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## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Date and Time.—From 1 NOVEMBER 44 To 30 NOVEMBER 44

Place.	Date.	<sup>X</sup> Hour. WEATHER	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
On board "USAT" "MEXICO"	1	Rain in evening	Arrived AITAPE 1000 hrs. BDE HQ and 2/4 AUST INF BN personnel disembark, and move to camp sites near WAPIL. Some gear unloaded, but small craft shortage caused considerable delay in cargo handling throughout the entire period in this area of operations. At this stage 2/10 AUST CAV (CDO) SQN were patrolling from BABIANG to the DANMAP RIVER, being supplied, rather uncertainly, by 43 US DIV DUKWS. Owing to changes in the situation since the original 6 AUST DIV plan was formulated on the mainland, the "G" plan was indefinite at this stage.	See Appx "A" camp areas AITAPE
AITAPE	2	Fine. Rain in Evening	Units engaged in camp constr and unloading of stores from ship. US Forces were very hospitable in regard to amenities and camp equipment.	
	3	Fine	Constr of BDE HQ and 2/4 AUST INF BN camps continued and a start was made on 2/8, 2/11 AUST INF BNs sites. A recce party, consisting of Comd and Staff, GI 6 AUST DIV CRE and unit representatives, went along coast by DUKW to consider the problem of making an MT road. Party reached NYAPARAKE. It was considered that the constr of a road would be a straight-forward matter with no major engineering problems apart from bridging.	

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AITAPE	4	Dull	Conference of unit CO's (Lt-col N W P FARRELL, 2/4 AUST INF BN, Maj D A C JACKSON, representing 2/11 AUST INF BN. Lt-col G E H BLEBY, 2/3 AUST FD REGT and RAE, AASC reps. Recce tasks were allotted to implement est of a defensive posn on the DRINIUMOR RIVER.	
	5	Fine	Recce parties departed for DRINIUMOR RIVER areas.  Unloading of stores and camp improvement carried on.	
	6	Weather	Recce parties returned from DRINIUMOR RIVER in evening.	
	7	Fine	Comd's conference held to discuss and formulate outline plan for occupation of DRINIUMOR area. 6 AUST DIV SIGS not yet having arrived. 19 AUST INF BDE Sigrm (Lt G K FAWNS) left to construct a line from DRINIUMOR RIVER to BABIANG. 6 AUST DIV SIGS were to construct the line from AITAPE to DRINIUMOR at a later date.	
	8	Fine	Comd, Lt-col G E H BLEBY and SC (Capt P H G GEDDES) made a recce of the DRINIUMOR RIVER.	
	9	Fine, hot	Line laying party reach NYAPARAKE, where further wire and rations were to be delivered by DUKW, but this was swamped, causing a delay. This was a further instance of the uncertainty of supply by these vehs. It was throught, however, that most breakdowns were caused by inexperienced operators.	

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AITAPE	10	Fine and hot	Comd and BM accompanied GOC to DRINIUMOR RIVER. It now seemed that an alteration of plan would take place, and attention would be focussed on moving forces further along coast, as it was evident that there were few, if any, enemy in the inland areas to the foothills between DRINIUMOR RIVER and BABIANG. As in most SWPA campaigns, the main problem was one of road constr and sup.	
	11	Fine and hot	Comd, Lt-col BLEBY, BM went down to BABIANG on a recce. 19 AUST INF BDE was to relieve cavalry in that area. 19 AUST INF BDE sig section completed line to BABIANG.	
	12	Fine	2/8 AUST INF BN and 2/11 AUST INF BN arrived and disembarked from "THOMAS CORWIN" and "KATOOMBA" respectively.	
	13	Fine	2/8 AUST INF BN and 2/11 AUST INF BN completed unloading. GOC and party started for BABIANG, but lost one DUKW and returned. Engr work on NIGIA-DRINIUMOR road continued.	
	14	Fine	Engr work continued on NIGIA-DRINIUMOR road with 2/4 AUST INF En pnr pl and two inf pls of 2/11 AUST INF BN, working under RAE supervision.	
	15.	Fine	LOI (Capt W H NOYES) with Lt DUKE-YOUND (RAN) left for BABIANG to recce area for camp sites and dump areas, and investigate the possibility of using LCMs to supply the area. However,	

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AITAPE	15 (Cont)		the consistent heavy surf in this area made this method unfeasible. Comd's conference of COs and arty CO was held.	
	16	Fine	Capt NOYES returned from BABIANG.	
			Lt-col HOWDEN (2/8 AUST INF BN) and Capt REILLY (BM(L)) sited bn and bde HQ areas at ANOPAPI and ANAMO. "A" Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN marched down to est camp at the mouth of the DRINIUMOR RIVER.	See "Appx B" disposns of 19 Aust Inf Bde Gp TIVER-YAKAMUL
	17	Fine	2/8 AUST INF BN Pnr P1 moved to DRINIUMOR RIVER to commence bridging work with 2/14 AUST FD COY.	Appx "C" 19 AUST INF BDE Int Summary No 1
	18	Heavy	"A" Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN commenced patrolling of DRINIUMOR RIVER and track recce. 2/11 AUST INF BN pioneer pl moved to DRINIUMOR RIVER to engage in engr work. All three pnr pls from this date were under RAE control for road improvement throughout the whole operation	The US plan for the defence of the DRINIUMOR which relied entirely on concentrating all available firepower along the river bed, the only natural field of fire, was abandoned. A plan for defence in depth was adopted as the alternative, and the Bde was ordered to prepare the defences.
AITAPE ("A" Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN DRINIUMOR)	19	Fine	With increased traffic commencing, provost control points were est during 19 NOV and the following two days from NIGIA to DRINIUMOR	
	20	Fine	GOC inspected BDE HQ site at WAPIL	
	21	Fine	"C" coy 2/4 AUST INF BN marched down to DRINIUMOR 2/4 AUST INF BN had their first "battle casualties, four men being wounded by a landmine while patrolling EAST of DRINIUMOR RIVER	See Appx "B"

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AITAPE ("A" COY 2/4 AUST INF BN DRINIUMOR)	22	Fine	GOC FIRST AUST ARMY (Lt-Gen STURDEE) and GOC 6 AUST DIV inspected progress engr work on NIGIA-DRINIUMOR road. Op Instn No 1 was issued to 2/4 AUST INF BN. This had already been given to Lt-col FARRELL verbally, and was being implemented.	Appx "D"
	23	Fine	COs 2/8 AUST INF BN and 2/3 AUST PD REGT in conference with Comd over disposns in the ANAMO area. Adm Instn No 1 issued. C Coy 2/8 AUST INF BN and elements HQ coy departed AITAPE for ANAMO.	Appx "E" The concentration of the bde in the DRINIUMOR area was governed solely by the availability of transport for equipment and supplies. All troops marched at this stage less than half the Divisional transport was unloaded. and the Div was in addition assisting the Base Area.
	24	Fine	BM(L) and party of gd pl moved to ANOPAPI to prepare HQ camp. "C" Coy 2/8 AUST INF BN arrived ANAMO. "A" Coy remainder of "B" Coy and Bn HQ left AITAPE.	
	25	Fine	Movement of 2/8 AUST INF BN to ANAMO continued, "B" "A" and Bn arrived at ANAMO. Op Instn No 2 was issued to 2/4 AUST INF BN	Appx "F"
	26	Fine	HQ 2/8 AUST INF BN opened ANAMO. "D" Coy and remainder of HQ Coy left AITAPE. 2/4 AUST INF BN est patrol base of one pl "D" Coy (17 pl) at YAKAMUL to patrol the YAKAMUL - CHAROV - BABIANG areas. Adm Instn No 2 issued	See Appx "B" Appx "G"

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AITAPE	27	Fine	2/4 AUST INF BN patrolled to AFUA. This area had been unapproachable owing to artillery practices by US forces. Elements of BDE HQ moved to ANOPAPI.  Air dropping of supplies commenced at SUAIN.	
	28	Fine	"A" Coy departed for BABIANG to commence relief of 2/7 AUST CAV (CDO) SQN. Tps were carrying 86lbs load. OC Coy Capt E P A SMITH.	See Appx "F"
	29	Fine	"A" Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN arrived BABIANG 0815 hrs.	This load was far too heavy, and troops arrived in poor shape. At this stage not more than one company could be supplied at BABIANG, and there was no authority from LHQ to carry out offensive operations.
ANOPAPI	30	Fine	Comd, BM, SC, LOI, with COs 2/4 AUST INF BN AND 2/3 AUST FD REGT left AITAPE for BABIANG to consider problems involved in increasing the force there. HQ 19 AUST INF BDE opened at ANOPAPI. "A" Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN est two pl patrol base at SUAIN Plantation. 2/3 AUST INF BN est coy patrol base at AFUA, with the intention of patrolling to contact COLE FORCE (an ANGAU patrol base) at TONG.	
			Other Appendices: One Inch Series Maps AITAPE to ABAU Routine Orders of 19 AUST INF BDE Field Returns	

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19 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No 1

(Based on Information up to 1500 hrs 17 Nov 44)

1. DISPOSITIONS OF OWN TROOPS

2/6 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt plus ANGAU and AIB detachments are the only forces at present tactically disposed, all other Australian units being in base area. One company of 2/4 Aust Inf Bn is bivouaced on WEST bank of DRINIUMOR RIVER.

2/6 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt is disposed as follows:-

2/9 Sqn plus one tp	KAMTI V890420
one tp	WOM 2 V753470
one tp	DRELIP CREEK V068358
2/10 Sqn HQ plus one tp	BABIANG V405355
two tps	based at SUAIN PTN V525320

Regt HQ, 2/7 Sqn, rear elements 2/9 and 2/10 Sqns camp area square V9550.

ANGAU:-

one patrol	YAPUNDA V015192
one patrol (COLE FORCE)	NIALU V319208 (previously reported at TONG)

AIB:-

one detachment	MAI-MAI E930870
	MAKRU A080930

Little is known of AIB detachments, and NO reports have been received of their activities.

2. TOPOGRAPHY - ROUTES TO TONG AREAS.

Three main routes lead to TONG:-

- (a) Via DRINIUMOR RIVER, CHAUWIN and GWERKA CREEKS to KUAMALA V243173 to RINGLIN V238145 TONG. Travelling time approx 3 days.
- (b) YAKAMUL MISSION V270380 up HA RECH RIVER and MAIPEN CREEK to NIALU V319208 to KASEM V292172 (wrongly shown as MUASUSM) to TONG. This is the easiest route. Travelling time 13 hours.
- (c) BABIANG via DANDRIWAD RIVER to MIHET V363218 to NIALU to TONG. Hard walking. Travelling time 18 hours.

From MIHET access to the LAMBUAIN HAMLETS V420190 can be had by track EAST across country. All the TORRICELLI villages are connected by foot tracks, but these are in many cases difficult to locate and follow without ANGAU guides.

3. OPERATIONS FROM 31 OCT ON.

LAND

In the KAMTI area patrols have been maintained daily. Special patrols have been WEST of WOM 2 to YALINGI RIVER at LUPAI Z700370, NORTH to SIAUTI Z750470, to NUNSI Z845193 (5 Nov) and from PALAURU to ASIER V060222 (13 Nov). With



the exception of one unarmed JAP seen at CHINAPELLI 31 Oct, all reports from these areas are NIL to date.

From the BABIANG base several contacts with the enemy have been made in the area about LUAIN V553310 to creek junction at V555290. On 3 Nov ten JAPS were killed and two PWs taken. On 4 Nov one JAP was killed, one PW taken and the patrol estimated 100 JAPS in the area (this has NOT been confirmed). On 8 Nov a forward patrol came under artillery fire forward of LUAIN village (approximately eight rounds) from a gun considered to be on the EAST of the DANMAP in the foothills. (PW subsequently confirmed this).

On 9 Nov four JAPS were killed, one an officer, and one PW taken. On 13 Nov one JAP officer and one CHINESE coolie surrendered to a patrol, two JAPS were fired on and probably wounded. On 14 Nov another six JAPS were killed. On 15 Nov another 13 JAPS were killed, with four probables. We lost one killed. On 16 Nov 3 JAPS were seen at V562308, but no shots were fired. Three INDIANS, escaped from the enemy, have been recovered.

Some enemy activity has been noted in the TORRICELLI MOUNTAINS. On 6 Nov natives reported JAPS occupying eight huts at SAHIK V367100. An air strike was made 8 Nov, and a report of 14 Nov states that this cleared the JAPS out. On 11 Nov TONG patrol reported that 38 Japs had passed through YAMBES on the way to two villages to the NW. The patrol killed eight JAPS at V290124 on 12 Nov. An unconfirmed report states that the KOMBIO HAMLETS V330210 were clear of JAPS on 16 Nov.

Total enemy casualties 3 Nov - 15 Nov:-

Found dead	12
Killed	42
PW	5
Possibly killed or wounded	10/12

Own casualties:-

Killed	1
Wounded	1

Patrols are continuing along WEST bank of DANMAP as far SOUTH as V548285 and V561281.

SEA

At 1330 hrs 6 Nov a large JAP submarine was sighted moving NORTH at V840290 and crash dived. It is considered probable that it had been unloading stores at BUT.

Possibly serviceable barges were seen at W272235 (MUSCHU Is).

AIR

Daily bombing attacks and tac R flights have been carried out.

Targets for bombing have been stores huts and AA positions in the WEWAK and BUT areas, some light AA fire being met at WEWAK and DAGUA. Gun flashes have been seen from the BUT jetty.

Air strikes were also made on LUAIN (5 Nov), a camp on the ATOB RIVER (9 Nov), stores at V619257 (10 Nov) and V876264 (11 and 12 Nov).

Tac R flights show the track from BABIANG along the coast in very fair condition, and it is considered passable to MT except for creek and river crossings. Small parties of JAPS have been seen along the coast from ABAU to BUT, and a group of tents and

huts was seen at V603300 on 14 Nov. These were bombed on 15 Nov, results unobserved. On 16 Nov SOWAM V756296, camouflaged buildings at W246286, and huts at W233290 were bombed with unobserved results.

Activity has been noted at MAPRIK, ATOB RIVER V6116 and ALBU CREEK V576256. A hut bearing a white cross on the roof was seen on 13 Nov at V890249. Crated stores were seen at W245138 and W252126.

One BOSTON and one MITCHELL have been lost over WEWAK to AA fire. The crew of the latter was rescued.

4. ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE DISPOSITIONS AND EQUIPMENT.

PART I - Strengths and Dispositions.

Estimated strength EAST of AITAPE as at 1 Nov	26,000 (FIRST AUST ARMY INT SUMMARY 129).
PWs estimate 13 Nov	18/20,000.
Casualties to 17 Nov	9,127.
Killed	158.
PW	

Precise information has been lacking owing to the static conditions in this area during the past few months. However PWs are now coming in and some information has been gained from them. The following data is largely from PW interrogations and is NOT yet checked from other sources, and is therefore to be treated with reserve.

41 div HQ plus 238 and 230 infantry regiments were moving to WOMISIS V570174 in Oct, and the move was expected to be completed by the end of the month. Estimated strength of each regiment is 700/1000 giving a total of 1400/2000 for the area.

237 infantry regiment is located between the DANMAP and ANUMB RIVERS, total strength being estimated at 800.

Dispositions:-

237 Regt HQ	V738247
2 bn (300)	V5628
3 bn (2/300)	V7524.
Coastguard detachment (100)	SALMINARA CREEK V718287
Coast guard detachment (100)	EAST of DANMAP one mile.

2/300 JAPS in small groups are engaged in salt production from seawater between DANMAP and ANUMB rivers.

20 Div Approximately 7,000 located between ANUMB RIVER and BUT

51 Div WEWAK - strength estimate unchanged. 2/3000 reported MAPRIK area, 500 reported YAMBES area.

Artillery

One 75 mm 'regimental' gun reported at approximately V570297, thought to have a fair amount of ammunition. (This is the piece which fired on our patrol 8 Nov).

Supplies

PWs state supplies are very short in the area, and troops spend most of their time foraging for food in native gardens and villages. There are reports of cannibalism at BALAM V823287, WEST of BUT.

A small dump includes rations and medical supplies. These were brought from WEWAK, and not by submarine to BUT.

PART II - Organisation and Personalities.

237 regiment has only two battalions now, 1 bn having been absorbed into 2 and 3 bns, as have also the other ancilliary units of the regiment.

Comd 2 bn	-	Capt Hiroshi MIYANISHI
Comd 3 bn	-	Maj Ichitaro KASAI.

PART III - Weapons and Equipment.

Only one 75 mm gun in the regiment (see PART I). No mortars. Most men have rifles and up to 50 rounds. MGs are mostly inoperative through lack of oil (extration on most JAP MCs depend on well-oiled cartridges).

5. SECURITY

NIL.

6. ENEMY MORALE

The officer who surrendered 13 Nov atated he was tired of war, and had been seeking an opportunity to sur render for several months. He thought air dropping of surrender leaflets would produce results.

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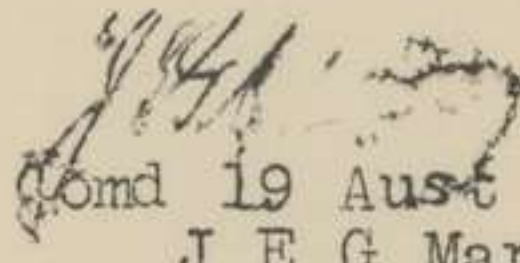
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Ref Map - AITAPE WEWAK Series 1 inch to 1 mile.

To Lt-Col N W P FARRELL, Commanding Officer, 2/4 Aust Inf Bn.

1. All available enemy infm is contained in 19 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Summary No 1 of 17 Nov 44, and revsits to date.
2. 2/6 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt, with one Sqn based on BABIANG, are at present under comd 43 US Div. Patrol basis at present in LUAIN-SUAIN area are NOT permitted to be moved from the area now occupied.
3. An ANGAU patrol with escort from 2/10 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn, known as COLE FORCE, are at present based at NIALU and are patrolling in the TONG-YAMBES area.
4. 19 Aust Inf Bde are responsible for -
  - (a) preventing enemy movement WEST of DRINIUMOR RIVER;
  - (b) establishing a standing patrol at AFUA;
  - (c) patrolling to the EAST as far as the DANDRIWAD RIVER, to contact 2/10 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn and southwards as necessary.
5. As the first stage in implementing this task you will -
  - (a) Occupy a defensive posn at the mouth of the DRINIUMOR RIVER in accordance with your outline plan already submitted with the object of preventing any enemy movement WEST of the DRINIUMOR RIVER;
  - (b) destroy any enemy patrols operating in the area, mouth of the DRINIUMOR RIVER - BABIANG - CHAROV - AFUA, and keep in contact with, and report the progress of any major enemy force moving westwards in this area;
  - (c) As soon as current battle practices by 43 US Div cease, establish a patrol base in the vicinity of AFUA to patrol SOUTH to contact our forces in the NIALU-TONG area. Patrolling from AFUA towards TONG should be progressive as the time taken to traverse the route is NOT known. It is not intended that patrols of more than four days duration should be undertaken at present.
6. Subsequent op instns will be issued detailing your tasks after the movement of the remainder of the bde gp to the DRINIUMOR RIVER area is completed. This movement depends upon the improvement of rd comms and joint facilities.
7. 53 Aust Fd Bty at present concentrating in CHAKILA area will come under your comd when concentrated.
8. One coy plus one pl 2/3 Aust MG Bn will come under your comd on arrival in this area.
9. A W/T det 19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec will come under your comd as from 23 Nov 44.

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19 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTN NO 1

23 Nov 44.

Ref Map: AITAPE - WEWAK Series 1 in to 1 ml.

1. GENERAL:

This instn is issued primarily for those tps at present in general DRINIUMOR Area but may be taken as a guide for subsequent moves of the Bde..

2. ADDITIONAL ADM UNITS:

- (a) Under Command - (i) 21 Aust Sup Dep Pl  
(ii) 2/7 Aust Fd Amb
- (b) In Support - (i) Various Engr units on rd construction EAST of NIGIA RIVER.  
(ii) The following is a location statement.

Ser- ial	OFFR I.C.	ENGR & UNIT DETS	OFFRS	ORS	LOCATION
(i)	Lt. FISHBURN	Det 2/14 Aust Fd Coy (10 Pl) 12 Pl 2/11 Aust Inf Bn	1  1 2	76  31 107	RAT CREEK V 105435
(ii)	Lt. McMENNENY	9 Pl 2/8 Aust Fd Coy	1	65	EAST OF RIVER DRINIUMOR
(iii)	Lt. SHAW.	Det 2/2 Fd Coy Pnr Pl 2/4 Aust Inf Bn Pnr Pl 2/8 Aust Inf Bn	2 2 1 5	30 36 33 99	TIVER V158425
(iv)	Lt. CASBOULT	7 Pl 2/8 Aust Fd Coy	1	72	BRIDGE NO 7 RIVER DRINIUMOR
(v)	Capt. CRAWFORD	2/8 Aust Fd Coy Pnr Pl 2/11 Aust Inf Bn 17 Pl 2/11 Aust Inf Bn One Pl 2/4 Aust Inf Bn	1 1 1 1 4	159 32 32 32 255	
(vi)	Lt. WILLIS.	2/22 Aust Fd Pl	1	19	WEST BANK RIVER DRINIUMOR

3. WATER:

- (a) WP - 300 yds SOUTH of ANAMO 173418. Times of opening to be advised.
- (b) 2/4 Aust Inf Bn responsible for watering 53 Aust Fd Bty and any Engr working parties that may require it.

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4. AMN:

- (a) AP - Opens 26 Nov daily from 0630I at DID 135428.
- (b) Unit Res - Normal WE
- (c) Bde Res - 3 x WUR. Later to be increased by one WE.
- (d) Indents - To be at DID 1800 hrs night before it is required.

5. POL:

- (a) PP - Opens 26 Nov daily from 0630I at DID.
- (b) Bde Res - 3 days.
- (c) Indents - To be lodged 1800 hrs on previous evening.

6. SUPS:

- (a) Sup P - DID 1300 hrs daily from 26 Nov.
- (b) Bde Res - 3 days rations. 14 Days Expense Stores.
- (c) AF 55s & 3809s to be lodged daily at 1000 hrs from 24 Nov.

7. TPT:

Units will be responsible for drawing all sups etc., from DID with down tpt.

8. DETS:

All Engr working parties will be rationed through Engrs for all sups incl Canteen requirements. Mail will be fwded through Bde FPO. (See para 15).

9. NON-ESSENTIAL GEAR

2/4 Aust Inf Bn Area Z995493 will be Bde Gp Rear Details for dumping of non-essential stores. This will be the subject of a separate Adm Instn.

10. MED:

- (a) On arrival 2/7 Aust Fd Amb :-

MDS - NIGIA plantation V060462  
ADS - TIVER V157424

- (b) Maj BICKFORD 104 Aust CCS will report 2/4 Aust Inf Bn 24 Nov. He will assist RMO 2/4 Aust Inf Bn with medical arrangements in general DRINIUMOR Area. On the establishment of a Div DID and base at YAKAMUL he will be responsible for medical arrangements in that area working from 2/4 Aust Inf Bn area in tpt supplied by 19 Aust Inf Bde.

- (c) RMO 2/4 Aust Inf Bn will advise units in general DRINIUMOR Area of a central point for clearing of all hospital evacuations. This HQ will be advised daily at 1245I of numbers of evacuations and ambulances will be arranged.

11. REPAIR & REC:

Units will contact this HQ regarding 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> line repairs.

12. SAL:

Held in unit lines and this HQ advised when loads are available.

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13. TC:

Control points have been established at

- (a) Bn area NIGIA RIVER
- (b) Bn area RAT CREEK V106436
- (c) Bn area COW CREEK V182419

14. CANTEENS:

(a) Drawing times -

- 2/4 Aust Inf Bn 0730-1000 hrs every Tuesday.
- HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde 0730-0930 hrs )
- 2/11 Aust Inf Bn 0900-1130 hrs ) every Monday.
- 2/8 Aust Inf Bn 1230-1500 hrs )

(b) RAE have agreed to draw Canteen Stores for 19 Aust Inf Bde dets.

15. POSTAL:

(a) As from 261000I FPO will open at DID.

(b) On and after 26 Nov inward mail for all det Sub-Units will be handled in the following manner:-

All Sub-Units 19 Aust Inf Bde ) - to 19 Aust Inf Bde FPO.  
53 Bty 2/3 Aust Fd Regt )

Engr Dets )  
2/7 Aust Fd Amb ) to 6 Aust Div FPO.  
21 Aust Sup Dep Pl )

16. ENGR STORES:

All US steel wire mesh and similar preparations in the area EAST of RIVER NIGIA is to be reserved entirely for bridge construction and will NOT be removed from any disused camp site. Units will ensure that ALL tps are conversant with this instn.

17. ORD:

Through BCO at this HQ.

18. INTERCOMN:

Daily DR from this HQ.

<u>19 Aust Inf Bde</u>		<u>2/4 Aust Inf Bn</u>	
<u>Departs</u>	<u>Arrives</u>	<u>Arrives</u>	<u>Departs</u>
0700 hrs	1030 hrs	0830 hrs	0900 hrs
1300 "	1630 "	1430 "	1500 "

DR will call at 21 Aust Sup Dep Pl and 53 Aust Fd Bty for any despatches.

ACK.

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Signed At ... 2.32.30 ...

*P. Geddes* Capt.  
SC 19 Aust Inf Bde.  
(P.H.G. GEDDES.)

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19 AUST INF BDE OP INSTN No 2

Ref map AITAPE - WEWAK series 1 in to 1 mile.

To Lt-Col N W P FARRELL, Commanding Officer, 2/4 Aust Inf Bn.

1. There is no infm regarding the enemy other than that contained in revsits to date.
2. 2/7 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn, plus one Tp 2/10 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn are at present based at BABIANG and are patrolling East towards DANMAP RIVER with patrol bases at LUAIN and SUAIN.  
  
2/7 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn is to move to NIALU-TONG area, via YAKAMUL, as soon as possible, the movement to be progressive. It is anticipated that one tp 2/7 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn will arrive at YAKAMUL on 28 Nov, en route for NIALU-TONG area.
3. You will relieve 2/7 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn less one tp, plus one tp 2/10 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn, the relief to be completed by 1 Dec 44. Owing to limitations of supply the strength of your force in the BABIANG area, until subsequent reinforcement is authorized, will NOT exceed one rifle coy, two dets mortars 3 in and a medical det. Mortars 3 in will NOT be used offensively until authorized by this HQ.
4. You will arrange direct with CO 2/6 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt the details of the relief and the exchange of controlled stores, cots folding, cooking gear, etc. You will also arrange to take over such amm expense stores and sups as are at present at BABIANG.
5. On completion of the relief you will be responsible for
  - (a) establishing a patrol base at BABIANG;
  - (b) clearing the following areas of enemy -
    - (i) the coastal areas between the DANDRIWAD and DANMAP RIVERS;
    - (ii) the high ground North of the DANIMUL RIVER, and also the DANIMUL RIVER;
    - (iii) the high ground IKAM CREEK - UNNAMED CREEK squares 5528 - 5527;
  - (c) establishing an OP in vicinity of DANMAP RIVER with the object of keeping the enemy East of the DANMAP under observation;
  - (d) determining dispositions and strengths of the enemy East of the DANMAP RIVER. In carrying out this latter task patrols will not cross the DANMAP RIVER until such time as penetration is authorized by this HQ.
6. It is important that <sup>wherever</sup> possible prisoners be taken, identifications obtained, and enemy documents captured. Captured documents will be forwarded to this HQ at the earliest possible opportunity. It is also important that so far as is possible, an accurate count of enemy dead be made and the time and place that enemy are killed or found dead be reported.
7. A W/T det 19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec will come under your comd as from 1600 hrs 27 Nov, for use by BABIANG FORCE.
8. Ack  
Signed at 2115  
Issued through DRLS

*J E G Martin*  
Brig  
Comd 19 Aust Inf Bde  
J E G Martin

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19 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTN NO 2  
(Issued in conjunction with 19 Aust Inf Bde OP Instn No 2)

Ref Map: AITAPE - WEWAK 1 In to 1 M1

1. GENERAL:

This instn deals with the general adm details regarding the relief of 2/7 Aust Cav (Commando) Sqn by one coy 2/4 Aust Inf Bn plus two dets 3" mor and a med det.

The particular details of the relief will be arranged direct between CO 2/4 Aust Inf Bn and CO 6 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt.

2. WATER:

There is NO WP and such in area. Coy of 2/4 Aust Inf Bn will utilize existing facilities and will pay particular attention to ensuring that natives water and washing pts are DOWN STREAM of tps drawing pts.

3. DID:

Det of AASC 6 Aust Div have established a small DID for amm, sups, and POL at BABIANG. Coy will arrange indenting direct.

4. AMN:

(a) Delivery of 2" and 3" mor amm, on basis of normal WE with the weapons plus an extra WE and 3 WUR at amm dump, will be arranged as soon as rd is through to BABIANG. 2/4 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for delivery of normal WE. This HQ will arrange to build up force res with AASC.

(b) Normal amm on man. Ample stocks available, to build up to WE, in ASC Dump.

5. SYSTEM OF MAINTENANCE:

(a) Air dropping of sups at BABIANG has been arranged by 6 Aust Div for week commencing Monday, 27 Nov 44.

(b) On completion of rd from DRINIUMOR RIVER to BABIANG maintenance will be by AASC channels through DID to be established at YAKAMUL on 28 Nov 44. Method of indenting and drawing of rations when this occurs, will be advised later.

6. TPT:

(a) 19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec jeep at present attached to Sqn at BABIANG will be returned as soon as relief is completed.

(b) Minimum scale of unit tpt will be taken to BABIANG but consideration must be given to the fact that the Coy may have to collect sups ex YAKAMUL DID, when rd is open.

7. MED:

(a) Coy will take small med det with necessary stores.

(b) As soon as can be arranged, after arrival 2/7 Aust Fd Amb, an MO will be permanently attached.

(c) Until permanent rd is through, medical evacuations as far as DRINIUMOR RIVER will be unit responsibility.

8. ORD:

Unit arrangements.

9. POSTAL:

Unit arrangements until rd is through, when arrangements will be made by this HQ for collection and delivery through DID YAKAMUL.

10. GRAVES:

OC Coy will site and reserve a locality for cemetary in general BABIANG area. This HQ is to be advised of location.

11. CANTERN:

See 19 Aust Inf Bde memo Q5/9/5 of 26 Nov 44.

12. ANCAU & NATIVES:

Coy Comd will liase with ANCAU direct, in regard to allotment of natives for patrols.

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*P. Geddes* Capt.  
SC 19 Aust Inf Bde.  
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Subject: UNIT MOSQUITO SQUADS

HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde  
26 Nov 44  
Ref No: Q2/15/3

2/4 Aust Inf Bn  
2/8 Aust Inf Bn  
2/11 Aust Inf Bn  
Lt BAKER

1. Unless otherwise stated units will be responsible for all mosquito control work within a radius of 800 yds from their camp boundaries. On moving into new areas control work will be instituted immediately.
2. Where possible, permanent methods of control will be practised. This includes the filling of small depressions, wheel cuts and slit trenches, tins, coconutshells, etc. Any object which can hold small quantities of water forms the main breeding grounds for the vector of dengue fever and will be effectively disposed of by mosquito squads.
3. On moving to the DRINIUMOR RIVER area, 2/4 Aust Inf Bn and 2/8 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for an area as set out in Para 1. At their present locations the remaining battalions will control areas within the following limits.  
  
2/8 Aust Inf Bn  

N boundary	-	the coast line
S "	-	fringe of swamp, a strip 10 yds wide to be sprayed
E "	-	camp boundary adjoining 2/11 Aust Inf Bn
W "	-	W limits of lines previously occupied by 2/4 Aust Inf Bns.

  
2/11 Aust Inf Bn  

N boundary	-	the coast line
S "	-	fringe of swamp, a strip 10 yds wide to be sprayed
E "	-	a line 100 yds E of Bde HQ.
W "	-	camp boundary adjoining 2/8 Aust Inf Bn
4. Any American camps within the above defined limits will NOT be treated, but the water surfaces surrounding such areas will be controlled. NCO in charge of 2/11 Aust Inf Bn mosquito squad will report to Bde Hyg Offr at 0815 hrs 26 Nov 44 for details of work in vicinity of Bde HQ.
5. On movement of 2/8 Aust Inf Bn from this area, 2/11 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for whole Bde area.

*P. Geddes* Capt  
SC 19 Aust Inf Bde  
P Geddes

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

MAJ J D MURRAY - BM 19 AUST INF BDE.

Serial No 33

24 Nov 44

124. SIGNAL CABLE

Many cases have occurred of signal lines being cut, particularly EAST of the NIGIA RIVER. The main cause has been carelessness when felling trees.

2. Action will be taken to ensure that signal communications are NOT interfered with in this way.

125. PROHIBITED ARTICLES (First Aust Army Adm Standing Orders Chap 14 para 19)

The following articles will NOT be sent to the Mainland:-

- (a) Any plant, bulb, seed or cutting of any plant (Ref Adm Standing Orders NGF Chap 14 para 10).
- (b) Tobacco, cigarettes or any article sold or distributed or supplied by AA Canteens Service or any Allied Force's canteen or similar institution or any philanthropic organisation.

126. DESTRUCTION OF MAIL MATTER BY FIRE

The undermentioned mail matter despatched by a north bound train ex SYDNEY 1033 hours on 30 Oct 44, was almost completely destroyed by a fire which broke out in the Mail Van at WYONG NSW.

<u>Office of Origin</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Type of mail</u>	<u>No bags</u>
Aust Base PO SYDNEY	LAE and MADANG	Papers, Packets and Parcels	409

Salvage work on the mail matter has been completed with the following results:-

<u>Type of Mail</u>	<u>Disposal</u>	<u>Bags</u>
(a) Parcels damaged by fire and undeliverable.	Dead Letter Office SYDNEY	88
(b) Undamaged parcels	Forwarded to addressees	18
(c) Parcels damaged by fire and deliverable	Rewrapped at Aust Base PO SYDNEY and forwarded to addressees.	22
(d) Undamaged papers	Forwarded to addressees	9

127. DISCIPLINE - AUST PERSONNEL ATTENDING US CINEMAS

Cases have occurred recently of Australian personnel leaving US Cinema areas in an extremely filthy condition, in that beer bottles, cigarette packets and other rubbish has been left on the ground. This is an unforgivable abuse of American hospitality by Australian troops and Unit Comds are to take immediate action to ensure that this offensive behaviour does not recur. Failing this the privilege of attending US Cinemas will be withdrawn from all Australian Troops.

*P. Geddes* Capt  
B 8C 19 Aust Inf Bde  
P Geddes

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

43/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/11/1944 HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. II 2/4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 69 + OFFRS. - O.R's. - ATT. BY W.E.  
(Tropical)

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
1			1	Brigadier*										
2	NR	1	1	Lieut.-Colonels										
7	NR	2	5	Majors										
6		1	7	Captains										
3			3	Lieutenants										
			3	Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
19	3	1	17											
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	17	-								17
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

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

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

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
SX2997	Capt	P.H.G. GRIDES	2/27 Aust Inf Bn	20/10/44	Seconded to 19 Aust Inf Bde as SC.
			<i>Ex Jun Staff School DUNTROON</i>		
VX56653	Lt	G.S. KIMLIN.	Jun Staff Sch	16/10/44	Seconded to 19 Aust Inf Bde as Amenities Offr
NX35366	Lt	P.F. CRUTCHETT	2/4 Aust Inf Bn	21/9/44	Seconded to 19 Aust Inf Bde as LO 3

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
QX4047	Lt	R.W. GILLESPIE.	104 Aust CCS	18/10/44	Evacuated - (Scabies)

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 11/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
T/Brig	QX6049	MARTIN	JEG	Comd	No	Det HQ 6 Aust Div	2/11/44
T/Maj	WX244	MURRAY	JD	BM	Yes		
T/Capt	NX5210	REILLY	AR	BM(L)	Yes		
<del>WX</del> Capt	SX2997	GEDDES	PHG	SC	Yes		
Capt	QX 254	NOYES	WH	LO 1	Yes		
T/Capt	NX5690	FALLA	JStH	IO	Yes		
Lt	VX 27797	DOWNING	W.B.	SC(L)	No	Det Rear Party	19/10/44
Lt	NX 35366	CRUTCHETT	FF	LO 3	Yes		
Lt	VX 35144	LAIDLAW	JS	TO	Yes		
<u>SERVICES:</u>							
AALC-Capt	TX6391	CHAMBERS.	DM	LSO	No	Det Rear Party	19/10/44
AASC- Lt	NX111016	THOMAS	N	BASCO	Yes		
AAOC- Lt	WX1003	STANLEY	JE	B00	Yes		
AAAS- Lt	VX56653	KIMLIN	GS	Amen0	Yes		
AAMC- Lt	SX10912	BAKER	RM	Hyg 0	No	Det Rear Party	19/10/44
<u>AACHD -</u>							
Chaplain	VX64453	KEYTE	FI	Chapln	No	Det 2/4 Aust Inf Bn	
4th Class	QX40930	McDONALD	CM	"	"	" 2/8 Aust Inf Bn	
" "	VX10114	SAMBELL.	GT	"	"	" 2/11 Aust Inf Bn	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lt-col	SX1454	BLEEBY. GEH.	2/3 Fd Regt	19/10/44	Recce Party
Maj	WX25	DAVIS. RM.	2/3 Fd Regt	19/10/44	" "
Maj	NX12160	HINDMARSH. JJ.	2/3 MG Bn	19/10/44	" "
Maj	WX32	JACKSON. DAC.	2/11 Inf Bn	19/10/44	" "
Maj	SX11529	RUSSELL. WA.	2/7 Fd Amb	19/10/44	" "

4 Nov 44  
Date of Despatch

*P. H. G.*  
SC 19 Aust Inf Bde.  
Signature of Commanding Officer (Capt. Gde.)

# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 11 / 1944 HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. II / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R.'s 69 OFFRS. - O.R.'s. - ATT. BY W.E. (Tropical)

## Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					TOTAL.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.					
				W.Os. Class I.										
2			2	W.Os. Class II.										
1			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.										
1			1	Staff Sergeants										
5 NR	1		4	Sergeants										
10		1	11	Corporals										
50		2	52	Troopers, Privates, etc.										
				Civilians counting as O.R.										
69 *	1	3	71 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		*		*	*					
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2). * * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.					Detail	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
				A.I.F.	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.								
				A	71									71
				B(1)										
				B(2)										

### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
2	2/3 Fd Regt		
3	2/8 Inf Bn		
3	6 Div FSW		
1	2/3 MG Bn		
1	2/7 Fd Amb		
5	2/11 Inf Bn		
4	6 Div ASC		
19	Total		

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	2/4 Inf Bn		
3	2/8 Inf Bn		
1	2/11 Inf Bn		
1	ARL		
3	19 Bde Sig Sec		
13	Rear Party		
1	HQ 6 Div		
21	Total		

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

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



**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 4 / 11 / 1944.**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen				
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Range-takers				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders				
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers				
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers				
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer				
Bricklayers								Radlographers				Stevedores				
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				<b>GROUP II.</b>				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters				
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifa. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bellermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman								
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners								
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics												
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)												
Fitters				Driver-Operator												
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers												
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians												
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)												
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				<b>GROUP III.</b>				<b>DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.</b>				
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors								
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers								
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks								
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals								
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.								
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics								
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant								
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.								
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers								
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A, respectively.			*	*

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

4 Nov 44  
Date of Despatch

SC 19 Aust Inf Bde.  
Capt. [Signature]  
(Signature of Commander)

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(Tropical)

UNIT: HQ 19 AUST INF BDE

WE: II/2/3

TRADE	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Def- icient	Sur- plus	Rpts Reqd
<u>TRADE GP. I.</u>						
Draughtsman	Cpl	1	1			
"	Pte	1	1			
<u>TRADE GP. II.</u>						
Intelligence Duties	S Sjt	1	1			
"	Cpl	1	1			
"	Ptes	2	3		1	
Cook	Cpl	1	1	1		NR
"	Ptes	2	2			
<u>TRADE GP. III.</u>						
Clerk	WO II	1	1			
"	Sjts	2	1	1		NR
"	Cpl	1	2(a)		1	
"	Ptes	2	3		1	
<u>SERVICES :</u>						
<u>TRADE GP I.</u>						
Armourer (AEME)	Sjt	1	1			
Fitter MV "	Cfn	1	1			
<u>TRADE GP. II.</u>						
Mechanic MV (AEME)	Cfn	1	1			
<u>TRADE GP. III.</u>						
Clerk (AASC)	Cpl	1	1			
" (AALC)	Cpl	1	1			
Medical Orderly (AAMC)	Cpl	1	1			
<u>NON-SPECIALISTS :</u>						
<del>Storeman</del>	<del>Pte</del>	<del>1</del>	<del>1</del>			
CSM	WO II	1	1			
CQMS	S Sjt	1	1			
Transport Sjt	Sjt	1	1			
Batmen	Ptes	13	12	1		NR
Drs MT	Cpl	1	1			
" "	Ptes	8	8			
<del>Orderlies Drs MT</del>	<del>Ptes</del>	<del>8</del>	<del>8</del>			
Signal Orderlies	Ptes	9	8	1		NR
Hygiene Duties	Ptes	1	2		1	
Water Duties	Ptes	1	1			
General Duties	Cpl	1	3(b)		1	
" "	Ptes	2	4		2	
<u>SERVICES :</u>						
AACHD - Batmen Drs	Ptes	3	2	1		NR
AASC - Batman	Ptes	1	1			
AAOC - Amn Examiner	Sjt	1	1			
" - Batman Dr	Pte	1	1			
AALC - Batman	Pte	1	1			
Total			69	71	5	7

NOTE:

(a) One Cpl on Posted Strength as acting Education Sjt.

(b) One Cpl is now allowed by WE on Posted Strength as  
Offrs Mess Steward.

Particulars of Surplus NCOs:

VX 12534 A/Cpl ROWE.C.R.R.

How Employed:

Gen Duties

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# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

44/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11/11/1944 (Unit)

W.E. 11/2/4 OFFRS. 19 O.R.'s 89 + OFFRS. O.R.'s ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
1			1	* Brigadier * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters 3 <del>Captains</del> and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
2	1		1											
7	2		5											
6		1	7											
3			3											
19	3	1	17											
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	17	-								17
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

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

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

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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

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

Unit

(Serial No.)

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH**

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
T/Maj	WX6049	MARTIN.	JEG	Comd	Yes		
T/Maj	WX 244	MURRAY.	J.D.	Bn	Yes		
T/Capt.	WX5210	BILLY.	AR	Bn(L)	Yes		
Capt	SX2297	GEDDES.	PHG	SC	Yes		
Capt	WX254	NOYES.	WH	LO 1	Yes		
T/Capt	WX5690	PALIA.	JSTH	IO	Yes		
Lt	VX27797	DOWLING.	WB	SC(L)	No	Det Rear Party	19/10/44
Lt	WX35366	CRITCHETT.	PF	LO 3	Yes		
Lt	VX35144	LAIDLAW.	JS	TO	Yes		
<b>SERVICES:</b>							
AALC- Capt	TX6391	CHAMBERS.	DM	ISO	No	Det Rear Party	19/10/44
AASC- Lt	WX111016	THOMAS.	H	BASCO	Yes		
AAOC- Lt	WX1003	STANLEY.	JE	BOO	Yes		
AAAS- Lt	VX56653	KIMLIN.	GS	AmenO	Yes		
AANC- Lt	SX10912	BAKER.	RM	HygO	No	Det Rear Party	19/10/44
<b>AACHD:</b>							
Chaplain 4th Class	VX64453	KEYTE.	FI	Chapln	No	Det 2/4 Aust Inf Bn	
"	WX40930	MCDONALD	CM	"	"	" 2/8 Aust Inf Bn	
"	VX10114	SARBELL	OT	"	"	" 2/11 Aust Inf Bn	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lt Col	SX1454	BLENBY.	GEN 2/3 Pd Regt	19/10/44	Recce Party
Maj	WX25	DAVIS.	RM 2/3 Pd Regt	19/10/44	" "
Maj	WX12160	HINDMARSH.	JJ 2/3 Md Bn	19/10/44	" "
Maj	WX32	JACKSON.	DAC2/11 Inf Bn	19/10/44	" "
Maj	SX11529	RUSSELL.	WA 2/7 Pd Amb	19/10/44	" "
Capt	TX 6114	CASSIDY.	KJ 2/4 Dental Unit	9/11/44	Dental Duty
	11 Nov 44				SC 19 Aust Inf Bn (P.S.O. GEDDES.)

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

### FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

44/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11/11 /1944 HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde. (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R.'s. 69 + OFFRS. - O.R.'s. - ATT. BY W.E.  
(Tropical)

#### Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1 Reinfts. Required.	2 Deficient W.E.	3 Surplus to W.E.	4 Posted Strength.		6 Arm or Corps.	7 Posted Strength.	8 Surplus to W.E.	9 Deficient W.E.	10 Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.					
2			2	W.Os. Class II.					
1			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
1			1	Staff Sergeants					
5	NR	1	4	Sergeants					
10		1	11	Corporals					
50		1	51	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
69	*	1	70*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		*			*

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.		C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
	A	B	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	70										70
B(1)											
B(2)											

#### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
2	2/3 Fd Regt			1	2/4 Inf Bn		
3	2/8 Inf Bn			1	2/8 Inf Bn		
3	6 Div FSW			1	2/11 Inf Bn		
1	2/3 MG Bn			1	ARL		
1	2/7 Fd Amb			3	19 Bde Sig Sec		
5	2/11 Inf Bn			13	Rear Party		
4	6 Div AASC						
5	6 Div Postal						
16	6 Div Pro Coy						
3	2/4 Dental Unit						
43	Total			20	Total		

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

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

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 11 / 11 / 1944 .**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Bangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Elvetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identif. Members				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Bowers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator											
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman											
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker											
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties											
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners											
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman											
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals											
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers											
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal											
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood											
Pattern Maker				Masons											
Pharmacist				Masseurs											
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.											
Photowriter				Miners											
Plumber				Moulders											
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained											
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.											
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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

11 Nov 44  
Date of Despatch

SG 19 Aust Inf Bde  
Signature of Commander  
( P.H.G. GEDDES. )

UNIT: HQ 19 AUST INF BDE WE: 11/2/3

TRADE	Rank	WE	(Tropical) Posted Strength	Def- icient	Sur- plus	Rfts Reqd
<u>TRADE GP. I.</u>						
Draughtsman	Cpl	1				
"	Pte	1	1			
<u>TRADE GP. II.</u>						
Intelligence Duties	S Sjt	1				
"	Cpl	1	1			
"	Ptes	2	1			
Cook	Cpl	1	3		1	
"	Ptes	2	-	1		NR
<u>TRADE GP. III.</u>						
Clerk	WO II	1				
"	Sjts	2	1			
"	Cpl	1	1	1		NR
"	Ptes	2	2(a)		1	
			3		1	
<u>SERVICES :</u>						
<u>TRADE GP I.</u>						
Armourer (AEME)	Sjt	1				
Fitter MV "	Cfn	1	1			
<u>TRADE GP. II.</u>						
Mechanic MV (AEME)	Cfn	1	1			
<u>TRADE GP. III.</u>						
Clerk (AASC)	Cpl	1	1			
" (AALC)	Cpl	1	1			
Medical Orderly (AAMC)	Cpl	1	1			
<u>NON-SPECIALISTS :</u>						
CSM Storemen	WO II	1	1			
CQMS	S Sjt	1	1			
Transport Sjt	Sjt	1	1			
Batmen	Ptes	13	12	1		NR
Drs MT	Cpl	1	1			
" "	Ptes	2	1			
Orderlies Drs MT	Ptes	9	7	1		NR
<del>Signal Orderlies</del>	<del>Ptes</del>	<del>8</del>	<del>8</del>	1		NR
Hygiene Duties	Ptes	1	2		1	
Water Duties	Ptes	1	1			
General Duties	Cpl	1	1			
" "	Ptes	2	3(b)		1	
<u>SERVICES :</u>						
AChD - Batmen Drs	Ptes	3	2	1		NR
AASC - Batman	Ptes	1	1			
AAOC - Amn Examiner	Sjt	1	1			
" Batman Dr	Pte	1	1			
AALC - Batman	Pte	1	1			
			4		2	
<b>Total</b>		<b>67</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	



- NOTE: (a) One Cpl on Posted Strength as Acting Education Sjt.  
 (b) One Cpl is now allowed by WE on Posted Strength as Offrs Mess Steward.

Particulars of Surplus NCCs:

How Employed:

VX 12834 A/Cpl ROWE. C.R.R.

Gen Duties.

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# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

45 / 44 (Serial No.)

*D. Hoary*

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18 11/1944 HQ 19 Aust (Unit)  
Inf Bde

W.E. 11 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R.'s. 69 + OFFRS. - O.R.'s. - ATT. BY W.E.

(Tropical)  
**PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.**

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
WE 1			1	* Brigadier*										
			1	Lieut.-Colonels										
2	NR	1	1	Majors										
7	NR	2	5	Captains										
6		2	8	Lieutenants										
3			3	Quarter-masters Chaplains A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
			3	Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
19	3	2	18											
				DETAIL	A A.I.F.	B C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	18	-								18
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

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

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

**OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK**

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
GX 4047	Lt	GILLESPIE. K.W.	104 Aust CCS	13/11/44	RTU ex Hosp

**OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.**

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

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

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

10 AUG 1st BDE Unit

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH**

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 13 / 11 / 1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
T/Brig	OX6049	MARTIN	JEG	Comd	Yes		
T/Maj	WX 244	MURRAY	JD	BM	Yes		
T/Capt	WX5210	KELLY	AR	BM(L)	Yes		
Capt	WX2297	GEORGE	P.H.G.	SC	Yes		
Capt	OX254	BOYES	VE	LO 1	Yes		
T/Capt	WX5690	FALLA	JSH	IO	Yes		
Lt	VX27797	DOWLING	WB	SC(L)	Yes		
Lt	OX4067	GILBERT	RV	LO 2	Yes		
Lt	WX55866	CHURCHMAN	BB	LO 3	Yes		
Lt	VX35144	LAIDLAW	JS	TO	Yes		
<b>SERVICES :</b>							
AACD-Capt	WX6301	CHAMBERS	DM	LSO	No	Det Rear Party	19/10/44
AACD-Lt	WX111010	THOMAS	N	ASCO	Yes		
AACD-Lt	WX 1003	STANLEY	JE	BOO	Yes		
AACD-Lt	VX56353	KELVIN	GI	Area 0	Yes		
AACD-Lt	WX 10912	BAKER	RM	Hyg 0	Yes		
<b>AACD -</b>							
Chaplain	VX64453	KITTE	FI	Chapln	No	Det 2/4 Aust Inf Bn	
4th Class	CM10930	MACDONALD	CH	"	"	" 2/8 " " "	
	VX10114	SAMBRELL	GE	"	"	" 2/11 " " "	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Maj	WX12160	HINDMARSH, J. J.	2/3 IG Bn	19/10/44	Recco Party
Maj	WX11529	RUSSELL W.A.	2/7 F1 Amb	19/10/44	" "

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

*P. Edel* Capt.  
SC 10, Aust Inf Bn.

# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18 / 11 / 1944 HQ 19 Aust  
Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. II 2 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 69 + OFFRS. - O.R's. - ATT. BY W.E.  
(Tropical)

## Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			2	W.Os. Class I.					
			1	W.Os. Class II.					
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
			1	Staff Sergeants					
5	NR	1	4	Sergeants					
10		1	11	Corporals					
50	NR		49	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
69	NR *	2	1	68 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.				*

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

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

Detail	A	A.I.B	C.M.P.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL
			Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	68	-									68
B(1)											
B(2)											

### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
3	2/8 Aust Inf Bn			1	2/4 Aust Inf Bn		
1	6 Div PSW			1	2/8 Aust Inf Bn		
1	2/3 Aust MG Bn			2	2/11 Aust Inf Bn		
1	2/7 Aust PD and			1	ARL		
12	6 Div AASC			3	19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec		
16	6 Div Pro Coy			11	Rear Party		
6	6 Div Postal Unit						
40	Total			19	Total		

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

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

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 18/ 11/194 4**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifa. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheeler				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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

18 Nov 44

Date of Despatch

Capt.  
SC 19 Aust. Inf. Bde.  
Signature of Commander (EDDES.)

APPENDIX 'A'

Serial No .....

Date ..... 45/44

UNIT: HQ 19 AUST INF BDE WE: II/2/3  
II/2/4

18 Nov 44

TRADE	Rank	WE	XXXXXX (Tropical) Strength	Def - 101st	Sur - plus	Rfts Reqd
<u>TRADE GP. I.</u>						
Draughtsman	Cpl	1				
"	Pte	1				
<u>TRADE GP. II.</u>						
Intelligence Duties	S Sjt	1	1			
"	Cpl	1	1			
"	Ptes	2	1			
Cook	Cpl	1	1			
"	Ptes	2	1		1	
<u>TRADE GP. III.</u>						
Clerk	WO II	1			1	NR
"	Sjts	2				
"	Cpl	1	1			
"	Ptes	2	1	1		NR
<u>SERVICES :</u>						
<u>TRADE GP I.</u>						
Armourer (AEME)	Sjt	1				
Fitter MV "	Cfn	1				
<u>TRADE GP. II.</u>						
Mechanic MV (AEME)	Cfn	1				
<u>TRADE GP. III.</u>						
Clerk (AASC)	Cpl	1	1			
" (AALC)	Cpl	1	1			
Medical Orderly (AAMC)	Cpl	1	1			
<u>NON-SPECIALISTS :</u>						
CSM	WO II	1				
CQMS	S Sjt	1				
Transport Sjt	Sjt Pte	1	1			
Batmen	Ptes	13	1			
Drs MT	Cpl	1	1			
"	Ptes	8	1			
Orderlies Drs MT	Ptes	9	1	10	3	NR
Signal Orderlies	Ptes	9	1	7	2	NR
Hygiene Duties	Ptes	1				
Water Duties	Ptes	1		7	2	NR
General Duties	Cpl	2		2		
"	Ptes	2		1		
<u>SERVICES :</u>						
AChD - Batman Drs	Ptes	3		3(b)		
AASC - Batman	Ptes	1		4		
AAOC - Amn Examiner	Sjt	1		3		
" Batman Dr	Pte	1		1		
AALC - Batman	Pte	1		1		
Total		69	1	1		

68 8 7

- NOTE: (a) One Cpl on Posted Strength as Acting Education Sjt  
(b) One Cpl is now allowed on WE on Posted Strength as  
Offrs Mess Steward.

Particulars of Surplus NCOs:

VX 12534

A/Cpl HOWE.C.R.R.

How Employed:

Gen Duties

*J. G. Stone*

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

*W.I. Diary*

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 11 4 /1944 (Unit)

W.E. 11 2 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 69 + OFFRS. - O.R's. - ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.						
			1	Brigadier *										
				Lieut.-Colonels										
2	NR		1	Majors										
7	NR		2	Captains										
6		1	7	Lieutenants										
3			3	Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
19	2	1	18											
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	18	-								18
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

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

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

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
5x11529	Maj.	Russell A.A.	30th Evac Hosp	24/11/44	Loac Sick (Disease)

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

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



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Unit

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH**

25 11 44

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
T/Capt	2X6249	MARTIN	JTG	Comd	Yes		
T/Maj	2X244	MURRAY	JD	BM	Yes		
T/Capt	2X6210	MILLY	AM	BM(1)	Yes		
Capt	2X2297	ORDEN	PEG	SC	Yes		
Capt	VX27777	OWEN	WB	SC(1)	Yes		
Capt	2X254	ROXES	WH	LA 1	Yes		
T/Capt	2X5690	TALLA	FJH	IO	Yes		
Lt	VX55144	LAYDLAY	JJ	TO	Yes		
Lt	2X1047	GILLESPIE	WH	LO 2	Yes		
Lt	2X36566	CHURCHET	FP	LO 3	Yes		
<b>SERVICES:</b>							
AAIC-Capt	2X6391	CHAMBERS	DM	LSO	No	Det R car Party	19/10/44
A SC- Lt	2X111016	THOMAS	H	MS30	Yes		
AAC- Lt	2X1005	STANLEY	JE	300	Yes		
AAAS- Lt	VX56653	KIMLIN	GS	Amco	Yes		
AANC- Lt	2X10912	BAKER	RM	Byg 0	Yes		
<b>AACD-</b>							
Chaplain	VX64453	KYTE	PI	Chapln	No	Det 2/4 Aust Inf Bn	
4th Class	2X40930	McDONALD	CM	"	"	" 2/8	" " "
	VX10114	SABELL	GP	"	"	" 2/11	" " "

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Maj	2X12160	HINDHARSH J.J.	2/3 HQ Bn	19/10/44	Recce Party

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*P. ...*  
SC 19 Aust Inf Bn.  
Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS**

46/44

(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 11 / 4 HQ 19 AUST / 194 (Unit)

W.E. 11 2 4 (Tropical) OFFRS. 19 O.R.'s 69 + OFFRS. - O.R.'s - ATT. BY W.E.

**Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.**

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.					
2			2	W.Os. Class II.					
1			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
1			1	Staff Sergeants					
5 NR	1		4	Sergeants					
10		1	11	Corporals					
50		1	51	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
69	*	1	70*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			*		*

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	70 -									70
B(1)										
B(2)										

**Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.**

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
3	2/8 Aust Inf Bn			1	2/4 Aust Inf Bn		
1	6 Div FSW			1	2/8 Aust Inf Bn		
1	2/3 Aust MG Bn			1	ARL		
1	2/7 Aust Fd Amb			2	2/11 Aust Inf Bn		
20	6 Div AASC			3	19 Bde Sig Sec		
16	6 Div Pro Coy			11	Rear Party		
6	6 Div Postal Unit						
48	Total			19	Total		
2	2/7 Aust Inf Bn						
50	Total						

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

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

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 25 / 11 / 1944 .**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Whealers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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25 Nov 44  
Date of Despatch

Capt.  
SC 19 Aust Inf Bde.  
Signature of Commander

UNIT: HQ 19 AUST INF BDE WE II/2/4 (Tropical)

TRADE	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rnfts Reqd
<u>TRADE GP. I.</u>						
Draughtsman	Cpl	1	1			
"	Pte	1	1			
<u>TRADE GP. II.</u>						
Intelligence Duties	S Sjt	1	1			
"	Cpl	1	1			
"	Ptes	2	3		1	NR
Cook	Cpl	1	2			
"	Ptes	2	2			
<u>TRADE GP. III.</u>						
Clerk	WO II	1	1			
"	Sjts	2	2	1		NR
"	Cpl	1	2(a)			
"	Ptes	2	3		1	
<u>SERVICES :</u>						
<u>TRADE GP I.</u>						
Armourer (AEME)	Sjt	1	1			
Fitter MV ( " )	Cfn	1	1			
<u>TRADE GP II.</u>						
Mechanic MV (AEME)	Cfn	1	1			
<u>TRADE GP. III.</u>						
Clerk (AASC)	Cpl	1	1			
" (AALC)	Cpl	1	1			
Medical Orderly (AAMC)	Cpl	1	1			
<u>NON-SPECIALISTS :</u>						
CSM	WO II	1	1			
CQMS	S Sjt	1	1			
Transport Sjt	Sjt	1	1			
Drs MT	Cpl	1	1			
" "	Ptes	8	8			
Batmen	Ptes	13	10	3		NR
Signal Orderlies	Ptes	9	8	1		NR
Hygiene Duties	Ptes	1	2		1	
Water Duties	Pte	1	1			
General Duties	Cpls	2	3(b)		1	
" "	Ptes	2	4		2	
<u>SERVICES :</u>						
AChD - Batman Drs	Ptes	3	3			
AASC - Batman	Pte	1	1			
AAOC - Amn Examiner	Sjt	1	1			
Batman Dr	Pte	1	1			
AALC - Batman	Pte	1	1			
<b>Total</b>		<b>69</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>NR</b>

NOTE: Remarks column shown on back hereof.

NOTE:

- (a) One epl on Posted Strength as Education Sjt.
- (b) One epl surplus doing work as general duties.

APPENDIX 'A'

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1.0. 19 Aust Inf Bde briefing  
(Capt. J. H. H. Fella)

patrol from model of area.

SUAIN village to ABAU.



29 MAR 1945

## WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C.2118.  
(Adapted.)

(Erase heading not required.)

Unit HQ 19 AUST INF BDE

Date and Time.—From 1 DECEMBER 1944 To 31 DECEMBER 1944

Place.	Date.	<del>Wx.</del> Weather	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
ANOPAPI (NEW GUINEA AITAPE AREA)	1	Fine - Rained in afternoon	Relief of 2/7 AUST CAV (CDO) SQN by "A" Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN at BABIANG-SUAIN completed, 2/7 AUST CAV SQN moving to TONG Cand and party (see 30 NOV) return to ANOPAPI.	Appx "A" sketch of locns and mov during DEC up to 16 DEC
	2	Fine, with rain at night	"A" Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN made first offensive contact by this bde, killing one JAP. (See Sitrep No 15 att). 2/8 AUST INF Bn patrol departed from AFUA to investigate patrol route up DRINIUMOR towards TONG (see Sitrep No 16)	Appx "B" original sitreps of DEC 44
	3	Fine	Further initial patrol success by "A" Coy. P1 patrol from YAKAMUL covered areas during this period in the CHAROV BABIANG areas (See sitrep No 16).	
	4	Fine	CRA (Brig J REDDISH) and staff visited this HQ. Patrols continued along DANMAP. The enemy encountered at this stage seemed to be stragglers with no organisation and were invariably taken by surprise.	
	5	Fine	2/11 AUST INF BN commenced movement to YAKAMUL from AITAPE. The purpose of this was to establish a def posn astride the HARECH RIVER, and ensure by patrolling that the entire area SOUTH to the foothills and EAST to the DANDRIWAD was clear of enemy. Lt WATSON's patrol up DRINIUMOR RIVER returned. Country was very difficult, and NOT suitable to est a patrol base.	

*J. E. G. Martin* Brig  
Comd 19 Aust Inf Bde  
J E G MARTIN

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form G.2143.  
(Adapted.)

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Unit HQ 19 AUST INF BDE Date and Time.—From 1 DECEMBER 1944 To 31 DECEMBER 1944

Place.	Date.	Hour. <del>Hour</del> Weather	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
ANOPAPI	6	Light rain	Movement of 2/11 AUST INF BN to YAKAMUL continued HQ opened YAKAMUL. Local patrolling by C Coy 2/8 AUST INF BN to DRELIP RIVER and the HARECH RIVER continued (see Sitrep No 19)	<p>⊗ In broad outline the task of the Bde was to deny the route via WALUM to the MAPRIK area. This involved the cleaning of the area WEST of the line ABAU-MALIN, and securing the L of C, MALIN-WALUM (the latter an objective of 6 Aust Div Cav Regt). It was decided to capture MALIN as soon as it was practicable to prevent the enemy from escaping to the native garden areas SOUTH of the TORRICELLI RANGE. The L of C to MALIN was however, a very <i>tenuous</i> one and few native carriers were available. At every stage progress was limited by the speed with which roads and tracks could be built. 6 Aust Div Engrs, Bde pnr. platoons and infantry working parties did a magnificent job to open the L of C.</p>
	7	Fair - rain at night	A Strong patrol from "A" COY 2/4 AUST INF BN accompanied a number of Officers to reconnoitre the DANMAP to IKAM CK (see sitrep No 20). Two supply depot pls came under comd. 2/20 and 2/22. 2/11 AUST INF BN completed conc at YAKAMUL.	
	8	Fine, but cloudy	Comd and BM(L) departed for BABIANG for further recce. No sightings of enemy by patrols.	
	9	Fine	GOC proceeds to BABIANG. Some enemy eqpt was retrieved from the EAST bank of the DRINIUMOR by our patrols	
	10	Fine	GOC and Comd returned from BABIANG. Future plot concerning brigade operations was now firm, subject to certain considerations of enemy strength, and engineering. No patrols were out from A Coy, two escaped INDIAN PWs were recovered.	
	11	Fine	One pl "A" COY 2/4 AUST INF BN departed SUAIN 0500 hrs to est a patrol base at V543272, which was carried out by 1000 hrs without incident (see sitreps 23-25). 2/11 AUST INF BN relieved 17 pl (2/4 AUST INF BN) patrol base at YAKAMUL, and commenced patrolling.	

Brig  
Comd 19 Aust Inf Bde  
J E G Martin

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form 0.2118,  
(Adapted.)

(Erase heading not required.)

Unit HQ 19 AUST INF BDE Date and Time.—From 1 DECEMBER 1944 To 31 DECEMBER 1944

Place.	Date.	Hour. Weather	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
ANOPAPI	12	Heavy rain in	Patrol from new base at V543272 encountered and killed four JAPS (Sitrep 25) B Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN departed from DRINIUMOR for SUAIN, in pursuit of the plan to build up the force to one battalion, in order to carry patrolling across the DANMAR.	
	13	Fine	Adv HQ 2/4 AUST INF BN departed for BABIANG and two guns of 53 AUST FD BTY. A Coy replaced patrol base at V543272 with a fresh base at V557264. No enemy were contacted.	
	14	Fine	D Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN departed from DRINIUMOR for SUAIN area. Adv HQ 2/4 AUST INF BN established at V406356. B Coy arrived at BABIANG. Further platoon patrol base established by A Coy at V566263 at 1400 hrs without incident. Two tps of C Sqn 2/4 AUST ARMD REGT came under comd and were based at YAKAMUL.	Appx "C" tk & Inf Trg
			Op Instn No 2 was issued to 2/4 AUST INF BN. This had already been given to Lt-col FARRELL verbally.	Appx "D" Op Instn no 2 Appx "E" Adm Instn No3
	15	Fine	BDE HQ visited by Col FISHER, AEME, and GMC Motor expert, Mr POTTS to talk to relevant comds and sub-unit comds on veh maint. Pl at V566263 departed at 0640 hrs on patrol to ALBU CREEK, and killed seven JAPS (Sitrep 23.)	

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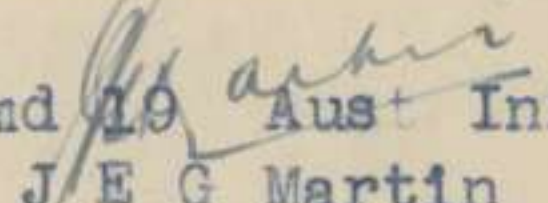
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Unit HQ 19 AUST INF BDE Date and Time.—From 1 DECEMBER 1944 To 31 DECEMBER 1944

Place.	Date.	Hour. <del>XXXX</del> Weather	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
ANOPAPI	15 (cont)		A further platoon from B Coy left SUAIN at 0445 hrs and est a pl patrol base at V569256 by 1440 hrs, with line comn to SUAIN. HQ 2/4 AUST INF BN was est SUAIN PLANTATION at 1200 hrs	
	16	Fair	<p>Elements of HQ Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN move to V460328. Further patrolling was carried on by the pl of B COY in the IDAKAIBUL area. By 1630 hrs the whole of B COY (OC Capt A TOLMER) was est at V569256, near IDAKAIBUL (sitrep No 29).</p> <p>A further two guns of 53 AUST FD BTY left ANAMO for SUAIN. The use of arty at this stage was restricted to registration by a single gun, to conceal from the enemy the scale of arty sp that might be applied.</p> <p>Recce of SUAIN for areas of units of the brigade group was made by EM(L).</p>	<p>Appx "F" Op Order No 2 (already given verbally, printed for record).</p> <p>The task of the 2/4 Aust Inf Bn was to recce in strength to determine the nature and extent of enemy opposition, and if possible seize ground from which further operations could be launched.</p>
	17	Heavy rain in afternoon	<p>2/4 AUST INF BN crossed the DANMAP with two coys, A COY at the mouth and D COY at KNIFE with two platoons, one pl making for OUTLOOK. By 1100 hrs A COY had seized LAZY CK and est a def posn, patrolling fwd to ROCKY POINT, and 18 Pl of D COY had occupied OUTLOOK without opposition. B COY at IDAKAIBUL made minor contacts. Little opposition was encountered on any sector, 20 JAPS being killed and four PW taken. Our own casualties were on slightly wounded (see Sitreps 29-31)</p>	<p>Appx "G" sketch of situations 17 Dec to 31 Dec</p>
	18	Fine	<p>D COY, less 18 pl on OUTLOOK, relieved A COY at LAZY CK. B COY patrols extended to INAMPHE CK, and an airstrike was made on ARIUAI CK, where tac R had discovered a Japanese biv area.</p> <p>A COY encountered opposition while penetrating inland from the coast WEST of LAZY CK, and suffered the first battle casualties killed (sitrep 31)</p>	

  
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ANOPAPI	19	Fine	Adv HQ 2/4 AUST INF BN opened at LUAIN 1200 hrs. C COY 2/4 AUST INF BN (OC Capt COHEN) attacked the enemy posn at V568300, but encountered heavy fire from several automatic weapons and were unable to sieze the area. The Coy dug in and contacted the enemy. Other patrols along the coast and to ARIUAI CREEK made no contacts. (sitreps 3233). It was decided to move tks down to LUAIN to assist in eliminating this enemy pocket, but the ground was subsequently found unfavourable, and the pocket was cleared before the tanks could be employed.	Appx "H" Op order No 2
	20	Fine	Rain from the hills flooded the DANMAP and res tricted movement during the early part of the day. Patrols around local coy areas made no contacts. C COY withdrew from enemy pocket to permit freedom for air strike arranged 21 Dec. 2/3 AUST FD REGT complete came under comd, and 5. 6 AUST FD BTYS commenced movement to SUAIN-LUAIN area. On tp of C SQN 2/4 AUST ARMD REGT arrived at LUAIN 1320 hrs.	Appx J Adm Order 1
SUAIN	21	Fine	Adv bde HQ moves to SUAIN village. Following an arty bombardment. An accurate air strike was made on the enemy pocket of resistance at V567299, and patrols entered the area without any opposition. An enemy force of approx 35 was encountered by a patrol of 18 pl D COY at midday in the area about the South-West slopes of OUTLOOK. The pl comd (Lt D G HEALEY) made a vigorous attack with two sections, and killed 28 of the enemy force. On of our own tps was killed. Capt TOLMER's patrol from B COY reached the area of the DANMAP RIVER and MIMA CREEK junc without contact. Enemy movement was heard in the MALIN area. 2/11 AUST INF BN commenced relief of 2/4 AUST INF BN in the coastal area, two coys being under comd of 2/4 AUST INF Bn at this stage (Sitreps 36038)	2/4 Aust Inf Bn had completed its task expeditiously, and gave the Bde the gro und it reqd. to make deeper penetrat-ions. A coy (Capt SMITH) had done a particularly strenuous job of patrol-ling, and laid the founda-tion for the Bn operation Appx "K" message 077

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SUAIN	22	Fine	A message of congratulations to 2/4 AUST INF BN was received from GOC on clearance of DANMAP RIVER. A pl patrol base was est at MATAPAU, with an FOO. Minor contacts were made in other areas (sitreps 35-38)	As it was evident that the Jap had been forstalled in his plan to prepare a defensive position covering the DANMAP RIVER, and the initial crossing of the River had been made without a set piece attack, and as further recce and captured documents disclosed that the enemy was still confused, it was decided to concentrate the Bde as soon as coms permitted, and carried out a quick encirclement to MALIN, and a simultaneous push down the Coast as far as ABAU. The line ABAU-MALIN was the limit of penetration authorised by HQ 6 Aust Div.
	23	Fine	C COY 2/11 AUST INF BN est at ROCKY POINT, less one pl patrol base at MATAPAU. Op comd of coast passed to 2/11 AUST INF BN at 1500 hrs. 2/8 AUST INF BN commenced moving to SUAIN area. Local contacts were made, and some enemy killed. A, B COYS patrols moved down ALBU CREEK some distance and encountered enemy (sitrep 38)	2/4 Aust Inf Bn was relieved at this stage to ensure that each bn could have equal experience.
	24	Fine	Patrol reached Cape DJEUBAN, no contact was made. Relief of 2/4 AUST INF BN by 2/11 AUST INF BN was completed at 1200 hrs B COY of 2/4 AUST INF BN was still at IDAKAIBUL. Adv HQ 2/8 AUST INF BN opened at LUAIN 0715 hrs and half of the bn arrived in the afternoon (sitrep 38).	
	25	Very hot	Christmas day passed quietly, minor contacts only were made. One Jap surrendered near the DANMAP mouth. Units enjoyed a good meal for Christmas, most getting their turkey in time (sitreps 39,40)	
	26	Dull	2/8 AUST INF BN relieved B Coy 2/4 AUST INF BN at IDAKAIBUL, and 2/11 AUST INF BN at FORK and OUTLOOK. 2/9 AUST CAV (CDO) SQN came under comd at 0600 hrs.	
				GI 6 AUST DIV (Lt-col J BISHOP) visited Bde HQ.

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SUAIN	27	Fine	Adv HQ 2/11 AUST INF BN moved to ROCKY POINT. Extensive patrolling was carried on of the areas from the coast to the DANMAP, and EAST to ARIUAI CREEK. One JAP was killed and one PW taken. Remainder of 2/8 AUST INF BN arrived and adv personnel of 2/9 AUST CAV (CDO) SQN, and 2/3 AUST MG BN.	It was subsequently discovered from documents captured at the end of Jan that the Jap had reinforced the coastal sector by moving one bn from NINAHAU CK forward of ABAU, and that 2/11 Bn was continuously engaged with this force, plus the remnants of the original DANMAP RIVER defence force.
	28	Fair. Rise in DANMAP night 28/29 Dec	A number of enemy sightings were made between MATAPAU and CAPE DJEURAN, where four or five were seen moving EAST. Extensive patrolling from IDAKAIBUL to INAMBULE CREEK, and SOUTH EAST to the headwaters of IKAM and HABABEL CREEKS was carried out. No contacts were made.	Note: Strength of Jap Bns at this stage varied from 200-500 troops, many of whom were in poor condition.
	29	Raining	Further patrolling showed more signs of enemy about CAPE DJEURAN.	
	30	Fair	2/11 AUST INF BN patrol to UTAGAMANGIM CREEK encountered enemy at V627301, killed two. Two own tps were killed, and the patrol was unable to retrieve the bodies. Some JAP stragglers were found SOUTH of LAZY CREEK, where four were killed. A cave with 300 rifles was found in the same area. 2/8 AUST INF BN patrols encountered two gps of 6 or 7 JAPS from SLEEPY CREEK to INAMBULE and wounded several, without any casualties to themselves.	
	31	Fair	A pl patrol from 2/11 AUST INF BN (Lt R DEWAR) contacted 30 to 35 JAPS in the same area in which Lt MORTIMER's patrol of 30 JAN made contact. Approximately 15 JAPS were killed or wounded. Air arty sig, with a 108 R/T set, was killed and the patrol was unable to recover the body or the set.	
			<u>Other Appendices:</u> Demonstration, Indication of Targets to Airforce Appx "M" Routine Orders Field Returns	

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2/6 CAV CDO REGT.

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i 138 SECRET @ <sup>status</sup> receipt 10 15 to 031200 i @

2/4 bn patrol 2 dec report no enemy sighted WEST of DANMAP @ one enemy killed river bed 1563283 @ one enemy seen in river bed and approx 30 enemy on bank carrying arms at 1559287 not engaged patrol returned 021715 i @ 021200 i one offro 100rs 3 police boys left BABIANG to investigate Tac R report of huts at 1376289 no enemy seen @ police boys sent to assemble refugees at BALUP 1562272 report 21 japs dug in under houses who gather food when cloudy and cook at night @ weapons of this party not known @ previous air strike on this village hit native huts on high ground WEST of BALUP. @ patrol pl strength left 3 dec to watch with one sec each river crossings at 1562308 1559303 and 1557297 @ 2/8 bn 030740 i @ two patrols sec strength from AFUA to DRELIP CREEK and YAKAMUL @ no report patrol AFUA PLACE SLEEP. all info

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i 143 SECRET(.) sitrep No 16 to 041200i(.)BABFORCE patrol strength one pl on 3 dec patrolled from SUAIN to FORK to V560284 four JAPS killed one wounded two probably killed at V559285(.) track found at V556289 thence leads round NORTH of LE BRUN along SOUTH bank DANMAP to V557286 NOT followed further(.) patrol departed SUAIN at 040400i intention to, patrol same area as 3 dec and as far as V560281 (.) 040500i patrol two secs strength departed YAKAMUL intention patrol to NYAPARAKE to CHAROV to ~~V576289~~ to BABIANG ETA YAKAMUL 051600i native guide with patrol(.) 2/8 bn patrol to V220263 reached V194279 and bivouaced night 2/3 dec(.) NO report from patrols to DRELIP CREEK and HARECH RIVER all infm

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	2/6 AUST CAV CDO REGT.		

ORIGINATOR'S No.

L150 SECRET @ sitrep No 17 to 051200i @  
 040400i BAB FORCE patrol pl strength moved  
 out @ at V 659 285 the following occurred @  
 041145i three enemy moving NORTH along  
 DAN MAP RIVER one killed @ 041200i four enemy  
 seen one armed moving SOUTH along DANMAR  
 RIVER EAST side two killed @ 041215i one  
 armed enemy moving NORTH along EAST side  
 of RIVER killed @ patrol comd reports enemy  
 NOT alert @ 041930i 2/8 bn patrol to  
 DRELIP CREEK V 070 357 unable to locate  
 track @ 050700i recce party three men  
 to PALAURU to locate DRELIP CREEK  
 track and move to AFUA @ PLACE SLEEP  
 V 221 264 patrol returned to base at AFUA  
 051030i all info.

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2/6 Cav (Cdo) Regt

ORIGINATOR'S No.

154 SECRET <sup>5</sup> @ Miep No 18 to 061200i @ BABFORCE  
 patrol one pl departed V529321 050400i route LUAIN to FORK  
 to V553286 to V559284 @ 0620i one JAP killed V559288 was  
 carrying pack and rifle moving NORTH @ 060645 one JAP  
 killed same ref @ at 060945i at V558284 one JAP  
 cooking meat killed @ all enemy surprised NO fire  
 directed at our tps @ patrols to crossing DANMIAP  
 060700i V559302 @ one JUKI and sundry eqpt found  
 V558284 salvage proceeding @ patrol departed V276386  
 040500i with native guides route NYAPARAKE thence SOUTH  
 to V308326 to V335320 to V350324 to V391327 thence to  
 BABIANG returned to V276386 051200i NMS report to  
 follow @ 2 1/2 <sup>constant</sup> hr report going to V220263 very heavy @  
 patrol left 050730i to find AFUA track via car  
 post DREHIP CREEK ETR AFUA 061300i @ 2 1/2 <sup>constant</sup> hr  
 en route to YAKAMUL all info

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2/6 AUST CAV (COMMANDO) REGT			

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1161 SECRET 0 setup No. 19 to 071200i 0  
~~Conced which is lines are from unit first, later checked~~  
~~about 05 dec 0 patrol one pl BABFORCE departed~~  
 V523321 to areas mouth of DANMAY to V555291 NMS SLOG  
 head EAST of river NOT directed at patrol 0 coast  
 patrol 060600i to 061600i YAKAMUL - BABIANG NIL report  
 048 unit inf low patrol from DRELIP CREEK arrived  
 V184353 061500i CAV patrol accompanied from  
 DRELIP OP 0 patrols one sec strong departed AFUA  
 for DRELIP CREEK and YAKAMUL later via V227337  
 V240249 0 one sec to V198325 to V255388 to  
 V257322 duration patrols four days 0  
 2/11 unit inf low B and C coys ETA  
 YAKAMUL 071230i all info

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2/6 AUST CAV (CDO) REGT.

ORIGINATOR'S No.

1166 SECRET @ 2100i No 20 to 091200i 0  
070400i BABFORRE patrol 10 and 37 as escort  
for off-rece left base V 5233210 route out @ base  
along track to V 553300 to V 558291 to V 558285  
SW to top of LE BRUN followed a NORTH SOUTH  
track to V 545268 along side track to IKAM  
CREEK then NORTH along WEST bank of CREEK  
to V 553269 patrol returned same route @ 071200i  
at V 553269 three japs armed with rifles seen  
by patrol moving SOUTH two japs in CREEK  
on WEST side washing one jap on EAST side  
CREEK apparently a look out to enemy NOT engaged  
as object of patrol was off-rece @ 2/8 AUST  
INF BN @ 7000i local patrol AFUA area located  
four 75mm mountain guns at V 194340  
otherwise sitreps @ 2/11 AUST INF BN sitreps  
all info

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

i 171 SECRET @ sitrep No 21 to 091200i @ BABFORCE patrol 080930i to 081300i from V52332i along WEST bank DANMAP to V558285 and return NIL report @ one pl departed V52332i at 090300i intended route FORK LEBRUN V553268 return via BOMB CREEK and No 3 CROSSING @ 2/8 aust inf bn patrols as in sitrep 19 due AFUA from YAKAMUL 9 dec from DRELIP CREEK 10 dec @ 2/11 aust inf bn SITNOR all infm

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2/6 AUST CAY (COMMANDO) REGT

ORIGINATOR'S No.

i 174 SECRET @ situp NO 22 to 101200j (.) BABFORCE patrol one

pl departed SUAIN 090300i route FORK to V555287 and LEBRUN to V559278

return along DANMAP to base 091530i NMS @ natives with patrol

recovered eqpt from EAST bank area V559285 state tracks NOT

used recently eqpt mostly incl one CZECH brew @ 2/8 aurt inf br

patrol DRINIUMOR-HARECH areas returned 9 dec patrol from

DREWD CREEK due 10 dec all infm

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11 1230i

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2/6 AUST CAV (COMMANDO) REGT

ORIGINATOR'S No.

1181 SECRET @ sitrep NO 23 to 11200i @ BAREORLE patrols  
10 dec NIL @ INDIANS recovered see report already forwarded @  
one pl departed 110500i intend est patrol base Y545267 @  
2/8 out w/ bn patrol from DREMP CREEK returned 101350i other  
patrols NIL @ 2/11 out w/ bn relieved 17 pl 2/4 out w/  
bn 110600i @ patrol one pl departed YAKAMUL for

CHAROY - BABIANG all info

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2/6 AUST CAV (COMMARAD) REGT

ORIGINATOR'S No.

1184 SECRETARY ATTY NO 24 to 131200i (-) BABFORCE patrol  
 est base one pl at V 545267 with AT from SURIN at  
 111000i route via BOMB CREEK patrol reports follow 0 small  
 recce patrol to EVE 111030i to 111545i NMS country difficult  
 0 B Coy 2/4 auct inf lvy commenced march DRIN in road  
 to SURIN 0 2/8 auct inf lvy SITNOR (1 2/11 auct inf lvy patrol  
 proceeding to V 282261 thence CHINOV all info

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19 AUST INF BDE

131245i

For Action

TO

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(i) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions GR

2/6 AUST CAY (COMMANDO) REGT

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i 190 SECRET (i) Sitrep No. 25 to 131200i (i) patrol from base at V 543272 (i) note correction from our sitrep 24 (i) patrol departed 120500i route to V 546267 where at 120715i to 120745i killed four JAPS in good condition new clothing hut nearby contained one 92 JUKI well oiled plenty of amm strips 10 rifles food incl rice sago tinned rations incl USA tinned milk (i) one

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map and documents being sent back priority @  
patrol continued to IKAM CREEK TO DAN MAP TO SPOON  
to V560271 NMS returned to X 543272 same route  
121500i @ 2/8 aurt inf bn SITNOR @ 2/11 aurt inf bn NO report  
from patrol departed YAKAMUL for BABIANG 110800i (.)  
two guns 53 aurt fd by departed  
ANAM 0 for SUAIN 130700i all info

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2/6 AUST CAN/COMMANDO/REGT

*Log 419*

ORIGINATOR'S No.

1195-SECRET @ Sitrep No. 26 to 141200i (i) adv HQ

2/4 ault inf bn est at V406356 (i) BABFORCE patrol one pl  
 departed V523321 at 130500i route via DANMAP BOMB  
 CREEK to V543272 from which former patrol base withdrew  
 to SUAIN at 130800i (i) patrol continued to V557264  
 and est patrol base at 131540i (i) HABABEL CREEK  
 clear on both banks for 500 yds NORTH and SOUTH  
 of patrol base (i) comm by pigeon to BABIANG left  
 time of flight 47 mins (i) Coy 2/4 ault inf bn  
 BABIANG Coy departed DRINIUMOR 140400i (i)  
 2/8 ault inf bn SITNOR (i) 2/11 ault inf bn patrol departed  
 YAKAMUL 110800i arrived BABIANG 131300i (i)  
 two tps of 2/4 ault auld regt at V259392 all  
 info

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2/6 AUST CAV (CDO) REGT

ORIGINATOR'S No.

1209 SECRET (.) *sil rep No. 28 to 161200i (.) 2/8 aust*

*inf bn in process of taking over 2/4 aust inf bn pons  
and camp DRINIUMOR (.) <sup>OX LADE</sup> 2/5 ~~aust~~ patrol which departed  
PALAURU ~~SEDEI~~ <sup>time improve</sup> arrived AFUA 151730i departed 160800i  
to return via coast (.) ~~2/11~~ 2/11 aust inf bn SITNOR (.)  
BABFORCE one pl ext base at V 566263 at 141330i Nil  
sightings (.) this pl departed V 566263 at 150640i moved  
down DANMAP and ALBU CREEK to V 580253 (.) at  
V 574257 at 151000i found three shelters with gear and  
rifles (.) at V 576255 at 151030i killed two JAPS (.) at  
V 577253 at 151205i killed five JAPS five shelters  
in area (.) one sec crossed ALBU to V 580253 JAPS  
fired two shots then five seen scattering (.)  
gear in fair condition 8 shelters bags of rice and  
grain 10 rifles (.) returned to V 566263 at 151350i (.)  
one pl departed SWAIN 150445i via ~~IA~~ IKAM CREEK  
and DANMAP arrived V 569256 at 151440i  
and ext patrol base LT ext with SWAIN  
(.) heard small explosion vicinity IDAKAIBUH at  
152100i (.) remainder of Coy en route V 569256 all inform*

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

1216 SECRET (.) sitrep No 29 to 1712001 (.) B coy 2/4  
 aust inf bn est at V569256 at 1616301 (.) patrol of one offr 12 OR  
 moved from base 1610301 along DANMAP and EAST bank ALBU CREEK (.)  
 at V578254 at 1612001 killed two JAPS attempting to escape one JAP  
 escaped one taken PW died of sickness on way back (.) four native  
 huts in area eqpt and amm NO food except sage (.) patrol 1610301  
 to 1614001 from V569256 along EAST bank of DANMAP to V567265 and  
 return NMS (.) at 1707101 patrol one offr 20 ORs departed V569256  
 for creek junc V569272 (.) at 1704151 A coy crossed DANMAP at mouth  
 coy HQ est V566305 at 1705151 NIL opposition (.) 1706151 at V568304  
 two JAPS killed two PWs in dying condition own cas one slightly  
 wounded (.) D coy arrived V460329 at 1608001 coy HQ and two pls moved  
 to V528321 at 1615001 (.) 1705571 D coy HQ and two pls crossed  
 DANMAP at KNIFE V570278 one pl moved towards OUTLOOK V568288 NO  
 report up to 1708001 one pl protecting KNIFE and patrolling to  
 V571272 link with B coy patrols (.) DANMAP crossings NOT difficult  
 up to four feet deep at mouth up to two feet at KNIFE (.) 2/11 aust  
 inf bn SITNCR (.) 2/8 aust inf bn now est at V197416 as from 1709001  
 patrol from HARECH returned 1615001 all infm

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*Log 501*

ORIGINATOR'S No.

1223 SECRET (.) sitrep no 30 to 1812001 (.) summary of  
ops 17 dec (.) at 1704151 A coy crossed DANMAP (.) by 171001 est  
posn along both sides of creek V577 303 (.) by 1714451 patrol  
reached ROCKY PT (.) cas inflicted on enemy area mouth DANMAP to  
ROCKY PT 18 killed two PW details as follows (.) 1705101 at V559292  
two killed two wounded at 1709451 patrol fired on by JUKI and  
unknown number of riflemen same area our patrol killed two rest  
withdrew towards OUTLOOK (.) at 1706151 two killed two PW at  
V568304 PWs now at MDS NIGIA (.) at 1707451 one killed at V577303  
(.) at 1713351 at V576302, <sup>four killed (?) at 1713351</sup> one killed after getting into our def  
posn (.) at 1714201 at V576304 three killed (.) at 1717051 at  
V577302 two killed (.) IDAKAIBUL area at 1711301 at V575255 one  
killed one PW (.) at 1712501 at V585252 two PW taken one a sjt (.)  
total all areas 17 dec 19 killed five PWs (.) at 1807301 D coy 2/4  
aust inf bn occupied ROCKY PT and clearing foothills to SOUTH NO  
contact (.) B coy based at V569256 patrolling up ALBU CREEK SITNOR  
to 1808001 (.) PW taken V585252 speaks ENGLISH OC of B coy inter-  
rogated PW states HQ 41D at BUT many tps MALIN but NO estimate  
strength states LT from MALIN to mouth ALBU CREEK to BUT (.) this  
HQ considers infm to be treated with reserve as NO

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dates given (.) PW too weak to walk being brought out  
 by carriers will fwd earliest (.) 2/11 aust inf bn adv party left  
 for SUAIN this morning (.) 2/8 aust inf bn patrol towards V168270  
 arrived back AFUA 1715001 via V160352 where met 2/5 aust inf bn  
 patrol from PALAURU (.) patrol base AFUA will be reduced to one  
 pl today all infm

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2/6 AUST CAV (CDO) REGT

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1229 SECRET (.) Sitrep No 31 to 190700i (.) recheck enemy cas  
17 dec 1220 killed 4 PW (.) alteration due PW died sickness  
IDAKAIBUL area (.) three PWs already sent to 6 Aust Div one  
still en route from DANMIAP (.) correct our sitrep No 30 (.) for  
three killed at V576304 read one killed (.) add at  
171445i at ROCKY POINT three killed total of 18 killed  
two PW for coastal area still correct (.) at 180630i D Coy  
2/4 Aust Inf Bn relieved A Coy at V577304 (.) B Coy  
patrolled high ground NORTH of DANMIAP towards  
INAMBULE CREEK and UP FLEBU CREEK to V585230 (.)  
patrol departed IDAKAIBUL 180650i route to V569256 to  
V585265 to V590257 to V603254 returned evening  
18 dec NMS (.) patrol leaving 190500i to investigate result  
air strike ARUWA CREEK on 18 dec (.) at 181100i at V612304  
enemy strength unknown seen fled EAST (.) at 181015i  
at enemy ammo dump ~~point 256~~ <sup>at V569301</sup> JAPS fired  
on our ops NO cas (.) at V569301 at 181100i own cas  
one killed one wounded (.) at 181200i at V568300i  
seven JAPS killed own cas one killed two wounded  
by LMG and rifle fire ~~by~~ mortar fire

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*a grenade discharge fire*

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A also encountered (.) own tps withdrew to V568302  
 (.) enemy at V568300 dug in well armed (.) patrol  
 180630; to 181230; covered area V585277 to ~~TIRE~~  
 CREEK V564295 NMS (.) patrol at V577297 at  
 approx midday encountered five ~~enemies~~ <sup>JAPS</sup> moving  
 SE wounded one ~~JAPS~~ fled NORTH all info

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

1234 SECRET (-) sitrep No 32 to 191300i (-) at 190930i  
 C coy 2/1st Aust inf bn at V568302 within 60 yds of previous  
 enemy posn (-) ~~at~~ ROCKY POINT and IDAKAIBUL  
 SITNOR (-) at 190945i C coy penetrated area V568302  
 NO enemy contacted (-) at 191145i to 191215i at  
 V568398 C coy patrol fired on by JUKI and  
 riflemen unable to estimate posn or strength  
 (-) C coy HQ at V567299 (-) at 191252i known enemy  
 weapons one JUKI 304 LMGs one mortar strength still  
 unknown (-) C coy ~~holding~~ <sup>containing enemy at</sup> V568298 (-) ~~posn~~ own cas being  
 evacuated number own cas being checked believe  
 approx size (-) patrol from D coy departed ROCKY POINT  
 strength one off and 39 to patrol <sup>along coast to</sup> within sight MATAPAU  
 intention return along feature V615300 (-) patrol from  
 B coy departed IDAKAIBUL 190600i to investigate  
 result air strike 18 dec ARUWA creek (-) IDAKAIBUL  
 ROCKY POINT OUTLOOK and pl at V577303 SITNOR  
 up to 191130i all info

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ORIGINATOR'S No. strip No 33 to 201200i (.)  
1239 SECRET (.) at 191400i Coy 2/4 aust inf in digging in V567299

(.) at 191440i one JAP approached from WEST fired on but escaped (.) ~~at~~  
191656i three JAPS approached fired on by our ~~troops~~ and withdrew  
SOUTH (.) 191710i JAPS in ones and twos near C coy flanked (.)  
own mortars start fire on enemy 191515i continued harassing  
fire until 191800i (.) ROCKY POINT pl pow at V577303 OUTLOOK  
and Bcoy V569257 SITNOR (.) at 191800i Dcoy near HQ at  
V563308 attacked by three enemy engaged by our ~~troops~~ and  
withdrew SOUTH (.) 191803i 10 JAPS seen crossing DANMAP  
WESTWARD at V560304 (.) 191820i one enemy penetrated defts  
ROCKY POINT killed had NO arms or food (.) Tpl moved  
191800i to protect guns at V524316 (.) 191800i carrying party  
returning from Ccoy fired on at V568304 NIL cas (.) own  
intermittent small arms fire Ccoy 192120i to 192235i (.)  
at 200555i at V577301 one JAP armed rifle and grenade  
discharger killed (.) 200630i Ccoy adjusting local  
defts (.) Bcoy patrol to ARIVA CREEK at V617255 NMS  
found NO results air strike 18 dec (.) summary of  
cas follows (.) own (.) ~~for~~ 24 hrs ending ~~180600i~~  
one wounded (.) 24 hrs ending 190600i

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two killed three wounded (-) 24 hrs ending 200600i  
 two killed 10 wounded of which three died wounds (-)  
 TOTAL seven killed 11 wounded 17/20 dec (-) JAPS  
 17/20 dec 29 killed four PW (-) total JAPS cas our area  
 3 dec to 20 dec 56 killed 4 PW (-) 2/8 aust inf br  
 two plc enqr work (-) 2/11 hrs adv HQ V526320 one com arrives  
 SWAIN 20 dec (-) 2/3 aust fd regt commenced mov to

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SUAIN 20 dec 01 tactical HQ plus one to total first  
 2nd C sqn 2/4 Aust arm'd regt departed YAKAMU  
 en route SUAIN 200700i all infm

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i 266 SECRET (.) sitrep No 34 to 211200i (.) morning  
 20 dec DANMAP RIVER flooding prevented C Coy 2/4 ault inf bn  
 crossing to WEST bank B Coy at IDAKAIBUL area also reported  
 river five feet depth and NOT crossable (.) patrol departed  
 IDAKAIBUL 200830i returned 201500i local patrol SOUTH  
 along river only (.) DANMAP going down afternoon (.)  
 at 200730i to 201700i patrols covered areas V569258  
 up creek towards V560248 NMS (.) patrols from  
 OUTLOOK to SPOON same time NMS (.) ROCKY POINT  
 LAZY CREEK <sup>C Coy at V565304</sup> SITNOR (.) arty to maintain harassing  
 fire on enemy V567299 night 20/21 dec (.) at  
 210600 patrol 40 strong departed IDAKAIBUL to  
 recon areas ARIUA CREEK MALIN SOLITA with  
 tac R assistance (.) air strike on enemy at  
 V567299 211110i to 211155i ground OP reports  
 target area covered (.) locations as at 211200i (.)  
 C Coy HQ ~~at~~ 2/11 ault inf bn with two pls  
 ROCKY POINT has relieved D Coy 2/4 ault inf bn (.)  
 one pl <sup>C Coy 2/11 ault inf bn</sup> LAZY CREEK (.) ~~at~~ <sup>13 pl</sup> 2/4 ault  
 inf bn at V563306 (.) 18 pl 2/4 ault

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inf br OUTLOOK (.) B coy 2/4 aust inf br V569257  
 @ remainder 2/4 aust inf br LURAIN (.) HQ 2/11 aust inf  
 br V526320 (.) five hrs C sqn 2/4 aust armd  
 regt arrived LURAIN 201320i (.) 2/8 aust inf br  
 SITHOR (.) adv HQ 19 aust inf bde opened  
 at 211200i at LURAIN V530320 all info

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

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SECRET (.)

sitrep No 35 as at 211830i (.) JAP pocket

at Y568298 found completely evacuated by patrols this afternoon (.)

18 pl of 2/4 ault inf bn in afternoon killed 21 JAPS on

SW slopes OUTLOOK approx Y564284 2 JAPS killed by

pl of 2/11 ault inf bn same area (.) 8/10 JAPS escaped EAST along

NORTH bank of DANMIAP (.) air strike was right on

target (.) ~~all inf on cas~~ one killed all inf on

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i 271 SECRET (.) sitrep No 36 to 221200i (.) this incl data in sitrep 35 (.) 2/4 aust inf bn with under comd two coys 2/11 aust inf bn (.) following air strike 21155i patrol at 17500i found previous area JAPS at V568298 deserted 11one JAP dead (.) NO bunkers weapons or eqpt (.) air strike was on target (.) ammo dump V568301 still intact (.) 211950i 4 JAPS seen 095629 10 others suspected SAA in engaged arty harassed area night 21/22 dec (.) ~~211245i~~ 211245i at V559285 two secs 18 pl 2/4 aust inf bn engaged approx 35 JAPS attacked 211530i killed 21 JAPS (.) pl of 2/11 aust inf bn moving via FORK to relieve OUTLOOK pl killed two more JAPS (.) own cas one killed (.) approx 10 JAPS escaped NORTH (.) pl of 2/11 aust inf bn continued onto OUTLOOK arrived 211900i (.) 18 pl 2/4 aust inf bn within A Coy 2/11 aust inf bn def pos at FORK night 21/22 dec (.) patrol B Coy 2/4 aust inf bn departed 1 DAKAIBUL 210500i to V590252 where ~~two~~ 2/3 JAPS fled SOUTH (.) patrol heard shots

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from ARIVIA CREEK (.) patrol recce MALIN  
 NMS passed on to SOLITA where shots ~~heard~~  
 were heard (.) on return patrol found enemy  
 on high ground V590252 wounded two JAPS  
 (.) suspect this party knows presence our coy  
 at IDAKAIBUL (.) 211200i another B coy patrol  
 found at V576250 two JAPS dead killed two  
 others (.) 220800i D coy 2/4 amt inf br crossed  
 DANMAP at FORK en route to V568298  
 with LT (.) at 220822i 8 JAPS reported  
 following D coy (.) ~~later~~ warned and set  
 ambush V562293 (.) two dead JAPS found  
 V560285 from fight 21 dec one a first Lt (.)  
 75mm gun found V559290 (.) at 220635i  
 patrol moved out from ROCKY POINT taking LT  
 Foo and carriers with seven days sups and  
 arms to est base MATAPAV (.) other  
 areas SITNOR (.) 2/3 amt fd regt completes  
 concentration today (.) 2/11 amt inf br completes relief  
 2/4 amt inf br coastal area 23 dec (.) commence mov to SUAIN 23 dec.

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1278 SECRET (1) SITUP NO 37 to 231200i (1) one pl with  
FOO ~~was~~ at MATAPAU 281100i (1) 22 10 15i two JAPS  
killed V562293 one killed V565294 (1) 23 0610i  
three JAPS killed V569304 (1) 23 0730i one JAP killed  
V566293 (1) ALBU CREEK morning 23dec one own  
killed NO details (1) patrols 22dec found huts  
and signs of sago production sq V5727 NOT  
recently used (1) other areas SITNOR

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

SECRET (.) Sitrep No 38 to 241200i (.) at 220930i  
one JAP seen at V555288 escaped (.) D Coy 2/4 ault inf bn  
est V566297 (.) 221330i bulldozer worked DANMAP at  
V560301 to commence track improvement on coast rd (.)  
Crossing for lks found across junc DANMAP  
DANIMUK (.) JAP killed 230730i at V565295 appeared to  
be a medical orderly and was a ~~big man~~ in good  
condition (.) 221710i one JAP armed with grenades  
killed at V565294 NOT previously reported (.) afternoon  
22dec patrol from D Coy 2/4 ault inf bn covered area  
from 566297 to V563298 thown DANMAP to V560278  
back to V566297 NMS (.) patrol from B Coy 2/4 ault  
inf bn morning 22dec covered creek in sq V5727  
report one large hut V572273 (.) two huts V574270  
and eqpt for sac sac V575272 (.) ~~will~~ will used  
track V576272 (.) 230915i patrol along foothills from  
ROCKY POINT to V567302 NMS (.) 231000i patrols  
from D Coy 2/4 bn from V566297 to V560300 to  
OUTLOOK NMS (.) 231040i pl abandoned  
from V577303 moved to ROCKY POINT

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at ROCKY POINT

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Completes C coy 2/11 aurt inf bn, less one pl MATAPAU (.)  
 231145i one JAP found hung V560288 added to  
 cas list (.) 231400i 13pl 2/4 aurt inf bn relieved  
 by 2/11 aurt inf bn at V564307 (.) 231500i operational  
 command of DANMAP area passed to 2/11 aurt inf bn  
 and under command one coy 2/4 aurt inf bn (.)  
 2/11 aurt inf bn completes relief of 2/4 aurt inf bn  
 in coastal sector incl FORK OUTLOOK by  
 241200i (.) 2/4 aurt inf bn SWAIN area with one coy  
 IDAKAIBUL (.) adv HQ 2/8 aurt inf bn est 240715i at  
 V554309 (.) two inf coys details HQ coy arrive LUAIN  
 afternoon 24 dec (.) 2/8 aurt inf bn relieves 2/11 aurt inf  
 bn at FORK OUTLOOK and 2/4 aurt inf bn IDAKAIBUL  
 26 dec (.) 2/8 aurt inf bn completes concentration 27 dec (.)  
 on completion of reliefs disposals of units will be  
 as follows (.) 2/4 aurt inf bn SWAIN bde res (.) 2/8 aurt  
 inf bn LUAIN FORK OUTLOOK IDAKAIBUL (.) 2/11 aurt  
 inf bn ~~ROCKY POINT~~ V577303 ROCKY POINT MATAPAU  
 (.) at 231730i at V558259 one JAP seen crossing  
 track NOT engaged (.) at 240630i patrol

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to V562273 returned to FORK NMS (.) at 231740i at  
 ROCKY POINT one JAP killed (.) MATAPAU at 241000i  
 SITNOR (.) one JAP approached Coy POW V566297  
 231800i fired on ran into a booby trap (.) body  
 NOT found (.) at 231230i at V584230 patrol  
 two secs engaged five JAPS wounded  
 one rest fled SOUTH (.) own cas one killed  
 (.) 15 JAP bodies found V588244 at 231300i (.)  
 231430i two JAP dead found buried V566303  
 (.) daily ambush maintained V572259 all  
 info

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

1290 SECRET (1) Sitrap NO 39 to 251200i (1) 250940i  
 one JAP surrendered V561309 says belongs 9 Coy 238.  
 being fwd today (1) ~~also sent to...~~  
 241400i patrol report liv area 4627302 NOT occupied  
 for 4/3 weeks within approx 37mm gun warehouse  
 16 rds amm (1) OLD GERMAN rd MATAPAU CAPE  
 DJERUAN probable except 4627302 two feet high  
 ins (1) barges reported off MATAPAU 250900i  
 NOT seen again track NO sighting (1) IDAKAIBIK  
 SITNOR (1) air (1) track report 251000i fresh tracks  
 leady EAST from V706284 & ANUMBI (1) track  
 SOUTH ABAN recently used NMS (1) track  
 SOUTH SOLITA recently used NMS (1) MALINI  
 NMS large areas sak sak cut and up

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**2/6 CAN (CDO) REGT**

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*1294 SECRET (.) sitrep No 40 to 261200i (.) MATAPAU  
SITNOR arty report suitable bty posn able to engage  
MALIN SOLITA (.) 252050i V594303 one JAP killed  
on bootay trap 11260600i one own killed same  
place ~~and time~~ ~~by trap~~ may have been  
that ~~first~~ by two JAPS <sup>seen</sup> who fled SOUTH and  
~~captured~~ (.) tracks followed SOUTH NMS (.) 260600i  
V567297 one JAP killed two own wounded <sup>slightly</sup>  
~~by traps~~ (.) ~~251415i~~ one JAP barge  
about since FBE powerless found V570303  
in good condition being salvaged (.) 251415i  
V577285 one JAP approached from WEST that  
at and disappeared (.) A coy 2/8 ant inf bn  
relieved Bcoy 2/4 ant inf bn IDAKAIBUL (.) Bcoy  
2/8 ant inf bn relieved 2/11 ant inf bn at FORK  
OUTLOOK (.) check cas reveals four extra JAPS  
killed V568299 (.) ~~tempary fled~~ ~~DANMAP~~ ~~but~~  
~~at day night~~ ~~restored~~ ~~at morning~~ large  
unit DANMAP and DANRRIWAD night of 25/26 dec  
submitting this morning all info*

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

1298 SECRET (1) Mtrp No 41 & 271200i (1) adv HQ  
 2/11 airt in ltr opened v 576302 271200i (1) Coastal  
 sector SITNOR (1) from FORK one patrol strength 1/15  
 departed for ch sq v 5727 270600i and one patrol  
 1/12 departed for v 532257 via BOMB CREEK 270600i  
 (1) 261700i B Coy 2/4 airt in ltr completed return  
 to SUAIN (1) C and D Coys 2/5 airt in ltr  
 arrived LUAIN 271030i (1) were personnel  
 of 2/9 Cav cdo sq and 2/3 airt MG Co  
 SUAIN (1) air (1) tone R report three  
 shelters v 655283 (1) MALIN & WALUM  
 NO change (1) two huts in fair condition  
 v 587239 all info

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

1307 SECRET (.) strip No 42 to 281200i (.) COASTAL SECTOR (.)  
 one JAP killed one PW 271335i V576298 PW sent on (.)  
 280840i enemy seen fwd MATAPAU patrol out NO  
 report (.) JAP biv recently occupied by two men  
 V612304 (.) patrols one sec each departed 280700i follow  
 ROCKY POINT for V608289 from LAZY CREEK for V598284  
 and V589288 from V570302 for V584280 (.) except  
 element, HQ com at mouth DANMAP all 2111 airtel  
 to EAST V57 grid line (.) FORK (.) patrols FORK  
 OUTLOOK SOUTH to creek sq V5727 return along  
 DANMAP up to 271200i NMS (.) patrol to EVE V532257  
 returned 271600 NMS unable locate track shown on  
 map (.) patrol out 270600i in 271130i covered from  
 IDAKAIBUK to V586235 along high ground to V560238  
 to IDAKAIBUK NMS (.) patrol to V616246 returned  
 271600i NMS ~~at 271130i report engaged JAPS~~  
~~...~~ all infm

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For Action <b>Loop 758</b>			
<b>TO</b> <b>6 AUST DIV</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)		Message Instructions <b>GR</b>
<b>2/6 AUST CAV (CDO) REGT</b>			<b>80X 164</b>

ORIGINATOR'S No.

**1311 SECRET (1) sitrep No 43 to 291200i (1) COASTAL SECTOR**  
 (1) patrol out 280840i to investigate JAPS seen EAST MATAPAU  
 at 280945i at V 627303 killed one JAP (1) 281040i V 635301 one  
 JAP running EAST (1) mov vicinity V 635297 seen same  
 time (1) 281300i 4/5 JAPS seen CAPS DJERVAN mov EAST (1)  
 290600i one JAP seen ~~near~~ WAKIP RIVER V 627303 tracks  
 of two men seen leading upstream (1) body of JAP killed  
 28 dec had been removed (1) patrols from <sup>cost</sup> ~~west~~ 28 dec  
 as in sitrep 42 sighted one JAP V 581280 one V 610293 (1)  
**SOUTHERN SECTOR** (1) patrols 28 dec from FORK across NW  
 slope OUTLOOK to V 576296 returned via V 562283 NMS (1)  
 patrols from IDAKAIBUL to V 576265 to INAMBUKE CREEK  
 and return NMS (1) patrol to V 586231 back along NE slope  
 of 1240 feature NMS (1) 290600i patrols departed FORK for  
 STRAIGHT CREEK intention return IKAM and EAST to  
 sq V 5928 (1) 291200i patrol departed IDAKAIBUL intention  
 mouth V 588235 thru EAST to feature V 610237 thru  
 NORTH DANMAP and return (1) by river DANMAP  
 28/29 dec now subdividing all info

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1322 SECRET (1) Sitrep No 44 to 301200; (1) COAST SECTOR (1)  
290930; V635300 on JAP landing EAST (1) area of interest  
near JAP line V627303 11 300955; V 632295 patrol moving  
to near JAP track <sup>V 642286</sup> encountered approx 6 JAPS  
killed two (1) patrol near 70 yds encountered MGC  
and rifle fire two own killed (1) patrol withdrew unable  
recover bodies (1) area engaged by arty results NOT  
known (1) patrol to V609298 found many old JAP  
pans (1) track leading to KUMAI patch V609283 (1) other  
pans along slopes V610297 (1) 290845; V575294 (1) JAPS  
killed approx 30 huts in area being searched today (1)  
300945; V566295 four JAPS killed two captured (1)  
SOUTHERN SECTOR (1) patrol from OUTLOOK saw one JAP  
V596294 (1) all other patrols 29 dec within silbo 43  
NMS (1) patrol early 30 dec found apparent JAP footprints  
V564306 (1) patrol 30 dec moving to V600270 via  
SLEEPY CREEK (1) from IDAKAIBUL to INACAME  
near both branches up to V605270  
and features V610257 (1) on  
EVE V 532257

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2/6 AUST CAV (COO) REGT

ORIGINATOR'S No.

1329 SECRET (.) Sitrep NO 45 to 311200i (.) COASTAL SECTOR (.) 301517i arty engaged 25/30 JAPS V628303 on target enemy dispersed (.) 310624i patrol one pl moving to VTAGAMAGIM CREEK V630295 thence on to V644280 return along coast (.) 301300i search of area V575295 found cave with 300 rifles (.) unable salvage being blown today (.) 30dec patrols SOUTHERN SECTOR (.) patrol FORK to V532260 found track leading SOUTH NO signs recent use (.) patrol from ~~FORK~~ OUTLOOK via V576270 encountered one JAP off seven ORs in creek V580266 at 300845i off and two others wounded (.) patrol from FORK via V570272 EAST to V600275 where at 301030i encountered one JAP capt 6/7 ORs wounded three (.) patrol to INAMBULE creek as in sitrep 44 found recent footprints V614258 leading SE across ARINIA CREEK to approx V620252 (.) late report from arty seven JAPS V628303 310645i engaged unobtruded results

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<b>TO</b> 6AUST DIV. (re) For Information (INFO.) 2/6AUST CAVALDO REGT	For Action Log 817	Message Instructions	GR

ORIGINATOR'S No. 3353SECRET @ retr no 46 to 311800 @ IDAKAIBUL  
 area with ~~MTL~~ 310945L patrol along UTAGAMAGIN  
 CREEK fired on by 30/35 enemy with two LMGs and number of rifles  
 at V 631298 @ own cas one killed 3 wounded enemy cas nine killed  
 four wounded @ two native huts one lean to in area @ enemy  
 defences located two bunkers and <sup>one</sup> foxhole vicinity huts

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<p style="text-align: center;"><i>For Action</i></p> <p>2/4 2/8 2/11 AUST INF BNS 2/3 AUST FD REGT 2/3 AUST MG BN 2/20 2/21 2/22 AUST SUP DEPOT HLS 2/7 AUST FD AMB</p>			<p>Message Instructions <b>GR</b></p>
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**ORIGINATOR'S No.**

1242 SECRET (.) revsit No 50 to 201500i (.) at 191500i to 191800i our mortars harrassing fire on enemy posn V568298 (.) at 191800i rear HQ D coy at V563308 attacked by three JAPS who withdrew SOUTH (.) at 191830i 10 JAPS seen crossing DANMAP at V560304 moving WEST (.) 191820i one JAP killed ROCKY PT (.) carrying party fired on by JAPS at V568304 at 191800i (.) own intermittent fire from C coy up to 192235i (.) one JAP killed V57730i at 200555i (.) B coy patrols to ARIUA CREEK up to 19 dec NIL report (.) patrols towards MATAPAU NMS (.) total cas 2/4 aust inf bn 3 dec 20 dec seven killed 11 wounded JAPS 56 killed 4 PW (.) HQ 2/11 aust inf bn opened SUAIN 201835i (.) 2/8 aust inf bn SITNOR (.) 2/3 aust fd regt five tks of C sqn 2/4 aust armd regt commenced mov to SUAIN to day (.) adv HQ 19 aust inf bde moves to SUAIN 21 dec (.) TONG (.) C coy 2/5 aust inf bn arrived YASUAR 191700i (.) A tp 2/7 sqn departed for MAKUIR via NIALU with native train 191300i and 200700i (.) YAMBES YASILE areas SITNOR (.) 71 JAPS proceeding to MUSIMBILIM from YASE via V285061 181830i (.) natives report enemy at SAHIK by night hide in bush SE by day (.) air (.) cloud TONG area prevented strikes (.) tpt plane reported twin engined float plane two miles off WEWAK report doubtful (.) surrender leaflets dropped MALIN ARIUA ABAU areas all infm

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 268 SECRET (.) revsit no 57 to 211700I (.) high water 20 dec  
 DANMAP prevented crossing down late in afternoon (.) local patrols  
 along coastal sector and OUT LOOK NMS (.) JAPS at V568298  
 harrassed by arty fire night 20/21 dec (.) 210600I patrol 40  
 strong departed IDAKAIBUL to recce MALIN area with tac R help (.)  
 patrol to V569258 at 201200I killed two japs found two dead (.)  
 air strike made on JAPS 211130I on target (.) patrols in afternoon  
 found area evacuated (.) during afternoon on SW slopes OUTLOOK 18  
 pl 2/4 aust inf bn killed 21 JAPS own cas one killed (.) pl 2/11  
 aust inf bn killed two JAPS at near same areas (.) 8/10 JAPS fled  
 EAST towards bank DANMAP (.) 2/11 aust inf bn relieved coastal  
 sector and OUTLOOK (.) total JAP cas inflicted by 2/4 and 2/11  
 aust inf bns 3 dec to 21 dec 81 killed 4 PW (.) this adv hq  
 opened SUAIN 211200I (.) five tanks '0' sqn 2/4 aust armd regt  
 arrived LUAIN 201300I all informed

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(A) ADV HQ 19 aust inf bde

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2/3 aust MG bn; 1C1 sqn 2/4 aust armd regt;  
2/1 aust GT pl; 2/20, 2/21, 2/22 aust sup dep pls;

**TO** 2/7 aust fd amb

(w) For Information (INFO.)

REAR HQ 19 aust inf bde

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 276 SECRET (.) revsit no 58 to 221600I (.) patrol base with  
FOO and LT est MATAPAU 221300I (.) 210820I D coy 2/4 aust inf bn  
crossed DANMAP at FORK moving NE to area V568298 (.) 8 JAPS reported  
following (.) at 221115I two JAPS killed (.) one killed 221600I  
area V566296 (.) two JAP offrers among dead 21 dec (.) 75 mm gun  
found at FORK (.) patrol from B coy 21 dec to MALIN and SOLITA  
heard shots ARIUA GREEK and SOLITA (.) MALIN NMS (.) further  
patrol at V576250 found two JAP dead killed two others (.) 2/11  
aust inf bn relieves 2/4 aust inf bn on coastal area 23 dec (.)  
2/3 aust fd regt completed concentration to-day in area SUAIN -  
LUAIN RHQ V521322 (.) 2/8 aust inf bn commences movement to SUAIN  
23 dec (.) sitreps of TONG - LAMBUAIN areas NOT yet received  
all informed

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<p><i>For Action</i></p> <p>2/4, 2/8, 2/11 must inf bns; 10' sqn 2/4 must arm'd regt; 2/3 must fd regt; 2/3 must HQ bn; 2/20, 2/21, 2/22 must sup dep pls; 2/1 must OF pl; 2/7 must fd sqn</p>			<p>Message Instructions</p> <p>GR</p>
<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)  16 must inf bde	<p>Log 645</p>	

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 280 (.) SECRET (.) revisit no 59 to 231500I (.) patrol base at NATAPAU increased to one pl 231100I HQB (.) at 230610I three JAPS killed V567304 (.) 230730I one JAP killed V565294 big man in good condition (.) B coy patrols to square V5627 V5727 report two huts evidence of sak sak production recent footmarks (.) patrolling of DANMAP to FORK coast and OUTLOOK HQB (.) afternoon 23 dec ALBU CREEK area own cas one killed one wounded HQ DETAILS TO HAND (.) Comd coastal sector passed to 2/11 must inf bn incl FORK - OUTLOOK at 231500I (.) JAP cas inflicted up to 230800I 2/4 must inf bn 88 killed 4 PW (.) 2/11 must inf bn 5 killed (.) own cas to 231600I 10 killed 14 wounded (.) HQ 2/11 must inf bn now INAIN (.) HQ 2/4 must inf bn SUAIN (.) 2/7 cav sqn now concentrated LAMBUAIN V494191 as from 231600I (.) natives reported 20 JAPS foraging in ANIK V493184 20 dec (.) TONG area now controlled by two coys 2/5 must inf bn known as PIPER FORCE (.) area TONG EAST to SONGAIN SE to YAMBES SOUTH to MUSIBILIM and YAUATONG clear of enemy 20 dec (.) evidence of JAP mov SOUTH and EAST (.) nine JAPS killed YAMBES 14/15 dec (.) AIR (.) TAG R 23 dec few JAPS seen ABAU area some with packs (.) log barricade seen V658243 covering track

(.) JAP camp V9425 bombed 230350I results unobserved all informed

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2/4 2/8 2/11 AUST INF BNS C SQN 2/4 AUST ARMD REGT			
2/3 AUST FD REGT 2/3 AUST MG BN 2/20 2/21 2/22			
AUST SUP DEPOT PLS 2/7 AUST FD AMB			
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**ORIGINATOR'S No.**

1286 SECRET (.) reysit No 60 to 241500i (.) 241000i

relief of 2/4 aust inf bn in coastal sector completed (.) B coy IDAKAIBUL only 2/4 aust inf bn unit now in ops to be relieved by 26 dec (.) adv HQ 2/8 aust inf bn opened LUAIN 240715i concentration to be complete 27 dec (.) <sup>①</sup>231740i one JAP killed ROCKY POINT (.) <sup>②</sup>15 JAP dead found 231300i V588244 (.) TONG (.) <sup>①</sup>YASUAR two pls YAMBES two pls YASILE YAPOMBIL one each (.) <sup>②</sup>JAPS appear to be withdrawing SOUTH to MIWHAK V3202 EAST beyond YAMBES (.) <sup>③</sup>WALUM occupied by JAPS unknown strength (.) natives have killed 30/40 JAPS these areas recently (.) air (.) <sup>③</sup>tac R 24 dec report 4/5 JAPS ABAU NIL mov seen WEST of ABAU to DANMAP (.) serviceable MT stores and gardens along coast BUT WEWAK attacked with good results all infm

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<b>TO</b> (w) For Information (INFO.)  16 AUST INF BDE		Message Instructions	GR

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

1291 SECRET (.) revsit No 61 to 2515001 (.) one JAP  
 surrendered 2508401 at V561309 (.) patrol 2414001 report biv area  
 V627302 NOT occupied for three weeks (.) also 37 mm gun unservice-  
 able 16 rds amm (.) rd to CAPE DJERUAN jeepable except crossing  
 V627302 bulldozer could prepare (.) other areas DANMAP SITNOR (.)  
 total JAP cas to 2508401 inflicted by 19 aust inf bde 94 killed  
 17 found dead 5 PW (.) TONG (.) 2310301 YAUATONG V268264 one pl  
 PIPERFORCE YOURANG V314082 two pls (.) NANAHANG V325059 WINYAMON  
 V263054 clear (.) natives report PEREMBIL occupied by JAPS who  
 killed one native (.) LAMBUAIN (.) 2310001 patrol to junc V478178  
 NIL report (.) 2408001 one tp departed LAMBUAIN to est base ARUK and  
 fwd posn V513189 (.) KAMTI and other areas SITNOR (.) air (.)  
 tac R 25 dec tracks recently used V706284 ABAU SOLITA big areas  
 sac sac cut MALIN NMS (.) PEREMBIL V3907 accurately bombed (.)  
 suspected barges hideouts and JAPS bombed WEWAK areas (.)  
 surrender leaflets dropped various areas all info

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TO (w) For Information (INFO.) 16 aust inf bde			

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 297 SECRET (.) revsit no 62 to 261500I (.) DANMAP SECTOR (.)

MATAPAU SITNOR (.) 252050I V574303 one JAP killed on booby trap (.)  
 260600I V567297 one JAP killed by booby trap (.) own cas 25/26 dec  
 one killed two wounded (.) JAP boat found V570303 recent signs of use  
 (.) V577285 251415I one JAP seen fled into bush (.) recheck cas  
 shows three extra JAPS killed V568299 during actions there (.) total  
 JAP cas inflicted by 19 aust inf bde to 260600I 100 killed 17 found  
 dead 5 PW (.) total this comd 3 nov to 260600I 283 killed 18 PW (.)  
 total EAST AITAPE since 22 apr 9366 killed 171 PW (.) 2/8 aust inf  
 bn relieved IDAKAIBUL - PORK - OUTLOOK to-day (.) A coy 2/11 aust inf  
 bn now at LAZY CREEK (.) TONG (.) fighting patrol moving via  
 YOURANG V314082 MUSINGAY V334053 to clear MIWHAK V3203 (.) natives  
 report few JAPS WOMSAK V5209 (.) MALAHUM - ILLAPOP V5598 JAPS in  
 strength with pro JAP natives (.) 36 JAPS V5402 (.) party JAPS V498080  
 (.) 40 JAPS V480080 (.) LAMBUAIN (.) A tp 2/7 sqn est def posn ARUK  
 V495184 with sec at V513189 SITNOR (.) KAMPI areas SITNOR (.) air (.)  
 MUSINAU V377064 bombed strafed three huts destroyed (.) barges on  
 SOUTH coast KAIRIRU ISLAND bombed all informed

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For Action			Message Instructions <b>GR</b>
<p>2/4 2/8 2/11 AUST INF BNS 2/9 AUST CAV (CDO) REGT                  "C" SQN 2/4 AUST ARMD REGT 2/3 AUST FD REGT                  2/3 AUST MG BN 2/21 2/20 2/22 AUST SUP DEPOT PLS                  2/1 AUST TPT PL 2/7 AUST PD AMB</p>			
<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)  <b>16 AUST INF BDE</b>		

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

**1302**

**SECRET** (.) revsit No 63 to 2715001 (.) adv HQ 2/11

aust inf bn est 2712001 at V576302 (.) 2714001 one JAP killed one PW  
 at V576298 (.) patrols departed FORK 2706001 for BOMB CREEK to  
 V532258 also SLEEPY CREEK (.) patrol departed IDAKAIBUL 2706001 for  
 ALBU CREEK along high ground to V563240 then return to base (.) C and  
 D coys 2/8 aust inf bn arrived LUAIN 2710301 (.) recon parties 2/9  
 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn and 2/3 Aust MG bn in area (.) 2/9 aust cav (cdo)  
 sqn under comd as from 2606001 (.) TONG (.) extensive patrolling  
 YAMBES YAUATONO MUSIMBILIN 25 dec NIL reports (.) fighting patrols  
 to MIHNAK V3202 MUSINAU V378063 NO report (.) JAPS in areas PELNANDU  
 V423057 ENUL V3404 SAMISAI V4108 (.) <sup>LAMBUAIN (.)</sup> 2511001 patrol left LAMBUAIN for  
 V565200 moving EAST along DANMAP (.) patrols 25 dec V565191 KUMBA  
 CREEK V531172 V540160 NIL report (.) air (.) 2612001 PEREMBIL V393077  
 bombed and strafed (.) t c R (.) three shelters V655233 (.) two  
 hqts V587239 all infm

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 "C" SQN 2/4 AUST ARMD REGT 2/3 AUST FD REGT  
 2/3 AUST MG BN 2/21 2/22 SUP DEPOT PLS  
 2/1 AUST TPT PL 2/7 AUST FD AMB

**TO**

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

1309 SECRET (.) revsit No 64 to 2815001 (.) COASTAL SECTOR

2808401 two JAPS seen EAST of MATAPAU patrol killed one other escaped  
 (.) recently used biv area at V612304 (.) patrols 27 dec along coast  
 SOUTH of OUTLOOK to SLEEPY CREEK up BOMB CREEK to V532257 SOUTH along  
 ALBU CREEK and to high ground V5624 EAST to V616246 all NIL reports (.)  
 patrols today probing from coast to 1500 feature (.) LAMBUAIN (.)  
 patrol base A tp 2/7 sqn est V560186 less one sec NMS (.) TONG (.) 30  
 JAPS at V392058 attacked by our patrol 2705001 withdrew (.) MUSINAU  
 V378065 occupied by 20/30 JAPS 60 others in vicinity (.) natives 25  
 dec attacked JAPS at SISANGOM CREEK V365040 (.) air (.) 12 BEAUFORTS  
 dropped incendiaries on PEREMBIL 2710001 air strike same place 24 dec  
 killed 29 JAPS wounded 17 (.) tac R (.) fresh cut sak sak WALUM (.)  
 well defined track V585188 goes towards ITITIKA V6017 (.) gardens WEWAK  
 well kept inland rds from W3205 W3506 used more than coast rd  
 all infm

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 2/9 AUST CAV (CDO) SQN 2/3 AUST FD REGT  
 2/3 AUST MG BN 2/21 2/22 AUST SUP DEPOT PLS  
 2/1 AUST TPT PL 2/7 AUST FD AMB

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ORIGINATOR'S No. 1318 SECRET (.) revsit No 65 to 2915001 (.) small parties

JAPS seen CAPE DJERUAN area moving EAST with packs (.) patrols  
 28 dec sighted one JAP V582280 another V608290 (.) 29 dec body of  
 JAP killed 2809451 at V627303 had been removed (.) other patrols  
 FORK OUTLOOK IDAKAIBUL NIL reports (.) two JAPS killed 29 dec head-  
 waters LAZY CREEK (.) LAMBUAIN (.) 2717001 five JAPS at outpost  
 V563189 (.) police boys report JAPS WALUM V578191 (.) TONG (.)  
 2711001 17 JAPS ambushed V386081 10 killed (.) 50 JAPS killed by  
 natives 26 nov 24 dec <sup>WOMSAK</sup> (.) KAMPI YAPUNDA PALAURU patrols reduced  
 to one sec each (.) air (.) three shelters V655283 (.) ashes of  
 fires V638248 V646250 all infm

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2/3 aust MG bn; 2/21, 2/22 aust sup dep pls;  
2/1 aust tpt pl; 2/7 aust fd amb

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*Leg 791*

**ORIGINATOR'S No.**

I326 SECRET (.) revsit no 66 to 301600I (.) COASTAL SECTOR (.)

patrol moving up UTAGAMAMIM CREEK encountered est force 15 JAPS with  
LMGs and rifles V632295 300955I two JAPS killed two own killed  
patrol withdrew (.) area engaged by arty results unknown (.) 301517I  
arty engaged 25/30 JAPS V628303 JAPS dispersed shells landed among  
them but results unobserved (.) cave with 300 rifles found near  
headwaters LAZY CREEK V575295 (.) 300940I 5 JAPS killed V566295  
one escaped documents recovered of importance (.) patrol IDAKAIBUL  
area NO report yet (.) 29 dec TONG (.) patrol to MUSINAU V378064  
found four JAPS killed by air action (.) MIMAU V392058 three JAPS  
one native guiding them killed (.) LAMBUAIN (.) one dead JAP at  
WALUM (.) A tp 2/7 sqn moving to V584185 being reinforced from  
LAMBUAIN (.) 40 JAPS reported SE WALUM (.) air (.) strikes on  
PEREMBIL MUSINAU MIMAU (.) tac R (.) ABAU - MALIN track worn  
where visible (.) fresh shelters seen V656280 (.) one JAP V646256  
all informed

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<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.) 16 AUST INF BDE		

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**ORIGINATOR'S No.**

I 336 SECRET (.) revsit no 67 to 312000I (.) COASTAL SECTOR (.)  
 300950I at V633297 patrol killed two JAPS (.) 300958I at V633298 our  
 patrol ambushed own cas two killed enemy cas NIL (.) 301100I patrol to  
 headwaters LAZY CREEK NMS (.) 310945I patrol along UTAGAMAGIM CREEK  
 fired on by 30/35 JAPS with two LMGs and number of rifles at V631298  
 (.) own cas 1 killed 3 wounded enemy cas 9 killed 4 wounded (.) patrol  
 withdrew unable to extricate own killed (.) two native huts one lean-  
 to (.) enemy defences located two bunkers one foxhole (.) 30 dec (.)  
 patrol from FORK along DANMAP to V600275 saw one JAP captain six or  
 seven ors at V600275 enemy cas three wounded own cas NIL (.) cave with  
 rifles reported in revsit no 66 demolished 31 dec (.) SLEEPY CREEK area  
 30 dec (.) patrol to V580267 saw one offr seven ors in creek engaged  
 enemy cas one offr two ors wounded (.) own cas NIL (.) 30 dec patrol to  
 V532260 NMS (.) TONG (.) 29 dec fighting patrol occupied MUSTINAU V378064  
 found four JAPS killed by air strike (.) 29 dec patrol at MIMAU V392058  
 fired on seven JAPS with native guide (.) enemy cas guide and three  
 JAPS killed own cas NIL (.) 291400I at V392072 two JAPS killed two  
 wounded (.) PEREMBIL area estimated 80 JAPS in area (.) LAMBUAIN (.)  
 one tp 2/7 aust cav (cdo) sqn occupied unmapped village WALUM 2 V584185  
 (.) air (.) 301030I PEREMBIL incl NORTH and WEST slopes strafed huts  
 destroyed all informed

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19 AUST INF BDE TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO 10.

1. 2/11 and 2/8 Aust Inf Bns will conduct tactical exercises with tanks in the YAKAMUL area. Two Tps C Sqn 2/4 Aust Armd Regt are attached to 19 Aust Inf Bde for this purpose. The following periods are allotted, 2/11 Aust Inf Bn 15/24 Dec, 2/8 Aust Inf Bn 26 Dec 6 Jan.
2. The principles enumerated in Appx "A" attached will be rigidly adhered to.
3. Training will be progressive.
  - (a) All inf tps will become familiar with the capabilities and limitations of the tanks.
  - (b) Inf section comds and pl comds will practice indication of targets to tanks and passing of fire orders, both by SCR 536 and intercommtelephone.
  - (c) Platoons and Coys will practice attacks in the following types of country -
    - (i) Advance along a jungle trail in thick jungle. These exercises need not go beyond platoon standard. The main road will NOT be used for training.
    - (ii) Attacks in kunai and low scrub, such as exists in the YAKAMUL Mission area. Both pl and coy exercises are to be carried out in this phase. In this type of country comd of the tanks should be centralised in the highest commander as long as is possible. Only in the very last stages is it necessary to decentralise control of individual tanks down to sec comds. The tp should be used as the fire unit as long as possible as it is able to produce its fire most effectively in this fashion. Infantry must keep right up with the tanks supporting them.

*J D Murray*  
Maj  
BM 19 Aust Inf Bde  
J D Murray

Distribution

2/4 Aust Inf Bn	1
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2/11 Aust Inf Bn	3
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Principles for employment of Tanks in Jungle.

- (1) Tanks will NOT be used for recce.
- (2) Tanks will have a permanent escort, not forming part of the sub-unit carrying out the attack. Each individual tank will be escorted to prevent it being attacked with grenades, etc.
- (3) The closest liaison between commanders of all grades and the comd and crew of the tanks must exist at all times.
- (4) The job of the infantry is to find the target, and direct the fire of the tank into the target. Methods of indication of targets and correcting fire of tanks onto the target, if it is difficult to define, must be practised.
- (5) The job of the tank is to destroy or neutralise the target prior to an assault by infantry.
- (6) There must be no "chatter" over the air. Where SCR 536 Sets are used for tank-inf co-operation they must as far as possible be kept for that purpose alone.
- (7) There must be a tank commander on the ground with a SCR 536 Set with the leading inf coy (or sometimes pl) comd. He exercises control over the tactical deployment and the fire of the tanks, in accordance with the infantry comd's plan, and is at all times available as a tank adviser.

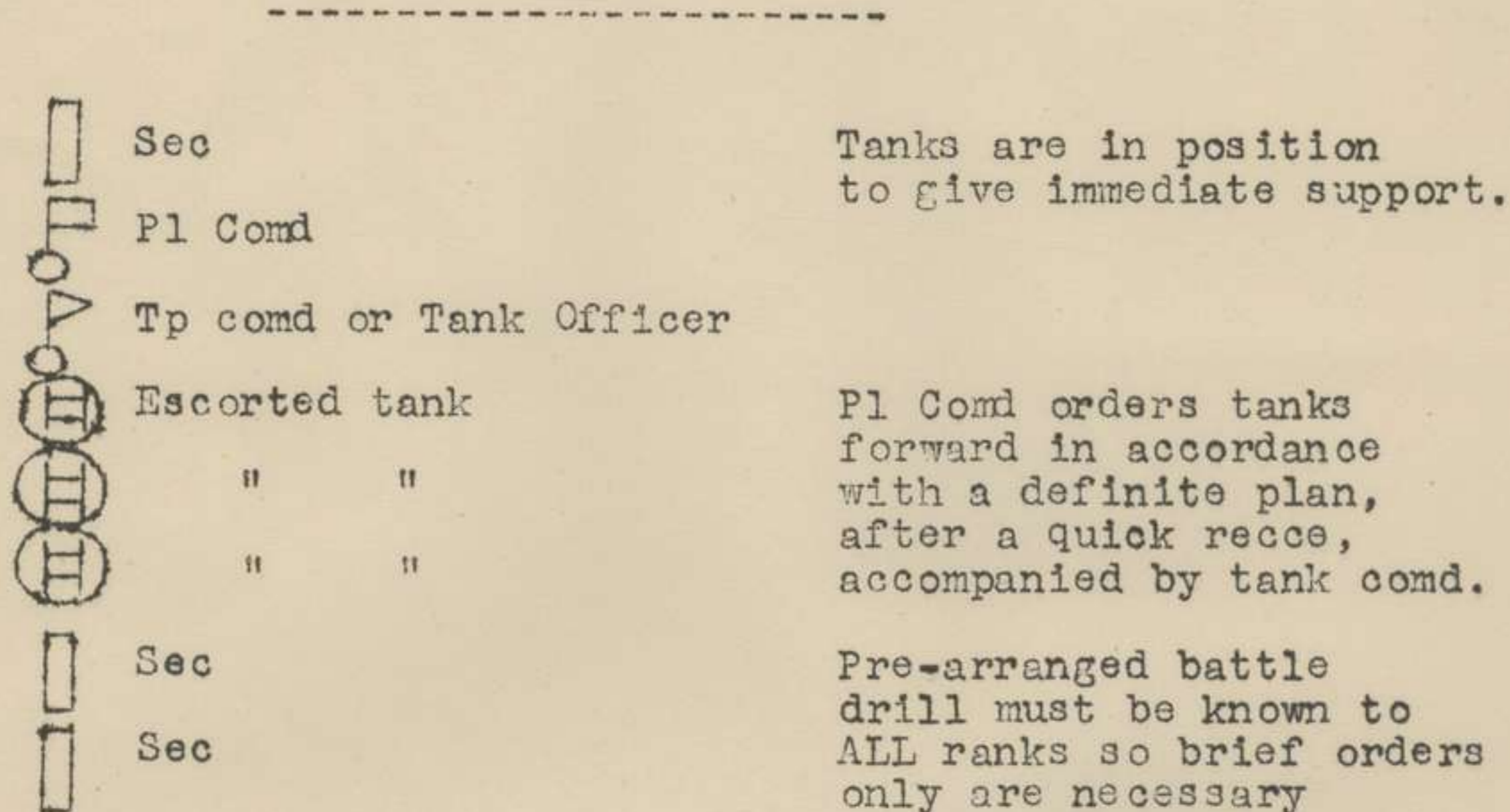
In this respect the inf comd should seek his advice, and the tank comd should proffer advice in cases where it is not sought and he deems it necessary.

- (8) Where mines or tank obstacles are encountered, infantry must clear the obstruction before tanks pass, being covered by the fire of the tanks from the near side of the obstruction.

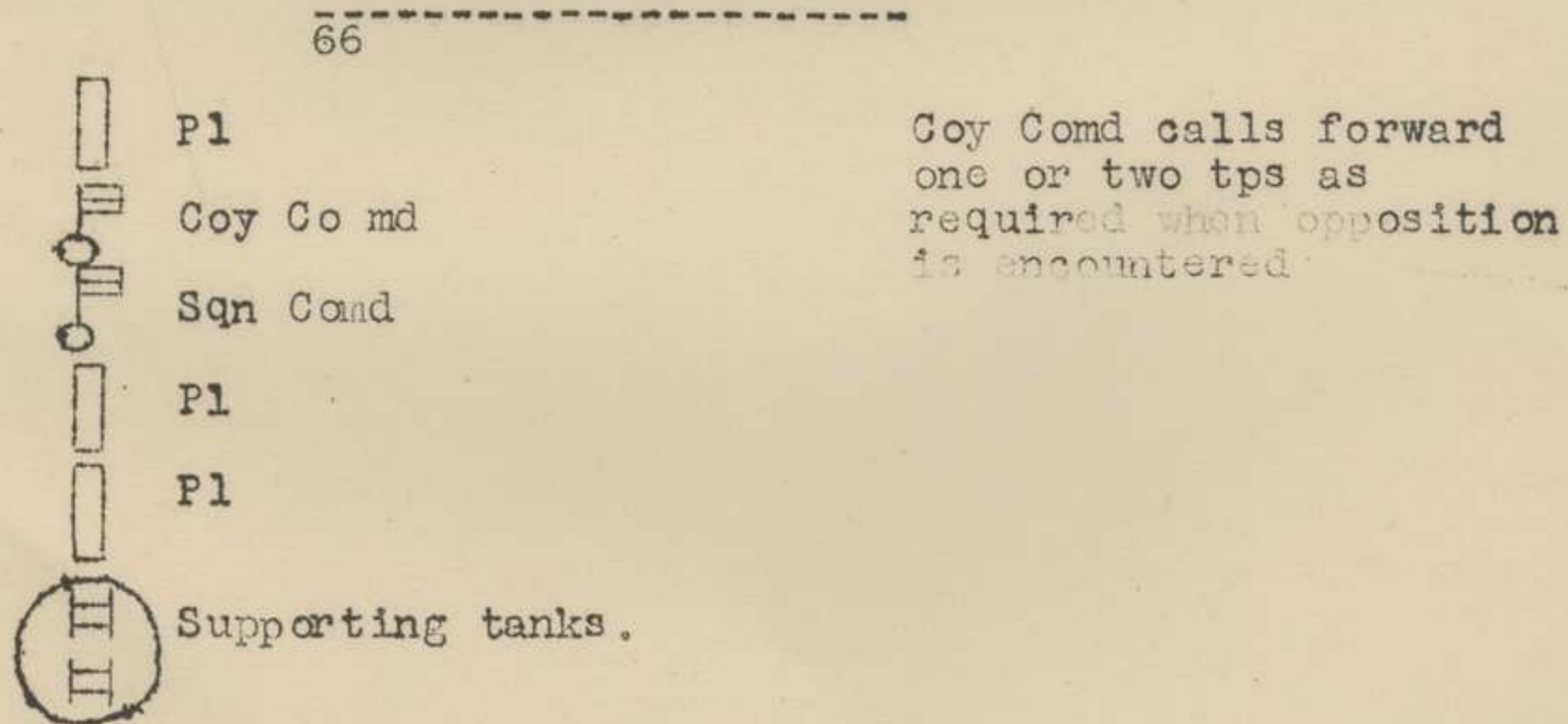


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 Trg Instr No 10  
 of 14 Dec 44.

Suggested formation for a Pl advancing along a jungle trail with a tp of tanks in support, when early opposition is expected as a result of prior recce.



Suggested formation for a coy moving along a jungle trail supported by tanks when opposition from a succession of rearguard positions is expected



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19 AUST INF BDE OP INSTR NO 3

Ref Maps : SUAIN EAST )  
          BUT : WEST ) 1 inch to 1 mile

To Lt-Col N W P FARRELL  
2/4 Aust Inf Bn

INFM

1. Enemy

No change from daily situation reviews.

2. Own Tps

- (a) 2/6 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt is to establish a patrol base in the MAKUIR (LAMBUAIN) area V420193 with a view to
  - (i) reconnoitring a comm route via CHEM V407205 to the DANDRIWAD and BABIANG;
  - (ii) patrolling along the MUAM (DANMAP) RIVER to creek junction V513189 and establishing a fwd base in that area;
  - (iii) reconnaissance of the track between creek junction V513189 - BOMB CREEK - SUAIN.
- (b) 17 Aust Inf Bde in addition to manning the MLR, is responsible for patrol activity south of the TORRICELLI MOUNTAINS, the area west of a north-south line through MUSU V410071, and is to establish patrol bases at PALAURU, YAPENDA and TONG, relieving 2/6 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt in these areas.
- (c) Air  
71 Wing RAAF is in support 6 Aust Div and requests for air support may be submitted through this HQ.

TASK IN GEN

- 3. You will be relieved in DRINIUMOR RIVER area by 2/8 Aust Inf Bn, relief to be complete by 20 Dec. Orders for relief will be issued separately.
- 4. You will concentrate your unit in the NUSITE area and take immediate steps to establish fwd bases and patrol offensively.

TASKS IN PARTICULAR

- 5. You will determine whether OUTLOOK feature V569288 and the area between OUTLOOK and the DANMAP RIVER, from the mouth to FORK V556291 are occupied and if so in what strength.
- 6. In the event of the area referred to in para 4 being only lightly held, you will clear the enemy from the area, establish standing patrols on OUTLOOK, and secure the coast rd about CREEK V576302.
- 7. Having secured a bridgehead across the DANMAP you will patrol fwd along the coast and the high ground to the south to clear the area as far as ROCKY POINT V592303.
- 8. You will establish control of the area LEBRUN - IDAKAIBUL incl.

9. In event of the IDAKAIBUL area being clear of the enemy you will ~~seize a position to cover the tracks~~

- (a) IDAKAIBUL - mouth of DANMAP
- (b) IDAKAIBUL - MALIN
- (c) IDAKAIBUL - WALUM,

and patrol EAST as far as MALIN to determine enemy posns and as far south as is necessary for your own protection.

10. One Pl 2/4 Aust Inf Bn will come under comd 22 Aust Sup Depot Pl at 0900 hrs 20 Dec, until that time you will be responsible for the protection of DID.

11. You will carry out a recce as soon as possible to determine if there is a suitable supply dropping ground in the area LEBRUN-IDAKAIBUL.

12. One sec 53 Aust Fd Bty, bty comd Maj FORBES, is moving to SUAIN area to carry out registration tasks under comd of CRA 6 Aust Div. You are at all times responsible for the protection of this section, and the bty comd is NOT to engage any targets without reference to you to ensure that patrols are NOT operating in the target area.

ADM

13. Contained in 19 Aust Inf Bde Adm Instr No 3 of 14 Dec 44.

INTERCOMN.

14. Two W/T dets 19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec will remain under your comd.

15. HQ 6 Aust Div is to construct line from BABIANG to SUAIN. You will be responsible for the protection of the line party whilst operating in that area.

16. ACK

Signed at 1800 hrs

Issued By DR + LO.

*J E G Martin*  
 for Brig  
 Comd 19 Aust Inf Bde  
 J E G Martin

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| Lt-Col W S HOWDEN, 2/8 Aust Inf Bn    | 2     |
| Lt-Col H M BINKS, 2/11 Aust Inf Bn    | 3     |
| Maj FORBES, 53 Aust Fd Bty            | 4     |
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19 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTR 3

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          SUAIN WEST ) 1 in to 1 mile

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          19 Aust Inf Bde 00 2

To be read in conjunction with 6 Aust Div Adm Instr 14)

GENERAL

1. This instr deals with the adm arrangements in the DRINIUMOR, YAKAMUL and BABIANG areas with particular reference to the move of 2/4 Aust Inf Bn.

ACCN

2. On mov, only tentage necessary for adm offices, storage, etc, will be taken EAST of the DRINIUMOR river.
3. Personnel will live in tents, shelter, half.
4. Only the following items of accn huttage will be taken.
  - (a) Kitchen safes.
  - (b) Shower buckets
  - (c) Tank 200 gal and 400 gal
  - (d) Latrine seats.
  - (e) Material for Down-draught latrines.
5. This HQ has indented for flywire, drums and materials for "Down draught" latrines, and will deliver same to units. Where possible this HQ will replace tanks 200 gall for tanks 400 gal.
6. 2/8 Aust Inf Bn will establish a dump in the present 2/4 Aust Inf Bn area for all tents and huttage of the bde. 2/8 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for the checking of all such tents and huttage, and will arrange for suitable storage. 6 Aust Div will arrange further disposal.

In the event of vacating present area at YAKAMUL, 2/11 Aust Inf bn will establish a central dump for all surplus huttage. Bde TO will arrange delivery to central base dump.

SUPS

7. DID's are est as follows:-
  - (a) TIVER (145426) - for all units WEST of DRINIUMOR RIVER
  - (b) YAKAMUL (261390) - for all units EAST of DRINIUMOR river and west of DRIMBOL pltn (387361)
  - (c) BABIANG (407354) - for all units EAST of DRIMBOL pltn.
8. A Fd Bakery is being est at BABIANG, and AASC is responsible for delivery of bread to DID's.
9. Units will continue drawing rations etc from DID's until such time as 2/1 Aust GT Pl comes under comd, when rations etc will be delivered to units.

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10. Two Jeeps and trailers from HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde will be attached to 2/4 Aust Inf Bn from 151200i.
11. One Jeep and trailer from each 2/8 and 2/11 Aust Inf Bns will be attached to HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde from 151200i.
12. Detachments mentioned in para 9 and 10 will be in operation until notified to the contrary by HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde.
13. 6 x 2½ ton vehs supplied by 6 Aust Div will report to 2/4 Aust Inf Bn 121600i and will remain until all stores are moved.
14. Only essential pers will move in vehs.
15. 2 x 2½ ton vehs supplied by HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde will report 2/4 Aust Inf Bn 121600i, one will be returned 20 Dec 44, the other remaining until further notice.
16. On the mov of ADS, tpt will be supplied by HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde.

WATER

17. Water points are est as follows:

- (a) DRINIUMOR - (174417)
- (b) YAKAMUL (256391)
- (c) BABIANG (404356)

18. Water pts are open from 0500 hrs to 1700 hrs daily.

MED

19. (a) Main DS - remains present location
- (b) Adv ADS - BABIANG - time of opening to be advised.
- (c) ADS - TIVER closed 132359i
- (d) Car Post - YAKAMUL
- (e) Cap Post & Lt Sec - BABIANG.

20. (a) Personnel evacuated beyond RAP will only take the following items:-

- Mosquito nets
- Gas cape
- Toilet requisites
- Mess gear
- Change of clothing.

- (b) Packs/of evacuated personnel to be retained by unit.  
etc

DENTAL

21. Sec 2/2 Aust Dental Unit att to 2/8 Aust Inf Bn will attend to all personnel WEST of DRINIUMOR river.
22. Dental Officer temporarily att 2/11 Aust Inf Bn will only attend to urgent cases in the YAKAMUL-BABIANG area.
23. It is anticipated that a permanent Dental Sec will be att 2/11 Aust Inf Bn NOT later than 31 Dec 44.

POSTAL

24. FPO's are est at TIVER and YAKAMUL.
  - YAKAMUL - Outward mail closes 1000 hrs daily - Inward mail available from 1700 hrs.
  - TIVER - Outward mail closes 1000 hrs daily - Inward mail ready for collection 1630-1700 hrs.

PAY

25. As from pay day 28 Dec 44 a det 6 Aust Div Cash Office will be located at YAKAMUL. All units of the brigade group (excl MDS) will draw from this det.

CANTEEN

26. Dets AACs are located at TIVER and YAKAMUL - for drawing times see 19 Aust Inf Bde Q5/9/10 of 3 Dec and Q5/9/13 of 9 Dec.

SALVAGE

- 27. (a) Det 6 Aust Div Salvage unit opens TIVER DID 14 Dec 44, and will handle all Salvage and RSD Stores.
- (b) Units will contact this HQ regarding transport, except units drawing rations from DID TIVER who will utilise ration vehs.

AMENITIES

28. "GUINEA GOLD" will be forwarded to units by quickest available means.

29. Pictures will be provided under arrangement of Amenities Offr.

HYGIENE

- 30. (a) Down-draught latrines only will be used.
- (b) Shirts will be worn at all times except when troops are on swimming parades.
- (c) Bathing will be strictly controlled, and units will ensure that parades are held for personnel who wish to swim and that two look-outs per 30 men are stationed on the beach at all times when personnel are swimming. Units will ensure that an improvised reel is on the beach ready for immediate use should anyone get into difficulties.

PROVOST

31. Det 6 Aust Div Pro will be responsible for Traffic Control during any move.

NATIVES

32. 150 Natives with ANGAU reps will report to BABIANG on 13 Dec 44 for maint forward of SUAIN. 2/4 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for organizing them on arrival at BABIANG.

DRLS

33. Time table for DRLS to BABIANG will be notified in the near future. Until such DRLS is est all vehs moving to either YAKAMUL or BABIANG from the DRINIUMCE area will contact bde sig office before departing.

34. ACK

Method of issue *DRLS*  
Time of signature *11.14.00*

*P. Geddes* Capt  
SC 19 Aust Inf Bde  
P Geddes

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SUAIN EAST) 1 in to 1 mile

INFORMATION

1. Enemy

As contained in daily Revsits.

2. Own Tps

(a) 17 Aust Inf Bde is responsible for protecting the airfield and RADAR installations in the AITAPE - TADJI area.

(b) 2/6 Aust Cav (CDO) Regt has est a patrol base in the TONG (V290133) area to gain control of the immediate vicinity and patrol SOUTH to MIMBIOK (V200070), MUSU (V410071) and endeavour to est a forward base at MUSU.

3. Additional Tps Under Comd

53 Aust Fd Bty  
2/3 Aust MG Bn less two coys (on arrival this area)  
2/20 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
2/21 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
2/22 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
2/7 Aust Fd Amb

and in support

RAE 6 Aust Div

INTENTION

4. 19 Aust Inf Bde will -

(a) Occupy def posn in the YAKAMUL (V262390) DRINUIMOR RIVER area to prevent enemy movt EAST of the DRINUIMOR RIVER.

(b) Maintain contact with the enemy in the DANMAP RIVER area.

METHOD

5. Tps and Tasks

(a) 2/4 Aust Inf Bn with under comd -

53 Aust Fd Bty  
One coy less one pl 2/3 Aust MG Bn  
Two dets 19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec

will occupy def posn on the DRINUIMOR RIVER from the river to as far SOUTH as practicable

Task Hold def posn as above

(b) 2/11 Aust Inf Bn with under comd -

One coy less one pl 2/3 Aust MG Bn  
Det 19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec

will construct a def posn in the YAKAMUL area

Task (i) Prevent enemy movt WEST towards the DRINUIMOR RIVER along the coast rd

(ii) Be prepared to attack SOUTH against enemy forces



moving towards the DRINUIMOR RIVER

6. Reserve

2/8 Aust Inf Bn with under comd -

det 19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec

will construct def posn in the ANAMO area (V170420)

Task Be prepared to -

- (a) Counter attack EAST, SOUTH or WEST to assist either  
2/4 Aust Inf Bn or 2/11 Aust Inf Bn

7. FDLs

(a) 2/4 Aust Inf Bn NOT EAST of DRINUIMOR RIVER

(b) 2/8 Aust Inf Bn NOT EAST of COW CK (V182419)

(c) 2/11 Aust Inf Bn NOT EAST of NORTH SOUTH grid line 28

8. Boundaries

(a) 2/4 Aust Inf Bn ANAMO - AFUA track incl to as far NORTH as

(b) 2/8 Aust Inf Bn ANAMO - AFUA track to as far SOUTH as

9. Posns will be occupied by 9 Dec 44.

10. Arty

53 Aust Fd Bty under comd 2/4 Aust Inf Bn located at V174421 will

(a) Register DF tasks as indicated by CO 2/4 Aust Inf Bn

(b) Register DF tasks fwd of 2/11 Aust Inf Bn posn as indicated  
by CO 2/4 Aust Inf Bn

(c) Be prepared to support 2/8 Aust Inf Bn in counter attack role

11. MMG

2/3 Aust MG Bn less two coys will come under comd on arrival  
this area and will be allotted as follows -

One coy plus one pl 2/11 Aust Inf Bn

One coy less one pl 2/4 Aust Inf Bn

12. RAE

Subject to tasks already allotted by 6 Aust Div RAE will -

(a) Construct bridges and improve the rd NIGIA RIVER -  
DRINUIMOR RIVER.

(b) On completion of (a) above, construct bridges and improve  
rd as far EAST as BABIANG (V403353)

13. Patrol Responsibilities

(a) 2/4 Aust Inf Bn will -

(i) Relieve 2/7 Aust Cav (CDO) Sqn in the BABIANG - SUAIN  
(V532318) area

Task Maintain contact with enemy on the DANMAP RIVER  
and retain control of the area WEST of the DANMAP  
between the DANIMUL RIVER and the coast

No patrolling EAST of the DANMAP RIVER or SOUTH OF AN EAST WEST line EVE (531256) IDAKAIBUL (V578253)

(ii) Patrol SOUTH along DRINUIMOR RIVER to contact 2/8 Aust Inf Bn patrol base at AFUA and EAST along coast to contact 2/11 Aust Inf Bn at YAKAMUL

(b) 2/8 Aust Inf Bn will -

(i) Est patrol base at AFUA (V176342)

Task Patrol as far SOUTH as PLACE SLEEP (V220204) - EAST to HARECH RIVER (V269327) and YAKAMUL to contact 2/11 Aust Inf Bn - WEST to PALAURU (V051367) to contact 2/9 Aust Cav (CDO) Sqn

(ii) Provide close patrols in the area between COW CK - NIGIA RIVER

(c) 2/11 Aust Inf Bn will patrol the area enclosed by YAKAMUL - junc ORLUM CK HARECH RIVER (V269325) - junc DANDRIWAD RIVER MEIMBOK CK (V375287) - BABIANG and contact 2/4 Aust Inf Bn in the BABIANG area

14. All patrols will destroy any enemy patrols operating in the area and report progress and maintain contact with any major force moving WEST

ADMIN

15. Water - WP est V473418

16. Amn - AP opened at V155425

17. Sups - DID located at V155425

18. POL - PP located at V155425

19. Medical-2/7 Aust Fd Amb will est -

(a) MDS V060463

(b) ADS V157424

(c) Car posts BABIANG - YAKAMUL

Evacuation by jeep amb from BABIANG to YAKAMUL thence by motor amb to ADS

20. Repair and Rec

2/79 Aust LAD is located at V165423

21. Pro

TCP est at V200418 (DRINUIMOR RIVER crossing)

22. PW cage 2/4 Aust Inf Bn area (V200418)

23. Canteens

Units will draw from ADCS V155425. Time of issue will be advised

INTERCOMM

24. HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde V165423. Time of opening to be advised

25. W/T dets are allocated as follows -


- (a) 2/4 Aust inf Bn two (one for patrol base at BABIANG)
- (b) 2/8 Aust Inf Bn one
- (c) 2/11 Aust Inf Bn one

26. L/T Line diagram issued separately

27. DRLS timetable issued separately

28. Code names and frequencies issued separately by 19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec

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 Maj  
EM 19 Aust Inf Bde  
J D MURRAY

Signed At

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INFM

1. Enemy

- (a) Only small enemy dets have been met EAST of DANMAP to ROCKY PT and in the IDAKAIBUL area. These have been for most part in poor condition.
- (b) Some few have escaped from these areas to the EAST, twenty having been seen at ROCKY PT on 17 Dec and five EAST of ALBU CREEK on 15 Dec.
- (c) Documents captured 15 Dec in DANMAP area list one 75 mm gun with seventy four rds amm at V575303 as at 30 Nov. This has NOT been located by ground tps as yet so it is possible it has been withdrawn EAST.
- (d) No definite infm exists as to enemy strengths in MATAPAU-ABAU-MALIN areas.

2. Own Tps

(a) Fwd tps - 2/4 Aust Inf Bn disposed as follows:

- (i) D Coy less one pl - ROCKY PT patrolling EAST along coast to MATAPAU.
- (ii) One pl A Coy - LAZY CK V577303.
- (iii) A Coy less one pl - LUAIN area
- (iv) C Coy - LUAIN
- (v) One pl D coy - OUTLOOK
- (vi) B Coy - IDAKAIBUL area patrolling EAST along DANMAP to MALIN
- (vii) Bn HQ - LUAIN

(b) Arty - 53 Aust Fd Bty - SUAIN PLANTATION

(c) Air

- (i) No enemy air action is likely.
- (ii) Direct support is available on request through normal channels.

(d) Additional tps

Under comd -  
Tactical HQ two tps C Sqn 2/4 Aust Armd Regt  
2/3 Aust Fd Regt  
2/3 Aust MG Bn less two coys  
2/20 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
2/21 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
2/22 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
2/1 Aust GT Pl  
2/7 Aust Fd Amb

and in support -

RAE 6 Aust Div.

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INTENTION

- 3. 19 Aust Inf Bde will -
  - (a) hold area ROCKY PT - IDAKAIBUL - SUAIN.
  - (b) maintain contact with enemy in NIAP - MALIN area.

METHOD

- 4. Preliminary Moves.
  - (a) 2/11 Aust Inf Bn will commence movement from YAKAMUL 19 Dec 44 and complete concentration SUAIN area by 24 Dec 44.
  - (b) 2/8 Aust Inf Bn will commence movement from NIUMOR RIVER 26 Dec 44 and complete concentration SUAIN area by 29 Dec 44.

- 5. Tps
  - Right - 2/4 Aust Inf Bn with under comd two W/T dets  
19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec.
  - Left - 2/11 Aust Inf Bn with under comd one W/T det  
19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec.
  - Reserve - 2/8 Aust Inf Bn with under comd one W/T det  
19 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec.

6. Tasks

- (a) 2/4 Aust Inf Bn will -
  - (i) be relieved by 2/11 Aust Inf Bn in coastal sector incl LUAIN.
  - (ii) maintain patrol base of one coy strength in IDAKAIBUL area and patrol towards MALIN and SOLITA. Patrols in the MALIN-SOLITA area to be limited to recce patrols.
  - (iii) bn less one coy will concentrate in SUAIN PLANTATION area and hold defensive position.
- (b) 2/11 Aust Inf Bn will
  - (i) relieve 2/4 Aust Inf Bn in coastal sector incl LUAIN.
  - (ii) patrol aggressively towards MATAPAU and NIAP.
- (c) 2/8 Aust Inf Bn - bde reserve, will
  - (i) hold a defensive position at SUAIN VILLAGE area.
  - (ii) be prepared to counter attack either along coast or towards IDAKAIBUL.

Boundaries

Inter bn boundary 2/4 Aust Inf Bn - 2/11 Aust Inf Bn - 28 horizontal grid line, incl 2/11 Aust Inf Bn.

8. Relief in Coastal Sector

- (a) 2/11 Aust Inf Bn will progressively relieve 2/4 Aust Inf Bn in coastal sector/as complete coys are concentrated. incl LUAIN
- Relief to be completed NOT later than 27 DEC 44.
- (b) Comd of coastal sector passes to CO 2/11 Aust Inf Bn when two complete rifle coys of 2/4 Aust Inf Bn are relieved.

9. Tks

- (a) Tactical HQ and two tps C Sqn/<sup>2/4</sup>Aust Armd Regt under comd.
- (b) Date of concentration SUAIN area to be notified.

10. Arty

- (a) 2/3 Aust Fd Regt is under comd.
- (b) 53 Aust Fd Bty is at present in SUAIN area. Remainder 2/3 Aust Fd Regt on relief in AITAPE area will concentrate in SUAIN area on date to be notified.
- (c) Registration of DF tasks is permitted.
- (d) Guns will NOT be fired in support of offensive patrols but will be fired for DF tasks only.
- (e) Until remainder of regt is concentrated 2/11 Aust Inf Bn has call on 53 Aust Fd Bty for DF tasks subject to prior call on one tp by 2/4 Aust Inf Bn at IDAKAIBUL.
- (f) FOO's will be supplied to 2/4 Aust Inf Bn and 2/11 Aust Inf Bn as required.

11. RAE

- (a) RAE 6 Aust Div with under comd pnr pls of 2/4 Aust Inf Bn, 2/8 Aust Inf Bn, 2/11 Aust Inf Bn, is in support 19 Aust Inf Bde.
- (b) Tasks
  - (i) construction and maintenance of rd NIGIA RIVER - DANMAP RIVER .
  - (ii) recce to determine if jeep track can be constructed to IDAKAIBUL.
  - (iii) establishment of WPs in SUAIN area.

12. MG

- (a) 2/3 Aust MG Bn less two coys under comd.
- (b) Date of concentration in SUAIN area to be notified.

BDM

13. To be issued separately.

INTERCOMN

14. Adv HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde opens SUAIN MISSION 1200 hrs 21 Dec 44.  
Rear HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde remains present location.

15. Wireless

Comms as appx " " att.

16. Line

Comms as appx " " att.

17. DRLS

To be advised.

18. Pigeons

One detachment 4 Aust Pigeon Sec will revert comd 19 Aust Inf Bde 21 Dec 44.

ACK.

Signed at 1124 hr

Issued through LO + DRLS

Distribution - See over.

*J D Murray* Maj  
 BM 19 Aust Inf Bde  
 J D Murray

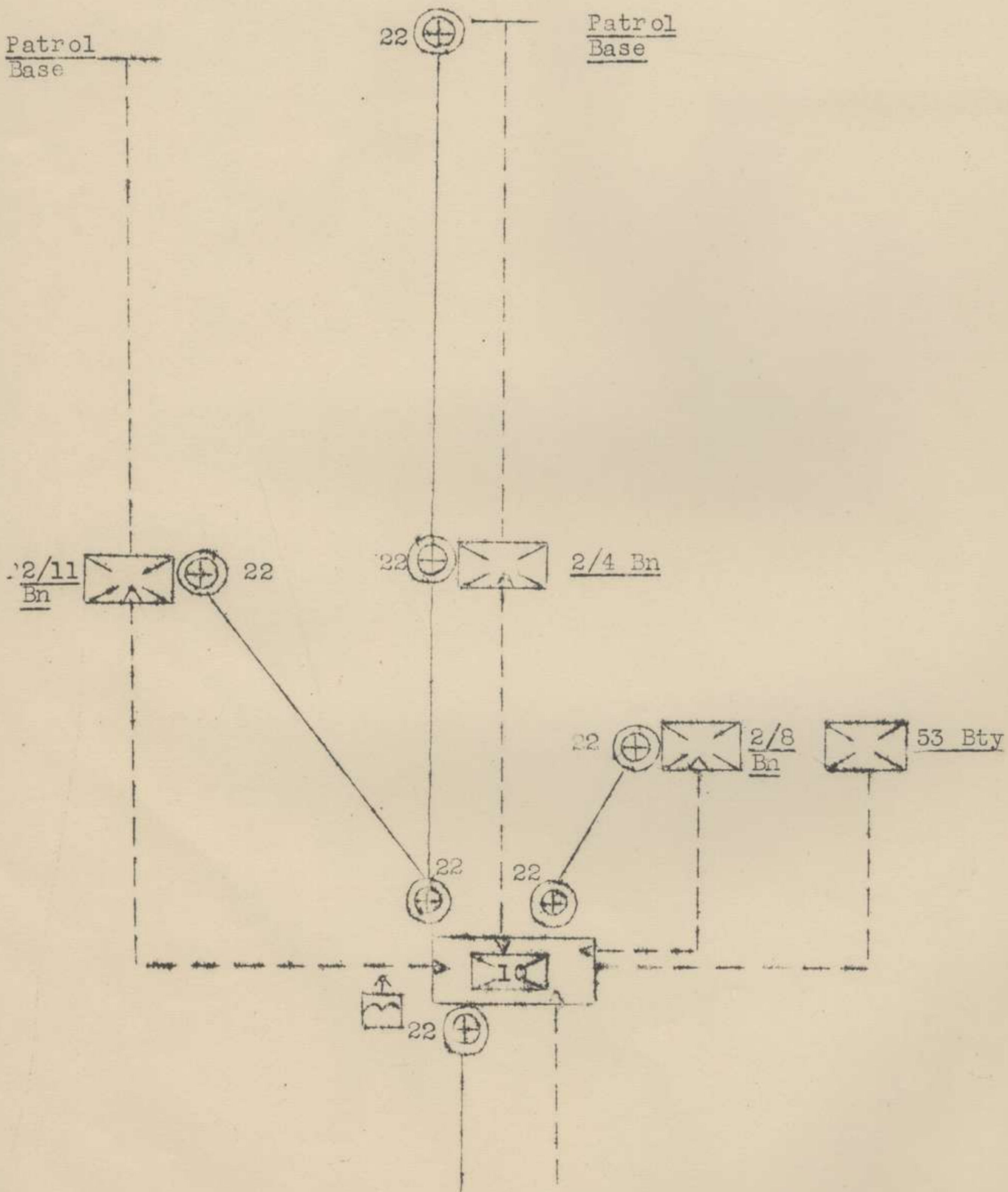
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SIGNAL COMMS

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19 AUST INF BDE ADM ORDER 1

Ref maps: SUAIN WEST )  
SUAIN EAST ) 1 inch to 1 mile

(Issued with 19 Aust Inf Bde 0 0 2.)

AMN

1. (a) AP established BABIANG.
- (b) Units to collect from AP until incl 23 Dec, thence amm will be delivered to AP in unit areas.

SUPS

2. (a) Sup P established BABIANG.
- (b) Units to collect from Sup P to incl 23 Dec, thence sups will be delivered to Sup P's in unit areas.

POL

3. As for sups.

TPT

4. (a) Tpt for mov of stores will report as follows:
  - (i) 2/11 Aust Inf Bn
 

21 Dec 44	-	4 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehs
22 Dec 44	-	8 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehs
23 Dec 44	-	4 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehs
24 Dec 44	-	4 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehs
  - (ii) 2/8 Aust Inf Bn
 

26 Dec 44	-	5 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehs
27 Dec 44	→	8 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehs
28 Dec 44	-	8 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehs
29 Dec 44	-	8 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehs
30 Dec 44	-	8 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehs
- (b) One Jeep of 2/11 Aust Inf Bn at present att HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde will return to unit by 201800i.
- (c) One Jeep of 2/8 Aust Inf Bn at present att HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde will return to unit by 221800i
- (d) 2/1 Aust GT pl comes under comd 0900 hrs 22 Dec 44 and will be located as follows:
  - (i) BABIANG - P1 HQ, Worksp Sec and four secs.
  - (ii) One Sec att HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde.
- (e) Two Jeeps from 2/1 Aust GT Pl at present att 2/4 Aust Inf Bn will return to 2/1 Aust GT Pl (BABIANG) by 221200i.

WATER

- 5. Water Pt 1 - V423344.
- Water Pt 2 -- to be established SUAIN-LUAIN area at date to be notified by RAE 6 Aust Div.

MED

- 6. (a) MDS - to be concentrated present ADS site NOT later than 30 Dec.
- (b) ADS - opened ULAU 2 at 191200i
- (c) Car Post - BABIANG to remain in present location till concentration of MDS.
- (d) Surgical Team - At ADS as from 21 Nov 44.

REC

- 7. (a) 2/79 Aust LAD closes ANOPAPI 251200i opens BABIANG 261800i

PW

- 8. (a) On capture, all PW will be sent by quickest available means to HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde for interrogation. Further mov will be under brigade arrangements.
- (b) PW will be sent to Adv HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde at SUAIN MISSION as from 1200 hrs 21 Dec 44.

STAGING AREAS.

- 9. (a) Camp 1 - DRIMBOL PLANTATION, maintained by 2/11 Aust Inf Bn.
- (b) Camp 2 - NUSITE, maintained by 2/4 Aust Inf Bn.
- (c) Each unit on staging at DRIMBOL PLANTATION will be responsible for own watering - 44 gal drums are in area.
- (d) Latrines are established in each camp.
- (e) 2/4 Aust Inf Bn are responsible for watering of NUSITE.

ACK

Time of Signature 201600i  
 Method of issue DRKS + LO

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
 Capt  
 SC 19 Aust Inf Bde  
 P Geddes

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# MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

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<b>FROM</b> (A)	<i>Originator</i> <b>ADV-HQ-19 AUST</b> <del>ADV</del> <del>HEAD</del> <b>INF-BDE</b>	<i>Date—Time of Origin</i> 212230	<i>Office Date Stamp</i>
<i>For Action</i>			<i>Message Instructions</i> <b>GR</b>
<b>TO</b> 2/4, 2/8, 2/11 aust inf bns; 2/3 aust fd regt; ADV HQ 'C' sqn 2/4 aust armd regt; 2/5 aust HG bn; 2/7 aust fd arb (w) For Information (INFO.)  REAR NEMO			

ORIGINATOR'S No.

0 77 (.) SECRET (.) ref 19 aust inf bde 00 no 2 and in clarification present posn (.) ADV HQ 19 aust inf bde opened at SUAIN V 550230 211200I (.) 2/4 aust inf bn with under comd two coys 2/11 aust inf bn and in support 2/3 aust fd regt fwd tps task will hold area ROCKY PT - OUTFLOCK - IDAKAIBUL - LUAIN (.) 2/11 aust inf bn less two coys bde reserve remains SUAIN area (.) 2/8 aust inf bn commences movement this area 23 dec concentration area SUAIN village (.) ADV 'C' sqn 2/4 aust armd regt reverts comd HQ 19 aust inf bde 212400I remains present area role counter attack in support 2/4 aust inf bn or 2/11 aust inf bn WEST of DANHAP (.) 53 aust fd bty reverts comd 2/3 aust fd regt (.) 2/3 aust fd regt in support 2/4 aust inf bn (.) maintains (.) one bty 2/3 aust fd regt will move to LUAIN 22 dec and be prepared support 2/4 aust inf bn patrol to MATAPAU FOO will accompany patrol (.) patrols (.) 2/4 aust inf bn will receive MATAPAU and establish outpost if NOT occupied 22 dec line coms to outpost will be established (.) FOO 2/3 aust fd regt will accompany patrol (.) WARNING ORDER (.) 2/11 aust inf bn will complete relief 2/4 aust inf bn in fwd area excl IDAKAIBUL on 23 dec at time to be mutually arranged comds 2/4 and 2/11 aust inf bns (.)

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

patrol base one coy strength IDAKAIBUL bn less one coy will  
concentrate SUAIN PLANTATION area (.) ack all informed

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Date—Time of Origin

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(A)

6 AUST DIV

220820I

For Action

**TO**

19 AUST INF BDE

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

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01365 RESTRICTED (.) from GOC congratulations on clearing  
DANMAP RIVER area (.) 2/4 AUST INF BN have done well  
in its FIRST NEW GUINEA fight

Rec. 220945i

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19 Aust Inf Bde  
21 Dec-44  
G24/23

DEMONSTRATION - INDICATION OF TARGETS GROUND TO AIR.

Ref Map: SUAIN WEST 1 inch to 1 mile.

GENERAL

1. A demonstration will be conducted by RAAF and 2/8 Aust Inf Bn in methods of indicating ground targets to aircraft on 23 Dec 44.

Location -- AFUA area. Ground station V185352.

OBJECT

2. To practise air and ground forces in indication of targets and own FDL's.

TROOPS PARTICIPATING

3. (a) Air

7 Sqn, 8 Sqn, 100 Sqn and 4 Tac/R Sqn RAAF

- (b) Ground Forces

Two dets mortar pl 2/8 Aust Inf Bn.  
No 22 set and det Sigs 6 Aust Div.

METHODS OF INDICATING TARGETS.

4. (a) Ground strips (T panel with arabic figures at bottom of T representing hundreds of yards, cross of T pointing towards target).
- (b) 3" Mortar Smoke.
- (c) 2" Mortar Smoke

METHODS OF INDICATING FDL's

5. (a) 2" mortar parachute flares

ACTION BY AIR AND GROUND FORCES.

6. (a) Planes will arrive over target area, when available, from 0900 hrs 23 Dec 44.
- (b) Ground station will call plane and advise they are indicating target by any one of the following means:-
  - (i) General area of target indicated by air burst 3" mortar smoke bomb, then two 3" mortar smoke bombs fired onto target area. Indication own FDL's by 2" mortar parachute flares.
  - (ii) Display ground strip indicating distance and direction of target.
  - (iii) Indicate target by 2" mortar smoke and own FDL's by 2" mortar parachute flares.
  - (iv) Indicate flanks of targets by 3" mortar smoke bombs.
- (c) Aircraft will advise if target identified.

(d) Aircraft may bomb or strafe with live ammunition after requesting permission from ground station.

INTERCOMN/

7. Sigs 6 Aust Div are making available one 22 wireless set to report 0715 hrs 23 Dec 44. to HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde.
8. Observers RV 2/8 Aust Inf Bn 0800 hrs 23 Dec 44 and will be conducted to demonstration by Lt GILLESPIE, HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde.
9. Observers to carry rations for midday meal 23 Dec 44.

*A R Reilly* Capt  
for BM 19 Aust Inf Bde  
A R Reilly

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Maj J D MURRAY - BM 19 Aust Inf Bde.

Serial No 34

1 Dec 44

128. IMPROPER DESTRUCTION OF SIGNAL EQUIPMENT.

Attention is drawn to First Aust Army Routine Order No A261 repeated hereunder:-

- "1. No member will, without authority, destroy, remove or otherwise interfere with (whether by cutting, discharging firearms at, or otherwise) any insulators or signal cable.
2. Application will be made for the trial of offenders by Court Martial".

129. REMITTANCES OF UNDRAWN PAY AND CASH

First Aust Army Routine Order A263 is repeated hereunder:-

- "1. It is anticipated that there will be a heavy demand by members to avail themselves of the opportunity of sending remittances to residents in Australia as Christmas Gifts.
2. It is accordingly desired that personnel make remittances as early as possible.
3. Remittances forwarded through AAPC channels and received by the District Accounts Office New Guinea, on or before the 10th December, will be paid by the 23rd December 1944."

130. INJURIES CAUSED BY ACCIDENTS WITH EXPLOSIVES AND LIVE AMN.

First Aust Army Routine Order A258 is repeated hereunder:-

- "1. Members of the public have been killed or seriously injured recently as a result of handling explosives and live ammunition which either:
  - (a) have been taken or sent home by members of the forces as souvenirs; or
  - (b) have been negligently left in place to which the public has access.
2. To prevent a recurrence of such accidents, the following instructions will be observed strictly.
3. Unless acting in the course of his Military duties or unless so authorised by or under the National Security (Firearms and Explosives) Regulations, a member of the AMF will not have in his possession or deliver or transmit or attempt to deliver or transmit to any person any bomb, shell or other explosive or live ammunition of any kind.
  - (b) All units will take vigorous action to ~~xxxx~~ ensure that members comply with the terms of this paragraph.
4. (a) When any member <sup>serving</sup> outside Australia and Tasmania is to return to Australia or Tasmania, his kit and baggage will be inspected thoroughly, prior to his

embarkation or emplaning, to ensure that he is not in possession of any explosive or live ammunition of any kind other than such as may be necessary in the course of his military duties.

(b) His kit will again be inspected thoroughly at any LTD from which he is to be released on leave prior to his being so released.

5. (a) Units will ensure that all prescribed safety precautions for the handling and storing of explosives and live ammunition are carefully observed.

(b) Explosives and live ammunition used for training purposes will be carefully safeguarded.

(c) Under no circumstances will explosives or live ammunition of any kind be left unguarded in any place to which members of the public have access.

(d) In areas where training with explosives and live ammunition is carried out, the utmost care will be exercised to ensure that all blinds are searched for and destroyed in accordance with the prescribed safety regulations.

6. If a member is charged with an offence against this order, a summary of evidence will be taken and an application submitted to superior authority for trial by courtmartial."

131. LIFE ASSURANCE POLICIES TAKEN OUT BY MEMBERS OF THE FORCES.

1. Life assurance policies taken out by members of the forces on their own lives after September, 1939, usually contain a war clause which imposes upon the member assured, if he wishes to remain covered under his policy for the full sum assured while serving outside the Commonwealth, the obligation of -

- (a) informing the life assurance office concerned of his departure from Australia and of the date thereof; and
- (b) payment to that office of an extra war loading premium.

2. Certain life assurance offices regard the Territories of Papua and New Guinea as being, for this purpose, outside the Commonwealth, and there are variations in the rate of war loading premiums charged by different offices, while, in some circumstances, an office may not be prepared to cover the additional risk, and may, therefore, refuse to quote any extra premium. A member who desires to remain covered while serving outside the Commonwealth should ascertain from the office concerned to what areas the existing cover extends and what rates of war loading premiums are required should he serve outside those areas.

3. If the member subsequently embarks for service outside the Commonwealth, he may arrange through army channels -

- (a) for payment of the amount of extra war loading premium (as previously ascertained by him) to the office concerned, by means of a remittance of undrawn pay; and
- (b) for notice of the date of embarkation to be given to that office by the DFO when paying the remittance.

The member will attach to the remittance form a letter requesting the giving of the notice mentioned in sub-para (b) of this paragraph.

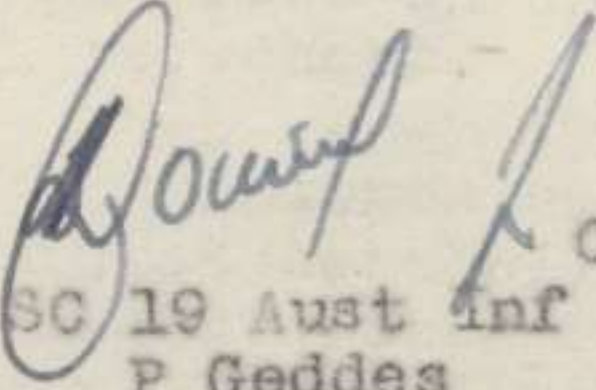
4. For security reasons, direct notification by members to life assurance offices of their impending or actual embarkation is strictly prohibited.

132. INCOME TAX - MEMBERS WITH DEPENDANTS RESIDENT OVERSEAS.

1. The Income Tax Assessment Act provides for rebates of tax in respect of a taxpayer's dependants resident in Australia.
2. Where a member of the AMF has married while serving overseas, rebates may be claimed in respect of his wife, and of any children of the marriage, even if they are residing overseas. Such persons are, for this purpose, deemed to be domiciled in Australia.
3. No rebate will be allowed in respect of other dependants residing outside Australia.
4. GRO F.377/1944 is cancelled.

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UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION.  
APPLICATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE AMF FOR STAFF APPOINTMENTS.

1. Approval has been given for the release of a limited number of AMF personnel for service with the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, a United Nations organization which has been established to assist in the rehabilitation of liberated areas in Europe, the Far East and the Pacific.
  2. Any member desiring to apply may obtain information from Bde Orderly Room.
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Australian Imperial Force

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

133-138

Maj J D MURRAY - BM 19 Aust Inf Bde

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Serial No 35

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133. LOSS OF ARTIFICIAL DENTURES

Owing to the loss of artificial dentures whilst swimming or surfing and the difficulty of replacement, all ranks will remove them before entering the water.

134. PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING CASUALTIES

1. Private cables and telegrams reporting battle or other casualties are prohibited. In letters, no reference is to be made to any such casualty until after a period of one month from the date of its occurrence.

2. The prohibition and restriction imposed by para 1 hereof are not applicable to communications sent by a member relative to a casualty sustained by himself.

3. This order has been dictated by motives of consideration for the feeling of the relatives of members of the forces who, in many instances, have been caused unnecessary suffering and suspense through information contained in private correspondence from operational areas and which, in some cases, has proved to be inaccurate.

135. INDIA - UNITED KINGDOM AIR MAIL SERVICE - USE FOR AUSTRALIAN MAILS

1. Airmail Letters may now be forwarded from Australia to the following places:-

Afghanistan	India
Ceylon	Mauritius
French India	Portugese India
Seychelles	

2. The charges are the same as those for communications to other countries on this route, viz

Letters	1/6 per half oz
Postcards	9d each
Air Letter Service Cards	7d each

136. E.F.M. TELEGRAM SERVICE OVER CHRISTMAS PERIOD

1. The E.F.M. Telegram Service to the United Kingdom will be suspended from 4th to 25 December inclusive.

2. E.F.M. facilities will be maintained with the Middle East, but standard phrases 47 to 53 will not be admitted.

3. Advice is not yet available in respect of Canada and U.S.A.

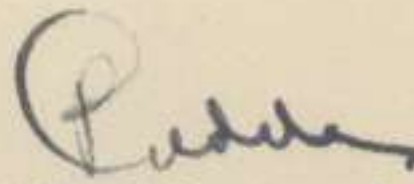
4. Social Letter Telegrams Service will continue to be available for the United Kingdom over the period in which the E.F.M. Service is suspended. This class of message provides for texts relating solely to social matters, ie greetings, family news, or non-commercial personal affairs. The rate is 5d per word and the service also includes Canada but not U.S.A.

137. NATIVE CARRIERS

Allotment of all natives is made by HQ 6 Aust Div and under no circumstances will personnel approach ANGAU direct for natives for any purpose.

138. ALI ISLAND

ALI ISLAND is OUT OF BOUNDS to all ranks except when on duty, and then written permission must be obtained from HQ 6 Aust Div

 Capt  
SG 19 Aust Inf Bde  
P Geddes

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

47/44 (Serial No.)

*W. H. Harty*

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2 / 12 / 1944 HQ 19 AUST (Unit)

W.E. (tropical) OFFRS. 39 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. - O.R's. - ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.					
1			1	Brigadier*										
2	IR	1	1	Lieut.-Colonels										
7			7	Majors										
6			6	Captains										
3			3	Lieutenants										
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
19	IR	1	18											
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				DETAIL	A.I.F.B.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	18	-								18
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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

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

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
3X11529	MAJ	MUSSELL, W.A.	5055 Evac Hosp	1/12/44	at 19 Bde ex Hosp becomes attached for Duty

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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

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

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**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH**

47/44

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/12/44 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Army No	Rank						
WX649	T/Brig	MARTIN	JHE	Comd	Yes		
WX241	T/Maj	HINDAY	JD	BM	Yes		
WX5210	T/Capt	MULLY	AE	BM(L)	Yes		
322397	Capt	GRUBB	FHG	SC	Yes		
VX2797	Capt	DOWNING	EB	SC(L)	Yes		
WX354	Capt	HOVEY.	WH	LO 1	Yes		
WX5090	T/Capt	PALLA	JSH	IO	Yes		
VX35144	Lt	LADLAW	JS	TO	Yes		
WX4047	Lt	GILCHRIST	EV	LO 2	Yes		
WX5000	Lt	CAVCHERT	EP	LO 3	Yes		
<b>SERVICES:</b>							
AAIC-Capt	TX6391	CHAMBERS	DM	L30	No	Det Rear Party	10/10/44
AASC-Capt	WX111016	THOMAS	H	BASCO	Yes		
AAC-Lt	WX1003	STABLEY	JE	B00	Yes		
AAS-Lt	VX56653	KIMLIN	GS	Ancro	Yes		
AAIC-Lt	WX10012	BARR	RM	Ryg 0	Yes		
<b>ANCH-</b>							
Chaplain	VX64453	RYES	FI	ChpLn	No		
4th Class	WX40930	McDONALD	CH	"	"	Det 2/6	Ast Inf 3/11
	WX10114	SARBELL	GP	"	"	" 2/11	" " "

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
MAJ	WX11569	MULLY	H.A.S./7 PG Ab	1/12/44	REAR PARTY
MAJ	WX12160	HINDAY	J.J. 2/3 NO B1	12/10/44	" "

Date of Despatch

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commander  
SC (19 Aust Inf Bde)  
(P.M.G. GIBBS.)

## FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2 / 12 / 1944 HQ 19 AUST INF BDE (Unit)

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

### Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 2 3 4				5		6 7 8 9 10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.		ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.			Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.						
			2	W.Os. Class II.						
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
			1	Staff Sergeants						
4	NR	1	3	Sergeants						
10			11	Corporals						
48			49	Troopers, Privates, etc.						
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
66	*	1	67	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			*			*

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

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

Detail	C.M.P.			A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL
	A.I.F.	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	67									67
B(1)										
B(2)										

#### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	2/4 Aust Inf Bn			1	2/4 Aust Inf Bn		
3	2/8 Aust Inf Bn			1	2/8 Aust Inf Bn		
1	6 Aust Div PSW			2	2/11 Aust Inf Bn		
23	6 Aust Div AASC			1	ARL		
16	6 Aust Div Pro Coy			3	19 Bde Sig Sec		
1	2/3 Aust MG Bn			11	Rear Party		
1	2/7 Aust Fd Amb						
34	12 Pl 2/1 Gd Regt						
80	Total			19	Total		

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

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



**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 2 / 12 / 1944**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, B.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen				
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Elvetters				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders				
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers				
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers				
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer				
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores				
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters				
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wagglers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman								
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners								
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics												
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)												
Fitters				Driver-Operator												
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers												
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians												
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)												
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators												
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator												
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman												
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker												
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator												
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator												
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties												
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners												
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman												
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals												
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers												
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal												
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood												
Pattern Maker				Masons												
Pharmacist				Masseurs												
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.												
Photowriter				Miners												
Plumber				Moulders												
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained												
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.												
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*	*

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

2 DEC 44  
Date of Despatch

SC 19 Aust Inf Bde.  
Signature of Commander

UNIT: HQ 19 AUST INF BDE (Tropical) WE: II/2/4

Date .....

TRADE	Rank	WE	Posted : Strength	Defi- : cient	Sur- : plus	Rnfts : Reqd
<u>TRADE GP. I.</u>			1			
Draughtsman	Cpl	1	1			
"	Pte	1				
<u>TRADE GP. II.</u>			1			
Intelligence Duties	S Sjt	1	3		1	
"	Cpl	1		1		NR
"	Ptes	2	2			
Cook	Cpl	1				
"	Ptes	2				
<u>TRADE GP. III.</u>			1			
Clerk	WO II	1	1	1		NR
"	Sjts	2	2(a)		1	
"	Cpl	1	3			
"	Ptes	2				
<u>SERVICES :</u>						
<u>TRADE GP. I.</u>						
Armourer	(AEME) Sjt	1				
Fitter MV	( " ) Cfn	1				
<u>TRADE GP. II.</u>						
Mechanic MV	(AEME) Cfn	1				
<u>TRADE GP. III.</u>						
Clerk	(AASC) Cpl	1	1			
"	(AALC) Cpl	1	1			
Medical Orderly	(AAMC) Cpl	1				
<u>NON-SPECIALISTS :</u>						
CSM	WO II	1	1			
CQMS	S Sjt	1	1			
Transport Sjt	Sjt	1	8			
Drs MT	Cpl	1	10	3		NR
" "	Ptes	8		1		
Batmen	Ptes	13	8			
Signal Orderlies	Ptes	9	2			
Hygiene Duties	Ptes	1	1			
Water Duties	Pte	1	3(b)			
General Duties	Cpls	2	4			
Storeman	Pte	2	1			
<u>SERVICES :</u>						
AChD -	Batmen Drs	Ptes	3	1		
AASC -	Batman	Pte	1	1		
AAOC -	Amn Examiner	Sjt	1	1		
	Batman Dr	Pte	1	1		
AALC -	Batman	Pte	1			
			66	67	6	7
Total			69			

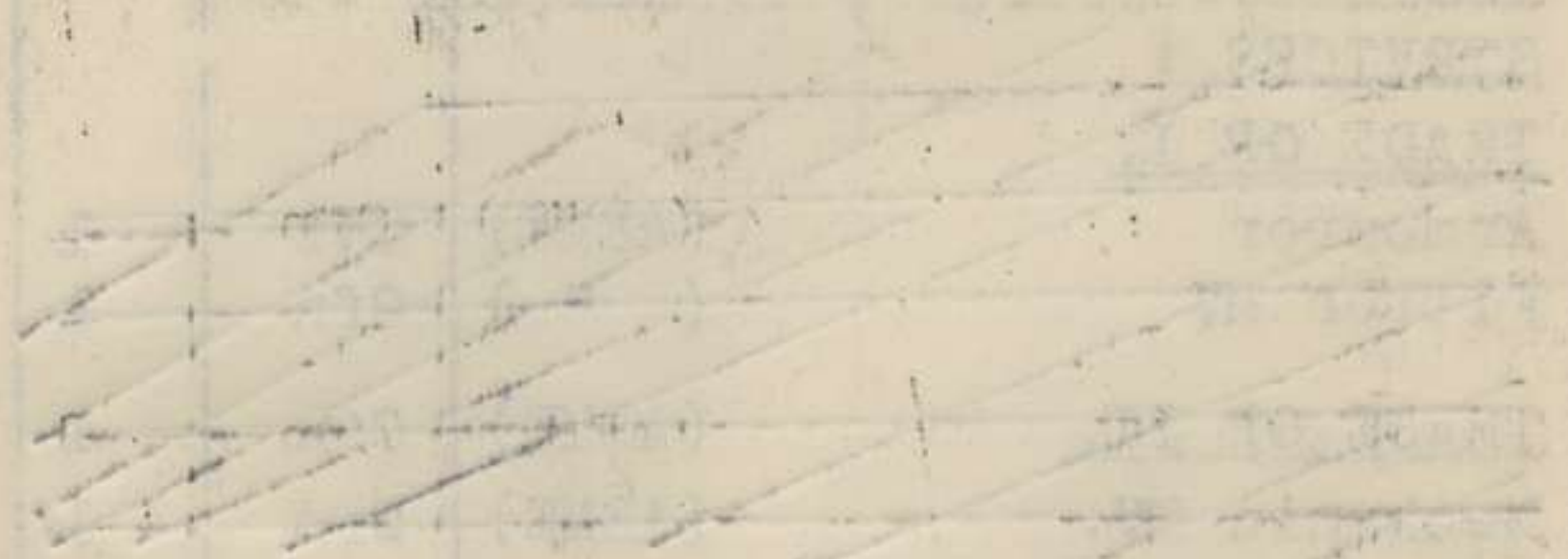
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NOTE:

- (a) - One Cpl on Posted Strength as Education Sjt
- (b) - One Cpl allowed by WE on Posted Strength as Offrs Mess Steward.

Surplus NCOs:

VX 12534 A/Cpl ROWE. G.R.R. - Gen Duties



*W. D. W.*

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday / / 194 (Unit) **48/44**

W.E. / / OFFRS. **9 12 4 HQ 19 AUST** O.R's. + OFFRS. **INF O.B's** ATT. BY W.E.

**II 2 4 19 66**

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.					
<b>WE</b>														
<b>1</b>			<b>1</b>	Lieut. Colonels *										
				Majors *										
<b>2</b>	<b>NR</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	Captains										
<b>7</b>			<b>7</b>	Lieutenants										
<b>6</b>			<b>6</b>	Quarter-masters										
<b>3</b>			<b>3</b>	A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
<b>19</b>														
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>								
				E.(1)	<b>18</b>	<b>-</b>								<b>18</b>
				E.(2)										

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

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

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

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
<b>NX12160</b>	<b>Maj</b>	<b>HINDMARSH. J. J.</b>	<b>2/3 Aust MG Bn</b>	<b>3/12/44</b>	<b>Attached - Recce Party</b>
<b>SX 561</b>	<b>Lt</b>	<b>COLMAN. A. C.</b>	<b>2/3 Aust Fd Regt</b>	<b>2/12/44</b>	<b>" " "</b>
<b>SX 1454</b>	<b>Lt-Col</b>	<b>BLKEBY. J. H.</b>			

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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

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

Unit

HQ 19 AUS INF BDE

(Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

48/44

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
T/Brig	QX6049	MARTIN	JEC	Comd	Yes		
T/Maj	WX244	MURRAY	JD	BM	Yes		
T/Capt	WX5210	REILLY	AR	BM(1)	Yes		
Capt	SX2297	GEDDES	PHG	SC	Yes		
Capt	VX27797	DOWNING	WB	SC(1)	Yes		
Capt	QX254	HOYBS.	WH	LO 1	Yes		
T/Capt	WX5690	FALLA	JSTH	IO	Yes		
Lt	VX35144	LAIDLAW	JS	TO	Yes		
Lt	QX4047	GILLESPIE	RW	LO 2	Yes		
Lt	WX35360	CRUTCHETT	PP	LO 3	Yes		
<b>SERVICES:</b>							
AALC-Capt	TX6391	CHAMBERS	DM	LSO	No	Det Rear Party	19/10/44
AA3C-Capt	NX111010	THOMAS	N	BASCO	Yes		
AAOC-Lt	WX1003	STANLEY	JE	BOC	Yes		
AAAS-Lt	VX56653	KIMLIN	GS	AmnO	Yes		
AAMC-Lt	SX10912	BAKER	RW	Hys O	Yes		
<b>AACHD-</b>							
Chaplain	VX64453	KEYTE	PI	Chapln	No	Det 2/4 Aust Inf Bn	
4th Class	QX40930	MCDONALD	CM	"	"	" 2/8 " "	
"	VX10114	SAMBELL	GP	"	"	" 2/11 " "	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Maj	NX12160	HINDMARSH. J.J.	2/3 MG Bn	3/12/44	Reece Party
Lt	SX561	COLMAN. A.C.	2/3 Fd Regt	2/12/44	" "
Lt-COL	SX1454	BLIEBY. J.E.H.			

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander (P.H.G. GEDDES.)



**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 9 / 12 / 1944 .**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitches			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Elvetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radlographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technoal			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifa. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tpin. Plant							
Photowriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
								Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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9 Dec 44  
Date of Despatch

*[Signature]*  
 SC 19 Aust Inf Bde.  
 Signature of Commander.

APPENDIX 'A'

Serial No ... 48/44 ...

Date ... 9 Dec 44 ...

UNIT: HQ 19 AUST INF BDE WE: II/2/4

TRADE		Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rnfts Reqd
(tropical)							
<b>TRADE GP. I.</b>							
Draughtsman		Cpl	1				
"		Pte	1	1			
<b>TRADE GP. II.</b>							
Intelligence Duties		S Sjt	1	1			
"		Cpl	1	1			
"		Ptes	2	1			
Cook		Cpl	1	3		1	
"		Ptes	2	2	1		NR
<b>TRADE GP. III.</b>							
Clerk		WO II	1				
"		Sjts	2	1			
"		Cpl	1	1	1		NR
"		Ptes	2	2(a)		1	
<b>SERVICES :</b>							
<b>TRADE GP I.</b>							
Armourer	(AEME)	Sjt	1				
Ritter MV	( " )	Cfn	1				
<b>TRADE GP II.</b>							
Mechanic MV	(AEME)	Cfn	1				
<b>TRADE GP. III.</b>							
Clerk	(AASC)	Cpl	1				
"	(AALC)	Cpl	1	1			
Medical Orderly	(AAMC)	Cpl	1	1			
<b>NON-SPECIALISTS :</b>							
CSM		WO II	1				
CQMS		S Sjt	1	1			
Transport Sjt		Sjt	1	1			
Drs MT		Cpl	1	1			
"		Ptes	8	1			
Batmen		Ptes	13	8			
Signal Orderlies		Ptes	9	14		1	
Hygiene Duties		Ptes	1	8	1		NR
Water Duties		Pte	1	2		1	
General Duties		Cpls	2	1			
"		Ptes	2	3(b)		1	
				5		3	
<b>Storeman</b>		<b>Pte</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>			
<b>SERVICES :</b>							
AACHD -	Batmen Drs	Ptes	3				
AASC -	Batman	Pte	1	3			
AAOC -	Amn Examiner	Sjt	1	1			
	Batman Dr	Pte	1	1			
AALC -	Batman	Pte	1	1			
				1			
<b>Total</b>			69	72	3	9	NR
			66				

NOTE: Remarks column shown on back hereof.



NOTE:

(a) - One Cpl on Posted Strength as Education Sjt

(b) - One Cpl on Posted Strength allowed by WE as Offrs Mess Steward

Surplus NCOs:

VX 12534 Cpl ROWE? C.R.R. - Gen Duties

*Rowe .6..*

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008  
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..... (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday ..... / ..... /194..... (Unit)

W.E. .... OFFRS. .... O.R's. .... + OFFRS. .... O.R's. .... ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.														
1	2	3	4	DETAIL.						Arm or Corps.					Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	Brigadier														
1																		
2	1		1															
7			7															
6			6															
3			3															
19			19															
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.				
				A.														
				E.(1)														
				E.(2)														

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

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

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
HX12180	WO1	HINDMARSH, J. J.	2/3	15/12/44	WFO ex Peace Party
HX35300	Lt	GRITCH, P. P.		14/12/44	Evac Sick. (?Dongue)

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

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

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH**

16/12/44

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
P/lt	OX6049	MARTIN	JH	Comd	Yes		
T/lt	WX244	MURRAY	JD	Bn	Yes		
T/Capt	WX5210	MULLY	AM	Bn(L)	Yes		
Capt	WX2297	OSBORN	PHG	SC	Yes		
Capt	VX27797	DOWLING	WB	SC(L)	Yes		
Capt	OX254	ROYS	WH	LO 1	Yes		
T/Capt	WX5660	FALLA	JCH	LO	Yes		
Lt	VX55144	LALDLOW	JL	TO	Yes		
Lt	OX4047	GILLESPIE	KV	LO 2	Yes		
Lt	WX55363	CROUCHMAN	FP	LO 3	No	Det - Evac Hqs 2/7 Aust Pd Amb - Sick	16/12/44
<b>SERVICES:</b>							
AALC - Capt	WX6302	CHAMBERLAIN	DI	LSO	No	Det Rear Party	19/10/44
AASG - Capt	WX111016	THOMAS	B	BAJCO	Yes		
AASG - Lt	WX1003	STANLEY	JH	BOO	Yes		
AASG - Lt	VX56353	KEMLEN	GS	Area 0	Yes		
AASG - Lt	WX10919	BAKER	SH	Hys 0	Yes		
AACP - Chaplain	VX64453	EMERY	FI	Chapln	No	Det 2/8 Aust Inf Bn	
4th Class	OX40930	HODGKIN	GH	"	"	" 2/8 " " "	
	VX10112	SABILL	GP	"	"	" 2/11 " " "	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lt-Col	WX1454	BRADY. GH	2/3 Aust	2/12/44	recco party
Lt	WX561	COLMAN AC	" " "	" " "	" " "
Lt	WX56937	MCCOY. WC	12 Pl 2/1 29/11/44		CC 12 Pl 3d att HQ 19 Bde

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

*[Signature]*  
SG 19 Aust Inf Bde.  
(P.O. 88000)

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

50/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 24/12/1944 HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11/2/4 OFFRS. 10.R's. 60+ OFFRS. - O.R's. - ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
1			1	Bri Adler *					
2	NR 1		1	Lieut.-Colonels					
7	NR 1		8	Majors					
6			6	Captains					
3			3	Lieutenants					
			3	Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
			17						

	DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.										17
	E.(1)										
	E.(2)										

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

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

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX 33422	Lt	P F CRITCHFIELD	HQ 19 Bde	20/12/44	Rejoined Unit from Hosp and X List
NX 41323	Lt	A F WILSON	6 Aust Div	20/12/44	Recede Party

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
SX 2297	Capt	P H G GIBBS	HQ 2/7 Aust Inf Bde	15/12/44	Evac Sick - DENGUE

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

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

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**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH**

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21/12/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
E/Capt	QX 8040	MARTIN	JYC	Co	Yes		
E/Maj	EX 214	MURRAY	JD	BM	Yes		
E/Capt	NR 5210	MULLY	AM	BM(L)	Yes		
<b>VXXXXX</b>							
Capt	VX 27797	D WILCO	WB	SC(1)	Yes		
Capt	QX 254	EVANS	WH	LO 1	Yes		
E/Capt	NR 5690	PALLA	33th	IO	Yes		
Lieut	VX 35144	LAIDLAW	J	TC	Yes		
Lieut	QA 4027	GILCHRIST	AV	LO2	Yes		
Lieut	NR 35366	GRITCHETT	FF	LO2	Yes		
<b>SERVICE</b>							
AALC Capt	TX 8390	CHAMBER	LE	LSO	No	Det Rear Party	12/10/44
AASC Capt	NR 111016	THOMAS	E	ASCO	Yes		
AOC Lt	NR 10-3	STANLEY	JE	BOB	Yes		
AAS Lt	VX 36655	WILKIN	GB	Asst	Yes		
AAC Lt	EX 10812	-BAXEN	RM	YS	Yes		
<b>AACSD-</b>							
Chaplain	VX 64453	LEITH	FI	Chapln	No	Det 2/1 Aust Inf Bn	
4th Class	QX 40830	MCDONALD	CB	"	"	" 2/3 " " "	
	VX 10114	CAMERON	OV	"	"	" 2/1 " " "	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lt-Col	SA 1454	MURRY CM	2/3 A	2/12/44	Recon Party
Lt	SA 501	WILSON AC	"	"	" "
Lt	NR 16997	McCORMACK W	12 PI	22/11/44	CO 12 PI Cd att HQ 19
			2/1 Aust	CO Post	
Lt	NR 41323	WILSON A F	6 DIV	20/12/44	Recon Party

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Date of Despatch

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifa. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Qty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*

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

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

TRADE		Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Defi- cent	Surplus	Reinfts Required
<u>Trade OP I</u>							
Draughtsman		Cpl	1	1			
"		Pte	1	1			
<u>Trade OP II</u>							
Intelligence Duties		S/Sjt	1	1			
"		Cpl	1	1			
"		Ptes	2	3		1	
Cook		Cpl	1	1			
		Ptes	2	2			
<u>Trade OP III</u>							
Clerk		WO II	1	1			
		Sjts	2	1	1		NR
		Cpl	1	2(a)			
		Ptes	2	3		1	
<u>Trade OP III</u>							
Clerk	(AASC)	Cpl	1	1			
"	(AALC)	Cpl	1	1			
Medical Orderly	(AAMC)	Cpl	1	1			
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>							
CSM		WO II	1	1			
QMS		S/Sjt	1	1			
Transport Sjt		Sjt	1	1			
Drs MT		Ptes	2	3			
" "		Cpl	1	1			
Batmen		Ptes	13	13			
Signal Orderlies		Ptes	9	8	1		NR
Hygiene Duties		Ptes	1	2		1	
Water Duties		Pte	1	2		1	
General Duties		Cpls	2	3 (b)		1	
" "		Ptes	2	3		3	
Stapleman		Pte	1	1			
<u>SERVICES</u>							
AACHD	Batman Drs	Ptes	3	3			
AASC	Batman	Pte	1	1			
AAGC	Batman Dr	Pte	1	1			
	Arm Examiner	Sjt	1	1			
AALC	Batman	Pte	1	1			
			66	73	22	9	NR

Notes



NOTE: (a) One Cpl on Posted strength as Education Sjt  
(b) One Cpl on Posted strength allowed by WE as Offrs Mess  
Steward.

<u>SURPLUS NOCs</u>	<u>Now Employed</u>
V. 12534 A/Cpl ROWE C.R.R.	General Duties

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30 / 12 / 1944 (Unit)

W.E. 112 / 4 OFFRS. 15 O.R.'s 88 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 1 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
1														
2			2	*										
3				*										
4	1		1	Lieut.-Colonels										
5			7	Majors										
6			7	Captains										
7			6	Lieutenants										
8			6	Quarter-masters										
9			5	A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
10			5	Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
				13										
		DETAIL			A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	E.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.			13									13
		E.(1)												
		E.(2)												

\* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

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

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
312207	Capt	P.H.G. GIBBS	104 Aust Coy	29/12/44	RTU on hosp & 'X' LAM

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
311454	Lt-col	BLNEY.	GMI	2/3 Aust Fd Regt	26/12/44 RTU
31551	Lt	COLMAN.	AG	" " " " "	26/12/44 RTU
314150	Lt	WILSON.	AF	34 & Aust Div	26/12/44 RTU

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

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

Unit

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(Serial No.)

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH**

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday <sup>30 12 4</sup> / /194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
2/maj	128040	MURPHY	JM	Comd	Yes		
2/maj	128244	MURRAY	JD	Inf	Yes		
2/Capt	128210	REILLY	AR	Inf(1)	Yes		
Capt	128207	CHODAS	PH	Inf	Yes		
Capt	1287797	DOWLING	WB	Inf(1)	Yes		
Capt	128254	ROGERS	WH	Inf 1	Yes		
/ Capt	128600	PALIA	JWH	Inf	Yes		
Lt	1285144	LADLAN	JS	Inf	Yes		
Lt	128047	GILLISPIE	HP	Inf 2	Yes		
Lt	1285366	CHURCHILL	HP	Inf 3	Yes		
<b>SERVICES:</b>							
ASG-Capt	128391	CHAMBERS	DM	Inf	No	Det near party	19/10/44
ASG-Capt	12111016	THOMAS	H	Inf	Yes		
ASG-Lt	121003	STANLEY	JS	Inf	Yes		
ASG-Lt	1210912	BAKER	RM	Inf	Yes		
ASG-Lt	1280053	KIMLIN	GS	Amn	Yes		
ASG-Capt	1284453	KEEFE	PI	Chapln	No	Det 2/4 Aust Inf Bde	
2nd Class	1280050	MCDONALD	CH	"	"	" 2/8 " " "	
"	1210114	SAMBELL	CF	"	"	" 2/11 " " "	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lt	1280097	MCQUINN, S.O.	12 PI	29/11/44	CO 12 PI 2/1 Aust Inf Bde attached HQ 12 Bde
				2/1 Aust Co Regt	

*Robert Cap*  
Signature of Commander

30 DEC 44  
Date of Despatch



PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 30/ 12/1944

Table with columns for Details of Tradesmen (GROUP I, II, III), W.E., Posted Strength, Reints. Required, and various trade categories like Ammunition Examiners, Surveyors, Operating Room Assts, G.P.O. Assistants, etc.

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

30 DEC 44 Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander (P.L.C. GEDDES.)

UNL HQ 19 AUST INF BDE

WE: II/2/4

TRADE : Rank : WE : Posted : Def- : Surplus: Reinfnts  
 : : : : Strength: icient : : Reqd

TD.GP. I

Draughtsman Cpl 1 1  
 " Pte 1 1

TD.GP. II

Intelligence Duties S/Sjt 1 1  
 " " Cpl 1 1  
 " " Ptes 2 3 1  
 Cook Cpl 1 1  
 " Ptes 2 2

TD.GP. III

Clerk WO II 1 1  
 " Sjts 2 1 1 NR  
 " Cpl 1 2(a) 1 1  
 " Ptes 2 3 1

SERVICES:

TD.GP. III.

Clerk (AASC) Cpl 1 1  
 " (AAIC) Cpl 1 1  
 Medical orderly (AAMC) Cpl 1 1

NON-SPECIALISTS:

GSM WO II 1 1  
 CQMS S/Sjt 1 1  
 Tpt Sjt Sjt 1 1  
 Drs MF Ptes 8 8  
 Drs MF Cpl 1 1  
 Batman Ptes 13 13  
 Signal Orderlies Ptes 9 8 1 NR  
 Hygiene Duties Ptes 1 2 1  
 Water Duties Ptes 1 2 1  
 Gen Duties Cpls 2 3(b) 1  
 " " Ptes 2 5 3  
 Storeman Pte 1 1

SERVICES:

AACHD Batman-Drs Ptes 3 3  
 AASC Batman Pte 1 1  
 AACC Amn Examiner Sjt 1 1  
 Batman Pte 1 1  
 AAIC Batman Pte 1 1

TOTAL 66 74 2 9 NR

Note: (See Back) (a), (b).

**NOTE:**

- (a) One Cpl on Posted Strength as Education Sjt  
 (b) One Cpl on Posted Strength allowed on WE as  
 Officers Mess Steward

Rank: WE: Posted: Det-: Surplus: NCOs: How Employed:

VX 12534 A/Cpl ROWE.G.R.R.

Gen Duties

TD. GP. I

Brumfman

TD. GP. II

Intelligence Duties

Cook

TD. GP. III

Clerk

SERVICES:

TD. GP. III

Clerk

Medical orderly

NON-SPECIALISTS:

Gen

Cook

Tpt Sjt

Trs Wt

Trs Wt

Batman

Signal Orderlies

Hygiene Duties

Water Duties

Gen Duties

"

Stoverman

SERVICES:

AACD

AACD

AACD

AACD

AACD

Batman-Trs

Batman

Ann Examin

Batman

Batman

TOTAL

66

2

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Note: (See Back) (a), (b).