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2/2 Machine Gun Battalion

August 1945

WAR DIARY

Aug 45

2/2 Aust MG Bn

Aug 1st. Captain Cameron returns to C Coy. Visit from D A P M Maj Harris.LCT arrives with tank and jeeps.Patrol from A Coy arrive at Bn HQ. ~~KK~~ en route BEN TUKA.
Weather Fine and warm.

Aug 2nd. Lt Armstrong Adjt~~t~~ learner.Pay Sgt arrives from Labuan. Wing instructors prepare School syllabus.Cpl Oliver Gives ~~Situation~~ Weather on lecture in YMCA.
Weather Fine and warm.during day.Windy and heavy rain at night.

Aug 3rd. "A" Coy patrol return to BHQ."A" Coy move to Labuan en route to Miri.RSM & 8 students arrive from C Coy.
Tides High ~~0737 7.8 ft. Low 1639I 3.0 ft.~~ 0702 7 I 7'6" Low1549I 3.4 ft.
Weather Fine and warm during day.

Aug 4th. Maj Staniland holds conference of instructors re-schools. Barge arrives with picture jeep.Capt Bennett prepares to move to Miri.
Tides High 0737 7.8 ft. Low 1639I 3.0 ft.
Weather Fine and sultry during day.Heavy storm while pictures were ahowing "Two Girls and A Sailor".

Aug 5th. Church Service in Officer's Mess.Four RAAF arrive in area for a rest.Capt W B Bennett leaves for "A" Coy Miri. Sgt Starkey passes through on way to OCTU."B"2 arrived from Miri.
Weather. Hot and fine during day. Windy and light showers at night.
Tides. High 0829I 8.1 ft.Low 1732I 2.7 ft.

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AUG 6 C.O. visits Div.
C.O. gives opening address to all school personnel.
Weather Fine and hot during day, cool and misty at night.

AUG 7 All wings at school commence syllabuses.
C.O. Armd Regt pays visit to Bn.
Pictures "Merry Monaghans"
Weather Warm and cloudy during day; heavy rain at night.
Tides High 10.10I 8.5 ft Low 1853I 2.4 ft.

AUG 8 Lt Stephens gives lectures to"I" students.
C.O. and Lt Mills leave for Labuan.
Weather Warm and fine during day.
Tides High.

AUG 8 C.O. Returns from Labuan.
Padre leaves for PAPAR.
Weather Very warm; light showers, cool during night.
Tides High 1144I 8.4 ft Low 2004I 2.5 ft.

AUG 10 B Coy arrive from MIRI enroute to A Coy positions.
Weather Fine and warm during day.
Tides High 1226 8.2 ft Low 2034 2.9 ft.

AUG 11 Lt Cann arrives at school; Duties Adjt and QM. Rest of B Coy arrive and move into A Coys positions.
Weather Fine and warm- windy and light showers at night.

AUG 13 Plane crashed into sea south of BHQ area.
Beer issue two bottles.
Weather Fine and warm during day; storm at night.

AUG 14 Lt Jeffcoat arrives from Brunei. Lt Patten gives lecture to "I" personnel.
Pictures in area.
Weather Fine and warm during day; heavy rain at night.
Tides High 0350I 6.1 ft; Low 0851I 4.3 ft.2155I 3.9 ft.

AUG 15 P.M. announces Japan surrenders. CO orders holiday where operational conditions permit.
Weather Fine and warm during day with heavy rain at night.

AUG 16 Rest day for all personnel of school. Party prepares for night celebrations.Lt Jeffcoat sets up as I O.
Weather fine and warm during day rain at night.

AUG 17 Visit from Major Fisher.
C.O. Adjt & Pay Sgt go to Div.
Weather Very windy and light showers during day; Heavy rain at night

Aug 18 Pay troops in area. Beer issue 2 bottles 1 free 1 paid for.
Weather Fine and warm, heavy rain at night.

Aug 19 Church SService 0830 in officers mess.
Beer issue 2 bottles and tobacco.

AUG 20 C.O. and Adjt do recce of Dart Island.
Pictured in area.

AUG 21 C.O. Adjt & QM on visit to Div to attend conference. "I" school terminates at 1200 hrs. "C" Coy personnel arrive at Bn HQ en route to Labuan- 5 year personnel.

AUG 22 Prepare to move to Labuan.
Q.M. arrives from Div.
Weather Hot and fine.

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Aug. 23. Move to new area LABUAN.

Aug. 24. Start to clear area and to set up camp. CO and Adjt go to Div.
Capt MITCHELL arrives from LHQ.
Weather Fine and warm during day.

Aug 25
CO and Adjt go to Div. "I" Sec compile map of new area.
Working parties clearing all blocks.
Weather Fine and warm.

Aug. 26. CO and Adjt leave by plane for MOROTAI. Half working parties stand down. Lt ALLAN arrived from TARAKAN.
Church service held 7 pm - good attendance.
Weather Fine and warm.

Aug. 27. Other half working parties stand down. Gracie Fields concert.
Weather Fine and warm.

Aug .28. Full working parties on camp jobs.
Co and Adjt return from MOROTAI. Lt JEFFCOAT marches out to staff school.
Weather Fine and warm with a storm at night.

Aug 29. Manual working parties throughout the camp area. CO to Div.
Weather Fine and warm during day storm at night.

Aug 30 Adjt goes to Div. Lt JOHNSON and MOXHAM march in from schools.
LHQ S A BONEGILLA.
Pictures in area "Lucky Partners".
Heavy rain during night.

Aug. 31. Weather windy and cold - light gusty showers during evening.
Pictures in area. "Royal Scandal"

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SEPTEMBER

Sept 1 Heavy rain throughout area - area drained by troops. First move into new administration building.

Sept 2. Dull and a few occasional light showers throughout the day.
Church services held.

Bruce Armstrong Lt
Adjt. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

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A Coy. WAR DIARY. Aug 45.

1st. Aug. Wed: Coy waiting warning order to move to Brunei- Seria-Miri to relieve 'B' Coy.

Thurs. 2nd: Coy warned to move at 1000 hrs - started loading 1200-hrs by DUWKS onto LCT. Left for Labuan 1645, arrived 1800. Coy split into two parties; first party embarked 0215, second party at 0245 - less A3 pl which stayed overnight and proceeded to Brunei on seperate barge.

Fri. 3: Left Labuan 0300 hrs for Kuala Belait.
Very heavy rains.

Sat. 4: Arrive Kuala Belait 1000 hrs-party landed by DUWKS.
A2 pl move immediately by MT to Miri - Coy HQ & A1 to Seria - A1 then on to Padas by railway.
'B' Coy warned to move ,but cancelled to a later date.

Sun. 5: Most of the day taken up settling in and sorting stores.
Heavy rains.

Mon. 6: 1700 hrs Capt Bennett and Cpl Hutchison arrive at Coy from Labuan via A3 (Brunei).
Capt Bennett now Coy Comnd - Lt Walker 2i/c.
Heavy rains throughout day.

Tue. 7: 1000 hrs Lt Walker & Cpl Dowling to Miri to pick up Pte Payne - 1600, Sjt Cameron, Sjt Woodgrass & Pte Payne en route Labuan - Australia for discharge.
2000 hrs Pictures shown at Seria -"White Cliffs of Dover."

Wed. 8: 1000 hrs Capt Bennett to 20 Bde conference. Intermitent showers during the day, fine nights.
2000 hrs Pictures shownat Seria- "Laura".

Thu. 9: 0900 B Coy HQ and B3 on half an hours notice to move.
Eventually leave at 2000 for Kuala Belait en route to Bn HQ by LCT.

Fri.10: 0830 Capt Jack and Capt Bennett to A2 by jeep.Return atnight
General improving of camp area.
Pictures shown at Seria.

Sat 11: Lt Jeffcoat and party of 5 OR arrive from Brunei.
Everyone awaiting results of Potsdam Conference.
Cloudy with showers.

Sun.12: 0800 hrs Capt Jack & Capt Bennett to A3 Brunei.
0900 Lt Jeffcoat & party return to Brunei.
1700 Capt Bennett arrives back fromBrunei.
Lt Bell now Comd A3 pl. Lt Jeffcoat trans to Bn HQ as IO.

Mon.13: 0800 Lt Walker to Miri (A2) returns at 1730.

Tue.14: Working party laying gravel around Coy HQ.

Wed.15: 0800 News just received that Japan surrended unconditionally
During day oil fire put out by 2/3 Fd Coy.
0830 Lt Walker leaves for Brunei Returns at 1800 with Lt Borthwick who is to comd A1 pl. BEER ISSUE.

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Thur.16: 'Bapa' Dyak Chief and party arrive with complaint that Japs are still pillaging their area - were sent on to BBCAU. Today a holiday for troops.

Fri. 17: 0930 Party to 2/17 Bn for Church Pde. Very heavy rains.

Sat 18: Most of area under water- still raining.
Pictures shown at Seria.

Sun. 19: 1100 Lt Bell arrives from A3 Brunei en route to A2.
0930 Church service held at 2/17 Bn HQ.

Mon. 20: Capt Bennett to Miri to bring back three 5 year men for discharge. Lt Bell accompanies him to take over A2.
2/17 Bn Concert Party Show in area.

Tues.21: S/Sjt Galvin to Brunei to pick up clothing.
Lt Walker and party completed job of laying gas on in the kitchen and water in the showers.

Wed. 22: 1700 hrs S/Sjt Galvin returns from Brunei. Pictures at Kuala Belait.

Thur.23: 1000 hrs warning order received for move. Camp duties.

Fri. 24: GOC's Holiday. Pictures shown at Seria.

Sat. 25: 0900 Lt Walker to Miri (A2) with clothing.
1400 Capt Bennett to Al pl. Maj Stanley calls in on way to 20 Bde. GOC's holiday.

// Sun. 26 1400 hrs Capt Bennett returns from Badas. 0930 Church 2/17 Bn.

Mon. 27: General improving of camp area.

Tue. 28: Pte Howlett & Pte Tregear return to Coy from R/Takers school at Bn HQ.

Wed. 29: 0830 Lt Walker to Kuala Belait for Canteen Stores.
Pictures at Seria.

Thur.30: Camp Duties. Word received that CO & Ajt have gone to Morotai.

// Fri. 31: 0800 Lt Borthwick arrives in from Al. (Padas)
0830 Capt Bennett & Lt Borthwick by jeep to A2 return at 1700

Aditional News. Sat 18: Artillery shoot on area approx 8000 yds SE of Residency Ridge - after two shells had been fired a party of Japs were sighted bearing a white flag. Before the Shoot could be stopped approx 30 shells had been fired into ~~an~~ area. Enemy dispersed.

Sun. 19:

A party of Japs endeavoured to infiltrate A2 & 2/13 Bn posns Several grenades were thrown by the enemy who were beaten off. No casualties. It is thought that this attack was in retaliation the happening of the previous evening.

Note.

During this month of Aug. enemy activity on our fronts has been negligible. This is mainly due to the fact that during the early days of the month the Coy was in transit from Mempukal to releive B Coy in Brunei-Seria-Miri sectors. Here they took up defensive posns and apart from one slight encounter with the enemy after cessation of hostilities on the 15 Aug in ~~BA~~ A2 area. There was no further action to report.

W Bennett Capt

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B COMPANY WAR DIARY
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WEDNESDAY AUGUST.1st.

0700hrs.Revielle
0830 " Admn parade
Personnal will be leaving the area to attend schools at Bn .H.Q.
0700 " A river patrol of B3 personnal consisting of 1NCO and 6 ORS left pl area on a 2 day patrol to the PANGSIONG AREA.
General routine throughtout the day.
1800hrs.Location no change.

THURSDAY AUGUST.2nd.

0700hrs Revielle
0830 " Admn parade.Camp improvements to be carried out during the day
0900 " CAPT. JACK visited B1
B1 and B3 school Personnal arrived at Coy.H.Q.area.
1800 " Location no change
2000 " Concert given by the 17th Bn concert party.

FRIDAY AUGUST.3rd.

0600hrs.Revielle.
0730 " School personnal left for BRUNEI where B2 personnal will join them.

SCHOOL	PERSONNAL
Pl SJT INST (Sigs)	Pte MALONEY.F.L.
N.C.Os	L/C WALTERS.E.H.
	Pte TAYLOR.R.W.
	" KIRK.G.F.
	" SCHULTZ.E.P.
	" RUMBLE.J.S.
	" HARLEY.W.A.
	"
STRETCHER BEARERS	Pte STEVENS.P.F.
	" McCURDY.R.S.
SIGNALERS	Pte ALEXANDER,C.J.
	" BEHAN.N.F.
	" BRADLEY.J.
	" PETERS.W.F.
COOKING	Pte LAWLOR. P.V.
	" MAHONEY.L.M.
DRIVERS	Pte WEDDING.L.T.
RANGE-TAKERS	Pte BALLANTYNE.J.W.
	" TOLHURST.B.B.

1700hrs.B3s patrol returned NMS
1800 " Location no change.

SATURDAY AUGUST.4th. Rained all day.No work.

SUNDAY AUGUST.5th.

0700hrs Revielle.
0830 " Admn parade
1000 " A3 relieved B2 at BRUNEI who embarked for their trip to A Coys posns at,Ref Map Tg SAKAT 1:50,000 series 9538998.
1100 " A Coy less one pl arrived at KUALA BELAIT,A2 releiving B1 at SOUTH KNOLL,A1 releiving B3 at BADAS.
1800 " Change over completed.B1 to embark at LUTONG,Coy.H.Q. AND B3 at KUALA BELAIT.

MONDAY AUGUST.6th Time of B Coys move not yet definate,expect

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MONDAY AUGUST.6th. Time of B Coys move not yet definate, but expect to move sometime on THURSDAY.

TUESDAY AUGUST.7th.
0700hrs. Revielle
0830 " Admn parade
SJT CHAMPION recalled to Div reception camp pending discharge, he is the first man to leave the Coy for discharge
2000 " Pictures at night "White Cliffs Of Dover" owing to so many of the boys wanting to go each jeep had to make several trips.

WEDNESDAY AUGUST.8th. B Coy on ½ hours notice as from 1200hrs today.
1930hrs. Notified that there would be no move before 1500hrs THURSDAY
2000 " Pictures at night "Laura". the same proceedure as the previous night.

THURSDAY AUGUST.9th. Still waiting to move.
1500hrs. Embushed for BELAIT
1630 " Returned to A Coys area.
2000 " Embushed for BELAIT again.
2100 " Loaded on to Duwks and taken out to the waiting LCMs. Coy split up on various boats, convoy was on its way shortly after all were on board.

FRIDAY AUGUST.10th.
0700hrs. Patrol from B2 left area Ref Map Tg SAKAT 1:50000 series 957903, strength 1 NCO and 14 ORs. Travelled by jeep as far as feature 120 in sq 9993 then patrolled through all the villages in that area then proceeded to village BELANOT, where they waited the arrival of the jeep which was to travell by the beach to pick then up. A small patrol on the jeep scouted through village SIKABAN on their way to BELANOT. Patrol returned NMS.
1200hrs. B Coy less one pl arrived at LABUAN
1430 " Embarked for Bn area at MEMPAKUL.
1530 " Arrived at Bn area and embarked on to Duwks then proceeded to Coy area where B2 were already settled in
LIEUT GINN is O C of Coy with LIEUT MOORE as 2i/c.
1800 " Location. General area Ref Map Tg SAKAT 1:50000 ser. map ref 955900.

SATURDAY AUGUST.11th. The area is in a filthy mess cleaning up throughout the day.
2000 " Received a native report that a Jap track had been seen 800yds NORTH of B2s posn. A patrol to be sent out at first light.
The wireless and the telephone is kept going trying to keep pace with the progress of the peace negotations.

SUNDAY AUGUST.12th. The Japanese track was caused by a Malayian wearing Jap clothing.
Having a day of rest, and cleaning of personnal gear.

MONDAY AUGUST.13th. General camp improvement.
Warned to be ready to move to Bn area.

TUESDAY AUGUST.14th.
1100hrs. 2 Duwks arrived and loaded all B1 and B2 pl first trip,
1500 " . Duwks on their second trip moved B3 pl and most of Coy. H.Q., a small rear guard being left to look after remaining stores.
2000" Pictures at night
"PEACE DECLARED" Official.

Capt.
Adjt. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

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The last eight days have been days of rest and arranging of filling in vacant positions which will be left by the discharge of 5 year men. Only admin parades held for the supervision of the taking of Atebrin

Transfers from Coy:-

PTE. PAYNE	to BH	TECH STORE
PTE, PRIDDLE		BN "Q" STORE
PTE. CHINN		BN ORDERLY ROOM
PTE. COGHILL		BN "I" OFFICE

Changes in Coy:-

PTE. GRIFFITHS	to	"Q" STORE
PTE. KELLY		TRANSPORT
PTE. KIRK		ORDERLY ROOM
PTE. KIPP		ORDERLY ROOM
PTE. CAMPBELL		COY "I" REP.

20 Aug 45

Pictures in area - "FIRST LOVE"plus supporting Newsreels and Shorts.

21 Aug 45

Rangetakers and "I" personnel returned from Schools.

22 Aug 45

Lecture on REHABILITATION by Div Education Officer. "B" Coy personnel warned move to LABUAN in near future. PTE ELDER and PTE MONKS acting as guard for "Q" at BRUNEI.PTE SCOTT,PTE MILLS,PTE COLEMAN,PTE NAYLOR,PTE BERRY and PTE MATHEWS acting as guards for Canteen.

25 Aug 45

Last 3 days were spent in clearing and building a camp at LABUAN. Only Admin parades held for the supervision of the taking of Atebrin. Nine men were left at GDD under 5 year Release Plan.

WOII ROBINSON	K.B.
SJT WOODS	J.E.
SJT BROWN	A.E.
SJT VILLIERS	R.J.
PTE DONOHOE	J.J.
PTE BRISTOW	M.
PTE LEWIS	C.
PTE SMITH	J.H.
PTE McKEW	L.G.

also "B" Coy and HQ" Coy combined.

26 Aug 45

PTE.LAWLOR and PTE MAHONEY returned from Cooking School.PTE COGHILL returned to Coy.

31 Aug 45

Last 5 days have been spent in clearing and building 9 Aust.Div POW & I Reception Camp.LT.JOHNSON returned from School.

Bruce Armstrong Capt, Lt
Adjt. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

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C Coy.
2/2 AUST MG BN.

CONTINUATION OF WAR DAIRY

AUG

Thursday 9

Nothing to report.

Friday 10

Padre Thomas arrived at 1330 hrs.

Saturday 11

Nothing to report.

Sunday 12

Capt Farquhar and Padre Thomas and 1 O.R. left for Bn.
Capt Nicholas left for Beaufort at o700 hrs returned at 1830 Hrs.

Monday 13

Capt Gardiner and 1 O.R. marched in. Sjt Buchanan and 1O.R. left for Beaufort at 0830 hrs.

Tuesday 14

Lt Gen Morsehead and Major Gen Wooten made formal visit to Papar.

Wednesday 15

Nothing to report.

Thursday 16

Nothing to report.

Friday 17

Nothing to report.

Saturday 18

Received notification of an A.E.S. conference to be held at Bde on 19 Aug. Lt Newberry wsas notified to attend conference to represent C.Coy.

Sunday 19

Heavy rain during the night caused Papar River to flood. Water approx one foot deep around Coy HQ. Owing to flooding No 2 sec No 3 Pl moved from position 574320 to position at 579330.

Monday 20

Thanksgiving Service was held at R.C. church at Papar. Capt Nicholas had recc of area 587337 in preparation to move Coy HQ and NO 3 Pl. Thirteen five year discharge personnel assembled at Coy area in preparation to leave for Bn.

Tuesday 21

Coy HQ and NO 3 Pl moved from old location and took up new defensive positions at Northern side of Papar River.Coy HQ with NO 3 Pl less NO 1 sec was established at 587337 with NO 2 at 588337. Jeep and drivers remained with 2/32 Tpt. Excessive Coy stores were left with 2/32 AUST INF BN.

Wednesday 22

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Wednesday 22

Capt Gardiner returned to Coy from Bn. Five O.Rs from Bn Rangefinders School returned to Coy.

Thursday 23

0700 hrs Capt Nicholas lef t for Beaufort area. Arrived back in evening. C Coy personnel were paid.

Friday 24

Nothing to report.

Saturday 25

3 personnel left Coy for rest camp.

Sunday 26

1 O.R. left Coy for rest camp. R.C. church parade held at Papar. O.D. church service held in the area.

Monday 27

2 personnel returned to Coy from rest camp..

Tuesday 28

Capt Gardiner left Coy area for Beaufort returning in the evening

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Nothing to report.

Thursday 30

Unit photographer arrived at Coy area.

Friday 31

Capt Gardiner left for Labuan. NO 2 sec of NO 3 Pl took up defensive position at Map Ref 629358.

W. P. Nicholas ..... Capt
O.C.C.Coy
2/2 AUST MG BN.

Bruce Armstrong Lt
Adjt. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

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Wed. Don 1 Prepare to relieve Don 2 at SADAU at 1600 hrs. Routine patrols N T R.
4 ST Don 2 PL. prepares to return to FORCE HQ AREA ref 422653 after being relieved by Don 1.
Don 3 Patrols again search BUTCH area. Many signs of recent habitation, but NMS.
Coy Bde trg instr No 1 recieved. First free issue of Beer and Tobacco from Bn Funds. Pte JENKINS accidently injured, evac to 110 CCS. Pictures at RAAF CASTLE theatre.

Thurs. Don 1 PL at SADAU are settling in for a rest as there are no Prahoes available.
2 nd. Don 2 Routine patrols NMS.
Don 3 Patrols over BUTCH area found tracks but NMS.
Coy Coy have to send 6 men to 2/9 Armd Regt camp to train for Corps Comd guard of honour, CQMS is trying to get them new clothes.
Pte HOWLETT W.E. is attached to Coy for driving instr. List of schools being conducted by BN, recieved. Coy allowed 3 nominations for each school.

Fri. Don 1 Prahoe patrol to LIAGUA NTR.
3rd Don 2 & 3 do routine patrols in their own areas NMS.
Coy Volley ball- Coy v RAAF Coy won 2-1.

Sat. Don 1 Prahoe patrols NMS.
4th Don 2 Routine patrols in their own area NTR.
Don 3 Patrol found tracks at 421663, they followed the tracks up a river to 425675 where they saw washing hanging out, as they approached they disturbed a Jap who tried to escape but Cpl FERRIS shot him on the run.
Coy Pictures in the area tonight.

Sun. Church parade in Don 1 house at 1030, service by Padre COWPER.
5th Coy Comd held conference at Coy HQ re training.
Future of Prahoe patrols to be discussed with BM.
Cpl FOLEY marches in ex 110 CCS.

Mon. Don 1 NO Prahoes, no patrols.
6th Don 2 & 3 small patrols in their own area NMS.
Don 3 reported many tracks in the village and garden area- some as close as20 yds from their picquet post. Evidently still a fair number of Japs still in the area.
Don 3 Booby trap in their area was sprung, results to be checked in the morning. Experiments with searchlights were carried out from 2130 to 2200 hrs, they were not a success.
Coy Parades and training start today, Most of the training period will be spent in building sporting areas. Organized Sport this afternoon
Don 2& 3 play Volley Ball on Coy court.
RLM AND Engineer Officer inspected and certified as okay the Coy 30 yards Range.

Tues. Don 1 No Prahoes- no patrols.
7th Don 2 No patrols.
Don 3 Patrol searched area where Booby Traps were sprung during night. Found 3 dead Japs - one wore rank of Naval Lt. Also 3 days Aust rations found in area. Booby Traps were Dutch Mines of with two were sprung. Also 1 36 Hand Grenade sprung - result one dog badly wounded. Patrol found Huts and Footprints at 421661 and followed footprints to 415669 where Pte MOUNCE SGT PURCELL and Pte PACEY killed one Jap who had an Australian Rifle belonging to WX 40483 LESLIE JW. B. Coy.
Coy Coy received an allotment of 5 year personnel for discharge,1 Officer and 11 ORs.

Wed. Don 1 Pl due to return from SADAU te their house in Force HQ area. Message
8th sent from Coy for Pl to remain at SADAU but Message not received and in the meantime Sgt WARREN sent amessage that Don 1 were packed and ready to leave. The Pl arrived at their area and settled in by 1800hrs.
Don 2 No patrols.
Don 3 Routine patrols carried out NMS.
Coy Second free issue of Beer and Tobacco received by Coy.
Pictures in the area again tonight.

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Thurs. 9th
Don 1 No patrols.
Don 2 Left for SADAU - settled in by 1800hrs.
Don 3 Saw one Jap in area and fired on him, probably wounding him. Estimate 12 Japs in their area.
Coy Muster Parade held in Don 1 area- Capt FERGUSON discussed last operation and the future of the Bn after 5 year men leave.

Fri. 10th
Don 1 No patrols.
Don 2 Prahoe patrols from SADAU to KRAIS. NMS.
Don 3 Patrolled over BUTCH and SYLVIA. Heard chopping in vicinity of 423671 did outflanking move and came in from behind. A noise was heard which sounded like a dixie being kicked about - on investigating they found 2 Japs asleep - evidently one was having a nightmare and was kicking the dixie about - both Japs slept on.
Coy First party of 5 year men warned to be ready to leave to-morrow at 0900hrs. Brig WHITEHEAD was to come down and say farewell to the 5 year men at 1030hrs tonight but he did not arrive. Capt. FERGUSON entertained 5 year men tonight.

Sat. 11th
Don 1 No patrols.
Don 2 PRAHOE patrol N.T.R.
Don 3 Booby trap in area sprung during night. Search this morning revealed pools of blood - trail of blood followed to 420650 and the wounded Jap sighted. As the patrol approached the Jap hurled a grenade but caused no casualties. Pte SIMPSON shot the Jap - he had been wounded in Pte HOLT'S Booby trap.
Coy Corps Comd arrived today and is being entertained at Force HQ tonight.

Sun. 12th
Church Parade in Don 1 house.
Don 2 At SADAU. Natives on small island nearby report 5 Japs seen - investigation made. Lt. McLAREN and Capt. ELLISON (AASC) while searching through gear on a raft saw a Jap running down the beach; Lt. McLAREN FIRES AND kills the Jap but the other four are not sighted.
Lt. MILLS marches in from BRUNEI to take over Don 1.
Capt. FERGUSON and 11 ORs leave for Aust. today for discharge on 5 year plan. Corps Comd made presentations of decorations most of which were won during this campaign.

Mon. 13th
Capt. TIPPETT orders Pl's to stop patroling.
Bde intends to send out 2 Jap PWs to inform others of Jap peace offer and to try and bring them in.
Sgt BELL moves to Don 3 to take over duties of Pl Comd. Lt. WALTER takes over 2/ic of Coy tomorrow. Pte BOWEN marches out to CCS.

Tues. 14th
Lt. WALTER starts new duties as 2/ic today.

Wed 15th
A big audience around the Coy wireless this morning waiting for the announcement of peace which came through at 8 o'clock.
Coy HQ held a party in the mess tonight- good show, songs and recitations from everyone. Issued with one extra bottle of beer to celebrate Victory.

Thurs. 16th
Today and tomorrow have been laid down as days of rest for all troops.
Bde sent out 5 Jap PW's to tell others of Jap surrender and to try and get them in, total for the day 13.
The second lot of 5 year men are waiting for a boat.

Fri. 17th
Day of rest. Church parade in Don 1 house, thanksgivingservice. Padre COWPER.
Sgt Maj. COLE and Pte WYATT relieve two guard posts in the Bde guard Pl. area while they have a party. After being there a while they heard footsteps, a little later Pte WYATT saw a Jap but he escaped.
Pictures in the Coy area tonight.

Sat. 18th
Party from the Coy is working in the BOWL Theatre area erecting a stage and seats for the GRACIE FIELDS Concert to be held 25th Aug.
Received notice today that Pte BASTRUP had been re-buried in the TARAKAN WAR CEMETERY on Aug. 14th.

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Sun. 19TH — There were 2 Japs sighted on STURT feature today, Bde instucts Pnrs to investigate. Japs were seen by RAAF.
Bde sent out more Jap PW's with an interpreter and they brought in 70 Japs.
Sgt McDONALD takes over duties of CSM.

Mon. 20th — Reinforcements arrived today - 2 officers and 3 ors - by boat ar 1900hrs.
Pte ROSEBERRY also marches in ex 2/5 Hospital at MORATAI.
30 more Jap prisoners came in today making a total of over 100 for the past 3 days.

Tues. 21st — 2nd batch of 5 year men leave at 0645.
Pte BOWDEN marches in ex 110 CCS.

Wed. 22ND — Pictures at CASTLE THEATRE - RAAF.

Thurs. 23rd — Cpl SANDERSON marches in ex 110 CCS. Also Pte PREIN from CCS.
Lt . WENTWORTH takes over duties as Pl Comd Don 3.

Fri. 24th — 2 Japs approaches Don 3 position and began playing with a booby trap, the sentry challenged them and they dropped the booby which exploded but they escaped. Bde sent out 2 Jap PW's to try and bring them in but they failed to contact them.
Allotment of personnel for GRACIE FIELD's concert received from Bde.
Signal from Bn require 1 officer immediately.

Sat. 25th — GRACIE FIELD's concert. Coy assembled at 1815 and marched down to allotted area. Approx 8000 attended the concert.
Volley Ball Coy HQ v Don 2 Scores Don 2 3-1.
Coy has own small lending library.

Sun. 26th — Lt. ALLAN left by plane for BRUNEI at 0845hrs.
Church Service in Don 1 house at 1000hrs. (Padre COWPER)
Volley Ball Coy HQ v RAAF Scores RAAF 3-0

Mon. 27th — Nothing at all to report.

Tues. 28th — Lt-Col SEARLE stopped here on his way to LABUAN. Capt TIPPETT met him at the Air-Strip.
Natives brought in 2 JEP's to Don 3 area and they were handed over to Provosts. 5 PW's sent out to get 3xmore seem by the 2 already brought in. PW's brought in 6 making a total of 9 for the day.
Volley Ball- Coy HQv AASC- scores Coy 3-0.

Wed. 29th. — A note was found in the old Jap area written by Jap Comd TOKOI saying, "I am at No.3 kitchen come and get me". He'd moved on again when No.3 kitchen was investigated.

Thu 30th. — PW patrol went out to try and contact TOKOI but were not successful. They found the Jap who wrote the note and signed TOKOI's name, he was a Lt (SG) and he had 8 other Japs with him, who were all brought in.

Fri 31st. — 21 Gun Salute and searchlight display to celebrate QUEEN WILHELMIN's birthday.
Volley Ball- Coy HQv D2- scores D2 2-1.
Pictures in Coy area

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Adjt. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

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APPENDIX A

ADMINISTRATION

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HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde
10 Aug 45

8 SEP 1945
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26 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTR 22
CEREMONIAL PARADE

1. GENERAL

A ceremonial parade of 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp will be held on the Sports Ground (adjacent to the Swimming Pool) at 1215301 Aug 45 at which GOC 1 Aust Corps (Lt Gen Sir Leslie MORSHEAD KCB KBE CMG DSO ED) will present ribands to the recipients mentioned below.

2. RECIPIENTS

The following recipients will report to the SC(Q) at the Soccer Ground at 121500I.

Military Cross

✓	WX 9506	Lt	STRETCH	W.G. - 2/24 Aust Inf Bn
✓	SX 12498	Lt	ALLEN	K.F. - 2/48 Aust Inf Bn
✓	SX 9377	Capt	GOODEN	O.D. - 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

Distinguished Conduct Medal

	VX 41955	Cpl	FROUD	S.L. - 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
✓	SX 6915	Sgt	POPE	G.H. - 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

Military Medal

	VX 42867	Sgt	BELL	J.W. - 2/23 Aust Inf Bn
✓	VX 30968	Sgt	WALLIS	S. - 2/24 Aust Inf Bn
	TX 11365	Cpl	RODWELL	E.E - 2/24 Aust Inf Bn
	SX 6832	L/Sgt	FENNELL	W.J. - 2/48 Aust Inf Bn
	VX118675	L/Cpl	HALL	W.J. - 2/48 Aust Inf Bn
	WX 26495	Pte	HOW	W.R. - 2/48 Aust Inf Bn
	VX117486	Pte	TAYLOR	- 2/48 Aust Inf Bn
	TX 11452	Pte	TAYLOR	- 2/48 Aust Inf Bn
	NX 13142	L/Sgt	NIXON	J. - 2/13 Aust Fd Coy
	VX 57174	L/Cpl	MACE	R.C. - 2/13 Aust Fd Coy
✓	VX 58273	Sgt	CURTIN	A. - AAMC att 2/4 Cdo Sqn
	TX 5755	Cpl	PEARCE	N.W. - 2/9 Aust Armd Regt

3. GUARD OF HONOUR

A composite guard of honour comprising one pl from each 2/23, 2/24 and 2/48 Aust Inf Bns will form up on the ground under comd Maj R.P. SERLE 2/24 Aust Inf Bn by 121500I.

4. BAND

Band will be provided by 2/48 Aust Inf Bn.

5. PROCEDURE

Corps Comd on arrival at the saluting base will be given a general salute after which he will inspect the guard and return to the saluting base and present the ribands. At the conclusion of the presentation a further general salute will be given and the Corps Comd will depart.

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6. UNIT COMDS

Comds units or groups as shown on the plan (Appendix "A") will form up near the flag pole by 1520 hrs.

7. SPECTATORS

As shown in the attached plan, areas have been allotted for proportional representation of all AMF units to view the parade as spectators. Units will move these personnel independently to the area to be in position, formed up in three ranks, not later than 121515I. Requisition for additional transport will be made to this HQ by 111600I. Spectators may assemble independently on the road, but these will be in addition to the allotment shown on the plan attached at Appendix "A".

Spectators will come to attention for both general salutes, otherwise they will stand easy. Offrs of all forces (Navy, Army, Air Force, NEI etc) may assemble on the seats at the rear of the flagpole.

8. GUIDES

Each unit or HQ of spectator group as shown in Appendix "A" will supply a guide to report to SC (Q) at Sports Ground at 1430 hrs. Guides will carry with them a small unit sign suitable for marking limit of unit area.

9. DRESS

Recipients and Unit Comds

Jungle Greens, Hats turned up (with chin straps), Belts, waist web, (no arms). Ribands of the decorations with which personnel are being presented will NOT be worn, but other ribands may be worn.

Guard of Honour

As for Recipients, except Rifles and side arms will be carried. Offrs will carry pistols slung below the ammo pouch on the left side.

Spectators

As for recipients, but hats turned down without chinstraps.

(J. O. GIBBONS) Capt.
SC 26 Aust Inf Bde.

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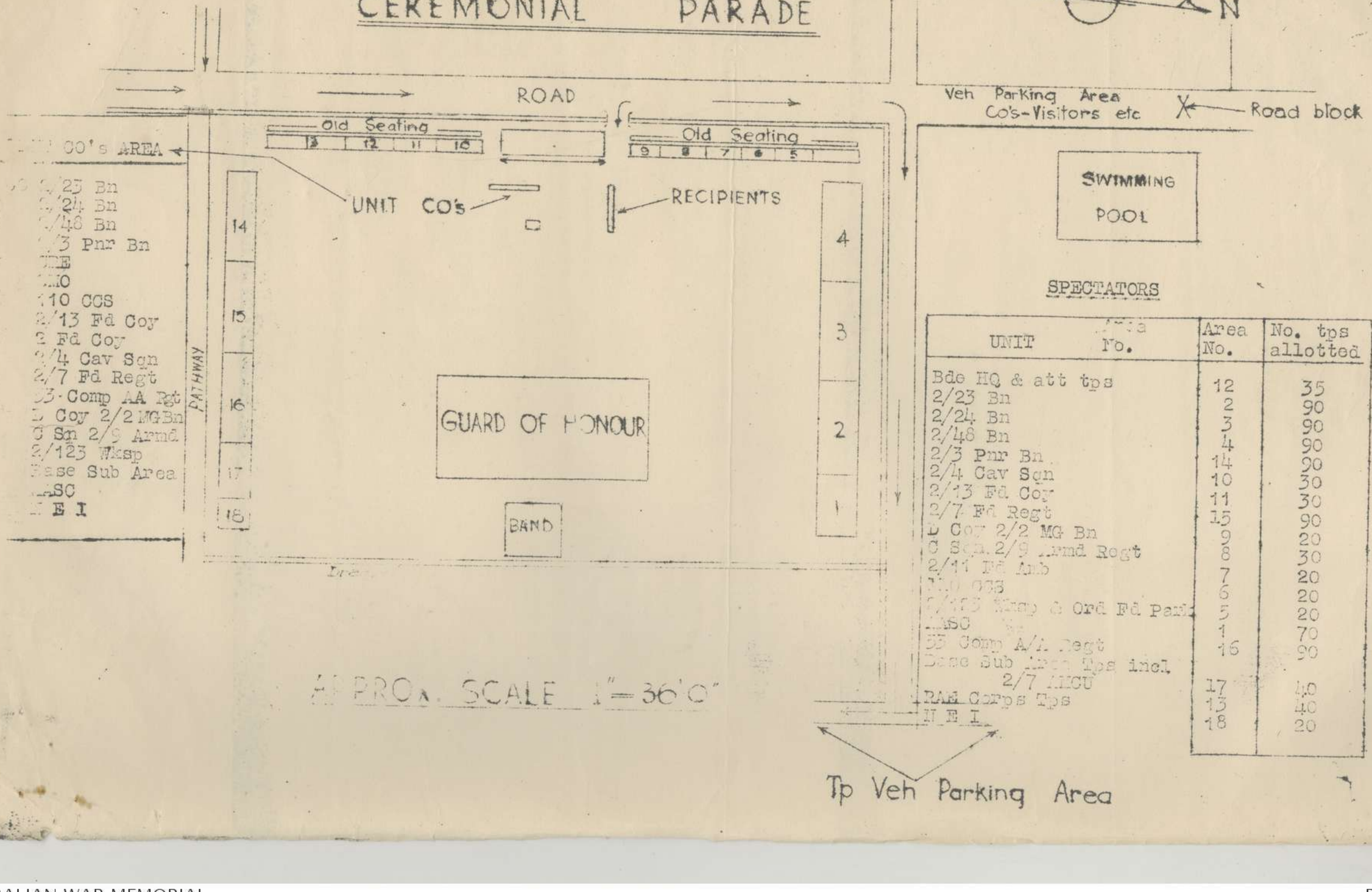
APPX "A"

to HQ 26 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTR 22

CEREMONIAL PARADE



APPROX. SCALE 1"=36'0"

SPECTATORS

UNIT	Area No.	No. tps allotted
Bde HQ & att tps	12	35
2/23 Bn	2	90
2/24 Bn	3	90
2/48 Bn	4	90
2/3 Pnr Bn	14	90
2/4 Cav Sqn	10	30
2/13 Fd Coy	11	30
2/7 Fd Regt	15	90
D Coy 2/2 MG Bn	9	20
C Sqn 2/9 Armd Regt	8	30
2/11 Fd Amb	7	20
HQ 033	6	20
2/123 Wksp & Ord Fd Park	5	20
MSC	1	70
23 Comp A/A Regt	16	90
Base Sub Area Tps incl 2/7 MRCU		
RAA Corps Tps	17	40
N E I	13	40
	18	20

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HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde
15 Aug 45

26 AUST INF BDE GS INSTR 6

SURRENDER OF REMNANTS OF JAP GARRISON

1. OBJECT

To accept surrender of the remnants of the Jap garrison on TARAKAN.

2. METHOD

In order to implement the object, it has been decided -

(a) to use Jap prisoners at present in our hands;

(b) to avoid using and thereby sustaining casualties among our own troops;

(c) the Japs will be released in small parties to search in certain allotted sectors.

3. SEARCHES

(a) The first search will be made on 16 Aug 45 in the area SYLVIA - BUTCH - FRANK - WILLS.

(b) Subsequent searches will be made in other sectors at dates to be notified.

(c) All searches will be carried out by the Japs only: none of our own tps will be included in the search parties.

4. COLLECTING POINTS

(a) In each sector to be searched, a well known landmark will be selected as a collecting point and RV for the Japs as they are brought in or report for surrender.

(b) Collecting points will be manned by our own troops.

5. DRESS OF JAP SEARCH PARTIES

(a) The Japs engaged in the task of finding and collecting stragglers will be dressed as follows :

Aust pattern shirts and trousers.
Hats KFF with white band
White armbands.

(b) Each Jap will carry a pass issued by Force HQ, written in English and Malay.

6. LEAFLETS

Each search party will carry surrender leaflets which will be distributed along tracks and likely hiding places.

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7. CONDUCT OF OWN TROOPS

(a) The above instruction will be promulgated to all troops.

(b) It will be stressed that under no circumstances will our troops interfere with any Jap personnel engaged in the above tasks.

(c) Any personal property of intrinsic value such as watches, pens, photos etc, will NOT be removed from Japs who have surrendered.

8. CONDUCT OF NATIVES

(a) NICA will ensure that all natives are warned of the above plan.

(b) Natives will be strictly forbidden to molest or interfere in any way with either Japs engaged in searches, or others who are wishing to surrender.

(H.J. KATEKAR) Maj.
BM 26 Aust Inf Bde.

Distribution :

List "B"

To be returned to Coy.

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PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM : 26 INF BDE

TO : List B (Army units only)

221500I

G0189 (.) RESTRICTED (.) in view of possible future tasks such as accepting surrender of japs and recovering allied PW it is vital that all units maintain the present standards of discipline physical fitness and efficiency (.) in trg units will stress particularly arms drill ceremonial marching saluting competitive sport and firing competitions together with such educational activities as have so far been arranged

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PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM : 26 INF BDE

TO : List B (Army units only)

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G0191 (.) RESTRICTED (.) first (.) present policy regarding LHQ schools is that all courses for which joining instrs have been issued will be conducted (.) students nominated to attend must elect to continue serving with the AMF (.) second (.) such courses already allotted to various addressees and for which joining instrs received are as follows (.) school of tactics and MI course No 1 A and B wings (.) SS (Aust) grade three wing course 6 (.)third (.) if any personnel nominated forthcoming courses have since elected discharge substitute nominations will be submitted to this HQ by 26 aug 45

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APPENDIX B

UNIT R.O.S.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I
BY
LT-COL G.A.STARLE
ADMIN COMMAND HEADQUARTERS AREA

Serial No 14

Nos 54 - 59

54. USE OF EXPLOSIVES IN WATERS OF BRITISH BORNEO (9Div RO 292)

1. Attention is drawn to 9 Aust Div Routine Order 178 of 20 Jun 45, which reads as follows :-

" Personnel at all times will take such action as is possible in accordance with operational necessities, to conserve sources of native food supplies and to prevent destruction of native property. The native population has suffered considerably under Japanese rule. Little food was provided for them and in many cases their gardens and paddy-fields have been destroyed and their stock confiscated and killed. In order that natives may become self-supporting in the shortest possible time when practicable they are being returned to their villages. Where this is not practicable they are to be given employment as labourers from compounds under arrangements BECAU. Owing to the shortage of food and to conserve the remaining livestock in this area neither food nor livestock will be purchased from natives. GOC 9 Aust Div feels sure that he will have the full co-operation of all ranks in this matter which will materially assist in the rehabilitation of the native population in British Borneo."

2. One of the principal sources of food for natives in British Borneo in the coastal ares is fish, and in many localities fishing is the main industry.

3. The use of explosives of any kind for the purpose of obtaining fish has serious effects, often of a permanent nature, owing to to the destruction of large numbers of small fish and the fact that normal feeding and breeding grounds are abandoned.

4. All ranks will appreciate the serious effects that will result as far as the native population is concerned if the use of explosives to obtain fish is permitted. Therefore the use of explosives of any description whatsoever is prohibited for the purposes of obtaining fish, or for any purpose whatever other than actual action with enemy, in the waters and streams of British Borneo.

55. During the week ending 27 Jul 45 a total of seven cases of malaria have occurred, as follows:-

9 Aust Div

WX75133	Pte	Treadway H.	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	BT
NX167822	"	McVee	" " " "	MT
SX31668	"	Wilson [illegible].	" " " "	BT
VX32015	"	Jovanovich M.	" " " "	BT
QX32903	"	Pokarier G.	" " " "	MT

1 Aust Beach G

NX71679	Pte	Hillier H.	2/4 Aust Fmr Bn	MT

8 Aust Base Sub-area

VX146227	Pte	Simmons G.	18 Aust Fd Coy	BT

56. VEHICLES RUNNING ON BEACHES

1. All units with vehicles running on beaches and in sand will take extra care in maintenance of these vehicles even though such running may be only occasional.
2. The vehicle undercarriages will be given a coat of paint or oil as a protectionagainst corrosion, and this coat will be renewed as necessary.

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58. RUBBER:- HANDLING OF.

1. Every precaution will be taken to prevent deterioration of rubber held or shipped. Rubber must at all times be kept off the ground, kept in cool shady places and covered from the weather. It will on no account be stowed near engines when being transported by land or sea.

59. LANDING POINT FOR SMALL CRAFT:- LABUAN

1. The western side of China Pontoon is reserved as an area for small craft to embark and disembark personnel. Craft will not remain berthed or moored on this side of the pontoon but will remain in the stream until such time as the embarkation or disembarkation takes place. On completion thereof the craft will immediately return to the stream.

60. DEFICIENCIES IN WETs

1. W.E.T. Extracts (E2-a's), or Indents (G997s) will be submitted in duplicate to ADOS 9 Aust Div by 10 Aug 45 for initial deficiencies on W.E.T. 's- non- controlled items only- by those units which have not already done so since arrival in this area.

2. Indents (G997s) only (not E2-a's) for maintenance requirements will also be submitted by 10 Aug 45.

3. Units will ensure that the appropriate authority is quoted and will clearly endorse on the Indents "INITIAL" or MAINTENANCE".

(W.B.Armstrong)
A/Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn

N O T I C E S

VACANCIES IN COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENTS

Commonwealth of Australia

Aust Council for Scientific & Industrial Research - Division of Electrotechnology - National Standards Laboratory - SYDNEY

Research Officer and Assistant Research Officer :

Duties - Research and development work in electrical measurements at power and higher frequencies.

2. Commonwealth Public Service Board Examination for transfer to the Third Division as Clerk or as Cadet : Notification of Examination :Exam 8318 for transfer to the Third Division in an office of Clerk (396-8318); or for promotion as Cadet (Architect, Biochemist, Draftsman, Engineer, Quantity Surveyor) Canberra, NSW, Vic, SA, WA, and Tas. (Only members of the Commonwealth Public Service are eligible to enter for this examination). A competitive exam will be commenced on 20 Oct 45.

NSW STATE PUBLIC SERVICE

Department of Agriculture - Instructor in Dairy Cattle Breeding & Management

Duties - To exercise general management and care of the Hawkesbury Agricultural College Stud Herd, to keep all stud records in connection with same, to supervise milk production activities, to conduct experiments as may be required, and to give lectures and demonstrations to students on dairy cattle breeding and management.

Qualifications - Applicants should have had practical experience in the scientific breeding and feeding of live stock and of dairy farm management and must be holders of the Diploma in Agriculture of the Hawkesbury College or an equivalent qualification.

2. Technical Education Branch - Full Time Teacher of Carpentry & Joinery.

3. Department of Agriculture (Entomological Branch)- Field Assistant

Applicants should possess a good general knowledge of agriculture and of insect pests which infest crops.

Competitive examinations will be held early in 1946, and annually thereafter at Sydney and country centres for discharged Servicemen desiring appointment to the State Public Service as Engineering Draftsmen, Architectural Draftsmen, Draftsmen in the Professional Division or Clerk in the Clerical Division. Further details are available at this HQ.

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Nos 65 .. 71

BY

LT-COL G.A.SEARLE

ADJ. COMLAND MED.PARUL AREA

9 AUG 45

65. ATEBRIN TABLETS (9 Div RO 301)

1. All units will check immediately all individual containers, atebrin, to ensure that 24 tablets are held.
2. In the event of shortages, units will submit indents to AA&Q, who will take action to replace stocks.

66. DDT AERIAL SPRAY (9 Div RO 303)

1. The effect of DDT Aerial Spray on an area is transient, lasting for a period of up to seven days only. It is not a substitute for normal anti-malarial precautions, which will at all times be fully carried out. As the DDT Aerial Spraying is very wasteful in DDT, it is not proposed to re-spray areas that have already been sprayed.

67. MALARIA (9 Div RO 304)

1. During the week ending 3 Aug 45 a total of six cases of malaria have occurred, as follows:

9 Aust Div					
SX14539	Pte	GREEN	L J	HQ 9 Aust Div	HT
QX55700	Gnr	HUNTER	D W	2/12 Aust Fd Regt	BT
NX17242	Pte	CROKER	C G	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	MT
VX144786	Pte	ALLAN	G R	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	MT
QX39135	Sjt	HUNT	R	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	
1 Aust Beach Group					
QX6176	Spr	FORKNALL	A	1 Aust Beach Sup Pl	MT

68. FREMANTLE BY-ELECTION (GRO 205)

1. A by-election will be held for the electoral division of Fremantle (Western Australia) in the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia on Saturday, 18 Aug 45, and the Commonwealth Government desires that every member of the AMF who is qualified as an elector ge given facilities for recording his or her vote.

69. DISCHARGE ON OCCUPATIONAL GROUNDS (GRO 206)

1. ELIGIBILITY- Application for discharge for the purpose of resuming civil employment in essential industries (here in after called "discharge on occupational grounds") will be accepted from members included in any one of the following categories:-

(i) Those, irrespective of age, medical classification or area in which serving, who have completed 4 years full time service, some of which has been service overseas.
(ii) Those, irrespective of medical classification, length of service or area in which serving, who have attained their 35th birthday.
(iii) Those, irrespective of age, length of service or area in which serving, who are medically classified B1 or B2.

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2. RESTRICTIONS ON APPROVAL- An application for discharge on occupational grounds will not be approved unless-

(i) It is recommended by the Director-General of Man Power or his deputy in the State in which the member desires to resume civil employment;

(ii) The member does not come within the category of "Key personnel", as defined by para 3 of this order;

(iii) The application for discharge having been initiated by a prospective employer or the Director -General of Man Power or one of his deputies, the member himself concurs in writing;

(iv) In the case of a member serving outside the mainland of Australia and Tasmania, his discharge is approved by LHQ;

(v) Special approval is given by LHQ which indicates that other factors will not be applicable.

KEY PERSONNEL.-

3. The term "key personnel" includes any member whose discharge, in the opinion of the appropriate formation commander, would seriously prejudice the efficiency of his unit.

70. BUILDING MATERIAL

Personnel will NOT make any purchases of building material of any type either from the BBCAU or directly from natives.

71. DISCIPLINE

SX7244 Sig RANSDALE R - WOAS neglecting to obey 9 Aust Div Standing Orders of 1 March 45. Fined 10/- by Comd 2/2 Aust MG Bn. 3 Aug 45 A A Sec11

VX34435 Sig BRADBURY W G - WOAS, neglecting to obey 9 Aust Div Standing Orders of 1 March 45. Fined 10/- by Comd 2/2 Aust MG Bn. 3 Aug 45 A A Sec 11.

(J B Armstrong)
Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn

NOTICES

Applications are invited for position of Bn Book Keeper who will be posted as Bn Provost Sjt - Duties will be to keep all Bn books and supervise Canteen. Applicants must be experienced book keepers and be recommended by Platoon and Coy Commanders.

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by
LT-COL G.A. SMALE

ADVANCED HQ PACIFIC AREA

10 AUG 45

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12. OUT OF BOUNDS. RO 51 is repeated.
1. Attention is drawn to Standing Orders Para 2 Sub Para (a) "BEGAU compound and ALL native villages within the area are out of bounds". This order will be strictly complied with except in the following circumstances.. personnel may accept invitations from natives to attend weddings or special functions providing permission is obtained from Comd Offr Nempalul Area.

13. ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF AUSTRALIA.. VACANCIES FOR STAFF CADETS
GRO 5Aug 45 203-207.
1. Applications are invited for admission by way of normal entry, to the R.M.C. Duntroon.
2. Applicants must be over 16 yrs of age and under the age of 20 yrs on 23 Feb 46.
3. Further details may be obtained at Bn HQ

14. VACANCIES IN COMMONWEALTH HEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENTS
GRO 5 Aug 45 203-207.

1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA:

(a) Department of Post War Reconstruction- Assistant Director (Adm) Re-establishment Division, Melbourne:

Duties: To supervise, under Director (Re-establishment), general operations of State branches of Division and Regional and Industrial Committees. To assist Director in co-ordination of activites of various re-establishment authorities and organisations. To undertake liaison with Administration Division in staff, finance and organisation matters.

(b) Universities Commission, Officer-in-Charge, Branch Office- Sydney and Melbourne (2 positions):

Duties: Responsibility for all the activites of the office in relation to the reservation of university students and the scheme of financial assistance, and the administration of the Reconstruction Training Scheme insofar as it is related to the provision of benefits for ex-service men and women at universities and similar institution.

Salary £.£.£-££0£ p.a.

(Officer-in-Charge, Branch Office- Adelaide and Brisbane (2 positions)

Duties: As above. Salary £3£3-£760 p.a.

Senior Investigation Officer- Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Brisbane (4 positions):

Duties: Will involve arrangements under the Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Scheme regarding training activities with Professional Committees, the preparation and despatch of offers of training benefits and other associated duties, including arrangements for the provision of appropriate refresher and qualifying training.

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2. NSW STATE PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD-

(a) Department of Conservation - Assistant Research Officers, Soil Conservation Service:

Duties: Applicants will be required to take up duty in ... part of the State, and undertake research and extension work in connection with problems associated with the control of soil erosion.

(b) Department of Mines- Geological Branch- Field Assistants

OTHER VACANCIES.

Sarawak Oilfields Limited:
Sarawak and British North Borneo - Engineers, Electricians, Transport Drivers, Foremen and Labour and General Supervisors:

The desired age for appointees is 25-35.
The salary range for each appointment depends on age and qualifications but salaries are liberal and include free board and lodging in Sarawak until normal facilities are again available to staff engaged in the area. Agreements will be made between Sarawak Oilfields Ltd and the employee for a period of two years, extendable if desired by either party and subject to medical confirmation of fitness of applicant for service in the tropics. Arrangements will be made to interview applicants, where practicable, in any capital city of the Commonwealth.

Engineers:
Steel Work Erection (4): Qualifications: Good class foremen with wide practical knowledge, or young engineers.
Machinery Erection (4): Qualifications: Shop trained Mechanical Engineers.
Civil (4): Qualifications: Should be graduates and would be required to undertake road construction ,layout of buildings, swamp drainage, tank compounds, town planning etc.
Preference for graduates, but the most important factor is wide practical knowledge of civil engineering.

Mechanical (6-8): Qualifications: Should possess Board of Trade First Class Certificates or Technical School Diploma (Melbourne or Sydney) or be university graduates.

Duties: Would include general mechanical work,laying pipe lines, and their maintenance, assembly and erection of general machinery, engines etc, and general field mechanical engineering work. Again, ... und apprenticeship and technical degree are essential considerations.

Electricians (4): Qualifications: "A" Grade qualified electricians capable of looking after power lines, electric lighting, running and maintenance of electric power stations, wiring telephone systems and supervision of laying of lines.

Transport Foremen (Restricted number): Qualification: Motor mechanical knowledge and should be capable garage foremen competent to undertake control of garage and motor vehicle maintenance.
Would be responsible for the control of motor trucks used in connection with heavy haulage.
Labour and General Supervisors (Restricted number) Duties: Responsible for control, discipline, accommodation and victualling of native, Malay and Chinese labour.
Qualification: Personality, even but firm temperament, possessed of ... education and prepared to study the Malay language and native ... tions.

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Applications may be forwarded direct to the Secretary, Shell Company of Australia Limited, 163 William Street, Melbourne, or made to the Manager, Shell Company of Australia Limited, in any capital city.

Lt.
(W.B.Armstrong)
A/Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn

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by
LT-COL G.A. SEARLE
ADM COMD MEMPAKUL AREA

47. INDISCRIMINATE LIGHTING OF FIRES(9 AUST DIV RO 55/45)

1. Cases have occurred where fires which have been lit for the purpose of destroying rubbish etc have also destroyed valuable trees. This has been particularly noticeable in coconut groves and banana plantations where the heat from fires made to burn rubbish has resulted in the scorching of the foliage high up in the trees with consequent lasting damage to the palms. Rubbish will not be burnt or other fires lit where damage to flora will result.

48. IMPROPER USE OF AUST UNIFORM(9 AUST DIV RO 55/45)

1. Cases have been reported of natives wearing Aust uniforms which they stated, when questioned, they had obtained from members of AMF. In this connection 9 Aust Div Adm Order No2 para 37 is repeated for information and action:-

"On no consideration will military personnel give, trade or barter army clothing, rations or supplies to native personnel. All personnel will be instructed that they will not give food to natives as this is provided through normal channels. Disobedience of this order will be severely punished."

49. SALUTING (9 Aust Div RO 55/45)

1." Attention is directed to 9 Aust Div RO 158 of 14 Jun 45.
2. The standard of saluting throughout the Force continues to be poor. GOC 9 Aust Div directs that Commanders will give this matter their personal and immediate attention. It is the responsibility and duty of all officers to ensure that the correct compliments are paid by all ranks at all times. All Officers will be warned that neglect of duty in this regard will be severely dealt with. Failure to pay correct compliments will be treated as an offence."

50. COMPUTATION OF LEAVE ENTITLEMENTS- INACCURATE ENTRIES IN AABs 83 and AAFs AC5(9 Aust Div RO 55/45)

1. 9 Aust Div RO110 of 18 Mar 45 is repeated for information and action.

" Following a report from Qld L of C Area that 94 personnel in 5 Aust ARD had leave credits ranging from 24 to 69 days, investigations were made by Audit Staff DFO Qld L of C Area, which disclosed that in a number of instances such leave credits had been computed erroneously.

2. The most frequent errors were:-

(a) Grant of recreational leave entitlement for periods of service in MF prior to 1 Jul 42, contrary to GRO A598/43 para 22.

(b) Grant of leave entitlement for public holidays to other than members of the PMF, contrary to GRO A127/44 para 10(b)(viii).

(c) Grant of additional leave entitlement for service in certain areas without regard to the restrictions contained in GRO598/43 paras 39 and 40,viz., that the additional leave could only be granted for service before 1Jul 42 and then only for a period for which the member has not received and will not receive ARL, under AMR & O Part VI.

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50. (cont'd)
(d) Grant of leave entitlement contrary to GRO A598/43 para 96(a) for periods during which member was on LWOP.

(e) Grant of war service leave entitlement for service in Australian New Guinea and Papua contrary to GRO A 598/43 paras 3 and 91.

(f) Arithmetical errors in addition and/or subtraction.

3. It was further reported that a general survey of a number of AABs 83 and AAFs A63 revealed that the compilation of leave records was unsatisfactory and showed little application of the provisions of GROs A598/43 and A127/44. Many entries were found recorded in AAB 83 and not on AAF A63 and vice versa; other entries had been signed carelessly with failure to detect obvious errors, while a very large number of entries had not been signed at all. The general neatness of the entries was considerably below what may be considered a reasonable standard.

4. 5 Aust ARD have reported that many personnel are marched in either without an AAF A63 or with an AAF A63 which is incomplete.

5. It is considered that insufficient attention is being given to GROs A598/43 and A127/44. All units will therefore check the entries in AABs 83 and AAFs A63 of their personnel, and ensure that no leave credits are shown which are not in accordance with the provisions of those GROs and thatleave entries in AA B 83 or AAF A63. agree.

6. Disciplinary action will be taken in future against any officer whose signature appears against an incorrectly compiled leave entry in AAB 83 and AAF A63.

7. It is directed that COs give this matter their immediate personal attention.

51. OUT OF BOUNDS
1. Attention is drawn to Standing Orders Para 2 sub para (a). EBCAU compound and all native villages within the area re out of bounds. This order will be strictly complied with, except in the following circumstances. Personnel may accept invitations from natives, to attend weddings or special functions providing permission is obtained from Comd Offr MEMPAKUL AREA.

52. EMPTY BEER BOTTLES.
All empty beer bottles will be returned to the canteen.

53. RETURN AIRCRAFT BELLY TANKS.
1. The above eqpt is in critical short supply, and even unserviceable belly tanks can often be repaired and used as containers for dropping incendiary mixture.
2. O.Cs will institute an immediate search of unit areas and ensure that all belly tanks are returned to 9 Aust Div Salvage Unit forthwith.

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No 75 - 80

by

LT.COL G.A.SEARLE

ADV GOHD MAINPARUL AREA

14 Aug 45

75. WATER IN PETROL (9Div RO 308)

1. Complaints have been received that water has been found in filled petrol containers, particularly in the case of captured drums.

2. In the event of water in petrol, units will decant the petrol from the 4 gal drums into an open container before filling petrol tanks, thus preventing water interfering with the fuel system.

3. Before decanting from 44 gal drums into 4 gal drums, units will ensure that the container is free from water.

76. DAMAGED OR DEFACED CURRENCY (9 Div RO 311).

1. Members of AMF holding damaged or defaced currency notes will return them to the nearest Fd Cash Office.

2. The full face value of such notes will be paid subject to the following conditions:-

(a) providing that one complete number plus the signature of the Financial Secretary, Treasurer or Financial Commissioner is clearly identifiable. The greater portion of the note must be produced. (notes of $1000 and $10000 of Malayan currency excepted).

(b) in all notes where two signatures appear, the only one which will be held valid for the purpose of acceptance is that signature appearing in the right hand corner of the note.

77. CARGO NETS (9 Div RO 312)

All cargo nets held by units will be returned immediately to 2/106 Aust GT Coy (DUKWS). These nets are urgently required for the discharge of cargo.

78. SHOOTING OF CATTLE

1. It has been reported through BBCAU that army personnel have shot native cattle. The owners are claiming damages.

2. Under no circumstances will cattle be shot, including those formerly owned by Japanese.

3. Severe disciplinary action will be taken against any breach of this order.

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79. VENEREAL DISEASE

1. Intercourse with women in Borneo is forbidden.

2. Many of these women are suffering from venereal disease of virulent kind, and protection cannot be guaranteed.

3. The fact that a soldier developes venereal disease in this area will be taken as prima facie evidence of disobedience of this instruction.

80. NATIVES FISHING

1. Personnel are warned that from and including 14 Aug 45, natives from the BROAU Compound will be fishing in the waters adjacent to, and from BALANGKASAN.IS. between sunset and sunrise.

2. This information will be passed on to all sentries.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 — Nos 81 - 90

by

LT-COL G.A.SEARLE

ADM COMD MEMPAKUL AREA — 16 AUG 45

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81. CAPTURED ENEMY EQUIPMENT, SOUVENIRS AND REGIMENTAL TROPHIES OF WAR.

1. Unit commanders will impress upon all ranks the value and importance to Intelligence of captured equipment, documents, office record and material generally, if these are speedily made available for examination by the appropriate authorities. From a tactical view point, expert examination may reveal information from which the enemys intention may be deduced. Such deduction is, however, valueless, unless it is made in time. Speed, therefore, is essential. Technical examination will facilitate the incorporation of any important inventions or modifications in our own arms and armaments as well as research on any technical innovations by the enemy. The opportunities of obtaining valuable information will be in proportion to the numberof items made available for examination. In accordance with these principles, which should be understood by all personnel, the procedure set out in the following paragraphs will be closely observed.

2. Whenever prisoners are taken, theywill be immediately searched and great care will be exercised to prevent them from destroying any equipment, documents or material in their possession. All documents, whether taken from the persons of prisoners or discovered in vehicles or positions vacated by the enemy, will be sent back immediately through Intelligence channels for examination. Similarly, whenever enemy material is captured, it will be handed or reported to unit Intelligence personnel.

3. Immediately any article of Intelligence value is captured a guard will be mounted over it, if such a course is necessary and practicable.

4. Officers and other ranks will be informed that disciplinary action will be taken without exception in any case of theft, tampering with, failing to report possession of, or being in unauthorised possession of, captured enemy material. The term "enemy material" includes every store and article of equipment, maps, diaries, documents, food etc known to have been in the possession of the enemy at any time. It thus includes recaptured material of British or Allied forces

82. WAR SOUVENIRS

1. Personnel are permitted to possess or send to their nominated addressees, but not to Aust Kit Stores, as war souvenirs, items of enemy equipment and documents which are of no value to Intelligence or Ordinance, but they are not permitted to return or possess the following:- pistols, rifles and bayonets, SMGs, LMGs, HMGs, grenade dischargers, mortars, field-mtn-A tk-AA artillery sights, technical equipment and parts, grenades and amn, explosives, mines, flamethrowers rangefinders or any original item(unless authorised by Intelligence

2. Personnel desirous of retaining or returning to their nominated addressees items of enemy equipment(other than those specified in paral. of this order), as war souvenirs, will present such material to their formation or unit intelligence officers for inspection

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Such officers are authorised to issue and sign a certificate, a pro forma of which is reproduced hereunder, certifying that the item is of no value to Intelligence or Ordnance and releasing it as a war souvenir ifit complies with the postal regulations. The certificate must accompany the item, otherwise the article will be liable to confiscation by censors up authorities.

Pro Forma

This article,.....
has been examined by me and is not required for Intelligence or Ordnance purposes.
Signature.....Date.....
Appointment.....

3. Items of enemy equipment and documents so certified will be forwarded only through the AA Postal Service and not by any other official means. The following is a guide to the type of items which may be regarded as war souvenirs:-
flags, post cards, newspapers (after examination by Intelligence) cigarettes and cigarette cartons, pocket or pen knives (unless recovered from living or dead PW whose possessions are required for return to higher formation) spectacles (unless bearing name, identification or particulars of ownership), rice bowls, canteen, mess kits, chops sticks, water bottles, steel helmets, head handerchiefs, rubber soled tabis (split or solid toe) compasses (commercial type), watches, pens, penoils, whistles, toilet articleseto (if found and bearing no name, identification or particulars of ownership) clothing, money, field glasses, respirators.

X REGIMENTAL TROPHIES OF WAR.

1. Units may claim duplicate items of equipment captured during engagements in which the unit participated. The items which may be claimed will not be restricted as for war souvenirs, but will be rendered inert before being passed to the Salvage Service.

2. Such items will be submitted to an Intelligence officers and an inspecting ordnance officer for examination and attachment of a lable in accordance with the following form, which label is known as AAF F431:-

Front

REGIMENTAL TROPHY OF WAR
Captured at (Locality of name of engagement) by
(name of unit).....
Date.....
Forwarded to (Drill hall and address).....

Back

This article (description of article) has been examined by me and is not required for intelligence purposes,
Signature.....(1.O) Date.....
Appointment.....

This article (description of article) has been examined by me. It has been rendered inert and is safe for transport.
Signature.....(1.OO) Date.....
Appointment.....

3. These will then be passed on to the Salvage Service for evacuation to the enemy Equipment depot., Enoggera, together with other duplicate items.

X KIT STORES PROHIBITIONS

(a) The deposit of the following articles in the Aust Kit Store is prohibited:-
arms, ammunition, personal equipment, articles of enemy origin, articles of which at the time of deposit personnel were disentitled to possession, explosives, spontaneously combustible or highly inflammable articles, matches, perishables, money (Australian or foreign) postal notes, canteen orders, securities, stamps (Australian or foreign), jewelry, precious metals and stones, watches, cameras,

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wireless sets and musical instruments: provided however, that arms and other articles of personal equipment which have been issued to a member may be deposited at Aust Kit Store cloak rooms.

84. PURCHASE OF AMENITIES GOODS (9 Div RO 313)

1. Bulk store for Amenities goods is now established at HQ 9 Aust Div. Present stocks include radio sets fishing and sporting gear softball and decktennis sets, boxing gloves etc. Further supplies should be available after 18 Aug 45.

2. Units will make out indents in triplicate on AAF AF59 or AAF TS3 and forward through normal channels to AA Amenities Service HQ 9 Aust Div. Individual purchases may not be made.

3. Amenities Service will advise availibility and cost of goods indented for, and payment therefore will be made in accordance with DRO 231.

4. Outstanding accounts for goods already delivered to units will be paid not later than 22 Aug.

85. CLOTHING RATION COUPONS (9 Div RO 314)
1. Clothing ration coupons for year commencing 1 July 45 are now available to units through Dets 9 Aust Div Ed Cash Office.

2. Attention is directed to GRO 150/45 relating to requisitioning by units for ration coupons.

86. INOCULATION AND VACCINATION (9 Div RO 315)
1. Units will carry out a check of the inoculation and vaccination state of all personnel, and will submit to this HQ by 27 Aug 45 a return showing numbers of personnel requiring Vaccination, and/or TAB, Tet or Cholera inoculation.

2. Personnel whose AAB83 does not show evidence of TAB inoculation of one half c c TAB before the end of Sep 45. later than 1 Jan 45 will receive an inoculation

87. MOSQUITO REPELLENT LOTION - CONTAINERS (9 Div RO 316)
1. All empty bottles and tin containers for mosquito repellent will be returned to 37 Aust L of C Salvage Unit LABUAN.

88. MODIFICATION TO EQUIPMENT - SMALL ARMS (9 Div RO 317)
1. Incidents have recently occurred where units have effected modification in the field to service and experimental weapons and equipment without first receiving approval from LHQ.

2. In one instance a weapon of overseas design under going troop trials was subject to modification in the field without instructions from LHQ.

3. It is pointed out that this practice is considered dangerous in that non-standardisation between Australia and other dominions etc may result. In addition, experimental and other weapons are very difficult to replace.

4. Addressees will ensure that any modifications or alterations made to weapons and equipment either on charge or on loan shall be covered by the issue of the appropriate authority by LHQ.

89. CANTEEN PURCHASES 69 Div RO 318)
1. Complaints have been received from personnel of 9 Aust Div that cases have occurred where purchasers of items at Canteens have not been given currency as change but have been given articles in lieu thereof. This practice will cease forthwith. All change at canteens, FPOs etc will be given in Straits Settlements currency. Attention is directed to DRO 273 of 24 July 45 wherein the types of currency avail..

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able in this area are stated. As there is no shortage of coin units will ensure that such is available for change in canteens etc at all times and for the payment to individuals as "pay" if required.

90. NATIVE COMPOUND (9 Aust Div RO 319)

All native compounds are out of bounds to all ranks except on duty.

Bruce Armstrong Lt.
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HONOURS AND AWARDS

THE AUSTRALIAN EFFICIENCY MEDAL;

QX 1673 Corporal Arthur George TURPIN Australian Infantry .

QX 20666 Private Vivian Ernest HARDING Australian Infantry.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1 — No's 91 - 93
by
LT-COL G.A.SEARLE

ADM COMD LEMPAKUL AREA — 13 Aug 45

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91. ORDER OF THE DAY BY GEN SIR THOMAS BLAMEY GBE KCB [illegible]G DSO ED C IN C AUST MILITARY FORCES.

1. "The Japanese have surrendered. Our long and arduous struggle has ended in complete victory. The climax has come at the time when all six Australian Divisions are fighting strenuously each in its own area in the far flung battle line. No Divisions amongst the Allies have contributed more to the downfall of our enemies than ours. Our general officers and our commanders and staffs of all grades, our regimental officers, our warrant and non-commisioned officers, have led you unfalteringly to victory. Under their guidance, the troops have been forged into a magnificent army to the pride and glory of Australia. We have fought through the burning days and freezing nights of the desert. We have fought through the ooze and sweat of tropic jungles. We have defeated the Italians and the Germans, and we would soon have destroyed completely the Japanese before us. We will go to our homes having done our part in ensuring freedom for all our people. We will NOT forget the freedom for which we have fought so long and successfully, and so let us stand together in future years to ensure it remains the crowning heritage of the Australian people. And above all we give thanks to the Almighty for this greatest and crowning mercy that marks for all people the total downfall of tyranny."

92. TREATMENT OF POW'S

1. With the surrender of the Japanese Armed Forces it will be clearly impressed on all Officers, WOs NCOs and men that such Japanese become Prisoners of War and will be treated as such and not as enemy civilian aliens. Under no circumstances will troops fraternise with Japanese or treat them as equals, but will in all respects treat them as a conquered race which in the past, has been responsible for dastardly crimes against our own men. It will be impressed on all ranks that they are the victors in this war and will therefore conduct themselves accordingly. They must at all times be alert and prepared for treachery by enemy prisoners of war.

93. CENSORSHIP.

1. Unit censorship is amended to the extent that all A.I.F personnel may now state their location.

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VACANCIES IN COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENTS

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

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DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES - VACANCIES, TERRITORY OF PAPUA-NEW GUINEA - KEY ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS:

(i) Administrator: Salary £[illegible],000 p.a. plus entertainment allowance of £500 p.a.
(ii) Director, Public Health: Salary £1,100-£1,200 p.a.
(iii) Director, Agriculture: Salary £1,000-£1,150 p.a.
(iv) Director, Education: Salary £900-£1,000 p.a.
(v) Director, Public Works: £900-£1,100 p.a.

Conditions: The appointees will be stationed in Papua - New Guinea. The Income Tax Assessment Act does not apply to any income derived by a resident of the Territory from sources within the Territory.

Applications, stating whether married or single, should reach the Secretary, Department of External Territories, Canberra, ACT, not later than 31 Aug 45.

DEPARTMENT OF POST WAR RECONSTRUCTION - RESEARCH OFFICER, RURAL RESEARCH DIVISION, CANBERRA, ACT;

Duties: Statistical and bibliographical work associated with research into the economical conditions and future prospects of primary industries. The statistical work will include the assembling of all rural source material, together with the critical appraisal of local and overseas material.

Qualifications: A degree or diploma either in economics or in agricultural science is desirable, but persons with equivalent training or experience will be considered.
Applications should reach the Director-General of Post-War Reconstruction, P.O. Box 168, City, Canberra, ACT, not later than 23 Aug 1945. Salary: £358 - £562 P.A.

COUNCIL FOR SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH:-
(a) Division of Food Preservation and Transport (Homebush NSW)- Divisional Secretary;

Duties: To assist the Chief of the Division in administration and such matters as liaison withnother scientific bodies and food industries.

(b) Division of Food Preservation and Transport, Canning section (Homebush NSW) Assistant Research Officer

Duties: To assist in investigations into problems connected with canning of meat, fish and vegetables.

(c) Division of Animal Health and Production- Research Officer (Badgery's Creek NSW):

Duties: To undertake investigational work in Animal breeding and husbandry; also to act as farm manager under the supervision of the officer-in-charge of the field station.

(d) Division of Food Preservation and Transport (Homebush, NSW)- Senior Plant Physiologist:

Duties: To act assenior investigator into problems of afundamental nature on fruit and vegetable storage and handling; to direct and co-ordinate work in this field.

(e) Division of Animal Health and Production (Sydney)- Research Officer for Fleece Testing.

(f) Division of Industrial Chemistry- Assistant Research Officer (Chemist), Melbourne:

Duties: To assist in investigations concerned with the manufacture and utilisation of Portland cement and the reactions of silicate compounds at high temperatures.

(g) Division of Forest Products-Research Officer or Assistant Research Officer (Male or Female), Timber Mechanics Section Melbourne:

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

Nos 94-100

by

LT-COL G.A.SEARLE.

ADM COMD MEMPAKUL AREA

19 AUG 45

94. PROHIBITED ARTICLES (9 Aust Div RO 320)

1. It is apparent from censorship of parcels that neither troops or franking officers are conversant with current regulations dealing with prohibited articles. The following list of prohibited articles will be brought to the attention of all ranks:-

Films

Exposed undeveloped film other than film of official unit photographers.

Plants.

Plants, shrubs, cuttings, bulbs, seeds and coconuts are prohibited for medical reasons. Exception is granted only for supply to Herbaria or Scientific bodies subject to approval of Director General of Health (Quarantine Section Plant-Canberra).

Military Equipment

Any article issued by or belonging to the Commonwealth or Allied Forces.

Canteen or ACF goods

Any articles sold, distributed or supplied by Australian Army or Allied Forces Canteen Services or Australian Comforts Fund. The inclusion of canteen goods, particularly cigarettes, has been prevalent recently and in most cases senders particulars have been insufficient to trace the owner.

Loot.

Any item of local or enemy origin which may be of use to the civil authorities for the rehabilitation of the territory. The most common breach in this category is the inclusion of cloth.

2. It is stressed that full military address must be included on a slip of paper in all parcels, (To be repeated in all formation and unit routine orders).

95. ADJUTANT-GENERAL;S AND QUARTERMASTER-GENERALS STAFF.

DOCUMENTATION. (9Aust Div RO 321)

1. Several units have recently marched members into 9 Aust Div Reception Camp without any authority for such movement being shown on the AAF Mob 3.

2. Units will ensure that the provisions of GRO 41/45 are strictly complied with.

96. RETURN OF EMPTY BEER BOTTLES AND STRAW AND FIBRE CONTAINERS TO AA CANTEEN SERVICE.

1. In consquence of the establishment of an aerated water factory in the Morotai Area and the ensuing requirement for bottles, the following procedure will apply in future.

(a) All units and/or messes will ensure that branded and unbranded empty bottles are packed separately and cases marked indicating contents before returned to AA Canteen Service.

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(b) All bottles will be returned to MOROTAI, branded bottles being retained at MOROTAI whilst unbranded bottles will be returned to to the mainland for resupply of bottled beer.

97. CARELESS DRIVING-DAMAGE TO ROAD ALIGNMENTS AND CULVERTS (9 Div 325)

1. From engineer reports it is apparent that much of the damage being caused to roads on LABUAN is due to careless driving. This consists mainly in:-

(a) Driving too close to road alignments resulting in the road edge breaking.

(b) Endeavouring to pass on narrow roadways. The latter is causing vehicles to run off the road edge into drains.

2. Units will ensure that drivers are instructed as the above.

98. RESUPPLY MISSIONS 6 9Div RO 327).

Reference 9 Aust Div Adm Instruction 6 paras 7 and 8.

1. Units are reminded that all applications for stores space on resupply missions will state cubic tonnage in addition to deadweight.

2. Stores are still being back loaded from the main land to LABUAN without any labels or marking showing addressee. Units will ensure that all stores back loaded are marked correctly and addressee informed of date of despatch.

99. DISCHARGES.

A number of applications have been received from members seeking accelerated discharge on compassionate grounds. All ranks are warned that, unless there are exceptional circumstances involving great personal distress, the application will NOT be entertained.

100. VICTORY CELEBRATIONS

1. To celebrate the surrender of Japanese the C-in-C has approved an issue in addition to the normal weekly issue of two bottles of beer per head. One bottle to be free issue, one to be paid for by the individual.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

Nos 112-118

by

LT-COL G.A.SEARLE.

COMD 2/2 AUST MG BN

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112. RE-ESTABLISHMENT LEAVE

The Reestablishment and Employment Act 1945 has been passed to date from 15 Aug. Among other clauses this act provides for leave or for pay in lieu of leave on discharge unless such discharge is, in the opinion of the prescribed authority, other than an honourable discharge. Where the member has been engaged on war service for NOT less than six months, thirty days leave will be granted and in any other case fifteen days leave, on discharge. For this purpose discharge includes a member who has ceased to be engaged on war service. All reestablishment leave credits will be in addition to all other leave entitlements under GRO 598/43and, unless the member is required by the army to take his reestablishment leave or portion thereof, the member will receive pay in lieu of reestablishment leave. The above is for information only, the accrediting of this leave is the responsibility of L of C finalizing discharge.

113. OFFICERS DRIVING VEHICLES (9 Div RO 339)

1. Certain officers have been reported driving vehicles in 9 Aust Div area.

2. For each Army vehicle a driver is provided, whose duty is to drive and maintain the vehicle. Normally, no person other than the alloted driver should drive an Army vehicle.

3. In future, an officer will not drive an Army vehicle except in the following circumstances:-

(a) When necessary whilst training.
(b) In case of urgent necessity when no driver is available.
(c) On trips of 150 miles or over, to give relief to the driver and then only if necessary.

4. In each case, the work ticket will be suitably endorsed by the CC or OC of the officer authorised to drive, or, in case of urgency when the CO is not available, by the officer himself.

114. TRANSFER OR DISCHARGE ON COMPASSIONATE GROUNDS SOLE SURVIVING MALE MEMBERS OF FAMILIES.(9 Div RO 340)

1. An application for transfer on compassionate grounds will be approved without regard to any other circumstances, where the soldier concerned is the sole surviving male member of the family, the others having been killed or having been officially classified as missing or have been taken prisoners of war and not having since been recovered.

2. If all the brothers of a member have been killed or have been taken prisoner of war or officially classified as missing but have not been recovered, the member will be deemed to be the sole surviving male member of his family for the purposes of Para 1.

3. In cases of application for discharge on compassionate grounds the fact that the soldier concerned is the sole surviving male member of the family.(the others having been killed or taken prisoners of war) will be given special consideration, and, if the circumstances of the case cannot be met by transfer of the member, it will be sufficient to warrant discharge on compassionate grounds.

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115. RESTRICTED AREA (9 Div RO 341)

1. Recently numbers of vehicles carrying personnel of units located outside TIMBALAI have been proceeding indiscriminately through unit lines in TIMBALAI area in order to gain access to the beach.

2. TIMBALAI Area including the beaches is hereby declared a restricted area and movement along JIG CHARLIE Route is limited to vehicles of units located in TIMBALAI Area or carrying official visitors thereto.

116. MALARIA (9 Div RO 342)

1. During the week ending 24 Aug 45 a total of four cases of malaria have occurred as follows:-

VX50495	Spr	CLELAND W N	2/24 Aust Fd Pk Coy
WX33323	Pte	DALGLEISH J M	2/28 Aust INF Bn
NX42130	Pte	WARREN K	2/4 Aust Pnr Bn
WX21570	Spr	JONES E T	2 Aust Por Constr Coy

117. DISPOSAL OF INCINERATED REFUSE - LABUAN IS. (9 Div RO 343)

1. A dump for the disposal of incinerated refuse is now located in an area north of FOX ROAD at map Ref 813861 LABUAN SOUTH SPECIAL 1 : 25000.

2. All units will observe the following procedure:-

(a) All tins, cans and other metal containers will be crushed in unit lines before dumping.

(b) No unburnt refuse will be dumped.

(c) Refuse will NOT be dumped after 1600 hrs daily.

3. Picquets will be placed at the dump to ensure that the procedure outlined above is strictly observed.

118. PROPOSED VISIT OF HRH THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER - 9 AUST DIV AREA

1. His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, who it will be remembered visited 9 Aust Div at RAVENSHOE early this year, had expressed his intention of again visiting 9 Aust Div on or about 17 Sept 45 so that he could see and talk to officers and other ranks of the division in their present locations in BRITISH BORNEO, which they have reconquered.

2. Unfortunately, due to health reasons and on medical advice, His Royal Highness will be unable to carry out his visit. He is very distressed that he is unable to carry out his visit and he has requested GOC 9 Aust Div to express to all ranks of the Division his great disappointment.

3. As he has been ordered to rest for at least two months it is unlikely that his visit will take place at a later date.

Bruce Armstrong Lt
(W.B.Armstrong)
Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn

NOTICES

CINEMA

HQ 9 Aust Div	Thursday	RINGS ON HER FINGERS (Gene Tierney / Henry Fonda) SHORTS:- A LETTER FROM CAIRO "G" MAN JITTERS. NEWS FROM HOME 152 OVERSEAS NEWS 22
2/12 Aust Cav Sqn	Friday	A GUEST IN THE HOUSE (Anne Baxter/ Ralph Bellamy) SHORTS:- OVERSEAS NEWS 28 NEWS FROM HOME 146
HQ 9 Aust Div	Sunday	

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Serial No 25

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

Nos 1 - 6

by

LT-COL G.A.SEARLE.

COMMANDING

9 AUST DIV P W and I RECEP CAMP

6 SEPT 45

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1. OFFICERS LOCATION.

1. All officers will, prior to leaving the HQ Area, report to the Adjutants Office and make appropriate entries on the location board provided.

2. CINEMA PROJECTIONISTS

1. Vacancies exist for personnel who are experienced 35 mm cinematograph projectionists and who desire an opportunity of engaging in such work.

3. CLOTHING REGULATIONS

1. Clothing regulations will be interpreted as follows:-

(a) Personnel will be fully dressed, including gaiters, at all times between 0760hrs and 1900hrs except when-

(i) Engaged in manual labour.

(ii) Engaged in recreation on the beach outside the tree line, when shirts may be removed.

(iii) Bathing.

(iv) Sleeping or resting under a mosquito net, when clothes may be removed.

(b) Between 1900hrs and 0700hrs personnel will be fully dressed with sleeves rolled down and wearing gaiters, except as provided in (a) above.

4. TRANSPORT

1. Members of units, sub-units and detachments, attached and under command, are advised that application should be made through this HQ when transport is required. Owing to the limited number of vehicles available it will NOT be possible to meet all demands.

5. REPORTING OF MOVEMENT

1. All ranks are warned that on marching in and prior to marching out of camp they must report to the Camp Orderly Room.

6. CONSERVATION OF RUBBER - CRUDE AND SYNTHETIC TYRES(GRO 227 of 31 Aug)

1. This order will be read in conjunction with GRO 0.167/1944.

2. Tyres in use in the field are now both of crude and synthetic construction and, as tyres of synthetic construction are far more susceptible to failure through abuse than tyres constructed from natural rubber, their introduction into the service has made it more imperative than ever that all instructions for care and maintenance be strictly observed.

3. All concerned will, therefore -

(i) exercise the utmost care to avoid all forms of tyre abuse, the principal of which are -

overloading
under inflation
incorrect fitting of tyres
harsh braking
fierce acceleration
speeds exceeding those laid down in GRO Q.340/1944
driving over obstructions and other causes of severe impact;

(Over)

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111. FOURTH VICTORY LOAN

1. The Fourth Victory Loan of 85,000,000 cash will open for subscription on 25 Sep, 1945, and close not later than 31 Oct, 1945.

2. Arrangements have been made for paymasters and unit pay representatives to accept applications for Commonwealth Government Inscribed Stock or Treasury Bonds from members of the AMF who desire to invest their savings in the loan.

Particulars of loan.-

3. Loan applications may be made for the amount of 10 pounds or a multiple of 10 pounds.

4. Treasury Bonds are payable to bearer and are issued at par for 10, 50, 100, 500, and 1,000.

5. Inscribed Stock may be purchased at par for amounts of 100 or multiples of 10 above 100.

6. Interest is payable at 2 % per annum if invested for five years and at 3 % per annum if invested for sixteen years, and will be credited half-yearly to a members savings bank account or current account, if desired.

7. Interest will be subject to Commonwealth taxation but not to any income tax under the law of a State. During the period of uniform taxation, a rebate of 2s in the pound on interest will be allowed to cover freedom from State taxation.

8. Any bank nominated by a member will, if requested, hold the bonds in safe custody.

Procedure for lodging applications.-

9. Application forms will be available from paymasters and unit pay representatives and are required to be completed in duplicate. An applicant s signature will be witnessed by an officer.

10. Sufficient credit must be available in the member s pay book to cover the amount he or she desires to invest in the loan. The amount subscribed will be debited in the pay book.

11. Cash may be accepted in payment of a loan subscription, in which case the amount tendered will be entered in the pay book to establish the necessary credit and a pay sergeant s or cash office receipt issued and pasted in the paybook.

12. Deposits on account of loan subscriptions will not be accepted. Where members desire to subscribe by instalments, the procedure set out in GRO F.303/1944 will be observed. Supply of "Bank Advice of Service Allotment" forms (vide appendix to GRO F.303/1944) will be available from paymasters.

13. The Commonwealth Bank will forward to a member an interim receipt for the amount subscribed.

General.-

14. Both Treasury Bonds and Inscribed Stock are readily realisable and may be sold at any time. Any bank will arrange this for a member if desired.

15. Those desiring further information re the loan can obtain same from the unit Loan Officer - Lt J Moore.

Lt
(W.B.Armstrong)
A/Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn

N O T I C E S

LOST:
SIX TWENTY KODAK BROWNIE CAMERA, on route Brown Beach to HQ 9 Aust Div (North - Baker 4 Fox - Jig) on 21 Aug 45. Finder please return to TX 1546 Sig GARD K at Main Beach Sig Office.

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(ii) check wheel alignment frequently and correct irregularities promptly;
(iii) ensure that the tyres are "changed round" periodically in accordance with current instructions;
(iv) remove stones and flint from tyres during unit maintenance;
(v) submit tyres for replacement at the correct stage for recapping; and
(vi) submit damaged tyres for repair without delay.

4. Formations and units will ensure that prompt disciplinary action is taken where breaches of this order occur.

5. Clauses (v) and (vi) of para 3 above may be waived on the special authority of formation commanders in the assault and early developmental stages in new operational areas, during the period in which replacement or repair is not practicable nor expedient or in which replacement tyres and repair facilities are not immediately available. In such cases, worn or damaged tyres may, if considered necessary, be run to destruction.

Bruce Armstrong Lt
(W.B.Armstrong)
Camp Adjt.-

NOTICES

VACANCIES IN COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENTS

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.-

Department of the Interior:
Commonwealth Forestry Bureau - Assiatant Research Officer:
Location: Mount Burr, Millicent, South Australia.
Duties: Carry out research for the Commonwealth Forrestry Bureau in co-operation with the Woods and Forests Department of South Aust.
Salary: £418 - £562 p.a.

NEW SOUTH WALES PUBLIC SERVICE.-

(a) Technical Education Branch - Teacher of Accountancy:
Duties: To give instruction in accountancy, from bookkeeping to final accounts, under the Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Scheme.
Salary: Plus allowance £541 p a.

(b) Department of Public Works - Assistant Engineers or Engineering Draftsmen (Electrical), Engineering Draftsmen (Structural), Mechanical Draftsmen: Salary, £356 - £516 p.a.

(c) Child Welfare Department - Instructor in Physical Education(Female)
Location: Girls Industrial School, Parramatta, NSW.
Duties: Organisation and direction of physical education and development of the inmates of this establishment, whose ages range up to 18 years, and the organisation and control of all sport and games activities. Salary and Allowances £355 p.a.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA STATE PUBLIC SERVICE.-

Medical Officer - State Government Insurance Office:
Qualifications: Experience in either orthopaedics or traumatic surgery desirable.
Salary: £1,160 - £1,240 p.a.

SARAWAK OILFIELDS LIMITED - VACANCIES -

Reference notice of the above in GROs dated 3 Aug 1945, under the title "Other Vacancies", the company advises that, due to the wide publicity given this notice, all positions have now been filled, mainly from the services. The names of unsuccessful applicants have been recorded for future refdrence.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

Nos 7. 14

by

LT-COL G.A. SEARLE.

COMMANDING

9 AUST DIV P W and I RECEP CAMP

9 Sept 45

7. RESERVATION OF SEATING ACCOMMODATION - CONCERTS ETC

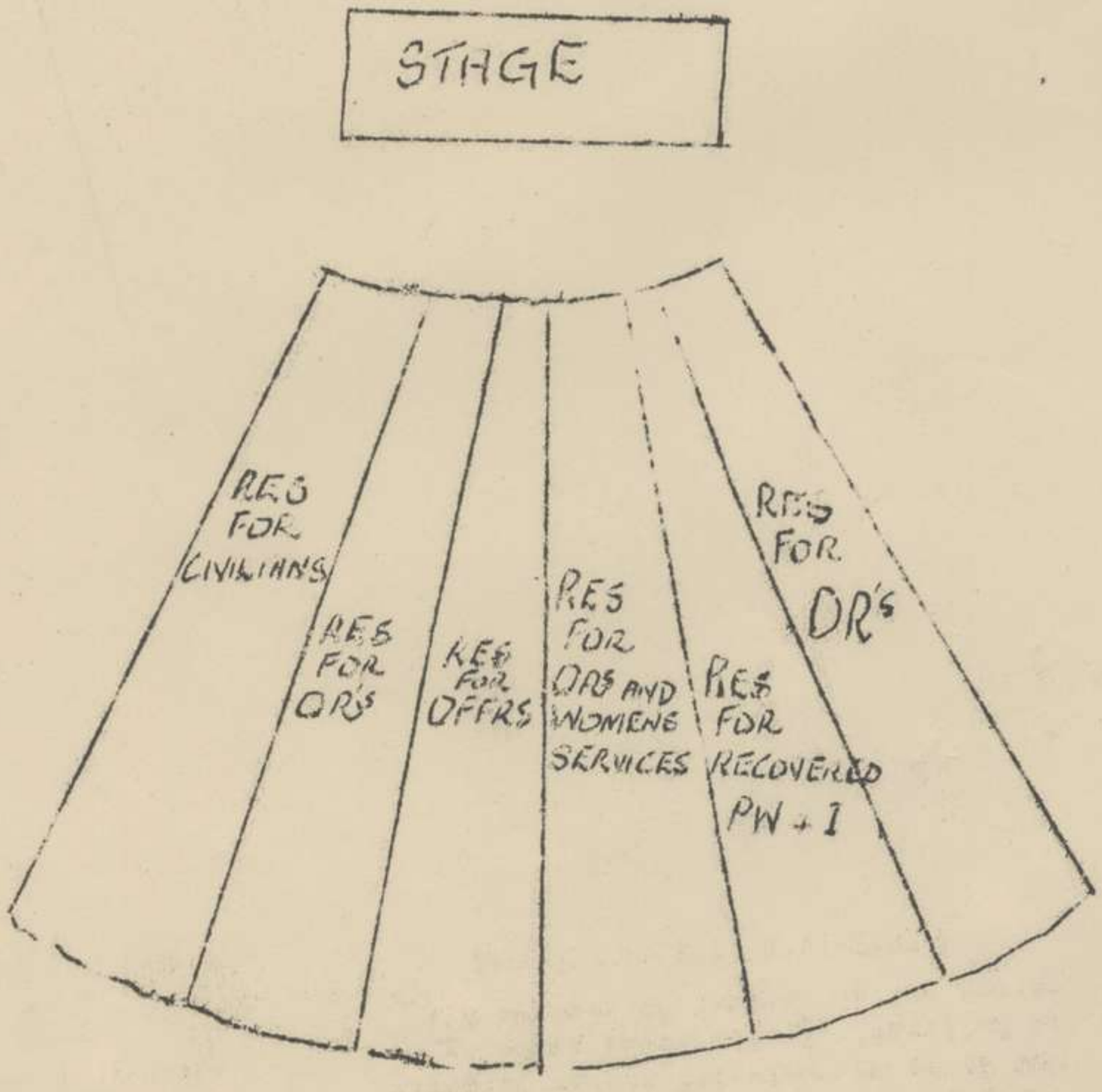
1. The following instructions regarding the reservation of seating areas for officers, WO and NCOs, ORs, Women's Services etc attending concerts etc(incl cinemas) in 9 Aust Div area will be implemented:-

(a) Reserved Areas will be clearly marked, perferably roped off, and policed.

(b) Reserved Areas will be based strictly on a pro-rata basis in accordance with known strengths of personnel for which they are being reserved.

(c) The frontage allocated to each reserved area will be approximately in accordance with the relative strength of the personnel for whose use the area is reserved.

2. The following sets out in diagrammatic form only the method by which the above principles will be implemented.



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ADJUTANT-GENERAL AND QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S STAFF

8. CORRECT USE OF AAF G2 (WORK TICKET) (9 Div RO 345)

DRO 128/45 is repeated. All units will take necessary action to ensure strict compliance with this order.

1. A driver when driving a vehicle on duty will always have in his possession his work ticket (AAF G2) and must produce same on demand of a superior officer or a member of the Aust Army Pro Corps.

2. At all times the form G2 will be set out in full detail, giving:-

(a) Place of reporting (name of unit etc);
(b) Time of departure;
(c) Nature of duty (number of personnel or description and weights of loads);
(d) Place of commencement of journey;
(e) Place of termination of journey;
(f) Time of arrival;
(g) Signature of passenger on completion of journey.

3. In compliance with the entry required by Para 2 sub para (c) such entries as "Unit administrative duties" and "Unit duties LABUAN" will NOT be recognised as being adequate, and specific tasks will be detailed.

9. ALCOHOLIC SPIRITS OR BEVERAGES (9 Div RO 346)

The possession or consumption by AMF personnel in British Borneo of alcoholic spirits or beverages other than AACS supplies is prohibited. Any such alcoholic spirits or beverages found in possession of personnel will be confiscated and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

10 ENGINES, SPARK IGNITION - FIRE HAZARD (9 Div RO 350)

1. Attention of all ranks is drawn to the danger of priming petrol by pouring liquid petrol into induction manifolds. In addition to this practice being harmful to cylinder bores, piston rings and valve guides, grave fire risk is involved which has in the past been responsible for loss of life, loss of valuable equipment and painful injuries to personnel.

2. The introduction of petrol into the inlet manifold of a petrol engine by removing the air cleaner and pouring the petrol through the carburettor air intake will only be resorted to as an emergency.

3. No more than approximately one tablespoon of petrol will be introduced by this method.

4. Under no circumstances will any attempt be made to start the engine until the aircleaner has been replaced.

11. CHANGE OF TIME.

1. As from 0900 hrs 4 Sept 45 all RAAF units will work on "Z" time To convert "I" time used in this area to "Z" time, subtract 9. Normal "I" time will continue to be used for army purposes.

12. CENSORSHIP

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13. MAIL.

All ranks are advised that all outward mail with the exception of registed articles, telegrams and parcels, will continue to be posted at the unit or sub-unit orderly room and NOT at the Post Office. Unit orderly rooms not holding a censor stamp will bring mail to Camp orderly room for stamping.

14. COMMUNICATIONS.

All roads on LABUAN are now open (9 Div OG 4558).

Bruce Armstrong Lt.
(W.B.Armstrong)
Camp Adjt

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by
LT-COL G.A.SEARLE.

COMD 2/2 AUST MG BN — 8 SEPT 45

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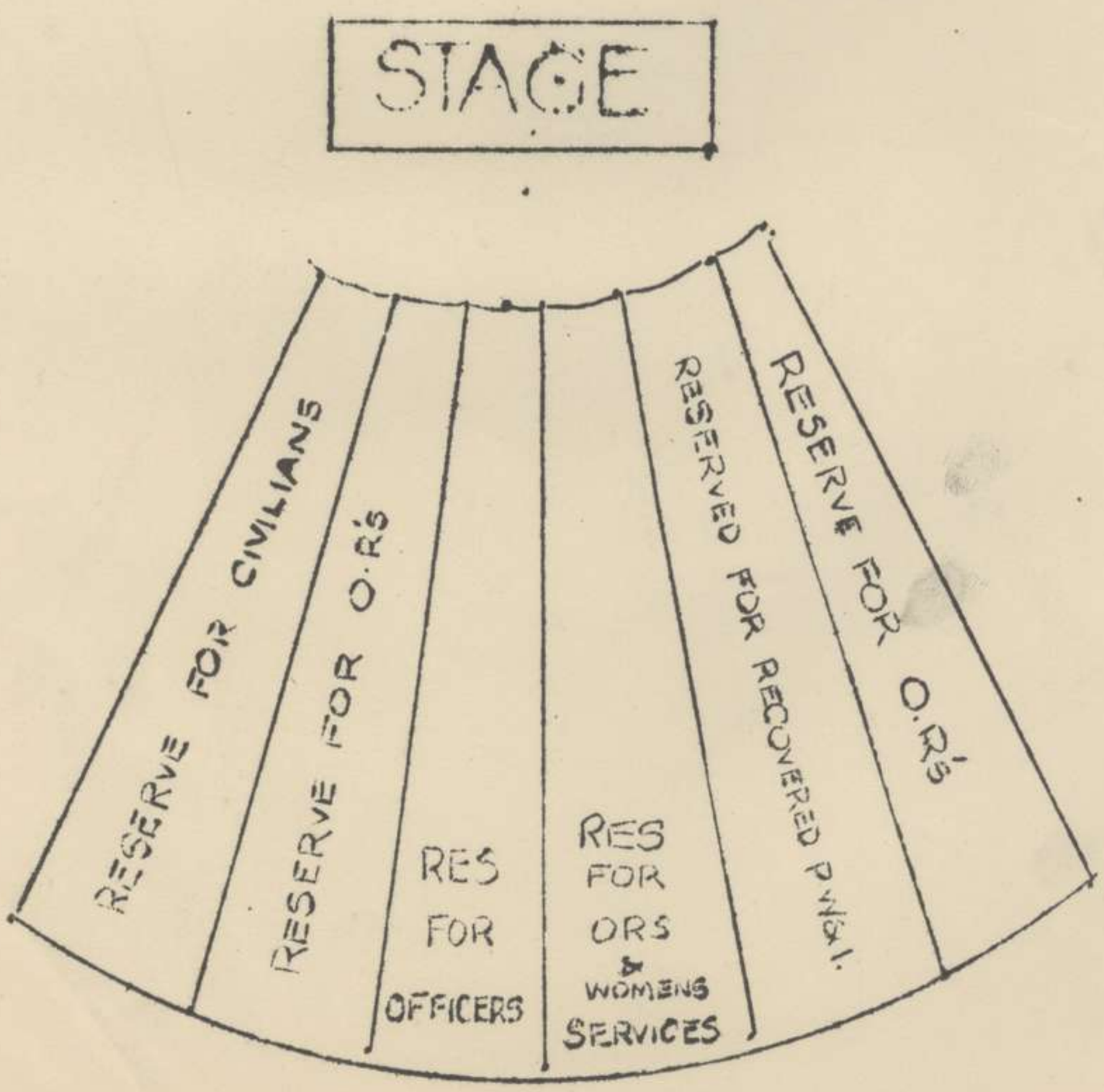

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Ross Armstrong Capt
Adjt. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

LT-COL. G. A. SEARLE

COMD

9 AUST DIV RELEASED PW & I RECEPTION CAMP

(unless otherwise stated the notices contained in these orders) will apply to

2/2 AUST MG BN

10 SEP 45

14. CENSORSHIP

1. (a) 9 Aust Div signal GI 2562 of 6 Sep suspends unit censorship.

(b) The suspension of unit censorship does NOT mean that a member of the AMF may disclose information which is in the security classifications of TOP SECRET, SECRET and CONFIDENTIAL or such information in the RESTRICTED category as may NOT be disclosed to the public.

(c) The following provisions of GRO 371/44 will continue to apply

PART A
PART B paras 2 and 3 (a)
PART C para 4 (a), (d), (f), (h), (j) (l)
para 5 and 6.

(d) The names of casualties among Allied PW will NOT be disclosed until it is reasonably certain that next od kin have been informed by Records. The co-operation of all ranks is requested particularly in this regard in order to prevent any further distress being suffered by next of kin.

(e) It will be appreciated that Base Censorship and the censorship of parcels will continue.

(f) Breaches of National Security Regulations and of this order are an offence against military law, and the abolition of unit censorship merely places an obligation of honour upon all ranks.

(g) Unit censor stamps will continue to be used in order to obtain concession rates of postage.

15. PART A - INTRODUCTION.(GRO 371/44)

1. Interpreation:-

(a) For the purpose of this order -

"Australia" means the Commonwealth of Australia, the Territory of Papua and the Mandated Territory of New Guinea;

"communication" means any letter, registered letter, lettercard, field service postcard, green envelopes, newspaper, parcel, packet or telegram;

"member" means a member of the Australian Military Forces;

"prohibited information" means any naval, military or air force information which has not been published and which may be directly or indirectly of use to the enemy if received by him.

(b) The provisions of this order will not apply to any communication prepared or despatched by a member in the course of his duty.

(c) Part B of this order deals with security and will be observed by all members at all times.

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16. PART B - SECURITY.

2. Security of information:-

A member will not communicate any prohibited information except for the purpose of carrying out his duty. A breach of this provision is also an offence under the Defence Act 1903- 1941, punishable by a fine or imprisonment or both.

3. Diaries and notebooks:-

(a) A member will not send through the post any diary or notebooks.

(b) The CO of each unit will ensure that all diaries and notebooks are collected by an officer appointed for the purpose -

(i) before any movement by sea or (except within the Commonwealth of Australia) by air;

(ii) whenever contact with enemy is imminent;

(iii) on the 31st December in each year and at such other times as are notified in formation or L of C area routine orders.

17. PART C - CENSORSHIP.

4. Prohibited information:-

A member will not post or send any communication containing any prohibited information. Inparticular, reference shall not be made to any of the following matters:-

(c) strength of any organization of our own or allied forces (including navy and air force) or reference to their morale;

(d) armament or equipment of any kind;

(f) plans or forecasts of orders for current, future or cancelled operations or movements, whether known, rumoured or surmised;

(h) state of the maintenance services (including any reference to reserves);

(j) casualty figures before official publication;

(l) criticism and statements which may bring into disrepute our forces or those of our allies.

5. Prohibited articles:-

A member will not, save in the course of duty, include in a communication -

(a) any document or equipment captured from the enemy or found in places occupied by the enemy, or any document containing information about the enemy, other than documents or equipment stamped with a War Souvenir Stamp, signed by an authorized officer certifying that the article is not required by Intelligence. In this regard, the attention of all members is directed to GRO G.473/1943;

(b) official documents, including Intelligence summaries, orders, maps etc,

(c) official documents belonging to the civil authorities in allied or enemy territory;

(d) propaganda leaflets, whether issued by the enemy or by Australian or allied forces or authorities.

6. Codes and ciphers:-

A member will not post or send any communication containing -

(a) any writing which bears any meaning other than that contained on the face of it;

(b) any instructions or request to use any means of secretly conveying, receiving or recording any information or to use any form of code, cipher or shorthand;

(c) ant writing, mark, sign or thing secretly conveying or recording information;

(d) any code, cipher, shorthand or any writing, mark or sign in any form of code, cipher or shorthand.

18. TOBACCO AND CIGARETTE RATION.

1. The weekly ration of tobacco and cigarettes is :-

Tobacco 3 ozs or 105 cigarettes

2. Difficulty in obtaining tropical packs limit the proportion of tobacco to cigarettes available. The weekly ration to all ranks therefore will be :-

Tobacco	2 ozs
Cigarettes	35

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19. PROHIBITION OF ENTRY OF ANIMALS INTO AUSTRALIA.

1. Australia is at present free from many of the animal and bird diseases which are prevelant in some of the foreign countries and adjacent islands where Australian Forces have been deployed and the introduction of such diseases to Australia would be a national calamity.

2. GRO 53/45 covers the prohibition of the return of all animals, birds or reptiles including those on unit MEs and the enforcement of its provisions is the responsibility of every officer and NCO, particularly ESOs, ATOs, COs and OC Troops.

3. Small animals, birds or reptiles can be concealed in kits and special vigilance by all officers and NCOs is necessary to prevent the evasion of the Quarantine Regulations. Any animals, birds or reptiles discovered after embarkation will be destroyed immediately.

20. DISCS, IDENTITY, STAINLESS STEEL.

1. Stocks of Discs, Identity, Stainless Steel have been seriously depleted, considerably beyond the demand anticipated for issues to all AMF personnel.
2. It is considered that units have contributed to this by demanding quantities in excess of requirements.
3. Units will return to the nearest RSD all Discs, Identity, Stainless Steel, which are Not required.

21. USE OF CAMERAS. a. Restrictions on the use of cameras by members in operational areas are now lifted.

b. Many articles of equipment and installations are however still on the secret list and are likely to remain so. The list of such equipment is NOT yet available, but as a general guide, any item which has appeared in press photographs or is known to have been captured by the enemy would not be considered a prohibited subject. Installations such as RADAR will not be photographed except by official photographers.

c. Exposed films will continue to be sent only to authorised agencies for processing.

22. MALARIA.

1. GOC 9 Aust Div brings to the notice of Commanding Officers that during the week ending 31 Aug 45 a total of four cases of malaria have occurred as follows :-

VX51110	Gnr MURNANE	R	2/12 Aust Fd Regt
QX25777	Pte CHL	CA	2/15 Aust Inf Bn
NX133306	Gnr LOWE	JA	2/3 Aust AA SL Bty.
NX150366	Spr ERNEST	W	14 Aust Fd Coy

2. Attention is drawn to DRO 275 of 25 Jul 45.

Lt
(W.B.Armstrong)
Camp Adjt

NOTICES

AUSTRALIAN ARMY CANTEENS SERVICES

The Australian Army Canteens Service distributed out of profits accumulated from the inception of the service to 31st December 1944 the following amounts:-

CMO for Unit Trust Funds ..	..	£1,604,419
GOC's Amenities Funds and AMF Special Amenities Fund ..	..	1,070,382
Xmas fare and other amenities ..	..	45,134
Contributions to ORs' Clubs ..	..	262,251
		£2,982,186

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The amount of profits accumulated at 31st December 1944, but as yet undistributed, totals £2,409,843, and is used as capital to finance the business of the service. The Canteens Service Regulations provide that, at the winding up of the service, the fund of accumulated profits is to be vested in trustees to be appointed by the Minister for the benefit of members and ex-members of the military forces and their dependants or the dependants of deceased members, the intention being to provide for those cases of hardship which do not fall within the necessarily exact definitions of the Repatriation laws.

CINEMA

MOBILE CINEMA NO 117

2/12 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn	Friday	TOMORROW THE WORLD (Fredric March/Betty Field) SHORTS:- FUSS & FEATHERS OVERSEAS NEWS 29 NEWS FROM HOME 147
No screening on Saturday		
HQ 9 Aust Div	Sunday	

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MOBILE CINEMA NO 117

HQ 9 Aust Div	Thursday	IF I HAD MY WAY (Bing Crosby/Gloria Jean) SHORTS:- GOING PLACES NEWS FROM HOME 153 OVERSEAS NEWS 23

LOST.

Haversack containing ground sheet and bathing trunks, the property of Lt HABEATTY. Lost in F block area 9 Sep. Finder please return to Camp Orderly Room.

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STANDING ORDERS
FOR
CAMP STAFF
issued by
LT-COL G.A.SEARLE
Commanding
9 AUST DIV RELEASED PW & I RECEPTION CAMP.

CHAPTER I. COMMAND.

9 Aust Div Released PW & I Reception Camp is commanded by Lt-Col G.A.Searle.,2/2 Aust MG Bn.

For the purpose of these orders and for administration unless otherwise prescribed will include such units, sub-units and detachments that may be from time to time attached to the 9 Aust Div Released PW & I Reception Camp.

CHAPTER 2. ORGANIZATION.

See Appx "A".

CHAPTER 3. ADMINISTRATION

1. DAILY TIME TABLE.

Reveille	0645
Breakfast	0730
Parade (Adm & Atebrin)	0815 - 1200
Lunch	1215
Parade	1300 - 1700
Evening Meal	1715
Retreat	1900
Lights Out	~~xxxx~~ 2230

2. NOMINAL ROLLS.

Each unit etc will maintain 2 nominal rolls for:-
(a) Attendance Records.
(b) Atebrin.

3. MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL.

Personnel marching in or out of camp will report to Camp HQ on arrival or prior to departure.

4. ACCOUNTING FOR PERSONNEL.

(a) Units and etc will submit to this HQ by 0830 hrs daily, a strength return as at 0600 hrs.

5. A.W.L.

In the event of the unlawful absence of a member or patient this HQ will be immediately advised and inquiries will be instituted and a search made in an endeavour to locate the missing person.

6. MAILS.

Outward Mails will be cleared at 1500 hrs daily.

7. PAY.

Pay will be issued every alternate Thursday.

8. CANTEEN.

(a) Hours 1200 - 1400
1600 - 2100

(b) Wet and Dry Canteens in C Block are for use of patients only and are out of bounds to all ranks except on duty.

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9. ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR.

(a) No Alcoholic Liquor will be brought into camp except by authorised persons delivering to messes and canteens.

(b) The possession or consumption by members of alcoholic spirits or beverages other than those from A.A.C.S. supplies is prohibited.

10. BOUNDS.

The following areas are out of bounds to all ranks unless on duty or in possession of a pass giving permission to enter the area:-

(a) Other than staff and patients, the entire camp.
(b) "D" Medical and "E" Female at all times and "G" block when occupied by Asiatics.
(c) All stores, orderly rooms and cookhouses.
(d) Officers lines are out of bounds to all ORs (This includes "B" Block)
(e) Refrigerators will not be interfered with or entered by unauthorised personnel.

11. FRATERNIZATION.

Fraternising with natives is forbidden. All native huts and villages are out of bounds to all ranks unless on duty.

12. PERMITS TO ENTER CAMP.

From the date of entry of patients, a permit will be necessary before personnel NOT members of camp staff will be allowed to enter camp.

13. CINEMA.

Cinema will operate in "C" Block. Times, seating arrangements and allotment of seats will be notified in Routine Orders.

14. CLOTHING REGULATIONS.

Clothing regulations will be interpreted as follows:-
(a) Personnel will be fully dressed, including gaiters, at all times between 0700 hrs and 1900 hrs except when-
(i) Engaged in manual labour.
(ii) Engaged in recreation on the beach outside the tree line, when shirts may be removed.
(iii) Bathing.
(iv) Sleeping or resting under a mosquito net, when clothing may be removed.
(b) Between 1900,hrs and 0700 hrs personnel will be fully dressed with sleeves rolled down and wearing gaiters, except as provided in para (iv) above.

15. BATHING TRUNKS.

All personnel will wear bathing trunks or cloth shorts when bathing.

16. PRIVATE PROPERTY.

Personnel are warned against leaving articles in unprotected places. Responsibility for any such losses will NOT be accepted by this HQ.

17. SUPPLIES.

A board as follows will inspect all food supplies:-
(a) Representative of S.M.O.
(b) Q.M.
(c) Catering Officer.

18. COURTS OF INQUIRY.

Names of personnel to constitute Courts of Enquiry or detailed as Investigating Officers will be promulgated in Routine Orders.

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19. LOSS OR DAMAGE TO GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.

(a) In the event of loss or damage to Government property a report will forthwith be furnished to C.O.
(i) Original value of property lost stolen or destroyed.
(ii) Cost of repairs to property damaged specifying costs of:-(i) Cost of labour (ii) value of material and parts used.

(b) Statements by eye witnesses as to the circumstances under which damage etc was sustained.

(c) Any losses of clothing, fire arms or equipment are to be reported immediately to units etc by personnel concurred. Units etc will submit a written report to Camp HQ.

20. PURCHASES.

(a) Any purchases made by personnel for the unit must be set out in order book held by QM.

(b) Purchases will be authorised by the C.O. by initialing the entry in the Order Book. Receipts or dockets must be retained for all purchases made.

21. GAMBLING.

Gambling is strictly forbidden - disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

22. FIREARMS.

No firearms will be discharged within the camp area and live ammunition will NOT be held by personnel unless for security reasons. No officer or soldier shall have in his possession any pistol, rifle or other firearm not an authorised issue to him, except with written permission of C.O.

23. FIRE.

(a) Firebuckets filled with sand and water are to be suitably placed at all block lines and at doorways of all buildings.
(b) Lights will NOT be left burning in unoccupied tents and huts.
(c) Naked lights such as candles and primus stoves will NOT be used in tents.

24. SYNCHRONIZATION OF TIME.

Signal Officer will synchronise time with Div HQ at 0815 daily and will notify all offices and orderly rooms.

25. CUTTING OF TREES COCONUTS ETC.

(a) The cutting of coconut and rubber trees is prohibited without the permission of the C.O.
(b) If coconut, rubber trees, bamboo etc are cut a return will be submitted to the Camp HQ immediately stating:-
(i) Number of trees cut.
(ii) Location where cut.
(iii) Owners name where known.

26. TELEPHONE HEADS.

All telephones excepting public phone must have an attendant at all times.

27. FIRE ORDERS. See Appx "B"

28. GUARD ORDERS. " " "C"

29. BEACH PATROL ORDERS. " "D"

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30. GENERATORS, ENGINES & ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.

Generators, engines, refrigerators, electrical fittings, and saw bench will be the responsibility of the camp engineers. Unautherised personnel will NOT interfere with them in any way.

31. BOTTLES.

All bottles when empty will be returned to the canteen from which they were purchased.

32. LEAVE FROM AREA.

All officers when leaving the camp area will report out at the camp HQ and will report in on return. All ORs must have units etc permission before leaving camp.

CHAPTER 4.- SECURITY.

SECURITY.

(a) Each indidual officer and soldier is personnally responsible for the safe-guarding of such arms and amm, Govt. or private, as may be issued to him, placed in his charge or owned by him.

(b) All rifles, pistols, machine guns, and other arms when handed in to unit or Q store become the responsibility of the Tech. Storeman (or his representative)

(c) When rifles are drawn, Coys will ensure that adequate measures are taken for their safe guarding in lines. Sub Unit Comds. will report the loss of arms or ammunition to the Adjt immediately such loss is discovered. It is most important that arms issued are checked at least twice weekly. All personnel to whom arms are issued MUST know the Reg. No. Except in exceptional circumstances the loss of any arms will be a Court Martial offence and it must be borne in mind by all ranks that the safe custody of arms abd ammunition is initially the responsibility of the individual.

CHAPTER 5.- MEDICAL & HYGIENE.

1. SICK PARADES.

Personnel(staff only) wishing to report sick will fall out of the 0815 parade, after atebrin has been taken. Ord. Cpl. will make out AAF A46 in triplicate for each individual and march personnel to RAP and hand in sick reports.

Classification of sick personnel.

1. M & D	Full duties-Do not report to RAP for treatment.
2. Attend A	Full duties- Attend RAP outside parade hours.
3. Attend B	Full duties- Except severe exertion.
4. Attend B2	Light duties-to report RAP for treatment.
5. Attend O	NO duties.

All ranks are reminded that the classification above only holds for the day on which they report, unless specified on the sick report.

2. ABLUTIONS(Personal)

Ablutions will not be carried out in unit lines but at ablution benches provided.

3. SHAVING.

All personnel will shave daily before 0900 hrs.

4. MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS.

(a) Dress as in chapter 1 para 13 of this order.
(b) Atebrin will be taken on a parade daily by all personnel under the supervision of an officer.

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(c) Area to be sprayed with malariol under the direction of S.M.O.

5. ANTI-MITE PRECAUTIONS.

Full anti-mite precautions will be carried out fortnightly. A certificate that these precautions have been carried out will reach this HQ by 1800 hrs 15 Sep and fortnightly thereafter.

6. WATER.

All drinking and cooking water must be super clorinated.

CHAPTER 6.- TRANSPORT.

1. RESPONSIBILITY.

Drivers of all Army vehicles are warned that they will incur full responsibility in respect of injuries caused by their own personal negligence or by the wrongful act of not complying with the rules of the road. The senior person in the vehicle will be held responsible for any breaches of regulations.

Seating: Not more than two persons will ride in the front seat of a vehicle except those with the gear lever on the steering column when three (3) persons may occupy the front seat.

2. MECHANICAL VEHICLES - LOADING.

(a) Unless otherwise ordered in writing by an officer, the number of personnel carried in load carrying vehicles will not exceed:-

Type of Vehicle.	Max.Number in Body of Vehicle. Marching Order.	Without Equipment.
12 - 15 cwt	4	6
1 ton	6	10
30 cwt SWB	10	14
30 cwt LWB	14	20
3 ton SWB	12	18
3 ton LWB	16	22
Jeeps		4
Jeeps & Trailers		10

Speed limit for all vehicles is 20 MPH.

(b) Where personnel are partly equipped or where material is loaded in addition to personnel, the number of personnel must be adjusted accordingly.

(c) An officer will not give an order to exceed the above figures except by endorsement on the drivers AAF G2.

Such an order will not be given unless the exigencies of the service demand. It is unlikely that such exigencies will arise except in operation and the officer giving such order will be held responsible that his action is justified by the circumstances.

(d) Personnel must be seated wholly in confines of the body and will not ride on the canopy, cabin roof, sides, or tail board of the vehicle.

(e) Should this order be contravened the driver will not move his vehicle until the contravention has been rectified and will report the matter on return to his unit.

3. FORMS.

The following forms are those which chiefly concern the driver and will be always carried on the vehicle when on duty:-

1. AAF G2 Work ticket.
2. " G12 Vehicle outfit list.
3. " G13 Accident report.
4. " G14 Demand for MT stores.
5. " G17 Defective Vehicle report.
6. " B20 Vehicle log book.
7. " Mechanical Vehicle Training Pamphlet No 1 1942.

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4. All drivers must make themselves conversant with Standing Orders for drivers of Mechanical Vehicles 1942.

5. ACCIDENTS - ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

In case of accidents to MT AAF G4 (inspection report) and AF G13 Accident report and summary and the report of the officer detailed by the C.O. to make inquiries at the scene of the accident or elsewhere are required. AAF G4 and G13 are to be completed in all details. Statements by eye witnesses as to the circumstances under which the damage etc was sustained.

Bruce Armstrong Lt
(W.B. Armstrong)
Adjt. 9 Aust Div Released PW & I
Reception Camp.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.
by
LT-COL. G.A. SEARLE
COMD

Nos 23 - 26

9 AUST DIV RELEASED PW & I RECEPTION CAMP
(unless otherwise stated the notices contained in these orders)
will apply to
2/2 AUST MG BN

14 SEP 45

23. CORRECT CHANNELS OF COMMAND

Several instances have arisen of units and sub units of arms and services operating in an area of responsibility of a formation or unit, receiving orders direct from parent HQ, on matters calling for action by the HQ of the formation or unit responsible for the area.

This is a direct contravention of principles of command laid down in FSRs Vol 1 and the expressed policy of GOC 9 Aust Div and will cease immediately.

Comds of Arms and Heads of Services will take necessary implementing action on this instruction, and formations or units responsible for specific areas as detailed by this HQ, will report by signal any future breaches of this instruction giving brief relevant details.

24. PROHIBITION OF ENTRY OF ANIMALS INTO AUSTRALIA

1 Aust Corps RO 118/45 is repeated for information and compliance:-

1. Australia is at present free from many of the animal and bird diseases which are prevalent in some of the foreign countries and adjacent islands where Australian Forces have been deployed and the introduction of such diseases to Australia would be a national calamity.

2. GRO 53/45 covers the prohibition of the return of all animals, birds or reptiles including those on unit WEs and the enforcement of its provisions is the responsibility of every officer and NCO particulary ESOs, ATOs, COs and OC Troops.

3. Small animals, birds or reptiles can be concealed in kits and special vigilance of all officers and NCOs is necessary to prevent the evasion of the Quarantine Regulations. Any animals, birds or reptiles discovered after embarkation will be destroyed immediately.

25. CENSORSHIP

Use of unit censor stamps will be discontinued. APO postmarker is sufficient for concession rate postage.

All unit censor stamps will be returned forthwith to HQ 9 Div.

26. STANDING ORDERS

Camp Staff Standing Orders are amended. Chap 3, para 1, last line, "2230" is amended to read "2300".

Bruce Armstrong Lt
(W.B.Armstrong)
Camp Adjt

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PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

021930I

FROM: 26 INF BDE
TO : LIST C
LIST:

SECRET (.) revsit to 021900I (.) weather report for next 24 hrs (.) light to moderate showers in early morning further outlook continuation of present conditions (.) 1 PW was captured by LCM patrol today at 427798 (.) other sectors (.) NO contact was made with the enemy (.) enemy cas 24 hrs 1 PW (.) progressive totals 1522 235 39 and 326 (.) in future revsits will be issued only when items of general interest or importance take place

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PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM : 26 INF BDE
To : List B

061900I

GO 696 Secret (.) weather moderate showers after midnight continuing most of to-morrow 7 Aug further outlook little change (.) 2/3 Pnr Bn (.) patrol to-day killed one jap463610 carrying grenade and some rice (.) one jap was killed during night 5/6 Aug at 455624 (.) chinese report approx 30 japs in this general area (.) 5 PW were brought to TARAKAN from BOENJOE to-day were they had been captured to-day (.) three PW were captured in the LINGAS area (.) japs were in native prahoe (.) radar personnel at CAPE PASIR took 4 PW (.) enemy cas for day 2 counted dead 12 PW (.) progressive totals 1528,235,39,340.

IF liable to etc SDS

Capt

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8 SEP 1945
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PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM : 26 INF BDE 301915I

TO : List C

G0682 (.) SECRET (.) revsit to 301900I (.) weather forecast fine until early morning then light showers until midday (.) 2/3 pnr bn (.) one PW taken on DINGO 3 enemy seen 472661 all escaped into scrub (.) 2/2 MG bn patrol killed 4 japs found one dead on BUTCH (.) during night 29/30 jul 2 japs killed in sawmill area DJOEATA (.) radar unit at BATOE took one PW (.) 4 japs were killed by PT boat and one taken PW today (.) natives found 3 japs dead on PAJAU ISLAND (.) enemy cas for day counted dead 14 PW 3 progressive totals 1515 235 39 and 318

If liable to etc SDS

H.D. Wright Capt

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TO STANDING ORDERS FOR CAMP STAFF.

DUTIES OF CAMP.

CAMP CHECK POST.

1. 2/9 Aust Armd Regt will be responsible for providing a Camp Check Post.

(i) Strength 1 Sgt 4 ORs

(ii) Location: Timber line at Main Camp Sign, North end of G Block.

(iii) Dress: As for guard less rifle.

(iv) Tour of Duty: 24 hrs.

2. DUTIES.

(a) To stop and check all vehicles and personnel entering Camp Area. NO vehicles or personnel will be permitted to enter area without a pass signed by either CO of this unit or by A or Q branch 9 Aust Div. Passes will be retained by check post.
Duty Passes will be issued to all vehicles on strength of this unit also any vehicles under Comd or attached. These passes will NOT be collected.

(b) To check all vehicles IN and OUT on attached form. These forms to be rendered to Camp HQ as at 0600 hrs daily.

NOTE: Post will be established as from 1614001 . All personnel NOT in possession of passes will be warned that as from 1706001 they will not be permitted to enter area without passes.

During first three days some confusion is bound to occur through some units in 9 Div not being aware of necessary procedure - During this period check post must use own discretion and can check on any doubtful cases by phone to this HQ.

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STANDING ORDERS FOR CAMP INMATES BY

LT-COL. G.A. SEARLE, COMD 9 AUST DIV PW & I RECEP CAMP

1-14

16 SEP 45

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1. COMMAND.

9 AUST DIV RELEASED PW & I RECEPTION CAMP is Commanded by Lt-Col G.A.SEARLE - 2/2 AUST MG BN.

Lt-Col G.A.SEARLE will be the Commanding Officer of all personnel who are marched into 9 AUST DIV RELEASED PW & I RECEPTION CAMP.

2. ORGANIZATION

See Appx "A".

3. ADMINISTRATION

(a) Daily Time Table :-

Reveille	0715
Breakfast	0800
Plasmoquin } Atebrin }	0830
Lunch	1230
Plasmoquin	1300
Evening Meal	1730
Plasmoquin	1800
Lights Out	2300

(b) Movement of Personnel:-

Personnel marching in and out of camp will report to Camp Orderly Room on arrival or prior to departure unless otherwise directed.

(c) Mails:-

Outward mail will be cleared at 1500hrs daily.

Post Office hours
0830 - 1200
1330 - 1700

(d) Pay:-

Pay Office hours will be:-
0830 - 1200
1330 - 1700

(e) Canteen:-

i. Dry Canteen hours
1000 - 1200
1330 - 1700
1830 - 2100

ii. Wet Canteen hours
1100 - 1200
1500 - 1700
1830 - 2000

iii. Red Cross section open at all hours.

iv. Beer chits for the use in Wet Canteen will be issued by Block Commanders.

v. No alcoholic liquor will be taken away from the Canteen.

(f) Alcholic Liquor:-

i. No alcholic liquor will be brought into camp except by authorized persons delivering to Messes and Canteen.

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ii. The possession or consumption by members of Alcholic spirits or beverages other than those from A.A.C.S. supplies is prohibited.

(g) Bounds:-

i. "E" Bloch is out of Bounds to all ranks, except those on duty or in possession of a pass to enter.

ii. Refrigerators will not be interferred with or entered by unauthorized personnel.

(h) Fraternization:-

Fraternization with natives is forbidden. All native huts and villages are out of Bounds to all ranks unless on duty.

(j) Cinema:-

Cinema will operate in C Block. Times, seating arrangements and allotments of seats will be notified in Routine Orders.

(k) Bathing:-

i. Bathing Trunks. All personnel will wear bathing trunks or cloth shorts when bathing.

ii. Bathing Areas. All personnel when bathing will only do so in the areas perscribed below. These areas are marked with flags.

(a) Surf - Approx 1 mile South of A Block.
(b) Still Water - The beach opposite C Block.
(c) Still Water For Children - the beach opposite C Block.

iii. Life Saving Patrols.

Each bathing area will have a life saving team on duty from 0700 to 1900 hrs. All personnel bathing will obey their instructions in all matters relating to bathing.

iv. Transport.

Transport will be provided for personnel desiring to go to the surf Beach . Times and place for embussing will be notified.

v. Kiosk.

A Kiosk will be opened at the surf beach times to be notified.

(l) Private Property:-

Personnel are warned against leaving articles in unprotected places. Responsibility will NOT be accepted by this HQ.

(m) Gambling:-

Gambling is strictly forbidden.

(n) Fire Arms:-

No fire arms will be discharged within the camp area and live ammunition will NOT be held by personnel unless for security reasons. No officer or soldier shall have in his possession any pistol, rifle or other fire arms NOT an authorized issue to him, except with written permission of the C.O.

(o) Fire:-

i. Lights will NOT be left burning in unoccupied tents and huts.

ii. Naked lights such as candles and primus stoves will NOT be used in tents.

(p) Cutting of Trees Coconuts and etc:-

The cutting of Rubber and Coconut trees is prohibited.

(q) Loss or Damage to Government Property:-

In the event of loss or damage to Government property a report will furnished to C.O. stating:-

i. Orignal value of property lost, stolen or destroyed.
Cost of repairs to property damaged specifying cost of:-
(a) Cost of Labour.
(b) Value of Material and parts used.

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ii. Statement by eye witnessess as to the circumstances under which damages etc was sustained.
iii. Any losses of clothing, fire arms or equiptment are to be reported immediatly to units etc by personnel concerned. Units etc will submit a written report to Camp HQ.

(f) Leaving Area:-
All personnel who desire to leave the camp area must have a written authority.

4. MEDICAL.
(a) Sick Parades:-
Sick parades will be held at Block Medical Aid Posts at 0830hrs daily.
(b) Other Medical Parades will be announced stating -
i. Time
ii. Place.
(c) Dental:-
i. Dental examination will take place shortly after arrival into camp.
ii. Personnel will then be told the time and place etc where they are to report.
iii. Only personnel suffering from dental pain will report at 0830hrs to Block Dental Centre.
(d) SICKNESS:-
All personnel suffering from the following will report to Medical Aid Post immediately,
i. Diarrhoea
ii. Severe headaches
iii. Fever.
(e) Skin Disease:-
All personnel who are suffering or suspected of suffering from a skin disease, or develop a rash of any kind will report on the first sick parade after noticing the occurrance.

5. Malaria Precaution:-
(a) Clothing Regulations:-
Personnel will be fully dressed including gaiters, at all times between 0700hrs and 1900hrs except when;
i. Engaged in manual labour
ii. Engaged in recreation on the beach outside the tree lines, when shirts may be removed
iii. Bathing
iv. Sleeping or resting under a mosquito net when clothing may be removed.
Between 1900hrs and 0700hrs personnel will be fully dressed with sleeves rolled down and wearing gaiters except as provided in para iv above.

6. Supervise Atebrin and Plasmoquin:-
(a) Atebrin.
Those personnel who are taking atebrin will take (1)one or (2)two tablets daily as ordered by S.M.O. on a parade at 0815hrs.
(b) Plasmoquin.
Those personnel who are taking plasmoquin will parade at a place detailed by Block Comd 30 minutes after every meal, that is three times daily.
(c) All personnel including civilians will take atebrin and/or plasmoqhin daily.

7. Nets.
(a) All tents mosquito and sand fly proof will be hung and the sides tucked in between the lower blanket and ground sheet or stretcher top by 1900hrs daily.
(b) All nets when torn or damaged will be repaired immediately and will be replaced.

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8. Repellent Lotion.

(a) All personnel will be issued with 1 bottle of Repellent Lotion.
(b) At 1900hrs repellent lotion will be applied to all exposed portions of the skin. Not forgetting the slit in the sleaves.
(c) After 1900hrs repellent lotion will be applied every 3hours until member retires.
(d) When bottle of repellent is empty it will be taken to Block Q Store and another bottle will be issued to replace same.

9. Spray.

All huts including sleeping quarters, recreation and mess huts will be sprayed by camp staff at 1900hrs daily. All these precautions such as atebrin, repellent, nets and spray have proved effective and you cO-operation in all this is desired to protect yourself and your fellow members.

10. Camp Hygine.

The whole hearted co-operation of all personnel is required in regard to camp hygine with regards to:-

(a) Latrines.

Personnel will not deposit their faeces in any place except in the latrines provided for the purpose.
i. When leaving the latrines make sure you close the lid.
ii. Immediately after leaving, wash your hands in soap and water.

(b) Urinals.

All personnel will use urinals provided when urinating.

11. Anti Miteing.

All clothing will be Anti Mited soon after arrival at camp. And every fortnight there after.

12. Ablutions.

Ablutions will not be carried out in block lines but at Ablution Benches and showers provided.

13. Shaving.

All male personnel will shave daily except when ordered not to do so by Block Medical Officer.

14. General.

All patients are requested to give their complete co-operation in carrying out to the full the above instructions. Past experience has proved that this is the only way to effectively combat malaria.

Lt
Camp Adjt.

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2/2nd Aust M.G. Bn

August War Diary

APPENDIX C.

MEDICAL

Bruce Armstrong Capt Lt

Adjt. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

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AUGUST WAR DIARY.

D COY
2/2 Aust MG Bn.

MEDICAL DIARY.

The general health of the Coy for this month continues to maintain its high standard.

Tinea has been the most common complaint, but only very mild cases.

Hygiene has been carried out satisfactorily in all Pl and Coy areas.

S.C. Heath

(Cpl Heath S.C.)
Medical Orderly, D Coy.

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SUBJECT: 2/2 AUST MG BN WAR DIARY AUG 45

2/2 Aust MG Bn
Ref: / /45
3 Sept 45

Battle Casualties:-

K.I.A	1
Wounded	Nil
Evacuations	18 ORs
	Officers Nil

1. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF TROOPS

The general condition is excellent. The main worries are infected scratches and abrasions also numerous cases of otitis externa. We have had no evacuations for malaria or diarrhoea.

2. RECLASSIFICATION AND CONSULTATION

One man was reclassified Class B2 on a skin condition (Acne Vulgaris

3. MEDICAL STORES

These have been in good supply and all our requirements have been met.

4. MEDICAL PERSONNEL

Owing to the five year plan, there have been numerous changes in the medical personnel. We have seen that the necessary steps for those in line for promotion have been carried out.

5. HYGEINE

The hygiene is excellant, as is shown by a Nil return for such diseases as diarrhoea or food poisoning.

6. RATIONS

During August these were not very good, but now fresh food is available to all ranks.

7. GENERAL REMARKS

The general health both physical and mental of the Bn is very good. The men are very.hygiene conscious and realise " A stitch im time saves nine ".

Capt
(W.C.N.G. Bennett)
R.M.O.

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2/2 Aust MG Bn

August War Diary

APPENDIX "D"

GENERAL

Bruce Gunthorpe Lt.
Adjt. 2/2 MG Bn.

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29 JUL 1945
FILE 449/1/145

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SUBJECT : CENSOR SHIP

HQ 9 Aust Div
G.736/70/5
28 Jul 45

Herewith copy of communication forwarded from Adv LHQ authorising the self franking of mail by all officers at the discretion of COs.

A G Wilson
(A G WILSON) Colonel
GS 9 Aust Div

DISTRIBUTION

20 Aust Inf Bde	(15)
24 Aust Inf Bde	(15)
2/9 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt	(3)
2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn	(1)
RAA 9 Aust Div	(6)
2/3 Aust Tk A Regt	(1)
RAE 9 Aust Div	(5)
Sigs 9 Aust Div	(1)
2/2 Aust MG Bn	(1)
A Coy 2/1 Aust GS Regt	(1)
B Aust FS Sec	(1)
AASC 9 Aust Div	(2)
9 Aust Div Postal Unit	(1)
9 Aust Div Salvage Unit	(1)
9 Aust Div Reception Camp	(1)
4 Aust Visitors and Observers Sec	(1)
3 Aust Op Report Team	(1)
9 Aust Mil Hist GS Team	(1)
Det Public Relations	(1)
Det AACS	(1)
1 Aust Beach Gp	(4)
2 Aust Mil Ldg Gp	(1)
9 Sec 1 Aust AAPI Gp	(1)
8 Aust Base Sub Area	(1)
BBCAU	(1)
SPD	(1)
FELO	(1)
Comd	(1)
G	(1)
A	(2)
ADMS	(1)
DA PM	(2)
ADOS	(1)
CEME	(1)
Camp	(1)
File	(1)

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ALLIED LAND FORCES
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

Advanced Headquarters
G/177.05/Int

26 Jul 45

Subject: UNIT CENSORSHIP

1. Adv LHQ G/177.05/Int of 21 Jun 45 "Unit Censorship" is cancelled.

2. C-in-C has directed that Commanding Officers may now authorise such officers under their command as they approve, to frank their own communications.

3. Selective base censorship by Field Censorship Detachments will be continued and it will be the personal responsibility of Commanding Officers to ensure that the rules for unit censorship as laid down in GRO G 371/44 are strictly adhered to.

for (F H BERRYMAN) Lieutenant-General
Chief of Staff

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GI 2246 (.) RESTRICTED (.) unit censorship is amended to the extent that all AMF personnel may now state their location

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Rear Details 9 Aust Div
75/1247/45
15 Jun 45.

Subject : CENSORSHIP DURING OPERATIONS

Herewith copy of HQ 1 Aust Corps GSI/1037 of 5 Jun 45.

"1. The following Censorship Instruction will apply to all troops taking part in current operations.

2. The journey to the objective area may be described provided that no reference is made to the name or type of ship or aircraft, its armament, duration or course of journey, escort vessels, number of troops or identity of other units seen nor contacted, ships or aircraft sighted en route.

3. Once a landing has been effected, the individual may say he is in action but his description will be limited to personal experience.

4. No reference will be made to location, identity of strengths of other units participating, type of number of ships and aircraft involved, casualties, effect of enemy action, or the place or places from which the operation was mounted.

5. Local conditions may be described in so far as they do not disclose the location of the area of operations.

6. Disclosure of the area of operations will not be made until instructions are issued by this HQ.

7. Personnel who return from operations to the staging area will conform with the local censorship instructions in force in the staging area, but they may describe the operations in which they have taken part to the extent allowed by this instruction."

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for Lt-Col
Comd Rear Details 9 Aust Div

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2/2 AUST MG BN TRAINING INSTRUCTION 2

TRAINING OF REPLACEMENT SPECIALIST PERSONNEL

2/2 Aust MG Bn
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1. A survey has revealed that the implementing of the plan for the release of long service personnel from the Army will result in this unit losing a large number of non-commissioned ranks and specialists.

2. In view of the above, the commanding officer has directed that a number of schools will begin immediately thereby ensuring that replacement will be available from personnel not affected by the A/M Scheme.

3. Subject to operational requirements the schools will begin on Wednesday 1st Aug 45.

4. It is stressed that there is urgent need for replacements in all specialist duties within the Unit and companies will endeavour to fill every vacancy. Coy Comds are required to take every possible step to provide students with necessary equipment.

5. Movement to this area will be advised by signal later.

6. For details see attached appendix.

W Stewart
.....Capt
Adjt 2/2 Aust MG Bn

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APPENDIX "A"

JOINING INSTRUCTIONS

Location - Mempakul
Chief Instructor - Lt Huggins
Adjt & QM. - Lt Bell
S.S.M. - WO 11 Cotter

2. Course 1. Potential N.C.O. Duration 3 weeks
C.I. Lt Huggins
4 vacancies per coy.

Course 2. Intelligence Duration 3 weeks
C.I. I.O.
3 vacancies per coy.

Course 3. Rangetaking Duration 2 weeks (approx)
C.I. Lt Fox
4 vacancies per coy.

Course 4. Signallers Duration 3 weeks (approx)
C.I. Sjt Campbell
4 vacancies per coy.

Course 5. Cooks Duration 3 weeks (approx)
C.I. Sjt Murray
4 vacancies per coy.

Course 6. Drivers Duration 3 weeks (approx)
C.I. Lt Mills
3 vacancies per coy.

Course 7. Stretcher Bearers Duration 3 weeks
C.I. Sjt Hanratty
2 vacancies per coy.

3. All students will be equipped by coys before marching out to school.
Equipment will include:-

Rifle & Bayonet.	Webbing.	Blanket.
Haversacks.	Cots Folding	
Nets, Mosquito.	Tents, shelter, half.	
2 Pairs Boots.	Boot Brushes.	

4. Additional equipment required by students attending various courses.
(a) N.C.O. Course :-

Range Tables	Slide Rule.
Pencil & Note Book.	S.A.T. Vol 1. Pam 7 Pt 1,2,3.

(b) Intelligence Course

Protractor	Compass	Pencil
Rubber Ruler	Note Book	Map Case.

(c) Rangetaker Course
Rangetaker with Stand, Case, Cover.
Vol 1. Pam 10 Rangetaker No. 12.
" " " " Sup 1. Falsification Tables.
Pencil and Note Book.

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Subject: UNIT CENSORSHIP

HQ 1 Aust Corps
23 Jun 45
GSI/1251

1. Subtended is copy of Adv LHQ G/177.05/Int of 21 Jun 45.

2. This instruction which will be effective from date of receipt will in no way affect the obligation of officers below the rank of Lieutenant-colonel to frank the mail of other ranks.

H Wells Brig
GS 1 Aust Corps

R/or.

(7)

"1. C-in-C has instructed that where unit censorship applies (vide GRO 371/44) no officer of a rank up to and including the rank of Major will frank his own communications. Franking will be done by an officer senior in rank to the sender of such communications.

2. The only exception will be in the case of communications from the senior officer of a unit or detachment of a unit when that senior officer is of a rank below Lieutenant-colonel.

3. In these circumstances, the senior officer will assume such responsibility in regard to censorship as would apply if he held the rank of Lieutenant-colonel.

Signed F H BERRYMAN
Lieutenant-General,
Chief of Staff."

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1 Aust AL Gp (2)
1 Aust Op Report Team (1)
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1 Aust MH Fd Team (2)
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1 Aust Corps Accounts Office (1)
1 Aust Corps Audit Staff (1)
1 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office (1)
1 Aust Corps Postal Unit (1)
1 Aust Armd Div Pro Coy (1)
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1. HQ 1 Aust Corps GSI/1251 is subtended for information and action:

"1. C-in-C has instructed that where unit censorship applies (vide GRO 371/44) no officer of a rank up to and including the rank of Major will frank his own communications. Franking will be done by an officer senior in rank to the sender of such communications.

2. The only exception will be in the case of communications from the senior officer of a unit or detachment of a unit when that senior officer is of a rank below Lieutenant-Colonel.

3. In these circumstances, the senior officer will assume such responsibility in regard to censorship as would apply if he held the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel."

2. The above instruction, which will be effective from date of receipt, will in no way affect the obligation of officers below the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel to frank the mail of other ranks.

B.A. Lt.
(W.B. Armstrong)
I.O. 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

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Subject : CENSORSHIP

Adv HQ 1 Aust Corps
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1. This instruction applies to all formations and units of 1 Aust Corps in this area. Until arrival in this area previous instructions issued by HQ 1 Aust Corps will remain in force.

2. It is realised that due to the inevitable break in delivery of troops mail and the use of reduced postal rates, the fact that some movement has taken place cannot be concealed. However, no specific mention will be made of such movement in correspondence, and no indication will be given as to the present location of the individual or unit.

3. Personnel may describe local conditions, such as vegetation, climate, proximity to the sea provided that in so doing no reference is made, directly or indirectly to the present location, and presence in the NEI. For example prohibited subjects in this regard include; use of foreign currency, and exchange loadingof pay.

4. No reference will be made to movement, identity of other units in the area, size of troop concentrations, ports, shipping or damage caused by enemy action.

[signature] Schofield Lt Col
for Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps

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9 AUST DIV GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION No 20.

SECURITY - DISCLOSURE OF UNIT IDENTITY TO CIVILIANS

1. There have been numerous instances lately of breaches of security involving disclosure of unit identity to civilians.

2. Examples of such breaches are:-

ROs

(a) Units making purchases from local sawmills and butterfactory in unit name.

(b) Messes ordering supplies from civilians in name of mess (including unit designation).

(c) Ordering papers from newsagents in name of unit or mess.

(d) Display in local shops of advertisements for unit dances, showing name of unit.

3. Attention is drawn to 9 Aust Div Routine Order No 2 - Security - of 21 Jun 44, which refers to several other breaches that have been noticed.

4. Attention is also drawn to GRO F235 of 23 Jun 44, which sets out form of certificate required to secure exemption from sales tax in making certain purchases. Officers completing such certificate will NOT add name of unit after their signature.

5. Posters or display cards prepared to advertise dances or for similar purposes will not disclose unit name. The rules applicable to Christmas cards will also apply in such cases, that is, they "must not disclose a unit's colour patch, location, or exploits in the present war". (Field Censorship Instruction No 4, para 11).

6. Officers commanding units are responsible for the prevention of breaches of security similar to those referred to in preceding paragraphs, and will bring this matter to the notice of all ranks, particularly those dealing with outside purchases, amenities and social activities. Breaches will be dealt with disciplinarily, and COs will be required to report on every offence, showing the circumstances and the disciplinary and other action taken.

H.H. Barlow Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

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27 Jul 45

Subject: TEMPORARY DETACHMENTS FOR DUTY - OFFICERS AAMC
9 AUST DIV

24 AUST INF BDE
2/2 AUST MG BN
HQ COMD AASC 9 AUST DIV

Copy to: ADMS 9 AUST DIV (Your MD45/121/2 of 26 Jul 45 refers)

1. Approval is given for the following temporary changes to date 28 Jul 45. These changes will be subject to review at the end of three weeks:-

VX88156 Capt C A MOORE	From RMO 2/28 Aust Inf Bn to RMO HQ Comd AASC 9 Aust Div
QX46017 Capt K J WHITEHEAD	From RMO HQ Comd AASC 9 Aust Div to RMO 2/28 Aust Inf Bn.

2. Please arrange accordingly.

3. On arrival of Capt WHITEHEAD at 2/28 Aust Inf Bn, Capt BENNETT will be returned forthwith to 2/2 Aust MG Bn.

Lt-Col
AA & QMG 9 Aust Div

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9 AUST DIV GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION 20

REQUESTS FOR NAVAL GUNFIRE TO SUPPORT GROUND TROOPS

HQ 9 Aust Div
30 Jul 45

1. The following will be the procedure for requests for naval gunfire support of ground troops :-

(a) On a battalion commander deciding that he would like naval gunfire support, he will consult the artillery spotter with SFCP as to :-

(i) suitability of the target for engagement by naval gunfire

(ii) availability of naval craft to engage target.

(b) The artillery spotter will advise the battalion commander on these two matters :-

(i) if craft are available and there are NO technical objections to the shoot the battalion commander will submit his request to brigade. The request should contain :-

map reference and priority of targets
date and time on which he desires the support to be given
nature of ground operations to be undertaken at the time of the support
forecasted position of forward ground troops.

The artillery spotter will communicate with NBLO attached to RAA, and inform him that the request is being submitted. NBLO will advise CRA who will take preparatory action.

(ii) if artillery spotter states that NO craft are available or technical aspects preclude the provision of gunfire support, the battalion commander may still submit his request to brigade. In this case he should mention the objections raised.

(c) In the event of a SFCP NOT being available in battalion or brigade area the senior artillery commander will be consulted as to the suitability of the target for engagement by naval gunfire.

(d) If the brigade commander decides that the bombardment should take place he will submit the request to Divisional HQ. The request will contain the information mentioned in subparagraph (b) (i) above.

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2. Divisional HQ will inform the brigade whether or NOT the request is approved. If approval is given technical arrangements will be made by RAA.

Artillery spotter will finalise details with the battalion commander for whose troops the support is to be provided.

3. A procedure similar to the above will be followed in the event of the originator of the request being brigade HQ.

(A G WILSON) Colonel
GS 9 Aust Div

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9 AUST DIV GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION 14

REPORTING OF INFORMATION

HQ 9 Aust Div
10 Jul 45

1. General

During operations the clarity, completeness and accuracy of initial reports from forward troops and headquarters have a direct bearing on the speed and accuracy with which the higher commander can appreciate the overall situation at any particular time. This appreciation depends largely on piecing together and assessing a great amount of information received from various sources. Information that may appear commonplace or of minor importance to the officer on the spot, may have a very direct bearing in an overall appreciation; reports should therefore be complete and accurate in all respects and NOT the result of a moment's fleeting consideration. When initial reports are complete and accurate there are NO doubts in the mind of the recipient, NO recourse to having the information checked and the situation can therefore be appreciated with confidence and speed.

2. As a result of experience of incomplete reports received during the current operation, the following principles in the reporting of information are stressed :-

(a) Enemy strengths and dispositions

Reports of enemy strengths, weapons and dispositions should include a numerical estimation of enemy strength and location and the number and position of weapons by map reference. Phrases such as "slight" and "heavy" opposition should NOT be used as the information they convey is too vague to give material for appreciation of the situation, especially from a distance.

(b) Captured food dumps and equipment

Reports of the location or capture of enemy food or equipment dumps should include measures taken to dispose, destroy or safeguard such dumps as the tactical situation demands. Any significant absence of enemy dumps is often worthy of mention as an indication of possible enemy shortages in equipment, weapons and ammunition and food.

(c) Condition of enemy

Reports on the condition of the enemy should include their physical condition, and the state of their clothing and equipment, contents of haversacks etc..

(d) Topography

The speed of the advance in the early stages of the current operation resulted in the receipt of very little information on tracks, roads, rivers and topography generally. With the extensive patrol policy in all areas now being embarked on and the return to more static conditions generally, special attention should be given to the complete reporting of topographical information. The value of traces for the transmission of such information is stressed.

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(e) Wording of sitreps

Sitreps must be worded so as to leave NO doubt in the minds of the recipient as to the nature, conduct and result of the event it describes.

3. Summing up, before reporting information, the sender should pause to consider the questions which are likely to arise in the mind of the recipient. If all these questions are satisfactorily covered by the information then the report is complete. If owing to timings laid down for the despatch of information incomplete reports are forwarded as the best available information at the time, amplifying reports should be submitted when full details have been obtained.

for (A G WILSON) Colonel
GS 9 Aust Div

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9 AUST DIV GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION 3

Intelligence Reports

References

(a) Adv 9 Aust Div GS instruction 1 of 17 Apr 45 (Copies attached for 2/2 Aust MG Bn and Lt Col SCOTT 2/32 Aust Inf Bn)

(b) 9 Aust Div Standing Orders Chapter iv paragraph 22.

1. This instruction amplifies 9 Aust Div GS instruction 1, and lays down the procedure to be followed in regard to intelligence reports (intreps)

2. Intreps are required to be submitted to this HQ daily by brigades, HQ RAA 9 Aust Div , HQ RAE 9 Aust Div, divisional troops Comd 9 Aust Div reserve, 1 Aust Beach Gp, and any forces which may be operating under direct command of 9 Aust Div.

3. 9 Aust Div Standing Orders chapter iv paragraph 22 set out the information to be included in intreps. However it is possible that some of required information will already have been included in sitreps, and where such is the case the information need NOT be repeated in the intrep. In this connection attention is drawn to paragraph 4 of Adv 9 Aust Div GS instruction 1.

4. Intreps will cover a 24 hour period and will be submitted to HQ 9 Aust Div daily. Intreps will only be sent by message carrying agencies (e.g. courier aircraft, DR etc) and will be despatched by the latest means which will reach HQ 9 Aust Div NOT later than 2100 hours.

(J A Y DENNISTON) Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

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ADV 9 AUST DIV GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION 1

1. This headquarters has had placed upon it the responsibility for supplying certain daily reports required by GHQ.

2. The bulk of the information upon which these reports are based will be extracted at this headquarters from the reports of formations of this division.

3. An outline of the reports required by GHQ is attached as Appendix "A" in order that brigades may see their scope and ensure the provision of the necessary information in their own reports.

4. It will be seen that while the bulk of the information required appears in normal situation reports, items shown in Appendix "A" will NOT always be applicable, nor, particularly in the case of (j), would they appear in an operational situation report. Formations will however, include in appropriate situation reports or other reports distributed by less urgent method, the information necessary to this headquarters to furnish the report required by GHQ.

5. For convenience, a table is attached as Appendix "B", detailing the operational reports required by this headquarters during operations, This does NOT affect routine and administrative reports already provided for.

6. The importance of the prompt passing back of detailed information by situation reports, by periodic message and by immediate notification of events of importance, is again stressed. Formation commanders are requested to give this matter their personal consideration.

(Sgd) J A Y DENNISTON

Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

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Appendix "A"

DAILY OPERATION REPORTS

(Issued with 9 Aust Div General Staff Instruction 1 of 17 Apr 45)

1. GHQ require the following operation reports :-

(a) Daily letter operation report.

(b) Daily operation report in brief signal form.

2. Each of these reports covers the period ending 2400 hours each day and will include :-

(a) Location of troops showing movement of tactical units, ie., units down to and including detached companies and equivalents.

(b) Weather and visibility including their effect on operations.

(c) Operations during the period including direct naval and air support stating results.

(d) Results of operations including estimated Allied casualties killed, wounded and missing.

(e) Summary of enemy activity on land, sea and air, Total number for day of counted enemy dead.

(f) Total for day of prisoners of war, stating whether army or naval personnel; each of these two main subdivisions broken down - Japanese, Formosans, Koreans and "others".

(g) Identifications (other than those of important nature already despatched).

(h) When possible, the estimated strength of units in contact and others in the area.

(j) Abnormal sick rate in units, inadequate strength of units, state of training, important deficiencies in supply or equipment and other relative matters.

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Appendix "B" to Adv 9 Aust Div General Staff Instruction 1 of 17 Apr 45.

The following will be submitted to 9 Aust Div by brigades, HQ RAA 9 Aust Div, HQ RAE 9 Aust Div, divisional troops and any forces operating under direct command of 9 Aust Div.

Serial	Nature of report	Time of despatch	Remarks
1	Identifications	IMMEDIATELY	
2	Any item of urgent import or interest or of particular significance.	IMMEDIATELY	These will be repeated in next situation report
3	Situation reports	0700 hours, 1100 hours 1500 hours, 1900 hours	(a) Situation reports will be numbered serially. (b) Priority "IMMEDIATE" will be used. (c) SITNOR will be used when applicable.
4	Brief two hourly reports of situation.	0500 (0700) 0900 (1100) 1300 (1500) 1700 (1900) 2100	(a) Priority "IMMEDIATE" will be used. (b) In OBOE ONE operation, until otherwise directed, 26 Aust Inf Bde will send these reports to 9 Aust Div repeated 1 Aust Corps (both IMMEDIATE). (c) Certain of these reports are required at same times as situation reports (shown in brakcets in previous column). Normally situation reports will then replace brief reports. For OBOE ONE (see (b) above) brief reports will be submitted at same time as situation reports.

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9 AUST DIV GS INSTR 27

ISSUE OF ENGR STORES IN OPS

1. In ops, engr stores will only be issued on approval of HQ RAE 9 Aust Div in accordance with priorities previously laid down by -

(a) GS - for operational stores

(b) Q Staff - for accn stores.

Priorities will be fixed in accordance with the GOC's plans and on the advice of CRE 9 Aust Div.

2. Bde gps will request the release of engr stores through the fd coy either under cond or in sp, and will NOT requisition on HQ RAE direct.

Div tps will requisition on HQ RAE 9 Aust Div direct; or upon any fd coy as directed by HQ RAE from time to time.

3. It is the CRE's responsibility to ensure that stores allotted to a particular locality are used in accordance with the GOC's plan, despite any change-over of units in that locality. This responsibility may be delegated to OC fd coys for their particular sectors or areas of responsibility, and if so it will be the responsibility of OCs fd coys to ensure that full economical use is made of all engr stores and tools within their sectors.

4. Engr stores will always be in short sup and the care and maint will be the responsibility of COs to whom they are issued.

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SUBJECT: ORDER OF BATTLE - 8 AUST BASE SUB AREA

HQ 9 Aust Div
G.644/65/9
1 Jul 45

Reference 9 Aust Div G.626/65/9 of 26 Jun 45.

1. Attached as Appendix A is Order of Battle of 8 Aust Base Sub Area.

2. Base Units NOT included in this order of battle remain under command 9 Aust Div.

3. Changes of command to implement this order of battle will take effect from 0630 hrs 2 Jul 45.

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Appendix A

ORDER OF BATTLE - 8 AUST BASE SUB AREA

(Issued with 9 Aust Div G.644/65/9 of 1 Jul 45)

Serial	Unit	Remarks
	HQ UNITS	
1.	⅔ HQ 8 Aust Base Sub Area (Type D)	
2	det ⅔ 11 Aust HC Gp (Type E)	
3	det 2 Adv 2nd Ech	
	ENGINEERS	
4	9 CRE (Wks)	
5	73 DCRE (Wks)	
6	14 Aust Fd Coy	
7	18 Aust Fd Coy	
8	4 A Tps Coy	
9	60 Corps Fd Pk Coy	
10	2/1 Aust Mech Eqpt Coy	One pl temporarily alloted to 9 Aust Div for ops.
11	2 Aust Port Constr Coy	
12	4 Aust Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec	
13	2/1 Aust Boring Pl less det	
14	1 Aust Welding Pl	
15	2 Aust Welding Pl	
16	det 12 Small Ship Coy	
17	2/1 Aust Docks Op Coy (Type C)	
18	3 Pl 2/10 Aust Docks Op Coy (Type C)	
19	det 7 Pl 1 Aust Port Maint Coy	
	SIGNALS	
20	det HQ 22 Aust L of C Sigs	
21	11 Aust Line Sec less det	
22	8 Aust Line Maint Sec	
23	3 Aust Tech Maint Sec	
24	18 Aust Op Sec less det	
25	94 Aust Tele Swbd Op Sec less det	
26	3 Aust DP Sec less dets	
27	25 Wireless Sec (Lt)	
28	det ⅔ 4 Aust Sig Eqpt Sec	
	INTELLIGENCE	
29	det 1 Aust Fd Censorship Coy	
	SUPPLIES AND TRANSPORT	
30	HQ 2/106 Aust GT Coy	
31	2/19 Aust Tpt Pl (DUKWS)	
32	2/26 Aust Tpt Pl (DUKWS)	
33	2/1 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment	
34	2/2 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment	
35	2/106 Aust Wksp Pl less det	
36	2/30 Aust Tpt Pl	
37	2/2 Aust MAC Pl less two secs	
38	62 BIPOD Pl	
39	det 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy	
40	HQ 2/26 Aust Sup Dep Coy	
41	178 Aust Sup Dep Pl	
42	179 Aust Sup Dep Pl	
43	180 Aust Sup Dep Pl	

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Serial	Unit	Remarks
	SUPPLIES AND TRANSPORT	
44	13 Aust Baking Pl	
45	15 Aust Baking Pl	
	MEDICAL	
46	2/4 Aust Gen Hosp (600 beds) less surgical teams	Incl one hosp laundry increment (Type D)(two shifts) On arrival. Incl one hosp laundry increment (Type A) (two shifts)
47	2/6 Aust Gen Hosp (M) (1200 beds)	
48	9 Aust Malaria Control Unit (Type B)	
	DENTAL	
49	1 Sec 1 BD Dental Stores	
50	2/7 Aust Dental Unit	
	ORDNANCE	
51	det 17 Aust AOD (173 FOD)	
52	det 4 FSD	
53	2 Aust Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk	
54	134 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	
55	det 5 Aust Ord Port Det (Type B)	
56	3 Aust Mob Laundry and Fwd Decn Unit	
57	det 14 Aust AAD (Type B) (143 FAD)	
58	det 14 Aust Mob Amn Repair Shop	
	AEME	
59	2/2 Aust Inf Tps Wksp	
60	134 Aust Bde Wksp	
61	2 Aust Mech Eqpt Wksp	
62	2/44 Aust LAD (Type A)	Att 60 Corps Fd Pk Coy
63	2/60 Aust LAD (Type A)	Att 22 Aust L of C Sigs
64	260 Aust LAD (Type A)	Att HQ 8 Base Sub Area
65	340 Aust LAD (Type A)	Att 2/1 Mech Eqpt Coy
66	det 10 Aust Veh Pk Wksp	
67	One Mob Gas Generating Sec of 13 Aust Adv Wksp	
68	4 Aust Mob Tyre Repair Wksp Sec	
	PAY	
69	93 Aust Dep Cash Office (Type A)	
70	95 Aust Dep Cash Office (Type C)	On arrival. Att 2/6 Aust Gen Hosp
	POSTAL	
71	det 6 Aust Base Postal Unit	
	PROVOST	
72	2/3 Aust L of C Pro Coy less three secs	
	PRINTING AND STATIONERY	
73	Det 11 Aust L of C Stationery Dep (Type A)	

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Serial	Unit	Remarks
	LAPOUF	
74	14 Aust Wks Coy	
	CANTEENS	
75	Det AA Canteens Services	
	AMENITIES	
76	111 Det 1 Aust Mob Cinema Unit	
	MISCELLANEOUS	
77	37 Aust L of C Sal Sec less dets	
78	Det % 10 Sec Kit Store	
79	Det 1 Aust Base Sub Area Details Dep	
	CORPS UNITS UNDER COMMAND 8 AUST BASE SUB AREA	
80	109 Aust Adv Dep Med Stores	

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Subject : Left Out of Battle Personnel.

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Hq 9 Aust Div
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20 AUST INF BDE
24 AUST INF BDE
26 AUST INF BDE
2/9 AUST CAV (COMMANDO) REGT
RAA 9 AUST DIV
RAE 9 AUST DIV
2/2 AUST MG BN ✓
2/3 AUST PNR BN
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1. Attached is a list of Left Out of Battle Personnel which was in operation in this division prior to the LAE Campaign.

2. It is pointed out that due to some amendments in WEs these figures may not apply now.

3. It is requested that addressees submit their comments to this HQ as early as possible.

4. 2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt will submit their suggestions regarding Left Out of Battle Personnel.

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LEFT OUT OF BATTLE PERSONNEL.

The following will constitute normal LOB personnel for units :

(a) A Fd Regt

	Offrs	ORs
2 i/c (i)	1	
Capts	3	
Lts	2	
Surveyors or Computors		3
GPOAs or OPAs		3
BSM or TSM		3
Sjts (numbers 1)		6
Sig Sjts or Bdrs		3
Signallers		12
Bdrs MT or Mechs MT		3
Gunners (suitable as Gun Layers)		12
	6	45

(b) Fd Coy

Offrs	1	
WOs or Sjts		1
Cpls		1
ORs (incl 2 Dvrs MT)		9
	1	11

(c) Inf Bn

2 i/c (i)	1	
Offrs (ii)	5	
WOs) one from each coy		2
Sjts)		3
Cpls		7
ORs (iii)		41
	6	53

(d) Pnr Bn

2 i/c (i)	1	
Offrs (ii)	6	
WOs) one from each coy		2
Sjts)		3
Cpls		9
ORs (iii)		47
	7	61

NOTES :- (i) 2 i/c or other officer suitable for comd.
(ii) Incl an officer suitable to replace Adjt, but NOT to incl QM. Three to be made up of Capts or Majs.
(iii) Incl 3 signallers, 2 mortarmen and 2 MMG personnel.

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SUBJECT : COMPOSITION - LOB CPS - 1 AUST CORPS

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24 Aust Inf Bde	(1)
26 Aust Inf Bde	(1)
2/9 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt	(2)
RAA 9 Aust Div	(8)
RAE 9 Aust Div	(6)
2/2 Aust MG Bn	(2)
2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	(2)

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1. Further to 9 Aust Div G.89/65/13 of 10 Oct 44, att as appx 'A' is the composition of left out of battle personnel of the following units:-

Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt
Aust Fd Regt (Jungle Div)
Aust Tk A Regt
Aust Fd Coy
Aust Inf Bn
Aust MG Bn
Aust Pnr Bn

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Appendix "A" to 1 Aust Corps
G/ 6161 /SD of 12 Jan 45.

COMPOSITION - LOB GROUPS - 1 AUST CORPS

	NO OF PERS	
	Officers.	ORs
CAV CDO REGT		
Maj (suitable to comd)	1	
Capt or Lt (suitable as Adjt)	1	
Capt or Lt (suitable as QM)	1	
Capt (suitable comd Sqn)	2	
Lt	2	
Sjt (suitable as SSM)		2
Cpls		9
Riflemen		27
Cooks		3
Sigs		9
Storemen		3
Batmen		7
TOTALS	7	60
FD REGT (JD)		
Maj (suitable to comd)	1	
Capt or Lt (suitable as Adjt)	1	
Capt or Lt (suitable as QM)	1	
Capt (suitable as Bty Comd)	2	
Lts	2	
WO or Sjts (suitable as BSM or TSM)		3
Sjts		3
Bdrs(Gun)		6
Bdrs(Sig)		3
Sigs		10
Gun layers		6
Cooks		2
Clerk		1
Gunners		10
Batmen		7
TOTALS	7	51

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	NO OF PERS.	
	Officers.	ORs.
TK A REGT		
Maj (suitable to comd)	1	
Capt or Lt (Suitable Adjt and QM)	1	
Capt (suitable to comd Bty)	1	
Lt	1	
WO or Sjt (suitable as BSM)		2
Sjts		3
Bdrs (Gun)		3
Gun Layers		3
Sigs		3
Cooks		2
Clerk		1
Gunners		12
Batmen		4
TOTALS	4	33
AUST FD COY		
Capt or Lt	1	
WO or Sjt		1
Cpls		2
Carpenters		3
Blacksmiths		1
Fitter engine		1
Dvrs MT		2
Sappers		2
TOTALS	1	12
INF BN		
Maj (suitable to comd)	1	
Capt or Lt (suitable as Adjt)	1	
Capt or Lt (suitable as QM)	1	
Maj or Capt (suitable to comd Coy	2	
Lts	2	
WO or Sjt (suitable as CSM)		2
Sjt		3
Cpls		10
Riflemen or LMG numbers		32
Mortar numbers		4
MMG numbers		3
Sigs		3
Cooks		2
Storemen		1
Clerks		1
Tk A pers		2
TOTALS	7	63

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	NO OF PERS	
	Officers.	ORs.
MG BN		
Maj (suitable to comd)	1	
Capt or Lt (suitable as Adjt or QM)	1	
Maj or Capt (suitable to comd Coy)	2	
Lts	2	
WO or Sjts (suitable as CSM)		2
Sjts		4
Cpls		8
MG Dets		24
Rangetakers		2
Clerks		1
Sigs		4
Cooks		2
Storemen		1
TOTALS	6	48
PNR BN		
Maj (suitable to comd)	1	
Capt or Lt (suitable as Adjt)	1	
Capt or Lt (suitable as QM)	1	
Maj or Capt (suitable to comd Coy)	2	
Lts	2	
WO or Sjt (suitable as CSM)		2
Sjts		3
Cpls		9
Riflemen or LMG Dets (a)		36
Mortar numbers		4
MMG numbers		3
Sigs		3
Cooks		2
Storemen		1
Clerks		1
TOTALS	7	64

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Carpenters	4
Blacksmiths	1
Engine artificer	1
Operators Excavator	2
Plumbers	1

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Reference LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov '44.

It is requested that Appendices "A", "B" and "D" issued with the above-quoted SM be amended as follows:-

(a) APPENDIX "A"

Serial 6, column (d) - Insert 1
" 6, " (t) - Insert 1
" 29 " (d) - Delete 28, insert 30
" 29 " (t) - Delete 28, insert 30
" 66 " (b) - Delete "Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B)", insert Laundry Increment AAMC (Type B)"

(b) APPENDIX "B"

Serial 17, column (d) - Insert 2
" 17 " (v) - Insert 2
" 117 " (b) - Delete "Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B)" insert "Laundry Increment AAMC (Type B)"

(c) APPENDIX "D"

Serial 39, column (b) - Delete "Hosp Laundry Unit (Type A)" insert "Laundry Increment AAMC (Type A)"

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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS MT - AMENDMENT NO. 19

Reference LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44.

It is requested that Appendices "A" "B" and "D" issued with the abovementioned SM be amended as follows:-

1. APPENDIX "A"

Serial	1	Column	(e)	Delete "2" Insert "(u)3"
"	3	"	(b)	Delete "Mob Met Flt" substitute "Det Mob Met Sqn"
"	30	"	(d)	Insert "2"
"	30	"	(t)	Insert "2"
"	64	"	(e)	Delete "2" Insert "3"
"	64	"	(u)	Insert "1"
"	66	"	(b)	Delete "Laundry Increment AAHC (Type B)" and all detail following

Notes to Appendix "A"

Insert "(u) - Truck 3 ton 4 x 4 specially outfitted for Mob Music Unit"

2. APPENDIX "B"

Serial 16 Column (b) Delete "% MC Gp (Type E)" and following detail

Serial	20	Column	(b)	Insert "Det Ops Research Team"
"	20	"	(d)	Insert "1"
"	20	"	(v)	Insert "1"
"	46	"	(b)	Delete "HQ Docks Gp" and following detail
"	47	"	(b)	Delete "Docks Operating Coy (Type C)" and following detail
"	48	"	(b)	Delete "Pl Port Maint Coy" and following detail
"	78	"	(d)	Insert "2"
"	78	"	(v)	Insert "2"
"	110	"	(e)	Delete "2" Insert "3"
"	110	"	(w)	Insert "1"

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Serial	117	Column	(b)	Delete "Laundry Increment AAMC (Type B)" and following detail
"	138	"	(b)	Insert "LAD (Type D) less one Bty Soc"
"	138	"	(d)	Insert "(S)4"
"	138	"	(g)	Insert "I"
"	138	"	(i)	Insert "I"
"	138	"	(v)	Insert "4"

3. APPENDIX "D"

Serial	1	Column	(d)	Delete "5" Insert "7"
	1	"	(e)	Insert "1"
	1	"	(q)	Delete "3" Insert "7"
	11	"	(b)	Delete "Mob Soc, CW Laboratory" and detail following
	38	"	(d)	Delete "3" Insert "4"
	38	"	(Q)	Delete "3" Insert "4"
	38	"	(r)	Insert "5"
	39	"	(b)	Delete "Laundry Increment AAMC (Type "A")" and all detail following
	42	"	(b)	Amend to read "LAD (Type "D") less one Bty Soc"
	42	"	(d)	Delete "(1)5" Insert "(1)4"
	42	"	(q)	Delete "5" Insert "4"

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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS MT - AMENDMENT NO. 18

Reference LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44.

It is requested that Appendices "A" and "B" issued with the abovementioned SM be amended as follows:-

1. APPENDIX "A"

Serial 84 Col (d) Delete 3 Insert 1
84 " (t) Delete 3 Insert 1
91 " (b) Insert "Bde Postal Sec"
91 " (d) Insert "1"
91 " (t) Insert "1"

2. APPENDIX "B"

Serial 37 Col (b) Insert "Radar Det" (Type "A")
37 " (d) Insert "2"
37 " (v) Insert "2"
37 " (bb) Insert "1"

Serial 154A Column (b) Insert "Det Army Audit Staff"
154A " (d) Insert "1"

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HQ 9 Aust Div
Ref: Q21/14/180
21 Jul 44.

Reference 9 Aust Div Trg Instn No.12 of 5 Jul para 5 and 1 Aust Corps Q824 of 6 Jul - copy attached.

1. Inspection and repair and sentencing of equipment will be carried out as directed.

2. All anti-gas stores held surplus to 10% entitlements under GRO 59/44 plus WET will be returned to ADOS Dump, accompanied by 2 copies of AF G1033 for each category e.g. "S"(Serviceable) and "B.L.R." (Beyond Local Repair) only. Stores will be prepared for return as directed in 1 Aust Corps Q824 of 6 Jul --- see para 6 ref gas capes.

3. Stores retained as 10% training entitlement will be in accordance with instructions listed in 1 Aust Corps Q824 of 6 Jul page 3 except that no stores under category "C" "Serviceable items which have not been on issue" will be retained.

4. Indents for balance required to bring units to 10% entitlement for trg will be submitted to ADOS Dump --- see para 6 ref gas capes.

5. 10% entitlement of Ampoules D.M. and Capsules Lachrymatory will not be held by units or indented for without prior approval of GIII (CW).

The scale of gas capes will be :-

1 per Offr or OR - on issue

5% calculated on posted strength - Unit clothing reserve.

In effect this gascape is a clothing issue being used generally as a waterproof. The second gas cape will no longer be authorised for issue even for the 10% training entitlement. Capes held as a waterproof will also serve for training purposes. Units holding gas capes in excess to this entitlement will return them to ADOS Dump, accompanied by 2 copies of AF G1033 for each category ; e.g. "S"(Serviceable) and "B.L.R." (Beyond Local Repair) only. Stores will be prepared for return as directed in 1 Aust Corps Q824 of 6 Jul.

7. Stores returned to ADOS Dump will have a label securely attached stating the classification; namely "S"(serviceable), "B.L.R"(Beyond Local Repair) or "N.I."(Never Issued).

8. Units requiring advice on inspection, repair and classification should contact GIII(CW) HQ 9 Aust Div.

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Subject : RETURN OF ANTI-GAS STORES

HQ 1 Aust Corps

6 Jul 44

Q 824

Ref GRO O 224/44 and 1 Aust Corps G/3755/SD of 11 Jun 44

1. Detailed below is the procedure that will be carried out by all Units prior to returning Anti Gas Stores to Ordnance.

2. Upon completion of inspection, repair and classification of stores held, Units will return all surplus stores (less the Anti Gas Cape on issue to personnel) in accordance with GRO 0224/44 and LHQ memo B 25745 of 20 Apr 44. This memo states that 10% of CW equipment will be retained for training by Units on the OOB of 1 Aust Corps.

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INSPECTION AND REPAIR

1. Unit Gas Officers or NCOs will immediately inspect all Anti-Gas stores held and will sentence them Serviceable (S), Repairable (R) or Beyond Local Repair (BLR).

The following list of faults and consequent classification will be applied in carrying out this inspection :-

ARTICLE	DESCRIPTION OF FAULT	CLASSIFICATION
FACEPIECE	Headharness damaged	R
	Eyepiece disc cracked	R
	Fabric loose	R
	Outlet valve damaged	R
	Outlet valve nut damaged	R
	Outlet valve split pin damaged	R
	Adhesive tape deficient	R
	Binding wire deficient or rusty	R
	Connecting tube fabric loose	R
	Check plate damaged	R
	Valve guard damaged	R
CONTAINER	Inlet valve damaged	R
	Piece supporting line slot	R
HAVERSACK	Whip cord damaged	R
	Stitching torn	R
	Holes	R
	Links	R
	Loops 'D' 9/16" and 1"	R
	Sling	R
	Slides W and W/o eye	R
	Flat spring hook	R

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HAVERSACK	'S' Hooks	R
GAS CAPE	Tears in fabric	R
	Press studs	R
	Doping rubbed on cracked surfaces	R
	Whipcord damaged	R
LIGHT GAS SUIT	Similar to GAS CAPE	
GAS GLOVES	Doping rubbed on cracked surfaces	R
FACE PIECE	Buckles damaged	BLR
	Eyepiece deficient	BLR
	Eyepiece binding wire or rubber tape deficient	BLR
	Fabric deficient	BLR
	Outlet valve holder deficient	BLR
	Outlet valve valve binding wire or rubber tape deficient	BLR
	Retaining plate damaged	BLR
	Connecting tube fabric deficient	BLR
	Facepiece holed	BLR
	Facepiece distorted	BLR
	Facepiece perished	BLR
	Connecting tube holed	BLR
	Connecting tube distorted	BLR
	Connecting tube perished	BLR
CONTAINER	Tissot channel torn	BLR
	Neck loose	BLR
	Badly dinted	BLR
	Contents loose	BLR
	Air inlets rusty	BLR
	Paint deficient	BLR
	Containers holed	BLR
HAVERSACKS	Press studs deficient or damaged	BLR
	Eyeletted canvas tab damaged or deficient	BLR
RUBBER KNEE BOOTS	Holes etc	BLR

NOTES :

(a) Straight tears of any length may be repaired, provided that they end not less than 2" from any existing seams. Other tears may be repaired under the special authorisation of the Gas Officer or Gas NCO of the Unit concerned, e.g. a tear at the point on a hem or seam where a satisfactory gas-tight joint can be applied and dog-legged tears not in a vital position. Tears coming within 2" of seams in the shoulder area of Jackets or Capes, or the fork of the Trousers, are class "BLR".

(b) All damages to GAS CAPES and LIGHT GAS CLOTHING not listed above are classified as BLR.

(c) Should faults to respirators other than those listed above be encountered, the Officer or NCO inspecting, will classify the fault, being guided by his knowledge of the capabilities of Unit Equipment Repairers, and general knowledge of the subject.

2. Urgent indents will be submitted, for items required to carry out repairs (minimum quantities), to ADOS/DADOS quoting this memo as authority for issue.

3. All repairs will be inspected by Unit Gas Officers or NCOs who will transfer stores concerned from the 'R' classification to 'S' if satisfied with the repair.

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PREPARATION OF STORES FOR RETURN

1. Equipment will be broken down into separately demandable components, viz :

Facepieces and Tubes
Containers
Haversack

Outfits Anti-Dim
Eyeshields
etc.

Identifying labels (GRO 0.59 refers) will be removed by the individuals returning personal anti-gas equipment, and retained by them for further use.

2. Those items which are to be sterilized by disinfectants (See Gas Training (Aust) 1942) will be so treated, dirty equipment will be scrubbed clean, when this treatment is applicable, and thoroughly dried.

3. The cleaned equipment will be tied into standard bundles or packages containing 10 of each item in the case of the larger stores, and 100 in the case of smaller items. Facepieces will be bundled by sizes. Packets of eyeshields, Anti-Gas, will be completed to contain three pieces per packet and packets will be tied in bundles of 100. Each bundle or package will be labelled with a strong tie or tag showing the following : Item, number in package, size, condition 'S' or 'BLR'.

4. Serviceable items will not be mixed with unserviceable equipment (BLR etc.) and the stores in each of these categories will be covered by separate Return Vouchers, AF G1033.

5. Unit Gas Officers or NCOs will certify on all copies of the Return Voucher covering serviceable items that he has inspected them and that they have been disinfected, are serviceable and ready for immediate re-issue if necessary.

SELECTION OF STORES FOR RETENTION

In selecting the 10% of anti-gas stores that is to be retained by units, the following principles will be applied :-

(a) Stores for retention will be made up of items selected in the following sequence of priorities :

A Repaired Eqpt
B Serviceable items which have been on issue
C Serviceable items which have not been on issue

(b) No unserviceable or BLR items will be retained.

(c) ADsOS/DADsOS will arrange transfer of stores in the first two priorities between units to avoid, as far as possible, retention by units of new stores as part of the 10% retained.

REPORTING COMPLETION OF ACTION

ADsOS/DADsOS will report to DDOS 1 Aust Corps when action on this instruction is completed.

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SUBJECT: E&PT 1 AUST CORPS - MT

Ref LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44, forwarded herewith is LHQ SM 1679 of 28 Feb 45 appx 'D', this schedule cancels appx 'D' of LHQ SM 158 of 5 Jan 45 issued under cover of 9 Aust Div G.375/75/19 of 9 Jan 45.

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28 Feb 45.

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Reply (64/431/2)
SM1379 A

1 Aust Corps (75)
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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS MT

Ref LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44 and LHQ SM158 of 5 Jan 45.

Attached as Appendix "D" is a schedule showing the authorised allotment of MT for units on LHQ Reserve for 1 Aust Corps. This schedule will be used as the basis of issue and cancels the staff table issued under cover of SM158 of 5 Jan 45 and subsequent amendments, which should be destroyed.

for Lieutenant-General,
Chief of the General Staff.

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NOTES TO APPX 'D' ISSUED SUPPLEMENTARY TO LHQ SI12175 OF 29 NOV 44.

(a) In addition 8 trlrs 25 cwt Arty are required.

(b) Tractors 87/140 HP (five fitted with bulldozer and PCU).

(c) In addition the following moch equipment will be provided from RAE resources :

Tractors, tracked 50/64 H.P. with winch	6
Tractors, tracked 50/64 H.P. with dozer, PCU and winch	3
Tractors, tracked 87/140 H.P. with winch	3
Tractors, tracked 87/140 H.P. with dozer, PCU and winch	3
Arches, logging, 10 ton	6
Winches, double drum, 5-ton	6
Saws, chain, engine driven 54 inch	12
Pans, skidding, 3ft 6 ins	3
Pans, skidding, 5 ft	6

(d) Semi-trlrs, log-hauling

(e) 3 ton lab

(f) 6 with winch

(g) 1 for Pl HQ; 1 for Wksp Sec

(h) 1 Machinery "E" loading
1 Machinery "K" loading
1 Machinery shell for eqpt included in body of VET.

(i) Tractors, "Farmall" H

(j) In addition the following vehs are required : ;

Buses 21/26 Seater	1
Ambulances	1

(k) Disinfector

(l) 1 with PTO

(m) 5 for adm duties (one fitted with DAWN 2 ton hand winch)
30 for task duties (five fitted with DAWN 2 ton hand winch)
3 for spares (task vehs)
1 for rec (fitted with DAWN 2 ton hand winch)
1 for machinery (Type 'B')
2 for maint loading
1 for Mech S/Sjt

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APPX "D" issued on 28 Feb 45 supplementary to LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

Serial No.	Unit	No. of Units	Trucks ¼-ton 4 x 4	Trucks, 3-ton 4 x 4								Tractors Tracked	Tractors Wheeled	Transporters 20-ton	Trailers					Gun 6-pdr Utility	Water fitments for Jeep Trailers
				Trucks 3-ton GS 4 x 4	Breakdown	Garage	Machinery or Wksp	Semi-Trailers	Stores Binned	Stores Unbinned	Water 400 gal				Gen Set	Jeep	Laundry	Portable Cooker	Bomb Ranging		
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)	(q)	(r)	(s)	(t)	(u)	(v)
	AASC (Contd.)																				
34	Farm Coy	1	8	6									(i)5			8					
35																					
36																					
37	Total AASC																				
	MED																				
38	(j)Gen Hosp (M) (1200 beds)	1	3	2				(k)1			4				4	3		4		1	
39	~~Hosp Laundry (Type A)~~	1	1													1	5				
40	Laundry Increment AANIC Type B.																				
41	Total Med																				
	AEME																				
42	LAD (Type D)	1	(1) 5		1	1			1							5					1
43	HQ Floating Watercraft Wksp	1	1													1					
44	Floating Watercraft Wksp Sec	1							M 1	1											
45	Wksp Craft Op Sec (Type "AA")	3							M 1	1											
46	Floating Dock (400 ton)	1							M 1	1											
47																					
48																					
49																					
50	Total AEME																				
	PAY																				
51	Depot Cash Office (Type "C")	1							M 1	1											
52																					
53																					
54	Total Pay																				
55	Total Reserve for 1 Aust Corps																				

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APPX "D" issued on 28 Feb 45 supplementary to LHQ SM 12153 of 29 Nov 44.

STAFF TABLE

SCALE OF TRANSPORT FOR LHQ RESERVE FOR 1 AUST CORPS

Serial No.	Unit	No. of Units	Trucks ¼-ton 4 x 4	Trucks, 3-ton 4 x 4								Tractors Tracked	Tractors Wheeled	Transporters 20-ton	Trailers					Car 6-seater Utility	Water fitments for Jeep Trailers
				Trucks 3-ton GS 4 x 4	Breakdown	Garage	Machinery or Wksp	Semi-Trailers	Stores Binned	Stores Unbinned	Water 400 gal				Gen Set	Jeep	Laundry	Portable Cooker	Sound Ranging		
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)	(q)	(r)	(s)	(t)	(u)	(v)
	ARTY																				
1	Mtn Bty (Mech)	1	5													3					1
2	(a)Med Regt	1	21	12							3	(b)20				21					
3	FS Bty	2	14	5												14					2
4	Sound Ranging Cadre	1	2	3												2			1		
5																					
6																					
7	Total Arty																				
	ENGRS																				
8	(c)Forestry Coy	1	9	7				(d)6						3		9					4
9	Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec	1	1													1					
10	Small Ship Coy	1	7								1					7					
11	Mob Sec, CW Laboratory	1	2	(e)2												1					
12																					
13																					
14	Total Engrs																				
	SIGS																				
15	AA Regt (Comp) Sig Sec	1	4													4					
16	Corps Arty Sig Sec	1	10													10					1
17																					
18	Total Sigs																				
	AASC																				
19	HQ Gen Tpt Coy	1	3	1												3					1
20	Tpt Pl	2	4	(f)34	1	1				1		(g)2				3					
21	Tpt Pl	2	(m)43													42					2
22	Wksp Pl	1	1			1	(h)3			1	1	1									
23	Total Gen Tpt Coy																				
24	HQ Gen Tpt Coy	1	3	1												3					1
25	Tpt Pl	3	4	(f)34	1	1				1		(g)2				3					
26	Tpt Pl	1	(m)43													42					2
27	Wksp Pl	1	1			1	(h)3			1	1	1									
28	Total Gen Tpt Coy																				
29	HQ Air Maint Coy	1	2													2					1
30	Tpt Pl	1	4	(f)34	1	1				1		(g)2				3					
31	Sup Depot Pl	1	2													2					
32	Air Maint Pl	1	6													6					
33	Total Air Maint Coy																				

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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS - MT-AMENDMENT NO. 10

Ref LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

2. It is requested that Appendix "C" issued with the above quoted SM be amended as follows:-

Delete all detail opposite serial "37" and insert the following:-

Column (b) - "Armd Bde Wksp"
(d) - "(k) 8"
(e) - "(l) 4"
(f) - "1"
(h) - "1"
(i) - "3"
(j) - "1"
(n) - "(m) 1"
(r) - "(g) 1"
(u) - "8"
(v) - "1"

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for Lieutenant-General,
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EQUIPMENT, 1 AUST CORPS - MT

AMENDMENT NO. 2.

Reference LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

It is requested that Appendices "A" and "B", issued with the above quoted SM, be amended as follows : -

(a) Appendix "A"

Serial 23, Column (d) - delete 5, substitute 6

(b) Notes to Appendix "A" issued with LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44

Note (c) - (i) Amend to read "In addition the following mechanical plant will be provided from RAE resources"

(ii) Amend detail opposite "Tractors, wheeled, crane mounted, 3-ton" to read "2".

(c) Appendix "B"

Serial 43, Column (h) - insert 1

(d) Notes to Appendix "B" issued with LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

Note (b) - Amend to read "In addition, 8 trlrs 25-cwt Arty are required. Pending availability Trlrs 2-wheeled, Bomb Disposal will be issued in lieu".

Note (h) - Amend to read "In addition the following mechanical plant will be provided from RAE resources.

For Lieutenant-General,
Chief of the General Staff.

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EQUIPMENT. 1 AUST CORPS - MT; AMENDMENT NO. 6.

Reference LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

It is requested that Appendices "A" and "B" issued with the abovequoted SM be amended as follows : -

(a) Appendix "A"

Serial 50, Column (c) - Substitute 4
Serial 63, Column (t) - Substitute (t) 9

(b) Notes to Appendix "A" issued with LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

Add new note - (t) 1 For 5 KVA Generating Set Fitted with additional spring leaves. To be towed by Truck 2½ ton 6 x 6.

(c) Appendix "B"

Serial ~~40~~ 50, Column (b) - Insert "Para Tp RAE (under comd 1 Aust Para Bn)"

Column (d) - Insert 1
Column (c) - Insert 1
Column (v) - Insert 1

Serial 95, Column (b) - Amend unit nomenclature to read "Air Maint Pl"

- Delete Nil

Column (d) - Insert 6
Column (v) - Insert 6
Column (bb)- Insert 1

Serial 96, Column (b) etc - Delete all reference

Serial 109, Column (v) - Substitute (dd) 9

Serial 153, Column (b) - Insert "Para Bn"
Column (d) - Insert 8
Column (c) - Insert 8
Column (o) - Insert 1
Column (v) - Insert 8

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(d) Notes to Appendix "B" issued with LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

Add new note - (dd) 1 for 5 KVA Generating Set Fitted with additional spring leaves. To be towed by Truck 2½ ton 6 x 6.

Dawson S. Col

for Lieutenant-General,
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EQUIPMENT, 1 AUST CORPS - MT: AMENDMENT NO. 7

Reference LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

It is requested that Appendix "B" issued with the above quoted SM be amended as follows:-

Serial 55, Column (V) - substitute 6.

Serial 56, Column (V) - substitute 9.

Dawson
Lieutenant-General,
Chief of the General Staff.

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10 Jan 45.

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EQUIPMENT, 1 AUST CORPS - MT AMENDMENT NO.4

Reference LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44.

It is requested that Appendices "B" and "C" issued with the above quoted SM be amended as follows:-

(a) Appendix "A"

Serial 1 column (d) - delete 15, substitute 16

(b) Appendix "B"

Serial 26, column (z) - add 2

(c) Appendix "C"

Serial 33, column (j) - add 8
column (k) - delete 9, substitute 4.

for Lieutenant-General,
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EQUIPMENT, 1 AUST CORPS - MT: AMENDMENT No 5.

Reference LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

It is requested that Appendices "B", "C" and "D" issued with the above quoted SM be amended as follows :-

(a) Appendix "B"

Serial 14, column (v) - insert 2

(b) Appendix "C"

Serial 1, column (i) - add 1(t)

(c) Notes to Appendix "C" issued with LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44

Add new note - (t) Truck 3-ton, in line engine, testing.

(d) Appendix "D"

Serial 25, column (b) - Amend to read "Total Gen Tpt Coy".

Lawson Lt Col
for Lieutenant-General,
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	Appx 'A'	Appx 'B'	Appx 'C'
20 Aust Inf Bde	1		
24 Aust Inf Bde	1		
26 Aust Inf Bde	1		
2/9 Aust Cav (Commando) Regt	1		
RAA	1		
RAE	1		
Sigs	1		
2/2 Aust MG Bn	1✓		
2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	1		
G	1	1	1
AQ	1	1	
AASC	1	1	
Med	1		
Ord	1	1 pass Appx 'B' to AEME	
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29 Nov 44.

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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS - MT

Attached hereto are the following :-

(a) Appendix 'A' - Scale of MT for a Jungle Div (75 copies)
(b) Appendix 'B' - Scale of MT for a Jungle Corps (35 copies)
(c) Appendix 'C' - Scale of MT for 4 Aust Armd Bde (20 copies)

2. These appendices supersede 'A' and 'B' forwarded under cover of LHQ SM5767 of 10 Jun 44, as amended, which should be destroyed.

John Lavarack Lieut

for Lieutenant-General,
Chief of the General Staff.

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STAFF TABLE

SCALE OF TRANSPORT FOR A JUNGLE DIVISION.

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APPX "A" Issued with LHQ
SM 12173 OF 29 Nov. '44

Serial No.	Unit	No. of units	Trucks ¼-ton 4 x 4	Trucks 2½-ton 6x6	Trucks 3-ton 4 x 4									Tractors Tracked	Transportors 20-ton	Trailers.								Water fitments for Jeep Trailers.
					Breakdown	Derrick	Garage	Machinery or Wksp	Semi-Trailer	Stores Binned	Stores, Unbinned	Tipping	Water 400-gall.			Air Compressor	Bomb Disposal	Gen Set 25-KVA	Jeep	Lt. Laundry	Portable Cooker	Welding Electric	2-wh water 150-gall.	
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y
	HQ																							
1.	HQ Div	1	15 16	2															16					2
2.	F.S. Soc	1	3																1					
3.	Mob. Mot Flight	1	2																2					
4.	Dot Public Relations	1	1																1					
5.	Visitors' & Observors' Soc	1	2																2					
6.	Dot A.T.I.S.	1	1							NIL									1					
7.	Ops Report Team	1								NIL														
8.																								
9.	Total HQ		23	2															22					2
	CAV																							
10.	HQ Cav (Commando) Regt	1	2																2					
11.	Commando Sqn	3	3 1																13					1
12.																								
13.	Total Cav		5																5					
	ARTY																							
14.	HQ RAA	1	3																3					
15.	Fd Regt	3	30	19										1	(n)8				27				3	
16.	Svy Bty	1	6																8					1
17.	Tk/A Regt RHQ	1	2	1															2				1	
18.	Bty	3	6	(b)8															6					1
19.	Total Tk/A Regt	1	20	25															20				1	3
20.	Arty Sig Tp		4																4					
21.																								
22.	Total Arty		119	46										3	24				110				10	
	ENGRS																							
23.	HQ RAE	1	5 6																5					
24.	(c) Fd Coy	4	11	(d)5								18				3			11					4
25.	(c) Fd Pk Coy	1	6			1		4	5			20			2	2	1		6			1		2
26.																								
27.																								
28.	Total Engrs		55	20		1		4	5			92			2	14	1		55			1		10

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Serial No.	Unit	No. of Units	Trucks ¼-ton 4x4	Trucks 2½-ton 6x6	Trucks 3-ton 4 x 4									Tractors Tracked	Transporters 20-ton	Trailers								Water fitments for Jeep Trailers.
					Breakdown	Derrick	Garage	Machinery or Wksp	Semi-Trailer	Stores Bimmed	Stores, Unbimmed	Tipping	Water 400-gall			Air Compressor	Bomb Disposal	Gen Set 25 KVA	Jeep	Lt-Laundry	Portable Cooker	Welding Electric	2-wh water 150-gall	
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y
29.	SIGS Div Sigs (less Secs)	1	~~30~~ 25																~~30~~ 28					2
30	Cipher Sec (Type K)	1					N I L																	
31	Fd Regt Sig Sec	3	4 ~~8~~																4 ~~8~~					
32	Tk/A Regt Sig Sec	1	2																2					
33	Engr Sig Sec	1	3																3					
34	Inf Bde Sig Sec	3	5 ~~6~~																~~8~~ 5					
35	Cav (Commando) Regt Sig Tp	1					N I L																	
36																								
37																								
38	Total Sigs		51																51					2
39	INF HQ Inf Bde	3	~~6~~																~~8~~ 6					1
40	Inf Bn	9	~~8~~ 12																~~8~~ 10					2
41	MG Bn	1	~~N~~ 21																~~N~~ 21					2
42	Coy - Gd Regt	1	1																1					
43	Pnr Bn	1	~~8~~ 12																~~8~~ 10					2
44																								
45																								
46	Total Inf		109																109					
47	AASC HQ Cond AASC	1	3																3					1
48	HQ Gen Tpt Coy	1	4																4					1
49	Wksp Pl	1	(e)8																(f)7					1
50	Tpt Pl	4 ~~8~~	(g)43																(h)42					(i)2
51	Total Gen Tpt Coy		141																137					8
52	HQ Gen Tpt Coy	1	3	1															3					1
53	Wksp Pl	1	1				1	(j)3		1	1		1											
54	Tpt Pl	2	4	(b)34	1		1			1			(i)2						3					
55	Tpt Pl	1	4	23	1		1			1			(i)13						2					
56	Total Gen Tpt Coy		16	92	3		4	3		4	1		18						11					1
57	HQ Supply Depot Coy	1	2	1															1					
58	Supply Depot Pl	8	2																2					
59	Total Supply Depot Coy		18	1															17					
60																								
61																								
62	Total AASC		178	93	3		4	3		4	1		18						168					10

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APPX "A" Issued with
LHQ SM 12178 of 29 Nov. '44

Serial No.	Unit	No. of Units	Trucks ¼-ton 4x4	Trucks 2½-ton 6x6	Trucks 3-ton 4 x 4									Tractors Tracked	Transporters 20-ton	Trailers								Water fitments for Jeep Trailers.
					Breakdown	Derrick	Garage	Machinery or Msp	Semi-Trailer	Stores Binned	Stores, Unbinned	Tipping	Water 400-gall			Air Compressor	Bomb Disposal	Gen Set 25 KVA	Jeep	Lt. Laundry	Portable Cooker	Welding Electric	2-wh water 150-gall	
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y
	MED																							
63	Fd Amb	3	(l)8	1									1						t98					2
64	CCS	1	(l)4	2					(m)1				1					1	5½		1			
65	MCU (Type A)	1	4																5¼					
66	~~Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B)~~ Laundry Increment ANME (Type B)	1		1																1				
67	Mob B U	1	1	2																				
68																								
69	Total Med		33	8					1				4					1	32	1	1			6
	DENTAL																							
70	Dental Unit	1	1																1					
71																								
72	Total Dental		1																1					
	ORD																							
73	Bde Ord Fd Pk	3	5	(n)1 ~~(m)7~~							7								5					
74																								2
75	Total Ord		15	21															16					6
	AEME																							
76	Bde Wksp	3	(o)6	(p)2	2		1	5		2				(q)1					6					3
77	LAD (Type A)	2	(r)2		1		1												2					
78	LAD (Type D)	3	(r)5		1		1												5					
79	LAD (Type G)	1	(r)5		1		1												5					
80	LAD (Type J)	3	(o)5																5					
81																								
82	Total AEME		57	6	12		9	15		6				3					57					9
	MISC																							
83	Div Fd Cash Office	1									N I L													
84	Div Postal Unit	1	3																3					
85	Div Pro Coy	1	7½																5 7					1
86	Div Sal Unit	1	1																1					
87	Div Reception Camp	1	1	1									1						1					
88	(s) Dot Army Canteens Service	1	1																1					
89	Mob Cinema	2	1½																3 1					
90	~~Dot~~ Military History ~~Sec~~	1	2																2					
91	Fd Team																							
92	Total Misc		17	1									1						17					1
93	TOTAL DIV		663	197	15	1	13	22	6	10	1	92	26	27	2	14	1	1	645	1	1	1	10	58

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NOTES TO APPX "A" Issued with
LHQ SM 12173 OF 29 Nov.44

(a) 7 Tractors TD9 (one fitted with bulldozer and PCU) and
1 Tractor TD18 (25% of TD18's issued to units will be fitted with bulldozer and PCU).

(b) 6 with winch.

(c) In addition the following vehicles will be provided from RAE resources:-

Fd Coy:-	Tractors D4 with winch	-	3
Fd Pk Coy:	Auto Patrols, 12 ft blade	-	2
	Ditches, drawn, 7 ft	-	1
	Excavator ½-yd with attachments	-	1
	Plough, road, No.69	-	1
	Ripper D6 type	-	1
	Tractors D4 type with dozer and PCU	-	2
	Tractors D6 type with dozer and PCU	-	6
	Tractors wheeled crane mounted 3-ton	-	2

(d) With winch

(e) 1 for Wksp Officer
1 for Blacksmith and Welders' Plant
1 for Machinery AASC (Type A)
1 for Machinery AASC (Type B)
2 for Maint AASC
1 for Electric Welding Plant
1 with winch for recovery vehicle
} 2nd Echelon Repairs

(f) 1 for Blacksmith and Welders' Plant
1 for Machinery AASC (Type A)
1 for Machinery AASC (Type B)
1 for Electric Welding Plant
2 for Maint AASC
1 for water fitment

(g) 5 for Adm duties (1 with winch)
3 for spares (Task vehs)
30 (including 5 with winch) for task duties (2% to be equipped with stretcher fittings.)
1 with winch for recovery (unit vehs)
1 for machinery, AASC (Type B)
2 for Maint, AASC
1 for Mech S/Sgt

(h) 30 for task duties
3 for spares (Task vehs)
2 for Maint, AASC
1 for Machinery Veh (Type B)
4 for Adm duties
2 for water fitments

(i) 1 for Pl HQ; 1 for Wksp Sec

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(j) 1 Machinery E Loading
1 Machinery K Loading
1 Machinery shell for eqpt in body of WET.

(k) 10 in lieu of GS task vehs
1 for spare
1 for Wksp Sec
1 for Pl HQ

(l) To be equipped with stretcher fittings

(m) Disinfector

(n) 1 with winch

(o) 2 with Power take-off

(p) 1 for Battery charging

(q) D8 with winch - To be issued under Force HQ instructions.

(r) 1 with Power Take-off

(s) Vehs for this unit will be issued on a repayment basis and must only be released on an LHQ issue order.

t/ 1 for 5 KVA Generating set fitted with additional spring leaves to be towed by truck 2½ Ton 6x6.

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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS - MT - AMENDMENT NO 9.

Reference LHQ SM12175 of 20 Nov 44.

It is requested that Appendices 'A' and 'B' issued with the abovementioned SM be amended as follows :-

Appendix 'A'.

Serial 73, column (e) - Delete (n)7, insert (n)1.
" 73, " (1) - Insert 7.

Appendix 'B'.

Serial 128, column (e) - Delete (s)2, insert (r)1.
" 128, " (1) - Insert 7.

for Lieutenant-General,
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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS - MT - AMENDMENT NO 8.

Reference LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44.

1. It is requested that Appendix "C" issued with the above SM be amended as follows :-

(a) Serial 25, Column (r) - Insert "(u) 1 "

(b) Notes to Appendix "C" issued with LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44

Add new note - (u) Truck 7 ton semi-trailer.

2. Amendment No 6 to LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44 issued vide LHQ SM1306 of 9 Feb 45.

The following details on the above quoted amendment are amended to read as follows :

(a) Para (c) Appendix "B"

Serial 40 - amend to read "Serial 50"
Serial 50 "Column (c)" - amend to read "Column (e)".

(b) Para (d) Notes to Appendix "B" issued with LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44.

Amend Note (dd) to read (aa).

Dawson Lt Col
for Lieutenant-General,
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16 Mar 45

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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS - MT AMENDMENT NO.12

Ref LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44.

1. It is requested that Appendix "C" issued with the above quoted SM be amended as follows:-

Serial	8	Column	(b)	- Insert "(v) Recce Sqn"
"	8	"	(d)	- Insert "9"
"	8	"	(e)	- Insert "7"
"	8	"	(m)	- Insert "1"
"	8	"	(q)	- Insert "3"
"	8	"	(s)	- Insert "1"
"	8	"	(u)	- Insert "(w)16"
"	35	"	(b)	- Insert "Armd Bde Ord Fd Pk"
"	35	"	(d)	- Insert "3"
"	35	"	(g)	- Insert "1"
"	35	"	(j)	- Insert "5"
"	35	"	(k)	- Insert "3"
"	35	"	(u)	- Insert "3"
"	35	"	(v)	- Insert "1"

2. Notes to Appx "C" issued with LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44. Add new notes:-

(v) In addition the following are required:-

Tanks Matilda (dozer)	6
Tanks Matilda (flame thrower)	12
Tanks Bridgelaying	3
Trailers 2 w'd AFV	7

(w) Includes 4 trailers, 8 cwt, portable mixer, flame thrower.

for Maj Gen
Lieutenant-General
Chief of the General Staff.

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Adv HQ 9 Aust Div
G713/65/8
26 Apr 45.

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(J A Y DENNISTON) Lt Col
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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS MT - AMENDMENT NO 14

Reference LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

It is requested that Appendices 'A' and 'B' issued with the above quoted SM be amended as follows :-

(a) Appendix 'A'.

Serial 20 Column (b) - Insert "Arty Sig Tp" ✓
" 20 " (d) - Insert "4" ✓
" 20 " (t) - Insert "4" ✓
" 64 " (t) - Delete "4" Insert "5" ✓
" 80 " (d) - Delete "5" Insert "7" ✓
" 80 " (t) - Delete "5" Insert "7" ✓

(b) Appendix 'B'

Serial 18 Delete all detail against Serial 18
" 20 Delete all detail against Serial 20.
" 36 Column (b) Insert "Arty Sig Tp"
" 36 " (d) Insert "4"
" 36 " (v) Insert "4"
" 71 " (b) Insert "Type B"
" 71 " (d) Delete "4" Insert "2"
" 71 " (e) Insert "(bb) 2"
" 71 " (v) Delete "4" Insert "[illegible]"
" 110 " (v) Delete "4" Insert "5"

(c) Notes to Appendix 'B'

Add new note : "(bb) one with winch and PCU".

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SUBJECT : EQPT 1 AUST CORPS - MT

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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS - MT - AMENDMENT NO 11.

Reference LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44.

1. It is requested that appendices 'A' and 'B' issued with the abovementioned SM be amended as follows :

2. Appendix 'A'

(a) Serials 11, 15, 31, 34, 39, 40, 41, 43 - Insert asterisk before names of units in column (b).

(b) Serial 11, Column (d) - Delete 1, insert 3 ✓
" 11 " (t) - " 1, " 3 ✓
" 11 " (y) - Insert 1 ✓
" 15 " (e) - Delete 7, insert 9 ✓
" 31 " (d) - " 3 " 4 ✓
" 31 " (t) - " 3 " 4 ✓
" 34 " (d) - " 3 " 5 ✓
" 34 " (t) - " 3 " 5 ✓
" 39 " (d) - " 3 " 6 ✓
" 39 " (t) - " 3 " 6 ✓
" 39 " (y) - Insert 1 ✓
" 40 " (d) - Delete 8, insert 12 ✓
" 40 " (t) - " 8 " 10 ✓
" 40 " (y) - Insert 2 ✓
" 41 " (d) - Delete 19, insert 21 ✓
" 41 " (t) - " 19 " 21 ✓
" 41 " (y) - Insert 2 ✓
" 43 " (d) - Delete 8, insert 12 ✓
" 43 " (t) - " 8 " 10 ✓
" 43 " (y) - Insert 2 ✓

3. Appendix 'B'.

(a) Serials 23 and 73 - Insert asterisk before names of units in column (b).

(b) Seri l 23, column (e) - Delete 7, insert 9
" 73, " (d) - " 3 " 4
" 73 " (v) - " 3 " 4

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4. The mechanical transport to meet the increased scale authorized herein for those units of 6 Aust Div, before which an asterisk has been placed, will be held in 1 Aust Corps Pool of MT and Equipment and will be issued as required by the Commander, 1 Aust Corps.

In this regard, 1 Aust Corps G/5809/SD of 11 Dec 44, Adv LHQ G/718.1031/SD of 3 Jan 45 and Landops SD367 of 171530I Feb refer. 6 Aust Div will therefore remain at present on the scale as set out in SM12173 of 29 Nov 44 prior to this amendment.

Dawson Scott

for Lieutenant-General,
Chief of the General Staff.

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26 Aust Inf Bde	2 Aust Beach Gp
2/9 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt	G
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QMG Branch (Q1(c)): MGO Branch (5): METIC.

EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS - MT - AMENDMENT No.13

Ref LH. SM12173 of 29 Nov 44.

It is requested that Appendices "A" and "B" issued with the above quoted SM be amended as follows:-

(a) Appendix "A"

Serial 85 Column (d) Delete "5" - Insert "7"
" 85 " (t) Delete "5" - Insert "7"
Serial 90 Column (b) alter "Det Military History Sec" to read "Military History Fd Team."

(b) Appendix "B"

Serial 20 Column (b) - Insert "Det Op Research Sec"
Serial 20 " (d) - Insert "1"
Serial 20 " (v) - Insert "1"
Serial 32 " (b) - Alter "Total Lt AA Regt" to read "Total Comp AA Regt"
Serial 71 " (d) - Delete "4" Insert "2"
Serial 71 " (e) - Insert "2"
Serial 71 " (v) - Delete "4" Insert "2"
Serial 146 " (d) - Delete "5" - Insert "7"
Serial 146 " (v) - Delete "5" - Insert "7"
Serial 152 " (b) - Alter "Det Mil History Sec" to read "Mil History Fd Team."

Dawson Lt Col
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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS - MT

Reference LHQ SM 12173 of 29 Nov 44.

The attached Staff Table, published as Appendix "D" to the above-quoted SM sets out the scale of transport for units on LHQ Reserve for 1 Aust Corps.

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for Lieutenant-General,
Chief of the General Staff.

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NOTES TO AAPX "D" ISSUED SUPPLEMENTARY TO LHQ SM12173 OF 29 Nov '44.

(a) In addition 8 trls 25 cwt Arty are required.

(b) Tractors TD18 (five fitted with bulldozer and PCU)

(c) In addition the following mech eqpt will be provided from RAE resources -

Tractors, D6, logging, with winch	6
Tractors D6, logging, with dozer, PCU and winch	3
Tractors D8, logging, with winch	3
Tractors D8, logging with dozer, PCU and winch	3
Arches, logging, 10 ton	6
Winches, portable, double drum, 5 ton	6
Saws, chain, 54 inch	12
Pans, skidding, 3 ft 6 ins	3
Pans, skidding, 5 ft	6

(d) Semi-trlrs, log-hauling

(e) 3 ton lab

(f) 6 with winch

(g) 1 for Pl HQ; 1 for Wksp Sec

(h) 1 Machinery "E" Loading
1 Machinery "K" Loading
1 Machinery shell for eqpt included in body of VET

(i) Tractors, "Farmall" H

(j) In addition the following vehs are required ; -

Buses 21/26 Seater	1
Ambulances	1

(k) Disinfector

(l) 1 with PTO

(m) 5 for adm duties (one fitted with DAWN 2-ton hand winch)
30 for task duties (five fitted with DAWN 2-ton hand winch)
3 for spares (task vehs)
1 for rec (fitted with DAWN 2-ton hand winch)
1 for machinery (Type "B")
2 for maint loading
1 for Mech S/Sgt

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APPX "D" issued on 5 Jan'45
supplementary to LHQ SM 12173
of 29 Nov 44.

Serial No.	UNIT	No. of units	Trucks 1/4 ton 4 x 4	Trucks 3 ton GS 4 x 4	Trucks, 3 ton 4 x 4							Tractors tracked	Tracked whoolod	Transporters 20 ton	Trailers			Car 6 seater Utility	Water fitments for Jeep trailers
					Breakdown	Cargo	Machinery or Thsp	Semi-trailers	Stores Bimod	Stores Un-	Water 400-gal				Gen Set	Jeep	Portable Cooker		
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)	(q)	(r)	(s)	(t)
26.	HQ Air Maint Coy		2													2			1
27.	Tpt Pl		4	(f)34	1	1			1		(g)2					3			
28.	Sup Depot Pl		2													2			
29.	Air Crew Pl		1													1			
30.	Air Packing Pl						N I L												
31.	Total Air Maint Coy																		
32.	Ferm Coy		8	6									(i)5			8			
33.																			
34.																			
35.	Total AASC																		
	MED																		
36.	(j) Gen Hosp (M) (1200 beds)		3	2				(k)1			4				4	3	4	1	
37.																			
38.	Total Med																		
	AEME																		
39.	LAD (Type D)		(1)5		1	1			1							5			1
40.																			
41.	Total AEME																		
	MISC																		
42.	Para Bn		8	8							1					8			
43.	Para Tp RAE (under cond 1 Aust Para Bn)		1	1												1			
44.																			
45.	Total Misc																		
46.	Total Reserve for 1 Aust Corps																		

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STAFF TABLE

SCALE OF TRANSPORT FOR LHQ RESERVE FOR 1 AUST CORPS.

Serial No.	Unit	No. of Units	Trucks 1/4 ton 4 x 4	Trucks, 3 ton 4 x 4								Tractors Tracked	Tractors Wheeled	Transporters 20 ton	Trailers			Car 6-seater Utility	Water fitments for Jeep Trailers
				Trucks 3 ton GS 4 x 4	Breakdown	Garage	Machinery or Wksp	Semi-Trailers	Stores Bmnd	Stores Un-Bmnd	Water 400 gal				Gen Set	Jeep	Portable Cooker		
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)	(q)	(r)	(s)	(t)
	ARTY																		
1.	Mtn Bty (Mech)		5													3			1
2.	(a) Med Regt		21	12							3	(b)20				21			
3.																			
4.																			
5.	Total Arty																		
	ENGRS																		
6.	(c) Forestry Coy		9	7				(d)6						3		9			4
7.	Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec		1													1			
8.	Small Ship Coy		7								1					7			
9.	Mob Sec, CW Laboratory		2	(e)2												1			
10.																			
11.																			
12.	Total Engrs																		
	SIGS																		
13.	AA Regt (Comp) Sig Sec		4													4			
14.																			
15.	Total Sigs																		
	AASC																		
16.	HQ Gen Tpt Coy	1	3	1												3			1
17.	Tpt Pl	2	4	(f)34	1	1			1		(g)2					3			
18.	Tpt Pl	2	(m)43													42			2
19.	Wksp Pl	1	1			1	(h)3		1	1	1								
20.	Total Gon Tpt Coy																		
21.	HQ Gen Tpt Coy	1	3	1												3			1
22.	Tpt Pl	3	4	(f)34	1	1			1		(g)2					3			
23.	Tpt Pl	1	(m)43													42			2
24.	Wksp Pl	1	1			1	(h)3		1	1	1								
25.	Total ~~Armd Bde Coy~~ Gen Tpt Coy																		-

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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Subject: Light and Assault Scales.

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HQ 9 Aust Div
7 Oct 44
G55/65/3

1. Ref 9 Aust Div Training Instruction No 22 it is necessary to prepare light and assault scales of personnel, vehicles and equipment so that a tactical plan can be implemented quickly.

2. Light and assault scales are defined as :-

(a) Light Scale - Personnel, vehicles and unit equipment to enable formations to operate for 14 days 15 miles inland. *

(b) Assault Scale - Personnel, vehicles and unit equipment to enable formations to operate for 3 days 3 miles inland. *

3. Bdes, units, arms and services will prepare proposed scales in accordance with the attached proforma.

? 4. Scales should provide for the landing of full water carrying vehicles and trailers.

QM 5. Representatives from each bde will attend a coordinating conference at the War Room HQ 9 Aust Div at 1400 hours 10 Oct. These representatives must be fully acquainted with this matter and be prepared to express a bde opinion.

6. The scales of arms, services and div troops are required at this HQ by 11 Oct 44.

Clarke
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Subject: Assault and Light Scales.

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8 Oct 44
G62/65/3

Further to 9 Aust Div G55/65/3 of 7 Oct 44 the following hypothesis will be taken as a basis for calculation :-

(a) Terrain -

Either semi-open forest country or sparsely roaded swampy country where vehicles cannot move off the road.

(b) Unit strength -

(i) LOB personnel will be deducted from WE strength.

(ii) First reinforcements will not be available to replace LOB personnel.

(c) Ammunition -

(i) First line is to be carried by units either on the man or in unit or bde reserve for the equivalent number of weapons carried.

(ii) The scale of first line ammunition is laid down in 9 Aust Div G349/75/3 dated 1 Aug 44.

(d) Rations -

(i) On the man - one day field operational ration plus one day emergency ration.

(ii) Landed with unit equipment - one day field operational ration per man.

(e) General -

(i) Vehicle loads will be taken as normal.

(ii) POL - Vehicles land with full tanks plus 150 miles. per OZ 18 Bde.

(iii) Tonnages - All tonnages to be reckoned in long tons (i.e. 2240 lbs = 1 ton).

W.E. Cramsie Maj
for Lt Col
GS 9 Aust Div

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2/2 Aust. MG Bn.
11 Oct 44
Q269/44

Subject - Light and Assault Scales
Ref G55/65/8

Herewith Scales under catagories "Light" and "Assault".

Composition of Stores Out of Vehicles is shown in accompanying appendix.

.....Capt.
Q.M. 2/2 Aust. MG Bn.

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ASSAULT SCALE

TYPE OF UNIT - M.G. BN (TROPICAL SCALE-PROVISIONAL)

	Sub-unit or detachment	Personnel	VEHICLES, TRAILERS AND GUNS									Stores out of Vehicles Tons	
			Jeeps	Trucks 2½ ton 6x6	Trucks 3 ton 4x4	Tracked vehicles	Transporter 20 ton	Trailers jeep	Trailers 2 wh water	Trailers various	Guns various	DW	M
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)
1	BN Hq	23	1					1				160-lbs	3-cu-ft
2	Hq COY	29	2					2				433-lbs	13-cu-ft
3	MG COY	115	4					4				433-lbs	13-cu-ft
4	MG COY	115	4					4				433-lbs	13-cu-ft
5	MG COY	115	4					4				433-lbs	13-cu-ft
6	MG COY	115	4					4				433-lbs	13-cu-ft
	TOTAL BN	512	19					19				1-ton	2-tons (cubic)

ABOVE SCALE BASED ON OPERATIONAL TRANSPORT ONLY
(LOB have not been included in above figures)

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LIGHT SCALE

TYPE OF UNIT - M.G. BN (TROPICAL SCALE-PROVISIONAL)

Serial	Sub-Unit or Detachment	Personnel	Vehicles, Trailers and Guns									Stores out of Vehicles tons	
			Jeeps	Trucks 2½ ton 6x6	Trucks 3 ton 4x4	Tracked vehicles	Transporter 20-ton	Trailers Jeep	Trailers 2 wh water	Trailers various	Guns various	DW	M
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)
1	BN HQ	30	1					1				1/4-ton	1/2-ton
2	HQ COY	52	2					2				1-ton	2½-ton
3	MG COY	22	4					4				1-ton	2½-ton
4	MG COY	22	4					4				1-ton	2½-ton
5	MG COY	22	4					4				1-ton	2½-ton
6	MG COY	22	4					4				1-ton	2½-ton
	TOTAL BN	570	19					19				5½-tons	12-tons

ABOVE SCALE BASED ON OPERATIONAL TRANSPORT ONLY
(LOB have NOT been included in above figures)

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++LOB

1 Coy	2 Coy	3 Coy	4 Coy
1 Captain	1 Lieut	1 Lieut	1 Sergeant
1 Batman	2 Corporals	1 Serjeant	2 Corporals
1 Rangetaker	1 Batman	1 Batman	5 Gun Nos.
5 Gun Nos	4 Gun Nos	1 Rangetaker	
		4 Gun Nos.	

SCALES

		Normal			
		LIGHT			
		Assault	"B" Ech		LOB
BHQ		23	7		3
HQ Coy					
HQ	5		1	4	
Sig	3		-	4	
M.	14	29	-	2	19
Adm	7		22	9	
4 MG Coys					
"A" Coy	115		7	8	
"B" "	115		7	8	
"C" "	115	460	7	28	8	32+
"D" "	115		7	8	
		512	58		54

Total Normal	624
Detached - 1 Sj: Records	1
	625
Attached - 1 Padre	
1 YMCA (Rep)	2
	627

+ LOB Groups as per tree

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2/2 AUST. MG. BN. SCALES
"ASSAULT" - "LIGHT" - "NORMAL".
"B" ECH & L.O.B.

BN HQ.
NORMAL.

Light

Assault	"B" Ech	L.O.B.
1 C.O.	2 A.A.M.C.	1 Major
1 Adjt	1 Post.Sjt	1 Clerk
1 I.O.	1 Pay Sjt	1 Batman
1 R.S.M.	2 Clerks	
1 Ord Sjt	1 Cook	
1 Pro Sjt		
1 "I" Sjt		
1 "I" Cpl		
6 Batmen		
1 Driver		
1 Provost		
3 A.A.M.C.		
1 Sig Offr		
3 Sigs		

H.Q. COY

Coy HQ. Normal / Light

Assault	B Ech	LOB
1 Q.M.	1 S/Man	1 CSM
1 Batman		1 C.Q.
1 Clerk		1 O.C.
1 Sig		1 Batman
1 Sjt		
S/Bearer		

Sigs Normal / Light

Assault	B Ech	LOB
1 Sig Sjt	-	4 Sgs
2 Signallers	-	

A.A. Normal / Light

Assault	B Ech.	LOB
1 Officer	-	1 Sjt
1 Batman	-	1 OR.
1 Orderly		
11 O.Rs.		

Adm. Normal / Light

Assault	B Ech	LOB
1 PmrSjt	1 T.O.	1 Cpl
2 Dv.Mechs	1 R.Q.	Cpnter
1 Tech/Smn	1 T/Sjt	1 Cpl
1 Orderly	1 S/Tech	Tailor
2 Water Ds.	1 Cpnter	1 Smn.
	1 Bchr	3 Drs
	2 Clks.	(1 ex AA)
	1 Eq.Rep	1 Cook
	1 T/Smn.	2 Mess
	1 S/Tlr	Ords.
	1 Batman	
	2 Hyg	
	1 Shmakr	
	4 AEME	
	3 Cooks (inc WO)	

MMG COY (each)

Coy HQ Normal / Light

Assault	B Ech	LOB+
1 OC	1 2 i/c	
1 CSM	1 CQ	
1 Cpl Clk	1 Stmn.	
1 "I" Duty	1 Cook	
1 Cpl Sig		
1 Tech Str.		
1 Tpt Cpl		
2 Amn.Nos.		
2 Batmen		
1 Dv. MT		
2 Orderlies		
1 S/Bearer		

1 Sjt - 1 Cpl
1 R/Tkr- 1 Ord
10 MT details

3 Pls (each)

Platoon HQ Normal / Light

Assault	B Ech	LOB+
1 O.c.	1 Cook	
1 Sjt		
1 Bat.		
1 Ord		
2 Sigs		
1 Dvr		
1 S/B		

2 Sections (each) Normal / Light

Assault	B Ech	LOB+
	1 Cook	

(++NB: All MMG Coys provide LOB personnel as shown over)

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RAE	Ord
Sigs	AEME
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AMENDMENT 1

HQ 1 Aust Corps
18 Dec 44.
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6 Aust Div (2)
7 Aust Div (16)
9 Aust Div (16)
1 Aust Combined Ops Sec (3)
RAA 1 Aust Corps (1)
RAE 1 Aust Corps Tps (1)
'A' Aust Corps Sigs (1)
HQ Comd 1 Aust Corps Tps AASC (1)
HQ Comd 1 Aust Corps Tpt Coln AASC (1)

Reference LHQ SM12173 of 29 Nov 44.

Serial	Details of Amendment
	Appendix 'A'
73	Amend column (T) to read 5
89	Column (D) substitute 1, column (T) substitute 1
	Appendix 'B'
128	Amend column (V) to read 5
132	Column (L) insert 1
149	Column (D) substitute 1, column (V) substitute 1
	Appendix 'C'
25	Column (S) insert (S) 1
	Notes to Appendix 'C'
	Add new note - (S) truck 3 ton battery charging

for Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps

Distributed by GS 18 Dec 44.

GS (2)	Ord (2)
A (3)	EME (2)
Q (3)	Capt McMAHON (DOS Rep 7 AOVP) (1)
ST (2)	G Planning (1)

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Subject: EQUIPMENT OF 1 AUST CORPS - MT

HQ 1 Aust Corps
20 Apr 44
G/ 3152 /SD

3 Aust Div (for infm)
6 Aust Div
9 Aust Div
1 Aust Beach Group
2 Aust Beach Group
1 Aust Combined Ops Sec
HQ RAA 2 Aust Corps
HQ RAE 1 Aust Corps (CE to hold)
"A" Aust Corps Sigs
HQ Comd AASC 2 Aust Corps Tps

Copy to: CE
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DDST
DDOS
DDME
Maj Capper (SD(3)-E-LHQ Rep)
Capt McMahon (DOS Rep-13 AOD)

1. The following appendices, originally attached to LHQ SM4177 of 25 Apr 44, are distributed in accordance with Appendix 'D' attached.

Appx 'A' - Scale of MT for a Jungle Div
Appx 'B' - Scale of MT for Corps Tps
Appx 'C' - Alternative scale of MT for Corps Sigs (if Jeeps NOT available)
Appx 'E' - Amendment LHQ SM 4236.

2. The above scales will be used in the allotment of MT for formations and units etc of 1 Aust Corps.

3. Since available stocks may not permit the equipping of all units etc with trucks ¼-ton, an alternative scale for sub-units of Corps Sigs has been attached as Appendix 'C'.

4. These scales supersede those scales issued under cover of 1 Aust Corps G/2993/SD of 11 Apr 44, NOT to all addressees, copies of which will now be destroyed.

5. It will be noted that the following have not been provided for in WEs:-

(a) Bicycles
(b) Motor Cycles
(c) Jungle Handcarts
(d) Portable Cookers (except for Corps HQ and CCS)

Provision, however, will be made for these by the allotment of the following to the Corps Comd for sub allotment as required:-

(a) Bicycles - 150
(b) Motor Cycles - 200
(c) Jungle Handcarts - 200
(d) Portable Cookers (Wiles) 25

H Wells
Brig,
GS 1 Aust Corps.

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EQUIPMENT 1 AUST CORPS - MT

Further to my SM 4236 of 26 Apr 44.

The following amendments to SM 4177 of 25 Apr 44 are forwarded : -

Appendix "A"

Page 1 - Serial 13 column (b) before Fd Pk Coy insert (n) ✓

Page 2 - Serial 36 column (t) delete 3 substitute 2 ✓
" (w) " 1 " 2 ✓

Serial 37 " (t) " 3 " 2 ✓
" (w) " 1 " 2 ✓

Serial 38 " (t) " 11 " 8 ✓
" (w) " 5 " 8 ✓

Serial 39 " (t) " 158 " 155 ✓
" (w) " 14 " 17 ✓

Page 4 - Serial 61 " (t) " 514 " 511 ✓
" (w) " 67 " 70 ✓

In Notes to Appendix "A" insert -

"(n) In addition to vehs shown 2 tractors wheeled 3 ton Crane are to be included". ✓

Appendix "B"

Page 3 - Serial 63 column (w) delete 3 substitute 2
" (z) " 1 " 2

Serial 64 " (w) " 20 " 14
" (z) " 8 " 14

Page 4 - Serial 66 " (w) " 3 " 2
" (z) " 1 " 2

Serial 67 " (d) " Note (a) substitute Note (d)
" (w) before 7 insert "(o)"

68 " (w) delete 15 substitute 13
" (z) " 6 " 8

71 " (w) " 3 " 2
" (z) " 1 " 2

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Page 4 - Serial 72	column	(w)	delete	11	substitute	8
	"	(z)	"	5	"	8
Page 6 - Serial 117	"	(w)	"	648	"	637
	"	(z)	"	65	"	76

In Notes to Appendix "B" insert -

"(o) 3 for Adm duties

1 for Blacksmith and Welders plant AASC

1 for Machinery AASC Type B

1 for Maintenance AASC

1 for Stores Binned.

John Lavarack Lt Col

for Lieutenant-General,
Chief of the General Staff.

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