

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

Item number: 8/3/62

24 Infantry Battalion

July 1944

WAR DIARY

24 AUST INF BN ( A I F )

From 1 Jul 44 to

Place	Date	Time	Summary of events and information	Remarks and references to Appendices etc
MADANG	Sat 1 Jul	0930	<p>Bn parade held on Bn parade ground.</p> <p>C.O. (Lt Col SMITH ) visited 15 Aust Inf Bde returning at 1630hrs.</p> <p>Coy training and camp maintenance.</p>	
	Sun 2 Jul	0900	<p>A Bn instruction was issued that all sleeves would be worn rolled down at all times , except when marching. Further malarial precautions will be taken as from 0600 hrs. All tents will be sprayed at the following times - 0600, 0800, 1155, 1300, 1630hrs and thence hourly until 2130hrs.</p> <p>15 Aust Inf Bde advised that with the exception of working parties, Unit will continue normal training as per syllabus.</p>	
	Mon 3 Jul	1000	<p>All Offrs except Q M and Pnr Offr attended T E W T at the Bn parade ground.</p>	
		1450	<p>C.O. (Lt Col SMITH) departed for 15 Aust Inf Bde for Parliamentary delegation.</p>	
	Tue 4 Jul		<p>Parliamentary Delegation which was to arrive at 15 Bde has been cancelled.</p> <p>Stretcher bearers attached to Coys have reverted to Comd B H Q.</p> <p>Lt TARRAN appointed Unit Education Officer.</p> <p>All Unit hygiene personnel have been withdrawn from Coys and will in future be attached to 6 Pl. Hygiene will in future be carried out by Unit arrangement.</p> <p>Lt ANDERSON appointed Auditor of Regimental Trust Fund.</p> <p>Daily training as per syllabus and camp maintenance.</p>	
	Wed 5 Jul		<p>Location of U X B found in area was reported to "I" Sec.</p> <p>Communication through 5 Aust Div sigs to SAIDOR closed down 0200K. Comms with 24 Aust Inf Bn Rear now via Navy Port Director SAIDOR.</p>	
		1200	<p>C.O. (Lt Col SMITH) Adjut, I.O. S.O.(L) All Coy Comds left area for TEWT at 15 Bde and also party for boxing at 58/59 Bn area.</p>	

*Deachman*

WAR DIARY.

24 Aust Inf Bn(AIF)

From 5 Jul 44 to 9 Jul 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and information	Remarks and References to appendices.
MADANG	Wed 5 Jul	1830	Rear party less 1 Offr ( Lt SYRETT) 2 ORs arrived Bn area from SAIDOR. Daily training as per syllabus and camp maintenance,	
	Thu 6 Jul		Instruction issued that washing clothes in the sea water will cease as it ruins the clothes and appears to cause prickly heat and rashes. Pugarees and color patches were issued to each man. Daily training as per syllabus, camp maintenance and construction of 30 yd range.	
	Fri 7 Jul	1025	All personnel who had not been photographed previously were photographed. Daily training as per syllabus, camp maintenance and construction of 30 yd range.	
	Sat 8 Jul	1715	All Offrs other than those on duty attended TEWT discussion in Officers Mess. Offrs and Sjt's messes opened. ORs messed in Coy mess huts. Lt IRVINE J A appointed Amenities Offr for the Unit. 1 Offr 50ORs reported to Q Store and were transported to 5 Div CRE for working party. Daily training as per syllabus. Camp maintenance.	
	Sun 9 Jul	0800	C.O. (Lt Col SMITH) and All officers left area for TEWT at 15 Bde - subject-Principles of ATTACK.	
		0930	Church parades for R.C and Protestant denominations were held in Bn area.	
		1400	C.O. (Lt Col SMITH) and all Offrs returned to area after having attended TEWT at 15 Bde. Day of Rest.	

*Broadhead*

WAR DIARY.

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

From 10 Jul 44 to 12 Jul 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and information	Remarks and references to appendices etc
MADANG	Mon 10 Jul	1000	All Offrs reported at Offrs mess for discussion on Operation Orders.	
		1045	B.M. (L) Capt THOMAS and Staff Captain Capt MOLOMBY, 15 Bde visited Bn area.	
		1755	H Q Coy mounted guard . Ceremony was attended by all Offrs and NCOs of the Bn.	
		0830	2 Offrs 50 ORs for working party at Port Director and 1 offr 50 ORs for 5 Div CRE Working party reported at Q store for transport to their respective working areas. Daily training as per syllabus. Camp maintenance.	
	Tue 11 Jul		D A C G Lt Col REID visited Bn area also Padre O'GRADY from 4 Aust Inf Bn	
		1030	All personnel excepting those on working parties paraded in A and HQ Coy messes for lecture on Security by Cpls FARMER and JACOB from 5 Aust Div Fd Security Wing. Instructions issued that sleeves may be worn rolled between 0700hrs and 1715hrs daily;	
		1400	All Offrs paraded at Officers Mess for discussion on TEWT to be held at 15 Bde 13 Jul .	
		1755	A Coy relieved HQ Coy guard. Offrs and NCOs and a major portion of the Bn attended the ceremony.	
		1815	Personnel who were not able to attend security lecture during the day, paraded in A Coy mess hut for lecture given by Cpl FARMER. Subject was the need for troops to observe security on return to the mainland. Usual working parties to Port Directorate and 5 Div CRE. Daily training as per syllabus, camp maintenance.	
	Wed 12 Jul	0900	Lt CASEY attended 5 Aust Div Gas conference at MADANG.	
		1400	Capt NICHOL 2/14 Fd Regt arrived Bn to give a series of lectures to the Bn . Subject - Artillery Cooperation.	<i>Boadhead</i>

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24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

From 12 Jul 44 to

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and information.	Remarks and references to appendices etc
MADANG	Wed 12 Jul	1610	C.O.(Lt Col SMITH) 2 I/C. (Maj CARROLL) and 11 Offrs and some ORs left area for 15 Bde to attend Bde boxing at 58/59 Bn night 12 Jul.	
		1755	B Coy relieved A Coy guard. The Bn attended the ceremony.	
			Usual working parties reported to Port Director and 5 Div CRE for work.	
			Daily training as per syllabus.	
	Thu 13 Jul	0930	C.O. Lt Col SMITH returned to area from 15 Bde.	
		1200	C.O. Lt Col SMITH, and all remaining Offrs left area for Bde TEWT. Subject - Consolidation and reorganisation.	
		1300	Maj ROSEFIELD (15 Fd Amb) arrived in area to give a series of lectures on the "Psychology of Marriage" to all ranks.	
		1645	C.O. (Lt Col SMITH) and all Offrs attending TEWT at Bde returned to area.	
		1755	C Coy. relieved B Coy guard.	
				Usual working parties reported to the Port Director and 5 Div CRE for work. Daily training as per syllabus.
	Fri 14 Jul		Capt NICHOLS 2/14 Fd Arty gave several lectures to the Bn. Subject - Inf and Arty Co-operation.	
		1400	All Offrs met in Offrs mess to discuss 15 Bde TEWT for 16 Jul. Subject - Pro Formas for Advance - Attack and Defence.	
1755		D Coy relieved C Coy guard.		
		Daily training as per syllabus. Normal working parties to Port Directorate and CRE.		
Sat 15 Jul	0930	W/O KIER 29 Fd Security Sec gave a lecture on Security to all Offrs in the Offrs Mess.		
		Lt EADE attended sig conference at 5 Aust Div H Q.		

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WAR DIARY.

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Sat 15 Jul 44 to

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and information	Remarks and References to appendices.
MADANG	Sat 15 Jul	0930	Capt NICHOLS gave remainder of arty lectures to the Bn by Voys.	
		1755	H Q Coy relieved D Coy guard.  Daily training as per syllabus. Usual working parties of 1 Offr 50 ORs to Port Directorate and CRE.	
	Sun 16 Jul	0830	C.O. (Lt Col Smith) with all Officers left area for Bde to attend Bde TEWT. Subject - Pro formas for Advance - Attack - Defence.  Lt ANDERSON-VX 104065 attached to 15 Aust Inf Bde H Q as Staff Captain Learner as from 15 Jul 44.	
		1755	C.O. (Lt Col G F SMITH) and Officers returned from Bde after attending a TEWT there.  A Coy relieved H Q Coy guard,  Apart from the working party supplied to the Port Directorate the Bn had a day of rest,	
	Mon 17 Jul	1100	ADMS 5 Div Col A DAWKINS visited Bn area.	
		1200	C.O. (Lt Col SMITH) left Bn area to attend conference at 15 Bde.	
		1755	B Coy relieved A Coy guard. Daily training as per syllabus.  Usual working parties to CRE and Port Directorate.	
	Tue 18 Jul	0930	C O Lt Col Smith returned from conference at 15 Bde.  Working party proceeded to 30 yd range and completed clearing the area ready for use. Map ref MADANG AIRDROME 1 : 25000 713225.  C Coy relieved B Coy guard. Daily training as per syllabus. Camp maintenance.	

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WAR DIARY.

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

From 18 Jul 44 to 23 Jul 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and information	Remarks and references to appendices etc
MADANG	Wed 19 Jul	1030	<p>Bn parade was held on Bn parade ground. The parade was inspected and addressed by the C.O. Lt Col SMITH who took the salute at a march past.</p> <p>A E C Sjt DUFTY gave 2 lectures to the Bn on the coming referendum.</p> <p>D Coy relieved C Coy guard.</p> <p>Daily training as per syllabus , camp maintenance carried out.</p>	
	Thu 20 Jul	0930	<p>Bn parade was held on the parade ground in preparation for the G O Cs(Lt Gen SAVIGE) visit and inspection. The CO. Lt Col SMITH took the salute</p> <p>D Coy relieved their own guard.</p> <p>After atebirin parade the Bn had a practise March past.</p> <p>Daily training as per syllabus, camp maintenance.</p>	
	Fri 21 Jul	0930	<p>Bn parade was held - the CO. Lt Col Smith took the salute.</p> <p>1340 Lecture on the referendum was held in D Coy mess hut, Lecturer was Sjt DUFTY from A E S.</p> <p>1755 H Q Coy relieved A Coy guard.</p> <p>Daily training as per syllabus.</p>	
	Sat 22 Jul	0930	<p>Bn parade was held the CO Lt Col SMITH took the salute.</p> <p>1400 Bn and Inter Coy sports were held on the Bn parade ground.</p> <p>A Coy relieved H Q Coy guard</p>	
	Sun 23 Jul	0900 0930	<p>C.O. Lt Col SMITH left area for 15 Fd Amb.</p> <p>Church parade were held on the Bn parade ground and R C mass was held in Red Shield Hut.</p>	<i>Brookhead</i>

WAR DIARY.

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

From 23 Jul 44 to

Place	Date	hour	Summary of events and information	Remarks and References appendices etc
MADANG	Sun 23 Jul		Day of Rest.	
		1755	B Coy relieved A Coy guard.	
	Mon 24 Jul	0930	Bn parade was held. C.O. Lt Col SMITH took the salute at a march past.	
		1000	Brig HAMMER arrived in the Bn area, inspected the guard in the Bn area.	
		1050	Chaplain Gen. MCCARTHY visited Bn area.	
		1100	Inter Coy cricket match held at Madang.	
		1755	C Coy relieved B Coy guard.	
			Daily training as per syllabus.	
	Tue 25 Jul	0630	Bn advance party 2 Offrs 14 ORs left area for 15 Bde.	
		1500	Lt Gen SAVIGE G O C NGF, Maj Gen RAMSAY, GOC 5 Aust Div, Brig HAMMER arrived in Bn area and inspected the Bn after which a short speech was given by Lt Gen SAVIGE	
			Lt GEN SAVAIGE took the salute at a march past.	
		1600	Maj Gen RAMSAY left the area.	
	1755	D Coy relieved C Coy guard.		
		Lt Gen SAVIGE and Brig HAMMER stayed night 25/26 Jul with the Bn.		
Wed 26 Jul	0700	Bn came under Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde .		
	0900	Lt Gen SAVIGE and Brig HAMMER left Bn area.		
	0930	H Q carried out informal relief of D Coy guard.	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>Boachua</i></p>	



WAR DIARY.

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

From 26 Jul 44 to

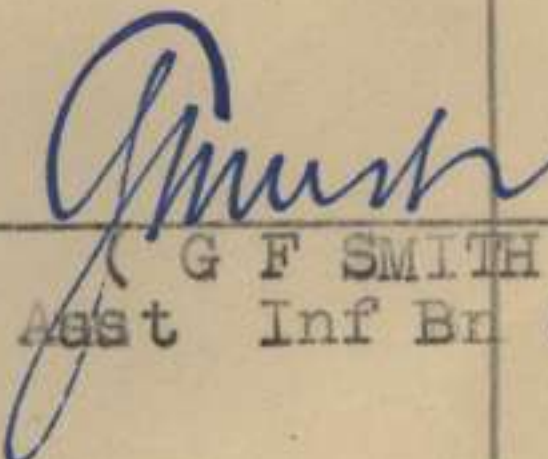
Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and information	Remarks and References to appendices etc
MADANG	Wed 26 Jul	1755	A Coy relieved H Q Coy guard. Daily training as per syllabus.	
	Thu 27 Jul	1000	C.O. 22 Aust Inf Bn Lt Col CARSTAIRS visited the Bn area.	
		1300	2 I/C and I.O. 9 Aust Inf Bn visited the area.	
		1755	B Coy relieved A Coy guard. Daily training and camp maintenance.	
	Fri 28 Jul	0900	C O Lt Col SMITH left Bn area.	
		1000	C.O. 15 Fd Amb- Lt Col REFSHAUGE visited Bn area.	
			C Coy relieved B Coy guard.	
		1755	Daily training as per syllabus.	
	Sat 29 Jul	0900	Sjt DUFTY of A E S gave a further lecture on the referendum to the Bn.	
		1400	Organised sports were held on the Bn parade ground. The competition was on an inter Coy basis.	
		1735	D Coy relieved C Coy guard.	
	Sun 30 Jul	1030	Church parades of both denominations held in Bn area. C.O. 15 Fd Amb - Lt Col RAFSHAUGE visited area.	
		1100	Bn parade. Day of rest	
		1755	H Q Coy guard relieved D Coy guard.	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>Loadhead</i></p>

WAR DIARY.

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

From 30 Jul 44 to 31 Jul 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of events and information	Remarks and references to appendices
MADANG	Mon 31 Jul	1400	24 Aust Inf Bn played a team from 22 Aust Inf Bn volley ball on Bn parade ground defeating 22 Bn.	
		1755	B Coy guard relieved A Coy guard.	
		1900	All Offrs attended a discussion by the C.O. Lt Col SMITH on the lectures previously prepared by all Officers on "Man Management"	
			Camp maintenance carried out to repair damage caused by storm.	

  
Lt Col  
( G F SMITH )  
Cmd 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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13 MAY 44

REPORT

Intelligence summary No 2.

From Infm received up to I22359K

Ref Map SAIDOR I In.

I.

OPERATIONS

12 May Instructions received from 5 Div to withdraw RADAR protective detachment from LONG Is also a detachment of 4 Bde from SIO.  
The LONG Is detachment is expected to return to SAIDOR afternoon 13 May

12 May 1200K YOGA YOGA patrol reached MASABANG 427716. The patrol killed 4 Japs including 2nd Lieutenant, in gardens 431724 and found eight dead in the vic MASABANG. Own Cas Nil.  
Patrol proceeding to clear area Vic MASABANG.

2.

PATROLS

8 May A Coy 0930K patrol of 7 ors left Coy area to contact section of B Coy at KALININ 526764. Patrol returned 1545, NMS.

9 May 1300K YOGA YOGA patrol of 2 offrs Lt FOX and Lt MATHAMS and 36 ors, 79 native carriers moved from bn area by MT to YORI 402815 where they bivouaced night 9/10 May, before proceeding over native track to YOGA YOGA on 15 day patrol to locate and destroy any enemy in the area.

10 May Patrol left YORI arrived SEIN 1430K NMS.

11 May Patrol left SEIN arrived SINDAMAN 429736 1400K, where they bivouaced night 11 12 May. 23 dead japs found on track, also portions of HMG. Progress slow, due to native carriers and laying of sig cable.

12 May Patrol left SINDAMAN arrived MASIBANG 1200K. (See also ops para 1)

3. LOCATIONS

6 May D coy established 576773. No other alteration.

4. TRG & DUTIES

6 May Coy trg camp construction and maintenance

7 May Day of rest with exception 45 ors D coy who were on duty one half day for MLO.

8 May Coy trg duties and camp maintenance

9 May " " " " " "

10 May " " " " " "

11 May " " " " " "

12 May " " " " " "

HQ coy . 2 Pl carried out firing practice on fixed lines and traverse from their def posns

CONTINUED. 2.

5 COMMS

L Lt FOX Comd YOGA YOGA patrol has reported that insufficient <sup>cable</sup> will be available to allow laying of line to YOGA YOGA. Patrol HQ will therefore be est at phone-head. No alternative means of Comn other than native runner is possible.

W T inter Comn was not possible because of lack of batteries.

6 GENERAL

6 May 1910K Lt Gen SAVIGE visited bn on return from MADANG, stayed night 6 7 May, departing A M 7 May.

7 May 0900K Protestant and R C Church pdes.

7 May Lt CASEY H H appointed unit gas offr.

11 May 0630K Lt Col SMITH DSO, Capt SHARPE (RMO) Capt FUHRMAN (OC B Coy-) Capt ISHERWOOD (QM) CHAPLAIN ENGLISH Lt BEATTIE (Sig Offr) left Bn area to inspect def detachment at LONG Is.

*J. H. Carroll May*  
----- Lt Col  
Comd 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

5 Jul 44

INFORMATION RECEIVED UP TO 052359K.Ref Maps. SAIDOR 1 inch.  
POMMERN BAY 1 inch  
MADANG EAST 1 inch.1. PATROLS.

- 21 Jun 1500K. EGAN patrol arrived at ANGAU H Q KEPLER PT 322858 and bivouaced night 21/22 Jun. NO Jap movement seen.
- 1410K. LOOKER patrol arrived GALEK and bivouaced night 21/22.
- 22 Jun 1445K. LOOKER patrol returned to Coy area.  
Patrol report and sketch are attached as Appx "A"
- 2000K. EGAN patrol returned to Bn area.  
Patrol report attached as Appx "B"

2. MOVEMENTS.

- 22 Jun 0800K. Bn commenced to move from Coy areas to Staging camp area at WILWILAN BEACH where they bivouaced night 23/24 Jun.
- 1000K. 2 I/C (Maj CARROLL) and I.O. (Lt BROADHEAD) left SAIDOR by L 5 a/c for 15 Aust Inf Bde at MADANG to recce a new Bn area
- 24 Jun 0820K LCTs Nos 177 and 183 left SAIDOR with 400 personnel and stores for MADANG which was reached at 1430K. and camp site established at 732224.
- 25 Jun 1230K. C.O. (Lt Col G F SMITH) left Bn area for 15 Aust Inf Bde returning at 1700K.
- 1500K No 5 pl arrived at MADANG from SAIDOR.
- 29 Jun 2000K 40 ORs arrived at MADANG from SAIDOR.
- 3 Jul 1800K 1 offr 29 ORs arrived at Bn area from SAIDOR.
- 5 Jul 1200K Rear party from SAIDOR less 1 Offr 2 ORs arrived camp area.

3. TRG and DUTIES

- 25 Jun All personnel engaged in establishing new camp site and moving the stores from the dumps at the wharves.
- 27 Jun 1830K. Coy Comds Conference attended by C.O. 2 I/C, Adjnt, I.O. Sig O and RMO. Man management throughout the chain of Command of a Coy was discussed.
- 28 Jun 1200K. C.O. Staff and Coy Comds left for 15 Aust Inf Bde to discuss Man Management returning at 0800hrs 29 Jun.
- 29 Jun 1830K. Coy Comds Conference.
- Since the arrival of the Bn at MADANG Coys have been fully employed as working parties clearing and improving the camp area.

4. GENERAL.

- 21 Jun 1800K. Ceremony of the changing of the guard was carried out in Bn HQ area at SAIDOR.
- 27 Jun B.M. (Capt SMIDGEY) visited Bn area and conferred with CO and 2 I/C.  
Lt Col ROWEN - CO 37/52 Aust Inf Bn, Lt KINGDOM - I.O. and Maj ROBINSON, DAQMG 5 Aust Div visited Bn area.
- 29 Jun A and D Coys were photographed by Sjt FRAZER of the Military History Section.
- 30 Jun. Further photos of D and B Coy personnel were taken, also of those engaged in the SALAMAUA, BUANG and MARKHAM Pt campaigns.
- 1400K. A Bn muster parade was held for the purpose of taking photos. The C.O. - Lt Col SMITH took the salute in a march past at the conclusion of the parade.

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GENERAL continued.

1 Jul. 1000K. Bn parade was held in the parade ground in the presence of the Bde Comd (Brig. H H HAMMER DSO and bar) who personally inspected the parade and addressed the Bn. He later took the salute in a march past.

5 Jul 0900K. Bn parade was held at the conclusion of which Coys took part in a training march returning to Bn area at 1130K.

1230K. C.O., Staff and Coy Comds left for 15 Aust Inf Bde to attend a TEWT.

*G F Smith*

Lt Col.

(G F SMITH)

Comd 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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NADZAB AREA COMMAND OP INSTRUCTION NO 1

HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
18 Oct 45

Ref Maps: NADZAB 1 inch to 1 mile.

OBJECT

1. The object of this instruction is to define operational responsibility of units, both US and AUST within the NADZAB area in the event of an operational emergency.

INFORMATION

2. Own Troops.
  - (a) 15 Aust Inf Bde has been allotted the operational and administrative responsibility in the NADZAB area.
  - (b) In the event of an operational emergency, Commander 15 Aust Inf Bde will exercise operational control over all Allied land forces in the NADZAB area.
3. Enemy
  - (a) Known enemy locations are in villages in SANAM River valley. This area is three days march from NADZAB.
  - (b) A likely form of enemy attack is an attempt to destroy aircraft on the airfields by land or airborne troops.

METHOD

4. Ground Vital to Defence
  - (a) The vital areas are the airfields.
  - (b) All defence will be sited to protect the airfields and to allow SATE to continue operating.
5. Command

For the purposes of command, HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde will deal with the following HQs ;

  - (a) SATE for all US troops in NADZAB area.
  - (b) HQ 7 Aust Div Details NADZAB for all 7 Aust Div troops in NADZAB area.
  - (c) All other AUSTRALIAN units in area separately.

TASKS

6. General
  - (a) HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde will advise when a state of operational emergency exists.
  - (b) On receipt of this information, US and AUSTRALIAN units will concentrate in unit camp areas and await orders from this HQ.
  - (c) All unit transport will be concentrated with troops ready to transport personnel to areas as ordered by this HQ.

7. In event of operational emergency :

(4) ~~SATF~~  
SATF

SATF will :

- (i) take necessary steps to protect own installations and equipment with units under its command,
- (ii) detail two US units for the close protection of No 1 and No 2 strips respectively,
- (iii) advise this HQ of forces available for further operations on completion of (a) and (b) above.

(6) (b)

HQ 7 Aust Div Details

HQ 7 Aust Div Details will :

- (i) order all combatant units to stand by,
- (ii) advise this HQ numbers of troops available,
- (iii) on receipt of orders from this HQ undertake operations as ordered.

(c) 3 Aust Air Maintenance Coy

3 Aust Air Maintenance Coy will :

- (i) take steps to guard own installations,
- (ii) assemble transport in unit lines and report to this HQ number and types of vehicles available for use,
- (iii) carry out transport tasks as ordered.

(d) ANGAU NADZAB

ANGAU will :

- (i) advise this HQ of number of natives available as carriers,
- (ii) collect all natives allotted to units and assemble them at ANGAU Compound,
- (iii) dispose native labour as ordered.

ADMINISTRATION

8. To be issued separately.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

9. HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde is at 422547.

10. LOs

In an emergency :

- (a) one LO from HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde will report to SATF.
- (b) one LO from HQ 7 Aust Div Details NADZAB will report to HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde.

11. L/T

- (a) Line communications will be established to all HQs. Signal Officer 15 Aust Inf Bde will co-ordinate line communication within the area.
- (b) Alternative communication will be established where possible.
- (c) In event of line communication being out of action, MF will be used to maintain communication.

12. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*B. H. ...*

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BM 15 Aust Inf Bde

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15 AUST INF BDE OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO 1

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Ref Maps: 1 in to 1 ml MT KUBARI  
DUMPU  
URIGINA  
MT OTTO

INFORMATION

1. Topography

(a) The following features are named for ease of reference:

- (i) MENE HILL - area 6258
- (ii) THE GAP - area from MENE RIVER at 621592 North-West to vicinity 612605.
- (iii) IOGE FEATURE - area 6060 - 5959.
- (iv) THOMPSONS RIDGE - area from 592618 running West along ridge to 570623.
- (v) LANDSLIDE HILL - area 5563.

63 360  
5 280

See Appendix A attached.

2. Enemy

(a) Owing to the threat of our progressive landings along NORTH COAST of the HUON PENINSULA, it is considered likely that the enemy may attempt to withdraw his main forces from the 7 Aust Div front, leaving only covering troops.

(b) Enemy estimated strengths are:

- (i) KANKIRYO - SHAGGY RIDGE area approximately 3000 including one bn of infantry.
- (ii) ORGURUNA - MATALOI area: approximately 1000.

3. Own Troops

(a) The main role of 7 Aust Div remains:-

- (i) To prevent enemy penetration in the RAMU-MARKHAM VALLEY area from MADANG.
- (ii) The protection of the GUSAP airfield.
- (iii) The protection of RADAR installations at BENA, GAROKA, DUMPU, GURUF and BUNDI.

In addition to these tasks the division will create the impression of offensive operations against BOGADJIM ROAD by vigorous local minor offensive action. No major force will be committed.

(b) 18 Aust Inf Bde in area TOMS POST - JOHNS KNOLL - SHAGGY RIDGE - HERALD HILL are holding the right bde area of the divisional front.

(c) 15 Aust Inf Bde with under comd 2/6 Aust Cav (Commando) Sqn is the left bde.  
8 Bty 2/4 Aust Fd Regt is in support of 15 Aust Inf Bde.

(d) Inter Brigade Boundary

BEBEI 660553 - HERALD HILL area 6360 all inclusive -  
KANKIRYO 6965 all inclusive to 18 Aust Inf Bde.

(c) Air

- (i) Air support is available on application to this HQ.
- (ii) Tac R is available on application.

INTENTION

4. 15 Aust Inf Bde will:

- (a) Hold the IOGE - MENE RIVER area delaying from the EVAPIA RIVER any enemy advance up the RAMU VALLEY.
- (b) By active patrolling to the SOLU RIVER ensure that no large scale enemy movement takes place in the area between the SOLU and EVAPIA RIVERS.
- (c) Deny to the enemy with active patrolling FEATURE 5800, (URIGINA) 562677 and FEATURE 5500, (DUMPU 035632.)

METHOD

5. This will be carried out by:

- (a) holding line of localities from MENE HILL - IOGE FEATURE - RAMU RIVER.
- (b) preparing four bn localities in the areas:
  - (i) MENE HILL
  - (ii) THE GAP
  - (iii) IOGE FEATURE from square 6160 South West to area 600600.
  - (iv) IOGE RIVER area from 600600 South West to incl main road to RAMU RIVER.
- (c) holding bn out-post locality with one bn in area, THOMPSONS RIDGE - LANDSLIDE HILL - EVAPIA RIVER vicinity 548628 - DID vicinity 554612.
- (d) active patrolling forward from:
  - (i) feature 5500 (632630)
  - (ii) feature 5800 (560675)
  - (iii) EVAPIA RIVER at 548628 forward to SOLU RIVER.

6. Outpost Locality

- (a) Unit: 24 Aust Inf Bn
- (b) Area: as per para 5 (c) above.
- (c) Tasks:
  - (i) to hold area allotted till ordered by this HQ to withdraw into bde reserve.
  - (ii) to deny enemy with active patrolling:
    - feature 5800
    - area between SOLU and EVAPIA RIVERS
  - (iii) to prepare bn position in area allotted.

Ioge feature position

- (a) Unit: 58/59 Aust Inf Bn
- (b) Area: IOGE Feature

(c) Tasks:

- (i) to recon and prepare a bn position on IOGE FEATURE from 6160 to area 6060.
- (ii) to recon and prepare a second bn position from area 6060 to RAMU RIVER.
- (iii) to be prepared to occupy either (i) or (ii) above on orders from this HQ.

8. Reserve Bn

(a) Unit: 57/60 Aust Inf Bn

(b) Area: MENE HILL

(c) Tasks:

- (i) to recon and prepare a bn position on THE GAP.
- (ii) to recon and prepare a bn position on MENE HILL.
- (iii) on orders from this HQ to occupy one of the following bn positions:  
MENE HILL  
THE GAP  
IOGE FEATURE  
IOGE RIVER area

9. 2/6 Aust Cav (Commando) Sqn

(a) Area: MENE HILL

(b) Tasks:

- (i) to deny enemy feature 5500 by active patrolling.
- (ii) Bde reserve.
- (iii) assist 57/60 Aust Inf Bn in construction of MENE HILL defences. CO 57/60 Aust Inf Bn to arrange tasks.

10. Artillery

(a) 8 Bty 2/4 Aust Fd Regt is in support of 15 Aust Inf Bde. In emergency all guns 2/4 Aust Fd Regt may give support on bde front.

(b) Trace of tasks already registered is attached as Appendix B.

Arty officer is available to units to point out on the ground or fire any of these tasks.

11. Tk A

Bn Tk.A Pl will be sited:

- (a) for defence against AFVs in the RAMU VALLEY.
- (b) for use of HE against enemy ground troops.

12. Engineers

(a) Application for engineer assistance or advice will be made to this HQ.

13. Policy for Defence

(a) The final holding position is on the IOGE - MENE Line and

the Bde will be prepared to defeat the enemy on this line. The outpost bn on the EVAPIA RIVER line may be able to force a decision on the enemy and in any case will not withdraw unless ordered by HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde. However offensive patrolling will be carried out to deny the enemy the opportunity of attacking our defensive positions in strength.

- (b) Bn defensive localities down to sec posts will be developed to the stage of well constructed positions.
- (c) Prepare co-ordinated fire plan on bn fronts and linking inter-bn bodies - the responsibility being from right to left. Fire plans to include arcs of fire and fixed lines for LMGs and MMGs; DF and SCS tasks for 3 Inch Mortars and Arty.
- (d) Wire and other obstacles erected to close gaps and protect defended localities.
- (e) Remove spoil from diggings and camouflage positions.
- (f) The communications system will be constructed in depth from the EVAPIA RIVER to MENE HILL. All localities CPs and HQs will be linked and adequate alternatives arranged. Bde Sig Officer is responsible for co-ordination.
- (g) Units will submit enlargements showing information as set out in sub-paras (b), (c), (d), (f) above by 19 Jan 44.
- (h) On warning by this HQ to occupy defensive areas, units will build up to 7 days all reserves of ammunition, rations, water anti-malarial and scrub typhus repellants.

14. Works Priority

- (a) Weapon pits - spoil removed, pits camouflaged.
- (b) Clear fields of fire.
- (c) Range marks erected.
- (d) Establish and construct CPs and HQs.
- (e) Erect wire and other obstacles.
- (f) Ammunition and ration bays.
- (g) Track construction and improvement.
- (h) Sleeping bays.
- (i) Communication trenches.
- (j) Alternative positions constructed.

15. Track Improvement

- (a) Lateral and fore and aft tracks will be constructed and improved to link up defended localities.
- (b) Jeep tracks will be constructed where possible to all coy positions.
- (c) Signposts All tracks will be signposted giving direction and time to next position.

16. Sketches

- (a) Sketches and traces will be prepared of all positions.
- (b) Bns will maintain a file containing a copy of all matters appertaining to the defences.
- (c) Copies of traces and sketches for coy and bn positions will be submitted to this HQ.
- (d) (i) Each unit to prepare an enlargement of bn locality scale 1:5000-5280  
(ii) one copy will be kept in the unit and one copy forwarded to this HQ.

17. Routine

- (a) All units and sub-units whether in defensive localities or in bivouac will carry out inspection parades daily.
- (b) A high standard of unit and personal discipline will be set at all times.
- (c) Bn and Coy comds are <sup>to</sup> frequently/carry out inspections of their commands. Pl comds will invariably conduct daily inspections.
- (d) To familiarise troops with conduct of defensive operations sub-unit will discuss with troops defence & set out in ISL Chap X. / comds

*Copy of present on one pl. Pl parade - inspection - Regular Parade*

18. PW

All units will make every effort to capture PW.

*Beards shaved - Boots - disband - knife - weapons on approach to position see pl. copy to highest standard.*

19. Security

- (a) All commanders will ensure that personnel in forward areas or patrols have no documents in their possession which may be of value to the enemy or identify their units.
- (b) The enemy are known to be using native agents in this area. Any native on whom the slightest suspicion falls should be held for questioning by ANGAU. Natives wearing red lap lappas should be immediately arrested.
- (c) No colour patches will be worn in the divisional area.

ADMINISTRATION

20. To be issued separately.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

21. Bde HQ is at 608565.

22. L/T

- (a) L/T Communication to Bn HQ from Bde HQ.
- (b) L/T from Bn to coys.
- (c) All lines to be built well clear of tracks and cable will NOT be left lying on the ground.



- (d) Alternative L/T to each coy locality.
- (e) Lateral lines to be laid to provide alternative line communication.
- (f) All lines to be used in fixed defences will be labelled where necessary at track crossings and terminals with one inch square tin labels.

23. V/S

- (a) V/S stations sited for all localities.
- (b) Advantage will be taken of the high ground to use V/S as alternative means of communication.

24. W/T

- (a) II set link from Bde HQ to each Bn HQ.
- (b) 208 or 108 links from Bn to coys.
- (c) Application will be made to Bde Sig Officer for SCR 536 sets for isolated pls.

25. patrols

- (a) L/T will be laid behind all patrols.
- (b) Application will be made to Bde Sig Officer for assault wire, SCR 536 and 108 sets for patrols.
- (c) Additional runners will be taken on patrols when other methods are likely to fail.

26. Runners

Routes for runners will be reconnoitred to provide alternative means of communication in defensive localities.

27. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*B. H. Travers.*  
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15 AUST INF BDE OPERATIONAL INSTRUCTION NO 2

23 Jan 44

Ref Maps: 1:25000 BOKU  
KOBEN  
Arty Plan of EVAPIA River area

(Issued in confirmation of verbal orders)

INFORMATION

1. Enemy

As per 15 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Summaries.

2. Own Troops

(a) Dispositions 57/60 Aust Inf Bn at 2000 hrs 23 Jan 44:-

A Coy	)	KETOBA
Bn HQ	)	
D Coy	)	KAROPA
B Coy	)	
C Coy	)	KESAWAI

(b) 57/60 Aust Inf Bn is concentrating in KETOBA area by 26 Jan 44.

INTENTION

3. 57/60 Aust Inf Bn will:

(a) attack and destroy the enemy at ORGURUNA 1 and 2  
(b) occupy ORGURUNA area and patrol vigorously to KISA and KOBA with a view to:

(i) occupying temporarily KISA and KOBA if there is little enemy resistance,

OR

(ii) inducing the enemy (if he shows resistance) to come out and counterattack our force at ORGURUNA

OR

(iii) breaking off contact with the enemy at ORGURUNA if he is too strong at KISA and KOBA.

METHOD

4. The attack will be carried out in the following phases

(a) Phase 1

- (i) capture of ORGURUNA area
- (ii) patrolling to KISA and KOBA
- (iii) breaking off contact at ORGURUNA
- (iv) withdrawal to KETOBA-KAROPA area

(b) Phase 2

- (i) withdrawal to KESAWAI
- (ii) withdrawal to EVAPIA DID

Phase 1 will be completed by D plus 6

Phase 2 should be completed approximately 6 Feb 44

PHASE 1

5. Capture of ORGURUNA area

- (a) The maximum force available in the Bn will be employed for this attack.
- (b) A ration dump should be established on the NORTH side of the BOKU River prior to D. Day.
- (c) On capture of ORGURUNA, establish a Bn defensive position.

6. Patrolling to KISA and KOBA

- (a) Offensive patrols will be sent out:
  - (i) to locate enemy at KISA and KOBA
  - (ii) to attack him if he is in light strength
  - (iii) to induce him to counter-attack ORGURUNA
  - (iv) to harass him generally

7. Breaking off contact at ORGURUNA

The breaking off of contact at ORGURUNA will be at the discretion of CO 57/60 Aust Inf Bn.

8. Withdrawal to KETOBA-KAROPA area

- (a) After breaking contact at ORGURUNA, 57/60 Aust Inf Bn will take a Bn defensive position in the KETOBA-KAROPA area in the hope of an enemy counter-attack.
- (b) Bn will remain in this area until all rations in area are consumed.

PHASE 2

9. Withdrawal to KESAWAI

- (a) When all rations are consumed forward of KAROPA, Bn will withdraw to KESAWAI and take up a Bn defensive position in the hope of an enemy counter-attack.
- (b) Bn will remain in KESAWAI area till all rations are consumed.

10. Withdrawal to EVAPIA DID

- (a) Bn will then withdraw to EVAPIA DID.
- (b) Bn will bivouac in this area for remainder of day, then return to camp at MENE HILL on following day.

11. Protection of L of C

(a) EVAPIA DID to excl KAROPA

- (i) HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde will be responsible for L of C to excl KAROPA.
- (ii) Protection will be as follows:
  - One pl 24 Aust Inf Bn at SOLU River,
  - One pl 24 Aust Inf Bn at KESAWAI, -
  - Pnr pl 24 Aust Inf Bn at KESAWAI. -
- (iii) Tasks 24 Aust Inf Bn
  - to patrol daily L of C from KESAWAI to KAROPA.
  - Pnr pl to continue improvement of jeep track EVAPIA River to KESAWAI.

(b) Incl KAROPA to ORGURUNA

57/60 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible from incl KAROPA to ORGURUNA.

12. PW and Captured Documents

- (a) Every effort will be made to capture PW and Documents.
- (b) All PW and Documents will be returned to Bde HQ as soon as possible.

ADMINISTRATION

13. Ammunition

During withdrawal any surplus ammunition will be stacked in dry place, properly covered and hidden. 57/60 Aust Inf Bn will note locations and report these to HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde.

14. Rations

All rations in forward area will be consumed before troops withdraw.

15. Control of L of C

- (a) Capt BLACKSHAW, Bde TO will control L of C to excl KAROPA. Capt BLACKSHAW will be at KESAWAI

16. Natives

Natives will be based at KESAWAI from 26 Jan 44.

17. Horses

Horses will be based at KAROPA from 27 Jan 44.

18. Medical

- (a) Surgical Post                      KAROPA  
MSP                                      KESAWAI  
MDS                                      MENE River
- (b) Evacuation to KAROPA by unit arrangements. Rifle Coy personnel will NOT be used to carry back casualties.
- (c) Evacuation to KESAWAI and to MDS by Native and jeep.

19. PW

- (a) 3 Provost personnel will be at KAROPA by 26 Jan 44.
- (b) These Provost will be used to escort PW back to Bde HQ.

20. Salvage

All captured enemy weapons will be returned to Bde HQ. Every effort will be made to get captured weapons back.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

21. Bde HQ remains present position.

22. W/T

ll set will be established at KAROPA by 1900 hrs 25 Jan 44.

23. L/T

- (a) L/T will be established to Bn HQ.
- (b) L/T will be laid behind all forward elements both during attacks and on patrols.
- (c) On withdrawal, all W130 American Assault Cable will be recovered. All D3 cable will remain built.
- (d) L/T will be available to all Medical Posts.

24. DRLS

Daily DRLS will operate between Bn HQ and Bde HQ.

25. ACKNOWLEDGE

*B. H. Trauers.*

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**15 AUST INF BDE OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO 3**

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10 Feb 44

Ref Maps: 1:25000 DUMPU  
EVAPIA RIVER  
KUMBARUM

This operation instruction will be read in conjunction with  
15 Aust Inf Bde Operation Instruction No 1.

**INFORMATION**

1. Information has been received indicating the possibility of an attack by enemy paratroops on the MARKHAM - RAMU VALLEY area. No particulars are available, but it is known that the Japanese have sufficient aircraft and paratroops at WEYAK and HOLLANDIA to carry out such an operation.
2. The attack would probably be in the nature of a raid on airfields with the object of doing as much damage as possible and then withdrawing to the hills.
3. Bombing raids might take place before, or during the dropping of paratroops.
4. As we have air superiority, it is unlikely that the attack would be made during daylight. It is considered that the raid would be made at night and that the troops would be dropped in sufficient time before dawn to permit of their organising on the ground and of aircraft getting away before first light. One or two hours of darkness might be allowed for these purposes.
5. As the objectives of such a raid would most likely be airfields, it is improbable that troops would be dropped in the DUMPU area except for diversionary purposes. GUSAP might, however, be raided in which case it may be necessary to send assistance to that area.

**INTENTION**

6. 15 Aust Inf Bde will
  - (a) take offensive action to destroy any enemy paratroops that land in the brigade area,
  - (b) provide a striking force to attack enemy troops in the divisional area as directed by Div HQ.

**METHOD**

7. (a) All units will be responsible for own local protection and defence plans for this will be reviewed where necessary.
- (b) Units will be responsible for the area and tasks as outlined below.
8. **24 AUST INF BN**
  - (a) Area : incl EVAPIA RIVER to excl IOGE RIVER.
  - (b) Task :
    - (i) To destroy any enemy troops in the above area;
    - (ii) To provide mobile companies as required by this HQ;
    - (iii) To establish in the vicinity of Bn HQ a road block to control movement on the main road. This block will be covered by fire from adjacent foothills.



9. 57/60 Aust Inf Bn

(a) Area : excl area 15 Aust Fd Amb to incl No 2 Air Strip.

(b) Task :

- (i) To destroy any enemy in above area on orders from this HQ;
- (ii) To act as Brigade mobile reserve;
- (iii) To provide at 15 minutes warning one company group to move by MT as directed;
- (iv) To establish in vicinity of road junction main road and Bde HQ road a road block to control movement on main road.

10. 2/10 Aust Inf Bn

(a) Area : IOGE FEATURE.

(b) Task :

- (i) Brigade reserve;
- (ii) On movement of 57/60 Aust Inf Bn to 18 Aust Inf Bde area, to take over tasks of 57/60 Aust Inf Bn;
- (iii) To provide a company for the protection of 15 Aust Fd Amb. This company to move only if 15 Aust Fd Amb is likely to be attacked.

11. 2/6 Aust Cav (Commando) Sqn

(a) Area : MENE HILL.

(b) Task :

- (i) To hold present area;
- (ii) To prepare accommodation for a Brigade Battle HQ within the area of the MENE HILL defences;
- (iii) To establish OPs on MENE HILL to report the fall and location of paratroops.

12. Supporting Fire

(a) MMGs

- (i) Units will site MMGs on foothills of LANDSLIDE HILL, THOMPSONS RIDGE, IOGE FEATURE, MENE HILL as applicable.
- (ii) Tasks: To cover flat ground between RAMU RIVER and these features.

(b) Mortars

- (i) As for MMGs above.
- (ii) At least two detachments of mortars per unit will be retained as a mobile reserve.

(c) Tk A

As for MMGs above.

(d) Artillery

12 Fd Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt are establishing an OP on MENE HILL and are prepared to shoot at targets within the Brigade area.

13. Degree of Readiness

Units will be at the following degree of readiness:

- (a) Company sentries will be posted day and night.
- (b) One platoon fully dressed ready within 5 minutes for harassing patrols in areas in which paratroops land.
- (c) One company as a mobile striking force to be ready within 15 minutes.
- (d) All units will be prepared completely as a mobile force within 30 minutes.
- (e) All necessary fighting and personal equipment will be packed ready for instant move by 1800 hrs each night.
- (f) Units will maintain the above degree of readiness as from last light on night of 10 Feb 44.

14. Patrols

As soon as paratroops land within unit area of responsibility one platoon as per para 13 (b) above will move, and, pending the arrival of the remainder of the battalion, harass the enemy and prevent his reorganisation.

ADMINISTRATION

15. Ammunition

50% Scale A ammunition will be held by all units.

16. Rations

- (a) On the man -- 1 Emergency, 1 FOR. *Further issue 10/2300/c*
- (b) Unit reserve -- 2 days SWP.

17. Transport

- (a) All available transport will report to 57/60 Aust Inf Bn by 1930 hrs each night.
- (b) 57/60 Aust Inf Bn will advise this HQ of number of jeeps in unit lines at 2000 hrs each night.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

18. Bde HQ

- (a) Remains present location.
- (b) When enemy attack is launched, Bde Command Post will be established on MENE HILL area 611568.

19. L/T

L/T is established to all units

20. W/T

W/T links will be established from Brigade to Battalions and from Battalion to companies.

21. V/S

- (a) V/S will be established within units.
- (b) Bde Sig Offr will co-ordinate V/S communication from units to Bde HQ.

22. Passwords

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23. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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*B. H. Travers.*

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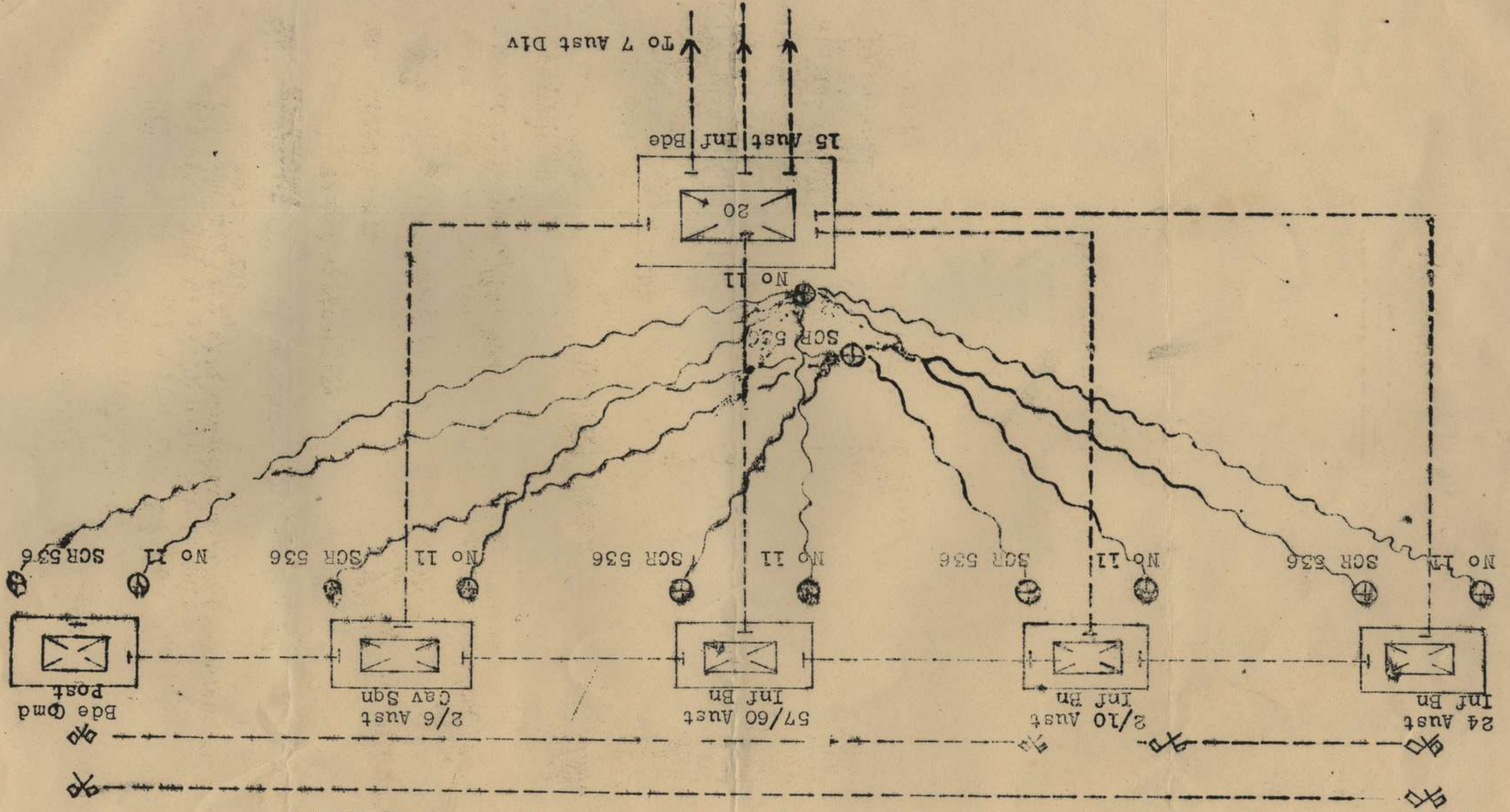
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SIGNAL DIAGRAM



To 7 Aust Div

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15 AUST INF BDE OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO 4

HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

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24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) ✓

58/59 Aust Inf Bn

Reference para 8(b)(iv) of the above instruction.

The change over consequent to the above para will be effected by mutual arrangements between COs 24 Aust Inf Bn and 58/59 Aust Inf Bn, *not before 22 Feb 44.*

*A. H. Trauers.*

Major

BM 15 Aust Inf Bde

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15 AUST INF BDE OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO 4

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Ref Maps: 1:25000 AMUSON DUMPU  
PAIPA AMUBA  
KUMBARUM

This instruction will take effect from 0900 hrs 19 Feb 44.

INFORMATION

1. Enemy

As per 15 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Summaries.

2. Own Troops

(a) (i) 7 Aust Div is holding in strength with two brigades the general line OLD HILL 4100 647677 - KANKIRYO SADDLE - CANNINGS SADDLE - 607630 - South-east along high ground between lower waters of the EVAPIA and MENE Rivers.

(ii) Vigorous patrolling is being carried out to retain control of ground forward of this defensive line and to ensure no enemy infiltration is allowed to take place.

(b) Right Brigade

15 Aust Inf Bde in area KANKIRYO SADDLE.  
11 Fd Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt is in support of 15 Aust Inf Bde.

(c) Left Brigade

18 Aust Inf Bde in area EVAPIA and MENE Rivers with outposts on 5800 FEATURE and patrolling to SOLU River.  
2/6 Aust Cav (Commando) Sqn is under command 18 Aust Inf Bde.

(d) Inter Brigade Boundary

(i) GOODWINS SPUR - track and creek junction 593668 - line of creek running South-East to CANNINGS SADDLE - CANNINGS SADDLE - HERALD HILL - BEBEI; all inclusive right brigade.

(ii) Contact will be maintained between right and left brigades by patrols to junction point GOODWINS SPUR.

INTENTION

3. 15 Aust Inf Bde will:

(a) include in localities to be held OLD HILL 4100 - KANKIRYO SADDLE - PROTHERO 2 - BRIANS HILL - LAKE HILL.

(b) by patrolling control area as far forward as and including PAIPA 1.

METHOD

4. (a) 15 Aust Inf Bde will hold with two battalions forward and one battalion in reserve in general area GUYS POST - LAKE HILL.

(b) The ground vital to defence is the saddle from OLD HILL 4100 • CRATER HILL - KANKIRYO SADDLE - PROTHERO 2 - PROTHERO 1.

5. Right Battalion

(a) Unit : 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

(b) Tasks:

- (i) Hold line of localities CAMS HILL - OLD HILL 4100 - CRATER HILL - KANKIRYO SADDLE and counter any infiltration through these localities.
- (ii) Maintain an outpost of not less than one platoon on CAMS SADDLE.
- (iii) Patrol area East of CAMS SADDLE, the headwaters of MOGA River and forward to OLD HILL 4200 and PAIPA 2.

6. Left Battalion

(a) Unit : 57/60 Aust Inf Bn

(b) Tasks:

- (i) Hold line of localities North-West end of SHAGGY RIDGE - PROTHERO 2 - PROTHERO 1 and counter any infiltration through or around these localities.
- (ii) Maintain one company in an outpost position on feature 4550 approximately at 623668.
- (iii) Maintain a standing patrol of not less than one platoon on CANNINGS SADDLE.
- (iv) Patrol area South of MINDJIM River West as far as 4200 feature in square 6068.
- (v) Maintain OP giving observation into MINDJIM Valley vicinity PAIPA 2.

7. Boundaries

(a) Inter Battalion Boundary

MINDJIM River - KANKIRYO SADDLE - FARIA River; all inclusive right battalion.

(b) Rear Boundary

TOMS POST - GEMTONS HILL - CANNINGS SADDLE inclusive to forward battalions.

8. Reserve Battalion

(a) Unit : 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

(b) Tasks:

- (i) Divisional and Brigade reserve.
- (ii) Hold localities McCULLOUGH'S RIDGE - LAKE HILL - BRIANS HILL with not less than two rifle companies.
- (iii) Patrol on right and left flanks at least as far as GRASSY PATCH and GEMTONS HILL.
- (iv) Protect FARIA River L of C by maintaining a protective detachment in vicinity FARIA River and MAINSTREAM junction.

9. Works Priority

- (a) Weapon pits.
- (b) Clear fields of fire.
- (c) Track improvement - fore and aft and laterally.
- (d) Alternative positions.
- (e) Communication trenches.

10. Track Improvement

- (a) Track improvement will be carried out as quickly as possible.
- (b) Tracks will be corduroyed where necessary.

- (e) Timber will be cut down on both sides of tracks to allow light and air in to dry the tracks.

**11. Sign Posts**

Units will sign post clearly all tracks within unit areas giving time, number of paces and direction to next position.

**12. Post Routine**

- (a) Normal defensive routine will be adopted.
- (b) Daily parades will be conducted and daily inspection of post, weapons and personal hygiene will be made.
- (c) A high standard of discipline must be maintained whilst in the defences.
- (d) Regular range practices will be conducted, 30 yards ranges being constructed near company localities.

**13. Malaria, Dengue and Scrub Typhus**

- (a) Stringent precautions will be taken to combat diseases prevalent in this area, especially malaria, dengue and scrub typhus.
- (b) Units will maintain a high standard of anti-disease precautions. There is to be no relaxation because troops are in forward areas.
- (c) Regular daily supervision of the preventative measures laid down is an officer's responsibility.

**14. Prisoners of War**

Every endeavour will be made to take prisoners of war.

**15. Security**

- (a) All commanders will ensure that personnel in forward areas or patrols have no documents in their possession which may be of value to the enemy or identify their units.
- (b) The enemy is known to be using native agents in this area. Any native on whom the slightest suspicion falls should be held for questioning by ANGAU. Natives wearing red lap-laps should be immediately arrested.
- (c) No colour patches will be worn in the divisional area.

**ADMINISTRATION**

16. To be issued separately.

**INTERCOMMUNICATION**

17. Bde HQ is at 671582.

**18. Line Telephony**

- (a) LT will be established to all companies and detachments.
- (b) All lines will be poled, built well clear of tracks. On no account will cable be left lying on the ground.
- (c) Alternative LT will be laid to all localities.
- (d) Lateral lines will be laid.



19. Wireless Telegraphy

- (a) No 11 set from Bde HQ to Bn HQ.
- (b) Where WT sets are available within battalions, wireless communication will be established as an alternative means.

20. patrols

- (a) LT will be laid behind all patrols.
- (b) Application will be made to Bde Sig Offr for SCR 536, 208 and 108 sets for patrols.
- (c) Additional runners will be taken on patrols as an alternative means of communication.

21. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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15 AUST INF BDE OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO 5 Copy No.....

26 Feb 44

Ref Maps: 1:25000

ERIMA  
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PAIPA

INFORMATION

1. Topographical )
2. Enemy ) as per Appendix "A"
3. Own Troops as per 15 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Summary.

INTENTION

4. 58/59 Aust Inf Bn will send a platoon recon patrol to the coast in the MINDJIM-MELAMU area.

METHOD

5. (a) The purpose of the patrol is mainly recon and the patrol is NOT to be disclosed to the enemy if it can be avoided. This should not restrict prompt action to eliminate enemy if necessity arises.  
(b) The patrol will be carried out by establishing a series of bases from which the patrol may work. The rear base will be at AMUSON and forward bases may be established as desired by CO 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

6. Tasks

- (a) To bring back information concerning:
  - (i) Type of country: rivers, creeks, swamps, passes, saddles.
  - (ii) Routes and approaches.
  - (iii) Landmarks
  - (iv) Natives contacted.
  - (v) Features of tactical importance.
  - (vi) Topographical information concerning correctness of maps.
- (b) To obtain details of enemy movement in area BOGADJIM to KABENAU R mouth.
- (c) To patrol:
  - (i) Tracks NORTH to KALIKO.
  - (ii) Tracks along banks of KABENAU R.
  - (iii) Patrol tracks west of AMUSON.
- (d) To establish OPs to observe MINDJIM and MELAMU areas and any shipping in ASTROLOBE BAY. (A suggested area for OP is in square 6885).

7. Strength

- (a) One company may be employed for the task.
- (b) One platoon of at least 25 personnel will be used for patrolling forward of NANGAPO.
- (c) Details of troops to be attached to patrol will be advised separately. It is proposed to send one Bde Intelligence personnel and representatives from HQ RAE and ANGAU.

8. Route

KANKIRYO-- headwaters of MOSA R-AMUSON-KABENAU R-NANGAPO thence to KABENAU River mouth and to KALIKO.

9. Reports

- (a) Sitreps including topographical information will be sent as at 0700, 1200, 1900 hrs daily.
- (b) Information of importance will be reported immediately. Shipping movement will be advised by AIRFLASH procedure.
- (c) On completion of patrol a report will be submitted giving full details including sketches, panoramas and traces.

10. Track Improvement

- (a) Tracks will be improved on the L of C.
- (b) Track from KANKIRYO to AMUSON especially will be improved to allow rapid movement.

11. Protection of Bases

All bases especially bases established forward of AMUSON will be adequately protected.

12. Security

- (a) All precautions will be taken to ensure no documents giving information of value to the enemy are carried by the company.
- (b) Close supervision will be kept on natives, both of our own carrier lines and of Kanakas met en route. On no account must natives be given the opportunity of deserting to the enemy.

13. PW

Every endeavour will be made to take PsW.

ADMINISTRATION

14. Reserves

Adequate reserves of rations and ammunition will be placed at forward bases to ensure that no restriction is placed on patrol activity owing to lack of supplies.

15. Medical

A medical post will be established under unit arrangements at AMUSON.

16. Malarial Precautions

- (a) Full malarial precautions will be taken on the patrol.
- (b) Nets will be carried and men will use nets at ALL times. On no account will nets be thrown away.
- (c) Two bottles of mosquito repellent per man will be carried.
- (d) 18 days atabrin will be carried.

17. Dress

Dress, equipment and weapons to be carried will be at discretion of CO 58/59 Aust Inf Bn.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

18. LT

- (a) LT will be established to AMUSON and to forward base near NANGAPO.
- (b) Fullerphone will be established to forward base near NANGAPO.

19. WT

- (a) 6 208 sets will be allotted as follows:-
  - (i) One set at Bn HQ.
  - (ii) One set at AMUSON.
  - (iii) One set at OP.
  - (iv) One set at forward base.
  - (v) One set with patrol.
  - (vi) One spare set at AMUSON.
- (b) Call signs and frequencies will be allotted by Bde Sig Offr.
- (c) Two WT operators will be allotted from 15 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec<sup>en</sup> will accompany patrol to ensure skilled handling of 208 sets.
- (d) Attached as Appendix "A" is signal diagram for patrol.

20. Flares

Flares will be used only in emergency. Use of flares under observation of enemy will disclose patrol's activities.

21. Care of Signal Equipment.

The success of the patrol depends on intercommunication. Every endeavour must be made therefore to keep wireless sets and telephones working. Patrol leaders must be prepared to wait till Sigs establish communications and further should consult sigs before selecting bivouac sites. Only by doing this can communications be ensured.

22. ACKNOWLEDGE.

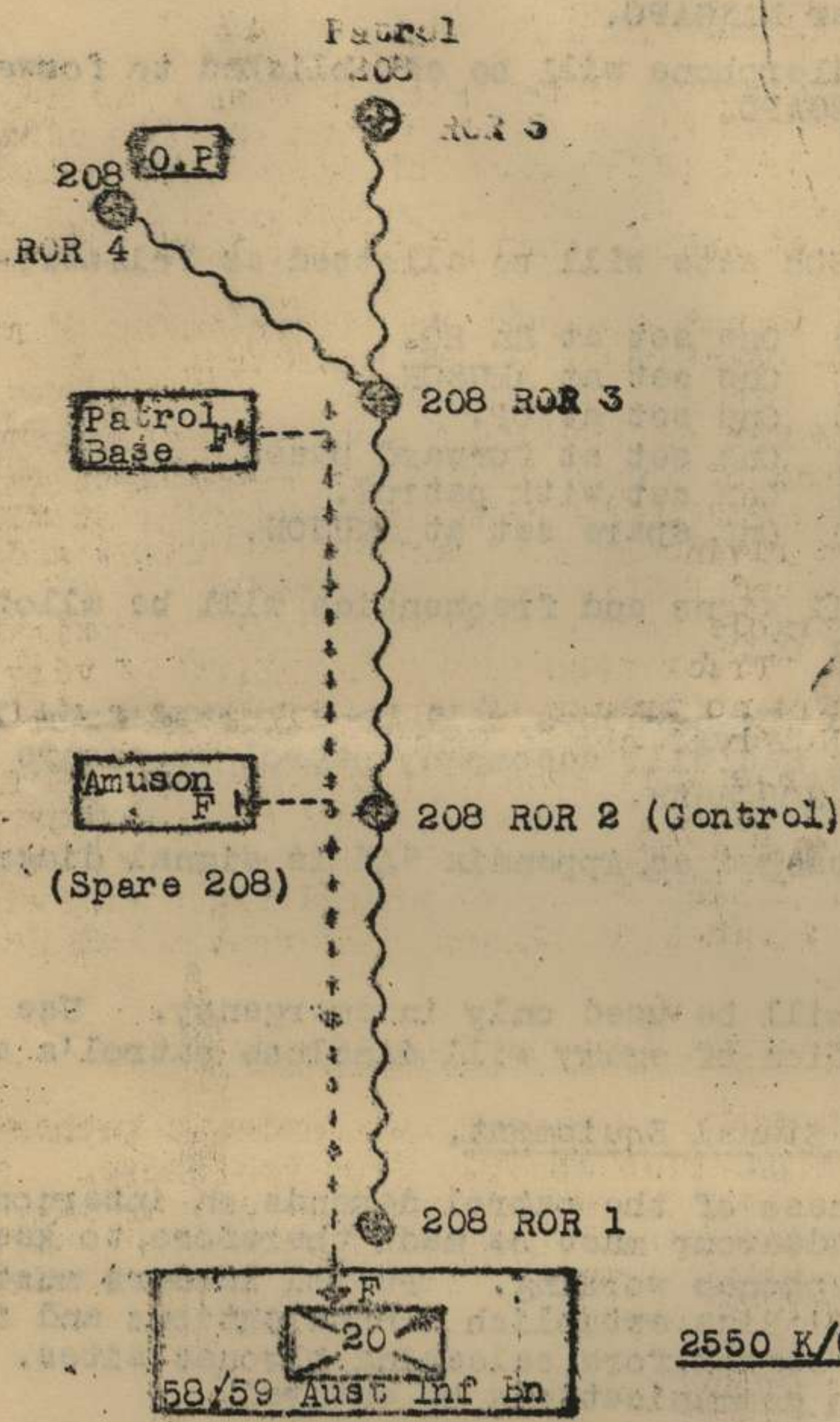
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Call Signs and Frequencies will be fixed for period of patrol.

Schedules

- (a) An hourly schedule call on the hour to be made during the hours of daylight.
- (b) When patrol is forward of its base, ROR 2 and ROR 3 will remain on continuous watch.
- (c) Patrol set will establish contact at least twice daily when forward of base.
- (d) In event of line failure during the hours of daylight sets on either side of the break will go on constant watch until line is repaired.

NOTE: Spare batteries will be carried on a basis of 1 per 72 hours per set for duration of patrol.  
Spare valves will be carried on a basis of 1 set of valves per set plus 3 additional sets to be held at AMUSON.  
Aerials: Each set will be equipped with 67 feet end fed aerial.  
Cypher as per KEYS issued, will be used at all times and strict wireless discipline will be maintained at all times.

ENEMY AND TOPOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION KABENAU RIVER MOUTH AREA1. Topographical Information

(a) Native reports state that the enemy has not been seen in AMUSON area since 4-8 Feb when one Jap officer was killed by a patrol (2/10 Aust Inf Bn). Approximately 10-20 enemy troops who were apparently in front of the officer stayed at AMUSON that night and left hurriedly early next morning.

AMUSON is not occupied by either enemy or natives at present (confirmed by own patrols).

(b) TacR 23 Feb reports that a track leaves AMUSON, follows East bank of river to 733810, crosses to West bank, follows river to 732823, climbs across saddle at 715832. From there a ravine hides track until 725852 and from there to NANGAPO and BARUM track is visible. Considerable use is apparent from approximately 725852 to BARUM. Track from BARUM to KALIKO is very well used. There are no tracks of any consequence visible on KABENAU River North of creek junction 732823. No defences were seen in DAMUM area. GERIK, SUNGUN, YANGALUN (East of KABENAU) and tracks showed little use on 23 Feb but a previous tacR 20 Feb these tracks, and one through MELABU to coast showed signs of much use. MELAMU Plantation showed some tracks but no movement on 23 Feb.

(c) Extracts from Terrain Study No 59.

West of BONGU is KALIKO an abandoned Lutheran Mission on hills which rise steeply from the shore. They are mostly forested but there are small grassy areas. The coastal track follows close to the shore and is classified as a difficult track. The KIER River to East is not difficult to cross.

KABENAU RIVER

Rises at western end of the Finisterre Range, and descends rapidly, flowing north to the mouth, nearly 2 miles east of Melamu Plantation in Astrolabe Bay. It is a braided stream about 100 yards wide, and 3 feet deep, increasing to 7 feet between December and May, and is very fast-flowing (up to 6 m.p.h.). There are no bars. The bed is loose gravel, with large stones and boulders, which turn over with the current, making crossing difficult and very dangerous.

Between December and May it would at times be an obstacle to troops, tanks and MT. Wire bridging might at times be necessary, though this would be difficult, as the banks are low, about 4 feet near the mouth on the east, and lower on the west. A bluff  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile upstream from the track is about 20 feet high on the western bank, but the eastern bank is still low.

MELAMU; Coconut. On coastline between Melamu Harbor and the Kabenau River, 660 acres planted. Rear area near Kakenau burnt out. Soil, chocolate loam and gravel with coral on frontage, heavy loam on clay subsoil at rear. Flat and inclined to be rubbly. Cattle, 100. Good water supply from a stream. Manager's house is on Garagassi Point, other buildings near head of Bay. Owner- W R Carpenter & Co.

2. Enemy Information

The enemy is using a circuitous route to bypass our troops in the SAIDOR area. To date some 3400 troops have been counted moving through TARIKNGAN (about 12 miles SW of SAIDOR). Approximately 1000 enemy troops were reported in MINDIRI plantation (approximately 18 miles East of KAVENAU River mouth) and this area was bombed on 21 Feb. It is probable that these troops are part of the 3400 but no further reports or confirmation are available as yet.



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HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
26 Apr 44.

Ref Maps: 1 inch series

MT KUBARI  
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BOGADJIM

INFORMATION

- 1. Enemy  
Enemy troops are reported withdrawing from ALEXISHAFFEN and very little opposition in that area is likely.
- 2. Own Troops
  - (a) 5 Aust Div is to relieve 32 US Div and assumes responsibility for defence of SAIDOR and for coastal operations to the West.
  - (b) Advance elements of 8 Aust Inf Bde arrived in MADANG on 25 Apr.

INTENTION

3. 15 Aust Inf Bde Gp will concentrate in MADANG area.

METHOD

- 4. Troops  
Composition of 15 Aust Inf Bde Gp is as set out in Appendix "A".
- 5. Movement
  - (a) The movement will be divided into three phases.
    - Phase I Concentration of certain units in BOGADJIM area thence by barge to MADANG.
    - Phase II Movement of certain units by air to SAIDOR and thence by barge to MADANG or by air direct to MADANG.
    - Phase III Movement of certain units and unit stores by air to LAE and thence by sea to MADANG.
  - (b) Details of movement will be issued separately.
- 6. Phase I - Concentration of Units in BOGADJIM area
  - (a) The following units will concentrate in an area within one day's march of BOGADJIM:
    - 57/60 Aust Inf Bn
    - 58/59 Aust Inf Bn
    - Portion 15 Aust Fd Amb
    - Portion 15 Aust Fd Coy
    - 4 Aust Sup Dep Pl
    - A Pl & RDI 152 Aust Gen Tpt Coy
    - Rear HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde
  - (b) CO 57/60 Aust Inf Bn will arrange unit sites for above units in AIYAU area.
  - (c) Command
    - (i) On arrival in AIYAU area, all units will come under command of CO 57/60 Aust Inf Bn.
    - (ii) CO 57/60 Aust Inf Bn will co-ordinate arrangements for supply whilst in and onward movement from BOGADJIM.
    - (iii) On movement of HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde from DUMPU all troops in AIYAU area will come under command HQ 5 Aust Div. CO 57/60 Aust Inf Bn will then deal direct with HQ 5 Aust Div.
- 7. Phase II - Movement of Units by Air
  - (a) Movement will be by one of the following routes:
    - (i) By air to SAIDOR thence by sea to MADANG,
    - OR
    - (ii) By air direct to MADANG.

(b) The following units will move by air as above;

HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde  
 15 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec  
 266 Aust LAD  
 24 Aust Inf Bn  
 Portion 15 Aust Fd Amb  
 Portion of 15 Aust Fd Coy  
 3 Aust Sup Dep Pl

(c) Further details for onward movement from SAIDOR to MADANG will be issued later.

8. Phase III - Movement to LAE

(a) All unit heavy equipment which cannot be moved by boy-line along the L of C will be moved by air to NADZAB thence to LAE and thence by sea to MADANG.

(b) The following units will move by the above route:

Dets 24 Aust Inf Bn  
 Dets 57/60 Aust Inf Bn  
 Dets 58/59 Aust Inf Bn  
 Dets 15 Aust Fd Amb  
 Dets 15 Aust Fd Coy  
 129 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk  
 129 Aust Bde Wksp.

(c) Further details of the onward movement of these units by sea will be issued later.

9. Malarial Precautions

Stringent malarial precautions will be carried out during the movement especially in the BOGADJIM area and on arrival at MADANG. COs will ensure that nets, atabrin, mosquito repellent and mite lotion are used at all times during the movement.

The danger of relaxing precautions on account of movement and thus having heavy malarial casualties cannot be too strongly stressed.

10. Security

(a) Units will ensure that all unit sites are inspected for security prior to departure of units. Special attention will be paid to notice boards, HQs and offices.

(b) Unit War Dept Serial Numbers only will be used on all stores forwarded. On no account will unit identity be apparent.

ADMINISTRATION

11. Administration will be issued separately.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

12. HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde will open by WT whenever possible after leaving DUMPU.

13. WT

Units will keep WT watch as ordered by Bde Sig Officer.

14. LT

(a) LT will be laid from DUMPU to BOGADJIM.

(b) On departure HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde from DUMPU Sigs 7 Aust Div are taking over the LT communication to AIYAU. LT communication will be maintained from RAMU valley to BOGADJIM until all units of 15 Aust Inf Bde have left BOGADJIM area.

(c) Prior to departure from BOGADJIM area 57/60 Aust Inf Bn will arrange salvage of cable as far as possible.

15. DRLS

(a) Present DRLS along L of C from DUMPU to AIYAU will be maintained by arrangements of Bde Sig Offr until all units are concentrated in AIYAU area.

(b) DRLS from YAULA to BOGADJIM will be arranged as necessary by CO 57/60 Aust Inf Bn

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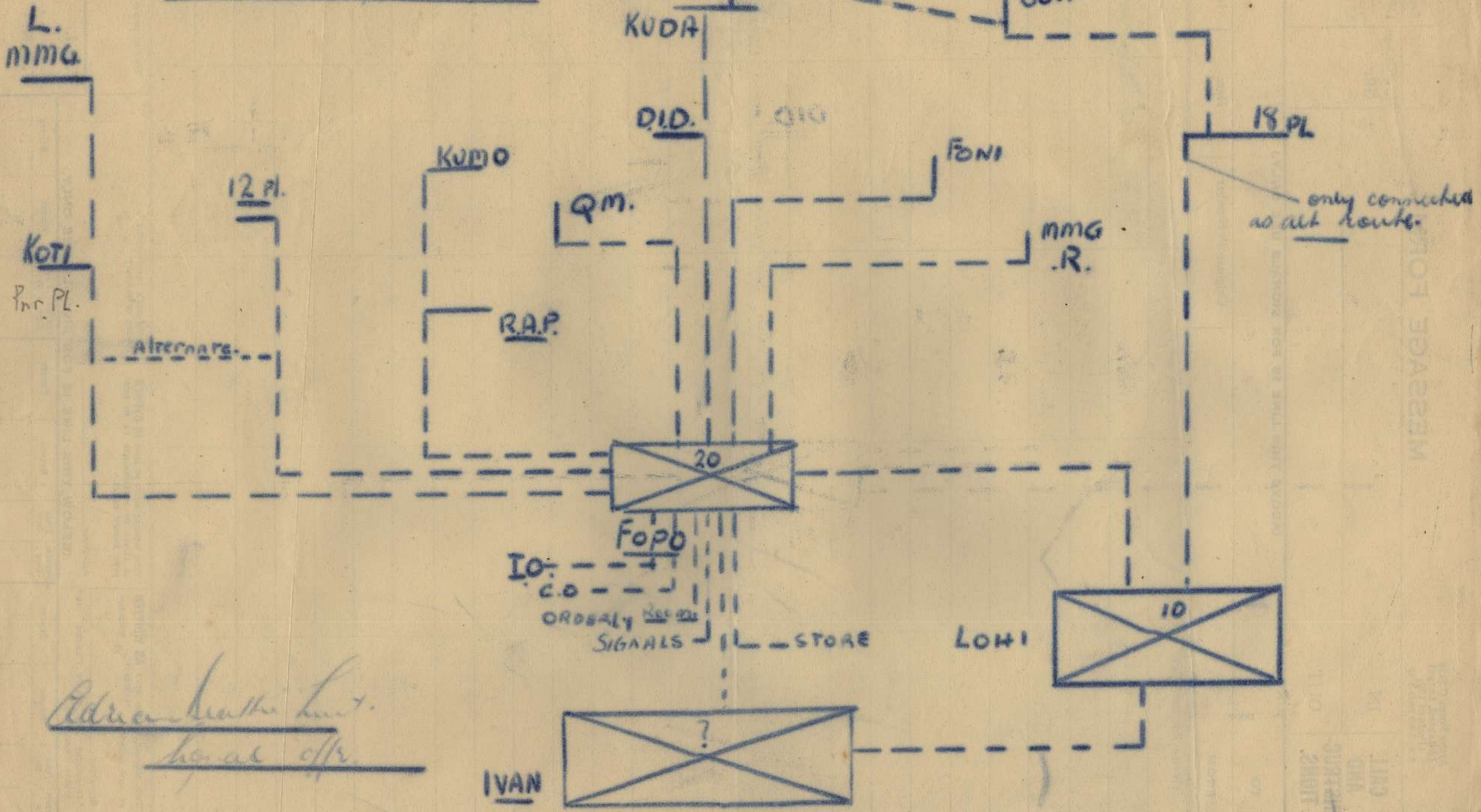
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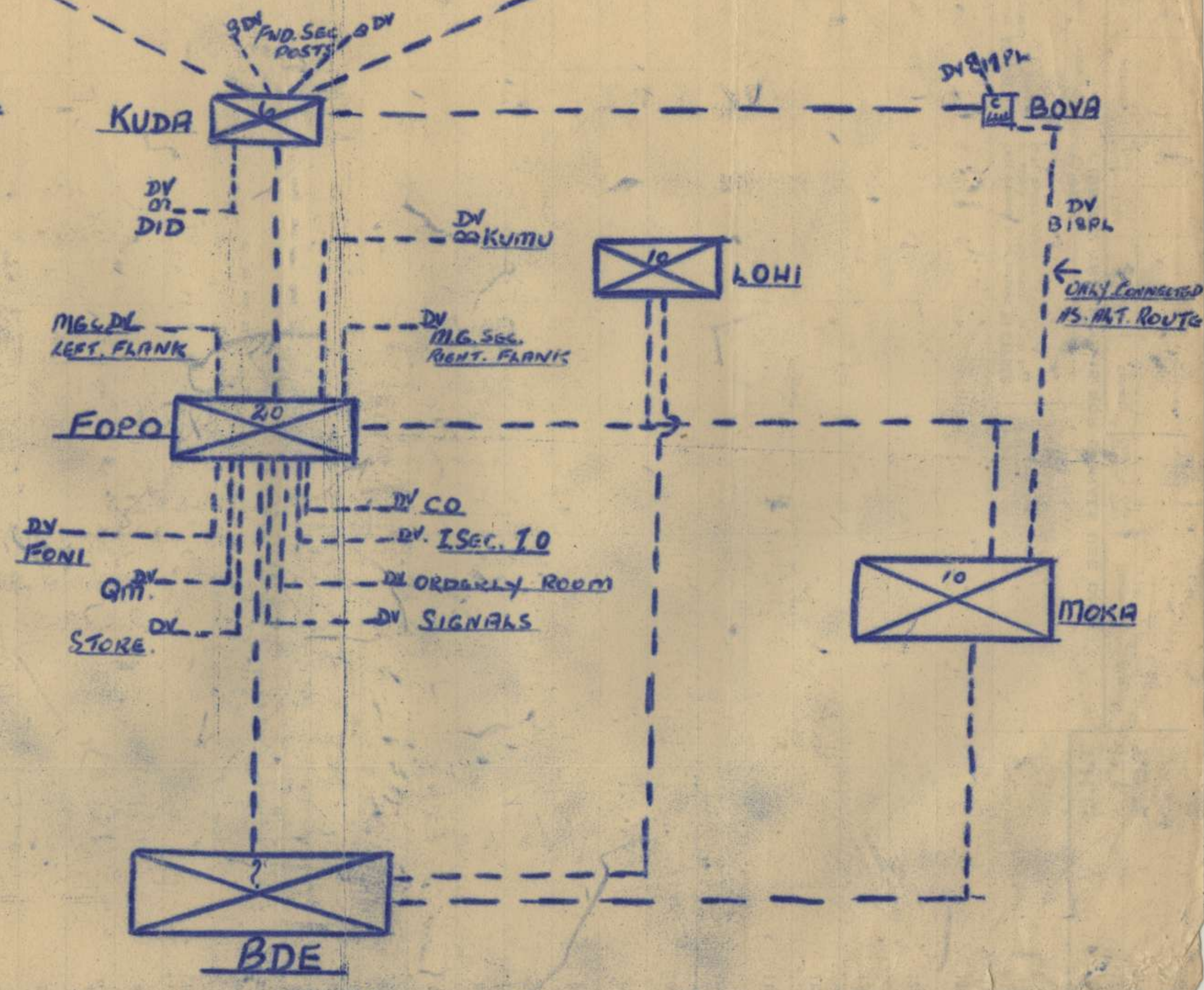
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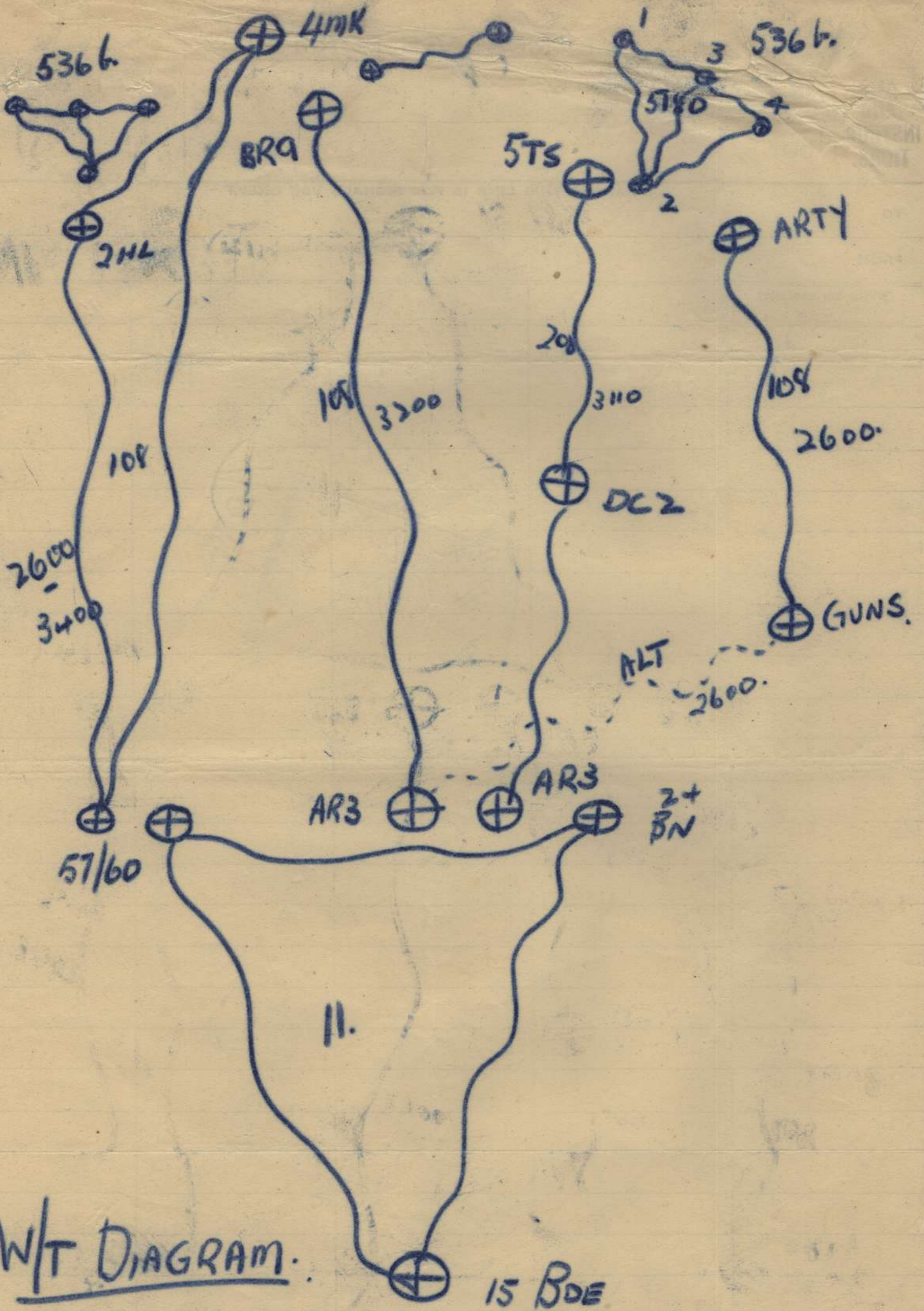


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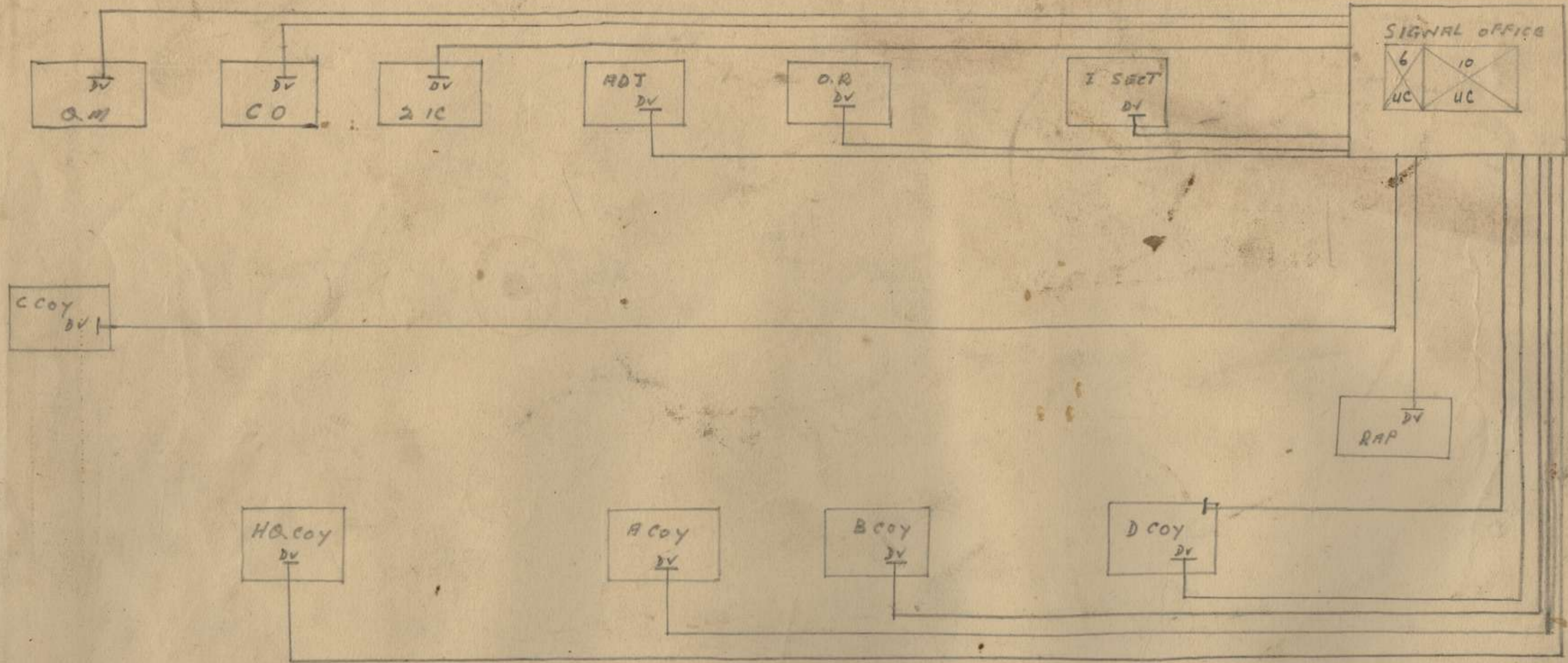
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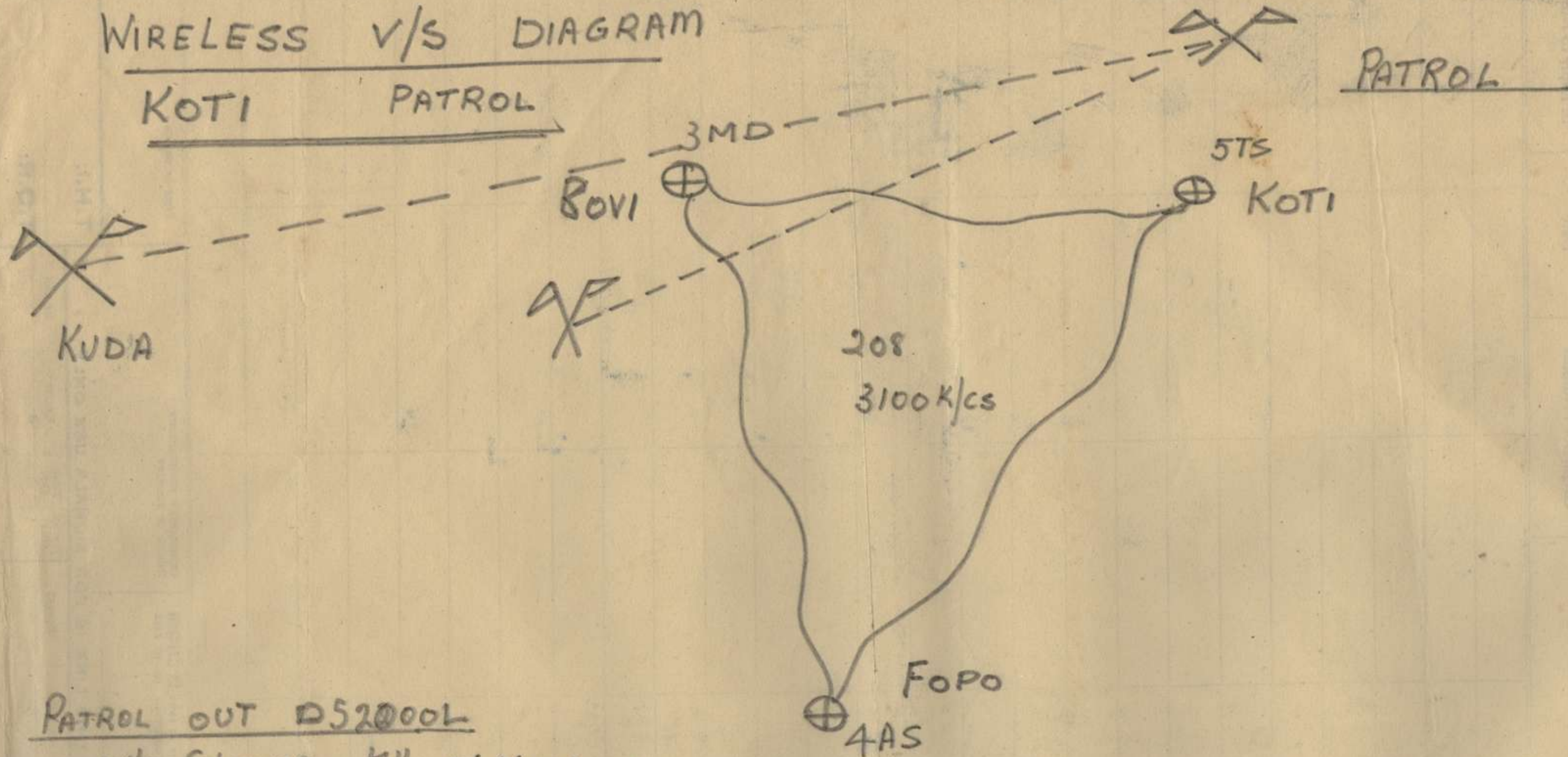
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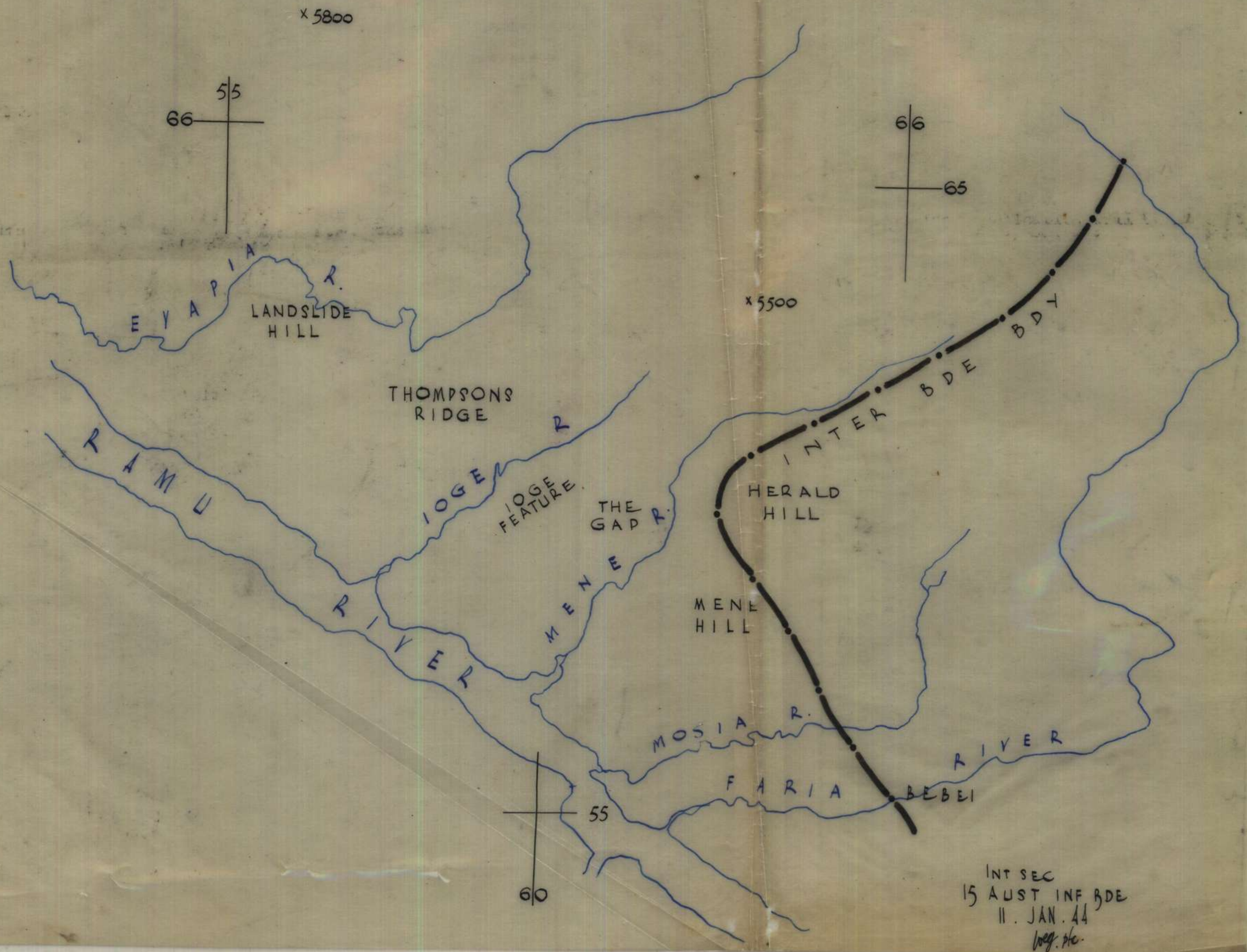
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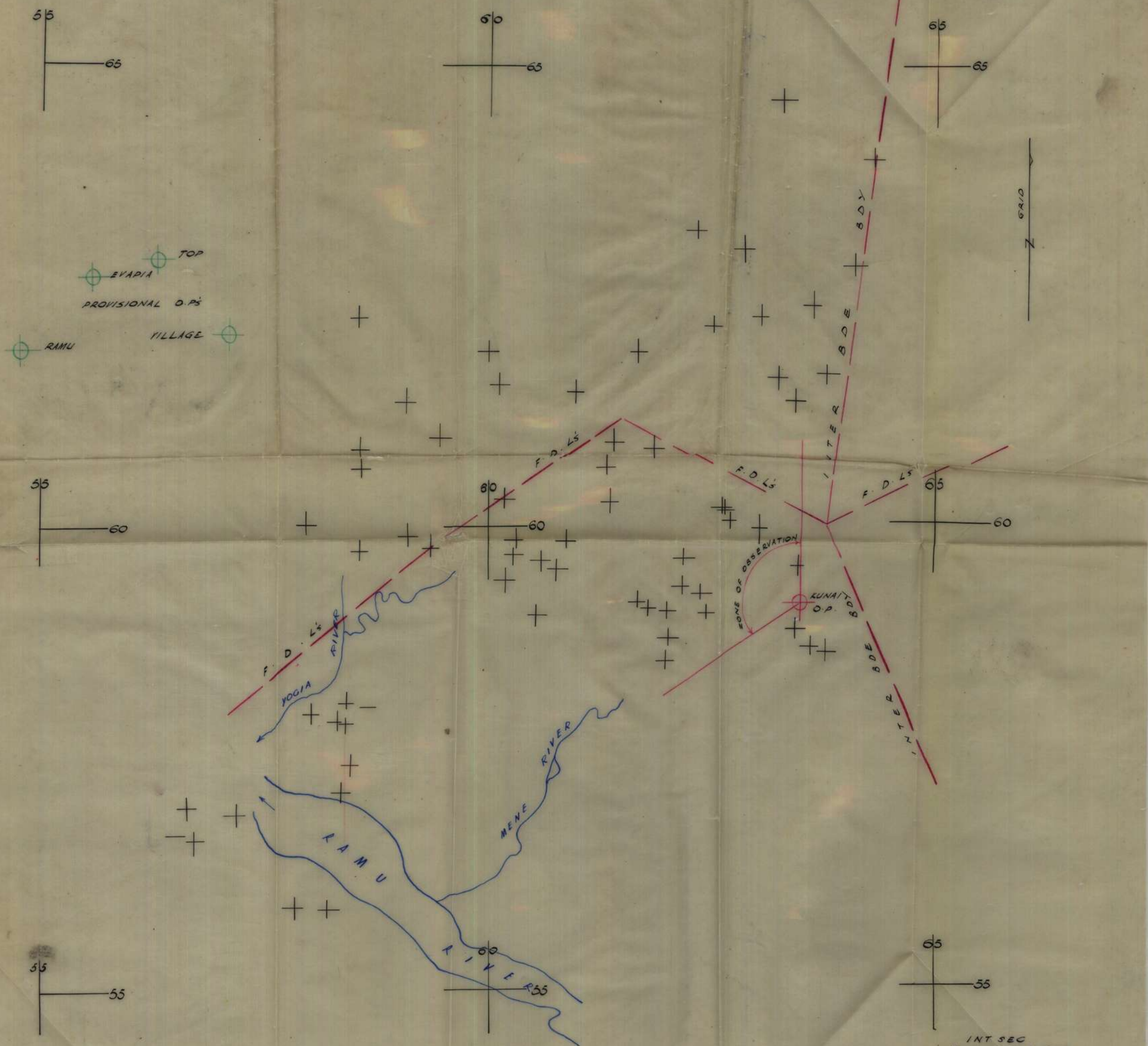
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11 AUST DIV ROUTINE ORDERS

PART I

by

MAJOR-GENERAL A.J. BOASE

COMD 11 AUST DIV

HQ 11 AUST DIV, AUSTRALIA, 15 APRIL 1944

GENERAL STAFF

G.123 CONTROL OF LIGHTS AND FLARES IN AREA

Units are warned against displaying flares or torches for the guidance of planes attempting forced landings in the DUMPU AREA at night.

No.2 Strip DUMPU is equipped with control light fitted with Red, Green and plain shutters. Other improvised lighting apparatus only causes confusion to the pilots concerned and will NOT be used.

G.124 B TRANSIT CAMP

The name of 7 Aust Div Transit Camp DUMPU is changed to B Transit Camp.

G.125 MUZZLE COVERS—SMALL ARMS

Reports are required as to the serviceability and effectiveness of Covers Muzzle SA No.1 (for rifles and SMG) and Covers Muzzle SA No.2 (for Tk A Boys, Bren, LMG and Vickers MMG).

Returns will be submitted by 25 Apr 44. NIL returns are NOT required.

*A. J. Boase*  
LT-COL  
GS 11 AUST DIV

ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF

A.126 ROUTINE ORDERS

The following Orders have been issued and will be noted for information, necessary action and filed for future reference :-

GRO	Nos 112-122 of 31 Mar 44
NGF 0 Serial No.14	Nos 69-71 of 3 Apr 44.

A.127 GENERAL ORDERS

The attention of all units is particularly drawn to the undermentioned Orders :-

- GRO A 117 Treatment of Discharged Members Suffering from Malaria (To be re-published in all Unit ROs once every three months).
- GRO A 118 Shaving and Hair Cutting (The substance of para. 1 will be re-published in all Unit ROs).
- GRO F 122 First Victory Loan—Instalment Subscriptions (To be re-published in all Unit ROs).

A.128 CIRCULARS

The following circulars have been issued since promulgation of 11 Aust Div RO No.15 of 10 Apr 44 :-

Subject	Branch Date	Roneo	Distribution
11 Aust Div GS memo No.25 Direct Bag—Dobodura	G 11 Apr 44	G7143	A less Ser 4 plus Ser 25 and 29
11 Aust Div GS Memo No.26 DRLS and ALS Time Table Average Signal Times:	G 12 Apr 44	G7144	Limited
Serial I	G 12 Apr 44	G7162	Limited
11 Aust Div Trg Instn No.44 Amend No.1	G 14 Apr 44	G7186	Limited

A.129 DAILY STRENGTH STATE—AAF W.3006

AAF W.3006 for Inf Bns under comd and 2/2 Aust Commando Sqn will be rendered to this HQ by 0900K daily.

All other units are required to submit W.3006 on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week only. Such units will ensure that each return is reconciled with the previous return submitted.

Units will continue to submit W.3006 to Records Office daily.

A.130 PERSONNEL REPORTING TO "B" TRANSIT CAMP

Where practicable units despatching personnel to "B" Transit Camp will ensure that such personnel report to the Transit Camp prior to 1600K on the day of movement.

A.131 SERVICE CHEVRONS

In accordance with instructions contained in NG FORCE memo A7062 of 7 Apr 44 temporary absence on the mainland whether on leave, at a school, on escort, orderly or other duty, in hospital or otherwise, by a member whose unit is in NG will NOT constitute qualifying service for the grant of a service chevron.

A.132 PURCHASE OF CANTEEN GOODS—REGIMENTAL TRUST FUNDS

11 Aust Div Circular memo A 1504 of 23 Feb 44 in connection with the above matter is cancelled.

**A.133** AEME PERSONNEL ATTACHED

A return is required to reach this HQ by 25 Apr 44 giving particulars of AEME personnel attached to units under command this HQ.

To ensure uniformity of returns it is requested that particulars as required be set out in accordance with pro forma enumerated hereunder :-

WE NO..... UNIT..... DATE.....

WE		PERSONNEL POSTED					
Trade	Rank	Rank	TG	Regt Number	Name	How Employed	Remarks

When submitting particulars of AEME attached personnel, units will show in the "Remarks Column" all additional trade grouping and qualifications as listed in Paybook or AAB 83.

**A.134** REWARDS FOR NATIVES FOR ASSISTANCE IN RESCUE AND SALVAGE

Village natives who render assistance in any of the following matters are rewarded in cash or kind under ANGAU arrangements :-

- (i) Rescuing Allied pilots or other members of Allied Forces;
- (ii) Handing over enemy personnel;
- (iii) Salvage of aircraft--Allied or enemy;
- (iv) Reports leading to successful searches;
- (v) Reporting information of value concerning enemy troop movements.

Units will bring to notice any actions by natives meriting reward.

**Q.135** OXYGEN AND ACETYLENE CYLINDERS (NGF O Q61/44):

The submission of monthly returns of oxygen and acetylene cylinders held by units as directed by para. 4 of 11 Aust Div Routine Order Q534/43 of 27 Nov 44 will be discontinued.

**Q.136** WEEKLY EXPENDITURE RETURN--CARTRIDGES 25-PDR SUPER CHARGE (11 AUST DIV RO 431/43):

The above return is cancelled.

**Q.137** MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL

The following procedure will apply for movement of individual members or gps of personnel from DUMPU by air within NG :-

- (a) No member will be moved without the prior authority of this HQ;

Q.137 MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL (Continued):

- ... (b) Upon receipt of necessary authority units will prepare and issue Movement Order (AAF A19—pro forma att as Appx "A" to this Order);
- ... (c) Pers up to and incl the rank of Capt will be marched into "B" TRANSIT CAMP NOT later than 1600K hrs on the day preceding movt, unless otherwise expressly directed by this HQ;
- (d) Prior to emplaning a member will receive, in duplicate, a "Permit to Travel by Air in NG". A copy will be surrendered by member to pilot of aircraft and/or MC Offr as required and unit movt order retained until destination reached.

Q.138 STATIONERY

Units will in future submit fortnightly requisitions for Stationery direct to 9 AUST STATIONERY DEPOT, LAE.

In RAMU VALLEY receipts of supplies will be distributed to units by "B" STA COMD through AASC channels.

Q.139 RATIONS—BREAD, VARIATION OF ISSUE

Commencing 19 Apr 44, the bread ration in the DUMPU area will be varied by the inclusion of one 3oz Yeast Bun in lieu of one 3oz Bread Roll in the issues for Wednesday and Saturday of each week.

One oz per man per week of fruit dried vine will be withheld from normal issue and utilized in the making of the Yeast Bun.

Q.140 MONTHLY TENTAGE RETURN

A return vide NGF Order Q175 of 26 Apr 44 will be submitted by all units to ADOS 11 AUST DIV NOT later than the twenty-seventh day of each month to show tentage held as at the twenty-fifth of each month.

Tents shelter (2 man) will be shown as number of "halves" held (11 AUST DIV RO Q111/44 refers).

The return will show the number, by sizes and condition, of all covers waterproof (tarpaulins) held.

Pro formas are available from Bde Ord WO or this HQ.

One copy only of the return is required.

Q.141 CENSUS OF WARLIKE STORES—DETAILS OF TECH EQPT

1. In order that accurate information is available on which to provision for spare parts for Tech Eqpt all units concerned will attach as appendix to Census of Warlike Stores Return each month a schedule setting out full details of equipments held.

2. Examples of eqpts referred to are as follows:-

- (a) Generating Sets (AC & DC);
- (b) Charging Sets;
- (c) Power units for above (Petrol or Diesel Engines);



Q.141 CENSUS OF WARLIKE STORES---DETAILS OF TECH EQPT (Continued):

(d) Other eqpt of "trade pattern" and which is a controlled store.

3. The following are the details required :-

(a) Type;

(b) Maker's name;

(c) Model;

(d) Serial No;

(e) Mark;

(f) Any other details necessary for identification.

4. Reference is made also to GRO 379/42 which states inter alia: "Where stores are shown on master cards under a general heading, it is essential that the mark and number etc., of service pattern eqpt be clearly indicated".

*A.P.P. Chapman* LT-COL  
AA & QMG, 11 AUST DIV.

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5 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Major-General A. H. RAMSAY, CBE, DSO, ED, Commanding 5 Aust Div

Serial No 23/1944

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
28 in 44

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

G219 CAPTURED ENEMY EQUIPMENT

1. A request has been received from Adv LHQ for a JAPANESE Type-writer. It is thought troops might possibly regard this equipment of no use, whereas machines can be of considerable use to our forces.
2. Units will forward to this Headquarters any JAPANESE Type-writers that may be held.

G220 TRANSMISSION OF "GUINEA GOLD" BY MAIL

1. All ranks are notified that it is permissible to send copies of "GUINEA GOLD" through the post.

Lt-Col  
GS 5 Aust Div

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

221 REQUEST HOUR

1. Attention is directed to GRO 492/43 and NG Force Order A101/44.
2. The reports required in accordance with the abovementioned orders will be forwarded to reach this Headquarters NOT later than 1800 hours 8 Jul 44.

A222 CLOTHING RATION COUPONS

1. Reference GRO 184/44.
2. Stocks of clothing Ration Coupons are now available for issue.
3. Units will obtain coupons and relative stationery from Paymaster 5 Aust Div and arrange for issues to be completed as early as possible.

A223 AMENITIES RETURN

1. Amenities monthly returns in terms of NG Force A94 are required at this Headquarters by 3 Jul 44 and succeeding months.
2. Amenities Fund in all cases refers to Unit Trust Fund. Return required from all units holding unit Trust Accounts.

A224 MOVEMENT OF MEDICAL BARGE ALEXISHAFEN - DOGUMUR

1. 5 Aust Div Routine Order Q209 of 12 Jun 44 is cancelled.

A225 LOSSES OF EQUIPMENT

1. When losses of equipment are discovered, units will immediately hold a kit inspection.

Q225 LOSSES OF EQUIPMENT (Contd)

2. If the missing equipment is not found, and it is thought that the equipment has been mislaid or is in another unit area, a signal will be sent through normal channels to HQ 5 Aust Div, so that the losses may be promulgated through Divisional Routine Orders.
3. Notwithstanding the notice in Routine Orders, units will, as soon as possible, hold an investigation under the terms of GRO A392/43.

Q226 MOVEMENT OF VEHICLES, ARMAMENT AND OTHER EQUIPMENT FOR REPAIR OR EVACUATION

1. Reference GRO 0288 of 9 Apr 43.
2. Many units are not complying with the above GRO in respect to submission of AF G1033's when a certificate of replacement has been received from workshop units.
3. Neglect in this regard enforces workshops to hold stores, that have been sentenced class IV, for an indefinite period.
4. Units will ensure that AF G1033's are submitted within seven days of receipt of certificate of replacement and any failure on the part of units to do so will be reported by workshop units to Div HQ for the attention of ADOS.

Q227 AUST ARMY PERSONNEL TRAVELLING ON VESSELS OF RAN and USN - RATIONS and QUARTERS

1. From time to time parties of AUST Troops are carried on small vessels of the RAN and USN, such as ML's and PT Boats. These craft carry rations only sufficient for themselves. In addition personnel of the RAN are rationed differently from the Army and members have to make up from their own pockets any excess in expenditure.
2. Troops of 5 Aust Div travelling on such craft will therefore carry rations sufficient for the voyage.
3. Accommodation on these craft is also limited. All ranks will therefore refrain from going below except at the express invitation of a member of the ship's company.

*Col. Kyngdon*  
 Lt-Col  
 AA & QMG 5 Aust Div

NOTICES

1. LOST. The following weapons have been reported LOST during movement of unit from FINSCHHAFEN to MADANG on "EDWARD BAKER"

OWEN SMG's Nos 526, 613, 337, 645, 332 and 429.

Any information concerning the present location of these weapons will be advised HQ 5 Aust Div IMMEDIATELY.

2. LOST. The following stores on loan to 22 Aust A Bty were lost at MADANG beach head at approximately 1745 hours 16 Jun 44

Lamps, daylight, signalling SR  
 Stands, lamp, daylight, signalling  
 Telephone Sets "D" Mk V

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8.

Any person knowing the whereabouts of these stores will advise HQ 5 Aust Div immediately.

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NOTICES (Contd)

3. LOST. The following equipment was lost by 4 Aust Inf Bn during movement from FINSCHHAFEN

1 Base Plate Mortar 3" Mk II marked with Serial No 45962

Any person knowing the whereabouts of these stores will advise HQ 5 Aust Div immediately.

4. AAES. Correspondence Courses:

As a matter of general interest , the recent census elicited the following information;

Total number of courses being studied  
by personnel in units under command 294

The above figure does not include courses  
started and abandoned; these number 29

The nature of courses: 51 different subjects are being studied, ranging from Bookkeeping/Accountancy (48) and English (23) to Agriculture (27) and Diesel Engine Operation (16).

24 Aust Inf Bn

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5 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Major-General A.H. RAMSAY, CBE, DSO, ED, Commanding 5 Aus Div

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
19 Jun 44

Serial No. 22/1944

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

Nil

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

Q.213 MALARIA CONTROL - ATEBRIN

1. 5 Aust Div R.O. Q.210 of 12 Jun 44 is amended by adding to para 2 the words "except SUNDAY", after the word "daily."

Q.214 WEEKLY AMMUNITION RETURN

1. Reference 5 Aust Div R.O. Q.27 of 3 Oct 43, para 2.
2. This return is no longer required.

Q.215 ISSUE OF TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES

1. 5 Aust Div A.1948 of 2 Jun 44 is cancelled.
2. The previous issue of tobacco by AASC was only instituted to meet the exceptionally arduous conditions of certain of the early campaigns in NEW GUINEA when AAGE was unable to supply.
3. The same principle will be observed in future and, by instructions from N.G. Force, an emergency issue to forward tps of 5 Aust Div will only be made at the discretion of the Divisional Commander when normal canteen supplies cannot be arranged by units.
4. In order to meet any emergency issue MADANG BASE SUB AREA are maintaining the following reserve:-

One weeks issue for 500 Personnel

Scale 3 oz Tobacco or 105 Cigarettes per man per week;  
Normal basis Tobacco 75%, Cigarettes 25%.

Q.216. MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT

1. AEME inspections of equipment reveal that the standard of maintenance has deteriorated.
2. It is pointed out that in this area where vehicles are called upon to perform heavy work under bad conditions, it is particularly important that regular maintenance be carried out.
3. CO's will therefore ensure that adequate maintenance rosters are arranged within their units and that all equipment is regularly inspected.

Q.217 CONTROLLED STORES - LOSSES OF

1. Reference G.R.O. A.392/43.
2. All losses of controlled stores will be reported by signal through normal staff channels with a copy to ADOS, 5 Aust Div as soon as loss is discovered.
3. Two copies of investigating officer's report in terms of G.R.O. A.392/43 will be forwarded to HQ 5 Aust Div, as soon as possible, reference being made to the original signal reporting the loss.

Q.218 PRESERVATION OF TEAK PLANTATION

1. A teak plantation is located at ref map ALEXISHAFEN 1/25000 712382.
2. All troops will be warned that this plantation is not <sup>to</sup> be destroyed or damaged, as the trees are the only ones in the North of NEW GUINEA and are required for seed purposes.
3. The area will be marked by notices and will be out of bounds to all ranks.

*Carl Kyngdon*  
 Lt-Col  
 AA & QMG 5 Aust Div

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5 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Major-General A.H. RAMSAY, CBE, DSO, ED, Commanding 5 Aust Div

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
/ 2 Jun 44

Serial No. 21/1944

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

Nil

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

A. 206 REINFORCEMENT OFFICERS

1. In all cases where reinforcement officers are taken on strength by units the following details for each officer will be furnished to this HQ -

- a. Date of Birth
- b. Date of Appt to Commissioned Rank
- c. Date of Promotion to present Rank

A. 207 SECURITY OF PISTOLS

1. The monthly return called for in 5 Aust Div R.O. A. 167/44, para 3, will be discontinued until further notice.

Q. 208 POSTAL ORDERLIES

1. (a) A recent inspection of FPO's and units reveal that many units are not making copies of Casualty Returns available to Postal Orderlies.  
(b) Unless these returns are made available to the Postal Orderlies, it is impossible for them to keep all re-addressed mail up to date.
2. (a) The inspection also revealed that units are not supplying an assistant to the postal Orderly.  
(b) All units that have a Postal Orderly attached by W.E. will make available one OR to assist the Postal Orderly.

Q. 209 MOVEMENT OF MEDICAL BARGE, ALEXISHAFEN - DOGUMUR

1. A medical barge or the medical launch AM 1567 will leave ALEXISHAFEN for DOGUMUR at 0800 hrs each alternate day as from 12 Jun 44.

2. The launch or barge remains at DOGUMUR for the night and returns the following day.

3. Units desiring to move small quantities of stores or a strictly limited number of personnel by this means will apply to DAQMG, 5 Aust Div for movement North and to the ADS DOGUMUR for movement South.

Q. 210 MALARIA CONTROL ATEBRIN

1. 5 Aust Div Routine Order A, 177 and Q, 182 of 20 Apr 44 are cancelled.
2. All units under command 5 Aust Div, at and WEST of SAIDOR, will take two atebirin tablets daily.
3. (a) Atebrin will be issued by AASC with the normal issue of rations and not as a separate expense store.  
 (b) Units are not required to indent specifically for atebirin.  
 (c) If atebirin is not received with the issue of rations, unit will inform AASC 5 Aust Div and HQ 5 Aust Div immediately, through the normal channels.

4. RESERVES

The following reserves of atebirin will be held by units:-

- a. Unit in static position -  
6 days per man in unit reserve.
- b. Unit in a mobile role or during movement within NEW GUINEA -  
6 days on the man and 18 days in unit reserve.
- c. Personnel other than in forward units moving from one area to another in NEW GUINEA will carry 24 days atebirin on the man in accordance with the scale of issue laid down in the area they are moving to.

A. 211 NATIVE VILLAGES

1. All native villages and including Chinese settlements and gardens are OUT OF BOUNDS to all ranks, with the exception of those members who, on account of their special duties, require to visit or pass through such areas.
2. In this regard the appropriate ANGAU Office will, on receipt of application from HQ formations, Australian and American, issue to specified members such passes as may be required.
3. ANGAU will erect suitable sign boards at the places referred to.

(To be republished in Unit Routine Orders)

Q. 212 LOST STORES

1. Attention of all units is directed to Notices of Lost Stores and equipment promulgated in 5 Aust Div Routine Orders Serial 19 of 29 May 44.
2. Units will carry out a physical check of all stores and equipment and submit to this HQ before 16 Jun 44 a return showing details of any articles located.

NIL returns will be submitted where applicable.

*W. H. Kingdon*  
 Lt-Col  
 AA & QMG 5 Aust Div



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5 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Major-General A.H. RAMSAY, CBE, DSO, ED, Commanding 5 Aust Div

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
29 May 44

Serial No. 19/1944

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

G.192 UNIT CENSORSHIP

1. Personnel may state in correspondence that they are stationed in NEW GUINEA. They may also include general statements such as "I am near (or on) the coast" but are NOT permitted to mention specific areas in which they are or have been located. Similarly, unless otherwise specifically advised by this HQ, no mention may be made of campaign or action in which units have been or are taking part."

G.193 COLOUR PATCHES

1. Colour patches may be removed when troops are operating in forward areas, at the discretion of the Brigade or Unit Command concerned. Hat bands and pugarees however will NOT be removed but will be securely stitched to the hat.

*f. J. [Signature]*  
Lt-COL  
GS, 5 Aust Div

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

A.194 RENDITION A.A.F. W.3006

1. Attention is directed to 5 Aust Div R.O. A.106/44 and A.176/44, and in particular to the instructions for rendition of details of figures appearing under Column "F".

2. Details of the composition of figures appearing under Column "F", showing strengths by units, MUST be recorded on A.A.F. W.3006.

Q.195 WARLIKE STORES and MECHANICAL TRANSPORT

1. The following points are not being adhered to by units in respect of Controlled Stores (including MT):-

a. MT Casualty Return AAF G.52. Two copies of this return will be despatched direct to ADOS within 24 hours of movement of vehicle.

b. Units will advise immediately by signal, all movements of Controlled Stores. This will be notified by serial number/quantity (e.g. 504/6).

Such signals will advise whether stores have been received from or returned to Ordnance Depot (stating depot), transferred (stating to or from whom), lost or destroyed and if replacement is required.

Q.195. WARLIKE STORES and MECHANICAL TRANSPORT (contd)

- c. In the case of initial issues, requests giving reasons for requirement must be forwarded through normal channels to GS, 5 Aust Div.

In respect of casualties, the procedure will be in accordance with GRO 288 of 9 Apr 43 which sets out the correct procedure for the movement of vehicles, armaments and other equipment for repair or evacuation.

Q.196 WATER STERILIZING OUTFITS

1. Water sterilizing outfits that are more than six months old or have become deteriorated by powdering or failed under test are ineffective and will be replaced. The date of manufacture on the water sterilizing tablet bottle and NOT that on the taste remover tablet bottle is the one to be taken.

2. Sets more than six months old will be returned by units to DID's for replacement.

3. LHQ instructs that AASC return defective outfits to AUSTRALIA for refilling.

Q.197 DISCARDING OF CLOTHING EQPT ETC DURING OPS

1. Clothing and equipment will often vary for different operations. At the present time there is a tendency for many men to discard spare clothing and parts of their equipment as they go along to reduce the weight carried. This practice is wrong and wasteful.

2. It is one of the duties of an officer to decide exactly what will be needed by his men and to withdraw, before the operation, anything not required and arrange for its custody. From then on no man shall discard any article except at the express direction of his officer.

Q.198 MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL

1. Personnel moving in and out of MADANG area must report to Staging Camp MADANG.

2. Instances have occurred of pers reporting to Movement Control direct. This practice will cease forthwith.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Lt-Col  
AA & QMG, 5 Aust Div

NOTICES

1. LOST

1. Stores as listed below have been reported as lost in transit between FINSCHHAFEN and MADANG during movt of unit per liberty ship "EDWARD BAKER", over period 2 May to 9 May 44.
2. The cases were marked in black paint with serial No. "46083."
3. Any unit having knowledge of the location of these stores will communicate with HQ 5 Aust Div, immediately:-

<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Contents</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Q.8	Respirators	6
	Gas Capes	12
	Helmets Steel	6
	Brushes scrub hand	2
	Brushes cleaning	1
	Brushes hand	2
	Carrier cartridge	4
	Braces left and right	3
	Packs	2
	Haversacks	2
	Pouches basic	4
	Mugs enamel	3
	Straps shoulder haversack L & R	2
Q.82	.303 amn	1000
Q.86	1303 amn tracer	300
Q.90-91	Tent poles	2
	Windscreen and frame jeep $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4x4	
Q.7	Jungle hammock	1
	Shirts	15
	Trousers	15
	Towels	4
	Pugarees I.T.F.	16
Q.16	Unit canteen supplies	
Q.34	Case containing library of Capt R.W. FOX, A/EMRA.	
Q.35	Case of personal kit of Maj PARKINSON, BMRA.	

2. LOST

1. The following equipment, cases of stores, ex EDWARD BAKER are reported as lost:-

Case Branded	<u>124</u> 3-39	- Chest Bren containing Bren LMG No. A.3285
" "	<u>124</u> 3-19	- Case containing Anvil
Missing from Case branded	<u>124</u> 3-22	Owen SMG's No's. 526-613-337-645-332-429 reported to HQ MADANG B.S.A. & A.P.M. on 10 May 44.
" " " "	<u>124</u> 3-35	Pneumatic spaders 3 off.
" " " "	<u>124</u> ENRW	Four 4 ft pinch bars and the following pneumatic drill stems -
		1 only 40"
		1 only 72"
		1 only 96"
		1 only 120"
		1 only 144"

N O T I C E S S (Contd)

2. Any unit in possession of or having knowledge of the present whereabouts of this equipment or stores, will communicate immediately with HQ 5 Aust Div.

3. FOUND

1. Weapon and Ammunition detailed below have been reported as found.

2. It is possible that this weapon and amn belong to a unit which moved to this area per Liberty Ship "EDWARD BAKER."

3. Any unit concerned will advise HQ 5 Aust Div, immediately.

3 Gun Machine Bren with boxes:

Reg No: A.8285

10 cases Cartridges 2-pdr HE - a total of 240 rounds.

4. FOUND

1. A.A.B. 83 for SX27618 - SCHWARZ C.F.W. is held at HQ 5 Aust Div and may be obtained by unit concerned.

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5 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Major-General A.H. RAMSAY, MBE, DSO, ED, Commanding 5 Aust Div

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
22 May 44

Serial No. 18/1944.

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

G.187 ENEMY AMMUNITION IN UNIT LINES

1. A number of unexploded Japanese Shells and bombs has been discovered buried in the undergrowth in the vicinity of unit lines.
2. Personnel will be warned to examine an area thoroughly before burning off dead undergrowth.

(To be repeated in Unit Routine Orders)

*E.R. Ramsay*  
Lt-Col  
GS, 5 Aust Div

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

Q.188 TRUCKS 1/2-TON (JEEP) ENGINE OIL CHANGES  
(NGF DDME Instrn No. 24 of 20 Apr 44)

1. It has come to notice that the oil filter cartridges of trucks 1/2-ton are not being changed with a consequent increase in engine wear.
2. An NGF Order is being promulgated varying Mech Circ 97B to the extent that the oil filter cartridge is to be changed every oil change; i.e. every 4000 miles or when the oil darkens, and also directing that the change of oil filter cartridges is to be entered in the vehicle log book.
3. The change of oil filter cartridges will be checked on all vehicle inspections and EMES will take all possible steps to ensure that the cartridges are changed every oil change.

Q.189 EXPENSE STORES

1. Attention is directed to 5 Aust Div R.O. 0.21 para 1 dated 20 Jan 44 which reads -

"Mosquito Repellant. At an early date a proportion of the requirements of mosquito repellant lotion will be forwarded to NEW GUINEA in 4 or 5 gallon drums. Refilling pumps are being manufactured and will be forwarded in due course for use by AASC. Units will return all empty 4 oz containers to AASC."

Q.100 INDENTS FOR DRAWING OF RATIONS, EXPENSE STORES & POL

1. Units drawing rations, expense stores and POL from AASC Depots under command 5 Aust Div will draw them on the following days:-

(i) Units having a strength of 50 or over -

Rations - each MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY  
Expense Stores - each WEDNESDAY.

(ii) Units having a strength of under 50 will draw seven days rations and expense stores each Saturday.

(iii) POL will be issued on demand.

2. BASCO's will be responsible for the collection of unit indents, checking them and lodging them with the DID from which rations are drawn, at least forty eight hours prior to the time of drawing rations.

3. All units will submit A.A.F. W.3810's (Comparison of rations drawn with ration strength) to BASCO's, or in the case of units in MILILAT area to 5 Aust Div T/S ASC officer, not later than 1200 hrs each Sunday.

Q.191 LOSS OF EQUIPMENT

1. The following equipment has been reported as lost:-

5 Binoculars Prismatic - Registered No's. 6617, 6587, 10234, 25972 and 1134618.

2. Units will check all binoculars and report any found to have the above numbers.

3. Private binoculars not on unit charge will also be inspected.

*Colt King*  
Lt-Col  
AA & QMG, 5 Aust Div

N O T I C E S

1. LOST STORES

The following stores were unloaded at Beachhead ALEXISHAFEN on 29 Apr 44:-

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Case No</u>	<u>Type of Case</u>	<u>Contents</u>
45961 in Green	86	Trunk	Stationery
do	204	Crate	Acetylene G enerator
do	223	Cylinder	Oxygen

Please advise this HQ of any knowledge of these stores.

Q.186 TENTAGE (Contd)

- 4. Accommodation tents may be recognised as follows:-
  - 12 x 14 oblong - Small fly, two upright poles
  - 180 lbs - Large fly, three upright poles.
  - RD Large - Fly inside tent - four windows.
  - E.P.I.P. - Heavy fabric - four walls 4 ft 6 ins high.
- 5. Each tent will be covered, where applicable, with a fly. The correct fly for each type of tent will be used and the fly will be kept clear of the tent by at least ten inches. The natural pitch of the tent will be maintained and care will be taken to avoid hollows in which water and leaves may collect. Care will be taken to ensure that sticks and corners of boxes are not allowed to rub against tents.

*Col. Raymond*

Lt-Col  
AA & QMG 5 Aust Div

NOTICES

- 1. FOUND - Rifle Mk III No. D.81978.  
Unit concerned may obtain this rifle on application to this HQ.

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E.P.I.P.

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1. FOUND - Rifle Mk III No. D.81978

Unit concerned may obtain this rifle on application to this HQ.

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5 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Major-General A.E. RAMSAY, DBE, DSO, ED, Commanding 5 Aust Div

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
15 May 44

Serial No. 17 / 1944

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

Nil

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

A.184 STATES AND RETURNS

1. The distribution of A.A.F. W.3008 and A.A.F. W.3009 as promulgated in 5 Aust Div R.O. A.106/44 is cancelled.

2. The following distribution will now apply -

W.3008 - 1 copy to HQ 5 Aust Div  
2 copies to NG L of C Area Records Office  
2 copies to War Diary  
1 copy to file

W.3009 - 1 copy to NG L of C Area Records Office  
2 copies to War Diary  
1 copy to file

A.185 EVACUATION OF PERSONNEL

1. Ref HGF Order Q.440 of 8 Nov 43.

2. Personnel evacuated to Fd Amb's will take full equipment etc., except ammunition, as laid down.

3. No equipment will be taken from patients in Fd Ambulance installations in MADANG - ALEXISIAFEN area but will accompany them on discharge or transfer to 111 Aust CCS.

4. When patients are admitted to or evacuated from 111 Aust CCS or MDS 15 Aust Fd Amb the procedure with regard to equipment will be as for patients admitted or evacuated from a Fd Amb. That is, equipment will be taken from patients evacuated beyond these installations.

5. Patients for RTU will be disposed of as follows:

a. From MDS or ADS in NAGADA or ALEXISIAFEN area - direct to unit by arrangement with Bde or unit.

b. From medical installations in MADANG - through MADANG Staging Camp

c. From medical installations in SAIDOR - through SAIDOR Staging Camp (under control 24 Aust Inf Bn)

6. Any re-equipment necessary will be carried out at Reception and Staging Camps before return to unit. MDS SAIDOR and CCS MADANG will dispose of equipment left by evacuated personnel to nearest Staging Camp, with copy of advice to ADOS. Staging Camps will use the stocks thus accumulated to re-equip incoming personnel, demanding on ADOS, through normal channels for requirements in excess of stocks held.



Q.186 TENTAGE

1. Div RO's Nos. 15, 22, 49, 117, 124 and 153 of 1944 are cancelled.
2. The entitlement for tentage in NEW GUINEA (NG Force RO 383/42 amended by 176/43) is as follows:-

Tents, marquee GS (complete) - HQ of Divs and Bdes  
1 for each HQ office

Tents oblong 12 x 14 (complete) -  
 1 for each C.O.  
 1 for each M.O.  
 1 for each 2 officers  
 1 for each 4 WOs and Sgts  
 1 for each 6 Ors  
 1 for each Regtl Guard  
 1 for each Sqn, Bty or Coy Guard  
 1 for each Regt or Bn Office  
 1 for each Regt or Bn for QM Office

3. a. Ref NGF Q.175/43.
- b. Units will submit a tentage return as at 25th of each month, through normal channels to reach this HQ by 1800 hrs 26th of each month.
- c. The return will be submitted in the form set out below:-

FORMATION OR UNIT

TENTAGE RETURN AS AT 25.....44

TYPE OF TENT	ENTITLEMENT	TOTAL ON HAND	CONDITION OF TENTS			
			"A" (good)	"B" (fair)	"C" (poor)	"D" (U.S.)
12 x 14 oblong - Inners						
	Flys					
I.P. 180 lbs - Inners						
	Flys					
R. D. Large						
U.S. Pyra mid						
E.P.I.P.						
Stores 50 x 20						
Ma rquee GS Single						
Marquee GS Double						
Hospital Extending						
Shelter (2-man)						
Bivouac (light weight)						
Auto Impressed (state type)						
Miscellaneous (give details)						

Total

Entitlement on posted strength -

<u>Posted Strength</u>	<u>Tentage Entitlement</u>
.....Offrs	.....
.....WOs & Sgts	.....
.....ORs	.....
.....Guards	.....
.....Offices	.....

Total Tentage Entitlement

I certify that the tentage on hand is in use to its maximum capacity and in accordance with the authorized scale and that all other tentage has been returned to ADOS dump or R. S. D.

.....  
Signature of Comd or CO

C 8/11/6-  
Dated 12/5.  
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5 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by  
Major-General A.H. RAMSAY, CBE, DSO, ED, Commanding 5 Aust Div

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
Apr 44

Serial No. 16/1944

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

Nil

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

A.175 NOTIFICATION OF CASUALTIES

1. Attention of all units is directed to the necessity for prompt notification of casualties.
2. Column "AY" of AAF W3006 must show separately Battle Casualties under headings Killed, Wounded, and Missing, and names of Officer casualties must appear under "D".
3. Where Officer casualties are recorded in AAF W3006 under "AY", the names of the Officers concerned will be included in the text of the message after "G".
4. All messages sent to Records Office notifying casualties will be repeated to Main HQ 5 Aust Div.
5. The procedure for notification of casualties to Senior Officers as detailed in GRO A72/ 44 will be observed.

A.176 DAILY STRENGTH STATE - AAF W3006

1. Attention of all units is again directed to the necessity for prompt rendition of AAF W3006 DAILY BY THE QUICKEST POSSIBLE MEANS direct to Main HQ 5 Aust Div.
2. Where AAF W3006 is passed by line or wireless, a confirmatory message to show details of "F" will be despatched by DRLS.

A. 177 MALARIA CONTROL - ATEBRIN DOSAGE

1. All troops WEST of SAIDOR will take twelve atebirin tablets each week. Two tablets will be taken DAILY, one tablet after the morning meal and one tablet after the evening meal.

A.178 DRESS

1. 5 Aust Div Routine Order A.96 of 27 Feb 44 is cancelled.

2. Attention is drawn to NEW GUINEA FORCE Order A475 reading as follows:-

"1. NGF Order A456/43 is cancelled.

2.(a) The following dress will be worn :-

(i) slacks and shirt or safari jacket. Shirt or safari jacket will be worn with long sleeves fastened at the wrists and buttoned in all respects except at the collar where the button may be left undone;

(ii) boots and socks, with anklets web or gaiters SD or puttees short.

PROVIDED THAT -

(A) in respect of the period between the hours of sunrise and sunset (which hours will be fixed by Formation Commanders and published in Routine Orders) Formation Commanders may, in their discretion, empower COs to permit :

(i) members to wear sleeves rolled up;

(ii) members of authorised working parties, whilst actually engaged in strenuous work, to work with the upper portion of the body bare ;

(B) Formation Commanders may also authorize COs to permit personnel to work with the upper portion of the body bare when actually working in ships' holds between sunset and sunrise.

(b) Members granted permission to work with the upper portion of the body bare will wear shirts when proceeding to and returning from the actual place of work.

(c) No general permission will be given by COs pursuant to the above proviso. A specific direction must be given by COs on each occasion.

2. In respect of the period between the hours fixed for sunrise and sunset, Formation Commanders may, in their discretion, give a general permission to members, whilst actually engaged in sport, to wear singlets and slacks, without anklets web or gaiters SD or puttees short.

3. Member issued with American gaiters may wear same in lieu of gaiters SD.

4.(a) Officers and COs Class I may wear tan brogue belts or belts web.

(b) COs Class II may wear belts, waist, brown, leather or belts web.

(c) All other ranks may wear belts web.

5. Hats will be worn by all ranks except that, at their option:

(a) officers and warrant officers may wear, in lieu, caps, officer pattern;

(b) drivers may wear in lieu, caps SD

6. Safari jackets may be worn only by those other ranks who :

(a) have returned from service with the IIF out of Australia or who are now serving in NEW GUINEA as members of the AIF; or

- (b) have had such articles issued to them by Ordnance.
7. Personnel will wear the right arm colour patch of their unit on the RIGHT hand side of, and in the centre of, the hat band, unless ordered not to wear colour patches for security reasons.
  8. Notwithstanding that personnel wear other types of identity discs, all ranks will wear the identity discs issued to them.
  9. COs will be responsible for ensuring that members of their units are made fully conversant with the requirements of this order and will take all necessary measures to bring about strict compliance therewith.
  10. This order will take effect on and from 15 Dec 43.

(This order will be repeated in Unit Routine Orders)".

3. COs of units of 5 Aust Div are empowered to permit the dress variations contained in NEW GUINEA FORCE Order A475 para 2(a), PROV A(i)&(ii) and para 2A, between the hours of 0700 and 1730, and in para 2 proviso B.

A.179 SAFEGUARDING OF VEHICLES (2 Aust Corps RO 65)

- (a) When a unit despatches more than one vehicle for the purpose of carrying troops to an entertainment, or of carrying troops in any other manner where the unit vehicles will form part of a large number of parked vehicles, the CO of the unit will, before the vehicles leave the unit lines, ensure that picquets are detailed by name to take charge of and be responsible for the vehicles while at the parking place, in the absence of the drivers.
- (b) Picquets will be provided on the following scale:
 

(i) 2 to 6 vehicles	-	1 picquet
(ii) More than 6 vehicles	-	1 picquet for each 6 or part thereof
- (c) Single unit vehicles will on no occasion be left unattended even in an authorised parking place, except that the driver of a single vehicle which conveys troops to an entertainment will not be required to remain with the vehicle during the entertainment. He will, however, before leaving the vehicle, take adequate steps to immobilize it.

It is pointed out that provost personnel on duty at a parking place are there for traffic control and not for the purpose of taking charge of unit vehicles.

Q.180 POSTAL SERVICE

1. FPO 182 is operating in HQ 5 Aust Div area.
2. All local units will collect mail from FPO 182.
3. Arrangements for delivering mail to units outside SAIDOR area will be made by FPO.

Q.181 CARE OF TENTAGE (NGF Orders 80 of 8 Mar 43 and Q 222 of 24 May 43)

1. The wastage of tentage in NEW GUINEA is high and owing to the shortage of raw materials replacement is difficult.
2. Units will take all steps to preserve tentage and in particular will ensure that:-
  - (a) Friction does NOT occur between the tent and fly. This is caused by faulty erection and slack ropes.

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- (b) Mosquito net poles, boxes, etc. do NOT touch the canvas inside tents.
  - (c) Nails, safety pins, wires etc. are NOT pushed through the canvas for the purpose of hanging mosquito nets etc.
  - (d) Tent guys etc. are slackened and tightened during and after rain.
3. In addition to the action mentioned in paragraph 2, units will ensure that the following is also carried out;
- (a) The fly must at all times be kept clear of the tent by at least 10 inches. If tents are raised on stakes there should be two horizontal bars attached to these stakes, the higher for the fly ropes and the lower one for the inner ropes. If pegs are used a separate row of pegs must be used for the fly ropes.
  - (b) The natural pitch of the tent must be maintained. If the sides are raised the upright poles must be raised an equal height. The angle at the apex of the fly should be no more than 100 degrees.
  - (c) Each morning any vegetable matter lying on the fly must be brushed away.
  - (d) Drawings and pictures must not be affixed to the inside of tents.

Q.182 SUPPLY OF ATEBRIN

1. Atebrin will be issued by AASC with the rations, every time rations are issued, on the basis of two tablets with every ration, except for one day in the week.
2. Although units are not required to mention atebrin specifically when indenting for rations, they will, however, notify Div HQ through the normal channels immediately if they receive rations without ATEBRIN.

Q.153 FREON BOMBS

FREON BOMBS for providing mosquito spray are available for issue to units on the basis of 30 per battalion. As the supply is not unlimited, the use of bombs will be restricted to forward detachments and patrols. In all other cases sprayers, hand, and mosquito spray will be used.

*W. A. Cooper*  
Capt  
for L t-Col  
AA & QMG 5 Aust Div

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5 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by  
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HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
7 Dec 43

Serial No 12

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

G122. USE OF CENSORED COVERS

1. A censored cover is an envelope, a green envelope or a wrapping showing any censorship markings including all or any of the following:- Unit Censor Stamp, "Opened by Censor" Label, or "Passed by Censor" Stamp.
2. Censored covers may only be used again for transmission through the post if the previous censorship markings are NOT discernible.
3. If a censored cover is or appears to be used by any member of the AIF in breach of this instruction -
  - (a) the Unit Censor will forward the censored cover to the OC unit for action; or
  - (b) if the censored cover is not intercepted in the unit, any censorship authority sighting it will arrange to forward the censored cover to the appropriate Formation or L of C Area for action.

G123. CHANGE OF DESIGNATION - ARMY FIELD COMPANIES

1. In accordance with an amendment to the Order of Battle AUSTRALIAN Military Forces, the word "Army" or the abbreviation "A" (for Army) will in future be omitted from the designation of all Army Field Companies, e.g., "2/9 Aust A Fd Coy" will in future be designated "2/9 Aust Fd Coy."

G124. MINIATURE 30 Yard RANGE

1. Approval is given for the construction and use by LAE Base Sub Area of a miniature 30 yard range.
2. Location of the range will be 723440 (ref map LAE 1/25,000). Bearing of fire will be approx 100° magnetic.
3. The range will be controlled by LAE Base Sub Area who will be responsible for at least 24 hours notice of use being given to ANGAU District Officer and for the provision of red flags at the butts while firing is in progress.

G125. ARTILLERY RANGES

1. The following areas are proclaimed as arty ranges-

Reference Map LAE 1/25,000

Field Range

Northern Boundary	Northing grid line 465
Eastern Boundary	Easting grid line 740
Southern Boundary	Northing grid line 450
Western Boundary	Western bank of BUSU River

- (a) RAA will advise HQ 5 Aust Div, RAE LAE FORTRESS and ANGAU when an arty practice is to take place. This information must be lodged with addressees at least three days before the practice is to take place.
- (b) On receipt of this information ANGAU will take all necessary action to warn natives who may be affected by the shoot.
- (c) RAA will be responsible for sign-posting tracks leading into the danger area.

Calibration Range

- (a) The area extending for 3,000 yards seawards from the coast between grid lines 72 and 75 is proclaimed as a calibration range.
- (h) Before using the calibration range 48 hrs notice will be given to HQ 5 Aust Div who will warn

LAE Base Sub Area  
 NOIC  
 23 Port HQ  
 2 Air Task Force NADZAB

giving the time and bearing of the shoot.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
 Lt.-Col  
 GS 5 Aust Div

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

A126. REST DAY - CHRISTMAS 1943

- 1. Subject to operational requirements and such parades as may be deemed necessary for administrative purposes, Christmas Day, 1943, will be observed as an additional rest day.
- 2. Sufficient personnel will be retained on duty to enable all Headquarters to function.
- 3. Personnel retained for duty on Christmas Day, 1943, may be permitted to take Monday, 27th December, 1943, as a rest day in lieu.

**A127. AMENITIES EQUIPMENT**

1. In order to ensure that the utmost use is made of all Amenities equipment, the following procedure will be adopted forthwith when Formations and units move within NEW GUINEA and from NEW GUINEA to the Mainland:-

1. Movement within NEW GUINEA:

Formations and units will retain all Amenities equipment (including musical instruments) on issue.

Movement ex NEW GUINEA:

Formations and units will return all Amenities equipment (including musical instruments) on issue, to the Headquarters of the nearest Base Sub Area, together with a list (in triplicate) of such equipment. The Amenities representative of the Sub Area concerned will acknowledge receipt of the equipment on each copy of the list and distribute them as follows:-

- (a) One copy to be returned to Formation or Unit.
- (b) One copy to DAD Amenities HQ NG Force.
- (c) One copy - retain for record purposes.

**A128. DRESS**

1. NG Force Orders A407 and 429 of 1943 are cancelled.
2. No further issues of shorts will be made to personnel in NEW GUINEA.
3. The following dress will be worn at all times:

- (a) Slacks and shirt or safari jacket. Shirts or safari jackets will be worn with long sleeves fastened at the wrists and buttoned in all respects except at the collar where the button may be left undone.
- (b) Boots and socks, with anklets web or gaiters SD or puttees short.

**PROVIDED THAT:-**

- (A) A Formation Commander may, in his discretion, empower CO's to permit members of authorised working parties whilst actually engaged in strenuous work between the hours of sunrise and sunset (which hours will be fixed by Formation Commanders and published in Routine Orders) to work with the upper portion of the body bare or with sleeves rolled up.



A128. DRESS (Contd)

3. (B) No general permission to dispense with articles of uniform will be given by CO's pursuant to (A) of this proviso. Definite orders must be given by CO's on each occasion.
4. A member issued with AMERICAN gaiters may wear same in lieu of gaiters SD.
5. (i) Officers and WO's Class I may wear Sam Browne belts (without shoulder straps) or belts web.  
(ii) WO's Class II may wear belts, waist, brown, leather or belts web.  
(iii) All other ranks may wear belts web.
6. Hats will be worn by all ranks except that at their option :  
(a) officers and warrant officers may wear, in lieu, caps, officer pattern;  
(b) drivers MT may wear, in lieu, caps SD.
7. Safari jackets may be worn only by those other ranks who:  
(a) have returned from service with the AIF out of AUSTRALIA or are now serving in NEW GUINEA as members of the AIF; or  
(b) have had such articles issued to them by Ordnance.
8. Personnel will wear the right arm colour patch of their unit on the RIGHT hand side of, and in the centre of, the hat band.
9. Notwithstanding that personnel wear other types of Identity Discs, all ranks will wear the Identity Discs issued to them.
10. CO's will be responsible for ensuring that members of their units are made fully conversant with the requirements of this order and will take all necessary measures to bring about strict compliance therewith. Disciplinary action will be taken by CO's in respect of breaches of this order.

(This order will be repeated in Unit Routine Orders)

A129. APPLICATIONS FOR COURT MARTIAL

1. An unnecessarily large number of copies of documents and quantity of paper are frequently submitted with applications for court martial. The following documents only should be submitted when application for a court martial is made:-

Application (In Form 1, Appx II to AMR & O)	(A- 1 copy
Charge Sheet (in the form on p639 MML Aust Edition 1941)	- 3 copies
Summary of Evidence	- 3 copies
Particulars of Service of accused with copy Conduct Sheet annexed (AAF 444) certified by the Officer having custody of the original record	- 1 copy

A129. APPLICATIONS FOR COURT MARTIAL (Contd)

1. (Contd)

Statement as to whether accused  
desires an Officer appointed  
to defend him at the trial - 1 copy

2. When submitting applications for court martial, the names of two Officers to act as Prosecutor and Defending Officer should be furnished. This para does not apply to medical units.

A130. MEDICAL RECLASSIFICATION

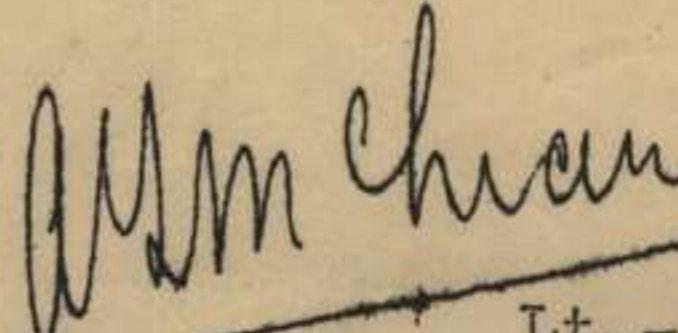
1. Attention is drawn to GRO A515/43 para 17 and units will take appropriate action during December.
2. The attention of RMO's is drawn to DGMS Administrative Instruction 64 of 30 Sep 43.

A131. PAYBOOKS OF EVACUATED PERSONNEL

1. The attention of CO's is again drawn to the necessity of instituting a check, to ensure that members evacuated beyond RAP and from one medical unit to another, are in possession of their paybooks.

Q132. REMOVAL OF STORES SUPPLIES Etc FROM US ADV BASE AREA.  
INDENTS ON US ADV BASE FOR STORES.

1. Units are still removing store, salvage and equipment from US Adv Base Area.
2. No unit will remove any items from the area West of the BUTIBUM River except AUST stores etc stored there temporarily, without prior reference to this Headquarters, who will arrange for the necessary authority to be issued by US Adv Base if stores, salvage etc are not required by them.
3. Units will not apply direct to US Adv Base or their services for issue of equipment, spare parts, stores, etc.
4. All requests for the above will be made to this Headquarters for prior approval before indents etc are passed to US Adv Base.
5. 3 Aust Div Salvage Unit will ensure that items are not removed from the above area without authority of US Adv Base.
6. The above instructions do not apply to the arrangements already in operation whereby DUKW P1 of 151 Aust Gen Tpt Coy obtain spare parts etc from US Adv Base resources.

  
Lt.-Col  
AA & QMG, 5 Aust Div

P. T. O.

NOTICES

1. AUST ARMY EDUCATION SERVICE (CORRESPONDENCE COURSES)

Unit Education Officers please note that owing to inadequate staff and shortage of supplies, the SYDNEY Technical College can accept no further applications until the end of Jan 44.

MELBOURNE Technical College, which announced itself in a similar position two months ago, is still unable to accept further applications.

2. ISSUE OF COMFORTS FUNDS

Comforts Issue for December is now available at ACF Depot adjoining 5 Aust Div Reception Camp. Ration state must accompany each requisition, and it is essential that units bring boxes or bags.

In order to prepare for CHRISTMAS hamper distribution the above issue will cease on 18 Dec 43.

3. CHRISTMAS "SING SING" - ANGAU

Arrangements are being made for a combined native "SING SING" and sports meeting to be held at R.P.C. Parade Ground (Ref Map 737445) on CHRISTMAS Day, 1943.

It is anticipated that activity will be in progress for the greater part of the day.

Personnel with permission to leave camp areas may attend.

4. FOUND

Found at HQ 5 Aust Div Picture Area, Spectacle Case with optometrist's name "B. NATHAN, 115 Collins Street, MELBOURNE, C.1. Owner may obtain same from DAPM, 5 Aust Div.

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5 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Major-General E.J. MILFORD, DSO, Commanding 5 Aust Div

Serial No 6

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
24 Oct 43

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

G54. TRAINING AMMUNITION

1. Attention is drawn to GRO G504 of 5 Jul 43. The scale laid down and procedure outlined in this order will be followed by all units in applying for trg ammunition.
2. Indents for demolition explosives will be submitted separately from indents for SAA Grenades and Pyrotechnics.
3. The following pro forma will be used for indents for SAA Grenades and Pyrotechnics:-

REQUISITION FOR AMMUNITION, GRENADES AND PYROTECHNICS FOR TRAINING PURPOSES FOR PERIOD ..... TO .....  
FORMATION .....

..... (Date)

AMN	..... (Unit)						..... (Unit)					
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
	WE Strength	Rds per man per year	No of Weapons on WE	Rounds per Weapon per year CO's pool	Total Annual Allotment	Amount requested for period						
<u>SAA</u>												
<u>GRENADES, PYROTECHNICS</u>												

(Sgd) ..... (Rank)

Comd .....

*J. Hughes*  
Lt.-Col  
GS 5 Aust Div

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

A55. HONOURS AND AWARDS

1. In making recommendations for Awards, recommendations must be placed in order of merit irrespective of Award and whether officers or other ranks.

A56. APPLICATIONS FOR RELEASE

1. Applications for Release in accordance with 5 Aust Div Routine Order 33 of 10 Oct 43 must be submitted in DUPLICATE.
2. Applications which do not comply with this instruction will be returned to the unit concerned for resubmission in duplicate.

A57. ANGAU COMPOUND - PLACED OUT OF BOUNDS

1. ANGAU Native Compound (Ref Map - LAE 1/25,000) at 733412 is placed OUT OF BOUNDS to all ranks.

Q58. TRANSPORT

1. Units requiring transport additional to vehicles held by them will make requests for transport direct to LAE BASE SUB AREA and NOT to HQ 5 Aust Div as hitherto.

*A. M. Cheung*  
Lt.-Col  
AA & QMG, 5 Aust Div

NOTICES

1. GUINEA GOLD

1. GUINEA GOLD is distributed by this Headquarters through service channels and unit postal orderlies will collect GUINEA GOLD from the FPO through which the unit is serviced.
2. The importance of GUINEA GOLD is fully appreciated at this Headquarters and every effort is made to obtain sufficient copies for a full distribution and for regular delivery.
3. When GUINEA GOLD is received the distribution by this Headquarters is effected with the absolute minimum of delay.
4. It is appreciated that distributions have been irregular but the delay does NOT occur at this Headquarters and units are requested to refrain from making unnecessary inquiries and complaints concerning this matter.

2. LOSS OF INSTRUMENT MECHANICS KIT

1. 29 Aust Inf Bde report loss of wooden box containing Instrument Mechanic's Kit between KENNEDY'S CROSSING and BUKUAP on or about 13 Sep 43.
2. The box was put on native carrier line at KENNEDY'S CROSSING but failed to reach BUKUAP.
3. Description of box - Dark green color with W. T. WOOD in white lettering upon lid.
4. Any person having knowledge of box is requested to communicate with Capt MELKSHAM, 29 Aust Inf Bde.

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HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
17 Oct 43

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

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ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

A50. AAF W3006 - DAILY STRENGTH STATE

1. Any units are not complying with the instruction that details of Personnel shown under "F" are to be given by units on the reverse side of AAF W3006.
2. Where AAF W3006 is rendered by signal this information will be embodied in the text of the message.
3. Attention is directed to the instruction that units will forward one copy of AAF W3006 DIRECT to NG L of C Area Records Office. One copy is also required to be furnished to this Headquarters by the quickest means possible.
4. It is essential that these instructions be observed.

A51. APPLICATIONS FOR COMPASSIONATE LEAVE

1. Applications for compassionate leave must be submitted to this Headquarters in DUPLICATE and will include the following information:-
  - (a) Home address of applicant
  - (b) Address at which inquiries may be made
  - (c) Relationship
  - (d) Previous Leave
  - (e) Whether applicant is willing to accept leave without pay
  - (f) Address of applicant whilst on leave.
2. Applications which do not comply with these instructions will be returned to the unit concerned.

Q52. ISSUES FROM SALVAGE DUMP

1. Articles of equipment etc from 5 Aust Div Salvage Dump will only be issued on a demand in writing signed by the OC of the unit demanding.

Q53. AVIATION PETROL UNLEADED

1. No indents will be placed on RAAF or US Army Air Force for 73 octane aviation gasoline (containing no tetra-ethyl lead) unless specifically required for use in aircraft engines. Any such indents will be endorsed by the officer commanding the indenting unit "required for aircraft engines".  
(To be repeated in Unit Routine Orders.)

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Lt.-Col  
AA & QMG, 5 Aust Div

CORRIGENDA

1. 5 Aust Div Routine Order 047 of 10 Oct 43:-  
In ~~lines~~ 2 and 3 delete "this Headquarters" and substitute "HQ Comd 3 Aust Div ASC."
2. 5 Aust Div Routine Order A34 of 10 Oct 43:-  
Amend Heading to read "RELEASE - COMPASSIONATE, SEASONAL OR OCCUPATIONAL."  
Line 3 - Amend "Leave" to read "Release".

NOTICES

1. PLACE NAMES. Road Junction 703404 will be known as CHARING CROSS and this name may be used when referring to this Road Junction in correspondence and reports.
2. AUST WAR CEMETERY. The AUST War Cemetery for LAE Area is located in the following area:-  
Ref Map - LAE 1/25,000  
Centre point 682407, an area with a frontage of 100 yards by a depth of 150 yards.
3. ENEMY WEAPONS. Samples of the following JAP weapons and equipment are urgently required for experimental purpose:-  
20 mm Dual Purpose AA/Tk A Gun  
JAP Respirators  
7.7 mm Rifle and ammunition.  
Any unit knowing the whereabouts of any of the above should contact 3 Aust Div Salv Unit at 700404.
4. AMENITIES. All Amenities Officers or their Representatives together with Sports Officers of all units will attend a conference at HQ 5 Aust Div at 1000 hours Friday, 22 Oct 43.
  2. Representatives will bring with them a return showing
    - (a) Sporting Material on Hand
    - (b) Material Required
    - (c) Suggestions
  3. Report to Amenities Officer, C/o Camp Comdt, 5 Aust Div.

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## 5 AUSTRALIAN DIVISION ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

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Serial No 4

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
10 Oct 43

### GENERAL STAFF BRANCH

#### G29. CAPTURED ENEMY DOCUMENTS

1. Although LAE has been in our hands for some time enemy documents, note books, etc. may still contain information of value, and should be collected whenever possible and forwarded to GS I at Div HQ.

#### G30. DAMAGE TO CAPTURED ENEMY AIRCRAFT

1. Extensive damage is being caused by Officers and troops both AUSTRALIAN and AMERICAN souveniring parts of JAPANESE aircraft.
2. It must be impressed on all troops that such damage prevents RAAF experts from obtaining valuable data.
3. Severe penalties will be inflicted on offenders.

*[Signature]*  
Lt.-Col  
GS, 5 Aust Div

### ASSISTANT ADJUTANT & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

#### A31. LEAVE PRIOR TO, DURING AND AFTER APPOINTMENT TO A TRG DEPOT

1. Any leave due to personnel before appointment to a training unit or depot may be taken either before or after such duty.
2. This leave will not be granted during tour of duty at training depot.
3. During period of appointment at a training unit or depot, the instruction regarding leave as per GRO A598/43 will apply.

#### A32. AIR MAIL LETTER CARDS

1. Experience has shown that the adhesive type of Air Mail Letter Card is unsuitable for this area.
2. Steps have been taken to design a new non-adhesive type for issue in tropical areas.
3. Stocks of the adhesive type of card in NEW GUINEA area are exhausted and pending arrival of the new type will not be replenished.



A33. APPLICATIONS FOR RELEASE

1. With all future applications for Release the following particulars relative to the applicant will be forwarded with the application, viz:-

- (a) Whether release is recommended.
- (b) Soldier's age.
- (c) Length of Service.
- (d) Character and Ability.
- (e) Usefulness to the Army.

A34. LEAVE - COMPASSIONATE, SEASONAL OR OCCUPATIONAL

1. Instructions have been promulgated by LHQ to the effect that applications for compassionate, seasonal and occupational leave made by personnel serving in NEW GUINEA will be treated as if such applicant was in a far distant operational station such as the MIDDLE EAST.
2. This factor must be considered by CO's when forwarding applications for decision by the Formation Commander.

A35. FIELD RETURNS OF OFFICERS AND OTHER RANKS.

1. Return of "B" Class Personnel.

- (a) Attention is directed to GRO A650/43 detailing the procedure for accurately recording the number of "B" Class male personnel posted to units.
- (b) Units having "B" Class personnel on posted strength will incorporate the additional data as specified in the abovementioned GRO.

2. AAF W3008 - Field Return of Officers.

- (a) The distribution of AAF W3008 is amended to the following:
  - 2 copies to NG L of C Area Records Office  
(to be forwarded direct by units)
  - 2 copies to HQ 5 Aust Div
  - 1 copy for File
  - 1 copy for War Diary.

3. AAF W3009 - Field Returns of Other Ranks.

- (a) Copies of W3009 are not required at this HQ, unless specially called for.

A36 DISTRIBUTION OF NEW GUINEA FORCE ORDERS

1. Units which have not already done so are required to submit to this HQ a return of deficiencies of serials of NEW GUINEA FORCE Orders.
2. The Return must reach this HQ before 14 Oct 43.
3. NEW GUINEA FORCE Appointments and Promotions Lists Nos 44 and 45 have not yet been distributed as copies have not been received at this Headquarters.

A37. REGIMENTAL SENIORITY LISTS

1. 5 Aust Div Routine Order No 8 of 8 Sept 43 is repromulgated herunder for information of units recently placed under command of this Headquarters.

A37. REGIMENTAL SENIORITY LISTS (Contd)

- "1. All units including detachments of units under command of HQ 1 Aust Corps will submit as soon as practicable regimental seniority list of officers.
2. Such lists will be in triplicate and will contain the following:-
  - (i) Number of relevant WE.
  - (ii) Army Number.
  - (iii) Substantive rank and date thereof.
  - (iv) Temporary rank and date thereof.
  - (v) Initials and name.
  - (vi) Decorations (if any).
  - (vii) Details of secondments.
  - (viii) Any material remarks or explanations.
3. Attached Officers will be shown at the foot of each list."
2. Units which have not complied with the above instruction are required to do so as soon as possible.

A38. CENSUS OF WIRELESS SETS USED FOR AMENITIES PURPOSES

1. All units will submit, through normal channels, a return as at 20 Oct 43 showing all wireless sets held for purpose of providing unit amenities. All such wireless sets, irrespective of original source of supply must be included.
2. This information is required to enable distribution of available stores required for maintenance of such sets.
3. Return will be made out as under and will accompany Monthly Census of Warlike Stores Return:-

MAKE	TYPE	NUMBER OF VALVES IN SET	TYPES OF VALVES	REMARKS

4. NIL Returns will be submitted.

A39. MECHANICAL VEHICLES

1. NEW GUINEA FORCE Orders 299, 300, 305, 453, 483, 534, 567 and 584 of 1942 and 56, 246, 314 and 334 of 1943 are cancelled.
2. Many instances of reckless and careless driving of mechanical vehicles and driving at excessive speed are occurring.

A39. MECHANICAL VEHICLES (Contd)

3. These and other improper practices in relation to mechanical vehicles frequently constitute a menace to other vehicles and to the safety of personnel and are responsible for undue wear and tear on vehicles and tyres. Accordingly they must cease.
4. Personnel when driving mechanical vehicles will maintain the strictest road discipline and drive at such a speed and in such a manner that their vehicles are completely under control and they are in a position to meet any emergency that may arise.
5. The maximum speed permitted for vehicles in the LAE Sub-Area is 20 m.p.h. In other areas the maximum speed permitted will be 20 m.p.h. unless and until other maximum speeds, whether higher or lower, have been fixed by the Comds of those areas. Personnel will not drive at the maximum speed where the circumstances render that speed unsafe.
6. The following specific provisions will be observed:-
  - (a) An Officer will not drive a mechanical vehicle except -
    - (i) when under driving instruction;
    - (ii) for the purpose of maintaining his efficiency as a driver;
    - (iii) where operationally necessary;
    - (iv) when no driver is available;
    - (v) to rest the member normally driving the vehicle.Subject to the foregoing, no member will drive a mechanical vehicle unless authorized by competent authority to do so.
  - (b) When driving a mechanical vehicle the driver will not permit more than one person to sit beside him on the front seat.
  - (c) Drivers of mechanical vehicles will not when approaching road corners change to lower gear ratios for the purpose of reducing speed but will, when necessary, reduce speed by the application of the foot brake.
  - (d) No mechanical vehicle will be left unattended except in an authorised military parking area.
  - (e) Personnel will not drive mechanical vehicles with tail boards swinging free. If the load is such that the tail board cannot be closed up, it will be secured in a horizontal position either with the chains provided or by rope.
  - (f) Wheel chains will not be carried on front bumper bar of mechanical vehicles. They will be carried only in lockers or other suitable containers.
  - (g) The use of wheel chains on dry roads is forbidden. Wheel chains will be used only when conditions so require.
  - (h) Motor cycles will be fitted with efficient silencers. Personnel will not modify silencers unless authorized by competent authority to do so.
  - (i) Except for operational reasons in forward areas -
    - (i) pillion riding on motor cycles is forbidden;
    - (ii) a load of more than 20 lb will not be carried on motor cycle rear carriers.

39. MECHANICAL VEHICLES (Contd)

7. Speed Traps will be operated by Provost personnel in various areas.
8. Provost personnel will report without delay offences against this Order.
9. It will be the responsibility of CO's to ensure that the members of their units are made fully conversant with the requirements of this Order, to continually impress upon members the necessity for strictly adhering to the same and to enforce the provisions of the order by taking disciplinary action in respect of breaches.
10. When Provost personnel are required as witnesses, units will notify them promptly of the time and place of hearing.
11. This Order will be repeated in Unit Routine Orders.

40. FORWARDING ARTICLES TO MAINLAND

1. NG Force Orders, serials 585 of 7 Dec 42, 616 of 28 Dec 42, and 35 of 8 Feb 43, are cancelled.
2. No member shall, except in the course of his duty, despatch, or cause to be despatched, to AUSTRALIA -
  - (a) any property issued, distributed, or sold by, or belonging to, the Commonwealth or any part of the Defence Force of the Commonwealth or any Allied Country or Force;
  - (b) any captured enemy document, equipment or property;
  - (c) any article sold, distributed or supplied by AUSTRALIAN Defence Canteen Service or any Allied Force's Canteen, or any similar institution, or any AMF recognised philanthropic organization;
  - (d) any tobacco or cigarettes.
3. A member proceeding to AUSTRALIA on leave or temporary duty will not take with him more tobacco or cigarettes than is reasonably required to meet his personal requirements during his period of absence from NEW GUINEA.
4. Other members proceeding to AUSTRALIA will not take with them more tobacco or cigarettes than is reasonable required to meet their personal requirements whilst in transit to the Mainland.
5. It will be borne in mind continuously that;
  - (a) one of the reasons for rationing tobacco and cigarettes in AUSTRALIA is to ensure that adequate supplies are available for troops in operational areas; and
  - (b) tobacco and cigarettes supplied to troops in NEW GUINEA are excise duty free which represents a substantial saving to all concerned.
6. (1) The despatch or carriage of tobacco or cigarettes to AUSTRALIA in breach of this order may result in;-

440. FORWARDING ARTICLES TO MAINLAND (Contd)

6. (i) (a) Troops in forward areas not being adequately catered for owing to a consequential general shortage of supplies; and  
(b) the withdrawal of the privilege of freedom from excise duty, resulting in troops in all areas being required to pay mainland prices.  
(ii) It is, therefore, in the interest of all concerned to strictly adhere to the provisions of this order.
7. Disciplinary action will be taken in respect of all disclosed breaches of paras 2, 3 and 4 of this order and where tobacco or cigarettes are intercepted in transit to AUSTRALIA, the same will be confiscated and, after disciplinary action has been completed, donated to the Red Cross Society.
8. The attention of franking officers is drawn to the pre-franking requisites in relation to parcels or packets, the detailed procedure for franking the same and the action to be taken in regard to prohibited articles (vide App "A" to LHQ Field Censorship Instruction No 4 and paras 5 (g) and 6 (b) of App "B" thereto).
9. The attention of Unit Censors is drawn to their duties in relation to censorship of parcels and packets as prescribed in para 9 (h) of the abovementioned instruction.
10. Disciplinary action will be taken where franking officers or Unit Censors offend against the provisions mentioned in paras 8 and 9 above.
11. CO's will ensure that the provisions of this Order are complied with.
12. This Order will be repeated in all unit RO's and the substance thereof drawn to the attention of all ranks at least once each two months.

441. FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN

1. The Fourth Liberty War Loan of \$125,000,000 is now open for subscription.
2. Arrangements have been made for paymasters to accept applications for Commonwealth Government Inscribed Stock or Treasury Bonds from members of the forces serving in AUSTRALIA or NEW GUINEA who may be desirous of investing their savings in the loan.

Particulars of Loan.

3. Loan applications may be made for an amount of \$10, or higher amount being a multiple of \$10.
4. Stock will be inscribed at par for amounts of \$100 or multiples of \$10 above \$100 as required.
5. Treasury Bonds are payable to bearer and are issued at par for \$10, \$50, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000.
6. Interest is payable at 2½% per annum if invested for five years and at 3¼% per annum if invested for sixteen years, and will be credited half-yearly to the member's savings bank account or current account if desired.

Q41. FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN (Contd)

7. Interest will be subject to Commonwealth taxation, but will not be subject to any income tax under the law of a State. During the period of uniform taxation, a rebate of 2/0 in the pound on interest will be allowed to cover freedom from State taxation.
8. Any bank nominated by the member will hold the bonds in safe custody for the member if such is desired.

Procedure for lodging applications.

9. Application forms will be available from paymasters or may be obtained through unit pay sergeants, and are required to be completed in duplicate. The applicant's signature will be witnessed by an officer of the same unit.
10. Sufficient credit must be available in the member's pay book to cover the amount it is desired to invest in the loan. The amount subscribed will be debited in the pay book.
11. Paymasters may accept cash in payment of a loan subscription, in which case the amount tendered will be entered in the pay book to establish the necessary credit and an official receipt issued and pasted in the pay book.
12. The Commonwealth Bank will forward to members an interim receipt for the amount subscribed.

General.

13. Both Treasury Bonds and Inscribed Stock are readily realisable and may be sold at any time. Any Bank will arrange this for the member if desired.
14. Where practicable, the substance of this order will be explained to personnel on parade.

(To be republished in unit routine orders.)

Q42. PRINTING AND STATIONERY SUPPLIES

1. Numerous requests for stationery supplies are being received at this Headquarters.
2. It is a unit responsibility to requisition direct on the nearest stationery Depot for all stationery requirements.
3. Attention is directed to NG Force Order Q385 of 27 Sep 43.

Q43. SALVAGE

1. Large dumps of JAP ammunition and equipment are known to exist in unit and installation areas.
2. Units having any dumps in their areas will arrange for them to be shifted to an area accessible to vehicles and notify this Headquarters giving map references of the dumps. Arrangements will then be made by this Headquarters for disposal.
3. As some of this ammunition may be in a dangerous condition due care must be exercised when it is being handled.
4. Any other dumps discovered during recess will also be notified.

Q44. FELLING OF COCONUT PALMS

1. Cases have been reported of indiscriminate felling of coconut trees. In one case purely for the sake of obtaining the nuts.
2. Before coconut palms may be felled in any area the permission of the CO of the area must be obtained. When doubt exists as to which unit is responsible for an area the matter will be referred to this Headquarters.
3. Coconut palms play an important part in concealment and camouflage of dumps areas etc., and this angle will be fully considered by CO's before granting permission to fell.

Q45. USE OF MT

1. Reference 5 Aust Div Circular Q1080 of 8 Oct 43.
2. Every driver of a vehicle will carry a Work Ticket (AAF G2) or equivalent signed by an Officer when engaged on any duty.
3. A pro road patrol is being instituted and all Work Tickets will be produced to MPs on demand.
4. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

Q46. SPEED LIMITS - LAE AREA

1. The speed limit for all types of vehicles in the LAE township area is 20 miles per hour.
2. This order applies to US and Allied as well as AUST vehicles.

Q47. RATION ENTITLEMENTS AND ISSUES

1. All Units will render forthwith AF W3840 for week ended 9 Oct 43. In future this return will be forwarded to reach this Headquarters by 1200 hrs each Sunday.

Q48. CONTROLLED STORES - CASUALTIES

1. It is imperative that Units advise ADOS immediately by signal of ALL casualties to Controlled Stores.
2. The following abbreviations will be used:-
  - (i) D.E.A. - Destroyed by enemy action.
  - (ii) H.O. - Hand over to another unit etc. (Unit to which transferred to be shown.)
  - (iii) I. - Issued to Unit since last return.
  - (iv) O.R. - At Ordnance for repairs (2nd or higher Echelon of repairs). Show quantity.
  - (v) R. - Returned to Ordnance.
  - (vi) R.S.O. - Returned serviceable by Ordnance.

Q49. STRETCHERS AMBULANCE MK II BOTTOMS

1. Stretchers ambulance Mk II Bottoms spare (complete with basic strip and copper cut tacks) are being added to WET's on the basis of 1 per stretcher.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

31 July 44

BY

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LT-COL G F SMITH DSO - COMD 24 AUST INF BN (AIF)

Nos:- 123 - 127

Serial No 15

- 123  
VOTING FOR REFERENDUM
- Extracts from 5 Aust Div RO A249 are republished.
1. In connection with the forthcoming Commonwealth Referendum, members of the AMF (i) May attend meetings in uniform.  
(ii) Will not address meetings  
(iii) Will not take part in processions or demonstrations  
(vi) Will not undertake canvassing for the distribution of literature or cards.  
Special leave will not be granted to members in connection with the Referendum Campaign.
2. SX25946 Lt B MARTIN is appointed unit Returning Officer. Polling Officers are Lts, EADE, LAUGHLIN, TARRAN, LEWIS and SYRMAN. Men will vote at following places, BHQ & C Coy at C Coy Mess Hut  
HQ Coy at HQ Coy Mess Hut A & B Coys at A Coy Mess Hut  
D Coy at D Coy Mess Hut.
- Times for voting are as follows, from 0900 hrs to 1600 hrs on 1 Aug 44.
- 124  
OUT OF BOUNDS
- 5 Div RO A242 is republished.  
The airport area at MADANG has been placed out of bounds to all personnel other than members employed in the construction and operation of same or having written permission to be in that area.
- 125  
IDEAS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO EQUIPMENT
- 5 Div RO Q245 is republished.
1. The soldier and Regimental Officer being the actual users of army equipment can often see the need for improvements and think of means for effecting them.
2. Recently a soldier, irritated by his boot laces when tied round the ankle constantly slipping up over the top of the boot, suggested that a loop be incorporated in the back of the boot. LHQ adopted the idea and now all boots AB Universal are being made with this loop. Actually the soldier's own design was not perfect and has been modified, but his idea is good and he will receive monetary reward for it. Where an idea can be patented the army inventions dept will give the soldier professional advise in safeguarding his interests.
3. All officers are therefore requested to bring these facts to the notice of their men and encourage them to put forward ideas. Any such ideas will be forwarded through the usual channels to this HQ for forwarding to LHQ.



**126**  
**TRAVEL TO**  
**DECLARED**  
**AREAS UNDER**  
**NATIONAL**  
**SECURITY**  
**(GENERAL)**  
**REGULATIONS**

5 Div RO Q254 is republished as directed.  
The following amendment to the instructions relating to the restriction of interstate passenger transport in the Mainland has been issued in respect of travel of civilians and service personnel paying their own fares; "Certain areas may be declared under National Security (General) Regulations by the defence authorities and all civilians and service personnel paying their own fares entering these areas must hold a "permit of entry" from the defence authorities. These "permits of entry" are required for all travel, whether inter-state or intra-state.

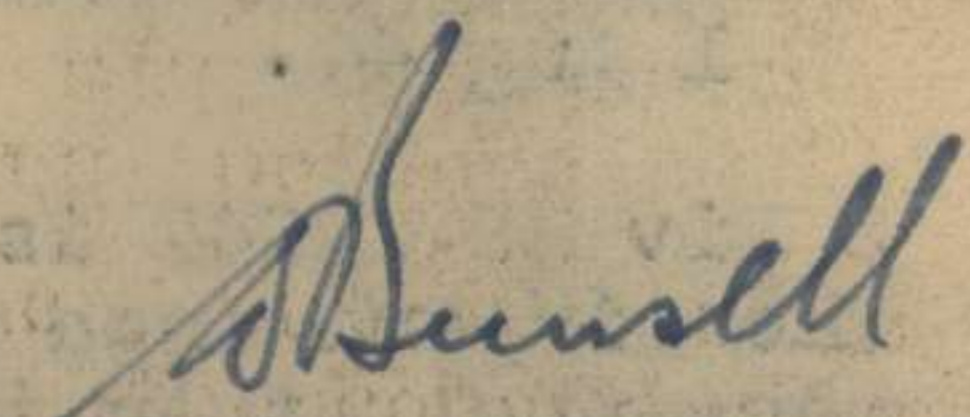
Civilians and service personnel paying their own fares, who desire to make an inter-state journey for the purpose of entering a prescribed area must, in addition to a "permit of entry" hold a priority permit, and the fact that a "permit of entry" is held is not to be accepted as conclusive evidence of the merits of the application. Service personnel travelling on duty or on Home Leave Pass are not required to hold a "permit of entry".

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**RESULT OF**  
**SCHOOLS**

The following members are commended for excellent results in School of Signals NCF Course No 147 MG Pnr Inf Bn Offrs and Sgts refresher course.

VX135508 Cpl NEWING, A R First place with 95%.

Course No 149 MG Pnr Inf Signallers refresher course.  
VX70575 Pte RACKHAM, H V Third place with 95%.

  
AGjt 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Lt

1. Copy ~~for~~ record and pass on without delay - mark dates of receipt + despatch
2. Ensure that amendments to personal particulars are adjusted on all records  
(History sheets, Paybooks + AB83's) ~~etc.~~
3. Advise if any items omitted up to date of this return.

copy	Signature	Date of receipt	Date of despatch
HQ	Wood	26/6/44	27/6/44
A	Mr. Legg Cpl	28/6/44	30/6/44
B	L. Roberts.	30/6/44	1/7/44
C	sub Lt. Greenwood	2/7/44	2/7/44
D	A. Vellow	2/7/44	2/7/44
RMO	Frank Dean	2 Jul 44	2 July 44

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS

No. of Sheets attached to this return Five

(Unit)

Detail of casualties to other ranks which have occurred since last return. The detail should include all battle casualties, accidents, admission to and discharge from hospital, casualty clearing station, etc. Promotion (substantive or otherwise), reversions, trade groupings and relinquishments thereof, transfers, postings, attachments, etc., courts-martial, field punishment, forfeiture of pay, etc. Leave of absence, absence without leave and rejoining therefrom, particulars of marriage, birth or death of children, alteration in next of kin and any consequential change of postal address, transfers to "X" List and any other items affecting a soldier's service.

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Corps (Full titles or authorized abbreviations to be used)	Nature of Casualty	Date	REMARKS. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
<b>AMENDMENT TO PERSONAL PARTICULARS</b>						
<b>Change of address of Next of Kin</b>						
QX60552	Pte	EARLY	A F	✓ C Coy	Now	Mother Elizabeth EARLY, Ivory St, WONDI. Qld. 18 Jun 44
VX136241	Pte	HERAUD	R T	HQ Coy	Wife	Muriel Agnes, now Cr Gaffney St & Connelly Av East COBURG Vic 14 Jun 44
Ref your memo 5 OC/HJF 84618 of 12 May 44, information as requested is submitted hereunder.						
<b>PARA (a)</b>						
VX104411	L/Sgt	BURFORD	J N	HQ Coy	Wife	Irene Besler BURFORD, 3 Warburton Rd, East CAMBERWELL. Vic Married 29 Jun 41
VX144186	Pte	COURSE	H F	" "	Wife	Isabel May COURSE, 47 Weybridge St, SURREY HILLS. Married 31 May 41
VX144675	Pte	FRANKLIN	W T	" "	Wife	Myrtle Joyce FRANKLIN, 29 Staughton Rd, GLEN IRIS Married 14 June 41,
V40718	"	PRUDDEN	S C	" "	Wife	Hilma PRUDDEN, 63 Croydon Rd, SURREY HILLS Married 14 Feb 42
<b>PARA (b)</b>						
NX145692	WO II	HUGHES	W J N	A A C C	Wife	Ivy Robina Joan HUGHES, 122 Curlew St, Bondi, SYDNEY.
<b>PROFICIENCY PAY</b>						
The undermentioned personnel having been classified proficient are entitled to proficiency pay from 1 Jul 43						
VX109151	Pte	WISEMAN	✓ K G	B Coy	VX136245	Pte DEXTER ✓ K C

*Dunnell G-fol* Lt-Col Date  
Signature of Commanding Officer.

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<b>PROFICIENCY PAY (Contd)</b>						
The undermentioned personnel having been classified proficient are entitled to Proficiency Pay from 1 Jul 43						
VX106323	Pte	JONES ✓	E B Coy	VX136403	Pte	SMITH ✓ L J
VX143971	"	YOEMAN ✓	H F " "	V281069	"	BOYD ✓ W H
VX120997	"	HARKER ✓	L C " "	NX144356	"	HEATON ✓ A G
VX123360	"	JOHNSON ✓	H P " "	VX117974	"	MOORE ✓ J
NX153667	"	PEGG ✓	W P " "	Q146647	"	SHARPE ✓ F A
VX143965	"	COOK ✓	I G " "	VX122436	"	CONDON ✓ J T
The undermentioned soldier having been classified proficient is entitled to Proficiency Pay from the dates shown.						
V320415	Pte	PELLY ✓	J B Coy	18 Jun 44	Failed first exam.	
<b>SCHOOLS AND COURSES</b>						
VX135508	Cpl	NEWING	A R HQ Coy	Det to 5 Div Recop Camp	15 Jun 44	for on mvt to attend NGF School of Signals Series 14 duration 19/6/44 - 17/7/44 Auth 15 Bde G193 of 7/6/44, ditto
VX70576	Pte	RACKHAM	H V HQ Coy ✓	ditto	15 Jun 44	ditto
<b>SICK</b>						
VX141610	L/Cpl	JENKINS ✓	A A B Coy	evac to MDS	13 Jun 44	Infective Tinea
VX104504	A/Sgt	ROBERTSON	J A BHQ	" " "	14 Jun 44	Infective Hepatitis
VX120995	Pte	BURDEN	H F HQ Coy ✓	" " "	14 Jun 44	" "

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<b>SICK (Contd)</b>						
VX142078	Pte	HONES R T	HQ Coy ✓	evac to MDS	14 Jun 44	Infected <sup>HAND</sup> <del>Hand</del>
VX138488	"	THOMPSON P J	" "	" " "	14 Jun 44	Urderic Colic
VX70657	"	BURNS W	C " ✓	" " "	14 Jun 44	P U O
V40633	"	COGHLAN A B	B " ✓	" " "	15 Jun 44	P U O
VX137828	"	MILNE R A	" " ✓	" " "	16 Jun 44	P U O
VX106845	"	GARRETT W J	HQ " ✓	" " "	17 Jun 44	Infected Tinea
N156360	"	BENNETT R F	D " ✓	" " "	17 Jun 44	P U O
T102598	"	EVANS D A	C " ✓	" " "	17 Jun 44	Fractured Collar Bone
VX104461	Cpl	KNIGHT J A C	HQ " ✓	" " "	17 Jun 44	Fractured Facial Bones
VX106338	L/Cpl	REDPATH N W A	" " ✓	" " "	19 Jun 44	Infected Foot
VX123366	Pte	WHELAN J K	C " ✓	" " "	19 Jun 44	
VX144185	"	SCOTT C	HQ " ✓	" " "	19 Jun 44	Eye trouble
NX111998	"	GLOSSOP N E	" " ✓	" " "	20 Jun 44	Bruised arm.
VX147669	"	STANDING J	A " X	" " "	20 Jun 44	Pains in stomach for observation.
VX137561	"	DALE P K	HQ " ✓	" " "	21 Jun 44	P U O
VX106339	L/Cpl	ROSSBOROUGH F J	C " ✓	" " "	21 Jun 44	Hernia
N80908	Pte	BROWN R N	" " ✓	" " "	21 Jun 44	P U O
<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</b>						
V260577	Pte	SCHULTZ A S	A Coy X	from X List	14 Jun 44	ex hospital
N450654	"	MASKILL J A	" " X	" " "	14 Jun 44	" "
NX145724	"	O'CONNOR W S M	" " X	" " "	15 Jun 44	" "

*Beussell Lt Col*  
Signature of Commanding Officer. Lt-Col Date 22 June 44

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<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH (Contd)</b>						
VX147065	Pte	PATTISON E C	A Coy X	from X List	15 Jun 44	ex hospital
V278326	"	LLOYD N D	B "	" " "	5 Jun 44	" "
VX138492	"	CARLISLE W H	D "	" " "	7 Jun 44	" "
VX109119	"	HALLIDAY J W	HQ "	" " "	16 Jun 44	" "
VX138488	"	THOMPSON P J	" "	" " "	17 Jun 44	" "
VX106343	"	TAYLOR F W A	" "	" " "	17 Jun 44	" "
VX142078	"	HOWES R T	HQ "	" " "	18 Jun 44	" "
VX60609	"	FRANGOS A	D "	" " "	18 Jun 44	" "
VX111998	"	GLOSSOP N E	HQ "	" " "	21 Jun 44	" "
<b>TRANSFER OUT</b>						
VX143997	Pte	LANCASTER L F	C Coy X	To HQ NGF	20 Apr 44	
Q42258	"	HALL G D	" "	To 36 Aust Inf Bn	16 Jun 44	via 5 Div Recep Camp (your memo 100581 of 1 Jun 44 refers)
VX144195	Cpl	DYBING R A	B Coy	To 2/2 Aust Docks Operation Coy RAE	21 Jun 44	via 5 Div Recep Camp Auth 5 Div A5772 of 17 Jun 44.
<b>ATTACHED PERSONNEL ALLOWED BY WE</b>						
<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</b>						
VX112389	Sgt	CHAMBERS K L A	AAPC	from X List	14 Jun 44	ex hospital
N200795	Pte	FEATHERSTONE A	AACC	" " "	17 Jun 44	" "
VX106344	A/Sgt	THOMAS W A	AACC	" " "	17 Jun 44	" "
VX104538	Pte	WELLMAN H C	AANC	" " "	20 Jun 44	" "

Signature of Commanding Officer: *Samuel G. Fox* Lt.-Col Date: 22 June 44 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)

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<b><u>CORRIGENDA.</u></b>						
<b>Ref cas return B31/18/44 of 13 March 44 "Taken on strength"</b>						
N200795	Pte	FEATHERSTONE	A D Coy	From 1 Aust ARD	9 Mar 44	
<b><u>DELETE ALL REFERENCE AND SUBSTITUTE</u></b>						
<b><u>ATTACHED PERSONNEL ALLOWED BY WE</u> <i>Taken on strength</i></b>						
N200795	Pte	FEATHERSTONE	A A C C	From 1 Aust ARD	9 Mar 44	(your memo 98986 of 1 Jun 44 refers)
<b>Ref cas return B31/19/44 of 22 March 44</b>						
<b><u>ATTACHED PERSONNEL ALLOWED BY WE - TAKEN ON STRENGTH</u></b>						
VX109664	Pte	HALLETT	I L A E M E	from 1 AARD	18 Mar 44	via 11 Aust Div Recep Camp. Auth IRL/55 Serial 15
<b><u>DELETE ALL REFERENCE AND SUBSTITUTE</u></b>						
<b><u>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</u></b>						
VX109664	Pte	HALLETT	I L HQ Coy	from 1 AARD	18 Mar 44	via 11 Aust Div Recop Camp. Auth IRL/55 Serial 5 (your memo 97694 of 30/5/44 refers)

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Rank	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Corps (Full titles or authorized abbreviations to be used)	Nature and Date of Casualty	Date	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
Lt	VX43140	THOMAS J C	D Coy	from X list	2 Jun 44	ex hospital

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2. Ensure that amendments to personal particulars are adjusted on all records (History sheet, paybook + AB83 when necessary)
3. Advise if any items omitted up to date of this return.

boy.	Signature	Date received	Date despatched
HQ	J. Wood	29/6/44	30/6/44
A	M. O'Leary Cpl	30/6/44	30/6/44
B	J. Roberts.	30/6/44	1/7/44
C	W. Greenwood	2.7.44	27.44
D	<del>J. Hollow</del>	2, 7/44	2/7/44
PMO	Frank Sharp	2 Jul 44	2 Jul 44.

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<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</b>						
Lt	VX54060	LAUGHLIN J	A Coy	From X List	23 Jun 44	ex hospital
Lt	NX1300	CONNOR ✓ F P	B "	" Gen Reinforcements (Inf)	24 Jun 44	Auth Posting Order NG/109
Lt	VX48421	KENNEDY ✓ M B	" "	" X List	26 Jun 44	ex hospital via 5 Div Recep Camp

*W. Russell* Lt for Lt-Col  
Signature of Commanding Officer. AOD

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<b>Change of Next of Kin</b>						
VX104530	Pte	TUGNETT W W	HQ Coy	Now Mother Evelyn Isadore TUGNETT, 1 Water St, HARTWELL E 6 Vic Father Deceased 17 Jun 43		
VX143550	"	MARSH K R	BHQ	Now wife Eileen Emily MARSH, Creek Rd, MITCHAM. Vic Date of marriage 18 Dec 41.		
VX77730	"	EDGAR J J	HQ Coy	Now Father George William EDGAR, 6722 Hannan St, Bell Gardens, Los Angeles, CALIFORNIA. USA		
<b>APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATION OF RANK</b>						
VX109136	Cpl	MCCALL G W D	A Coy	To L/Sgt	27 Jun 44	
V265240	"	STEVENS R J	C "	" "	27 Jun 44	
VX70733	"	LECKIE I C	D Coy	" "	27 Jun 44	
VX70719	"	GRANT A J M	" "	" "	27 Jun 44	
<b>INJURY</b>						
VX104461	Cpl	KNIGHT J A C	HQ Coy	Accidentally injured 17 Jun 44		Fractured facial bones. Copy AAF D11 attached.
T102598	Pte	EVANS D A	C Coy	Accidentally injured 17 Jun 44		Incomplete fracture left cavicle. Copy AAF D11 attached.
<b>PROFICIENCY PAY</b>						
The undermentioned personnel having been classified proficient are entitled to proficiency pay from						
VX70643	L/Cpl	CHRISTEY J	B Coy	VX106329 Pte McKIBBIN, A M		1 Jul 43.

Signature of Commanding Officer: *W. S. L. L. L.* Lt-Col Date 28 Jun 44 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)

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<b>PROFICIENCY PAY (Contd)</b>						
Ceased to be entitled to Proficiency Pay by reason of promotion on date shown.						
VX70643	L/Cpl	CHRISTEY J	B Coy		1 Jan 44	
<b>REJOINED UNIT</b>						
VX106307	Sgt	BURTON T S	HQ Coy	From NGF TRG School	25 Jun 44	
VX104438	A/Sgt	GAFF W	BHQ	" det for Special	26 Jun 44	via 5 Div Recep Camp
VX135885	A/Cpl	NOTT A H	D Coy	" NGF Trg school	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX70059	Cpl	LOWRY R W	HQ "	ditto	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX104484	"	McCARTHY L N	" "	ditto	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX104542	"	WILLIAMSON L G	C "	ditto	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX109150	"	WISE T C	B "	ditto	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX104454	Sgt	HOWARTH R L	HQ "	ditto	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX104519	Cpl	STALEY R W	C "	From det to Graves Maint Details LAE	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX122643	Pte	JACKSON J F	HQ Coy	ditto	26 Jun 44	ditto
<b>SICK</b>						
NX164918	Pte	COLLINS M S	D Coy	Evac to MDS	22 Jun 44	NYD
VX106304	"	BENSON R E	HQ Coy	" " "	23 Jun 44	PUO
VX141615	"	NATION R A	" "	" " "	24 Jun 44	PUO
VX148457	"	EDGAR W B McG	" "	" " "	25 Jun 44	PUO
VX106322	L/Cpl	PARKINSON G C	D "	" " "	25 Jun 44	Strained Back
V40633	Pte	COGHLAN A B	B "	" " "	25 Jun 44	PUO
VX148458	"	BENNETT E W	" "	" " 1st CCS	26 Jun 44	PUO

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<b>SICK (Contd)</b>						
VX104519	Cpl	STALEY R W	C Coy	Evac to 111 CCS	26 Jun 44	PUO
VX122643	Pte	JACKSON J F	HQ "	" " " "	27 Jun 44	PUO
VX141611	"	DEBNEY F C	D "	" " " "	27 Jun 44	Pyelitis
VX117266	"	BARNARD D J	B Coy	To " 2/7 AGH	28 Jun 44	for consultation with specialist, via 5 Div Recep Camp.
VX143588	"	SARSFIELD C T P	BHQ	Evac to 111 CCS	28 Jun 44	PUO
<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</b>						
VX137564	Pte	MORTIMER N W	HQ Coy	From X List	22 Jun 44	ex hospital
V42813	"	TOUGH G E J	" "	" " "	22 Jun 44	" "
VX139864	"	WOODS L R	" "	" " "	22 Jun 44	" "
V40633	"	COGHLAN A B	B "	" " "	22 Jun 44	" "
V321359	"	HAIR K	HQ "	" " "	23 Jun 44	" "
VX70657	"	BURNS W	C "	" " "	23 Jun 44	" "
VX143588	"	SARSFIELD C T P	BHQ	" " "	23 Jun 44	" "
N267353	"	CALLAWAY A J	C Coy	" " "	23 Jun 44	" "
N248824	"	BRENNAN T W	D "	" " "	24 Jun 44	" "
VX105845	"	GARRETT W J	HQ "	" " "	23 Jun 44	" "
VX137828	"	MILNE R A	B "	" " "	25 Jun 44	" "
VX117866	"	BARNARD D J	" "	" " "	25 Jun 44	via NGDD LAE
VX104543	Sgt	WINTLE E B	D "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ex hospital via 5 Div Recep Camp
VX113002	Pte	RANKINS R	HQ "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX106333	"	PERRY H P	B "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto

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<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH (Contd)</b>						
VX106329	Pte	McKIBBIN A M	B Coy	From X List	26 Jun 44	ex hospital via 5 Div Recep Camp.
VX106328	"	McEWAN J A	A "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
SX39700	"	MILLER R A	C "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
V40659	"	GIBBS J R	HQ Coy	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX143982	"	EGAN J F	C "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
V270300	"	CHRISTENSEN A C	HQ "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
N150314	"	CARTWRIGHT M E	C "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
QX60701	"	BLOOMER K	" "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX70643	A/Cpl	CHRISTEY J	B "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX138311	Pte	DELANEY M J	A "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
V320425	"	KEENAN J P	C "	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
VX123365	"	OSMOND H S	BHQ	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
V170041	"	SHIRREFS N A	"	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
V320473	"	TREMAYNE W G	D Coy	" " "	26 Jun 44	ditto
V127122	"	TURNER W H	C Coy	" " "	26 Jun 44	ex leave & hospital via 5 Div Recep Camp.
VX137561	"	DALE P K	HQ Coy	" " "	25 Jun 44	Ex hospital
NX164918	"	COLLINS M S	D "	" " "	25 Jun 44	" "
N156360	"	BENNETT R F	D Coy	" " "	26 Jun 44	" "
VX106332	L/Cpl	PARKINSON G C	" "	" " "	28 Jun 44	" "
VX141611	Pte	DEBNEY F C	" "	" " "	28 Jun 44	" "

*Samuel L. for* Lt-Col  
Signature of Commanding Officer.

Date 28 June 44 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)

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<b>TRANSFER IN</b>						
VX122638	Pte	BALCAM	W P C Coy	From HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde	20 Jun 44	
<b>TRANSFER OUT</b>						
VX77891	Pte	CUNNINGHAM	A H A Coy *	To HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde	9 Jun 44	ex detachment
VX142113	"	JACKSON	G R D "	ditto	9 Jun 44	" "
VX120267L	Cpl	ATCHISON	G J HQ "	ditto	14 Jun 44	" "
V40188	Sgt	THOMSON	D A D "	To HQ ANGAU	23 Jun 44	via 5 Div Recep Camp. Auth 5 Div A5622 of 11 Jun 44.
VX109664	Pte	HALLETT	I L HQ "	To A E M E	27 Jun 44	Auth 15 Bde A1347 of 26 Jun 44
<b>ATTACHED PERSONNEL ALLOWED BY WE</b>						
<b>SICK</b>						
VX140114	Pte	KELLY	J F AACC	Evac to MDS	26 Jun 44	PUO
<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</b>						
VX109664	Cfn	HALLETT	I L AEME	From 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	27 Jun 44	att on WE Auth 15 Bde A1347 of 26 Jun 44
VX135654	Cpl	SHEAHAN	J F AA Postal Services	Marched in on attachment	28 Jun 44	from att to 15 Bde to fill vacancy on WE for Postal Sgt.
<b>APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATION OF RANKS</b>						
<del>VX135654</del>	<del>Cpl</del>	<del>SHEAHAN</del>	<del>J F AA Postal Services</del>	<del>To A/Sgt</del>	<del>28 Jun 44</del>	<del>Auth 5 Aust Div Postal Unit memo 362/50/44 of 26 Jun 44</del>

*D. Sunell* Lt-Col  
Signature of Commanding Officer.

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<u>CORRIGENDUM</u>						
Ref Cas return B31/32/44 of 8 May 44. <u>MARCHED OUT</u>						
VX103997	Sgt	BASILE V B	A Coy	To NGDD ^	3 May 44	For on mvt to Vic L & TD for 12 days rec leave prior to commencing Refresher Trg at Second Aust Army Junior Leaders School SEYMOUR? for staffing of Aust Inf & MG Trg Bns. Ex det to B Station Command Auth NGF memo A6913 of 5 Apr 44.
<u>DELETE ALL REFERENCE AND SUBSTITUTE</u>						
<u>MARCHED OUT</u>						
VX103997	Sgt	BASILE V B	A Coy	From NGDD LAE ^	19 Jun 44	To Mainland for staffing Aust Inf Trg Bns u/c Second Aust Army (ex det to B Station Command) To report to Junior Leaders Course SEYMOUR at conclusion of leave. Auth NGF A6913/62/28/5 of 5 Apr 44.

*Munsell G. for* Lt-Col  
Signature of Commanding Officer.

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(History sheets, paybooks and AAB 83's when necessary)
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boy	Signature	Date of Receipt	Date
HQ	J. Wood	4 - 7 - 44	5 - 7
A	M. Keane Cpl	10 - 7 - 44	12 - 7 -
B	J. Stewart	12 7 - 44	13 - 7
C	J. Greenwood	5 - 7 - 44	6 - 7 -
D	J. D. Dellow	6 - 7 - 44	6 - 7 - 44
RMO	T.S.	13 7 - 44	13 Jul 44

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<b>AMENDMENTS TO PERSONAL PARTICULARS</b>						
Ref your memo 50C/HJF 84618 of 12 May 44, the following information is submitted.						
<b>PARA (a)</b>						
VX140116	Pte	RUSSELL J C	C Coy	Wife Evelyn Isobel RUSSELL,		12 Brindley Rd, CAMBERWELL 12 Oct 40.
<b>PARA (b)</b>						
VX70059	Cpl	LOWRY R W	HQ Coy	Wife Gwendoline Mavis LOWRY,		13 Dundonald Ave, EAST MALVERN.
VX113002	Pte	RANKINS R	HQ "	Father Thomas RANKINS,		123 Cook St, CENTENNIAL PARK, SYDNEY.
<b>INCREASE IN FAMILY</b>						
Q153796	Pte	MATHEWS G R	C Coy	Daughter born 15 May 44 - Joan Daphne		
<b>PROFICIENCY PAY</b>						
The undermentioned soldier having been classified proficient is entitled to proficiency pay on 1/7/43 Ceases to be entitled to proficiency pay by reason of trade grouping on date shown.						
VX143543	Pte	BRIGGS C V	BHQ		17 Jan 44	
<b>TRADE GROUPING</b>						
V280623	Pte	HARTUNG R W	A Coy	Appto A/TG III(Clerk)	15. 1. 44	see VX126303 P6 McKenzie W.J. - K.1-A 15/1/44
<b>SICK</b>						
VX147543	Pte	ANDERSON L R	HQ Coy	Evac to 111 CCS	28 Jun 44	Accidental Injury
V320466	"	PELLY J	B "	" " MDS	29 Jun 44	NYDN

AAF. D. U. attached - Investigation will NOT be held.

Signature of Commanding Officer: *[Signature]* Lt-Col Date: 3 July 44 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit) 15 Aust Inf Bde 5 Aust Div  
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<b>SICK (Contd)</b>						
V127024	Pte	NIGHTINGALE R	A Coy X	Evac to MDS	29 Jun 44	skin complaint
VX120998	"	AHEARNE E V	HQ "	" " 111 CCS	30 Jun 44	PUO
VX104507	"	SCOTT R J	A " X	" " " "	30 Jun 44	PUO
VX142108	"	BUDGE K M	BHQ	" " " "	30 Jun 44	PUO
NX192114	"	CLARKE K J	A Coy X	" " " "	30 Jun 44	PUO
TX16074	"	BARRATT F C	" " X	" " " "	1 Jul 44	PUO
VX142217	"	EGGLESTONE D J	B " X	" " " "	1 Jul 44	PUO
VX136240	"	LAMBEN A A	C " X	" " " "	1 Jul 44	PUO
VX138310	"	MCNEILLY A J	A " X	" " " "	1 Jul 44	PUO
<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</b>						
VX141615	Pte	NATION R A	HQ Coy	From X List	29 Jun 44	ex hospital
N80908	"	BROWN R N	C "	" " "	29 Jun 44	" "
VX104504	A/sgt	ROBERTSON J A	BHQ	" " "	29 Jun 44	" "
VX148457	Pte	EDGAR W B McG	A Coy X	" " "	30 Jun 44	" "
VX147543	"	ANDERSON L R	H Q "	" " "	1 Jul 44	" "
<b>MARCHED OUT</b>						
VX140001	Pte	DELANY T	D Coy	to 5 Aust Div Reception Camp	29 Jun 44	for on mvt to mainland for 31 days Recreational leave Auth 15 Bde A1375 of 27/6/44
VX70478	Pte	CASHMORE N W	HQ Coy	to NGDD LAE	28 Jun 44	for on mvt to mainland for 36 days Rec leave & 3 months leave without pay. Auth 5 Div 6620 of 27/6/44

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commanding Officer.

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<b>CORRIGENDA</b>						
Ref cas return <u>B31/39/44</u> <b>PROFICIENCY PAY</b>						
The undermentioned personnel having been classified proficient are entitled to proficiency pay from <u>1 Jul 43.</u>						
<u>V281069</u>	<u>Pte</u>	<u>BOYD</u>	<u>W H</u>	<u>B Coy</u>		
<u>NX144356</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>HEATON</u>	<u>A G</u>	<u>" "</u>		
<u>VX122436</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>CONDON</u>	<u>J T</u>	<u>BHQ</u>		
<b>DELETE ALL REFERENCE</b>						
<b>ATTACHED PERSONNEL ALLOWED BY WE</b>						
<b>Appointments, Promotions and Confirmation of Rank</b>						
<u>VX135654</u>	<u>Cpl</u>	<u>SHEAHAN</u>	<u>J F</u>	<u>A A Postal Services</u>	<u>28 Jun 44</u>	<u>Auth DADAPS HQ NGF memo No 45/0507 of 13 June 44.</u>

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commanding Officer.

**Lt-Col.**

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Key	Signature	Date received	Date despatched
HQ	Wood	13.7.44	13.7.44
A	McKean	16.7.44	17.7.44
B	L. Roberts	14/7/44	14/7/44
C	W. Greenwood	13/7-44	14/7/44
D	L. H. H. H.	14.7.44	14.7.44
RMO	Frank Sharp	19 Jul 44	18 Jul 44

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<b>AMENDMENTS TO PERSONAL PARTICULARS</b>						
<b>Change of address of Next of Kin</b>						
VX136020	Cpl	BRICE J H	HQ Coy	Now Wife Dorothy Faith BRICE, Main St, CROYDON. Vic		Date - 20 June 44
Ref your memo OC/11H/AMM 114344 of 21 June 44 the following information is submitted.						
<b>Para (a)</b>						
N49703	Pte	SEMMENS W G	C Coy	Wife Thelma Kathleen SEMMENS, 17 Church St, BURWOOD. SYDNEY. Date of marriage 5 March 1942		
<b>Para (b)</b>						
VX70358	Pte	GORDON H A	C Coy	Father Edward GORDON, 58 Andrew St, WINDSOR. VIC		
VX137556	"	HARBERT A H	" "	Wife Edith Ellen HARBERT, 164 Glenferrie Rd, MALVERN.		
VX104418	"	CHILDS W L	HQ "	Father Earl Stanley CHILDS, 13 Garrison Bn, POW Camp Murchison. VIC		
VX122042	S/Sgt	BARNES K	AAMC	Father Joseph Henry BARNES, 36 Henry St, AUBURN E 2		
VX104443	A/Sgt	GREGORY R H	AAMC	Sister Alice Naomi GREGORY, 137 Gratton St, CARLTON.		
VX143588	Pte	SARSFIELD C T P	BHQ	Brother Joseph Denis SARSFIELD, 274 Pascoe Vale Rd, Essendon. VIC		
VX136243	"	TRAINOR G W	HQ Coy	Wife Eugene Mary TRAINOR, c/o Mrs J CLIFTON, Pine view LOWESDALE via COROWA NSW		
VX104433	"	EELES E	" "	Wife Shirley EELES, 98 Thames St, BOX HILL, Vic		
VX104463	"	LICENCE G G	" "	Father Ebenezer Alfred LICENCE, Box 473 MILDURA. Vic		
VX137561	"	DALE P K	" "	Father Henry Humphry DALE, LONG REACH. Q'ld		
VX147137	"	BARR C F	" "	Father Arthur BARR, 434 Middleborough Rd, BLACKBURN. VIC		
VX109121	"	HANRAHAN P T J	" "	Father Pearce Patrick HANRAHAN, Mackie St, BENTLEIGH. VIC		

*P. Bennett Lt-Col* Lt-Col  
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<b>AMENDMENTS TO PERSONNEL PARTICULARS</b>						
Ref your memo OC/11H/AMM 114344 of 21 June 44 the following information is submitted --(Contd)						
VX163307	Pte	GOULD	J W HQ Coy	Mother Mrs Ida Maude GOULD,		Peak Hill, NSW
V40761	"	GEE	K E " "	Sister Mrs Elsie DUDLEY,		13 William St, MALVERN. Vic
VX105833	Sgt	CREBBIN	H B " "	Father George CREBBIN,		22 Grant St, OAKLEIGH. Vic
VX104457	"	HUTCHINS	S D " "	Brother George Owen HUTCHINS,		34 Hastings Rd, HAWTHORN
VX147065	Pte	PATTISON	E C A " X	Mother Mary Allen PATTISON,		26 Queen St, ST KILDA
VX104475	"	MAXWELL	R J " " X	Brother Donald Claude MAXWELL,		STRAFORD. Vic
N20227	"	CANAVAN	J " " X	Mother Mrs Ivy DARCY,		88 <del>Benson</del> St, CAMPERDOWN. NSW
VX148457	"	EDGAR	W B " " X	Mother Winifred EDGAR,		Beronia Rd, VERMONT. Vic
VX103988	A/Cpl	ANSWERTH	K " " X	Mother Eugene Mabel ANSWERTH,		6 Neave St, HAWTHORN E 3
V127173	Pte	HOYUNE	W B " "	Brother Leslie HOYUNE,		13 Eleebana St, Sth OAKLEIGH,
VX78952	Sgt	KELLY	W W " "	Wife Hazel Ivy KELLY,		"MILTON" Church St, MALDON, via CASTLEMAINE. VIC
VX11996	Pte	CRERAR	A S " "	Brother Alfred CRERAR,		94 Power St HAWTHORN. Vic
V129009	"	CHIVERS	F D " "	Wife Joyce Myrtle Agnes CHIVERS,		Station St, HIGHETT
V40826	"	CREIGHTON	H R G " "	Father John Henry George CREIGHTON,		1 Albert Ave, OAKLEIGH. Vic
V265228	"	FARMER	S K " "	Father Philip Henry FARMER,		KNOCKLOFTY, COMBIENBAR via ORBOST.
V826231	"	MANNING	S R " "	Father William Robert MANNING,		South St, CULCAIRN. NSW
VX136403	"	SMITH	L J " "	Father John Sydney SMITH,		Corrigan Rd, NOBLE PARK. Vic
VX147138	"	HODGETTS	C G D " "	Father Henry Thomas HODGETTS,		Anthony St, Mt GAMBIER.
VX144304	"	CANN	R C " "	Wife Mary Ann Margaret CANN,		EUROA Post Office, EUROA
VX120991	"	WHITE	A G W " "	Uncle Mr F WHITE,		Two Mile Creek, VIOLET TOWN.

*Bennell K-for*  
Signature of Commanding Officer.

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<b>APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATION OF RANK</b>						
VX103995	Cpl	BARSTOW R M	HQ Coy	To L/Sgt	8 Jul 44	
<b>DETACHED</b>						
VX70719	L/Sgt	GRANT A J M	D Coy	to HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde	8 Jul 44	
<b>MARCHED OUT</b>						
VX77730	Pte	EDGAR J J	HQ Coy	to 5 Aust Div Recep Camp	11 Jul 44	for on movement to mainland for interview with US Army Authorities VICTORIA and 38 days ARL Auth LHQ A54349 of 6 July 1944.
V280617	Pte	HURLE W J	HQ Coy	to 5 Aust Div Recep Camp	12 July 44	for on movement to mainland for 7 days compassionate and 38 days ARL. Auth 15 Bde A1543 of 12 July 44.
<b>PROFICIENCY PAY</b>						
The undermentioned personnel having been classified proficient are entitled to proficiency pay on dates shown.						
Q149333	Pte	FARMER A E	BHQ		25 Dec 43	
VX117865	L/Cpl	ALLAN L O	"		1 Jul 43	
VX106359	"	PERRY W R	"		1 Jul 43	
VX143968	Pte	HAYES J W	"		1 Jul 43	
V190455	"	CHARLTON M F	D Coy		28 June 44	
N248824	"	BRENNAN T W	" "		8 Jul 44	

Signature of Commanding Officer: *Densell Lt-Col* Date: 12 July 44 Unit: 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit) 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div (Bde., Divn., Area, with which Unit is serving)

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<b>PROFICIENCY PAY (Contd)</b>						
VX104429	Pte	DUNDAS W H	A Coy	X	29 Sep 43	
VX143607	"	GRAY R	" "	X	1 Jul 43	
VX143213	"	LOGAN H C	" "	X	1 Jul 43	
VX137835	"	SMYTH E W	" "	X	1 Jul 43	
Q269513	"	POWELL W G	C "		17 Jun 44	
SX39700	"	MILLER R A	" "		24 Jun 44	
NX192461	"	BURT M	" "		24 Jun 44	
Q144897	"	HOCKADAY H E G	BHQ	1 Jul 43	1 Jul 43	Ceases by reason of Trade Grouping on 30 Oct 43.
VX123365	"	OSMOND H F	"	1 Jul 43	"	" " " " " " 6 Oct 43
VX115547	"	PARNCUTT J C	"	1 Jul 43	"	" " " " " " 30 Oct 43
VX143588	"	SARSFIELD C T P	"	1 Jul 43	"	" " " " " " 24 Nov 43
VX104522	"	STIMSON A G	"	1 Jul 43	"	" " " " " " 7 Sep 43
Ceased to be entitled to proficiency pay by reason of promotion on 18 May 44.						
VX144676	L/Cpl	SYKES A K	B Coy			
VX137560	"	JACKSON C R	D "			
VX137830	"	BOULTON G D	" "			
Ceased to be entitled to proficiency pay by reason of breach of conduct on date shown.						
V260355	PTG	AYRES A D	HQ Coy		6 JUN 44	
VX106345	Pte	WILLS W G	C Coy		29 Mar 44	
NX143213	"	LOGAN H C	A "	X	14 Apr 44	
<b>REJOINED UNIT</b>						
VX144576	Pte	BROWN W T	HQ Coy	from NGF School of Sigs	6 Jul 44	via NGDD
NX154859	"	SMITH H	" "	Series 13 ditto	6 Jul 44	ditto
VX104453	Cpl	HOOD R F	" "	ditto	6 Jul 44	ditto

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<b>SICK</b>						
VX123367	L/Cpl	ADLINGTON G A	BHQ	Evac to 111 CCS	3 Jul 44	URTI
VX136403	Pte	SMITH L J	B Coy	ditto	3 Jul 44	PUC
V129086	"	WHITE J J B	" "	ditto	3 Jul 44	"
N2 00557	"	EAST S C	B "	ditto	3 Jul 44	"
V170041	"	SHERREFFS N A	BHQ	ditto	3 Jul 44	URTI
VX147285	"	DAKIN F K	HQ Coy	ditto	4 Jul 44	Gall bladder Colic
VX77535	"	MAY C C	B "	ditto	4 Jul 44	PUC
VX136402	"	NEWTON V S	HQ "	ditto	4 Jul 44	URTI
VX106328	"	MCENAN J A	A "	ditto	4 Jul 44	Lymphangitis
VX136018	A/Sgt	MACFARLANE A R	C "	ditto	4 Jul 44	PUC
2146647	Pte	SHARPE F A	BHQ	ditto	4 Jul 44	For investigation.
VX120994	Cpl	CARNEY J P	HQ Coy	ditto	5 Jul 44	PUC
VX140002	Pte	FALCONER K C	BHQ	ditto	5 Jul 44	URTI
VX143548	"	PURVIS L E	"	ditto	5 Jul 44	PUC
VX163307	"	GOULD J W	HQ Coy	Evac to MDS	2 Jul 44	Kidney Trouble.
VX104444	"	HARBIGH I G	A "	" to 111 CCS	5 Jul 44	PUC
VX104430	Sgt	EATON N E	C "	ditto	5 Jul 44	URTI
VX115548	A/S Sgt	CAFISO J M	A "	ditto	6 Jul 44	PUC
VX141420	Pte	CATLIN R J	C Coy	ditto	6 Jul 44	PUC
VX143964	"	CHEGWIDDEN L K	HQ "	ditto	6 Jul 44	PUC
VX104461	Cpl	KNIGHT J A C	" "	ditto	6 Jul 44	PUC
VX140184	Pte	SMITH A J	" "	ditto	7 Jul 44	URTI
VX103996	Epl	BARTLEY A L	" "	ditto	7 Jul 44	URTI
VX136261	Pte	MILTHORPE F	" "	ditto	7 Jul 44	URTI

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<b>SICK (Contd)</b>						
V 281069	PTE	BOYD	B Coy	Evac to 111 CCS	5 JUL 44	PVO
VX111998	Pte	GLOSSOP	HQ Coy	Evac to 111 CCS	8 Jul 44	URTI
VX104513	"	SMITH	" "	ditto	8 Jul 44	PVO
VX137570	"	SAKER	" "	ditto	8 Jul 44	URTI
VX104411	L/Sgt	BURFORD	" "	ditto	8 Jul 44	URTI
VX109113	Pte	DALTON	" "	ditto	8 Jul 44	URTI
VX137831	"	SCOLLER	A Coy	ditto	8 Jul 44	URTI
N450607	"	McQUEENY	D "	ditto	8 Jul 44	URTI
V127023	Cpl	NORMAN	HQ Coy	ditto	8 Jul 44	URTI
VX104491	Pte	OLIVER	BHQ	ditto	8 Jul 44	URTI
T102506	"	COLLIS	A Coy	ditto	10 Jul 44	URTI
VX103995	L/Sgt	BARSTOW	HQ Coy	ditto	10 Jul 44	URTI
VX113465	Pte	IMPEY	" "	ditto	11 Jul 44	URTI
VX123361	L/Cpl	HILLBRICK	B "	ditto	11 Jul 44	URTI
Vx 142078	PTE	HOWES	HQ	"	5 Jul 44	URTI
<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</b>						
VX122643	Pte	JACKSON	HQ Coy	from X List	3 Jul 44	ex 111 CCS
VX106304	"	BENSON	" "	" " "	1 Jul 44	ex hospital
VX104461	Cpl	KNIGHT	" "	ditto	29 Jun 44	ditto
VX136496	A/Cpl	HALLAM	" "	ditto	29 Jun 44	ditto
VX120995	Pte	BURDEN	" "	ditto	29 Jun 44	ditto
N49703	"	SIMMENS	C "	ditto	3 Jul 44	ditto
VX104519	Cpl	STALEY	" "	ditto	5 Jul 44	ditto
VX138310	Pte	MCNEILLY	A "	ditto	6 Jul 44	ditto
VX104401	A/Cpl	BEST	D "	ditto	6 Jul 44	ditto

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<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH (Contd)</b>						
VX120996	Pte	AHEARNE E V	HQ Coy	from X List	7 Jul 44	ex hospital
VX104507	"	SCOTT R J	"	ditto	7 Jul 44	ditto
Q146647	"	SHARPE F A	BHQ	ditto	8 Jul 44	ditto
VX106328	"	McEWAN J A	A Coy	ditto	8 Jul 44	ditto
VX163307	"	GOULD J W	HQ	ditto	8 Jul 44	ditto
VX123367L	Cpl	ADLINGTON G G	BHQ	ditto	9 Jul 44	ditto
VX136403	Pte	SMITH L J	B Coy	ditto	9 Jul 44	ditto
VX142217	"	EGGLESTONE D J	"	ditto	9 Jul 44	ditto
VX147285	"	DAKIN F K	HQ	ditto	9 Jul 44	ditto
V129086	"	WHITE J J E	B	ditto	9 Jul 44	ditto
VX115548	A/S	Sgt CAFISO J M	A	ditto	9 Jul 44	ditto
VX136240	Pte	LAMB DEN A A	C	ditto	9 Jul 44	ditto
VX16074	"	BARRATT F C	A	ditto	10 Jul 44	ditto
VX136402	"	NEWTON V S	HQ	ditto	11 Jul 44	ditto
VX120994	Cpl	CARNEY J P	"	ditto	11 Jul 44	ditto
T102598	Pte	EVANS D A	C	ditto	11 Jul 44	ditto
VX144185	"	SCOTT C	HQ	ditto	11 Jul 44	ditto
VX117971	"	ROSSITER A	"	ditto	11 Jul 44	ditto
VX140002	"	FALCONER K C	BHQ	ditto	12 Jul 44	ex 111 CCS
VX104444	"	HABBICH I G	A Coy	ditto	12 Jul 44	ditto
V40633	"	COGHLAN A B	B	ditto	12 Jul 44	ditto
VX141420	"	CATLIN R J	C	ditto	12 Jul 44	ditto
VX164430	Sgt	EATON N E	"	ditto	12 Jul 44	ditto

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<u>TRADE GROUPING</u>						
VX143543	Pte	BRIGGS C V	BHQ	Grading of TG II (Int Duties) confirmed	1 Jul 44	
<u>CORRIGENDUM</u>						
Ref cas return B31/41/44 of 3 July 44 <u>SICK</u>						
V127024	Pte	NIGHTINGALE R	A Coy	Evac to MDS	29 Jun 44	Skin complaint
DELETE ALL REFERENCE						
<u>ATTACHED PERSONNEL ALLOWED BY WE</u>						
<u>REVERSIONS</u>						
VX137567	A/Sgt	MAUD R S	AACC	to Corporal	3 Jul 44.	
<u>APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATION OF RANK</u>						
VX137567	<sup>CPL</sup> A/Sgt	MAUD R S	AACC	to Lance Sergeant	3 Jul 44.	
<u>MARCHED OUT</u>						
V40804	Pte	BOVILL W R	KACC	to NGDD LAE	2 Jul 44	for on mvmt to mainland for 7 days compassionate and 31 days ABL. Auth 5 Div A671 & NCF A969 of 30 Jun 44.
<u>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</u>						
VX140114	Pte	KELLY J F	A ACC	From K List	2 Jul 44	ex hospital

*W. S. S. L. J. O'Neil*  
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The undermentioned personnel having volunteered for service in the AIF being medically fit Class A 1 and having completed AAF D 1 and AAF A200 are transferred to the AIF:-						
Q42179	Pte	BUSS	R B	D Coy	6 Jul 44	
V321359	"	HAIR	K	HQ Coy	9 Jul 44	
V255734	"	HODGES	J T	A Coy	7 Jul 44	

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Rank	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Corps (Full titles or authorized abbreviations to be used)	Nature and Date of Casualty	Date	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
Lt	NX1300	<u>SCHOOLS</u> GONFOR	F P B Coy	to 5 Aust Div Reception Camp	4 Jul 44	for on movement to attend LHQ School of MI Course No 17 duration 6 weeks from 24 Jul 44 to 3 Sep 44. Authority LHQ s/892 2(17) Trg of 13 Jun 44.
Lt	VW51657	<u>SICK</u> SMITH	W B HQ Coy	Evac to 111 CCS	8 Jul 44	URTI
<u>AMENDMENT TO PERSONAL PARTICULARS</u>						
Lt	✓ VX41023	LOOKER	L W A D Coy	Amend religion on B 199a	to read R C	

*Russell Li-fo*  
 Signature of Commanding Officer  
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3. Address of any items omitted up to date of this return.

Boy	Signature	Date received	Date despatched
HQ	Wood	18.7.44	<del>18.7.44</del> 19.7.44
A	American	20.7.44	21.7.44
B	L. Roberts	21.7.44	21.7.44
C	J. Greenwood	19.7.44	19.7.44
D	D. Holloway	22.7.44	23.7.44
RMO	J.S.	27 Jul 44	27 Jul 44.

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<b>AMENDMENTS TO PERSONAL PARTICULARS.</b>						
<b>Change of Next of Kin</b>						
Q42179	Pte	BUSS	R B / D Coy	Wife Keitha Mirrhem BUSS, Address unknown		Date of marriage 2/1/38. Notifications to Father Basil Stockton BUSS, Ipswich Ed ANNERLEY, Brisbane Q'LD
<b>Increase in family</b>						
NX1923b7	Pte	DOYLE	M A Coy	Daughter born 18 Jun 44		Adrienne Margaret.
Ref your memo 50C/HJP 84618 of 12 May 44, following information is submitted						
<b>PARA (a)</b>						
VX106341	Cpl	MAWBY	C F ✓ B Coy	Wife Floris May MAWBY, 68 High St, BRAHAN. Vic		Date of marriage 14 Mar 42
VX109146	A/Cpl	SMITH	J ✓ " "	Wife Edna Agnes SMITH, BUFFALO, 3th GIPPSLAND Vic		Date of marriage 29 Nov 41
<b>PARA (b)</b>						
VX106318	Pte	GOVLAND	C W ✓ C Coy	Father Harry James GOVLAND, address unknown. Additional Next of Kin Foster Mother Mrs TERZAH Francis KIDD 26a Malvern Grove, Nth CAULFIELD. Vic		
<b>APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATION OF RANK</b>						
VX144232	Cpl	McLEAN	R J A Coy	To L/Sgt	14 Jul 44	
VX120994	"	CARNEY	J P HQ "	" "	14 Jul 44	
VX104438	A/Sgt	GAFF	W BHQ-	Rank of Cpl Confirmed	14 Jul 44	Auth 5 Div RO A233 para 6 of 8/7/44

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VX104504	A/Sgt	ROBERTSON J A	BHQ	Rank of Sgt confirmed	14 Jul 44	Auth 5 Div RO A233 para 6 of 8/7/44.
VX104506	A/Sgt	SCOTT C	"	" " " "	14 Jul 44	ditto
VX115548	A/S Sgt	CAFFO J M	A-Coy	" " s/Sgt	14 Jul 44	ditto
VX70717	A/Sgt	FEATHERBY L C	" "	" " sgt	14 Jul 44	ditto
VX109130	A/Sgt	LESLIE J B	" "	" " "	14 Jul 44	ditto
VX104401	A/Cpl	BEST E W	D "	" " Cpl	14 Jul 44	ditto
VX135885	A/Cpl	NOTT A H	" "	" " "	14 Jul 44	ditto
<b>DETACHED FOR DUTY</b>						
N452167	Pte	CHOWAN D W	A Coy	To HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde	5 Jul 44	as batman
<b>MARCHED OUT</b>						
The undermentioned NCOs were marched out <sup>FROM</sup> to NGDD LAE whilst in transit to rejoin unit from NGF Trg Schools. Date of movement was NOT advised. Please check with embarkation rolls.						
V42450	Sgt	NORTON N C	B Coy	To mainland for staffing of Aust Inf Trg Bns under command Second Aust Army. To report to Junior Leaders Course SEYMOUR at conclusion of leave.		Auth 15 Bde A1090 9 8/6/44
VX106334	Cpl	PESTELL L R	D "			ditto
VX70647	"	REID C C	A "			ditto
<b>MARCHED OUT</b>						
VX147063	Cpl	DOONING D I	B Coy	To 5 Div Recep Camp	14 Jul 44	For on mvt to mainland for staffing of Aust Inf

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		<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> <b>MARCHED OUT</b>				
VX142111	A L/Cpl	JAMES R A	A Coy	To 5 Div Recep Camp	14 Jul 44	For on mvt to mainland for staffing of Aust Inf Trg Bns Under Command Second Aust Army. To report to Junior Leaders Course SEYMOUR at conclusion of leave. Auth 5 Aust Div A6328.
VX70643	A/Cpl	CHRISTEY J	B Coy	ditto		ditto
		<b>SICK</b>				
VX140111	Pte	FINN P I	A Coy	Evac to 111 CCS	12 Jul 44	URTI
VX102304	"	KELLY K L	BHQ	" " " "	12 Jul 44	PUO
S112381	"	BRENTON W J	B Coy	" " " "	13 Jul 44	PUO
N385417	"	CROKER O K	C "	" " " "	13 Jul 44	PUO
VX106317	"	GOODWIN W C	D "	" " " "	13 Jul 44	PUO
VX136496	Cpl	HALLAM T G L	HQ "	" " " "	13 Jul 44	URTI
VX143542	Pte	JOHNSON D C	A "	" " " "	14 Jul 44	PUO
V265240	L/Sgt	STEVENS R J	C "	" " " "	15 Jul 44	URTI
VX77508	Pte	McDONALD P	B "	" " " "	15 Jul 44	Abdominal Pains
VX117871	L/Cpl	HIRST R	" "	" " " "	17 Jul 44	URTI
NX154859	Pte	SMITH H	HQ "	" " " "	17 Jul 44	URTI
VX104429	"	DUNDAS W H	A "	" " " "	17 Jul 44	PUO
		<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</b>				
VX143548	Pte	BURVIS L E	BHQ	From X List	12 Jul 44	ex 111 CCS
VX137831	"	SCOLLER J	A Coy	" " "	13 Jul 44	" " "

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VX143964	Pte	✓ CHEGWIDDEN L K	HQ Coy	from X List	13 Jul 44	ex 111 CCS
VX104461	Cpl	✓ KNIGHT J A C	" "	" " "	13 Jul 44	" " "
VX136261	Pte	✓ MILTHORPE F	" "	" " "	13 Jul 44	" " "
VX140184	"	✓ SMITH A J	" "	" " "	13 Jul 44	" " "
VX137570	"	✓ SAKER R	" "	" " "	13 Jul 44	" " "
V170041	"	✓ SHIRREFS N A	BHQ	" " "	13 Jul 44	" " "
VX104411	L/Sgt	BURFORD J N	HQ Coy	" " "	14 Jul 44	" " "
VX142108	Pte	BUDGE K M	BHQ	" " "	14 Jul 44	" " "
VX109113	"	✓ DALTON L G	HQ Coy	" " "	14 Jul 44	" " "
N450607	"	McQUEENY R B	D	" " "	14 Jul 44	" " "
V127023	Cpl	✓ NORMAN H H	HQ Coy	" " "	14 Jul 44	" " "
VX111998	Pte	✓ GLOSSOP N E	" "	" " "	14 Jul 44	" " "
VX113465	"	✓ IMPEY L J	" "	" " "	15 Jul 44	" " "
VX103996	Cpl	✓ BARTLEY A L	" "	" " "	15 Jul 44	" " "
T102506	Pte	COLLIS N B	A	" " "	15 Jul 44	" " "
VX143588	"	SARSFIELD C T P	BHQ	" " "	17 Jul 44	" " "
<b>TRADE GROUPING</b>						
VX147801	Pte	SMITH W P	BHQ	Grading of TG III (Clerk Confirmed)	14 Jul 44	
<b>CORRIGENDUM</b>						
Ref RO	Pt II	No 23 of 1 Jul 44 sub para 3825	Marital Condition Change of			
V255734	Pte	HODGES J T	A Coy	Married Wife Bilson	Leslie HODGES, 32 Roslyn St,	
				BURWOOD Vic 29/1/43		
<b>DELETE ALL REFERENCE AND SUBSTITUTE</b>						

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commanding Officer.

Date 17 Jul 44 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)

15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div  
(Bde., Divn., Area, with which Unit is serving)

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
(Unit)

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS

No. of Sheets attached to this return Five

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Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Corps (Full titles or authorized abbreviations to be used)	Nature of Casualty	Date	REMARKS. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
<u>CORRIGENDUM (Contd)</u>						
V255734	Pte	HODGES J T	A Coy	Next of Kin Father St, BURWOOD Vic	William Ernest HODGES, 32 Roslyn	
<u>ATTACHED PERSONNEL ALLOWED BY WE</u>						
<u>DETACHED</u>						
VX104538	Pte	WELLMAN H C	AANC	To HQ ANGAU (to be attached pending approval for transfer)	15 Jul 44	via 5 Div Recep Camp.
<u>TRADE GROUPING</u>						
VX109664	Cpl	HALLITT J L	AEME	To Acting TG I (Cpl Armourer)	1 Jul 44	Authority 266 LAD ME 16/23 of 11 Jul 44

*Robinson*  
Signature of Commanding Officer

Date 17 Jul 44 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit) 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div

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**24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)** (Unit)

**CASUALTY RETURN—OFFICERS**

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Rank	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Corps (Full titles or authorized abbreviations to be used)	Nature and Date of Casualty	Date	Remarks. (In the case of casualties from wounds or disease, any available information for communication to relatives should be stated.)
<b>AMENDMENT TO PERSONAL PARTICULARS</b>						
<b>Increase in family</b>						
Lt	NX139401	TARRAN	W L G B Coy	Son born 7 Jul 44 John William		
<b>DETACHED FOR DUTY</b>						
Lt	VX104065	ANDERSON	N D X A Coy	to HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde	5 Jul 44	as SC(L)
<b>SICK</b>						
Lt	VX104065	ANDERSON	N D X A Coy	evac to hospital	8 Jul 44	ex det to 15 Bde
Lt	NX150794	SYRETT	J D "	" " 111 CCS	16 Jul 44	PUO
<b>DETACHED FOR DUTY</b>						
Lt	VX104065	ANDERSON	N D X A Coy	resumes attachment to 15 Aust Inf Bde (ex hospital)	15 Jul 44	as SC (L)
<b>TAKEN ON STRENGTH</b>						
Lt	VX51657	SMITH	W B HQ Coy	from X List	15 Jul 44	ex 111 CCS

*[Signature]* Lt-Col  
 Signature of Commanding Officer. *H.O.D.*

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)

Date **17 July 44**  
 A.H.M.—3/43—B4011

15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div  
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1. boys please record & pass out without delay - mark dates of receipt & despatch  
 2. absence of any items omitted up to date of this return

boy	Signature	Date Received	Date Despatched
HQ	J Woodward	26/7/44	26/7/44
A	M McLean	26/7/44	26/7/44
B	J Krauth	26/7/44	26/7/44
C	J Woodward	26/7/44	26/7/44
D	D Hellow	26/7/44	26/7/44
Paddy	B Sheahan	26. 7. 44	26. 7. 44.
RMO	KS.	26 Jul 44	27 Jul 44



24 Aust Inf Bn (AIFI) CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS  
(Unit)

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			(Full titles or authorized abbreviations to be used)				
<b>APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATION OF RANK</b>							
VX147063	Cpl	DOWNING	D I	B Coy	To Acting Sgt	24 Jul 44	Auth GOC 5 Aust Div
VX144952	"	McKAY	D E	" "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto attached
N385417	Pte	CROKER	O K	C "	" " Cpl	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX104404	L/Cpl	BOSWELL	J W H	D "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX117871	"	HIRST	R	B "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX106331	Pte	OUTHRED	G R	BHQ	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX104446	"	HARKNESS	J A	"	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX109122	L/Cpl	HARBISON	N J	A Coy	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX142111	"	JAMES	R A	" "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX104488	"	NOYE	G	C "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX139859	"	LANNING	W S	D "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX103988	"	ANSWERTH	K	A "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX138493	"	HAESLER	F W	B "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX148232	Pte	JAGO	J N	A "	" Paid L/Cpl	24 Jul 44	ditto
V7392	"	BONROY	J W	B "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX137564	"	MORTIMER	N W	HQ	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX109132	"	MACKLIN	K E	B "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX122643	"	JACKSON	J F	HQ	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX704708	"	CASHMORE	N W	" "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
N243578	"	DOYLE	M	A "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX147669	"	STANDING	J	" "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX120100	"	ANDREWS	E E	B "	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX115545	"	FILCOCK	J	BHQ	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX123367	"	ADLINGTON	G A	"	" " "	24 Jul 44	ditto

*M. J. ...*  
Signature of Commanding Officer.

Date 26 Jul 44 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIFI) (Unit) 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div

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24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

(Unit)

CASUALTY RETURN—OTHER RANKS

Date of last A.F. W.3011 Rendered 24/7/44

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<b>APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATION OF RANK (Contd)</b>						
VX104425	Pte	CRUISE W J	A Coy X	Paid To Lance Corporal	24 Jul 44	Auth GOC 5 Aust Div
VX104510	"	SHORT A G	A HQ X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto attached
VX136021	"	RICHARDS R C	" " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX140325	"	BELL T J	A " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX106339	"	ROSSBOROUGH F J	C " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX148091	"	REGAN T W	D " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX104475	"	MAXWELL R J	A " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX70358	"	GORDON H A	C " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
Q153796	"	MATTHEWS G R	" " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
V326091	"	SAGGERS K A	A " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX147801	"	SMITH W P	BHQ	To Acting Corporal	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX104425L	Cpl	CRUISE W J	A Coy X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX136021	"	RICHARDS R C	HQ " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX106330	Pte	NORMAN G W	" " X	To Paid L/Cpl	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX117869	"	BUSST E J	" " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX147138	"	HODGETTS C G	D " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
N156891	"	BARWICK H R	A " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX109151	"	WISEMAN K G	B " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
V127024	"	NIGHTINGALE R	A " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX136225	"	HAYWARD A R	D " X	" " " "	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX120101L	Cpl	BUSST T W	HQ " X	" Acting Corporal	24 Jul 44	ditto
VX120270A	Cpl	RUSSELL J F	BHQ	Rank of Cpl confirmed	24 Jul 44	

*Merrill*

Lt-Col Date 26 Jul 44 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit) 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div

Signature of Commanding Officer.

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24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
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<b>REJOINED UNIT</b>						
VX70719	L/Sgt	GRANT A J M	D Coy	from det to 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	26 Jul 44	
<b>SICK</b>						
VX140116	Pte	RUSSELL J C	C Coy	evac to 2/11 AGH	25 Jul 44	PUO
<b>TAKEN ONSTRENGTH</b>						
VX104513	Pte	SMITH E H	HQ Coy	from X List	24 Jul 44	ex 2/11 AGH
VX104491	"	OLIVER D S	BHQ	" " "	24 Jul 44	" " "
N450654	"	MASKILL J A	A Coy	" " "	25 Jul 44	" " "
<b>ATTACHED PERSONNEL ALLOWED BY WE</b>						
<b>APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATION OF RANK</b>						
VX135654	Cpl	SHEAHAN J F	AA Postal Service	to Acting Sergeant	<sup>28 JUN 44</sup> <del>24 Jul 44</del>	Auth GOC 5 Aust Div attached

Signature of Commanding Officer: *[Signature]* Lt-Col Date: 26 Jul 44 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit) 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div (Bde., Divn., Area, with which Unit is serving)

# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

B31/27/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/7/1944 424 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

W.E. 11/1203 OFFRS. 32 O.R's. 767 + OFFRS. D.R's. 34 TT. 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.
			1	W.Os. Class I.					
1	1		5	W.Os. Class II.					
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants	(See back for details)				
				Sergeants					
1	1	1	31	Corporals					
20	20		43	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
142	142	19	538	Civilians counting as O.R.					
164*	164	20	623*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		35	1	-	-*

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.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years	19 Years and over.							
	AIF									
	Class A									
	A	474	184							658
	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	AA Amenities Service			10	NGF Schools		
3	15 Aust Inf Bde			61	Leave		
1	ARME (att 15 Bde)			1	DRO WARWICK		
				1	Officers Shop MORSEBY		
				2	15 Aust Inf Bde		
				15	Rear Details MORSEBY		

## 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 1 / 7 / 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.
				<b>Forward</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>Forward</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>29</b>		<b>Forward</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>1</b>
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assis.				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				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				<b>GROUP II.</b>				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters	<b>27</b>	<b>27</b>		Textile Refitters	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				By. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks		<b>6</b>		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				WO I	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				WO II	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1N</b>
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>		S/Sgts	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1N</b>	Sgts	<b>25</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1N</b>
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Cpls	<b>54</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>19N</b>
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>		Coach Trimmers				Ptes	<b>609</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>11</b>
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				<b>ATTACHED BY W.E.</b>			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				<b>See back</b>			
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				AANC	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				ASME	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAPC	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	
Photowriter				Miners		<b>1</b>		Equipment Repairers				<b>AA Postal Service</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
Plumber		<b>1</b>		Moulders				Farriers	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>		AACC	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				AACC	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>		CARRIED FORWARD	<b>17</b>	<b>29</b>		CARRIED FORWARD	<b>57</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>1</b>	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7 and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	<b>801658164</b>		

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.  
 (b) Authorised trades or specialisms not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.  
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 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."  
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1 July 44  
Date of Despatch

*S. Barrall*  
Signature of Commander Lt-Col

**ATTACHED PERSONNEL - ALLOWED BY WE**

Arm or Corps. Detail. Posted Surplus WE Deficient WE Rfts Re

<b>AAMC</b>	S/Sgt	1	-	-	-
	Sgt	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	-	-	-
<b>AAEME</b>	Armourer Sgt	1	-	-	-
	Cfn Armourer TG 1	1	-	-	-
	Cfn Fitter Gun TG 1	1	-	-	-
<b>AAPC</b>	Sgt	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	-	-	-
<b>AA Postal Service</b>	Sgt	1	-	-	-
<b>AAOC</b>	Cpl (Shoemaker)	1	-	-	-
<b>AACC</b>	WO II	1	-	-	-
	Sgts	6	-	-	-
	Cpls	6	-	-	-
	Ptes TG II	11	-	-	-
		<b>35</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1 NR</b>

**SURPLUS NCO's**

Ref part E:- Drivers Mechanics, 1 Superannumerary Tpt Sgt, particulars as under

No.	Rank	Name	Age	Class	Duties	Qualifications & Recommended/Posting
VX104457	Sgt	HUTCHINS S D	32	A 1	Super-annumerary Sgt on old WE. If suitable post employed as Driver	Qual TGIII Dvr Mech formerly Tpt on old WE. Licences held 1A, 1B, 2A, 4B, 5A.

**DEFICIENCIES NCO's**

WO II - 1CSM NOT required will be obtained in unit (1 WOII on X List in transit from School on Mainland)

Sgts - 1 Gen Duties NOT required will be obtained in unit.

Cpls - 1 Stretcher Bearer, 1 TK/A Cpl, 2 Pioneer Cpls, 1 Cpl Clerk and 1 Cpl Ge Duties. NOT required, will be obtained in unit.

**NON SPECIALIST PERSONNEL**

	WE	Posted	Rfts Reqd
TK/A Gun Numbers	15	15	-
Batmen	34	32	2
Drivers MT	12	8	4
General Dutymen - Officers Mess	1	1	-
" " - Sgts Mess	2	2	-
Hygiene Dutymen	4	4	-
LMG & Riflemen	361	231	130
MMG Numbers	20	20	-
Mortars	68	68	-
Orderlies	32	30	2
Pioneers	28	28	-
Regtl Police	6	4	2
Storemen	6	6	-
Stretcher Bearers	18	18	-
Water Dutymen	2	1	1
	<b>609</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>141</b>

CARRIED FORWARD

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Signature of Commanding Officer

Date of Despatch

L.H.O. Form 216-10(43-410)

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

B31/27/44... (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/7/1944 24 Aust. Inf Bn(AIF)

W.E. II/12c/3 OFFRS. 32 O.R.'s. 767+ OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 34 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10									
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.													
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.									
-	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels														
NIL	1	-	2	Majors														
NIL	4	-	4	Captains	AAMC	-	-	1	NIL									
NIL	-	7	26	Lieutenants														
-	-	-	1	Quarter-masters														
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.														
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.														
NIL	5	7	34			-	-	1	NIL									
				DETAIL. Class	A.I.F. 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			
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.	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34			
				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.
NX1300	Lt	CONNOR F P	Gen Reinforce-ments (Inf)	24 Jun 44	Auth Posting Order NG/109
VX48421	Lt	KENNEDY M B	X List	26 Jun 44	TOS from hospital

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 24 Aust. Inf Bn(AIF)

PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 1/7/1944

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX137479	Capt	SENDER	L (RMO) 113 AGH NSW L of C Area

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Unit

B31/27/44 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/7/1944 (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.
Lt-Col	VX185	SMITH	G F	C O	Yes		
T/Major	VX104144	WHITELAW	S H	OC HQ	"		
"	VX57	CARBOLL	K A	2 i/c	"		
Capt	VX104147	ISHERWOOD	R S	Q M	"		
"	VX104149	CAMERON	R A	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	VX85256	SKINNER	F L	OC C	Yes		
"	VX104165	GRAHAM	I P	-	No	Detached for leave	25 Apr 44
"	NX146860	FUHRMAN	L H R	OC B	Yes		
Lt	VX104154	CASEY	H H	T O	"		
"	VX104158	IRVING	W M	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	VX104156	BEATTIE	A R	1 Pl	Yes		
"	VX48421	KENNEDY	M B	11 Pl	"		
"	VX43140	THOMAS	J C	2 i/c D	"		
"	VX104160	ROBINSON	E R	2 i/c B	"		
"	VX104159	IRVING	J A	2 i/c C	"		
"	VX51657	SMITH	W E	5 Pl	"		
"	VX104065	ANDERSON	N D	2 i/c A	"		
"	VX104151	BUNSELL	A W C	Adj't	"		
"	VX54060	LAUGHLIN	J	7 Pl	"		
"	VX41023	LOOKER	L W A	OC D	"		
"	NX68094	BARLING	D R	12 Pl	"		
"	NX57168	EGAN	C J	OC A	"		
"	NX71776	ALDE DICE	C B	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	VX113767	BROADHEAD	A H	A/IO	Yes		
"	VX88985	HEALEY	R G	2 Pl	"		
"	NX146097	FOX	F R	9 Pl	"		
"	VX1158	LEWIS	C StL	17 Pl	"		
"	NX139402	WHITEBROOK	F C	13 Pl	"		
"	QX33921	MATHAMS	R H	18 Pl	"		
"	NX109271	EADE	F W	8 Pl	"		
"	SX25946	MARTIN	B	4 Pl	"		
"	NX150794	STRETT	J	16 Pl	"		
"	NX139401	TARRAN	W L G	10 Pl	"		
"	NX1300	CONNOR	F P		"		

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.
Capt	NX107369	SHARP F L R	15 Aust	Fd Amb 3 Jan 44	Acting RMO
Chaplain	VX111284	ENGLISH J C	15 Aust	Inf Bde 25 May 43	Chaplain

1 July 44  
 Date of Despatch  
 Truth-7/44.

*R.H. Carroll* Maj & Lt-Col  
 Comd 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) A.O.D.  
 15 Aust Inf Bde  
 5 Aust Div





B31/28/44

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 8 / 7 / 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.
				<b>Forward</b>	1	1	0	<b>Forward</b>	17	25	2	<b>Forward</b>	57	72	3
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assis.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, B.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammormen			
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	4	3	1
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Benders		1		Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1						Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				<b>GROUP II</b>				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	27		Tailors	4	4	
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Restiters	2	2	
Draughtsmen				Bakers		1		Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheeler				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	8		Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks		6		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				<b>GROUP III</b>				<b>DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.</b>			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				WO I	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1	7		WO II	6	5	1NR
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks	11	10	1NR	S/Sgts	5	4	1NR
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				Sgts	25	22	3NR
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	8	2NR	Clerks, Technical				Cpls	54	35	19NR
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers				Ptes	609456	153	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.		1		Driver Tptn. Plant		1					
Photewriter				Miners				Engine Hands, L.C.							
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers	1	1					
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
								Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD	17	25	2	CARRIED FORWARD	57	72	3	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	502630*	181	

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.

8 July 44  
Date of Despatch

Comd 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
5 Aust Div  
Signature of Commander  
Lt-Col

**ATTACHED PERSONNEL - ALLOWED BY WE**

Regt or Corps	Detail	Posted	Surplus WE	Deficient WE	Rfts Req'd
MC	s/sgt	1	-	-	-
	sgt	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	-	-	-

Regt or Corps	Detail	Posted	Surplus WE	Deficient WE	Rfts Req'd
AMEB	Armourer Sgt	1	-	-	-
	Cfn TG 1 Armourer	1	-	-	-
	Cfn TG 1 Fitter Gun	1	-	-	-
LAPC	Sgt	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	-	-	-
AA Postal Service	sgt	1	-	-	-
LAOC	Cpl (shoemaker)	1	-	-	-
LACC	WO II	1	-	-	-
	Sgts	5	-	-	-
	Cpls	7	2	-	-
	Ptes (TG II)	11	-	2	-
		35	2	2	-

**SURPLUS NCOs**

Def Part Et- Driver Mechanics, 1 Supernumerary Tpt Sgt particulars as under:-

No.	Rank	Name	Age	Class	Med Present	Duties	Qualifications and Recommended Posting.
VX104457	sgt	HUTCHINS S D	32	A 1		Supernumerary employed as Driver	qual TG III Dvr Mech formerly Tpt Sgt on old WE. If suitable posting NOT available, recommended to be held supernumerary in view of provision for Tpt on amended WE. Licences held 1 A, 1 B, 2 A, 4 B, 5 A.

**DEFICIENCIES NCOs**

NO II 1 CSM. NOT required - will be obtained in unit (1 WO II on X List in transit from school on mainland)

s/sgts 1 CSM " " - will be obtained in unit (1 s/sgt on X List-hospital-temporary absence only)

sgts 3 Gen Duties NOT required-will be obtained in unit.

pb 1 Stretcher Bearer, 2 TK/A Cpls, 1 Pioneer Cpl, 1 Cpl Int Duties, 1 Cpl Clerk, & 15 Gen duties. NOT required will be obtained in unit.

**NON Specialist Personnel**

	WE	Posted	Rfts Req'd
TK/A Gun numbers	15	15	-
Patmen	34	32	2
Drivers MT	12	8	4
General Dutymen- Offrs Mess	1	1	-
" " Sgts Mess	2	2	-
Hygiene Dutymen	4	4	-
MG & Rifle men	361	219	142
MG Numbers	20	20	-
Mortars	68	68	-
Orderlies	32	30	2
Pioneers	28	28	-
Legtl Police	6	4	2
Storemen	6	6	-
Stretcher Bearers	18	18	-
Water Dutymen	2	1	1
	609	456	153

NOTE-(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.  
 (b) Authorized trades or specialties not included in list will be added as far as possible in space provided.  
 (c) Where A.A.M.W.E. personnel are detailed show details on back.  
 (d) Where replacement not detailed note accordingly on return by inserting at N.E. in col. "Remarks 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.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Inspection: \_\_\_\_\_  
 J.H.G. Form 216-1043-1106

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6 / 7 / 1944 (Unit) 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

W.E. 11 12c 3 OFFRS. 32 O.R.'s. 767 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 35 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
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.
NIL	1	-	-	Lieut.-Colonels					
NIL	4	-	-	Majors	AASC	-	-	1	NIL
NIL	-	6	-	Captains					
-	-	-	-	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
NIL	-	-	-	TOTAL				1	NIL

DETAIL.	A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	..	TOTAL
CLASS A	33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
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.  
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## PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

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

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
HQ300	Lt	CUMER	FP X List	4 Jul 44	Marched out to attend US School of MI Course No 17 duration 6 weeks from 24 Jul 44 - 3 Sep 44. No replacement required

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 24 Aust Inf (Unit) (AIF) PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 6 / 7 / 1944

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
HQ37479	Capt	SENDER	L (RNO) 113 AGH HQ 1 of C Area

24 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Unit

B31/28/44... (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 8 / 7 / 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.
Lt-Col	V10155	SMITH	G F	CO	Yes		
T/Major	V104144	WILLIAMS	S H	CO	"		
	757	SMITH	R A	1/6	"		
Capt	V104147	ISHWOOD	R S	SH	"		
"	V104149	CANNON	R A	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	V10286	SKINNER	F L	CC	Yes		
"	V104153	SMITH	I P	-	No	Detached for leave	25 Apr 44
EX10280	V104154	MURPHY	L R	CC	Yes		
Lt	V104154	MURPHY	H H	TO	"		
"	V104155	IRVING	W H	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	V104156	BRATTLE	A B	1/1	Yes		
"	V10421	KENNEDY	H B	1/1	"		
"	V103140	THOMAS	J C	1/2	"		
"	V104160	MURPHY	S H	1/2	"		
"	V104159	IRVING	J A	1/2	"		
"	V10157	SMITH	H B	5/1	"		
"	V104005	ANDERSON	H B	1/2	"		
"	V104151	MURPHY	A W	1/2	"		
"	V104000	LAUGHLIN	J J	1/1	"		
"	V10153	MURPHY	L V	1/2	"		
"	V103054	IRVING	D R	1/2	"		
"	EX7168	SMITH	C J	1/2	"		
"	EX71776	ALDENRICE	C B	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	V113757	MURPHY	A H	1/2	Yes		
"	V10305	MURPHY	R G	1/1	"		
"	EX10107	SMITH	F R	1/1	"		
"	V1118	LEWIS	C H	1/7	"		
"	EX130402	MURPHY	F C	1/3	"		
"	EX3021	MURPHY	R H	1/2	"		
"	EX10271	MURPHY	F V	1/2	"		
"	EX2046	MURPHY	H B	1/2	"		
"	EX150794	SMITH	J	1/2	"		
"	EX130401	TARRANT	W L	1/2	"		

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.
Capt	EX107300	SMITH F L R	15 Aust		
Chaplain	V111804	ENGLISH J C	15 Aust	3 Jan 44	Acting BMO
			Inf Bde	25 May 43	Chaplain

8 July 44

Date of Despatch

Truth-7/44.

*Murphy*  
Comd Signature of Commander Lt-Col  
15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
5 Aust Div

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

B31/29/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15 / 7 / 194 44. 24 Aust. Inf. Bn (AIF)

W.E. II / 120 OFFRS. 320 R's. 767 + OFFRS. 10 R's. 35 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	Lieut.-Colonels									
NIL	1	-	2	Majors									
NIL	4	-	4	Captains	AAMC	-	-	1	NIL				
NIL	-	4	23	Lieutenants									
-	-	-	1	Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
NIL	5	4	31			-	-	1	NIL				
		A		A.B.	O.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	..	TOTAL.
		31		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

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).

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

### OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

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

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX104065	Lt	ANDERSON ND	X List	8 Jul 44	Evac to hospital. No replacement required - temporary absence only
VX51657	Lt	SMITH WE	X List	8 Jul 44	evac to hospital. No replacement required - temporary absence only

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 15 / 7 / 194 4.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX137479	Capt	SENDER	L (RMO) 113 AGH NSW I of C Area

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Unit

B31/29/44 /.....(Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15/7/1944 (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.
Lt-Col	VX185	SMITH	G F	C O	Yes		
T/Major	VX104144	WHITELAW	S H	OC HQ	"		
	VX57	CARROLL	K A	2 1/c	"		
Capt	VX104147	ISHERWOOD	R S	Q M	"		
"	VX104149	CAMERON	R A	-	No	Detached for Leave	1 Apr 44
"	VX85256	SKINNER	F L	OC O	Yes		
"	VX104165	GRAHAM	I P	-	No	Detached for leave	25 Apr 44
"	VX146860	FURMAN	L H	R OC B	Yes		
Lt	VX104154	CASEY	H H	T O	"		
"	VX104158	IRVING	W M	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	VX104156	BEATTIE	A B	1 1 Pl	Yes		
"	VX43421	KENEEDY	M B	1 1 Pl	"		
"	VX43140	THOMAS	J C	2 1/c D	"		
"	VX104160	ROBINSON	E R	2 1/c B	"		
"	VX104159	IRVING	J A	2 1/c C	"		
"	VX104151	BUNSELL	A W	C Adj	"		
"	VX54060	LAUGHLIN	J	7 Pl	"		
VX41023		LOOKER	L W	A OC D	"		
"	VX68094	BARTON	D R	12 Pl	"		
"	VX57168	EGAN	C J	OC A	"		
"	VX71776	ALDERDICE	C B	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	VX113767	BROADHEAD	A H	I O	Yes		
"	VX139402	WHITBROOK	F C	13 Pl	"		
"	VX88985	HEALEY	R G	2 Pl	"		
"	VX146097	FOX	F R	9 Pl	"		
"	VX33921	MATHIAS	R H	18 Pl	"		
"	VX1158	LEWIS	C S	L 15 Pl	"		
"	VX109271	MADE	F W	8 Pl	"		
"	VX150794	SYRETT	J	16 Pl	"		
"	VX25946	MARTIN	B	4 Pl	"		
"	VX139431	TARRAN	W L	G 10 Pl	"		

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.
Capt	VX107369	SHARP F L R	15 Aust		
			Fd Amb	3 Jan 44	Acting RMO
Chaplain	VX111284	ENGLISH J C	15 Aust		
			Inf Bde	25 May 43	Chaplain

15 July 44

Date of Despatch

Truth—7/43.

*[Signature]*  
Comd 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Lt-Col  
15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div

# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

B31/29/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 19 7/194 44 24 Aust Inf (Unit) AIF

W.E. II / 120 OFFRS. 30 R's. 767 OFFRS. 10 R's. 3 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.					
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.
-	-	-	1	W.Os. Class I.								
1 NR	1	-	5	W.Os. Class II.								
-	-	-	5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.								
-	-	-	-	Staff Sergeants								
2 NR	2	1	30	Sergeants								
20 NR	20	-	43	Corporals								
146	146	18	533	Troopers, Privates, etc.								
				Civilians counting as O.R.								
169 *	169	19	617	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.					35	-	-	- *

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).

Detail	A.I.F.		C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
	Class A	Class B	Under 19 Years	19 Years and over.							
A	478	-	174	-	-	-	-			-	652
B(1)											
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.

### 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	AA Amenities Service			7	NGF Schools		
1	15 Aust Inf Bde			59	Leave		
1	AMEE (att 15 Bde)			1	DRO WARWICK		
				1	Officers Shop MORSEBY		
				4	15 Aust Inf Bde		
				14	Rear Details MORSEBY		

### 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 15 / 7 / 1944 .**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)		
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
			Forward	1	2	Forward	17	28	Forward	57	75
Ammunition Examiners			Surveyors, Engineering			Operating Room Assis.			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			Bangetakers	4	3
Armament Artificer Signals			Welders			Painters	1		Riveters		1
Armament Artificer Wireless						Panel Beaters			Roughriders		
Artificer, Artillery						Photographer, Dry Plate			Saddlers		
Artificer, Engine						Predictor Numbers			Saddletree makers		
Blacksmiths	1	1				Printers			Shoemaker and Boot Repairer		
Bricklayers						Radlographers			Stevadores		
Computers						Riggers			Stokers, Staty. Engine		
Cooks, Hospital			GROUP II			Sawyers			Storemen, Technical	4	4
Coppersmiths			Armourers			Signallers	27	27	Tailors	2	2
Dispensers			Azemen			Signwriters			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen			Bakers	1		Telescope Identfn. Numbers			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			Bty. Comd's Asst.			Well Borers			Vulcanizers		
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			Boilermakers			Wheelers			Wagon Erectors		
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			Carpenters	6	8	Winchman			Whitesmiths		
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			Carpenters and Joiners			Wireman					
Electricians			Cooks	6		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					
Fitters (M.V.)			Gun Operator			Battery Surveyors					
Fitters, Railway Signal			Hatchman			Butchers	1	7			
Fitters, Signals			Height Taker			Clerks	1	1			
Grinder, Precision			Helio Operator			Clerks, Supply					
Mechanics, Instrument			Instrument Operator			Clerks, Technical					
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			Intelligence Duties	10	10	Coach Trimmers					
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			Joiners			Concretors					
Mechanics, Radio			Lineman			Cooks					
Mechanics, Typewriter			Lineman, Signals			Dental Clerk Orderlies					
Mechanics, Wireless			Lithographers			Despatch Riders					
Millwrights			Machinists, Metal			Draughtsmen, Signals					
Operators, Excavator			Machinists, Wood			Drivers, H.T.					
Pattern Maker			Masons			Driver Mechanics	1				
Pharmacist			Masseurs			Driver Tptn. Plant					
Photographer, Wet Plate			Mechanics, M.T.	1		Engine Hands, I.C.					
Photowriter			Miners			Equipment Repairers	1	1			
Plumber	1		Moulders			Farriers					
Saw Doctors			Nurses, Trained			Fitters' Mates					
Surveyors			Observation Post Assis.			Gun Layers					
CARRIED FORWARD	1	2	CARRIED FORWARD	17	28	CARRIED FORWARD	57	75	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	802	652
										169	

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.

15 July 44  
Date of Despatch

15 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Aust Div  
Signature of Commander

**ATTACHED PERSONNEL - ALLOWED BY WE**

Arm or Corps	Detail	Posted	Surplus WE	deficient WE	Rfts Req
AAIC	s/Sgt	1			
	Sgt	1			
	Cpl	1			
	pte	1			
AMEE	Armourer Sgt	1			
	Cfn Armourer TG I	1			
	Cfn Fitter Gun TG I	1			
AAPC	Sgt	1			
	Cpl	1			
AA Postal Services	Sgt	1			
AAOC	Cpl (shoemaker)	1			
AACC	WO II	1			
	Sgts	5			
	Cpls	7			
	ptes TG II	11			
		<b>35</b>			

**SURPLUS NCOs**

Ref part E:- Driver Mechanic, 1 supernumerary Tpt Sgt, particulars as under:-  
Med Present

No.	Rank	Name	Age	Class	Duties	Qualifications, Recommended Post
VX104457	Sgt	HUTCHINS S D	32	A 1	Supernumerary employed as driver	Qual TG III Drvr Mech formerly Tpt Sgt on old WE. If suitable posting NOT available recommended he be held supernumerary in view of provision for tpt on amended WE. Licences held 1A, 1B, 2A, 4B, 5A.

**DEFICIENCIES NCOs**

WO II 1 CSM NOT required - will be obtained in unit. (1 WO II on X List in transit from school mainland)  
Sgts 2 Gen Duties NOT required - will be obtained in unit.  
Cpls 20 (1 Stretcher Bearer Cpl, 2 TK/A Cpls, 1 pioneer Cpl, 1 Cpl Clerk, & 15 Gen duties)

**NON SPECIALIST PERSONNEL**

	WE	Posted	Rfts Reqd
TK/A Gun Numbers	15	15	-
Batmen	34	32	2
Drivers M T	12	8	4
General Dutymen - Offrs Mess	1	1	-
" " - Sgts Mess	2	2	-
Hygiene Dutymen	4	4	-
LMG & Riflemen	361	227	134
MMG Numbers	20	20	-
Mortars	68	68	-
Orderlies	32	30	2
Pioneers	28	28	-
Regtl Police	6	4	2
Storemen	6	6	-
Stretcher Bearers	18	18	-
Water dutymen	2	1	1
	<b>609</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>145</b>

CARRIED FORWARD

NOTE:- (a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Anticipated ranks or specialties not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.  
(c) Where A.W.A.E. number A.A.M.W.E. personnel are detailed show details on back.  
(d) Where equipment not detailed note accordingly on return by inserting in col. "Special Required".  
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Date of Despatch  
15 July 44



24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Unit

B31/30/44 Serial No.

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 22 / 7/1944.**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)			
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
			<b>Forward</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Forward</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Forward</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>1</b>
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	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
Armament Artificer Wireless						Panel Beaters	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery						Photographer, Dry Plate			Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine						Predictor Numbers			Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>				Printers			Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers						Radiographers			Stevedores			
Computers						Biggers			Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital			<b>GROUP II</b>			Sawyers			Storemen, Technical	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>
Coppersmiths			Armourers			Signallers	<b>27</b>	<b>27</b>	Tailors	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>
Dispensers			Axemen			Signwriters			Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen			Bakers	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	Telescope Identfn. Numbers			Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			Bty. Comd's Asst.			Well Borers			Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			Bollermakers			Wheelers			Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			Carpenters	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	Winchman			Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			Carpenters and Joiners			Wireman						
Electricians			Cooks	<b>-</b>	<b>6</b>	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			WO I	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
Fitters, Railway Signal			Hatchman			Butchers	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	WO II	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1 NR</b>
Fitters, Signals			Height Taker			Clerks	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	S/Sgts	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-</b>
Grinder, Precision			Helio Operator			Clerks, Supply			Sgts	<b>25</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>3 NR</b>
Mechanics, Instrument			Instrument Operator			Clerks, Technical			Cpls	<b>54</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>21 NR</b>
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			Intelligence Duties	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	Coach Trimmers			Sdes	<b>600</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>140</b>
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			Joiners			Concretors						
Mechanics, Radio			Lineman			Cooks						
Mechanics, Typewriter			Lineman, Signals			Dental Clerk Orderlies						
Mechanics, Wireless			Lithographers			Despatch Riders			<b>ATTACHED BY W.E.</b>			
Millwrights			Mechanists, Metal			Draughtsmen, Signals			<b>see back</b>			
Operators, Excavator			Machinists, Wood			Drivers, H.T.						
Pattern Maker			Masons			Driver Mechanics			AAMC	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1 NR</b>
Pharmacist			Masseurs			Driver Tpin. Plant	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	ABMC	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>
Photographer, Wet Plate			Mechanics, M.T.	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	Engine Hands, I.C.			AAPC	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1 NR</b>
Photewriter			Millers			Equipment Repairers	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	AA Postal Services	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
Plumber	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	Moulders			Farriers				<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
Saw Doctors			Nurses, Trained			Fitters' Mates			AAGC	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
Surveyors			Observation Post Assts.			Gun Layers			AAGC	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1 NR</b>
CARRIED FORWARD	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	CARRIED FORWARD	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	CARRIED FORWARD	<b>57</b>	<b>75</b>	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	<b>802</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>170</b>

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.

22 July 44  
Date of Despatch

*[Signature]* Lt-Col  
Comd 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div

**ATTACHED PERSONNEL ALLOWED BY WE**

Part A of Army Form W.3002 at 0800 Hours Saturday 7/1944

Arm or Corps	Detail	Posted	Surplus WE	Deficient WE	Rfts Req'd
AAMC	s/Sgts	1	-	1	1 NR
	Sgt	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	-	-	-
	Pte	1	-	-	-
AEME	Armourer Sgt	1	-	-	-
	Cfn Armourer TG 1	1	-	-	-
	Cfn Fitter Gun TG 1	1	-	-	-
AAPC	Sgt	1	-	1	1 NR
	Cpl	1	-	-	-
AA Postal Services	Sgt	1	-	-	-
AAOC	Cpl (Shoemaker)	1	-	-	-
AACC	WO II	1	-	-	-
	Sgts	4	-	1	1 NR
	Cpls	7	2	-	-
	Ptes TG II	11	-	2	2 NR
		<b>32</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5 NR</b>

**SURPLUS NCOs**

Ref part E: Driver Mechanics - 1 Supernumerary Tpt Sgt, particulars as under.

No.	Rank	Name	Age	Class	Duties	Qualifications & Recommended Post
VX104457	Sgt	HUTCHINS S D	32	A 1	Super-numerary	Qual TG III Drvr Mech formerly Tpt Sgt on old WE. If suitable position NOT available, recommended he be employed as provision for tpt on amended WE. Licences held 1A, 1B, 2A, 4B, 5A

**DEFICIENCIES NCOs**

**WO II** 1 CSM NOT required-will be obtained in unit. (1 WO II on X List in transit from school mainland)

**Sgts** 3 General duties NOT required-will be obtained in unit

**Cpls** 22 (1 Stretcher Bearer Cpl, 1 Pioneer Cpl, 1 TK/A Cpl, 1 Cpl Clerk & 18 General duties) NOT required - will be obtained in unit.

**NON SPECIALIST PERSONNEL**

	WE	Posted	Rfts Req'd
TK/A Gun numbers	15	15	-
Batmen	34	32	2
Drivers MT	12	8	4
General Dutymen-Offrs Mess	1	1	-
" " Sgts Mess	2	2	-
Hygiene Dutymen	4	4	-
LMG & Riflemen	361	232	129
MMG Numbers	20	20	-
Mortars	68	68	-
Orderlies	32	30	2
Pioneers	28	28	-
Regtl Police	6	4	2
Storemen	6	6	-
Stretcher Bearers	18	18	-
Water Dutymen	2	1	1
	<b>609</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>140</b>

CARRIED FORWARD

NOTE: (a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.  
 (b) Authorized leader or specialist not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.  
 (c) Where A.W.S. and/or A.A.M.W.E. personnel are detailed show details on back.  
 (d) Where replacement not detailed code accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Rfts Req'd".  
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in end of the blank space on this page.

L.H.O. Form 216-10/43-11cm  
 Date of Dispatch 22 July 44  
 15 Unit Inf Bde (AIF) 2 and 4 Div  
 15 Col

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 27/7/1944 4.24. inst. Inf (Unit) (I F)

W.E. 11/20/3 OFFRS. 32 O.R.'s. 767+ OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10						
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.										
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.						
-	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels											
NIL	1	-	2	Majors											
NIL	4	-	4	Captains	AAMC	→	-	1	1						
NIL	-	5	24	Lieutenants											
-	-	-	1	Quarter-masters											
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.											
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.											
NIL	5	5	32					1	1						
				DETAIL.	A.I.P.	A.I.P.	O.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL
				Class A.	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
				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.E. 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.
VX104065	Lt	ANDERSON	N D	15 Jul 44	TOS from hospital
VX51657	"	SMITH	W E	15 Jul 44	TOS from hospital

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX150794	Lt	SYRETT	J	16 Jul 44	Evac to hospital. No replacement required. Temporary absence only.

## 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).

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) <sup>unit</sup>

B31/30/44 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 22<sup>7</sup> / 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.
Lt-Col	VX185	SMITH	GE	CO	Yes		
Lt-Major	VX104144	WITELAW	SH	OC HQ	"		
	X57	CASELL	KA	1/e	"		
Capt	VX104147	SHROOVED	RB	CM	"		
"	VX104149	CAMERON	RA	-	No	Detached for leave 1 Apr 44	
"	VX55256	SKINNER	FL	OC C	Yes		
"	VX104165	GLAHAM	IP	-	No	Detached for leave 25 Apr 44	
"	VX146860	MURRIAN	LHR	OC B	Yes		
Lt.	VX 04154	CASEY	HH	TO	"		
"	VX104158	IRVING	WH	-	No	Detached for leave 1 Apr 44	
"	VX108156	HEATH	AR	1 Pl	Yes		
"	VX4921	KENNEDY	MB	11 Pl	"		
"	VX3140	TOMAS	J C 2	1/e D	"		
"	VX104160	ROBINSON	ER 2	1/e B	"		
"	VX104159	IRVING	J A 2	1/e C	"		
"	VX104065	ANDERSON	ND 2	1/e A	No	Detached 15 Aust Inf Bde	5 Jul 44
"	VX51657	SMITH	WE	5 Pl	Yes		
"	VX104151	BUNSELL	A W C	Adj	"		
"	VX4080	LAUGHLIN	J	7 Pl	"		
"	VX41023	LOCKER	L WA	OC D	"		
"	VX55094	BARLING	DR	12 Pl	"		
"	VX57168	NGAN	C J	OC A	"		
"	VX71776	ALDERDICE	CB	-	No	Detached for leave 1 Apr 44	
"	VX113767	BROADHEAD	AH	IO	Yes		
"	VX139402	WHITEBROOK	FC	13 Pl	"		
"	VX28985	HEALEY	RG	2 Pl	"		
"	VX146097	FOX	FR	9 Pl	"		
"	VX33921	MATHIAS	RH	18 Pl	"		
"	VX1188	LEWIS	C STL	15 Pl	"		
"	VX109271	BADE	FW	8 Pl	"		
"	VX25946	MARTIN	B	4 Pl	"		
"	VX139401	TARRAN	W L G	10 Pl	"		

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.
Capt	VX107369	SHARP	F L R	15 Aust Fb Amb 3 Jan 44	Acting RMO
Chaplain	VX111294	ENGLISH	J C	15 Aust Inf Bde 25 May 43	Chaplain

22 Jul 44

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander Lt-Col

Truth—7/48.

Comd 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(Revised Jan., 1943)

B31/31/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 27/7/1944 24 Aust. Inf Bn (AIF)

W.E. 11 120 3 OFFRS. 32 O.R.'s. 787 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 35 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.					
NIL	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels										
NIL	1	-	2	Majors										
NIL	4	-	4	Captains	A A M C	2	-	1	1					
NIL	-	6	25	Lieutenants										
-	-	-	1	Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
NIL	-	-	-			-	-	1	1					
				DETAIL.	A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	••	TOTAL
				CLASS A	B									33
				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., 30 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.
EX150794	Lt	SHRETT	J X List	27 Jul 44	TOS from hospital

### 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).



24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 29 / 7 / 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.
Lt-Col	V0185	SMITH	G F	C O	Yes		
T/Major	V0104144	WITTELAN	S H	OC HQ	"		
	V0157	CARROLL	K A	2 1/e	"		
Capt	V0104147	ISHWOOD	R S	2 M	"		
"	V0104149	CAMERON	R A	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	V0104150	SKINNER	F L	OC C	Yes		
"	V0104166	SHAHAM	I P	-	No	Detached for leave	25 Apr 44
"	V0104166	FURMAN	L H R	OC B	Yes		
Lt	V0104154	CASEY	H H	T O	"		
"	V0104158	IRVING	V H	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	V0104186	BEATTIE	A R	1 P1	Yes		
"	V0104181	KENNEDY	M B	11 P1	"		
"	V0104180	THOMAS	J C	2 1/e D	"		
"	V0104160	ROBINSON	B R	21/e B	"		
"	V0104159	IRVING	J A	21/e C	"		
"	V0104065	ANDERSON	N D	21/e A	No	Det 15 Aust Inf Bde	5 Jul 44
"	V0104151	BUNSELL	A W C	AdjT	Yes		
"	V0104060	LAUGHLIN	J K	7 P1	"		
"	V0104023	LOOKER	L V A	OC B	"		
"	V0104094	BAILING	D R	12 P1	"		
"	V0104158	BEAN	C J	OC A	"		
"	V0104176	ALDERDICE	C B	-	No	Detached for leave	1 Apr 44
"	V0104176	BROADHEAD	A H	1 O	Yes		
"	V0104102	WHITEROCK	F C	13 P1	"		
"	V0104065	HEALEY	R G	2 P1	"		
"	V0104097	FOX	F R	9 P1	"		
"	V0104021	MATHAMS	B H	18 P1	"		
"	V0104155	LEWIS	C S L	15 P1	"		
"	V01040271	BADE	F V	8 P1	"		
"	V01040794	SHRETT	J	16 P1	"		
"	V0104046	MARTIN	B	4 P1	"		
"	V0104041	TERRAN	W L G	10 P1	"		

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.
Capt	V0107860	SHARP F L R	15 P1		
Chaplain	V0111994	ENGLISH J C	15 Aust Inf Bde	3 Jan 44	Acting RMO
				25 May 43	Chaplain.

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*[Signature]*

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Lt-Col



**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 29 / 7 / 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.
Forward				Forward	1	2		Forward	17	28		Forward	57	75	1
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	4	3	1
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters	-	1	-	Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	4	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	27	-	Tailors	2	2	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers	-	1	-	Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	8	-	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks	-	6	-	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				WO I	1	1	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	7	-	WO II	6	5	1 NR
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	11	10	1 NR	S/Sgts	5	5	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Sgts	25	22	3 NR
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Cpls	54	43	11 NR
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10	-	Coach Trimmers				Ptes	609460149		
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Elders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				see back			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AAMC	4	4	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	-	1	-	AEME	3	2	1
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Eptn. Plant				AAPC	2	1	1 NR
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.	-	1	-	Engine Hands, I.C.				AA Postal			
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1	-	Services	1	1	-
Plumber	-	1	-	Moulders				Farriers				AAOC	1	1	-
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				AACC	24	22	2 NR
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	2	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	28	-	CARRIED FORWARD	57	75	1	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	802	651	170

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*[Signature]*  
Lt-Col  
Comd 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 5 Aust Div

ATTACHED PERSONNEL - ALLOWED BY WE

Arm or Corps. Detail Posted Surplus WE Deficient WE Rfts Req'd  
AAMC S/Sgts 1  
Sgt 1  
Cpl 1  
Pte 1

Arm or Corps.	Detail	Posted	Surplus WE	Deficient WE	Rfts Req'd
AEME	Armourer Sgt	1	-	-	1
	Cfn Armourer TGI	1	-	-	1
	Cfn fitter gn TGI	1	-	-	1
AAPC	Sgt	-	-	1	1 NR
	Cpl	1	-	-	-
AA Postal Services	Sgt	1	-	-	-
AAOC	Cpl (Shoemaker)	1	-	-	-
AACC	WO II	1	-	-	-
	Sgts	4	-	1	1 NR
	Cpls	6	1	-	-
	Ptes TG II	11	-	2	2 NR
		31	1	5	5 (4) NR

SURPLUS NCO's

Ref part E: Driver Mech - 1 Supernumerary Tpt Sgt, particulars as under.

VX104457 sgt HUTCHINS S D 32 A 1 Super- Qual TG III Drive Mech formerly Tpt  
numer- Sgt on old WE. If suitable repost-  
ary em- ing NOT available, recommended be  
ployed held supernumerary in view of  
as provision for tpt on amended WE  
driver Licences held 1A, 1B, 2A, 4B, 5A.

DEFICIENCY NCO's

WO II 1 CSM. NOT required-will be obtained in unit (1 WO II on X List in transi from School Mainland)

Sgts 3 Gen Duties. NOT required - will be obtained in unit  
Cpls 11 " " NOT required - will be obtained in unit.

NON SPECIALIST PERSONNEL

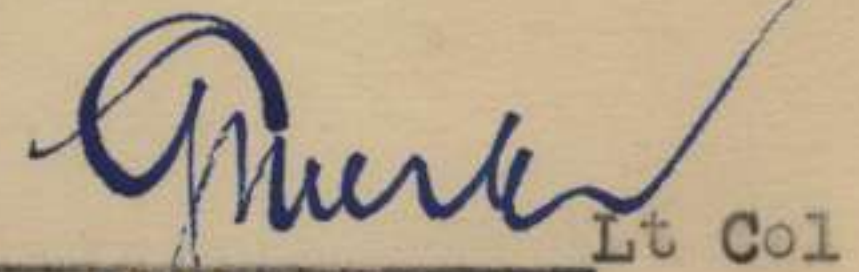
	WE	Posted	Rfts Req'd
TK/A Gun Numbers	15	15	-
Batmen	34	32	2
Drivers MT	12	8	4
Gen Dutymen-Offrs Mess	1	1	-
" " Sgts Mess	2	2	-
Hygiene Dutymen	4	4	-
LMG & Riflemen	361	223	138
MMG Numbers	20	20	-
Mortars	68	68	-
Orderlies	32	30	2
Pioneers	28	28	-
Regtl Police	6	4	2
Storemen	6	6	-
Stretcher Bearers	18	18	-
Water Dutymen	2	1	1
	609	460	149

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1 Lt-Col  
Date of Despatch  
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G.O.'s REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUL 1944

1. GENERAL. July was spent in MADANG area preparatory to returning to mainland on leave. Bde H Q, 57/60 and 58/59 Aust Inf Bns sailed on H M A T "KATOOMBA" for Australia on 26 July.
2. TRAINING The month was spent in training, but training was much interrupted by working parties on the Roads and for the Navy. Bn parades were held daily when possible. TEWTS were held twice weekly for Officers at Bde H Q. 100% improvement took place in Officers general knowledge, confidence and ability to give orders. TEWTS were conducted for NCOs and men, with minor exercises up to Pl standard in patrolling, defence and attack. Refresher courses including T O E T completed a much broken up month. Many march pasts took place in training for a march past to Gen SAVIGE.
3. SPORT Swimming classes taught 92 out of 126 non swimmers how to swim. Coy sports were held each Saturday afternoon with an hourly period daily for all men in the Bn. American Volley ball, was very popular, being played with fair ability by many men who had never taken part, in civilian life, in sport of any description after leaving school. The Unit distinguished itself by winning most of its contests at the weekly Bde boxing tournament. Cpl HARBISON, Ptes WATERS, PERRY, DUPEE and KINANE were successful under the able coaching of Lt FOX and Pte Slim Porter.
4. LECTURES Advantage was taken of the presence in the area of Army Education Officers and staff to hold many lectures. Security, the referendum, world affairs and general educational lectures were enjoyed by all. In addition, Maj ROSEFIELD of 15 Aust Fd Amb gave pre marriage lectures which were sincerely appreciated by both married and about to be married alike.
5. AMENITIES The Unit has its first issue of beer since entering New Guinea at the end of the month. A special issue was made of a bottle per man so that the men would not miss out as embarkation was anticipated on 1 Aug.
6. VISIT of G.O.C. NGF. The highlight of the month was the inspection of the Bn its march past and salute taken by Lt Gen SAVIGE with Maj Gen RAMSAY G O C 5 Aust Div. An old 24 Bn Officer of 1914-18, Gen SAVIGE completed the day by honouring the Unit with an overnight stay in its lines, and delighted the Officers by his description of the DUNSTER FORCE operations.



Lt Col

(G.F. SMITH)

Comd 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

\* RMO's report for  
month of July  
not available at  
time of despatch

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Q M's REPORT FOR MONTH OF JULY 44

APPV H  
24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
1 Aug 44

INTRODUCTION

The remaining members of the unit at SAIDOR were drafted by every available means of transport including PT boat, ML, barge and small craft and eventually all unit personnel and stores were at MADANG by 11 Jul 44.

The unit is still in the area at MADANG to which it originally moved. There have been no operational tasks for the month and all ranks have been engaged in training and the establishment of the camp.

MOVEMENT TO MAINLAND

Major tasks for the month have been the preparation for movement to Aust. Arrangements have been finalized and all documents are now complete. No definite date for movt has been given, but as Bde HQ and the other two Bns embarked on 27 Jul 44, it is anticipated that orders will soon be received.

All stores have been crated to allow easy handling. Copies of Bills of Lading (app A) and a detailed list of the items (app B) in each crate are attached. W E T extract (App C) K S 5 (App D) and Nominal Rolls of kits (App E) have been completed and despatched in accordance with NGF Instn Q238 of 8 Mar 44.

Voyage rations and amm have been obtained and compasses, binoculars, pistols and protractors withdrawn for movt in bulk under escort to prevent loss.

RGMS, 1 clerk and 1 storeman moved to the mainland with Bde HQ as part of the advance party.

ACCOMODATION: During the month, the camp site was improved and it is now completely cleared. Mess shelters have been erected for all coys, Officers and Sjts Messes. The tentage brought from SAIDOR provided ample accomodation and ensures a reasonable amount of comfort.

By arrangements made between NGF, MADANG Base and 5 Aust Div, the camp site and tentage will be taken over after the units departure, a NGF GDD will be established. The arrangement superseded an instruction for transfer to 4 Aust Inf Bn and movt of the unit will be much simplified by reason of being able to keep the camp complete up to the time of departure.

RATIONS:

Full scale issues are being received. SIX Issues of fresh meat, potatoes, 2 of eggs and one of fruit, provided a welcome change from tinned foods. The landing ration comprises main commodities only, and will be retained as a reserve for use on arrival on the mainland, should the necessity arise.

EXPENSE STORES In good supply all items being available on demand.

CONTROLLED STORES:

Evacuations for repair during the month were - 1 pistol, 1 compass Mk 1X, 1 binoculars Mk 11, 4 watches. Replacement certificates have been received for all these items except 1 watch and this has been repaired and returned to the unit. It will be seen that Watches GS are still being evacuated. Reports from various workshops would indicate that the type of watch on issue will NOT stand up to climatic conditions and normal usage. No release orders have been received for items short of authorised establishment as the policy is to complete unit equipment on return to the mainland.

The following items of equipment were transferred in accordance with instructions from 5 Aust Div. One No 11 wireless Set, 1 fullerphone, 2 boxes terminal, 1 frames D & P 10 wire, 1 connector 5 pair, 1 superposing unit 3 transformer, 4 T/A guns and 4 mountings tripod Bren.

QUARTERLY ARMOURERS INSPECTION - This inspection was completed in 25 Jul 44. The report received (App F) indicates that the standard of maintenance in weapons has been satisfactory.

STORES GENERALLY: Further indents for clothing and equipment for replacement of U/S items were approved, but 45 FOD did NOT have sufficient stores to supply requirements until late in the month. By this time a large amount of clothing was U/S. This has now been replaced and generally all clothing and equipment is in good order with the exception of certain sizes in hats which are still NOT available

The Regtl tailor, boot repairer and equipment repairer, in carrying out their normal tasks, serviced a large proportion of clothing and equipment which reduced the amount of replacements necessary.

Receipts for the month were:-

375 shirts	100 sets identity discs
375 trousers	100 knives
53 towels	100 forks
200 socks	50 mugs enamel
50 blankets	150 waist belts
39 hats	100 sets braces web
125 drawers cotton	100 " straps shoulder
125 singlets	100 packs
80 field dressings	100 haversacks
143 prs boots	30 attachments brace
750 laces leather	20 cases pistol
100 mosquito nets	30 pouches compass
	30 pouches amn
	200 sets pouches basic
	200 " straps supporting
	9 tins mess.

TRANSPORT: See TO report (App G)

CANTEEN: Purchases for the month totalled £1044. Supplies have been plentiful, and only a few items have been rationed. The GOC NGF, authorised the issue of one bottle of beer per man on 27 Jul 44. This was a special release to the unit as supplies will NOT be generally issued until 1 Aug 44.

HYGIENE & SANITATION: All personnel attached to coys were withdrawn to 6 Pl, and carried out daily work under supervision of the Hygiene Sjt attached on WE. After completion of the difficult task of constructing latrines to required depth, hygiene administration became normal.


MALARIA CONTROL: Now that the undergrowth has been cleared from the camp area, has been a noticeable decrease in the number of mosquitos. Evacuations for PUO and Dengue decreased, and the area generally is healthy. The small amount of control work necessary is carried out by unit personnel with the aid of equipment provided by a Malaria Control unit established next to the unit area.

AMENITIES: Pictures are screened twice weekly and some good films have been shown. The AES made available a number of phonograph records including the complete scores of two Gilbert & Sullivan operas. All recordings provided a great deal of interest and appreciation.



COMFORTS FUND: Supplies received during the month were as follows:-  
597 2 oz tins tobacco      597 cakes toilet soap  
" pkts cig papers      " " washing "  
" pkts small cigarettes      " tubes tooth paste  
" tins boot polish      299 ½lb blocks chocolate.

MAIL: Receipts for the month :-  
12000 letters  
85 bags parcels  
560 registered articles.  
Deliveries have been a little erratic, but the quantity of mail received is considered normal.

  
Capt  
QM 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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Appendix "G" to QM's report Jul 44:

TO's REPORT FOR MONTH OF JUL 4424 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
1 Aug 44GENERAL:

Vehicles on charge remained unaltered during the month, of at 4 jeeps, 2 trailers, 1 water cart, 1 3 ton truck. The remaining vehicles were finally landed at MADANG from SAIDOR on 11 Jul 44, and provided a welcome addition to transport facilities, particularly the water cart, and difficulty was experienced in obtaining sufficient supplies.

REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE:

One Jeep and trailer was evacuated to workshops for extensive repairs immediately it arrived at MADANG. There were no Aust Workshops at SAIDOR to which vehicles could be evacuated. Repairs were carried out on the 3 ton vehicle by unit personnel, the steering gear replaced, brakes adjusted, and engine tuned. This vehicle could only be used for short trips and light work prior to the fitting of the new steering gear which had NOT previously been obtainable.

TRANSFERS:

On 23 Jul 44, Bde HQ detached 1 jeep to the Bn, but this was transferred to 7 Bde HQ on 26 Jul 44. Instructions have been received for the transfer of vehicles on charge to units in the area prior to this units movt to the mainland.

P O L :

Petrol consumption for all vehicles during the month totalled 1144 gals, an average of 37 gals per day. Supplies of POL are sufficient to ensure proper maintenance.

*W. H. H. H.*  
TO 24 Aust Inf Bn Lt  
(AIF)

9/45/44

found to show  
Fopo. to Coy  
K Comdr  
in addition  
Comdr

WEEKLY REPORT.

appal Qm  
15/5/44  
KOTI.  
14.5.44.

Ref SALDOR 1 inch to 1 mile. 567775

1. COMP. VX 104159. Lt Col Strong J.A. in absence of Capt. Skinner. VX 852567 at Bn. Sig. School. ? Set out of para
2. Camps and. MANNING. PERSONNEL.

CAMP.	MRef.	FIGHTING. TPS.		NON-FIGHTING TPS		TOTAL
		COY	ATT	COY	ATT	
COY	567775.	3-58 9	-7	-	3	3-69.
DETACHED		2-32	-		3	
		5-92	-7.	-	-4	5-101

DETACHED.

NGF. School. -1. BN. School. 1-10  
Rear Details 1-2 Leave -9.  
Graves. Com. -1 BHQ -3  
H.Q. Coy -6 TOTAL. 2-32

ATTACHED

UNIT. BHQ -3 Not. on. WE.  
HQ -2 AF. PO. -2 ✓  
WE. AAC -3  
AAMC -2.1 TOTAL. -11

3. DUTIES AT STATION.

Training and Working Parties - 3 non-combatant tps attached

4. OPERATIONS.

NIL.

5. PATROLS.

NIL

6. ARMS + AMUNITION: (in area) arms incl para 15

LOCATION.	.303 RIFLES	SNIPERS	OSMG	LMG.	Pistol. 38	Mort. 2'	Mort 3"
COY	34	2	15	8	2	3	
ATT.	5						
TOTAL	39.	2	15	8	2	3	

RSN AMMUNITION.

LOCATION.	.303 Bds	.303 Cth.	OSMG	Hand. Rifle	REC. 380
Coy					
No.	2350	900	2000	70	18

~~ARMS~~

Check as

## 7. MEDICAL.

50

During the past week 35 personnel have attended C.A.P., this being approx. 40% of Coy strength. One Evacuation for P.O.O., the remainder chiefly skin complaints and some cases of ear trouble.

## 8. COMMUNICATIONS.

H/T. to NUMBIA switchboard thence to all Coys.  
D/R to Fopo twice daily

## 9. GENERAL.

- (a) Training. Close order drill has been carried out by the Coy half an hour daily, when not required for waking parties. Two hours was spent on practical care and cleaning of weapons & ammunition.
- (b) Hygiene. Under direction of Sgt. Barnes men not required on waking parties have been employed in destroying refuse dumps behind Coy Area.
- (c) Camp. Improvements. a gravel foot track has been fanned to Coy HQ & Pl. Areas. A site has been cleared for the erection of a Mens Mess Hut.
- (d) Inspections. Pl. Areas have been inspected after breakfast by OC & CSM. Unfamiliarity of layout in tents is improving due to these inspections.

## 10. CASUALTIES.

M/1 9/5. Pte Osborne from Det to HQ Coy  
M/0. 9/5. Pte Young from HQ Coy. Sgt Boyle evac HOS  
Capt. Sherrin. 400 to his NCO. School. Pte Buchall to BNQ  
12/5. 500 to his NCO school. May Caudell & the others to BNQ  
13/5 500 to his NCO School.

11. NO. & TYPE OF TOOLS.

3 Axes. 2 B. Machettes. 2 B. Machette Carb. 26 Shovels. Int.  
 4 Shovels. Lge 4 Pick. Lge

12. MOSQUITO NETS.

I certify that all mosquito nets have been inspected daily by an officer during the past week, and repairs promptly carried out when necessary. There are 64 serviceable mosquito nets and 8 serviceable hammocks in Coy Area.

Slglt 3+67

13. EMERGENCY RATIONS

138. Tins held. No Emergency Rations have been consumed during past week  
 no this two for man

14. MOKKA LOTION

I certify that Mokka Lotion has been applied by all personnel in Coy Area in accordance with 7 Div. Insdn of 1/1/44.

15. CONTROLLED STORES

I certify that all controlled stores have been inspected by an officer, found serviceable & in accordance with Coy Records.

	Rifle .303	Rifle .38	OSMG	Bren.	Bren. Spare barrel	Comp. Leg.	Sho	Sub Mag	Buss 2. H. H.	" 2. H. H.	Red Trainers	Inst. Leg.	Mag. Even	Biers	Imp. Rifle	Sho. Lights	Mag. 2"	Cap. Disc	English Beer	Day cards	Mount Beer	Mag Beer (H)	Holdings (H)	Dole (G.S.)
Coy	34	2	15	8	8	2	7	9	3	3	3	61	80	2	2	3	9	8	45	3	-	-	9	
Det.	21	1	5	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	3	9	10						1	22				2
TOTAL	55	3	20	9	9	3	9	10	3	1	4	3	100	90	2	2	3	9	9	67	3	-	-	11
ATT.	5																		5					

17/5 J. M. [Signature] Lt Adm Comd KOTI.

Ref map. Laidon 1"  
 map Ref. 576773.

J

Qm 15/5

Secret.  
 O. Coy.  
 24th Cent. Inf. Bn.  
 (A.I.F.)

16 Pl  
 15/6/44

Report for week ending 13 May 44.

1 Command.

O.C. Lt L W Looker.

2/c. Nil.

16 Pl

Cpl Wallace w/g.

17 Pl

Lt. G Lewis

18 Pl

Pte Jones & W.

2 Camps + Manning.

Manned by.

Camps.	U/R	Fighting Ips. Coy	Att Unit.	Attached Ips. won. Fighting	Total
Whirlan Beach.	576773	2-60	Nil = 1	5B. 400. AACC 300	2-68

Detached.

On School	800
W & F School	300
at Coy Pahol	1-2
Leave	1-9
Ride Runner	100
HQ Coy	500
Rear details	1-6
Staging Camp.	1-4
Total	4-38

Detached. 4-38  
 Posted strength. 6-97  
 Personnel in area. 2-68

Cooks & SP's  
 are fighting the  
 whenever necessary  
 AACC as my own combatant unit  
 JH

3 duties at stations

Nil

4 O.P.s

Nil.

5 Pahols

Nil.

6 ~~...~~ Amms. incl Para 13  
 arms + ammunition

Location	Rifles	Owens	L & M G's	Pistols .39	2" Mortar
Whirlan Beach	38	18	8	2	3

ammunition

Location	303 Rdr	303 Gm	9mm	Pistol .39	grenades or man	2" mortar
Whirlan Beach	2200	900	2000	12	30	Nil.

RSM  
 to check  
 Amms here  
 JH

7/ Medical

RMO?

main complaint during week was "tropical ear", caused through swimming in fresh water now.  
Ruin for swimming has been placed out of bounds.  
Imia and rows clearing up well through salt water swimming.  
Hygiene in Coy excellent.

8/ Intuconn.

Sig<sup>o</sup>?

L/S to 6 Coy & B H Q poor.

9/ General

Training for week, poor, owing to supplying duties for M.L.O.  
duties range from 1-35 to 1-45 when called for.  
 morale of troops very good, now mail is arriving.  
 amenities, fair.  
 Work put in around Coy camp site has ~~been~~ <sup>made</sup> this area an excellent site for camp.

10/ Casualties during week.

<u>In.</u>		<u>Out.</u>	
Reformed Staging	1	A. Coy patrol	1-2
Hospital	3	Bu school	8
Total	4	Hospital	1
		Total	1-11

11/ W/O - types of tools.

Machetes crust	8	Picks	3
Shovels (large)	4	axes	1
Shovels (small)	26	axes (hand)	22.

12/ Mosquito nets

Serviceable	70
Unserviceable	nil

These mosquito nets are inspected daily by Coy Officer, for holes.

13

## Controlled Stores.

Rifles.	34
Rifles E.Y.	3
Rifle Sniper.	1
Bayonets.	50
Machete.	19
O.S.M.G.	18
Mag. O.S.M.G.	104
L.M.G.	8
Mag. Bren.	80
Mag. compass Pakit	7
Compass P.M.	4
Shovels (small)	26
Shovels (large)	4
Picks	3
Lanterns	7
Tent 12x14	15
Tent 7'x7'	16

## Toy chest.

Tipods Bren	2
Spare Barrel Bren	8
Waller's Bren	8
Pistol .38	2
Pistol Sig	3
2" Mortar	3
Watches F.T.	7
Propagator's	5
Compass L.Q. III	2
Broulais MK II	3
Cups Ammunition	9
Boxes	1
Boxes (hand)	22
Machete chest	8
Tent American	1
Shelter Halves	65
Hammocks	23.

Toy controlled stores were inspected  
13 May 44 by Toy Office and  
found to be correct as listed  
above.

## detached

Bayonets - Pakol	2	Mag. Bren - school	10
Bayonets - Staging Camp	4	Waller's Bren - school	1
Bayonets - schools	13	Spare Barrel Brens - school	1
Machete - school	1	Pistol .38 - Staging Camp	1
Rifles - Pakol	2	Pistol .38 - Pakol	1
Rifles - schools	13	Machetes - Pakol	1
O.S.M.G. - school	2	Watches F.T. - Pakol	1
Mag. Owen - school	16	Watches F.T. - school	4
Bren - school	1	Compass L.Q. III school	1
Compass P.M. - Stag Camp	1	Compass Pakit Mag - school	3
Compass P.M. - Pakol	1	Compass P.M. - school	2
Broulais - Pakol	1	Boxes R.Q.M. for exchange	2
Broulais - Stag Camp	1	Lanterns - school	1
Shelter Halves - Stag Camp	4	Hammocks - school	4
Hammocks - Stag Camp	3	Hammocks - Pakol	2.

14 Emergency Rations .130.

14 May 44.  
Total 44th area  
2-68 total rations, should be  
140. \$17/5.

Lutcher Lt.  
O.C. Coy.

\$17/5



622. 20/1/44

Om 29/5  
SECRET

P/A

13 MAY 44

B Coy WEEKLY REPORT: SERIES II N° 19.

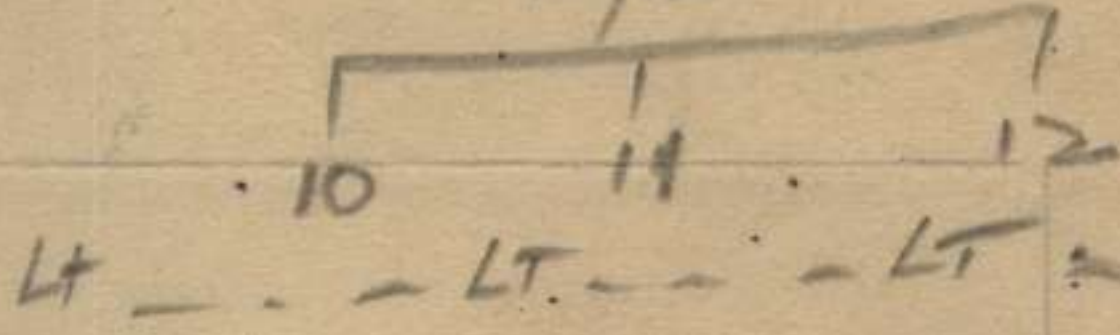
(1) COMD

NX 146860 CAPT FUHRMAN L.H.R.  
SAIDOR 1" - 1 MILE

? Comd  
OC  
2/c

(2) CAMPS & MANNING

COY	LOCATION	MAP REF	FIGHTING TPS		Non FIGHTING TPS		TOTAL
			COY	ATT	COY	ATT	
HQ	WILWILAN	571773	2-6	-	-	1	2-7
10PL HQ	YANUA	493790	1-9	2	-	2	1-13
2 SEC	KALININ	527763	7	-	-	-	7
3	YAIMAS	501515	5	-	-	-	5
11PL HQ	MUR	615762	1-3	6	-	2	1-11
4 SEC	NOMI PLN	637744	9	-	-	-	9
5	KASU	612745	10	-	-	-	10
6	MIOR	566732	9	-	-	-	9
12PL	LONG IS		1-21	-	-	2	1-23
DET			1-31	4	-	4	1-31
TOTAL			6-110	8	-	7	6-125



DET

- 1-14 HL
- 3 REAR DETAILS
- 4 NAF TRG SCHOOL
- 2 BDE HQ
- 3 TR/A
- 1 MMA
- 3 FOPO

ATT

- 4 AHCC
- 3 RAP
- 6 MCR
- 1 SIG
- 1 HYG
- 1 I
- 1 8 FD AMB

(3) DUTIES AT STA

Def of SAIDOR as per para (2) cols 1.2.3 ?

(4) OPS

NIL

(5) PATROLS & O.P.S.

? Standing patrols located at posns as per para (2) cols 1.2.3

(6) ARMS

COY	303	RIFLE	RIFLE SNIPER	RIFLE FT	BAYONETS	SNIPER	380	PISTOL	OSMA	L.M.G.	CVR DISCH	2" MOR	3" MOR	SIG	PISTOL
HQ	4	-	-	-	5	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
10PL	10	-	-	1	14	-	1	6	3	3	1	-	-	-	-
11	20	1	-	-	23	-	1	7	3	3	1	-	-	-	-
12	11	1	1	1	14	1	1	6	3	3	1	-	-	-	-
ATT	13	-	-	-	13	-	1	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
TOTAL	58	2	1	2	69	1	6	23	9	9	3	1	-	3	-

AMM

COY	303 BDR	303 CTN	9MM OSMA	36 GREN MAN	380 REV	3" MOR HE
HQ	200	-	80	5	24	-
10PL	1050	300	520	32	12	-
11	2150	1548	520	82	12	-
12	850	300	480	22	12	-
ATT	-	-	-	-	-	30
TOTAL	4250	2148	1600	141	60	30

QM has para 6 been checked with QM records  
JTB

B Coy WEEKLY REPORT (CONT'D)

(7) MEDICAL

3 EVACS - health still generally good.

(8) INTER COMM

4/11 AM PL

W/T 10 PL to Bn - Comm est to KALININ posn

12 PL W/T to Bn.

No comm MIOC posn to PL nor to KASV outpost.

(9) GEN

Hyg & sanitation good.

Mukka lotion - NO stocks available during period.

(10) CAS

CPL DOWNING EVAC HOSP (-yellow jaundice)

Pvt WILLIAMS " (PVO)

" COWIE " (dislocated shoulder)

(11) NO & TYPE OF TOOLS

MACHETTES 20  
SHOVELS 5 27  
AXES 1

(12) MOSQUITO NETS

Inspected daily all are serviceable. ?

(13) EMERGENCY RATIONS

FD DRESSINGS

I certify that to the best of my knowledge? every man in the Coy has two E rations & one fd dressing.

(14) CONTROLLED STORES

Coy	RIFLES 303	SNIPER	FX	BAYONETS	SNIPER	SCOPE	380 PISTOL	516 PISTOL	COMP LIG	PRIS.	MAG.	WATCH GS.	MACHETTES	OSM.	MAGS	TRIPODS	SPARE BARRELS	PROTRACTORS	BINOC.	CUP DISCH	E. RATIONS	FD DRESSING	SHOVELS 5.	AXES	7" MOR	SP MALLETS	HAMMOCKS	NETS MCO.	LMG	MAGS
HR	4	-	-	5	-	-	2	3	2	-	3	4	1	1	6	1	-	-	-	16	8	1	2	-	-	1	8	-	-	
10 PL	10	-	1	14	-	-	1	-	-	2	3	2	6	6	36	1	2	-	2	3	44	22	9	-	1	3	4	22	3	30
11	20	1	-	23	-	-	1	-	1	3	1	3	7	7	42	1	1	2	1	3	64	32	9	-	1	3	4	22	3	30
12	11	1	1	14	1	1	1	-	1	3	1	2	6	6	36	-	2	1	1	3	44	22	8	-	1	3	4	22	3	30
ATT	13	-	-	13	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	30	15	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	-	
TOTAL	58	2	2	69	1	2	6	3	4	9	8	11	20	23	129	3	5	3	4	9	198	99	27	2	3	9	13	99	9	30

I certify that controlled stores have been checked & found to be correct. ?

Komenon of my  
carried out  
10/5

J. B. R. Sullivan Coyt  
OC B Coy  
18 May 44

1st Div SANDOR  
125000

Q M 16/5 SECRET  
R S M

Report for Truck ending 15 May 44

1 COMMAND oc Major Whitelands

1 L'Bealba  
2 L'Healey  
3 Sgt Boyle  
4 L'Martens  
5 L'Smith  
6 Cap Sherman  
L'Casey

2 CAMPS MAINTAINING PERSONNEL

		4 Coy	5 Coy	A	B	C	D	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Loy HQ	523774	1.5	1					1	1					13
1	"	1.14												10
2	558814	1.22	1	4	4			1						32
3	523774	31					3	3						37
under Camp Coy	617763	6												6
4	575775	1.13										1		14
5	523774	1.34												34
6	523774	2.12										1	1	13
Staging Camp	565779	9									2			11

3 Duties at Stations:

- 1 pl Controlling Comms on SANDOR Area and maintaining daily. DRLS. Sigs manning Switchboard at Staging Camp INUWILAN BEACH. Sigs also on Detwt attached to B Coy
- 2 pl. Defense of SANDOR Area. Stations at 4 posts from mel 557818 to mel 562811
- 3 det 3 pl under Comd B Coy stations at 617763 for defense of SANDOR Area
- 4 pl Defense of SANDOR Area. PLHQ at 575775. 4 posts at 540819 and from mel 595775 to mel 617763
- 5 6 pl. Working at STAGING Camp incl forward Ration Store.
- 6 1 cv detached, assisting M.L.O.

7. 174.

4 OBSERVATION POSTS

Nil

5 PATROLS

Nil.

Items and Amm. *WBC* 2

Rifle 303	Pistol 38	OSM 6	BREN	3" Mortar	MM 6	2 1/2" TRA	6mm's	7.32 Rm	9mm	38	32galt	TRAMP	RAM	P5M to check	ammo
133	29	17	4	5	4	4		7835	386	244	7250	672	118		

7 CONTROLLED ITEMS

OSM Mags	BREN Bands	Tripods	Maps	Mags	3" M Sights	Almos	Axes	Shovels	Machetes	Pops	Ponachs	Range finders	Binooculars	Matches	Compass or	binocular
99	4	5	4	25	6	7	6	20	19	6	5	3	8	11	4	7

8 RAP

Selid 16  
 AOLA 10

Est. est with Coy. HQ. manned by 1 Bn Fielder Genes  
 1 Bn Fielder Genes with 2 pl.  
 Health of troops has been consistently good, only  
 1 evacuation taking place during week  
 17 men sick were treated, principally for skin  
 eruptions

9 INTER COMM.

Messages by air by Lt and runner. Comm with  
 2 pl and 4 pl by SR 25. Recd is being carried  
 out in endeavour to link these pl with  
 Switch board at Engano Camp

10 MOSQUITO NETS

All personnel under Comd have serviceable nets  
 or hammocks, certified correct & inspected daily  
*Monteleone Major*

11 EMERGENCY RATIONS

Have been checked on Weekly Inspection. Personnel  
 recently returns from schools hospital etc are  
 being resumed to bring all personnel to holding  
 level  
*Monteleone Major*

12 MACEX LOTION

Has not been applied entirely throughout Coy.  
 Medical advise received states for complete  
 application sufficient of supplies short?  
 ?

*Monteleone Major*

Boyle.  
Beattie.  
Healy  
Bruce.  
Martin  
Barstow  
Christensen.  
Murphy.

3

GENERAL

By various of training of 2 3 and 4 pl's not  
Carried out in the entirety owing to  
difficulties of Camp maintenance & special  
duties. The water poses on Coastal areas  
renders it necessary for all water to be  
Artificially & carried some distance. New  
Water poses have been found & are being  
tested.

A shoot conducted by 2 pl on 12 May was  
successful. Recruits from other troops at  
present attached, fired the guns both on  
Fixed line targets. Apart from minor  
stoppages caused by thick rain or broken  
springs in the locks (on examination flaws in  
manufacture were discovered) the shoot was  
conducted without incident.

Owing to the ban on visiting American Camps,  
the majority of the troops played cards in  
their tents. With the completion of the new  
mess hall in which it is hoped suitable  
lighting can be provided, and provision  
for sports such as Volley Ball, Soft Ball and  
Leth Tennis, arrangements should be  
adequate to meet social needs of the troops.  
Weekly Report from 4 pl attached.

Michael Major  
or by Coy

~~copy~~ report should  
be incorporated in  
copy report not separately  
8/5 16/5  
8/6 18/5

2

Weekly Report  
to 13 May 44  
HQ Coy

Weekly Report  
to 10 May 44  
HQ Coy

Ref Map SAIDOR 1"  
 Map Ref. 576773.

One Plan No

QM. ~~10/3/44~~ 8/5

SECRET.

D. Coy.

24 chst. Inf. Bn.

(A.I.F.)

Report for week ending 7 May 44.

1 Command

OB - Lt L. Locker.

2/c - civ.

16 Pl

17 Pl

18 Pl

Gt Hollis H.W.

Lt L. Lewis

Lt R. Kelltham

2 Camps & Manning Personnel

Manned by.

Camps.	U/R.	Fighting Sp. Coy	Inf Unit	Attached Sp. Civ. - Fighting	Total
WILWILAN BEACH.	576773	3-67	civ + 1	FOPD. SB. AACC civ + 4. civ + 3	3-75

Detached.

Staging Camp 1 - <sup>5</sup>

H Q Coy (M.M.G) Wil + 3

H Q Coy (Cook) Wil + 1

N.G.F Schools Wil + 3

Rde Runner Wil + 1.

Rear details 1 - 6

Leave 1 - 9

Ported through. 6-95

Personnel in chca. 3-75

Detached. 3-29

28

3 Duties at Stations

Staging Camp 1 off - 5 on

Rde Runner 1 on.

4 O.P.s

civ.

5 Patrols

civ.

6 Arms & Ammunition

.303 Rifles	Snipers	8 1/4	Brens	Ovens	2" Mort	.38 Pistol	Pistol Sig 1"	Discharge Caps.
42	1	3	9	20	3	3	3	9.

Ammunition.

.303	9mm.	2" Mortar	.38	1" Signal	Grenades
Rdr	Rdr	1/2. HE	Smoke	1/2. Red Green	4 sec 7 sec
2200	900	2000	-	-	75 -

7 Medical

Main complaint for week was skin disease salt water bathing should clear this trouble up. Two cases of (P.U.O.) for week these two men had only been with Coy three days returned from Rear details.

8 Intercomm.

L/T to G. Coy and B H Q. Poor.



9  
General2

No raining throughout week owing to large working parties of boy strength for M.L.O and B.S.D.

Morale, rather high, mail would improve, amenities. Canteen nearly every night, close to Waiharau Beach.

75 sets of steel identifying discs in Coy three complete sets needed.

10Casualties during week.In.

Rear details 20's.

From Salamana 10pp-60's

Out.

Hospital 30's

20's P.U.O

10 SHINGLES.

11No. type of tools.

Shovels (small) 26.

Shovels (SS) 2.

Picks 3.

Axes 3.

12Mosquito Net

Severable 78.

Unseverable w/b.

All mosquito nets all inspected daily by Coy Officers.

13Controlled Stores

Rifles	42	Owens.	20	Compass MK III	3	✓
Supers.	1	Owen Mag	120	Compass MK II	9	✓
E.Y.	3	Bayonets.	55	Compass Pocket Mag.	10	✓
Brens.	9	Chargeup Cups	9	G.P. Watches	12	✓
Bren Mag	90	2" Mortar	3	Binoculars MK I	1	✓
Spare Barrel Ben	9	Pistols .38	3	Binoculars. MK II	4	✓
Bren Waller	8X	Pistol Sig 1"	3	Markettes.	20	✓
Infocds Bren	2	Probatoin	5	Con 5 Telephone	1	✓

Coy controlled stores were inspected 7 May 44 by Coy Officers and found to be correct as listed above, one wallet Bren was lost on transit.

14Emergency Rations

Inspection of Emergency rations held 7 May 44 each man holds 2, total 156.

7 May 44.

Lt L. Looker.  
O.C. D. Coy.



c/43/44

QM 8/5

WEEKLY REPORT.

9/5/44

KOTI.

4.5  
7.5.44

Fopo

1. Ref SAIDOR 1/2nd to 1/2 mile. 567775

13 Pl. COND. VX85256. Capt SKINNER. F.L. 2 I.C. 14 Pl. 15 Pl.

2. CAMPS and MANNING. PERSONNEL.

CAMP.	N/Ref	FIGHTING. TPS.		NON-FIGHTING. TPS		TOTAL
		COY.	ATT.	COY.	ATT.	
COY.	567775	4. 69?	1-9	—	- 4	5-82
DETACHED		1-23				1-23
		5-92	1-9	—	- 4	6-105

105?

DETACHED

N.G.F. School. - 1  
 Rear Det. - 2  
 Leave 1-9  
 Graves. Com. - 1  
 B.HQ. - 2  
 H.Q. Coy - 8  
 TOTAL. 1-23

ATTACHED.

UNIT B.HQ. 1-5  
 HQ - 1  
 WE. RACC - 3  
 RANC - 2  
 NOT WE. REPO - 2  
 TOTAL 1-13

3. DUTIES AT STATION

Working Parties

4. OPERATIONS.

NIL.

5 PATROLS

NIL

6 ARMS AND AMUNITION. (in area)

ARMS.

LOCATION	RIFLES.		OSMG.	LMG.	Pistol. 38	Mort. 2'	Mort. 3"
	.303.	SAIDERS					
COY.	42	2	20	9	3	3	
ATT	11				1		
TOTAL.	53	2	20	9	4	3	

AMMUNITION.

46.

LOCATION.	.303 Bdr	.303 Ctn	9MM OSMG.	Gren. HAND RIFLE	Rev .380.
Coy					
?	2250	900	2000	74	18

7. MEDICAL.

During the past week 25 personnel, being approx 30% of Coy strength, attended C.A.P. This percentage of minor ailments remains constant. During the last 7 days there have been 4 evacuations, Rash, Warts, PUO 2. 2 diarrhoea cases have occurred also skin complaints appear to be increasing. This may be attributed to the greater humidity of the area, and the heavy nature of work involved in loading of barges.

8. Communications.

L/T. to NUMBIA switchboard thence to all Coys.  
D/R to Fopo twice daily

9. GENERAL.

(a) Change of location. at approx 291545K Koti closed at Guys Post, marched to DUMPU and bivouached near the strip at approx 301030K the coy began to emplane arriving at present location between 301125K and 301600K.

(b) Transfers. During the week Lieut. Martin 14 Pl. comd was transferred to Pl. Lieut Casey to Hq. Coy as T.O. Lt. Irving P. marched in as 2/c vice Lt. Casey.

(c) Training.

On account of the large No of work parties required from the Coy the only sig carried out during the past week has been the Coy NCO school.

(d) Discipline.

On account of lack of Coy pdes & sig efforts have been made to ensure that the standard of discipline does not fall. 47.

(e) Recreation.

During the evenings most of the troops attend football shows & most of the remainder play cards.

#### 10. CASUALTIES.

M/I. 7/5. Pte Purchase s/B . Pte Lambden for Rear. Details.

4/5. Lieut Irving

30/4 Lieut Martin trans to r/A Pl.

M/O. 30/4. Pte Farmer to 23 Hld. Troop. 300. Det r/A Pl. 200 det HMG <sup>A.</sup>

3/5. Cpt. Machee, Cpt. Walsh, Lt. Graham trans to Sig Bn.

4/5. 200s Det to FONI. as Drivers

4/5. Cpt. McKenzie on leave to X. Det. Pte Powell was 23 Hld Troop

Lt. Casey. Trans FONI. as T.O.

6/5. Pte McKenzie SW, Pte Anney was 23 Hld Troop.

Pte Young. Det. FONI.

#### 11. No & TYPE of TOOLS.

Axes 3      Machettes 23      Machette Sabard. 23

Shovels. Lmt. 26      Shovels Lge 4      Picks. Lge 4

#### 12. MOSQUITO. NETS.

I certify that all mosquito nets have been inspected daily by an officer during the past week and repairs promptly carried out when necessary. There are 75 serviceable Mosquito Nets and 12 serviceable hammocks in the Coy Area

#### 13. EMERGENCY RATIONS

152 Tins held. No Emergency Rations have been consumed during past weeks

14 CONTROLLED STORES.

	Rifle .303	Rifle .38	OSMG	Bren	Bren Sp. Band	Comp. Mag.	" Pic	" Rocket Mag	Bren. No 2 HK II	" No 2 HK I	Pist. Weirns	Pist. Mag	Mag. Bren	" Bren	Sniper Rifle	Teles. Sight	Mort 2"	Cup. Case	Mag. Bren	Bayonets	Mort. Bren.	Mag. Bren. M1	Feedings M1	Watches P5
Coy.	42	3	20	9	9	3	9	9	3	1	4	3	100	90	2	2	3	9	9	53	3	-	-	12
Detached.	17						1													17				+
TOTAL.	59	3	20	9	9	3	9	10	3	1	4	3	100	90	2	2	3	9	9	70	3	-	-	12
ATT.	5																			5				

I certify that all Controlled Stores have been inspected by an officer, found serviceable and in accordance with Coy Records

*[Signature]*  
O C KOTI

7/5

*[Signature]*

Kuda

## Weekly Report

Q.M. ~~11/5~~ 8/5

Sat 6 May '44

Ref. Map - Saidor 1/63360 1.

1) Cond.

O.C. Lt Egan C.J.

2/1/c

7PL Lt Laughlin J.

8PL Lt Eade F.W.

9PL Lt Fox F.R.

No 30

2. Manning Pers -

Manned By

Sta.	Fighting Pers.		Non Fighting Pers.		Total.
	Kuda	Font	S/B	AAEC.	
Unit area 3000 yds S.W Saidor Strip 522774	4.80	1	3	4	4.88

3. Duties at Stas -

Nil

4) OP and Patrols -

5)

OP's - NilRef. Map. Saidor A1. Patrols - 4 May '44 1 NCO 6 OR's to contact Kumo See at M.R. 527764 0Report - Unable to contact owing to the river NANKINA being flooded. No suitable place for ford foundA.2. Patrol - 2 NCO's 24 OR's to GIG then to YAUNIA then to KRU to destroy JAPS believed to be in proximity of these villiagesReport - No enemy seen.6. Arms - Amn - Controlled Stores - Tools - Mosquito Nets - Emergency RationsArms

Type	Rifles.			Brens	Owens	2" Mortars	38 Pis.	Cups Dischr.	Bayonets	1" Sig Pist
	Mk 3	E.Y	Snpers.							
Totals	54	3	2	9	20	3	4	9	68	3

Amn

Type	303			9mm 38	2 Mor			Gren		Sig Cart 1"		
	Bdr.	Chgr.	Chn		HE	Smoke	ILL	4 Sec	7 Sec	Red	Grn.	ILL
Totals	2,500	Nil	900	2000	Nil	Nil	Nil	85	Nil	Nil	2	Nil

Controlled Stores

Type	Binocs	Watches G.S	Compasses			Bren					Owen Mags	Prot. Ivonne	Teles Snip.
			Mk 3	Mk 9	Pocket Magnetic	Mags	Spare Borels	Wallets	Trips.	AA Mags			
Totals	4	11	3	9	10	90	9	9	3	Nil	100	2	2

Tools1. Axes - 12, 2. Shovels - Hand - 26, G.S. - 9, 3. Picks - 5, 4. Maquettes - 20

Mosquito Nets.

Serviceable — 92  
 Unserviceable — Nil

I certify that mosquito nets have been inspected daily, that holes have been repaired and that all nets are in a serviceable condition.

J. J. J. J. J.

Emergency Rations

I certify that every man present with coy as at 061800K has in his possession two emergency rations.

J. J. J. J. J.

Certificate - Arms - Controlled Stoves - Tools

I certify that an inspection of Arms, Controlled Stoves & Tools has been carried out and that the figures on this report are correct.

J. J. J. J. J.

7. Med. Health generally good, few cases of minor sores & nashes.

8. Intercomm.

Line only = Quite satisfactory reception R.5.

Gen.

bay settled in new one. Staining American & Australian tents the GPs have been able to make themselves more comfortable.

The hygiene in the one is good.

Owing to low lying ground & wet weather the mosquitoes have more one for breeding. Malarial personnel have the area under control. Much draining has been done.

Gas during week - OVER





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D/S  
636

SECRET  
6 MAY 44

QM

B COY WEEKLY REPORT - SERIES II No 18

DM  
8/5

(1) COMD NX 146860 CAPT FLHRMAN L.H.R.  
SAIDOR 1" - 1 MILE

(2) CAMPS & MANNING

COY	LOCATION	MAP REF	FIGHTING TFS		NON FIGHTING TFS		TOTAL
			COY	ATT	COY	ATT	
H.Q.	WILWILAN	571173	2-6	-	-	1	2-7
10PL	YANUNIA	493790	1-10	4	-	2	1-16
"	2SEC KALININ	527763	- 8	-	-	-	8
"	3 - YAIMAS	501815	- 7	-	-	-	7
11PL HQ	MUR	615762	1-3	6	-	2	1-11
"	4SEC NOM PAN	637744	- 9	-	-	-	9
"	5 - KASU	612745	- 10	-	-	-	10
"	6 - MIOR	586732	- 10	-	-	-	10
12PL	LONG IS	-	1-22	-	-	2	1-24
DET			3-31	-	-	-	3-31
TOTAL			8-116	10	-	7	8-133

DET		ATT	
1-14	HL	4	HAAC
	<del>CAMP COMD LAS</del>	3	RAP
3	REAR DETAILS	6	MOR
4	NGF TRG SCHOOL	2	SIGS
2	BDE HQ	1	HYG
3	TRJA	1	I
2	MMG	1	8FDAMB
3	FOTO		

71

340  
106  
234

(3) DUTIES AT STA

Def of SAIDOR as per para (2) COLS. 1.2.3.

(4) OPS. NIL

(5) PATROLS & O.P.s. Standing patrols located at posts as per para (2) COLS 1.2.3.

(6) AMNS

COY	303BOR	303 CTN	9MM CSMG	36 GREN HAN	380 REV	3" MOR H.E.
HQ	200	-	80	5	24	-
10PL	1050	300	520	32	12	-
11	2150	1548	520	82	12	-
12	850	380	480	22	12	-
ATT						30
TOTAL	4250	2148	1600	141	60	30

ARMS

COY	303 RIFLE	RIFLE SNIPER	RIFLE FT	BAYONETS	SNIPER	380 PISTOL	SIG PISTOL	CSMG	LMG	CUP DISCH	2" MOR	3" MOR
HQ	4	-	-	5	-	2	3	1	-	-	-	-
10PL	15	-	1	14	-	1	-	6	3	3	1	-
11	20	1	-	23	-	1	-	7	3	3	1	-
12	11	1	1	14	1	1	-	6	3	3	1	-
ATT	13	-	-	13	-	1	-	3	-	-	-	1
TOTAL	63	2	2	74	1	6	3	23	9	9	3	1

B Coy WEEKLY REPORT (CONT'D)

(7) MEDICAL

No Evacs - health generally good

(8) INTER COMM

L/T to 11 PL. W/T 10 PL to Bn. No Comm est. to KALANIN posn  
12 PL W/T to Bn.

No Comm MIOK posn to PL nor to KASU outpost.  
Reliefs of def posns in SAIDOK area from 5 Hurd Div Carrier  
Coy effected 041800K.

(9) GEN

Hyg & sanitation good.  
Wakka lotion see Certificate rendered 5 MAY  
Morale of troops good.

(10) CAS

CAPT FUHRMAN }  
LT BARLINE } TOS  
TARRAN }

1/CPL SMITH J }  
4/CPL ROWLEY } M/O to trg Bn.  
CPL MAWSY }

(11) NO & TYPE OF TOOLS

MACHETTES 20  
SHOVELS 5 26  
AXES 1

(12) MOSQUITO NETS

Inspected daily all are serviceable

(13) EMERGENCY RATIONS  
FD DRESSINGS

I certify that to the best of my knowledge  
every man in the Coy has two E Rations & one  
fd dressing

(14) CONTROLLED STORES

COY	RIFLES 303	" SNIPER	FX	BAYONETS	" SNIPER	SCOPE	380 PISTOL	516 PISTOL	COMP LIG	" PRIS	MAG	WATCH GS	MACHETTES	OSMG	MAGS	L MAG	MAGS	TRIPODS	SPARE BARRELS	PROTRACTORS	BINOCS	CUP DISCH	E RATIONS	FD DRESSING	SHOVELS S	AXES	2" MORT	SP WALLETS	HAMMOCKS	NETS	MOSSIE
HR	4	-	-	5	-	-	2	3	2	-	3	4	1	1	6	-	-	1	-	-	-	16	8	-	-	-	-	1	8		
10 PL	15	-	1	19	-	-	1	-	-	2	3	2	6	6	36	3	30	1	2	1	3	52	26	9	1	1	3	4	22		
11	20	1	-	23	-	1	1	-	1	3	1	3	7	7	42	3	30	1	2	1	3	60	32	9	-	1	3	4	28		
12	11	1	1	14	1	1	1	-	1	3	1	2	6	6	36	3	30	-	2	1	3	46	23	8	-	-	-	-	18		
ATT	13	-	-	13	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL	63	2	2	74	1	2	6	3	4	9	8	11	20	23	170	9	90	3	5	3	4	9		26	1	3	9	13	94		

I certify that controlled stores have been checked &  
found to be correct

*[Signature]* Capt  
OC Coy

Report for Week Ending 6 May 4-1/15/5

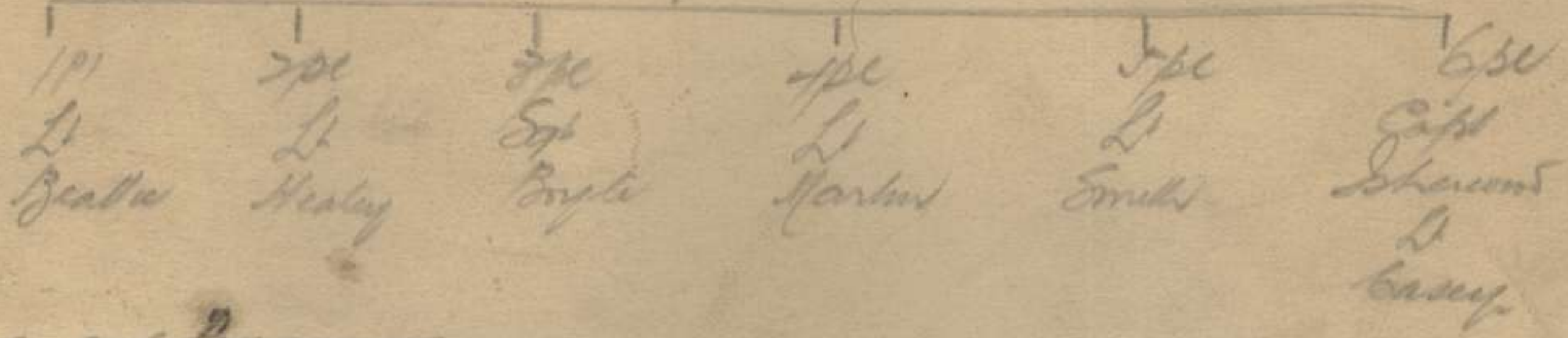
ref Map SAIDOR 1:25000

cc Maj. S.H. Whitehead

QM

1636  
10/5/51

1. Command



2. Camp Locations and Personnel

	Map ref	HQ Coy	B Coy	D Coy	E Coy	F Coy	MCC	GENE	PROC	Total
Coy HQ	523774	1	6	1						1 72
1	"	1	19							1 19
2	547819 to 561811	1	22	1	2	2	1			1 30
3	523774		22							22
4	533821 to 575774 to 607765	1	13		3	3		1		1 19
5	523774	1	3 1/2						1	1 37
6	"	2	11				3	1	12	19

3. Duties at Stations

1. Coy HQ 3pl and 5pl. Camp Maintenance and Draining
2. 1 Pl Maintenance of Camps through out whole of SAIDOR area and to MUR & GUMSI
3. 2 Pl Defence of SAIDOR area. Stationed on coastline from 547819 to 561811
4. 3pl One det under Comd B Coy for defence of area South of NARRINNA River
5. 4 Pl Defence of SAIDOR area. Stationed on coastline at 533821 and 575774 to 607765
6. 6 Pl Responsibility of Service and supply of all AUSTRALIAN troops in SAIDOR area

4 Observations Pals Nil

5 Pals Nil

6 A.M.S and A.M.N.

Ref. 203	Ref. 214	OSM	REN	Regime	MMS	OSM	Ref. 203	Ref. 214	Ref. 215	Ref. 216
116	27 +ellacy 28	22	4	7	4	4	3760	1180	260	9000 and 4Pl

7 ON ROLLED STOPS

OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM	OSM
125	75	4	4	-	-	6	7	6	75	5	3	7	12	4	8			

8 R.P.P.

R.P.P. established with Coy HQ  
 Fletcher given as Medical orderly  
 attached to 2pl  
 Health good. No evacuations during  
 week. Treatments given for tons and  
 skin eruptions only.

9 Inter Comms (Pm)

line: - line WAKs with all coys + in  
 some cases to Pl's speech on most  
 circuits strength 5.

WT direct wireless link with 5 Aust Div  
 talk 109 + 11KLT.

D.R.L.S.

- (i) Mut and banner daily despatch all  
 traffic for 5 Aust Div by barge or if  
 plane available drop at 5 div.
  - (ii) Serve all Aust units in area twice  
 daily.
- Responsible for all special comm this  
 area.

### 10 Mosquito Nets

Mosquito Nets and Hammocks of Coy HQ.  
 1, 3, 5, 6 pl. examined daily. All  
 Personnel in possession of Serviceable Mosquito  
 Net or Hammock.  
 Certificates of inspection & serviceability  
 received from 2 pl Comd.

### 11 Emergency Rations

Certified all Personnel are in possession  
 of 2 Emergency Rations.

### 12 Anti Moccia Treatment

All clothing on issue to Personnel has had  
 Moccia lotion applied during period

### 13 General

The move of the Coy to the present area was  
 carried out without incident. Detachments  
 moved with each rifle Coy, the move to the  
 area being completed within 3 days.  
 Coy HQ and 1, 3, 5 Cpls moved to the  
 present area and quickly established a  
 Camp. 2 Cpls moved direct to their  
 positions along the East line.  
 No mail has been received by the  
 Troop since being in the present location.  
 75% of the Troop receive local leave  
 nightly and make full use of the  
 time to attend local picture shows  
 or make contacts with allied troops.  
 Daily swim Parades have been  
 maintained

W. H. Law  
 or HQ Coy

TERRAIN STUDIES, HANDBOOKS & INFORMATION RESUMES

HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
G153

14 May 44.

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) ✓  
57/60 Aust Inf Bn  
58/59 Aust Inf Bn

1. Copies of the following publications are forwarded for perusal and circulation on the following basis:

(a) Terrain Studies

- (i) No 59 Area Study of MADANG (2 Vols)
- (ii) No 65 Area Study of SEPIK District (2 Vols)
- (iii) No 69 Locality Study of MADANG.

(b) Terrain Handbooks

No 17 WEWAK.

(c) Information Resumes

No 6 RAI COAST and FINISTERRE (not to 24 Aust Inf Bn). *1 copy already held. Now being circulated to units*

2. The circulation will be as follows:

(a) First	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	14 - 16 May.
Second	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	17 - 20 May.
Third	24 Aust Inf Bn	<u>23 - 26 May.</u>

(b) publications will be forwarded direct to the next unit. 24 Aust Inf Bn will return books to this HQ.

(c) Failure to receive publications in a reasonable time will be signalled to this HQ.

3. If additional time is required by units to make a wider internal circulation, application may be made to this HQ on the completion of the present arrangements.

*B. N. Evans*

Major  
BM 15 Aust Inf Bde

*E*

*B. 16/5*

*B/F 23/5*

*copy N.*

*B. 13/5*  
*10/5*  
*1/5*

MOST SECRET.

Subject : INTER-SERVICE RECOGNITION PROCEDURE -  
RECOGNITION SIGNALS FOR AIRCRAFT.

Copy No... 3....

HQ 3 Aust Div.

WAR DIARY Appendix... N.....

26 Jul 43.

G 12/32.

1. Attached as Appendix "A" is list of reserve column of aircraft recognition signals for period 0001 hrs GMT on day 1 to 2400 hrs on day 31.
2. Attached column becomes effective as reserve column from 0001 hrs GMT 28 Jul 43.
3. All previous columns held other than current column will be destroyed by fire.

4. ACKNOWLEDGE. *SM 1120K/27.*

*E*

*J. Wilton*  
Lt-col.  
GS 3 Aust Div.

Distribution.

15 Aust Inf Bde	(AIF)	Copy No	1.
17 Aust Inf Bde			2.
24 Aust Inf Bn			3.
57/60 Aust Inf Bn			4.
156 Aust Lt AA Bty	(AIF)		5.
HQ SIGS 3 Aust Div	(AIF)		6.
Det 4 AC Sqn			7.
11 Fighter Control Sub-Sector			8.
File			9.

B925  
1210K/30

MOST SECRET

WAR DIARY Appendix.....N.....

Subject: HANDLING OF PRISONERS OF WAR AND CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

NG Force  
25 Aug 43  
GSI/2041

- 7 AUST DIV
- 9 AUST DIV
- 3 AUST DIV
- ✓ WAMPIT FORCE

Copy to:-  
'A' for information

ATIS personnel have already been allotted to each Division to carry out preliminary examination of PsW and captured documents for information of immediate value only.

2. 7 Aust Div will despatch prisoners and documents by first available air transport after preliminary examination to either NG Force, MORESBY, or 1 Aust Corps DOBODURA, depending on the destination of available transport.

3. 3 and 9 Aust Divs will despatch prisoners and documents after preliminary examination by first available means to 1 Aust Corps, DOBODURA.

*(Handwritten mark)*

*R. R. ...*  
Erig  
GS NG Force

*(Handwritten mark)*

*8/16 3/18*  
*Swamy*  
*1/9*

*H 3/18*

*mak. 1/9*



# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

<b>CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS</b>	IN	No. of Groups <b>GR.</b>	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		

(ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

<b>TO</b>	9 Reg 24 Bn		
<b>FROM</b>	13th Bn.	Originator's Number	Date
		4255	79
1287146	1st Lt	BECK	P.D.V.
reporting	report	reported	returned
to 179	and	evacuated	to unit
records	accordingly	and	Please
to	111 C.C.S.	forward	all

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** (EXCEPT ) WIRELESS BY ANY MEANS:  
SIGNATURE: *[Signature]*  
\* ORIGINATOR MAY DELETE "EXCEPT" AND INSERT "INCLUDING."

THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT **IN CYPHER** IF LIABLE TO INTERCEPTION OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS.  
SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(BELOW THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN  
1330  
T.H.I.

SYSTEM	TIME	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM	TIME	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM	TIME	READER	SENDER
IN	IN			OUT	OUT			OUT	OUT		

T.O.R.

1008

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(BEFORE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)  
WAR DIARY Appendix

~~BTSA DUBI DIFA~~ ~~BTSA DUBI~~

BASA

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Ys	not	NOT	fire	on	A/c
unless	A/c	identified	against	shots	used
shots	or	A/c	attacks	with	hand
or	gunfire	0	up	fire	
opened	at	ward	be	controlled	

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

TO

(BEFORE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

2000

TO  
IMMEDIATE  
AND  
CERT

TO

IN

~~BTSA DUBI~~

Revised October, 1943  
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Form 3123

MESSAGE FORM

12/11 B

~~BTSA DUBI~~  
67/11

B867/11

H.Q. 15 INF BDE  
30 OCT 1943  
NO G1/49

GS INSTRUCTION NUMBER 48

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
28 Oct 43

POLICY PERTAINING TO FIRING ON HOSTILE AIRCRAFT

1. The following instructions which outline the policy regarding the engagement of hostile aircraft will be promulgated to all ranks. Action will be taken by Commanding Officers to ensure that these instructions are carefully observed.
2. With the exception of anti-aircraft troops who are engaged under Air Force control in co-ordinated air defence, troops will NOT fire on any aircraft unless
  - (a) The aircraft is identified beyond doubt as hostile;
  - (b) The aircraft attacks with bombs or gunfire.
3. If fire is opened it must be controlled. Haphazard individual shooting will NOT be permitted.

*W*

*W. H. M. King*  
for Lt-Col  
GS 5 Aust Div

DISTRIBUTION:

List "B"

DISTRIBUTION by 15 Aust Inf Bde

30 Oct 43

24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

3 Aust Air Maintenance Coy

*Will promulgate  
A 1/11*

3779 27/10/43  
21/00

DM for personal

ARMY MESSAGE FORM C2136

~~CH. Coy~~ G4/77

return

~~I.O. for personal~~  
return see

HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
26 Oct 43

24 Aust Inf Bn  
15 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec

B/F 3/11/43

WAR DIARY Appendix.....N

1. Forwarded herewith copies of LHQ SM23487 of 1 Oct 43 together with an enlarged copy of Army Message Form C2136 (small). Message Form C2136 (large) is identical in wording with the small form but has a larger space for the message.
2. The further instructions referred to in para 3 of above SM will be forwarded when received.

B/F 27/11  
11/11

CO.

B. H. Fraumo.  
Major  
BM 15 Aust Inf Bde

Suggest that instruction be prepared for all Officers.  
Do you approve?

Sig. O. To prepare instr  
AS 30/10 seen

28 OCT 1943  
Sig. B.

B/F 29/10

(COPY)

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

(Chief of General Staff )

Headquarters,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne S.C. 1,  
1 Oct 43.

S/L 23487

ARMY MESSAGE FORM C 2136

1. Army message forms C 2136 (large) and C 2136 (small) are being adopted for use in the United Kingdom for all purposes as from 1 Oct 43. One copy of each of the new message forms is attached to this instruction.
2. It is intended to conform with the British procedure and to adopt Army message forms C 2136 universally throughout the Australian Military Forces as soon as arrangements can be made to effect the changeover.
3. No action will be taken by formations and units to bring the new message forms into general use until further instructions on the subject are issued by IHQ.
4. In the meantime, however, as the message form C 2136 is prescribed for use with Combined W/T and R/T Procedure in Joint or Combined Operations, it may be used within the Australian Military Forces for such purposes as circumstances demand.
5. The definitions of Joint and Combined Operations are as follows :-  

JOINT - Between two or more Services of one Nation.  
COMBINED - Between Services of two Nations.
6. In order that all officers and other personnel who have occasion to originate messages may become familiar with the new form, the following instructions regarding its use are issued :-

Instructions for use of Army Message Form C 2136

- (a) In conformity with the old message form, that part of it lying between the thick lines is for the use of the originator.
- (b) The "Originator", "For action" and "For information" spaces
  - (i) The originator here inserts addresses sufficient to identify the office of origin, the offices to which the message is addressed for action, and those to which it is addressed for information
  - (ii) At a headquarters at which a signal office is established, the addresses may be written in clear. At other headquarters code-signs must be used if the message is to be signalled by a means liable to interception by the enemy.
  - (iii) It is to be noted that the "TO" and "FROM" spaces are in the reverse order to that in which they appeared in the old message form.
- (c) The Date-Time of Origin

This group consists of six figures which may be followed by a Zone Suffix letter. The first two digits express the day of the month; 0 being used as the first digit when the number is below ten; the remaining digits express the time. The zone suffix letter shows the time zone in which the message was originated.
- (d) The Originator's number

The originator may insert an originator's number at the beginning of the text

(c) Signature

The originator signs in one of the two signature spaces which indicate the systems by which the message may be sent. If the text may safely be sent in clear by wireless, he signs in the left hand space, strikes out "except" and writes "incl". No formal message is valid without a signature. A formal message is a message normally written on a message form; this is signed by the originator and a record of it must be kept.

(f) Originator's Instructions - Degree of Priority

- (i) The originator may demand a degree of priority in the handling of his message. Messages of a high degree of priority are signalled before all those of lower priority. Messages of the same degree of priority are signalled in the order in which they were handed in to the signal office (or with through messages in the order of receipt).
- (ii) If the message contains both action and information addresses, the degree of priority demanded by the originator applies only to the action addresses, unless the word "all" is inserted before the priority, e.g. "ALL IMPORTANT".
- (iii) In the originator's instructions space may also be written instructions as "To be called for".

(g) Number of copies

The originator will normally hand in one copy of the message for each address, and all addresses must appear on each copy.

(Sgd) T.W. WHITE Brig  
for Lieutenant General  
Chief of General Staff.

BS-16/11/43

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WAR DIARY Appendix.....N

Headquarters  
NEW GUINEA Force  
/0 Nov 43  
G/ 1310 /Ops

Subject: TIME DESIGNATION

Distribution list D  
(Branches etc and formations (with copies sufficient for distribution by formations to all units under comd) and units under comd HQ NG Force)

INTRODUCTION

1. As from 15 Nov 43, the terms of this instruction will be adopted within NEW GUINEA Force for the designation of time in orders, instructions, reports and messages, at all times other than in Joint or Combined Operations.

TIME OF ORIGIN

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(E.J. MILFORD) Major General  
General Staff

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Headquarters  
NEW GUINEA FORCE  
10 Nov 43

G/1310/Ops

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DAY	TIME	RESERVE Aircraft recog- nition Letter	COLUMN Surface Craft or Ground Station Letter	DAY	TIME	RESERVE Aircraft recog- nition Letter	COLUMN Surface Craft or Ground Station Letter
(1)	(2)	(5)	(6)	(1)	(2)	(5)	(6)
1	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	M S Q N	C X O I	11	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	F L N W	O J G M
2	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	O D J P	W N B F	12	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	S X N H	M O P Z
3	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	N F Y M	S X P O	13	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800- 1800-2400	W Z N X	J L F I
4	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	M I J K	V Q N Y	14	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	G P X Y	H O J N
5	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	H Q L Y	B F Z D	15	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	H X M D	O V J L
6	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	W D P Q	M J F Y	16	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	L P F X	Q S I D
7	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	W L V Z	N H Q S	17	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	J S F M	C Q H F
8	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	Q W C H	D I V J	18	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	X G P Z	O J N B
9	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	O V Z H	L I N V	19	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	B M Z X	V W D G
10	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	H B V L	Z D M F	20	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	C D Q P	B H W S

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21	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	D Z P E	O I V X	27	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	Y X I V	Q G W Z
22	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	D I C P	F N Z V	28	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	X M C F	Z H I X
23	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	B D V Y	M O B H	29	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	Q G C Z	X W N B
24	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	M B V Z	C Q Y D	30	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	J P M B	O L F X
25	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	N X I L	G P Z V	31	0000-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	G S H W	Q Y J N
26	0600-0600 0600-1200 1200-1800 1800-2400	L J S X	V Y Z P				

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ALLOTMENT OF CODE NAMES - 5 AUST DIV

AMENDMENT NO 1

1. Additional Code Names are allotted as follows -

Serial 66 - 2/1 Mech Eqpt Coy - H A V A

Serial 67 - 2/23 Corps Fd Pk Coy - L A B O

2. Please amend Parts I and II of all copies of above allotment.

3. Please acknowledge receipt. *Rept. sent 2/1/43*

*Albert J. Porter* ..... Capt  
Adjts Sigs 3 Aust Div (AIF)

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HQ 5 Aust Div	1
HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	2
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73 Aust Mob SL Bty	5
21 Aust Tk/A Bty	6
HQ RAE 3 Aust Div	7
HQ RAE LAE Fortress	8
CRE (Wks) LAE Base	9
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No 2 Coy Sigs 3 Aust Div	11
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24 Aust Inf Bn	13
29 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	14
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SIGS 3 AUST DIV (AIF),  
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ALLOTMENT OF CODE NAMES - 5 AUST DIV

- 1 Herewith allotment of Code Names effective 0200 hrs 1 DEC 43.
- 2 Addressees concerned will be advised later of keys, effective at above time, to R/T Code No 2.
- 3 If liable to fall into enemy hands, this document must be destroyed.
- 4 Acknowledge receipt on form below. *acc. 30/11/43*

*Albert P. Porter* Capt,  
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*Ref G.O. Circular No 210 delete 2/55 L.A.O. under command AEME 5 Aust Div from 1200 hrs 14 Dec All informed*

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*Ref GS circular No 2, 0 at following units 298 Aust LAD det. 2 Aust Fld Bakery, 52 Aust Rifles Det. LHQ Rental stores unit 0 Amend 163 Aust Supply depot pl. where first appearing to read 162 Aust Supply Depot pl all informed*

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GS CIRCULAR NUMBER 2

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
19 Nov 43

UNITS UNDER COMMAND LAE BASE SUB AREA

1. Units listed below are under command LAE Base Sub Area.
2. Units concerned not already under command LAE Base Sub Area will come under command from 1200 hrs 29 Nov 43.

UNITS

RAE

20 Aust A Fd Coy  
2/2 Docks Op Coy less det  
2/23 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy  
Det 2/1 Aust Port Maintenance Coy  
11 Aust Water Tpt Operating Coy

SIGS

19 Aust L of C Sigs

AASC

133 Aust Gen Tpt Coy  
151 Aust Gen Tpt Coy  
163 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
HQ 39 Aust Sup Depot Coy  
42 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
43 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
163 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
55 Aust BIPOD Pl  
One Pl 2/4 Aust MAC  
2 Pl 4 Aust Fd Bakery  
Det 2 Aust Air Maintenance Coy

MEDICAL

Det 2/7 AGH  
104 Aust Adv Depot Medical Stores

ORD

43 Aust FOD  
103 Aust FAD

AEME

Fortress Wkshops LAE  
Pl 2 Aust Mech Eqpt Wkshop  
~~2/65 Aust LAD~~

POSTAL

Det 7 Aust Base Postal Unit

GRAVES

10 Aust Graves Regn and Enquiries Unit

LABOUR

38 Aust Emp Coy

MISCELLANEOUS

30 Aust FS Sec  
ADCS Bulk Store  
ADCS Issuing Point 24  
8 Aust MC Gp  
MFO  
Det Air Tpt Control

3. Those units who have not got an appropriate service representative at present on HQ LAE Base Sub Area will be under command for local administration only. For technical control they will be under the appropriate head of service on HQ 5 Aust Div

*Stewart Brett*  
Capt  
for Lt-Col  
GS 5 Aust Div

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Subject - COMMAND AND LOCAL ADMINISTRATION  
AUST TPS AT YALU

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
7 Dec 43  
A. 2203

24 AUST INF BN ✓  
AREA COMDT NADZAB (2)  
CRE LAE FORTRESS  
CRE WORKS LAE (3)  
LAE BASE SUB AREA  
HQ COMD 3 AUST DIV ASC  
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1. Area Comdt NADZAB will not be responsible for the local administration of Aust tps stationed at or engaged on CCS and hospital construction in the YALU area.
2. OC 20 Aust Fd Coy is appointed Area Commander at YALU and will be responsible to this HQ through CRE Works LAE (5 Aust CRE Works) for the local administration of all aust units in the YALU area.
3. Units stationed at or to be located at YALU will still remain under command of formations or services concerned, but for local administration only will be under command OC 20 Aust Fd Coy.

*A. M. Chaw*  
Lt-Col  
AA & QMC 5 Aust Div

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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Copy No 1.5

1 Jan 44

7 AUST DIV ADM ORDER NO 8MOVEMENT 7 DIV UNITS DUMPU - MORESBYMOVE

1. Units detailed in 7 Aust Div O 1320 of 31 Dec will move by air to MORESBY commencing 1 Jan 44.
2. The move will proceed as a ferry service at the rate of 36 plane loads per day.
3. The sequence of movement will be arranged by this HQ and units will be advised accordingly. Maximum notice of date and time of move will be given.

EMPLANING

4. Units will be advised time of emplaning and are responsible for reporting to No 2 Strip at least 30 minutes prior to emplaning time.
5. Method of emplaning and all orders connected with the actual emplaning will be issued by AIR STRIP CONTROL OFFICER (MAJ BAIN or his representative).

EMPLANING TABLES

6. Three copies of Emplaning Tables will be made out by all units emplaning and distributed as under:

1 Copy to AIR STRIP CONTROL  
1 Copy to pilot of plane  
1 Copy to be retained by unit.

Pro forma Emplaning Tables may be obtained from "Q" Branch of this HQ.

TRANSPORT

7. Immediately a unit has been notified date and time of departure this HQ will be advised particulars of transport required to lift unit equipment to air strip.
8. Transport will NOT be provided for lifting personnel except under exceptional circumstances.

EQUIPMENT

9. Units will move with normal WET scale less 2 pr TK/A guns, 25 pr guns, and transport.
10. Guns as per para 9 above and transport will be handed over to incoming units. Units will ensure that AAF G1033s are passed for all guns and AAF G52s for all transport.
11. Tentage and accommodation stores will not be taken by units moving from this area and will be handed over in situ to incoming units.

BLANKETS

12. To be carried on scale one per man. This applies only to units at present in possession of blankets.

AMMUNITION

13. Ammunition at present held by units will be handed over to incoming units, with the exception of 10 rds per rifleman, and equivalent for other personal weapons, which will be carried by each man.

14. Loose amm will be boxed by outgoing units.

RATIONS

15. Personnel will move with two emergency rations and one field operational ration carried on the man. All other rations will be handed over to incoming units under arrangements CASC.

ACCOMMODATION

16. On arrival at MORESEBY 25 Aust Inf Bde will be accommodated in the same general area previously occupied by them in POMPOM VALLEY, and 21 Aust Inf Bde in the area vacated by 18 Aust Inf Bde.

RECEPTION

17. 7 Aust Div LOB Gp will arrange fostering parties in conjunction with Adv Party 25 Aust Inf Bde.

18. Reception at the drome for units deplaning will be under arrangements MC. Tpt from the drome to unit lines will be arranged by CRA 7 Aust Div in conjunction with MC.

*William H. ...*  
for Lt-Col  
AA & QMG 7 Aust Div

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2/4 Aust Fd Regt	24 - 27	SDR
RAE 7 Aust Div	28 - 31	SDR
Sigs 7 Aust Div	32	SDR
HQ Comd AASC 7 Aust Div	33 - 36	SDR
7 Aust Div LOB Gp	37 - 38	"Q" Courier
Sta Comd	39	SDR
Comd	40	Hand
G	41	Hand
A	42	Hand
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BDE COMD'S CONFERENCE NO 5  
Held at Bde HQ 1030 hrs 12 Jan 44

HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
12 Jan 44

These notes are in confirmation.

1. Bde Op Instn was discussed.
  - (a) Priority of work was altered so that in para 14 alternative positions became serial (i) and comm trenches became serial (j)
  - (b) Overhead cover to be constructed for sleeping bays but NOT in fighting pits.
  - (c) Units to occupy bn defensive positions as a rehearsal before 1200 hrs 15 Jan 44.
  - (d) Units to submit to Bde HQ trace of tracks required in unit areas and engineer advice will be obtained for their construction.
  - (e) Parades - Units will hold regular pl parades and inspections to ensure that a high standard of discipline is maintained. There is no need for dirty boots and unshaven faces in this area. Weapons must be kept up to the highest standard.
  - (f) Discipline within sec posts must be the best. Sub-unit comds must come forward on approach of superior offrs and volunteer infm. Supervision of all work must be constant.
2. USE OF NATIVES
  - (a) Natives are not to be given equipment to carry esp valuable wireless sets.
  - (b) Natives will not be taken in very fwd areas carrying equipt.
  - (c) As a general principle natives will be under Bde control and application for natives will be made to Bde HQ.
3. INTERCOMMUNICATION
  - (a) Patrols must report at regular hours when out. Ca no account must a patrol come in without first reporting for orders.
  - (b) Sufficient equipment has been made available to ensure that reports can be made.
  - (c) Use flares and vereys to check locations of patrols.
4. TRAINING
  - (a) Every atom of trg value must be gained whilst in this area. Coy and possibly bn patrols will be sent out.
  - (b) Arty will not be available, so that 3-in mortars must be used.
  - (c) Keep a close eye on patrol briefing. See that patrol is briefed in accordance with Bde Trg Instn, and that the sketch map is prepared prior to departure of patrol. Patrol comd must return with a log and a sketch. Then by interrogation the fullest infm can be gained.
  - (d) Mosquito nets will be used on all patrols.
  - (e) Whilst on patrols watch man loads for suggestions and experiments. Check up on packing of equipt and boy loads.
5. ORDNANCE STORES

Bde is now well equipped. It is essential equipt is well looked after. Constant supervision by 2 i/c and spot checks be CO must be maintained. There is no need for losses or damages in the present situation.
6. GOC 7 Aust Div will visit 58/59 Aust Inf Bn for Church Parade on Sunday, 16 Jan 44. A full bn parade will be held.
7. AMENITIES
  - (a) Pictures and concert party will be round to units in turn.
  - (b) Arrange sports as much as possible.
  - (c) Unit concert parties to be arranged and possibly at a later date units may show within the bde.

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As for Conference No 4  
Plus 2/6 Aust Cav (Commando) Sqn.

*B. H. Francis.*  
Major  
BM 15 Aust Inf Bde

Distribution by 15 Aust Inf Bde 7 Feb 43  
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Subject: NEW GUINEA FORCE CW POLICY

Headquarters,  
NEW GUINEA Force  
G/6532 /SD  
3 Feb 44

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CANCELLATION OF PREVIOUS INSTRUCTION

1. NG Force Training Instruction No.1 (G/837/SD) of 29 Mar 43 is cancelled.

OBJECT

2. To lay down a revised CW policy which will ensure adequate precautions consistent with existing conditions.

POLICY

3. All formations and units will ensure:-
  - (a) That alertness is exercised in CW Intelligence matters to facilitate early recognition of enemy CW intentions;
  - (b) That all ranks have received sufficient A/G training to maintain fighting efficiency in the presence of war gases.
4. All A/G clothing and equipment, less capes and wallets A/G, will be withdrawn from formations and units to Adv and Fd Ord Depots. Arrangements will be made for units NOT engaged in active operations in forward areas to retain a fixed percentage for training purposes.
5. The object of this measure is to ensure that unit A/G clothing and equipment is in a serviceable condition and readily available when required.

IMPLEMENTATION

6. Measures to be taken by all Formations and Units:
  - (a) Units will withdraw all A/G clothing and equipment except capes and wallets A/G from the individual or from unit dumps;
  - (b) Units NOT engaged in active operations in forward areas will return to Adv and Fd Ord Depots A/G clothing and equipment withdrawn, less 10 per cent of WE entitlement which will be retained for training purposes. Where a unit has a strength of 80 or less, 8 complete sets of A/G equipment will be retained;
  - (c) Units engaged in active operations in forward areas will return to Adv and Fd Ord Depots A/G clothing and equipment withdrawn from the individual or from unit dumps;



- (d) In order to avoid congestion and to enable returned stores to be handled expeditiously, units will NOT return A/G clothing and equipment until directed by the formation or Base Sub Area under whose command they are;
- (e) At the discretion of formation commander capes A/G on issue can be used for rain capes and wallets A/G to keep personal effects dry;
- (f) To facilitate early recognition of enemy CW intentions, units will promulgate information of CW significance to all ranks, with such restriction of publication as each particular item merits;
- (g) A Gas Officer for each unit will be detailed to investigate and examine all enemy information and equipment of CW significance.

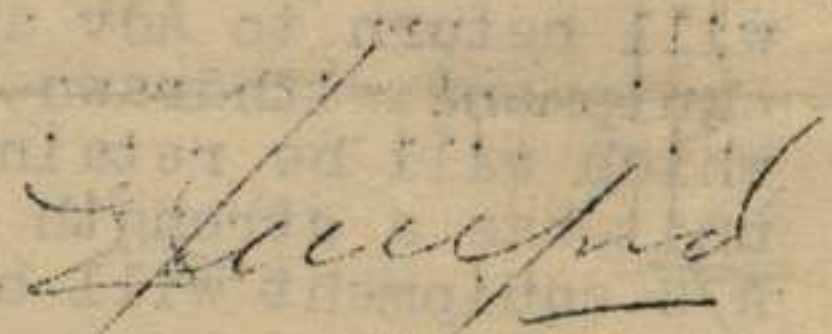
7. Additional measures to be taken by formations and units NOT engaged in active operations in forward areas:

- (a) Units will carry out sufficient A/G training to maintain TsOET standard;
- (b) All ranks will be examined in TsOET in accordance with provisions of Section 15 Gas Training (Aust) 1942, once every three months;
- (c) Units moving without equipment into Base Sub Areas for a period exceeding one month will draw from Ord for training purposes, the training scale vide para 6, sub para (b);
- (d) Units in possession of training scale of A/G equipment will arrange with HQ formation or Base Sub Area under whose command they are, to return such equipment to Ord if they have to move forward to participate in active operations;
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9. Each Base Sub Area will maintain sufficient A/G clothing and equipment in Depots to complete all formations etc to full WET in addition to training scale as set out in this memorandum. Scaling of maintenance will be in accordance with holdings for Base Sub Areas to be authorised in a separate memorandum, except that reserves will be upon a 30 days "quiet" rate.

10. Units returning to AUSTRALIA will take Capes A/G, Wallets A/G and Training scale held by them.

  
(E J MILFORD) Major-General  
General Staff

15 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTRUCTION NO 5

Copy No.....

HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
5 Feb 44MOVEMENT OF 15 AUST INF BDE GROUP

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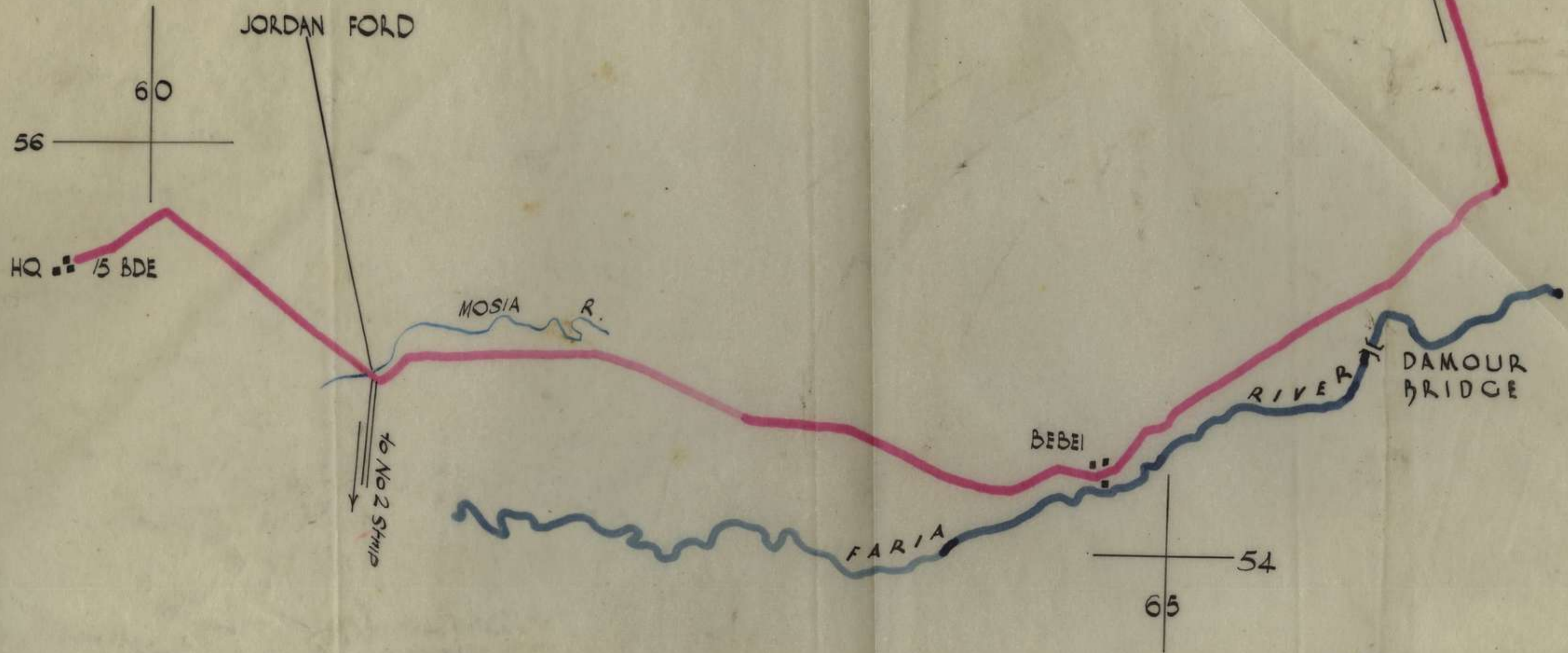
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SUPERIMPOSE OVER DUMPU. KUMBARUM, EYAPIA RIVER 1/25000

TO 18 AUST INF BDE  
LAKE



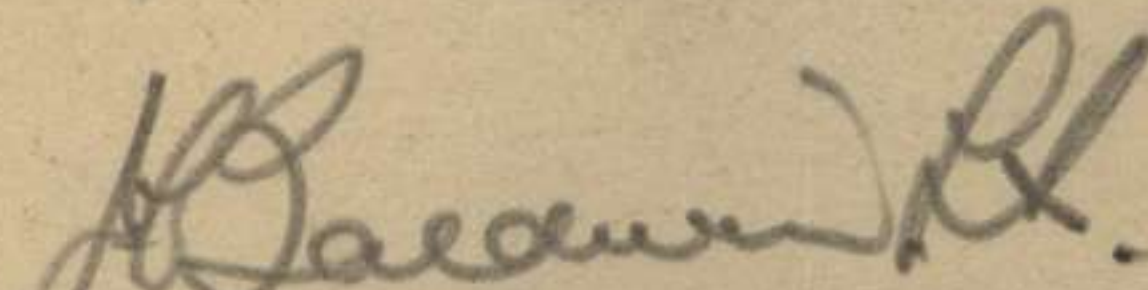
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22 Bn Lt Col.

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Subject : MOVE OF MAIN HQ 5 AUST DIV TO MADANG

HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
29 APR 44  
G2

RAE 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
Sigs 5 Aust Div  
24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) ✓  
AASC 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
Comd  
G  
AQ  
A

Q  
ADMS  
Ord  
AEME  
Camp  
10 ALP  
GHQ LO

1. Main HQ 5 Aust Div less a small rear party will move from SAIDOR to MADANG on 1 May 44.
2. Main HQ 5 Aust Div will close at SAIDOR at 011800K and re-open at MADANG at the same time.
3. The rear party will be as follows:-  
  - Capt BROOKMAN and batman
  - Capt BRUCE and batman
  - 1 jeep and driver
  - 1 tent, table and form
4. 24 Aust Inf Bn will accomodate and ration the above party.
5. The following will move by PT boat embarking at BLUE BEACH at 010830K:

GOC  
ADC  
G1  
AA&QMG  
ADMS  
G3(O)  
G3(Air)  
G3(I)

LO2  
DAAG(L)  
Capt DICKEY RAE 5 Aust Div  
CO Sigs 5 Aust Div  
CASC  
GHQ LO  
Batmen for the above officers  
4 Officers Mess Staff

A minimum of personal and sleeping gear only will be carried by the above personnel.

6. The remainder of the HQ personnel including

10 ALP  
GHQ Liaison Party  
AAPIU  
2 FS Sec  
ATIS Det No 12

1 OR  
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will move by LCM on morning 1 May 44.

7. All personnel will carry full water bottles and the unconsumed portion of their day's rations.
8. Final orders regarding movement and arrangements regarding transport will be made by "Q" Branch HQ 5 Aust Div.

*E. R. Wilmoth*

(E. R. WILMOTH) Lt-Col  
GS 5 Aust Div

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5 AUST DIV OPERATION ORDER NUMBER 4

Main HQ 5 Aust Div (AIF)  
28 May 44

Ref Map: KARKAR : 1 inch

INFORMATION

1. Enemy

No positive reports of recent Jap occupation of KARKAR are available. Tac R and inshore naval sightings disclose no activity.

From RAN sources the presence of an active RADAR station has been indicated on a high feature to the south of the island in mid-May.

PT boats intercepted two Jap barges loaded with personnel 15 miles NW of MARANG IS. on night 23/24 May receiving hy fire in return which damaged one PT boat.

This report may indicate an evacuation of KARKAR.

The presence of booby traps is possible in view of similar recent activity in the ALEXISHAFEN area.

INTENTION

2. 5 Aust Div will occupy and clear KARKAR of Japs.

METHOD

3. Grouping

The following are placed under comd 4 Aust Inf Bde at 291200K:

One Pl A Coy PIB  
Det RAE (10 ORs)  
One sec 4 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
Half Coy 2/15 Aust Fd Amb  
Det Pro (5 ORs)  
Det Salvage (3 ORs)  
Det ANGAU  
Six LCM from Coy C 593 EB & S Regt. This figure will be reduced to three on initial maintenance requirements being completed.

4. Role

4 Aust Inf Bde will employ not more than one battalion and attached troops to occupy and clear KARKAR.

5. Subsequent Occupation

On completion of task by 4 Aust Inf Bde 5 Aust Div Carrier Coy will garrison KARKAR and 4 Aust Inf Bde troops will be withdrawn. Date and place on which 5 Aust Div Carrier Coy will concentrate will be notified to 8 Aust Inf Bde. Comd of 5 Aust Div Carrier Coy will then revert to 5 Aust Div.

6. RAE and ANGAU

Forestry representatives and ANGAU representatives for recruiting of natives will NOT commence operations until authorised by 4 Aust Inf Bde.

ADM

7. Maintenance Centre

A maintenance centre under Div control is established at ALEXISHAFEN.

All maintenance requirements will be drawn by LCM under comd 4 Aust Inf Bde from this centre.

8. Supplies and POL

CAASC will maintain at ALEXISHAFEN as from 30 May reserves for 4 Aust Inf Bde:

P Rations	14 Days.
PIB Rations	14 Days.
Native Rations	1000 Rations.
Expense Stores	14 Days.
POL	200 gals.
Distillate	3000 gals.

9. Medical

Evacuation from medical det under comd 4 Aust Inf Bde to MDS ALEXISHAFEN will be effected every second day by AM 1567 under Div control and by backloading of barges as opportunity offers.

Urgent cases will be evacuated by quickest means by Div on request of 4 Aust Inf Bde.

10. Ord

ADOS will maintain 14 days reserve of fast moving items at ALEXISHAFEN as from 30 May.

11. Looting, Salvage, Pro

Steps will be taken to prevent looting of civilian property and enemy stores and equipment.

Pro control will be established at landing beaches to check personnel of all forces and services to prevent the removal by them from KARKAR of any property, stores or equipment.

Pro will work closely with Salvage and FSW personnel.

INTERCOMN

12. 4 Aust Inf Bde will report on suitable beaches or landing strips for L4 aircraft.

ACK

02549 1526K 8 Jun

Signed at .1240... hrs

Method of Despatch... Sigs...

*E R Wilmoth*  
(E R WILMOTH) Lt-Col  
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(A)

24 aust inf bn

29/5/38 K

For Action

**TO**

main 5 div

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

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0172 in reply 0327 ack  
OO number 4 NOT yet received please advise date  
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*A. Bunsell*

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2 jan first light ○ (37/52?) bw staging at

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SYLLABUS 13 - 15 July 1944

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BHQ

1. Duties

	RAN (100 ORs)	Officer	CRE (50 men)	Officer	Unit	Officer
13 July	A Coy B Coy	Lt TARRAN till 1200 then WO MINNIS	HQ Coy	Lt CASEY	D Coy C Coy	Lt IRVING
14 July	B Coy HQ Coy	1 per Coy	B Coy	1 from Coy	A Coy D Coy	Lt CASEY
15 July	C Coy A Coy	1 per Coy	D Coy	1 from Coy	B Coy HQ Coy	Lt CASEY

2(a) LECTURES - ARTILLERY AND ARTILLERY COOPERATION

Capt NICHOL 2/14 Aust Fd Regt will deliver two lectures each of approx 45 minutes duration. All troops will attend.

Date	Time	Coy	Lecture No	Remarks
13 Jul	1330 - 1415	C Coy, BHQ.	1	
	1430 - 1515	D Coy	1	
14 Jul	<del>0805</del> - <del>0930</del>	<del>HQ Coy</del>	2	
	<del>0905</del> - <del>1030</del>	<del>D Coy</del>	1	
	<del>1105</del> - <del>1130</del>	<del>A HQ Coy</del>	1	Personnel in Coy not on duty with RAN will attend this lecture.
	1330 - 1415	A Coy	2	
	1430 - 1515	HQ Coy	2	
	1530 - 1615	Officers	1	At Officers Mess
	1700 - 1745	Officers.	2	At Officers Mess.
15 July	0900 - 0945	HQ Coy, B Coy	1	HQ Coy personnel who were on duties 13/14 Jul will attend
	<del>0945</del> - <del>1030</del>			
	1000 - 1045	C Coy, BHQ	2	
	1100 - 1145	HQ Coy, B Coy.	2	

NOTE:- All lectures except for Officers will be held in HQ Coy Mess Hut. HQ Coy will prepare hut for lecture.

(b) PSYCHOLOGY OF MARRIED LIFE

Major ROSEFIELD 15 Aust Fd Amb (AIF) will deliver lectures on marital problems to personnel who have nominated to attend as follows:-

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	1430 - 1530	C Coy	19	
		BHQ	23	
14 Jul	<del>0830</del> - <del>0930</del>			
	<del>0900</del> - <del>1000</del>	B Coy	44	
	<del>1000</del> - <del>1100</del>	A Coy	17	
	<del>0935</del> - <del>1035</del>	HQ Coy	15	
	1100 - 1200	HQ Coy	36	

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3. Coy Comds will ensure that personnel not engaged on lectures report promptly to Officer in charge Unit duties.

*Samuel*  
Lt  
Adjt 24 Aust Inf Bn (ATF)

MESSAGE FORM

TO: 29 AUST INF BDE  
24 AUST INF BN  
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WAR DIARY, Appendix

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Subject: SHIP TO SHORE IDENTIFICATION SIGNALS SMALL CRAFT

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15 Jun 44  
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24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	(1)	C Coy 593 EB & S Regt	(1)

1. The following will apply for the period 21 Jun to 30 Jun 44 both inclusive:

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22 Jun 44	BMP	NOW
23 Jun 44	JDI	KEP
24 Jun 44	HFE	BAD
25 Jun 44	GIH	NIG
26 Jun 44	DBF	HIG
27 Jun 44	NLA	HIL
28 Jun 44	HPK	FEN
29 Jun 44	EGM	CAP
30 Jun 44	BMO	MUN

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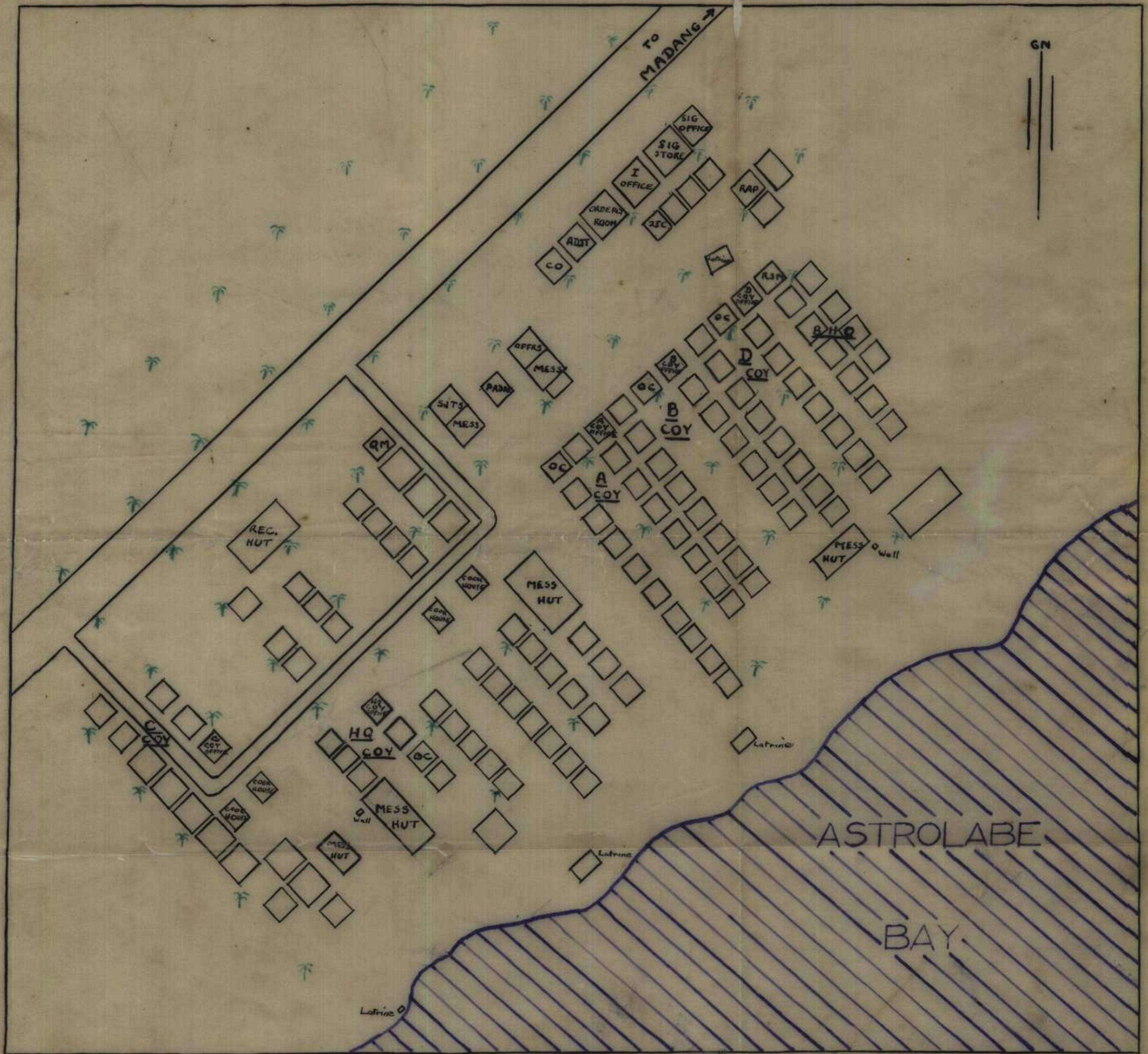
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*War Diary*

WEEKLY REPORT OF INCIDENCE OF MALARIA IN 5 AUS DIV

1. Incidence of malaria in Division and Brigades.

Week ending	5 Aust Div		4 Aust Inf Bde		8 Aust Inf Bde		15 Aust Inf Bde	
	No of cases	Rate/1000	No of cases	Rate/1000	No of cases	Rate/1000	No of cases	Rate/1000
16 Jun 44	14	1.4	5	2.7	1	.5	5	2.8
23 Jun 44	9	.9	4	2.2	4	1.9	-	-
30 Jun 44	14	1.4	2	1.2	4	1.9	2	1

2. Incidence of malaria in various units.

	Week ending 16 Jun 44	Rate per thousand	
		Week ending 23 Jun 44	Week ending 30 Jun 44
2/14 Aust PD Regt	2	-	-
106 Aust TR/A Regt	-	-	7
4 Aust PD Coy	-	-	-
22 Aust Inf Bn	2	5	-
29/46 Aust Inf Bn	4	-	2
37/52 Aust Inf Bn	4	2	2
4 Aust Inf Bn	-	2	4
30 Aust Inf Bn	-	2	-
35 Aust Inf Bn	2	2	2
34 Aust Inf Bn	3	-	2
57/60 Aust Inf Bn	2	-	-
58/59 Aust Inf Bn	2	-	2
152 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	13	-	13(1 case)
4 Aust PD sub	-	-	-
15 Aust PD sub	-	-	-
2/15 Aust PD sub	-	-	-

WEEKLY REPORT OF INCIDENCE OF DENGUE IN 5 AUS DIV

1. Incidence of dengue in various units.

	Week ending 16 Jun 44	Rate per thousand	
		Week ending 23 Jun 44	Week ending 30 Jun 44
HQ 5 Aust Div	-	-	5
2/14 Aust PD Regt	5	2	5
106 Aust TR/A Regt	-	-	14
4 Aust PD Coy	-	-	14
8 Aust PD Coy	5	5	10
15 Aust PD Coy	5	-	-
22 Aust Inf Bn	-	2	-
29/46 Aust Inf Bn	-	-	2
37/52 Aust Inf Bn	2	-	2
4 Aust Inf Bn	4	-	4
30 Aust Inf Bn	7	11	10
35 Aust Inf Bn	10	2	4
34 Aust Inf Bn	4	-	6
57/60 Aust Inf Bn	-	-	2
58/59 Aust Inf Bn	2	-	-
5 Aust Div Comm Coy	-	40	33(1 case)
4 Aust PD sub	-	-	-
15 Aust PD sub	10	15	10
2/15 Aust PD sub	5	-	-
77 Aust Dental Unit	-	-	1 case
AACE	-	-	1 case

2. Incidence of dengue in Division and Brigades.

Week ending	5 Aust Div		4 Aust Inf Bde		8 Aust Inf Bde		15 Aust Inf Bde	
	No of cases	Rate/1000	No of cases	Rate/1000	No of cases	Rate/1000	No of cases	Rate/1000
16 Jun 44	30	3	1	.6	11	5.6	2	1.1
23 Jun 44	31	3.1	1	.6	8	4	4	2.2
30 Jun 44	34	3.4	2	1.2	11	5	5	2.6

*S. Russell* Lt  
Adjt 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)



FRANCE. Latest reports from Gen EISENHOWER's H Q state there was no big change in yesterday's fighting on the 2nd Army front in NORMANDY. It was the quietest day since D Day 27 days ago. Something bigger was expected from the Germans but they are apparently licking their wounds as a result of battles earlier in the week. British troops coming in from NO mans land report the area littered with enemy dead. So far the battle has been costly for the Germans as is possible. Yesterday enemy air activity over the battle field was negligible and our ground patrols were active in enemy territory.

40 German tanks were put out of action and bad weather caused our a/c to cut down on their operations. In the 24 hrs less than 2000 sorties were flown. In the CHERBOURG area repairs are going on night and day to the Naval base. A German General captured at CHERBOURG stated the American arty in this area was excellent and much better than Russian arty.

RUSSIA. Russian forces advancing on MINSK from the NORTH and SOUTH have captured an important town 20 miles over the POLISH border to the N.W. of MINSK and another 80 miles S.W. of MINSK. Three more important railway towns have been taken and Germans killed on the White Russian front now total 200,000 and the Russians have liberated 1200 places. The MINSK - RIGA and BREST - LITOVSK - MINSK railways have been cut and Russian troops advancing from BORISOV are now only 12 miles from MINSK. 200,000 Germans are reported to be defending MINSK and with the cutting of the two railways many of these Germans will be trapped as the only other railways heading from the city are second grade.

ITALY. US forces of 5th Army are now only 18 miles from LEGHORN following the capture of CECINA. This battle was one of the stiffest fought since our forces were SOUTH of ROME. Other troops by passed the town and crossed the CECINA River. Further inland two French columns are converging on SIENNA and are only 5 miles from the city. 8th Army forces have almost completely cleared the Germans from the N.W. of Lake TRACIMENO. Further to the S.W. S. African troops have captured several more towns and are in possession of the cross roads in this area. The Germans are continually demolishing bridges on the Adriatic coast our forces are driving closer to ANCONA. The Royal Army Fusiliers are reported to be in the heavy fighting with the 8th Army.

AMERICA. The Comd of the American Legion has stated that the Americans expect to occupy and capture the Phillipines by Christmas. He said at present 250,000 Japs are trapped in the SW Pacific area.

NEW GUINEA. Natives in the HANSA BAY area say the Japs have gone bush and are setting up gardens and building homes and probably have intentions of staying there until the armistice is signed. The natives who do not want the Japs to live there are bringing them in as prisoners. The Japs are in terrible condition suffering from malaria, beri beri etc.

ENGLAND. A German report states that Germany will stop using flying bombs if the Allies discontinue their raids on Germany. A reply stated this will not be put into effect as the Allies could destroy 20 cities to every one the Germans destroyed. More flying bombs have been shot down by A/A and fighters. 500 bombers from the Mediterranean attacked targets in Europe including BUDAPEST which was hit for the 4th time in 8 days. YUGO SLAVIA was also attacked. FORTRESSES and Liberators escorted by Mustangs attacked the Calais area and one of our bombers is missing. RAF Lancasters and Spitfires attacked airfields in N. FRANCE.

BURMA On the Indo Burma front further advances have been made by the 14th army.

AUSTRALIA. The New Captain of HMAS SHROPSHIRE stated that the fighting would get harder as we get nearer TOKYO and there will be no more walkovers in landing like at BIAK and WAKDE. Since the SHROPSHIRE has been in Australian waters she has appeared in the WAKDE and BIAK landings and has been in bombardments on ARAWA, Cape GLOUCESTER, TANAMERAH BAY and the Admiralties and she has fired 310,000 pounds of 8 inch projectiles. The new captain has been on the sea since 1916 and in this war has commanded HMAS ADELAIDE and HOBART. He was a class mate of Capt COLLINS.

*Sgt. P.A. Robertson for*  
 Lt. I.O. 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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RUSSIA NEWS

4 Jul 44

RUSSIA. Russian forces have captured the White Russian capital MINSK despite German attempts to stop them by throwing all available reinforcements. The announcement of the fall of the city was made from MOSCOW this morning when 324 guns of the Russian army fired 24 salves in celebration of the newly won city. This is the last main base of the Germans before the Russians reach Germany. The city was retaken 3 yrs and 6 days after it fell to the Germans, and the Russian First and Third armies converging on the city were responsible for its recapture. The fate of the 500,000 Germans in the city is not yet known. This brings the Russians within 140 miles of EAST PRUSSIA and if the present drive is maintained, they should reach there in 7 days time. Further to the MINSK fierce fighting is going on around the outskirts of POLOZK and street fighting is continuing. 50 miles NW of MINSK is MOLODZHECNO on which the Russians are now advancing. In the MINSK area 14,600 more German prisoners have been taken. Moscow believes the battle will now turn into the greatest stampede in history or else the greatest mass killing or both. Thousands of prisoners are being taken and Germans are even coming up to Russian women on police duty begging to be taken prisoners. Three more German Generals have been killed making the total of 18 Generals killed in action in the past three weeks on the Russian and French fronts.

FRANCE. American troops in the CHERBOURG area opened Independence Day by making an advance of three miles to the WEST coast of the CHERBOURG peninsula, from St LO. Early in the day a/c activity was limited but later on allied a/c gave strong support. In the GARE sector things are still quiet and relief of the British troops and regrouping is going on.

ITALY. French forces in the central sector have captured SIENA and the welcome received by the troops on their entry into the city surpassed that of ROMA. In Central Italy 5th Army forces have cleared both sides of LAKE TRASIMENO while on the Adriatic coast our forces are only 4 miles from ANCONA. On the WEST coast 5th Army forces have made further gains and have captured four more towns. 1000 US bombers flying from Italian bases to Russia attacked targets in N. Italy, N. SLAVIA and HUNGARY.

ENGLAND. More casualties have been caused by flying bombs and the latest fatalities include the Comd of 12 Div in World War I and Sir Percy SANDON, a member of the British parliament.

Many of these bombs are still being shot down and two pilots each got three in one encounter. Allied a/c were out yesterday attacking flying bomb bases.

A new record was created last month in air raids on occupied Europe.

AMERICAN Complaints are being made about the decrease in American a/c production and last month's production figures were the lowest for 15 months.

AUSTRALIA. The Post Master Genl Senator ASHLEY has announced that the new airmail service to Britain via the Middle EAST will quicken up mails from Australia to England but not from Britain to Australia.

inch of rain was recorded in Brisbane Sunday and 7.0 pts at BRUSSELS. At 11 o'clock the temperature was 58.1 deg - the lowest for three years. Yesterday the temperature increased to 65 deg.

DENMARK. In COPENHAGEN an attempt is being made to return the armament strikers to work but the Danish Free Council are laying down rules and say they will not return until the Germans promise 10 reprisals to the strikers.

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FRANCE. After a months fighting Allied forces have retaken 1313 sq. miles of French soil. The Germans are still resisting strongly but further small gains are reported on both the CAEN and CHERBOURG sectors. In the CHERBOURG area US forces are gradually gaining the high ground in an attempt to outflank the Germans. In the CAEN sector a bitter battle is continuing as British forces advance on the airfield. Another German general who had previously been called "The man who missed MOSCOW" by the RUSSIANS has been replaced on the French front.

RUSSIA. RUSSIAN forces are now advancing towards BREST LITVOSK and now 120 miles from the city. In their advance on VILNA from MINSK further gains have been reported including the capture of another German stronghold. The Germans are throwing in fresh resources in an attempt to stem the advancing Russians who are now only 80 miles from VILNA. The Russian advance of this summer has already surpassed that made by them in the last summer offensive.

ITALY. Along the WEST coast US 5th Army forces are reported to be only 12 miles from LEGHORN and German resistance is increasing. Further small gains are reported to both the French forces in the SIENA area and 8th Army forces advancing on AREZZO in central Italy. 25 miles SE of AREZZO British forces are on the outskirts of UMBERTIDE. Along the ADRIATIC coast our forces are drawing closer to ANCONA. Air attacks have again been carried out on Northern ITALY.

BURMA.

In INDO-BURMA isolated Jap parties are being cleared from the IMPHAL-KOHIMA road and also positionsto the WEST of the road.

ENGLAND.

100 flying bomb basés around LeHAVRE have been destroyed. To date 2754 flying bombs have been destroyed over ENGLAND and deaths are almost 1 person per bomb figures being 2752 killed and 8000 seriously injured. Casualties have averaged 150 per day.

Heavy British and US Bombers yesterday attacked the big German port of KIEL and the British a/c carried a number of Australians.

Australian manned Mosquitos attacked synthetic oil refineries in the RUHR Valley and laid mines in enemy waters, while US bombers attacked other targets in Western Germany. Other Bombers attacked opportune targets in Northern France. Raids have also been made from Le Havre to CALAIS and as far inland as central Germany. For every 1 ton of bombs that Germany has dropped on British soil 4 tons of bombs have been returned.

AMERICA.

General de GAULLE the Free French Leader has arrived in WASHINGTON and is being entertained by Mr. CORDELL-HULL.

AUSTRALIA.

Members of the British and Canadian Parliamentary Delegation who broke into three parties have rejoined in Australia. One party visited NEW GUINEA another DARWIN and the third ABERNETHY Table-lands and TOWNSVILLE. All members were deeply impressed with Australia's fighting forces. One member said there was no tougher fighting in the world than in NEW GUINEA and each campaign was the KOKODA trail over again. They are to return to SYDNEY on Monday for the official ending of the tour.

General BLAMEY is publishing a book on the record of the Australian Army in this war. It is to be distributed to all Empire troops including those fighting in France.

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AUSTRALIA (cont)

Yesterday a train accident occurred in the OTWAY RANGES in WESTERN VICTORIA when a timber train crashed through a bridge falling down a 25 foot cutting. 1 man was killed and 3 injured.

CANBERRA advises that 4 1/2 million pounds will be expended on hospital subsidies to improve and extend existing hospitals.

*Brookland*  
.....Lt  
A/LO 24 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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FRANCE. US First army forces have launched a new offensive on their drive on St LO. The VIER River has been crossed and a bridgehead established. The bridgehead is under heavy fire from German army. This new attack was preceded by the heaviest arty barrage yet put over. 25 miles away on the western side of the CHERBOURG bottle neck LA HAYE has been captured and further gains are reported 5 miles SW of the town. 1 1/2 miles SW of that US forces have cleared the Germans from the wooded high ground which overlooks LA HAYE. SW of CARN our forces have been pushed back slightly but are now holding their ground. A bitter battle is continuing 3 miles EAST of CARN for the important airfield and a number of tanks are being used. Yesterday 6 German tanks were destroyed. At present a very heavy arty and mortar duel is being waged but the odds are in favour of the British, the Germans being heavily outnumbered. German prisoners in France now total 50,000. Long range US fighters escorting US heavy bombers from Britain had their greatest air battle since D Day when 1000 US heavy bombers attacking UDZIS were intercepted by hundreds of German fighters. 75 German fighters were shot down and we lost 6 of 1200 fighters. Bombers losses have not yet been released. One pilot made a new record in the European theatre by shooting down 6 enemy a/c. Other Allied bombers attacking VIENNA and VENICE concentrating on oil refineries. RAF Mosquitoes made lightning attacks on France and Germany causing big fires. None of our a/c were lost. 11 flying bomb sites were destroyed in the raid by Lancasters on Wednesday. In further attacks a steel structure received direct hits and flared rose 12,000 ft into the air.

RUSSIA. Russian armies converging on VILNA are now only 26 miles from the city following the capture of further German held villages. Further cuts have been made in the MINSK - VILNA and MINSK - BREST LITOVSK railways. Around MINSK mopping up continues and 4000 more Germans have been killed and 3000 taken prisoner. The Germans report the Russians have commenced a new drive towards MINSK and following the capture of KOWEL 100 miles SE of BREST LITOVSK the Germans report a new offensive in the TARNOPOL area 125 miles SE of KOWEL. The Russians are now only 38 miles from the 1940 line where the Germans first attacked. Med a/c are continually attacking targets behind the German lines.. Forward Russian troops are now only now 75 miles SE of BREST LITOVSK. Yesterday's advance liberated another 300 populated places.

ITALY. A temporary halt has been made by US 5th army forces along the West coast of Italy and a fierce battle is raging 12 miles South of LEGHORN. The Germans are continually counterattacking with strong arty support and our forces have been forced to fight from house to house. Further small gains have been made by the 5th army along the approaches to FLORENCE. On the Adriatic coast Polish troops are reported to be in a town 7 miles South of ANCONA.

ENGLAND. 15,000 children have been evacuated from London as a result of the flying bombs which are continually coming over the city.

CENTRAL PACIFIC. 5 more Jap ships and 9 planes were added to the Independence day celebrations in the Central Pacific. This makes the total 116 a/c destroyed since 4 Jul. This brings the grand total to 41 ships sunk by carrier based a/c and 835 planes all of which have been destroyed since 10 Jun, when the US 5th fleet entered this theatre of war. The battle is in progress in the MARIANAS around SAIPAN and as far North as 600 miles from TOKYO. Yesterdays US losses were 7 planes bringing the total since 10 Jun to 168 planes - 61 pilots of which have been saved

At the Northern end of SAIPAN thousands of Japs face liquidation as they make ready for their final stand against the three US marine divisions.

S.W.P.A. American troops have taken the strategic Island of MANUM - 3 miles off the WEST coast of NUMFOR Island, thus outflanking NUMFOR. The attack was preceded by heavy naval and aircraft umbrella. Two of the three airfields on NUMFOR are now in our hands and pressure is being increased on the third. Three more Jap vessels were sunk and one damaged also 16 barges. Australian Kittyhawks participated in the latest landing for their fifth amphibious operation in three months. Dutch Kittyhawks attacked targets in Dutch New Guinea while other attacks were made on NEW BRITAIN and New Ireland.

JAPAN.

US. super fortresses have made their third attack in a month on the Japanese mainland this time attacking SASEBO which is NORTH of NAGASAKI on KYUSHU. Great damage was caused to a/c and armament factories.

AUSTRALIA.

The second Victory loan of £160 million is to be opened on 23 Sep.

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FRANCE.

British troops early yesterday morning launched a new offensive to the N.W. of CAEN on a 22 mile front. The attack was preceded by a heavy raid at sunset on Friday by 450 RAF heavy bombers which dropped 2300 tons of bombs on German troops tanks and defensive posns. British and Canadian troops took their first objective then followed up with the capture of four villages. Latest reports received this morning stated the battle had reached CAEN and our forces were only 1500 yards from the main part of the town. Our infantry are moving in with support from tanks. US forces have gained a little more ground at their end of the front as they advance through swampy ground at the base of the CHERBOURG peninsula. The bridgehead across the VIRE River has been extended to 2½ miles. Air attacks were made by a large number of heavy bombers on railway yards outside PARIS while Mosquito bombers attacked fuel and amn dumps and river shipping. Lancasters made attacks on flying bomb bases 30 miles North of PARIS. From all of these operations 33 of our a/c are missing. Lightnings carrying 1000 lb bombs made attacks on 20 miles of railway line behind the battle front. A raid was also carried out on CALAIS and 10 bombers and one fighter were lost.

RUSSIA.

Last night's communique from Moscow stated the Russians were within 20 miles of VILNA and advancing swiftly with support from Red a/c. German counterattacks had been repulsed with the killing of another 3000 Germans and the liberating of another 250 villages. Reports received this morning stated the Russians are now fighting in the streets of VILNA and in their advance captured 11 railways and 500 more villages. In mppping up East of MINSK German casualties now total 40,000 killed and 15,000 P W. Berlin radio reports 2 more German Generals have been killed in accidents

ITALY.

Fierce fighting continues along the WEST coast 11 miles from LEGHORN while limited gains have been made by 8th army troops South of AREZZO. On the Adriatic coast stiff fighting is going on SOUTH of ANCONA. Heavy attacks were made by our a/c on N. Italy resulting in the destruction of 61 German a/c and 27 of our own bombers. Five oil plants in Austria were also attacked by our a/c.

GERMANY.

Mosquito bombers have made further attacks on Berlin - again with 4,000 lb bombs. The raid was carried out with so great a speed that the bombers had gone before the Germans realised it.

JAPAN.

The raid on SASEBO by B 29 US Super Fortresses was made from China bases and none of our a/c were lost.

CENTRAL PACIFIC.

Steady advances are being made on SAIPAN and US forces are now only 2 miles from the Northern tip of the Island. Japanese casualties now total 9,000 killed. Attacks were made on GUAM - one Jap plane was shot down - we lost 2 a/c.

AMERICA.

AMERICA.

General DE GAULLE in WASHINGTON has predicted the fall of all of France to the Allies before the end of the year.

BUFMA - CHINA

EAST of the SIONG River Chinese forces gave captured 10 more Japanese posns. Further gains are also reported to the Chinese forces on the SALWEEN River front. US bombers have made attacks on CANTON and transport a/c are dropping amn and supplies to the Chinese forces in Central China. In the HUNAN province It is reported that the siege of HENYUN is ended, and Chinese forces have broken through and taken the initiative all along the front. An American has reported that last week the Japs used gas on the Chinese and that China has already asked America for supplies of war gases. Jul 7 was the seventh day of the seventh month of the seventh year of fighting in China and China has now entered her eighth year of war.

AUSTRALIA

The leader of the British Parliamentary delegation has praised the work done by Australians in NEW GUINEA. He stated our propaganda for NEW GUINEA was very bad and if he had been asked before visiting New Guinea what proportion American troops were to Australians he would have said 4 US to every one Aust. He now finds that up until quite recently Australians were 6 to every one American.

Bob HOPE and Francis LANGFORD are to make a three weeks tour of New Guinea. They will entertain both US and Australian servicemen.

S.W.P.A.

The three airfields on NUMFOR Island are now in Allied hands. On MANIM Is US forces have captured the TAMARI airstrip and Allied a/c are now operating from it.

VICTORIAN FOOTBALL RESULTS.

RISHMOND.	13	16.	96 pts	CARLTON	11	15	81
HAWTHORN	11	9	75	FITZROY	6	15	51
MELBOURNE	10	10	70.	N. MELB.	21	14	140
S. MELBOURNE	9	13	67	GEELONG	13	9	87
ST KILDA	17	11	113				
COLLINGWOOD	6	9	45				
ESSENDON	14	16	100				
FOOTSCRAY	8	13	61				

GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLE RESULTS. 1. HIGHWAY KING (W. JOHNSTON) 2. PARENTINA. 3. WINTERSET.

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FRANCE.

British Second army forces who were last reported fighting on the outskirts of CAEN are now firmly established in the town. The final advance was aided by Allied a/c flying 4,000 sorties. 40 German tanks attempted to stem the British advance and 20 were knocked out. All of the city except a small portion in the North is in the hands of the British. The city had been severely damaged and is practically in ruins due to our heavy arty, aerial and naval bombardment. Stiff resistance is still being met from the North of the town and our posns are under constant German mortar and arty fire. Three miles EAST of CAEN Canadian forces have captured the important airfield where bitter fighting had ensued for some considerable time. At the other end of the front US forces in a new three pronged drive have captured LA HAYE DU PUIT, for the fourth time, also ST JEAN DE AAYE. This brings them within 5 miles of ST LO and advances are still being made to the WEST and North of LA HAYE DU PUIT. Across the VIRE River the Germans are continually counterattacking and our forces are receiving support from tanks. All types of a/c gave support to our forces yesterday and only 5 bombers and 3 fighters were lost. 12 German a/c were destroyed.

RUSSIA.

The latest communique from Moscow announces the capture of LIDA an important German stronghold 90 miles WEST of MINSK and BARANOWICZE which lies on the road to WARSAW. VILNA is also in the hands of the Russians and street fighting is gradually ceasing. Casualties in street fighting have been heavy for both sides in VILNA. Advanced Units are now 18 miles beyond BARANOWICZE while further South Red forces have moved 40 miles WEST of KOWEL which brings them within 140 miles of WARSAW. Further gains are also reported in the direction of PINSK and other gains to the North in the KURILIAN Isthmus area. German casualties since 23 Jun now total nearly 275,000.

ITALY.

US, French and British forces are slowly closing in on LEGHORN after having stormed and captured three of the four main outposts of the German Gothic line S.E. of LEGHORN 5th army forces have captured VOLTERRA and French forces are within 1 mile of POGGIBONSI. This brings them within 22 miles of FLORENCE. On the Adriatic coast Polish and Italian troops are meeting stiff resistance as they advance on ANCONA. 8th Army forces are only 6 miles from AREZZO and are meeting stiff opposition. Heavy air attacks were made on HUMANIAN oil centres and oil plants in Vienna.

CENTRAL PACIFIC.

Admiral NIMITZ announced this morning that SAIPAN 1400 miles from TOKYO is now completely in the hands of the Americans. Saturday the Japs made one of the biggest counterattacks of the Pacific war and regained up to 2,000 yds of territory. This was however repulsed and 1500 Jap dead were counted.

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

Mopping up continues on NUMFOR Island and 410 dead Japs have been counted and 24 prisoners taken. The campaign lasted only 5 days and 110 Javenese were liberated besides hundreds of natives. Our own casualties were light. NUMFOR Island is only 800 miles South of the Phillipines. 26 more tons of bombs have been dropped on YAP for the third day running. All our a/c returned and two Jap planes were shot down and two others damaged. Other attacks have been made on Dutch New GUINEA TIMOR, and New Britain.

S.W.P.A. continued.

Liberators have sunk another 4,000 ton Jap cargo ship.

BURMA.

Jap casualties in India since March total 11,000. Around IMPHAL mop up continues. Chinese forces pushing towards MYITKYINA have made further gains while around MYITKYINA patrol clashes continue. On the BURMA Rd the Japs have been pushed back a mile from LENYUN.

ENGLAND.

The RAF sent Lancasters carrying 6 ton bombs to raid the caves near the OISE river North of PARIS where the Germans have stored their flying bombs. One of the caves was collapsed by direct hits and was buried under tons of dirt. We lost 2 bombers and 1 fighter and three flying bombsites were put out of action and two more damaged. US heavy bombers raided bomb launching ramps in the French coastal region without meeting any aerial opposition. German flying bombs re-appeared over London and S. England after a lull which followed the big RAF attack.

AUSTRALIA.

Further high praise has been given by members of the Parliamentary delegation for the work done by the Australians in New Guinea. They said too little is known of the part played by the Australians in New Guinea especially at MILNE BAY and KOKODA.

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FRANCE.

After throwing back a German counterattack in the ODON Rive area British forces of the 6th airborne division have driven a wedge in the German line SOUTH of CAEN on a 4 mile front. In this advance two more villages were taken and a foothold gained on Hill 112, and all German reserves including tanks were thrown in in an attempt to stop the British. Two thirds of CAEN is now in our hands and the remaining area is being held grimly by the Germans but they are gradually being cleaned out. The fighting around CAEN lasted 35 days and it has been described as the EL ALAMEIN of France. German prisoners are being taken by the hundred. The Germans seem anxious to stop and push the British off hill 112 to us once again blocking the road to PARIS. At the base of the CHERBOURG peninsula one US force has advanced two miles beyond LA HAYE DE PUIT while another force is only three miles from the important communication and rail centre of ST LO. Allied a/c have been continually carrying out extensive raids on targets behind the battle area.

RUSSIA.

A special order of the day issued by Marshall STALIN this morning announced the capture of two more important German strongholds, one LUNINIEC 30 miles EAST of PINSK which lies in a direct line with the approaches to BREST-LITOVSK and WARSAW, and SLONIM 30 miles EAST of BARONOWICZE. PINSK is now outflanked as much to the North as to the South and the Russians are advancing towards it on a 40 mile front. A German report states that further to the North Russian forces are approaching UTENA which lies over the LITHUANIAN border and 60 miles North of VILNA. If the present Russian advance continues 30 German divisions will be outflanked and trapped. In VILNA Russian forces have completely surrounded a town, and the railway station and airfield are now in their possession. The remaining enemy is gradually being cleaned out. Other forces have left sufficient men and tanks to clean out VILNA and have moved on to KAUNAS an important Lithuanian town 70 miles West of VILNA. Moscow has officially announced that the Russians have established relations with the DANISH Free Council.

ITALY.

Hard fighting is going on from coast to coast and US 5th army troops on the WEST coast have made slight gains North of VOLTERRA and are now only 10 miles from LEGHORN. 8th army forces are pushing closer to AREZZO while Polish troops on the Adriatic coast are reported to have moved closer to ANCONA. German resistance is reported to be stiffening all along the 150 mile front, and the Germans are bringing up fresh arty. The C in C Gen ALEXANDER is at present in England where he is conferring with other military chiefs and Mr CHURCHILL. He was also received by the King.

ENGLAND.

More flying bombs were over S. England and London yesterday causing more damage and casualties. Big successes were reported to fighters and a/a.

BURMA.

More successes are reported to the 14th army with the capture of YKHEUL a former Jap base. It is thought that the Jap may be evacuating the Indian state of MANIPUR as all organised resistance has ended. Along the CANTON-HANKOW railway fierce fighting is continuing between Chinese and Japanese troops.

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PACIFIC.

since American forces first invaded SAIPAN 3 1/2 weeks ago Jap losses have been 58 ships 900 a/c and 11,000 men. This adds another base to the Allies and a German spokesman the other day reported that the side which held SAIPAN would have air supremacy in the Western Pacific. The campaign is classed as one of the longest, bitterest and most costly of the S.W. Pacific. At present mopping up is going on in the hills where a number of Japs are still deeply entrenched. Further attacks have been made by carrier based a/c on ROTA and GUAM Islands. 9 enemy fighters were shot down and 6 twin engined bombers destroyed on the ground. On BIAK Island mopping up continues and 213 more Japs have been killed. This brings the Jap casualties on the SCHROUTEN group to more than 3,000.

AUSTRALIA.

Two Sydney residents have subscribed £50 each to start a Robot distress fund for people who have suffered damage from the flying bombs in England. The Australian stage and screen star actress Miss Judith ANDERSON who played the part of Mrs DANVERS in REBECCA is at present in Australia to entertain Allied servicemen.

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FRANCE

Two more thrusts have been made in Normandy in the past 24 hrs. One by US forces in the direction of ST LO and the other by British forces on the far bank of the ORNE River. The US Attack began at dawn yesterday after a heavy arty barrage and the infantry moved forward and captured several hundred yards in the first three hours, in uphill country. The advance continued and US forces are now less than 2 miles from ST LO. Several hours before the attack began German nervousness was shown by their sending in of a large force of tanks and infantry in a counterattack. The weather was overcast and support from a/c was limited. At the western end of the Cherbourg peninsula further gains have been made by the US forces. In the CAEN sector fierce fighting is going on between the ODON and ORNE rivers where British forces have made their new drive. Advances have been made but the Germans are counterattacking heavily with tanks, 35 of which were knocked out. Positions are being continually taken and retaken by both sides. The Germans also counterattacked fiercely on the slopes of Hill 112 but British troops are holding firmly. In the fork of the two rivers Canadian forces have captured two more villages thus outflanking the enemy in the CAEN sector. Enemy prisoners now total 54,000. Thunderbolts yesterday attacked 50 tanks in ST LO and destroyed 28 of them. 1100 Fortresses and Liberators with fighter escort attacked the MUNICH area. NO a/c interception was met but heavy a/a caused us to lose 20 bombers and 2 fighters. Marauders and Havocs attacked military targets in the CALAIS area while medium bombers attacked a railway from the French coast to PARIS. An Australian SPITFIRE Sqn on patrol destroyed 3 fighters and damaged another 4, while Australian manned mosquitoes went out with 500 lb bombs and strafed and bombed railway lines and stations, bridges, rolling stock and roads with excellent results. They also laid mines in enemy waters.

RUSSIA.

Moscow announces further big advances in the Central sector to the NW of VILNA and Red forces are now only 87 miles from the EAST PRUSSIA. In VILNA mopping up continues as the inevitable end draws near. EAST of MINSK mopping up has ceased with the killing of 4,000 more Germans and the taking of 6,500 more prisoners including 3 Generals. The Russians also report more gains in the direction of DVINSK and PINSK.

ITALY.

Allied forces have deepened their position all along the front but German resistance is increasing and fierce counterattacks are being made by them with support from arty mortars and MGs. Small gains have been made SE of LEGHORN and 8th Army forces advancing on AREZZO are meeting trouble from thick minefields. Polish troops have also improved their position South of ANCONA. US and RAF heavy and medium bombers and fighters made heavy attacks on N. Italy and in the 24 hrs only one plane was lost.

GERMANY.

British based RAF bomber Mosquitoes have again made lightning attacks on Berlin with excellent results.

ENGLAND.

More flying bombs have been reported over England but not one was reported over the London area. Casualties from the latest attacks are reported as light

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A public school was hit but no one was hurt.

A RAAF Sunderland sqn has just completed an all time mileage record for the month.

### PACIFIC.

Light warships of the US Navy have attacked GUAM while a report from TOKYO radio states that 2 a/c carriers and 32 destroyers are standing off Northern New Guinea. Allied a/c have carried out further attacks from the SOLOMONS to the CAROLINES. On NEW IRELAND runways and coastal installations were attacked while other bombers attacked the area from WEWAK to AITAPE. Jap casualties in the N. New Guinea campaign are now 12,000.

### AMERICA.

President ROOSEVELT has announced that he is prepared to stand for a fifth term of office as President of the USA. He said he had as little right to withdraw now as a soldier in battle. Pres. ROOSEVELT has also stated that the position in CHINA is very grave.

### AUSTRALIA.

A rusty freighter has arrived in Australia after being towed 1750 miles from New Guinea. 15 months ago this vessel was sunk at MILNE BAY by a Jap cruiser. The funnel had been shot level with the deck and half the mast was missing. Four holes were below the water line and 8 above and all told there were 41 holes in the ship which had to be mended before it could be raised. This was done with timber concrete and steel plating and depth charges had to be used to enable the 14 divers to go down and work on the hold. The ship was raised and the first day out to sea met a cyclone which caused it to take 6 days to reach the barrier reef a journey which usually takes 2½ days. The ship is expected to be ready for commission in a few months time.

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NEWS

FRANCE

British Second Army forces are firmly entrenched in the ORNE River area and for the past 24 hours have put steady pressure on the Germans, who are counter-attacking fiercely. British forces are still in possession of Hill 112, but the Germans are entrenched in the wooded slopes on the Eastern side of the Hill. Yesterday vigorous counterattacks were made by the Germans with support from tanks, 40 of which were destroyed. In the town of CAIN, no change is reported except the mopping up of several small pockets. US forces advancing on a 50 mile front report further gains in their drive on LESSAY and ST LO. Fighting is fierce below LA HAYE DU PUIT, where US forces have gained the high ground overlooking ST LO. This is less than two miles from the city. In this area, the Germans put over the heaviest weight of armour yet used in NORMANDY in a counterattack and 20 German tanks were destroyed. US forces held firmly and later made notable advances. Around LESSAY advances up to two miles have been made. Allied aircraft flew 1700 sorties from airstrips in NORMANDY in support of the ground forces and destroyed three big petrol dumps and a large number of tanks. An important railway bridge, 30 miles NORTH of PARIS, was destroyed, while heavy bombers, thunderbolts and typhoons attacked targets in Northern FRANCE. French patriots have made an attempt to burn down the home of the Vichy labour minister in Central FRANCE. It has been announced that British and French airborne troops are operating behind the German lines almost in complete isolation except for help by local inhabitants. The airborne troops are helping to organise the French partisans. Fifty or more German generals have been disposed of in fighting on the three European fronts since 5 June. The Russians alone killed 19 in 19 days.

RUSSIA

Another Order of the Day issued by Marshal STALIN has announced a new break through by Russian forces NORTH of POLOTSEK and they have advanced twenty miles on a 93 mile front. The PRIV, POLOTSEK and POLOTSEK-RIGA railway lines have been cut, and Russian forces are now 26 miles short of the frontier. Yesterday's advance liberated 1000 populated places and the new break through was celebrated in MOSCOW of further big salvos. Further SOUTH, the First Baltic Army has out-flanked PIENK by an advance along the BRISK-LITOVSK road, towards KURSK, which is only 50 miles from EAST PRUSSIA. In VILNA, mopping up continues and German paratroops, who attempted to land and re-inforce the besieged garrison, were wiped out. German casualties since 23 June total 300,000.

ITALY

US forces, advancing along the WEST coast, with support from tanks, made slight progress 12 miles SOUTH of LEGHORN, after a heavy counterattack by the Germans. Latest reports state that US forces, with light tanks, have entered LAIATICO. German resistance is continually stiffening, but Indian troops of the Eighth Army have made slight advances and have captured another town SOUTH of ANZICO. Eighth Army is reported to be shelling the town. On the Adriatic coast, gains are also reported to Polish troops SOUTH of ANCONA. Italian based bombers yesterday attacked targets at TOULON and MARSEILLES, on the SOUTH coast of FRANCE, while Mediterranean based bombers attacked targets in YUGOSLAVIA and ALBANIA.

ENGLAND.

More flying bombs were over LONDON yesterday, after a two day lull, and again big successes were scored by fighters and ACK ACK. In these latest raids, Australia House was damaged. 1200 heavy US bombers, with fighter escort, again attacked the important centre of MUNICH, in Southern Germany. Flying weather was bad, and all bombs had to be dropped by means of instruments. No aircraft interception was met, but ACK ACK was heavy and we lost 26 bombers. RAF mosquitoes made attacks on the German RHEIN valley. Bombers of the Allied expeditionary forces dropped 27,000 tons of bombs during the month of June. A 27 year old Belgian traitor has been executed in England as a spy. He is the sixteenth spy to be executed in England during this war.

BURMA.

South of UTHUL 600 Japs attempting to break out have been routed. The Northern BURMA road is now clear.

AUSTRALIA.

Several new inspectors have been appointed to the Taxation Department and yesterday a man was issued with an order to pay £ 13,300 taxation for having avoided paying £ 8,800 in 1940.

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FRANCE

Some of the bitterest fighting of the NORMANDY campaign is at present in progress in the streets at the eastern end of STLO. The battle raged all day yesterday against fierce resistance from the Germans and at many stages the fighting was hand to hand. The Germans have some of the best trained paratroop infantry in this area and with continual support from a large number of heavy guns the Germans are counter-attacking fiercely. At the British end of the front extremely bitter fighting is also going on. To the NW of CAEN the British are still holding their ground in the ODON River area but the Germans attempted to re-establish a bridgehead on the British side of the river and were repulsed with heavy casualties. Yesterday the weather over the battle area improved and Allied a/c were continually in support. RAF Lancasters attacked targets in Northern France with effective results. An Australian Spitfire squadron operating behind the German lines attacked a town and seeing a traffic cop on duty let fly with a hail of bullets to scare him. The policeman went to ground very quickly at the same time pointing his finger along one of the roads. The Spitfire pilots followed the signal and discovered a German convey of trucks and staff cars about half a mile long. The pilots attacked and smashed up the convoy and one pilot reported he made two staff cars look like strainers and damaged a third. Large numbers of Liberators and Fortresses escorted by Mustangs flew from bases in Britain to again attack the MUNICH and SAARBRUCKEN. NO fighter interception was met and our only losses were 1 Bomber and 1 fighter.

RUSSIA

Russian forces are continuing to advance along the entire front and an unconfirmed report states that forward elements are already 30 miles beyond the East PRUSSIAN border. The report stated that this Russian force advanced 60 miles in 24 hours. Further South the RED forces advancing on BRZESTLITOVSK are closing in on KOBYRN about 40 East of the important centre. In their advance in this area yesterday the Russians liberated 200 villages, 1 only 20 miles North of BRZESTLITOVSK. At the Northern most end of the front 90 more villages were taken in yesterday's advance and 100 tanks were put out of action.

ITALY

Following the capture of ARZIZO British 8th army troops have made further gains and are now 4 miles beyond the town and have crossed the ARNO River. On the West coast UN Army forces have continued their advance and are now less than 4 miles from LEGHORN where their forward patrols are on the high ground overlooking the suburbs. ROME radio has announced that 300 Italian Generals have been sacked by the Italian Government. Allied a/c flew to Northern Italy to attack railway yards while other a/c attacked other targets beyond the battle front.

ENGLAND

More flying bombs were over Southern England yesterday and again a large number were shot down. During these latest raids near misses were scored on a British jet propelled aircraft factory. It has been reported that flying bombs have done more damage than the air blitz by the Germans in 1941. Halifaxes and Lancasters again attacked flying bomb bases beyond PARIS.

BURMA

Below IMPHAL in the state of MANIPUR mopping up continues while 220 miles to the East British and Chinese forces have been confined to consolidation and reconnaissance patrols to the North of MYITKYINA. Further West US arty poured 9,000 rounds into Japanese positions which were then stormed by GHURKA forces. Little opposition was met and the Jap positions were soon cleared out. Jap casualties on the IMPHAL-KOHIMA road have been 4,500 since April of this year.

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FRANCE.

In the Normandy area, British and Canadian forces have broken through and attacked EAST of the ORNE River and SE of CAEN. These forces are now operating in open country while small pockets behind their lines are being cleared. Before the attack commenced s/c of the Allied Expeditionary Air forces in support dropped between 7000 and 8000 tons of bombs in an all time record on three sectors of the CAEN battle front. The first attack consisted of 1000 Halifaxes and Lancasters escorted by fighters and these bombers dropped 5000 tons of bombs in 36 minutes. The weather could not have been better and when these bombers were returning they passed 600 Liberators who again covered the target with a further 1400 tons. Specially fused bombs were used which left no craters but caused great damage. The idea of this was to prevent the area from being in such a state that it would hold up the British advance before time was spent on clearing the area. These bombs were only used where such would be the case. The main targets were a steel works near CAEN which was being used by the Germans as a fortress and two areas South and SE of CAEN. From these operations 8 of our bombers are missing. Later a further 500 medium and light bombers covered the target and only one of our bombers was lost. All along their front the British have made steady advances and the heaviest fighting is continuing between the ORNE and ODON Rivers. To the North of ORNE River enemy positions have been cleared. Great support has been received from rocket equipped typhoons in their attacks on enemy tanks. At the US end of the front US forces have captured ST LO and mopping up is going on in the town. The Americans practically reached the town earlier in the day but a fierce counterattack forced them to withdraw. After the counterattack the German resistance collapsed and US forces moved in. Prior to this US forces were closing in on the town from the other three directions. 2 miles WEST of S T LO US forces are threatening the PERRIERS ST LO road and were last reported to be within 200 yds of it in one place and arty was continually shelling the road. Allied a/c operating in this end of the front attacked pinpoint targets near ST LO and helped block the German escape route to the South. They also attacked dumps in PERRIERS. Medium bombers and fighters went further inland to attack roads trains t transports bridges and airfields in the SOMNE River area. During the day 3000 sorties were flown in this area including 50<sup>0</sup> fmm strips in Normandy. 24 German a/c were shot down. we lost 10 a/c.

RUSSIA

The first official news from Moscow for three days states that the Russians have opened up a new attack on a 125 mile front and have made advances of 30 miles West of GRODNO. 600 villages have been released in the past 3 days and yesterday alone 300 were recaptured, including many important rail and road centres. The NEMEN line has been left behind and the East Prussian border is drawing very close to the advancing Russians. The unconfirmed report stating that Russians were 30 miles over the Prussian border have been denied. Further South Red army forces have captured an important centre midway between BIALYSTOCK and BREST -LITOVSK. At the Northern most end of the front, Russian a/c sank a 4000 ton warship and a 6000 ton troop carrier in the Gulf of Finland.

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ALONG THE ADRIATIC COAST

2. TROOPS HAVE MADE GAINS FROM  
ITALY.

Along the Adriatic coast POLISH troops have made gains from 2 to 3 miles and are at present threatening OSIMO which is 7 miles SW of ANCONA.

These troops are at present situated in the vicinity of the MUSONE River.

In central Italy 8th Army forces have extended their bridgehead along the ARNO River and have seized the village 6 miles to the NW of AREZZO and another 12 miles to the North of AREZZO.

On the West coast US forces have captured two more important towns - PONTEDENA which is 20 miles NE of LEGHORN and ORSIANO 12 miles SE of LEGHORN. LEGHORN is now outflanked and its fall is expected very soon.

Mediterranean a/c flew 170<sup>0</sup> sorties to attack targets in N. Italy, The battle area and YUGO SLAVIA.

500 heavy bombers attacked the Baltic states. We lost three bombers and 2 fighters. 12 German a/c were shot down.

GERMANY

RAF Mosquitoes have made a nother lightning attack on Berlin.

CENTRAL PACIFIC

Further attacks by heavy naval units and carrier based a/c have been made on GUAM while Aust Beaufighters have made an attack on FLORES Island West of TIMOR. The attack caught the Japs napping and of the 4 fighters which attempted interception 2 were destroyed as they left the ground. Another was shot down in combat and a fourth damaged. Further North at HALNAMERA Liberators sank a 1500 ton transport and damaged a 7000 ton freighter.

JAPAN

General TOJO Chief of Gen Staff of the Japanese army has relinquished his command to the Japanese Premier.

AUSTRALIA

Yesterday for the first time the Sydney - Brisbane express was hauled by a single locomotive instead of the usual changing of engines when all told 5 are used. The locomotive took 15 hrs and at times was doing 70 miles per hr. The train was packed with servicemen.

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GERMANY

Berlin has announced that only 6 hrs elapsed from the time of the attempted assassination of Hitler to the death of the plotters. They further stated that the only bloodshed was the traitors. The position in Germany is not clear yet but German troops fighting in Normandy have been told they must have faith in Hitler. It is believed that the assassination was planned by high German Officers as a trick and had it come off an order would have been announced stating Hitler had met a fatal accident. These Officers would then have taken charge of the Army. Hitler in a broadcast admitted the attack and stated that he has now placed Himmler C in C of the defence of the home front. Another report states false orders have been going to the German army in Russia telling them to keep returning. RAF heavy bombers attacked two of the largest oil plants in the RUHR valley causing large volumes of smoke and fire to rise high into the air. The bombers were forced to fight their way to the targets and some intercepting fighters followed them as far back as the North sea. RAF Mosquitoes attacked HAMBURG. We lost 40 bombers in these operations. 1100 heavy bombers from British bases with 800 fighters as escorts and 500 fortresses from Italian bases attacked targets in S. Germany in a two way attack from the West and South. A/A and fighter interception was thick and we lost 35 bombers and 11 fighters. 16 German a/e were destroyed. Attacks were also made on Belgium. During the day 4500 tons of bombs were dropped.

FRANCE

In Normandy steady rain has been falling for the past 36 hrs and everywhere fighting is continuing in mud and slush. Yesterday's attacks comprised mainly infantry and arty troops and several local counterattacks by the Germans were repulsed. Further gains are reported with the best going to Canadian troops who have recaptured BOURGUEVUS which is SE of CAEN. This village changed hands 3 times. West of the ORNE River and below CAEN has been cleared of the enemy. Second army forces, are now situated 8 miles South of Caen while 6 miles S E of the town their line has been extended. Due East of the city British forces have penetrated 8 miles. Armed columns were in support in this area but due to the condition of the ground were held up 3 miles West of these positions. Further gains are also reported to the North. At the US end of the front further gains have been made by Gen BRADLEYS forces and the hold on the STLO SPERRIERS road has been extended. German counterattacks on our Western perimeter are insistent but all have been repulsed. Allied fighters and fighter bombers flew many sorties ~~flaw many sorties~~ in support of the ground forces, and typhoons did excellent work in shooting up transports moving towards the battle front. Mosquito bombers attacked targets between the SEINE River and PARIS and to the West of PARIS. From these operations 10 of our a/c are missing. Further attacks were made by Lancasters on Flying bomb bases in Northern France. One flying bomb sight which controls 11 Flying bomb bases was buried where it was situated in a quarry. The sight consisted of a huge concrete dome.

RUSSIA

Russian forces are surging forward through the broken defences in the German line between BREST LITOVSK and LIVON as they advance through Poland

Both towns are now becoming outflanked. , Some Russian forces are reported 30miles beyond LWOV. As the Russians approach the Northern outskirts of LWOV the Germans are rushing up reserves in an attempt to stop them. The four or five German divisions trapped at BRODY EAST of LWOV are gradually being wiped out. The BREST LITOVSK - CHELM railway has been cut and the Germans report the Russians have broken through. To the North end of the front a new drive has commenced and Russian forces have captured OSTROV which is 30miles South of PSKOV. Yesterday 500 planes were taken besides 2000 prisoners. Further gains are reported at the FINNISH end of the front in the Kurilian Isthmus area, where yesterday 40 villages were liberated.

ITALY.

US 5th Army forces have made further gains across the ARNO River and have captured CIS CINA. 15 miles NE of LEGHORN on the Rd to PISA and a town 25 miles SW of FLORENCE. 8th Army forces are 30 miles East of FLORENCE in one place while another force moving from the SW is only 15 miles from the city. West of AREZZO several more towns have been captured while further advances have been made by Polish troops along the Adriatic coast.

CENTRAL PACIFIC.

US Marines and infantry have made a landing on GUAM Island and have established beachheads. The landing was preceded by naval and aerial bombardment. It is estimated that there are 22,000 Japs on GUAM. This Island has received continual air and naval attacks for the past 17 days. West of AITAPE in New Guinea Driniumor River area the Japs are being shelled by heavy US Arty using 100 lb shells. One barrage lasted an hour and the firing could be heard miles behind the battle front. The river is full of enemy dead. All attacks which commenced on Jul 11 have been smashed. Native report that the Japs believe once they reach AITAPE the Jap navy will take them out. Warships are standing off at AITAPE but not Japanese.

TURKEY.

Algiers radio reports all Turkish ships have been ordered to return to report immediately.

AUSTRALIA.

Last night a news summary over the air told how Sjt GREGORY from an Aust Infantry Bn administered medical attention to a band of sick SIKH escapees and helped them escape inland from the HANSA Bay area.

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RUSSIA.

Russian forces have continued their drive with the capture of 2 more important rail junctions - Chelm which is only 50 miles East of Lublin on the road to Warsaw and midway between Brest Litovsk and Lwow, and the other is Canenezh near the Lithuanian border and on the way to the Baltic coast. Further North fighting is reported to be continuing between the German garrison and the Russian troops in the streets of Pskov. The main drive is still continuing towards Warsaw between Brest Litovsk and Lwow and the Russians are now only 100 miles from Warsaw. Around Brest Litovsk itself one Russian force has by passed the city and is 9 miles beyond. The Russian are also closing in on Bialystok which is 100 miles to the NE of Warsaw. To the North Russian forces have closed in to within 4 miles of the East Prussian border. With further gains at the most Northern end of the front Red forces are now only 10 miles from the Latvian republic.

FRANCE.

Rain which has been continuing for nearly 48 hrs in the Normandy area ceased yesterday and fierce fighting commenced again with small gains being made by the Canadians on the East bank of the Orne river and with the capture of another village. Four counter attacks were made by the Germans for Hill 112 yesterday but all were repulsed with the Germans being mown down in heaps by our machine guns. 14 German tanks were destroyed in yesterday fighting West of Caen. The only change from the US end of the front was the extension of their lines along the Perriers - St Lo road. Due to the bad weather ~~reports~~ support from a/c was practically negligible, however some interesting figures on last weeks air operations have been released. In 5 days 25,000 sorties were flown by allied a/c against targets in Germany and NW France and targets included 38 rail centres. British based 8th airforce a/c and Italian based 15<sup>th</sup> airforce a/c dropped 14500 tons of bombs on targets in Northern France and Germany and 6400 heavy bombers were used for the weeks operation. This was a new record.

GERMANY.

There is no definite news of the position in Germany at present and the Nazis seem determined to keep as much as possible from the outside world. Berlin radio reports the situation well in hand and the army is remaining loyal to Hitler. They further report the bomb used was made in Russia and thrown by a high ranking German aristocrat. Report from Stockholm states that armed bands of the Gestapo are patrolling the streets of Berlin and that forces have been recalled from the Russian front to quell the disturbances. Report also stated 100 German officers have already been shot and that riots have broken out in the naval dock yards at Kiel. The plot is said to have been in the making for a long time.

RAF Mosquitos bombers made an attack on Berlin in what the Germans ~~require~~ described as a nuisance raid. British Beaufighters attacked a German convoy of 40 vessels off Helgoland near Denmark and sank 4 freighters, 5 escort vessels and a large number of the remainder were damaged by rocket firing a/c

ITALY.

Along the West coast US forces have reached the Arno river 4 miles from Pisa while in the central sector 8th army forces have made further advances towards Florence. On the Adriatic coast Polish troops are now 15 miles North of Ancona. 500 allied a/c attacked 2 oil plants in Rumania while others attacked targets in Yugoslavia, rail lines roads shipping and 2 oil refineries in Czechoslovakia. 1500 sorties were flown by Mediterranean a/c and 10 German a/c were destroyed while we lost 17. Guerrilla troops in Northern Italy are reported to be rioting and many acts of sabotage are reported.

PACIFIC.

On Guam after 2 days fighting US forces have widened their beachheads and opposition so far is not as stiff as expected. Further attacks were made on airfields in the Carolines while at the Northern end of N.G US forces in the Aitape area have crushed another Jap attack and have killed a further 100 Japs.

BURMA

In the Maungdaw area 2 more villages have been captured by British forces while around Myitkyina further slight gains are reported.

TURKEY.

All Turkish shipping in the Black sea has been stopped due to attacks by U Boats.

Australia.

RAAF Spitfires shot down a Jap reconnaissance bomber over the Kimberley district in Northern Australia.

VICTORIAN FOOTBALL RESULTS

LADDER.

Carlton	10	14	74	Richmond	42
Sth Melb	8	12	60	Carlton	36
St Kilda	12	16	88	Footscray	34
Fitzroy	8	14	62	Essendon	32
Collingwood	13	11	89	Fitzroy	30
Nth Melb	10	10	70	Nth Melb	28
Richmond	17	8	110	St Kilda	22
Melbourne	9	15	69	Sth Melb	20
Essendon	19	18	132	Collingwood	20
Hawthorn	3	7	25	Melbourne	16
Footscray	14	17	101	Hawthorn	8
Geelong	11	11	77	Geelong	-

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RUSSIA

20 salvos were fired from 424 Russian guns in MOSCOW to announce the capture of PSKOV by troops of the 3rd Russian Baltic army. This city is the last German stronghold of any size inside the pre-war frontier. Gains are reported all along the front and in the central sector the Russians have made gains of 30 miles and are now reported to be fighting in the Street of LUBLIN. A little further south Red forces have reached the SAN River which is only a few miles from PRZEMYSL. This is the Russian force which by-passed LWOW and they are now 50 miles beyond the city to the West. In the BRODY area mopping up has ceased with the killing of 30,000 Germans and the taking of 15,000 prisoners 80 tanks and 500 guns. The Germans admit these reverses all along the front. In LITHUANIA drives to the North and the NW towards DVINSK have liberated another 80 villages. Gains have also been made in the direction of BIALYSTOK along the Baltic road to East Prussia. US long range bombers flew from Italian bases to Russia after attacking targets in RUMANIA. 2 airfields were attacked and 40 parked a/c were destroyed on the ground besides the blowing up of fuel dumps. 15 more enemy a/c were destroyed in combat and we lost 5 of our bombers.

FRANCE

Mr CHURCHILL has just returned to England after a three day tour of the battlefronts with General MONTGOMERY where he visited CAEN, CHERBOURG and some of the most recent battle areas. To the SW of CAEN Canadian forces have wiped out the German salient west of the ORNE and are at present storming German positions on the East bank of the ORNE, where gains to our forces are reported. Resistance is still strong and the battle in this area has been one of the most disputed over the past 10 days of fighting. 5 miles south of CAEN British forces are holding their ground. Between the ORNE and ODOM rivers yesterday 400 prisoners were taken besides a large number being killed. An Allied spokesman reported that since the attack commenced last Tuesday British forces have achieved a good deal but not as big as was expected. The Germans seem determined to make the battle of CAEN their STALINGRAD. US forces advancing towards PERRIERS at the West end of the CHERBOURG peninsula are increasing their threat to the town and were last reported only 2 miles from it. A counter-attack by the Germans has been repulsed. Heavy fighting is continuing East of LESSAY. Since the beginning of the invasion US forces have taken 50,000 German prisoners and killed a further 8,000. Casualties suffered inflicted by the British total 53,000 including 10,000 prisoners. Allied a/c made wide and far spread raids throughout the battle area and Allied fighter bombers destroyed 40 goods wagons and damaged a further hundred besides shooting up airfields, road and bridges. Medium bombers attacked roads and dumps in the PARIS area while 3 mosquito bombers each with two 500 lb bombs and escorted by Spitfires attacked a Nazi headquarters in the PARIS area from a height of 50 feet. 3 bombs dropped directly on top of the buildings. Further attacks were also made on flying bomb bases. From all of these operations 5 of our a/c did not return.

GERMANY

The present trouble in Germany is said to be likely to affect the fighting efficiency of the German troops in NORMANDY. The German radio has said little so far but neutral sources report riots in various cities including MUNICH, STUTTGART, BREMEN and FRANKFURT. These cities are now reported to be occupied by the Gestapo. The underground radio stated that street fighting continued in Berlin on Saturday night. Riots are reported in factories in Northern Germany. Clashes are continuing between

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army officers and men and HIMMLER'S Special Police. The Russian radio stated that the Russians were glad the bomb did not kill HITLER as the noose will do a better job. 50 German generals are reported mixed up in the trouble and from published pictures of the room where the bomb landed it is a miracle how anybody could still be alive. Already in NORMANDY 2 commanders of PANZER divisions have been relieved of their commands by younger and what is described as true NAZI generals. Street fighting is also reported in KOBLENZ the capital of West Prussia where martial law has been enforced.

ITALY

steady progress is reported all along the front and on the West coast 5th Army forces are in the southern parts of PISA and practically half of the town is already in their possession. The city although damaged somewhat is not as bad as LEGHORN. The leaning tower and the cathedral are so far unscathed. In the central sector 5th Army forces are 15 miles south of FLORENCE while more progress is reported to POLISH troops north of ANCONA. Supporting a/c flew 1,800 sorties and attacked targets in Northern Italy, Rumania and Yugoslavia. 5 enemy a/c were destroyed and 26 of ours are missing.

GREECE

British and Greek shock troops made a lightning raid on an island of DODECANESE GROUP and captured a large quantity of equipment and guns and killed 15 of the defenders besides taking 150 prisoners. Our losses were light and no damage was caused to naval vessels.

PACIFIC

On GUAM Island substantial progress has been made by US troops against stiffening resistance. The landing was made on the North and Southsides of the OROTE peninsula on the West coast and the two forces who are only 5 miles apart are advancing on a town with an excellent harbour and an airfield. They are already in possession of the main road on the peninsula. In the first three days of fighting US casualties have been 348 killed and 1500 wounded. Along the New Guinea coast in the AITAPE area patrol activity continues and the Japs are about ready to make their final big attack. RAAF Beaufort bombers and US fighters operating from the AITAPE strip take only 10 minutes from the time they take off until the time they drop their bombs. Total Jap casualties from 11 July to 20 July are 1,474 definitely counted dead and many more can be seen on the East banks of the DRIMUMOR River.

BURMA

British troops have advanced 30 miles beyond IPHAL without meeting opposition. Around MYITRYINA the Allies are tightening their grip.

AUSTRALIA

A former British merchantman has been converted into a floating club for Allied sailors in Northern waters by the US Navy. There are many of these clubs on land but this is the first on the sea.

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F R A N C E.

At the US end of the Normandy front US forces have commenced two new attacks, one EAST of ST LO and the other between PERRIERS and S T LO. The US forces widened the gap in the German line when they extended the front to 25 miles and were last reported to have advanced 3000 yds in the first 24 hrs. The PERRIERS - ST LO road has also been crossed in a number of places on a 4 mile front. The fiercest fighting is reported to be in progress 7 miles North of ST LO and to the SW of ST LO. A report from Cherbourg states that the Germans scuttled 48 ships in an attempt to block the harbour. At the other end of the front British 2nd Army troops are holding the ir newly won ground in the face of fierce counterattacks by the Germans and are consolidating their position. Bitter fighting is continuing in three villages South of CAEN. these Villages having changed hands a number of times. Around TILLY the Germans are putting over fierce mortar and anti tank gun fire which is holding up our forces. It has been noticed that about 20% of the Germanseforces fighting in Normandy are FS troops. This is unusual in so much as on all others fronts the Germans have only used 5% of these troops. Air operations were limited due to bad weather over the front.

R U S S I A

This morning Marshall Stalin announced a new offensive from the NE front through ESTONIA. Already the Russians have captured the important town of NARVA, 7 miles inside the border. With this new offensive the Russians are now fighting in an unbroken front of over 1,600 miles from the Gulf of Finland to the Black Sea. S E of WARSAW Russian tanks and Cavalry have advanced 20 miles from LUBLIN and have captured WIELICZKA, 7 miles from the VISTULA River and 60 miles from WARSAW. One Soviet report states they have already reached the River but this is still unconfirmed from MOSCOW. In the advance beyond LUBOW the Russians yesterday killed 3,000 Germans took 700 prisoners including 1 General, captured 55 Anti tank guns and 12 self propelled guns. The nearest point the Russians are to WARSAW is near GARWOLIN which is only 45 miles SW of the city. Further North of Lwow the Germans attempted to counter-attack but were repulsed with heavy casualties. West of Lwow the advance continues while south of Lwow further gains are also reported. The Germans in Lwow are now completely encircled and already a hundred guns and 1,200 prisoners have been taken. Around BIALYSTOK German resistance is strong but the Russians are gradually overcoming it. In LATVIA the last railway to DVINSK has been cut while to the North of DVINSK the Red forces are still gaining ground beyond PSEDOV. Red a/c are in constant support attacking targets all along the front. Tuesday night a big raid was carried out on WARSAW. To the extreme southern end of the front the Russians have advanced deeper into RUMANIA and are only 2 miles from an oil centre.

I T A L Y

8th Army forces have advanced 3 miles on a 20 mile front in their drive on FLORENCE and are less than 12 miles from the city while 5th Army

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forces advancing inland are only 7 miles away from the city. 6 miles north German counter-attacks have been pushed back and local gains have been made. On the west coast in the PISA area arty duels are continuing between US and German guns. Allied a/c carried out their usual attacks and during the day 65 enemy a/c were destroyed. 1700 sorties were flown and 26 of our a/c were lost.

GERMANY.

Germany has again been attacked by allied a/c for the fourth night running STUTTGART was again their main target. The bombers battled their way to the target and the attack lasted 50 minutes. Large fires were started and one pilot reported the area littered with fires. STUTTGART the COVENANT of Germany is one of Germany's main industrial centres and from here arms and eqpt go direct to the front. Halifax bombers struck at synthetic oil plants in the Ruhr causing large fires and as a result of all of these nightly attacks it is estimated that German oil supplies have been cut by 50%. Other targets including MANNHEIM and BREMEN. RAF Mosquito bombers again went to Berlin with 4000 lb bombs. Germany alone has received 7000 tons of bombs in three days. Flying bomb bases in Northern France were again attacked by RAF heavies while US bombers attacked targets in Austria and Vienna. From all of these operations 13 of our a/c are missing.

BURMA.

In Indo Burma the Allied drive SE of IMPHAL continues satisfactorily and the Japs are reported to be losing heavily. In the MIZIMA area Chinese forces advancing from SW China have linked with the US forces in this area.

PACIFIC.

The Japs in the AITAPE area have retired but it is thought they are regrouping for another attack. They have manhandled guns 6 miles inland along the DRIMUR River and are shelling our positions. Allied warships and cruisers are shelling the enemy positions and troops concentrations. Praise has been given for the great work done by Australian warships operating in this area. All allied naval craft in the area are under Command of an Australian Commander. A Japanese communique reports allied carrier based a/c and warships bombarded KABONG harbour on the NW coast of BORNEO. This harbour was previously attacked in the same way in April of this year. Another Jap report states Allied warships have centered the PALPA U Island group at the west end of the CAROLINES and approximately 550 miles EAST of the Philippines.

AUSTRALIA.

The result of the annual conference of the BRITISH was that no proposal will be decided on as to the eligibility to enter the league until after the war. This mainly concerns militiamen.

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