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2nd Australian Imperial Force and
Commonwealth Military Forces unit war
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Item number: 8/3/6

2/6 Infantry Battalion

March - July 1940

3rd District Records
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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 1 March '40 To 5 March '40

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 Army Form C.2118
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 14 APR 1940
 3RD DISTRICT
 RECORD

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Puckapunyal	1 March '40		A+B coys on 30 yd range. Hot day.	th
"	2 March '40		Inter-coy sports. D Coy wins.	th
"	3 March '40		Death announced of Lt. General G.K. Squires C.B. D.S.O. M.C. Chief of the General Staff. 2/6 Bn to march in funeral procession. Field returns O+O.R. prepared.	Appendices 1+2. th
"	4 MARCH '40	1405	Bn. left camp by M.T.	
Seymour.	"	1455	Detained for Melbourne.	
Melbourne	"	1650	Detained and marched to Engineers Depot Batman Ave and bivouacked for night.	th
"	5 March.		Formed up for march in St Kilda Road.	
		1040	March commenced and continued to St Kilda junction.	
			Marched back to Batman Ave, then marched to	
		1450	Flinders St. Detained for Seymour	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 2/6 Bn.

Date and Time.—From 5 March '40 To 16 March

RECEIVED
 Army Form C.2118
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 14 APR 1940
 3RD LIST
 RECORDS

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Seymour	5 March '40	1630	Detained and embussed for Puckapunyal.	
Puckapunyal	"	1740	Arrived in camp.	H
"	6 March '40		Field firing, rifles only, by A, B, C & D coys. Hot day.	H
"	7 March '40		Field firing A, B, C & D coys. Rifle, L.M.G., & M.M.G.s. Good results.	H
"	8 March '40		Field firing all coys. Rifle, L.M.G., M.M.G., mortars and rifle grenades. Hot.	H
"	9 March '40		Route march. Hot day.	H
"	10 March '40		Field returns O.R. prepared. Copies attached.	H Appendices 5H.
"	11 March '40		Extremely hot.	H
"	12 March '40		Swim at Ash's Bridge. Very hot.	H
"	13 March '40		Swim in attack - night exercise. Hot.	H
"	14 March '40		Returned to camp 0730 hrs. Col change.	H
"	15 March '40		Dust storm. Training continues.	H
"	16 March '40		Hot day.	H

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 17 March 40 To 31 March 40

Army Form C.211B
 (adapted.)
14 APR 1940
 3RD DISTRICT
 RECORDS

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Puckapunyal	17 March 40		Field returns O. & O.R. prepared. Copies attached	Appendices 5 & 6 JD
"	18 March 40		Officers guests of Lt Col. Lord Mayor of Melbourne at Town Hall Melbourne. Rain storm	JD
"	19 March 40		Preparation for preembarkation leave. Storm.	JD
"	20 March 40		Preembarkation leave commences	JD
"	27 March 40		Return to camp. High wind and dust storm	JD Appendices 7 & 8 prepared ^{24/3/40}
"	28 March 40		Training continued. Sultry	JD
"	29 March		Individual photographs for records taken	JD
"	30 March		Dust storm.	JD
"	31 March		Field returns O. & O.R. prepared. Rain.	Appendices 9 & 10 JD

2/6 BN War Diary March 1940. Appendix 1

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

3 March
— 2/6 BN

RECEIVED
14 APR 1940
(Unit)
3RD DISTRICT
RECORDS

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	9		
Lieutenants ...	23		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
<i>Chaplain</i>			
TOTALS ...	37		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	DE CASPIGNY J.C.C.		27/4/40	T from 2 Bn (Militia)

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	ROWELL N.H.		1/4/40	Evacuated to C.D.S.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Pl. - Capt	VX 25	GODFREY A.M.L.		Yes	
Major	171	WRIELEY H		"	
"	146	WOOD F.G.		"	
"	185	SMITH G.F.		"	
Capt	152	MUHLHAN W.T.		"	
"	157	ROWAN J.G.		"	
"	72	BROWNE A.K.		"	
"	182	LITTLE M.G.		No	Dismissed from service
"	145	HOLFORD L.B.		Yes	
"	73	WEATE F.W.		"	
"	48	PICKEN K.S.		"	
"	162	SWINEBURNE G.P.		"	
"	59	SONWARD F.A.		"	
Lieut	181	JONES J.S.		No	Adv. by source
"	57	CARROLL H.A.		Yes	
"	56	MERR I.F.		"	
"	180	GRAY A.W.		"	
"	177	DUNN M.M.A.L.		"	
"	186	WARPE G.R.		"	
"	58	TILLEY R.A.		"	
"	322	MACKENZIE H.G.		"	
"	331	MIDDLE R.H.		"	
"	3561	SHERLOCK W.H.		"	
"	5101	HAYES P.B.		"	
"	5171	BENNS A.R.		"	
"	5172	DEXTER W.R.		"	
"	5174	DUNNLEY H.F.E.		"	
"	5104	SCHORFIELD V.J.		"	
"	5133	REILLY A.J.C.		"	
"	3837	STEWART H.M.B.		"	
"	5070	PATERSON J.B.		"	
"	4434	ADAMS E.C.		"	
"	4647	ROWELL H.H.		No	C.O.S.
"	356	CHAMPION N.O.		Yes	
"	238	LYNDON D.W.		"	
"	253	DE GRESPIENT J.C.C.		"	
Chaplain	317	BENNY L.W.A.		"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	VX 310	MACKENZIE F.F.	A.A.M.C.	22/1/40	R.A.O.

2/6 Bn
(Unit.)
3 Mar 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
Lieut. Col
(Signature of Commander.)
17th Div of Bde & Div
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

2/6 Bn War Diary March 1940 Appendix 2

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TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Bn (Unit) 3 Mar 1940 (Date)

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14 APR 1940
3RD DISTRICT RECORDS

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	6		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	4		
Staff Serjeants	—		
Serjeants	25		
Lance byts	2		
Corporals	56		
Temp Pts	6		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	709		
TOTALS	808	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
4785 WOLD COLLINS DD	A I C		
" FYPPE J L	"		
" BARCLAY R W	"		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

2/6 Bn Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/6 Bn
Unit.

[Signature]
Lieut. Col
Commanding *2/6 Bn.*
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch *3 Mar 40*
D.3459.

17th Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Bn

(Unit)

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14 APR 1940
PROBATION RECORD

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	9		
Lieutenants ...	23		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
TOTALS ...	36		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Chaplain	

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Chaplain	Benn (LVA 317)	LVA AACh D	6 Mar 40	Transferred to 2/1 C.C.S.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col	VX 25	Godfrey A.H.L.		Yes	
Major	171	Wrigley H		"	
"	166	Wood F.G.		"	
"	185	Smith G.F.		"	
Capt	152	Muhlhan W.T.		"	
"	157	Rowan J.G.		"	
"	72	Browne A.K.		"	
"	182	Little M.C.		No	Overseas Course
"	145	Holford L.B.		Yes	
"	73	Weate E.W.		"	
"	48	Picken K.S.		"	
"	162	Swimburne G.P.		"	
"	59	Soward F.H.		"	
Lieut	181	Jones J.S.		"	
"	57	Carroll K.A.		"	
"	56	Kerr J.E.		"	
"	180	Groy A.W.		"	
"	177	Dunn M.M.S.		"	
"	186	Warfe G.R.		"	
"	58	Tilley S.A.		"	
"	322	Mackenzie K.G.		"	
"	351	Kiddle R.H.		"	
"	3561	Sherlock W.H.		"	
"	5101	Hayes P.B.		"	
"	5171	Benns A.R.		"	
"	5172	Dexter W.R.		"	
"	5174	Dunkley H.L.E.		"	
"	5104	Schofield V.J.		"	
"	5133	Reilly A.J.C.		"	
"	3837	Stewart H.M.S.		"	
"	5070	Paterson J.B.		"	
"	4439	Adams E.C.		"	
"	4607	Rowell N.H.		No	CDS
"	355	Champion N.O.		Yes	
"	236	Lynden D.W.		"	
"	253	de Crespigny J.C.C.		"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	VX 310	Mackenzie E.F.	A.A.M.C.	22 Jan 90	R.M.D.
Chaplain	320	Saville E.E.	A.A.C.D.	6 Mar 90	Chaplain

2/6 Bn

(Unit.)

10 Nov 40

(Date of Despatch.)

H. Wrigley Major - 101

(Signature of Commander.)

17 Aus. Inf. Bde

6 Aus. Div.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

2/6 Bn War Diary March 1940 Appendix 4

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Appendix 4
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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Bn (Unit) *10* (Date) *MARCH 19 40*

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

14 APR 1940
3RD RECORD

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	<i>6</i>		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	<i>4</i>		
Staff Serjeants	<i>≡</i>		
Serjeants	<i>25</i>		
Lance-Serjeants	<i>2</i>		
Corporals	<i>56</i>		
Temp-Corporals	<i>6</i>		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	<i>700</i>		
TOTALS	<i>799</i>	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

D.3459/5.30.-C.4792

2/6 Bn

Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.		Troopers, Privates, &c.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/6 Bn
Unit.

H. Wrayling Major
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 10 Nov 40
D.8459.

17 Aus Inf. Bde. 6. Aus Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Appendix 5

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Bn (Unit)

RECEIVED
14 APR 1940
3RD DISTRICT
CORDS

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	9		
Lieutenants ...	23		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
TOTALS ...	36		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
<i>lt.-col.</i>	<i>VX 25</i>	<i>GODFREY A.H.L.</i>		<i>Yes</i>	
<i>Major</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>WRIGLEY H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>166</i>	<i>WOOD F.G.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>185</i>	<i>SMITH G.F.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>Capt.</i>	<i>152</i>	<i>MUHLHAN W.T.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>157</i>	<i>ROWAN J.G.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>BROWNE A.H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>182</i>	<i>LITTLE M.C.</i>		<i>No</i>	<i>Overseas Journal</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>HOLFORD L.B.</i>		<i>Yes</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>73</i>	<i>WEATE E.W.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>48</i>	<i>PICKEN H.S.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>SWINBURNE G.P.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>59</i>	<i>SOWARD F.H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>Plat.</i>	<i>181</i>	<i>JONES J.S.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>CARBOLL K.A.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>HERR I.E.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>180</i>	<i>GRAY A.W.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>177</i>	<i>DUNN M.McL.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>186</i>	<i>WARFE G.R.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>58</i>	<i>TILLEY Q.A.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>322</i>	<i>MALHENZIE K.G.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>331</i>	<i>MIDDLE R.H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>7561</i>	<i>SHERLOCK W.H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5101</i>	<i>HAYES P.B.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5171</i>	<i>BENNS A.R.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5172</i>	<i>DEXTER W.R.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5174</i>	<i>DUNKLEY H.L.E.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5104</i>	<i>SCHOFIELD Y.J.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5133</i>	<i>REILLY A.V.C.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5837</i>	<i>STEWART H.M.B.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5070</i>	<i>PATERSON J.B.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>4434</i>	<i>ADAMS F.C.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>4679</i>	<i>ROWELL H.M.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>356</i>	<i>CHAMPION A.D.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>LYNDDON D.W.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>253</i>	<i>de CRESPIENY J.C.C.</i>		<i>"</i>	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
<i>Capt.</i>	<i>VX 310</i>	<i>MACKENZIE B.F.</i>	<i>A.A.M.C.</i>	<i>22/1/40</i>	<i>R.M.O.</i>
<i>Chaplain</i>	<i>320</i>	<i>SAVILLE E.E.</i>	<i>A.A.C.O.</i>	<i>1/1/40</i>	<i>Chaplain</i>

2/6 Bn
(Unit.)
17 Mar 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
Lieut. Col
(Signature of Commander.)
17 Bde of Bde of Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

2/6 Bn War Diary March 1940 Appendix 6

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

Appendix 6

Army Form W. 3009

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Bn (Unit) 17 Mar 1940 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

RECEIVED
14 APR 1940
3RD DISTRICT
RECORDS

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	6		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	4		
Staff Serjeants	—		
Serjeants	45		
Corporals	56		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	680		
TOTALS	789	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

2/6 Bn Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

2/6 Bn Unit.

[Signature]
Lieut Col
Commanding 2/6 Bn.
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 17 Mar 40
D.8459.

17 Div Gp Bde 6 Div Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

2/6 Bn War Diary March 1940 Appendix 7

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Bn (Unit)

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3RD DISTRICT
RECORDS

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	9		
Lieutenants ...	23		
2nd Lieutenants ...	-		
Quartermasters ...	-		
TOTALS ...	36	-	-

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
2d Lt	VX 25	GODFREY A.H.L.		No	P.E. leave
Major	171	WHISLEY M		"	"
"	161	WOOD F.G.		"	"
"	185	SMITH G.F.		"	"
Capt	152	MURPHY W.T.		"	"
"	153	ROWAN J.G.		"	"
"	72	BROWNE A.K.		Yes	"
"	152	LITTLE A.C.		No	Overseas leave
"	145	HOLFORD L.B.		"	P.E. leave
"	73	WEATE E.W.		"	"
"	48	PICKEN K.S.		"	"
"	162	SWINBURNE B.P.		"	"
"	59	SWARD F.A.		"	"
Lt Col	151	JONES J.S.		"	"
"	57	CARROLL K.A.		"	"
"	36	KERR I.E.		"	"
"	180	GRAY A.W.		"	"
"	177	DUNN M. Hunt		"	"
"	186	WARFE C.R.		"	"
"	58	TILLEY R.A.		Yes	"
"	322	MACKENZIE K.G.		No	P.E. leave
"	331	KIDDLE R.H.		"	"
"	3581	SHERLOCK W.H.		"	"
"	5101	HAYES P.B.		"	"
"	5171	BENNS A.R.		"	"
"	5172	DEXTER W.R.		"	"
"	5174	DUNKLEY H.L.F.		"	"
"	5104	SCHNEIFELD V.T.		"	"
"	5133	REILLY A.T.C.		"	"
"	5927	STEWART H.M.		Yes	"
"	5176	PATERSON J.B.		No	P.E. leave
"	1239	ADAMS F.C.		"	"
"	4176	ROWELL M.H.		"	"
"	158	CHAMPION H.D.		"	"
"	208	LINDON D.W.		"	"
"	257	DECRESTIGNY J.C.		"	"

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	VX 310	MACKENZIE E.F.	AAAC	27/4/40	R.M.D.
Major	320	SAVILLE E.E.	AAAC	1/10/40	Private

2/6 Bn
(Unit.)

R.A. Tully Lt Col
(Signature of Commander.)
Commanding 2/6 Bn.

24 March 40
(Date of Despatch.)

17th Inf Bde 6 Aus Div
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

2/6 Bn War Diary March 1940 Appendix 8

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Bn (Unit) 24 Nov 1940 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

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3RD DISTRICT RECORDS

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	-		
W.Os. Class II.	6		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		
Staff Serjeants	12		
Serjeants	27		
Corporals	46		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	21		
TOTALS	791	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

2/6 Bn. Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.		Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

2/6 Bn. Unit.

R.A. Tully Lieut. Col
Commanding 2/6 Bn.
Signature of Commanding Officer

Date of Despatch 24 Mar 40
D.3459.

17 Aus Inf Bde 6 Aus Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

2/6 Bn War Diary March 1940 Appending Appending

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

Army Form W. 3009

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Bn (Unit) *31 Mar 1940* (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

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3RD DISTRICT RECORDS

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	5		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		
Staff Serjeants	12		
<i>Lance Serjeants</i>	1		
<i>Platoon Serjeants</i>	28		
<i>Temp. Serjeants</i>	6		
<i>Temp. Corporals</i>	47		
<i>Lance Corporals</i>	21		
<i>Temp. Lance Corporals</i>	6		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	034		
TOTALS	772	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
 			

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
 				

2/6 Bn Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.		Troopers, Privates, &c.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/6 Bn Unit.

Date of Despatch 31 Mar 40
D.3459.

[Signature]
Lieut Col
Commander
17 Aus Inf Bde 6 Aus Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Bn

(Unit)



PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	<i>1</i>		
Majors ...	<i>3</i>		
Captains ...	<i>9</i>		
Lieutenants ...	<i>23</i>		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
TOTALS ...	<i>36</i>		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>(This section is crossed out with a diagonal line.)</i>				

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>(This section is crossed out with a diagonal line.)</i>				

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
<i>(This section is crossed out with a diagonal line.)</i>			

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
<i>Pl - Col</i>	<i>VX 25</i>	<i>SUDREY A.H.L.</i>		<i>YES</i>	
<i>Major</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>WRIGLEY H</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>186</i>	<i>WOOD F.G.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>185</i>	<i>SMITH G.F.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>Capt</i>	<i>152</i>	<i>MUHLHAN W.T.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>157</i>	<i>ROWAN J.G.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>BROWNE A.K.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>182</i>	<i>LITTLE M.C.</i>		<i>No</i>	<i>on leave from</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>HOLFORD L.B.</i>		<i>Yes</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>73</i>	<i>WEATE E.W.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>48</i>	<i>PICKEN K.S.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>SWINBURNE G.P.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>59</i>	<i>SOWARD F.A.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>181</i>	<i>JONES J.S.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>GARROLL K.A.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>KERR I.E.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>180</i>	<i>GRAY A.W.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>177</i>	<i>DUNN M.M.V.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>186</i>	<i>MARFE G.R.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>58</i>	<i>TULLEY G.A.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>322</i>	<i>MACKENZIE K.G.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>331</i>	<i>MIDDLE R.H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>351</i>	<i>SHERLOCK W.H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5101</i>	<i>HAYES P.B.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5171</i>	<i>BENAS A.R.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5172</i>	<i>DEXTER W.R.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5174</i>	<i>DUNKLEY H.L.E.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5104</i>	<i>SCHAPIRO V.J.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5133</i>	<i>REILLY A.J.C.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>		<i>STEWART H.M.B.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>5070</i>	<i>PATERSON J.B.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>4439</i>	<i>ADAMS E.C.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>4679</i>	<i>ROWELL N.H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>356</i>	<i>CHAMPION N.O.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>LYNDON D.W.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>253</i>	<i>DE CRESPIGNY W.C.C.</i>		<i>"</i>	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>VX 310</i>	<i>MACKENZIE E.F.</i>	<i>A.A.M.C.</i>	<i>22/Jan/40</i>	<i>R.M.O.</i>
	<i>320</i>	<i>SAVILLE E.E.</i>	<i>A.A.C.O.</i>	<i>6/Mar/40</i>	<i>Platoon</i>

2/6 Bw
(Unit.)

17/40 *31 Mar 40*
(Date of Despatch.)

ad/pts
Lieut. Col
Commanding (Signature of Commander.)

17/40
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

3RD DISTRICT
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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
 (adapted.)

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 1 April '40 To 8 April '40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Puckapunyal	1 April		Boy commanders spend day in preparing tactical exercise at Ash's Bridge for tomorrow boys recapitulating training	3
"	2 "		Bn carries out defence and withdrawal exercise at Ash's Bridge. Returned to camp 2130 hrs. A good stunt.	D
"	3 "		Recapitulation. Much speculation as to day of embarkation.	D
"	4 "		Much checking of stores and equipment.	D
"	5 "		Field firing with mortars and LML's. Someone shot a dog. Troops very wrathful. Officers & men in tin hats. Some strange effects.	
"	6 "		Many men on what we think is last leave.	D
"	7 "		Bn parade church parade. Field returns O.C.'s prepared Copies attached.	Appendices 1+2 D
"	8 "		Bn in lines. Reissue of rifles under new number system	D

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2113
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 9 April '40 To 13 April 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Packapungal	9 April 40		A fair amount of marching and rifle exercises in preparation for review. News received of invasion of Denmark and Norway. Hopes of seeing Western Europe.	B
"	10 "		Battalion sports held. 6 by winners, but many fine performances. Track very hard. Re-embarkation roll called on Bn parade. It won't be long now.	B
"	11 April		Review of Brigade by Lt Gen Sir Thomas Blamey G.O. 1 st Inf. Corps. Address to troops regarding task ahead and behaviour on leave etc. Later for camp and Brigade sports, 2/6 Bn not very successful. Lecture by Lt Col J. Kalthart about Palestine.	B
	12 April		Shut cleaning and store packing troops on edge to go and all sure they know when and where. Muster parades by.	B
	13 April		Embarkation cards issued! Labels for gear. Thorough cleanup. Band gave impromptu concert in evening, attended by	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 13 April '40 To 15 April '40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Puckapunyal	13 April '40		many officers + men. Pictures in paybooks cause some merriment. Little sleep - all tents kayed up.	D.
Puckapunyal	14 April '40	0430	At last! Reveille + burning piles of straw for palisades. 2/3 or more at 0300. Returned blankets etc to stores, cleaned up. Breakfast in 2/7 lines. Embussed 0840 and moved to Seymour.	
Seymour		0945	Entrained and away to Melbourne. Troops very quiet!	
Port Melbourne			Train jammed at Kildwick + then crowded at every station. Embarkation carried out smoothly. Men allotted to mess decks and inspected then allowed on deck - no civilians on wharf. 1/2 is ship and a regular hooper.	
At Sea	"	1430	Sailed at 1430 and anchored in bay 1/2 and 1/3 near by.	D
"	15 April '40		Lifted anchor and passed through Heads about 1245. Men getting seasick quickly and crowded conditions not helping. Sea choppy. Boat stations shown and lifebelts fitted.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 15 April 40 To 20 April 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
At sea,	15 April 40		First censored mail went out with pilot	D
"	16 April 40		Many men unfit for duty, fit men cleaned ship. Sea fairly rough. Attempts at physical training rendered difficult by rolling ship. Bags of comforts distributed from Comfort Fund. Shirts etc.	D
"	17 April 40		Convoy on zigzag course. Sea calmer. Men recovering rapidly. P.T., boxing and lectures. Men beginning to enjoy meals which are very good.	D
"	18 April 40		Sea calm and full day's work done. Censor stamps issued and band plays. Watches back now to 1 1/2 hrs behind Melbourne time. Ship's run 297 miles.	
	19 April 40		Sea choppy and wind cold. Medical officer's lecture to troops	D
	20 April 40		Bay for troops and shack seen. Sea rather smoother.	D

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 21 April 40 To 25 April 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
At sea Fremantle	21 April 40	0930	Reached Fremantle 0930 hrs, after duties and guards had been arranged remainder of Bn were given shore leave until 2400 hrs. High of Perth most hospitable, most of personnel were entertained at private homes. Officers entertained by Naval and Military Club. Y2 coaled, in midstream, troops returned by ferry.	FD
At sea.	22 April 40		Y2 finished coaling at 1900. Sailed at 1500. Troops lined decks until clear of harbour. 40 Host Australians have joined ship.	FD
"	23 April 40		Much warmer and sea calm. Flying fish seen. Wake proceeding. New ship in convoy. Y5 seems slow. Many men sleeping on deck now.	FD
"	24 April 40		Practised Emergency Stations for air attack. Turnings raised over well decks. Calm sea. Ships run 310 miles	
"	25 April 40		Families sailed through convoy 1030 hrs. Dressed a ship	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit

2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From

25 April 40

To

28 April 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
At sea	25 April 40		<p>The following messages were sent and received from H.M.T. 1/2 on Anzac Day.</p> <p>From H.M.A.S. Sydney. Congratulations Anzac Day. R.A.N.</p> <p>From H.M.S. Kamillies. R.N. congratulations A.I.F. Anzac Day.</p> <p>To H.M.S. Kamillies. "Old and new Anzacs thank Royal Navy."</p> <p>From H.M.S. Kamillies. "Thank you. We have no doubt new Diggers will be equal to old."</p> <p>From H.M.S. Kamillies. "Special good wishes to the Nation and Nursing sisters aboard your ship."</p> <p>30 H.M.S. Kamillies. "Members of the A.A.N.S. thank you for your Special Goodwishes they are reciprocated."</p> <p>The afternoon parade was dismissed after reading of C.O. address. Copy attached.</p>	Apr. 3 D
"	26 April 40		<p>Practice "Action Stations". Very hot. Flying fish numerous. Canoes</p> <p>banks for men for bathing. Very popular. Ship's run 302 miles to noon</p>	D
"	27 April 40		<p>Ship's run 306 miles at noon. Elects lack C.O.'s conference. Officers received</p> <p>Training Instruction No 1 R/40 from Headquarters British Forces in Palestine and Transjordan.</p>	D
"	28 April 40		<p>Church parades held. Ship's run to noon 292 miles. Ship's time</p> <p>retarded 30 mins at 1700 hrs. New French cruiser relieves H.M.A.S. Sydney of convoy duty. Steamer through convoy, cheered by troops</p>	D

Appendix

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Bnd (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	2		
Captains ...	9		
Lieutenants ...	23		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
TOTALS ...	36	—	—

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>(This section is crossed out with a diagonal line.)</i>				

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>(This section is crossed out with a diagonal line.)</i>				

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
<i>(This section is crossed out with a diagonal line.)</i>			

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
<i>Pl. Capt</i>	<i>VX 25</i>	<i>GODFREY AHL</i>		<i>Yes</i>	
<i>Major</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>WRIGLEY H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>166</i>	<i>WOOD F.G.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>185</i>	<i>SMITH G.F.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>Capt</i>	<i>152</i>	<i>MUHLHAN W.T.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>157</i>	<i>ROWAN J.B.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>72</i>	<i>BROWNE A.K.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>182</i>	<i>LITTLE M.C.</i>		<i>No</i>	<i>On leave home</i>
	<i>145</i>	<i>HOLFORD L.B.</i>		<i>Yes</i>	
	<i>73</i>	<i>WEATE E.W.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>48</i>	<i>PICKEN K.S.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>162</i>	<i>SWINBURNE G.P.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>59</i>	<i>SOWARD F.A.</i>		<i>"</i>	
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>181</i>	<i>JONES J.S.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>59</i>	<i>CARROLL K.A.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>58</i>	<i>KERR I.E.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>180</i>	<i>GRAY A.W.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>177</i>	<i>DUNN M. MacL.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>186</i>	<i>WATTS G.R.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>58</i>	<i>TILLEY G.A.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>322</i>	<i>MACKENZIE K.G.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>331</i>	<i>KIDDLE R.H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>3561</i>	<i>SHERLOCK W.H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>5101</i>	<i>HAYES P.D.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>5171</i>	<i>BENNS A.R.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>5172</i>	<i>DEXTER W.R.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>5174</i>	<i>DUNKLEY H.L.E.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>5104</i>	<i>SCHOFIELD V.J.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>5133</i>	<i>REILLY A.J.C.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>3837</i>	<i>STEWART H.M.D.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>5070</i>	<i>PATERSON J.B.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>4439</i>	<i>ADAMS E.C.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>4679</i>	<i>ROWELL N.H.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>356</i>	<i>CHAMPION N.D.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>238</i>	<i>LYNDON D.W.</i>		<i>"</i>	
	<i>252</i>	<i>DE CRESTIGNY J.C.C.</i>		<i>"</i>	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>VX 310</i>	<i>McKENZIE E.F.</i>	<i>A.A.M.C.</i>	<i>22/1/40</i>	<i>R.M.O.</i>
<i>Chaplain</i>	<i>320</i>	<i>SAVILLE E.E.</i>	<i>A.A.C.M.D.</i>	<i>6/3/40</i>	<i>Padre</i>

2/6 Bn.
(Unit.)

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

7 April 40
(Date of Despatch.)

17 Aus Inf Bde 6 Aus Div
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

Append 2

Army Form W. 3009
(page 1)
(Adapted)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Bn (Unit) *7 April* 19 *40* (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	-		
W.Os. Class II.	6		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		
<i>handl Sgts</i>	12		
Staff Serjeants	6		
<i>Temp Sgts</i>	30		
Serjeants	1		
<i>a. Sgts</i>	45		
Corporals	6		
<i>Temp Cpl</i>	21	<i>plus 684</i>	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	7		
<i>Temp L/Cpl</i>			
TOTALS	823	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>(This section is crossed out with a diagonal line)</i>			

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
<i>(This section is crossed out with a diagonal line)</i>				

2/6 Bde Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

2/6 Bde Unit.

[Signature]
Lieut. Col
Commanding 2/6 Bn.

Date of Despatch 7 April 40
D.8459.

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Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Appendix 4

L. J. Dunkley

Y. 2 TROOP MENU 14th to 21st April, 1940.

Breakfast.	Dinner.	High Tea.	Supper.
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<u>Sunday 14th April</u>	Assorted Cold Meats Sauce Lettuce & Tomatoes Stewed Prunes Custard	Lancashire Hot Pot Bread & Butter Currant Buns Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Tea
<u>Monday 15th April</u>	Soup Roast Beef Roast Potatoes Cabbage Tinned Pineapple Blanc Mange	Cold Silverside of Beef Sauce Salad Bread & Butter Rock Cakes Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Cocoa
	<i>C. Fruit</i>	<i>Fruit</i>	
<u>Tuesday 16th April</u>	Barley Broth Boiled Mutton Mashed Potatoes Cabbage Stewed Fruit Milk Rice Pudding	Stewed Steak & Tomatoes Mashed Potatoes Bread & Butter Cavendish Cakes Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Coffee
	<i>C. Fruit</i>	<i>Fruit</i>	
<u>Wednesday 17th April</u>	Tomato Soup Compressed Beef Sauce Salad Plum Pudding Rhum Sauce	Fried Fresh Fish Mashed Potatoes Bread & Butter Rock Cakes Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Cocoa
	<i>C. Fruit</i>	<i>Fruit</i>	
<u>Thursday 18th April</u>	Pea Soup Boiled Beef Carrots Mashed Potatoes Tinned Fruit Blanc Mange	Grilled Steak Sauce Boiled Potatoes Fruit Cake Bread & Butter Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Tea
	<i>C. Fruit</i>	<i>Fruit</i>	
<u>Friday 19th April</u>	Vegetable Soup Roast Veal Mashed Potatoes Mashed Swedes Macaroni Pudding	Luncheon Sausage Boiled Eggs (2) Salad Bread & Butter Fruit Cake Tea	Cheese Biscuits Cocoa
	<i>C. Fruit</i>	<i>C. Fruit</i> <i>C. Cakes</i>	
<u>Saturday 20th April</u>	Fricasse of Rabbit and Pork Boiled Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Golden Romsey Pudding	American Dry Hash Sauce Bread & Butter Coventry Buns Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Tea
	<i>C. Fruit</i>	<i>C. Fruit</i>	
<u>Sunday 21st April</u>	Tomato Soup Roast Pork Apple Sauce Mashed Potatoes Swedes Stewed Fruit Milk Rice Pudding	Irish Stew Bread & Butter Sultana Buns Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Coffee
	<i>C. Fruit</i>	<i>C. Fruit</i> <i>Sauce</i> <i>Cakes</i>	

LT JUNKLEY

Breakfast.

Dinner.

High Tea.

Supper.

Monday 22nd April

Oatmeal Porridge
Fried Sausages
Onion Sauce
Bread & Butter
Marmalade Tea

Cocoa C. Fruit

Soup
Roast Beef
Roast Potatoes
Cabbage
Fruit Bavaroise

Cold Meats
Bread & Butter
Sultana Buns
Jam Tea

*C. Sauce
C. Fruit*

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Tuesday 23rd April

Oatmeal Porridge
Fried Bacon
Scrambled Eggs
Bread & Butter
Jam Tea

C. Fruit

Barley Broth
Roast Mutton
Mashed Potatoes
Cabbage
Stewed Fruit
Milk Rice Pudding

Cottage Pie
Sauce
Bread & Butter
Cavendish Cake
Jam
Fresh Fruit
Tea

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Wednesday 24th April

Oatmeal Porridge
Grilled Mutton Chops
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Marmalade
Tea

C. Fruit

Tomato Soup
Compressed Beef
Mixed Salad
Sauce
Sultana Pudding
Custard Sauce
Fresh Fruit

Smoked Fillets
of Cod
Mashed Potatoes
Sultana Buns
Jam Tea

*C. Cake
C. Fruit*

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Thursday 25th April

Oatmeal Porridge
Fried Sausage
Onion Sauce
Jam
Bread & Butter
Tea

Cocoa C. Fruit

Vegetable Soup
Roast Veal
Boiled Potatoes
Cabbage
Macaroni Pudding
Fresh Fruit

Haricot Mutton
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Rock Cakes
Jam Tea

*C. Sauce
C. Fruit*

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

C. Cakes

Friday 26th April

Oatmeal Porridge
Fresh Fried Fish
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Marmalade
Tea

Cocoa C. Fruit

Tomato Soup
Boiled Beef
Carrots
Mashed Potatoes
Stewed Fruit
Custard

Luncheon Sausage
Boiled Eggs
Mixed Salad
Sauce
Fruit Cake
Bread & Butter
Tea

C. Fruit

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Saturday 27th April

Oatmeal Porridge
Grilled Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Marmalade
Tea

Cocoa C. Fruit

Fricasse of Rabbit
and Pork
Mashed Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Suet Pudding
Golden Syrup
Sauce

C. Fruit

American
Dry Hash
Coventry Buns
Bread & Butter
Jam Tea

*C. Cakes
C. Fruit*

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Sunday 28th April

Oatmeal Porridge
Bacon & Eggs
Bread & Butter
Jam Tea

*Cocoa
C. Fruit*

Vegetable Soup
Roast Pork
Apple Sauce
Mashed Potatoes
Cabbage
Stewed Fruit
Milk Rice Pudding

*C. Sauce
C. Cake
C. Fruit.*

Irish Stew
Bread & Butter
Currant Bread
Jam Tea

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

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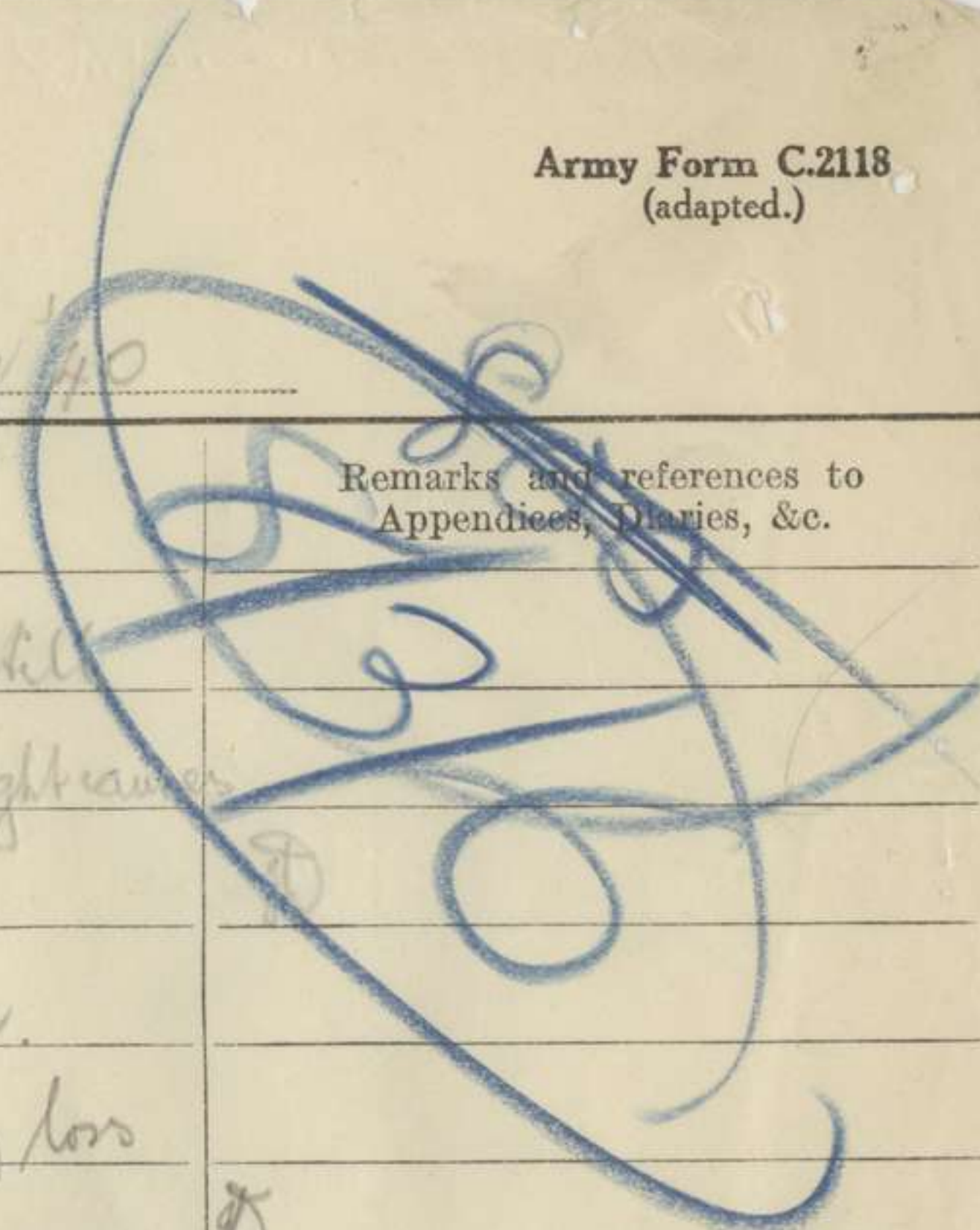
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Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 29 April 40 To 3 May 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
At sea	29 April 40		Ships run to now 316 miles. Very hot now but deck hockey etc still played. block back again at 1700 hrs. Heavy rain during night caused several of those sleeping on boat deck.	D
"	30 April 40		Lieut A. Joyce missing. Ship's run 321 miles to now. Messages of sympathy from escort and convoy regarding loss of Lieut A. Joyce.	D
"	1 May 40		Board of Inquiry formed. Pres. Maj G. H. Huggley, M.C. Members Capt J. L. Bishop, HQ, 1st Aus. Inf. Bde. and Capt. W. J. Ballechin HQ, 1st Aus. Base.	D
"	2 May 40		Ships run to now 303 miles. King Neptune comes aboard.	D
"	2 May 40		Buy and arrangements for changing of money to Colombo currency. Identity disks or 'meal tickets' issued. Ships run to now 302 miles.	D
Colombo	3 May 40	1000	Dressed ship, entered harbour with band playing. Not expected until tomorrow. Hottest day for years in Colombo but men sent on leave	



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Unit 2/6 Bn Date and Time.—From 3 May '40 To 7 May '40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Colombo	3 May 40		in thick uniforms, web belts and marched to Ball's Quay for pay in papers. Several men go down. Broken off at 1500 hrs until 1730. Very slow transport back to ship. Many men not aboard until 2100 hrs although they had reported at 1730. Ship coaling in mid harbor. Native divers amuse troops.	D
"	4 May 40		Slightly cooler as they recast. Series arrive 1005 hrs and have parties going out yesterday's procedure of march to Ball's Quay. Thick steam boys did rowing. Adad men assembled 1700. Aboard by 1900 hrs much better than yesterday. The shaggs	D
At sea	5 May 40		Heighed anchor about 0400 hrs and were well away from land by reveille. Troops very quiet after leave, nearly all have some souvenirs of their first foreign port. Black faced and inspections then a quiet day. We see first merchant ships since leaving the head, a escort has diverted them hitherto. Attached is copy of troop deck menu for 29th till 5 May 40. Ships run to noon 87 miles.	Appendix attached to 17 May 40.
"	6 May 40		Ship's orderly room, then general search for a pair of missing binoculars. Ship's run to noon 308 miles. Back back 30 mins. Tonight the mess burst into song for the first time since Pucka. The band were in good form.	D
	7 May 40		Action stations at 1100 hrs and ship's guns fired. The old	

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Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 7 May '40 To 10 May '40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
At sea.	7 May '40		boat shock considerably. Saw troops not too sure it was just practice. Ship's run to noon 310 miles. We appear to be off trade routes again as no merchantmen seen.	R
"	8 May '40		Rifle and MML practice from after gun platform on poop deck. Riflemen were recruits just prior to leaving Pucka, but good results were obtained. Clocks back again 30 mins. Menus attached of meals since 14 April. Mess became useful. Strange ship on horizon intercepted by escort - turned out to be a British ship.	R,
"	9 May '40		Gun practice by escorting vessel interests troops greatly. Whales seen off port bow. Clocks back again 30 mins. Ship's run to noon 304 miles. Bathby reveals himself as accomplished magician & fitness tonight.	
"	10 May '40		AMS Kamillas practices with high angle guns. They seem very effective. Ship's run to noon 322 miles, clocks retarded 30 mins. A bomber flew over this morning. Land must be near.	R

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Unit

2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From

8 11 May 40 To 13 May 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
At sea	11 May 40		<p>Joined about 0800 hrs by two destroyers H 07 and H 70. They steamed through convoy then wheeled outwards to guard flanks. We were visited frequently during day by a bombing plane. A small boat came with destroyers and flew down rigging when it stayed. Ships time retarded 30 mins at 1700 hrs. Run 324 miles to noon.</p>	
"	12 May 40		<p>Aden in sight at first light. Great height of hills behind impresses troops. Dropped hook for first time at dawn hrs but moved in later to closer anchorage and anchored 0730 hrs. Traps laid ship and land played. A hot water. HMS Liverpool joins us. Not pestered by lumberboats as at Colombo. Sailed again at 12:00 hrs. Rear Admiral Murray in charge of convoy. His flag flies from HMS Liverpool. We have now three heavy ships HMS Ramilles, HMS Liverpool, & the French battle cruiser Zouave. HMAS Hobart followed for a while. Several destroyers</p>	D.
	13 May 40		<p>Africa seen at dawn. Many islands around. Sea oily and flying fish and porpoises plentiful. HMS mounted. Escort very active and bombs overhead most of day. Ships run 299 miles to noon.</p>	

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Unit 2/6 Bn Hq May 40

Date and Time.—From 14 May 40 To 17 May 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
At Sea	14 May 40		Officers and sergeants signed missing certificates. Some interest caused at noon by escaping destroyers who patrolled a particular spot for about two hours. HMS Liverpool left us at 1900 hours after passing through convoy. Troops lined decks and cheered. Ship's run 304 miles to noon. Packing up started.	D
"	15 May 40		Ship's run to noon 284 miles. Clocks retarded 30 mins. Fresh wind makes a very pleasant day. Officers of 2/6 Bn entertained remainder of officers + nursing sisters at a cocktail party. Very successful.	D
"	16 May 40		Nearing end of trip. Hand off both bows about noon and cliffs most colorful. Incredibly barren. Pucks, rifles and kit bags drawn. Ship's run to noon 302 miles. Clocks retarded 30 mins.	
	17 May 40		Suez at first light. 1/2 entered Canal following Shathanaice at 0700 hrs. We anchored in Bitter Lakes from 1000 hrs until 2000 hrs then moved off to Kantara. Issue of ball amm. and troops try to rest for	

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Unit

2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From

17 May '40

To

20 May '40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
At Sea (Suez Canal)	17 May '40		a few hours A. Mjr of 2/2 Bn boarded ship at Suez & gave us most helpful advice. Attached is menu of two decks for ship	Appendix 4
Kantara	18 May '40		Musters parades at 0130. Kantara reached at 0140 and disembarkation started at 0230 hrs. All personnel ashore by 0330 hrs. Baggage etc off by 0410. Very smooth working of all arrangements. Excellent meal provided at Kantara with main ration. Left Kantara at 0455. Desert	
Beit Firja			First sight of Mediterranean sea at spot where rail runs along beach. Crossed border into Palestine 0945 hrs. Reached Kantara 1105. Detained unit by Capt Little who has been here for few months. Led by guides to Coy areas. Bed boards and rifle chains, pallasses blankets drawn. Everything well arranged and Bn settled down remarkably quickly. Country well cultivated here and camp faces east. Gentle slope to ridge behind camp. Sea about four miles west	
Beit Firja	19 May '40		Church parade 1900 hrs. C.O. followed with talk on discipline in foreign land. Issue of shirts and shorts. Visit from Capt Walker of Div. 2. Capt. and several 45 Bn officers. Liebermann O.O.R.	Appendices 5 & 6
	20 May '40		Bn parade 0830. Kit inspection B.M. lays down areas for Bn scheme for passive defence from air attack and training areas.	

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Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 21 May '40 To 27 May '40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bait firja	21 May 40		Coy Comdr inspect areas for passive defence scheme work commencing in afternoon. Trenches east of railway filled out of bounds by brigade.	
	22 May 40		Trench systems commencing in earnest, shortage of tools at present. New picture theatre opens. Free show 'Sage' and a dog! Open at top so men can smoke. Very popular.	D
	23 May 40		Ridge at rear of camp now a maze of earthworks. Hawkers forbidden camp lines. 'Sage's' roll calls and strength increased. Warnings against attempts at sabotage. Theatre piquetted. C.O. makes reconnaissance of new area for dispersal of battalion to coy. areas.	D
	24 May 40		No Arabs of firm to be interviewed indoors. Leave Bait firja. Apper fill further notice. Many trenches near completion. Camouflage being used.	D
	25 May 40		Coy Comdr inspect areas allotted for dispersal scheme and make platoon arrangements. Site for 30' range investigated by C.O. and J 2 1/2. Water bottles to be filled at all times.	D
	26 May 40		Half holiday. Football and cricket both played. Church parade 100 hrs. Day of Special Prayer. In afternoon Bn H.Q. defeated D. Coy at football 9-7 to 3-5.	D
			Some officers find swimming at Saja very enjoyable.	D Appendices 7+8
	27 May 40		30' range laid out and completed. Several cases of measles in camp. Strict isolation of tents of sufferers. Dispersal of camp to Hail tomorrow.	D

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Unit 2/6 Bn Date and Time.—From 28 May 40 To 31 May 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bulfinch	28 May 40		Surrender of Belgium to Germany. Decision to permit defence of Belgium to be taken by defensive positions. Dispersal of Coy to their new areas. First night in new areas. Coy makes reconnaissance of new areas.	D
	29 May 40		Lt Col. Sobel with B.M. 310 at 0830 hrs. inspected new areas. Coy to take positions occupied by 1400 hrs. All ammunition issued to all ranks. Binoculars and Binoculars issued.	
	30 May 40		Binocular course started for selected N.C.O. and men by left hill tops. Digging in new areas which are occupied day night.	D
	31 May 40		Regulation of all cameras by Coy. Time in Palestine. Machine guns forward on front.	
	26 May 40		Defensive positions occupied, weapon pits and trenches constructed.	D
	27 May 40		Remainder of day not captured. Ammunition issued. Coy to dig in.	
	28 May 40		Unit to be held in new areas. Ammunition issued. Coy to dig in.	

D.3135/5.39.—C.4788.

L. T. DONKLEY

Breakfast

Dinner

High Tea

Supper

Monday 29th April

Stewed Fruit
Fried Sausages
Onion Sauce
Bread & Butter
Marmalade
Cocoa *C. Fruit*

Soup
Roast Beef
Mashed Potatoes
Mashed Swedes
Rice & Raisin Pudding
Lime Juice

York Ham *C. Pickles*
Russian Salad
Bread & Butter
Sultana Buns
Jam Tea
C. CAKE

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Tuesday 30th April

Oatmeal Porridge *C. Tinned Fruit*
Bacon & Eggs
Bread & Butter
Marmalade
Cocoa *C. Fruit*

Barley Broth
Cold Roast Mutton
Mixed Vegetables
Mashed Potatoes
Fruit Bavaroise
Lime Juice *C. SAUCE*

Cottage Pie
Sauce
Bread & Butter
Cavendish Cake
Jam
Fresh Fruit
Tea

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Wednesday 1st May

Stewed Fruit
Grilled Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Jam Cocoa

Boiled Beef
Carrots
Mashed Potatoes
Steamed Pudding
Custard Sauce
Fresh Fruit
Lime Juice

Smoked Fillet of Cod
Boiled Potatoes
Sultana Buns
Jam Tea
C. CAKE
C. Tinned Fruit

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Thursday 2nd May

C. Tinned Fruit
Oatmeal Porridge
Fried Sausages
Onion Sauce
Marmalade
Bread & Butter
Cocoa

Haricot Mutton
Mixed Vegetables
Mashed Potatoes
Macaroni Pudding
Fresh Fruit
Lime Juice

American Dry Hash
Sauce
Bread & Butter
Rock Cakes
Jam
Tea *C. CAKE*
C. Fruit

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Friday 3rd May

Stewed Fruit
Fresh Fillet of Fish
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Marmalade Cocoa

York Ham
Mixed Pickles
Tinned Fruit
Custard
Lime Juice

Luncheon Sausage
Boiled Eggs
Mixed Salad
Bread & Butter
Fruit Cake Tea

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Saturday 4th May

C. Tinned Fruit
Oatmeal Porridge
Bacon & Egg
Bread & Butter
Jam Cocoa
C. Fruit

Tomato Soup
Compressed Beef
Fresh Tomatoes
Sago Pudding
Fresh Fruit
Lime Juice

Cold Roast Veal
Salad
Coventry Buns
Bread & Butter
Jam Tea
C. SAUCE
C. Fruit

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Sunday 5th May

Stewed Fruit
Sausages
Onion Sauce
Bread & Butter
Marmalade
Cocoa
C. Fruit

Vegetable Soup
Roast Pork
Apple Sauce
Mashed Potatoes
Cabbage
Milk Rice Pudding
Fresh Fruit
Lime Juice

Irish Stew
Bread & Butter
Currant Bread
Jam Tea
C. SAUCE
C. CAKE
C. Fruit SALAD

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

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TROOPDECK MENU
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6th.-12th. May 1940

Breakfast	Dinner	High Tea	Supper
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<u>Monday 6th. May</u>			
Oatmeal Porridge Grilled Bacon Grilled Sausage Bread & Butter Marmalade Cocoa	Soup Cold Roast Beef Beetroot Salad Mashed Potatoes Fruit Salad Custard Lime Juice	American Fish Cake Bread & Butter Currant Buns Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Cocoa
	<i>C. FRUIT</i>	<i>C. SAUCE</i> <i>C. FRUIT.</i>	
<u>Tuesday 7th. May</u>			
Stewed Fruit Bacon & Egg Bread & Butter Marmalade Cocoa	Barley Broth Cold Roast Mutton Mixed Vegetables Mashed Potatoes Rice & Raisin Pudding Lime Juice	Cold Roast Veal Potato Salad Bread & Butter Currant Bread Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Cocoa
	<i>C. FRUIT</i>	<i>C. SAUCE</i> <i>C. FRUIT</i>	
<u>Wednesday 8th. May</u>			
Oatmeal Porridge Grilled Sausages Onion Sauce Bread & Butter Marmalade Cocoa	Vegetable Soup Boiled Beef Mixed Vegetables Mashed Potatoes Pear Bavaroise Lime Juice	Cold Meats Egg Salad Fruit Cake Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Cocoa
	<i>C. FRUIT</i>	<i>C. FRUIT</i>	
<u>Thursday 9th. May</u>			
Stewed Fruit Grilled Bacon Dry Hash Bread & Butter Jam Cocoa	Haricot Mutton Mixed Vegetables Mashed Potatoes Suet Pudding Golden Syrup Sauce Fresh Fruit Lime Juice	Cottage Pie Sauce Bread & Butter Currant Bread Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Cocoa
		<i>C. FRUIT</i>	
<u>Friday 10th. May</u>			
Stewed Fruit Smoked Fillets of Cod Mashed Potatoes Bread & Butter Marmalade Cocoa	Tomato Soup Iced Compressed Beef Mixed Pickles Mashed Potatoes Sago Pudding Fresh Fruit Lime Juice	Irish Stew Bread & Butter Currant Buns Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Cocoa
		<i>C. CAKE</i> <i>C. FRUIT</i>	
<u>Saturday 11th. May</u>			
Oatmeal Porridge Grilled Sausages Onion Sauce Bread & Butter Marmalade Cocoa	Vegetable Soup Cold Roast Veal Potato Salad Stewed Fruit Milk Rice Pudding Lime Juice	Kipperred Herrings Bread & Butter Cavendish Cake Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Cocoa
	<i>C. FRUIT</i>	<i>C. SAUCE</i> <i>C. FRUIT</i>	
<u>Sunday 12th. May</u>			
Stewed Fruit Bacon & Egg Bread & Butter Jam Cocoa	Soup Roast Pork Apple Sauce Cabbage Mashed Potatoes Lineapple Bavaroise Lime Juice	Cold Meats Mixed Salads Bread & Butter Currant Bread Jam Tea	Cheese Biscuits Cocoa
	<i>C. FRUIT</i>	<i>C. CAKE</i> <i>C. SAUCE</i> <i>C. FRUIT</i>	

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TROOPDECK MENU

13th.-17th. May 1940

Breakfast

Dinner

High Tea

Supper

Monday 13th. May.

Oatmeal Porridge
Grilled Sausages
Onion Sauce
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Marmalade
Cocoa

Soup
Corned Silverside
of Beef
Cabbage
Mashed Potatoes
Stewed Prunes
Custard
Lime Juice

Compressed Beef
Sauce
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Fruit Cake
Jam
Coffee

Cheese
Pickles
Cocoa

Tuesday 14th. May

Oatmeal Porridge
Broiled Fillets
of Fish
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Jam
Cocoa

Stewed Steak &
Tomatoes
Mashed Potatoes
Pineapple
Bavaroise
Lime Juice

York Ham *C. PICKLES*
Egg Salad
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Currant Bread
Jam
Tea *C. CAKE*

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Wednesday 15th. May

Stewed Fruit
Grilled Bacon
Tomato Puree
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Marmalade
Cocoa

Pea Soup
Corned Pork
Boston Beans
Mashed Potatoes
Sago Pudding
Fresh Fruit
Lime Juice

Kipperred Herrings
Bread & Butter
Fruit Cake
Jam
Coffee

Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

C. TINNEY FRUIT

Thursday 16th. May

Oatmeal Porridge *C. TINNEY FRUIT*
Grilled Sausages *C. TINNEY FRUIT*
Onion Sauce
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Marmalade
Cocoa

Tomato Soup
Roast Mutton
Green Peas
Mashed Potatoes
Pear Bavaroise
Lime Juice

Irish Stew
Bread & Butter
Cavendish Cake
Jam
Tea

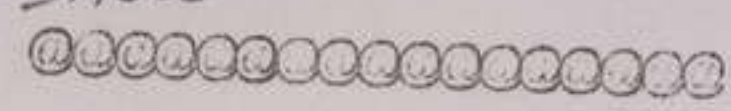
Cheese
Biscuits
Cocoa

Friday 17th. May

Oatmeal Porridge
Smoked Fillets of Cod
Mashed Potatoes
Bread & Butter
Marmalade
Cocoa

1400.
C. LIME JUICE

C. SAUCE



C. CAKE

C. TINNEY FRUIT

C. CAKE

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Bnd (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
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Lieut.-Colonels ...	<i>1</i>		
Majors ...	<i>3</i>		
Captains ...	<i>8</i>		
Lieutenants ...	<i>27</i>		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	<i>2</i>		
TOTALS ...	<i>39</i>		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>MURPHY</i>	<i>A.B.</i>		
<i>Lieut.</i>	<i>SHELDON</i>	<i>A.C.</i>	<i>9 Apr 40</i>	<i>Kind appointment to commissioned rank subject to notification in C.A.G.</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>JOYCE</i>	<i>T.J.</i>	<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>CLARK</i>	<i>F.D.</i>	<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>HUNTER</i>	<i>A.</i>	<i>"</i>	
<i>"</i>	<i>CHAMP</i>	<i>J.W.K.</i>	<i>13 Apr 40</i>	

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>HOLFORD</i>	<i>A.B.</i>	<i>7 Apr 40</i>	<i>Transferred to 497 Squadron subject to notification in C.A.G.</i>
<i>Lieut.</i>	<i>JOYCE</i>	<i>T.J.</i>	<i>30 Apr 40</i>	<i>Reported missing at sea. Presumably lost ship and wide search of inquiry.</i>

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
		<i>See annexed sheet marked</i>			"A"

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>VX 310</i>	<i>MACKENZIE F.F.</i>	<i>A.A.M.C.</i>	<i>22/1/40</i>	<i>R.M.O.</i>

2/6 Bn.
(Unit.)

21 May 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)

17 Aus Inf Bde 6 Aus Div.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit.	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt.-Col.	VX. 25.	GODFREY	A.H.L.	Yes.	
Major	VX. 171	WRIGLEY	H.	Yes.	
"	VX. 166	WOOD	F.G.	Yes.	
"	VX. 185	SMITH	G.F.	Yes.	
Captain	VX. 152	MUHLHAN	W.T.	Yes.	
"	VX. 157	BOWAN	J.G.	Yes.	
"	VX. 72	BROWNE	A.K.	Yes.	
"	VX. 182	LITTLE	M.C.	Yes.	
"	VX. 73	WEATE	E.W.	Yes.	
"	VX. 48	PICKEN	K.S.	Yes.	
"	VX. 162	SMINBURNE	G.P.	Yes.	
"	VX. 59	SOWARD	F.A.	Yes.	
Lieutenant	VX. 181	JONES	J.S.	Yes.	
"	VX. 57	CARROLL	K.A.	Yes.	
"	VX. 56	KERR	I.E.	Yes.	
"	VX. 180	GRAY	A.W.	Yes.	
"	VX. 177	DUNN	M.Macl.	Yes.	
"	VX. 186	WARFE	G.R.	Yes.	
"	VX. 58	TILLEY	G.A.	Yes.	
"	VX. 322	MACKENZIE	K.C.	Yes.	
"	VX. 331	KIDDLE	R.H.	Yes.	
"	VX. 3561	SHERLOCK	W.H.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5101	HAYES	P.B.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5171	BENNS	A.R.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5172	DEXTER	W.R.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5174	DUNKLEY	H.L.E.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5104	SCHOFIELD	V.J.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5133	REILLY	A.J.C.	Yes.	
"	VX. 3837	STEWART	H.McB.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5070	PATERSON	J.B.	Yes.	
"	VX. 4439	ADAMS	E.C.	Yes.	
"	VX. 4679	ROWELL	N.H.	Yes.	
"	VX. 306	CHAMPION	N.O.	Yes.	
"	VX. 238	LYNDON	D.W.	Yes.	
"	VX. 253	DE CRESPIGNY	J.C.C.	Yes.	
"	VX. 4051	SHELDRIK	A.C.	Yes.	
"	VX. 3964	CLARKE	F.D.	Yes.	
"	VX. 3439	HUNTER	A.	Yes.	
"	VX. 707	CHAMP	J.W.K.	Yes.	

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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2/6 Bn (Unit) 19 May 19 40 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	5		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	35		
<i>4/serjeants</i>	5		
Corporals	53		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	715		
TOTALS	822	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>NX9452</i> <i>1/4 Lt WILSON R.H.</i>	<i>A A P C.</i>		
<i>Sgt BATAKSE D.</i>	<i>Interpreter 6 Aus Div</i>		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

2/6 Bw Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

2/6 Aus Inf Bde
Unit.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 21 May 40
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17 Aus Inf Bde 6 Aus Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Aus Inf Bde (Unit) 25 May 19 40 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

Table with 4 columns: 1. Detail, 2. Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached), 3. Surplus to Establishment, 4. Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments). Rows include W.Os. Class I, W.Os. Class II, Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants, Staff Serjeants, Serjeants (4/3/40), Corporals, Troopers, Privates, &c., and a TOTALS row.

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Table with 4 columns: Detail, Unit and Corps to which they belong, Detail, Unit and Corps to which they belong. Handwritten entries include: Sgt. BATARSI D Interpreter 6 Fus Bde and NX71844 Pl BEGG G.E. 2/1 Wd. Hvy. Sec.

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Table with 5 columns: Army No., Rank, Name and Initials, Corps, Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known). The table is currently empty and crossed out with a diagonal line.

2/6 Aus Inf Bde Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.					REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants,	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/6 Aus Inf Bde Unit.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 25 May 40
D.3459.

17 Aus Inf Bde 6 Aus Div.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Aus Inf Bn (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	8		
Lieutenants	27		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	39		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	ADAMS E.C.		16/4/40	A.G.H. Gaya
Lieut.	BENNS A.R.		2/4/40	M.P. & G. family No 7
Lieut.	MACKENZIE K.B.		15/4/40	A.G.H. Gaya
Capt.	WEATE E.W.		23/4/40	" "

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit

2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From

1 June 40

To

2 June 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Beit Jiza	1 June 40		Continuation of defensive scheme. Inspection by C.O. and B.M. of forward coy. positions. Troops have half day rest. Extremely hot.	D
" "	2 June 40		Church parade at 9.00 hrs. Heat made sitting on ground uncomfortable. Some Jerusalem leave. Some leave to Gaza. Sudd returns O.R.P.	D
"	3 June 40		Leave to Tel Aviv for 25 men. "Liesta" started and new timetable. Reveille 0500. Sick parade 0530 hrs Breakfast 0615 hrs Morning parade 0900 - 1130 hrs Lunch 1145 hrs Afternoon parade 1600 - 1800 hrs.	D
"	4 June 40		Address to officers by S.O.C. 6 Aus. Div. Gen L. G. Mackay C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D. on discipline. Blackout at 2000 hrs. Effective in huts etc but permanent buildings need attention.	
"	5 June 40		30 th range used by Ben school. Digging and training. Reports of lights seen on coastal plains coming in from food coys. Section sigs. on duty. Blankets used to help blackout in perm. buildings. Effective.	D

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
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Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 6 June 40 To 10 June 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Beit Jirja	6 June 40		Blackout time 200hrs now. C.P. inspects southern cys. Been gun practice on 30' suspended during alterations and improvements. Very hot east wind - 'Khamsein'.	
	7 June 40		Applications for sigs. to go to Div. Start of camouflage scheme mud and water on tents. Digging down floors in tents 18" and building up of banks outside. Visit of B.I.O at 2030 to investigate lights.	D.
	8 June 40		Long list of vacancies in Technical units. Regimental Institute opened - ranges only so far. Half day. Field returns over.	Appendices 3+4 D
Jaffa Rifle Range	9 June 40		No lunch parade. Move to Jaffa rifle range. 2 convoys of 6 buses. First convoy left about 1345 but the second about 1630 hrs. Bn took over from 2/5. Lines untidy, Camp Washillside - red sand. Issue of mosquito nets and much closing with quinine. 2+OR	Appendices 3+4 D
	10 June 40		Move to range 0700 LT. Excellent range. Brew and rifle firing practices. Lunch in field. Return 1730. Italy in war.	D

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
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Unit 10 June 40

Date and Time.—From 10 June 40 To 15 June 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Kilo 89	10 June 40		Inspection of Div. by Lt Gen Wavell C.M.C. in the War East at Gaza Ridge. Lt Col Dodgson acting Brig 17th Div Lf Bala.	D
Jaffa rifle range.	11 June 40		Range practices from 300' and 500'. Fixed bayonet - trench etc. Blackout early so little leave to Pishon applied for.	D
"	12 June 40		Troops need more marching, feet are tender. Firing - Brew all morning. Lunch in camp. First convoy 2/3 arrived. at 1400, first convoy 2/6 left 1410, second at 1715 hrs	D
"	13 June 40		250 men on Jerusalem leave. C.O. recce. of areas near Bureir, Heleigal for Coy. bivouac schemes. Roads passable for M.T.	D
"	14 June		by Comdr. H.O. on recce. of bivouac area. Change of establishment means strengthening of sections, 1 st R.I. absorbed into Cys.	D
"	15 June		Further recce. by Coy Comdr. Troops have half day off. Bivouac schemes prepared and handed to C.O. Field returns 0:00 D / Cpl's 5+6	D

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 2/6th
16 June 40

Date and Time.—From

16 June 40 To

21 June 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Beit Jirja	16 June 40		Shunk parade, then swimming to ^{ASCALON} Achelon for some loads.	
			95 all ranks to Jaffa rifle range. 2/6th played Engineers Australian rules football on 2/6th parade ground. We won by 11-4 to 4-8.	D
	17 June 40		95 all ranks to Jaffa W.T. ranges for Bren gun practices. News from home not cheering but C.O. visits Coy and addresses	
			officers on necessity for confidence and patience. B. order for action	H M. heading of
	18 June 40		95 all ranks to Jaffa W.T. range again. Sgt Wood of A Coy sec. for bivouac scheme. Practice manning of defense scheme	D
	19 June 40		at 2400 hrs. Positions manned until 2200 hrs. Training with Bren & Boys rifle. B. Coy on patrol	D
	20 June 40		duty through Beit Jirja. Capt. M. H. in charge. A Coy. Sgt Wood oc. leave for 3 days bivouac in vicinity	D
			Bunin and Kuleigal. Leave party to Jerusalem. Strong hot wind. Conditions in camp unpleasant. Capt. H. A. Dean returns.	D
	21 June		Troops applied for transfer to AAAC, AAOC + Div. Sigs interviewed by representatives of H. M. C.O. visits A Coy in the field. Sgt J. Blaney	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/6th Bn

Date and Time.—From 21 June 40 To 26 June 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Baid Gija	21 June 40		visit Baid HQ + meet C.O. Australian Troops disembark in England	
	22 June 40		Patrol to Al Galuja and Iraq al Manshiya turned back by bad roads <small>until suitable transport can be provided</small>	D
	23 June 40		A boy returns to camp B Coy now Bde reserve. Field return church parents. Jerusalem leave for some - A Coy missed last Thursday. First regular mail arrives, troops overjoyed. Seems to be from about 28 Mile. May be that 'Suns' are holding up ordinary mail.	D D
	24 June 40		D Coy on bivouac Binir Kuleigat area. Air co-operation demonstration at Laja. Attended by C.O., Coy. and L.O. C. Coy on patrol Al Galuja and Iraq al Manshiya and Kuleigat Report activities friendly.	D
	25 June 40		Transfers to Div. Sigs. 8 men. 1 man to L.C.S. and 1 to 2/1st Lib Reg - extra 3 men to be trained as cipher personnel.	D
	26 June 40		B Coy patrol to Bursheba and Bin ay Zubala. Many camels, goats sheep and donkeys seen. Friendly reception by mayor + chief citizens	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 26 June 40 To 30 June 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bait Firja	26 June 40		of Beersheba. Patrol proceeded some miles along Jerusalem-Beersheba road and returned to camp. Lysander plane flew over camp at stated heights during day and demonstrated dive bombing and checked off camouflage.	D
	27 June 40		B. Coy proceeded on bivouac to Birien-Huleigal area. Here they trained in syllabic cipher.	
	28 June 40		Mrs. Wiggley, W. and party in recess of Al Bahya district for Coy. Scheme. Bde Comd and Capt Bishch visit B. Coy on bivouac. Natives at Al Bahya very friendly.	D
	29 June 40		Return of B. Coy to camp 0545 hrs. P.O. Coy visits Bait Firja and Lint band and party call on headman. Reception friendly. Mrs. Wiggley party in recess. Al Bahya district. Field returns 0800 hrs prepared.	Appendices 10 + 11
	30 June 40		Church parade 0800 hrs. Swimming parades 0845 and 400 hrs. French plane seen by swimmers at 1055 hrs flying south along coast. Lint Lt. Champion to 17 Aus Inf Bde as B.T.O.	D

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Appendix 1

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	8		
Lieutenants	27		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	39		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	SWINBURNE G.P.		21/1/40	To 5th Cadre Course
Lieut	CHAMPION H.O.		"	" " "
"	KERR I.E.		23/1/40	To 4th Long Range Rifle Co. I.S.G.
"	BRAY A.W.		"	" " " "
"	CLARKE F.D.		24/1/40	P. & H. Coy. A.I.
Major	WRIGHT H.		"	To R.A. Demolition Course

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) **Officers posted to Unit** (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1 Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
		<i>See Attached Sheet</i>			

(ii) **OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.**

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>VX 310</i>	<i>MACKENZIE EF</i>	<i>AAAC</i>	<i>22/12/40</i>	<i>R.M.C.</i>

2/6 Fus Reg Bde
(Unit.)

1 June 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
(Signature of Commander.)
17 Fus Reg Bde 1/6 Fus Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank if held	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Whether present Corps with Unit	If not present with unit state how employed
Lt.-Col.	VX 25	GODFREY A.H.L.	Yes	
Major	171	WRIGLEY H.	No	R.A.Demo Cairo
"	166	WOOD F.G.	Yes	
"	185	SMITH G.F.	"	
Captain	152	MUHLHAN W.T.	"	
"	157	ROWAN J.G.	"	
"	72	BROWNE A.K.	"	
"	182	LITTLE M.C.	"	
"	73	WEATE E.W.	No	A.G.H.Gaza
"	48	PICKEN K.S.	Yes	
"	162	SWINBURNE G.P.	No	5th Cadre Course
"	59	SOWARD F.A.	Yes	
Lieutenant	181	JONES J.S.	"	
	57	CARROLL K.A.	"	
	56	KERR I.E.	No	4th Long Rifle and L.M.G. Course
	180	GRAY A.W.	"	
	177	DUNN M.McL.	Yes	
	186	WARFE G.R.	"	
	58	TILLEY Q.A.	"	
	322	MACKENZIE K.G.	No	A.G.H.Gaza
	331	KIDDLE R.H.	Yes	
	3561	SHERLOCK W.H.	"	
	5101	HAYES P.B.	"	
	5171	BENNS A.R.	No	M.G.&P. Course
	5172	DEXTER W.R.	Yes	
	5174	DUNKLEY H.L.E.	"	
	5104	SCHOFIELD V.J.	"	
	5133	REILLY A.J.C.	"	
	3837	STEWART H.McB.	"	
	5070	PATERSON J.B.	"	
	4439	ADAMS E.C.	No	A.G.H.Gaza
	4679	ROWELL N.H.	Yes	
	306	CHAMPION N.O.	No	5th Cadre Course
	238	LYNDON D.W.	Yes	
	253	DE CRESPIONEY J.C.C.	"	
	4051	SHELDRIK A.C.	"	
	3964	CLARKE F.D.	No	A.G.H.Gaza
	3439	HUNTER A.	Yes	
	707	CHAMP J.W.K.	"	

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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(page 1)

(Adapted)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Aus Inf Bn (Unit) 1 June 19 40 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	5		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	35		
Lance-Serjeants	9		
Corporals	53		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	715		
TOTALS	822	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Sgt. Batars, D	Interpreter 6 Aus Div		
NK 7184 L/Cpl Begg, G.E.	2/1 Fd. Hq. Sec.		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
 				
 				
 				
 				
 				
 				
 				
 				
 				
 				

Att. 2

2/6 Aus Inf Bde Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.						REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/6 Aus Inf Bde Unit.

[Signature]

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 1 June 40

17 Aus Inf Bde 6 Aus Div Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

3/6 Aus Inf Bn (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	8		
Lieutenants	27		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	39		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Major</i>	<i>WIKIOLLEY J.H.</i>		<i>2 June 40</i>	<i>from 1st Australian Cavalry, Cairo</i>
<i>Lieut.</i>	<i>CLARKE F.D.</i>		<i>5 June 40</i>	<i>from 1 A.G.H.</i>
<i>Capt.</i>	<i>SWINBURNE G.P.</i>		<i>7 June 40</i>	<i>from 5th Cadre course P.R.T.D.</i>
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>CHAMPION N.O.</i>		<i>7 June 40</i>	<i>" " " "</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>(This section is crossed out with a diagonal line)</i>				

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
<i>(This section is crossed out with a diagonal line)</i>			

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1 Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
	SEE	ATTACHED			
		SHEET			

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	VX 310	Mackenzie EF	AA MC.	22 Jun 40	RMO

76 Aus Inf Bn
(Unit.)
8 June 40
(Date of Despatch.)

I. Mackenzie Major
Lieut. Col
Comm (Signature of Commander.)
17 Aus. Inf. Bde 6 Aus. Div.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	whether present Corps with Unit.	If not present with unit state how employed.
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Lt. Col.	VX. 25	GODFREY	A.H.L.	Yes.	
Major	171	WRIGLEY	H.	Yes.	
"	166	WOOD	F.G.	Yes.	
"	185	SMITH	G.F.	Yes.	
Captain	152	MUHLHAN	W.T.	Yes.	
"	157	ROWAN	J.G.	Yes.	
"	72	BROWNE	A.K.	Yes.	
"	182	LITTLE	M.C.	Yes.	
"	73	WEATE	E.W.	No.	A.G.H., Gaza.
"	48	PICKEN	K.S.	Yes.	
"	162	SWINBURNE	G.P.	Yes.	
"	59	SOWARD	F.A.	Yes.	
Lieutenant	181	JONES	J.S.	Yes.	
"	57	CARROLL	K.A.	Yes.	
"	56	KERR	I.E.	No.	4th Long Rifle and LMG Course
"	180	GRAY	A.W.	No.	
"	177	DUNN	M. MacL.	Yes.	
"	186	WARFE	G.R.	Yes.	
"	58	TILLEY	Q.A.	Yes.	
"	322	MACKENZIE	K.G.	No.	A.G.H., Gaza.
"	331	KIDDLE	R.H.	Yes.	
"	3561	SHERLOCK	W.H.	Yes.	
"	5101	HAYES	P.B.	Yes.	
"	5171	BENNS	A.R.	No.	M.G.&P. Course
"	5172	DEXTER	W.R.	Yes.	
"	5174	DUNKLEY	H.L.E.	Yes.	
"	5104	SCHOFIELD	V.J.	Yes.	
"	5133	REILLY	A.J.C.	Yes.	
"	3837	STEWART	H. McB.	Yes.	
"	5070	PATERSON	J.B.	Yes.	
"	4439	ADAMS	E.C.	No.	A.G.H., Gaza.
"	4679	ROWELL	N.H.	Yes.	
"	306	CHAMPION	N.O.	Yes.	
"	238	LYNDON	D.W.	Yes.	
"	253	DE CRESPIGNY	J.C.C.	Yes.	
"	4051	SHELDRIK	A.C.	Yes.	
"	3964	CLARKE	F.D.	Yes.	
"	3439	HUNTER	A.	Yes.	
"	707	CHAMP	J.W.K.	Yes.	

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Aus Inf Bn (Unit) *8 June* 19*40* (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	5		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	6		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	35		
<i>Lance Serjeants</i>	8		
Corporals	58		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	7184		
TOTALS	8286	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>Sgt Batarsi D</i>	<i>Interpreter 6 Aus Div</i>		
<i>NX 7184 L/Cpl Berry G.E.</i>	<i>2/1 Fd Hyg Sec</i>		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

2/6 Aus Inf Bn. Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/6 Aus Inf Bn.
Unit.

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Lieut Col
Commanding 2/6 Bn.
Signature of Commander.
17 Aus Inf Bde 6 Aus. Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 8 June 40
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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Aus Inf Bn (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	<i>1</i>		
Majors	<i>3</i>		
Captains	<i>8</i>		
Lieutenants	<i>27</i>		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	<i>39</i>		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>BENNS A.R.</i>		<i>8 June 40</i>	<i>from 14th Pioneer Battalion Grenade Wing</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>MACKENZIE K.G.</i>		<i>9 "</i>	<i>" Monarar Hospital</i>
<i>Capt</i>	<i>WEATE E.W.</i>		<i>9 "</i>	<i>" I.A.G.H. Baya</i>
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>CHAMPION N.O.</i>		<i>11 "</i>	
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>KIDDLE R.H.</i>		<i>7 June 40</i>	<i>14th Pioneer Battalion</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>CHAMPION N.O.</i>		<i>11 June 40</i>	<i>To Div. Talim - 8th Pioneer and Grenade Wing</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>KIDDLE R.H.</i>		<i>9 June 40</i>	<i>6th Pioneer Battalion</i>
<i>Capt</i>	<i>PICKEN K.S.</i>		<i>22 June 40</i>	<i>Seconded to 17th Inf Bde</i>

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank if held.	Personal Number	Name and Initials.	Whether present Corps with Unit.	If not present with unit state how employed.	
Lieut.-Col.	VX. 25	GODFREY	A.H.L.	Yes	R.A.Demo Cairo.
Major	VX. 171	WRIGLEY	H.	Yes.	
"	VX. 166	WOOD	F.G.	Yes.	Seconded to 17 Aus.Inf.Bde.
"	VX. 185	SMITH	G.F.	Yes.	
Captain	VX. 152	MUHLHAN	W.T.	Yes.	
"	VX. 157	ROWAN	J.G.	Yes.	
"	VX. 72	BROWNE	A.K.	Yes.	
"	VX. 182	LITTLE	M.C.	Yes.	
"	VX. 73	WEATE	E.W.	Yes.	
"	VX. 48	PICKEN	K.S.	No.	
"	VX. 162	SSWINBURNE	G.P.	Yes.	
"	VX. 59	SOWARD	F.A.	Yes.	
Lieutenant	VX. 331	KIDDLE	R.H.	No.	6th Cadre Course
"	VX. 181	JONES	J.S.	Yes.	4th Long Rifle & L.M.G.Course.
"	VX. 57	CARROLL	K.A.	Yes.	
"	VX. 56	KERR	I.E.	No.	4th Long Rifle & L.M.G.Course.
"	VX. 322	MACKENZIE	K.G.	Yes.	
"	VX. 180	GRAY	A.W.	No.	4th Long Rifle & L.M.G.Course.
"	VX. 177	DUNN	M.MacL.	Yes.	8th Mortar & Grenade Wing.
"	VX. 186	WARFE	G.R.	Yes.	
"	VX. 58	TILLEY	Q.A.	Yes.	
"	VX. 306	CHAMPION	N.O.	No.	
"	VX. 238	LYNDON	D.W.	Yes.	
"	VX. 253	de CRESPIGNY	J.C.C.	Yes.	
"	VX. 3561	SHERLOCK	W.H.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5101	HAYES	P.B.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5171	BENNS	A.R.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5172	DEXTER	W.R.	YES.	
"	VX. 5174	DUNKLEY	H.L.E.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5104	SCHOFIELD	V.J.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5133	REILLY	A.J.C.	Yes.	
"	VX. 3837	STEWART	H.McB.	Yes.	
"	VX. 5070	PATERSON	J.B.	Yes.	
"	VX. 4439	ADAMS	E.C.	No.	A.G.H. Gaza.
"	VX. 4679	ROWELL	N.H.	Yes.	
"	VX. 4051	SHELDRIK	A.C.	Yes.	
"	VX. 3964	CLARKE	F.D.	Yes.	
"	VX. 3439	HUNTER	A.	Yes.	
"	VX. 707	CHAMP	J.W.K.	Yes.	

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 Aus Inf Bn (Unit) *15 June* 19 *40* (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.	<i>5</i>		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	<i>6</i>		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	<i>35</i>		
<i>4 Serjeants</i> Corporals	<i>58</i>		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	<i>712</i>		
TOTALS	<i>824</i>	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>1 pl Batarde</i>	<i>D. Interpreter 6 Aus Div</i>		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

2/6 Aus Inf Bn Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

2/6 Aus Inf Bn Unit.
Date of Despatch 15 June 40
D.3459.

Lieut Col
Commanding 261
Signature of Commander.
17 Aus Inf Bde 6 Aus Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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ALARM. - DEFENSIVE SCHEME.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BARRING BATTALION DEFENSE POSITIONS.

The method to be adopted by all Coys. on sounding of "Attack by Bomber Aircraft" signal (beating of gong for periods of five secs. with two secs. intervals - duration thirty secs.) will be :-

All ranks in camp move to shelter trenches. Platoons on outpost remain. A. A. guns manned, including L. S. G. in forward areas under Coy. responsibility.

Method on "Attack by Parachutist or Troop Carrying Aircraft" to be as follows :-

Complete Defense Scheme to be occupied immediately. "A" Coy. to report to Bde. Reserve position under separate instructions from G. C. Bde. Reserve.

"B", "C" and "D" Coys. will ensure that sections are mustered by Section Centre., who will then move to selected Platoon Assembly areas, approved as per Coy. orders submitted.

On Assembly being complete, Coy. Centre. will arrange for selected Defensive posts to be occupied, approved routes already reconnoitred by night and day to be used.

Completed occupation to be reported to Bn. Battle H. Q.

H. Q. Coy. will move to Assembly positions and occupy selected reserve positions immediately. On being in position Coy. Centre. reports and remains in vicinity Bn. Battle H. Q.

Shurlock

Captain.

Adjutant 2/6 Aus. Inf. Bn.

Issued to :-

*A Coy.
*B " "
*C " "
*D " "
H. Q. Coy.
File (2)
War Diary (2)
17 Aus. Inf. Bde.

Appendix 8

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Gas Coy (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	9		
Lieutenants	27		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	40		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>DEAN HA</i>		<i>17 Jan 40</i>	<i>From 2/14 Gas Coy</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>ROWAN J S</i>		<i>15 Jan 40</i>	<i>To HQ 2 Field Works Force</i>
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>CLARKE F D</i>		<i>"</i>	<i>To HQ 3 Gas Force</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>SCHOFIELD V J</i>		<i>20 May 40</i>	<i>To HQ 17 Gas Coy as acting B.I.O.</i>

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1 Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
		SEE ATTACHED SHEET			

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	V 310	MACKENZIE E.F.	A.A.M.C.	23/June 40	R.M.D.
Chaplain	320	SAVILLE E.F.	A.A.C.D.	23/June 40	Chaplain

2/6 Aug 40
(Unit.)
23 June 40
(Date of Despatch.)

Lieut. Col
(Signature of Commander.)
17 Aug 40
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Whether present Corps with Unit.	If not present with Unit state how employed.
Lieut.-Col.	VX. 25.	GODFREY A.H.L.	Yes	
Major	VX. 171	WRIGLEY H.	Yes	
"	VX. 166	WOOD F.G.	Yes	
"	VX. 185	SMITH G.F.	Yes	
Captain	VX. 152	MUHLHAN W.T.	Yes	
"	VX. 157	ROWAN J.G.	No.	To No.2 Field Work Course.
"	VX. 72	BROWNE A.K.	Yes	
"	VX. 140	DEAN H.A.	Yes	
"	VX. 182	LITTLE M.C.	Yes	
"	VX. 73	WEATE E.W.	Yes	
"	VX. 48	PICKEN K.S.	No.	Detailed to 17 Aus. Inf. Bde.
"	VX. 162	SWINBURNE G.P.	Yes	
"	VX. 59	SOWARD F.A.	Yes	
Lieutenant	VX. 331	MIDDLE R.H.	No.	6th Cadre Course.
"	VX. 181	JONES J.S.	Yes	
"	VX. 57	CARROLL K.A.	Yes	
"	VX. 56	KERR I.E.	No.	4th Long Rifle & L.M.G. Course.
"	VX. 322	MACKENZIE K.G.	Yes	
"	VX. 180	GRAY A.W.	No.	4th Long Rifle & L.M.G. Course.
"	VX. 177	DUNN M.MacL.	Yes	
"	VX. 186	WARFE G.R.	Yes	
"	VX. 58	TILLEY Q.A.	Yes	
"	VX. 306	CHAMPION N.O.	No.	8th Mortar & Grenade Wing.
"	VX. 238	MYNDON D.W.	Yes	
"	VX. 253	de CRESPIGNY J.C.C.	Yes	
"	VX. 3561	SHERLOCK W.H.	Yes	
"	VX. 5101	HAYES P.B.	Yes	
"	VX. 5171	BENNS A.R.	Yes	
"	VX. 5172	DEXTER W.R.	Yes	
"	VX. 5174	DUNKLEY H.L.E.	Yes	
"	VX. 5104	SCHOFIELD V.J.	No.	Detached to H.Q. 17 Aus. Inf. Bde.
"	VX. 5133	REILLY A.J.C.	Yes	
"	VX. 3837	STEWART H. McB.	Yes	
"	VX. 5070	PATERSON J.B.	Yes	
"	VX. 4439	ADAMS E.C.	No.	A.G.H., Gaza.
"	VX. 4679	ROWELL N.H.	Yes	
"	VX. 4051	SHELDRIK A.C.	Yes	
"	VX. 3964	CLARKE F.D.	No.	To No.3 Gas Course.
"	VX. 3439	HUNTER A.	Yes	
"	VX. 707	CHAMP J.W.K.	Yes	

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 2nd Inf Div (Unit) *22 June* 19*40* (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	<i>1</i>		
W.Os. Class II.	<i>4</i>		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	<i>6</i>		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	<i>35</i>		
<i>21 Serjeants</i>	<i>8</i>		
Corporals	<i>57</i>		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	<i>694</i>		
TOTALS	<i>805</i>	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>Lt. BATARSE D</i>	<i>Interpreter 6 2nd Div</i>		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

2/6 *Two Inf Bn* Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

2/6 *Two Inf Bn* Unit.
Date of Despatch *22 June 40*
D.3459.

[Signature]
Lieut. Col
Commanding *2/6 Inf Bn*
17 Two Inf Bn 6 Two Div
Ede., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Aus Inf Bn (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	9		
Lieutenants	27		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	40		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>KIDDLE R.H.</i>		<i>22 Jun 40</i>	<i>From P.R.T.D. 6 Fedns France</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>KERR I.E.</i>		<i>20 " "</i>	<i>" No 10 & H. Saraland.</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>ADAMS E.C.</i>		<i>26 " "</i>	<i>" I.A.G.H. Saraland</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>GRAY A.W.</i>		<i>26 " "</i>	<i>" M.F.W.T.S. No 4 Long France</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>SHELDRIK A.G.</i>			

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>KERR I.E.</i>		<i>11 Jun 40</i>	<i>TO No 10 & H. Saraland from M.F.W.T.S.</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>SHELDRIK A.G.</i>		<i>29 Jun 40</i>	<i>TO Middle East Signal School.</i>

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

29 June 40

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank if held	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Whether at present with unit	If not present with Unit state how employed
Lieut.-Col.	VX 25	GODFREY A.H.L.	Yes	
Major	171	Wrigley H.	"	
"	166	WOOD F.G.	"	
"	185	SMITH G.F.	"	
Captain	152	MUHLHAN W.T.	"	
	157	ROWAN J.G.	No	No.2 Field Work Course
	72	BROWNE A.K.	Yes	
	140	DEAN H.A.	"	
	182	LITTLE M.C.	"	
	73	WEATE E.W.	"	
	48	PICKEN K.S.	No	Detached 17 Aus Inf Bde
	162	SWINBURNE G.P.	Yes	
	59	SOWARD F.A.	"	
Lieutenant	331	KIDDLE R.H.	"	
	181	JONES J.S.	"	
	57	CARROLL K.A.	"	
	56	KERR I.E.	"	
	322	MACKENZIE K.G.	"	
	180	GRAY A.W.	"	
	177	DUNN M. MacL.	"	
	186	WARFE G.R.	"	
	58	TILLEY Q.A.	"	
	306	CHAMPION N.O.	No	8th Mortar and Grenade Wing
	238	LYNDON D.W.	Yes	
	253	De CRESPIGNEY J.C.C.	"	
	3561	SHERLOCK F.H.	"	
	5101	HAYES P.B.	"	
	5171	BENNS A.R.	"	
	5172	DEXTER W.R.	"	
	5174	DUNKLEY H.L.E.	"	
	5104	SCHOFIELD V.J.	No	Detached to Hq. 17 Aus. Inf Bde.
	5133	REILLY A.J.C.	Yes	
	3837	STEWART H. McB.	"	
	5070	PATERSON J.B.	"	
	4439	ADAMS E.C.	"	
	4679	ROWELL N.H.	"	
	4051	SHELDRIK A.G.	No	Middle East Signal School
	3964	CLARKE F.D.	Yes	
	3439	HUNTER A.	"	
	707	CHAMP J.W.K.	"	

1301	SMITH	T. E. K.
1302	SMITH	V.
1303	SMITH	V. D.
1304	SMITH	V. C.
1305	SMITH	H. H.
1306	SMITH	H. C.
1307	SMITH	T. E.
1308	SMITH	H. H. C. B.
1309	SMITH	V. C.
1310	SMITH	A. T.
1311	SMITH	H. T. E.
1312	SMITH	H. H.
1313	SMITH	V. H.
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Appendix 11

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

Army Form W. 3009

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(Adapted)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/0 Aus Inf Bn (Unit) 29 June 19 40 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	4		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	35		
<i>L/Serjeants</i>	8		
Corporals	57		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	662		
TOTALS	772	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>Sgt Batarse D</i>			

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

2/6 *Ans Inf Bn* Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.		Troopers, Privates, &c.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/6 *Ans Inf Bn* Unit.

[Signature]
Lieut. Col
Commander.

Date of Despatch *29 Jan 40*
D.3459.

17 Ans Inf Bde 6 Ans Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date

Date of Despatch

By, Day, Year, etc. only entry unit is required

Unit

Component & Description

Lieut Col

3 and 4 of Part A.
TOTALS (to agree with Column 1)

General duty personnel

Cooks

Vickers Machine Gunners

Stoemen technical

Signallers

Saddlers and Harness Makers

Printers and Binders

Painters and Decorators

Masons

Fitters

Farmers

Electricians

Drivers H.C. and/or F.C.

Drummers (solo)

Despatch Riders

Clerks

Scribes and Sappers

Butchers

Bicyclemen

LIEUT. H. L. E. Dumbly

UNDESIRABLE, ETC.
DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS

M.O. Class I

M.O. Class II

W.O.M.S. : C.O.M.S.

Staff-Sergeants

Sergeants

Cordoners

Drummers (Private) etc.

TOTAL

M.O. Class I

M.O. Class II

W.O.M.S. : C.O.M.S.

Sergeants

Cordoners

Drummers (Private) etc.

TOTAL

REMARKS

SUBJECTS TO ESTABLISHMENT

REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

Part A of Army Form W.3000

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in

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Army Form W.3000

Unit

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 1st July 40 To 7 July 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Beit Firja	1 July 40		B. Coy goes on bivouac Huleizat-Bunin area. Lists made of all wogs in area. Lt. M. Blaney's address.	<div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">2/6 Bn</div>
	2 July 40		Quiet day with exception of one incident where sentry wounded wog in and with bayonet when orders were disobeyed. Reports to Brigade visit of I.O. to Herbya Mukter friendly.	
Beit Firja	3 July 40		Visit of Div. Comdr to Bde. 2 nd Co receive of scheme being prepared. Unfriendly and 'enemy' taken over area. C. Coy return from bivouac	D
" H. Haluja	4 July 40		D Coy stunt commences. Visit of Div. Comdr during afternoon in Al. Haluja area. Stunt was patrol to clear area of bandits. 1. section as enemy.	D
" Huleizat-Bunin areas	5 July 40		D. Coy stunt continues. News of English navy's forcible seizure of French navy and engagement at Oran	D
Beit Firja	6 July		Parade and march past in close column of platoons. D. Coy return from exercise. Held return O.R.O.	H.P. 2+3
"	7 July		Quiet day. March and swimming parades. 2 nd defat us at cricket. Beginner's luck	D

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required).

Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 8 July 40 To 15 July 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Beit Jirja	8 July 40		2/6 Bn is duty bn and is scattered from El Magdal to Gaza. Leave for about 250 to Jerusalem. Some trouble in raising full quota from Egypt. Byzander flying low over patrol from 1300 hrs.	#
"	9 July 40		Another large leave party to Jerusalem; C.O. recce of area for Bn scheme. Roads getting very dusty, troops may get houses for Pucka.	#
"	10 July 40		Issue of new web equipment. Seems lighter and more quickly adjusted but will pack buckles cut shoulders?	#
"	11 July 40		Leave to Tel Aviv, last for this week.	#
"	12 July 40		Visit of Gen. Sir Thomas Blamey to 17 Lf Bde. Talk to all officers of field rank and adjutants in Division.	#
"	13 July 40		Administrative morning, quiet afternoon	# Mfm? HT 5
"	14 July 40		Visit of Gen. Sir Thomas Blamey to Bde church parade squares March past. Air mail delivered, some rumours of a boat mail.	#
"	15 July 40		6.00 visit Beit Jirja with interpreter, one officer and section. boys prepare for two day exercise lands on recce.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 2/6 Bn

Date and Time.—From 16 July 40 To 21 July 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Beit Jirja	16 July 40		Two day exercise commences. Huleiqat then Tallah Shugf C.O. recee. Left camp 0400hrs. Bn leaves 0900hrs. Bn. area east Huleiqat. Preparation for dawn attack.	
	17 July 40		Zerohan 0500hrs. Attack during first light. Successful. Withdrawal at 1100hrs. Completed and bn at bureau area by 1300hrs.	
	18 July 40		b.O. Adj. + I.O. find riot starting in Buriar. Rioters dispersed, report to Bde Brigade Comdr's recee. of area for 3 day exercise with unit comdr's, adjs. and I.O. 1st day. Method of crossing steep ridged wadis shown	
	19 July 40		Bn on exercise, route march via Harbya to the sea. Bde Comdr's recee. continued.	
	20 July 40		Patrol to Huleiqat with Lt Blake, interpreter, one I man and 10 O.R. Report to Bde. Admin. morning. A.C.H. win cricket in afternoon.	
	21 July 40		Church parade 0800 hrs. Swimming parade 1300hrs. Field returns O.R.'s prepared 3 habs seen in about midnight for being close to F.D.H.	Att 697

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 46 Bn

Date and Time.—From 22 July '40 To 27 July '40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Beit Jirja	22 July 40		99 men to Jaffa range. 1 platoon B Coy under command Lieut Decusfury to Deir Suneid on guard duty in Artillery line Patrol to Beit Jirja. Adj. Lieut Stewart, 1 section, 10 men, interpreter, report to Bde.	D
	23 July 40		Another detail 200 to Jaffa range. Patrol, Lieut Peterson in charge, to H. Kalye, Iraqal Manshiya. Air raid alarm from Sarafand 1230 hrs, men port. All clear 1300 hrs. Report from Deir Suneid that EP tent burnt.	D
	24 July 40		Report from Deir Suneid attempt to burn permanent buildings, fire extinguished. Air raid alarm from Haifa 0923. 4 planes. All clear 0935. Later hear 46 killed 88 wounded. 12 planes, drop 100 bombs. 200 to range.	D
	25 July 40		Visit by S.I.O. 3 to I. section. 200 men to Jaffa range.	
	26 July 40		Col Godfrey goes to S.H. with Amalites. Mx Wingley in command. Death of Sgt Abbingdon of Transport Platoon and Pte L. Mahon, colonel's batman in road accident. P. Air mail in.	D
	27 July 40		Military funeral in Saja War Cemetery. Anglican and Roman Catholic services.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 2/6 Bn Date and Time.—From 27 July 40 To 31 July 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Beit Jirya	27-7-40		Postponement of tactical scheme. Preparation of field returns O.O.R.	D Hko 8+9
"	28-7-40		Church parade by Anglican Bishop of Jerusalem, Communion at 0700 hrs in 2/2 lines, unit church parade 0800 hrs. Swimming at Bealun for some.	D
	29-7-40		Subsidiary patrol, Lieut & Wife and party Capt. S. Harris joins unit	D.
	30-7-40		Leave for 600 all ranks to Lebanon and Jerusalem. 2/2 Bn on tactical scheme, 2/6 man their perimeter defences. A.W.H. numbers large. Duty Bn.	
	31-7-40		Three representatives from Bn to Barbara where team is being selected to represent AIF at cricket. Lieuts Stewart and Carroll and Cte Beachman.	
			100 personnel on 2 day leave to Jerusalem.	D.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Aus Inf Bn (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	<i>1</i>		
Majors	<i>3</i>		
Captains	<i>9</i>		
Lieutenants	<i>27</i>		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	<i>40</i>		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>LIEUT</i>	<i>CLARKE</i>	<i>FD</i>	<i>30.6.40</i>	<i>from No 3 Gas force - Cairo</i>
<i>*</i>	<i>---</i>			

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>LIEUT</i>	<i>ADAMS</i>	<i>E.L</i>	<i>3.7.40</i>	<i>attached to 4th Army Medical Depot</i>
<i>LIEUT</i>	<i>DUNN</i>	<i>M.M.C.L</i>	<i>30.6.40</i>	<i>with 1st Officer Submarine - Calcutta</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>REILLY</i>	<i>A.J.C</i>		<i>Submarine Training Depot</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>STEWART</i>	<i>H.M.C.B</i>	<i>30.6.40</i>	<i>to 7th Landing Coy - P.R.T.D</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>SHERLOCK</i>	<i>WH</i>		
<i>"</i>	<i>CHAMPION</i>	<i>NO</i>	<i>30.6.40</i>	<i>attached for duty to HQ 7th Army</i>
<i>"</i>	<i>PATERSON</i>	<i>J.B</i>	<i>24.6.40</i>	<i>"</i>

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
		SEE ATTACHED LIST			

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt Col	VX 310	MACKENZIE F.F.	A.A.M.C.	22.1.40	R.M.O.
Chaplain	VX 320	SAVILLE F.E.	A.A.C.D.	18.5.40	Chaplain

2/6 1st Inf Bn
(Unit.)
6 July 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
Lieut. Col
(Signature of Commander.)
17th Inf Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

7 July 40

Substantive rank and higher temporary rank if held	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Whether at present with unit	If not at present with unit state how employed	
Lieut.-Col.	VX 25	GODFREY	A.H.L.	Yes	
Major	171	WRIGLEY	H.	"	
"	166	WOOD	F.G.	"	
"	185	SMITH	G.F.	"	
Captain	152	MUHLHAN	W.T.	"	
"	157	ROWAN	J.G.	No.	No.2 Field Works Course - Cairo
"	72	BROWNE	A.K.	Yes	
"	140	DEAN	H.A.	"	
"	182	LITTLE	M.C.	"	
"	73	WEATE	E.W.	"	
"	48	PICKEN	K.S.	No	Detached for duty HQ 17 Aus. Inf. Bde.
"	162	SWINBURNE	G.P.	Yes	
"	59	SOWARD	F.A.	"	
Lieutenant	331	KIDDLE	R.H.	"	
"	181	JONES	J.S.	"	
"	57	CARROLL	K.A.	"	
"	56	KERR	I.E.	"	
"	322	MACKENZIE	K.G.	"	
"	180	GRAY	A.W.	"	
"	177	DUNN	M.Mac L.	NO	4th Officers Course - P.R.T.D.
"	186	WARFE	G.R.	Yes	
"	58	TILLEY	Q.A.	"	
"	306	CHAMPION	N.O.	No.	Detached to 17 Aus. Inf. Bde. as B.T.O.
"	238	LYNDON	D.W.	Yes	
"	253	De CRESPIGNY	J.C.C.	"	
"	3561	SHERLOCK	W.H.	No.	7th Cadre Course - P.R.T.D.
"	5101	HAYES	P.B.	Yes	
"	5171	BENNS	A.R.	"	
"	5172	DEXTER	W.R.	"	
"	5174	DUNKLEY	H.L.E.	"	
"	5104	SCHOFIELD	V.J.	No.	Detached for duty to HQ.17 Aus. Inf. Bde.
"	5133	REILLY	A.J.C.	"	4th Officers Course
"	3837	STEWART	H.Mc B.	"	7th Cadre Course
"	5070	PATERSON	J.B.	"	Detached for duty Aus. Overseas Base. O/C Security Guard
"	4439	ADAMS	E.C.	"	Detached to Infantry and General Base Depot
"	4679	ROWELL	N.H.	Yes	
"	4051	SHELDRIK	A.G.	No.	Middle East Training Signal School
"	3964	CLARKE	F.D.	Yes	
"	3439	HUNTER	A.	"	
"	707	CHAMP	J.W.K.	"	

Appendix 3

ANZAC DAY.

Once again we come to Anzac Day - the day set apart to commemorate the glorious deeds of our soldiers in the Great War of 1914-1918. 25 years ago at dawn on this day Australian soldiers participated in landing at Gallipoli - the first action of any size in which Australians took part during the war. The History of Anzac, the landing, the occupation and the withdrawal have been indelibly imprinted in our minds as well as on our Official Records. The deeds of our soldiers in the following phrases of the war, in France, Belgium, Palestine, Mesopotamia and on other fronts built up a record of which everyone in the British Empire and Australia in particular could be justly proud.

Brilliant heroism, backed up by thorough training doggedness and natural instinct made the Australian Imperial Force to be regarded as the first unit of the Empire's Shock Troops. In four years the A. I. F. developed from easy going citizens recruited from towns and country of far away Australia into five Crack Divisions of the British Army called upon to act as the wedge in the great Victory attack on August 8th, 1918, on which day and the following days up to the Armistice, Australian soldiers added further glorious laurels to their fame.

To you of the present A. I. F., it is my desire to pass on the knowledge that the wonderful success achieved was entirely due to unflinching discipline. Take no heed of anyone telling you that the A. I. F. was undisciplined - there was no more highly disciplined force in the world. The men of the A. I. F. trusted their leaders and in no case is there even the slightest suspicion that any Company, Platoon or Section of the A. I. F. did not unhesitatingly follow their leaders into whatever lay before them.

You soldiers of 25 years later, glory in the deeds of your Fathers, respect and honour their achievements.

When the time comes for your baptism of fire BE READY. In a complete knowledge of your weapons, your Field Training and your immediate discipline lies the road to Victory. In all your actions think "What will Australia think of me?".

With the satisfaction of knowing we are trained highly disciplined and READY, we can look confidently to the future with the knowledge that our actions will make us worthy to be ranked with those of our Force of 1914-1918, whose valiant deeds we commemorate on this Day.

At Sea,

25 Apr. 40.

A. H. L. GODFREY Lieut-Colonel.

O. C. Troops, H.M.T. Y. 2.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

3/6 2nd Inf Bn (Unit) *6 July* 19 *40* (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	4		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	6		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	32		
Corporals	56		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	664		
TOTALS	771	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>Lt. BATHURSE D</i>	<i>6th Inf Div Interpreter</i>		
<i>Lt. JAMIESON A</i>	<i>6th Inf Div. Post Office - as Coy Serjeant</i>		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

2/6 *Two Inf Div* Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.					REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/6 *Two Inf Div* Unit.

Date of Despatch *6 July 40*
D.3459.

[Signature]

Lieut. Col
Signature of Commander.
17 Two Inf Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Reg. Inf. Bn (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	9		
Lieutenants	27		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	40		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut</i>	PATERSON J B		8.7.40	From Trinity Road No. 1 Base
"	SHERLOCK W H		12.7.40	From 4th Ind. Div. Course
"	STEWART H MDR		"	P.R.T.D. - Saraland
<i>Capt</i>	ROWAN J B		"	From No 2 Field Works Course Cairns

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut</i>	LYNDON D.W		9.7.40	To No 5 Bk. Ind. Div. Course - Middle Sand Weapon Training School
"	TILLEY G.A			To No 9 Mortar and Grenade Course - M.E.W.T.S.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

13 July '40.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank if held	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Whether at present with unit	If not at present with unit state how employed
Lieut.-Col.	VX 25	Godfrey A. H. L.	Yes	
Major	" 171	Wrigley H.	"	
"	" 166	Wood F. G.	"	
C "	" 185	Smith G. F.	"	
Captain	" 152	Muhlhan W. T.	"	
"	" 157	Rowan J. G.	"	
"	" 72	Browne A. K.	"	
"	" 140	Dean H. A.	"	
"	" 182	Little M. C.	"	
"	" 73	Weate E. W.	"	
"	" 48	Picken K. S.	No	Detached for duty HQ 17 Aus. Inf. Bde.
"	" 162	Srinburne G. S.	Yes	
"	" 59	Soward F. A.	"	
Lieutenant	" 331	Kiddle R. H.	"	
"	" 181	Jones J. S.	"	
"	" 57	Carroll K. A.	"	
"	" 56	Kerr I. E.	"	
"	" 322	McKenzie K. G.	"	
"	" 180	Gray A. W.	"	
"	" 177	Dunn M. McL.	No	4th Officers' Course P.R.T.D.
"	" 186	Warfe G. R.	Yes	
"	" 58	Tilley Q. A.	No	No. 9 mortar & grenade course M.E.W.T.S.
"	" 306	Champion N. O.	No	Detached to 17 Aus. Inf. Bde. as B.T.O.
"	" 238	Lyndon D. W.	No	No. 5 Rifle and LMG course. M.E.W.T.S.
"	" 253	De Crespigny J. C. C.	Yes	
"	" 3561	Sherlock W. H.	Yes	
"	" 510 1	Hayes P. B.	"	
"	" 5171	Benne A. R.	"	
"	" 5172	Dexter W. R.	"	
"	" 5174	Dunkley H. L. E.	"	
"	" 5104	Scheffield V. J.	No	Detached for duty HQ 17 Aus. Inf. Bde.
"	" 5133	Reilly A. J. C.	No	4th Officers Course
"	" 3837	Stewart H. McB.	Yes	
"	" 5070	Paterson J. B.	Yes	
"	" 4439	Adams E. C.	No	Detached to infantry & general base depot.
"	" 4679	Rowell N. H.	Yes	
"	" 4051	Sheldrick A. G.	No	Middle East Signal School.
"	" 3964	Clarke F. D.	Yes	
"	" 3439	Hunter A.	Yes	
"	" 707	Champ J. W. K.	Yes	

Lieut. H. L. E. Dunhley

Serial	Name	Rank	Regiment	Service Number	Notes
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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 *Two Inf Bn* (Unit) 13 July 1940 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	5		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	5		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	32		
<i>L/Serjeants</i>	8		
Corporals	58		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	650 658		
TOTALS	767	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<i>Ltj BATAKSE D</i>	<i>6 Inf Div Interpreter</i>		
<i>Ltj JAMIESON A</i>	<i>6th Div Cash Office</i>		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
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2/6 Aus Inf Bn Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.					REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/6 Aus Inf Bn Unit.

[Signature] Lieut. Col
Commanding 2/6 Aus Inf Bn

Date of Despatch 14 July 40
D.3459.

17 Aus Inf Bde of Aus Div
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Date of Report

Regt. Detach. Place, etc. and unit to which assigned

15/10/1918
1st Div. 1st Bn. 1st Coy

15/10/1918
1st Div. 1st Bn. 1st Coy

Unit

Signature of Commander

Date

TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)

General duty personnel

LIEUT. H. L. E. Dunkley

Cooks

Vickers Machine Gunners

Storemen technical

Signallers

Saddlers and Harness Makers

Printers and Drafters

Painters and Decorators

Masons

Fitters

Wrights

Electricians

Dipers H.T. and/or T.C.

Dressmakers (tailors)

Reservoir Builders

Clerks

Carpenters and Joiners

Butchers

Bakers

SHADES, ETC.
DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS

M.O. Class I

M.O. Class II

WOMEN: COOKS

Staff Sergeants

Sergeants

Captains

Troopers Equipped for

TOTAL

M.O. Class I

M.O. Class II

WOMEN: COOKS

Sergeants

Subalterns

Troopers Equipped for

TOTAL

REMARKS

SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT

REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

Part A of Army Form W 3000

Part D. Detail of surplus or reinforcements required as shown in

15/10/1918
1st Div. 1st Bn. 1st Coy

(Inde 5)

Army Form W 3000

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Aus Inf Bn (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	<i>1</i>		
Majors	<i>3</i>		
Captains	<i>9</i>		
Lieutenants	<i>25</i>		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	<i>38</i>		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT	MACKENZIE	K.G.	14.7.40	5th CADRE COURSE - PATO Langford
	LITTLE	M.C.	13.7.40	TO HQ 6 AUS DIV with
LIEUT	GRAY	A.W.		
"	DEXTER	W.K.		
"	CHAMP	J.W.K.		
"	SCHOFIELD	V.J.	15.7.40	
"	CHAMPION	N.D.		

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
		SEE ATTACHED LIST			

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	XX 310	MACKENZIE KE	AAAE	22/1/40	R.M.O.
Chaplain	XX 320	SAVILLE E.E.	AAED	11/5/40	Chaplain

2/6 Aus Inf Bn
(Unit.)
22 July 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
Ment. Col
(Signature of Commander.)
17 Aus Inf Bde 5 Aus Div
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

20 JULY '49.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary rank if held.	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Whether at Present with unit	If not at present with unit state how employed.
Lieut.-Col.	VX 25	Godfrey A. H. L.	Yes	
Major	" 171	Wrigley H.	"	
"	" 166	Wood F. G.	"	
"	" 185	Smith G. F.	"	
Captain	" 152	Muhlhan W. T.	"	
"	" 157	Rowan J. C.	"	
"	" 72	Browne A. K.	"	
"	" 140	Deane H. A.	"	
"	" 182	Little H. C.	No	To H.Q. 6 Aus. Div. with Duty Coy.
"	" 73	Weate E. W.	Yes	
"	" 48	Picken K. S.	No	Detached for duty 17 Aus. Inf. Bde.
"	" 162	Swinburne G. S.	Yes	
"	" 59	Soward F. A.	"	
Lieutenant	" 331	Kiddle R. H.	"	
"	" 181	Jones J. S.	"	
"	" 57	Carroll K. A.	"	
"	" 56	Kerr I. E.	"	
"	" 322	McKenzie K. G.	No	8th Cadre Course P.R.T.D. Sarafand To H.Q. 6 Aus. Div. with Duty Coy.
"	" 180	Gray A. W.	No	4th Officers course P.R.T.D.
"	" 177	Dunn H. McL.	Yes	
"	" 186	Warfe G. R.	Yes	
"	" 58	Tilley G. A.	No	No. 9 Mortar and Grenade course N.E.W.T.S.
"	" 238	Lyndon D. W.	No	No. 5 Rifle and LMG course N.E.T. W.S.
"	" 253	De Crespigny J. G. G.	Yes	
"	" 3561	Sherlock W. H.	"	
"	" 5101	Hayes P. B.	"	
"	" 5171	Enns A. R.	"	
"	" 5172	Dexter W. R.	No	To H.Q. 6 Aus. Div. Duty Coy.
"	" 5174	Dunkley H.L.E.	Yes	
"	" 5184	Cancelled		
"	" 5133	Reilly A.J.C.	No	4th Officers course P.R.T.D.
"	" 3837	Stewart H. McS.	Yes	
"	" 5070	Faterson J. B.	"	
"	" 4439	Adams E. C.	No	Detached to infantry and general Base Depot
"	" 4679	Rowell H. H.	Yes	
"	" 4051	Sheldrick A. G.	No	Middle East Signal School
"	" 3964	Clarke F. D.	Yes	
"	" 3439	Hunter A.	"	
"	" 707	Champ J.W.K.	No	To H.Q. 6 Aus. Div. Duty Coy.

Lieut. H. L. E. Dunmley

2/6 Fus Reg Bde Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusillers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusillers, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
Electricians																		
Farriers																		
Fitters																		
Masons																		
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Gasfitters																		
Saddlers and Harness Makers																		
Saddle Tree Makers																		
Signallers																		
Storemen technical																		
Vickers Machine Gunners																		
Wheelers																		
General duty personnel																		
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																		

2/6 Fus Reg Bde
Unit.
Date of Despatch *22 Jul 40*

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.
17 Fus Reg Bde to Fus Reg Bde
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch

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Unit

Bde, Div, Area, etc, with which unit is serving.

Signature of Commander

3 and 4 of Part A)
TOTALS (to agree with Columns

Officers and Personnel

LIEUT. A. L. E. Dunkley

Writers

Machine Gunners

Storemen

Signallers

Machine Gunners

Machine Gunners

Plumbers and Gasfitters

Painters and Decorators

Masons

Electricians

Electricians

Electricians

Drivers H.V. and/or I.C.

Drivers (H.V.)

Despatch Riders

Clerks

(as per)

(as per)

Carpenters and Joiners

Butchers

Bakers

UNDESIRABLE ETC
DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS

REMARKS

SERVICES TO ESTABLISHMENT

REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

Part A of Army Form W. 3000.

Part D. Detail of Supplies or Reinforcements required as shown in

Unit

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/6 Div of Am (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
	*		
	*		
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	19		
Lieutenants	24		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	37		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
CAPT.	LITTLE M.C.		22.7.40	from duty for 6
LIEUT.	DEXTER W.R.		"	from duty for 6
"	CHAMP J.W.K.		"	from duty for 6
"	REILLY A.J.C.		20.7.40	from 4th Officers course Larafand
"	DUNN M.M.C.L.		20.7.40	" " " "
"	REILLY A.J.C.		22.7.40	from duty for HQ 6th Div for 6
"	MACKENZIE M.C.		26.7.40	" P.R.T.O. - Larafand

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT.	REILLY A.J.C.		20.7.40	to duty for 6th Div HQ for 6
CAPT.	LITTLE M.C.		22.7.40	to HQ of course - Middle East
LIEUT.	DEXTER W.R.		"	Tactical School - Egypt
MAJOR	SMITH G.F.		"	"
LT-col.	GODFREY A.H.L.		26.7.40	TO 1 A.G.H. - Jaza.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
		SEE			
		ATTACHED			
		LIST			

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	VX 310	MACKENZIE EF	A.A.M.C.	22/40	R.M.O.
Chaplain	VX 320	SAXVILLE E.E.	A.A.C.D.	19/5/40	Chaplain

2/6 2nd Inf Bn
(Unit.)
28 July 40
(Date of Despatch.)

17 2nd Inf Bde 6 Aussie
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)
[Signature of Commander]
(Signature of Commander.)

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Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary rank if held.

Personal Number

Name and Initials

Whether at Present with Unit

If not at present with unit state how employed.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary rank if held.	Personal Number	Name and Initials	Whether at Present with Unit	If not at present with unit state how employed.	
Lieut.-Col.	VX 25	Godfrey	A.S.L.	No	1 A.C.H. GAZA
Major	" 171	Wrigley	H.	Yes	
"	" 186	Wood	F. G.	"	
"	" 188	Smith	C.F.	No	5 Course M.E.T.S.
Captain	" 152	McMahon	S.T.	Yes	
"	" 157	Kowan	J.C.	"	
"	" 72	Brown	A.K.	"	
"	" 140	Beane	H.A.	"	
"	" 182	Little	H.C.	No	3 Course M.E.T.S.
"	" 73	Watts	H.S.	Yes	
"	" 142	McIntyre	G.S.	"	
"	" 59	Stewart	F.A.	"	
Lieutenant	" 331	Hiddle	R.H.	"	
"	" 151	Jones	J.S.	"	
"	" 57	Carroll	K.A.	"	
"	" 56	Kerr	I.E.	"	
"	" 122	McKenzie	K.C.	"	
"	" 180	Gray	A.W.	No	1 A.C.H. GAZA
"	" 177	Burn	H. Mol.	Yes	
"	" 186	Warfe	G.R.	"	
"	" 236	Lyden	D.W.	No	3 Rifle & LMG Course M.E.T.S.
"	" 253	De Grompigny	J.C.G.	Yes	
"	" 3561	Sherlock	H.H.	"	
"	" 5101	Hayes	P.B.	"	
"	" 5171	Benn	A.A.	"	
"	" 5172	Baxter	W.R.	No	5 Course M.E.T.S.
"	" 5174	Hunkley	H.L.S.	Yes	
"	" 5184	Holly	A.J.C.	Yes	
"	" 3317	Stewart	H. Mol.	"	
"	" 5070	Peterson	J.B.	"	
"	" 4439	Adams	H.C.	No	Detached to Infantry & General Base Depot
"	" 4679	Howell	H.H.	Yes	
"	" 4051	Sheldrick	A.C.	No	M.E.T.S.
"	" 3964	Clarke	F.B.	Yes	
"	" 3433	Bunter	A.	"	
"	" 751	Champ	J.W.K.	"	

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/6 *2nd Inf Bn* (Unit). 27 July 1940 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	5		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	5		
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants	31		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.	8		
Corporals	58		
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	637		
TOTALS	745	*	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Units and Corps to which they belong.
<i>Sgt BATARSE D</i>	<i>6th Inf Bn Interpreter</i>		
<i>Sgt JAMIESON A</i>	<i>6th Fd Lanch Office</i>		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
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2/6 *Two Inf Bde* Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants.	Staff Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
„ (trained in wheeling duties).																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
Electricians																		
Farriers																		
Fitters																		
Masons																		
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Gasfitters																		
Saddlers and Harness Makers																		
Saddle Tree Makers																		
Signallers																		
Storemen technical																		
Vickers Machine Gunners																		
Wheelers																		
General duty personnel																		
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																		

2/6 *Two Inf Bde* Unit.

Date of Despatch *28 July 40*

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.
17 Two Inf Bde 6 Two Div
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Part A of Army Form W. 3000. Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in

REMARKS	REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED						SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT						DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.
	LTJLT	COJLT	PLJLT	PLJLT	PLJLT	PLJLT	LTJLT	COJLT	PLJLT	PLJLT	PLJLT	PLJLT	
													Wheeler
													Vickers Machine Gunners
													Stoemen technical
													Signallers
													Saddle Tree Makers
													Saddlers and Harness Makers
													Plumbers and Gasfitters
													Painters and Decorators
													Masons
													Fitters
													Farriers
													Electricians
													Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.
													Transtramen (top)
													Espech Riders
													Chiefs
													(trained in wheeling chairs).
													Carpenters and Joiners
													Botchers
													Bridgemen

~~Lieut. H. E. Dunlop~~

TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A)

General duty personnel

Date of Despatch _____

Unit _____

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving _____

Signature of Commander _____

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
		SEE ATTACHED SHEET.			

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	VX 310	MACKENZIE EF.	A.A.M.C.	22/11/40	R.M.C.
Chaplain	VX 320	SAVILLE EE.	A.A.C.D.	19/11/40	Chaplain

2/6 2nd Inf Bn
(Unit.)

29 June 40
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
Lieut. Col
(Signature of Commander.)
17th Div
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

Intel Officer

Appendix I



ORDER OF THE DAY

By

Lieutenant-General Sir THOMAS BLAMEY, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

Commanding 1st Australian Corps, Australian Imperial Force.

Gaza 30th June, 1940.

In taking over the command of the Australian Troops in Palestine I wish to congratulate all Commanders, Officers, W.Os, N.C.Os and Men on the fine reputation they have already earned in this country. It will give me great pleasure to inform the Australian Government and our people at home of this.

It is rather difficult for us to sit by and just go on training when events of the greatest importance and of supreme influence on the history of the world are taking place at the other end of the Mediterranean Sea. Every one of us wants to 'get into it' and strike a blow in this reshaping of the modern world.

Training without the equipment with which we must fight the German killers so that we shall beat them, does get a little boring. But when Australia goes into battle, it has a great name to uphold, and I am sure not one of us will be content to win a lesser fame than our Fathers and Brothers did twenty odd years ago.

I am, myself, as keen as you are for us to go into battle together, but when we go, we must win.

The events of these last weeks caused considerable loss to our side in weapons and fighting vehicles, and provision of these to us has been slowed down, while the Army defending Britain is equipped again.

So don't let us chafe at the delay. The factories in England and Australia are going all out; faster than ever they did in the last war; to get us equipment.

If the mails have been delayed and news from home infrequent, I am assured that this will soon be put right by the Navy.

So let us buck into it, and give our best in preparation. Keep fit; work hard; play hard. Don't worry about the pin pricks. Be a good comrade and pal to your mates, and when the time does come the Germans will know that 'Australia will be there'.

Lieutenant-General.