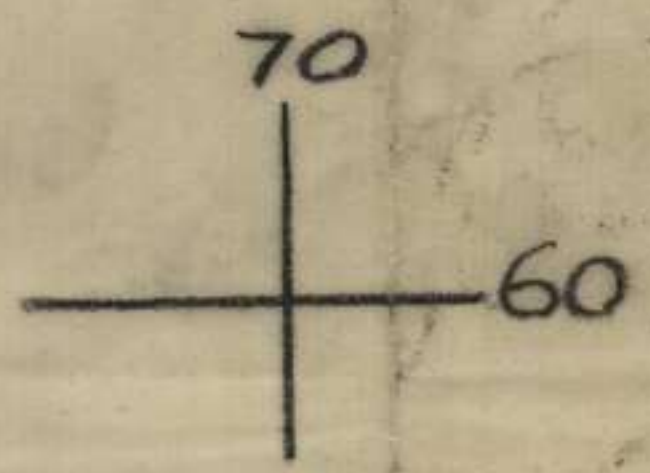
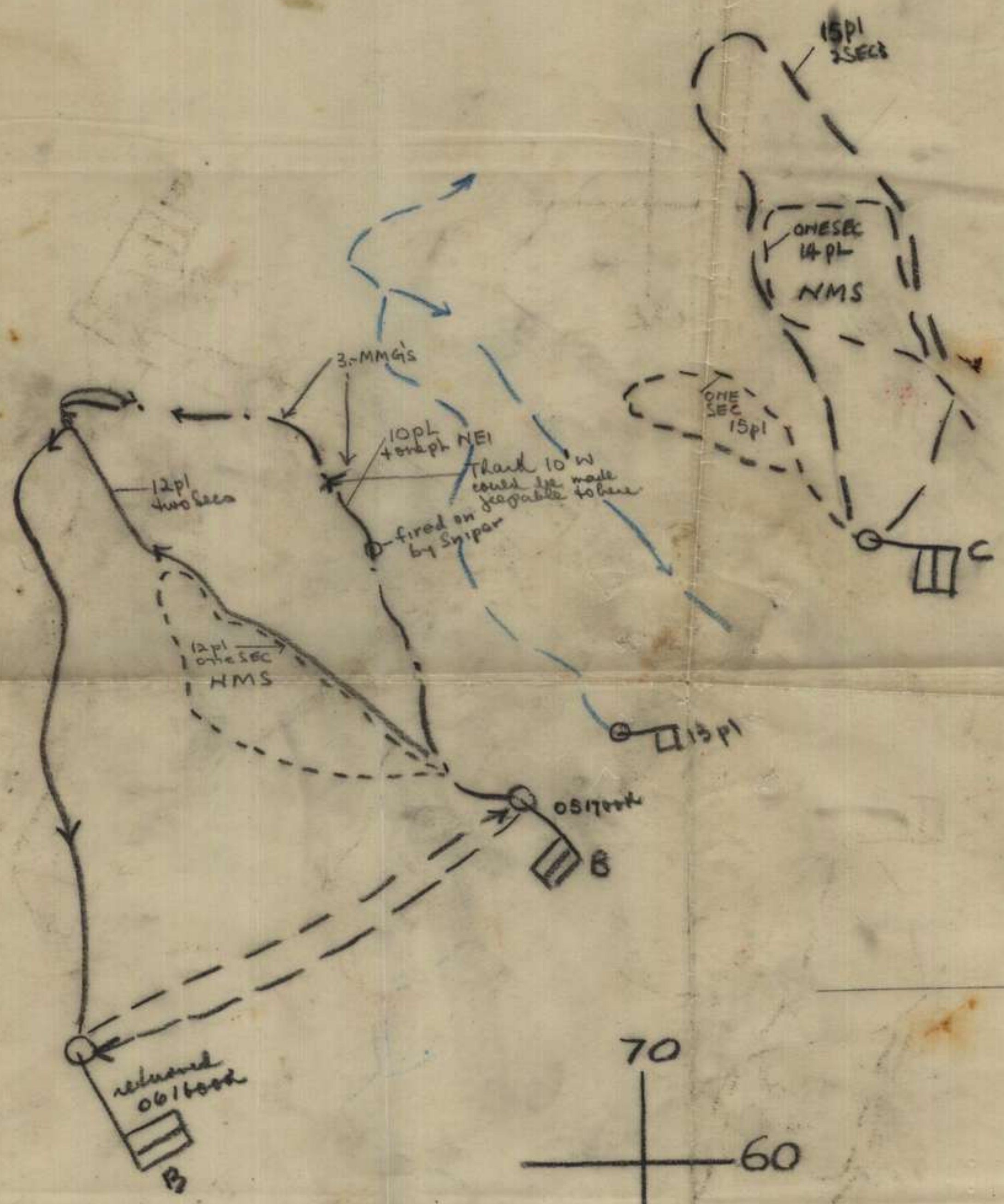
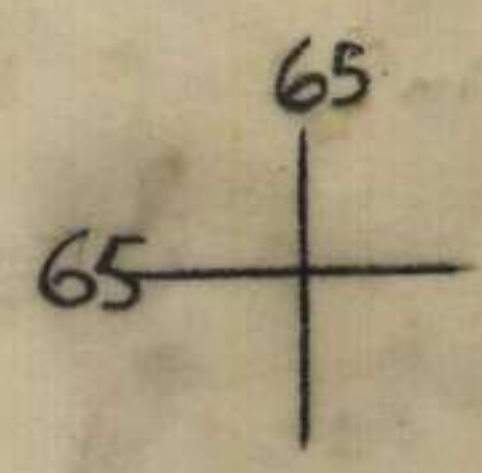
Patrol moved to HARRY on same route as previous rescue patrol by Cpl Murdoch. ~~and~~ Patrol thought HARRY was HAIL and turned SE too soon.

Between features KIDDY and KERP - patrol found body of native in state of decay with hands tied behind back. Could not ascertain cause of death.

No enemy encountered.

my map

# Patrols - 6 Jul



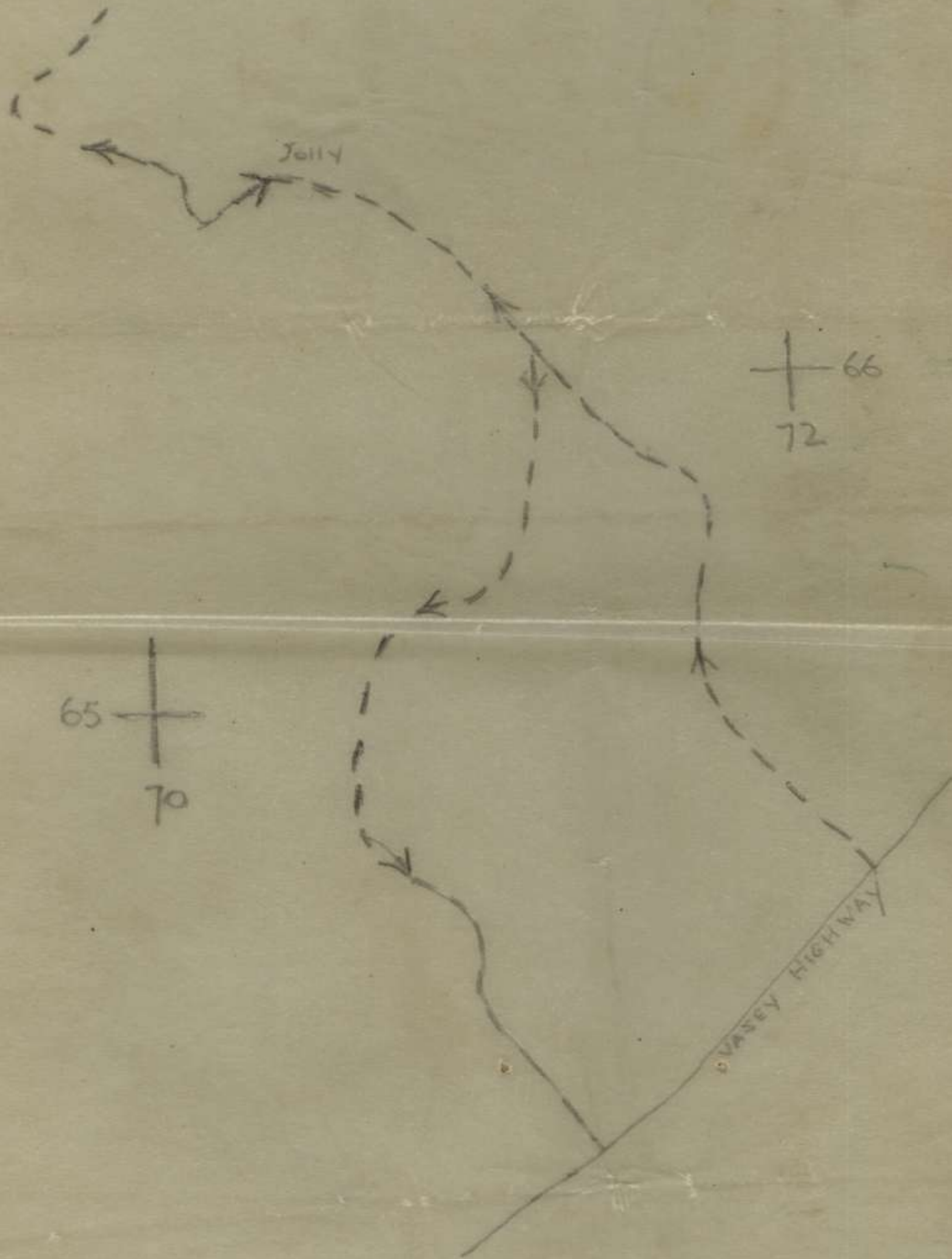
OVERLAY OF PATROL

6 JULY '45

BY 15 PI C CO 1

Ref Maps . SEPPINGGANG & MANGGAR

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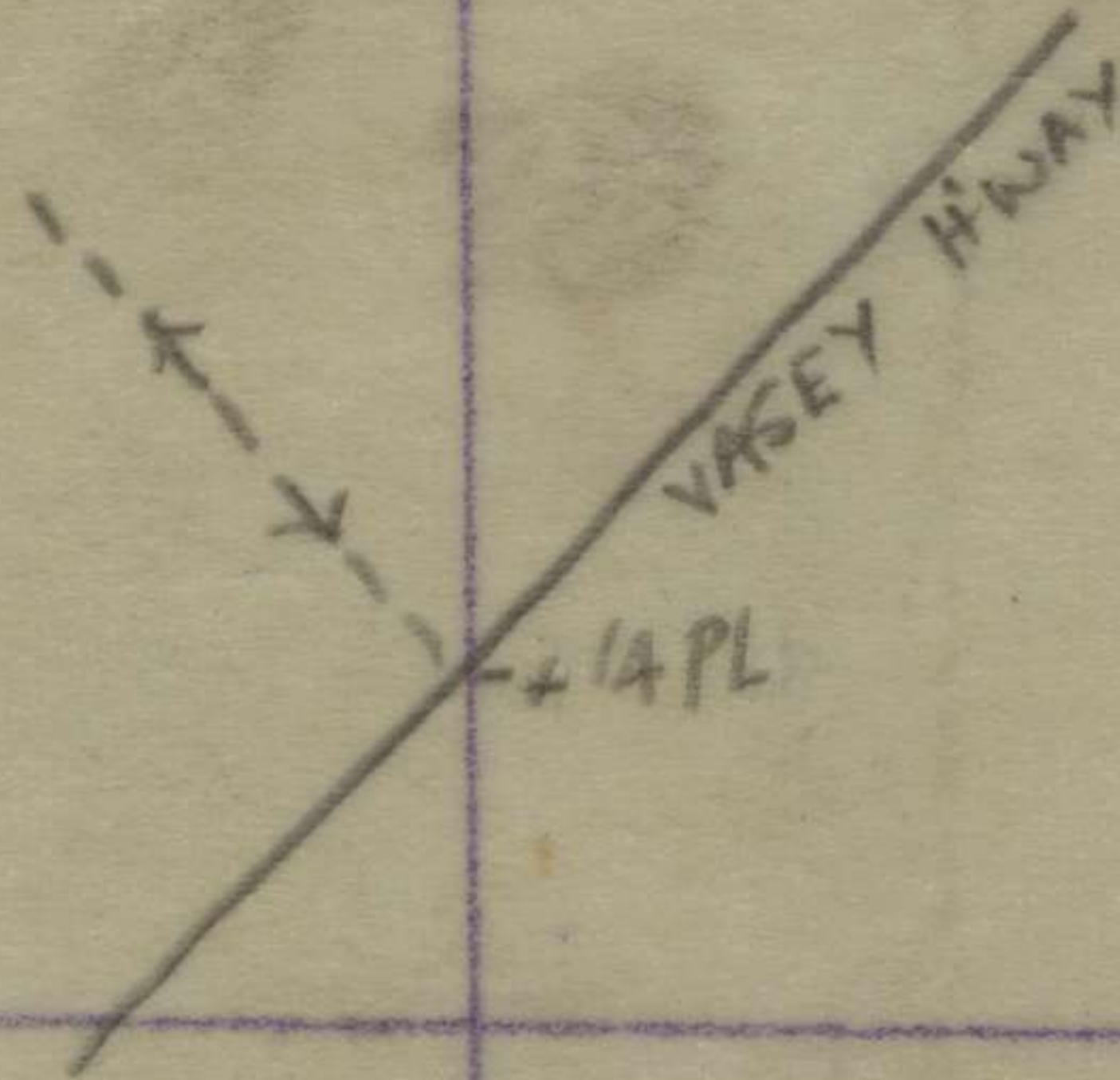


OVERLAY of PATROL By 14 PL

6 July

Ref MANGBAR 1125000

71  
+ 65



73  
+ 64

- (1) From 15th position moved along road to 14th position at 734644. Accompanied by a section from 14th cut our way to pass on Base of JOE at 717656. The last track as shown on Map is non-existent. Vegetation long grass *Lantana* and thick undergrowth — 11 ft high. The ground is marshy and not more than ankle deep at any place. Huts at end of track area also non-existent (only foundations standing). At 717656 found tall tree used by enemy as OP — only field of view directly out to sea.
- (2) At spur 716653 found pill box — out of use for months.
- (3) At track to left on spur 715656 14th patrol left us. At 715658 found tunnel for small field piece. This tunnel did not recede into hill and had not been used for approx 2 months. On track along JOE found fresh Jap footprints of one man which continued along route out about an hour ahead of us.
- (4) Track was well blazed with room for two men abreast — had not been used at least one month. Along the track while heading north and north west were signs



Order No. [15]

these signs meaning from 15, 16, 18, 19, 20. From FOLLY to FLAP signs were numbered 31 33 36 51 with Japanese writing underneath as per sign post brought in and handed to C.O.

All other signs were left standing

(5) Reached FLAP 1330 hrs - patrol moved down track 500x along right spur - track appeared to lead to MANGGAR-BESAR river here were NO track leading off to the left beyond JOE feature.

(6) At 1410 hrs returned via same track to JOE feature. At spur 712 658 took branch track south and south west across lower spurs of JUNK to track junction at edge of clearing. This track leading back from junction evidently lead up to ILL feature. One man was seen on this track but could not be found - not known whether Japanese or native - there were Japanese footprints however of about 4 to 6 men running up and down tracks and not more than 30 minutes old.

(7) All tracks were bordered by thick high jungle

(8) Returned to camp via track marked on map

(9) From 1500 hrs posn track is suitable for jeeps along track on both side of road, thence along

night bank across lower spur  
of ~~TRUNK~~ to JOE at 712658. At 709645  
bridge has been sawn through.  
Track is slightly muddy and requires  
minor repairs other than bridge to  
carry jeeps

(10) After leaving this pass communication  
by 104 set were impossible.

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SECRET

(1)

RECCIE PATROL. 14PI C. Coy 2/275  
STRENGTH. T.N.C.O. & 60R'S.  
DATE 6<sup>th</sup> July 45.  
Map Ref MANGGAR 1-25,000

OBJECT (i) Reccie tracks from 722645  
to 76654 to 708655 to 722645.  
(ii) Report any signs of Jap  
occupation

ANSWER (i) Tracks found (see Part (i))  
(ii) Signs of Jap Occupation seen

PATROL Comd. Cpl Coed. Route OUT / see  
TIME OUT. . . 060930 | ROUTE IN / PART II  
TIME IN. . . 061330 |  
CASUALTIES OWN. - NIL CASUALTIES ENEMY - NIL

DETAILED REPORT.

Patrol left 722645 followed foot pad running NORTHWEST for approx 80 yds to a destroyed Patwe hut where tracks petered out. Per track cut thru' swamp & thick Nipa in a NORTH WESTERLY direction for approx 1000 yds to 716654 where 2 well built timbered bunkers were found. Gap not in ~~occupation~~ occupation. Numerous faint marked foot pads observed around this spur. Observation from pill boxes which were sighted in SOUTH EASTERLY direction was poor. Spur covered with sam forest. Patwe hut in vicinity of 714648 marked & need of repair.

3  
Tree sat. App. Ref. 716.654. ladder to O.P.  
approx. 100ft high. Observation limited  
to hospital area 723641, bunker area  
729647, Gab plane junk heap & shipping  
at sea.

Good well known track observed  
running N.W. approx 20 yds from O.P.  
also track running in northerly  
direction, which was reced by 15ft.

Patrol moved from 716654 in Westerly direction thru' lightly timbered, but dense undergrowth, towards junk feature.

Three small running creeks running NORTH AND SOUTH were crossed in re-entrance approx 713653.

lightly timbered & hot swampy. <sup>Ground</sup>

706655 good well worn, six <sup>(6)</sup> foot ~~wide~~ track was found running NORTH & SOUTH. Track followed for approx 200 yds in Northerly direction. Numerous fresh upber foot prints found travelling to & fro on this track. Consider prints

5

Made some rain on 5<sup>th</sup> July 45. Track still continued North from 706655 track followed for approx 300 yds South. In this area a budge was crossed, a sap table and sign (anchor and figure) stuck on post was found.

Left track at 706652 and moved in SOUTH EAST direction for approx one thousand yards (1000 yds).

Terrain; very dense undergrowth & very stumpy ground; Visibility Nil; Cut track running NORTHWEST and SOUTH-EAST at 718648 track 3 ft wide & very boggy. Bare foot prints on this track, considered to be natives Met Vasey Highway at 721645. Sp. & K good

Table of Patrol

Reece by 14<sup>th</sup> (1)

Strength

3. OR

Date

6 July 45.

Object

To Reece track from

Map Ref.

722 645.

Answer

Track Reece to 718 649.

Patrol Com.

Pte Dickson

Time out

1000.

Time in

1115



Remarks

(2)

Followed track N.E. direction  
approximately 800 yards to old  
disused house where it ended.  
Terrain swampy visibility Nil.  
Track unused recently.

H. G. Dickson

# PATROL REPORT

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## PART I

1. Fighting patrol
2. 1 off and 23 ORS
3. 6 June 45
4. Re Maaf SEPINGGANG and MANGGAR
5. Object — (i) to ascertain if there are any enemy in area or recent signs of same (ii) if tracks run along ridge from rd June 724 644 to features JOE JOHLY FOLLY FLINT FLAP JILLY JUNK to houses at 707 646
- 6 Answer — (i) yes (ii) yes excluding JILLY
7. Patrol Comd Lt Lenehan
8. Time out — 060930  
Time in — 061530
10. Route out — 15th posn at 713 630 to 14th posn 724 644 to features JOE along ridge to JOHLY FOLLY FLINT FLAP to 500x along right spur
11. Route in — FLAP FLINT FOLLY JOHLY JOE, down spur at 712 650 across lower spur of JUNK. to tracks at 707 646 along track to 15th position
12. Casualties own nil  
enemy nil
- 13

Print 43238

July 7 '45

Bn relieved by 87 Cav Regt of role  
of airdrome defence and moved to  
Hospital area 712640 with D Coy at 734648  
1 PL at SORLKI and A Coy at 732646  
from Seppingga Seta

B Coy under orders to move to HARK and HABIT  
were forced to cut track <sup>from 662640</sup> and ~~searched~~  
had ~~scattered~~ KEEL. Coy dug in for the night.  
Four enemy were seen at  
661613 at 1000

1 PL investigated tracks leading inland  
from Vasey Highway and also tracks leading  
to Mangga Seta - no recent signs of recent  
enemy not were observed.

1 PL patrolled from Mangga Ketyl  
north to JOE JEFF and EVER and  
investigated tracks leading from these features  
to the Mangga Seta River

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PATROLS

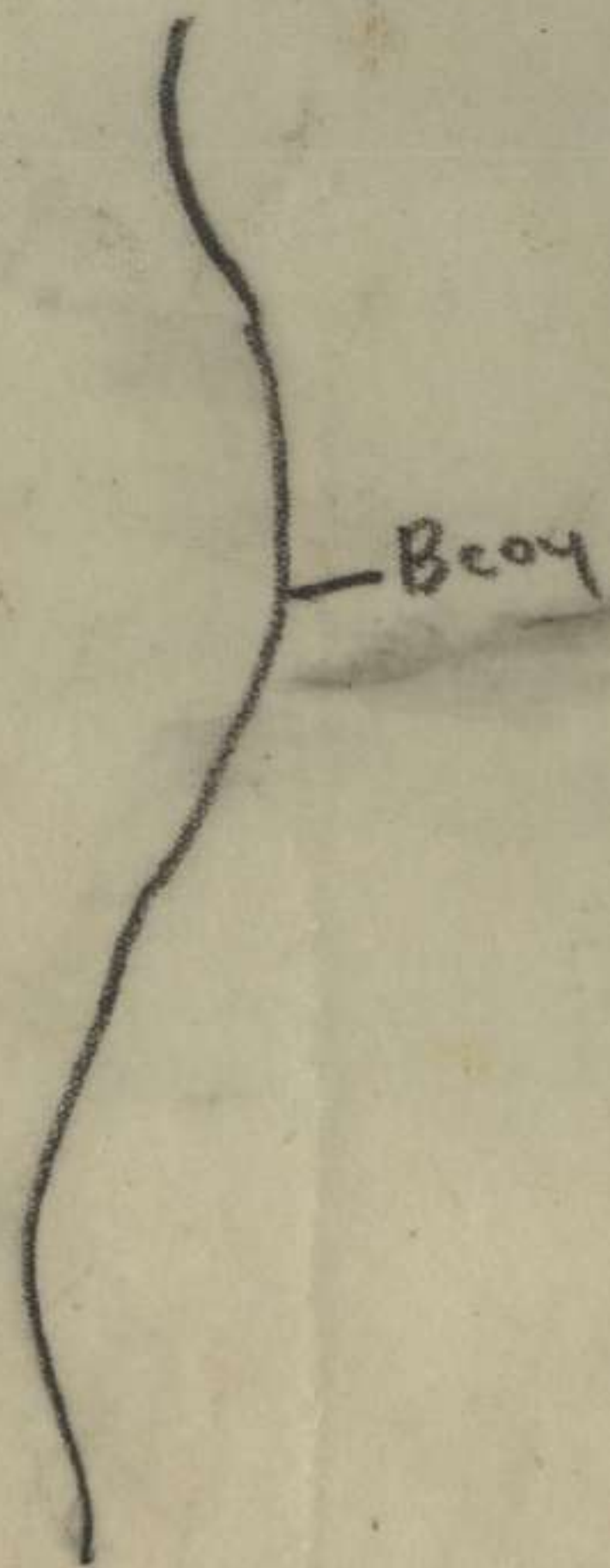
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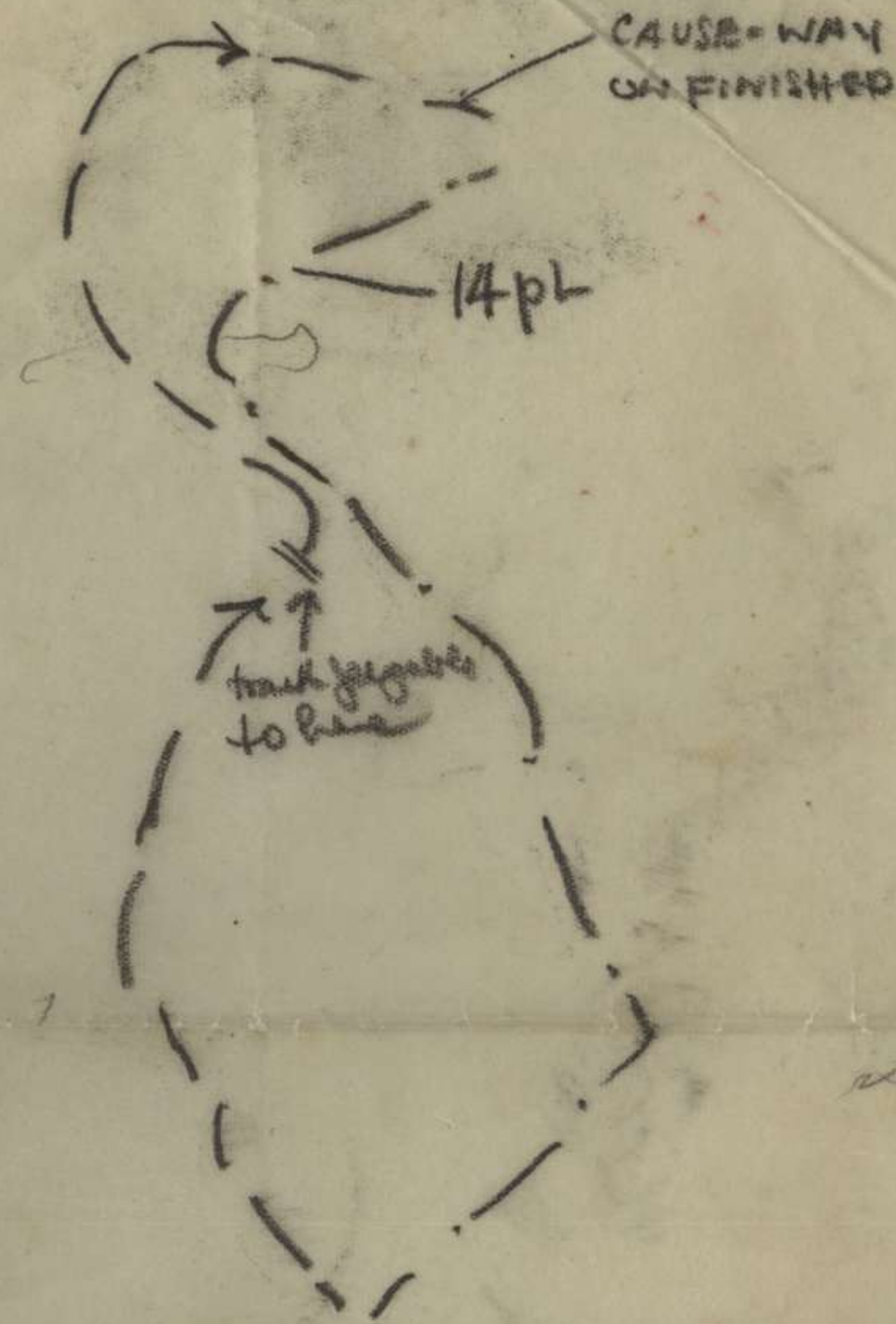
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ref maps

Sept 1944  
hangju 1/2500



62 +  
65



7 JULY

SEPINGGANG - AIRSTRIP

SHEET. 1

TIME

070100 call Cays SITNOR Bde notified,  
 Strip from 21 Bde  
 070200 call Cays SITNOR Bde notified  
 073000  
 07355 Light firing near MANGGAR bridge, seems  
 to be of no importance as it has ceased  
 07400 Cays SITNOR.  
 07520 D CAY SITREP NIL  
 C " " at small amount of fire fwd  
 of our posns during night.  
 B CAY SITNOR.  
 0600 SITREP to Bde.  
 0650 Password from Bde  
 0700 CO on phone to B177.  
 0705 edict to Bde - Password  
 0925 orders received to move to 725646.  
 0955 B Coy patrol pos 661613 obs 2 japs  
 400 yds fwd x am pushing on  
 0935 movement order issued, see A1  
 0940 Ford V8 sedan captured previously sent  
 to Bde for Brig use.  
 01130 2114 report CP gun captured was  
 155 mm @ one gun only @ gun still  
 firing UX shell identified 120 mm.  
 1150 B Coy patrol @ report are at KEEL  
 within to report.  
 1300 H.Q's AID Cays move en route to new posn.  
 1630 H.Q now established at 722640. D CAY at 734698  
 1700 CO 420 arrive back from 2/14 Bn H.Q.  
 1800 L.O.B. group arrive this H.Q.  
 1830 SITREP to Bde.  
 1835 CO to Bde.  
 A Coy departs H.Q plus 879 PLS 732646

Bde

1	0	TIME	MESSAGE
		1845Z	Message to Bde. B ECH to be established at 723640 night 7-8. Moving this from 080500Z
		1850	Infm from Bde. see appx + " " " " " "
		1900	IO to Bde. CO wants report by 080500Z on status handed in.
		2215	D cor report to report one jag on beach to dressed in white clothing senty threw grenade and jag basil retired.
		2400	all correct Overlay of Patrols for day. appx -

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For Action

<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	<b>GR</b>
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2/14 Bn 2/22 Bn

ORIGINATOR'S No.

G1 69 0 Secret 0 Bn G1 68 0 Delete  
 all after ENEMY CASUALTIES TO HAND  
 24 hrs to 072020 0 substitute counted  
 dead 23 PW 1 'Progressive total  
 counted dead 225 FAD 18 PW 6  
 all informal.

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21 inf Bde

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 2000 Subseq number 11 to 070600I @  
062200I 5 pl moved to 727657 as near  
protection 2114 Bn @ night quiet.

This message may be sent **AS WRITTEN**  
by any means { except }

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Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into  
enemy hands, this message must be  
sent **IN CIPHER**

Signed

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*To. will arrange for 0 Tp from Bu 48 07/1/005  
B' Ech remain present location.*

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*Bu*

*071845*

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*Bde*

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*7220 BECH to be sent 723640*  
*780 morning this group 080000 I*

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Signed *J.P.*

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21 Bde

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	(v) For Information (INFO.)	
	7 DIV	GR
	2/27 BN	

ORIGINATOR'S No. GI 66 confidential information to 071500Z  
 2/14 BN @ NO change @ 2/16 BN BHQ and A Coy  
 GAME B C + D Coys JACK patrol GAME  
 600 yards EAST GIANT GLASS GRAND returning  
 same route object to find enemy flank and  
 tracks @ 2/27 BN @ No further report from  
 B Coy patrol @ BHQ set 72364 @ approx 1345Z

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Signed 2/7 CAV no change All informed.	Signed		Time Cleared		

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(A)

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For Action

**TO**

A.C.D. QM RMO. 10 TO. R.S.M. 2 PR

(re) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

02 Confidential Movement order B. will  
 occupy area MANGGAR KETJIL and MANGGAR BESAR  
 Dispositions C Coy MANGGAR KETJIL with responsibility patrolling  
 feature JUNK & JOE and possible task of occupying JOE D Coy  
 SOELIH area A Coy MANGGAR BESAR area Bunthl location  
 to be advised Ep RV track June 14 PC HQ 723615  
 at 071200I Coy move to new area 071300I

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<b>TO</b> 7 Div	(w) For Information (INFO.)
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Message Instructions **GR**

2/27 BN.

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GI 64 Confidential Infn to  
 071200 I 2/14 BN Enemy gun posn N°7  
 located 741682 and MORT posn N°8 733674  
 071200 I OPs reported air strike 6 hibernators  
 gun posns 736685 741682 747678 all bombs  
 in target area 2/16 BN no report 2/27 BN -  
 Bn less B Coy moving to MANGGAR KETJEL Area  
 071200 I B Coy patrol at HALO reports NO track  
 from HALO Proceeding to HAIL to cut known  
 track 2/17 Cav Regt Regt less one sqdn and  
 two troops LADY Ftp at MERIT Native inter-  
 rogation Jap posn 758710 and on TAROTIT  
 river WEST VASEY HIGHWAY All informed

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For Action

<b>TO</b>	<b>7 AUST DIV</b> (w) For Information (INFO.) <b>14 Bn, 27 Bn</b>	Message Instructions <b>GR</b>
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

**G I 680 SITREP 14 to 072220 I 0**  
 Bole H.Q. no change 0 2/14 Bn brought maximum supporting fire & three air strikes onto localised enemy gun positions 0 one bunker 743680 received a direct hit 0 071730 I patrol to number 4 gun 742678 which was believed to be knocked out did not reach objective 0 071730 I patrol to spurs 728673 & 732674 to investigate suspected mortar positions was supported by arty & mortars 0 Report later when confirmed 0 B HQ 728649 A Coy 729650 B Coy 733664 C Coy 742669 D Coy 741677 0 2/16 Bn 076100 I B Coy C Coy B HQ moved to GAME to join A Coy D Coy local patrols to GATE found gap still in occupation & very numerous 0 Patrol to GIANT GRAND sent path to GIANT T & returned will proceed tomorrow

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<b>TO</b>  (w) For Information (INFO.)	

ORIGINATOR'S No.

2/7 Cav Regt relieved 2/24 Bm  
 of responsibility of SEPINGGAN A/E  
 R.H.Q 658602 3 Sqn 653605 5 Sqn  
 less F Tp 649603 F Tp on MERIT  
 relieved by pl 2/16 Bm enemy cas  
 to hand 24 hrs to 072000 I counted  
 dead 23 PW 1 progressive total  
 counted dead 202 EAD 19 PW 6  
 all informed

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8 July 45.

B Coy retraced route from Keel to  
Leppinggan Besar and then moved North  
through Ken Kelp Kiddy to Nail.  
6 Japs on Kitty fired on patrol but there were  
no casualties.

The Coy was held up at Nail by Japs with  
LMG and inf. A patrol around the right flank  
through Narem was also held up.

B Coy established a defensive locality  
for the night. A patrol by C Coy from BOTAKAN Kitjil to (ARR)  
contacted a Jap sentry group which fled.  
C Coy patrolled the I N K Joh h /  
and EVER areas without making contact.  
I PL established at SOE LK patrolled  
to JOE without making contact.

A Coy and D Coy moved fwd and established  
in area 732646 preparatory to moving through  
8143n

Bn 4R moved from Leppinggan to  
Hospital Area 723640.

FIELD SKETCH  
of  
B.H.Q and H.Q Coys AREAS — REF 722604

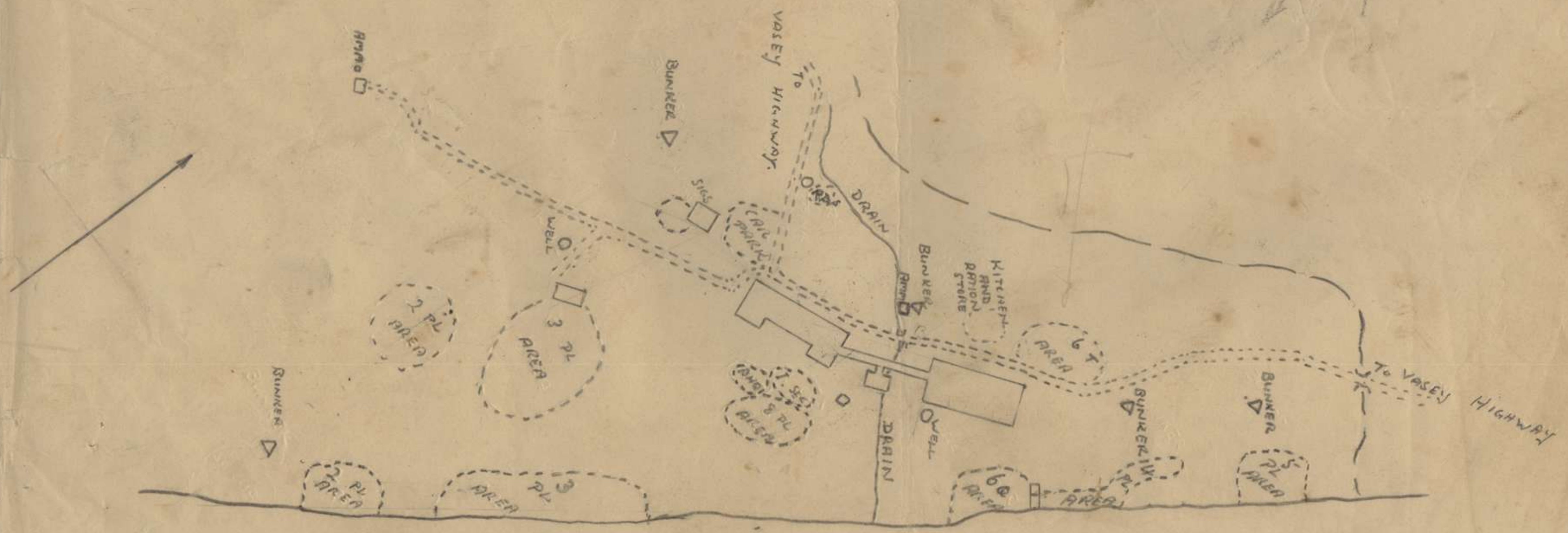
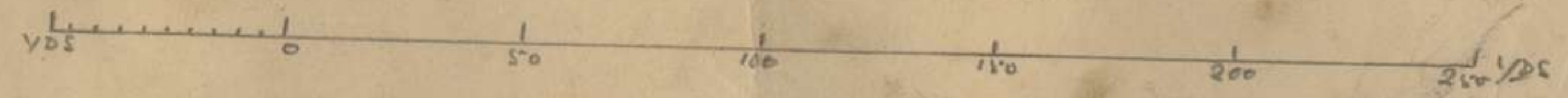
REF. MAP. MANGGAR 1:25000

R.F. 1:1800

METHOD — COMPASS + PACING.  
TIME TAKEN — 2 HOURS.

SCALE — 1 INCH = 50 YDS.

MADE BY — INT SEC.  
2/27 AUST INF BN.  
8 JULY 45.

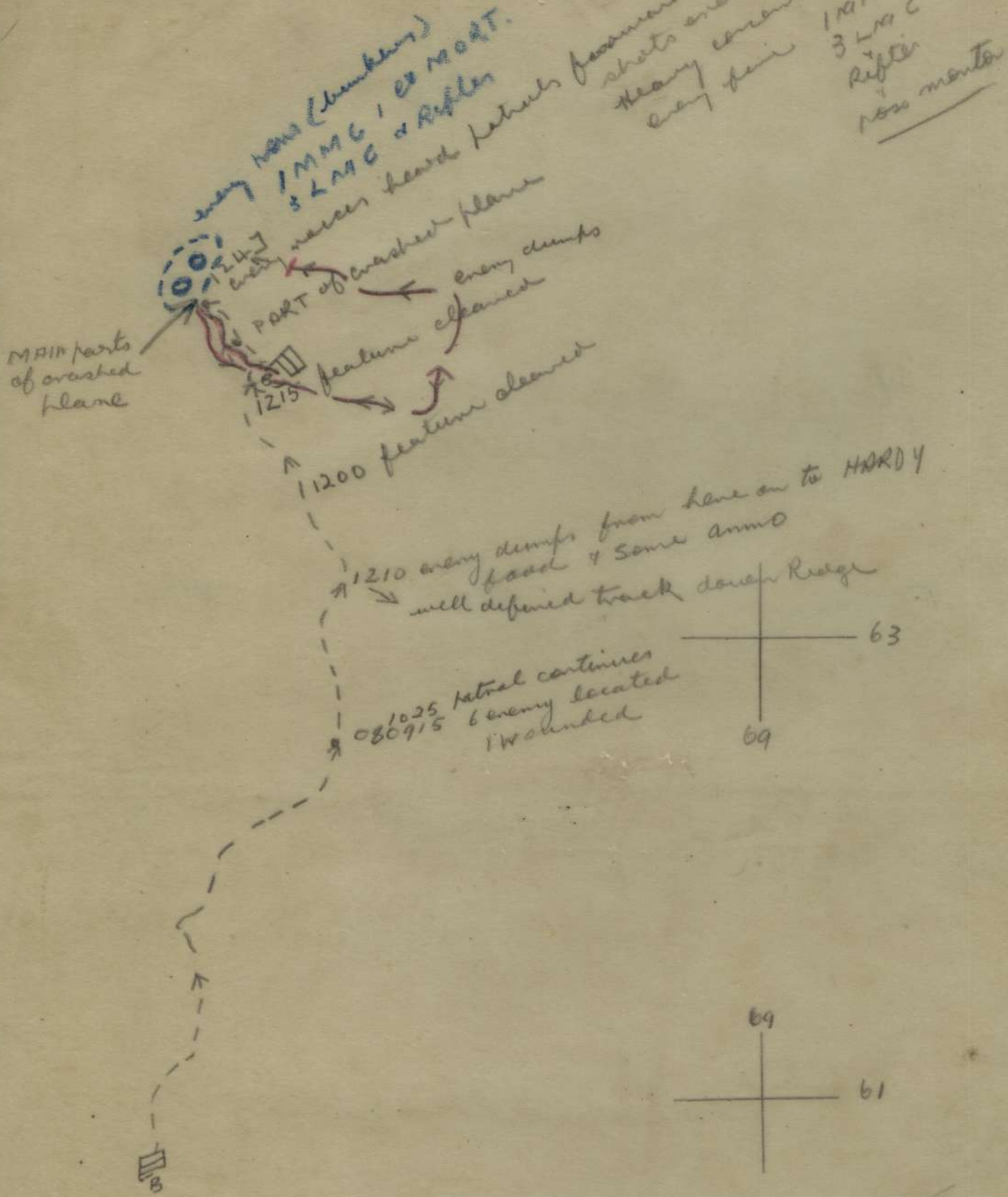


PATROLS.

DATE... 8 Jul

UNIT 2/27

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
SubUnit & serial	Time Out	Time In	Strength & Type	ROUTE	OBJECT	REPORT
B 1	080800		B Coy.	Sepinggang. Besan - KEEN - HELP - KIDDY - HASTY - HARRY - HARDY - HANK - HAIL		081015] 6 listed on by 16 japs at HELP 081320] 6 15 japs dug in on HAIL one LMG and rifles
C 2	080930	081500	one platoon plus 2 i men " 2 FS.	VASEY H'WAY - track NORTH - KIND - LOWER SPAN - HARRY	to search for documents and stores area.	081115] patrol fixed on 6 japs lower span HARRY Bde informed return route.
C 3	080930	081630	10 off + 17 OR's	MANGIARA KETJIL - JIM K' JOE JELLY - EVEN - MANGIARA RIVER and CAUSEWAY. return same	Rde informal	3 japs seen from track 706 644 6 fresh foot. prints at 716 640. No sign enemy.
A 4	081030	081145	one platoon	SOELILLI - JOE feature.	patrol for enemy movement.	Bde informed



B Coy Patrols

Overlay Ref MAP SERINGGANG 1:23000

8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> July 45

LEGEND

- COY ROUTE - - - -
- 12pl patrol ———
- 10pl patrol - - - -

8 Jul

Area 723640

Sheet 5

	0200	all correct
	0400	all correct
	0500	Sit not all way
	0600	Sit way to Bde
	0800	Buy patrol left at 0800
	0920	CO and IO find to 2/14
AM	0945	Buy HOT to go beyond line running SE-SW through EDIT-COCOA-CANEO strike on BATOCHAMPAR 4 EDIT reached OK to proceed must be obtained from Bde.
	1015	Buy patrol @ patrol at KELPO find on by 6 japs who moved to Kitty believed may have gone in def. plan pl push on to investigate, capt del informed of info from Bde re-air strike
	1130	connection to info (Bridge reported at MANGGAR Riv. @ cause way 75 yds only WEST of River NO Bridge.
	1255	Buy patrol @ posn HAIL can hear voices am investigating. Bde advised
	1320	Buy patrol - 15 japs on HAIL have LMG & rifles Bde advised
	1335	Bde IO to IO @ can patrol moving HASTY HARDY.
	1340	Buy posn 730645
	1500	can see patrol plus INT and FS personnel returned @ patrol find on 6 japs at 081115 on lower posn of HARRY

8 Jul

area 723640

Sheet 2

ref map 1/25000

- 1635 every regmt patrol has returned @ patrol lands on way to B.H.O.
- 1710 L.O from Bde latest info. - re - 2/16
- 1710 capt Lee rang @ to inform CAV that see us with him will remain the night.
- 1712 C.O and L.O to 2/14.
- 1725 adv informed CAV see will remain with <sup>B Coy</sup> tonight
- 1735 B Coy to send back 6 CAV personnel to guide CAV SQN to B Coy area @ guide to Reg. HQ.
- 1800 B Coy informed @ unable to get through earlier.
- 1801 capt Lee dispn HANK feature @ ref 669641
- 1805 adv to Bde - re CAV move
- 1850 from Bde @ CAV moving to B Coy area 090800I. @ adv arranging ration for B Coy.
- 1845 B & C Coy line down @ line post gone out
- 1950 line OK to B & C.
- 1955 B Coy B & C see @ will you find out if guide of CAV got back OK.
- 2000 CAV guides reported in @ information from CAV.
- 2035 L.O to Bm @ B Coy report old crashed Liberator on open SE of japs post @ would air force be interested in this crash. @ Bm informed 10 that japs have pulled out of C ATF feature.

8 Jul

Sheet 3

2050 10 to east Lee @ ~~is~~ when enemy with-  
 drew from GATE and a possibility  
 enemy may withdraw from HATH  
 during night @ you are to send  
 a patrol at first light to find  
 out if tent area is occupied

0200 all covered A-D line out Bay  
 0230 all covered A-C-D line ~~still out~~ Bay  
 0310 line out to Bay  
 0500 Sit out all way  
 0600 Sit of number 14 @ sit out

~~Patrol Report appx~~  
 14 Pl patrol report appx  
 A B & C Coy Patrols Reports Appx  
 Overlay of Pl Patrols for day "

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For Action

<b>TO</b> <u>A C D</u>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	<u>GR</u>
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 26 @ Lt Col in 081815I @ A Coy @  
 081030I patrol 5052141 JOE @ NMS  
 @ Coy @ 081320I patrol made contact  
 enemy dug in on HAIL @ enemy pos  
 662645 665645 one MMG 3 LMG  
 one light mortar @ B Coy pos HANK  
 leading @ our cas one KIA enemy  
 pos NOT known @ E Coy @ patrol  
 to HARRY fired on 6 japs launcher gun  
 HARRY @ patrol JOE JOLLY EVER  
 RIVER observed 3 japs 706646 fresh  
 foot prints 711640 on return route  
 @ D Coy concentrated 730646.

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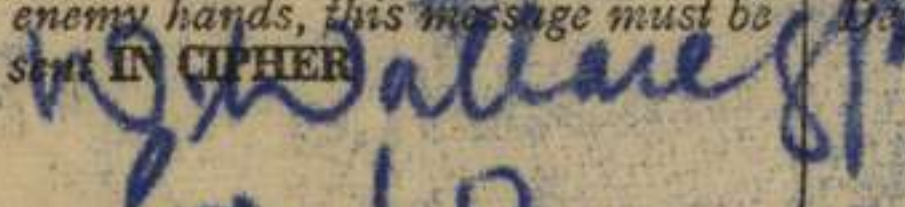
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<b>TO</b> 2/ W/B (w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions GR	

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 250 Setup number 13 to 0818150  
 A day 081030I patrol SOELIKKI JOE 0  
 HARRY 0 Bean 081320I patrol made  
 contact enemy dug in on HAIL 0  
 enemy pos 662 645 665 645 one  
 MMG 3 LMG's and light mortar 0  
 Bean pos 669 641 HARK feature 0  
 our cas one KIA 0 C day 0 patrol  
 to HARRY fired on 6 japs lower span  
 HARRY 0 patrol JOE JOHNY EVER  
 RIVER 0 observed 3 japs 706 646 fresh  
 foot prints at 711 640 on return  
 route 0 Day concentrated at  
 730 646

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For Action			
<b>TO</b>	7 Div (w) For Information (INFO.)		Message Instructions <b>GR</b>
2/14 2/16 2/27			

ORIGINATOR'S No.

G.I. 70 Secret 10 Div Rep. 15 No

2030 i 10 2/14 BWO 3 enemy Patrols  
 contacted at D. Coy between 072000  
 & 072309 i D. Coy no casualties  
 D F fire brought down by  
 Arty. B. Coy patrol No 728674  
 at 071730 i 10 Ar 3 O.P.'s  
 reported in during night all  
 wounded 2/16 BWO no reports  
 2/27 BWO B. Coy on Patrol No  
 H A C K returned to sleeping  
 Base 071830 i 4 spent night  
 at 6636080 2/7 Cav. Reg  
 no changes all performed.

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For Action			
<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
	2/27 BN		

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GI 74 Secret 18 to 081600Z 2/14 BN

0 A Coy relieved D Coy no enemy activity 0  
 2/16 BN local patrolling no reports 0 2/27  
 BN B Coy patrol reports enemy on  
 HARRY 15 seen fire from 1 M M G 3  
 L M G's one light mortar 0 Enemy posns  
 662 645 665 645 and own fwd posns  
 at 668 643 0 08 11 15 I section patrol  
 sighted 5 enemy on HARRY 675 632  
 2/7 CAV REGT 08 12 30 patrol to  
 657 621 NMS All Informed.

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

MACDONALD DV track at  
 0811 I 1 pop KIA F track  
 returned in Reg. Patrols for  
 KITT V KIND KITE  
 HERO + JUM 130 JUMPY  
 JAM LANCE LAPLET  
 report NMS RHQ 656603  
 2-3rd squadron 656603. 2/5  
 649603 1 section 671613.  
 Enemy casualties 24 hrs counted  
 dead 6

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

2/14 2/16 2/27 2/7 Cav

G 78 SECRET SET REP to

082030 Bde HQ. 2/14 Bn during day relieved D Coy with A Coy Bn 728649 A Coy 739677 B Coy 732763 C Coy 743669 D Coy 727649.

2/16 Bn 081830 I after HV motor MG concentration patrol found

GATE unoccupied. 16 pl occupied

GATE 081845 I. Other patrol

inf NOT to hand. Bn 631628

A Coy 631630 B Coy 627628

C Coy 631628 D 630632.

2/27 Bn B patrol watching patrol enemy on H/H. Bn 722639

A Coy 732647

B Coy 668649 D Coy 730646

Enemy position 662645 +

665645 estimated strength

1 pl. 27 Cav Reg F coop from

WATERMERT reached

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**GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

*GI 75 confidential photo interpretation shows bt at 763691 destroyed by 48605 of light construction only many feet left and signs of activity vicinity 7246700 Bunker at 76556938. All map refs. MANGAR 1 to 25000. all information.*

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Patrol Report

Part 1

Fighting Patrol

1 officer & 230 R's

8 July 45

Manggar 1-25,000

- Object
- ① Ascertain if any crossing ~~exists~~ <sup>at</sup> Manggar - Besar ~~exists~~ <sup>to Soetili Spur</sup>
  - ② Any tracks existing on Jeffo ~~Spur~~

- Answer
- ① No
  - ② yes @ Faint track exists along Jeffo Spur to point 715 669 & then cut out
  - ③ Faint track seen bearing to right at 714 668

Patrol Commander

Lt J. D. D.

Time out

0709151

Time in

0717301

Route outline. From 722 645 to 717 656  
 to 726 655 to 713 660 to 706 666  
 to 707 669 then to 710 667 to 718 671  
 to ~~710 667~~ 710 667 to 717 656 to 722 645

AUSTRALIAN  
COMFORTS FUND

In Connection with

Y.M.C.A.

(The Address, Address only)

Signs passed (518 - 523)

Track cut out before 715669.

Same track bearing to right at offroad ~~715669~~

714668. Track not followed.

Point returned to 717656 then to

722645 per track cut by previous party.

NOTE (a) 51 with gas writing

recent handed to C. Coy.

(b) New type gas grenade also  
handed to C. Coy.

*[Signature]*

1481





Bandelier

W.M.C.A. - mit

Army - mit

Part II

From 722645 travelled to Jap tree look  
out at 717656 thence towards village Sodeli  
on a well worn track approx 4 to 5' wide.  
Approx 500<sup>x</sup> from Sodeli Jap constructed wooden  
track 6' wide, over swampy area,  
met C.O. & I.O. at Sodeli 0711301

~~no~~ no river crossing existed at this village  
Faint jungle track bore off towards river at  
approx 722654. Track not followed.  
From Sodeli returned to Jap O.P.  
thence along 6' track travelling N.W. along  
Joes Spur.

Jap footprints approx 4 hours? old noticed in  
mud at 710664. Small Jap hut containing  
two fresh bags rice placed on left of track  
at approx 708667.

Smoke at Jellies Knoll. Traveled due  
N. until 15PI encountered at approx 706669.  
Returned ~~to~~ route to 708667 along Jap  
Spur. Faint track existed & several Jap



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PART I

PATROL REPORT

JAL Aboy

- ① Recce patrol.
- ② IN.C.O. and 8 ORs
- ③ 8 July 45
- ④ Ref Map MANCCAR 1:25000
- ⑤ Object Are enemy in occupation of TOE ref.  
717660?
- ⑥ Answer No.
- ⑦ Patrol bound. ~~WEL~~ Bridge T.H.
- ⑧ Time out 08 1030 I
- ⑨ Time In 08 1200 I
- ⑩ Route Out -

Moved SW ~~from~~ from SOELH1 for 450' x  
 along boarded track built up abt 1ft  
 above level of tidal swamp - dense swamp  
 growth about 15' high - visibility off track  
 5 x yards. Impossible to penetrate without  
 cutting track. Board track about 5' wide.  
 End of timber track approx 724654.  
 Thence NESTERLY up rising ground to spur  
 721654. Vegetation thinned but much thinner

IMPORTANT.—Any reference to shipping or troop movements will result in the delay or mutilation of your letters.



past a man swamp area. Track about 2' or 3' wide.  
Approx 716656.

Thence up to feature to 713660 along papable  
tracks. Rain forest without undergrowth except  
for vine growth - visibility limited.

Look out tower nearly 100' high also coal  
mine (not recently worked) at 713660.

⑪ Route In - Same as route out.

⑫ casualties - enemy NIL  
NIL

*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*

PART I

1. Force in force
2. B Coy plus 1 & 16 ~~Co~~ 2/3 Cav Comdo Squadron
3. 8 - 9 Jul 45
4. SEPINGGAN 1:25000
5. To establish from base on HABIT for patrolling to ENVOY  
thence to MILFORD HIGHWAY
6. From base east on HANK <sup>because</sup> enemy posn on HAIL - minimum estimate  
of one Pl. - debarrad further advance.
7. Capt. J. D. Lee
8. 080825Z
9. 091405Z
10. 664608 to KEEN along ridge to 667644.
11. Same as route out.
12. 1 KIA
13. 4 definite. No bodies buried.

PART II. Patrol moved due North to KEEN feature. Formation 12 Pl, Coy HQ  
11 Pl, 10 Pl carrying cable, <sup>followed by</sup> ~~and~~ Mammados in rear. at 664616 met  
good wide foot track (5' wide) with 1 1/2" power cable following it.  
This track commences at 660613. Patrol followed this track to  
669622 then swung to top of ridge & followed foot pad along crest  
for remainder of journey. at 669622 the wide track swung east.  
at approx 669622 patrol found & deloused 2 antipersonnel mines  
hidden beneath flat boards on the good track. Patrol continued  
to feature ~~KEEN~~ KERP. ~~and~~ ~~were~~ at 0915 forward scouts sighted  
and fired on 6 Japs at 672625. Japs replied with rifle fire  
only but held their ground for approx 10 minutes to 1/4 hr. & then  
withdrew. 12 Pl followed quickly, Coy remaining until next bound  
had been cleared. Blood on track evidenced 1 Jap wounded.  
own cas. NIL. Coy moved forward to HARRY feature where a  
track led off to SE down KIND Spur. EPIP type tent found on HARRY  
also two large smashed wireless sets and other gear & rations.  
at HARDY patrol found <sup>recently</sup> well dug & sited enemy pans incl one  
MMG posn, ~~boxes~~ numerous boxes of belt amm and a food  
dump of rice, dried fish & tinned stuffs. at feature HANK  
at 669642 there is a definite hill feature & is 30-50' higher than  
the remainder of HANK. at 669642 patrol passed portion of U.S.A  
crashed plane thought to be a marauder. Parts were taken back  
for investigation. at 1247 hrs patrol reached 667644 and heard  
Jap voices on HAIL. 12 Pl fanned out and rear patrol went forward  
& met a ~~but was surprised by~~ Jap patrol moving down from HAIL feature.  
shots were exchanged & Jap MMG opened up & surprise was lost.  
11 Pl was brought up to cut from base and 12 Pl ~~who were~~  
ordered to work forward by infiltration. <sup>to gain more infm</sup> 12 Pl moved off and  
few elements

managed to get within 30 to 40' of enemy positions, which were on higher ground, before Japs opened fire. 3 Jap LMGs and one MMG opened up simultaneously & fired long inaccurate bursts. ~~for several minutes~~ Pl. claims <sup>two</sup> the Japs definitely hit own casualty - 1 KIA.

at 1745 Coy withdrew to 669642 & took up defensive position <sup>as</sup> a base for fighting patrols.

at 090725 two fighting patrols of 1 & 10 were sent out on different routes to HA 14 feature. see Appendix B & C attached.

at 091100 2/3 Cav. Squadron arrived and relieved Coy.

at 091230 Coy ~~returned~~ commenced return journey.

Topographical Infm - country is undulating with no particularly prominent features or deep gullies.

Streams are tiny & water not very good. Vegetation - ~~is~~ rainforests 60' timber visibility 30 yards owing to leafy undergrowth. many lawyer vines & creepers make progress off track difficult.

APPX B  
to B Coy HAIL  
Patrol Report.

Patrol Report -

PART I

- 1) fighting
- 2) 1 and 10
- 3) 9 Jul 45
- 4) SEP 1/25000
- 5) ~~2~~ To locate & inflict casualties on east flank of enemy posn on HAIL
- 6) Posn located & engaged at 666646. Enemy firepower - 2 LMGs, one MMG.
- 7) Lt Hill
- 8) 090725 I
- 9) 091030 I
- 10) From HANK to HAVEN to HAREM to HAIL.
- 11) Same
- 12) NIL
- 13) one definite.

PART II

1. Fighting Patrol
2. 1 offr 10 OR's
3. 9 July 45
4. Ref Map SEPINGGANG 1:25,000
5. To locate enemy position, and destroy same if possible

PART II

Patrol moved SE along HAVOC ridge for approx 500'. Then from ridge NE to HAVEN, moving up out of creek along gap foot pad on to feature. A sign post [J 66] was nailed to a tree on this HAVEN feature, and in same area were two stone markers. Moved due WEST to HAREM along very well defined track similar to the route track of N.C. HAREM was identified as gap outpost soon encountered by this PI the previous day when on patrol from KING feature. At approx W.N.W. along wide track toward HAIL feature. At approx 668647 patrol passed signpost [J 69]. A Jap signal wire follows this track, patrol cut it in several places. 100' past signpost 69 track turns half right and goes up hill to Jap position at 666647. Patrol moved to within 100' of position, and observed rifleman on sentry duty covering track. Rifleman signalled to L.M.C. in bunker facing straight down track - facing east. Bunker had overhead coder. Patrol opened up on rifleman & post and claim at least one Jap hit. Japs opened up with at least 2 LMG's - some say 3. Position one gun firing straight down track, one on patrol's right flank and possibly one further over to left flank. Patrol withdrew after observing fire, and then heavy MG opened up from further up on HAIL feature. Jap riflemen were on positions below L.M.C. and on both flanks. One appeared to be badly aimed though very heavy indeed - no casualties were suffered. Patrol estimates 200 on these positions could be kept fairly thick.

7. Let Kill.
8. 090725 I
9. 091030 I
10. Route out as per Sec 6
11. Route back over same as route out.
12. 1 possible enemy casualty
13. No casualties to own troops

APPX C to  
 Coy HAK Patrol

- (1) Recon patrol.
- (2) 10 off 10 ORS
- (3) 9th July 45.
- (4) Ref Map Sepinggang 1/25000
- (5) One enemy still in occupation of HAK feature? and to pinpoint enemy pos.
- (6) Enemy still in occupation of HAK feature in strength (est 1 pl)  
 2 LMG pos located, no casualties inflicted
- (7) Lt Cnecken
- (8) 090115 I
- (9) 090900 I
- (10) from Coy HQ ref 669642 on HANK directly along track to HAK feature.
- (11) back along same route to Coy HQ.
- (12) nil.
- (13) nil.

PART II

Enemy located still in occupation of HAK, no fire exchanged. Patrol observed enemy from 666643, Enemy L.M.C. at Ref 664644 & 1 L.M.C. at 666644, and another L.M.C. at 666645. Logged weapon pits (unmanned) at 666644 below L.M.C. There were enemy in occupation of these pits and weapons. Behind and to the west of 664644 was a hut. There was a lot of talking further up the hill. Several noises were heard from Spur 666646. Nine (9) Enemy were sighted all together within the enemy perimeter. There was no suitable pos on this spur for an arty or mortar O.P. unless right forward within 15' - 20' of enemy. 3" M could have been used from HAK feature with little preparation. From Coy patrol moved up track from HANK to HAK. One sign wire ran nearly to HAK. This was laid on previous day. The wire was still intact and could have been used for comm. Patrol reached 666643 without being seen, but I feel that we were seen getting out.



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# Detailed Report

日	時	刻	發信艦所	中繼艦所	着信艦所	信	號	當務者	信法號
						Well fed half Jersey cow observed on river			
						bank approx position 693632 - large			
年						tree spanning river at same spot -			
月						6 to 8 forms noticed dashing up spur			
						1 full Owen mag. fired at forms which			
						in the rain forest may have been			
						natives or Japs - further examination			
						of spur where forms were observed			
						provided only two small heel marks			
						also examination of tracks leading			

# Detailed Report

	日	時	發信艦所	中繼艦所	着信艦所	信	號	當務者	信法號
年									
月									
						from spur provided no result - examined more huts near fringe of rain forest, then on to track leading to road junction 697 but then per jeep to camp. - no signs of Jap digging fresh holes on any part of pad through rain forest.			
						Strength of patrol 1 NCO + 8 men			
						Time Out 1100 hrs Time In 2315 hrs.			

Cpl Deering



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PART I

PATROL REPORT

7 Pl A Coy.

- ① River patrol
- ② I.N.C.O. and 8 ORS.
- ③ 9 July 45
- ④ Ref map MANGGAR 1:25000.
- ⑤ Object Are there enemy in occupation of  
TOE feature ref. 714660.
- ⑥ Answer No.
- ⑦ Patrol bound. Cpl Barry Pj.
- ⑧ Time out 091000 I
- ⑨ Time In 091200 I
- ⑩ Route out - same as previous patrol (Cpl Bridg)

as far as 713660. Topographical features same as Bridg's patrol report. Thence along TOE feature to approx 712663 track still visible - vegetation rain forest. Thence NE along spur to 714665 along foot pad - vegetation rain forest - slope fairly even and gradual. River CANNOT be observed from 714665.

IMPORTANT.—Any reference to shipping or troop movements will result in the delay or mutilation of your letters.

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⑪ Route In - Same as route out.

⑫ Basal own NIL  
enemy NIL

Basal

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PART 2

Patrol Report  
Map Ref. Seppingang & Mangan

9 Jul

日	時	刻	發信艦所	中繼艦所	着信艦所	信	號	當務者	信法號
						Detailed Report.			
年						Leaving head junction Map Ref 713 637			
月						followed track along to junction, then			
						followed left hand track, which after			
						700 yds merged into well defined pad.			
						Fauna fairly thick rain forest. <del>track</del>			
						pad led to SOUTH part of HARR feature			
						pad then followed spur down to small			
						creek upwards to HOME knoll, where			
						two pillboxes were observed & investigated			



Patrol Report



Fighter Patrol 1 officer + 33

9 July 45

{ Manggar 1-25000  
{ Sittunggang 1-25000

Object: below following features of enemy  
① Heavy, ② Harem, ③ Harem  
② Contact Bay at Hank

Answer ① no enemy contacted at above named features

② Bay not contacted

Patrol Leader Lt Ducrest Lewis

Time out - 0911151

Time in - 0917351

Route out: From Manggar Rajah to 697625 to track junction 689637 to Ring feature 684638 to Heavy Knoll to Harem Knoll to Harem to 672640.

Route in: As for Route out.





basinets - own - mt  
" enemy "

Part II

Patrol travelled along road  
to rd junction 697625 then along  
track & wooden rail to track junction  
689637. Patrol turned left &  
followed for foot track of 684637  
Feature Heavy, where w/p's & trench  
system of defence have been dug.  
Estimated 4 or 5 days old. Much  
amm, rice, tents, ~~spare~~

~~spare~~  
Followed spur running N.W to  
Haven feature. Many new trenches  
on east side of track approaching  
Haven. Numerous huts in good  
condition passed. Signs of recent  
occupation.



Patrol followed track to Haven  
feature. Posts for approx 1 Sect  
found.

Left 6 Sec in occupation & sent  
4 Sec on compass bearing to Hank  
with 5 Sec  
Further: Pushed along track  
for approx 300' to a knoll. Finding  
head on left flank.

4 Sec returned not having contacted  
B Coy. Sec leader estimates he  
reached point 672 640. Can route  
be found black & red signal  
were running Nth West.

Well worn track passed a ridge  
at approx 672 645. That at  
junction contained, main work, supplies  
& ammo.

Further but full of supplies &  
clean clothing found at 671 645.



Patrol returned same route in  
leaving at 1615 hr.  
Since returning have been informed  
that I should have held Heavy  
Machine unit Day ordered.

~~Patrol~~

Also should have been collected  
by low patrol.  
Controlled by neither.

*[Signature]*

# PATROL REPORT

## Part I

1. Fighting Patrol.
2. Strength 1 offr and 20 ORs
3. 9<sup>th</sup> July 45.
4. Ref Map MANGGAR
5. Object: To clear enemy (if any) from area of huts ref 706 646.
6. Answer: Yes (NO Japs seen)
7. Patrol Comd. Lt Serchan
8. Time out. 0910
9. Time in. 1130
10. Route out via track down L Coy pass direct
11. Route in same route.
12. Casualties own: nil.
13. Casualties enemy: nil.

## Part II

Moved via track to sawn through bridge. From there sent 8 section in two parties up each track 100 yards from junction. MG was placed on left fork. Remaining party moved through bush to series of huts, found no enemy and cleared surrounding scrub huts, and area surrounding same had not been used for at least three months. It was presumed that Japanese had used area, as there was kapok strewn over the ground under huts and one pair of japs boots. Serchan Lt



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<i>For Action</i> 2/14 2/16 2/27 INF BNS 2/7 GAV (GDO) REG		
<b>TO</b> (w) For Information (INFO.)	<i>Message Instructions</i> <b>GR</b>	

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

GO 151 SECRET (.) on and after 10 jul air alert A/C will be NO longer available (.) requests for B 24 strikes of up to one gp strength must reach this HQ twentyfour (24) hrs before time over target or NOT later than 1200I the day prior to the strike (.) if more than one gp of B 24s are requested at least 48 hrs notice is required (.) requests for B 25s P 38s must reach this HQ by 1600I on the day prior to the strike (.) these times are in accordance with airforce requirements

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<b>TO</b> 21 in Bde (w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 29 @ Setrap HQ 15 to 091800 I @ A com @  
 091800 I patrol SOELILLI JOE NMS @ B com  
 @ 090715 I patrol HANK HAVEN HAREM  
 to 668646 @ enemy positions MM @ 665645 LMG  
 664644 666644 666645 @ cas down NIL  
 enemy and killed @ C com @ 091000 I patrol  
 BATAKAN-BESAR HEAVY HAVEN HAREM to  
 approx 670645 @ no enemy seen @ ammo  
 and dumps along track @ patrol failed  
 to contact CAV @ 090845 I patrol MANGGIAR  
 KETJIL HUT area 706646 NMS @  
 091100 I new patrol MANGGIAR KETJIL  
 HARK rd 692633 observed smoke and  
 8 men believed natives @ B com concentrate  
 this HQ @ 5 pl 697625

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W. J. Walker  
 J. I. J.

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For Action

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2/16 Pm 2/27 Pm

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GI 88 Confidential @ Interrogation 3  
 natives from SAMBODJA area @ Left  
 LAMAROE 090700 I @ Report NO JAPS  
 SAMBODJA for 10 days have moved  
 NORTH @ Many Dead JAPS LAMAROE  
 area WEST ~~side~~ side VASEY HIGHWAY due  
 to our shelling @ 7 JULY JAP tracks  
 leading NORTH through ADJIRADEN  
 TARATIP @ NO live japs seen this side  
 LAMAROE @ Most japs which used to be in  
 SAMBODJA were sick @ Prior to MANGGAR  
 action japs used leave west along rd.  
 between ADJIRADEN and TARATIP to  
 GOENDENG BASIR one days walk from  
 VASEY HIGHWAY when shelling or bombing  
 was imminent all informed

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2/27 Bn 2/7 Cav Regt

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GI 87 @ SITREP 22 to 091600I @ 2/14 Bn  
 harassing enemy posns with arty  
 & naval fire otherwise no change @  
 2/16 Bn 091415 A coy contacted enemy  
 on GRAND enemy strength estimated  
 30 enemy cas & KIA. 091520I A coy  
 withdrew to GLAD to allow arty fire  
 on GRAND @ 2/24 Bn patrol to 709643  
 HARK returned 091430I no enemy  
 seen @ 2/7 Cav Regt patrol investigated  
 area 6610 where jap was stated  
 to be wounded @ demolition charge  
 and blood found but no jap. @ One  
 enemy contacted and killed at 656630  
 @ patrol to 666610 665614 665611  
 followed track to W/T station 671613  
 then SOUTH to VASEY HIGHWAY no  
~~enemy~~ seen all informed

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Signed

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place 723640

Sheet  
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		0200	all correct line down from Beay
		0230	AED correct. ( ) B still not on line
		0310	line OK to Beay
		0500	Sit not all ways
Bde		0600	Sit reg no 14 ( ) Sitner
		0700	IO to Beay ( ) informed info re-25 Bde front
Bde	F	0720	enemy attacked 2116 on GATE at 090300] ( ) forced over top to withdraw then on GATE again ( ) Beay notified
Bde		0850	2116 occupied GATE at 0850 and are pushing on to GEAR
B		0855	report japs still in occupation HALL ( ) report on crashed A/C in that area ( ) name plate GLEN MARTIN (metal) plane camouflaged Brown and green ( ) part of fuselage - tri. landing gear still up and intact ( ) one self sealing rubber tank ( ) remain der A/C in japs def. ( ) it is believed that plane is remains of a MARKOVER ( ) been here some time ( ) check at 668643
Bde		0910	new password received Password
	all ways c	1055	IO to cast crafts ( ) if the rear HAREN to send a sec to contact Beay at HANK

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D

091100

main order to be prepared to move from present pos to HEAVY with up two dets M<sup>3</sup>.

09 1105

5 pl to move BATAKAW-BESAR with roll to improve and construct track NW.

B Coy to move to KING up one det M one sec MMCA

Bde

1125

Bde notified of patrols going out to one sec of 14 pl fighting patrol to contact CAV on HAWK to Bde to notify CAV

1205

personnel from 2 and 3 pls to move to KING feature to remain until B Coy arrive.

1206

D Coy move cancelled.

Bde

1330

G3I anxious to get name plate of crashed AIC to notify if B Coy have same

Bde

1430

2/25 bn wgn to occupy FREIGHT - FILTER JOINT JUDGE - MUFFLE to patrols from MUFFLE along Mac Donalds track to 2116 contacts even GRAND.

1530

Iota Capt Roberts to target for air strike to 743678 678 to 747679 to 100 yds both sides of bar line to hit before 12 and strike will be followed by attack

10

1600 capt. he reported to the patrol from  
 HANK to HAVEN - HAREM to 668646  
 report heavy MG at 665645 LMG at  
 664644 LMG 666644 LMG  
 666645

A 1700 Siting No 9 to 091700 I 1030 I patrol to  
 So ELILLI to JOE HMS.

Bu 1700 2114 occupied No 6 gun post at  
 747678

Bu 1750 native interrogation native captured  
 2114 saw no japs LAMAROE - SAMBODJA  
 report japs moved through TARATIP  
 two days ago.

Bu 1805 Siting No 15 to 091800 I.

A 1925 9 Pz established at 733665.  
 may link to the - a patrol police  
 tomorrow.

100300 line out to C Com.

0500 Siting A & D Com

0600 Siting No 18 to 100000 I 9 Pz 733665 night guard

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*6189 Secret @ Hist Rep 24 No 092025 i*  
*Bde HQ's no change 2/14 Bul 091645 i*  
*after Arty concentration 17 Coy occupied*  
*FRONT 4 C. Coy occupied spur*  
*741680 to 748679 no opposition*  
*much enemy equipment & dead no*  
*count yet @ B.H.Q. 629648 [Coy*  
*627648] A. Coy 739685 B. Coy*  
*739677 C. Coy 746689 D. Coy 743669*  
*2/16 Bul 091515 i A. Coy on Grand*  
*fired on from Grand & engaged*  
*enemy inflicting casualties & K.I.F.I.O*  
*Enemy GRAND engaged by Arty @*  
*091930 i A. Coy occupied GRAND*  
*091935 i 5 enemy seen 500 yds*  
*EAST of MERIT enemy casualties*  
*1 killed 1 wounded but escaped 1*  
*Coy Eng's stores captured @ B.H.Q.*  
*630628 A. Coy 632638 B. Coy 632631*  
*C. Coy 627627 D. Coy 632630*

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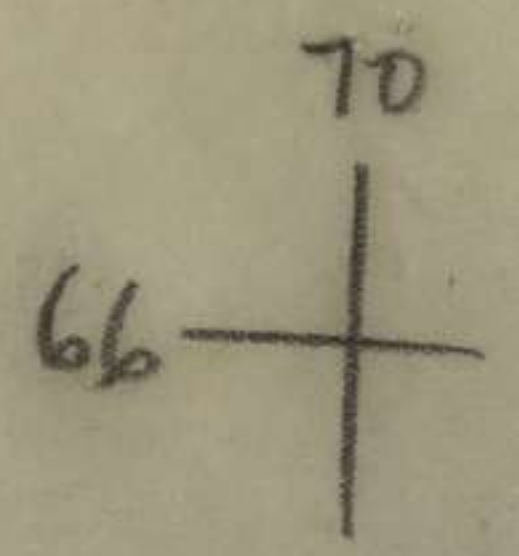
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2/27 Bu 091655i Patrol  
 HANK HAREM [~~665 HAREM~~]  
 668640 report M M G 665 645  
 3 L M G S 664 644 666 644 666 645  
 091000i Patrol BATUKAN BESAR  
 HEAVY HAVEN HAREM Ao  
 670 645 no enemy seen B.H.A  
 A. Coy C Coy D. Coy no change  
 B. Coy vicinity 698 625 @ 2/7 Cav.  
 Regt. 091800 R.H.A moved Ao  
 697 626 @ Patrol from FERN  
 HOLY HOME HONEY HUNGER  
 B. & S area reports no sign of  
 enemy occupation @ 2/3 Sqd. in contact  
 with enemy H.A.I. @ enemy casualties  
 24 hrs 11 counted dead 12 estimated  
 additional dead, P.W. no count  
 2/14 Bu area. all informed.

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Enemy  
MG Pos

12 pl  
Killed one jag

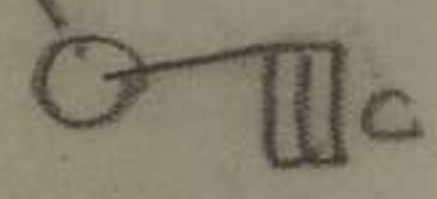
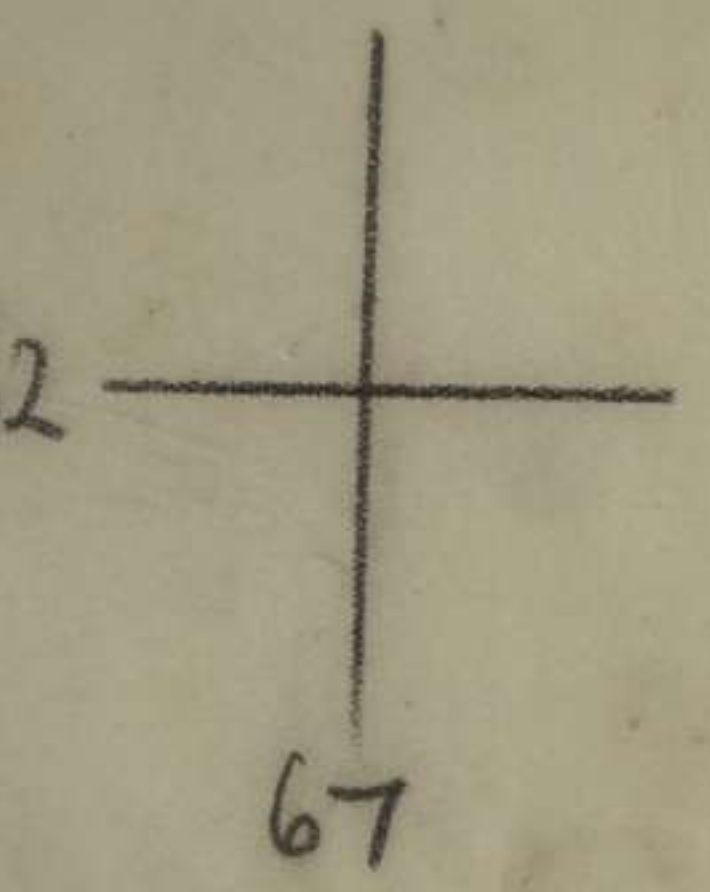
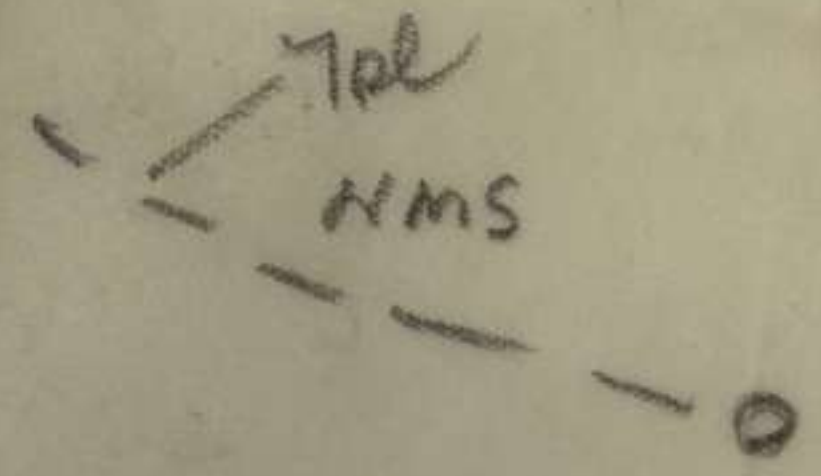
14 pl  
HMS

15 pl  
one jag

15 pl  
two jag  
HMS

fires -  
8 men believed  
to be natives

Patrol trace  
over-land - SEPINGGANG  
MANGGAR 1/25000



war drain . NO 6 ENEMY  
GUN POWN

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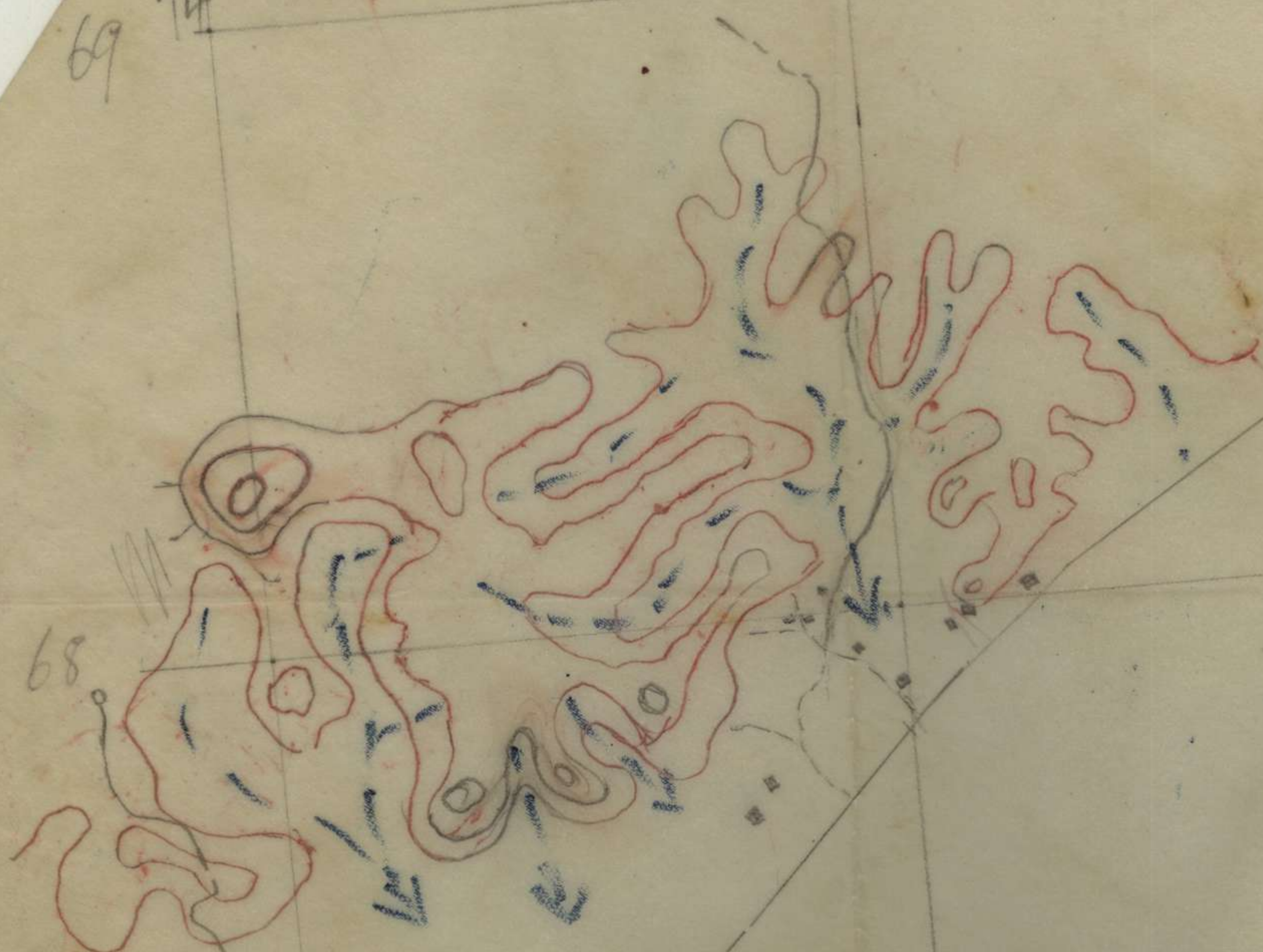
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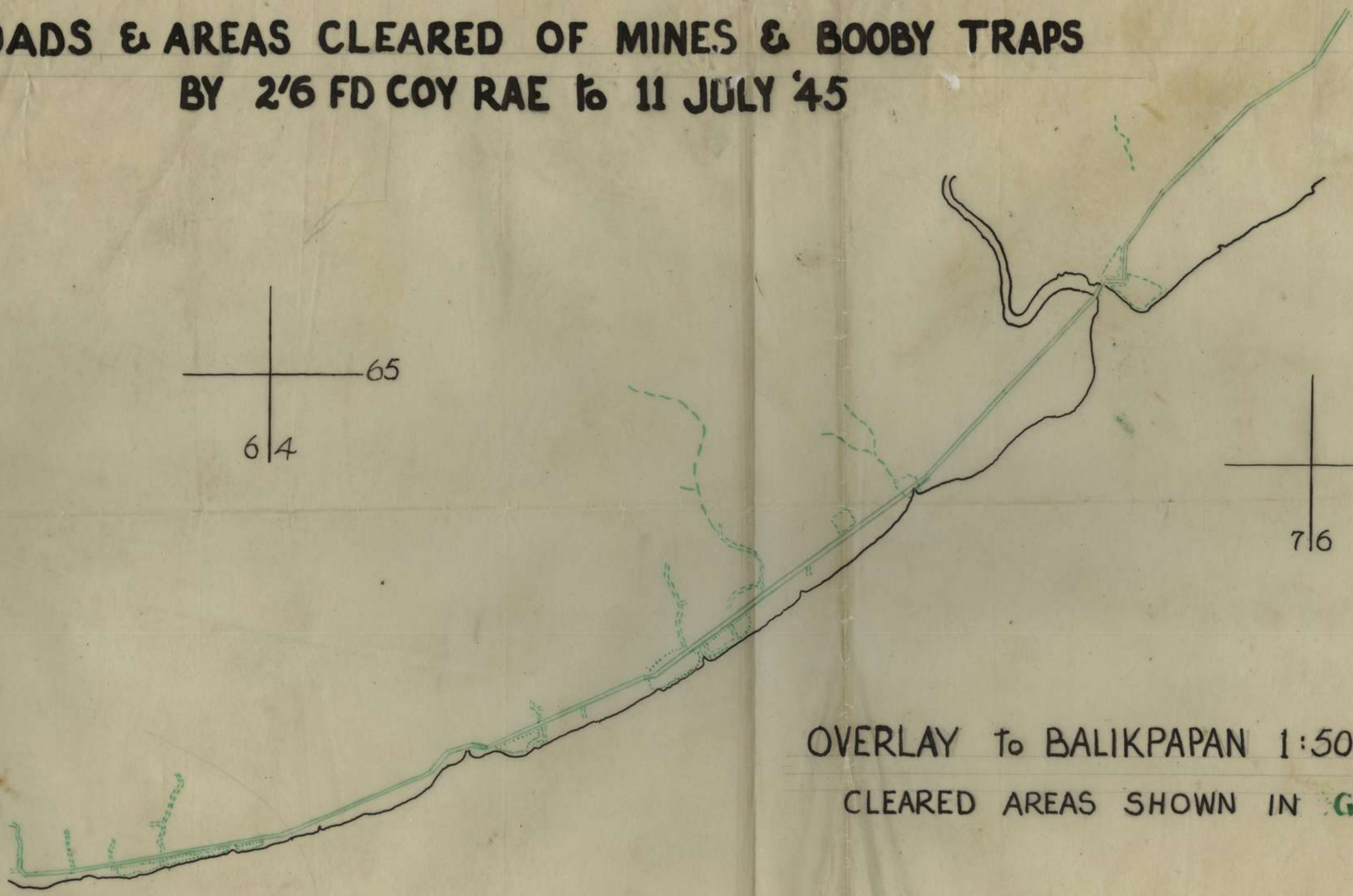
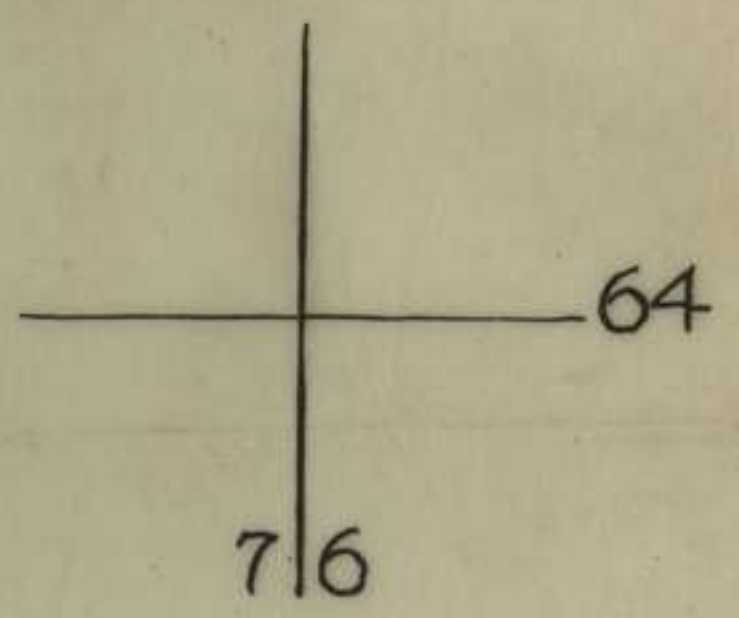
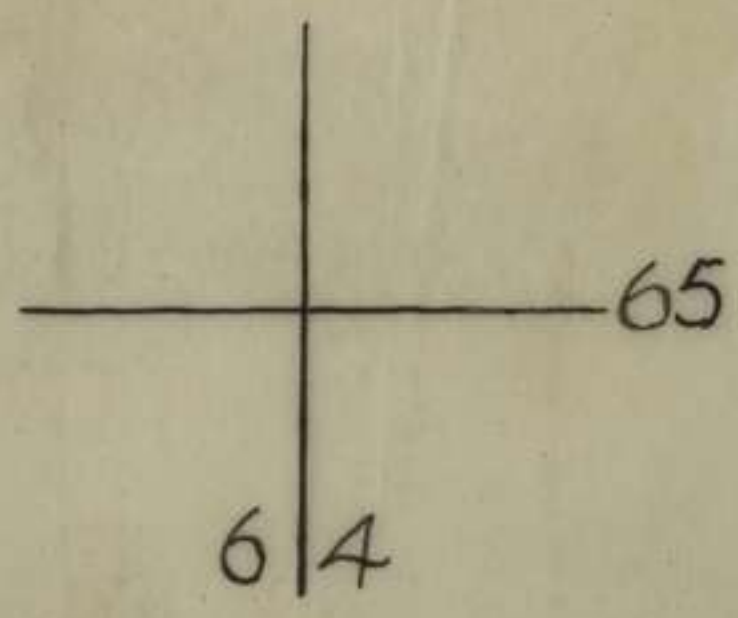
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# ROADS & AREAS CLEARED OF MINES & BOOBY TRAPS BY 2/6 FD COY RAE to 11 JULY '45



OVERLAY to BALIKPAPAN 1:50000 Sheet C  
CLEARED AREAS SHOWN IN GREEN

19 July 45

A Cav Squadron retook Beo etn  
Hail, the Japs had ~~not~~ withdrawn.  
Beo returned to Coy area at Seppingan Besar  
& Jap was killed on Hail.  
C Coy sent a patrol from Dataran Besar  
to HAREM without making contact.  
Coy patrols north of Vasay Highway  
found no signs of recent movt.

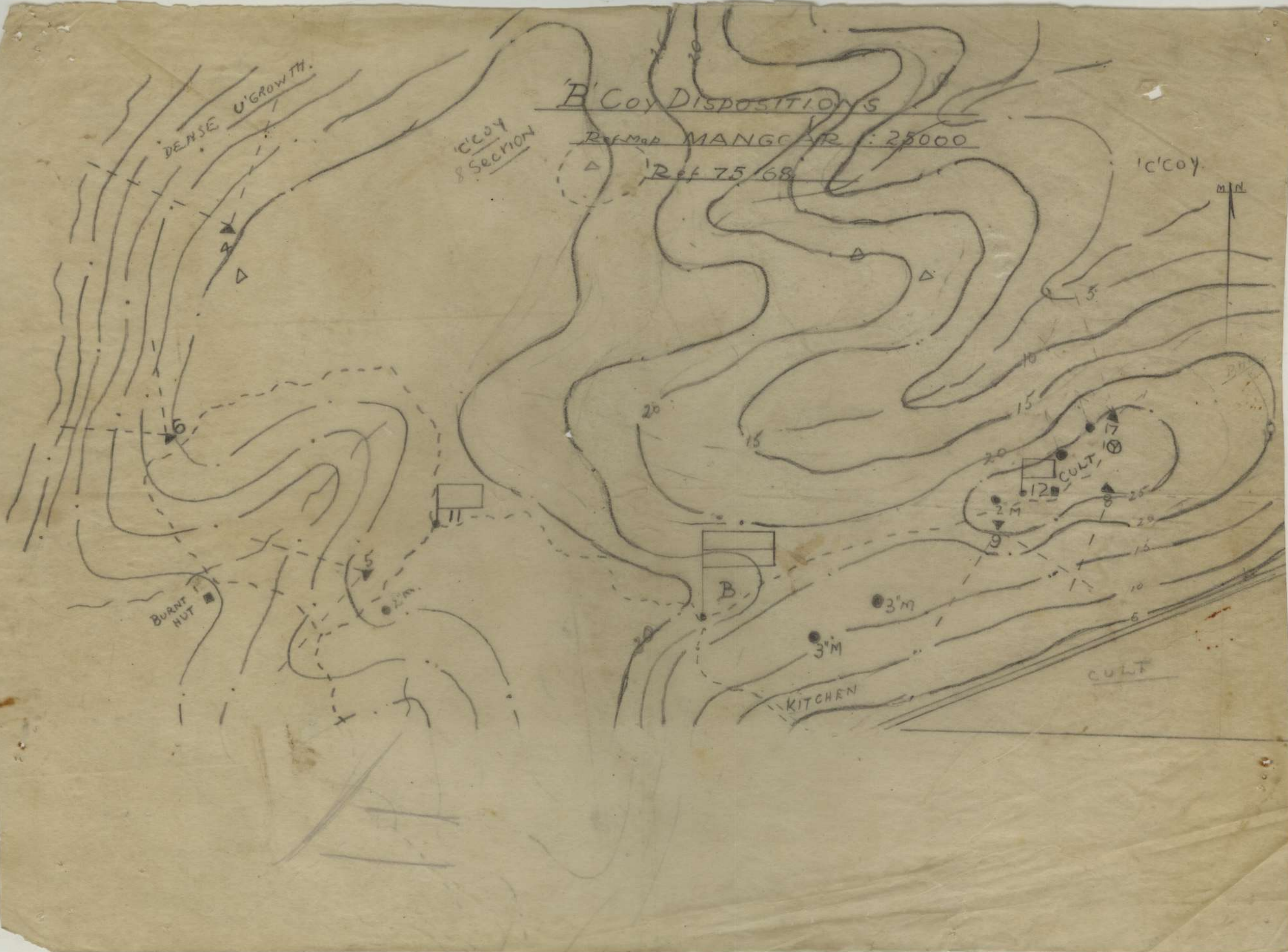
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PATROLS.

UNIT 2127.....

DATE 9 Jul

1	2	3	4	5		
SubUnit & serial	Time Out	Time In	Strength & Type	ROUTE	OBJECT	REPORT
A 1	091000	091230	Recce one sec	SOELILLI - JOE	Recce	NMS ✓
2	091000	091730	Fighting 14 pl	BATAKAN-BESAR - track NW - HEAVY - HAVEN-HARDY	to clear of enemy. one sec to contact Bevy, or CAV on HANK (Bde informed CAV of) contact patrol	
3	0845	091130	15 pl two sec	MANGGAR-KETJIL - track NW to huts 706646	to clear	Huts - No sign of recent occupation. N.M.S ✓
4	091100	091430	15 pl one sec	MANGGAR-KETJIL - track junc 710642 - HARK = rd 693633	Recce	no enemy seen @ smoke at village and 8 who they believe were natives. ✓



10 July 55

7 PL This Unit relieved 8 PL of patrol  
responsibility of <sup>the</sup> left flank of Manggal  
Airstrip.

7 PL patrolled to BAND and contacted the  
enemy - own car 8 KIA 1 WIA enemy 5 KIA.  
The enemy post was mined and wire with twin .5MMG  
8 PL patrolled to Envooy ten Frost and then  
C.D. Gun post. 4 Gaps were killed on Frost  
with loss of one man K.I.A.

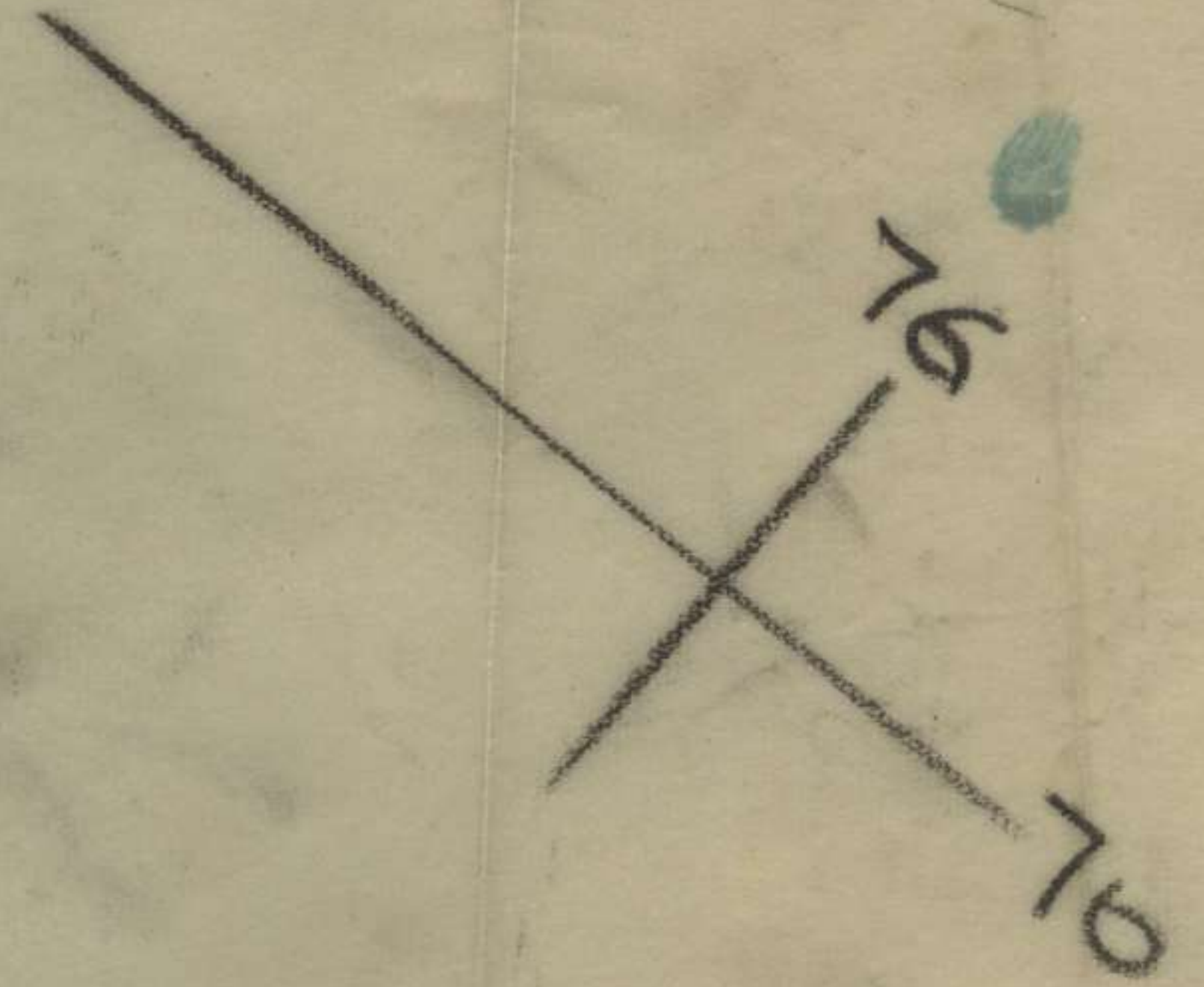
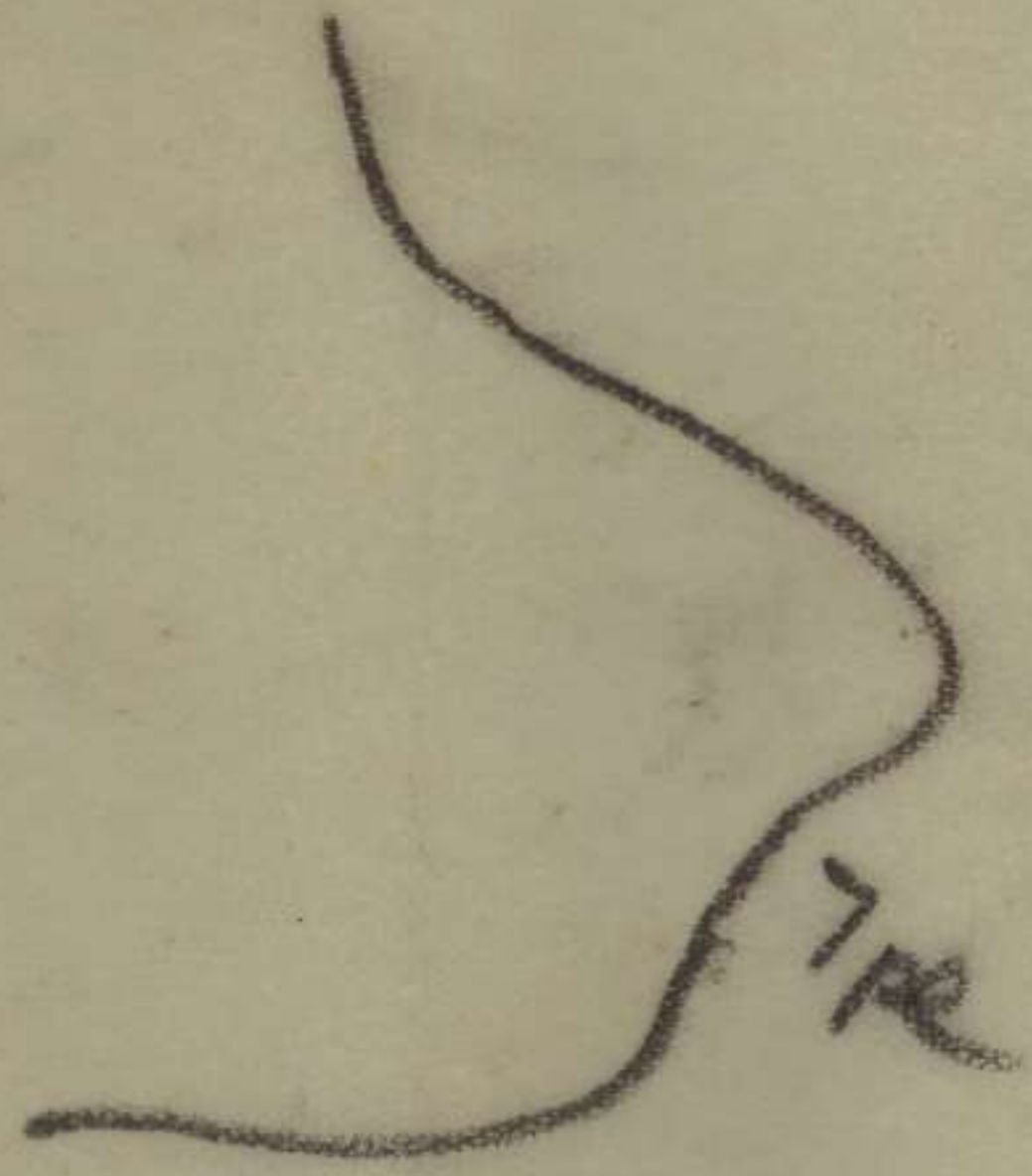
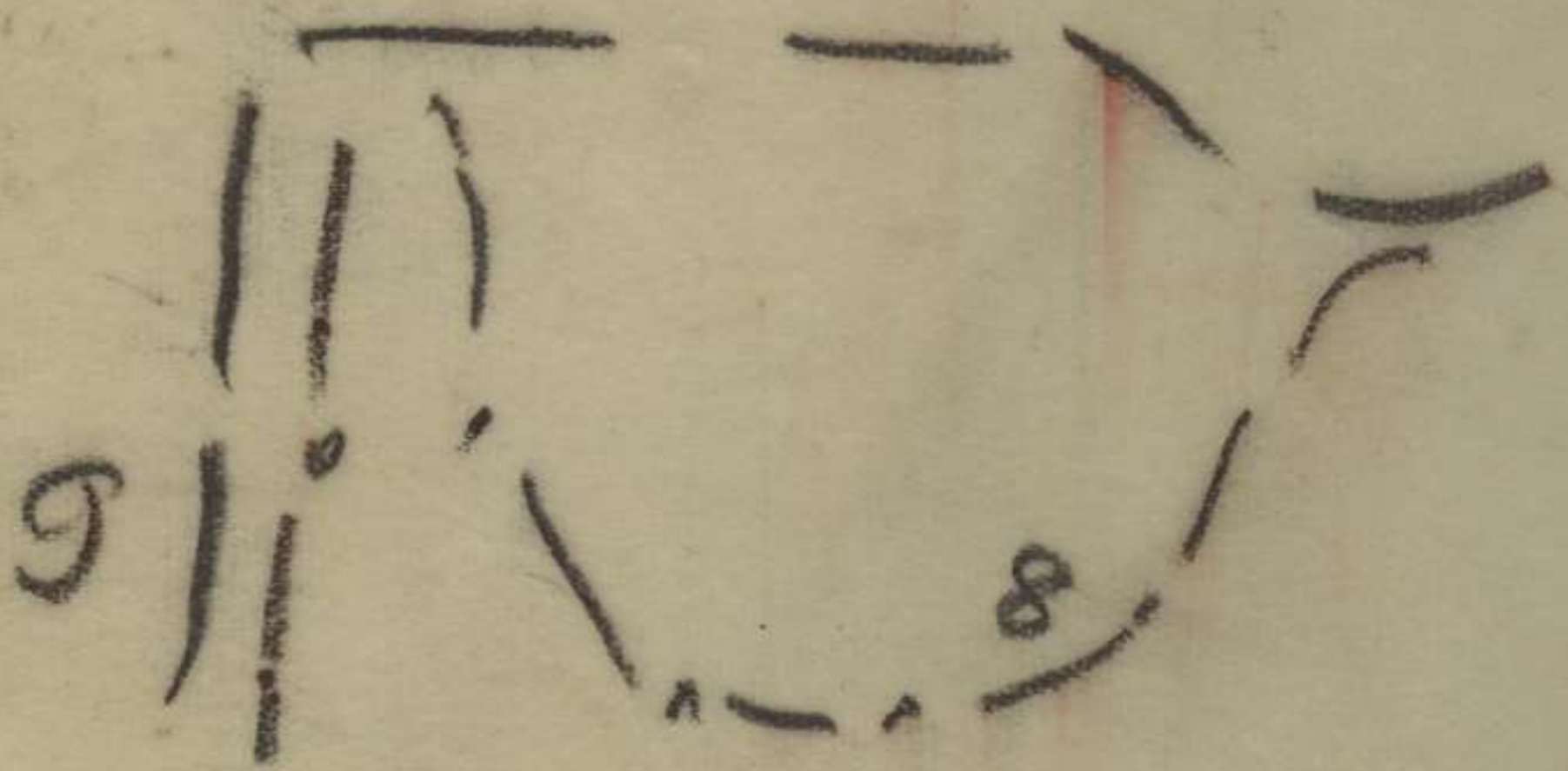
~~a Coy patrol reported~~

A Coy established east of MANEGAR  
BESAR River x

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10 June  
Patrol  
Wangfuu  
1/2500

Finished



10 July

place 72 3640

Ref MHN 4012  
Sheet

		Accy patrol left - info to be passed on to coys @ 25 Bde area patrol had 2 killed 3 wounded while delousing mine field @ one jag had been left behind to blow field.
	1030	OPBHQ notified re. mines
	1115	A w/ on line @ 7 pl <sup>patrol</sup> report are at 748688 @ 8 pl patrol at 782674
	1130	7 pl patrol report at 749686 anti- personnel mines @ barb wire posts apron fence no enemy seen.
	1140	Sit up from Bde.
Bde	1210	Native reports 40 japs at LAMAROE @ 300 left LAMAROE along lateral track with 40 FROST - BAWAL
	1230	IO to Bde IO @ report for mine maps @ two ways to patrol NORTH.
	1235	7 pl patrol at 743689 @ going easy @ Barbed wire posts at 749689, 740689 Bde informed.
A	1335	all comm' broken down to patrols.
A	1415	May Minis @ 2/14 report seen japs at FROST FOOT who are withdrawing to AGIOCI BAKE @ going heard that sentry @ believed to be our patrol
Bde	1420	IO to Tree @ 2/14 Bn patrol reached ADIRADE RIVER @ NO japs seen @ Bn completely blown 60 ft jag @ patrol try to find detour @ Native reports @ from TARATIP area @ have only seen 4 japs in last 10 days.

10 June

TIME	DESCRIPTION
1430	adv to Bde @ arrangements for two way patrol in morning.
1435	one pl of NE1 on WEST side AIRSTRIP
1500	Sitrep from Bde
1530	patrol to ENVOY - FROST @ CD gun Pan @ info @ ENVOY 4 pos one occupied @ one dead jag found @ one 81m mortar found also 5 p pos @ FROST digging unoccupied one dead jag one 81m mortar @ tags on AGOL and feature mined
	Patrol 7 pl @ route early 1481 - North back to 749689 - BAND @ info @ 2 jag pos 742688 @ patrol killed 3 jags captured 20m gun @ pos wired on BAND @ 3 LMG's one 20m gun rifle and est 25-30 jags @ own cas 2 KIA one wounded
1535	Bde informed.
1700	even patrol one see North - lower slopes of JUNK - sighted 3 jags w natives prob native but were <u>recovered</u> @ @ ADJADENT
1700 1708	Bde notified - patrol to BAND report 5 ft wide track leading to VASEY HIGHWAY all footprints indicate move towards VASEY HIGHWAY. Track mined with porcelain top mines.
1810	SITREP No 28.
1905	Bde adv interpretation of dia taken from jag killed BAND area today @ 5 jags at pos where dia recovered 30 jags on BAND @ 3 jags



Jul 10

Sheet 3

1	0		Killed at this post (number on
			BAND 32, as other 2 returned to garden
		115	Lt Johns received news that he is the
			father of a bouncing boy.
A			Lt McPherson patrol reported in
			1845.
		2200	2114 Bn asked for info re. today's
			patrol for camp garden.
			Sit at No 18 to Bde (Sit in)
			night quiet.

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For Action	
<b>TO</b>  2/27 Bw  (w) For Information (INFO.)	

ORIGINATOR'S No.

G 196 Secret @ SITREP 29 to  
 102030T @ Bde HQ. NO change @  
 2/14. NO change @ 2/16 altered for  
 night 101830T patrol confirmed  
 enemy still on ENVOY @ B.H.Q. A Coy  
 C Coy still on GRAND. D Coy on  
 GENT. B Coy on GEAR @ 2/27 Bw. See  
 to MANGGAR KETJIL to JUNK sighted  
 3 enemy but area 466646 captured  
 notebooks confirms estimate 30 Japs  
 on BAND @ 2/17 Cav Regt report just to  
 hand patrol 101200T was at 689639  
 saw recent tracks small enemy party  
 moving NORTH @ 2/13, saw at ESSAY @  
 known casualties 10ful. counted dead  
 11 estimated additional 3 All  
 informed

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For Action

<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)  <i>2/16 2/27 BN 2/7 Cav. Reg</i>	Message Instructions <b>GR</b>
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*Lt 95 Secret's Sitrep 28 to 101600I @ 2/16/45 I  
 patrol reported ADGIRADEN river bridge blown soft  
 gap 2/16 101320I forward troops on saddle between Envoy  
 and GENT enemy fire from ENVOY enemy engage by small  
 arms fire 2/27 BN 101505I ENVOY near MANGGAR BEBAR  
 patrol found mortar position 1x81 MM mortar one dead  
 gap @ 101510I patrol AGOG encountered mines and gap  
 position strength NOT yet known. 101402I 742688  
 encountered enemy casualties 3 KIA captured 20 MM @ 101570I  
 patrol contacted enemy strength 30, 3 LMG, 1x20 MM  
 gun & casualties own 2 KIA, 1 WIA @ 2<sup>nd</sup> Cav. Reg. 101215I  
 2/3 Squadron ESSAY forward patrols moving to  
 ENVOY ordered to halt to allow 2/16 BN to press in  
 All informed*

<i>101602I</i>		
Time	System	Op
THI or TOR <i>1445</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>B.H.</i>
Time Cleared <i>1906</i>		

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For Action			
<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.) 2/27 Bde		Message Instructions <b>GR</b>

ORIGINATOR'S No.

G.1.93 Secret D Lit Rep 27 to 10 12 00 I  
 2/14 Bde 10 1130 I Bde H.Q. moved to  
 7396740 2/16 Bde 10 1145 B.H.Q. A Coy  
 & D Coy on GRAND D. Coy on GENT  
 fwd patrol moving to ENVOY etc  
 enemy contact 2/27 10 1115 I Patrol  
 found anti-personal mines & Barbed  
 wire positions 7496860 2/7 Cav  
 Regt. H. Troop on GONE fwd Troop  
 on ESSAY at 10 1130 I. All informed.

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			THI or TOR 11450	P	P/R
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2/27 inf base

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

100600I

Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO

21 inf base

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

number 16  
I 30 W Sydney to 100600I @ 9pe 733 465 @  
night quiet

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 310 Setup number 17 to 101800I  
 A way to 100830I patrol from camp 2/14 Bn  
 HQ to track NORTH 7496896 BANO. info  
 many mined posts along track unoccupied  
 20mm gun captured BANO occupied  
 at 25-30 in strength posts wired  
 31 MG one 20mm gun and rifles  
 100830I patrol ENVOY AGOG AGOG  
 occupied by enemy and mined. 100950I  
 patrol ENVOY FROST CO gun post  
 ENVOY report many posts new posts  
 spots between ENVOY FROST but have  
 NOT been occupied. 100950I one  
 see patrol MANGGAR KETJIL JUNIK  
 sighted 3 enemy at HUT area 706646  
 100950I A way car 2 KIA one wounded  
 enemy 5 killed further info  
 when to hand

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For Action

<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)  2/27 Bw	Message Instructions	<b>GR</b>
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**ORIGINATOR'S No.**

G.1.92 SECRET A/T Rep 26230 10094510  
 2/14 Bw No change 2/16 Bw 100920J  
 2/16 Bw concentrated on GRANDO Patrolling  
 fwd. to GENT-ENVOY ELBOW NO  
 move past ELBOW 2/27 Bw 100930 IO  
 Patrols to FROST BAND BANAL  
 BAKE and ENVOY to ascertain  
 area is clear 2/17 Cav 100815 T  
 2/3 Sqdn. occupied HAIN enemy evacuated  
 during night Cav. took Patrol to  
 ENOPE & await contact with 25 Bde  
 All Informed.

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PATROL REPORT

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(COPY)

PART ONE

1. FIGHTING PATROL

2. STRENGTH 1 Offr 36 Or's

3. DATE 10 July 45

4. REF MAP Manggar 1. 25000

5. OBJECT 1. Are the enemy in occupation on features BAND, BANAL, and BALE

2. Topographical report on the above features.

6. ANSWER 1. Enemy are in occupation on BAND feature.

2. Topographical report in part 2 of this report.

7. PATROL COMD LTP DUNCAN

8. TO 0910 9. TI 1600

10. ROUTE OUT From 736662 NE along Vasey Highway through C Coy 2/14 Bn at 746677. Thence bearing 60 degrees Mag and cut well-worn track at approx 749683. Along track to track and creek junction at 749684 ( dist from C Coy posn to above junction approx 600 Yards ( map correct ). Then along same track (bearing roughly due NORTH ) to wired position and track junction at 749689( Track branching to right recently cut but not well used). From here bearing approx 260 degrees along well worn track on well defined spur for approx 1100 yards. We came under heavy fire at approx 738689

11. ROUTE IN Same as above except moved from 749683 along main track to road at 749677.

12. CASUALTIES OWN 2 KIA 1 wounded ENEMY 5 killed

( Part 2 of this report to follow)



- ① Fighting patrol.
- ② Strength 1 offr. 36 OR's.
- ③ 10 July 45
- ④ Ref Map. MANGAR SHEET 1 : 25000.
- ⑤ Object - ① See the enemy in occupation on feature BAND, BANAL and BALE  
② Topographical report on the above feature.
- ⑥ Answer ① Enemy are in occupation on BAND feature.  
② Topographical report in Part II of this report.
- ⑦ Patrol bound. At Duncan.
- ⑧ Time out 0910
- ⑨ Time In 1600.
- ⑩ Route Out From 736662 NE along VASEY HIGHWAY  
through C Coy (4/4 bn) at 746677.  
Thence bearing 60° N. and cut well worn  
tracks at approx 749683.  
Thence along track to track and creek junction  
at 749684 (distance from C Coy pos to above  
junction approx 600 x (map correct))  
Thence along same track (bearing roughly due NORTH)  
to wired pos and track junction at 749689  
(Track branching to right recently cut but not  
well used)  
Thence bearing approx 260° along well worn  
track on well defined spur for approx 1100 x.  
We came under heavy fire at approx 738689.
- ⑪ Route In Same as above except moved from 749683  
along main track to road at 749677
- ⑫ Casualties own 2 KIA 1 WIA  
enemy 5 killed.

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Patrol Report

Fighting Patrol

1 Officer & 42 ORs Lt. MacPHERSON

10 July 45

Ref PTANIGGAR 1:2500

Find out enemy point and strength on AGOG feature

Patrol contacted three gaps at 738677 - moved to FROST and contacted four gaps 600' <sup>SOUTH</sup> ~~NORTH~~ of FROST.

Time Out 100908Z

" In 101700Z

Route Out Bridge - ENVOY - 738677 - DRONE - C.D. Gun Post -

600' South of FROST

Route In - Contact point to C.D. Gun Post

Own Casualties 1 KIA

Enemy " 1 KIA 3 POSSIBLE?

Patrol reached Envoy (N.M.S) track leads thru swamps and thick trees. Good narrow (3') track to 738677 - area heavily mined. Saw 3 gaps moving west along track - good track (3'). No casualties own or enemy. Moved back thru swamp to DRONE. Thence C.D. Solent followed track leading to FROST. Approx 600' South of FROST. 1 gap on 400' on L of C. 1 gap KIA other 3 moved into a tunnel. 2x 36# Grenades and 1x

White Phosphorus Grenades thrown in  
at first of 4 MG fired  
by engineers from the S then blasted entrance.  
Patrol secured by the S personnel  
and then returned to DROME.

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PATROLS

10 June

SERIAL	TIME OUT	TIME IN	TYPE STRENGTH	ROUTE	OBJECT	REPORT
9pl	0950	1350	1 off + 28 fighting	track to ENVOY - FROST	obtain info of enemy & destroy enemy if pt can handle	many unoccupied positions between ENVOY - FROST Tracks - numerous - all defined in parti - as a rule. enemy positions unoccupied 5 pos one damaged mortar & another mortar pos found at 736682 & ammo destroyed mortar damaged
7pl	0910	1600	1 off + 36	C Coy 2/14 Bn - track NORTH 688749 - BAWD	are BAWD - BAWAH - BAKF occupied - track info.	2 gaps pos at 742688 & captured 20m gun mortar ammo & man wired pos & enemy in occupation of BAWD approx at 25-30% one 20mm, 32mm G.S. rifles & our cas 2 KIA one wounded & enemy 5 killed
8pl	0910	1700	1 off + 42	Br - ENVOY - 738677 DROME - CA gun pos - 100 South of FROST		approx 600' South FROST 4 enemy contacted as hide 2/14 Bn 2 of C & our cas one KIA & enemy & 1 killed + prob 4 others. 4 prob enemy killed went into tunnel - grenades thrown in to tunnel - exp used demolition charges at entrance.

PATROL REPORT

Part 1 (COPY)

1. TYPE OF PATROL Fighting Patrol
2. STRENGTH 1 Offr and 28 OR
3. DATE 10th July 45
4. REF MAP Manggar i: 25000
5. OBJECT To get infn on ENEMY posns. Destroy any ENEMY in area between ENVOY and FROST posns.
6. ENEMY mortar posns on ENVOY feature. Only recently dug but have been damaged by our gunfire - 1 mortar damaged - NO ENEMY sighted, but have recently been digging posns on spurs between ENVOY and FROST% 2 dead JAPS counted - one near ENVOY - one between ENVOY and FROST%
7. PATROL COMD Lt H A MCQUIRE 9Pl A Coy
8. TO 0950 TI 1350
10. ROUTE OUT Along track to ENVOY then crosss country to FROST%
11. ROUTE IN From FROST along track to airstrip then down strip.
12. CASUALTIES OWN Nil ENEMY Nil

PART 2

1. ROUTES

Patrol left 9Pl area and moved along track to the ENVOY feature. Track leads through thick undergrowth and area is very swampy - Patrol had difficulty in moving as the mud was kneedeep in places. Many small tracks lead off the main track - these were not leading to any particular place or positions. From ENVOY we moved by compass on a bearing of 45 degrees through swamp and dense undergrowth - most high parts of the ground had weak prepared positions on them. Tracks are very hard to detect between ENVOY and FROST and patrol had to hack it's way through;

2. ENEMY POSITIONS

Mortar positions on ENVOY - 5 dug-in positions and one damaged mortar. Positions have been recently occupied. On spurs between ENVOY and FROST newly dug ENEMY positions were found; these positions have not been occupied. Another mortar position was found at 736682. Ammunition was destroyed and ~~XXXX~~ mortar was not in firing condition. OP on ENVOY%

3. ENEMY

Two dead JAPS - one at ENVOY and the other near 736682.

PATROL REPORT

(PART 1)

1. TYPE OF PATROL = Fighting Patrol
2. STRENGTH = 1 OFF 28 OR
3. DATE = 10 JUL 45
4. Ref MAP = MANGGAR 1:25,000
5. OBJECT = To get information on ENEMY positions. Destroy any enemy in area between ENVOY and FROST features.
- 6 = Enemy mortar positions on ENVOY feature. Only recently dug but have been damaged by our gun fire. 1 mortar damaged - no enemy sighted but have been recently digging positions on spurs between ENVOY and FROST. 2 dead Japs counted - one near ENVOY - one between ENVOY and FROST.
7. PATROL Comd - LT H.A. MCGUIRE 9 PL 17 Coy.
8. TIME OUT = 0950 hrs
9. TIME IN = 1350 hrs
10. ROUTE OUT = Along track to ENVOY then cross country to FROST.
11. ROUTE IN = From FROST along track to air strip then down strip
12. CASUALTIES OWN = NIL
13. " ENEMY = NIL

*[Signature]*

(PART 2)

ROUTES:

Patrol left 9 PL Area and moved along track to the ENVOY feature. Track leads through thick undergrowth and area is very swampy. Patrol had difficulty in moving as the mud was, in places, knee deep - many small tracks lead off the main track - these were not leading to any definite place or positions. From ENVOY we moved by compass on a bearing of 45° through swamp and dense undergrowth - most high parts of ground had weak prepared positions on them - Tracks are very hard to detect between ENVOY and FROST and patrol had to hack its way through -

2. ENEMY POSITIONS:

Mortar positions on ENVOY - 5 dug in positions and one damaged mortar. Positions have been recently occupied. On spurs and high ground between ENVOY and FROST newly dug enemy positions were found, these positions have not been occupied. Another mortar position was found at 736682. Ammo was destroyed and mortar was not in firing condition. O.P. on ENVOY

3. ENEMY

Two dead Japs - one at ENVOY, ONE near 736682.

# PATROL REPORT

## PART I

1. Type of patrol - Rescue
2. Staff 9 100RS
3. 10 Jul 45
4. SEPPINGANG & MANOBAR 1/25000
5. Object - Location of enemy 8/00
6. Signs of recent activity
7. Answer - NIL
8. Comd - Lt Wan Jolustan C. Co
9. T.O. TO 1420 I
9. TIME IN - 10 1620 I
10. ROUTES OUT BTN Cay Area rd pine  
714636 - track pine 710641 - track  
along eastern slope HARK - HOME -  
HONEY - HUNGER to bridge at 693632  
- rd pine 696624 - VASEY HIGHWAY to  
Cay area
11. Casualties own - NIL
12. Casualties enemy - NIL

## PART II

Patrol moved along VASEY HIGHWAY to rd junction 714636 thence along track to junction at 710641. Thence along track N.W. to lower slopes of BARK. Track turned ~~EAST~~ WEST then S.W. to SE slopes of HOME. Here patrol discovered two booby traps in form of aerial bombs covered by pieces of board grass & leaves. These bombs were in cube of track 100' x 110' EAST of small hedge. Boards were lifted off the bombs & propped up to indicate positions of booby traps. Not known if booby traps were de-loused (?) Booby traps were seen by previous patrol but not placed in report. Patrol proceeded to HONEY-HUNGER - thence back junction 100' NORTH of village at 693635. Another aerial bomb discovered 5' along WESTERN fork. Similarly treated



Native reced majority of huts  
in village but no signs of any  
recent TAP activity. No fresh  
footprints seen on any of huts.  
At village at 097686 contacted  
I.O. of Law Dept & passed on info.  
Pahol returned to Coy area via  
VASEY HIGHWAY

Warrant Lt  
Pahol Comd

101845 I

Two Eng personnel will accompany  
patrol 11 Jnl to investigate booby traps

Johns Sup  
a Coy

Part 1.

Patrol Report

1. Type Patrol: Recce
2. Strength: 1 SGT & 11 OR's
3. Date: 10-7-45
4. Ref Map: Seppingang
5. Object: To recce track from Rd. junction 714 636 to village 704 647. Then track running SW over foothills of JOE feature to Soelii 727 656.
6. Answer: 5 enemy located at track junction 704 647. otherwise track clear of enemy.

7. Patrol Comd SGT HOOD H.

8. Time out: 1410
9. Time in: 1615.
10. Route out: from 714 636 along track to 704 647 then over low foothills to 727 656.

11. Route in from 727 656 to rd junc then along Vasey Highway to C Bay area.

12. Casualties own: Nil
13. Casualties Enemy: Nil

## Part II

Patrol moved from bay area at 1410 hrs to Rd junction 714 636 then following track leading to village 704 637: approx 300<sup>ft</sup> from Rd junc along this track several huts were located on ~~exam~~ examination of huts there were no signs of any being occupied but footprints indicated that enemy had been there within the last 24 hours; being two or three in strength. from there patrol moved along route and at Map Ref 704 647 3 enemy were encountered but they fled before fire could be brought to bear on them with any accuracy. The enemy were armed with rifles & no equipment & showed no signs of fight. patrol then moved along track to Soelili 727 656 this track showed <sup>NO</sup> signs of any enemy movement only movement along this track was indicated by footprints of previous bay patrol.

A Hood. S.C.F.

PATROL REPORT

8 PL ACOY 2/27 AUST INF BN

PART II

- 1. type of Patrol — *recc*
- 2. str — *2/40*
- 3. Date — *10 JUL 45*
- 4. ref map — *MANGHAR SHEET 61/XXXI 1:25000*

5. Object

- (1) To patrol from AIRSTRIP (approx ref 733666) to AGOG thence through FOOK and FROST
  - a. to brush aside light opposition
  - b. if opposition is heavy, estimate str type + number of weapons and any other relevant info, but not to become involved.
- (2) Report on tracks, condition etc.
- (3) Alternative: if no track ~~located~~ from ENVOY to AGOG, patrol was to move to FOREST thence to AGOG

6 ANSWER:-

- (1) At the June 729675 the enemy were seen moving WEST along the leading down SPUR. Enemy were carrying rifles but no equip + were moving quickly. They did not appear to observe patrol.
- (2) Track from 733666 to foot of SPUR at 728674 winded through swamp. Only foot traffic could possibly have used track as width was approx 2-3 feet and water was in places thigh deep, track bottom having very soft foundation. Leading along SPUR to track June 729675, track took the form of foot pad. in good condition

undergrowth was fairly thick along greater portion & several smaller tracks branched in a westerly direction towards MANGAR-BESAR RIVER

- (2) Approx 100' from junc 729675 one (1) anti personnel mine (plunger type, cap 3" in diam, cylinder approx 12" high & 9" in diam, painted black) was found just off track & was ready to be placed in form hole was dug in centre of track.
- at track junc 729675 area was extensively mined, & booby trapped. Owing to <sup>lack of</sup> wireless communication, and the time factor in being able to traverse route, and also to presence of enemy in area, I decided it was impracticable to continue, and that it was advisable to follow alternative route to AG09

7. PATROL COMD: - SX2975 Lt Col Baugherson

8. TIME OUT: - 100908 I

9. TIME IN: - 101800 I

10. ROUTE OUT: -

(a) S.P. approx ref 733666

Followed windy track through swamp on to high ground at 727674 where 639 was fired.

Track leading towards NIPA SWAMP faded out, and no track to ENVOY could be located. A small fresh track marked with own wrapping led to main track on SPUR. This was possibly used by enemy to reach main track at night.

Following along slope of SPUR for 400' it was necessary to cut way from here to track on SPUR.

Continued NORTH along SPUR for 100' and found an OP approx 60 feet high. This took the form

of ladder 4 feet wide up side of most prominent tree in the area. Twenty<sup>two</sup> yards from OP was timber constructed dug out very recently used: appeared to be living quarters for OP. (messing gear, freshly opened tin of beans, & socks in good repair were outside dug out.)

Patrol then continued to track junction.

(b) Route for alternative posn.

Returned <sup>at 1345</sup> along track to foot of SPUR then on a bearing of 70° for 600' through swamp, then turned back on to AIR STRIP, & moved to posn of B Coy of 2/14 Bn.

Could not contact our HQ, so proceeded up SPUR towards FROST. Moved approx 600' to TUNNEL AREA.  
(See sketch map att)

II ROUTE IN:-

Back along track from TUNNEL AREA through B Coy 2/14 Bn and on to AIRSTRIP.

CASUALTIES

12	OWN:-	1 K.I.A.	(Cas return submitted)
13	ENEMY	1 K.I.A.	
		3 possibly killed in TUNNEL.	

Thompson Lt  
Patrol Comd.

REMARKS :-

When patrol reached TUNNEL AREA between B Coy 2/14<sup>th</sup> and FROST <sup>at 1530 hrs</sup> contacted carrying party from 2/14 Bn, which had been fired on by enemy. Three (3) we saw to have gone into TUNNEL which was on side of track.

Patrol then dealt with TUNNEL by throwing one (1) 77mm into mouth, and 2 36mm fired from discharges. This was supported by automatic fire with one LMG.

Patrol was then fired on by a single rifle shot and 4 sec moved to left of track to attempt to find source of fire. Sec round, bpl Bowman was shot, and fire was brought to bear on estimated enemy position while he was carried out.

Patrol then took up position astride the track to protect sig repairing cut cable, + also to allow carrying party to reach destination. One enemy was then ~~at~~ killed.

at 1735 hrs patrol from 2/14<sup>th</sup> relieved us, + owing to lateness of the hour + also news of 7<sup>th</sup> patrol having returned, I decided to return to BASE.

2/14 arranged with engineers to blow TUNNEL.

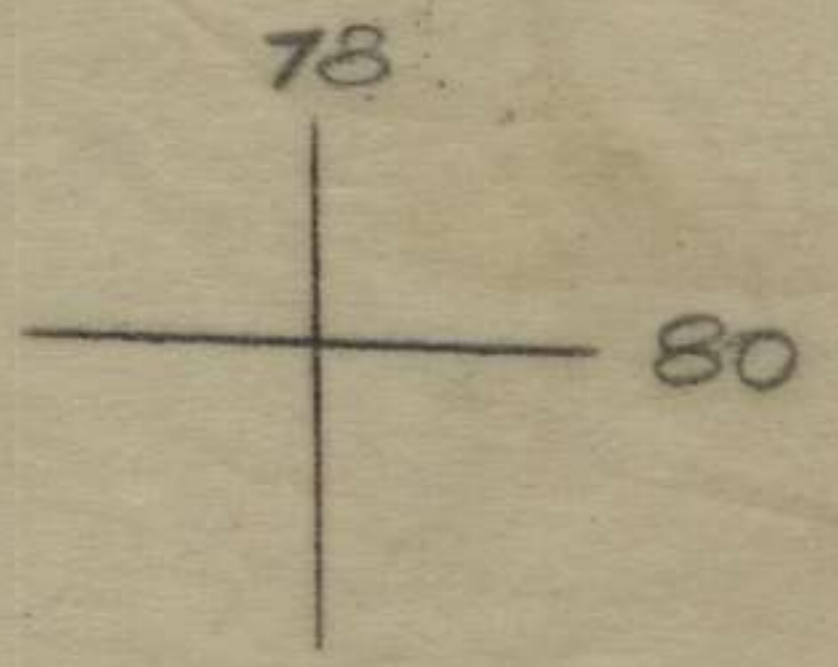
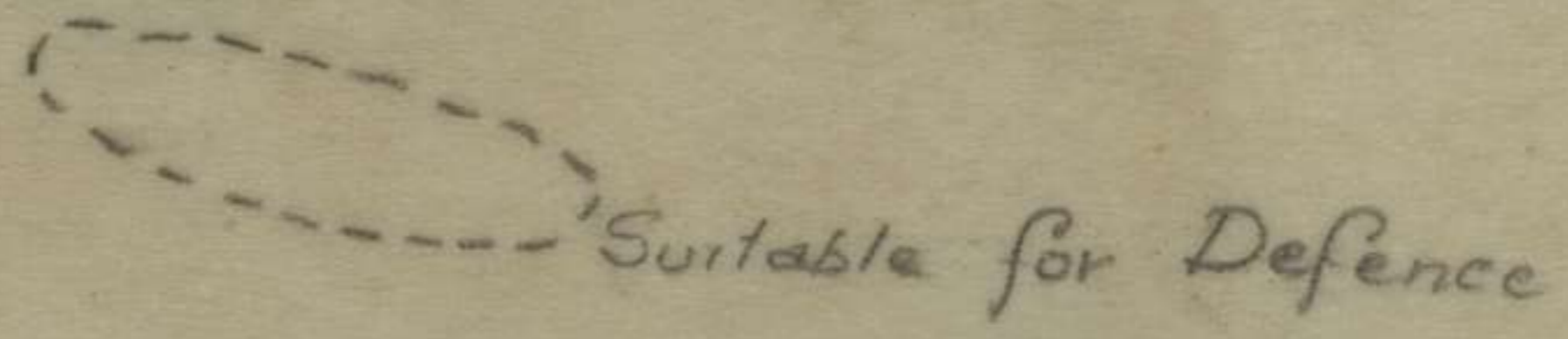
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APPENDIX A TO  
PATROL REPORT  
B PLATOON.

OVERLAY

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EMBOK - RAWANG ← TIMBER MILL



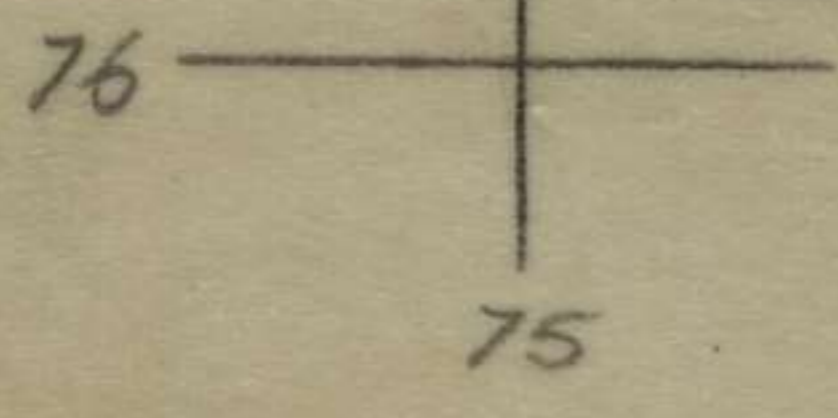
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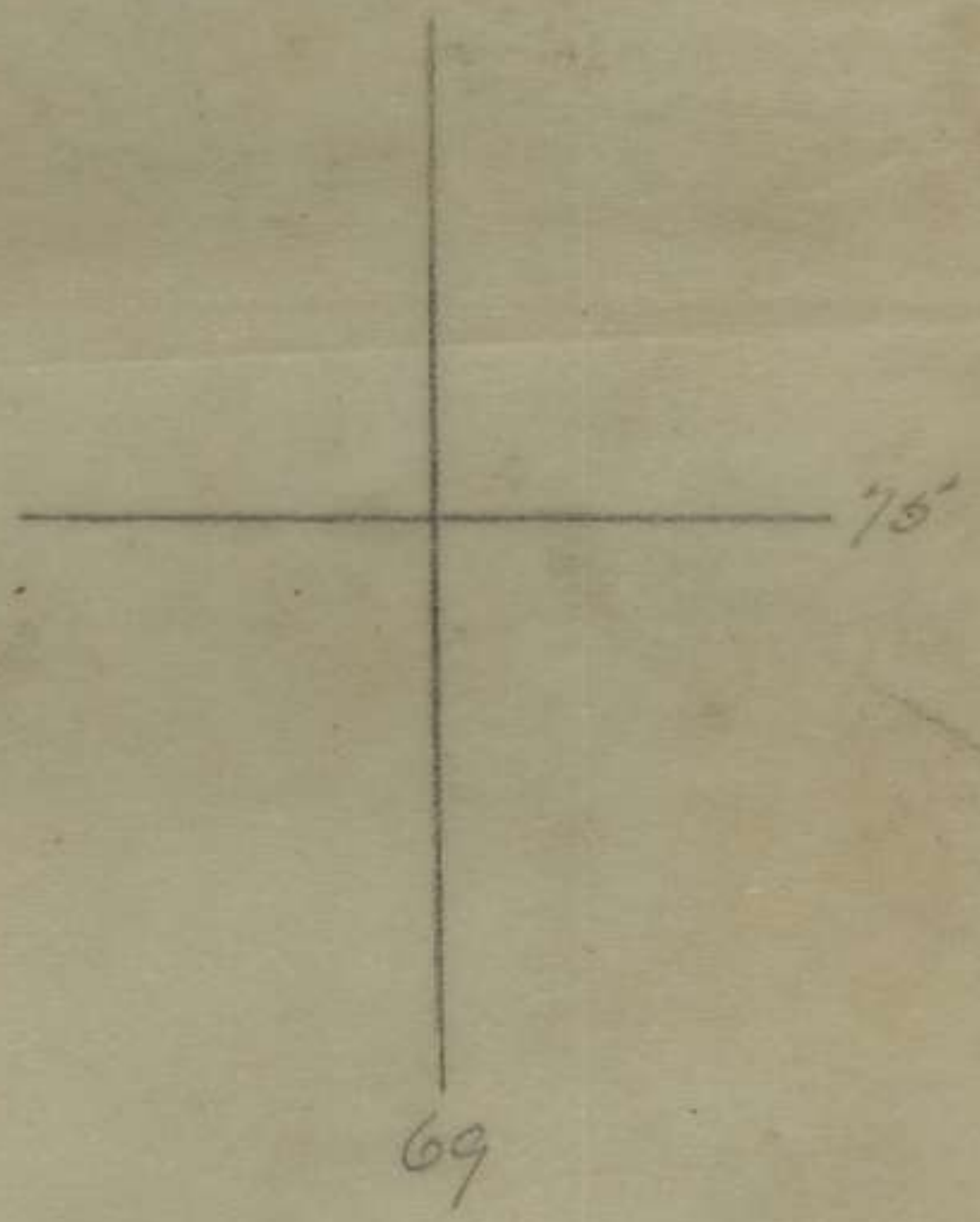
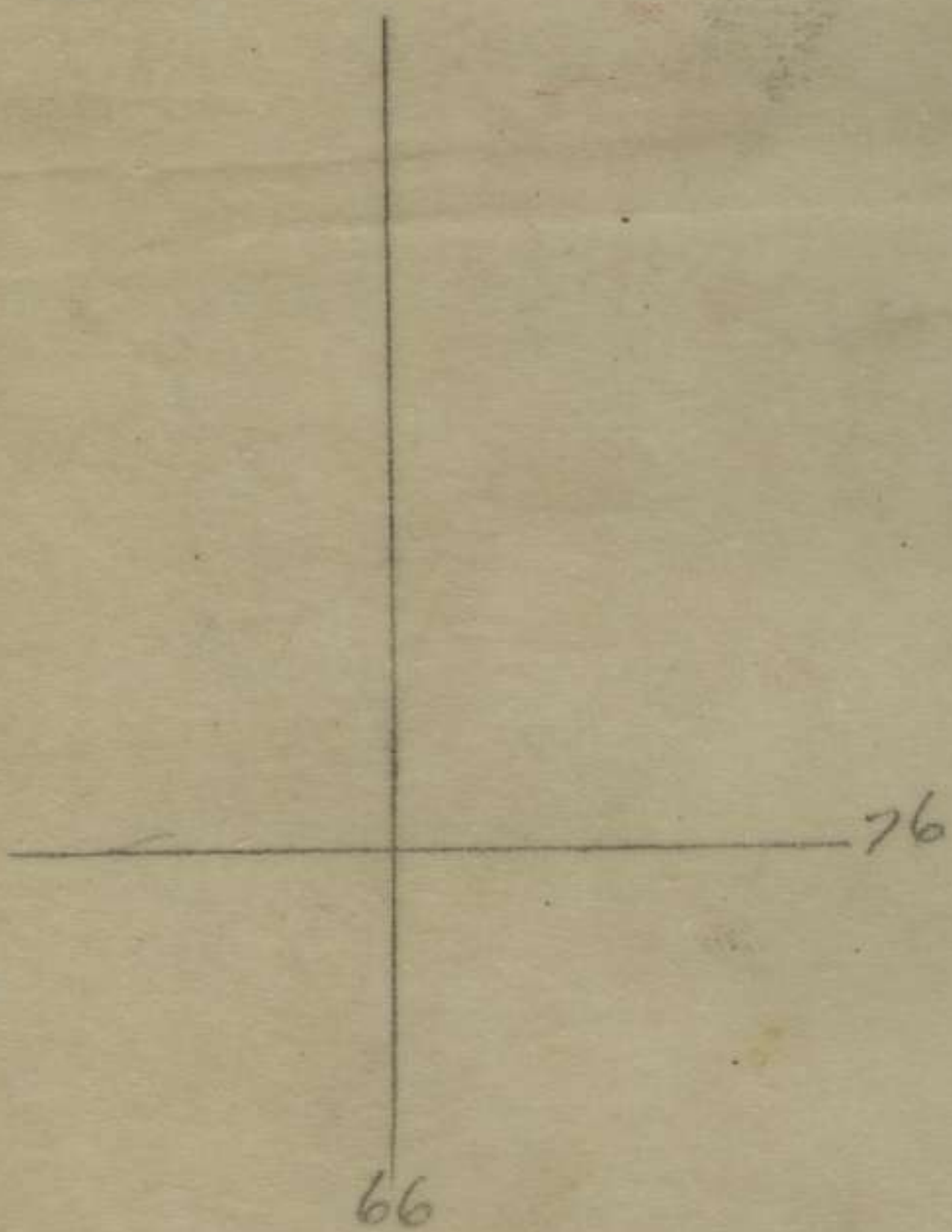
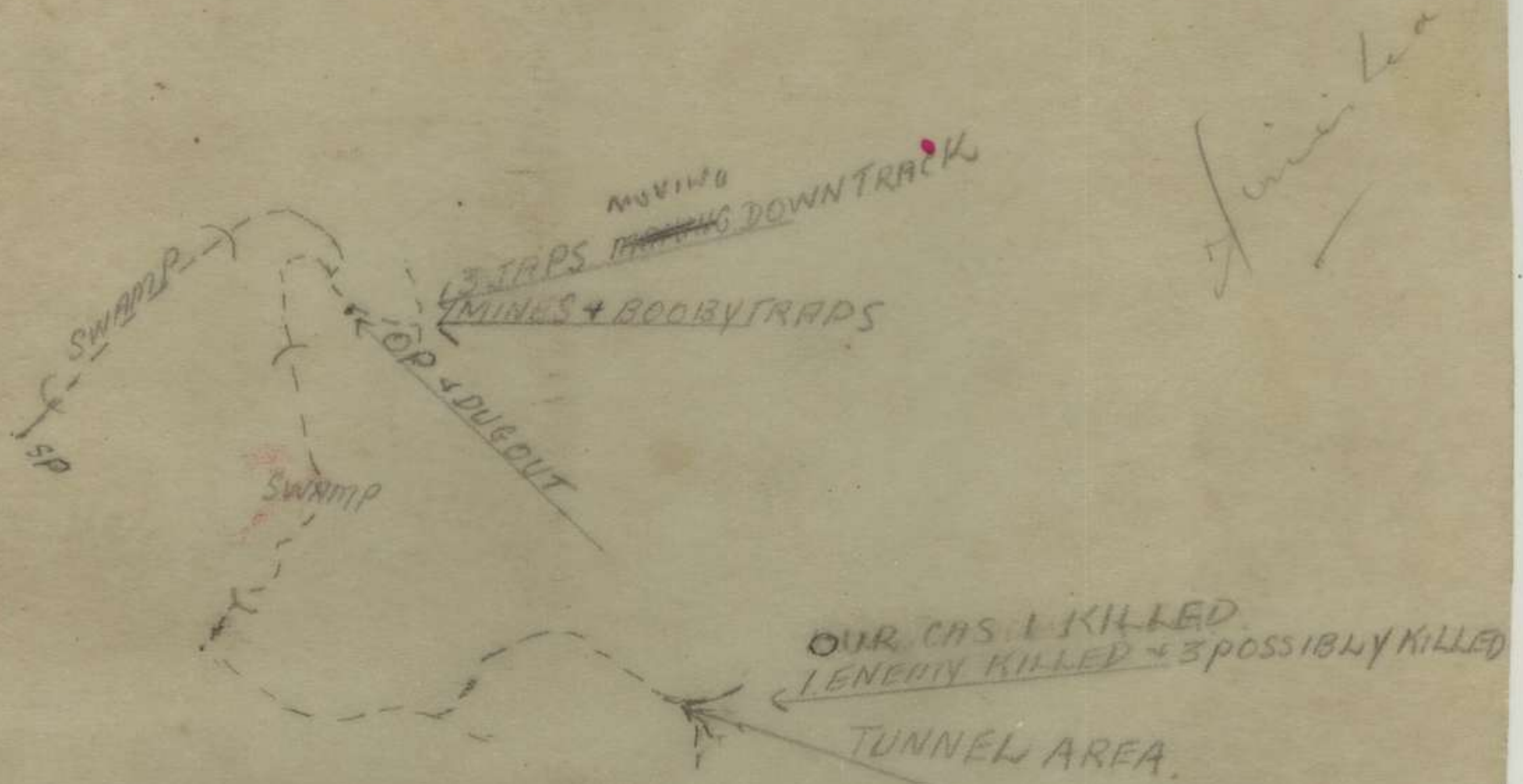
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OVERLAY 8PM ACOY RECCE PATROL

REF MAP MANGGAR 1:25000



INT SEC  
2/27 INF BN  
10 JULY 45

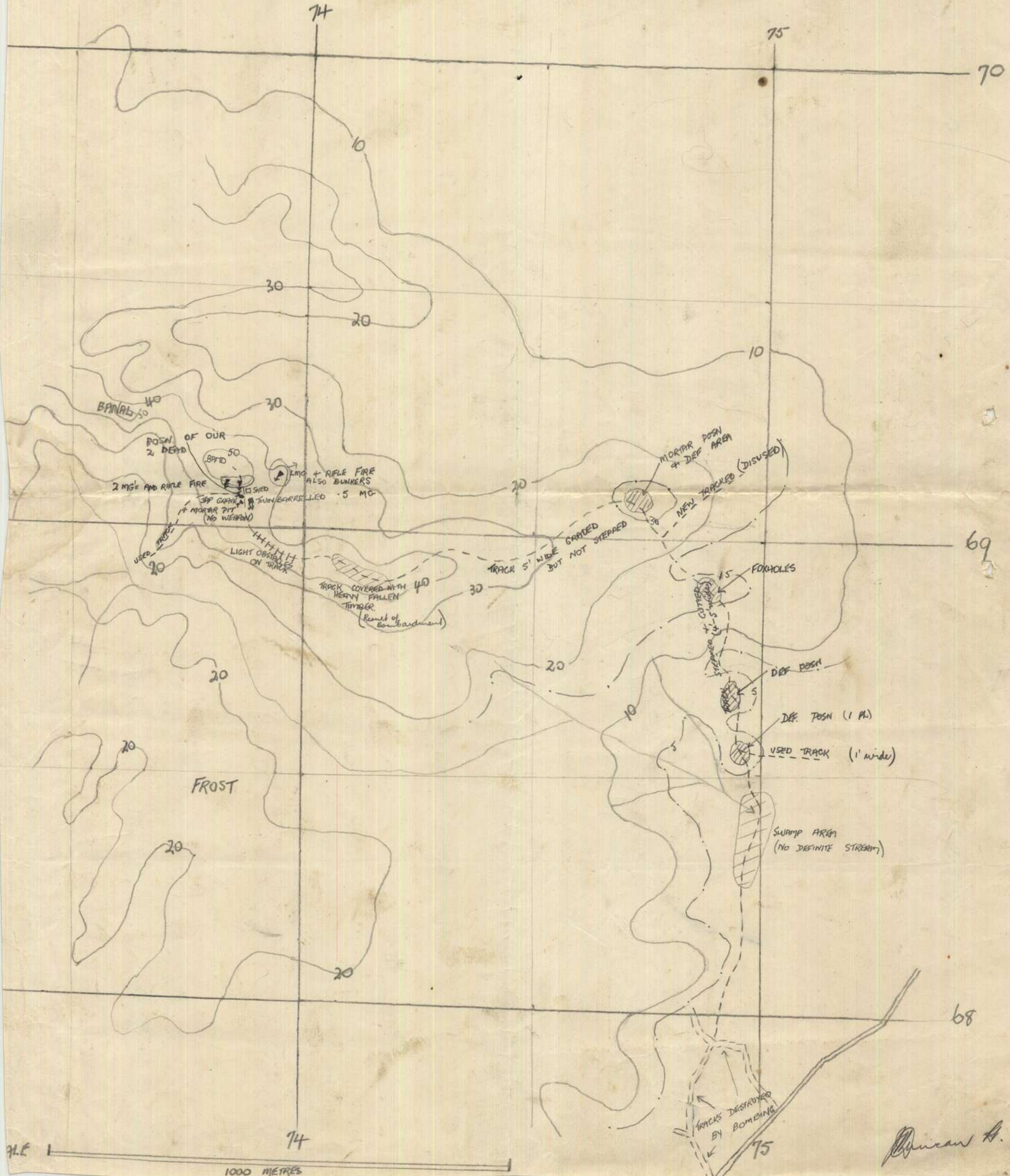
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MAP ENLARGEMENT & MEMORY SKETCH

OF "BAND" FEATURE & KNOWN ENEMY POSNS

(Distances and Posns. Approx. only)

Ref Map - MANGGAR 1:25000 (Contours taken from map accurate only)



11 July 45

D Coy moved through 814 Bn and occupied a def posn south of Adjiraden River at ~~750 688~~<sup>754 693</sup> SPL moved with D Coy and immediately commenced repairing the bridge over Adjiraden River

One Al patrol from D Coy advanced to 758757 and made NO contact x

Tracks leading west from Vasey Highway in Adjiraden area were investigated with Nil results x

A Coy patrols established enemy still in occupation of AGOG and BHPD.

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16 PL. PATROL.

11 JULY 45

Ref. Maps. BANGSAL. MANGGAR 1:25000

LIMIT OF PATROL

Coy. Posn

W (30)

W (30)

Coy. Posn.

Coy. Posn.

Coy. Posn.

J (50)

J (50)

73

78

78

70

16 PL. START. POINT.

11 July

please

722 B 640

Sheet 1

10

0900

c.o. 10 fwd.

10

0910

Bde 10 to may hillhalls @ enemy reported withdrawn from ENVOY @ may hillhalls again c.o.

C

0940

c coy mine patrol @ track WEST of JUNE 710642 - HARK - HOWIEY HUNTER - BAS dump post at 693633 - object to delouse mines and body traps - strength one off - one rec + one engr. - Sp. at 706646.

1030

Sit. pg 31 from Bde

1100

Ftp out, new map 2/14 Bn @ 1100  
55 Bty in pg 2/27 Bn.

D

1155

HAS at 763692.

D

1240

capt Freeman, info WEI pl at the HQ.

1235

may hillhalls to D Coy @ WEI. patrols to remain in your area @ role of fwd protection people working on it.

1240

IO. Recce @ radar station at 756684 @ search light damaged at this area @ 26 bales of crepe rubber @ 2 phones sent to bde for examination.

A

1325

A coy report smoke flare from one of their patrols observed @ patrol at approx 500 EAST of BAND.

1330

A coy report timber constructed rafts in ponds worked down river.

Jul 11

Sheet 2

- 1350 D Coy regmt ⊙ patrol have reached 766 789  
⊙ HMS ⊙ Rd undamaged ⊙ patrol in  
to 741 755
- D 1400 D Coy Dec patrol 762 699 returned at  
1345 I
- A 1510 9 pl patrol reported in at 1445 I ⊙  
patrol fired on by enemy ⊙ at least  
known ⊙ Hocas.
- 1625 Lt Duncan see returned from  
trail that branched off at 727673 ⊙  
trail does NOT go to Envoy but  
south then S.W and finishes at  
732664. at jag wounded persons.
- 1630 I.O. to Bm ⊙ destroyer NOT required  
tonight to fire Star shells ⊙ Bde  
had previous enquiry if we needed  
destroyer.
- 1650 Sigs number 20 from Bde.
- 1715 Maj Sims reported spe patrol FROST  
FOOL - A GOG ⊙ patrol reached  
728691 ⊙ heard jag voices and  
excellent O.P observed on A GOG  
which was north of AIR field  
area ⊙ later report to follow
- 1725 D Coy patrol to AD JIR ADEN R. then  
pushed on to 758757 ⊙ no contact  
id and bridge ~~report~~ order ⊙  
truck at 748766 with generator  
missing.

I O	TIME	
	1830	2114 rangy re info from Avey patrols - info passed on.
	1900	D Coy Dispersions. HQ 17 PL 418 PL 759689 16 PL 758689. 1 PL NEV. 764692 5 PL 764691.
Bde	1945	D Coy DF tank at 754 #693 C Bde to advise 2114 B
CAV	1955	to car C one car 2127 moving to BACTIAL C one pl of 211 MG B to RV NORTH side MANGGAR BRIDGE at 120830 I
	2240	to sig C steps from D Coy handle ARC 2 hours from Bde.
	2340	Co. 1.0 returned from Bde.
	0550	Steps No 20 to Bde C set up.

Control Chores. Int. Sec

Pistols. -

Binoculars. -

Hatches. -

Compasses -



# MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

<b>FROM</b> (A) 2127 inf Bn For Action	Originator	Date—Time of Origin 111910Z	Office Date Stamp
<b>TO</b> 21 inf Bde (w) For Information (INFO.)			Message Instructions <b>GR</b>

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I330 Sit-req number 19 to 111910Z @  
 A coy @ 111035I 7pl patrol 725662 733 666  
 727 673 to 729 674 @ NMS @ 110915I 8pl  
 patrol FROST FOOL AGOG @ reached  
 728 690 3 or 4 japs heard AGOG @  
 728 691 excellent enemy, TREE OP @  
 track mfg @ good well worn track  
 No tracks seen leading left or right  
 of track @ 111030I 9pl patrol AIR-Strip  
 track 742688 BAND reached 743689  
 @ fixed on by approx 6 enemy strength  
 unknown @ patrol heard word cutting  
 this area @ Bury @ No change @ C Coy @  
 110715I patrol that area 706 646 found  
 one dead jap killed same area seen  
 patrol @ Bury @ 111100I 16pl  
 patrol Bury to VASEY H'WAY TARATIP  
 men pushed forward to 758 757 @  
 rd and bridges good order NO enemy seen

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			THI or TOR		
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		111910Z	
For Action Subsec No 19 continued			
<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

111100Z 18 pl patrol to tracks  
 area 757710 and 762699 NM50  
 17 pl patrol No info to hand  
 LOCSTAT @ Area HQ 736661  
 7 pl 735661 8 pl 735662 9 pl  
 734663 @ D Coy HQ 17 pl 18 pl  
 759689 16 pl 758689 @ one pl  
 NEI 764692 5 pl 764691

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*W. J. Wallace*  
 for 1.0

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	2/16 Aust Inf Bn		
TO	For Action	21 Bde	Message Instructions
	(w) For Information (INFO.)		
2/14 2/27 Inf Bns 2/7 Car Reg.			

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 2 Secret Sit Ref No 20 10 19 I 0

Enemy killed nil @ Own car casualties  
 1 KIA 1 injured by fallen tree @ D Coy  
 moved forward @ 0800 to occupy GENT and  
 ENVOY GENT was occupied and several  
 body traps found on track these now marked  
 D Coy contacted enemy on slope of ENVOY  
 damaged positions with SAA enemy re-  
 turned fire with LMG and light mortars  
 Estimated enemy strength 20 plus 2 LMG  
 This posn as follows A. BH Guard, B less  
 1 plt Gear C 6340 6420 D 6420 6520  
 11 plt 6315 6414 @ 1920 patrol from D to  
 contact enemy and check IF still  
 on ENVOY @

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			THI or TOR 1620Z	P	JRK
Signed	Signed		Time Cleared 1645Z	P	JRK

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FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp
	21 BDE	11 20 35 I	
For Action			Message Instructions
TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)		
2/27 BN 2/7 CAV			

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GF 101 SECRET @ Sitrep 34 to 20 15 I  
 @ 2/14 BN No change @ 2/16 BN less D Coy on  
 JACK in new area 602627 @ 2/27 BN @ 111110  
 D Coy patrol reached TARATIP RIVER @ Pushed  
 forward to 758 757 @ Road and bridges in good  
 order No enemy seen @ Patrol NORTH along EAST  
 side of VASEY HIGHWAY no information to  
 hand @ B HQ no change A COY 736661 D COY  
 759 689 otherwise no change @ 2/7 CAV @ Patrol  
 2/3 SPN to FABLE and GRACE no enemy seen  
 @ 211010 I Patrol from ESSAY wounded and  
 captured unarmed gap at 663650 PW died  
 enroute to RHQ @ 111400 I our ambush posn  
 200 yards SOUTH ESSAY killed 1 gap @ Patrol  
 JAM JUICY JUMPY JESTER report no  
 enemy seen no change dispositions

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	21 Bole		
For Action			Message Instructions
TO			
(w) For Information (INFO.)			GR
2/14 2/16 2/27 Bns 2/3 Cav.			

ORIGINATOR'S No.

G1 100 Secret. ~~Sit Ref~~ 33 to 111545  
~~Sit Ref 33~~ 2/14 Bn 111315 I Count of  
 enemy dead forward of C Coy area 107  
 dead 150/estimated dead additionally @  
 2/16 Bn D Coy on JACK remainder of bn  
 on move to Batakan Besar bivouac  
 area @ 2/27 Bn 111315 I. C Coy patrol re-  
 turned 11145 I @ Found land mine and several  
 bombs at 694 639 @ 114048 I patrol to  
 BAN @ ridge 743 689 fired on by enemy on  
 BAN @ heard gaps cutting timber  
 and found fresh footprints along track  
 from LAMAROE patrol along tracks  
 N and NW of LAMAROE report no  
 enemy @ 2/7 Cav 11445 I patrol to  
 JELBY report no enemy all infm

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Signed	Signed		1705 I	P	TRK
			Time Cleared		
			1707 I	P	TRK

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<b>FROM</b> (A) 21 BDE	Originator	Date—Time of Origin 111002 I	Office Date Stamp
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For Action

<b>TO</b> <del>21</del>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
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2/27 BN. 2/7 CAV REGT

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GI 98 Sect. SITREP 31 to 111000 I 0

2/14 BN patrolling only @ 2/16 BN 110900 I D Coy moved to ENVOY found JAPS had withdrawn @ 2/27 BN 110800 I D Coy moved to ADJIRADEN RIVER to est patrol base @ patrols moving to BAND FROST and BANGSAL @ NEI. patrolled from ADJIRADEN RIVER along coast to NORTH following reported track @ 2/7 CAV REGT no change @ all informed.

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			THI or TOR 1137	L. King	
			Time Cleared		

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		Q.P.	

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<b>FROM</b> (A)	Originator 21 Bde	Date—Time of Origin 11 1210 I	Office Date Stamp
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For Action

<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
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2/27 Bde

ORIGINATOR'S No. G.I. 99 SECRET. 0 ditto/ 32 to 111200 r. 0  
 2/14 Bn no change 0 2/16 Bn 1105 D. Coy. contacted  
 one section of 2/3 bar Squad. at ENVOY. 0 11 11 40 I  
 D. Coy released A. Troop 0 2/3 bar Squad ENVOY  
 0 Bn left one Coy returning to Bde biv area. 0  
 one Coy remaining J.A.C.K. 0 for patch 0. 2/27 Bn no  
 change 0 2/7 bar Regn 11 1105 I 2/3 Squadron

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<i>For Action</i>			
<b>TO</b>	<i>(i) For Information (INFO.)</i>		<i>Message Instructions</i> <b>GR</b>

ORIGINATOR'S No. *released D, Coy 2/16 Bn ENVOY @ PARTY 2/3 29 1944*  
*returning with wounded P. W. returning 6966 26*  
*HABIT FANCY FATTY BATAKAN BESAR.*

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PATROL REPORT Pt I

- 1 Fighting Patrol 3 2 Off. 16 O.R.'S
- 3 11 July 45 4 REF. MAP MANGGAR 1/25,000
- 5 OBJECT - (a) To locate Enemy dispositions and strength - (b) Recce. of tracks
- 6 ANSWER - No. signs of Enemy Occupation in Area - No earthworks - Area has never been occupied for any length of time
- 7 PATROL COMMANDER. Lt. K. D. McDermott
- 8 TIME OUT - 1110 I 9 TIME IN. 1445 I.
- 10 ROUTE OUT & ROUTE IN

From "D" Coy. position to VASEY HIGHWAY  
 - Along VASEY HIGHWAY across ADJIRADEN River to Spur at 765 702 - This Spur was thoroughly searched and there were no signs of any occupation - Then along Highway to Track Junc. at 767 704. Followed this track in North Easterly direction to first fork to left at 762 707 - Followed fork on to spur - Then swung in an Easterly direction to Spur at 760 710  
 Then on to track at 762 709 - Followed this track back to Highway and back to Coy along Highway

PATROL REPORT PT. I

12 Queen Co. - N14

13 Enemy Co. - N14

7 Pl. 7 Coy.

PART II

① TRACKS - Used for bringing logs down to Highway - approx. 10 feet wide and has logs along for wet weather - track has not been used for some time

② VEGETATION - Near Highway low tangled undergrowth - further in very tall timber with a lot of broken timber on ground making movement off tracks very difficult - timber is very close

③ On tracks at approx 766704 there are seven (7) unexploded bombs (aerial) In House at 769709 there are many cases of Enemy Aerial bombs approx 50 pounds. - There is a lot of timber in log form with English markings on as following

e.g. 370 |  
45 x 4, N  
BATOC

K. B. McDonald Lt.

11 July '45

- 1/ Reece
- 2/ 1 off 36 OR.
- 3/ 11 JULY
- 4/ MANGGAR. 1:25000
- 5/ 1/ To find enemy dispositions and strength along FOOL AGOC features.
  - 2/ Reece for tracks running from FOOL, AGOC south to ENVOY
  - 3/ Reece north-east AGOC feature for track to BALE
- 6/ 1/ Patrol encountered no opposition find of FROST along FOOL to the base of AGOC. At 728689. Fresh footprint (bare) discovered going N.W. at 732688 apparently made at about 1300. Patrol of 3 ORs who went up AGOC feature heard 3-4 enemy talking freely at 728691. Reported at 1550 hrs. to PL HQ at 728689. Owing to steepness of feature and lateness of hour, decided insufficient light left to deal with opposition. Retraced steps to A Coy 2/14 Bn. and had them pass back ENEMY info to A Coy HQ. Enemy lookout tower observed to be up high tree at 728691. Fresh foxholes were dug on track at approx 732687. capable of holding a section.
  - 2/ There were no tracks running south to south west from the spur FOOL AGOC. From <sup>at 737685</sup> FROST, one fairly well worn track observed running in a north easterly direction. A track left the spur at 728689 and ran north east.
  - 3/ Unable to see to north east AGOC for track owing to lateness. 3 man patrol observed track running round eastern tip of feature near top with one track going to OP at top.

7, Lieut J.E. Korff.

8, 111035 I

9, 171715 I.

10, From Coy Area 736661 in northerly direction through B Coy 2/14 at 739677 to A Coy 2/14 on FROST. From here followed narrow spur north west along spur to FOOL. thence WNW. to 728689. This track well defined and well worn. New foxholes astride the track at 732687. Track width about 18" to 2'. Fallen timber at intervals between FROST and FOOL not by any means an obstacle. The track was

unmarked by shell craters but shell holes in evidence each side of track NW of FROST. Vegetation: rain forest with short undergrowth, visibility FROST to FOOL 20 to 30'. FOOL to AGOC 8 to 10'. Width of spur approx 100'. No mines or booby traps along track.

11, Owing to shortage of time did not make route in from AGOC south west through marshes to ENVOY. Returned over same route as on way out. Passed on information to A Coy 2/14 Pm.

12, NIL

13, NIL

NOTE

Would suggest right flank of AGOC most suitable for attack upon it.

Patrol  
o/c 8 pl. Patrol

11 July 45.

*[Large scribbled-out handwritten notes and diagrams, including phrases like "Start line", "209 10", "WELL PL", "more than 100 feet", "towards to woods", "back to start"]*



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Patrol Report.

Part I

Details:-

- 1 type of patrol — Recce patrol
- 2 Strength — 9 men.
- 3 Date — 11 Jul 45
- 4 Ref. Loc. — MANGGAR.
- 5 Object — The find out if track turning left from main track through swamp leads to ENVOY.
- 6 Answer — No.
- 7 Patrol Comd. — 5x13649 Sgt. Pendrey O.S.
- 8 Time out — 1520 hrs.
- 9 Time in — 1610 hrs.

10 Route out — patrol moved along main track through swamp for approx. 400 yds. to track junction. Moved down left hand track. No recent footmarks & going was easy. Track kept turning slightly left & led to two large shell holes filled with water. A narrow track branched off to the left & led to rear of 9 Pl. posn. Patrol returned to shell holes & moved in SW. direction. Track again turned left towards 9 Pl. posn. About 100 yds.

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Further on from creek crossing near 9 Pl.  
posn. track ran into dead end in old  
vacated bunker. No enemy were sighted  
on route.

11 Route in. - Patrol returned across creek  
then through 9 Pl. posn. to A Coy H.Q.

12 Casualties own NIL.

13 Casualties enemy NIL.

Carstairs



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PART I PATROL REPORT 7 PL A COY

① Recce Patrol.

② 1 Op. 17 ORS

③ 11 July 45

④ Ref Map. MANCOAR 1:25000.

⑤ Object - Is there any enemy on spur 728674

⑥ Answer - No.

⑦ Patrol bound. S Linnian

⑧ 111045 I (Time Out)

⑨ Time In 111415 I

⑩ Route Out. Moved from 735665, across cleared air strip area to 733666. Thence on bearing of approx 320° along poor track (under water) through dense undergrowth to approx 727673. This used track ~~to~~ branched off to left toward ENVY feature. Thence up spur 728674 for 700' to approx 729674. Spur covered with stunted trees and scrub (visibility 20'). Tracked averaged 1ft to 3ft wide.

~~Patrol~~ Ret ~~to~~ (over)

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no enemy or post tracks seen anywhere in area  
2 mortar posts observed area 727674 - no  
weapons - but some scattered amm.

Amm 9" to 10" long - short wooden, wood cap.  
galvanised cap about 3" long at base of  
shell (possibly cover for tail unit)  
calibre 81 m.m. (approx)

1 mortar post at 729675 - no amm or weapons.

Route In Patrol returned by route same as post out

Casualties - own - NIL  
enemy - NIL

Ryman

Part II omitted because  
would be duplication  
of above.

Sam Jones Maj





FROM No. ....

NAME .....

UNIT OR GROUP .....

PART

II

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Rece Patrol Report

Part 2

By NX 7604. Lt Coolahan D. X 17th P Coy

Ref. Nak Nanggar 1:25000

Date 11/7/45.

Details

A/ Proceeded NORTH along Vasey Highway  
to SOUTHERN outskirts of Jaratip  
(Several papers forwarded)

Some natives occupying houses

~~1/2~~ Ammunition found

(25) 50 to 100 lb. aerial bombs <sup>in</sup> hut  
WEST of road at 218 H.M. Post.

Other ammo thought to be 20 M.M.

WEST side of road 50 yards NORTH  
of 214 H.M. Post.

Proceeded EAST from 770713 through  
very marshy country trying to  
locate "Reported Native Hack."

Unable through density of country  
to locate same. Returned to

V.H. ~~Post~~ by same route.

Followed road south to Adjiraden



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River

Followed track (see sketch attached)  
Condition of track very poor, underwater,  
varying from ankle to thigh deep.  
From WESTERN end of Jap Sig. West  
track had been flanked with logs  
through to edge of mangrove.  
Track then swing NORTH & was clearly  
defined & built up with sand & timber.  
Unable to trace track to SOUTH through  
Mangrove.

Huts encountered every 150' (approx.)  
All deserted & did not show signs of Jap  
occupation.

Jap Headquarters see sketch.  
Floor of one hut covered with Jap papers  
of which several sheets were brought back.  
About 6 huts in area & one solidly con-  
structed shelter which appear to be the  
Headquarters or Command Post.

Area clean.

Foot bridge 3 to 4 ft. wide, 5' above  
ground level in excellent condition.



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Observation Tower 100' high with base (approx) 10yds square. Built of trees & well camouflaged with background & branches tied to it.

Items from tower forwarded to Battalion. Followed back SOUTH to Majiraden River crossed river & moved WEST along bank of river to ship building area.

2 barges found under construction. one exterior completed. ~~the other~~ Interior under construction.

The other skeleton frame work only. Timber used, sawn, new, & ~~is~~ more than sufficient to complete the barges. More timber stacked in huts. Suggest area well worth recce. by Engineers, as there is timber suitable for bridge repairs etc.

Followed track SOUTH & then N.W. to Tasey Highway, locating booby trap. (see sketch).

Track marked jeep track on Manggar map leading from Tasey Highway to 770680 not jeepable, but could be made so. Possibility of other booby traps off track.

D. Colshaw  
17 Ph

Carry 100 men each  
approx

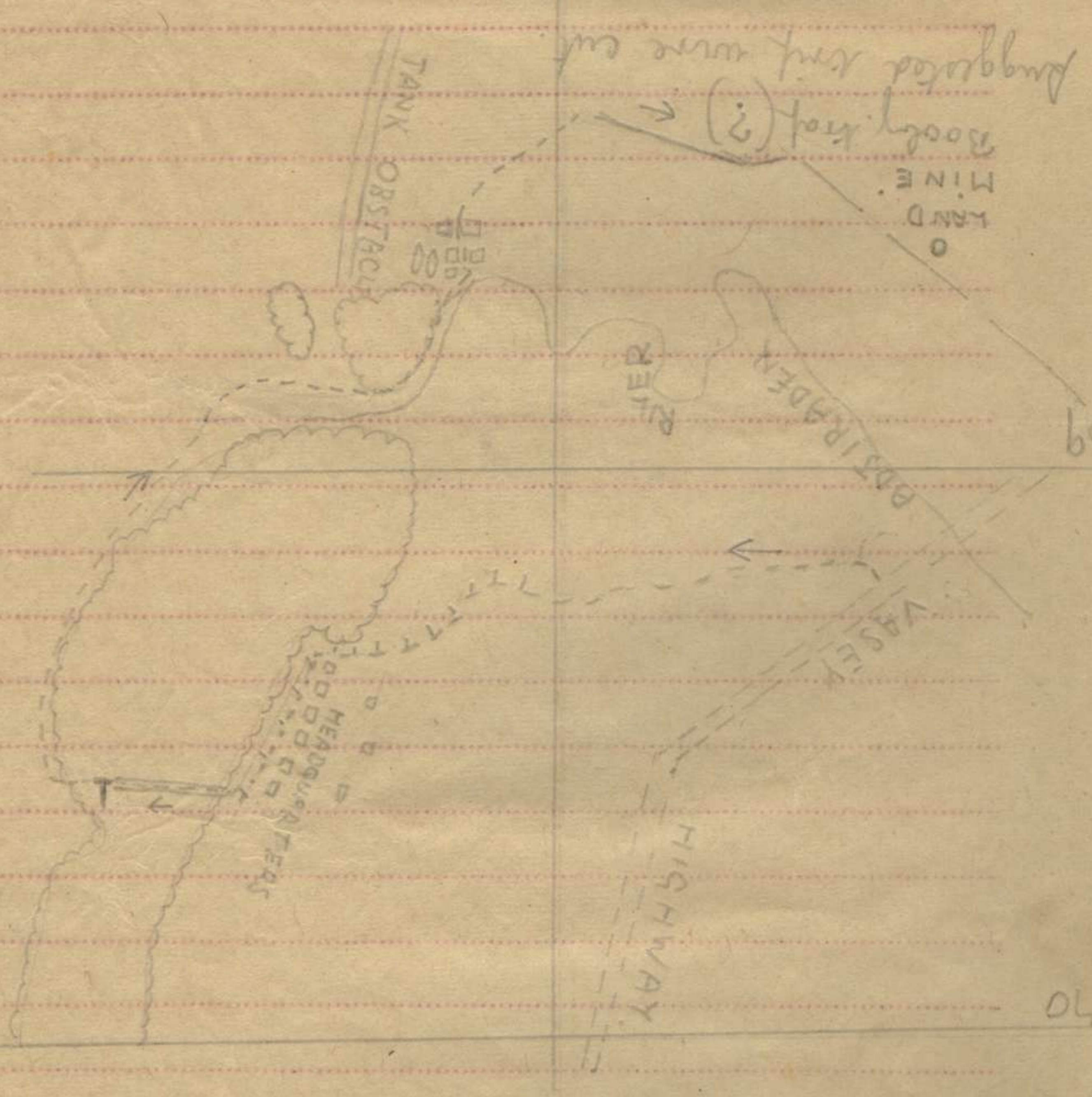
0104  
This is building, or Boat building sheds.

FROM No. 100 high  
NAME of Obstruction is  
Boat Bridge  
I took followed  
Name (Unit or Group)



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00 2 Boats under construction (wood) approx 30

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Duce Patrol

16 PL. 11 July 45

1. Duce Patrol
2. 2 opps & 21 ops  
(attached): B.H.R. - 1 opp.  
Arty - 1 opp & 10/R.  
N.E.I. - 1 opp & 10/R.  
Engurs - 2 0/R.P.
3. 11 July 45.
4. MANGGAR + BANGSAL 1:25,000.
5. To report on signs of A ENEMY occupation, dispositions, movement B. Condition of roads, bridges C also suitable Corp. defensive positions
6. No. signs of ENEMY occupation, defensive positions or movement. Condition of road - good. Bridges intact & in good order.
7. Lt. Norris OC, 16 PL.
8. 1115 hrs.
9. 1645 hrs.
10. 1 row 16 PL H.R. ref. 758 689 along line of VASEY. HIGHWAY. to ref 757 757
11. Same as Route out.
12. NIL
13. NIL.

PART II

5A. No. sign of ENEMY defensive positions or occupation of area. Natives reported through N.E.I. Interpreter, that ENEMY had moved by transport towards SAMBODJA, & foot troops had withdrawn through thick country to SAMARINDA.

5B. Road is asphalted and in very good condition. Width of road 18 ft. Bridges in good condition, capable of carrying 30 ton. Classification of bridges shown in attached sketch.

5C. Ground on western side of road bounded by low spurs and cleared of timber to depth of 100' then very thickly timbered. Low flat ground on eastern side of road cleared for approx 50', then very thick & swampy. Good Coy defensive posts at ref. 766 726, 764 734, 764 738, 762 752., 757 757. see sketch. From ref 764 738 patrol consisting of 3 officers & 7 s/2's moved along VASEY. HIGHWAY to limit of patrol 757 757. At ref map 764 747 asphalted track led off east for 100' then south for 150' (Probable timber track). Abandoned JAP truck in good condition at ref map 765 747. Natives reported through own interrogation No Enemy between limit of patrol and SAMBODJA. Oil pipe line not damaged throughout

No Mines or Booby traps encountered. Nothing of importance noted on return journey.

From Bangsal to limit of Patrol numerous tracks running North West were investigated for 100' showing signs of considerable lumber activity.

0910  
822

# PATROL REPORT

C COY

## PART I

1 Recon PATROL

2 ✓ off ✓ 9 ORS + 1 engineer (15 PI)

3 11 JULY 45

4 Sepinggan & Manggar 1:25000

5 OBJECT Recon for

71042 (a) every movement

4 5 (b) locate mines in area.

6 ANSWER. No enemy sighted.  
3 aerial bombs & 3 land mines  
detonated

7 LIEUT JOHNSTON

8 110910 I

9 111145 I

10 } From Coy HQ to MANGGAR KETTIL RD NTH-WE

11 } TO point 710642 then WESTERLY TO HARK

then SOUTH thru HOME HONEY HUNGER

thru village 693633 to rd junction at

BATAKAN RESAR; along VASEY Hwy to

Coy HQ

12 NIL

13 NIL



PATROL REPORT

PART 2

1. Kacee Patrol

2. 1 off + 9 men + 1 engn.

3. 16 July 45

4. Sepinggang + Manggar 1:25000

5. any to see track on WEST of junction

710642 thru HARK HOME HONEY HUNGER + BVS 693633

+ DELOUSE any booby traps + mines found thereon

6. Patrol followed same route as previous patrol on afternoon 10 JUL. While in low ground between HARK HOME + burst's M.G fire, thought to be WOODPECKER, heard N.W. approx 1500' ~~at~~ (?) distant. Aerial bombs previously discovered at 696641 & 693637

695641 deloused. Two land mines, not previously discovered at 694639 deloused. There were were concealed with wigs, grass + leaves. Not thought to be really laid, but apparently been passed by previous patrol. On arriving at back junction. Patrol found 9 engn proceeded down old tram line to see for further un-deloused booby traps. None discovered.

No sign of enemy or recent activity throughout patrol

Wan Johnston  
LT

1115007

9 SEC (18) RECCE PATROL

Q. NCO 6. OR

11 JULY 45

MAP REF 7669

OBJECT SEARCH FOR EN POSITIONS  
SIGNS OF OCCUPATION  
TRACKS ETC.

TIME OUT 1100 ANSWER MIL.

TIME IN 1345 P

ROUTE OUT ALONG MAIN RD ACROSS  
BRIDGE TO TRACK 764693

ROUTE IN SAME

CASL. OWN: MIL

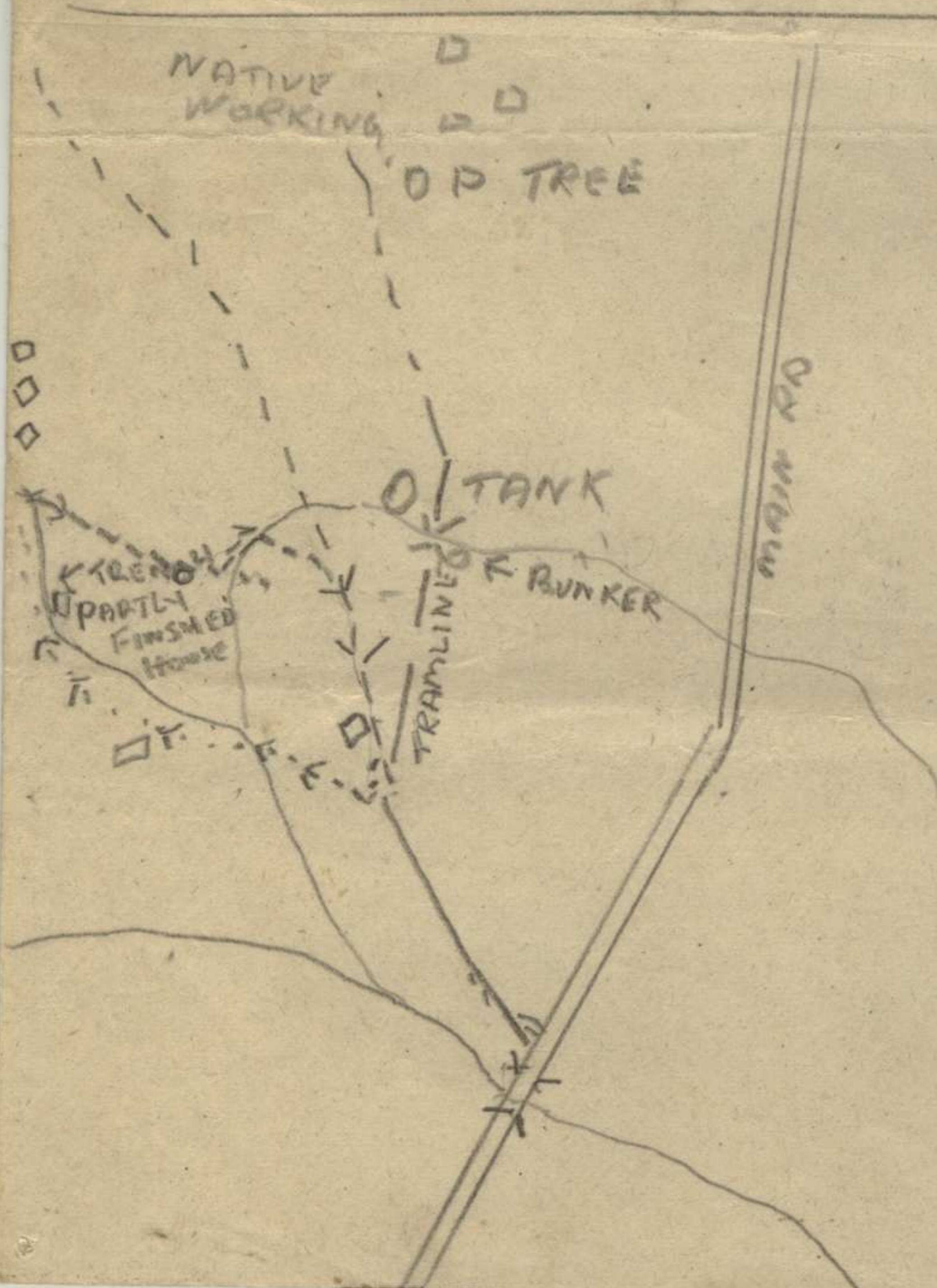
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CPL. HUGHES C.A.

PART II ANSWER

LEFT RD AT 764693 UP TRACK TO TRACK JUNCT.  
INSPECTED HOUSE FOUND UNOCCUPIED BUT FIRE  
BURNING, TURN LEFT CROSSED CREEK ON PAD TO  
INSPECT POSS ENEMY POSITIONS FOUND BOMB  
CRATERS ONLY FAIRLY THICK LOW SCRUB TALL  
KUNAI PROCEEDED TO EDGE OF TIMBER GROUP OF  
HUTS NOT MARKED ON MAP. UNOCCUPIED  
RE-CROSSED CREEK ON PLANK ONTO OLD LOGGING  
TRACK BACK TO TRACK JUNCT THEN PROCEEDED  
UP TRAM LINE ~~LASTED~~ INSPECTED SMALL  
BUNKER POSITION BEFORE CROSSING CREEK  
LEFT 50 YDS OIL STORAGE TANK EMPTY

200 YD FURTHER ON RIGHT O.P. TREE  
300 TO CLEARING THREE HUTS NATIVE  
WORKING IN GARDEN KEPT OBSERVATION  
TEN MINUTES THEN PROCEEDED BACK  
ALONG TRAMLINE TO MAIN RD



PATROL REPORT  
PART 1 C Coy

- 1 Standing Patrol
- 2 1 off + 9 oos (13 pl)
- 3 11 July 45
- 4 Manggar 1:25000
- 5 OBJ To ambush <sup>any</sup> enemy moving thru tik junc 706646

6 ANSWER NO ENEMY seen + NO new traces

- 1 Lt. Latimer
- 8 110715 I
- 9 111545 I
- 10 } from Coy HQ N.E along VASEY Hwy  
to track 723 646 NN along this  
to hut then NORTH to foot of  
JOK feature - 716 654 approx then WEST  
to SOUTH end of JUNK 710 650 along  
tik - then SW to 3 huts area  
11 } SE down MANGGAR RETJIL tik to  
VASEY HWY to Coy HQ
- 12 } NIL
- 13 }

8<sup>th</sup>  
PATROL REPORT  
PART 2 C Coy

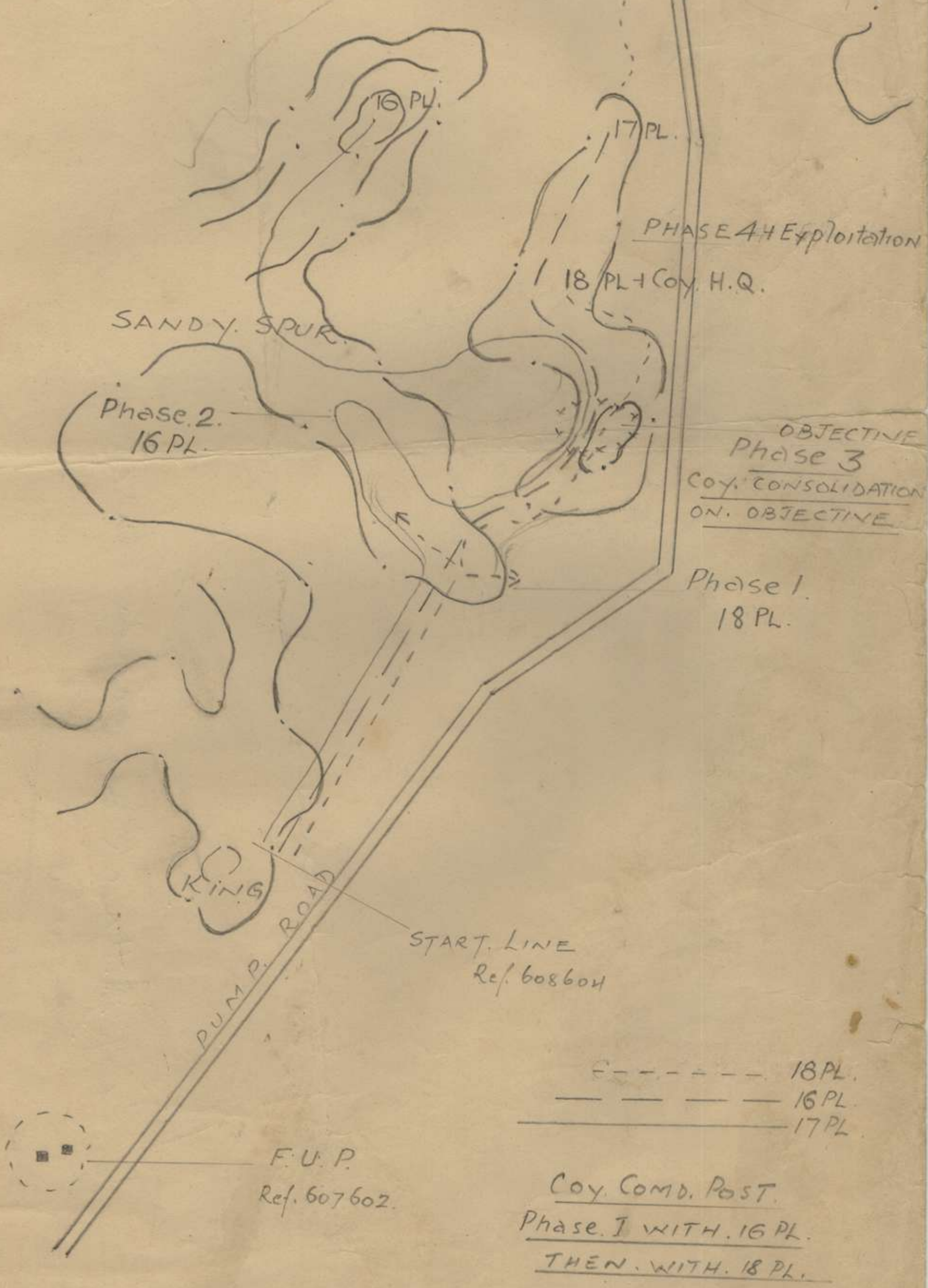
- 1 Standing Patrol
- 2 (13 pl)
- 3 11 July 45
- 4 Manggar 1:25000
- 5 OBJ To ambush any ENEMY moving thru tik junc 706646

6 ANSWER NO ENEMY seen moving in that vicinity and no new traces were observed. But the Coy Patrol that was in that area on 8<sup>th</sup> JULY found on a party of 3 JAPS - a body was found to have killed by a grenade - presumably one of the 3. His weapons had been removed as he was known to be armed on 8<sup>th</sup> JULY. About his person were several marrowns, cucumbers etc apparently taken from the gardens about the 3 huts.

- 1 Lt Latimer
- 8 110715 I
- 9 111545 I
- 10 } As part 1
- 11 }
- 12 } NIL
- 13 }

~~Invited~~

OPTIMIST. x  
TANKS  
7sec Patrol to OPTIMIST.



12 July

A Coy moved to BAN GSAH and  
patrolled fwd.

B Coy, C Coy and Comd gp moved to LAMAROE  
area and took up def posns.

Some Bomb craters in Sasey Highway were  
found to be mined.

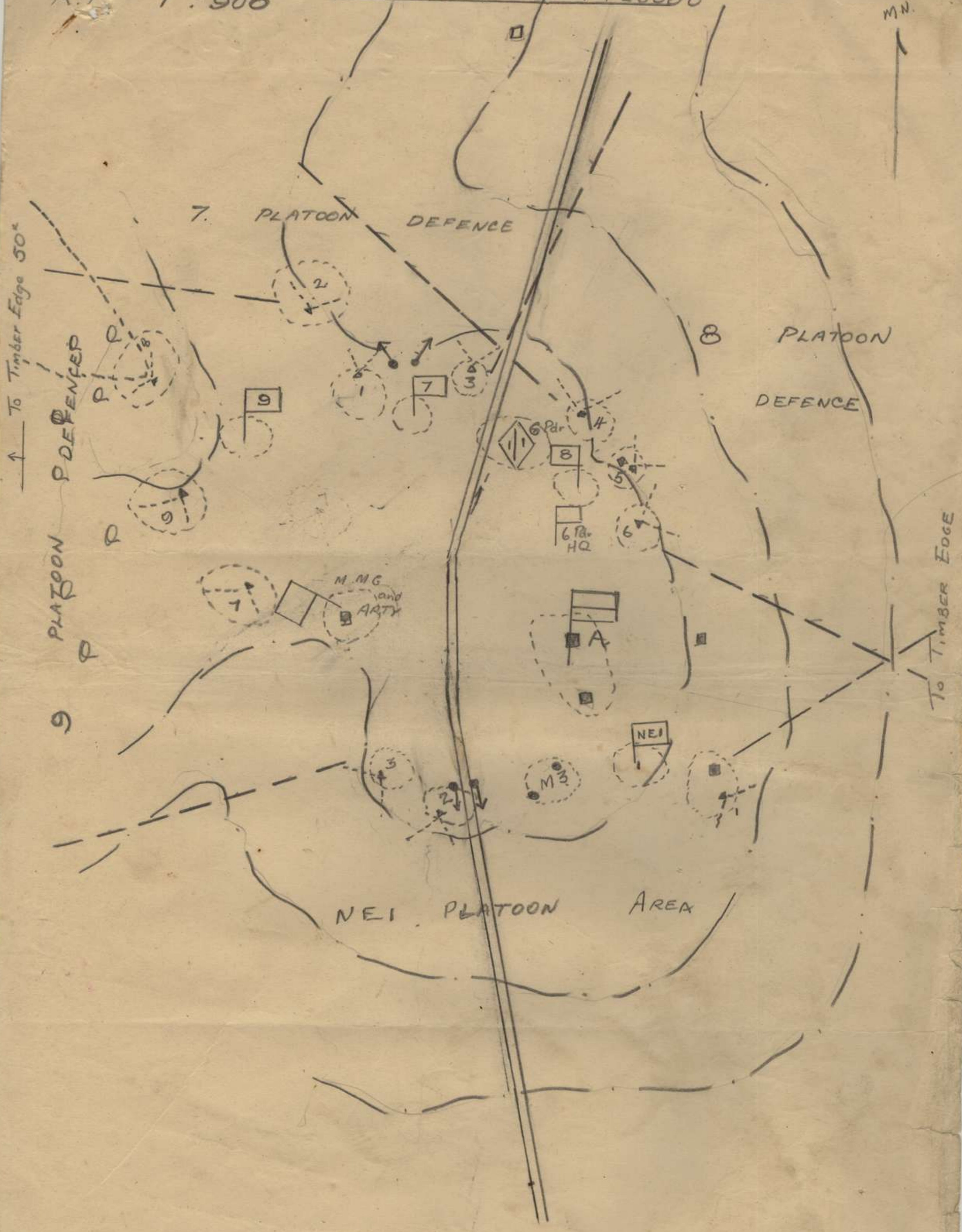
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FIRE PLAN A Coy AND TPs U/C  
REF Coy HQ 765734

R.F. 1:900

BANGSAL SHEET 1:25000

M.N. ↑



Scale 1" to 25 yds (approx)

V. I - 5' (approx)

INT SEC.

12 JUL 45

# FIELD SKETCH

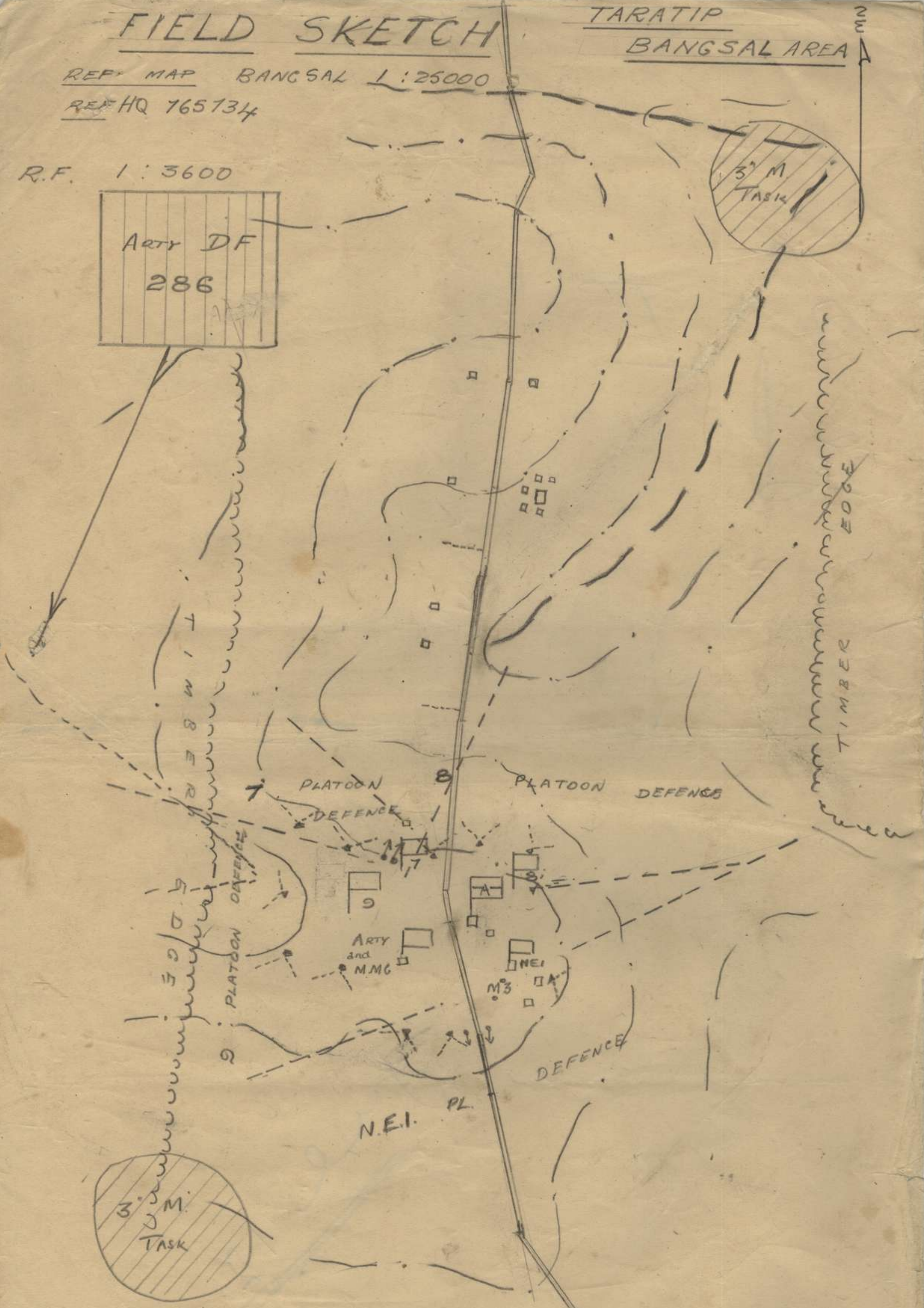
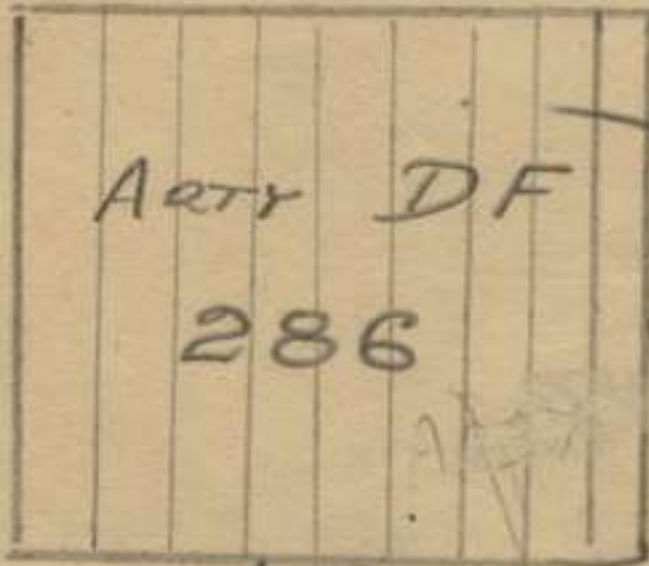
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BANGSAL AREA

REF MAP BANGSAL 1:25000

REF HQ 765134

R.F. 1:3600

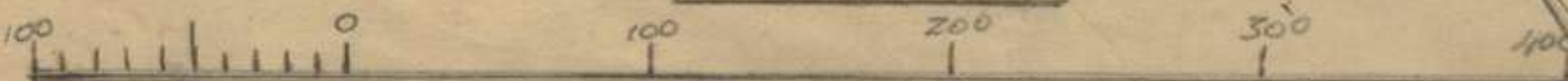


SCALE 1" to 100'

V I 10'

INT SEC

12 JUL 45





12 JULY 45

SHEET

TIME

MESSAGE

121000K

Warning order @ B & C Cays plus Comd Gp will move to ADJIRIDAN RVARCA today @ SP for Cays MANGGAR @ 5 T 121245 I @ Order of march B Cay, C. Cay @ Bn O Gp. leave Bn H. G. 121000 I (fixed) @ Sig centre will operate with Comd Gp @ Rahon & B. ch @ Early lunch today @ a cold tea will be ferried fwd; kitchens will operate as from breakfast 13 July @ Bech's will be ferried fwd today as tpt becomes available @ Tea kits to be dumped in Cay areas and ferried fwd as tpt becomes available.

1041

Bde inform us our lines to A & D Cay out, our linesmen now on the job.

Message from Bde. Bde H. G. closes present location 121030 I msgens 739658 same time. all informed.

1105.

A Cay patrol have reached a point  $1\frac{1}{8}$  mls from D. Cay.

1503.

A Cay report they are disconnecting their line.

1545

Line thru to Comd Gp ~~B & C~~ at now situated at 758684.

1815 I.

C.O. arrived at Bech.

- 12.0100 I Co to A Coy, with maps photos of BANGSAL area
- 0730 password from Bde.
- 0750 password issued all coys.
- 0800 upon A Coy activity, A Coy to move to BANGSAL 120900. No patrols further than BANGSAL. Sig gear and no ammo to be sent fwd. One pl 2/14 Bn w/c A Coy. 5 pl to work on rd from ADJIRIDEN Bn back to MARIAGA AR. AIR-STRIP.
- 1050 Bn command grp. to move at 1230 vicinity 749685.
- 1140 to Bde. Bomb crates vase, H'way mined.
- 1415 to Bde. Adv H'way at 759685
- 1615 every H'way 756684
- 1540 B Coy disps. H'way 751680 10 pl 751680  
11 pl 751682 12 pl 753682
- 1745 Bred. comdr arrived. Discussed patrol policies with 1.0. fr. 13 July
- 1755 A Coy H'way 765734
- 1800 Sitrep number 22 to Bde
- 1805 from Bde 1.0. Indentification of natives from SAWIPAPH say no natives in area and don't think any in SAMBOJA.
- 1830 Capt Trenner. Can we range with 3" Smoke. Yes
- 1915 - 2/14 mortar HE and smoke fell 200' west of 15 pl. 2/14 to be notified
- 1920 B Coy request on search-light. Thinks he can hear some bangs ticking under floor. Adviced to investigate and if not happy about it - to move away from search light.

1930

A coy. @ jeep left Acay HQ @ shot heard  
@ 00.45 down rd @ driver stopped at B.  
heard no shot

1935

2114 advised re. mortar. @ 2114 to be advised  
our patrols for tomorrow.

2015

Bn HQ switch-board report chatter from B Coy  
dropped @ B Coy did NOT ~~sign~~ @ patrol  
along line O.K.

2040

1.0 to Maj Sims @ 2114 Bn patrol to AGOG, did  
Acay guides who went with patrol since they  
got to feature @ patrol reached point where  
our patrol reached yesterday.

2045

1.0 to 1.0 @ re-inform AGOG.

030600

SITREP NO 23 to Bde. SITNOR.

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(A)

21 BDE

12 2040 I

For Action

**TO**

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions **GR**

2/14 2/16 2/27 BNS 2/7 CAV REGT

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GI 107 Secret @ Setrap 108 to 122030T @

HQ 21 BDE 121130 closed BATAKAM KETJIL

and opened 740658 @ 2/14 BN patrol AGOG returned

121830 T @ Report fresh dug pens including one

for HMG grenades SAA and juki HMG amr @

Patrol from 739674 to ENVOY made no enemy

contact tunnels with abandoned

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Message Instructions **GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

Equipment also 1.81 MM mortar at 735680  
 @ 2/16 BN @ 121600 I one pop killed vicinity  
 JACK @ Japs threw grenades out cas 2 wounded @  
 2/27 BN 120900 I A COY moved BANGSAL area  
 no movement seen @ BHQ plus 5 PL 759685  
 A COY 765734 B COY 751680 C COY 756684 D COY  
 no change @ 2/7 CAV BHQ 697626 2/3 Sam less

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*ATP and C.T.P. HABIT A TP ENV OY  
 2/5 SQN Less D TP KING D TP JACK local  
 patrols report no enemy seen except one  
 gap killed on track ENV OY 12 12 00 All  
 informed*

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21 Bde		121545I	

For Action

<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions
7 Div	2/27 Bn	GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GI 1207 Secret @ Setref 37 to 121530 TO  
 2/14 Bn patrol A 909 121420 I reached A 909  
 No enemy seen patrol continuing to track 705703  
 @ 2/16 patrol VASEY HIGHWAY to MAN 95 AR  
 KETJIL along river to FLAG DOVE to 669702  
 @ BH 9702627 D Coy 650703 @ 2/27 Bn BH 9 B Coy  
 C Coy moving in new bivouac area vicinity  
 747682 2/7 Cav Regt No change all informed

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(A) *21 Bde*

Originator

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*120615Z*

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**TO** *7 Div*

For Action

Message Instructions **GR**

*2/2 Cav 18 Bde 25 Bde 2/16 2/16 2/27*

ORIGINATOR'S No.

*6F 102 @ Secret @ Distry 35 Ar-120600Z  
@ 2/14 Bn infiltration by small party  
enemy to BHR area details later @ 2/16  
Bn no report @ 2/27 Bn no change @ 2/27 Bn  
no change All informed*

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2/27 in Bn

Originator

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For Action

**TO**

21 in Bn

(re) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

**GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

1370 Steps to 2 <sup>number 22</sup> ~~01~~ On A Coy moved to BANGSAH  
area @ H.M.S. @ LOESTAT. @ This HQ plus 5 pl  
759685 A Coy 765734 B Coy 751680 C Coy.  
756684 D Coy no change.

1209001

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For Action

TO 7 Div	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions GR
2/27 Bn		

ORIGINATOR'S No.

g. l. Secret 0 Strip to 121200102/14 Bn  
 1210051 C Coy relieved D Coy 0 patrol 121045I  
 C Coy along track to 749658 WEST TO BAND  
 to pin point enemy pens 121130I FROST TO  
 AGATE to patrol base at AGOG rece fuel to  
 AGATE 0 121130I 739677 to 723672 to 725681  
 rece track 0 2/16 Bn no change 0 2/27 Bn 121140I  
 A Coy 200 yds NORTH PARATIA No contact 0  
 engineer party report shell craters along road  
 NORTH of <sup>MANGGAR</sup> MANGGAR 0 2/7 Cav Regt 0 disposition  
 RHQ No change 2/5 Sqn KING 2/3 Sqn and  
 B top HABIT A top ENVOY D top JACK All  
 informed

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : 21 Inf Bde

TO : 2/14 2/16 2/27 Inf Bns 21 Inf Bde Sig Sec 7 PI 2/1 Gd  
Regt 2/5 Fd Regt 7 Bty 2/2 Aust Tk A Regt 2/6 Fd Coy  
B Coy 2/1 MG Bn 2/8 Tpt Pl 2/34 Sup Depot Pl 2/125 Bde  
Wksp

INFORMATION : 7 Div 18 Inf Bde 25 Inf Bde

GO 446 SECRET (.) ref map MANGGAR 1 in 25,000 (.) Bde HQ  
closes present location 121030I, reopens 739658 same time  
ack all informed

Signed

*L. J. ...*  
Maj

IMPORTANT

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16 Pl Patrol Report 12 July 45.

- 1 Recce Patrol
- 2 1 N.C.O 97
- 3 12 July 45
- 4 Manggat. 1. 25000
- 5 To Recce track area square  
7668 for signs of enemy occupation
- 11 Suitable by area III status  
of defences.
- 6 NO signs of enemy occupation
- 11 Not suitable for occupation - very  
swampy with thick timber.
- 11 1/2 A ditch along coast in good  
order - bunkers at track junc 770  
686. 3 wooden - earth bunkers - 1  
concrete pillbox ref 772684.
- 14 3 mines along track - not wired
- 7 1/2 Cpl Black D.
- 8 1000 hrs
- 9 1300 hrs
- 10 From D Coy area down track to  
Vaux Highway - NE to Rd 9 track junc  
ref 763691/S.E. along track for 700 x  
then NE to coast ref 774687 then

S.W. along line of beach to ref 767677

11 Then N.W. through swamp to track  
at 765688 along Vasey Highway  
back to D Coy area.

12 NIL

13 NIL

Part 111

Track only footpad. not suitable  
for jeeps. Three depth charge mines  
along right side of track.

No signs of occupation in native huts  
Defensive posts in good order. no  
weapons.

Ground unsuitable for occupation  
very thick & swampy.

D R Blackett P/L



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Part. 1

Patrol Report

1/ Recce

2/ 7

3/ 12/7/45

4/ Ref map. Balakpapan sheet 3. 1:50000

5/ Object

A) To Recce track leading NORTH WEST from D Coy Posn. to hills at ~~approx~~ as far as 753695. B) Also to find an adjoining track to yep track at 749689.

6/

A) Recce track as far as 749689/ found footprints (possibly gaps) made very recent from river at approx 753695. B) following track through 749689 into dense jungle.

B) Impossible to find ~~track~~ connecting track owing to heavy undergrowth.

7/ Holmdrop 1/2/45

8/ 0930 ✓

9/ 1230 ✓

10/ Follow yep track ~~from D Coy~~ leading NW from D Coy

11/ by same route

12/ Casualties our nil.

13/ Enemy nil.



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Part II

Reece Patrol

by Lt/Col. Colman

Ref. Map. Palakapan sheet 3. 1:50000

12/7/45

A/Travelled N W along jeep track from D Coy for about 600 yds where we saw a tunnel about 20 yds NORTH of the track. We didn't investigate the tunnel as it was too dark inside & we were not carrying a torch. Continued on main track to fork of tracks at 754693. Observed 2 native huts on right, and a bunker, with a booby trap (?) between the fork. The left hand track had not been used for some considerable time. We followed right hand trail to the river at 754695. Crossing River we found very recent ~~shoe~~ marks (possibly gap). We followed trail to 753696 where we encountered heavy jungle. Observed that shoe prints continued on into the jungle.

B/We returned to the fork then travelled S.W. through undergrowth & felled trees for about 300 yds but could not define a track leading to jeep track at 749689.

We returned to D Coy by the same route as we went out