

AWM52

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

Item number: 8/5/2

2/2 Machine Gun Battalion

November 1945

- THURS 1 5 Dutch service ex PW's move out. Sgts Mess opened, known as 9 AUST DIV REL. PW & I RESEP. CAMP SGT's MESS. Weather warm and fine during day, light rains at night.
- FRI 2 10 Dutch service personnel move out to MOROTAI. 3 Aust civilians move out to AUSTRALIA. Heavy rains during night.
- SAT 3 JAPAN FORCE leave at 0600Hrs. by L.S.T's. Bn broken up into "Q" "N" "X" Coys and HQ Cadre. Two small drafts of internees warned to stand by. Lecture by Lt. HEUVE on POST WAR.
- SUN 4 Padre THOMAS holds Communion Service at 0730Hrs. All Tpt. planes grounded at MOROTAI, hence drafts for AUST. & MOROTAI stand down. 26 Indian Officers arrive into camp ex PW's. Maj. P.K. SEARLE appointed CO 2/28 Bn as from 4/11/45. Draft of 4 civilians for AUSTRALIA ready to move.
- MON 5 4 Internees move out to AUSTRALIA. 25 Indian Officers leave by plane for SINGAPORE.
- TUES 6 Small draft moves out for KUCHING. Heavy rains during day.
- WED 7 6 ex PW's Internees move out to AUSTRALIA by plane. 4 PW's arrive into camp. 12 Dutch Nuns move to KUCHING. 30 personnel go to A.G.H. for medical examination.
- THURS 8 3 ex internees move to AUSTRALIA by plane. 4 unit men move out to GDD for discharge - return to unit NO transport. Slight plane mishap during take off, hence one PW had to return to camp.
- FRI 9 "X" Coy changes camp site, previous one too wet. 30 mor personnel go to A.G.H. for medical examination. Tobacco issue 5 ozs 20 cigs. and other Comfort Funds.
- SAT 10 4v BRITISH Nuns marched out to KUCHING. Weather warm with light showers during day.
- SUN 11 Padre THOMAS held church service in ST. GEORGE'S Chapel, also R.C. Mass held in ST. JOSEPH'S Chapel.
- MON 12 Draft of 5 leave by plane for AUSTRALIA. 7 internees march in. Beer issue 2 bottles per man. Bn received allotment of swords for distribution.
- TUES 13 13 Dutch service personnel moved out to MOROTAI by plane. Small draft of unit personnel standing by for movement to AUSTRALIA for discharge demobilization.
- WED 14 Draft of Dutch service personnel leave for MOROTAI. Bn draw for their swords.
- THURS 15 1 Officer 20 O.R's leave for LAWAS at 0600Hrs. to round up JAPS known ~~xxx~~ as LAWAS Force and come under direct Comd of 9 AUST DIV. TOBACCO issue 2 ozs 20 cigs per man.
- FRI 16 12 Dutch service personnel march out to LABUAN. 12 LAWAS force arrive back with 310 Japs. CO left for AUSTRALIA at 0500Hrs. No farewell. Rest of LAWAS FORCE arrived back at 1930 Hrs.
- SAT 17 Dutch draft of 15 left for MOROTAI. 14 CHINESE marched out to SANDAKAN. 20 JEWS arrived from SINGAPORE.
- SUN 18 Padre THOMAS held church service in ST. GEORGE'S Chapel also R.C. Mass in ST. JOSEPH'S Chapel. Picnic party for Bn. 1 in 6v had good time. 7 Priests 13 Nuns sing at Chapel at VICTORIA Town Chapel. Also sing over 9 A.F. Station at 1900 Hrs.
- MON 19 Maj. P.K. SEARLE appointed Adm. Comd. 2/28 Bn. Capt VARLEY appointed Adm. Comd. 2/2 M G BN.
- TUES 20 8 unit personnel marched out to GDD for discharge under occupational releases.
- WED 21 18 Civilians moved out to AUSTRALIA by plane at 0600 Hrs. Capt F.A. VARLEY visits area prior to taking over Adm. Comd. Heavy rain during day.
- THURS 22 Heavy rain all day. 13 Dutch service personnel marched out to ~~MOROTAI~~ MOROTAI by plane. More men from unit go to A.G.H. for medical examination. Maj. SEARLE Inspects unit lines.
- FRI 23 Small draft of PW & I Contact arrive from SINGAPORE. Picnic arranged for inmates. Heavy rain during night.
- SAT 24 13 Dutch Priests and Nuns leave for HOLLAND via SINGAPORE. 1 Nun moved to PAPAR. 7 ex internees leave for AUSTRALIA. Tobacco issue for a fortnight 4 ozs 100 cigs.

SUN 25 Padre THOMAS holds Church Service in ST. GEORGE'S Chapel also R.C. Mass held in ST JOSEPH'S Chapel. Heavy rain during night.

MON 26 Complete kit inspection held throughout Bn. Anti-Mite all clothes. Heavy rain at night. Capt F.A. VARLEY arrives to take over Adm. Comd.

TUES 27 "Q" issues received was very limited. Clothes had to be drawn for. 32 ex internees arrive from SINGAPORE.

WED 28 More internees arrive from SINGAPORE. 8 Bn personnel visit M.O. for demob. medical examination. Heavy rain during night.

THURS 29 Few ex PW service personnel arrive from SINGAPORE. Unit pay day. Adj. attends conference at HQ 9 AUST DIV. Lt. DRYSDALE arrives from MEMPAKUL.

FRI 30 Personnel from Bn leave at 0830 Hrs to attend Picnic at BRUNEI. Capt VARLEY ~~INSPECTS~~ inspects Bn lines. Pictures at night for camp personnel.

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

NOV 45

2/2 Aust M G Bn

WAR DIARY

ADM

APPX B

Eric Armstrong Lt
Capt.
Adj. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

NOS. 157 - 161

by

CAPT.F.A.VARLEY.

ADM COMD 2/2 AUST MG BN

27 NOV 45.

157. TOBACCO RATION FOR PERSONNEL RETURNING TO AUSTRALIA. (9 Div RO 493)

All personnel moving to Australia will be permitted to make purchase from AA Canteens Service on the following scale:

	<u>Issue per man</u>		
	<u>Tobacco</u>		<u>Cigarettes</u>
Sea - 21 days	8oz	&	90
Air - 7 days	2oz	&	50

158. RETURN OF 1 CORPS POOL OF MT AND EQUIPMENT. (9 Div RO 497)

1. All stores and vehicles issued from 1 Corps Pool of MT and eqpt will be returned forthwith to RSD or RVS as applicable with the exception of those considered essential for the adm of the units concerned.

CO/OC units will forward a certificate to this HQ by 1 Dec 45 to the effect that all such eqpt has been returned or alternately a statement showing the eqpt retained and the reason for retention.

159. MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL TO THE MAINLAND (9 Div RO 498)

All personnel including stores escorts, moving to mainland of BORNEO will carry bedding, mosquito nets and sufficient rations for journey.

160. LEAVE PASS (Ref 20 Inf Bde A1/4776)

All ranks are advised that soldiers on leave permitted to proceed past the Provost Check Post at the North end of this unit area must be in possession of a leave pass bearing the unit stamp and an officer's signature. This applies to parties or individuals either on foot or in vehicles.

161. CLOTHING REGULATIONS.

Attention is drawn to clothing regulations and anti-malarial precautions. Personnel leaving the unit area after the evening meal will be fully dressed with sleeves rolled down. Coys will take the necessary action to ensure that this order is compiled with.

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

NOTICES.

LOST: 23 Nov 45 Wallet, Paybook C396467, Commonwealth Bank Pass Book No M23021, private letter, AB 83 and AAF 204 and money. Owner Capt BURNETT 2/6 Aust Gen Hsq,

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I.

NOS.

by

MAJOR.P.K.SEARLE.

ADM COMD 2/2 AUST MG BN

24 NOV 45.

NIL.

W.E. Armstrong
(W.E. ARMSTRONG)
Adj 2/2 Aust MG Bn

ROUTINE ORDERS PART II
(RO II 25 45)

PROMOTIONS APPOINTMENTS ETC.

	NX 90771	Cpl	HIRD	A	Apptd	L/Sgt	23.10.45
	NX151739	"	SULLIVAN	R	"	L/Sgt	23.10.45
	VX 89103	Pte	ROBINS E.J.G.		"	L/Cpl (paid)	14.10.45
3648	NX168366	"	WALTER	A E	Granted	Proficiency Pay	17.12.43
3650	NX177057	"	THOMPSON	G E	"	"	5.11.43
3669	VX134790	A/Cpl	HOWLETT	W E	Rank of	Cpl confirmed	27.10.45
3670	VX117739	A/Sgt	RETALICK	D.A	"	" Sgt	27.10.45
3673	VX132900	Pte	CUTLER	A V	Granted	Proficiency Pay	1. 7.43
3674	VX117730	"	PARKER	L G	"	"	1. 7.43
3675	VX117730	"	PARKER	L G	Forfeited	"	12. 3.44
3684	WX 10733	"	BALL	I S T	"	"	18.10.45

PUNISHMENT WX10735 Pte BALL I S T
 Offence: Disobeying a lawful command by his Superior Officer. 18.10.45
 Award: Fined £2 by OC "D" Coy 18.10.45

SENTENCE - REMISSION OF

QX 5859 Pte MORRISON S. Ref 25/3614/45 Sentence of Six (6) months Detention. Granted Remission of portion of Sentence. Total Forf 475 days
 Port of Sentence remitted 46 "
 Net Forf. 429 days

(RO II 26, 45)

	QX 18593	L/Cpl	O'BRIEN	W.	Promoted	A/Sgt	9.11.45
	QX 18696	Cpl	COLLIER	R G	"	A/Sgt	9.11.45
	QX 18196	Pte	SHORT	D N P	"	Cpl	3.11.45
	QX 55569	"	PRIDDLE	J J	"	A/Cpl	8.11.45
	NX 78934	Cpl	KIRK	G F	Apptd	L/Sgt	31.10.45
	NX 10493	L/Sgt	RUTHVEN	B K	Promoted	Sgt	28.10.45
	NX 94385	"	MC MAHON	R G	"	Sgt	28.10.45
	NX168370	Pte	PRICE	K L	Apptd	L/Cpl (Paid)	22.10.45
	NX 23400	L/Sgt	WARWICK	N R	Promoted	Sgt	25.10.45
	NX 82387	"	MALONEY	F L	"	Sgt	3 .11.45
	NX 68880	Pte	MC LEAN	S R	"	Sgt	25.10.45
	NX 90593	"	JONES	A	"	Cpl	3.11.45

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NX167369	Pte	MEHEILOFF	G	Apptd L/Cpl (Paid)	9.11.45
NX126654	"	MAHER	H W	Granted Proficiency Pay	5. 7.44
NX126654	"	MAHER	H W	Forfeited	1. 2.45
NX126654	"	MAHER	H W	Granted	1. 8.45
NX171982	"	O'HARA	F	"	3. 1.45
NX203017	"	GARRETT	A T	Forfeited	16. 7.45
NX203017	"	GARRETT	A T	Granted	27. 7.44
NX 48777	"	SMITH	G A	"	28. 5.44
NX175883	"	SAYER	T E	"	16. 9.44
NX175883	"	SAYER	T E	Forfeited	21.10.44
NX175883	"	SAYER	T E	Granted	21. 4.45
NX178625	"	BIRREL	R	"	21. 4.45
NX165665	"	SANDERS	R F	Graded Gp 2 Mech. MV	1.10.45
NX 94648	"	PAYNE	L P	" Gp 3 Tech Storeman	19. 9.45
VX136516	"	ELLIFSON	W C	" Gp 2 Dvr Mech	1.10.45
SX 29358	"	WHITE	G C	Granted Proficiency Pay	3.10.45
SX 30650	A/Cpl	GANLEY	I K	Rank of Cpl Confirmed	5.11.45
SX 30650	Cpl	GANLEY	I K	Apptd L/Sgt	5.11.45
3708 NX 32940	Pte	BRIGDEN	A G	" L/Cpl (Paid)	22.10.45

W.B. Armstrong
 (W.B. Armstrong)
 Adj't 2/2 Aust MG Bn

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SUBJECT:- EXAMINATION OF PARCELS DESPATCHED TO THE MAINLAND
GRO 382/44 (9 Div RO 490 of 22 Nov 45 refers)

Camp H.Q.
24 Nov 45

1. GRO 382/44 is repeated:-

INJURIES CAUSED BY ACCIDENTS WITH EXPLOSIVES AND LIVE AMMUNITION.

1. Members of the public have been killed or seriously injured recently as the result of handling explosives and live ammunition which either -
 - (a) Have been taken or sent home by members of the forces as souvenirs, or
 - (b) Have been negligently left in places to which the public has access
 2. To prevent a recurrence of such accidents, the following instructions will be observed strictly.
 3.
 - (a) Unless acting in the course of his military duties or unless so authorised by or under the National Security (fire arms and explosives) regulations, a member of the AAF will NOT have in his possession or deliver or transmit or attempt to deliver or transmit to any other person any bomb, shell or other explosive or live ammunition of any kind.
 - (b) All units will take vigorous action to ensure that members comply with the terms of this paragraph.
 4.
 - (a) When any member serving outside Australia and Tasmania is to return to Australia or Tasmania, his kit and baggage will be inspected thoroughly, prior to his embarkation or emplaning, to ensure that he is NOT in possession of any explosives or live ammunition of any kind other than such as may be necessary in the course of his military duties.
 - (b) His kit will again be inspected thoroughly at any LTD from which he is to be released on leave, prior to his being so released.
 5.
 - (a) Units will ensure that all prescribed safety precautions for the handling and storing of explosives and live ammunition are carefully observed.
 - (b) Explosives and live ammunition used for training purposes will be carefully safe guarded.
 - (c) Under NO circumstances will explosives or live ammunition of any kind be left unguarded in any place to which members of the public have access.
 - (d) In areas where training with explosives and live ammunition is carried out, the utmost care will be exercised to ensure that all blinds are searched for and destroyed in accordance with the prescribed safety regulations.
 6. If a member is charged with an offence against this order, a summary of evidence will be taken and an application submitted to superior authority for trial by Court Martial.
2. The examination of parcels for possible infringement of the above GRO is a Unit responsibility.
3. Parcels will be closed in the presence of an officer who, when satisfied with the contents, will sign on the outside giving Rank and Unit and arrange for the parcel to be passed to Army Postal Service without further access by the sender.

W. P. Armstrong Lt
(W. P. Armstrong)
Camp Adj't

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

NOS.154 -157

by

MAJOR.P.K.SEARLE.

ADM COMD 2/2 AUST MG BN

23 NOV 45.

154. MALARIA.

1. During the week ending 16 Nov 45, 4 cases of malaria have occurred as follows:-

WX 29126	Pte	BAIRD	R	HQ BBCAU
DX 908	Gnr	CAPEWELL	W J	2/8 Aust Td Regt.
WX 22565	Pte	STEPHENS	G	2/13 Aust Inf Bn.
NZ 89153	Pte	PEARCE	C	2/43 Aust Inf Bn.

2. Attention is drawn to DRO 275 of 23 Jul 45.

155. BAGGAGE FOR AIR MOVEMENT(9 Div RO 486)

1. Recently many personnel on air passage have arrived at the air-strip with more than 30 lbs of baggage. Loading margins will NOT allow more than 30 lbs of baggage for each passenger, and any excess will be left behind.

156. CLEANLINESS OF LINES.

1. An inspection has revealed that lines generally are in an untidy condition. Coy Comds will take immediate steps to adjust this matter.

W.B. Armstrong
Lt
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Adjt 2/2 Aust IG Bn

NOTICES

Postal Duties. Applications are invited from members with a priority for discharge of less than 120 points who are willing to carry out the duties of a Postal Orderly within the unit when it is declared redundant. Applications should be addressed to the Adjt, giving qualifications if any, and will reach this HQ not later than 26 Nov 45.

34 AUST INF BDE GP (JAPAN OCCUPATION FORCE)

Vacancies exist for the following ranks and trades in an Offrs Shop attached to 34 Aust Inf Bde Gp: WO Cutter, Sgt Tailor, Cpl Tailor, Pte. Applications will be submitted to this HQ NOT later than 27 Nov 45.

VACANCIES FOR OFFICERS. Due to the possible resumption of compulsory training, preparations are being made for the extension of training establishments on the mainland. Applications are invited from officers who are willing to volunteer for six months service on the mainland. Applications to reach this HQ by 1200 hrs 24 Nov 45.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

NOS.146-

by

MAJOR.P.K.SEARLE.

ADM COMD 2/2 AUST MG BN

18 NOV 45.

146. MALARIA.

1. During the week ending 9 Nov 45, one case of malaria has occurred as follows:-

NX 38056 Pte PALMER G. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn.

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

147. NON EXPENDABLE OFFICE MACHINERY(9 Div RO 477)

1. Attention is drawn to care and maintenance of office machinery. Instances have come to hand where machines have become unserviceable through lack of attention.

2. Under no circumstances will any person other than a typewriter mechanic touch the mechanical working of the machine, however, units will ensure that machines are kept in good order and properly maintained.

148. DRESS

1. Attention is drawn to Camp Standing Orders chapter 3, para 14 which reads:-

"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 and
- ii. Engaged in recreation outside the tree line, when shirts may be removed and,
- iii. Bathing and
- 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.

2. This order will be enforced. All Block and Coy Commanders will be responsible for the promulgating of and the compliance with, this order.

149. VENEREAL DISEASE

1. Reference 9 Div RO 400 of 10 Oct 45 and 9 Div RO 453 of 4 Nov.

2. On discharge from hospital for RTU of a soldier who has been treated for VD or Nonspecific Urethritis the CO of the Hospital will notify direct the CO of the unit of which the soldier is a member the date on which soldier is discharged from Hospital and the disease for which he has been treated.

3. CO of the unit of which the soldier is a member will be responsible for keeping such records as are necessary and for ensuring :

(a) The soldier is not marched out from unit for return to Australia within one month from date on which he was discharged from Hospital.

(b) The necessary action is taken within the unit to ensure the soldier is kept within the unit camp area under observation for a period of one month from date on which soldier was discharged from Hospital.

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150. MAINTENANCE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT. (9 Div RO 480)

1. No clothing, necessaries or equipment will be issued to any soldier except on the return to unit by the soldier of the article being replaced i.e. clothing, necessaries and equipment will only be issued on "one for one" basis. All US clothing and equipment so returned to unit will be passed to Salvage for disposal.
2. Weekly kit inspections will be carried out to ensure all personnel are correctly and fully clothed and equipped.
3. Any soldier found to be deficient any article of clothing, necessaries or equipment on such weekly inspections will be charged with an offence under the appropriate section of AA.

151. CARE OF HAND TOOLS (9 Div RO 481)

1. As a shortage of certain types of hand tools, especially woodworkers tools not manufactured locally, still exists, it is essential to impress on all ranks the necessity of ensuring that wastage is reduced to a minimum and that tools are not misused.
2. Care will be taken that tools are used only for the purpose for which they are supplied.

152. TRANSPORT.

Attention is directed to Camp Standing Orders Chapter 6 which reads:-

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 driver's 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 body and will not ride on the canopy, cabin roof, sides, or tail board of the vehicles.

(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 his return to his unit.

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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 IT Stores.
5. " G17 Defective Vehicle Report.
6. " B20 Vehicle Log Book.
7. " Mechanical Vehicle Training Pamphlet No 1 1942.

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 MF AAF G4 (inspection report) and AF G13 Accident Report and summary of and report of the officer detailed by the CO to make enquiries 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."

In the past it has been the practice to provide transport for female inmates of the Camp. This practice will cease forthwith. In future before any female members use unit transport the AAF G2 (work ticket) will be submitted to this HQ for consideration and if approved, the endorsement by the Adm Comd.

153. ANTI-MITE PRECAUTIONS.

Coys and Blocks will render to this HQ by 1800 hrs Wed 21 Nov 45 that anti-mite precautions have been carried out by all ranks. A similar certificate will be rendered fortnightly.

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

NOTICESLOST.

A paybook belonging to NK175884 Pte KIRTON J., Also a considerable amount of money therein.

Finder please contact this HQ.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

No's. 143. - 145

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by
MAJOR. P. K. SEARLE

ADM COMD 2/2 AUST MG BN

13 Nov 45

143. CLOTHING REGULATIONS. (Camp Standing Orders Para 14)

1. Clothing regulations will be interpreted as follows:-
 - (a) Personnel will be fully dressed, including gaiters, BOOTS, 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.
 - (b) Between 1900hrs and 0700hrs personnel will be fully dressed with sleeves rolled down and wearing gaiters, except as provided in para (iv) above.
2. Personnel working in offices or orderly rooms will be correctly dressed at all times. Shirts will NOT be removed.

144. BEER BOTTLES

1. All Beer Bottles will be collected and cased by Blocks, then returned to unit Canteen at least once each week.
2. Coys, Sub units and Messes situated in F Block will be responsible for returning own bottles to Canteen.

145. CARE OF HAND TOOLS (GRO 279)

1. As a shortage of certain type of hand tools, especially woodworkers' tools not manufactured locally, still exists, it is essential to impress upon all ranks the necessity of ensuring that wastage is reduced to a minimum and that tools are not mis-used.
2. Care will be taken that tools are used only for the purposes for which they are supplied.
3. Units, both technical and non-technical, having hand tools on charge will promulgate through their Routine Orders the necessary instructions to reduce wastage and misuse and to ensure the safe keeping of all hand tools on issue.

R. J. O'Connell
Lt
(W B Armstrong)
Adjnt 2/2 Aust MG Bn

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

NCS130- 38

by

LT-COLG. A. SEARLE.

CMD

2/2 AUST MG BN

2 NOV 45

130. PETROL RESTRICTION.

1. All members are warned that, due to the restriction placed on petrol issues, transport usage must be reduced to a minimum. Transport will NOT be used for purposes of recreation.

131. LAUNDRY SERVICE.

1. The Camp laundry service will continue until further notice.

132. GRO 229/45 para 63 (a)-ATTRACTIVE STORES- BINOCULARS, COMPASSES WATCHES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT ONLY.

1. 9 Div Routine Order 393 of 9 Oct 45 is cancelled.
2. Attention is directed to the amendment to GRO 229/45 promulgated in GRO's of 19 Oct 45.

133. CUSTOMS EXAMINATION- PERSONNEL RETURNING TO AUST FROM OVERSEAS.

1. Instances of failure to comply with MB50565 of 18 Jul 41 and MB8779 of 26 Jan 42 have been reported to this HQ. Action will be taken to ensure all relevant / is promulgated/infm. The above memoranda are reprinted herewith for information.

2. In this regard it is advised that pistols and other concealable weapons are prohibited imports under item 16 of the second schedule to the customs (prohibited imports) regulations. The inspection carried out pursuant to the above mentioned memoranda will therefore include a search for those items and a certificate signed by the OC troops will be amended accordingly.

MB50565

1. I am commanded by the Military Board to advise that arrangements have been concluded with the Department of Trade and Customs with a view to obviating delay and inconvenience as far as possible in relation to Customs examinations of kits belonging to personnel returning from overseas,

2. Supplies of printed declaration forms, modified to meet the position in regard to returning troops are being printed, and will be forwarded to overseas HQ's as soon as available for supply to troopships and other vessels.

3. As C troops will immediately prior to arrival at the first port of disembarkation, arrange to inspect the hand baggage of all personnel. At this inspection each person will be required to disclose whether he is carrying any dutiable goods. Baggage declarations may be dispensed with in cases where the value of the dutiable goods does not exceed 10 pounds. In cases where this value is exceeded the owner of the goods should be required to complete the form of "Baggage Declaration" and such declaration should be handed, together with the OC troops certificate referred to in para 4 to the Customs Officer boarding the ship, who will collect any duty payable.

4. On completion of the inspection the OC troops will sign a certificate to the effect that the inspection has been made and will show the result of same. All hand baggage (except where the 10 pounds value of dutiable goods is exceeded) will then be released without Customs inspection and no baggage declaration will be required in respect thereof.
5. Heavy baggage which will include only such baggage which is not available for inspection during the voyage, that is baggage deposited in the hold of the ship and which would become available only upon the vessel reaching the port of discharge, will remain subject to such Customs Examinations as the Collector of Customs, in the importing state may deem necessary. Heavy baggage which can be inspected with the hand baggage will be included in the CO's certificate with a view to ensuring that the total value of dutiable goods in both hand baggage and heavy baggage does not exceed 10 pounds.
6. Commands will make such arrangements as maybe necessary to remove that heavy baggage which has NOT been included in the CO's certificate, to a place arranged with the collector of Customs for final clearance. Commands will also be responsible for safe custody of heavy baggage until delivery is made to the owners. A careful check of baggage received from the ship should be made.
7. The Department of Trade and Customs advises that a liberal view will be taken in assessing duty and in passing articles which are essentially souvenir. No charge will be made should it be found necessary in any case for work by Customs Officer, in connection with the examination of heavy baggage to be performed outside official hours.

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1. With further reference to MBmemo 50565 dated 18 Jul 41, I am commanded by the Military Board to advise that instances have come under notices where members of the services arriving from abroad are in possession of articles of an indecent or obscene nature e.g. in the form of Post Cards.
2. I am too direct that you inform all OC troops on returning transports that these works or articles are prohibited imports under sec 52(a) of the Customs Act and are forfeited goods under sec 229 (b) of that act, and instruct each OC troops that during kit inspection required vide para 3 of MB50565 of 18 Jul 41, each person will be required to disclose whether he is carrying or has in his possession or control any such works or articles.
3. As section 203 of the Customs Act empowers any Officer of His Majesty's Forces to seize and forfeited goods, any blasphemous, indecent or obscene articles in the possession of any personnel will be seized when the vessel is within the territorial waters of Australia and handed to the Customs Officer boarding the ship at the first Aust Port of Call.
4. As an OC troops may Not compel inspection of items on a members person, he should be instructed to point out that the inspection will avoid the delay at the port of disembarkation which would ensure from a close inspection by Customs Officers. Should any member then refuse inspection of items carried on their persons or object or refuse to make any necessary declarations, the inspection of the hold of their effects will be carried out on arrival at port by the Customs Authorities.

134. LOSS OF DESPATCHES.

1. When dropping SDS bags on 30 Oct 45 out BEAUFORT one bag burst and the following despatches have not been recovered:-

Reg No	710	to	2/12 Aust Fd Amb
"	16	"	2/3 Aust Fd Amb
"	G431	"	2/5 Aust Dent Unit
"	AG1256	"	Legal Offr 24 Aust Inf Bde
"	14	"	24 Aust Inf Bde
"	A875	"	13 AMCU
"	74	"	2/3 Aust Fd Amb
"	K54	"	Interr Offr 2/32 Inf Bn
"	84	"	2/32 Aust Inf Bn

2. Four unregistered despatches also missing.

3. Originators of despatches are NOT known.

135. FIELD PUNISHMENT.

1. Soldiers of units awarded or sentenced to suffer field punishment will serve this term in unit lines and will NOT be moved to LABUAN.

2. Soldiers awarded or sentenced to detention will NOT be moved to LABUAN without written approval of HQ 9 Aust Div.

3. Pro Coys are neither Field Punishment Centres nor Detention Barracks nor is there any FPC or Det Bks on LABUAN.

136. PROMOTION Wand NCO's.

1. Promotion to Warrant and NCO rank in redundant units will be deferred pending an announcement of policy by higher authority.

2. Essential promotions interim units may be effected in accordance with normal procedure GRO's 187/44 and 87/45.

137. DISCHARGE ON OCCUPATIONAL GROUNDS.

1. Due to the acute shortage of linguists Japanese, Adv HQ AMF directs that such personnel will be considered Key personnel vide para 3 of GRO 205/45.

138. MALARIA.

1. Adm Comd 9 Aust Div brings to the notice of Comd Offrs that during the week ending 26 Oct 45 a total of two cases of malaria have occurred as follows:-

SX 29409	PTE	ADAMS	J	4 Aust VandO Sec
WX 22483	"	SMITH	WJ	2/28 Aust Inf Bn

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

W. B. Armstrong

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

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NOTICES

The following has been received from Adv HQ AMF :-

"Unclassified CITE 446 following for Gen BLAMEY from L. MOUNTBATTEN

My Wife has told me of all the kindness and hospitality shown her during her visit to BALIKPAPAN, LABUAN and MOROTAI also the magnificent care and help which Australian hospitals and Australian Red Cross have given to our Prisoner of War and Civil Internees. The British Red Cross and their workers have also received invaluable help from Australian Red Cross in MANILA and SINGAPORE. We both extend to you our sincere gratitude and hope you will also convey it to those concerned".

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

NOS

by

LT-COL G.A. SEARLE

COMD

2/2 AUST MG BN

7 NOV 45

NIL.

Bruce Armstrong
It
(W.B. Armstrong)
Adj 2/2 Aust MG Bn

N O T I C E S.

REGIMENTAL FUNDS

31 Sep Capital A/c	£322-17-4	31 Oct Trust A/c	£269-10-8
Deduct: excess of expenditure over receipts	22- 8-2	Sundry Debtors	10-18-6
	<u>£300- 9-2</u>	Postal Advance	20- 0-0
			<u>£300- 9-2</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 OCT 45

<u>Liabilities</u>		<u>Assets</u>	
Capital A/c		Trust A/c	1911.86
Balance 8/10/45, 4120.91		Cash in hand	694.55
Add profit after disbursing 300.65 to 66 Bn. Share of profits for members transferred	11.62	Stock on Hand	207.64
	<u>4132.53</u>	Sundry Debtors	1318.48
	<u>4132.53</u>		<u>4132.53</u>

I hereby certify that I have examined the Cash Books, the Unit Trust Books and vouchers relating to the 2/2 AUST MG BN REGIMENTAL FUNDS & CANTINEEN ACCOUNT, and that in my opinion the statement correctly sets out the position of the funds as at the dates shown.

Unit Auditor
[Signature]

[Signature]

Nov 45

2/2 Aust M.G. Bn

War diary

GENERAL

APPX 'C'

Bruce Armstrong Lt.
Capt
Adj. 2/2 M.G. Bn.

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9 AUST DIV OPERATION INSTRUCTION 6

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15 Jul 45

Reference maps : NORTH WEST BORNEO AREA MAPS 1:50,000.
 JESSELTON)
 BRUNEI BAY) 1:250,000
 SINDUMIN)
 MIRI)

INFORMATION :

1. Enemy information and likely action

- (a) During operations to date, the enemy has shown a marked disinclination for offensive action unless trapped and has withdrawn in the face of our advance, fighting rearguard actions when necessary.
- (b) All available information indicates that the enemy in the SOUTH western sector is withdrawing southward towards KUCHING and the enemy in the central and northern sectors eastwards into the RANAU - KENINGAU - TENOM area.
- (c) In the SOUTH western sector any enemy offensive action, other than small local attacks or counterattacks is considered most unlikely.
- (d) In the northern sector it is considered that the enemy would react vigorously to any eastward movement from either BEAUFORT or BEMP and to any northward movement from PATAR. Although offensive action in this area is unlikely, it remains a possibility and necessary precautions will have to be taken.
- (e) General indications are that the enemy would resist strongly any attempt to penetrate the area RANAU - KENINGAU - TENOM.

2. Own forces

- (a) 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp having completed the capture of TARAkan remains under direct command 1 Aust Corps.
- (b) Composition of brigade groups and forces under direct command HQ 9 Aust Div:-

20 Aust Inf Bde Gp	Appendix A Part I
24 Aust Inf Bde Gp	Appendix A Part II
2/3 Aust Tk A Regt and att tps	Appendix A Part III
2/2 Aust MG Bn and att tps	Appendix A Part IV
2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn	Appendix A Part V

Remainder of the 9 Aust Div force is located on LABUAN ISLAND.



TASKS

3. Tasks of 9 Aust Div

- (a) The tasks of 9 Aust-Div that remain to be completed are:-
- (i) The protection of oil and rubber resources in the divisional area to permit of their re-development.
 - (ii) The Military Administration of the civil affairs of such areas of BRITISH BORNEO as are at any given time under the control of 9 Aust Div.
- (b) As an extension of these tasks, all food production areas, and timber areas as may be specified from time to time will also be brought under control within divisional area of responsibility vide paragraph 5 (a) below.

4. Tasks of brigades and divisional forces

- (a) Brigades and divisional forces will be responsible for the completion of divisional tasks specified in paragraph 3 above within their own areas of responsibility vide paragraphs 5 and 6 below.
- (b) Control will be established by:-
- (i) Locating forces at important tactical and administrative places.
 - (ii) Patrolling to other areas essential to the completion of divisional tasks and the security of the local forces.
- (c) Operational security will take first priority and control will be extended only when brigade and force commanders consider that the operational situation within their respective areas permits of such action being taken.

METHOD

5. Divisional boundary of responsibility on the mainland of BORNEO

(a) Divisional boundary

All inclusive mouth PARE RIVER 551352 - PAPAR RIVER to OBAL 695279 - BAUTA 620226 - river junction 615160 - AMBATUAN 570085 - PUS RIVER 553038 - MEMUAKUT RIVER 465966 - PADAS RIVER 426894 - BAKAU RIVER 332762 - village 268709 - MALAMAN 228494 - LAWAS RIVER 027340 - LONGTUAN 890210 - ANGGUN 670094 - UKONG 392013 - RIDAN 840659 - BAKONG 708730 - railway 569819 - LIKU pumping station 490825 - DALAM pumping station 446800 - coast 407800.

- (b) See also map attached as Appendix B.

6. Inter- brigade and divisional forces boundaries

- (a) The inter-brigade and divisional forces boundaries delineating the respective areas of control and responsibility are as follows:-

(1) 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp

As for divisional boundary from mouth PAPAR RIVER to BUKAU RIVER 332762 - all excluding BAKAU RIVER to 318792 - LUMADAN 302810 - PADAS RIVER at 320923 - coast 320104.

(ii) 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn

All inclusive from coast at 072035 - KARAKUN RIVER at 144012 - thence KARAKUN RIVER to 150983 - KLIAS RIVER to 168982 thence GRAMMA RIVER to 209904 thence excluding PADAS RIVER to 320923 thence to coast 320104.

(iii) 2/2 Aust MG Bn and troops under command and in support

All excluding coast at 072035 thence boundary 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn to PADAS RIVER 209905 - thence PADAS RIVER to coast 167733.

(iv) 2/3 Aust Tk A Regt and troops under command and in support

All including mouth PADAS RIVER 167733 to 320923 thence 24 Aust Inf Bde boundary to divisional boundary 332762 - thence divisional boundary to MENGALONG RIVER 229496 thence excluding MENGALON RIVER to coast 056527.

(v) 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp

All including MENGALONG RIVER from coast at 056527 to 229496 thence divisional boundary to coast at 407800.

(b) See also map attached as Appendix B.

(c) NO movement outside these boundaries will take place except by such infantry patrols as respective commanders consider necessary for the implementation of their tasks. Artillery support, if required for such patrols will be provided from within the divisional boundary.

(d) In LUTONG - MIRI area artillery will NOT move outside the general defensive area as previously specified.

(e) Contact points between adjacent brigades and divisional forces will be arranged mutually.

7. Escorts for trains on railway WESTON - PAPAR

(a) Each train operating on the railway will have an organised and properly equipped escort.

Arrangements will be made for their carriage in a suitable truck or flat.

(b) Responsibility for provision of train escorts:-

WESTON - BEAUFORT	2/3 Aust Tk A Regt
BEAUFORT - PAPAR	) 24 Aust Inf Bde
BEAUFORT - EAST towards TENOM	

8. Naval support

One DE (2 x 5-inch guns) may be available on request for important tasks.

9. Air

(a) Direct air support

Direct air support is being provided by 1 TAF RAAF.

(b) Army cooperation

Tactical reconnaissance, artillery reconnaissance and air supply dropping are being provided by 83 Army Coop Wing.

(c) Air support control

(i) Air support units available for allotment within the division are:-

2 Air Support Parties
4 Air Liaison Parties.

(ii) These units will be allotted to brigades etc as the tactical situation demands.

(d) The availability of air support will be notified from time to time through air support channels.

10. Shipping and craft

(a) Amphibious shipping available at present for overwater operations, tactical movement and re-supply:-

2 LSTs (6 davit type)
2 LSTs Casualty Care (including 1 LST 6-davit type)
4 LSMs
6 LCTs (primarily employed on port lighterage).

(b) One boat battalion less one company 593 EB and S Regt, equipped with LCM, is under command 9 Aust Div.

11. SRD

(a) SRD detachments are operating in the inland areas immediately to our front in the central and SOUTH western sectors.

(b) Boundary of responsibility between SRD and 9 Aust Div is as shown in paragraph 5. SRD operations in the 9 Aust Div area are under command 9 Aust Div. SRD and brigade commanders may make mutual arrangements for operations in brigade areas subject to the limitations specified in this instruction.

ADMINISTRATION

12. Administrative instruction is being issued separately.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

13. Divisional headquarters

NO change.

14. Wireless

(a) Each brigade will at all times maintain two rear link wireless channels from their main headquarters to HQ 9 Aust Div under arrangement Sigs 9 Aust Div.

(b) Other wireless communications to HQ 9 Aust Div will be as arranged by Sigs 9 Aust Div.

15. SDS

Details and timetables will be issued from time to time.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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

Signed at 151630 I

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24 Aust Inf Bde	2	2	2
2/9 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt	3	3	3
2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn	4	4	4
2/9 Aust Armd Regt	5	5	5
RAA 9 Aust Div	6	6	6
2/3 Aust Tk A Regt	7	7	7
RAE 9 Aust Div	8	8	8
Sigs 9 Aust Div	9	9	9
2/2 Aust MG Bn	10	10	10
3 Aust Op Report Team	11	11	11
1 Aust Beach Gp	12	12	12
Boat Bn 593 EB and S Regt	13	13	13
1 TAF RAAF	14	14	14
83 Army Coop Wing	15	15	15
FRCAU	16	16	16
SRD	17	17	17
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Appendix A Part I

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ORDER OF BATTLE - 20 AUST INF BDE

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NO 20 Aust Inf Bde

with under command

HQ UNITS

- Det 2 Aust Mil Log Gp
- V Det British POW/RO Civil Administration Unit
- W Det British POW/RO Civil Administration Unit

ARMOUR

- 1 Sqr 2/9 Aust Arm Regt less two troops

ENGINEERS

- 2/3 Aust En Coy
- One platoon 2/16 Aust En Coy
- Det 2/1 Aust Mech En Coy

SIGNALS

- 20 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec
- Det Sig 9 Aust Div
- Det 2 Aust Wireless Sec (lt)
- Det 2 Aust Line Sec
- Det 3 Aust Pigeon Sec
- Det 3 Aust Engr Sig Sec
- Det 2/43 Aust Cipher Sec
- Det 2/9 Aust Arm Regt Sig Tp
- 3 Aust Teach Sig Sec

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Appendix A Part I

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INFANTRY

- 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
- 2/15 Aust Inf Bn
- 2/17 Aust Inf Bn
- 1 Coy 2/2 Aust MG Bn
- 1 Pl A Coy 2/1 Aust En Regt

INTELLIGENCE

- Det ATIS
- Det 9 Sec 1st APL Coy
- Det 8 Aust FS Sec
- Det 34 Aust FS Sec (MG)

MEDICAL

- 2/8 Aust En Amb
- 2/12 Aust En Amb less one company
- One sec 2/13 Aust En Amb
- 2/3 Aust MCU
- 3 Aust Entomological Sec
- 6 Aust Entomological Sec (+)

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Appendix A Part I

Det 2 Aust Line Sec

Det 3 Aust Pigeon Sec

Det 3 Aust Engr Sig Sec

Det 2/43 Aust Cipher Sec

Det 2/9 Aust Arm Regt Sig Tp

3 Aust Teach Sig Sec

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Appendix A Part I

SUPPLY AND TRANSPORT

HQ 2/6 Aust Sup Dep Coy
2/13 Aust Tpt Pl less det
2/16 Aust Tpt Pl less det
Det 2/18 Aust Tpt Pl
2/26 Aust Sup Dep Pl
2/27 Aust Sup Dep Pl less det

DENTAL

Two sections 2/8 Aust Dental Unit

ORDNANCE

2/118 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk
Det 2/9 Aust Armd Regt Ordn Fd Pk

AEME

2/118 Aust Bde Wksp
Sqn Sec 2/9 Aust Armd Regt Wksp
2/58 Aust IAD (attached HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde)

PAY

Det 9 Aust Div Cash Office

POSTAL

20 Aust Inf Bde Postal Sec

CANTEENS

Det AA Canteens Service

with in support

ARTILLERY

2/8 Aust Fd Regt
One troop 2/3 Aust Comp AA Regt
One SFCP

SIGNALS

2/8 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec
Det 2/3 Aust Comp AA Regt Sig Sec

AEME

Det 2/3 Aust Comp AA Regt Wksp
2/64 Aust IAD (attached 2/8 Aust Fd Regt)

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Appendix A Part II

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ORDER OF BATTLE - 24 AUST INF BDE

(Issued with 9 Aust Div Operation Instruction 6 of 15 Jul 45)

HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde

with under command

HQ UNITS

Det 2 Aust Mil Ldg Gp

ARMoured

B Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt less five troops

ENGINEERS

2/16 Aust Fd Coy less one platoon

SIGNALS

24 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec
Det Sigs 9 Aust Div
Det 2/9 Aust Armd Regt Sig Tp
Det 3 Aust Engr Sig Sec
Det 2/43 Aust Cipher Sec
Det 2 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt)
Det 3 Aust Pigeon Sec
Det 28 Aust Line Sec

INFANTRY

2/28 Aust Inf Bn
2/32 Aust Inf Bn
2/43 Aust Inf Bn
C Coy 2/2 Aust MG Bn
2 Pl A Coy 2/1 Aust Cd Regt

INTELLIGENCE

Det ATIS
Det 9 Sec 1 AAPI Gp
Det B Aust FS Sec
Det 34 Aust FS Sec (EE)

SUPPLY AND TRANSPORT

HQ 2/156 Aust GT Coy
Det 2/14 Aust Tpt Pl
2/28 Aust Sup Dep Pl

MEDICAL

2/3 Aust Fd Amb less light section
Det 2/13 Aust Fd Amb
3 Aust MCU less deta

DENTAL

Two sections 2/8 Aust Dental Unit

ORDNANCE

Light section 2/122 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk

AEME

Light section 2/122 Aust Bde Wksp
2/76 Aust LAD (attached HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde)

PROVOST

One section 9 Aust Div Pro Coy

POSTAL

24 Aust Inf Bde Postal Sec

PAY

Det 9 Aust Div Fd Cash Office

CANTEENS

Det AA Canteens Service

with in support

ARTILLERY

2/12 Aust Fd Regt
One SFCP
8 Aust Svy Bty less two tps
Sub det 5 Aust ~~BC~~ Svy Coy
Det 2 Aust Mob Met Flt

ENGINEERS

2/15 Aust Fd Coy less one platoon
Det 1 Aust Mech Eqpt Pl
1 Aust Beach Gp Stores Pl

SIGNALS

2/12 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec

AEME

2/61 Aust LAD (attached 2/12 Aust Fd Regt)

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Appendix A Part III

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ORDER OF BATTLE - 2/3 AUST TK A REGT AND ATTACHED TROOPS
(Issued with 9 Aust Div Operation Instruction 6 of 15 Jul 45)

2/3 Aust Tk A Regt less Rear Details

with under command

SUPPLY AND TRANSPORT

2/29 Aust Sup Dep Pl less det

Det 2/14 Aust Tpt Pl

MEDICAL

Light Sec 2/3 Aust Fd Amb

AEME

Det 2/71 Aust LAD

SIGNALS

2/3 Aust Tk A Regt Sig Sec less det

with in support

ENGINEERS

One platoon 2/15 Aust Fd Coy

Det 1 Aust Mech Ecp Pl

Det 2/24 Aust Fd Pk Coy

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Appendix A Part IV

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ORDER OF BATTLE 2/2 AUST MG BN AND ATTACHED TBS

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2/2 AUST MG BN LESS THREE COYS

With under command HQ UNITS
Z det FPCA

ST

Det 2/14 Aust Tpt Pl
Det 2/29 Aust Sup Dep Pl

MED

2/13 Aust Fd Amb less dets
Det 13 Malaria Control Unit

DENTAL

One section 2/5 Aust Dental Unit

BEACH GP

Det RAN Commando 'A'

With under command
for local operations
and local administ-
ration

ARMD

2/9 Aust Armd Regt less three squadrons
Five troops B Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt
Two troops A Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt
One troop FT tanks 2/1 Armd Bde Recce Sqn
One troop dozer tanks 2/1 Aust Armd Bde
Recce Sqn
One bridge laying tank

SIGS

2/9 Aust Armd Regt Sig Tp less three sections

ORD

2/9 Aust Armd Regt Ord Fd Pk less two
squadron sub parks

AEME

2/9 Aust Armd Regt Wksp less two squadron
sections

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ORDER OF BATTLE - 2/11 AUST CDO SQN

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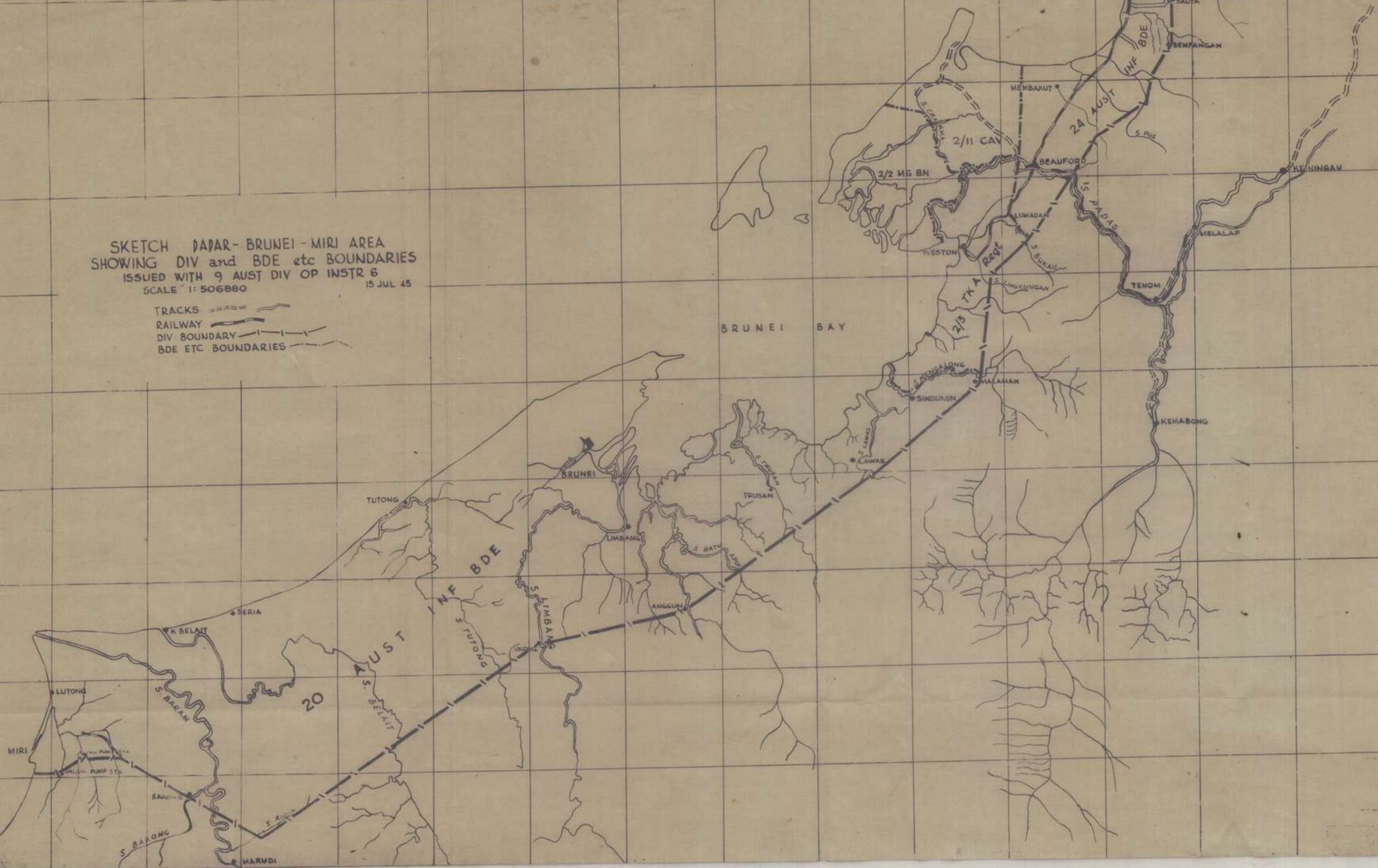
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with under command

Det 2/9 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt Sig Tp

SKETCH PAPAR-BRUNEI-MIRI AREA
SHOWING DIV and BDE etc BOUNDARIES
ISSUED WITH 9 AUST DIV OP INSTR 6
SCALE 1:506880 15 JUL 45

TRACKS ---
RAILWAY ---
DIV BOUNDARY ---
BDE ETC BOUNDARIES ---



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	M.O.
5	I.O.
	T.O.
	R.S.M.

SUBJECT: EMBARKATION PERSONNEL

2 unit will loading CD
 ref: 7/2/199
 25 May 45

Copy to all units

1. All ships loading from 29 May 45 to 4 Jun (both dates inclusive) will embark completely, i.e., stores, vehicles and personnel. Ships loading prior to 29 May 45, unless specifically notified otherwise, will embark stores, vehicles and drivers and maintenance personnel only.

2. A supplementary embarkation schedule of personnel for these ships will be issued later.

A.E.J. Strong
 Lt Col
 PMCO

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9 AUST DIV

EMBARKATION SCHEDULE &
TIMETABLE

OPERATION OBOE SIX

AMENDMENT No. 1

25 May 45

Ser	Ship	May 25			May 27			May 29		
		Load at	Start Time		Load at	Start Time		Load at	Start Time	
			Stores	V & P		Stores	V & P		Stores	V & P
37	LSM 50 Delete Substitute	Dock 1 Jetty	1000	1000	Dock 1 Jetty	-	1000			
40	LSM 53 Delete Substitute	Dock 1 Jetty	1000	1000				Dock 1 Jetty	-	1000

Arthur A. ...
Lt Col
PMLO

9. AUST. DIV. EMBARKATION SCHEDULE AND TIME TABLE OPERATION OBOE SIX

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NOTES: (A) 1 & 3 JUNE - SHIPS MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO BLANCH ON THIS DATE FOR VESSELS NOT YET ARRIVED (B) SLOT X - INDICATES SOME STORES LOADED PRIOR TO 20 MAY '45.

Table with columns for ship name, date (MAY 20-31, JUNE 1-2), and responsibility (M.L.O., E.C.O., O.C. TROOPS, LOAD OFFICER). Includes handwritten notes like 'C 2300', 'B 2', 'A 20', 'C 1', 'C 32'.

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9 AUST DIV OPERATION ORDER 4

Reference maps:	LAPUAN SOUTH	1: 25,000
	PUJUT NORTH WEST	1: 25,000
	PUJUT SOUTH WEST	1: 25,000
	LOAK PAY SOUTH EAST	1: 25,000
	LOAK PAY	1: 50,000
	PUJUT	1: 50,000

INFORMATION1. Topography

- (a) See Terrain Study No 89 - SARAWAK and BRUNEI, Terrain Handbook 59 BRUNEI BAY, 1 Aust Corps Intelligence Review No 3 OPOE SIX.
- (b) Additional information is shown in 9 Aust Div Intelligence Review No 1 OPOE SIX Part II Section 4 to be issued separately.
- (c) An inland route exists connecting BRUNEI to MIRI. This route follows roads, foot-tracks and navigable rivers as follows :-

BRUNEI - LIMPANG road
thence up the LIMPANG and BAWDALAM RIVERS thence
via track 139 (Terrain Study 89) to MELINAU RIVER
thence down MELINAU and BAFAM RIVERS to the coast
thence by RT road to MIRI

2. Enemy (information to 17 Jun 45)

- (a) Accurate information of enemy strengths in the LUTONG - MIRI area is NOT available. It is NOT anticipated that the area will be held in strength and a recent report from Allied naval sources indicates that the enemy defences in the coastal areas of LUTONG may be evacuated.
- (b) Since 12 Jun 45 the enemy has been burning the oil contents of installations in the oilfields.
- (c) Reinforcements may be available both from the NE and SOUTH but NOT in large numbers. Our advances in the BRUNEI area have forced the enemy southwards, and some of this retreating force may be met in the MIRI - LUTONG area.

3. Own troops

- (a) See current sitreps.
- (b) 2/32 Aust Inf Bn, Gp captured WESTON 17 Jun and is reconnoitring by land and river towards BEAUFORT.

4. Allied naval forces are providing amphibious shipping as shown in appendix A and are supporting the landing by naval bombardment.

5. Air

- (a) 1 TAF FAAF with 13 US Air Force in support is providing preliminary bombardment of LUTONG.

- (b) Direct support of ground forces is to be provided by air alert aircraft.
- (c) Tac R and Arty R will NOT be available initially.

INTENTION

6. 2/13 Aust Inf Bn Gp will capture LUTONG by amphibious assault and will secure and consolidate covering position as shown in appendix C.

METHOD

- 7. Order of battle of assault force - see appendix B.
- 8. Reserve

The order of battle of the assault force includes two companies 2/15 Aust Inf Bn. This reserve will NOT be committed except in emergency and will be prepared for early return to PRUNEI area.

- 9. Landing beach

CRIMSON BEACH - CRIMSON ONE and TWO -- see appendix C.

- 10. Covering position

See appendix C.

- 11. Action after consolidation of objective

- (a) 2/13 Aust Inf Bn will reconnoitre towards MIRI with a view to its subsequent capture.
- (b) The force to be used will NOT exceed one infantry company without prior reference to this Headquarters.

- 12. Naval bombardment

- (a) Naval forces are supporting the operation with preliminary bombardment and call fire as required.
- (b) Ships allotted to provide naval gunfire :-

(i) Cruisers

One CA	-	HMAS SHEPPHARD	8 x 8" guns 8 x 4" guns
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One CL	-	HMAS HOBART	8 x 6" guns 8 x 4" guns
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(ii) Destroyers

HMAS ARUNTA	6 x 4.7" guns
HMAS WARRAMUNGA	6 x 4.7" guns

(iii) Close Support Craft

2 LCS (L)	- carrying 3" gun - 40mm and 20mm.
2 LCI (F)	- each 400 HE Barrage rockets

- (c) Ammunition allotment

(i) Preliminary bombardment :-

6"	..	320 rounds
4.7"	..	1,000 rounds
HEBR	..	800

(ii) Call fire :-

- 8" - 400 rounds
- 6" - 130 rounds
- 4.7" - 200 rounds

- (d) Naval Gunfire Schedule - see appendix D Part I.
- (e) Targets for naval gunfire - see appendix D Part II.
- (f) Number 6 SFCP is allotted to direct call fire subsequent to landing.

13. Air bombardment

(a) Target areas are shown in Naval and Air bombardment overlay attached as appendix D Part II.

(b) Prior to L day

The following targets are to be attacked prior to L day :-

- (i) 123 147 148 - 2 light anti-craft, 2 medium anti-aircraft and 3 heavy anti-aircraft guns
- (ii) 62 - coastal defence gun
- (iii) 61 - coastal defence gun
- (iv) 416851 - coastal defence gun
- (v) 59r - 5 medium and light anti-aircraft guns
- (vi) 34 - 2 heavy anti-aircraft guns
- (vii) 22 - medium anti-aircraft guns
- (viii) 4 - enemy OP
- (ix) 417841 - medium anti-aircraft guns
- (x) 64 - barracks buildings and bunkers
- (xi) MIRI - LUTONG - both areas to be thoroughly strafed

(c) L day

The following areas are to be attacked on L day with anti-personnel bombs and strafing :-

- (i) area bounded by 64 - 52 - 76 - 88 inclusive
- (ii) area bounded by 123 - 124 - 148 - 147 inclusive
- (iii) area bounded by 7 - 25 - 23 - 5 inclusive
- (iv) area bounded by map references 424859 - 430855 - 410828 - 404828 inclusive

Attacks will be made NOT later than C minus 60 minutes.

14. Restriction on air bombardment

The destruction of the following targets will be avoided :-

- (a) LUTONG oil refinery 438936.

- (b) bridge over MIRI FIVE at reference map 449932
- (c) wharves
- (d) public utilities, hospitals, churches and mosques
- (e) avoid cratering beaches

15. Direct air support

13 USAir Force is providing 6 B25s (MITCHELLS) on air alert over target area from 0930I to 1630I on L day, aircraft being relieved every two hours.

16. Control air support

- (a) One air support party is included in order of battle 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
- (b) All air alert aircraft will report to Air Support Section when 50 miles from area and then will be handed over to the control of Air Support Party with 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
- (c) Air Support Party will direct aircraft to targets as ordered by Commander 2/13 Aust Inf Bn.
- (d) Air alert aircraft NOT given task within air alert period will revert to control of Air Support Section LABUAN.
- (e) 9 Aust Div will allot secondary targets for air alert aircraft NOT used by 2/13 Aust Inf Bn during air alert period.

17. Air support requests

The following details are necessary when making requests for direct air support :-

- (a) Reference map.
- (b) Description of target : type of target, e.g., troops, MGs, supplies etc.
- (c) Time over target : Include NOT before..... hours.
NOT after hours.
or time immaterial.
This time is vital in the case of coordinated ground/air attack.
- (d) Position of forward troops : Necessary to avoid attacks on our own troops by own aircraft.
- (e) Special instructions : Target indication whether target will be marked by smoke or its position in reference to special feature, e.g., 200 yards SOUTH of road junction.
Whether air attack requested is coordinated with ground attack.
Alternative target if required.
- (f) Target bomblines : Line beyond which our own troops will NOT advance until completion of air attack.

18. Target bomblines

All requests for direct air support will include a target bomblines which will NOT be crossed by our troops until the air attack is completed. Care will be taken that target bomblines include those features most recognisable from the air, and on NO account will a grid line only be given.

19. Naval and Air support

2/13 Aust Inf Bn will NOT call for air support and naval bombardment simultaneously.

20. Target identification naval and air bombardment

- (a) Target overlay appendix D Part II common to all services will be used for target description.
- (b) YELLOW fluorescent panels will be used to indicate position of forward troops.
- (c) Fluorescent panels will NOT be used to indicate bomb lines.

21. Field artillery

- (a) 15 Fty 2/8 Aust Fd Regt is under command 2/13 Aust Inf Bn.
- (b) One troop is armed with 4 x 25 pounders Mk II guns; and one troop with 4 x 75 mm guns.

22. Engineers

(a) Command

Capt F F FARDON 2/3 Aust Fd Coy will command all engineer units of Force.

(b) Allocation of troops

- (i) 1 Platoon, 2/3 Aust Fd Coy RAE is allocated primarily for close engineer support during landing and for subsequent inland operations of 2/13 Aust Inf Bn.
- (ii) 11 Platoon, 2/16 Aust Fd Coy RAE, less one section, is allocated for engineer work in establishment of BMA.

(c) Tasks

- (i) Provide close engineer support for landing operation and for subsequent inland operations of 2/13 Aust Inf Bn.
- (ii) Construction of beach exits and Beach Maintenance Area.
- (iii) Water supply of Force.
- (iv) Repair of main NORTH-SOUTH road to Class 24 within limits of exploitation of 2/13 Aust Inf Bn.
- (v) Provision of two Class 5 ferries for crossing MIRI RIVER.
- (vi) Construct AUSTER strip.
- (vii) Any such tasks as may be ordered by Force Commander.

23. Shipping and craft

- (a) See appendix A.
- (b) LCT and LCM are to be fitted with towing gear.

24. 593 EB and S Regt

- (a) See appendix A.

- (b) Boat Bn 593 EB and S Regt will be responsible that LCM is fitted with towing gear.

25. Amphibian tractors

(a) See appendices A and B.

- (b) LVTs will return in LST convoy which sails AM 21 Jun 45.

26. Command

During the amphibious move and landing the Commander Naval Task Force will command the operation until the landing force is established ashore. Command of the force ashore then passes to Commanding Officer 2/13 Aust Inf Bn. The exact time of transfer of command is to be mutually decided between the Commanders concerned and will be notified to all subordinate commanders by wireless. Commanding Officer 2/13 Aust Inf Bn will notify assumption of command by immediate signal to HQ 9 Aust Div.

27. L Day - 20 Jun 45.

28. C Hour - 0930I (time at which first craft reach beach)

29. Reports

Brief reports and situation reports will be submitted in accordance with 9 Aust Div GS Instruction 1 of 17 Apr 45.

ADMINISTRATION

30. See 9 Aust Div Administration Order 3 of 17 Jun 45.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

31. Location of Headquarters

HQ 9 Aust Div	-	841837	
CTU 76.20.50	-	afloat	- LST 562 LC1(A) 546
HQ 2/13 Aust Inf Bn	-	ashore	- as advised

32. Naval communications

Details of communications available will be advised by Sigs 9 Aust Div.

33. Communications for naval support - Normal

34. Communications for air support - Normal

35. Communications for air warning

(a) While afloat air warning will be passed over Naval channels.

(b) On landing air warning will be passed from 9 Aust Div over the Army wireless communications by transmission in clear of "FLASH RED - air raid imminent".

(c) Other broadcasts as laid down for OBOE SIX will obtain.

36. Rear link communications

Sigs 9 Aust Div will arrange rear link communication from 2/13 Aust Inf Bn to HQ 9 Aust Div.

37. Frequencies

(a) Will be issued to all concerned through Signal channels.

(b) Normal daily change will be used.

- (c) Frequencies will be changed only by use of appropriate code words to be issued through Signal channels.
38. Panel signals - Ground-Air
As previously ordered for operation OBOE SIX.
39. Pyrotechnics
As previously ordered for operation OBOE SIX.
40. Code signs and code names
(a) Will be issued to all concerned through Signal channels.
(b) Normal daily change will be used.
41. Code Words
(a) Code words for phases of operation and for locations are shown in appendix E.
(b) These code words will only be used within 9 Aust Div.
42. Code word for the operation - COCONUT
43. Codes and ciphers
(a) Combined Field Code CCBP 0129/3 with CCBP 0121/D2 will be used for communication with Allied Forces, FAN and RAAF for all messages which require enciphering. CCBP 0129/4 replaces 0129/3 at 0001 hours 20 Jun 45 - CCBP 0121/D2 remains current.
(b) FT Code Number 2 will be used for Aust Army Units for all FT conversations during the operation. Keywords/keyletters will be as detailed for operation OBOE SIX.
(c) Current appointments Code vide Signal Training Pam No 5 will be used in referring to branches and appointments.
(d) SFCP and USN will be using FT code CSP 2156(B) for FT transmissions.
(e) Rear link to LAFUAN - Medium Grade
(f) Unit Level (where necessary) - Field Grade (Trencode).
(g) Distribution of documents and keys will be effected through signal channels.
44. Signal security
(a) Full measures will be taken to ensure that all wireless transmissions are encoded and enciphered when the enemy can make use of the information being transmitted.
(b) Existing civil and military communication systems will NOT be used until approval is obtained from HQ 9 Aust Div.
45. Pass words - Will be issued separately.
46. Signal plan
Detailed signal plan will be issued to the elements concerned by Sigs9 Aust Div.
47. Time zone - ITEM

48. Synchronisation of time

- (a) Ships time will be used while force is afloat.
- (b) After landing time will be passed from HQ 9 Aust Div over Army wireless channel.

49. SDS

Timetable for waterborne SDS from IAFUAN will be arranged by Sigs 9 Aust Div later.

ACKNOWLEDGE d. 18 Jun.

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Signed at 180300 I

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 GS 9 Aust Div

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CTU 70.1.7 (PT Sor)	11
1 TAF PAAF	12
83 Army Coop Wing	13
20 Aust Inf Bde	14
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Appendix A

AMPHIBIOUS SHIPPING

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1. Comd Naval Attack Unit - CTU 76.20.50 Capt MARTIN USN
Flagship LCI(L) 546

Amphibious shipping allotted:-

LST 573

562

667

LSM 54

269

133

4 LCT 1310

1312

1317

1331

2. Craft of 593 EB and 3 Regt allotted - 1 LCM.
3. Amphibian Tractors allotted - 32 LVT(4)
4. DUKWS allotted - 12 DUKWS
5. The following craft will remain in the objective area after L day until receipt of further instructions:-
 - 1 LCM
 - 2 DUKWS
6. LCT and LCM are to be fitted with towing gear.

2/13 AUST INF BN GP OOB

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Appendix B

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Ser	Unit	Pers	Vehs		Trlrs		Mech Eqpt				Guns			Total Guns and vehs	DW out of vehs	Remarks	
			Jeep	2 1/2 ton	Misc	Jeep	Water	Comp ress or	Trac tors	Doz ers	Auto pat- rol	25 pdr	75 mm				2 pdr
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)	(q)	(r)
	<u>INF</u>																
1	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	760	12			10								2	24	25	
2	2/13 Aust Inf Bn LOB	60															
3	2/15 Aust Inf Bn (2 coys)	240															
4	1 Pl 2/2 MG Bn <i>Blay</i>	34	1			1									2		
	<u>ARTY</u>																
5	15 Bty 2/8 Aust Fd Regt	237	7	4		3	1		2			4	4		25	20	
6	SFCP	8	1												1		
	<u>ENGRS</u>																
7	Tac HQ 2/3 Aust Fd Coy	8	2			2									4		
8	1 Pl 2/3 Fd Coy	65	2	1	4(a)	2		1	1								
9	11 Pl 2/16 Fd Coy (less one sec)	50	1	1	2(b)	1			1						11	10	(a) Tippers - 770 w.h overhand
10	Det 2/1 Mech Eqpt Coy	10								2	1				3		(b) Tippers
	<u>SIGS</u>																
11	Det 9 Aust Div Sigs	4	1			1									2		
12	Det 20 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	4															
13	Det 3 Aust Engr Sig Sec	3	1			1									2		

With 112 set
Ø Units shown thus are at
present in LABUAN area

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)	(q)	(r)	(r)
14	Det Aust Cipher Sec ø	2																
	<u>LASC</u>																	
15	Det 2/26 Sup Dep Pl	12	1			1												
16	Det 2/13 Tpt Pl (lt)	4	2			2												
17	2/16 Tpt Pl (Hy)	8		4(c)														(c) Incl water truck
18	Det 106 DUKW Coy	30																
	<u>MED</u>																	
19	HQ 2/12 Aust Fd Amb ø	97	2	1	1	2	1											
20	B Coy 2/12 Aust Fd Amb	30																
21	Det 2/3 Aust MOU	7																
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS UNITS</u>																	
22	Det RAN Beach Cdo	10																
23	Det Beach Gp	2																
24	Air Sp Party ø	7	2			1												
25	Det BBCAU	2																
26	Det 9 Aust Div Pro Coy	4																
27	Det ATIS	1																
28	Det B Aust FS Sec	1																
29	Det 34 Aust FS Sec (EE)	1																
30	Det 2/58 Aust LAD	9	1			1												
31	727 Amp Trac Bn ø	110				32												(d) LVT (4)
32	Det FELO					(d)												
32	Det FELO	1																
33	Det CI Corps	1																
34	LO 9 Aust Div	2																
		1824	36	11	52	28	2	1	4	2	1	4	4	2	146	76		

(c) Incl water truck

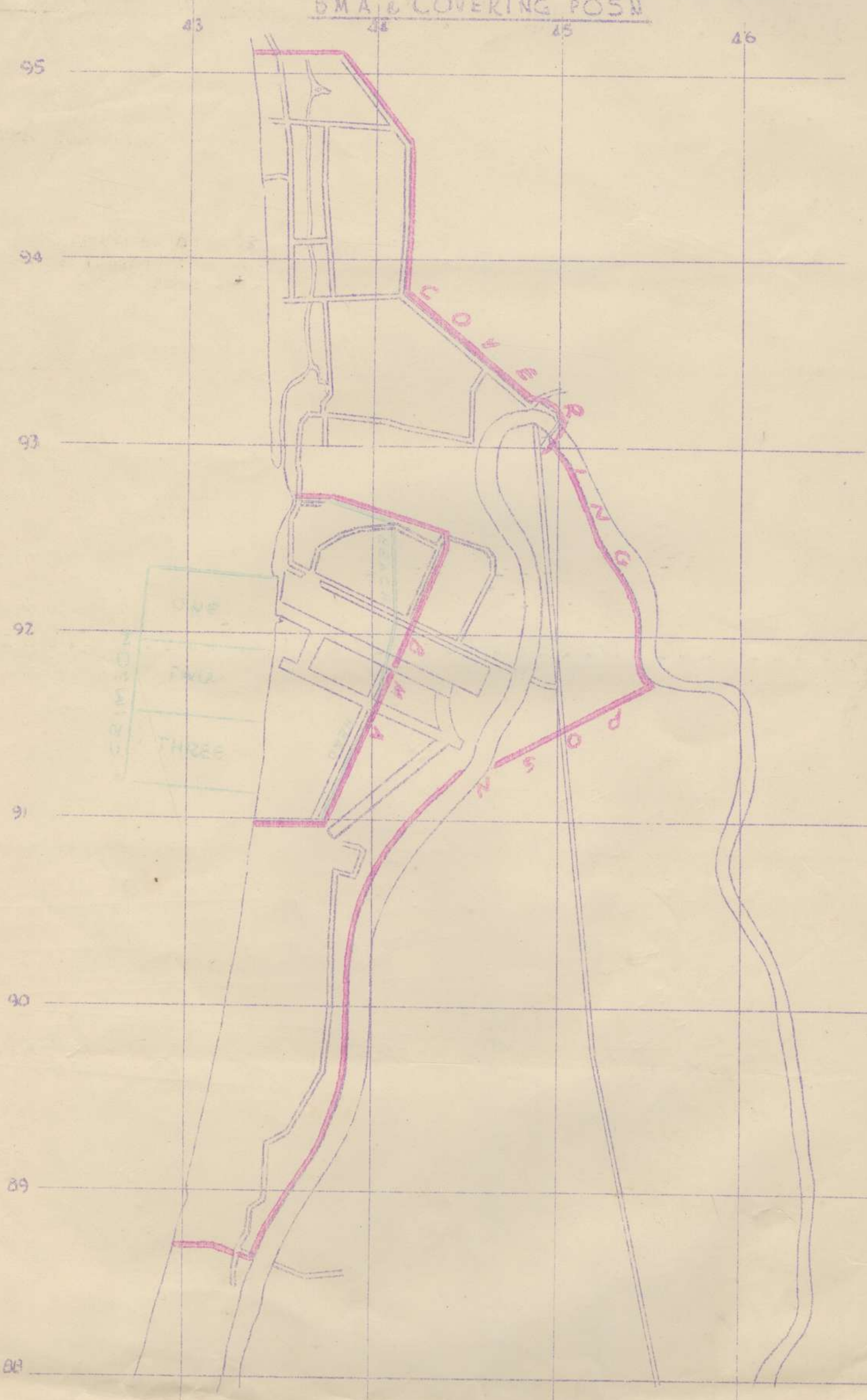
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(d) LVT (4)

SKETCH SHOWING BEACHES BEACH-HEAD

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BMA & COVERING POSN



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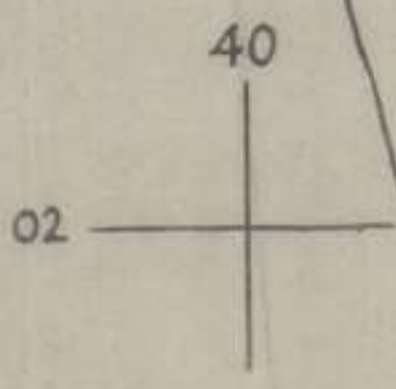
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NAVAL GUNFIRE SCHEDULE OPERATION "COJOINT"

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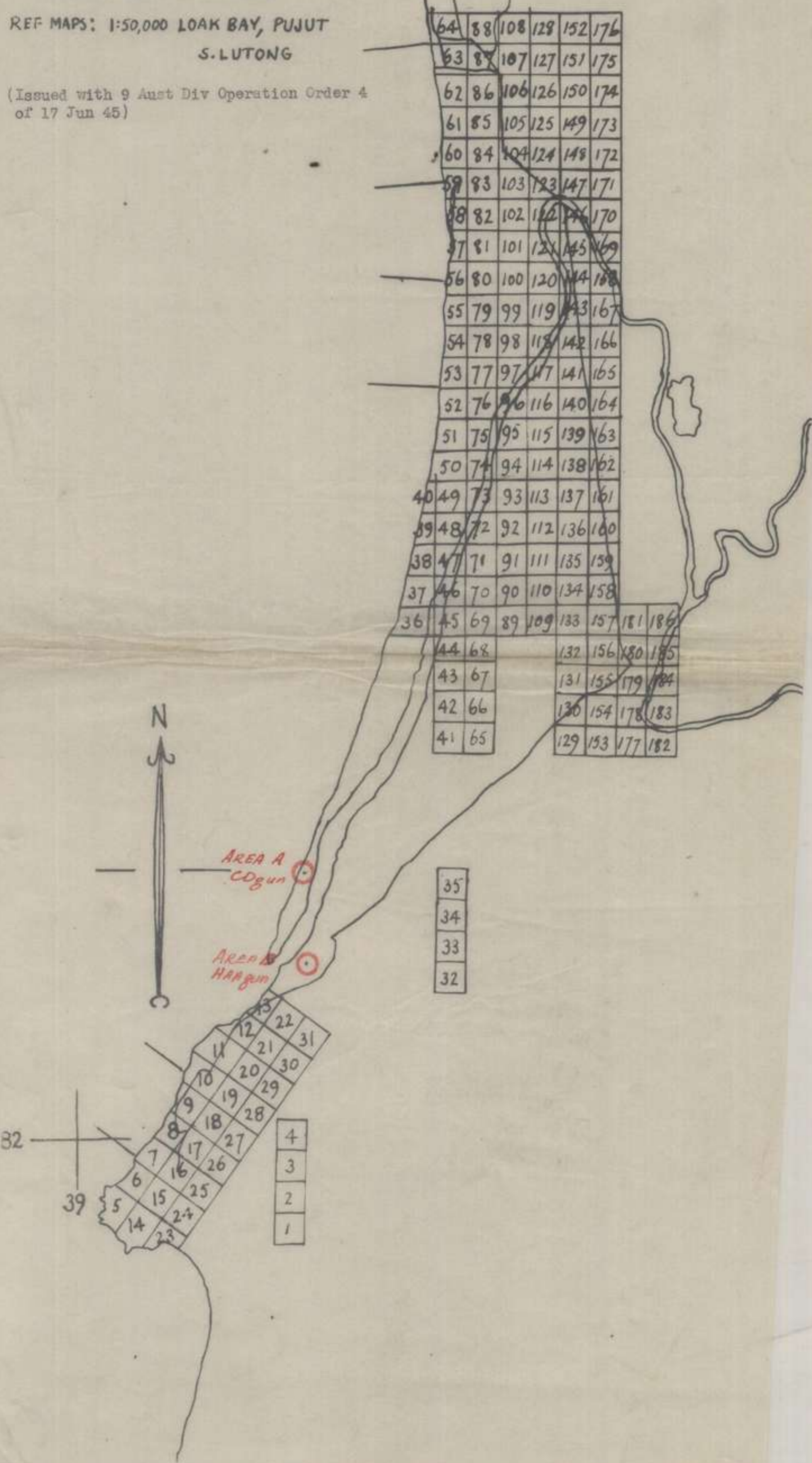
SHIP	AMMUNITION AVAILABLE		-60	-30	-5	-2	C	+5		
CA - HMAS SHROPSHIRE	9 x 3" - 400	Target No Rounds fired							Available for call fire	
CL - HMAS HOBART	8 x 6" - 450	Target No Rounds fired	← Area A and B 2,3,4,12,34,35 →							
DD - HMAS ARUNTA	6 x 4.7" - 600	Target No Rounds fired	← 58, 61 - 64 200	× 56, 58, 79, 80 275	×	122, 123, 147, 148 125		→		
DD - HMAS MARRAMUNGA	6 x 4.7" - 600	Target No Rounds fired	← 123, 147, 148 180	× 52, 53, 54, 55, 77, 78 220	→				Call fire 200 rounds	
2 LCS(L)	3", 40mm, 20mm	Target No Rounds fired	Landing beaches and flanks at CO's discretion							
1 LCI(R)	4.5" HE BR - 400	Target No Rounds fired				← 53, 54 400 →				
1 LCI(R)	4.5" HE BR - 400	Target No Rounds fired				← 55, 56 400 →				



COCONUT
~~OBOE SIX~~
 TARGET OVERPRINT
 NAVAL & AIR BOMBARDMENT

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 S. LUTONG

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Appendix E

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CODE WORDS - OPERATION COCONUT:

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Phases of Operation

MONCLAR - Landing successfully effected.
LATAKIA - Covering position secured.

Topographical

ALEX AGROMA ROAD	LUTONG LUTONG - CAPE BARHAM ROAD	From CAPE BARHAM 1 to ferry 448932.
BACON BARLEY BENINA ROAD	ELG Cross roads 456876 PUJUT Te LOBANG road Cross roads 456876 to road junction 401815 Tg LOBANG	
BUTTER CAIRO CHEESE DELTA EL ADEM ROAD	MIRI KAMPONG PULO MALAYU KUALA LUTONG LUTONG-PUJUT ROAD	From ferry 448932 to cross roads 456876
FIG TREE GYPSY HAM JORDAN LENE NILE PEPPER REGIMA ROAD ROSE RAHMAT SALT SAUCE SHAMBLES SUEZ SUGAR WADI GAZA	Bridge 449931 No 1 strip KAMPONG MUKAH ADONG R No 3 strip MIRI RIVER Ferry 448932 Road No 3 strip to Kg MUKAH No 2 strip CANADA HILL Road junction 442938 PUJUT Refinery area LUTONG River Road junction BARRACKS area 434951 Unnamed river 454923	

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9 AUST DIV ADM INSTR 8

To be read in conjunction with 9 Aust
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1. AMN

- (a) On Z day, amn will be supplied on demand direct from Amn Dump in BMA.
- (b) AASC 9 Aust Div will est AP at Amn Dump in BMA by 0600 hrs Z plus 1.
- (c) RAA 9 Aust Div will ensure that all unexpended Arty and 4.2 in Mor amn landed in Dukws for 2/12 Aust Fd Regt is cleared from initial gun posns to amn Dump as soon as practicable.

2. SUPS

- (a) AASC 9 Aust Div will est Sup P at Sup Dump in BMA by 1800 hrs Z Day.
- (b) Issues to 7 plus 5 will be 02 and ABL(6) rations, thereafter SWPA will be issued.
- (c) After Z plus 5 requests for 02 or ABL(6) rations will be referred to "Q" 9 Aust Div for approval, as it is necessary to conserve available 02 and ABL(6) for subsequent ops involving amphibious ldgs and/or native portorage.
- (d) US rations will be held separately in sup Dump and issued in bulk to 593 EB & SR as required. 593 EB & SR will arrange for 2 enlisted men to report to OC 2/240 Aust Sup Dep Pl 1 Aust Beach Gp and be responsible for issues and accountancy of US rations.

3. POL

- (a) AASC 9 Aust Div will est PP at BIPOD in BMA by 0600 hrs Z plus 1.
- (b) All empty 4 gal containers will be returned by units to BIPOD.
- (c) LCM of 593 EB & SR will refuel ex LST as arranged with CTG 78.1 while LST in area, thereafter ADF in 44 gal drums will be supplied on demand from PPs.

4. WATER

- (a) Until WPs are est by RAE on Z plus 2, water will be supplied in cans on AB55 on ration str at Sup Ps. Basis of issue will be 2 gals per man per day unless otherwise directed by HQ 9 Aust Div.
- (b) RAE 9 Aust Div will advise this HQ as soon as possible on Z Day of the earliest time by which WPs will be in operation and the estimated capacity of each WP.
- (c) All water cans will be handled with the greatest care, and returned promptly to Sup Ps and NOT to Salvage.

- (d) Should it be found necessary to continue issue of water in cans after Z plus 2, issues will be made on a can for can basis at the ruling scale.
- (e) The water cans used in this op are required for future ops and will NOT be retained by units for purposes of distribution of water after WPs are operating.
- (f) When no longer required for issue of water, cans will be returned by AASC to 2 Aust Ord Beach Det.

5. TRUCKS WATER 400 GAL

- (a) HQ Comd AASC 9 Aust Div will be responsible for the routing of all AASC Trucks water 400 gal other than those allotted 20 Aust Inf Bde, as directed by this HQ.
- (b) While LST are discharging, Trucks water will be refilled from LST, under arrangements HQ Comd AASC 9 Aust Div / 1 Aust Beach Gp.

6. ALLOTMENT OF AASC TPT

(a) AASC Vehs preloaded with unit and Maint stores

- (i) Preloaded vehs other than those under Comd Bdes, will offload at earliest in personnel transit camp or at appropriate dumps in BMA, if maint stores carried.
- (ii) After unloading, vehs will move direct to Vehs Transit Area and report to rep AASC 9 Aust Div for instrs.

(b) Subsequent Allotment of AASC Vehs

- (i) On Z Day, AASC 9 Aust Div will make available maximum number of 2½ ton 6 x 6 vehs to 1 Aust Beach Gp for beach clearance.
- (ii) From Z plus 1 onwards 9 Aust Div will advise 1 Aust Beach Gp daily, of number of vehs available for work in BMA.

7. ALLOTMENT OF WATER CRAFT - 593 EB & SR

- (a) All LCMs landing on LABUAN on Z Day are available to 1 Aust Beach Gp for lighterage.
- (b) 5 LCM are allotted 20 Aust Inf Bde for use under Bde arrangements in area BROOKETOWN-BRUNEI.
- (c) All LCM in LABUAN area to revert control HQ 9 Aust Div by 0600 hrs Z plus 1.
- (d) 1 Aust Beach Gp will advise HQ 9 Aust Div by 1800 hrs daily requirements for lighterage for the following day.
- (e) All 'bids' for space on local resupply LCM missions by arms and services, will be passed to "Q" 9 Aust Div by 1800 hrs on the day preceding the requirement.
- (f) 593 EB & SR will detail 'Stand-by' Craft as follows:-
 - (i) Z Day - 1 LCM GOC 9 Aust Div
1 LCM "Q" 9 Aust Div for urgent maint requirements.

(ii) Z plus 1 - 1 Picquet Boat GOC 9 Aust Div
1 Picquet Boat for Comd 20 Aust Inf Bde to
be prepared to move BROOKETOWN for
attachment 20 Aust Inf Bde.
Maximum number remaining craft to be
available for missions as directed by
"Q" 9 Aust Div.

(iii) Z Plus 2 onwards - 1 Crash Boat GOC 9 Aust Div
1 Picquet Boat "Q" 9 Aust Div for
fast cas-evac if required.
1 J Boat "G" Branch 9 Aust Div to
be used as Courier
1 J Boat 1 Aust Beach Gp to meet
CATALINA Courier.
1 LCM ADMS 9 Aust Div
Remaining LCM as directed by HQ 9
Aust Div

8. MOV AND MAINT BY SEA (LOCAL)

- (a) 1 Aust Beach Gp will be responsible for the loading out of LCM missions and the reception of cas evac on returning missions.
- (b) 1 Aust Beach Gp in consultation with CO 593 EB & SR will allot LCM slots on ldg beach for LCM missions by 1800 hrs Z Day.
- (c) Details of loading for LCM missions will be advised by HQ 9 Aust Div by 2000 hrs daily, as per Appx A att.
- (d) Personnel and vehs required to be moved in LCM missions will report to Personnel Transit Area and Veh Transit area respectively under arrangement 9 Aust Div and will be called fwd for loading by 1 Aust Beach Gp.

9. CAPTURED ENEMY VEHS AND WATERCRAFT

- (a) Captured vehs will be handed over to OC Veh Transit area as soon after capture as possible. 1 Aust Beach Gp will advise this HQ number of vehs held by types, and whether runners or non runners.
- (b) Captured watercraft will be handed over immediately to 1 Aust Beach Gp. This HQ will be advised details of craft held.

10. UNAUTHORISED PERSONNEL AND VEHS IN BMA

- (a) No unauthorised person or vehs will remain in the BMA. Severe disciplinary action will be taken against "sight-soers" and other unauthorised personnel.
- (b) 1 Aust Beach Gp and other authorised personnel will wear a distinguishing patch on both sides of trousers and vehs will bear distinguishing number. All personnel and vehs without such distinguishing marks will be apprehended if found in BMA.
- (c) Any person who has a definite duty to perform will report to Infm Post Beach HQ for necessary authority and issue of the required distinguishing patch.

11. UNIT STORES AND UNIT VEHS

- (a) Will be available for collection at Personnel Transit Area and Veh Transit Area respectively.
- (b) Units will not proceed beyond these points in search of outstanding vehs and eqpt. All unit stores and vehs landed will be moved to the appropriate areas as expeditiously as possible by 1 Aust Beach Gp whose efforts will be impeded if units take independent action in the Beach Area.

12. PRO

(a) 9 Aust Div Pro Coy (less secs and dets with 20 and 24 Aust Inf Bdes (instrs issued separately) with under comd 1 sec 2/3 Aust L of C Pro Coy, will be responsible for pro duties forward of the BMA as far as 24 Aust Inf Bde HQ as follows :-

- (i) The est of Stragglers Posts, Walking Wounded Collecting Posts and Infm Posts on main highways,
 - (ii) The relief of No 2 Pro Sec of all Pro duties in rear of HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde.
 - (iii) The est of PW Cage for evac of PW from Bde area.
 - (iv) The control, direction of all civilians encountered to the Native Compound or to such other area as may be est.
 - (v) The signposting of roads, routes and features.
 - (vi) The control of all traffic, traffic circuits and congestions which may arise at detours, craters, water points etc.
 - (vii) The apprehension of personnel driving enemy vehs or riding enemy bicycles or motor cycles.
 - (viii) The prevention at traffic blocks of personnel and vehs proceeding into the BMA other than duty personnel or those personnel provided with 1 Aust Beach Gp distinguishing mark.
- (b) 15 Aust Ind Bde Gp Pro Pl, 1 Aust Beach Gp, are responsible for all pro duties within the BMA. Nos 2 and 3 Secs of 2/3 Aust L of C Pro Coy are under comd 1 Aust Beach Gp until Z plus 6 when they will revert comd 9 Aust Div.
- (c) RAAF service police det will assist 15 Aust Ind Bde Gp Pro Pl in BMA, until RAAF units are est.

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LOADING SCHEDULE LCM MISSIONS

Date: _____

Serial	Mission		Number of Craft	Time and Place of Loading	Nature of Load			Instrs for back Loading	Remarks
	No	Destination			Personnel	Vehs	Stores *		

* For Detailed Loading see reverse.

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ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTARY EMBARKATION SCHEDULE

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PERSONNEL

Ser	Ship	MAY			JUNE		Load at
		29	30	31	1	2	
1	ROCKY MOUNT		1600I				Navy Pier - Ship's boats
2	SPENCER						" "
3	LST 696				0900I		LCM Marry Up Pier
4	" 941					1100I	Slot 2
5	" 560				1000I		LCM - Marry Up Pier
6	" 591	1400I					Slot 2
7	" 585			1400I			Slot 3
8	" 595		0900I				Slot 3 <i>C Corp.</i>
9	" 619		0900I				Slot 4
10	" 637	1400I					Slot 5
11	" 638				1500I		LCM-Marry Up Pier
12	" 640			1400I			Slot 7
13	" 709			1400I			Slot 10
14	" 1025	1400I					Slot 9
15	" 562		1200I				Slot 6
16	" 573		1300I				Slot 5
17	" 574	1600I					Slot 10
18	" 584		1200I				Slot 11
19	" 667	1200I					Slot 12
20	" 751		1200I				Slot 13
21	" 922		1200I				Slot 14
22	" 590		1000I				Slot 6
23	" 613			1400I			LCM - Marry Up Pier
24	" 614					1000I	LCM - Marry Up Pier
25	" 626				1200I		Slot 2
26	" 697				1200I		Slot 4
27	" 742				1200I		Slot 8
28	" 743				1200I		Slot 9
29	" 993				1200I		Slot 1
30	" 1027					1000I	LCM - Marry Up Pier
31	" 1035					1100I	LCM - " "

Ser	Ship	MAY			JUNE		Load at
		29	30	31	1	2	
32	LST 806				0900I		Navy Pier - Ship's boats
33	" 912				1100I		
34	" 936			1200I			Slot 14
35	" 937				1300I		Navy Pier - Ship's boat
36	" 942				1500I		" "
37	LSM 50		1000I				LCM - Marry Up Pier
38	" 51				0900I		Dock 1 Jetty
39	" 52				0900I		Dock 1 Jetty
40	" 53						
41	" 63				0900I		Dock 1 Jetty
42	" 64				0900I		" " <i>C Coy.</i>
43	" 65				1300I		" "
44	" 54				1300I		" "
45	" 128		1300I				" "
46	" 131		1300I				" "
47	" 133		1300I				" " <i>Bu.</i>
48	" 139			1300I			" "
49	" 67			1000I			" "
50	" 68			1000I			" "
51	" 138			1000I			" "
52	" 168			1000I			" "
53	" 203		0900I				" "
54	" 219		0900I				" "
55	" 225		0900I				" "
56	" 237		0900I				" "
57	MANOCRA		0900I				LCM - Marry Up Pier <i>C</i>
58	KANIMBLA	0900I					LCM - Marry Up Pier <i>B</i>
59	WESTRALIA			0900I			Ship's Boat - M U Pier <i>C</i>
60	TITANIA				1300I		Dock 1 Jetty
61	CARTER HALL			1200I			Dock 1 Jetty - LCM
62	5 APDs		1600I				Ship's boats - M U Pier
63	LOI 636	1600I					LCM - Marry Up Pier
64	" 701	1600I					" " "
65	" 702	1600I					" " "
66	" 703	1600I					" " "
67	" 713			1600I			" " "
68	" 958			1600I			" " " <i>Bu</i>
69	" 1074			1600I			" " " <i>Bu</i>
70	" 1075			1600I			" " "

Ser	Ship	MAY			JUNE		
		29	30	31	1	2	
71	LCI 544					0900I	LCM - Marry Up Pier
72	" 577					0900I	" " "
73	" 661					0900I	" " "
74	" 662					0900I	" " "
75	" 753					1100I	" " "
76	" 960					1100I	" " "
77	" 1019					1100I	" " "
78	" 1060					1100I	" " "
79	" 744	1200I					" " "
80	" 745	1200I			✓		" " " C Coy
81	" 746	1200I					" " "
82	" 749	1200I			✓		" " " C Coy
83	" 955	1200I					" " "

NOTE: M U Pier indicates personnel load into small craft at the pier in the Marrying Up Area and are ferried to respective ships.

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9 AUST DIV OPERATION ORDER 3

Reference map : WESTON 1:25,000 , 1:50,000.

INFORMATION

1. (a) Enemy

Accurate information of enemy strengths in WESTON is NOT available. It is NOT anticipated that the area will be held in strength.

(b) Own troops

See current sitreps.

2. Allied Naval Forces are providing amphibious shipping as shown in Appendix A, and are prepared to support the landing by naval bombardment of 2 DD at call. LST 562
LST 573
LSM 54
3. Allied Air Forces are providing six aircraft on air alert over objective area from 1000I to 1630I on W Day.

INTENTION

4. 2/32 Aust Inf Bn Gp will capture WESTON by amphibious assault and will secure and concentrated covering position as shown in Appendix C.

METHOD

5. Order of battle of assault force - see Appendix B.
6. Reserve
- (a) 2/12 Aust Cdo Sqn is available as reserve in emergency and will remain consolidated at LABUAN on 30 minutes notice on W Day.
- (b) Application for use of reserve will be made to HQ 9 Aust Div which will arrange forward movement.
7. Landing Beach
- GREY BEACH, see Appendix C.
8. Covering Position
- See Appendix C.
9. Action after consolidation of objective
- 2/32 Aust Inf Bn will recce by land and river towards BEAUFORT with a view to its subsequent capture by 24 Aust Inf Bde.

10. Naval bombardment

- (a) Naval gunfire support is available on W Day to Force Commander if required.
- (b) Ships allotted to stand by on call - two DD.
- (c) Ammunition available :-
 - Scheduled Fire - 500 rounds 5"/38
 - Call Fire - 300 rounds 5"/38
- (d) Gunfire schedule, to be fired if called for, is shown in Appendix D Part I.
- (e) Naval gunfire targets are shown in Appendix D Part II.
- (f) If preliminary bombardment is considered necessary, Navy are to be informed of that fact and of the proposed P hour (if changed) at least 75 minutes prior to that P Hour.
- (g) Call for fire will be made through SFCP RT net.

11. Air Support

- (a) All aircraft on air alert are to report to Air Support Section 1 TAF RAAF when 50 miles from objective area and are then to be handed over to the control of Air Support Party with 2/32 Aust Inf Bn Gp
- (b) Air Support Party is to direct aircraft to targets as ordered by CO 2/32 Aust Inf Bn.
- (c) Aircraft NOT given task within period over target will revert to control Air Support Section.
- (d) 2/32 Aust Inf Bn will NOT call for air support and naval bombardment simultaneously.

12. Tac R

Tac R by Auster aircraft is available by request through normal Air Support Channels.

13. Target identification - naval and air bombardment

- (a) Target overprint common to all services will be used for target description.
 - (b) RED fluorescent panels will be used to indicate position of forward troops.
 - (c) Fluorescent panels will NOT be used to indicate bomb lines.
- Field artillery

- (a) 23 Bty 2/12 Aust Fd Regt is under command of 2/32 Aust Inf Bn.
- (b) One troop will be armed with four 4.2 inch mortars, second troop with four 25 pr Mk II.
- (c) 25 prs will be pre-loaded into LVTs, plus detachment of 6 men, and 40 rpg in each LVT.
- (d) Ammunition
 - 110 rpg will be taken with 25 pr guns. First line mortar ammunition will be carried.

15. Survey

8 Aust Survey Bty less two troops and detachment 5 Aust Fd Svy Coy will be available to carry out survey work after the establishment of the beachhead.

16. Engineers

(a) Command

(1) OC 2/16 Aust Fd Coy RAE will command all engineer units allocated to the force.

(11) Capt J T ABBIS, 2 IC 2/15 Aust Fd Coy will command all engineer units of 1 Aust Beach Gp and will be responsible for all engineer work in establishment of Beach Maintenance Area.

(b) Tasks

(1) 10 Pl 2/16 Aust Fd Coy RAE is allocated primarily for close engineer support of 2/32 Aust Inf Bn and will be responsible for :-

Clearance of debris from native huts in order to permit the landing of the assault troops.

Establishment of supply routes to forward companies of 2/32 Aust Inf Bn.

Rehabilitation of railway or if NOT possible conversion to class 24 road as far as possible.

Construction of Auster strip.

Close support of any further operations either overland or by water which may be undertaken by 2/32 Aust Inf Bn.

(11) Engineers allocated from 1 Aust Beach Gp are allocated primarily for establishment of Beach Maintenance Area and tasks include :-

Beach exits

Construction of permanent unloading hards for LCMs

Construction of jetty for launches

Water supply of force

Any further tasks as may be ordered.

17. EB and SR craft

See Appendices A and B. *FOR LANDING*
31 LCM 1 GUNBOAT - 4 LCM & GUNBOAT
REMAIN UNDER COMD - REMAINDER RETURN LABUAN AT EARLIEST

18. Amphibious Tractors

See appendices A and B. 27 LVT TO RETURN TO LABUAN IN LST
IMMEDIATELY AFTER LANDING

19. Command

During the amphibious move and landing, Commander Naval Task Force will command the operation until the landing force is established ashore. Command of the force ashore then passes to CO 2/32 Aust Inf Bn. The exact time of transfer of command is to be mutually decided between Commanders concerned and will be notified to all subordinate commanders by wireless. CO 2/32 Aust Inf Bn will notify assumption of command by IMMEDIATE signal to HQ 9 Aust Div.

20. W Day

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21. P Hour

0930I (time at which first craft reach beach).

22. Reports

Brief reports and situation reports will be submitted in accordance with 9 Aust Div GS Instr 1 of 17 Apr 45.

ADMINISTRATION

23. Ammunition

- (a) 7 days at WUR INTENSE plus additional quantities of certain types will be landed with the force.
- (b) Replenishment will be on a replacement of usage basis. Urgent requirements will be advised by signal.

24. POL

7 days MT80 and ADF will be landed with the force.

25. Supplies

- (a) 7 days maintenance comprising 3 day FOR and 4 days ABL will be landed.
- (b) A reserve holding of 3,000 A3 emergency rations and 4,080 tins of canned heat is also being landed.

26. Water

- (a) Water will be landed on the basis of 2 gallons per man per day for W Day and W plus 1.
- (b) 2/32 Aust Inf Bn will advise this HQ when WP has been established also the daily capacity of the WP.

27. Ordnance

- (a) Ordnance requirements will be collated by 2/32 Aust Inf Bn and indents submitted to ADOS 9 Aust Div in the normal manner.
- (b) Urgent requirements will be signalled to ADOS 9 Aust Div.

28. Medical

One section of 2/13 Aust Fd Amb will land in support of the force to establish an ADS, casualties will be evacuated to LABUAN by returning LCMS. Courier craft may also be used for this purpose.

29. Q returns

- (a) 2/32 Aust Inf Bn will signal the following daily at 1600 hrs:
 - (i) Ration strength of force showing AMF, RAAF, US, and natives.
 - (ii) Holding of:
 - SWPA rations
 - ABL(6) rations
 - FOR rations
 - A3 rations
 - Chocolate D ration
 - (iii) Holdings of POL showing:
 - MT 80 gallons
 - ADF gallons
 - Range fuel gallons
 - Kero lighting gallons
 - Kero power gallons
 - (iv) Ammunition holdings of main types.

- (v) Ammunition expenditure for the force of main types.
- (vi) Expenditure of Gelatrol and ignition cylinders.
- (b) Complete stock returns will be forwarded by service representatives through service channels daily.

30. Normal maintenance

- (a) Force will be maintained by 9 Aust Div using LCMS.
- (b) Requests for special equipments or stores to be forwarded in resupply mission must be submitted to reach this HQ by 1600 hrs on the preceding day.

31. Repair and recovery

All vehicles and equipments beyond the repair resources of the force will be evacuated to LABUAN on returning LCM resupply missions.

32. Courier craft

One courier craft will depart LABUAN 0815 hrs daily departing WESTON on return journey 1400 hrs daily. This service will commence 180815I:

INTERCOMMUNICATION

33. Naval communications

Details of communications available will be issued by Sigs 9 Aust Div.

34. Communications for Naval support

Normal

35. Communications for Air support

Normal

36. Communications for Air Warning

- (a) While afloat air warning will be passed over Naval channels.
- (b) On landing air warning will be passed from 9 Aust Div over Army wireless communications by transmission in clear of Flash RED - air raid imminent.

37. Rear Link communications

Sigs 9 Aust Div will arrange rear link wireless communications to HQ 9 Aust Div.

38. Frequencies

- (a) Will be issued to all concerned through signal channels.
- (b) Normal daily change will be used.
- (c) Frequencies will be changed only by use of appropriate code words to be issued through signal channels.

39. Panel Signals - Ground - Air

As detailed in 9 Aust Div Operation Order 2.

40. Code Signs and Code Names

- (a) Will be issued to all concerned through Signal channels.
- (b) Normal daily change will be used.

41. Codes and Ciphers

- (a) Combined Field code CCBP 0129/3 with CCBP 0121/D2 will be used for communication with Allied Forces, RAN and RAAF for all messages which require enciphering. CCBP 0129/4 replaces 0129/3 at 0001 hours 20 Jun 45 - CCBP 0121/D2 remains current.
- (b) RT Code Number 2 will be used for Aust Army Units for all RT conversations during the operation. Keywords/keyletters will be as detailed for operation OBOE SIX.
- (c) Current appointments Code vide Signal Training Pam No 5 will be used in referring to branches and appointments.
- (d) SFCP and USN will be using RT Code CSP 2156(B) for RT transmissions.
- (e) Rear link to LABUAN - Medium Grade.
Unit Level (where necessary) - Field Grade (trouche)
- (f) Distribution of documents and keys will be effected through signal channels.

42. Signal Security

- (a) Full measures will be taken to ensure that all wireless transmissions are encoded and enciphered when the enemy can make use of the information being transmitted.
- (b) Existing civil and military communication systems will NOT be used until approval is obtained from HQ 9 Aust Div.

43. Pass Words

Will be issued separately.

44. Signal Plan

Detailed signal plan will be issued to the elements concerned by Sigs 9 Aust Div.

45. Time Zone - ITEM

46. Synchronisation of Time

- (a) Ships time will be used while force is afloat.
- (b) After landing time will be passed from HQ 9 Aust Div over Army wireless channel.

47. SDS

Timetable for waterborne SDS from LABUAN will be arranged by Sigs 9 Aust Div later.

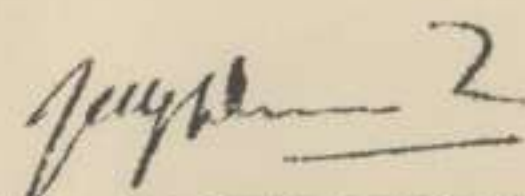
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2/12 Aust Cdo Sqn	7	7	7	7	7	7
Boat Bn 593 EB and S Regt	8	8	8	8	8	8
727 Amphibian Tractor Bn	9	9	9	9	9	9
CTG 78.1	10	10	10	10	10	10
CTG 78.1.20	11	11	11	11	11	11
1 TAF RAAF	12	12	12	12	12	12
83 Army Cbop Wing	13	13	13	13	13	13
20 Aust Inf Bde	14	14	14	14	14	14
24 Aust Inf Bde	15	15	15	15	15	15
2/9 Aust Armd Regt	16	16	16	16	-	-
RAA 9 Aust Div	17	17	17	17	16	16
RAE 9 Aust Div	18	18	18	18	17	17
Sigs 9 Aust Div	19	19	19	19	18	18
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1 Aust Beach Cp	22	22	22	22	-	-
3 Aust Ops Report	23	23	23	23	19	19
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AMPHIBIOUS SHIPPING

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1. Commander Naval Attack Unit - OTU 78.1.20

Amphibious shipping available :-

LST 562
LST 573
LSM 54

2. (a) Craft of 593 EB and S Regt available :-

31 LCM
1 gunboat

(b) 4 LCM and gunboat craft will remain under command
2/32 Aust Inf Bn, remainder will return LABUAN at earliest.

3. Amphibious tractors available :-

27 LVT - to return to LABUAN in
LST immediately after landing.

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Appendix B

Order of Battle 2/30 Aust Inf Bn Gp

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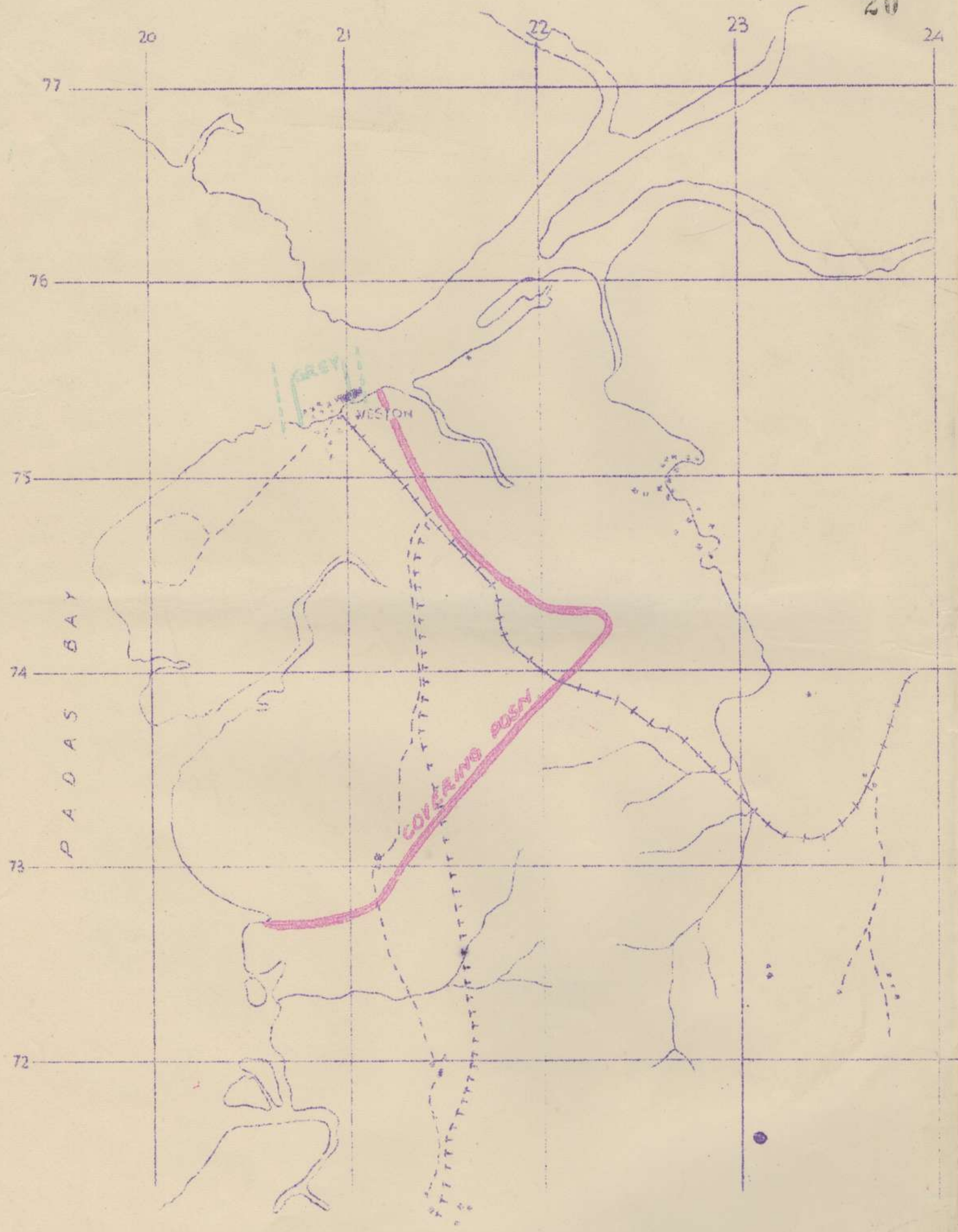
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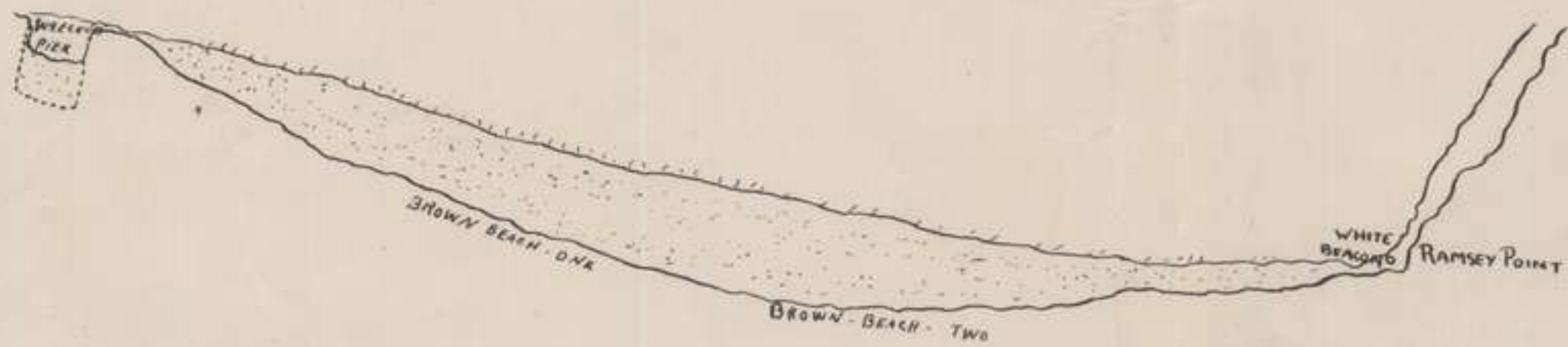
Serial	Unit	Personnel	Jeeps	Jeep trailers:	2 1/2 tons	5 tons	Tanks	Mech eqpt	Trailers miscellaneous	Crans	Total vehs	Stores
1	2 Tps 2/9 Aust Arm'd Regt	14					0		1		4	Arty trailer
2	Tp 2/1 Aust Arm'd Bde Recce Sqn	14			1		0		1		0	Miscellaneous trailer
3	2/9 Aust Arm'd Regt HQ Party	0	1	1							0	
4	det 2/9 Aust Arm'd Sig Tp	0										
5	det 2/9 Aust Arm'd Regt Ord Fd Pk	0	1	1							0	
6	det 2/9 Aust Arm'd Regt Wksp	6	1	1							0	
7	88 Bty 2/12 Aust Fd Regt	183	6	0	3		0#		1*	4	14	2 # 1 TD9, 1 TD x water trail 4x4.2" mort
8	SFCP	0	1	1							0	
9	Air Support Party	0	0	1							0	
10	Tag HQ 2/16 Aust Fd Coy	17	0	0	1*	0#					0	x with winch # guage
11	P1 2/16 Aust Fd Coy	60	1	1	0			1*		1#	0	x 1 x R4 # incl compre or
12	P1 2/15 Aust Fd Coy (Beach Gp)	66	0	0	1	0		4*			0	10 x 1 x R4, 2HD, dozer 4 sled -2TD 18 4 sled
12(a)	det 5 ED P1	10	1	1								
13	det 2/24 Aust Fd Pk Coy	5						0			0	
14	2/32 Aust Inf Bn (less/dets 3 PL (mortars))	779	13	11							0	04 133
15	det 2/76 Aust LAD	4										

Serial	Unit	Personnel	Jeeps	Jeep trailers	2 1/2 tons	3 tons	Tanks	Mech eqpt	Trailers miscellaneous	Guns	Total vehs	Stores
16	Two pls 2/2 Aust MG Bn	85	3	3							6	
17	det 9 Aust Div Sigs	3										
18	det 24 Aust Inf Bde Sigs	2										
19	det 50 Aust Cipher Sec	2										
20	det A RAN Beach Sig Sec	4										
21	det 2/13 Aust Fd Amb	30	1	1							2	
22	det 2/14 Aust Tpt Pl	14	6	6							12	
23	det 2/29 Aust Sub Dep Pl	6										
24	BECAU	6										
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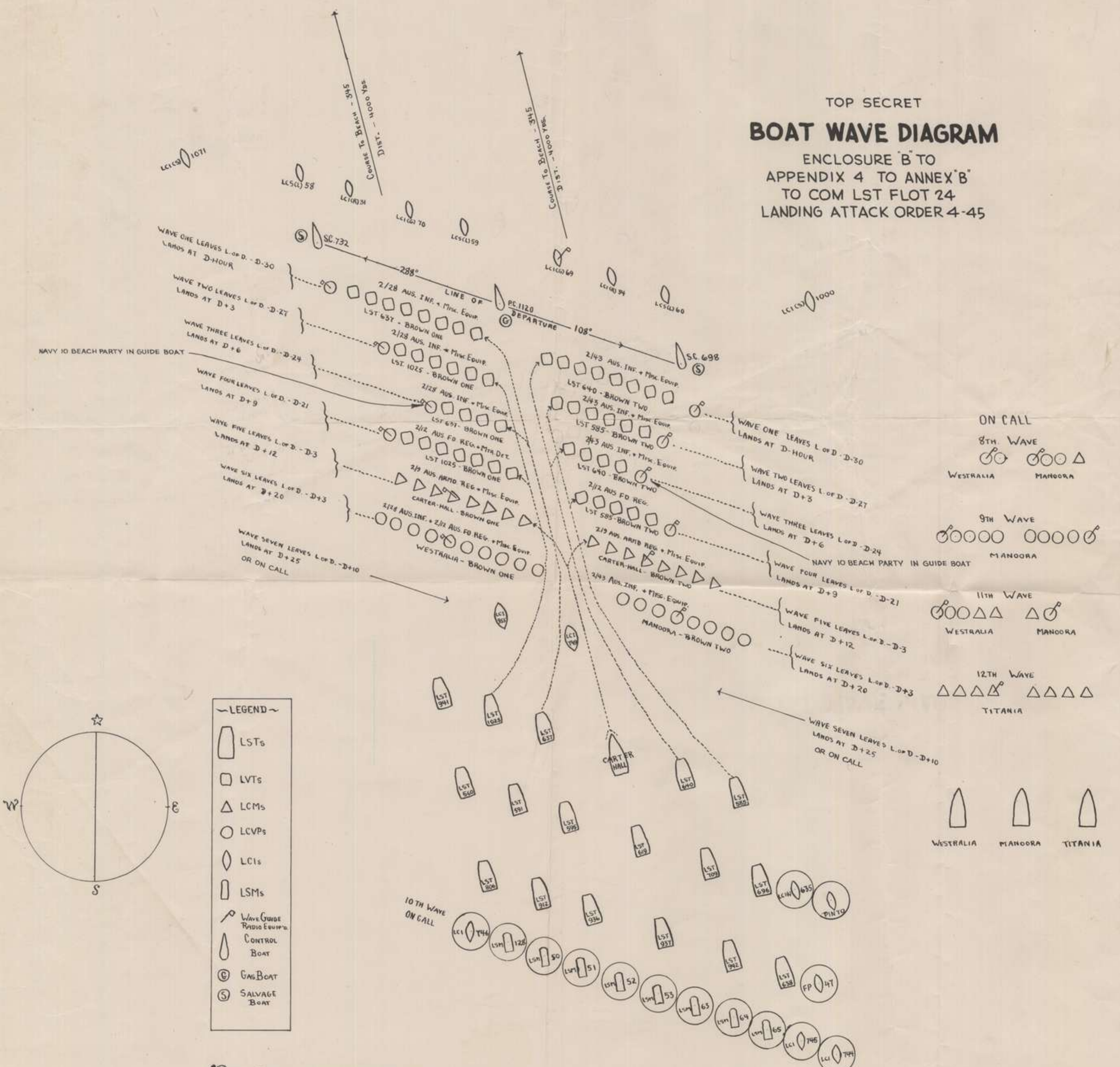
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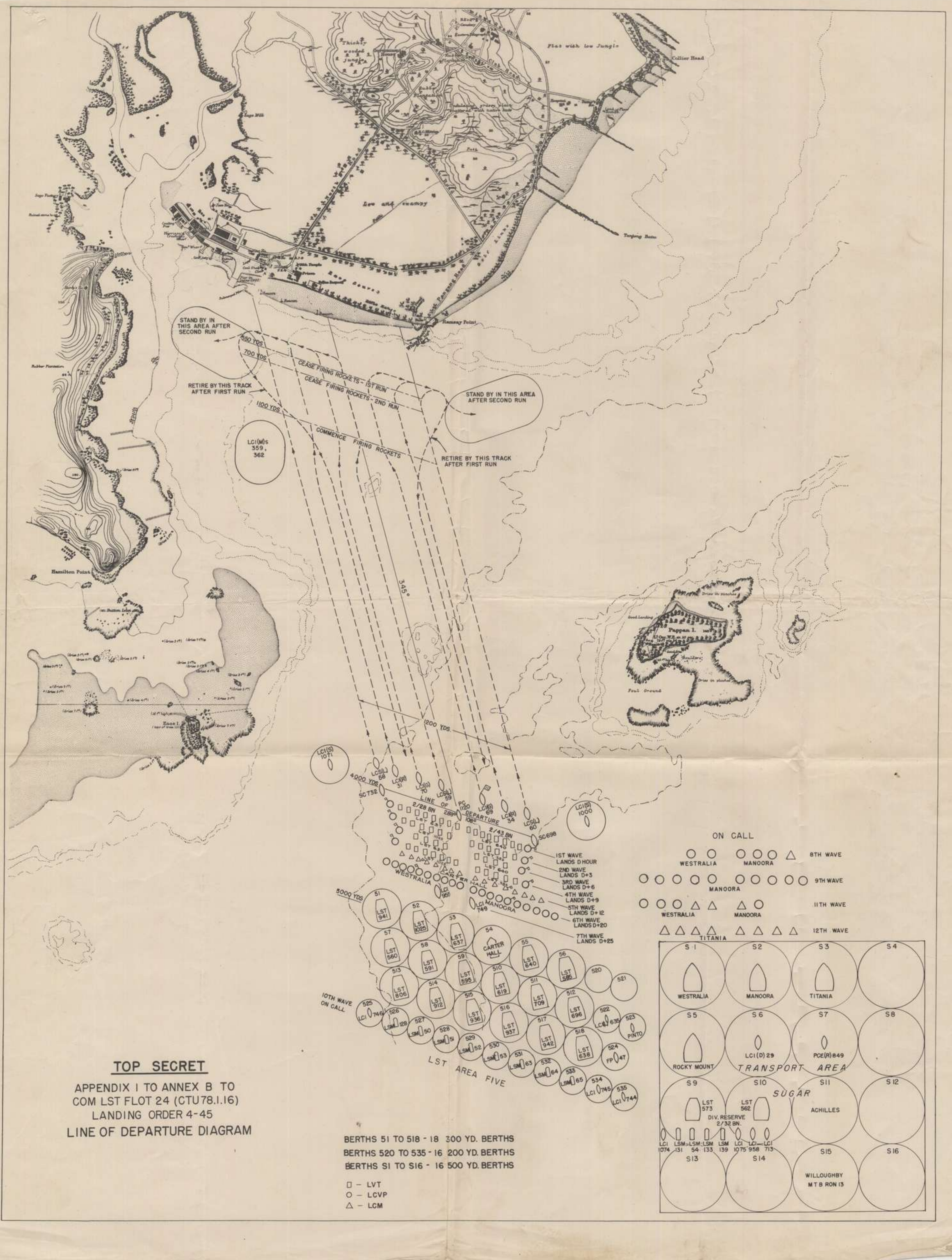




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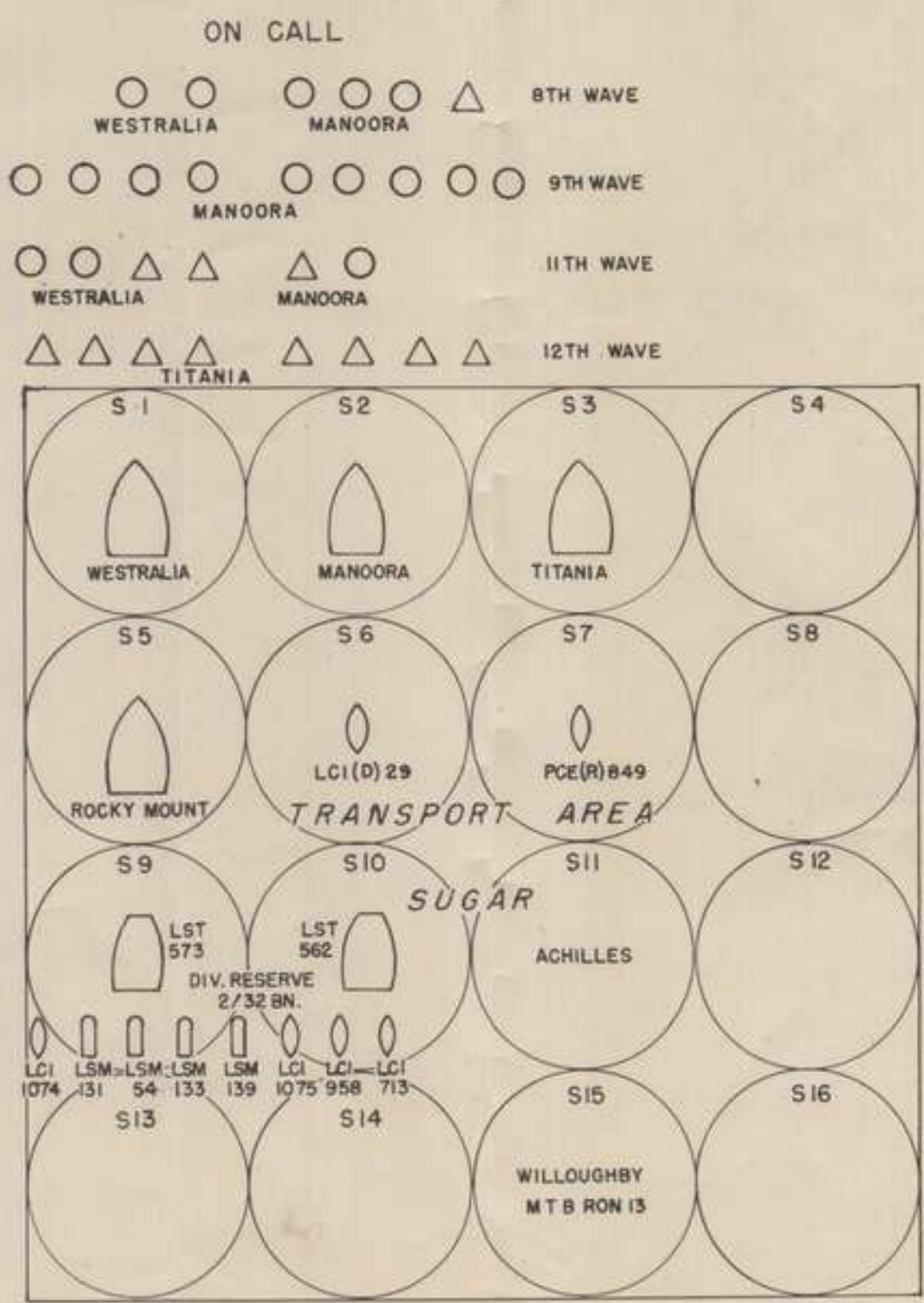


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 LINE OF DEPARTURE DIAGRAM

BERTHS 51 TO 518 - 18 300 YD. BERTHS
 BERTHS 520 TO 535 - 16 200 YD. BERTHS
 BERTHS S1 TO S16 - 16 500 YD. BERTHS

□ - LVT
 ○ - LCVP
 △ - LCM



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Reference maps :

BRUNEI BAY	}	1:250,000 - map references given by letters and figures, e.g. (L) A2699
SINDUMIN		
MIRI		
LABUAN NORTH	}	1:50,000 - map references given as four, six or eight figure references
LABUAN SOUTH		
PELONG ROCK		
S MANGSALUT		
TG LAMUT		
BRUNEI		
LIMBANG RIVER		
LABU	}	1:25,000 - map references given as four, six, or eight figure references.
LABUAN SOUTH SPECIAL		
PELONG ROCK SE SPECIAL		
PELONG ROCK SW SPECIAL		
TG LUMUT		
BRUNEI SE		
BRUNEI NE		
S MANGSALUT		

INFORMATION

1. Topography

- (a) (i) AGS SWPA Terrain Handbook 59 and Terrain Studies 89 and 90.
- (ii) 1 Aust Corps Intelligence Review OBOE SIX issued ~~herewith~~
- (iii) 9 Aust Div Intelligence Summary OBOE SIX to be issued.
- (b) Road communications in the area, particularly to the NORTH of BRUNEI BAY, are limited except for the LABUAN township area 8182 and BRUNEI PENINSULA.
- (c) Rivers probably navigable by LCM, and possibly by LCT, exist as follows :-
 - (i) KLIAS R to KOTA KLIAS (L) A2699
 - (ii) PADAS R to BEAUFORT (L) A3789
 - (iii) BRUNEI R to BRUNEI (L) 4839
 - (iv) LIMBANG R to LIMBANG 5524
- (d) It will probably be necessary to use these rivers for tactical movement and supply.
- (e) Tactical movement and supply to PAPAR R (F) V53, the shores of BRUNEI BAY, SERIA (P) D720, and MIRI (P) J48 may be by sea.

2. Designation of beaches

- (a) BRUNEI PENINSULA and MUARA ISLAND - Appendix C Part I.
- (b) LABUAN ISLAND - Appendix C Part II.
- (c) Other beaches in the objective area will be defined in 9 Aust Div Intelligence Summary OBOE SIX

3. Enemy

- (a) Dispositions and strengths - 9 Aust Div Intelligence Summary OBOE SIX.
- (b) Reinforcement of the area is possible from :-
 - (i) JESSELTON where enemy strength is estimated at : 5,000, but may increase to 6,000/7,000 by end of May.
 - (ii) Area RANAU - KENINGAU - TENOM - PENSIANGAN where enemy movement has been reported recently, and in which area considerable enemy movement is likely to continue until end of Jun.
 - (iii) MIRI- enemy estimated strength 1,000.
- (c) Latest information will be published in 9 Aust Div Intelligence Summary OBOE SIX.

4. Own troops

- (a) 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp has landed on TARAKAN ISLAND. It is expected that by the commencement of OBOE SIX operations airfield facilities will have been established on TARAKAN ISLAND.
- (b) 9 Aust Div (less 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp) and Corps and Base troops allotted for this operation are being concentrated at MOROTAI.
- (c) The following 9 Aust Div units are NOT available for the operation :-
 - 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp (as constituted for OBOE ONE)
 - 2/3 Aust Tk A Regt
 - 2/3 Aust Tk A Regt Sig Sec
 - 2/71 Aust LAD
- (d) 9 Aust Div is to arrange transportation from the staging area to objective area as required by Allied Naval and Allied Air Forces of Naval and Air units shown in Appendix B.
- (e) HQ 2/9 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt is to assume command of rear details 9 Aust Div comprising all elements of 9 Aust Div remaining in MOROTAI on departure of HQ 9 Aust Div.
- (f) At the same time 1 Aust Corps is assuming command of 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp and rear details 9 Aust Div. Control of discipline, promotions and appointments in all units is, however, to be retained by HQ 9 Aust Div.

5. Order of Battle groupings - 9 Aust Div Force

Appendix A

6. Allied Naval Forces are to :-

- (a) Transport and establish landing forces ashore in area LABUAN ISLAND and area BRUNEI - MUARA as arranged with 9 Aust Div and provide naval protection thereafter.
- (b) Transport supporting troops and supplies as required to the objective area by naval assault shipping.

- (c) Conduct subsequent minor overwater operations and provide naval support required to :-
 - (i) destroy hostile forces in the objective areas
 - (ii) establish radar and air warning installations
 - (iii) seize and hold the areas SERIA and MIRI-LUTONG
- (d) In conjunction with Allied Air Forces, deny movement of hostile reinforcements and supplies into the objective area.
- (e) Escort and protect shipping on the lines of communication to objective areas.
- (f) Initiate motor torpedo boat operations in BRUNEI BAY area at the earliest practicable date and establish naval forces therein as required and arranged with 9 Aust Div.

7. Shipping and craft

- (a) Amphibious shipping available for transport of the assault force is :-

	<u>Date of release</u>
1 LSD	Z plus 23 day
1 AKA	} On completion of unloading on Z day
3 LSI	
5 APD	
20 LSM	} On completion designated coastwise operations
21 LCI	
34 LST	By Z plus 23 day in objective area.

- (b) The following amphibious ships and craft are to remain and be available in the objective area for coastwise operations :-
 - (i) 2 LST (surgically equipped)
 - (ii) 2 LST (6 davit type)
 - (iii) 4 LSM
 - (iv) 6 LCI
- (c) Craft are to be available in the objective area from Z plus 1 day for tactical movement and supply as follows:-
 - (i) 6 LCT
 - (ii) Two boat companies 593 EB and S Regt (part arrives in assault convoy on Z day)

8. Allied Air Forces are to :-

- (a) Provide aerial reconnaissance and photography of NW BORNEO area as required.
- (b) Neutralise hostile ground, naval and air forces within supporting distance of the objective area prior and subsequent to the assault landings.

- (c) In co-operation with Allied Naval Forces execute preliminary bombardment missions within the objective area - Appendix E Part I. This air bombardment is to be intensified from Z minus 5 day.
- (d) Provide air cover for naval task forces and convoys.
- (e) Provide land based aeroplanes for the support of ground operations as arranged by RAAF Command.
- (f) Establish and operate radar and air warning installations in the objective area as arranged by RAAF Command with 9 Aust Div.
- (g) In conjunction with Allied Naval Forces deny the movement of hostile reinforcements and supplies into the objective areas.
- (h) Provide air evacuation facilities as arranged by RAAF Command.
- (j) Instal air forces on LABUAN ISLAND as follows :-
 - One wing fighters (four squadrons) - two by Z plus 6
 - One wing attack bombers (two squadrons) - two by Z plus 10
 - One flight air sea rescue - by Z plus 15
 - One search squadron - by Z plus 6
 - Detachment Army Co-operation Wing - by Z plus 20
 - by Z plus 6
- (k) Air forces when established at LABUAN ISLAND are to be commanded by HQ 1 TAF RAAF.

9. Air support

- (a) RAAF Command (with 13 US Air Force in support) are providing air support for the operation.
- (b) RAAF units as shown in Appendix B Part VII are to be transported to the objective area by 9 Aust Div and, when established on LABUAN airfield, are to provide support.
- (c) Direct air support of ground forces is to be provided by entirely land based aircraft.

INTENTION

10. 9 Aust Div less 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp will capture and hold the areas LABUAN ISLAND, MUARA ISLAND - BRUNEI PENINSULA - BRUNEI town with a view to subsequent capture of area BRUNEI BAY - MIRI - LUTONG - SERIA to permit the establishment of an advanced fleet base in BRUNEI BAY and to protect oil and rubber resources in these areas.

METHOD

11. Summary

- (a) 9 Aust Div less 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp will carry out simultaneous assault landings on widely separated beaches as under :-

Area MUARA ISLAND - BRUNEI	20 Aust Inf Bde Gp
LABUAN ISLAND	24 Aust Inf Bde Gp

- (b) Divisional reserve has been constituted from within the force.

12. Grouping

Groupings of 9 Aust Div force and allotment to assault and follow up convoys are shown in Appendix B as follows :-

- Part I 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp
- Part II 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp
- Part III Command Group HQ 9 Aust Div and divisional troops
- Part IV 9 Aust Div troops, US and British troops
- Part V 1 Aust Corps troops
- Part VI 1 Aust Base Sub Area troops
- Part VII RAAF units
- Part VIII RAAF airfield construction units
- Part IX 1 Aust Beach Gp.

13. Area MUARA ISLAND - BRUNEI

(a) Assault brigade

20 Aust Inf Bde Gp - Appendix B Part I

(b) Landing beaches

GREEN BEACH - BRUNEI PENINSULA } Appendix C Part I
WHITE BEACH - MUARA ISLAND }

(c) Priority of tasks

(i) Carry out simultaneous assault landings on :-

GREEN BEACH with one battalion group (LVT(4) will NOT be used on this beach)

WHITE BEACH with one battalion group.

One battalion group will be held in brigade reserve initially afloat.

(ii) Secure MUARA ISLAND

(iii) Seize area BRUNEI PENINSULA from inclusive BR TABUR BINTANG 488517 to inclusive BRUNEI town area 4839.

(iv) Prepare for further operations as directed by HQ 9 Aust Div.

14. LABUAN ISLAND

(a) General

9 Aust Div Force less 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp will land on LABUAN ISLAND, with exception of divisional reserve which will land as directed by HQ 9 Aust Div. Divisional reserve is to be kept afloat initially in vicinity of LABUAN ISLAND.

(b) Assault brigade

24 Aust Inf Bde Gp - Appendix B Part II.

(c) Landing beaches

BROWN ONE } Appendix C Part II
BROWN TWO }

If the nature of the beach proves, after reconnaissance, that personnel disembarking from LCI must wade through more than a maximum of 4 feet of water, personnel must be transhipped into smaller assault craft at a distance NOT less than 1,000 yards from shore.

(d) Covering position

Appendix C Part II

(e) Priority of tasks

24 Aust Inf Bde Gp will :-

- (i) land on BROWN ONE and BROWN TWO beaches and secure beachhead.
- (ii) capture LABUAN airfield 8284-8285 with all possible speed.
- (iii) secure the covering position to facilitate the establishment of a beach maintenance area within the covering position.
- (iv) destroy all hostile forces on the island.
- (v) prepare for further operations in area BRUNEI BAY - BEAUFORT as directed by HQ 9 Aust Div.

15. Divisional reserve

(a) Commander

CO 2/32 Aust Inf Bn

(b) Troops

2/12 Aust Cdo Sqn
RHQ and one troop A Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt
One flamethrower troop 2/1 Aust Armd Bde Recce Sqn
One SFCP
One troop LAA Bty 2/3 Aust Comp AA Regt
One platoon 2/16 Aust Fd Coy
2/32 Aust Inf Bn
2/2 Aust MG Bn less B, C, D Coys

(c) Task

Be prepared to carry out assault landings as directed by HQ 9 Aust Div.

16. Cavalry

2/9 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt (less 2/4 Aust Cdo Sqn with 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp) allotted under command as follows :-

(a) 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp - 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn

(b) Divisional reserve - 2/12 Aust Cdo Sqn

(c) Divisional troops

2/9 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt less three squadrons remains in command rear details 9 Aust Div at MOROTAI.

17. Armour

2/9 Aust Armd Regt (less one squadron with 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp and less two troops) plus two flamethrower troops 2/1 Aust Armd Bde Recce Sqn allotted under command as follows:-

- (a) 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp - A Sqn less three troops 2/9 Aust Armd Regt
One flamethrower troop 2/1 Aust Armd Bde Recce Sqn
- (b) 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp - B Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt
- (c) Divisional reserve - RHQ and one troop A Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt
One flamethrower troop 2/1 Aust Armd Bde Recce Sqn

18. Artillery

(a) Command

As soon as HQ 9 Aust Div including HQ RAA 9 Aust Div is established ashore command of all artillery including survey units will pass to CRA. Field regiments will remain in support of infantry brigades.

(b) Field artillery

- (i) Allotment of troops (subject to (a) above)

2/8 Aust Fd Regt under command 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp

2/12 Aust Fd Regt under command 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp

- (ii) One troop 2/8 Aust Fd Regt will be armed with 4 x 75 mm pack howitzers in lieu of 25 pounders
- (iii) One troop 2/12 Aust Fd Regt will be armed with 4 x 4.2 inch mortars in lieu of 25 pounders.

(c) Anti-aircraft artillery

- (i) Allotment of troops

Landing under command 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp - LAA Bty 2/3 Aust Comp AA Regt less two troops

Landing under command 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp - One troop LAA Bty 2/3 Aust Comp AA Regt

Landing LABUAN ISLAND on call - 2/3 Aust Comp AA Regt less LAA Bty

Divisional reserve - One troop LAA Bty 2/3 Aust Comp AA Regt

- (ii) Tasks

20 Aust Inf Bde Gp area - Anti-aircraft defence of beachhead area and gun positions, with secondary tasks of beach defence.

24 Aust Inf Bde Gp area - Anti-aircraft defence of beachhead area and gun positions, with secondary tasks of beach defence.

LABUAN ISLAND - Initially, defence of beach head area. On capture of airfield HAA Bty and SL Bty will be deployed in its defence. Subject to operational requirements HAA Bty will be prepared to fire in ground role as directed by RAA 9 Aust Div.

(d) Survey

(i) 8 Aust Svy Bty, less two troops, with 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp will commence survey in the area BRUNEI - SARAWAK in conjunction with detachment 5 Aust Fd Svy Coy.

(ii) Two troops 8 Aust Svy Bty will land on LABUAN ISLAND with divisional troops and be prepared to carry out tasks as directed by RAA 9 Aust Div.

19. Engineers

(a) Command

(i) OC 2/3 Aust Fd Coy will command all engineers allotted to 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp.

(ii) OC 2/7 Aust Fd Coy will command all engineers allotted to 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp, less engineer units allotted to 1 Aust Beach Gp and will be responsible to Commander 24 Aust Inf Bde for co-ordination of all engineer works until establishment ashore of HQ 9 Aust Div.

(iii) CRE 9 Aust Div will assume command of all engineer units, less engineer units allotted to 1 Aust Beach Gp, on LABUAN ISLAND on establishment ashore of HQ 9 Aust Div and will be responsible to Commander 9 Aust Div for co-ordination of all engineer work including airfield construction.

(b) Allotment

Appendix B Parts I to VI.

(c) Tasks

(i) Details of special engineer tasks, including target dates for completion - 9 Aust Div Administrative Order 2 issued separately.

(ii) Construct light airstrips for Auster aircraft on MUARA ISLAND in vicinity of RED BEACH and on LABUAN ISLAND within covering position, this latter until LABUAN airstrip is available.

20. Medium machine guns

2/2 Aust MG Bn (less D Coy with 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp) allotted under command as follows :-

(a) 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp - B Coy

- (b) 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp - C Coy.
- (c) Divisional reserve - 2/2 Aust MG Bn less B, C and D Coys.

21. Beach group

- (a) 1 Aust Beach Gp will land on LABUAN ISLAND with 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp and will establish a beach maintenance area within covering position - Appendix C Part II.
- (b) See 9 Aust Div Administrative Order 2 issued separately.

22. Amphibian tractors

(a) Allotment

727 US Amphibian Tractor Bn less detachment - Appendix B Parts I and II.

(b) Command and assembly

- (i) Immediately landing has been made, LVT(4) allotted 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp will revert to command HQ 9 Aust Div, with exception 10 LVT(4) will remain under brigade command until 0800I Z plus 1 when they will revert to command HQ 9 Aust Div.
- (ii) All LVT(4) on LABUAN on reverting to command HQ 9 Aust Div will assemble at LVT Assembly Points as shown in First Key Plan issued with 9 Aust Div Administrative Order 2.
- (iii) LVT(4) allotted 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp will revert to command HQ 9 Aust Div by 0800I Z plus 1.
- (iv) These LVT(4) will assemble at RED BEACH as directed by 20 Aust Inf Bde who will notify HQ 9 Aust Div.
- (v) 727 US Amphibian Tractor Bn (less detachment) less one platoon remaining under command HQ 9 Aust Div will return to MOROTAI by first ~~returning~~ returning LST convoy and will pass to command 1 Aust Corps.

23. LCT and LCM

- (a) LCM (less four) of detachment of Boat Battalion 593 EB and S Regt moving in assault convoy will be available to 1 Aust Beach Gp after initial discharge for unloading of stores at LABUAN ISLAND. (See para 14(c)).
- (b) 4 LCM will move to MUARA ISLAND area on Z day and will come under command 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp.
- (c) 6 LCT and remainder LCM of 593 EB and S Regt on arrival at objective area on Z plus 1 will move to area shown as LVT assembly area on First Key Plan attached to 9 Aust Div Administrative Order 2.
- (d) Allocation of all craft to tasks will be made by HQ 9 Aust Div.

24. Naval lighterage, pontoon causeways and barges

(a) Availability

Six LST each carry 2 x 30 strings of pontoon causeways.

Three LST each carry 4 pontoon barges (six 3 x 7 pontoons and six 3 x 12 pontoons).

(b) Responsibility and allotment

(1) Allied Naval Forces are responsible for operating naval lighterage pontoons until amphibious shipping is withdrawn.

(11) On arrival LABUAN ISLAND, all naval lighterage pontoon barges in that area will be available to 1 Aust Beach Gp for lighterage purpose until 1200I Z plus 2, at which time pontoon barges will be released to RAE 9 Aust Div. The above is subject to docking of naval lighterage pontoon barges in LSD for attachment of power units.

25. Services Reconnaissance Department (SRD)

(a) Allotment of Special Force detachments

One with HQ 9 Aust Div
One with 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp
One with 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp
One with Divisional reserve.

(b) Tasks

(i) Provide communication with field parties.

(ii) Control movements and tasks required of field parties.

(c) In addition, one special detachment equipped for insertion by small craft will be attached to HQ 9 Aust Div.

26. Naval bombardment

(a) The landings of both 20 and 24 Aust Inf Bde Gps are to be supported by preliminary naval bombardment commencing Z minus 2 day. For naval units available for support see Appendix D Part I.

(b) Prior to Z day

(i) Preliminary bombardment is to be given on targets as scheduled below:-

Z minus 2 day - gun positions and other known defences

Z minus 1 day - as above with special attention to landing beaches

(ii) Naval gunfire is to be co-ordinated with air strikes on these days. Strike leaders are to report in to Commander Support Aeroplanes (advanced, afloat) who will request cessation of naval gunfire, if in progress, to permit aircraft to execute their mission. On completion of air strikes bombarding ships are to be advised that they are free to continue gunfire.

(c) Z day

(i) Landings on all beaches are being supported by direct naval bombardment and fire by close support aeroplanes.

- (ii) Naval gunfire schedule Appendix D Part II.
- (iii) Targets for naval bombardment are shown on over-printed map Appendix D Part V. Descriptions of targets are listed in Part IV of same appendix.
- (iv) On completion of scheduled fire, support for land forces is to be continued by call fire controlled by SFCPS with assault battalions as detailed in Appendix D Part I.
- (v) No interruption to naval gunfire will occur on Z day. All air strikes within area of naval gunfire are to be made from 5,000 feet plus.

(d) Allotment of SFCPS

- (i) 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp Det Tp HQ B Tp 1 Aust Naval Bombardment Gp
Two SFCPS - one to each assault battalion.
- (ii) 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp Tp HQ B Tp 1 Aust Naval Bombardment Gp less det
Two SFCPS
- (iii) Divisional reserve One SFCP

(e) Ammunition

Availability and allotment of ammunition for bombardment is detailed in Appendix D Part III.

(f) Observation of naval bombardment

Each cruiser allotted for support is able to maintain one spotting aircraft airborne continuously for control of naval gunfire.

(g) Fire Control Code and Procedure

- (i) Calls for fire by SFCPS will be made in accordance with CSP 2156 (B) modified. If the firing ship does NOT carry a BLO, calls will be made in accordance with CSP 2156(B).
- (ii) BLOs are to be embarked in all bombarding ships and in the senior close support craft in both northern and southern sectors. ACBLO is embarking in HQ ship to assist in control of naval bombardment in the northern sector. SBLO 1 is to perform similar functions in southern sector.
- (iii) Requests for night firing tasks or for indirect naval support early the following morning as follows:-

20 Aust Inf Bde Gp area Through det Tp HQ B Tp 1 Aust Naval Bombardment Gp to HQ ship, southern sector, by 1730I daily.

24 Aust Inf Bde Gp area Through Tp HQ B TP 1 Aust Naval Bombardment Gp to HQ ship, northern sector, by 1730I daily.

(iv) Counter battery information will be passed as obtained to HQ ships through channel indicated in (iii) above.

(h) Coordination of call fire - southern sector

Det Tp HQ B Tp 1 Aust Naval Bombardment Gp with 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp will be responsible for coordinating fire of SFCPS landing on GREEN and WHITE BEACHES and will ensure that safety of own troops is NOT endangered.

27. Air

(a) Prearranged air bombardment Z day

Appendix E Part II.

(b) Direct air support

Appendix F

(c) Air support control

(i) An advanced command post 1 TAF RAAF is to move ashore with alternative HQ 9 Aust Div.

It is intended that HQ 1 TAF RAAF be set up immediately adjacent to HQ 9 Aust Div during all phases of the operation.

(ii) Air support units are allotted in support as follows:-

20 Aust Inf Bde Gp - One Air Sp Party
two Air Liaison Parties (for sub allotment to battalions)

24 Aust Inf Bde Gp - One Air Sp Party
two Air Liaison Parties (for sub allotment to battalions)

(iii) Air support procedure in the assault)

(iv) Air support when land based aeroplanes are available from within the objective area.)

(v) Support air observers.)

(vi) Air support requests.)

(vii) Control of air support ashore.)

(viii) Target bomb lines.)

Appendix G

(d) Air observation posts (AOP)

(i) 16 Air OP Flt less det is to land on LABUAN ISLAND under arrangements of 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp.

(ii) When established ashore 16 Air OP Flt (less det) consisting of 6 Auster aircraft is to provide air observation posts and local reconnaissance sorties as requested.

(iii) Upon completion of strip in 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp area, two Auster aircraft are to be stationed in that area in support of 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp.

- (iv) Requests for sorties will be made in LABUAN ISLAND area to HQ 9 Aust Div, in MUARA ISLAND area to 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp.
- (v) 83 Army Coop Wing is arranging to attach one officer to HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde to land on MUARA ISLAND and to report when strip can take Austers, plus two personnel for refuelling aircraft.
- (vi) 2/8 and 2/12 Aust Fd Regts will provide OPOS as required for Auster detachments on MUARA ISLAND and LABUAN ISLAND respectively.

(e) Army cooperation

- (i) HQ 83 Army Coop Wing
with under command 4 Tac R Sqn less one flight
16 Air OP Flt less det
det 9 LASU
is being landed on LABUAN ISLAND.
- (ii) Requests for sorties will be made to HQ 9 Aust Div
- (iii) Anticipated availability of sorties:-

4 Tac R Sqn	four sorties per day
16 Air Op Flt less det	total of six sorties per day initially
det LASU	sustained operations incl- uding DDT spraying

(f) Fluorescent panels

Will be issued in the following colours:-

- (i) 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp YELLOW
- (ii) 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp RED

(g) Pyrotechnics

The following pyrotechnic signals for use between ground troops and aeroplanes will be used:-

(i) Used by ground troops

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
Aust 2 inch multi star green	"artillery gun fire or bombs falling within our lines"

(ii) Used by aeroplanes

two star red	"display front line panel air attack about to commence"
two star green	"my mission has been completed"
six white flares, para- chute Mk VI	"first wave 500 yards from beach"

- (iii) Illuminating flares will be used for illumination purposes as required.

(h) DDE spraying

- (i) Will be carried out on Z day over the following areas after their capture:-
 - 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp front
Area 2,000 x 500 yards covering beach maintenance area on YELLOW BEACH 620543 - 635553 - 617547 - 633557
 - 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp front
Area 2,500 x 1,500 yards covering beach maintenance area 812831 - 820839 - 835828 - 828820.
Area 860816 - 863824 - 842832 - 820823
Area 850808 - 852811 - 840823 - 838820
- (ii) On capture of these areas Brigade Commanders will request spraying in accordance with normal procedure obtaining air support.

28. Target indication

- (a) Naval and air bombardment targets are shown in Appendix D Part V.
- (b) Each target is indicated by an area of approximately 400 yards square, with any special target pin-pointed within it. Each target has been given a serial number common to Navy, Army and Air Force.
- (c) Area targets for air bombardment are shown on map over print Appendix D Part V. Areas are designated by letters which are allotted as follows :-

Area LABUAN ISLAND	A to L
Area BRUNEI - BROOKETON - MUARA ISLAND	M to Z

29. Air warning

- (a) Afloat, responsibility for early air warning is to rest with Fighter Director Control aboard HQ ship. Warning will be on general and local air warning nets.
- (b) Responsibility for early warning will pass to detachment of Mobile Fighter Control Unit (Fighter Sector Control) when established ashore. Time of passing of responsibility will be by mutual decision by Commander Naval Task Force and commander ground forces ashore.
- (c) (i) On receipt of air warning, action will be taken in accordance with the following conditions:-
 - FLASH BLUE Enemy or unidentified aeroplanes approaching area.
 - FLASH RED Enemy air attack imminent.
 - FLASH WHITE All clear.
- (ii) In conjunction with the above conditions, the following control terms will be broadcast:-
 - CONTROL GREEN All guns will hold fire except in case of direct attack, and then, only automatic weapons including light anti aircraft guns will be used.
 - CONTROL YELLOW All guns will engage hostile aeroplanes independently.
- (d) Communications for air warning - paragraph 51.

30. Distribution of force to ships by convoys

Appendix H.

31. Distribution of force to ships

Appendix J

32. Landing plan

Appendix K

33. Timetable of events Z day

Appendix L

34. Z day

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35. Landing hours

(a) Hour of landing for each beach will be as follows:-

BROWN BEACH	D hour
GREEN BEACH	H hour
WHITE BEACH	J hour
RED BEACH	T hour
YELLOW BEACH	M hour
BLUE BEACH	Q hour

(b) D, H, and J hours - all 0915I.

36. Postponement of Z day

Appendix M

37. Beach defence

(a) Responsibilities will be:-

(i) BRUNEI area - 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp

(ii) LABUAN ISLAND

All beaches within beach maintenance area

- 1 Aust Beach Gp

All other beaches within area occupied by 9 Aust

Div - 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp

(b) RAA 9 Aust Div will coordinate artillery fire plan in support of beach defence on LABUAN ISLAND.

38. Command

During the amphibious move and landing Commander Naval Task Force will command the operation until the landing force is established ashore. Command of the forces ashore then passes to Commander 9 Aust Div. The exact time of transfer of command is to be mutually decided between commanders concerned and will be notified to all subordinate commanders by wireless. In addition 9 Aust Div will notify 1 Aust Corps by immediate signal.

39. Chain of command

Appendix N

40. Seaward defence during unloading of craft

During unloading at night, until naval units are withdrawn, Navy is to provide protection against enemy interference from seaward.

41. Alternative plan

Appendix O (reserved)

42. Security

(a) Security of information

(i) At all levels during planning, dissemination of information or plans concerning the operation will be restricted to the minimum staff, arms, and services commensurate with efficiency, and, even then, individuals will be told only sufficient of the information or plans to enable them to perform their particular tasks.

(ii) Time of disclosure of the plan to subordinate commanders and troops will be as follows:-

Officers down to platoon commanders - at discretion of brigade, etc, commanders.

Troops will be informed of the plan and fully briefed in their tasks at the latest practicable time prior to embarkation.

(b) Protection of signal installations

On capture of the following signal installations on LABUAN ISLAND, all commanders will ensure that equipment is kept intact, and NOT interfered with by any person without authority of HQ 9 Aust Div:-

Eastern Extension	832841
Cable House	828821
Government Wireless Station	839839
RDF Station	814878

(c) Preservation of bridges and culverts

- (i) Formations and units will make every endeavour to preserve bridges and culverts within their own areas by taking steps to counter enemy tactics which feature infiltration and demolition after the forward troops have passed beyond bridges and culverts.
- (ii) Formations and units will send out patrols at first light in order to
- make an inspection of bridges, culverts, defiles, etc, for the purpose of discovering newly laid charges
 - disarm charges
 - report attempted demolitions
- Patrols will precede the daily flow of troops.
- (iii) Formations will report, to HQ 9 Aust Div, by 2100I daily, details of patrols to be carried out at first light the following day.

43. Embarkation

- (a) Separate instructions will be issued.
- (b) All packages loaded on craft will be of a size and weight which can be carried by two men except in case of bulky equipment which cannot be broken down into small packages. Units will NOT load unnecessary equipment and stores on guns and vehicles.

44. Rehearsals

Will be held under Navy arrangements on 1 and 2 Jun 45.

45. Anti malaria and anti mite precautions

Full precautions will be taken in accordance with existing instructions.

ADMINISTRATION

46. 9 Aust Div Administrative Order 2 - Maintenance Project OBOE SIX - of 18 May 45 issued separately.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

47. Locations of HQ

(a) Afloat

- (i) 9 Aust Div
 HQ 9 Aust Div AG 3 "ROCKY MOUNT"
 Alternative HQ 9 Aust Div HMAS "WESTRALIA"
 (lands at LABUAN ISLAND
 on Z day)
- (ii) 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp
 HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde LST 574
 Alternative HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde APD USS "LLOYD"
- (iii) 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp
 HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde HMAS "MANOORA"
 Alternative HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde HMAS "WESTRALIA"

(b) Ashore

HQ 9 Aust Div
 Initially Area FLAGSTAFF 826838
 Subsequently Area HOSPITAL 840838

48. Wireless silence

- (a) Wireless silence on Z day will be maintained by all army wireless stations until one hour prior to D, H and J hours.
- (b) On Z day listening watch will be maintained from two hours prior to D, H and J hours by all army stations afloat.
- (c) Emergency communications will be passed over Navy channels prior to breaking of silence by army wireless stations.
- (d) After wireless silence is broken it will be imposed again or broken only by means of appropriate code words.

49. Naval communications

- (a) Prior to and during the assault } Plan will be issued
 in Sigs 9 Aust Div
- (b) After landing of assault force } Operation Order.

50. Communications for naval support

- (a) Allotment of frequencies, call signs and code names will be issued through signal channels.
- (b) Communication diagram - will be included in Sigs 9 Aust Div Operation Order.

51. Communications for air warning

- (a) While afloat - air warning will be passed over Naval channels.
- (b) On landing - 20 and 24 Aust Inf Bdes and Sigs 9 Aust Div arrange listening watch on high frequency local air warning net. Details of frequencies etc will be advised in Sigs 9 Aust Div Operation Order.
- (c) When fighter sector control is established ashore, Sigs 9 Aust Div will arrange for listening watch on radio telephony air warning transmission from fighter sector control.

- (d) Air warning signals will be passed over line channels by Signals using telephone priority "AIR WARNING" which will take precedence over conversation in progress.

52. Rear link communications

- (a) Sigs 9 Aust Div will arrange following rear link wireless circuits:-
 - (i) One terminal at objective area to communicate with one of the existing MOROTAI - TARAKAN circuits on a time schedule forming a group MOROTAI - TARAKAN - BRUNEL BAY.
 - (ii) Two rear link wireless circuits to 1 Aust Corps at MOROTAI.
- (b) The remaining wireless circuit MOROTAI - TARAKAN will continue to operate as at present.
- (c) Present MOROTAI terminals of MOROTAI - TARAKAN wireless circuits will revert to command 1 Aust Corps as from the time 9 Aust Div closes at MOROTAI.

53. Frequencies

- (a) Will be issued to all concerned through signal channels.
- (b) Frequency will be changed only by use of appropriate code words to be issued through signal channels.
- (c) Frequencies will remain fixed until 0700I on Z plus 3 after which normal daily change will be instituted.

54. Panel signals - ground to air

- (a) Visual ground to air signalling will be by CCBP8 Combined Panel System.
- (b) Meanings temporarily assigned to local assignment panel numbers of the "Local Assignment" section of the vocabulary portion of CCBP8 in accordance with GHQ Signal Operation Instruction 26-13 para 3 (2) are shown in Appendix P.
- (c) Unit identification panel displays will consist of three digit (number) panels displayed vertically below the "Flash Index". Such groups will be read from top to bottom below the indicator. In this case the numeral indicator Y will NOT be used.
- (d) (i) Allotment of unit identification panel display numbers is shown in Appendix P.
 - (ii) Details of any sub allotment of spares by 20 or 24 Aust Inf Bdes will be immediately notified to Commander Support Aeroplanes and 9 Aust Div.

55. Recognition and identification signals - sea/land, air/sea, and ground/air

Sea/land, air/sea and air/ground recognition and identification will be in accordance with procedure contained in GHQ SOIs 29-32 inclusive. Extracts of relevant portions will be issued from time to time.

56. Code signs and code names

- (a) Will be issued to all concerned through signal channels.
- (b) Code signs and code names will remain fixed until 0700I on Z plus 3 after which normal daily change will be instituted.

57. Code words

- (a) Code words for phases of the operation are contained in Appendix Q Part I. These code words will be used only within 9 Aust Div.
- (b) Code words for locations are contained in Appendix Q Part II. These code words will be used only within 9 Aust Div and will NOT be used in communications with Allied Naval or Air Forces or with other AMF formations.

58. Code word for the operation

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59. Codes and ciphers

- (a) Until 0700I Z plus 3 Combined Assault Code (CCBP 0130) series DOG25 will be used forward of 9 Aust Div and for local communications with Allied forces, RAN and RAAF for all messages which require enciphering.
- (b) As from 0700I on Z plus 3 TRENCODE will replace Combined Assault Code (CCBP 0130) for communications to battalion and equivalent HQ, commando squadrons and field batteries.
- (c) As from 0700I Z plus 3 Combined Field Code CCBP 0129/3 with CCBP 0121/D1 will be used for communication with Allied forces, RAN and RAAF.
- (d) RT code number 2 will be used by Aust Army units for all RT conversations during the operation. Keywords/keyletters will be issued through sig channels.
- (e) Current appointments code vide Signal Training Pamphlet 5 will be used in referring to branches and appointments.
- (f) SFCPs and USN will be using RT code CSP 5136B for RT transmissions.
- (g) Rear links to MOROTAI and TARRAKAN - high grade
Division - Brigade - medium grade
Unit level - field grade (TRENCODE)
- (h) Distribution of cipher documents and keys will be effected through signal channels.
- (j) Combined visual signalling (VS) procedure (CCBP5) will be used in all flashing lamp and flag signalling communications.

60. Signal security

- (a) Full measures will be taken to ensure that all wireless transmissions are encoded and enciphered when the enemy can make use of the information being transmitted.
- (b) Existing civil and military communication systems will NOT be used until approval is obtained from HQ 9 Aust Div. Sigs 9 Aust Div will investigate the security of such systems as early as possible and advise HQ 9 Aust Div if suitable for use.

61. Pass words - 20 -

Will be issued separately.

62. Civil administration communications

Sigs 9 Aust Div will be responsible for providing such facilities as will be required to provide administrative communications for the British BORNEO Civil Affairs Unit.

63. Signal plan

Detailed signal plan will be issued in Sigs 9 Aust Div Signal Operation Order.

64. Time zone

ITEM time will be used. Time zone suffix will be I. To determine the time for this zone, 9 hours will be added to GMT (US - GCT) or one hour subtracted from Australian Eastern time.

65. Synchronisation of time

(a) Ships time will be used while force is afloat.

(b) After landing, time will be calculated from time broadcasts from station WTO (US Army) BRISBANE or from ABC or BBC time signals.

66. Courier service

(a) Arrangements have been made for a daily courier service between MOROTAI and objective area beginning on Z day. Further services are to operate between OBOE SIX objective area - TARAOKAN - MOROTAI and between OBOE SIX objective area and MANILA. These services will be used to ensure prompt transmission of operational traffic and press copy which by reason of their nature cannot be transmitted by wireless.

(b) Details of arrival and departure, collection and delivery etc will be advised later.

(c) Until HQ 1 TAF RAAF is established ashore the Safe Hand Air Courier Service Office is to be located at Main Beach Signal Office BROWN ONE beach. When HQ 1 TAF RAAF is established ashore the Safe Hand Air Courier Service Office is to be located at that HQ.

(d) DRIS operating in conjunction with courier service will be arranged by Sigs 9 Aust Div.

(e) Arrangements for provision of small craft to operate between courier aeroplanes, command and communication ships and beach points, have been made with Allied Naval Forces.

(f) It is anticipated that a daily Auster air courier service operated by 83 Army Coop Wing (RAAF) will commence functioning between LABUAN ISLAND and 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp as soon as landing ground facilities are available.

Probable timetable:-

Depart LABUAN ISLAND - 1500I
Depart 20 Aust Inf Bde area-1700I.

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ADDENDUM 2 TO 9 AUST DIV OPERATION ORDER 2

Appendix Q Part II

Owing to discrepancies between map references given from the 1:50,000 and 1:25,000 series maps a revised Part II of appendix Q is issued herewith showing location code words arranged alphabetically with map references from both 1:50,000 and 1:25,000 series maps.

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MUARA ISLAND - BRUNEI - LIMBANG AREA

Reference maps: S ~~WANG~~ SALUT, PELONG ROCK, Tg LUMUT 1: 25,000
 LABU AND LIMBANG RIVER 1:50,000 series

Serial	Code word	Ref maps 1:50,000	Ref maps 1:25,000	Remarks
1	ANVIL	PT 686521	PT 686521	
2	ATLAS	Bt TEMPAYANG PISANG 600530	Bt TEMPAYANG PISANG 600530	
3	BATON	LEDONG PT 633542	LEDONG PT 633542	
4	BENDIGO	KRAMATI PT 682528	KRAMATI PT 682528	
5	BOWEN	Tg SAPO 688510	Tg SAPO 690513	
6	BRICK	P MUARA BESAR	P MUARA	
7	COLOMBO	BOWONG PT 649512	BOWONG PT 649512	
8	COWRA	BRUNEI BLUFF 612571	BRUNEI BLUFF 612571	
9.	DELHI	BT COWIE 612561	BT COWIE 613563	
10	DERBY	HQ AREA 611554	HQ AREA 610555	
11	ENGLAND	Road 613553-611568	Track 612553-610569	
12	EXMOUTH	Road 615552-617561	Road 615552-617561	
13	FOO CHOW	Road junction 615552	Road junction 615552	
14	GEELONG	Barracks area 613550	Barracks area 613550	
15	GRAFTON	Tg PELOMPONG 674564	Tg PELOMPONG 674564	
16	HONEY	BROOKETON 624547	BROOKETON 624547	
17	IPSWICH	Road 625547-632552	Road 624547-632553	
18	JUNEE	Cove 625546	Cove 624547	
19	KAIRI	Ridge 592549-580536	Ridge 592549-580536	
20	LITHGOW	Ridge 565528-564513	Ridge 570524-566515	
21	LOVEDAY	Village 475519	476521	
22	MAIZE	Kg SERUSUP 484469	Kg SERUSUP 483472	
23	MASON	Road junction 480455	Road junction 479455	
24	MILDURA	P KAINGARAN Sq. 5745	P KAINGARAN Sq. 5745 5746	

Serial	Code Word	1/50,000 Map Ref	1/25,000 Map Ref	Remarks
25	MAREEBA	P CHERMIN 576441	P CHERMIN Sq. 5744 5743	
26	NORTHAM	TG SEMASTA (RIVER POINT) 570433	TG SEMASTA (RIVER POINT) 570433	
27	PEARL	BT KINDANA 565417	(No 1/25,000 map)	
28	PERTH	AIRSTRIP Sq. 4744 4643	AIRSTRIP Sq. 4744 4743 4643	
29	RANGOON	Village 480415	Village 479415	
30	REBEL	KG GADONG 465417	KG GADONG 463417	
31	REDBANK	S MERAGANG Sq. 3944 to junction with S BRUNEI	S MERAGANG Sq. 3944 to junction with S BRUNEI	
32	RUSTY	BRUNEI town (area on NORTH bank S BRUNEI)	BRUNEI town (area on NORTH bank S BRUNEI)	
33	SEYMOUR	Native town built in S BRUNEI. Sq. 4738 4838	Native town Sq. 4738 4839	
34	TEROWIE	Village 482373	Village 482373	
35	TRUNK	Village 539414	Village 536412	
36	WAGGA	Huts 516394	Huts 516394	
37	WARWICK	S (River) BRUNEI	S (River) BRUNEI	
38	WHEAT	S (River) LIMBANG	S (River) LIMBANG	
39	WHIPPET	LIMBANG town Sq. 5524	LIMBANG town	
40	WHISTLE	Track 485394-492392- 522416-539414	Track 485395-492393- 524416-539414	

PART II

CODE WORDS FOR LOCATIONS LABUAN ISLAND AREA

Reference maps LABUAN NORTH and LABUAN SOUTH 1:50,000 and 1:25,000 series

Code word	Feature	Ref maps 1:50,000	Ref maps 1:25,000	Remarks
ABBOT	feature	805936	812936	
ACPARKS	dispersal area	Sq.8284	Sq.8384	
ARAH	saddle	775885	775885	
ARDIE	house	804822	804824	
BONDI	spur	834843	837844	
CASCADE	feature	785915	786915	
COPRA	plantation	826827	826827	
FOSTERS	feature	804931	804931	
FOREX	feature	Sq.7686	Sq.7686	
		7786	7786	
		7685	7685	
			7787	
HEART	feature	801906	801905	
HOREL	point	805827	805827	
JEBEL	spur	780877	780877	
JIRJA	spur	790883	788883	
LEOPOLD	plantation	816830	816830	
LEVER	plantation	82408265	82608265	
LUSHTON	plantation	82058275	82058275	
PARIS	LABUAN town			
PENNY	HAMILTON point	Sq.7981	Sq.7981	
		8081	8081	
		7980	7980	
		8080	8080	
PITCH 1	LABUAN airfield			
PITCH 2	TIMBALAI airfield			
PRINT	feature	797889	797889	appears on 1:25,000 sheet two minor features
SAUSAGE	feature	800912	800912	
SHEAF	feature	Sq.7584	Sq.7583	
		7483	7483	
			7482	
			7431	
			7381	
			7382	
ST KILDA	Road junction	83058400	82958400	
<u>ROUTE REFERENCE SYSTEM</u>				
ABLE	road	815826	815826	
		828822	828822	
		835840	835840	
		816860	816860	
		816907	814904	
		819935	818934	
BAKER	road	815826	815826	
		821837	821837	
		816845	816845	
		805887	805887	
		800935	796929	
CHARLIE	track	800825	same as 1:50,000	
		790873		
		761888		
EASY	road	805887	same as 1:50,000	
		818887		

Code word	Feature	Ref maps 1:50,000	Ref maps 1:25,000	Remarks
FOX	road	Road 810860 816860	Track 809861 815861	On 1/50,000 sheet shown as MT road, but it is only a foot track which may NOT cover entire distance on 1/25,000 sheet.
GEORGE	road	816084 821854	Same as 1:50,000	
HOWE	road	819827 832842	Same as 1:50,000	
ITEM	track	793872 803883	791872 803883	
JIG	road	796863 807863	796863 806863	
KING	road	821837 832827	Same as 1:50,000	
LOVE	track	790874 735801	789874 735801	
QUEEN	road	816827 832826	819827 83158275	1/50,000 shows canal as being part of rd. Rd actually begins 819827 on 1/50,000 as well as on 1/25,000
MIKE	road	804909 816908	804901 815904	
NAN	road	804900 813898	803897 813897	

Serial	Code Word	1/50,000 Map Ref	1/25,000 Map Ref	Remarks
<u>ROUTES</u>				
41	3	Main road from road junction 480402 to TUTONG	Main road from 47904025 to TUTONG	
42	5	Road 485523 to road junction 480402	Road 487525 to road junction 480402	BERAKAS ROAD
43	6	Route BROOKETON to road junction 480455	Route BROOKETON to road junction 479455	
44	7	Road from S BRUNEI at 485385 to S LIMBANG at 547254	Road from S BRUNEI at 485386 to S LIMBANG	

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CODE WORDS - OBOE SIX

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The following code words will be used during OBOE SIX.

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Ref Map - LABUAN NORTH 1:50000
 LABUAN SOUTH 1:50000

1. PHASES OF THE OPERATION

(a) BROWN BEACH

Landing effected on correct beach	CANDY
Bound 1 captured	CHOCO
Bound 2 captured	LEMON
Bound 3 captured	ASPIRIN
Airfield captured	PEACH
Bound 4 (covering posn) captured	FORDE
Alternative Plan 'A' to be put into effect	PANTHER
Alternative Plan 'B' to be put into effect	BUNNY

(b) HAMILTON PENINSULA

Landing effected	HAMPTON
House 804822 (ARDIE) captured	WINDSOR
Peninsula captured	RICHARD

2. TOPOGRAPHICAL CODE NAMES

LABUAN TOWN	PARIS
Feature, squares 7584, 7583, 7483	SHEAF
Feature, squares 7686, 7786, 7685	FOREX
Feature, squares 7989, 7988	PRINT
Feature 801906	HEART
Feature 800912	SAUSAGE
Feature 785915	CASCADE
Feature 804931	FOSTERS
101 Feature 805936	ABBOT
Spur 834843	BONDI
Plantation 826827	LEVER
Plantation 82408265	COPRA
Plantation 82058275	LUSHTON
Plantation 816830	LEOPOLD
Rd June 83058400	ST KILDA
Point 805827	HOREL
House 804822	ARMIE
HAMILTON PENINSULA squares 7981, 8081, 7980, 8080	PENNY
Saddle 775885	ARABA
Spur 781877	JEBEL
Spur 790883	JIRJA
LABUAN AIRFIELD	PITCH No 1
TIMBALAI AIRFIELD	PITCH No 2
Dispersal area square 8284	ACPARKS

3. ROUTE REFERENCES

Road 815826 - 828822 - 835840 - 816860	ABUE
816907 - 819935	
Road 815826 - 821837 - 816845 - 805887	BAKER
800935	CHARLIE
Track 800825 - 790874 - 761888	EASY
Road 805887 - 813887	FOX
Road 810860 - 816860	

ROAD 81608445 - 821854	GEORGE
ROAD 819827 - 852842	HOW
Track 793872 - 803883	ITEM
Road 796863 - 807863	JIG
Road 821837 - 852827	KING
Track 790874 - 735801	LOVE
Road 816827 - 832826	QUEEN
Road 804901 - 815904	MIKE
Road 803897 - 813817	NAN

20 AUST INF BDE OP

1. PHASES OF THE OPERATION

MAINLAND

GREEN BEACH Captured	APPLE
YELLOW BEACH Captured	KNIFE
BROOKETOWN clear of enemy	VINEGAR
COWIE captured	MARMITE

MUARA ISLAND

WHITE BEACH Captured	BISCUIT
RED BEACH captured	CHICKEN

2. LOCATIONS (ref maps 1/50,000 BRUNEI BAY Series)

MAINLAND

<u>Place or Feature</u>	<u>Map Ref</u>	<u>Codename</u>
BT TEMPAYANG PISANG	600530	ATLAS
BRUNEI BLUFF	612571	COWRA
BT COWIE	612561	DELHI
VILLAGE	611555	DERBY
Rd June	615552	FOOCHOW
BARRACKS AREA	615550	GEELONG
Tg PELOMPONG	674564	GRAFTON
BROOKETOWN	624547	HONEY
COVE	625546	JUNEE
RIDGE	592549-580536	KAIRI
RIDGE	565528-564518	LITHGOW
VILLAGE	475519	LOVEDAY
Kg SERUSUP	484469	MAIZE
Rd June	480455	MASON
Tg SEMASTA (RIVER POINT)	570433	NORTHAM
BT KINDANA	565417	PEARL
AIRSTRIP	Squares	PERTH
	4744 and 4643	
VILLAGE	480415	RANGOON
Kg GADONG	465417	REBEL
S MERAGANG	Square 3944 to)	REDBANK
	June with S BRUNEI)	
BRUNEI TOWN	area on north bank of)	RUSTY
	S BRUNEI)	
NATIVE TOWN	In S BRUNEI Squares)	SEYMOUR
	4738 and 4838	
VILLAGE	482373	TEROWIE
VILLAGE	539414	TRUNK
HUTS	516394	WAGGA
S BRUNEI	...	WARWICK
S LIMBANG	...	WHEAT
LIMBANG TOWN	Square 5524	WHIPPET

ISLANDS

MUARA

P MUARA BESAR POINT	-- 686521	BRICK ANVIL
LEDONG POINT	633542	BATON
KRAMATI POINT'	682528	BENDIGO
Tg SAPO	688510	BOWEN
BOWONG POINT	649512	COLOMBO
P KAINGARAN	Square 5745	MILDURA
P CHERMIN	576441	MAREEBA

ROADS & TRACKS

Main Rd	From Rd June 480402 } to TUTONG }	ROUTE 3
Road	485523 to rd June } 480402 }	ROUTE 5
Route	BROOKETOWN to rd June) 480455)	ROUTE 6
Road	From S BRUNEI at 485385 to) S LIMBANG at 547254)	ROUTE 7
Track	485394- 492392 - 522416 - } 539414 }	WHISTLE
Road	613553 - 611568	ENGLAND
Road	615552 - 617561	EKMOUTH
Road	625547 - 632552	IPSWICH

Care must be taken in the use of code names allotted to features, tracks etc. Amplifying remarks will not be used with the Code Name if it will endanger the security of the code. For instance, when using the code name for a road or track it will not be quoted as, example "BAKER Track" but simply as "BAKER".

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9 AUST DIV RES OPERATION INSTR No 1

Ref Map : 4 miles to 1 inch LABUAN
4 Miles to 1 inch MIRI
1:50,000 BRUNEI BAY Series

INFORMATION

1. Topography

(a) As per 1 Aust Corps Intelligence Review No 3
Terrain Study No 90
Terrain Handbook No 59

(b) Special study will be given to topography of the following -

LABUAN ISLAND
KLIAS PEN incl towns of MEMPAKUL and MEMUMBOL
WESTON
BEAUFORT
SIPILEANG
BRUNEI BLUFF
BROOMTOWN
MUARA ISLAND

KLIAS RIVER
PADAS RIVER

(c) The sea approaches to both MEMPAKUL and WESTON consist of narrow and shallow channels over shoals and sand bars. Only LCVPs could be used to approach these places. Support Craft could not be used.

2. Enemy

Estimated strengths as at 23 May 45 :

LABUAN	-	500/650
BROOKETOWN-	-	900
MUARA		
MEMPAKOL	-	50
BRUNEI		2000
WESTON		300
BEAUFORT		500
TENOM		600
MIRI-SERIA		1000
LAWAS		50
JESSELTON		(See below)

Note:- The above are not all combat tps, a large proportion being L of C, AA and Shipping pers. It is stressed that some of the infm is of doubtful origin and there have been many conflicting reports. Considerable movt has taken place which will alter the above.

3. Reinforcements

Reinforcement is possible from JESSELTON where enemy strength is approx 5000 and may increase to 7000/8000 by the end of May. A general movement of enemy to the WEST coast of BORNEO has been observed recently. It is not considered that reinforcements will be brought in from outside BORNEO.

4. Sea

Interference from enemy Naval forces is unlikely. Enemy destroyers may be used to harrass convoys and beach areas, but are unlikely to appear until departure of Allied Naval covering forces. There have been reported sightings of enemy submarines NORTH of BORNEO.

5. Air

We have complete air superiority. Enemy has only few planes left on BORNEO, and replacements are unlikely to be sent.

6. Morale

Reported to be low in central and northern areas owing to lack of food, amm and replacements.

7. Own Tps

- (a) 9 Aust Div less 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp is to capture and hold the area LABUAN ISLAND-MUARAI SLAND-BRUNEI PENINSULA-BROOKETOWN with a view to subsequent capture of area BRUNEI BAY-SERIA-LUTONG-MIRI to permit the establishment of an advanced fleet base in BRUNEI BAY and to collect oil and rubber resources in these areas.
- (b) 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp is to capture LABUAN ISLAND, destroy enemy forces on the island and prepare for further operations in area BRUNEI BAY-BEAUFORT.
- (c) At the same time, 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp is to land and capture area BRUNEI BLUFF-BROOKETOWN-MUARA ISLAND.

8. Divisional Reserve

Divisional res consists of :-

(a) Commander

CO 2/32 Aust Inf Bn

(b) Troops

2/12 Aust Cdo Sqn
RHQ and one tp A Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt
One flamethrower tp 2/1 Aust Armd Bde Recce Sqn.
One SFCP
One troop LAA Bty 2/32 Aust Comp AA Regt
One Pl 2/15 Aust Fd Coy
2/32 Aust Inf Bn
2/2 Aust MG Bn less B, C, and D Coys.
Det 2/13 Aust Fd Amb.

9. Possible Tasks for Reserve

- (a) Land and support 20 Aust Inf Bde
- (b) Land and support 24 Aust Inf Bde
- (c) Land and capture MEMPAKUL with the object of capturing KILIAS PENINSULA.
- (d) Land and capture WESTON by -
 - (i) direct assault
 - (ii) securing beach head in SIPITANG area and exploiting.

- Note: (i) Sub para (c) above may be task given to 2/12 Aust Cav (Cdo) Sqn with or without the support of one tp of tks.
- (ii) The task may be allotted to the whole force, but it is more likely to be allotted to a unit of the force or a combination of units.

10. Shipping and Craft

- (a) Shipping available for transport of 9 Aust Div Reserve:
 - 2 LST
 - 3 LSM
 - 4 LCI
- (b) Craft:
 - 12 LCVPs (6 ex each LST)

INTENTION

11. 9 Aust Div Reserve will be prepared to carry out assault landings as directed by HQ 9 Aust Div.

METHOD

12. Reserved. (To be issued on receipt of task)

13. Distribution of force to Ships

See DISTRIBUTION OF FORCE TO SHIPS - 9 AUST DIV RES issued by this HQ 21 May 45.

14. Embarkation

- (a) Embarkation instructions issued separately. The strictest compliance with them by all units is required.
- (b) NO vehicles or stores of any kind may be put on board except those for which authority has been given.
- (c) Vehicles will NOT be loaded beyond proper capacity and the load in DW tons will NOT exceed the rated loading for that type of vehicle.
- (d) Stores will NOT be loaded on guns other than normal gun stores.
- (e) All packages will be of such size and weight that they can be handled by two men, except approved bulky equipment which cannot be broken down into small packages.

ADMINISTRATION

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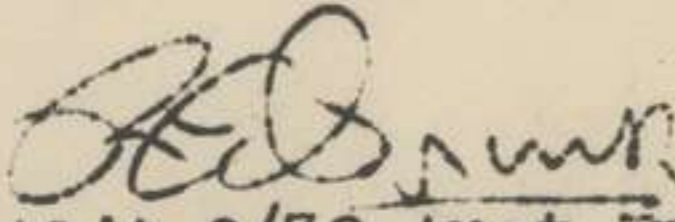
15. (a) General Adm is covered in 2/32 Aust Inf Bn Adm Order No 2 of 21 May 45.
- (b) Supplies
- (i) Each unit will carry 2 days supplies.
- (ii) 7 days supplies for the force are being placed on shipping under arrangements 9 Aust Div.

INTERCOMM

16. Location of 9 Aust Div Reserve HQ - LST. 573.
17. Sig Plan - See Signal Instr No 1 attached as Appx "A".

ACKNOWLEDGE

Signed at 24/11/45.

 Capt
Adjt 2/32 Aust Inf Bn

Issued by Hand

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9 AUST DIV RESERVE SIGNAL INSTR No 1INTENTION

1. To provide maximum comms while afloat and during and after landing.

METHOD

2. The undermentioned sig sec dets will be under comd HQ 2/32 Aust Inf Bn -
- (a) Det "A" Sec Sigs 9 Aust Div (for rear link to Div)
 - (b) Det 24 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec (for force forward control)
 - (c) Det "A" RAN Sig Sec (for beach/ship control)
3. The additional eqpt available is -
- (a) Det "A" Sigs 9 Aust Div 1 W/less set No 22
 - (b) Det 24 Aust Inf Bde Sigs 1 W/less set No 22
 - (c) HQ Cav Cdo Sqn 1 W/less set 108 Mk III
 - (d) HQ Armd Regt 1 W/less set 108 Mk III
4. Comms will be established as shown in the diagrams attached to cover the undermentioned contingencies -
- (a) Force Afloat (Diagram I)
 - (b) Div Reserve landing as assault force on other than an established beach (Diagram II)
 - (c) A 2/52 Aust Inf Bn Gp carrying out an assault landing on other than established beach, and 2/12 Aust Cav Cdo Sqn carrying out a subsidiary landing on another beach.
(Diagram III)
 - (d) Should the Bn group, or portion of it, land on an established beach to reinforce or support one of the assaulting Bdes. The established Comms in use will be used.
5. Code Signs, Code Names, Code Words, Frequencies - As shown Table A.
6. Posn of Div HQ
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|-------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Afloat | - | USS "ROCKY MOUNT" |
| Stand By HQ | - | HMAS WESTRALIA |
| Ashore | - | Initially - area FLAGSTAFF 826848 |
| | | Subsequently - area HOSPITAL 840834 |
7. Posn Bde HQ
- | | | |
|--------|---|---------------------------------|
| Afloat | - | 20 Bde LST 574 |
| | | Stand By HQ APD USS LLOYD |
| | | 24 Bde HMAS MANOCRA |
| | | Stand By HQ HMAS WESTRALIA |
| Ashore | - | 24 Bde initially Rd Junc 827837 |
| | | 20 Bde initially sq 6156 |

8. Postponement of Z Day

Code words for postponement will be -

TOSCA I say again TOSCA - postponed 24 hrs from original day
MANGO I say again MANGO - postponed further 24 hrs.

9. Time Zone

Item time will be used.

10. Wireless Silence

Will be maintained by all army stations till 0815 hrs on Z Day.
Listening watch will be maintained by all stations afloat
from 0715 hrs on Z Day.

11. Netting of Wireless Sets

All sets will be netted on near shore, and dials locked or
jammed, meter readings noted on sets. Netting check will be
made immediately on lifting of wireless silence.

12. Naval Bombardment Sp Comms

Shore fire control parties have been allotted code names
HQ 2/32 Aust Inf Bn - Voice call GEORGE 7
C.W. G 7

13. Air Raid Warning Comm

On landing 2/32 Aust Inf Bn will maintain a listening watch
on Frequency 3115 K/cs if 108 set is available.

Warnings - FLASH RED - attack imminent
FLASH BLUE - attack probable
FLASH WHITE - all clear.

14. Codes

- (a) Combined Assault Code (CCBP - 0130) DOG 25 will be used
by all units forward of HQ 9 Aust Div by all units down
to Bn.
This code to be destroyed by all concerned at 0800 Z & 5
After 0700 hrs Z & 3 Trencode G 68 will replace the
combined assault code.
- (b) RT Code No 2 will be used for all RT conversations to
conceal important words, map references, unit names etc.
Originators and addressees are responsible for encoding
and decoding.

Keyword - Keyletter

Serial 1 effective	-	USMOKCIGARET/L
Serial 2 first reserve	-	FRANCISMODEL/B
Serial 3 second reserve	-	PULYORHEADIN/F

Reserve Keywords will NOT be used without authority from
this HQ.

- (c) Code Names - the following code names will be used when
referring to senior commanders in R/T, Visual and formal
messages -

CTG 78.1	-	PORTHOLE
GOC 1 Aust Corps	-	SPEARFELT
GOC 9 Aust Div	-	CATALOGUE
Comd 20 Bde	-	PETER PAN
Comd 24 Bde	-	SARAKOS
Air Offr Comd 1st TAF RAAF	-	RADECT

- (a) Appointment to Code - Current appointments code will be used when referring to individuals, branches and/or appointments other than those listed above.

15. Air Comm

- (a) COBP 8 unit allotments of identification panel display as previously issued.
- (b) Fluorescent panesls one per rifle coy to be issued.
- (c) Further details on Air Ground comms will be issued separately.

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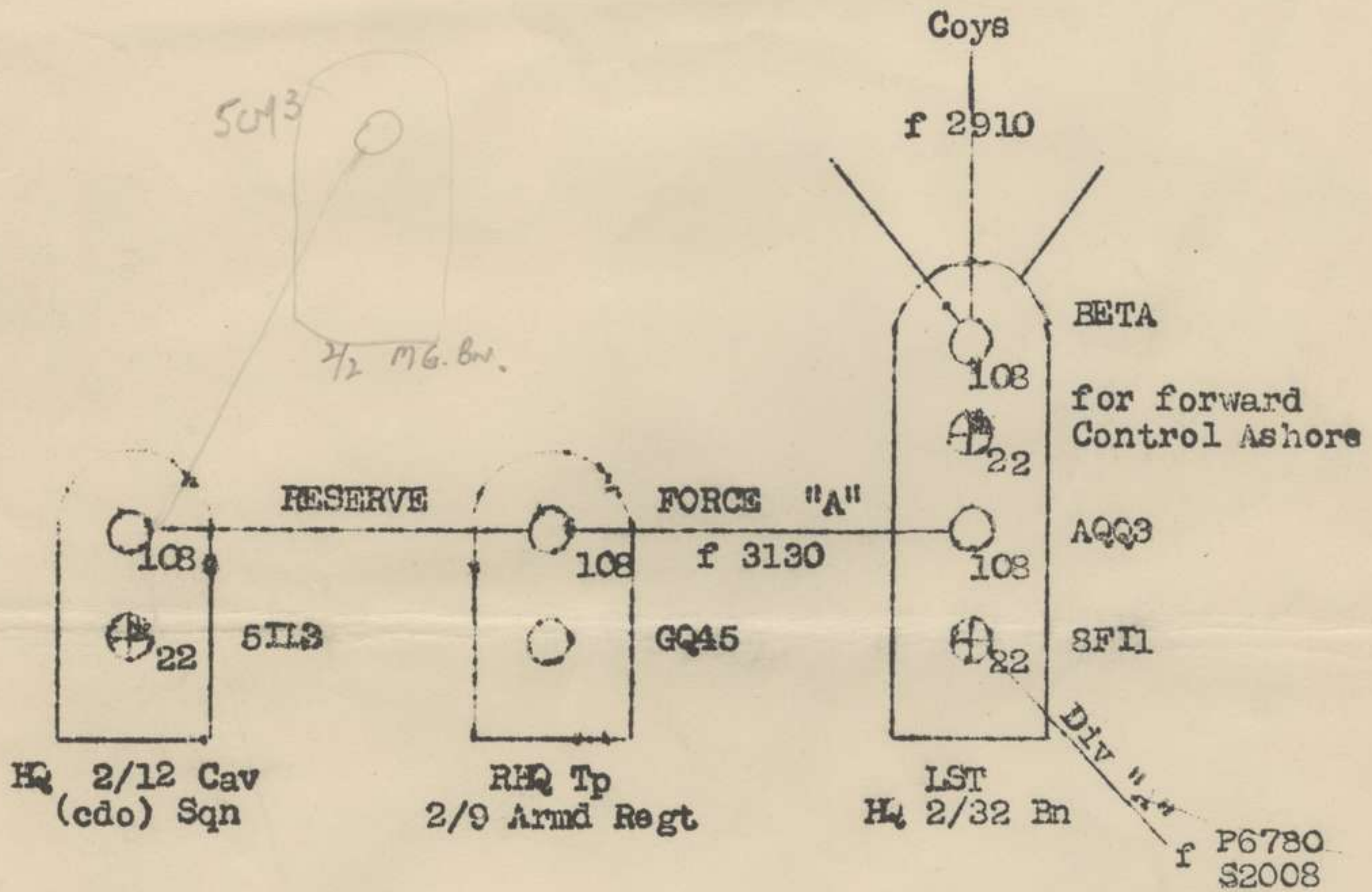
16. Waterproofing - all items of a delicate nature will be water-proofed prior to embarkation by means of -
- (a) Sisalcraft and pitch or asbestos grease
 - (b) Bags signal waterproof.
17. All pers carrying SCR 536c Sets will carry one set reserve batteries. Coy or equivalent Hqs will carry further reserves.
18. Synchronisation
- (a) Ship's time will be used while afloat
 - (b) After landing, correct time will be obtained from 2/32 Aust Inf Bn Sig Office.

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Diagram 1 to
9 Aust Div Reserve
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DIV RESERVE WIRELESS COMNS AFLOAT



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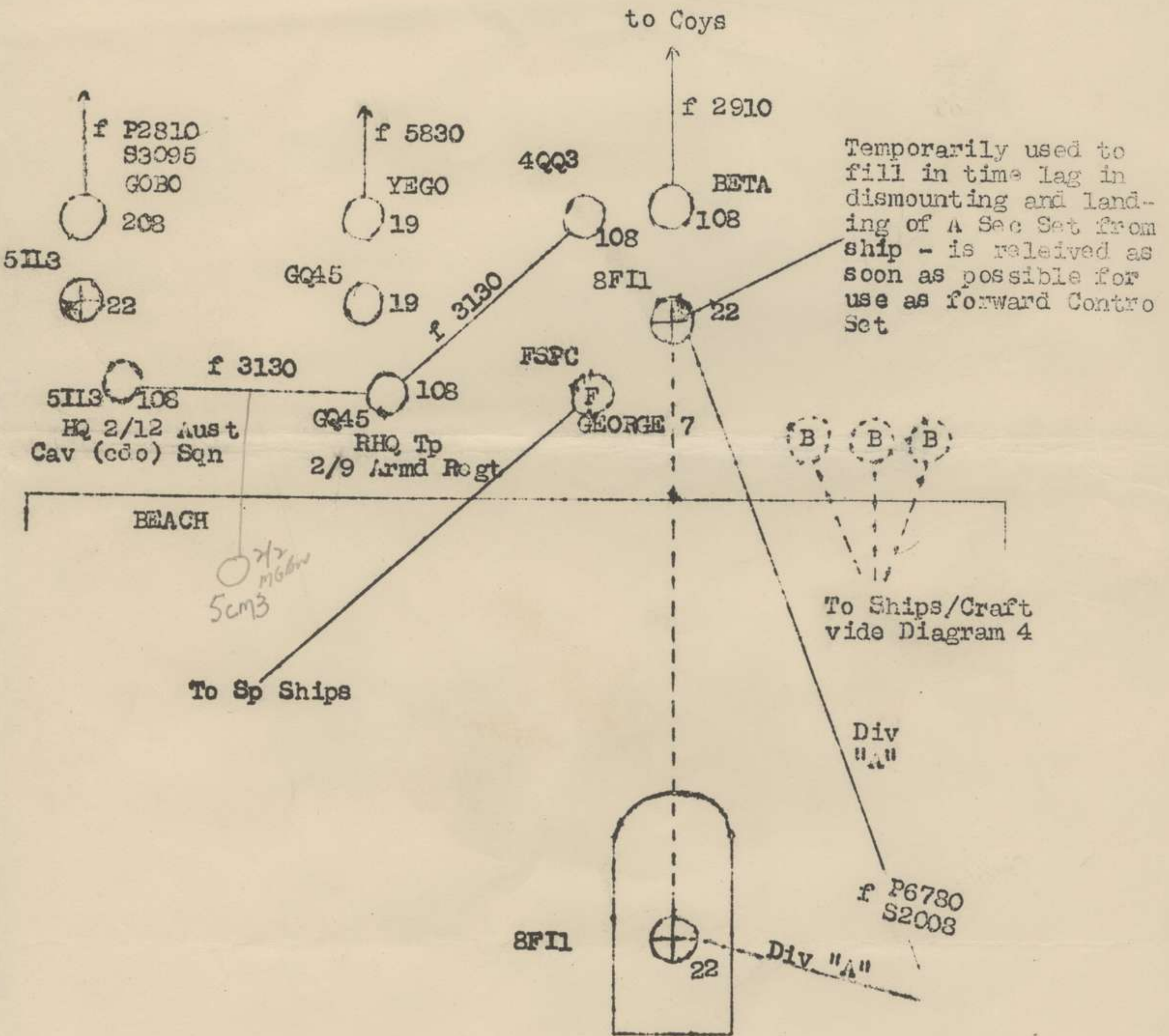
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BN GP IN A SUBSIDIARY ASSAULT LANDING



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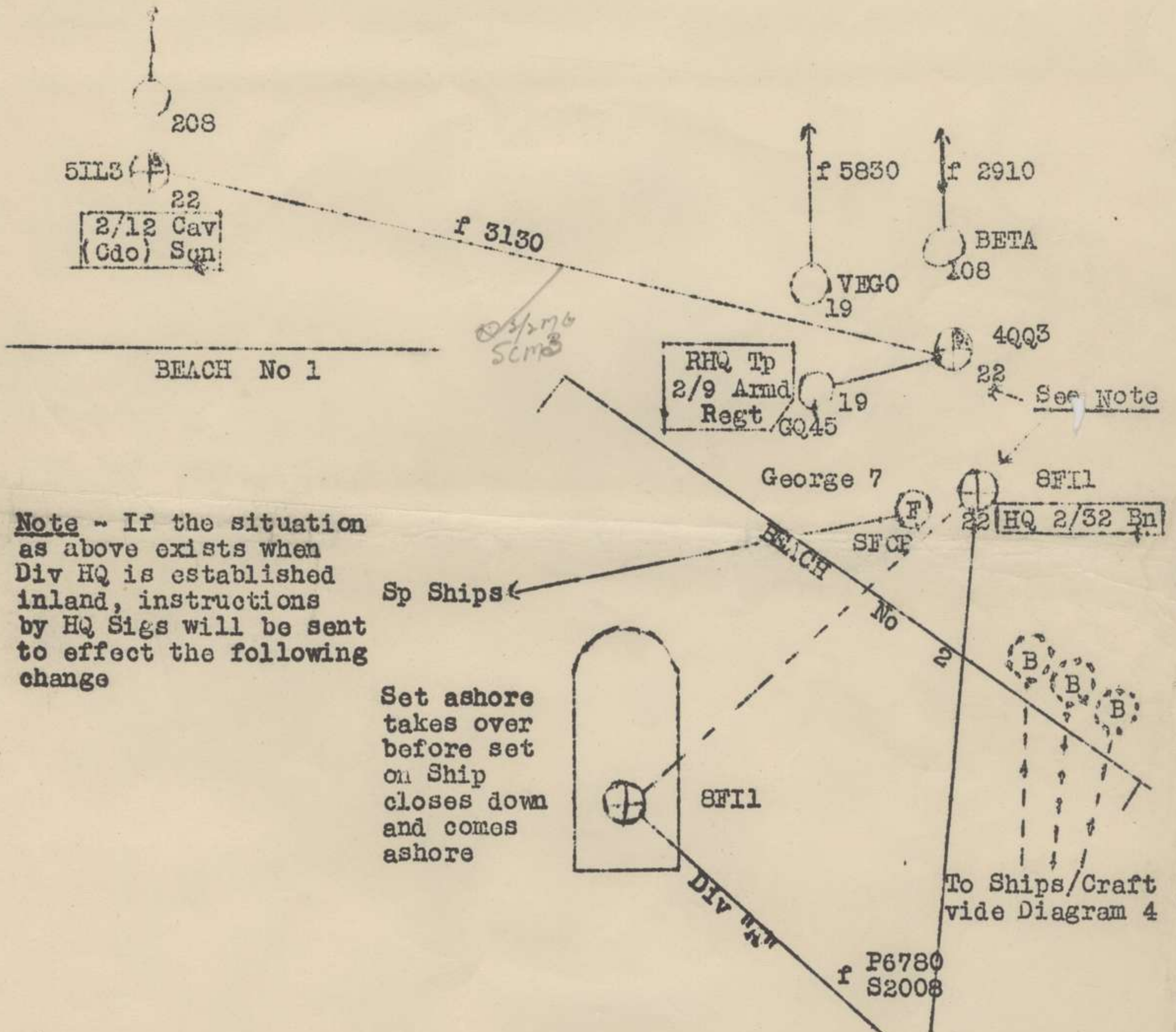
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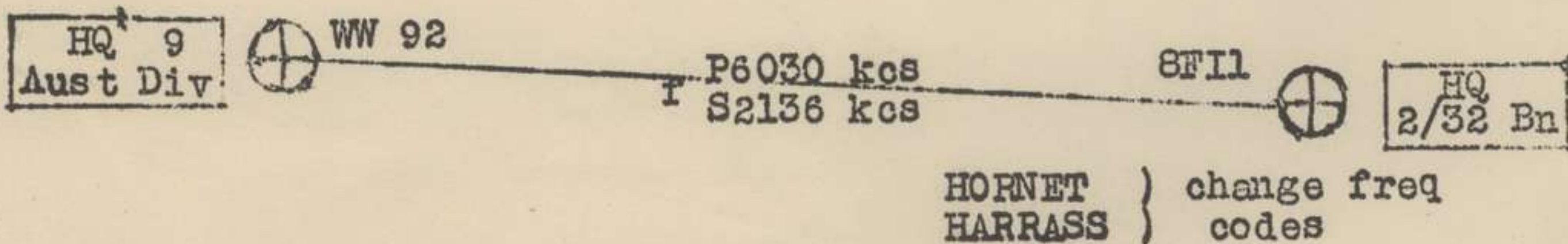
2/12 CAV (CDO) SQN ON ANOTHER BEACH



Note - If the situation as above exists when Div HQ is established inland, instructions by HQ Sigs will be sent to effect the following change

Set on Div "A" will change to a one to one link to be known as Div-32 Bn Link as follows

to HQ 9 Aust Div



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Table A to 9 Aust Div Res
Signal Instr No 1

CODE SIGNS, CODE NAMES, FREQUENCIES
till 0700 I hrs Z&3

Unit or W/Less Link	Code Sign	Code Name	Primary Freq	Code Word to change Freq	Secondary Freq	Code word to change Freq
Div A Link	WG 56		6780	GROUSE	2008	ENGAGE
Div-2/32 Bn Link	WW 92		6030	HORNET	2136	HARASS
2/32 Bn Div A WT Set	8T 11		6780	GROUSE	2008	ENGAGE
" Fwd Control Set		BETA	2910		3130	
" Bde A WT Set	4QQ3		3130			
2/12 Cav Cdo Sqn 2/32 Bn Link.	5LL3		3130			
" " Fwd Control		GOBO	2810		3095	
2/28 Bn Fwd Control		PURI	2800		3030	
2/43 Bn Fwd Control		WABA	2755		3400	
2/15 Bn Fwd Control		WOTO	2505		3490	
2/15 Bn Fwd Control		PERU	2590		3440	
Bn Fwd Control		HOKI	2620		3265	
	5UL6					
Control		MEBA	2790		3150	
ar Link	IP81					
ontrol		WEVI	2630		3160	
s B,C,D Coys	5CM3	FORU	2580	3130	3140	
Rear Link	JK55		2092			
ontrol Set	4PQ4		5830			
qn	GQ45	VEGO	3130			
A Sqn	6LM7	KUDA	2736			
B Sqn	RY72	DOXI	7285			

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BRUNEI

The following is condensed from Terrain Study No. 89 "Area Study of Sarawak & Brunei" and may be read in conjunction with "The Borneo Book for Servicemen".

LOCATION: The area on the NW coast of Borneo between 4° and 5° 05' North Latitude and 114° and 115° 25' East Longitude.

HISTORY: The Sultans of Brunei formerly exercised a vague suzerainty over the NW and NORTH coasts of BORNEO, and by the XVI century had attained their greatest power. Court intrigue and the increasing power of the nobles thereafter sapped the Sultan's authority, which by the beginning of the XIX Century, had become weak. Oppression, originating with the Sultan of Brunei, was transmitted by his nobles through subordinates to the people, who suffered under a network of cruelty and corruption. Stronger tribes seized the opportunity of oppressing their weaker neighbours. Head-hunting and piracy became indiscriminate.

In 1839 James Brooke arrived in Sarawak, commissioned by the Governor of Singapore to convey letters and presents to the Sarawak Viceroy, Raja Unda Hasim, uncle of the Sultan of Brunei. This led to another visit in 1840, when, at the request of Unda Hasim, Brooke gave assistance in suppressing a rebellion. In 1841 the rebels submitted and, in accordance with promises made, Unda Hasim handed over the government to Brooke, an action confirmed by the Sultan in 1842.

Extensions of the Brooke rule by further cessions left Brunei as two portions of territory with Sarawak separating and surrounding them except on the seaward side.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: In general, the country consists of an alluvial coastal plain, low-lying and swampy, and rolling country of yellow sandy clay, intersected by low hills. The swampy areas are not impassable morasses. In dry weather an unladen man might sink over his ankles in rotting humus, and only occasionally deeper. In wet weather he might be up to his thighs in mud and water, occasionally to his waist, and rarely to his armpits.

The mud in mangrove areas is generally firm, and might support tracked vehicles after the vegetation is cleared.

Swamp padi fields generally are dry, and firm enough to walk on in the season April to August, but may be knee-deep in humus in the remainder of the year, with one or two feet of water from November to February.

Apart from a few places where the hills come down to the sea, the coast is flat and low lying, with heavy vegetation. P. Muara is low and partly wooded.

The only sheltered anchorage is Brunei Bay, and the only ports Victoria Harbour (Labuan), Nuara, and Kuala Belait.

The greater part of the country is under forest, with areas of cultivation in the neighbourhood of the Government stations.

Other than Labuan, the few islands off the coast are low and of little importance.

Roads were few and transport was limited. Communications were mainly by W/T, with telephone networks in the capital, the government stations, and around the oil wells.

The climate is warm and humid.

Water supplies were piped to only a few places, the population depending on wells and river water.

MILITARY IMPORTANCE:

Significance: Brunei Bay could accommodate 8000 vessels 500 ft long, swinging in 12 fathoms. Seria was potentially the biggest oilfield in the British Empire, but had not reached full production. The Japanese are reported to have developed the field. Coal exists at Broke-ton, but has not been worked since 1932.

Military Development: Nil.

Potential Development: A naval base in Brunei Bay (in conjunction with Labuan). An air-strip could be developed on E. Muara and possibly another strip at Seria. A third exists near Brunei town.

GENERAL:

Approaches: The sea approach is clear and generally well surveyed from the three-fathom line to 60 miles off shore. The land approaches from Sarawak are generally easy, but it is a difficult matter to travel from Dutch to British Borneo once the immediate coastal area is left.

Movement: A great part of the country is covered in tropical rain forest of the hill and swamp variety, and general cross-country movement is not possible for ML or tracked vehicles.

Troops on foot could move almost anywhere, but only with difficulty off roads, paths and cultivated areas.

Seasons: The wet season is from October to March, and movement is greatly restricted.

Low stratus and nimbus are general during the wet season, and often reduce the ceiling, especially in the morning, to a few hundred feet.

Beaches: Generally firm sand, with seasonal soft patches. Good beaches exist at Brunei Bluff and at Brocketon - a sandy mud.

Distances:

Jesselton	- 100 miles approx.
Sandakan	- 220 " "
Singapore	- 800 " "
Manila	- 800 " "
Darwin	- 1620 " "

Reefs and Depths: In the area of Labuan Is. considerable navigation dangers exist with several islets and coral reefs. Lights are necessary at night.

Winds: Prevailing winds are from the NORTH and NE in the season Oct/Mar, the wet season. The worst storms are usually in December and March. They are generally of short duration, but may last a week. They are accompanied by violent rain storms, which may reduce visibility to 100 yds or less.

The mornings especially are frequently calm, but in the wet season wind and a choppy sea may be expected by midday. In the SW monsoon, generally of light airs, sudden brief squalls, often occur, with strong gusty winds from any point of the compass.

Tides: Tides are generally diurnal, with an 8 ft range at springs and 4 ft at neaps. Swells may be 100 - 150 ft wave length and 10 ft trough to crest.

Ports:

MUARA HARBOUR (BROCKETOWN) - 20 miles SW of Labuan in the NW corner of Brunei Bay. There is a low retaining wall at Brocketown. The harbour was approachable round either side of Pulau Muara. The southern approach was the better.

The anchorage between Muara and the mainland could accommodate 30 ships 250 ft long in complete shelter. Brunei Bay could accommodate a large number of large ships.

There was one lightly built jetty at Brocketown, with additional accommodation on the SE of Muara. The shore near Brocketown is suitable for the erection of stores and camps.

Shore transport was limited to a grass road and an old light tramway from Brocketown inland to Cowie Hill, the site of the abandoned coal mine. Just short of the mine there was a cutting about 30 x long with sides sloping back from the bottom, which were about 10 ft wide.

KUALA BELAIT - A natural river port of limited size in southern Brunei. Chief features were 3 cranes lifting 2, 5 and 10 tons at the Oil Coy wharf, and limited but good stores ashore. Water and electricity were laid on, and there was a light railway operating.

BRUNEI - A natural river anchorage about 7 miles from the sea. It could only accommodate small vessels, but gave complete shelter. There are limited shore storage facilities.

Contour & Vegetation: There are low lying swamp forests near the sea and bordering streams, after which the country is undulating. Near Brunei there are low hills, reaching a maximum height of 700 ft. The area for 8 miles inland is closely populated, and is either under cultivation or secondary growth. The various ranges of hills command the countryside. The ranges running NE from Brunei town would command practically all approaches to the town.

Poisonous & Skin Irritating Plants: Kerigas, usually found on river banks, is a bushy tree, hemispherical in shape, with green leaves, showing brown and red patches. The sap and drips of rain or dew from the leaves falling on the skin produce red inflammation and sores if not attended to. If the juice gets in the eyes, blindness results, generally temporary if treated. Anyone working in it should wear gloves and goggles. Natives will not touch it if they can avoid it. The natural antidote, if it exists, is not known.

Kochubong (Datura) recognised by its trumpet shaped violet flowers, with a white lining, is poisonous.

Upas (Antiaris Toxicaria): The sap, concentrated and mixed with dorris juice, is used on the darts of blowpipes. A wound from a dart turns green, convulsions ensue, and death may occur in two hours. Treatment is as for snake bite. Effective range of the blowpipe is about 40 y.

AIRFIELDS & FLYING BOAT ANCHORAGES: Pulau Muara and Seria would be capable of development as airfields. Flying boats have anchored at Brunei and could possibly do so in Muara Harbour.

ROADS AND TRACKS: A road open to 30 cwt vehicles in all weather ran from Brunei to Tutong, with occasional offshoot roads. A sandy road ran from Brunei north to the coast, and an earth road to Limbay. Native tracks exist.

SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS: Wireless: Standard wireless stations of 1200 to 1550 metres wave length or 193.55 to 25 Mc., working on CW with power in aerial of 0.04 KW were installed at Brunei and K Belait.

Telephone: Networks existed at Brunei, Brocketown, Tutong, Seria and K Belait. The Govt. system connected Brunei and Tutong, and a line from Seria to Tutong linked with this line.

POSTAL SYSTEMS: There were six post offices. Internal mails were carried by coastal ships and Chinese launches. A twice-weekly service ran from Brunei to K Belait. Overseas mails were handled through Labuan, with a weekly service in either direction, i.e. Singapore and Sandakan.

TOWNS, VILLAGES AND MISSION STATIONS: No place would reach the Australian standard of a town.

Brunei: The old native name is Daru'l Salam. It was the administration centre of Brunei state, containing the residences of the Sultan and the British Resident. It was the centre of supply and trading for a comparatively thickly populated district, and was about 10 miles from the sea.

The population based on the 1931 census was - 10 to 20 Europeans, 2000 Asiatics and 10000 natives. The bulk of the native population lived in leaf houses with wooden framework on mud flats covered at HW.

The Sultan's palace, the State Council Building, the Govt. Offices, the hospital, the bazaar and the works and residences of the Island Trading Coy. were situated on the North bank of the Brunei River. Most of the Govt and Company Buildings were of wood. The Bazaar was of brick and, if standing, could be used for billets. The town is surrounded and overlooked by low hills. Water was piped from a small dam on a stream at Tasek, 1½ miles north of the town. The town had a small electrical supply developing 90 Kw.

Kuala Belait: Was a subsidiary H.Q. for the Seria Oilfield, and an off loading point for Seria. It was the H.Q. of the Assistant Resident.

Europeans and Eurasians had a floating population between K Belait and Seria. Combined estimated population was 100 Europeans, 50 Eurasians, 1000 Asiatics and 5000 natives. Buildings were of wood or corrugated iron. Electricity was supplied by two 100 Kw sets at 220 v. Water was pumped from Seria.

Seria: Was the biggest oilfield in the British Empire. Opened in 1930, it had not reached maximum production. The oil was pumped to Lutong in Sarawak.

Nearly all buildings were of wood. Water was pumped from the Badas River about 6 miles inland.

Tutong: 20 miles west of Brunei. Had a government office, police station, rest house, bazaar, dispensary and kemping. There were no Europeans. There was a small piped water supply.

Brooktown: A minor township on the mainland WEST of P. Muara. Prior to the war there was a small lightly built jetty. The Japanese have constructed at least two more. Storage facilities could easily be developed.

There is little information about native villages apart from their position as shown on the map. There are no definite records of mission activity.

RESOURCES, REPAIR FACILITIES, ETC.

Foodstuffs: Rice, sago and coconuts were the chief crops. Vegetables grow readily. Most tropical fruits grow freely. (NB - The natives are jealous of their rights regarding fruit trees.)

Livestock: In very limited numbers. Mainly cattle, water buffalo and goats, with a few pigs.

Oil: To the extent of 695,904 tons annually was produced at Seria.

Gas: Production was 5,195,000,000 cubic ft.

Coal: A soft coal, liable to spontaneous ignition exists at Brooktown.

Water: The heavy rainfall keeps a copious supply in streams. At Miri and K Belait water was pumped from rivers. Brunei and Tutong had small local supplies.

Rubber: The export quota was 2255 tons. Brunei had 14747 acres under rubber in 1937.

Jelutong, a forest tree, is tapped for its latex, which is used in the manufacture of chewing gum. The annual export was about 164 tons.

Wood: Casuarina and mangrove provide the best fuel. Brunei State produces 250 tons of charcoal annually. There are ample supplies of timber suitable for building purposes.

Repair Facilities: K Belait and Seria had good workshops. Brunei had a few skilled car mechanics.

Labour: Chinese supplied the labour for the oilfields and Dyaks for jungle work. Jungle natives are useless for labouring purposes.

Population (1938) - 57,868.

Europeans	- 97 max between 1935 and 1940
Eurasians	- 10
Asiatic	} Exact numbers not known.
Native	

ADMINISTRATION:

The state was divided into four districts - Brunei & Muara, Temburong, Tutong, and Belait, under Malay D.O's. The Sultan was head of the State, but his power was limited to religious matters. The British Resident resided at Brunei.

Local government was by Sanitary Boards composed of official and non-official members appointed by the Resident.

The Police Force consisted of a Chief Police Officer, 10 native subordinate officers and 68 constables. There were stations at Brunei, K Belait, Seria, Tutong, Sengkurang, Bangar and Muara.

It is said that the Japanese have played on the feelings of the Brunei ruling classes and put Sarawak under Brunei.

MEDICAL PROBLEMS: As for New Guinea, with the notable additions of Cholera, Plague and Small Pox.

INSECTS:

Mosquitoes: No fewer than 19 varieties of Anophelines are recorded in Borneo. Many of these are capable of transmitting malaria. Various Culicines also exist.

Mites & Ticks: Mites occur in some areas, and ticks are met with occasionally.

Sandflies: Sandflies are troublesome, especially to newcomers, causing infections of arms and legs.

Leeches: Leeches are met with in the jungle.

Jellyfish: At times a type of jellyfish which causes skin irritation and great pain is encountered along the coast.

DANGEROUS ANIMALS:

Snakes: Hamadryads, cobras and banded kraits are some of the venomous snakes encountered in the jungle. They are dangerous when surprised, but are not especially common.

Crocodiles: These occur usually in the lower reaches of the rivers.

Wild Buffalo & Wild Cattle: These animals are very dangerous when wounded. The Buffalo are found on the coast and the cattle up river.

Wild Pig: They can be dangerous when wounded. They are found throughout the area.

Rainfall: Varies from 132" to 186", according to the area.

Temperature: Averages about 88° Fahr by day and 78° Fahr by night on the coastal plains.

Currency: Was that of the Straits Settlements.

Standard Time: Local standard time was 7½ hours ahead of Greenwich.

Magnetic Variation: In 1943 the magnetic variation was 2½° EAST increasing 3' annually.

History: The island of Labuan was offered to the British Government in 1846 by the Sultan of Brunei for the establishment of a British settlement, and accepted. It was governed as a separate colony until 1889, when its administration was transferred to the British North Borneo Coy till 1905.

After other changes, it became, in 1912, a separate settlement within the administrative framework of the Straits Settlements.

Location: The island is on the NW side of Brunei Bay, lying between latitudes $5^{\circ} 15'$ and $5^{\circ} 25'$ N and longitude $115^{\circ} 08'$ and $115^{\circ} 15'$ E, six miles west of the nearest point of British Borneo and 16 miles NE of Broketon in Brunei. It is approximately triangular with apex to the north. It has an area of 35 square miles, and is 10 miles from north to south with a maximum width of six miles. It is 725 miles ENE from Singapore.

General Description: The highest part is in the north of the island, some 336 feet above sea-level, whence ridges of low hills run SW parallel to the coast. The south part of the island contains swampy areas with some mangrove. The east area is, in general, about 100 feet above sea-level. The rocks are carboniferous sandstone. The soil in the middle is a white sandy material.

Approaching from the northwards, the island first appears as two peaks of almost equal height.

The west half of the island is mainly under forest, and the east half under cultivation, or scrub and la'ang.

There are beaches on the east shore and on the SE point, with low sandstone cliffs along the east and west coasts. There is much coral reef with many rocks in the neighbourhood, especially off the west coast. There are small islands off the southern coast.

The main settlement is at the harbour of Victoria on the SE corner, with a few other native villages to the NW, and on the west coast.

Roads give communication with all parts of the island. Ships of the Straits Settlements Steamship Coy called once weekly in each direction.

Launches made a regular round of calls to Brunei, Limbang and K Belait.

There was a coal mine at Labuan, but the difficulties of keeping out seepage water, and of the falling markets, caused it to be closed down.

Labuan was a cable station of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Coy on the Singapore-Hongkong route, with a line to the mainland of British North Borneo at Mempakul. There was also a wireless station. Balloon observations were made for the meteorological section of the RAF for a few years previous to the invasion.

Most of the rain fell at night, averaging 136 inches annually. Climate is very humid. The days are hot and somewhat oppressive. Nights are reasonably cool.

Water from wells and a reservoir, and was always in good supply for local needs.

Weights, measures and currency were as those of the Straits Settlements.

MILITARY IMPORTANCE

Significance: The importance of Labuan derives from the harbour, which all but the largest ships can enter, and which is the only one in the area. Its proximity to the extensive anchorage of Brunei Bay may also be valuable.

Military Development: There was practically none before the Japanese invasion. They are believed to have established two airfields.

Potential Development: The harbour and the large anchorage in Brunei Bay immediately outside offer possibilities for a naval base. Parts of the island are suitable for an airfield, and together with fields on the mainland could provide for the necessary air protection. Victoria Harbour could also be used as a flying boat anchorage.

General:

A. Approaches: There is little difficulty in the approach by sea from the NE, north or SW, provided the charted reefs and islands are avoided. The high mountains of British North Borneo to the east and NE are an obstruction for the air.

B. Movements: Cross-country movement is possible in the eastern half of the island for motor and tracked vehicles, but less so in the western portion owing to the forest, and along the south coast because of some areas of swamp. There should be little difficulty in movement for troops.

C. Weather: From March to September is the fine season, and cumulus is the usual cloud form. In the remainder of the year there is a much greater rainfall, with nimbus, but with bright periods. Surf is not usually of any size. It appears that swells are set up by typhoons off China, and reach these coasts still capable of setting up a moderate surf, even when there is no stormy weather in the vicinity.

D. Beaches: There are sandy beaches at Ramsay Point at the east point of Victoria Harbour, at the end of Brook Road $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the NNE, near Lubok Temiang near the north point of the island, at Telok Layangan half-way down the west side of the island, and at Kg Pagar, four-fifths of the way down.

Boats could get up Kina Benua River at HW round the back of the township.

Reefs off the west coast would endanger any landings unless pilots with special local knowledge are available. Such pilots would probably be found only among the natives.

<u>Distances:</u>	To Jesselton	74 miles
	" Sandakan	198 "
	" Singapore	815 "
	" Manila	790 "
	" Darwin	1620 "

Reefs and Depths: There is no information other than on Admiralty Charts. Reefs line the western shore. Ships can approach to within a mile of the shore, but down the east side are confined to a channel which narrows to only a mile wide as it approaches Victoria Harbour. There are several small islands and reefs along the southern shores, and shore lights would be necessary for night navigation.

Islands: There are seven islands within the Administration of Labuan, namely:

- Pulau Pappan
- Pulau Daat
- Pulau Enor
- Pulau Burong
- Rusukan Kechil and Rusukan Besar
- Pulau Kuraman

Beyond a few scattered native houses, these islands have no population with the single exception of Pulau Daat, which has a large coconut plantation of 800 acres, with coolie quarters and sheds and a small landing stage. The other six islands are thickly wooded.

Winds: During the season March-September the prevailing wind is generally light from the SW to SE, and in the rest of the year much stronger from the NE. Other winds are nevertheless common. The daily land and sea-breeze effect is marked, and may help to explain why Labuan's rain falls mostly at night. Squalls may arise suddenly without any warning, but they are generally of short duration.

The strongest winds apart from brief squalls are from the northerly direction, so the harbour has almost complete shelter.

Currents: During the SW monsoon the current off the western coast sets NE at a rate of from half to one knot. It reverses with the onset of the NE monsoon about November.

Tides: Tides are diurnal. Spring range is about six feet and neaps about three feet. Maximum range is about seven feet.

PORTS:

The port of Labuan is known as Victoria Harbour, at the SE corner of the island. The harbour itself is about 2000 by 1500 yards, natural, with depths of from four to seven fathoms and a bottom of sandy mud. It is approximately triangular, the apex to the NW, the base opening into Brunei Bay, and the sides being the shores of Labuan Island. On the northerly shore, low hills (under 100 ft) lie about 1500 yards back from the flat coastline, where the town lies, with a firm sandy mud beach. On the westerly shore, hills rising to about 150 run steeply down to a mangrove fringe. Two small streams run into a shallow bay north of and opening from the apex. This bay is navigable for small native boats but is dry at LW apart from the stream channels, which launches can use at HW.

Capacity: Over 20 ships of 250 ft length can swing at anchor in five fathoms, and 10 more of 500 ft length in five-six fathoms, within the limits of the harbour itself. Off the entrance, in the shelter of the Pappan Island a vessel of great size could swing at anchor farther away in Brunei Bay, whose deep water covers 13 by 17 miles with depths of not less than 12 fathoms.

Shelter: The island itself gives shelter from all the worst weather, and the harbour is only open to the SE, whence strong winds are exceptional.

Tides and Currents: Spring range in the harbour is about six feet, and neap range about three feet. The maximum current is about two knots, on the ebb.

Port Facilities: There were no cranes nor other lifting appliances, cargo being handled from the ships' sides by coolie labour. There was no electric light on the wharves.

Shore transport was handled by two lorries and a few taxis.

Harbour Transport: There were two government launches with a speed of eight knots. There were some lighters.

Anchorage:

Coastal: Ships can anchor about a quarter of a mile off Kubong Bluff (Coal Point) near the north point of the island, but farther down the east coast of the island, rocks and shoals prevent approach closer than a mile. Down the west coast, ships can approach within three-quarters of a mile, and anchor, but have a rocky lee shore in the north and NW storms.

Brunei Bay (south of Labuan Island): Provides for about 8000 vessels of 500 ft length to swing at anchor in over 12 fathoms.

Wharves and jetties practically do not exist, but could be made from the abundant local timber.

PHYSIOGRAPHY AND VEGETATION:

A ridge of low hills runs from the northernmost point to Tg Layangan (Luke Pt) and another from SW of Hamilton Road to Tg Punei, at the SW Point, the highest point being 336 feet about 1½ miles SW of Bethune Pt. The ridges gradually decrease in height to the SW. The easterly point has hills about 50 feet high. About the middle of the east coast the country is about 100 feet high. Between the western ridges and Victoria is low country, with a river, the Kina Benua. In this area the soil is fertile, and sago and rice are grown. Rice is also grown in the headwaters of Gangarak River.

The western portion is mainly under forest, progressing from old secondary growth to rain forest as a result of its having been made into government forest reserves, while the remainder is under secondary growth or cleared for plantations. Near the township of Victoria are the houses, gardens, and other amenities of the European colony. The SE point is most suited for landings, paratroop landings, and an airstrip.

Rivers, Lakes and Swamps: There are no large rivers. At HW boats could enter the Kina Benua midway along the south coast, the Batu Bata at the head of Victoria Harbour, and the Gangarak on the east coast near the northern end.

There are no lakes. The swampy areas are in the basins of the three rivers mentioned.

Airfields and Flying Boat Anchorages: There were no operational sites.

A site had been reserved for an airfield between Coal Point Road and the east coast. Materials other than timber and water would have to be imported. Coral is available offshore.

Condition as at 5 Feb 44: Runway 4300 ft x 825 ft, not paved, usable. There was one refuelling truck and one starter truck. Barracks capacity 100.

Victoria Harbour is suitable as a flying boat anchorage.

Roads and Tracks: The roads in the neighbourhood of the harbour, Government House and the hospital are constructed of coral two-three feet deep, hard rolled and sealed. In all there were 20 miles of such roads and 21 miles of earth road.

Callaghan Road was 12 feet wide with a tarred surface suitable for heavy traffic.

Panjang Road: A recently built retaining wall at Ramsay Point was subsiding in 1936, indicating that the road was not fit for heavy traffic.

TRANSPORT: There were no railways. Inland, the roads, a few lorries, about 20 motor cars, and a few bullock carts provided means of transport other than by porters. Pedal bicycles were fairly numerous.

About half-way along the abandoned railway track from Victoria to the flooded coalmines at the northern end of the island was a tunnel about a quarter of a mile long and 20 feet wide and 20 feet high. Sides were of sandstone.

Two government launches were based on Victoria Harbour; one steam and one motor.

Six other launches from 52 to 95 feet in length and 5ft-8ft draught were mainly engaged in communication with the mainland.

The labour force of Asiatic coolies would probably not exceed 300, mainly found in and near Victoria Harbour.

SIGNAL COMMUNICATION:

Telephones: There was a manual telephone exchange near the town. It served government offices, the business area, and inland as far as the offices of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Coy at the junction of Cantonment Road and North Road. Lines were overhead.

Telegraphs: The Eastern Extension Telegraph Coy maintained a regular service to and from North Borneo, Singapore and Hongkong. The cable landing place was at Ramsay Point where there is a white obelisk, and a cable house of brick with corrugated iron roof. The cable house is connected to the cable office by 1.4 nautical miles of six gutta percha insulated cables in an underwater pipeline running from the cable house to the junction of Plain Road and Callaghan Road, thence along the west side of Cantonment Road.

Wireless Station: The wireless telegraph station was owned by the government of Brunei, operating on CW at 1930.4 K/cs with a range of 100 miles. Its function was to provide communication with Brunei and with merchant ships using the port. The W/T mast is not visible from seaward.

Post Office: At Victoria there was an up-to-date post office with the usual postal facilities. Overseas mails were carried by ships of the Straits Steamships giving a weekly service in each direction to Singapore and Sandakan, and by local launches to the mainland.

TOWNS, VILLAGES AND MISSIONS:

Victoria is the only European settlement. Most of the buildings were of wood. Government House, 1½ miles NE of the wharf in Victoria Harbour, was a large two-storey building on the higher ground near Cantonment Road.

The offices of the Eastern Exchange Telegraph Coy were at the corner of North Road and Cantonment Road.

In the same compound were engine house, bungalows of manager and deputy engineer, and separate billiard room, single-storey buildings of wood on wooden or brick piles, roofed with galvanised iron or shingles. The compound was well wooded and 10½ acres in extent.

The hospital was between the junction of Cantonment and Club Roads and the coast.

There were other European quarters in this area.

The bazaar lay close behind the wharf, and to the SE along the main road were the Resident's Office and the rest-house on the north side, and the club on the south side.

There are native kampongs in various parts of the island.

The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel has a church on Cantonment Road, east of Government House, in the triangle formed by roads.

There was an electricity supply, the power station being at the junction of North Road and Plain Road, giving three-phase 50 cycle AC, 400/230 volts. The plant was reported to be duplicated, power unknown.

Nightsoil was collected and disposed of by proper tranching under supervision of the sanitary inspector and Rural Board overseer. Borehole latrines were constructed where possible.

Billets: Camps could easily be constructed, and supplied with water on the golf course and racecourse.

RESOURCES:

Foodstuffs: Sufficient foodstuffs in the form of rice, vegetables and sago were grown for local consumption only. There were plenty of fish in the sea.

Animal Foodstuffs: Goats were common; Indian cattle and the water buffalo are in limited numbers.

Exports: Sago was the principal export from primitive factories on the island. Plantation rubber, copra and pigs were exported.

In 1937, 1834 acres were under rubber, 3422 acres under coconuts, and 710 acres under rice.

Fuel: Timber, particularly mangrove, is used.

Oil is imported. Stocks kept were: Petrol 12,000 gallons, aviation spirit 2000 gallons, lubrication oil 800 gallons, kerosene 20,000 gallons, diesel oil 1500 gallons.

There is coal of an excellent soft type in the north part of the island. In the past this was mined but, owing to difficulty in keeping out seepage water, it was finally abandoned in 1912; and the whole plant dismantled.

Construction Materials: There are ample quantities of sago/pal for thatching purposes and for the construction of temporary walls. It resembles nipa palm thatch but is stronger.

Timber exists on the island and adjacent islands for limited construction. Bamboo is not common.

Gravel and sand are plentiful.

Water: Water is supplied from the reservoir, three-quarters of a mile NNW of Government House, capacity 3,750,000 gallons and catchment area 50 acres, through chlorination plant to the reticulation system. It can be fed from a reserve dam holding 74,000 gallons. The water is acidulous and bad for use in ships' boilers.

There are also sufficient wells to make the island independent of this water supply.

Minerals: Nil.

Repair Facilities: No repair facilities of a major character existed. A garage owned by an Asiatic served the few motor vehicles.

No stocks of food or other commodities are maintained.

Currency, weights and measures are as in the Straits Settlements, having the same values as those of Sarawak.

Population: The census of 1931 gave the following figures compared with estimates in 1938:

	1931	1938
Europeans	15	31
Natives	5360	5234
Chinese	3248	3053
Eurasians	53	45
Indians	154	145
Others	12	59
	<u>8872</u>	<u>8567</u>

The Chinese are nearly all traders. The few exceptions are small holders and coconut palm cultivators.

Natives comprise principally Dusuns and Kadayans. Tutongs are also included. They are almost entirely Mohammedans. They are mostly rice growers, sago owners, and fishermen. The wage earners are launch men, government employees and house servants.

Taxation and government restrictions were very slight, so that Japanese occupation might prove irksome.

ADMINISTRATION:

Before Enemy Occupation: The Resident was appointed by the Governor of the Straits Settlements, and was responsible for the administration of the Island and its dependencies. He was assisted by the Harbour Master who was also the settlement engineer.

The seat of government was at Victoria, capital of the island. The law was that of the Federated Malay States.

Labuan is divided into six mukims or districts. The Resident and the Harbour Master (British) were the only Europeans attached to the government.

Police Force: The police force was part of the Straits Settlements Constabulary, and consisted of an inspector and 30 men, mostly Malays from Singapore and the Federated Malay States, with a few Indian constables.

CLIMATE:

Rainfall: Average monthly rainfall (inches): Jan - 7; Feb - 5; Mar - 6; Apr - 9; May - 12; Jun - 13; Jul - 10; Aug 10; Sep - 15; Oct - 16; Nov - 15; Dec 13. Number of rainfall days - 205.

Winds: The NE monsoon blows from October to April. In the typhoon season during June and onwards in the Philippine Islands, the island of Labuan is subjected at times to violent squalls, the wind reaching gale force. From May to October, however, the prevailing wind is generally from the SW and not of any great strength.

Cloud: Daily trend at 0900 hours 60 per cent, maximum in Oct 66 per cent; 1500 hrs 62 per cent, maximum Aug-Oct 66 per cent; 2100 hours 66 per cent, maximum Jul-Dec 70 %.

Temperature: The day temperature averages 90°, with maximum of 93°. The night temperature averages 78°, with minimum of 77°. Humidity is about 90° the year round.

Standard Time: Eight hours ahead of Greenwich, or that of the meridian of 120° E.

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3. Amend page (f), LIST OF APPENDICES, by the addition of the following -

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NOTE: These Appendices should be filed at rear of instruction.

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19. JAPANESE INCENDIARY GRENADE.

<u>Source</u>	CRE 6 Aust Div
<u>Found</u>	AITAPE-WEWAK AREA
<u>Reference.</u>	Appendix "A-1" Page 69. Pkg 48- Japanese Explosive Ordnance- Revised edition 1 Jan 45.

This is a hand thrown grenade, somewhat in shape like the BRITISH "Sticky" bomb, but the body is made of pressed paper and painted black. The grenade is initiated by a pull cord which fires a friction ~~ign~~ ignitor which in turn ignites a bag of black powder through a delay pellet. The incendiary effect is provided by the burning of 32 incendiary caps filled with some magnesium compound (exact composition unknown). On bursting this grenade will throw out many of these small incendiary caps.

20. JAPANESE CARTRIDGE CASES USED AS PREPARED CHARGES.

<u>Source.</u>	2/13 Aust Fd Coy RAE
<u>Found</u>	TARAKAN Is - May 45
<u>Reference.</u>	Appendix "A-2"

Various sized cartridge cases, 67 mm., 75 mm., and 105 mm have been found on TARAKAN Is. The empty cartridge cases filled with Picric Acid and sealed with wooden plugs and bees wax. The charge is initiated by a strong length of safety fuse and detonator placed in the primer hole. The charges may be used as grenades, the small size, 67mm, only is considered suitable or as prepared demolition charges.

21. JAPANESE NAVAL DEPTH CHARGES USED AS LAND MINES.

<u>Source</u>	2/13 Aust Fd Coy RAE
<u>Found</u>	TARAKAN Is. May 45
<u>Reference</u>	Appendices "A-3" and "A-4" Japanese Explosive Ordnance Revised Edition - pages 56-89.

- (a) The JAPANESE Depth Charge Type 95 is almost a direct copy of the BRITISH Depth Charge and it contains 357 lbs. of Type 98 explosive, being 70% Trinitroanisol and 30% H.N.D.
- (b) At TARAKAN extensive use was made of the depth charges as land mines. They were placed in verges of the road, in abutments of culverts or awkwardly centrally on the roads to cause cratering. The charges were in general, completely buried in a vertical position with the upper surface just below ground level, often the charge was concealed with a layer of dirt and leaves.
- (c) The charges were so prepared that they could be fired by pulling the wire trip sometimes up to 400 yds distant. In addition, sometimes, no trip wires were placed and pressure of a man or vehicle would initiate the charge.

- (d) In Appendix "A-3", the pistol assembly is shown with a depth setting portion (A) uppermost and freely suspended by two supporting wires (C). When these wires are pulled it allows the complete upper portion of the pistol assembly to fall on the booster charge (B). In this instance the charge can be initiated by either pulling out the supporting wires from a remote point or they can be tripped. To disarm the depth setting portion of the pistol assembly should be lifted straight out; greater care should be taken to ensure that this does not fall.
- (e) In Appendix "A-4" a slightly different arrangement of initiating is adopted, but in this instance, the depth setting portion of the pistol assembly (A) is placed at the bottom of the central tube in the Depth charge and a special primer assembly (B) is allowed to fall on the striker pin of (A). This means of initiation is somewhat uncertain as the primer assembly is loose within the central tube and unless it falls centrally the striker will miss the flash cap. To disarm, the primer assembly must be carefully lifted out then the gaine portion of this primer assembly can be unscrewed. The primer assembly as found appears an improvisation and it is not known for what purpose it was designed.

22. JAPANESE TARAKAN MANUFACTURE HAND GRENADE.

Source 2/13 Aust Fd Coy RA#
 Found TARAKAN Is May 45
 Reference Appendix "A-5"

- (a) This grenade is approximately 6" and approx. $1\frac{3}{4}$ " diam. It consists of a cast iron case filled with peric acid and fixed with a crude striker mechanism. The flash is made out of a .45 cartridge case sawn down and the delay of 4 seconds is achieved with a section of safety fuse.
- (b) Method of Use.
1. Pull out spring wire clip from safety clip (B)
 2. Striker (A) given sharp blow - this sets off flash cap (C) and grenade explodes 4 seconds later.
- (c) This grenade is in a highly dangerous state when spring wire clip is removed - there is no other safety device and slightest pressure on striker (A) may lead to detonation.

23. AERIAL BOMBS USED AS LAND MINES.

Source 2/13 Aust Fd Coy RAE
 Found TARAKAN Is May 45
 Reference Appendix "A-6".

- (a) Extensive use was made at TARAKAN of 250 and 500 Kg aerial bombs as land mines, these were in general placed on the verges of the road and were buried vertically upright with the nose of the fuse 142" above ground surface.
- (b) The fuse used is "Type 97 Mk 2 Nose Fuse Model 2 as shown in Appendix "A-6". The two-prong safety pin (X) was removed and the propelling vanes (Y) screwed clockwise- the fuse is then fully armed and any pressure on top of (Y) is sufficient to shear pin, 1/16" diam brass (W), will cause detonation. In this state the fuse is anti-tank and was used extensively armed in this manner. To disarm screw propelling vanes (Y) anticlockwise to full extent, this renders fuse safe and next the fuse assembly should be removed from the bomb.
- (c) In certain instances the shear pin (W) was removed and the fuse was then in a highly dangerous state and in these cases it acts as an anti-personnel mine. In certain instances the Jap fitted a crude weighted lever supported by a stick prop which when pulled away by a trip wire gave a sufficient blow to (Y) to cause detonation. To disarm in this instance, assembly (Y) must be pulled straight out, then main body of fuse can be removed.

24. SHELL FUZES (DUTCH) USED AS ANTI PERSONNEL FUZES IN BURIED CHARGES (75mm and 105 mm Shells).

Source 2/13 Aust Fd Coy RAE
 Found TARAKAN Is May 45
 Reference Appendices "A-7" and "A-8".

1. 75 mm SHELL - Appendix "A-7"

- (a) The Dutch fuze in this instance had been completely dismantled and an improvised plunger (A) consisting of a 1 1/2" nail and roughly/turned steel knob placed in the top of the fuze, the striker assembly (B) is also an improvisation whilst the flash cap assembly (C) is that from the original fuze.
- (b) The whole unit is sensitive and requires only approx 1 lb pressure to detonate.
- (c) To delouse, the plunger assembly (A) is removed rendering the fuze safe. The fuze can then be removed and the flash cap assembly (C) removed by unscrewing base plate (D).
- (d) The normal method of use was to bury the shell with only the top of the plunger (A) projecting, in certain instances the shell was placed under boards flat iron or sheets of galvanised iron lying on the ground. Extensive use of these shell was made at TARAKAN.

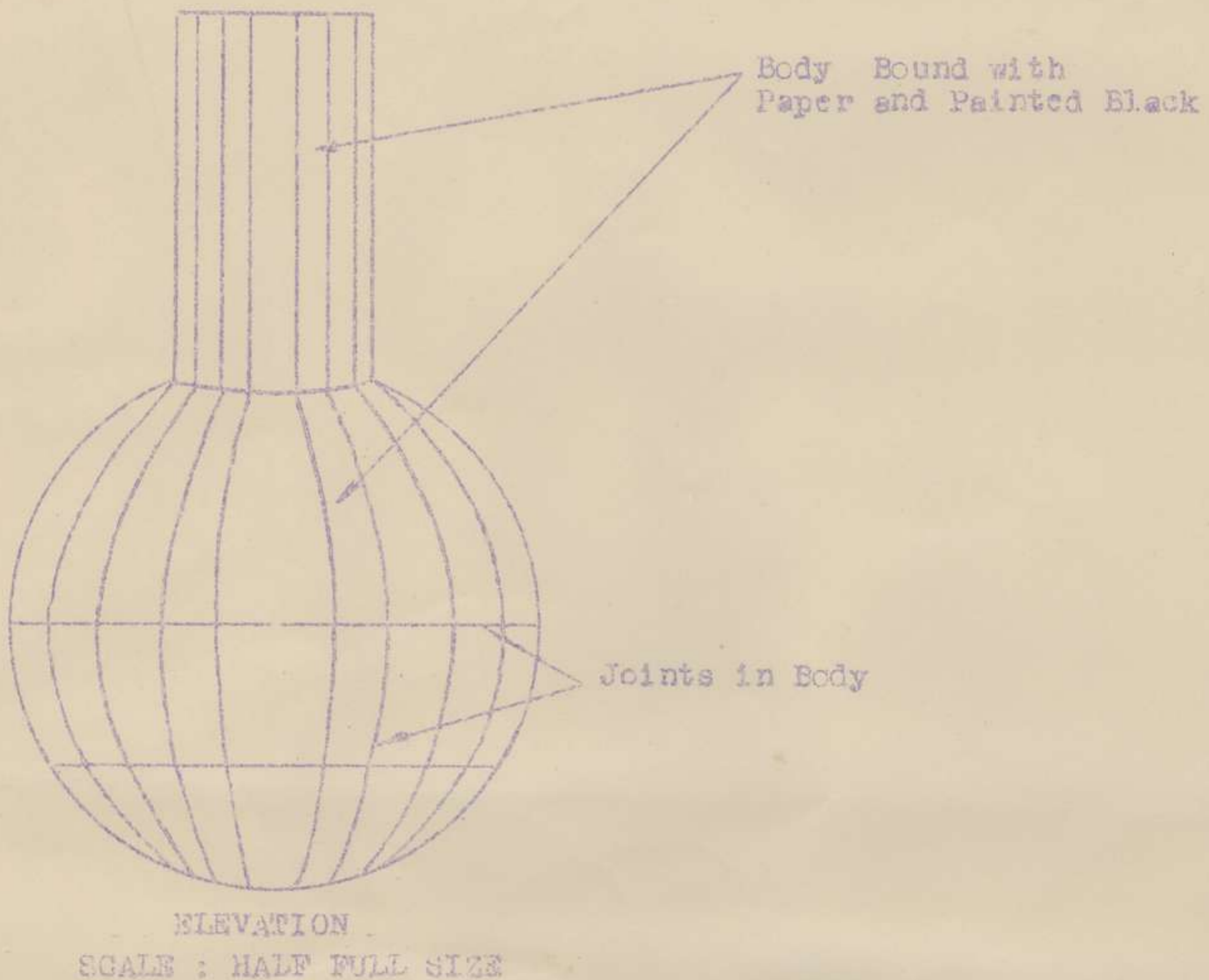
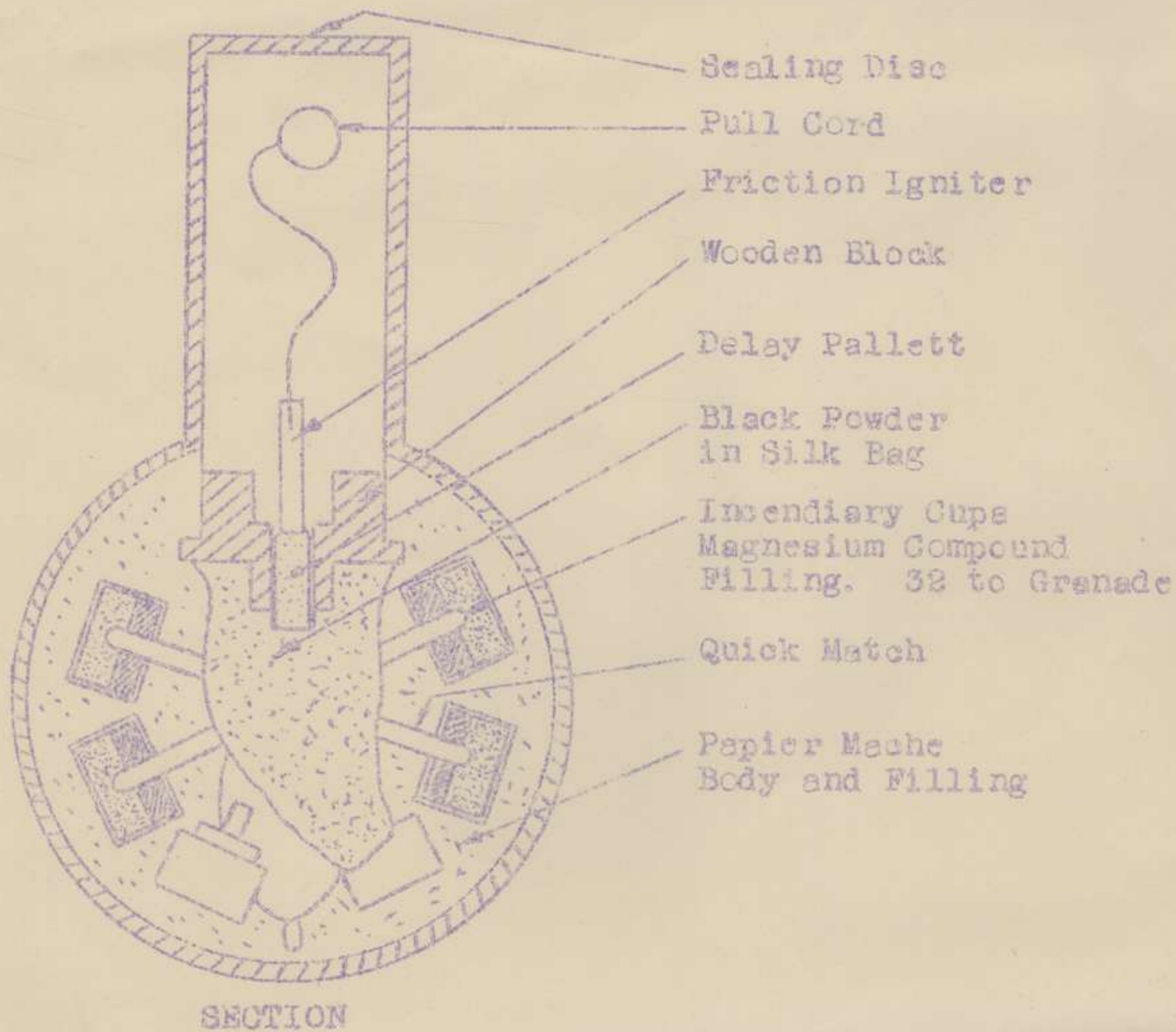
- (e) In addition use has been made of this fuze with a safety fuse inserted into a detonator for use as charge to roll under tanks or hurl through the air. This is illustrated in top sketch of Appendix "A-7"

2. 105 mm SHELL - Appendix "A-8"

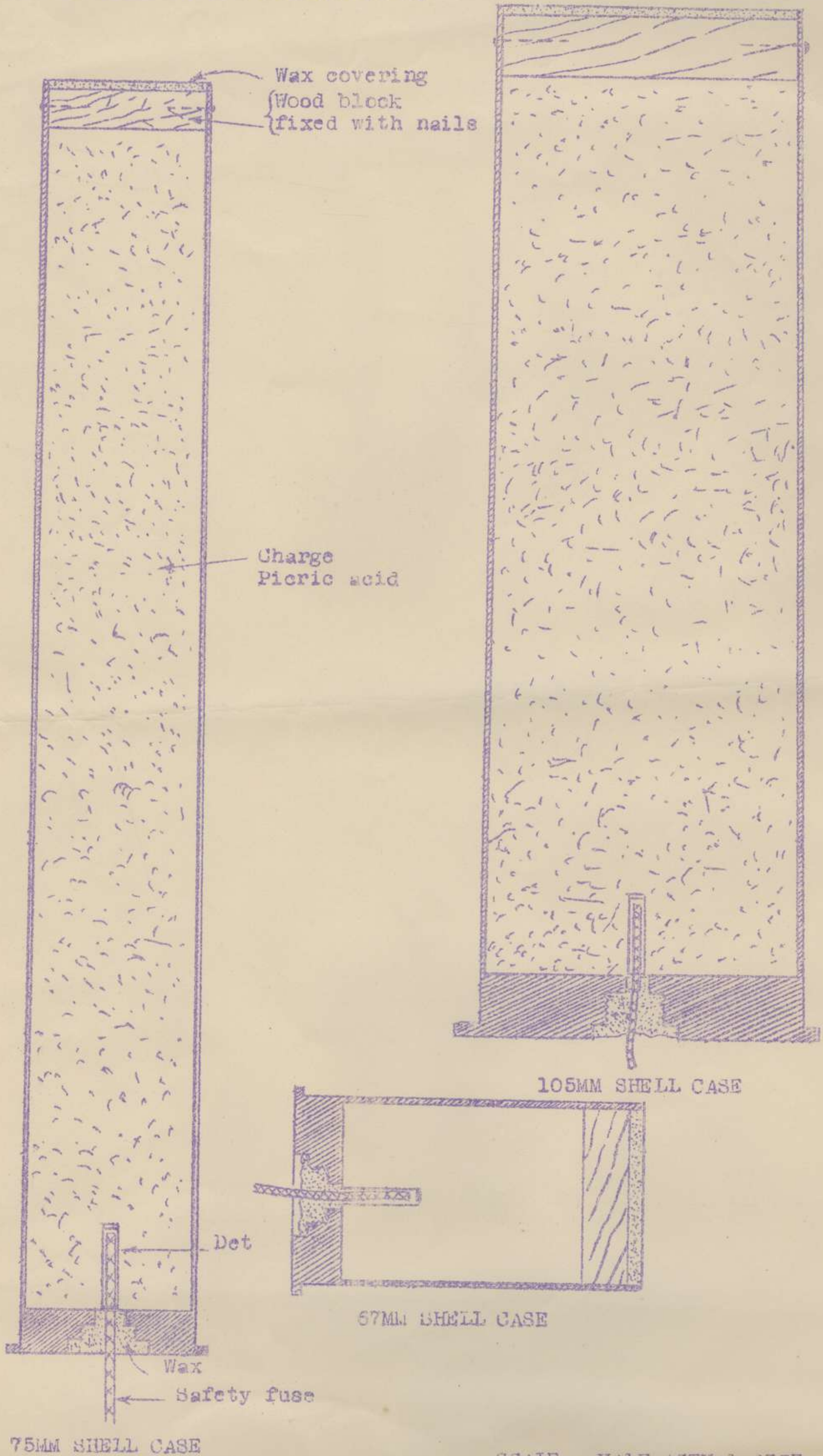
- (a) In this instance the complete 105 mm Shell fuze as shown in Appendix "A-8" was used, except that shutters have been removed from cavity (A) thus allowing the striker assembly (B) to fall on flash cap only against small compression spring (C). This requires a pressure of only 5 lbs. When placed in position the safety pin (D) is removed thus rendering the fuze sensitive to 5 lb pressure.
- (b) To disarm, insert safety pin (D) or $1\frac{1}{2}$ " nail. Then the fuze can be unscrewed from the shell and the gaine and flash cap removed.
- (c) The method of use was exactly the same as in para 1 (D) above.

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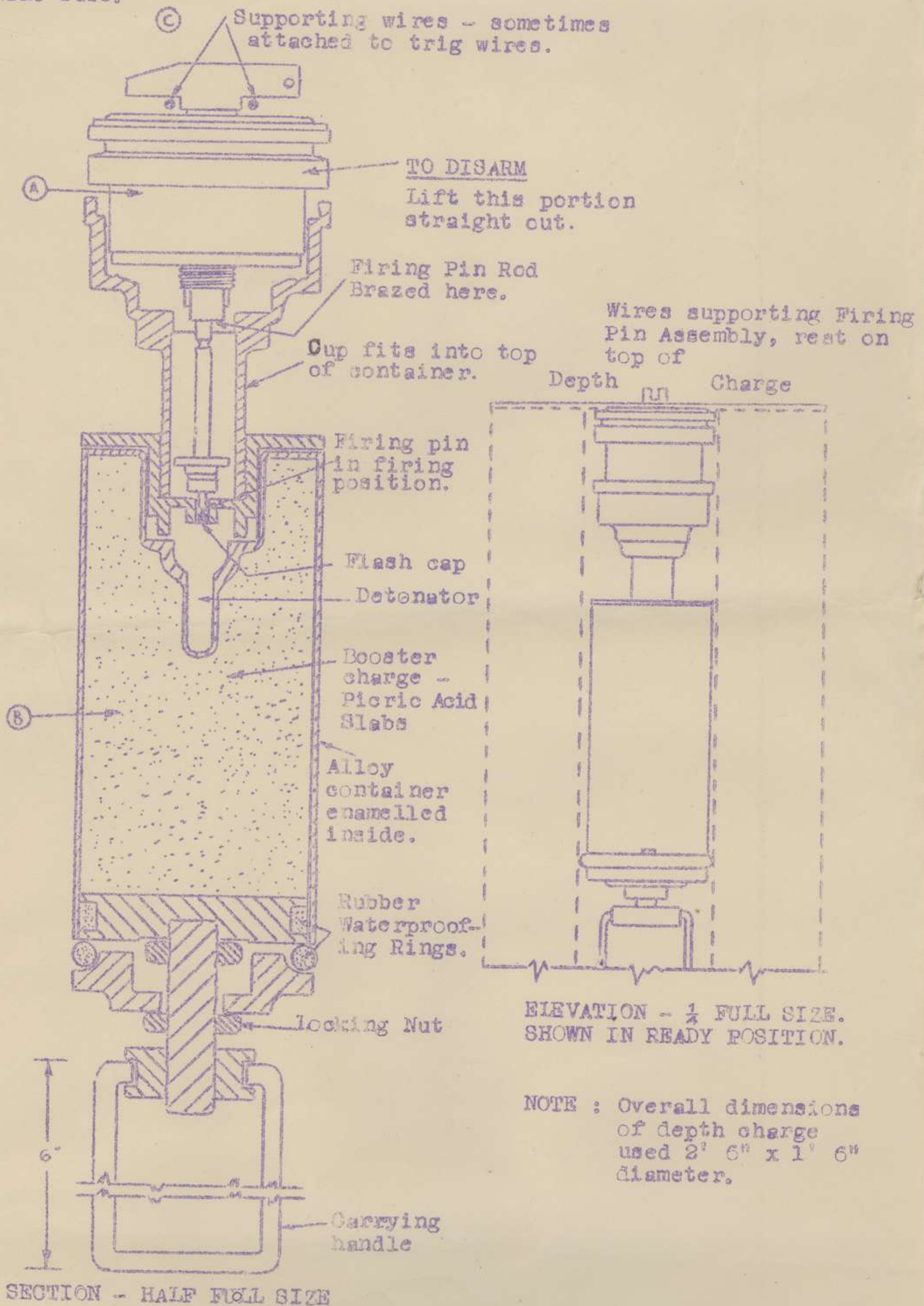


SCALE - HALF ACTUAL SIZE

JAPANESE DEPTH CHARGE PISTOL

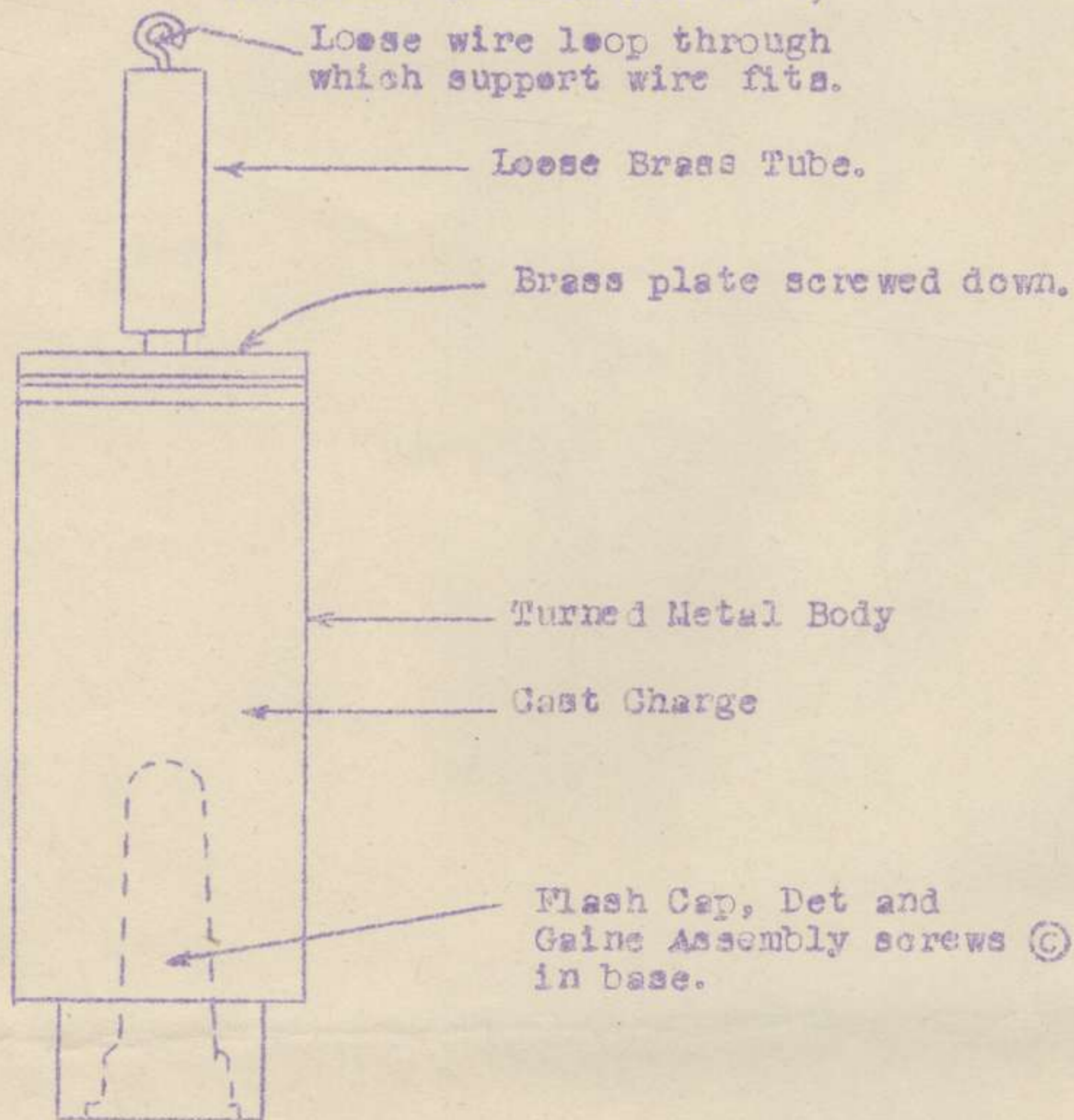
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Top portion shown in outline only as hydrostatic device
contained therein plays no part in use of this mechanism
as a land mine fuse.



JAPANESE DEPTH CHARGE PRIMER

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DEPTH CHARGE PRIMER ASSEMBLY (B)

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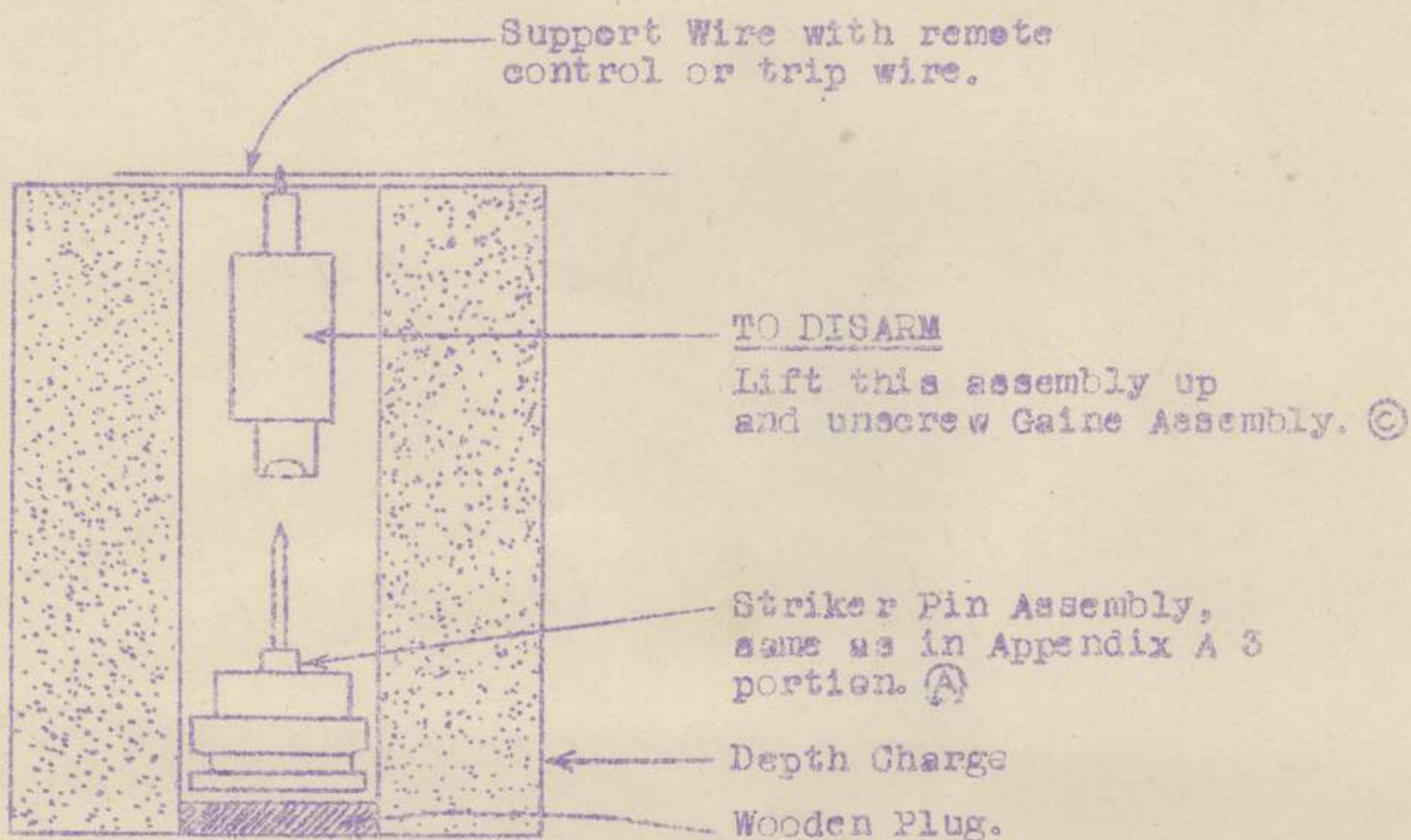


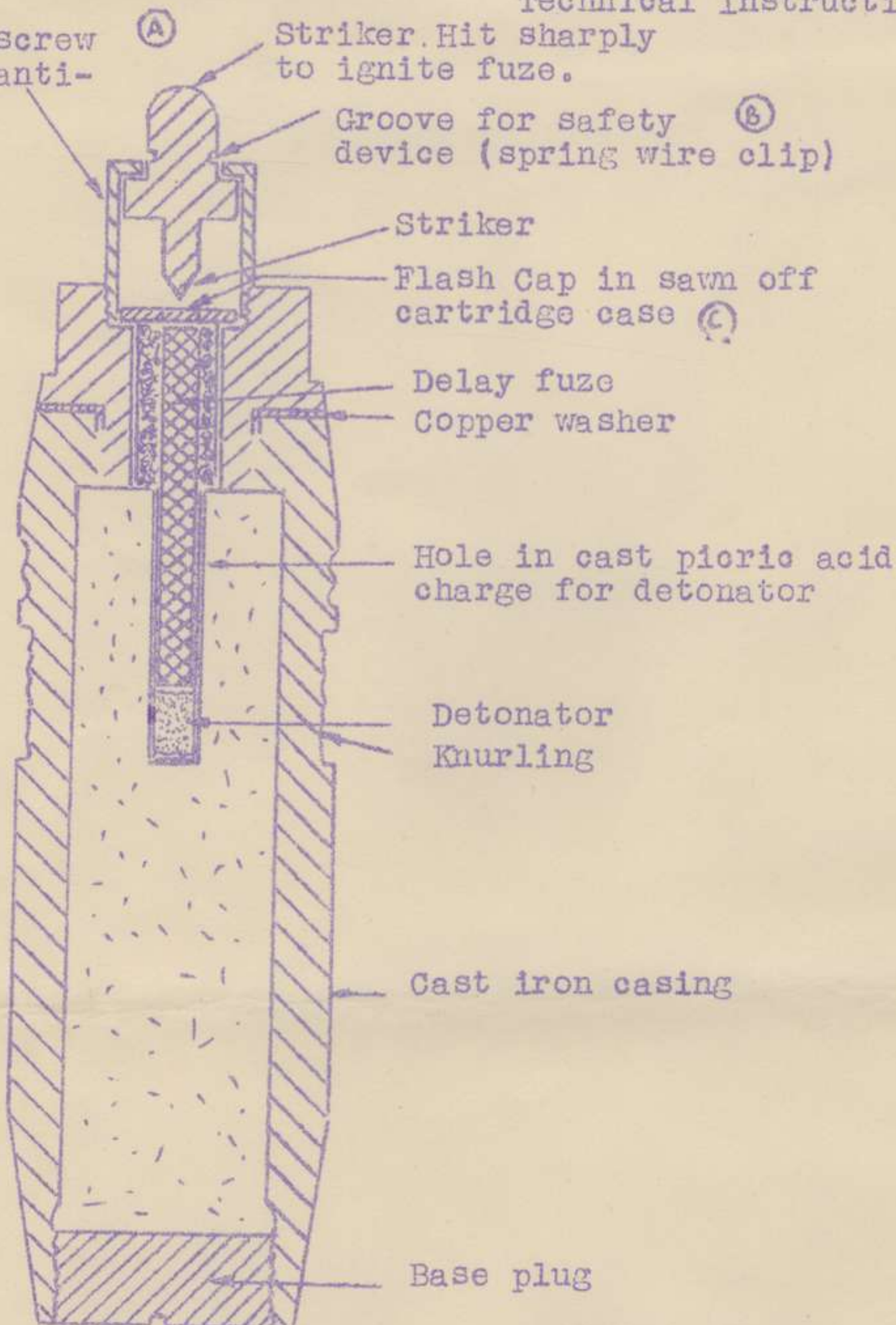
DIAGRAM SHOWING METHOD OF USE

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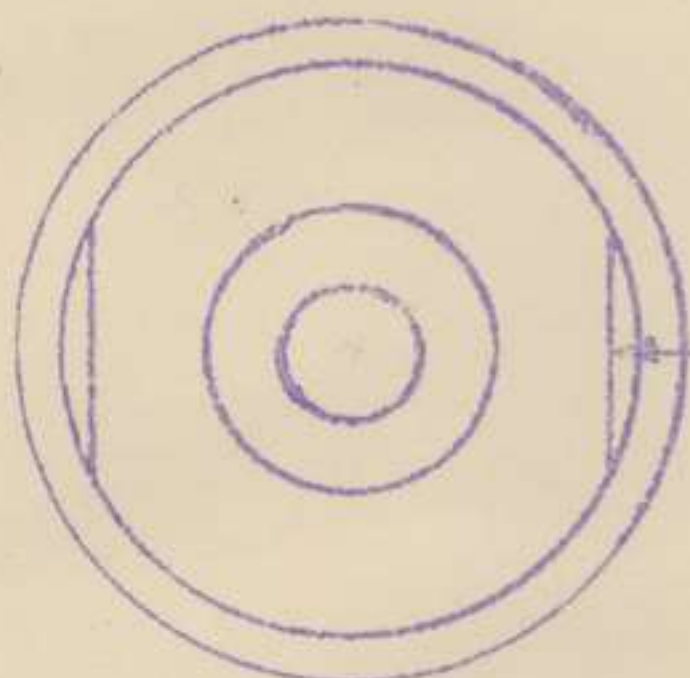
JAPANESE 'TARAKAN' MANUFACTURE HAND GRENADE

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To disarm, unscrew
this portion anti-
clockwise.



SECTION



PLAN

SCALE: FULL SIZE.

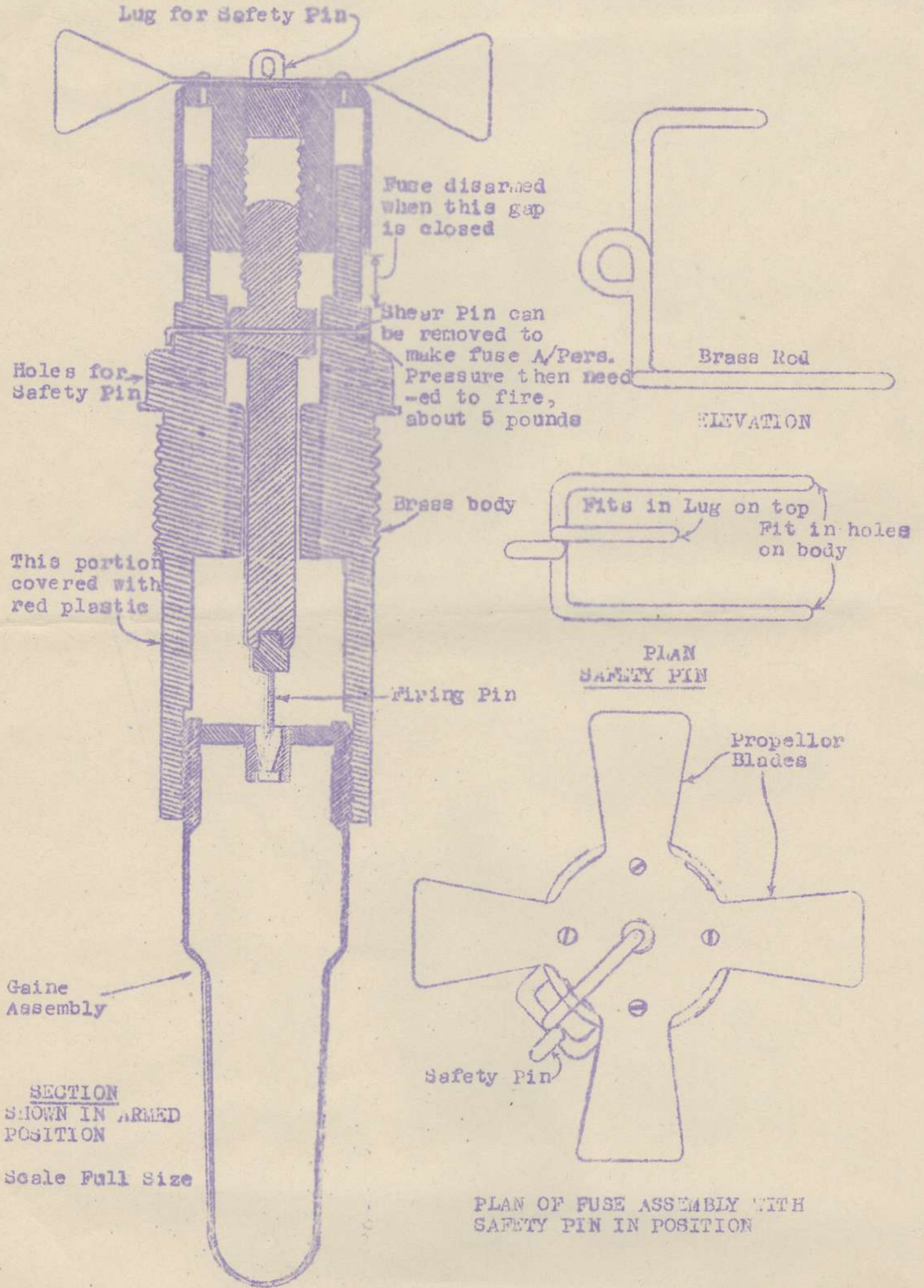
METHOD OF USE

1. Pull out spring wire clip from safety groove (B).
2. Striker (A) given sharp blow - this sets off flash cap (C) and grenade explodes 4 secs later.

NOTE

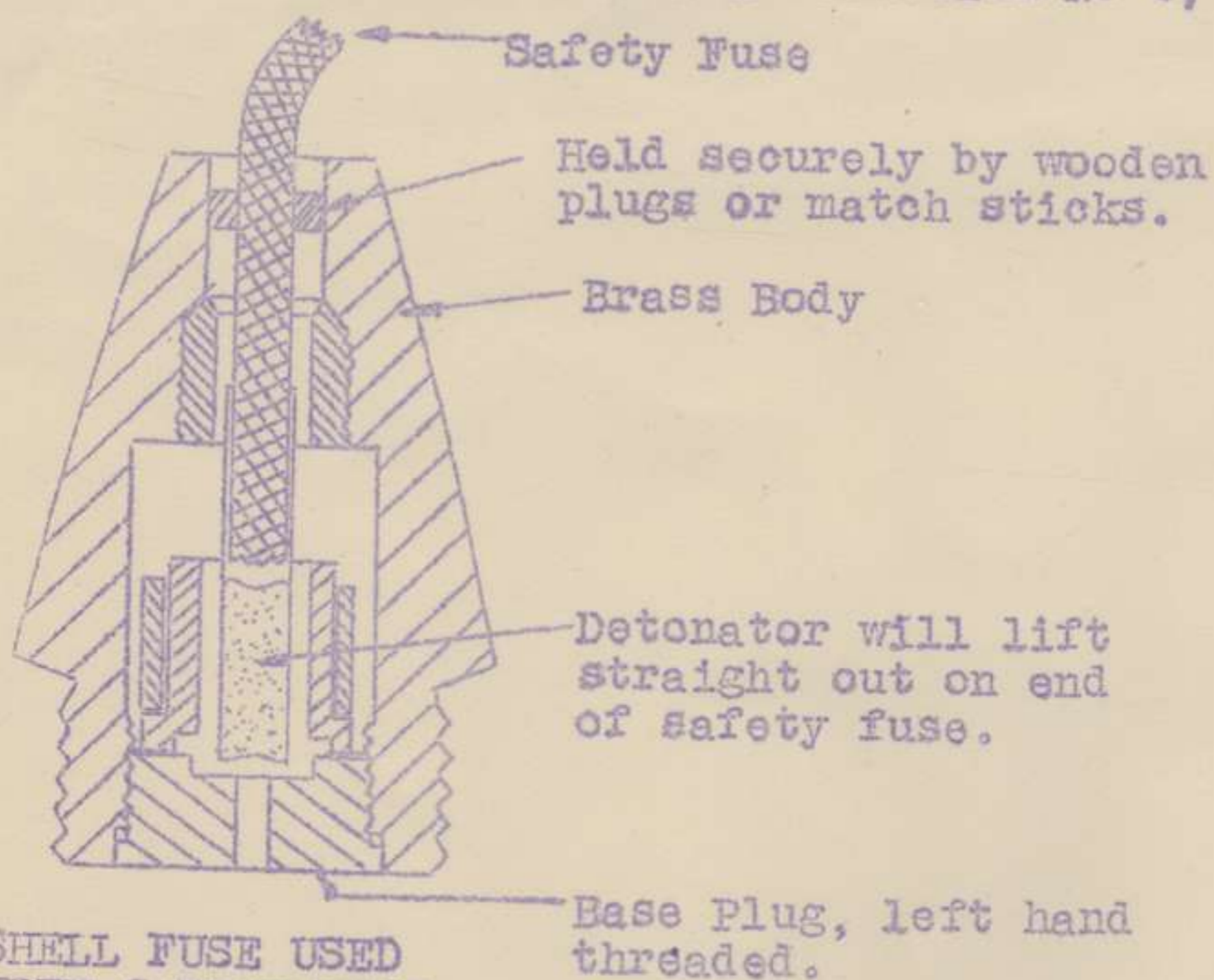
This grenade is in a highly dangerous state when spring wire clip is removed. There is no other safety device and slightest pressure on striker (A) may lead to detonation.

TO DISARM, screw butterfly
 cap downwards (anti clockwise)
 to full extent.



IMPROVISED FUSE ASSEMBLY - JAPANESE

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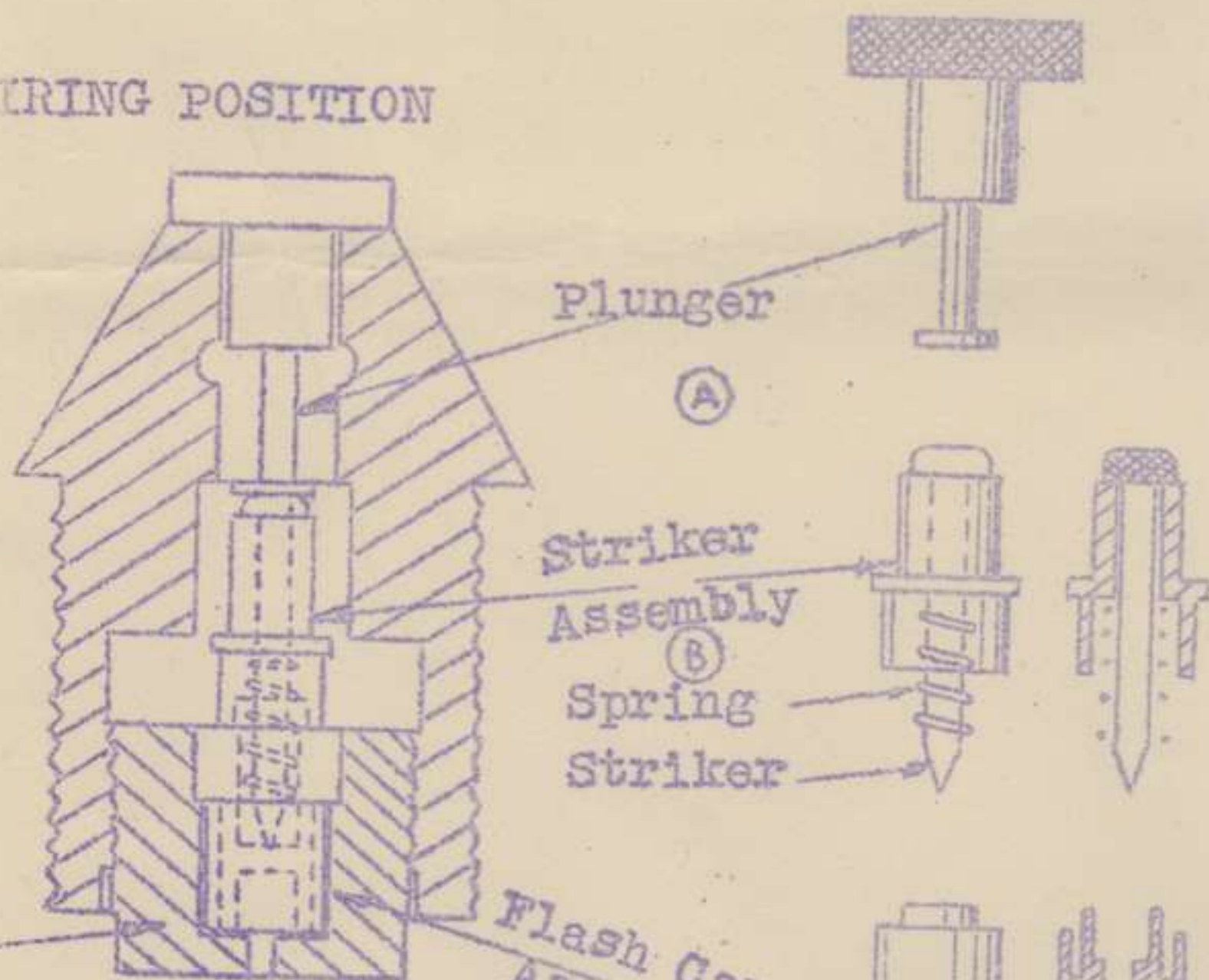


SHELL FUSE USED WITH SAFETY FUSE

USE

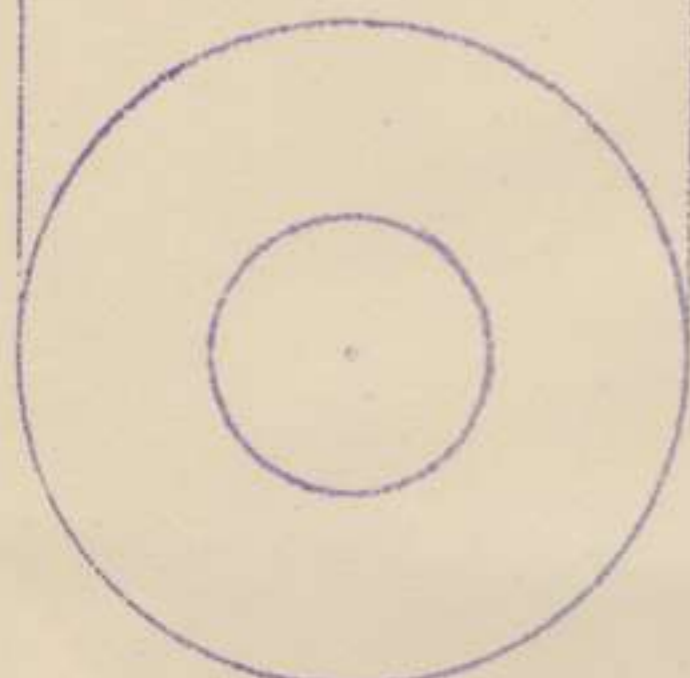
This fuse when adapted as shown is used in a 75 mm shell, the safety fuse ignited and the complete shell hurled through the air or rolled under tanks.

FIRING POSITION

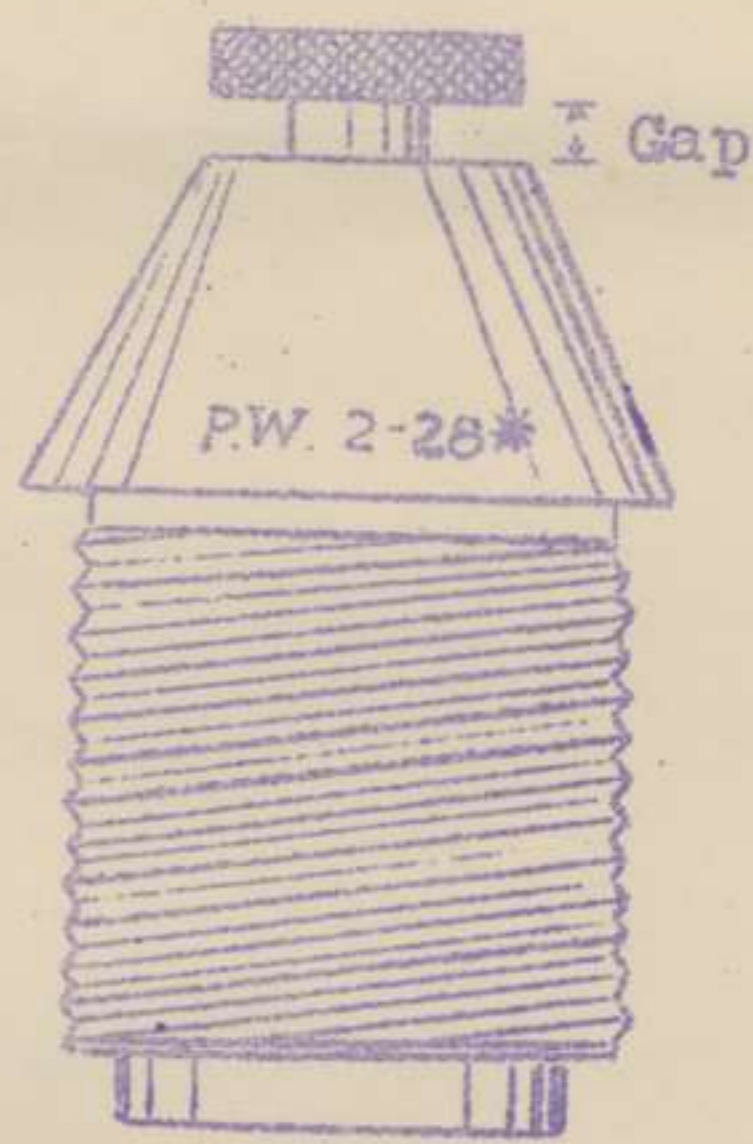


SECTION

Firing Position



PLAN



ELEVATION

Armed position

Detonating Cap
Screw in plug.



TO DISARM
Pull out plunger (A)

NOTE

Base plug screws in flush with body of fuse.

PERSPECTIVE

(NOT to scale)

SHELL FUSE USED AS PRESSURE IGNITER

(Fuse Assembly probably of Dutch origin)

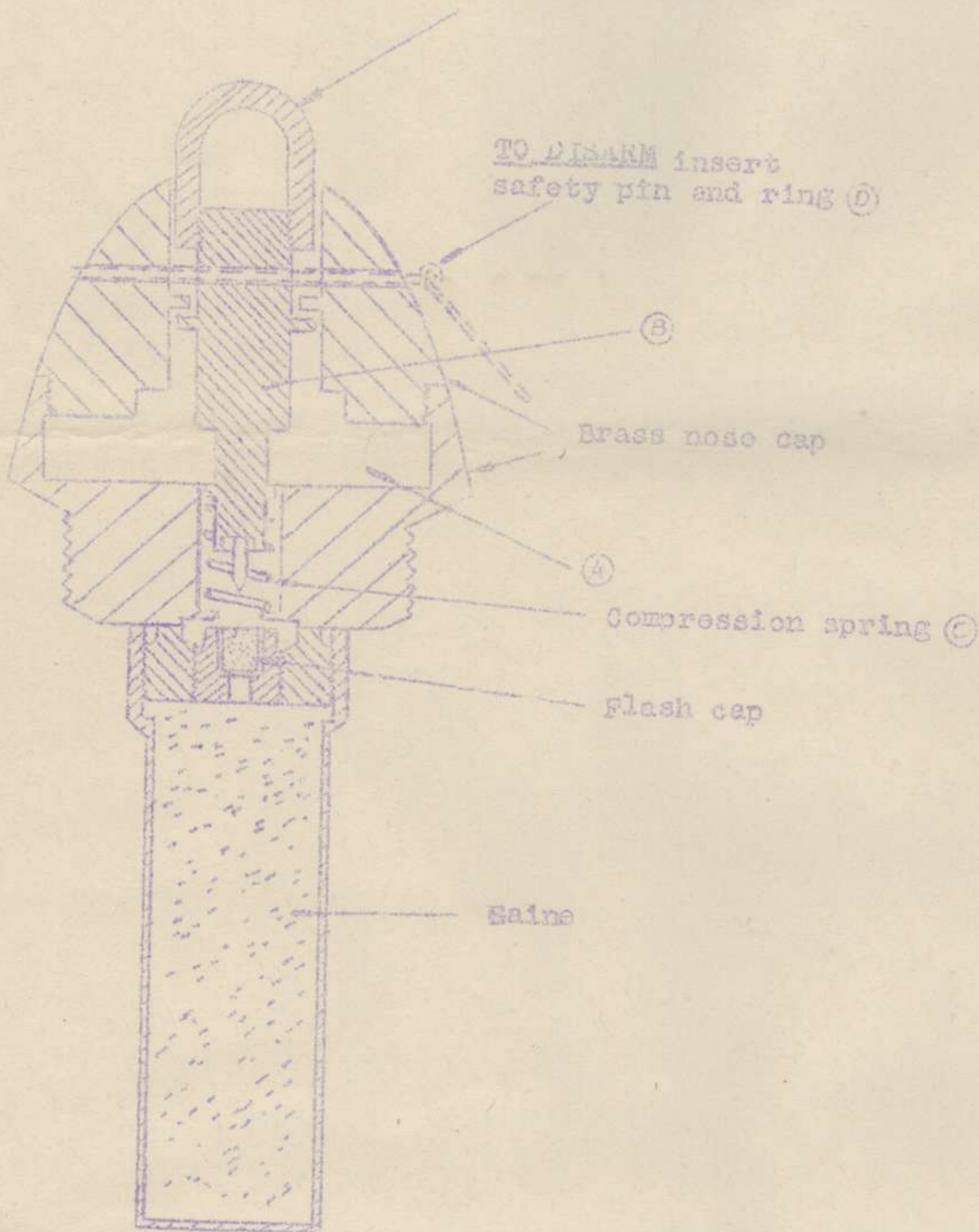
SCALE - FULL SIZE

DUTCH 105MM SHELL FUZE USED BY JAPANESE

AS 5 LBS PRESSURE FUZE

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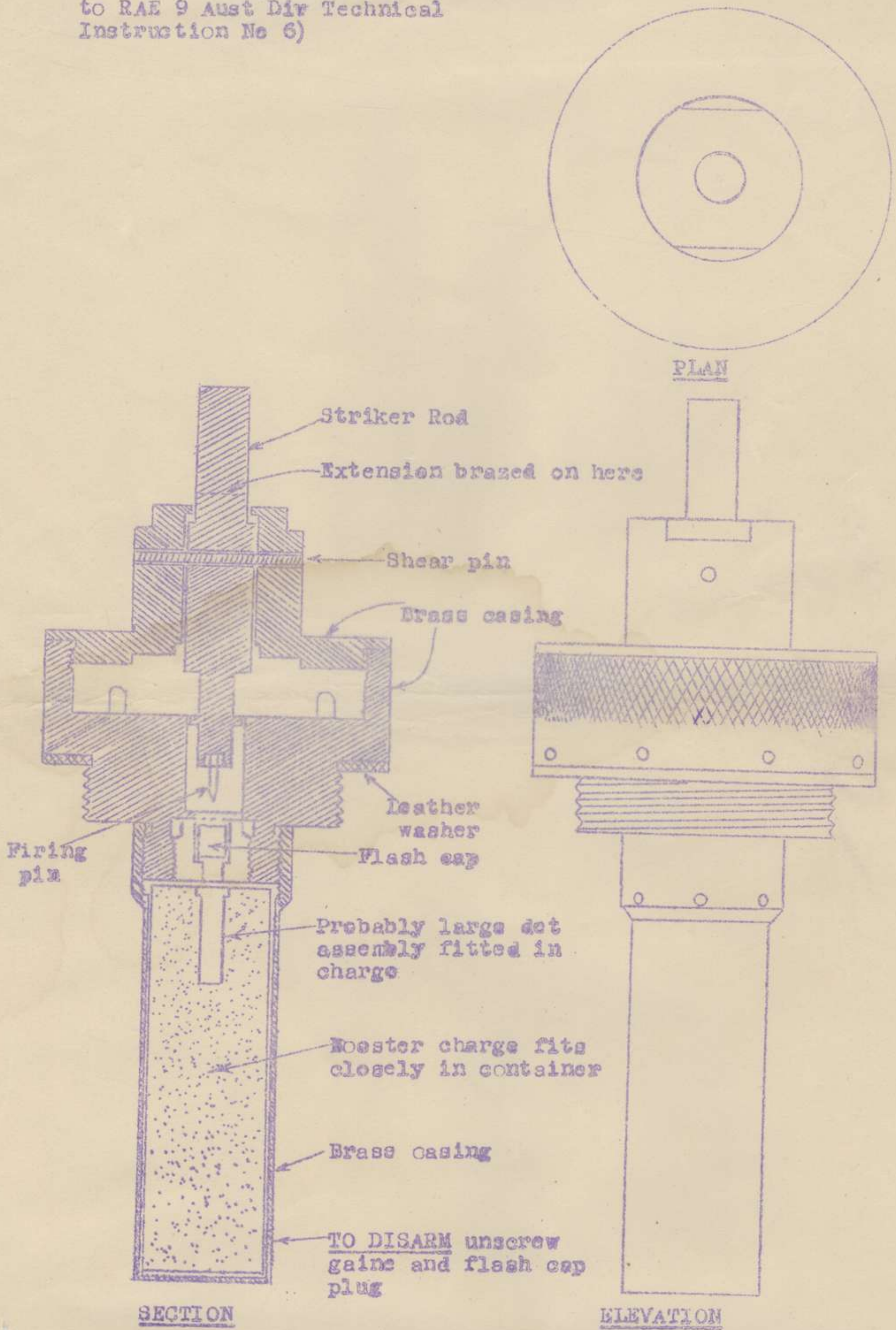
Plunger compresses
at about 5 lbs pressure



SECTION - FULL SIZE

JAPANESE IMPROVISED PRESSURE FUZE USED WITH AERIAL BOMB

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SCALE - FULL SIZE

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PANEL SIGNALS - GROUND TO AIR

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MEANINGS TEMPORARILY ASSIGNED TO LOCAL ASSIGNMENT PANEL

NUMBERS OF VOCABULARY PORTION OF CCBP8

<u>PANEL GROUP</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
70	"I am staying where I am"
71	"I require my position"
72	"I know my position"
73	"Require boots and clothes"
74	"Am heading for coast in direction of T"
75	"Require direction to nearest food dump"
76	"Will go to food dump indicated by you and remain there"
77	"All is well. NO assistance required"
78	"Come again tomorrow"

ALLOTMENT OF UNIT IDENTIFICATION PANEL DISPLAY NUMBERS

<u>20 Aust Inf Bde Gp</u>	<u>Numbers allotted</u>
HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde	414
2/8 Aust Fd Regt	415
15 Bty 2/8 Aust Fd Regt	416
16 Bty 2/8 Aust Fd Regt	417
58 Bty 2/8 Aust Fd Regt	418
2/13 Aust Inf Bn	419
2/15 Aust Inf Bn	420
2/17 Aust Inf Bn	421
B Coy 2/2 Aust MG Bn	422
A Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt less three troops	423
Spares	424 - 425
<u>24 Aust Inf Bde Gp</u>	
HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp	426
2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn	427
2/12 Aust Fd Regt less one troop	428
23 Bty 2/12 Aust Fd Regt	429
24 Bty 2/12 Aust Fd Regt	430
62 Bty 2/12 Aust Fd Regt	431
2/28 Aust Inf Bn	432
2/43 Aust Inf Bn	433
C Coy 2/2 Aust MG Bn	434
F Sqn 2/9 Aust Armd Regt	435
Spare	436
<u>Divisional reserve</u>	
2/32 Aust Inf Bn	437
2/2 Aust MG Bn less B, C and D Coys	438
2/12 Aust Cdo Sqn	439
<u>9 Aust Div troops</u>	
2/9 Aust Cav (Cdo) Regt	440
2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn	441
Spare	442 - 448
<u>US and British troops</u>	
Special recon detachment SRD	449

2/2 MG Bw

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ADDENDUM TO 24 AUST INF BDE OPERATION ORDER 2

Ref 24 Aust Inf Bde Operation Order Appx A part 1 para 1 (b) and (c).

Attention is drawn to the fact that the maps used in the formulation of the above order were LABUAN SOUTH 1:50,000 and LABUAN NORTH 1:50,000 and furthermore that these maps do NOT agree in detail with the 1:25,000 sheets of the same areas.

The following tables indicate discrepancies which exist with respect to the above appendix:-

(a) Topographical Code Names

	<u>Map ref on 1:50,000 Sheets</u>	<u>Map ref on 1:25,000 Sheets</u>	<u>Code Name</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Feature	Squares 7584, 7583, 7483	Squares 7583, 7483, 7482, 7481, 7381, 7382	SHEAF	
Feature	Squares 7686, 7786, 7685	Squares 7686, 7786, 7685, 7785	FOREX	
Feature	Squares 7989, 7988	Squares 7989, 7988	PRINT	Appears on 1:25,000 Sheet as two minor Features
Feature	801906	801905	HEART	
Feature	805936	812936	ABBOT	
Rd Junc	83058400	82958400	ST KILDA	
House	804822	804824	ARDIE	

(b) Route References

	<u>Map ref on 1:50,000 Sheets</u>	<u>Map ref on 1:25,000 Sheets</u>	<u>Route</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
	815826, 828822, 835840, 816860, 816907, 819935	815826, 828822, 835840, 816860, 814904, 818934	ABLE	
	815826, 821837, 816845, 805887, 800935	815826, 821837, 816845, 805887, 796929	BAKER	

Map ref on 1:50,000
Sheets

Map ref on 1:25,000
Sheets

Route

Remarks

810860, 816860

FOX

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793872, 803883

791872, 803883

ITEM

816827, 832826

819827, 83158275

QUEEN

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804909, 816908

804901, 815904

LIKE

804900, 813898

803897, 813897

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FIRST KEY PLAN BEACH MAINTENANCE AREA OPERATION OBOE 6

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TEMPORARY RAAF PERS TRANSIT AREA (47 OBU)

LEGEND

- FORMED ROADS
- TRACKS
- SMALL DRAINS
- MANGROVE
- MARSH
- CORAL SHELF
- TRAFFIC DIRECTION
- LARGE DRAINS


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SUBJECT: EMBARKATION - OBOE SIX

HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde
Ref No: GS/L/18A
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..... 1. Attached hereto schedule showing times of embarkation for ships controlled by this HQ.
2. It is pointed out that the times shown are those for the actual embarkation and in many cases it will be necessary for units to report to the "Pre-embarkation Assembly Area" on the day prior to that shown on the schedule. Details of this will be advised to units concerned.
3. Loading of unit stores will be notified separately.


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EMBARKATION PROGRAMME

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Date	Ship	MAY															
		24		25		26		27		28		29		30		31	
		Pers	Vehs	Pers	Vehs	Pers	Vehs	pers	Vehs	Pers	Vehs	Pers	Vehs	Pers	Vehs	Pers	Vehs
1	LST 1025											1400	1400				
2	" 560					(a)	0800										
3	" 591									1400	1400	1400	1400				
4	" 585														0800	0800	
5	" 595											1400	1400				
6	" 619											1400	1400				
7	" 637											1000	1000				
8	" 638			(a)	1600												
9	" 640														1400	1400	
10	" 709														1400	1400	
11	LHM 50							1000	1000								0800 0800
12	" 51																0800 0800
13	" 52																0800 0800
14	" 53											1000	1000				0800 0800
15	" 63																0800 0800
16	" 64																0800 0800
17	" 65																0800 0800
18	LCI 744											1000					
19	" 745											1000					
20	" 746											1000					
21	" 749											1000					
22	" 955											1000					
23	LST MANOORA													1000	1000		
24	" WESTRALIA													1000	1000		
25	LSD CARPER HALL															1200	1200

Note (a) Details later

LCI 749 - C3 - 32 - Maj Carter

745 No. 17 - Capt Carter

LSM 64 H&C3 - 2 - Lt Wyatt - 15A/B 15A/B
Jeeps

LST 595 - C1-C2 4 - Maj Macmillan 32A/B 39A/B
Jeeps

Westra C1 - 32 - Maj Cahill

Mencora - C2 - 32 - Newberry

Quarry 796928 N of island
Capt Duncan's med. equip. Coy.
2/12 Car operating

C Coy 2/2 MG Bn

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AMENDMENT 8 to 24 AUST INF BDE OPERATION ORDER 1

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1 ADDENDUM TO APPENDIX A Part I para 3 (a)

Map reference on 1:50000 sheet for **ARDIE** should read **804824**

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Alternative Plan - OBOE SIX

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List of Additional Appendices

- Appx R Alternative landing Diagram
- Appx S Part I Additional Naval Bombardment Targets
- Part II Description of Additional Targets
- Part III Naval Gunfire Schedule - *Reserved*
- Appx T Trace showing bounds, boundaries and objectives
- Appx U Timetable of events Z Day *Reserved*

ALTERNATIVE PLAN TO 24 AUST INF BDEOO No 2

(Issued in conjunction with 24 Aust Inf Bde
Operation Order 2)

Ref map LABUAN SOUTH 1:50000
LABUAN NORTH 1:50000

INFORMATION

1. This plan is to be put into operation in the event of conditions being such as to warrant the cancellation of the plan as ordered in 24 Aust Inf Bde OO 2. It will NOT be put into operation until specially ordered through HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde.
2. Enemy
Additional information concerning the enemy will be passed to units through normal channels as early as possible.
3. Own Forces
Changes in composition of the force will be passed to units through normal channels. Such changes may be due to loss at sea and consequent regrouping. Otherwise it is not expected that the assault force will alter in composition or grouping.

INTENTION

4. 24 Aust Inf Bde will land on BLUE beach and capture HAMILTON PENINSULA, with a view to:
 - (a) Securing LABUAN PORT facilities and BROWN BEACH for the purpose of developing a BM based on BROWN BEACH.
 - (b) Securing the Div covering position for the purpose of allowing the development of PITCH NO 1.
 - (c) Destroying all enemy on the island.
 - (d) Preparing for subsequent operations in the area BRUNET BAY-BEAUFORT.

METHOD

5. Summary
 - (a) The assault landing will be carried out with one battalion as assaulting troops, commando squadron as follow up troops and one battalion as res.
 - (b) A temporary Beach Maintenance Area will be established at BLUE BEACH with the object of maintaining the force until the capture of BROWN BEACH.

(c) The operation will be in four PHASES :-

(i) PHASE ONE

2/28 Aust Inf Bn and 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn
land and capture :-

- Junc BAKER and JIG
- Junc CHARLIE and JIG

2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn seizes a road block
astride ABLE at 816861.

(ii) PHASE TWO

2/45 Aust Inf Bn attacks and seizes NW
end of PITCH NO 1.

(iii) PHASE THREE

2/43 Aust Inf Bn attacks SOUTH and cap-
tures the line FLAGSTAFF - ACPARKS.

(iv) PHASE FOUR

Mopping up BROWN BEACH and securing the
Div covering position.

6. Preliminary Changes

(a) Landing Plan Refer Appx R

It will be appreciated that likely causes of
the adoption of an alternative plan may in-
clude a reduction of force. The present
landing plan is capable of being divided in-
to the following divisions :-

- (i) Those portions of force included in
Waves 1 to 7 incl which are to land
on BROWN ONE beach - representing
the major portion of 2/28 Aust Inf
Bn LT.
- (ii) Those portions of force included in
Waves 1 to 7 incl which are to land
on BROWN TWO beach - representing
the major portion of 2/45 Aust Inf
Bn LT.
- (iii) Wave 9 - representing 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn.
- (iv) Wave 8 - representing Bde HQ.
- (v) Waves 10 - 13 incl - carrying tanks,
guns and engr eqpt.
- (vi) Wave 14 - IST's.

(b) Possible regrouping

- (1) Unless of a serious nature, losses in
any particular division as in (a) above
will NOT promote a regrouping of force.

(ii) Unit commanders who desire to regroup, by reason of losses destroying the balance of their force, will signal their suggested regroupings to Bde HQ afloat for submission to the appropriate authorities.

(iii) Regroupings initiated by Bde HQ will be signalled to unit commanders before the execution of the change to alternative plan.

(c) Order of Landing - See ALTERNATIVE LANDING DIAGRAM Appx R

(1) Dependent upon there being NO regrouping of force, the following order of landing will be adopted :-

First - Force as per para 6(a)(i) 2/28 Aust Inf Bn

Second - (on call) Force as per para 6(a)(iii) 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn

Third - (free wave) Force as per para 6(a)(iv) HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde

Fourth - (On call) Force as per para 6(a)(ii) 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

Fifth - (on call) Force as per para 6(a)(v) LSM's

Sixth - (on call) Force as per para 6(a)(vi) IBT's

(ii) The actual beaching of craft other than LVT is subject to physical advice by Beach Masters RAN commands parties. In consequence, waves as in para 6(a)(iii) may be required to take priority after waves as in para 6(a)(ii).

PHASE ONE

7. Groupings

As for PHASE ONE in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2.

8. Forward Troops

(a) Assault Troops - 2/28 Aust Inf Bn

(b) Follow up Troops - 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn

9. Objectives

(a) 2/28 Aust Inf Bn

Line : Road junction BAKER and JIG at 806864 to road junction CHARLIE and JIG at 727864.

(b) 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn

Road Block astride ABLE at 816861.

10. Tasks

(a) 2/28 Aust Inf Bn will:-

- (i) Land on BLUE BEACH and reorganize on RED LINE.
- (ii) Cover the landing of 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn.
- (iii) Advance and capture objective.

(b) 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn will :-

- (i) Land on BLUE BEACH in beachhead held by 2/28 Aust Inf Bn.
- (ii) Mop up area Pt RANCHA - HAMILTON PT to the EAST of the beach head.
- (iii) Advance in rear of 2/28 Aust Inf Bn with the object of mopping up such areas of PENNY as are by-passed or left intact by 2/28 Aust Inf Bn.
- (iv) Upon over taking 2/28 Aust Inf Bn at the latter's objective, form up, advance and capture objective and hold the area by locality defence.

11. Co-ordination

- (a) 2/28 Aust Inf Bn will commence advance as in para 10(a)(iii) as soon as 2/11 Cdo Sqn is landed and reports ready to commence mopping up as per para 10(b)(i)
- (b) 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn will report to 2/28 Aust Inf Bn when ready to commence mopping up as per para 10 (b) (ii)
- (c) Should 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn be unable to land, orders for the move of 2/28 Aust Inf Bn as per para 10 (a) (iii) will be given directly by this HQ.

12. Routes

- (a) 2/28 Aust Inf Bn - BLUE BEACH to ARDIE thence astride CHARLIE ROUTE.
- (b) 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn - general axis of PENNY to belt of timber in square 8035.

13. Supporting Fire

(a) Naval

- (i) The landing will be supported by naval bombardment and fire by close support craft.
- (ii) Targets for naval bombardment are shown on overprint map attached as Appx "T". Description of targets is listed in Part II of Appx T.

(iii) Detail of ships and craft available for scheduled fire on Z day is given in Appx F Part III.

(iv) Naval gunfire schedule is given in Appx T Part II.

(v) Allotment of SFCP's

H Q 24 Aust Inf Bde - detachment Tp HQ
3. Aust Naval
Bombardment Gp.

2/28 Aust Inf Bn - one SFCP

2/43 Aust Inf Bn - one SFCP

(b) Air

(i) The landing is to be supported by Allied Air Forces. Detail of air bombardment on Z day is given in Appx G Part II.

(ii) Allotment of Air Support Units

HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde - One Air Sp Party

2/28 Aust Inf Bn - One ALP

2/43 Aust Inf Bn - One ALP

(c) Artillery

(i) One tp 2/12 Aust Fd Regt will land in LVT's with each 2/28 Aust Inf Bn and 2/43 Aust Inf Bn.

(ii) Remainder 2/12 Aust Fd Regt less one tp will be landed as soon as possible; but, may not be available for this phase.

(iii) Allotment of FOOs

2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn - one

2/28 Aust Inf Bn - two

2/43 Aust Inf Bn - two

(d) 4.2 in mortars

(i) One troop 4.2 in mortars will be landed with 2/28 Aust Inf Bn and manned by 2/12 Aust Fd Regt.

(ii) Tasks

To provide auxiliary fire with 25 p rs.

(iii) Ampl

First line will be carried.

(e) MMG

(i) Allotment - C Coy 2/2 Aust MG Bn

One pl under comd 2/28 Aust Inf Bn

One pl under comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn
One pl under comd 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn
Coy HQ with HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde.

14. Reserve

- (a) 2/43 Aust Inf Bn :-
 - (i) Land on BLUE BEACH
 - (ii) move to ARDIE
 - (iii) make preparation incl recce for PHASE TWO.
- (b) "B" Sqn 2/9 Aust Arm'd Regt less four cps will move to area 304809 when landed.

15. Armour

- (a) From information as to underwater gradients and exits from BLUE BEACH it is likely that the landing of tanks from LCM's will involve the crossing of a wide water gap and, later, engineer assistance between BLUE BEACH and CHARLIE ROUTE. This may slow the landing and subsequent movement of tanks. Tanks will land and move in support of forward troops at best possible speed.
- (b) Tanks to be landed from LSM's may not be landed on BLUE BEACH; but, in the event of their remaining afloat, arrangements will be made to land Sqn HQ personnel, if required.
- (c) Water Gap
All tanks will be waterproofed against 4 feet of water.
- (d) Rally Area
Upon landing, tanks will rally at 304809 from whence troops under comd forward units will continue to advance and overtake their units.

16. Amphibians - LVT(4)

- (a) General
2/28 Aust Inf Bn and 2/43 Aust Inf Bn will land in LVT (4)s.
- (b) Allotment
2/28 Aust Inf Bn 25 - to include five for artillery and two for 4.2 in mortars.
- (c) Rally Areas
All LVT (4)s will rally in the area 303830
- (d) Command
All LVT (4)s will report to command 5 Aust Div upon arrival in rally area.

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PHASE TWO

17.

Summary

This phase will cover the capture of a position SOUTH of the road block established by 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn in PHASE ONE, for the purpose of mounting an action as in PHASE THREE.

18.

Groupings

(a) 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

with under comd

Two troops B Sqn 2/9 Aust Arm'd Regt
(subject to availability)
Det 2/7 Aust Fd Coy
Det 24 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec
One pl C Coy 2/3 Aust MG Bn
Sec 2/3 Aust Fd Amb

with in support

Two FOO parties 2/12 Aust Fd Regt
One LC party 2/12 Aust Fd Regt
One SFCP
One Air Liaison Party

(b) 2/28 Aust Inf Bn

with under comd

One troop B Sqn 2/9 Aust Arm'd Regt
(subject to availability)
Det 2/7 Aust Fd Coy
Det 24 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec
One pl C Coy 2/2 Aust MG Bn
Sec 2/3 Aust Fd Amb

with in support

Two FOO parties 2/12 Aust Fd Regt
One LC party 2/12 Aust Fd Regt
One SFCP
One Air Liaison party

(c) 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn

with under comd

One pl C Coy 2/2 Aust MG Bn

with in support

One FOO party 2/12 Aust Fd Regt

19.

Forward Troops

2/43 Aust Inf Bn

20.

Objective

Area incl junc GEORGE and ABLE at 822854 and rd junc 818857.

21. Tasks

- (a) 2/43 Aust Inf Bn will :-
 - (i) capture objective.
 - (ii) liaise with 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn
 - (iii) prepare to attack as in PHASE THREE
- (b) 2/28 Aust Inf Bn will :-
 - (i) hold approaches to PENNY from the NORTH
 - (ii) maintain one coy as bde reserve
- (c) 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn will :-
 - (i) hold area at 818861
 - (ii) be prepared to patrol EAST to coast after success by 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

22. Supporting Fire

- (a) Naval
As for PHASE ONE
- (b) Artillery and 4.2 in mortars
2/12 Aust Fd Regt, less such guns unable to land on BLUE BEACH will support the attack.
- (c) MMG's
As for PHASE ONE.

23. Protection

2/43 Aust Inf Bn will provide its own flank protection; but consideration will be taken of protection afforded by 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn.

24. Reserve

- (a) 2/28 Aust Inf Bn will maintain one Coy available to act as Bde Reserve. Probable role: move SOUTH along BAKER for RIGHT flank protection of 2/43 Aust Inf Bn, if required.
- (b) According to the possibilities of landing tanks, "B" Sqn 2/9 Aust Arm Regt less three tps will move to timber edge at 736856 and be prepared to deal with enemy counter-action from the NORTH in support of 2/28 Aust Inf Bn.

25. Armour

Allotment, dependent upon availability

- (a) 2/43 Aust Inf Bn - two troops
- (b) 2/28 Aust Inf Bn - one troop
- (c) Reserve - B Sqn 2/9 Aust Arm Regt less three troops.

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PHASE THREE

26. Summary

Dependent upon results as in PHASE TWO, 2/43 Aust Inf Bn will capture the area FLAGSTAFF - ACPARKS for the purpose of securing PITCH NO 1 by subsequent exploitation.

27. Groupings

As for PHASE TWO

28. Forward Troops

2/43 Aust Inf Bn

29. Objective

Line BAKER Route at 821840 to ACPARKS at 832345.

30. Tasks

(a) 2/43 Aust Inf Bn will:-

- (i) capture objective and areas WEST of PITCH NO 1.
- (ii) make preparation for the capture of LABUAN TOWN and BROWN BEACH.

(b) 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn will:-

- (i) hold the area 816861 in sufficient strength to resist counter action from the NORTH
- (ii) patrol the area bounded by:

PITCH NO 1 at 824860 to mouth of creek 833859 to curve in coastline at 833856 to dispersal bay at 827852

to commence after success by 2/43 Aust Inf Bn.

(c) 2/23 Aust Inf Bn will:-

- (i) hold approaches to PENNY from the NORTH
- (ii) maintain one Coy as Bde Reserve
- (iii) Provide lateral patrols to area 816861

31. Supporting Fire

As for PHASE TWO.

32. Protection

2/23 Aust Inf Bn will patrol intervals between 2/11 Aust Cdo Sqn and its own localities.

33. Armour

As for PHASE TWO.

PHASE FOUR

34. Reserved

COMMON TO ALL PHASES

35. Artillery

As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2, para 48.

36. Engineers

(a) Command

As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2, para 49 (a)

(b) Allotment and Tasks

As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2, para 49 (b)

(c) Additional Tasks

As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2, para 49 (c)

(d) Preservation of Bridges and Culverts

Units will make every endeavour to preserve bridges and culverts by taking steps to counter enemy tactics which feature infiltration and demolition after the leading infantry have passed beyond vital bridges and culverts.

(i) Engineer parties will follow the leading infantry closely in order to inspect bridges, culverts, defiles, etc., and disarm charges if such are laid.

(ii) Within the capabilities of their resources, forward infantry units will piquet or patrol bridges etc. When it is no longer possible to do this application will be made to the HC to effect the relief of the unit for the responsibility of safeguarding a particular section of road which includes bridges, etc.

(iii) Dawn jeep patrols will be effected each day in order to :-

- make an inspection of bridges, culverts, defiles, etc, for the purpose of discovering newly laid charges;

- disarm charges;

- report attempted demolitions.

Patrols will include an engineer and three personnel armed with automatic weapons. They will precede the daily flow of traffic.

37. Special Reconnaissance Detachment (SRD)

As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2, para 52.

38. Observation of Naval Bombardment
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde OO 2 para 53.
39. Co-ordinator - SFGPs
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde OO 2, para 54.
40. Target Indication
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde OO 2 para 55.
41. Direct Air Support
As per Appx G Part III
42. Air Support Control
As per Appx G Part IV
43. Air Observation Posts (AOP)
(a) 16 Air Op Flt less det lands under Bde arrangements
(b) Requests for arty R and local reconnaissance will be submitted to this HQ.
44. Army Co-operation
Requests for all types of army co-operation will be submitted to this HQ in the normal manner.
45. Fluorescent Panels
Colour RED only will be used for indication of location of forward troops within the Bde. It is stressed that fluorescent panels will only be used to mark the position of forward troops. They will NOT be exposed behind forward troops or used for any other purpose.
46. Pyrotechnics
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde OO 2, para 61.
47. DDT Spray
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde OO 2 para 62.
48. Air warning
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde OO 2 para 63.
49. Beach Defence
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde OO 2 para 64.
50. Timetable of Events 3 Day
Reserved.
51. Hygiene and Anti Disease
As per Appx H

52. Security

As per Appx I

53. Landing Diagram

As per Appx R

54. Distribution of Force to Ships

As per Appx K

55. Z Day

It is likely that Z day will remain unchanged. Z day will be ordered by signal accompanying the order to execute this plan.

56. Landing Hours

(a) The hour of landing is designated by a separate letter for each beach as follows :-

BROWN BEACH	-	D hour
GREEN BEACH	-	H hour
WHITE BEACH	-	J hour
RED BEACH	-	T hour
YELLOW BEACH	-	M hour
BLUE BEACH	-	Q hour

(b) D, H and J hours - all 0915H

57. Postponement of Z Day

As per Appx O

58. Flamethrowers (See also 24 Aust Inf Bde Adm Instr 1)

As in 24 Aust Inf Bde OO para 76.

59. PITA

units will carry normal allotment of 12 PITAS per unit.

ADMINISTRATION

60. Separate Administrative Instruction will be issued.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

61. Bde HQ

(a) Afloat. Main HQ - HMAS "MANGORA"
Alternative HQ - HMAS "WESTRALIA"

(b) Ashore. Bde HQ will land on BLUE BEACH and follow the route - watercourse SO4509 to ARDIE at SO0825 thence along CHARLIE.

62. Wireless Silence

The breaking and imposition of wireless silence is covered in 24 Aust Inf Bde OO 2 para 30 (d).

- 63. Communications for Naval Support
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 81.
- 64. Air warning
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 82.
- 65. Frequencies
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 83.
- 66. Panel signals - ground to air
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 84.
- 67. Code signs and code names
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 85.
- 68. Code words
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 86.
- 69. Codes and ciphers
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 87.
- 70. Signal security
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 88.
- 71. Signal plan
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 89.
- 72. Time Zone
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 90.
- 73. Synchronization of time
As in 24 Aust Inf Bde CO 2 para 91.

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LANDING DIAGRAM - OBOE SIX - ALTERNATIVE PLAN
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TYPE OF CRAFT	WAVE	TIMING	BLUE BEACH
8 LVT ex LST 637	1	Queue	□ □ □ □ □ □ □ □
6 LVT ex LST 1025	2	Q+3	□ □ □ □ □ □
4 LVT ex LST 637	3	Q+6	□ □ □ □
7 LVT ex LST 1025	4	Q+9	□ □ □ □ □ □ □
8 LCM ex LSD	5	Q+12	□ □ □ □ □ □ □ □
10 LCVP ex LSI Westralia	6	Q+20	□ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □
1 LCI	7	On Call	LCI 955 (A)
10 LCVP ex LSI MANOORA	8	On Call	□ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □
3 LCVP - 1 LCM ex LSI MANOORA 2 LCVP ex LSI WESTRALIA	9	Free	□ □ □ □ □ □
8 LVT ex LST 640	10	On Call	□ □ □ □ □ □ □ □
6 LVT ex LST 585	11	On Call	□ □ □ □ □ □
4 LVT ex LST 640	12	On Call	□ □ □ □

5 LVT ex LST 585	13	On Call	□ □ □ □ □
8 LCM ex LSD	14	On Call	□ □ □ □ □ □ □ □
8 LCVP ex LSI MANOORA	15	On Call	□ □ □ □ □ □ □ □
1 LCI	16	On Call	LCI 702 (A)
3 LCI	17	On Call	LCI 706 (A) LCI 705 (A) LCI 700 (A)
8 LSM	18	On Call	LSM 65 50 51 52 53 63 64
2 LCM 3 LCVP ex LSI Westralia 1 LCM ex LSI MANOORA	19	On Call	□ □ □ □ □ □
8 LCM ex AKA	20	On Call	□ □ □ □ □ □ □ □
10 LST	21	On Call	LST 580 591 1015 550 627 619 709 525 640 638

WESTRALIA CARTERHALL MANOORA

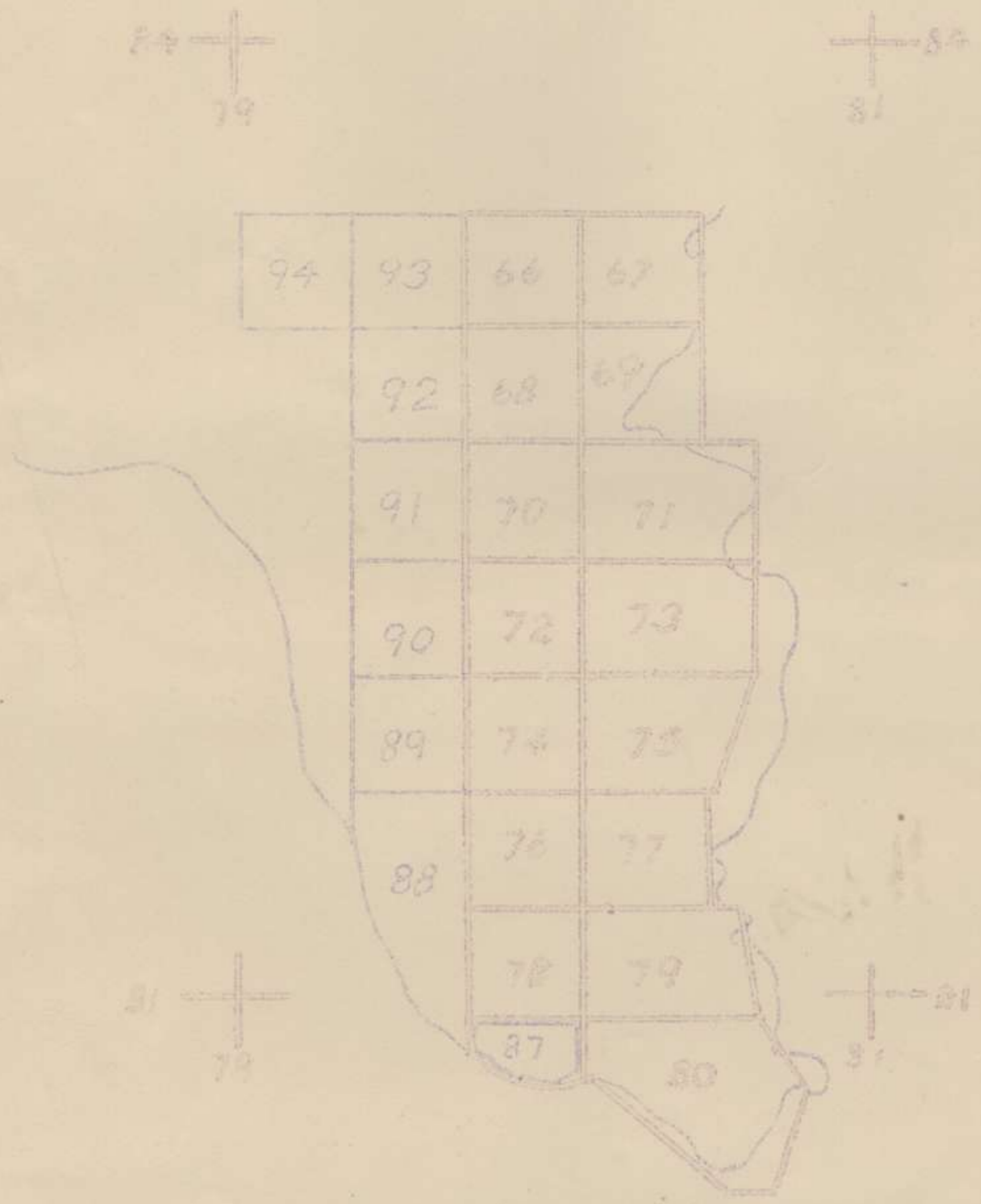
(A) LCI's will stand 1000 yds offshore from BEACH 1
 (B) LSM's will transfer personnel from LCI
 to beach. If the reconnaissance it proves possible
 to land in 1/2 ft of water or less the craft will
 be ordered to beach through normal control channels

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- NAVAL BOMBARDMENT ALTERNATIVE PLAN -
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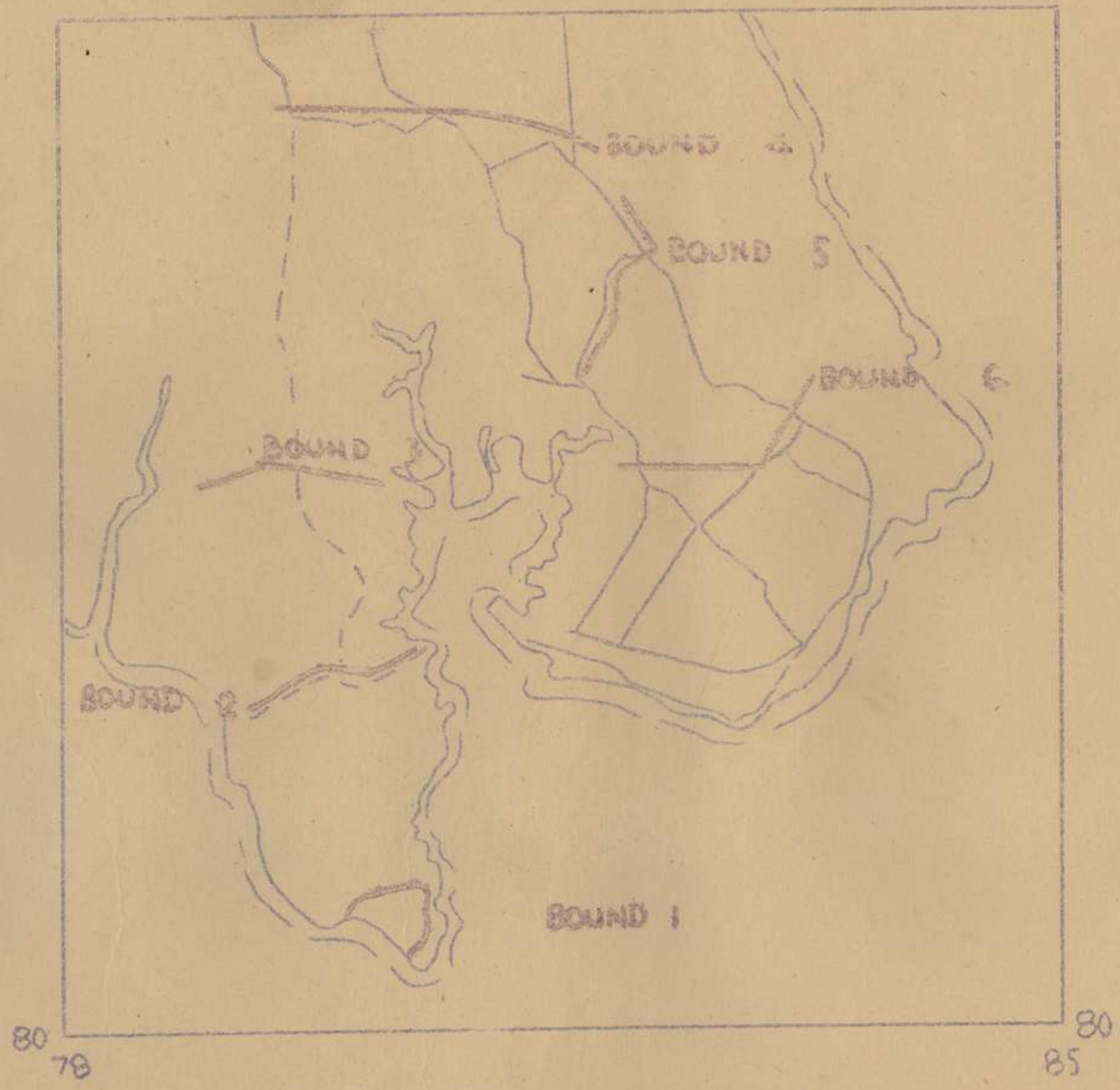
DESCRIPTION OF ADDITIONAL TARGETS

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<u>Target No</u>	<u>Description</u>
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9 AUST DIV ADMINISTRATIVE

ORDER 2

MAINTENANCE PROJECT - OBOE SIX

HQ 9 AUST DIV

18 May 45

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9 AUST DIV ADM ORDER NO 2.

MAINTENANCE PROJECT - OBOE SIX

(Issued in conjunction with 9 Aust Div Operation Order No 2.)

INFORMATION

1. General

See 9 Aust Div Operation Order No 2 and 9 Aust Div Intelligence Review OBOE SIX issued separately.

2. Target Date

Z day - 19 Jun 45.

3. Composition of the Forces to be maintained

The build up of the Force in the objective area is shown in Appx "A".

4. Division of responsibilities between services

See Appx "B".

INTENTION

5. To land 9 Aust Div Gp in the BRUNEI Bay Area in accordance with the plan and to arrange for the subsequent maintenance of the Force in that area.

METHOD

6. Landing Programme

The approximate landing programme is as follows :-

(a) Assault echelon

Z day and Z plus 1.

(b) Follow up echelon

Z plus 17 to Z plus 19.

(c) Maintenance Shipping

This is to commence arrival in objective area by approximately Z plus 15.

7. Organization of the Base

- (a) 1 Aust Beach Gp on landing will establish a Beach Maintenance Area (BMA) on SE LABUAN ISLAND from which it will be responsible for supplying the Force until relieved of this responsibility by 8 Aust Base Sub Area on approximately P plus 20.

A First Key Plan for the establishment of the Beach Maintenance Area is attached as Appendix "L".

- (b) On its arrival in objective area 8 Aust Base Sub Area will establish a Base on LABUAN ISLAND. Base facilities will be limited to those necessary for the temporary maintenance of the Force for an estimated period of three/six months.

First Key Plan for the establishment of 8 Aust Base Sub Area is attached as Appx "M".

8. Maintenance - General Policy.

(a) Responsibility of 9 Aust Div

9 Aust Div will be responsible for the maintenance of all naval, ground and airforces engaged in the operation in the BRUNEI BAY Area - except where otherwise provided in this Order.

(b) Initial Maintenance -(To arrive in Assault and Follow Up Echls)

- (i) Initial maintenance for units landing from Z Day to Z plus 19 details of which are given in Appx "J" attached will be loaded by 9 Aust Div in shipping at MOROTAI as under:-

Ammunition	- 20 days WUR at intense rates - plus additional holdings of certain natures as approved by 1 Aust Corps and as available within present stock levels at MOROTAI.
Ordnance	- Two sets Beach Landing Reserves
MT Petrol	- 20 days
Aviation Gasoline (Avgas)	- 15 days
All other natures	- 30 days

- (ii) The Commander EIGHTH ARMY is responsible for provision of supplies to accompany US troops units engaged in this operation as under:-

Classes 1, 11 and 1V (less construction materials)	- 30 days
Class 111	- 15 days
Class V	- 3 Units of Fire

The above levels of supply are to be made available at MOROTAI in accordance with EIGHTH ARMY arrangements, and will be loaded in assault craft with units concerned under arrangements 9 Aust Div.

- (iii) The Commander Allied Naval Forces is responsible for the provision of supplies and services necessary for the logistic support of the Allied Naval Forces engaged in this operation, including materials for naval base construction.

(c) Normal Maintenance -(To arrive in Maintenance Shipping)

Normal maintenance in the BRUNEI BAY Area will be carried out as under:-

(i) Australian Forces

Bulk Petroleum products

Bulk Petroleum products - MT Petrol, Avgas and ADF are to be provided in the BRUNEI BAY Area from

US sources. Coordination of movement of bulk tankers and barges etc is to be arranged by 1 Aust Corps with Commander Naval Task Group concerned.

All other natures

Normal maintenance of all other natures (including petroleum products in packed form) are to be provided direct from AUSTRALIA under arrangements LHQ.

(ii) US Army Forces

Resupply of US ARMY Forces engaged in this operation will be from NG Bases under arrangements Commanding General NG Base Section (NUGSEC). 9 Aust Div will advise requirements to 1 Aust Corps who is to arrange subsequent action through Adv LHQ.

(iii) US Naval Forces

Resupply of US NAVAL Forces in the BRUNEI BAY Area is being arranged by Commander, Allied Naval Forces from approximately Z plus 20.

(d) Force Reserves

(i) 30 days reserves of all natures including 30 days ammunition at intense rates are to be maintained in the BRUNEI BAY Area under arrangements Adv LHQ. Reserves are being provided under arrangements Adv LHQ and will be delivered to the BRUNEI BAY Area in USASOS heavy shipping.

(ii) Emergency reserves of rations and ammunition and aircraft for maintenance of troops by air will be available if required, at MOROTAI at 48 hours notice.

(e) Floating Reserves

A floating reserve of ammunition and petroleum products i.e. one shipment of ammunition and one shipment of petroleum products will be available in the BRUNEI BAY Area from Z day onwards, ready at call by 9 Aust Div as and when required. Coordination of movement of floating reserves to the BRUNEI BAY Area is to be arranged by 1 Aust Corps with the Commander, Naval Task Gp concerned. The remaining two shipments one each of ammunition and petroleum products will remain at MOROTAI on call to Comd 9 Aust Div as and when required.

Details of floating reserves are as under :-

(i) Ammunition

Two duplicate shipments loaded for selective discharge each 15 days intense WUR.

(ii) Petroleum Products

Two duplicate shipments loaded for selective discharge comprising :

400 drums (44 gals) MT Petrol
200 drums (44 gals) ADF
600 drums (44 gals) Avgas

plus corresponding proportion of lubricants.

9. Movement and Transportation

(a) Embarkation

HQ 9 Aust Div is responsible for all arrangements for marshalling and embarkation of the Force from MOROTAI under the general supervision of 1 Aust Corps, to whom two copies of all administrative or embarkation orders dealing with the marshalling, loading and embarkation of the Force will be forwarded.

(b) Movement Control Organisation

See Appx "C" Attached.

10. Engineers

(a) Command

(i) OC 2/3 Aust Fd Coy RAE will command all engineers allocated to 20 Aust Inf Bde.

(ii) CRE 9 Aust Div will assume command of all engineer units less engineer units allocated to 1 Aust Beach Gp on LABUAN ISLAND on establishment of Adv HQ 9 Aust Div ashore and will be responsible to Comd 9 Aust Div for coordination of all engineer work including airfield construction tasks.

(iii) OC 2/7 Aust Fd Coy RAE will command all engineers allocated to 24 Aust Inf Bde less engineer units allocated to 1 Aust Beach Gp, and will be responsible to Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde for coordination of all engineer works until establishment of Adv HQ 9 Aust Div ashore.

(b) Engineer Tasks

Details of special engineer tasks, with target dates for completion, are set out in Appendix "E" attached.

(c) Engineer Stores

(i) General

Schedule showing allocation of engineer stores in assault and follow-up convoys is as attached Appendix "J(iv)".

(ii) Control

A Pl 2/16 Aust Fd Coy RAE is allocated to 20 Aust Inf Bde to handle engineer stores landing in BROOKETOWN Area.

In the early stages engineer stores will be handled by the Engineer Stores Pl of the Beach Gp through the Beach Maintenance Area on LABUAN ISLAND.

2/24 Aust Fd Pk Coy RAE will establish a Div Engineer Dump by Z plus 2 and be responsible for holding and issuing all engineer stores.

60 Corps Fd Pk Coy RAE will take over from 2/24 Aust Fd Pk Coy RAE on Z plus 22 and establish a Base Engineer Stores Depot at which time 9 Aust CRE(Wks) will assume control of engineer stores.

62 Airfield Construction Wing will set up as soon as possible an engineer dump in the area allocated to RAAF into which 1 Aust Beach Gp will deliver direct all RAAF airfield construction and coverage stores from point of discharge on beach. These stores will be marked RAAF for easy identification.

Issue of engineer stores to RAAF units for accommodation etc will be coordinated and controlled by 62 Airfield Construction Wing and no issues will be made from Divisional Engineer Dump.

(d) Water Supply

- (i) All units landing on Z Day will land with 2 days water and units landing on Z plus 1 with one days water under Bde and Div arrangements.
- (ii) RAE 9 Aust Div will supply water at the rate of 5 gals per man per day as from Z plus 2 onwards. Every effort will be made to provide water on Z plus 1.
- (iii) In order to lessen the drain on engineer water points all units should, where possible, dig their own shallow wells, it is anticipated that good water will be reached at a depth of 20 ft, as a guide fresh water is always to be found in the vicinity of CASUARINA trees.

(e) Airfield Construction

- (i) Ultimate objective is one 5000 ft by 100 ft all weather runway with service aprons and dispersed parking at LABUAN Airfield for:-

- One Wing Fighters (four Sqns)
- One Wing Attack Bombers (two Sqns)
- One Tactical Recce Sqn
- One Search Sqn
- One Flight Air Sea Rescue.

- (ii) Details of airfield construction and target dates etc are contained in Engineer Plan as Appx "E" attached.

(f) Construction Policy

The construction policy is to rehabilitate and develop as far as practicable existing facilities. Any installations which are required after existing facilities have been exploited will be of a temporary nature only. The maximum use will be made of local resources in material and labour. Works required are:

- (i) LST Landings
- (ii) Temporary Maintenance Area
- (iii) Auster Strip
- (iv) Water Points - limited reticulation
- (v) Refrigeration - 3 x 5000 cu ft and 4 x 300 cu ft plants - Total 10900 cu ft.
- (vi) Roads as required - mainly widening and maintenance.
- (vii) Electric Power - by 5 KVA, 25 KVA, 114 KVA sets, or existing electric power plants.
- (viii) Depot hardstandings for Base Sub Area Installations.
- (ix) Bulk Oil Installations - See Appx "E" attached.
- (x) Port Facilities - See Appx "E" attached.
- (xi) Hospital construction - one 600 bed hospital, see Appx "E" attached.
- (xii) Hq. and Unit accommodation - as justified by priority of work, period of occupation, local resources in materials and availability of stores in Engineer Depots. Scale "A" to be used as basis for unit accommodation.

- (xii) Durable coverage for supplies etc - new construction to be limited to 200000 sq ft.

(g) Priority of Construction

First priority (Works concurrent)

- (i) Initial LST Landings
- (ii) Water Points
- (iii) Auster Strip
- (iv) Wharf Facilities
- (v) Bulk Oil Installation (Stage 1)
- (vi) Hospitals
- (vii) Main roads in Bde areas.

Second Priority (Works concurrent)

- (viii) Bulk Oil installation (Stage 2)
- (ix) Completion of wharfage
- (x) Main L of C roads and access roads
- (xi) Refrigeration
- (xii) Dump hardstandings
- (xiii) Coverage
- (xiv) Unit accommodation

11. Supplies and Transport

(a) Command

- (i) OC HQ 2/6 Aust Sup Dep Coy will command all AASC units placed under command 20 Aust Inf Bde.
- (ii) CASC 9 Aust Div will assume command of all AASC units on LABUAN ISLAND, less AASC units under command 1 Aust Beach Gp, on the establishment of Adv HQ 9 Aust Div ashore. He will be responsible to Comd 9 Aust Div for coordination of all AASC work in the area of operations.
- (iii) Maj G V LAWRENCE will command all AASC units under command 24 Aust Inf Bde, less AASC units under command 1 Aust Beach Gp and will be responsible to Comd 24 Aust Inf Bde for coordination of AASC Units until the establishment of Adv HQ 9 Aust Div ashore.

(b) Supplies

(i) Initial Maintenance

30 days initial maintenance for the force landing from Z to Z plus 15 and 10 days initial maintenance for force landing Z plus 15 to Z plus 20 will be moved to the objective area in amphibious shipping under arrangements 9 Aust Div. For details by types see Appx 'J(ii)' attached.

Seven days for the 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp will be landed under arrangements 20 Aust Inf Bde. The remainder will be landed on LABUAN ISLAND under Divisional arrangements.

(ii) Normal Maintenance and reserves

This will be moved into the LABUAN ISLAND Area under arrangements LHQ commencing arrival in objective area approximately Z plus 15. Maintenance from the BMA or Base Sub Area will be normal. The levels at which reserves will be maintained for detached forces will be as determined from time to time by Comd 9 Aust Div.

(iii) Ration Scales

O2 Rations

All troops intended to land on Z Day will carry on the man or in unit stores two O2 Rations. All those troops intended to land after Z Day will carry one O2 Ration on the man for consumption after landing.

ABL 6

After landing, ABL 6 Rations will be issued initially until it is practicable for SWPA Rations to be issued in lieu.

SWPA

As soon as practicable SWPA Rations will be issued. Scale is attached as Appendix "F"(i).

A3

All personnel will land with one A3(emergency ration) on the man.

Japanese PW Rations

See Scale attached as Appendix "F"(ii).

Civilian Labour Rations

See Scale attached as Appendix "F"(iii). BBCAU are responsible to provide rations on this scale to all natives employed as labourers.

Tobacco, Papers and Matches

Pending the establishment of a canteen point in the objective area these items will be items of issue.

Hospital Rations

These will be issued to medical units on demand concurrently with normal rations.

Medical Landing Rations

The following quantities will be carried by medical units to supplement O2 and ABL Rations until hospital supplies arrive.

Each Fd Ambulance	25 tins
CCS	50 tins
AAMG Coy(Beach Gp)	25 tins

Solid Fuel

All troops intended to land on Z Day will carry on the man or in unit stores two tins of Solid Fuel. All units landing in the Assault Convoy other than on Z Day will carry on the man or in unit stores one tin of Solid Fuel.

Expense Stores

Normal

Water

Water will be issued in 2 and 4 gal containers through supply points until water points are in operation on scale laid down by 9 Aust Div. All empty cans will be returned to supply point. Units will not deliver unserviceable cans direct to salvage depots. All ranks will be warned that particular care is taken when handling water cans to prevent damage. These cans are in short supply and cannot be replaced.

10 days entitlement of water purification items other than individual outfits included in normal expense stores will be drawn from Initial Maint Sup Depot MOBOTAI under arrangements CRE 9 Aust Div and move to objective area in RAE unit stores.

(iv) Voyage Ration

Fourteen(14) days voyage ration plus expense stores will be placed on board assault craft under arrangements CASC 9 Aust Div. Three days bread and such proportion of fresh food as is practicable will be included in voyage ration, for all craft, the balance will be either bread making materials or bisouits dependent on the resources of the craft to bake bread.

Individual issues, atebryn, mosquito repellent lotion, anti-mite fluid, razor blades, salt water soap and ALC ration will be included in voyage expense stores and will be distributed under arrangements OC Troops.

(v) Issues prior to Embarkation

Units will arrange to draw forthwith O2 and A3 rations together with canned heat as under:-

- A3 Emergency Ration - 1 per man if not already drawn
- O2 Ration { 2 per man landing Z Day
 { 1 per man landing Z plus 1 onwards
- Solid Fuel { 2 per man landing Z Day
 { 1 per man in assault convoy landing
 { other than on Z Day
- (6 oz tins)

(vi) RAAF and UK Forces

These will be supplied in detail with AMF Rations on normal AMF Scale.

(vii) US Forces

Normal US rations will be issued in bulk through AMF Supply Depots.

(d) POL, ADF and Avgas

(i) Initial Maintenance

Details of the initial maintenance to be moved to the objective area is given in Appx "J(iii) attached.

(ii) Normal Maintenance and Reserves

These are being provided as stated in para 8 above. Levels to be maintained with detached forces will be as laid down from time to time by HQ 9 Aust Div.

(iii) Floating Reserve

See para 8(e) above.

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(iv) Voyage Ration

Para 11 (b)(iv) Add new subpara ... plus expense stores will ... 9 Aust ...
OC Tps on each ship on which voyage rations have been placed will be responsible on arrival in objective area for handing over the unconsumed portion of the rations to the Sup Dep Pl operating in the Beach Head area at which the ship discharges. He will obtain and retain a receipt for all such rations handed over. ... anti-mite fluid, razor blades, ... ration will be included in voyage expense stores and will be distributed under arrangements OC Troops.

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(ii) Normal Maintenance and Reserves

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(iii) Floating Reserve

See para 8(e) above.

(iv) Petrol

Will be carried on all vehicles as under:-

Trucks $\frac{1}{4}$ ton 4 x 4	1 x 4 gal can
Trucks $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton 6 x 6	2 x 4 gal can
AFVs	10 x 4 gal can
Mech Equipment	Maximum number of 4 or 44 gal drums, either POL or ADF as applicable.

(e) Range Fuel for Cooking

- (i) Range Fuel will be supplied for use in such equipment as Generating and Charging Sets only.
- (ii) MT 80 petrol will be used in Hydra Burners and will be issued on basis of .125 gals per man per day.

(f) RAAF

Storage and issue at dumps of POL(excluding Avgas and Avoil) will be the responsibility of AMF. Bulk Avgas will be transported in RAAF road tankers from bulk installation to airfields when bulk storage is established. Storage and maintenance of drummed Avgas and Avoil is the responsibility of RAAF. 1 Aust Beach Gp will mutually arrange with RAAF a site for Avgas dump.

(g) Geletrol

NAPAL WILL BE USED IN

Will be issued through AMF Petrol Points. Thickened fuel required for ^{THE} assault will be ^{PRE}mixed in the Staging Area under unit arrangements and carried with unit stores. *AS LATE AS PRACTICABLE PRIOR TO EMBARKATION, THE PREMIXED FUEL WILL BE CARRIED AS UNIT STORES. ATTENTION DIRECTED TO PARA NO BELOW.*

(h) UK and US Forces

Will be supplied as required from AMF Petrol Points.

(j) Refuelling of LCMs

LCMs of 593 EB & SR may be refuelled direct from USN LSTs or other ships whilst same are in the objective area.

(k) Accounting (Supplies - POL - Ammunition)

- (i) Rations will be issued on receipt of indent AB55 from Z Day to Z plus 6, after which indents will be lodged at Supply Point 24 hrs prior to issue.
- (ii) The submission of AFs W3809 and W3810 to Supply Point will commence on Z plus 10.
- (iii) POL will be issued on demand. Forms AB55(a) will be issued.
- (iv) Ammunition will be issued on demand, such demands should be in writing and signed by an officer.

12. Medical

(a) Allocation of Medical Units

In the initial phases of the assault, medical units will be allocated as follows:-

(i) Under Comd 20 Aust Inf Bde:

2/8 Aust Fd Amb
One company 2/12 Aust Fd Amb
One Company 2/13 Aust Fd Amb
Lt Sec 2/1 Aust CCS
Surgical Team(2/4 Aust Gen Hosp)

(ii) In support 24 Aust Inf Bde:

2/3 Aust Fd Amb
Surgical Team 2/6 Aust Gen Hosp

(iii) Under Comd 9 Aust Div:

2/13 Aust Fd Amb less One Company
2/1 Aust CCS less Lt Sec
109 Aust Adv Dep Med Stores
1 AAMC Coy(1 Aust Beach Gp)
2/12 Aust Fd Amb less Two Coys

(b) In the follow up phases, additional medical units will come under command:

22 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit(attached 2/1 Aust CCS)
103 Aust Mob Bac Lab
2/4 Aust Gen Hosp
40,42 and 43 Aust Hosp Laundry Units.

(c) Command

Medical units landing in support of Bde Gps will come under comd 9 Aust Div as soon as HQ 9 Aust Div is established in the objective area and adequate communications can be maintained.

Initially CO 2/8 Aust Fd Amb will act as SMO 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp.

(d) Responsibility

Medical units will be prepared to treat patients from any of the Allied Forces, as well as liberated PW and internees, civilian and enemy PW.

RAAF has undertaken responsibility for medical treatment and supplies to RAAF personnel except for major surgery and hospitalisation in Gen Hosps.

(e) Evacuation

As far as possible casualties likely to be fit for duty in 21 days will be retained in the objective area. Seaward evacuation will be as follows:-

(i) Naval Assault Shipping

Surgical and nursing facilities are available on 3 LSIs(each capable of taking 30 lying and 50 walking cases), and on 3 LSTs in the assault convoy (Nos 619, 1025, 667' equipped for casualty care each with accommodation for 50 lying and 75 walking cases. LSIs will not remain after Z Day but some LSTs are to remain until Z plus 3.

(ii) One Aust Hospital Ship

One Aust Hospital Ship under operational comd of Comd Attack Force, is to be available at MOROTAI at 7 days notice, for further seaward evacuation if necessary.

(iii) Air Evacuation

Air evacuation for special cases will be available when RAAF facilities permit. It is not anticipated that large numbers of casualties will be evacuated by air.

(f) Liaison

DADMS 1 Aust Beach Gp will be responsible for liaison with US Navy to control evacuation from medical units ashore to Naval assault shipping in the 24 Aust Inf Bde area.

In the initial assault CO 2/8 Aust Fd Amb will evacuate direct to ships if necessary.

(g) Malaria Control

The following units are allocated :-

(i) 20 Aust Inf Bde Area

2/3 Aust Malaria Control Unit
6 Aust Mob Entomological Sec

(ii) 24 Aust Inf Bde and Div Tps:-

9 Aust Malaria Control Unit
13 Aust Malaria Control Unit
3 Aust Mob Entomological Sec

(iii) 1 Aust Beach Gp

20 Aust Malaria Control Unit

In addition all units will make every effort to destroy adult mosquitoes and control breeding places in their vicinity.

(h) Hygiene

Attention is drawn to GRO A479/44 and 9 Aust Div SOs Chapter 18 which defines the responsibility of COs in matters of hygiene. It is essential that strict hygiene discipline be maintained by all ranks.

The following orders will be implemented :-

(i) Water

Bathing in streams, pools, canals is forbidden unless the swimming/has been certified as suitable by a medical or hygiene officer AAMC. Water for all purposes including ablutions and washing clothes will be boiled or superchlorinated.

(ii) Food

Food prepared or handled by natives will not be eaten.

(iii) Sanitation

Fly proof latrines will be constructed by units in all areas.

Tins and food refuse will be incinerated and buried. Supplies of DDT insecticide will be available through malaria control units for destruction of flies.

Camp sites will at all times be left scrupulously clean.

(iv) Anti-mite lotion

Will be applied to clothing before landing and afterwards at weekly intervals.

(v) Malaria Precautions

Dengue
Malarial precautions will be carried out in accordance with 9 Aust Div SOs Chapter 18. It is the responsibility of every officer and NCO to enforce all personal precautions - atabrin, clothing, repellent nets and spray.

Sunset and sunrise for the purpose of malarial precautions will be :-

Sunset - 1900 hrs
Sunrise - 0700 hrs

All troops will consume three(3) atabrin tablets on the morning of the day of disembarkation and will continue taking one tablet daily both before and after that day.

(vi) Local Buildings

No building will be inhabited until sprayed with DDT and declared habitable by a medical or hygiene officer.

(j) Treatment of Natives

(i) Responsibility for medical treatment of natives rests with 9 Aust Div until BBKAU is able to provide adequate facilities. The medical treatment of sick and wounded AMF and Allied Forces personnel will at all times be given priority over the medical treatment of natives.

(ii) Native casualties will at all times be segregated from AUSTRALIAN and Allied Troops.

(iii) As far as practicable medical facilities for natives will comprise:-

Treatment of battle casualties in the assault phase.

Treatment of sickness in areas under control.

Medical inspection of native labourers as required.

Sanitation, particularly in medical centres, internment compounds and concentration areas.

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"Dengue is prevalent in the area of operations, and all possible steps will be taken to ensure against an epidemic of this disease. Particular stress will be laid on the necessity for all personnel wearing shirts when resting under shelter."

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- (iv) Medical officers from BBCAU will land in the assault, one attached to 2/8 Aust Fd Amb on 20 Aust Inf Bde front, and one attached to Medical Coy 1 Aust Beach Gp, and will assist at native aid posts.
- (v) CO 2/8 Aust Fd Amb and OC Medical Coy 1 Aust Beach Gp will each take immediate action on landing to select a separate area for establishing a native aid post.
- (vi) Detachments of 2/13 Aust Fd Amb will set up and maintain the posts thus selected, using their own medical equipment and stores, which will be replaced as early as practicable by 109 Aust Adv Dep Med Stores.
- (vii) Provision of native rations, interpreters, native labour for building, sanitation etc will be the responsibility of BBCAU.
- (viii) As early as practicable all native aid posts will be taken over by BBCAU, with the assistance of any trained native medical assistants who may have survived the Japanese occupation.

13. Ordnance

(a) General

ADOS 9 Aust Div will be the senior Ordnance Officer of the Force and will be responsible for the efficient functioning of the Ordnance Service within the Force.

(b) Maintenance

(i) Initial

Two sets of Beach Landing Reserves comprising a light scaling of items essential in the early stages will be moved to the objective area in the assault convoy.

A special scaling of Ordnance stores (scaling to be notified to 20 Aust Inf Bde) will be taken by 20 Aust Inf Bde as a Bde reserve in the assault convoy.

30 days initial maintenance comprising a comprehensive range of ord stores will be moved to the objective area direct from AUSTRALIA under arrangements Adv LHQ.

(ii) Normal

Replenishment of stocks in the Base Sub-Area will be by monthly automatic shipments ex AUSTRALIA to 173 Aust FOD, under arrangements LHQ. Each shipment will comprise a 30 days scaling of the full range of items for which 173 Aust FOD is scaled.

(iii) Replacement of Vehicles and AFVs

A replacement pool of vehicles MT comprising:

Trucks $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4	- 20
Trailers Jeep	- 15
Motor Cycles	- 25
Trucks $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton 6 x 6	- 6

will be moved to LABUAN in follow-up shipping and in the custody of 2 Aust Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk.

The following scale of AFVs will be held in MOROTAI to be moved to LABUAN on call by 9 Aust Div:

Tanks Matilda 2 pr	- 5
Tanks Matilda CS	- 2

(c) Controlled Stores

- (i) Losses in controlled stores including vehicles and major machine tools will be reported to HQ 9 Aust Div repeated ADOS 9 Aust Div. Signals will quote the normal nomenclature of the stores or the controlled stores census serial number and will state whether replacement is urgently required or otherwise.
- (ii) Issues of controlled stores at OBOE SIX will only be made on the authority of this HQ.
- (iii) Receipt of replacement eqpt incl vehicles will be acknowledged by signal to 9 Aust Div repeated ADOS 9 Aust Div. In addition to signal all changes of vehicle holdings will be notified by submission of AAF G52(MT Casualty Return) to ADOS as early as possible.

Indents

Indents will be submitted, as normal, for ordnance stores required; except that in emergency urgent requirements will be signalled for. Nature of Casualty (i.e DEA, Lost, cert. of replacement or transfer to another unit) will be quoted.

(d) Evacuation of Equipment

A returned stores depot will be established at 173 Aust FOD for the receipt of ordnance stores from units or recovered by salvage.

All stores beyond local repair but which could economically be repaired in AUSTRALIA will be evacuated to AUSTRALIA in available shipping.

Equipment and stores which are beyond repair will be stripped by RSD of usable parts or components and the remains passed to salvage.

(e) Blankets

Blankets will be carried on basis of one per man. Quantities in excess of this will be returned to Ordnance forthwith under arrangements ADOS 9 Aust Div.

(f) Spare Batteries for the amphibious lift

- (i) ADOS 9 Aust Div will be responsible prior to sailing for handing over to OC Troops aboard each craft carrying AMF vehicles 10% spare batteries fully charged for vehs carried on that craft. These batteries will only be used in the event of failure of the battery in any vehicle.

(ii) The number of batteries issued will be returned to OC 2 Aust Ord Beach Det on disembarkation by OC Troops. OC 2 Aust Ord Beach Det will notify ADOS 9 Aust Div of number of batteries not returned and name of the responsible officer concerned.

(iii) RAAF is to supply 10% spare batteries for RAAF vehicles.

(g) Returns

Census of Warlike Stores (Technical, MT and Major Machine Tools) returns will be rendered to ADOS 9 Aust as at 20th of the month.

Where portions of units such as Sigs Secs etc are detached from parent unit, the HQ will show the full entitlement (incl all detached Secs) but only the holdings of that portion of the unit operating directly under the control of the unit HQ, and will attach to the return a statement of all detached sections, indicating the unit to which attached.

Detached sections will render a return showing the holdings only of the detachment. Entitlement figures will not be shown.

(h) Ammunition

(i) First Line Ammunition will be carried by all units

(ii) Initial Maintenance

20 days scaling as initial maintenance for OBOE SIX Force, calculated at intense WUR except for AA Equipments a special rate for which will be:-

	<u>3.7 Equipments</u>	<u>40 mm Equipments</u>
HE	20 rpgpd	20 rpgpd
AP	2 rpgpd	2 rpgpd

and with certain additional ammunition of specified categories, will be moved to the objective area in the assault convoy. Details of this initial maintenance scaling are shown in Appx "J(i)" attached.

A special scaling ex the initial maintenance scaling to be notified 20 Aust Inf Bde will be taken by 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp in the assault shipping.

(iii) Maintenance Levels

Levels of holdings to be maintained in the LABUAN Area will be 30 days scaled at intense WUR, except for AA ammunition, which will be at special rates as shown in para e(ii) above. Maintenance of holdings of ammunition at the approved levels will be under arrangements Adv LHQ.

(iv) Force Reserves

Ammunition in total quantity equalling the Force reserve will be shipped to LABUAN under LHQ arrangements.

(v) Floating Reserves

A floating reserve equivalent to 30 days intense WUR (with special scaling for AA equipments) is to be loaded for selective discharge, in two ships. One of these ships is to accompany the assault convoy and the second is to remain at MOROTAI on call to 9 Aust Div.

(vi) Ammunition Repair

Ammunition sentenced by the IOO for local repair will be repaired by 14 Aust Mob Repair Shop which is to be attached to 143 Aust FAD.

Ammunition beyond local repair capacity but capable of economical repair in AUSTRALIA will be so sentenced by the IOO and evacuated to AUSTRALIA as soon as possible.

"Ammunition sentenced by the IOO as unserviceable or beyond economical repair, will be segregated, and if dangerous destroyed without delay."

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(vii) Ammunition Empties

Ammunition empties will be evacuated through salvage to return ammunition empties sub depot of 143 Aust FAD.

14. AEME

(a) General

- (i) The recovery and repair of equipment of the Force excluding RAAF and US Units, 1st Echelon repairs to special signals equipment, 1st and 2nd Echelon repairs on special RAE equipment and AASC vehicles, will be coordinated by CEME 9 Aust Div.
- (ii) LADs, and Wksps where applicable, will operate as normal with their parent units.
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(b) Repairs

- (i) 1st and 2nd Echelon repairs by LADs and Wksps for their respective units as allotted.
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- (iii) 2nd Echelon repairs for AASC vehicles 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp throughout the operation, and for 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp until arrival of follow up convoy, will be undertaken by AEME.

(c) Recovery

- (i) The recovery plan will be on an area basis. Bde wksps will coordinate recovery within their areas.
- (ii) Units requiring recovery service will notify AEME by the quickest possible means, giving the following information:-
 - Unit
 - Location of equipment and any directions to assist in its location by recovery crew.
 - Type of equipment including make and registered number
 - Brief description of damage or fault.
 - Indication whether or not repairs can be effected in situation, and if known, replacement parts required
 - Where towable or not
 - Whether or not driver is with vehicle.
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(d) Cannibalisation of equipments

Except in emergency, and then only by AEME units controlled cannibalisation will be carried out only in 2nd and 3rd Echelon Wksps.

(e) Tyre Repairs

A mobile Tyre Repair unit will move with the follow up convoy. It is expected that equipment and materials will be carried for repairs to synthetic rubber. Scope and materials will be limited, however, and strict conservation of rubber must be maintained.

(f) Amphibious Lift

(i) Waterproofing

Waterproofing of all AMF Vehicles, guns and RADAR equipments in the assault will be carried out under direct supervision of AEME, acting on separate instructions issued by CEME.

Up to and including stage 3 will be carried out in unit lines. Repair of stage 3, stage 4 (except final sealing of vents), final inspection and certifying fit to wade will be carried in ship assembly areas.

(ii) Dewaterproofing

Only essential dewaterproofing such as tightening of fan belts, opening all vents, removal of rubber or grease from spark plugs, and removal of extension pipings, if required, will be carried out initially. Instructions on further dewaterproofing will be issued by Force HQ.

Units will ensure that vehicles are submitted to AEME for quick inspection within four days of landing so that any damage due to landing or immersion can be rectified.

All non expendable items of waterproofing kits, and as such of the expendable material as possible, must be conserved and returned by unit for future use.

(iii) Running in of engines - engine testing

Subject to operational requirements OC Troops of each craft carrying vehicles will arrange for engines to be run for 10 minutes on the day prior to disembarkation and again for 10 minutes on the day of disembarkation.

(iv) Loading of Vehicles

Vehicles will not be loaded above the level of the cab.

The load in DW Tons will not exceed the rated loading for the particular type of vehicle.

(v) Tow Ropes

These will be properly fitted and the free end tied to the top of the cab. This is to give ready access to the tow rope if vehicle is drowned in deep water.

(g) Port Wksp Detachment

A Wksp detachment will be organised by CEME to carry out repair and recovery for the Force during the last stages of embarkation.

(h) Spare Batteries for Amphibious Lift

AEME will arrange for filling and charging of 10% spare batteries for amphibious lift. See para 13(f) above.

(j) Channels of Communication

(i) Normally contact between units and 2nd Echelon Wksps will be through LADs or equivalent units.

(ii) In emergency, units may contact Bde Wksp direct, in which case the Wksp will originate a Wksp repair requisition(AAF F3a) on behalf of the unit and will send a copy to the relevant AEME unit responsible for 1st echelon repairs.

(iii) Contact with 3rd echelon Wksp will be through 2nd echelon Wksp only.

15. Postal

(a) In the early stages all inwards and outwards mail will be moved by sea, with the possible exception of a small quantity of 1st class mail matter which it may be possible to send forward by the Daily Safe Hand Courier aircraft.

(b) All 1st class mail matter will be transported by air when adequate facilities become available. 2nd class mail will continue to move by sea.

(c) Outward mail will be dispatched free of charge until establishment of Cash Office facilities.

(d) Addresses for correspondence using new detachment address system will be:-

(i) Unit or Main Portion of Unit with the Force

VX0000
Pte J BLANK
"A" Coy
2/99 Aust Inf Bn
A I F
AUSTRALIA

(ii) Detachments of Units including LOB remaining at MOROTAI

The symbols "004 A Detachment" after the unit name will be used e g:

SX0000
Pte T JONES
2/86 Aust Inf Bn
004 A Detachment
A I F
AUSTRALIA

16. Salvage

(a) 9 Aust Div Salvage Unit will arrange collecting points (well signposted) throughout the area.

(b) Units will return all salvageable material to these points particularly using returning transport, and salvage personnel will sort and move same to salvage dumps in BMA or Base Area.

- (c) Commanding Officers will give the collection and return of all salvageable materials within their areas and within areas through which their units may operate, their personal attention. An efficient system for the collection of salvage and its ~~rapid delivery~~ to salvage collection points will be established in every unit.

17. Canteen

- (a) Canteen issue points will be established by Z plus 3.
(b) Payment will be in Straits Settlement dollars or through Regimental Trust Funds.
(c) Certificate of unit strength will be required to effect purchases.

18. Printing and Stationery

- (a) 30 days initial requirements of printing and stationery requisites will be carried by all units.
(b) Normal maintenance requirements will be available in objective area from approximately Z plus 20.

19. Reinforcements

- (a) Units will be brought to WE strength prior to embarkation by ~~2nd Aust Adv 2nd Ech.~~ C DET 2 ADV 2 ECH

- (b) A pool of reinforcements will be held at MOROTAI to make good battle casualties and sick wastage during the operation.

- c det 2 Adv Ech*
(c) Reinforcements will be posted during the operation by 2nd Aust Adv 2nd Ech on instructions from HQ 1 Aust Corps. Consideration will be given by this HQ to any priority of reinforcing requested by formation and unit commanders before this HQ submits a consolidated reinforcing request to HQ 1 Aust Corps.

20. Echelon and Records

- (a) ~~B~~ Detachment 2 Aust Adv 2nd Ech has been allotted to 9 Aust Div for the operation and will be located at HQ 9 Aust Div or Rear HQ 9 Aust Div if the HQ is divided.

- (b) This detachment will function as a normal echelon and records office and will be responsible for all statistical and maintenance records procedure. Units will forward all normal 2nd Echelon returns to this detachment. OC Detachment will be available to advise units on echelon and records matters.

21. "A" Returns

- (a) Strength Returns

- (i) The following returns will be submitted daily through normal channels by the quickest possible means:-

AF W3006 - Daily Strength State	} as at 0600 hrs
AF W3007 - Consolidated Fighting Strength Return	

- (ii) AF W3006 or AF W3007 (whatever is applicable) is required to reach this HQ by 1000 hrs daily. It is appreciated that this will create difficulties but **it** is imperative that this information reaches this HQ at the time requested, for consolidation and transmission to higher authority.

(iii) AF W3006 and/or AF W3007 will be compiled in the following manner:-

- AX (Battle Casualties)
 - (a) KIA
 - (b) WIA
 - (c) Missing
- AY (Sick)
- AZ (Losses by other causes including transfers out)
- B (Reinforcements received)
- C (Posted strength present with unit)
- D, (Names of officer battle casualties)
- E (Attached allowed by WE)
- F (Attached not allowed by WE)
- G (Detached)

(iv) HQ Inf Bdes, HQ Beach Gp, HQ Base Sub Areas etc will ensure that all units and detachments of units under their command are included in AF W3007.

(v) The following copies are required to reach this HQ daily:-

- AF W3006 -1 Copy
- AF W3007 -2 Copies

Note: RAAF and US Units will render to this HQ by 1000 hrs daily their effective strength (by units) as at 0600 hrs in the following form:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Strength</u>	
			<u>ORs</u>	<u>(Enlisted Men)</u>

(b) Special Casualty Return

In addition to AF W3006 and/or AF W3007 all formations and units will signal this HQ details of casualties as at 0600 hrs daily, to give the following information:-

- Killed in action
- Wounded in action
- Missing
- Sick, beyond RAP
- Regimental Number and name of officer casualty (COs and OCs only)

The above signal will reach HQ 9 Aust Div by 0900 hrs daily. Nil returns are not required. This return will also be rendered by RAAF and US units.

(c) Field Returns

AF W3008 and AF W3009 will be prepared as at 0600 hrs each Saturday and will be prepared as follows:-

- AF W3008 - 2 copies to ^C Detachment 2nd Aust Adv 2nd Ech.
1 copy to HQ 1 Aust Corps (units to send direct)
1 copy to HQ 9 Aust Div
1 copy unit file.
- AF W3009 - 1 Copy to ^C Detachment 2nd Aust Adv 2nd Ech
1 Copy to HQ 9 Aust Div
1 Copy unit file.

22. "Q" Returns

(a) Stock Holdings

Heads of services will render to this HQ by 0700 hrs daily a stock holdings sheet in duplicate of all dumps, showing position as at 1600 hrs on previous day. Pro-formas of these sheets are shown as Appendix "O" attached.

(b) CASC 9 Aust Div will advise this HQ by 2000 hrs daily the number of effective load carrying vehicles by types available in each area of operations, for the following day.

(c) Ammunition Expenditure

All units will render to this HQ by 2200 hrs daily quantities of ammunition by types expended for the 24 hrs ending 1800 hrs that day. Nil returns are not required except from infantry battalions. Artillery units will notify at some time through usual channels number of rounds by types of amm held forward of APs.

(d) Units will advise this HQ by 2200 hrs daily the number native labour employed as at that time.

(e) CO 593 EB & SR will advise this HQ by 2000 hrs daily the number of effective boats by types in each area of operations available for the following day.

23. Provost

(a) DAPM 9 Aust Div will be responsible to Comd 9 Aust Div for all Provost arrangements throughout the area.

(b) In laying out road circuits attention will be paid to ensuing fully loaded vehicles always use the best possible road surface available.

24. Discipline

(a) The Commanding Officer of any Major unit of the AMF ie Battalion, Regiment etc, having small units, detachments or troops of other units under command or attached will be the Commanding Officer for the purpose of Discipline of such small units, detachments or Troops.

(b) (i) Natives for the most part are Mohammedans. Their customs and their womenfolk will be respected. Dealings with natives will be friendly but not familiar. All soldiers will be acquainted with the "Borneo Book for Servicemen".

(ii) Except in operations native villages are out of bounds to all troops except members of BBCAU and others expressly authorised to enter them.

(iii) Looting, pillaging and unnecessary destruction of civilian property

This is strictly forbidden. All enemy stores will be securely guarded and disposed of in accordance with para 39 below.

These will be treated as serious offences and dealt with accordingly.

Theft:

Attention is directed to 9 Aust Div Routine Order No.111 of 22 Mar 45. All ranks will be made fully conversant with the contents of this instruction and with their

responsibilities for preventing theft.

This will be treated as a serious offence and dealt with accordingly.

25. Missing Personnel (not applicable to RAAF or Allied Forces)

- (a) Within seven(7) days after the date on which a member becomes missing the unit will appoint an officer to investigate and report on the relevant circumstances. Two copies of the report will be forwarded to Det. Adv 2nd Ech.
- (b) To preserve evidence for the investigating officer a unit will immediately a member is reported missing obtain written reports from all available witnesses and hold such in unit records.

26. Reporting of casualties to British and US personnel

- (a) Casualties to British personnel employed in the operation will be notified in the same manner as for AMF personnel.
- (b) Battle casualties to US personnel will be reported to this HQ by separate return indicating units, nature and extent of injuries, hospitalisation required and how evacuated from the area of operations(if applicable).

27. Finance

- (a) On the arrival of the Force in the BRUNEI BAY Area, the Straits settlement Dollar will be the prescribed currency, with the exception that Straits Settlements notes of the face value of one thousand(1000) and ten thousand(10000) Dollars will not be accepted. Japanese currency will not be declared legal tender, but Japanese notes not exceeding 10 dollars, yens or guilders may be accepted from individuals, including any small one man firms and companies, to whom BBKAU may give this concession in payment both for relief supplies and government dues of any kind, at a rate of exchange to be fixed by BBKAU.
- (b) Sufficient Straits Settlements currency to meet the requirements of the Force will be available from 9 Aust Div Fd Cash Office and 93 Aust Depot Cash Office (under comd HQ 8 Aust Base Sub Area).
- (c) Rate of Exchange - One Straits Settlements Dollar to 2/11 (Aust) or 47 cents (American).
- (d) Separate instructions will be issued regarding the changing of NEI Currency to Straits Settlements currency after arrival in BRUNEI BAY Area.
- (e) It is requested that the individual cash holdings of NEI currency should be kept to a minimum on departure from MOROTAI.

28. Amenities

Sufficient films for Mobile Cinemas for 30 days will move with units from MOROTAI.

29. War Graves and Burials

- (a) A War Cemetery will be established in a suitable site on TABUAN ISLAND. Exact location will be notified to all concerned as early as possible after site has been selected. Separate sections will be established for Aust, British and US Dead.
- (b) Burials will be in accordance with 9 Aust Div SOs Chapter 17, and particularly para 3 thereof.

(c) Burial Returns (AAF W3314) (Aust and British Dead)

Distribution by unit or Chaplain carrying out the burial will be as follows:-

- 2 copies to "C" Detachment 2 Aust Adv 2nd Echelon
- 1 copy to unit of deceased
- 1 copy to DAD WGS HQ 1 Aust Corps
- 1 copy to A Branch HQ 9 Aust Div

(d) US Dead

All units including US units will ensure that HQ 9 Aust Div is notified as early as possible of details etc of all burials of US personnel engaged in the operation. This HQ will consolidate all such information and signal USAFFE, copy to HQ 1 Aust Corps, accordingly.

30. Personal Effects of Dead or Missing Personnel

- (a) The attention of all units is directed to the provisions of GRO A299/44, which should be studied and complied with in detail.
- (b) Until the arrival of Det 10 Aust Kit Store in the follow up shipping, all personal effects of the dead will be despatched to 9 Aust Div Reception Camp situated on LABUAN ISLAND at a site to be notified. This order is to be read in conjunction with GRO 299/44 para 4(i).
- (c) Personal effects will be parcelled securely in a double wrapping, if possible, and addressed "9 Aust Div Reception Camp". A strongly secured tag made out as follows will be attached to each parcel:-

Personal Effects of Dead or Missing Personnel

Army No:
 Rank :.....
 Name and Initials:.....
 Unit :.....

- (d) 9 Aust Div Reception Camp will arrange for the storage and guarding of all personal effects received and will hold them until the arrival of Det 10 Aust Kit Store, which will then take over all personal effects collected by 9 Aust Div Reception Camp.
- (e) Particular attention will be given by all units to the correct compilation of AF W3190(Personal Effects Certificate).

31. Civil Administration

A Detachment of British Borneo Civil Administration Unit (BBCAU), approximate strength 30 officers and 24 ORs, is allotted to 9 Aust Div Gp, and will be available for advice and assistance on civil affairs. For details of its function, responsibilities and organisation see Appx "N".

32. Prisoners of War

- (a) Prisoners of War taken by 9 Aust Div Gp will be evacuated to MOROTAI as soon as possible under arrangements HQ 9 Aust Div and on arrival will pass to the control of Adv LHQ.
- (b) Div PW Cage will be located on LABUAN ISLAND at a site to be notified. All PW will be returned to Div PW Cage as early as practicable.

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- (c) Early advice is to be forwarded to DAPM 9 Aust Div of PW taken and their ETA at Div PW Cage.
- (d) DAPM 9 Aust Div will advise "A" Branch HQ 9 Aust Div daily the number of PW in Div PW Cage and ETD from LABUAN ISLAND to MOROTAI. DAPM will also indicate the medical condition eg 'good', 'fair', 'poor' of PW being evacuated at any one time.
- (e) Personal particulars of all PW taken will be notified to Det 2 Aust Adv 2nd Ech as early as practicable after capture.
- (f) All PW and persons moving under a white flag will be properly blindfolded before being brought into our own positions. The reasons for this will be fully explained to all ranks.

33. Enemy Civilians

- (a) All enemy civilians captured will be immediately returned to 9 Aust Div Enemy Civilian Internment Camp, which will be located on LABUAN ISLAND.
- (b) Enemy civilians who are unable physically to assist the enemy or who may be regarded as harmless, may be parolled by OsC Fd Security Sections after approval has been given by this HQ.
- (c) Persons of half Japanese parentage will be considered enemy civilians. These may be parolled by OsC Fd Security Sections after approval is given by this HQ.
- (d) Enemy civilians parolled will be restricted to a definite area as advised to Fd Security Sections, will report regularly as directed by Fd Security Sections, and will not travel or change residence without approval of Fd Security Sections. Enemy civilians will be issued with an Alien identification card by Fd Security Sections. This card will be carried at all times.
- (e) 9 Aust Div Enemy Civilian Internment Camp will be divided into two compounds, one for Japanese and one for European Internees.

34. Personnel released from enemy custody

- (a) All personnel released from enemy custody, whether military or civil, will be returned to 9 Aust Div Released Personnel Camp, which will be located on LABUAN ISLAND.
- (b) Military and civil personnel will be accommodated in separate camps.
- (c) Released Military personnel will be evacuated to MOROTAI as soon as possible.
- (d) Released civilian European personnel will be evacuated to MOROTAI as soon as practicable. Such personnel desiring to remain in the operational area may do so only after approval has been given by GOC 9 Aust Div.
- (e) The following information regarding released personnel will be forwarded as early as practicable to HQ 9 Aust Div by the formation and/or unit responsible for the release.

Members of Armed Forces

Number.....
Rank

Surname.....
Other Names.....
Unit

Religion.....
Date and place of original capture by the enemy.....
Date and place of recovery from the enemy.....
Unit by whom recovered.....
Name, relationship, and address of next of kin.....

Civilians

Surname.....
Other Names.....
Sex.....
Age.....
Religion.....
Nationality.....
Normal address.....
Date and place of original capture by the enemy.....
Date and place of recovery from the enemy.....
Unit by whom recovered.....
Name, relationship, and address of person to whom the recovered civilian desires advice of his(or her) recovery to be given or any subsequent casualty advices to be sent.....

(f) Other civilian personnel released from enemy custody will be passed to the control of BBCAU.

35. Labour

Control of labour, both military and civil, will be exercised by HQ 9 Aust Div and will be allotted in accordance with priorities determined by this HQ. Details of instructions governing procurement and control of civilian labour are contained in Appx "N".

36. Local Purchases

Local purchases and hirings of property will be conducted through, and payment effected by BBCAU.

37. Barter

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.

38. Payment of Claims

Units are advised that all claims for damage or injury to property and person against the military forces will be referred by the claimant to BBCAU.

39. Captured enemy equipment, supplies and POL Dumps

(a) Captured enemy equipment will be handled in accordance with GROs G473/43 and G238/44. in conjunction with FS Secs (EE).

(b) Captured materials surplus to requirements of the Force in the objective area will be assembled and held there pending later decision as to disposal.

(c) (i) All enemy supply or POL Dumps captured will be guarded and their location reported immediately to HQ 9 Aust Div. Their contents will not be used without authority from this HQ.

(ii) All enemy medical equipment captured will be safe guarded and passed to the custody of the nearest medical unit or detachment.

40. Dangerous Cargo

Where acid or other corrosive or inflammable stores are carried as unit stores the quantities thereof will be securely packed and 9 Aust Div notified so that action may be taken to have such cargo suitably stowed.

[Handwritten Signature]
 -Col
 (A. E. L. MORGAN)
 AA & MG 9 Aust Div

Method of Issue - DRLS and Hand

Time of Signature : 180315I

DISTRIBUTION

Serial	Unit	Copy Numbers
1.	20 Aust Inf Bde	1
2.	24 Aust Inf Bde	1
3.	RAA 9 Aust Div	2
4.	RAE 9 Aust Div	3
5.	Sigs 9 Aust Div	4
6.	2/9 Aust Cav(Cdo) Regt	5
7.	2/32 Aust Inf Bn	6
8.	2/2 Aust MG Bn	7
9.	AASC 9 Aust Div	8
10.	3 Aust Ops Report Team	9 - 12
11.	2 Aust Mil Ldg Gp	13
12.	1 Aust Beach Gp	14
13.	8 Aust Base Sub Area	15
14.	2/9 Aust Armd Regt	16
15.	727 US Amphibian Tractor Bn	17
16.	Boat Bn 593 EB & SR	18
17.	US Naval Port Director Unit	19
18.	62 Airfield Construction Wing	20
19.	British Borneo Civil Affairs Unit	21
20.	Commander Task Gp 78.1	22
21.	RAAF Command	23 - 24
22.	1 TAF RAAF	25
23.	1 Aust Corps	26
24.	Comd	27 - 28
25.	G	29
26.	AQ	30 - 31
27.	ADMS	32 - 34
28.	ADOS	35
29.	CEME	36
30.	DAPM	37
31.	File	38
32.	War Diary	39 - 40
		41 - 42.

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	1 Aust Corps Tps	311	21	4	5	1	14	22	4		71	7	Z	1 Aust Corps Tps	311	21	4	5	1	14	22	4		71	7								
	8 Base Sub Area Tps	102	3	2	1	1		3	1	6	17	5		8 Base Sub Area Tps	102	3	2	1	1		3	1	6	17	5								
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	1 Aust Beach Gp													1 Aust Beach Gp	118	4					2			6	4								
	1 Aust Corps Tps	27	3		5		3	3	1		15	4	Z	1 Aust Corps Tps	338	24	4	10	1	17	25	5		86	11								
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DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITIES BETWEEN SERVICESARMY RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Army is responsible for providing the following facilities to NAVY, AIR FORCE and US units either attached or under command.

(a) To NAVAL FORCES

(i) Provision of supplies, POL and hospitalisation.

(ii) Replacement or issues of stores and equipment other than special naval equipment. Such stores and equipment as are of common pattern.

(b) To AIR FORCES

(i) The provision, landing, holding and distribution of engineer stores (excluding pierced plank airfield matting and materials peculiar to airfield construction, which will be provided under USASOS arrangements, but landed held and transported under Army arrangements).

(ii) The provision of Avgas and Avoil (incl refilling of 44-gal drums and handling of bulk at Army bulk installations, and transportation by sea or road.

~~(iii) Construction of Avgas installations at airfields.~~

~~(iv) Construction of main roads up to airfields, but NOT internal roads within airfield or air force unit areas.~~

~~(v) Supervise off loading and handling of airforce equipment.~~

~~(vi) The landing and delivery of Air Force of:~~

Ammunition
Bombs
Pyrotechnics

(Unloading in Air Force depots or dumps is carried out by airforce personnel)

(vii) The supply by Army and collection from Army Depots or sources by Air Force of:-

Supplies and expense stores
MT POL
Canteen Supplies
Water

(viii) The following services (where applicable) -

Hospitalisation (but NOT until evacuations to General Hospitals are necessary, as Air Force have own Medical Clearing Stations)

Control of Prisoners of War
Civilian Labour

Movement Control } Assisted by Air Force
Docks } Transportation and
Movement Staff

(c) BORNEO BRITISH CIVIL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT DET

The procurement and delivery to BRUNEI BAY Area of food, medical supplies, and other items necessary for the relief of the civilian population within the BRUNEI BAY Area.

(d) US UNITS

- (i) The provision of common supplies incl POL and Canteen supplies.
- (ii) Hospitalisation in the BRUNEI BAY Area.

NAVY RESPONSIBILITIES

2. Navy is responsible for:

- (i) The evacuation of casualties in casualty care ISTs to MOROTAI.
- (ii) The furnishing of adequate medical supplies, equipment and personnel for the care and attendance of casualties in Naval assault shipping.
- (iii) The supply in conjunction with USASOS of lighterage facilities and amphibious craft in the BRUNEI BAY Area.

AIR FORCE RESPONSIBILITIES

3. Air Force is responsible for:-

- (i) The provision to Army of Air Force technical supplies required for the Air Force to be established in the BRUNEI BAY Area.
- (ii) The provision of non-common stores for the Air Force in the BRUNEI BAY Area.
- (iii) The control of air evacuation of casualties when such evacuation becomes practicable, and the proper care of casualties while being evacuated by air.
- (iv) The provision of stripside medical service as required.
- (v) The provision of aircraft for safe hand courier service and the transportation of urgent stores and key personnel to and from BRUNEI BAY Area.
- (vi) Operation of bulk fuel installations at airfields.
- (vii) Storage and maintenance of drummed Avgas.
- (viii) Accounting for Avgas and Avoil issues made by RAAF to ALLIED FORCES through Reverse Lend Lease procedure.

USASOS RESPONSIBILITIES

4. USASOS is responsible for:-

- (i) Making available to Army non common pattern supplies for US Army elements attached for the operation.
- (ii) The supply in bulk to BRUNEI BAY Area of MT petrol, ADF and Avgas as required by the Army.
- (iii) Materials for construction of bulk petroleum storage and distribution facilities and landing mat for airfields as requested by Army.

MOVEMENT AND TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Movement Control Organisation and responsibilities

during Operation "OBOE SIX"

MOVEMENT CONTROL ORGANISATION

1. The responsibility for the control of initial movement of the Div Gp and for its subsequent maintenance is as follows:-

<u>Force</u>	<u>Movement</u>	<u>Responsibility</u>
Assault Troops	) From MOROTAI to BRUNEI BAY, including embarkation and loading and disembarkation and discharge.	9 Aust Div.
Follow up Troops		
Maintenance and Reservees	All movement up to and including embarkation and landing at	
	(a) MOROTAI	Adv LHQ
	(b) Australian Ports (incl maintenance)	LHQ
	Disembarkation and discharge at BRUNEI BAY	9 Aust Div through OC Det 11 Aust MC Gp

MOVEMENT OF A GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE NATURE

2. Control of movement and transportation to the objective area of a general administrative nature will be controlled by Adv LHQ in accordance with policy laid down in LHQ Adm Instr 19 of 1 Aug 44.

MOVEMENT OF A LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE NATURE

3. Movement in the BRUNEI BAY Area of a purely local administrative nature will be the responsibility of Comd 9 Aust Div.

REGULATING OFFICER

4. A GHQ Regulating Officer will be stationed at BRUNEI BAY and is responsible to Chief Regulating Officer GHQ SWPA for allotting movement priorities to Aust, US and British components of the force in accordance with the policy of the Div Comd initially and 1 Aust Corps latterly - within the limits of general priorities as laid down by GHQ SWPA.

PORT CONTROL ORGANISATION

5. Until docks can be made serviceable in BRUNEI BAY Area, the discharge of all vessels will be by means of LCTs and LOMs.

GHQ SWPA is to make the following lighterage available from Z plus 10 :-

- 6 LCTs
- 4 LOMs

PORT CONTROL COMMITTEE

6. A Port Control Committee to lay down daily programme for working of the Port will commence functioning as soon as deemed practicable by Comd 9 Aust Div.

The composition of the Committee will be approximately as follows:

Chairman: GHQ Regulating Officer (or his representative)

Members: Naval Port Director
Aust Port Movement Control Officer
Representative of Div Comd
Representative of Base Sub Area
Representative from 9 Transportation and Movement Office (RAAF)
Representative from Allied Forces or other Services (as required).

CO-ORDINATION OF SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH PORT WORKING

7. Responsibility for the co-ordination of the Arms or Services concerned with the discharge or loading of troops or cargo and movement through the dock area as vested in OC Det 11 Aust Movement Control Group.

BACK LOADING

8. Requirements for back loading of vehicles and stores from BRUNY BAY Area will be co-ordinated by Comd 9 Aust Div.

SHIPPING PLAN - OBOE SIX

Serial	Echelon	Requirement	LOADING		VESSEL ALLOTTED		REMARKS		
			Type	Tonnage		Name etc		Timings	
				DW	M				
1	SLOW TOW	Barges for Bulk Oil etc	MT Petrol - plus steel shore tankage etc			BG 593	16 May	Z plus 4	Capacity - 2400 barrels
			ADF - plus steel shore tankage etc			BG 677 BG 938	14 May	Z plus 4 Z plus 4	" - 2000 " " - 2000 "
			Avgas			12G 26G 22G 61G 25G 65G	14 May	Z plus 4	" - 400 " each
2		Tankers for Bulk Oil	MT Petrol			TY 35	14 May (filled)	Z plus 4	" - 5600 barrels
			Avgas			TY 46	16 May (filled)	Z plus 4	" - 5600 "
3.		Pile Ship	Piles and wharf constr materials		2935	MATTHEW FLINDERS	10 May	Z plus 4	-

Serial	Echelon	Requirement	LOADING		VESSEL ALLOTTED			REMARKS	
			Type	Tonnage		Name etc	Timings		
				DW	M		ETA MOROTAI		ETA OBJECTIVE AREA
4.	ASSAULT	Floating POL Reserve (First)	400 barrels MT Pet 600 " Avgas 200 " ADF and corresponding lubricants			FS 178	16 May (filled)	Z day	
5		Floating Amn Reserve (First)	15 days all natures (Selective loading)		1250	ALFRED LUNT	Now at MOROTAI loading	Z day	ex OBOE ONE
6.	RE-SUPPLY	Liberty Ship (First shipment)	15 days balanced maint (less amn and engr stores) Amn - 15 days INTENSE and AA at special rates plus additional amn * Engr Stores - 3080 tons (M) Selective discharge First - 10 days Sups 10 days POL Half amn Second - balance		9500	JOSIAH GRINNELL		Approx Z plus 15	* additional amn - Cartridges SA Belt 7.92 mixed 139500 QF 2 pdr AP shot 1024 QF 2 pdr HE 2352 QF 3 in How HE 608 Intermediate 25 pdr 5040 Bombs ML HE 2 in mor 9504 Grenades hand 36M 2508 Actual tonnages see note below

Serial	Echelon	Requirements	LOADING			VESSEL ALLOTTED			REMARKS
			Type	Tonnage		Name etc	Timings		
				DW	M		ETA MOROTAI	ETA OBJECTIVE AREA	
7.	RE-SUPPLY (contd)	Liberty Ship (second shipment)	15 days balanced maint less amn and engr stores Amn - 15 days INIENSE and A A at special rates plus additional amn as in first shipment - Engr Stores - 4000 (M)		9500	ROBERT CAREY JPVORENA		Approx Z plus 25	Actual tonnages see note below.
8.		Liberty Ship (Third Shipment)	20 days balanced maint (less amn, ord stores and engr stores) Amn - 30 days MODERATE plus additional amn as in first shipment Engr Stores - to be advised Ord Stores - Nil		9500	GEORGE VANCUVER TO BE ADVISED		Z plus 35	Actual tonnages see note below

Serial	Echelon	Requirement	LOADING		VESSEL	ALLOTTED		REMARKS		
			Type	Tonnage		Name etc	Timings			
				DW			M		ETA MOROTAI	ETA OBJECTIVE AREA
9.	RESERVE	Floating POL Reserve (Second)	400 barrels MT Pet 600 " Avgas 200 " ADF and corresponding lubricants			to be advised	-	Z day	To be held MOROTAI from Z day ready for call fwd if required.	
		Floating Amn (Second)	15 days all natures (selective loading)			BALIKPAPAN	To be ready at MOROTAI on Z Day	-	ex OBOE ONE To be held MOROTAI from Z day ready for call fwd if required.	
10	CIVIL RELIEF	BBCAU	Stores and rations for Civil Relief		6357	RICHARD MACZOWSKI	-	-	Loading SYDNEY.	

NOTE : Tonnages allotted to Resupply Ships

<u>JOSIAH GRINNELL</u>						<u>ROBERT CAREY</u>						<u>GEORGE VANCOUVER</u>					
ex SYDNEY for first discharge						ex SYDNEY						ex SYDNEY					
Sups	2005	tons	M	1360	tons DW	Sups	3015	tons	M	2043	tons DW	Sups	3534	tons	M	2449	tons DW
POL	373	"	"	244	" "	POL	561	"	"	366	" "	POL	748	"	"	488	" "
Amn	437	"	"	636	" "	Canteens	720	"	"	421	" "	Canteens	960	"	"	561	" "
Empty petrol drums	125	"	"	12	" "	Ord Stores	500	"	"	167	" "	Med	72	"	"	27	" "
						Amn	862	"	"	1271	" "	Empty Petrol Drums	250	"	"	24	" "
						M & V	32	"	"	12	" "	Misc	94	"	"	56	" "
						Engr Stores	4000	"	"	3000	" "						
ex SYDNEY for second discharge						Empty Petrol Drums						ex BRISBANE					
Sups	1001	"	"	662	" "	Misc	188	"	"	18	" "	Amn	718	"	"	890	" "
POL	187	"	"	122	" "		55	"	"	33	" "						
Canteens	720	"	"	421	" "							plus Engr Stores to be advised					
Amn	431	"	"	635	" "												
Ord Stores	800	"	"	267	" "												
Engr Stores	3080	"	"	2506	" "												
M & V	64	"	"	24	" "												
Empty Petrol Drums	62	"	"	6	" "												
Misc	60	"	"	34	" "												

ENGINEER PLAN
OPERATION OBOE SIXDETAILS OF ENGINEER TASKSAVAILABILITY OF UNITS

1. (a) 62 Aust Airfield Construction Wing will be under comd CRE 9 Aust Div for airfield construction purposes, including erection of all structures required by RAAF and as listed in paras 2 - 8.
- (b) 9 Aust CRE (Wks) will be available primarily for construction of Port Facilities and Bulk Oil Installations. 9 Aust CRE (Wks) has comd 73 Aust DCRE for control of other works.

AIRFIELD2. First ObjectiveTarget Date for completion Z plus 6.

- (a) One all-weather runway 5000 ft x 100 ft at LABAUN airfield.
- (b) Two alert aprons.
- (c) Additional undispersed parking for two Squadrons Fighters, one Flight Air-sea Rescue and Det Army Co-operation Wing.
- (d) Fighter Sector HQ, consisting of one building approximately 110 ft x 45 ft.
- (e) One Base Operations building with Control Tower at airfield. To be precut and carried by 62 ACW.

3. Second ObjectiveTarget Date Z plus 10

Increase undispersed parking to accommodate a cumulative total of :

- One Wing Fighters (four Sqns)
- One Flight Air-sea Rescue.

4. Third ObjectiveTarget Date Z plus 15

Increase undispersed parking to accommodate a cumulative total of :

- One Wing Fighters (four Sqns)
- One Wing Attack Bombers (two Sqns)
- One Flight Air-Sea Rescue

5. Fourth ObjectiveTarget Date Z plus 20.

Increase undispersed parking to accommodate a cumulative total of :

- One Wing Fighters (four Sqns)
- One Wing Attack Bombers (two Sqns)
- One Search Sqn
- One Flight Air-Sea Rescue.

6. Fifth Objective

Target date as early as possible after Z plus 20

Dispersed parking for all above aircraft.

7. Signal Installations

To proceed concurrently with first, third, fourth, and fifth objectives, and to be completed at earliest practicable.

- (a) Transmitter Site 1500 ft x 1500 ft cleared of antennae obstructions, with complete clearing of sites for temporary buildings.
- (b) Receiver site 1500 ft x 1500 ft cleared of antennae obstructions with complete clearing/for temporary buildings.
of sites
- (c) Supply of incidental stores to RAAF R I M U for temporary buildings.

8. Other Works

To proceed concurrently with third, fourth and fifth objectives and to be completed at earliest practicable.

- (a) Air Task Force HQ consisting of two buildings approx 60 ft x 20 ft for operations, signals and intelligence.
- (b) One operations building approx 60 ft x 20 ft for each garrison wing and Sqn HQ - total 16 buildings.
- (c) Two buildings each approx 60 ft x 20 ft for each RSU and OBU - total 8 buildings.
- (d) One building approx 84 ft x 72 ft for each Air Stores Park - Total 3 buildings.
- (e) One alert hut or crew room approx 60 ft x 20 ft at each alert apron - total 9 buildings.
- (f) Storage area for bombs and ammunition - one acre per 50 tons. To include 20 shelters each 20 ft x 12 ft for sensitive components.
- (g) 62 ACW will precut, bundle and hand to RAE for transportation stores for all buildings enumerated in sub-paras (a), (b), (c) (d), (e), (f) and (l).
- (h) Storage area for liquid fuel - one acre per 950 drums.
- (i) One transport off-loading area, not greater than 200,000 sq ft with covered unloading platform approx 63 ft x 20 ft at truck floor height.
- (j) Service aprons:
 - One 300 ft x 400 ft for each wing.
 - One 140 ft x 200 ft for Photo Chart Sqns.
- (k) One 300 yd bore sighting range.
- (l) One building approx 60 ft x 20 ft for air evacuation.

BULK OIL

9. First Objective

Target Date Z plus 10

Piped supply pumped from barges through surge tanks ashore in VICTORIA Area to tank truck filling point for Avgas and drums filling points for MT petrol and ADF using :

- (a) 6 G-barges each loaded 400 bbls.
- (b) 1 BG - barge loaded 2400 bbls.
- (c) 2 BG - barges each loaded 2000 bbls.
- (d) Total of three 1000 bbl belted steel surge tanks on shore, one each for Avgas, MT Petrol and ADF.

10. Second Objective

Target Date Z plus 15.

- (a) One small fuelling jetty or submarine lines with facilities for anchoring and discharging tankers up to 340 ft length drawing up to 17 ft.

11. Third Objective

Target Date Z plus 30.

- (a) Three 2300 bbl welded tanks for Avgas in vicinity of fuel jetty or submarine line, with connections to tank trucks filling point.
- (b) Four 2300 bbl welded tanks for MT petrol in vicinity of fuel jetty or submarine line, with connections to drum filling points.

PORT FACILITIES

- 12. (a) Target date immediately after capture - LSTs landings as required.
- (b) Target date Z plus 15. Rehabilitated wharf giving berthing capacity for one small ship.
- (c) Target date Z plus 15. Provision of one Liberty Wharf.

ROADS

- 13. As required.

HOSPITALS

- 14. (a) Target date Z plus 15 - one 600 bed hospital to Stage 1, designed for possible future extension to 1200 beds.
- (b) Water supply to Stage 2, designed for possible future extension to 1200 beds.
- (c) Target date Z plus 18. One Base Medical Store.
- (d) Target date Z plus 20. One Medical Receiving Station RAAF.

COVERAGE

- 15. (a) See Engineer para 9 Aust Div Adm Order No 2.
- (b) Durable coverage for supplies is being brought forward as follows :

Assault Convoy	30000 sq ft
Follow Up Convoy	170000 sq ft
Re-supply	Scale "A" for a force of 20000.

S E C R E T

Appendix "F"(i) to 9 Aust
Div Adm Order No.2

AMF SWPA RATION SCALE ("P")

Serial	Commodity	Scale per man/day OZS	Serial	Commodity	Scale per man/day OZS
1.	(A) <u>Beverages</u>		20.	(H) <u>Meats</u>	
	Coffee	1/5		Bacon tinned	6/7
2.	Tea	7/16	21.	Cheese	4/7
3.	(B) <u>Cereals</u>		22.	Fish	1 5/7
	Bread	12	23.	Meat	10 2/7
	or			or	
	Biscuits	9		M & V	13 5/7
4.	Custard Powder	1/8	24.	(I) <u>Milk</u>	
5.	Flour	2		Milk Cond U/S	4
6.	Fruit Cake	3/7	25.	(J) <u>Risings</u>	
7.	Rice Unpolished	1/2		Baking Powder	1/25
8.	Wheatmeal	1	26.	(K) <u>SPICES</u>	
9.	(C) <u>Condiments</u>			Mixed Spice	1/350
	Curry Powder	1/50	27.	(L) <u>Sugars</u>	
10.	Mustard	1/100		Jam	2
11.	Pepper	1/100	28.	Sugar	4
12.	Salt	1/2	29.	(M) <u>Vegetables</u>	
13.	Tomato Sauce	1/4 fl		Dehy Onions	1/2
14.	(D) <u>Essences</u>		30.	Dehy Potatoes	2
	Flavouring	1/350 fl	31.	Dried Blue Peas	2/7
15.	(E) <u>Fats</u>		32.	Vegetables Tinned	10
	Butter tinned	1 3/4	33.	Tinned Tomato	
	or			Puree	3/7
	Tropical Spread	1 3/4			
16.	Lard	1/2			
17.	(F) <u>Fruits</u>				
	Dried Fruits	1			
18.	Tinned Fruit	3			
19.	(G) <u>Juices</u>				
	Fruit	3 fl			
	or				
	Tomato	3 fl			

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PROVISIONAL RATION SCALE - JAPANESE PW

In ozs per man per day

<u>Beverages</u>	Coffee	1/20 oz
	Tea	1/6 oz
<u>Cereals</u>	Biscuits	6 oz
	Flour	2 oz
	Rice unpolished	16 oz
<u>Condiments</u>	Curry Powder	1/50 oz
	Salt	2/3 oz
	Tomato Sauce	1 fl oz
	Pepper	1/100 oz
<u>Fats</u>	Butter Concentrated or Margarine	1/2 oz
<u>Fruits</u>	Dried	1/2 oz
<u>Meat</u>	Preserved Fish tinned	1/10 oz
	Cheese	2 oz
	Condensed	3 3/7 oz (Pilchards or Herrings)
<u>Milk</u>	Baking Powder	1/7 oz
<u>Risings</u>	Jam	1 1/2 oz
<u>Sugars</u>	Sugar	1/25 oz
<u>Vegetables</u>	Potatoes Fresh	3/4 oz
	Onions Fresh	2 1/2 oz
	Vegetables Tinned	3 oz
<u>Oils</u>	Cooking Oil	1 oz
		5 5/7 oz
		1/2 fl oz

- NOTE:
1. The above scale will apply until such time as an authorised scale is issued by LHQ.
 2. LHQ Scale of Equivalent will apply.

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Appendix "F"(iii) to 9
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TENTATIVE NATIVE RATION SCALE

Commodity	Scale Advised by NICA in grammes	Conversion to oz per man per day	Suggested Tentative Scale of Issue per man per day
Rice	500 gr	16.07	16 ozs
Service Biscuits	125 gr	4.02	4 ozs
Flour	200 gr	6.4	6 ozs
Salt	15 gr	.48	$\frac{1}{2}$ oz
Sugar	70 gr	2.2	2 ozs
Meat or Fish	125 gr	4.02	4 ozs
Soap	15 gr	.48	$\frac{1}{2}$ oz
Matches	1 box per week	1 box per week	1 box per week or 1 Wax in Two weeks
Tobacco	3 sticks per week	2.2 ozs per week	2 ozs per week

AEME PLAN

OPERATION OBOE SIX

1. INTENTION

- (a) AEME units on OOB of OBOE SIX will carry out 1st, 2nd and 3rd echelon recovery and repairs to the force, excluding RAAF and US units, 1st echelon on special signals equipments, and 1st and 2nd echelon on special RAE equipments and AASC vehicles. AEME units will be prepared to assist these services and units whenever called upon to do so.
- (b) Units without permanently allotted AEME facilities will be serviced, in general, by an adjacent AEME unit under instructions promulgated from time to time by Force HQ.

2. UNITS

The following AEME units will be available :-

2/2 Aust Inf Tps Wksp
2/118 Aust Bde Wksp
2/122 Aust Bde Wksp
134 Aust Bde Wksp
2/9 Aust Armd Regt Wksp
2/3 Aust Comp AA Regt Wksp
1 Aust Beach Wksp
2 Aust Mech Eqpt Wksp
2/44 Aust LAD
2/58 Aust LAD
2/61 Aust LAD
2/64 Aust LAD
2/66 Aust LAD
2/67 Aust LAD
2/72 Aust LAD
2/76 Aust LAD
260 Aust LAD
340 Aust LAD
Det 4 Aust Armd Bde Wksp
Det 10 Aust Veh Pk Wksp
One Mob Gas Generating Sec
One Mob Tyre Repair Unit.

3. COMMAND

- (a) CEME 9 Aust Div will be responsible to the force commander for the efficient functioning and co-ordination of AEME repair and recovery throughout the force.
- (b) Should a Bde Gp be required to operate at a distance from Force HQ, CEME will nominate an EME, normally the OC of the Bde Wksp, as a deputy.

4. REPAIRS

- (a) 1st and 2nd echelon repairs by LADs and Wksps for their respective units as allotted.
- (b) 3rd echelon repairs for the force by 2/2 Aust Inf Tpts Wksp, with exception of Armd Regt and Mech Eqpt Coy which have specially equipped AEME Wksps attached for up to and including 3rd echelon repairs.
- (c) 2nd echelon repairs for AASC vehicles 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp throughout the operation, and for 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp until arrival of follow up convoy, will be undertaken by AEME.

- (d) To ensure maximum over-all output, and maintain the effective fire-power and mobility of the force, AEME units will carry out only such repairs as they are designed and equipped for, and will pass all other work to a rearward echelon without delay. Excessive repair loads on any wksp will be adjusted by arrangements CEME.
- (e) If any unrepaired equipments have to be left behind, due to moves etc, AEME units will leave a guard with the equipments and notify details to CEME.
- (f) The following wireless sets are in short supply :-

- No. 22 (Aust) Yellow Band series
- No. 108 Mk III (Aust)
- SCR 536B (Aust) or (USA)
- SCR 300 (USA)
- SCR 610 (USA)

AEME units will liaise closely with M section signals or OsC signal units, as applicable, for repair of these sets and will NOT issue Certificates for Replacement or Destruction without concurrence of CO Signals.

- (g) A Mobile Tyre Repair Unit will arrive in follow up convoy. It is expected that equipment and materials will be carried for repairs to synthetic rubber. Scope and materials will be restricted, however, and strict conservation of rubber must be maintained.

5. REPAIR PRIORITIES

Priorities for repairs to satisfy operational requirements will be as laid down from time to time by Force HQ.

6. EQUIPMENT BEYOND LOCAL REPAIR

Equipment beyond practicable local repair will be notified to units concerned and to ADOS by the quickest possible means. The necessary documentation and evacuation, MT to Ordnance Veh Park, other equipments to RSD, will follow as soon as possible.

7. RECLAMATION AND MANUFACTURE OF PARTS

Reclamation and manufacture, particularly of parts in short supply, will be carried out where possible.

8. CANNIBALISATION OF EQUIPMENTS

- (a) Cannibalisation will be strictly limited to such parts as are NOT available from normal sources.
- (b) Except in emergency, and then only by AEME units, controlled cannibalisation will be carried out only by 2nd echelon workshops.
- (c) Parts removed must be replaced by equivalent unserviceable parts to ensure that repairable equipments are evacuated complete.

9. RECOVERY

- (a) Recovery plan will be on an area basis. Bde Wksp will co-ordinate recovery within their areas.
- (b) LADs having no recovery facilities will call on the nearest AEME recovery vehicle for assistance as required.
- (c) Recovery requirements beyond 2nd echelon will be notified to and co-ordinated by CEME.

- (d) Units requiring recovery service will notify AEME by the quickest possible means, giving the following information :-
- (i) Unit
 - (ii) Location of equipment and any directions to assist in its location by recovery crew.
 - (iii) Type of equipment including make and registered number.
 - (iv) Brief description of damage or fault.
 - (v) Indication whether or NOT repairs can be effected in situation, and, if known, replacements parts required.
 - (vi) Whether towable or not.
 - (vii) Whether or not driver is with vehicle.
- (e) Units are responsible for safeguarding their equipments until taken over by AEME.
- (f) Depending on the progress of the operation, certain 2nd echelon recovery facilities may be pooled under direct control of CEME.

10. INSPECTIONS

- (a) A thorough inspections "in" and "out" system will be instituted by all AEME units.
- (b) Units will be notified if the repairs are likely to be held up for any reason.
- (c) Units will be notified of any unavoidable deficiencies after repair.

11. MODIFICATIONS

- (a) During the operation, only essential modifications to equipments will be carried out.
- (b) Non-essential modifications may be carried out as equipments pass through wksp for repair, provided that re-issue to units is not held up thereby.
- (c) Units will ensure that modifications and/or repairs to equipments are noted in the relevant log books, history sheets or memoranda of examination.

12. SPARES

- (a) AEME operational scalings of spare parts and assemblies will be used as required, and issues will be as normal from Ord Fd Pks.
- (b) Separate records will be kept of any major parts or assemblies used on other than AMF equipments.
- (c) Spare RADAR GL TX RX and generator sets on charge to 2/3 Aust Comp AA Regt Wksp will be left at MOROTAI for call forward to OBOE SIX if and when required.

13. WATERPROOFING

- (a) Waterproofing of all AMF vehicles, guns and RADAR equipments in the assault convoy will be carried out under direct supervision of AEME, acting on separate instructions issued by CEME.
- (b) Up to and including Stage 3 will be carried out in unit lines. Repair of Stage 3, Stage 4 (except for final sealing of vents), final inspection and certifying fit to wade will be carried out in ship assembly areas.
- (c) To prevent last-minute congestion of the waterproofing general programme, maximum co-operation of units is essential in making equipments available for Stage 3, as requested by

the AEME officer responsible for supervision.

14. DE-WATERPROOFING

- (a) Only essential de-waterproofing such as tightening of fan belts, opening all vents, removal of rubber or grease from spark plugs, and removal of extension pipings, if required, will be carried out initially. Instructions on further de-waterproofing will be issued by Force HQ.
- (b) Units will ensure that vehicles are submitted to AEME for quick inspection within four days of landing so that any damage due to landing or immersion can be rectified.
- (c) All non-expendable items of waterproofing kits, and as much of the expendable material as possible, must be conserved and retained by units for future use.

15. DROWNED EQUIPMENT

- (a) 2/118 Aust Bde Wksp and 1 Aust Beach Wksp will establish, in respective BMAs, drowned vehicle parks through which will pass all powered equipments that have been drowned or immersed for lengthy periods during the landing.
- (b) On arrival in the BMA, all AEME units will contact the wksp concerned and will lend assistance in the drowned vehicle park if required, particularly on equipments belonging to units normally serviced by them.

16. PORT WKSP DETACHMENT

A Wksp detachment consisting of 2/71 Aust LAD, commander by Lt CONNOR, plus available AEME LOB personnel, will be organized to carry out repair and recovery for the force during the last stages of embarkation.

17. WELDING

- (a) Bottled welding gas will be conserved to the utmost. Electric welding will be used to the maximum extent. Oxygen and acetylene generators will be used whenever possible, on work that calls for gas flame.
- (b) A Mob Gas Gen Sec AEME will produce oxygen and fill commercial type cylinders by about Z day plus 22. Oxygen refills will then be available through Ord Fd Pks only.

18. COMPRESSED AIR

- (a) A recuperator truck will be available to each Bde Gp for recharging of arty air reservoirs, although primarily intended for recharging of pressure tanks for inf type flamethrowers.
- (b) All air tanks or reservoirs will, after each charging, be clearly marked with tag or sticker showing the tested pressure and date of filling.

19. REPORT ON EQUIPMENT

- (a) In order that the Force comd may be supplied from day to day with accurate information concerning condition and availability of equipment, all 2nd and 3rd echelon wksp will submit a daily return showing number of equipments by type in wksp awaiting repair and approximate number of days to complete.
- (b) This return will be in abbreviated message form as set out in 9 Aust Div memo ME 507/5/7 of 7 Mar 45. Copies of this memo will be forwarded to AEME units concerned.

20. LOCATION AND MARKING

- (a) All AEME units will ensure that sign posts, indicating their location and those of recovery posts, are erected immediately on arrival in a new area.
- (b) CEME will be notified of changes of location by quickest possible means.

21. CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION

- (a) Normally, contact between units and 2nd echelon wksp will be through LADs or equivalent units.
- (b) In emergency, units may contact Bde Wksp direct, in which case the wksp will originate a wksp repair requisition (AAF F3 (a)) on behalf of the unit and will send a copy to the relevant AEME unit responsible for 1st echelon repairs.
- (c) Contact with 2/2 Aust Inf Tps Wksp will be through 2nd echelon wksp only.

22. INTERCOMMUNICATION

- (a) Normal, through signal channels.
- (b) Technical, to CEME through Signals channels or AEME DR.
- (c) It has been arranged with Signals that, should Bde HQ so desire, Bde Wksp will make available up to 4 extensions on their switchboard 10 line UC for connection to such units as Bde Rear Ech, Fd Amb, S and T, etc.
- (d) Bde Wksp switchboard will be manned 24 hours per day.

23. ACCOUNTING

Full AEME accounting procedure will be used throughout but will not hinder in any way the receipt or reissue of unit equipments.

ORDNANCE PLAN
OPERATION OBOE SIXGeneral

1. The normal principles of operation of the Ordnance Service will be applied as far as possible at all times.
2. 9 Aust Div and attached troops, less 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp are to be maintained as follows:-
 - (a) initially, from Ordnance and Ammunition Dumps in the Beach maintenance area LABUAN staffed by 2 Aust Ord Beach Det, except that in the assault 20 Aust Inf Bde will hold a special reserve of Ordnance Stores for urgent operational needs;
 - (b) subsequently by 173 Aust FOD and 143 Aust FAD established in the Base Sub-Area and by 2 Aust Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk.
 - (c) 173 Aust FOD will be staffed by Det 17 Aust AOD(124 personnel) and det 4 Aust RSD(25 personnel).
143 Aust FAD will be staffed by det 14 Aust AAD(51 personnel) and will have det 14 Aust Mob Ann Repair Shop(14 personnel) attached for ann repair duties.
173 Aust FOD and 143 Aust FAD is to be augmented by personnel of 2 Aust Ord Beach Det available after closing down of Beach Maintenance Area Dumps.
 - (d) Replacement Vehicle Section of 2 Aust Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk will hold and maintain, the force reserve of replacement vehicles.
3. 173 Aust FOD and 143 Aust FAD will take over from 2 Aust Ord Beach Det, as early as possible after receipt of depot stocks, the responsibility for the maintenance of the Force. OO'si/c 173 Aust FOD and 143 Aust FAD will advise HQ 9 Aust Div - through normal channels the earliest date at which normal maintenance can be undertaken, and will assume full responsibility for maintenance when directed by 9 Aust Div. In the interim period emergency issues, of items not held in 2 Aust Ord Beach Det Dumps/will be made as required.
4. After the 173 Aust FOD and 143 Aust FAD have taken over responsibility for maintenance, the remains of beach landing reserves are to be transferred by 2 Aust Ord Beach Det to the appropriate FOD/FAD.

SCALINGS5. Ordnance Stores - Beach Dumps

- (a) Two sets of Landing Reserves of ordnance stores, comprising a restricted range of items essential in the initial stages of the operation will be held by 2 Aust Ord Beach Det, in the Beach Maintenance Area. Each set of Landing Reserves is scaled to provide maintenance for 24,000 troops for 10 days.
- (b) In addition, 2 Aust Ord Beach Det will take with the above reserves the following items of 1 Aust Corps Pool of Eqpt and stores released to 9 Aust Div as a special Medical reserve:-

Stretchers Amb	5000	Knives F S	2500
" "Pillows	3000	Forks FS	2500
" "Slings	600	Tins Mess	
" "Bars		Qrt Pot Type	5000
Suspension	300	Knives Clasp	500
Blankets GS	6000	Cots Folding	560

- (c) A special holding of ordnance stores as is to accompany 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp in the Assault. OC 20 Aust Inf Bde will arrange through ADOS to take over these stores.
6. (a) Level of holdings to be maintained in objective area will be 30/60 days for the Task Force and ancillary troops.
- (b) Replenishment of stocks will be by monthly automatic shipments each of which will comprise a 30 days scaling of the full range of items for which 173 Aust FOD is scaled.
7. OC 173 Aust FOD will ensure that automatic shipments are sorted and taken on charge with as little delay as possible. Issue Vouchers to be acquitted and returned to the BOD concerned at earliest.
8. The usage of important items will be constantly reviewed by OC 173 Aust FOD and ADOS 9 Aust Div advised to enable compensating adjustments to be requested in subsequent automatic shipments. Important items "out of stock" and items not included in automatic shipments (but required) will be advised to ADOS 9 Aust Div for signal demand to DDOS 1 Aust Corps. Such advice and signal will quote the date by which the item must be in the operational area as the indication of the degree of urgency.

SPECIAL ITEMS

9. Industrial Gases:
- (a) OXYGEN will not be available from the Mobile Gas Generating Section AEME before Z plus 25 at the earliest. Initial holdings must therefore be carefully conserved.
- (b) Acetylene in cylinders is to be brought forward from AUSTRALIA and quantity available is strictly limited. It is imperative that cylinders, as emptied, be returned to RSD, for early return to AUSTRALIA for refilling.
- (c) All industrial gases will be issued from 173 Aust FOD. OXYGEN will not be issued direct to units from the Mobile Gas Generating Section AEME.
10. Tyres
- Stocks of all natures of tyres are in short supply. All issues from FOD stocks will be consolidated by size and type and advised to ADOS 9 Aust Div by OC 173 Aust FOD bi-weekly (as at 1800 hrs Wednesdays and Saturdays). ADOS 9 Aust Div to signal statement of issues to DDOS 1 Aust Corps.

11. Replacement Vehicles MT and AFV

Stock of replacement vehicles as listed below will be held by the Replacement Vehicle Section of 2 Aust Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk for issue on releases by HQ 9 Aust Div:-

Trucks $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4	20
Trailer Jeep	15
Trucks $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton 6 x 6	6
Motor Cycles	25

12. Ammunition

Custody

- (a) Initial maintenance scaling, as required by Cond 9 Aust Div is to be moved to LABUAN in assault shipping. A special scaling is to be shipped with 20 Aust Inf Bde and balance will be held by 2 Aust Ord Beach Det in the Beach Maintenance Area for issue as directed by HQ 9 Aust Div.
- (b) Subsequently ammunition will be held in 143 Aust FAD which is to be installed in the Base-Sub Area and operated by det 14 Aust AAD.

13. Maintenance Levels

Levels of holdings to be maintained in objective area will be 30 days at intense WUR except AA Ammunition which/be special rates as below. will.

Maintenance of holdings of ammunition at the approved level is to be effected under arrangements Adv LHQ. To implement this 143 Aust FAD will be scaled to hold reserves of ammunition as follows:-

30/60 days for all weapons of the Force at intense WUR except in the case of AA equipments which will be at the following special scale:

	<u>3.7 AA</u>	<u>40MM</u>
HE	20 rpgpd	20 rpgpd
AP	2 rpgpd	2 rpgpd

14. Provision and movement of Initial Maintenance and Reserves

- (a) The following ammunition is to be moved to the objective area in assault shipping under arrangements 9 Aust Div:-
- 20 days at intensive WUR (with special rate as laid down for AA equipments 14 above and with certain additional ammunition of specified categories as required by 9 Aust Div, see Appx J(i) attached to 9 Aust Div Adm Order No.2.
- (b) Force Reserves
- Ammunition sufficient to maintain the Force reserves at the authorised levels (see para 14 above), will be shipped to LABUAN under arrangements LHQ.
- (c) Floating Reserves

A floating reserve equivalent to 30 days intense WUR (with special scaling for AA equipments) is to be at the disposal of 9 Aust Div in the early stages. This reserve is to be loaded for selective discharge in two ships. One of these ships will move with the assault convoy to the

objective area, the second remaining on call to 9 Aust Div to MOROTAI.

15. Ammunition Inspection and Repair.

Pending the posting of an I00 to 143 Aust FAD the I00 1 Aust Corps will be available on request of 9 Aust Div for the inspection and sentencing of ammunition.

14 Aust Mobile Ammunition Repair Shop will undertake repair of ammunition sentenced by the I00 for local repair.

Ammunition beyond local repair but which could be economically repaired in AUSTRALIA will be sentenced accordingly by the I00 and evacuated to AUSTRALIA.

16. Ammunition Empties

143 Aust FAD will establish a Returned Empties sub depot for the receipt of all ammunition empties received from units or recovered by Salvage. All ammunition empties will be inspected to ensure that they are safe and will be evacuated to AUSTRALIA as convenient.

17. Accounting

(a) Beach Landing Reserves ordnance stores will be accounted for as set out in DOS Circular "Receipt, Issue and Accounting Procedure for an Aust Ord Beach Det."

(b) Ammunition will be accounted for on AAF F24 lodgers in accordance with DOS publications 108/43.

(c) Replacement vehicles will be brought to charge by 2 Aust Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk and accounted for by the accounting procedure as laid down for Ord Fd Pks (vide DOS Instr 19/43).

(d) Initial 30 days Maintenance Ordnance Stores will on receipt be checked, CRV'd, brought to charge and accounted for (on the set account card records already prepared for this purpose) in accordance with the accountancy procedure as laid down by DOS for Fd Ord Depot accounting.

(e) Transfer of Remainder of Landing Reserves

On the commencement of operation by 173 Aust FOD and 143 Aust FAD unused Beach Landing Reserves will be physically checked and stock holdings transferred/the account cards of 173 Aust FOD/143 Aust FAD, as applicable, by use of AAB 108 dockets. File copy of these AABs 108 will be retained with Beach Landing Reserves records. The original copy enfaced 'CRV' will be posted to account cards and initialled by the posting clerk, then filed in support of Accountcard postings. On the completion of transfers, Beach Landing Reserves records will be closed and all relevant documents securely packed and despatched to DDOS 1 Aust Corps.

(f) Returned Stores Depot.

All controlled and attractive stores received will be recorded on AF F710's on receipt into RSD and will be kept in security. All serviceable stores will be passed to issuing sub depots on AB 108. Returned stores depot will not issue serviceable stores direct to units.

GENERAL18. . . Returned Stores

MT and other ordnance stores beyond Local Repair and in excess of AEME Workshops capacity, but which could be economically repaired in AUSTRALIA/MOROTAI will be evacuated in available shipping to AUSTRALIA/MOROTAI. MT and ordnance stores which are beyond repair will be stripped of serviceable parts or components. These will be labeled showing nomenclature, Part No. and condition, then passed to issuing sub-depot using AB108 as transferring document.

Unserviceable stores after being stripped of usable parts will be passed to Salvage.

19. . . Controlled Technical Stores and Mechanical Vehicles.

Issues of Controlled Technical Stores and Vehicles will only be made on release authority of 9 Aust Div.

20. . . Additional Ordnance Units for Maintenance of the Force

In addition to the units named in para 2 above the following units are included in OOB.

- (a) det 5 Aust Ord Port Det (10 personnel 1 vehicle) for ordnance duties relative to shipping discharge and loading of ordnance stores.
- (b) 3 Aust Mobile Laundry and Decontamination Unit for Laundry facilities for RSD, Fd Ambulances and Hospitals to capacity of output.

21. . . Returns - Stock Holdings:(a) Beach Maintenance Area

Ordnance Officer i/c 1 Aust Ord Beach Det at Beach Maintenance Area on LABUAN will render to ADOS 9 Aust Div, to reach this HQ by 2000 hrs daily a stock-holding return (in duplicate) of all dumps, showing position as at 1800 hrs on that day. Pro forma of these sheets are shown in Appendix "O"(ii) to 9 Aust Div Adm Order No.2.

(b) 173 Aust FOD

On establishment of 173 Aust FOD the OO i/c will render to ADOS 9 Aust Div, to reach this HQ by 2000 hrs daily a stock holding return (in duplicate) in accordance with annexure "O"(ii) showing the position as at 1800 hrs on that day.

OC 173 Aust FOD will also render to ADOS 9 Aust Div, weekly, returns showing the stock position as at 1800 hrs Saturday of:

TYRES (by size and type)
ENGINE ASSYS (by make and model etc)
x BATTERIES DRY WIRELESS (by types)

(c) 143 Aust FAD

ADOS
OO i/c 143 Aust FAD will render to / 9 Aust Div, to reach this HQ by 2000 hrs daily, a stock-holding return (in duplicate) in accordance with Appendix "O" showing position as at 1800 hrs on that day.

22. . . Fire Precautions:

Officers i/c Ordnance installations are at all times to take

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every precaution to ensure that losses by fire do not occur. Fire fighting apparatus will be prepared and distributed throughout the installation area as early as possible.

OBOE SIX

SUMMARY OF STORES TO BE LANDED

Serial	UNIT	Stores out of vehs	Ann	Ann (RAAF)	POL incl (RAAF)	Sups	Ord	Engrs	Water	Canteen	US Navy Stores	Philan- thropic	P & S	BBCAU Relief Stores	Total Stores Tons DW	
<u>ASSAULT CONVOY</u>																
1.	20 Inf Bde Gp	207	203		245	110	5	118	60							
2.	24 Inf Bde Gp (incl 1 Beach Gp)	355	560		500	565	70	114	70	50				5		
3.	9 Div Res	20												25		
4.	9 Div Tps (incl US & British Tps)	1270	470		3647	1717	150	2478	135	550			140	170		
5.	1 Corps Tps															
6.	8 Base Sub Area Tps															
7.	RAAF (excl units allotted 20 and 24 Inf Bde Gps)	1020														
8.	RAAF Airfd Constr Units			392												
9.	1 Beach Gp (incl in Serial 2)	30														
10.	T O T A L	2872	1233	392	4392	2392	220	2710	265	600	360		140	200	15776	
<u>FOLLOW-UP CONVOY</u>																
11.	20 Inf Bde Gp	207														
12.	24 Inf Bde Gp (incl 1 Beach Gp)	297														
13.	9 Div Res															
14.	9 Div Tps (incl US & British Tps)	400														
15.	1 Corps Tps	95														
16.	8 Base Sub Area Tps	687														
17.	RAAF (excl units allotted 20 and 24 Inf Bde Gps)	1486														
18.	1 Beach Gp (incl in serial 12)	160														
19.	RAAF Airfd Constr Units	-														
20.	T O T A L	3332			400			2180		300		100		250	6562	
21.	2/4 Aust Gen Hosp Stores	900	To be loaded part Assault Convey, part Follow Up													900
22.	GRAND TOTAL	7104	1233	392	4792	2392	220	4890	265	900	360	100	140	450	23238	

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DETAIL OF INITIAL MAINTENANCE OBOE SIX

AMMUNITION

Ser- ial	Type	Total 9 Div requirement for 20 days	No of Boxes	Tons D W
1.	Ctges SA Ball .303 Rev	5220	-	.117
2.	" Ill 1 in	1350	9	.120
3.	" Signal Red 1 in	1350	9	.120
4.	" " Green 1 in	1350	9	.120
5.	" SA Ball .303 Ctn	509184	408	15.690
6.	" " " " Bdr	1310000	1310	45.172
7.	" " " " chgr (CC)	351000	351	12.070
8.	" " " " Belt	320000	640	12.308
9.	" " Trac .303	39936	32	1.230
10.	" " Incend .303	14976	12	.461
11.	" " Belt 7.92 mm	479250	1065	23.670
12.	" " Ball 9 mm	1209600	378	17.181
13.	Generators smoke No 8	410	41	1.110
14.	Fuzes Percn 231	4000	200	6.896
15.	" T and P 222B	3010	-	3.873
16.	Ctges QF 2 pr AP Shot	2800	175	8.705
17.	" " " HE	7872	328	16.400
18.	" " " Case Shot	-	-	-
19.	" " 25 pr normal	41280	5160	143.333
20.	" " 25 " super	3840	480	14.117
21.	Shell QF 25 pr HE fuze 117	17280	4320	227.368
22.	" " 25 " " " 119	17280	4320	227.368
23.	" " 25 " " " 231	3840	960	50.526
24.	" " 25 " " shot	480	120	5.216
25.	" " 25 " " smoke	2880	720	34.285
26.	Ctges " 75 mm How HE	2304	760	29.540
27.	" " 75 " smoke	2246	128	4.920
28.	" " 3 in How HE	2298	1199	25.785
29.	" " 3 " " smoke	384	192	4.085
30.	" Intermediate 25 pr	5040	56	.861
31.	Primers percen No 1 Mk II	2000	5	.200
32.	Bombs ML 2 in Mor HE	12600	700	21.875
33.	" " 2 " " Smoke	3996	222	5.842
34.	" " Ill 2 in Mor	1134	63	1.370
35.	" " 2 in Mor Signal Red	558	31	.705
36.	" " 2 " " " Green	558	31	.705
37.	" " 3 " " HE	14848	2474	103.083
38.	" " 3 " " Smoke	3714	619	22.107
39.	Ctges ML 3 " " 95 grn ballistite	1920	8	.120
40.	Grenades Hand No 36 M	16008	1334	15.501
41.	" Rifle " 36 "	2244	187	2.340
42.	" Hand No 69	1666	49	.942
43.	" Rifle No 63 Smoke	1335	89	1.110
44.	" " Tk A No 68	1666	98	2.177
45.	" Hand No 75	1668	139	2.316
46.	" Hand No 77 Smoke	1666	49	.942
47.	Bombs Incend 1 1/2 lbs	336	14	.274
48.	Ctges QF 3.7 in gun HE 208	1870	935	55.000
49.	" " 3.7 " " Shrap	270	135	9.000
50.	" " 3.7 " " Gun SAP	214	107	7.133
51.	Fuzes Percn 230	216	9	.360
52.	Ctges QF 40 mm HE	4800	200	15.370
53.	" " 40 " AP	480	20	1.538
54.	Bombs ML 4.2in Mor HE	1200	600	18.750
55.	" " 4.2in Smoke	134	67	2.094
56.	" PITA	3366	374	9.350
57.	Ctges Aug 3 in Mor	1800	-	.050
				1232.901

DETAIL OF INITIAL MAINTENANCE OBOE SIX

RATIONS

Type	Issues	Quantity	Weight	
			DW	Cubic
Emergency (A3)	Reserve	25,000	15	13
FOR (02)	5 days	125,000	154	194
ABL 6	10 days	250,000	633	1173
SWPA incl Bisc	15 days	375,000	975	1354
Bread Baking Materials	15 days	375,000	105	236
Hospital Rations	30 days	56,250	146	184
Expense Stores	4 Issues	100,000	157	240
Tobacco, papers matches	4 Issues	100,000	16	33
Chocolate D	3 Issues	75,000	12	13
Coke	15 days		20	56
USA Class 1 Sups	30 days	36,000	120	186
ALC Rations	1 Issue	30,000	"	"
Voyage Rations	10 days	300,000	"	"
Canned Heat	5 Issues	125,000	39	50
TOTAL TONNAGES			2392	3732

INITIAL MAINTENANCE OBOE SIX
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ITEM	DAYS	Gals				4 gal drums			44 gal drums			Total Weights	
		AMF	RAMP	US	TOTAL	No.	DW	M	No.	DW	M	DW	M
MT 80	20	259200	138000	60000	457200	47850	728	1196	6040	1037	1685	1795	2881
ADF	30	94320	40000	135696	270016	11194	196	280	5119	1026	1430	1222	1710
AVGAS	15		272492	9328	281820				6405	1125	1788	1125	1788
RANGE FUEL	30	28800	17000	3080	48880	3816	58	95	764	135	213	193	308
KERO LIGHTING	30	18720	6820		25540	2128	35	53	387	73	108	108	161
KERO POWER	30	14400	5040		19440	1620	27	40	295	59	72	85	112
OIL OE10 (DD20)	30	720	252		972	81	2	2	14	3	4	5	6
OIL OE30	30	10800	8544	4700	24044	1612	29	40	391	79	105	108	145
OIL OE50	30	2160	816	990	3966	248	5	7	68	14	18	19	25
OIL G090	30	5040	1776	440	7256	568	10	13	113	23	31	33	44
OIL HRF	30	288	110		398	398x1gal	1	1				1	1
OIL SAO	30	144	56		200	200x1gal	1	1				1	1
OIL 1120	15		18990		18990				432	86	113	86	113
GREASE CG-I(AL)	30	9360	3408	1020	13848	4256	4	6	8512	7	9	11	15
GREASE WB2	30	3600	1260	120	4980	1620			3360				
GREASE WB3 or 4	30			120					120				
GREASE WP4	30	648	257	120	1025	302			723				
GREASE CABLE	30			43	43				43				
TOTAL TONS							2096	1734		3696	6476	4792	7310

All in lbs

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Appendix "J"(iv) to 9 Aust
Div Adm Order No.2DETAILS OF ENGINEER STORES"A" ASSAULT CONVOY

ITEM	DW TONS	TONS (M)
<u>Stores with 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp</u>		
(a) Bridging, bulk loaded	71	150
(b) General Engineer, Crated	18	25
	89	175
<u>Stores to be loaded on LABUAN IS</u>		
<u>1. OPERATIONAL</u>		
(a) Bridging, bulk loaded	321	1285
(b) Crated stores, heavy	300	450
(c) WE of units, bulk loaded, heavy crates	234	454
<u>2. AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION</u>		
(a) Bitumen, 44 gal drums	600	900
(b) Armeo pipe, 200 lb bundles	28	30
(c) Cement, 150 lb drums	75	45
(d) Coverage, Timber	126	126
Corrugated Iron	55	23
<u>3. PORT CONSTRUCTION</u>		
(NOTE: 2760 tons DW - 3060 tons M to be delivered direct to object -ive area, in special pile Ship MATTHEW FLINDERS)	400	400
<u>4. BASE CONSTRUCTION</u>		
(a) <u>600 Bed Hospital</u> Timber	70	54
Corrugated Iron	37	15
Water piping	8	18
Miscellaneous crated	106	106
(b) <u>Coverage, 30,000 sq ft</u> Timber	48	48
Corrugated Iron	26	10
(c) <u>Water Supply</u> - water piping and crated fittings	95	94
(d) <u>Road Construction</u> Armeo piping	22	19
<u>5. BULK OIL</u>	70	85
TOTAL	2621	4562
<u>Stores shipped direct to objective Area</u>		
(a) Bulk Oil	70	85
(b) Liberty Wharf and Fuelling Jetty	2000	2300
GRAND TOTAL	4691	6947

INITIAL MAINTENANCE OBOE SIX
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ITEM	DAYS	Gals				4 gal drums			44 gal drums			Total Weights	
		AMF	RAFF	US	TOTAL	No.	DM	M	No.	DM	M	DM	M
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OIL 1120	15		18990		18990				432	86	113	86	113
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GREASE WB2	30	3600	1260	120	4980	1620			3360				
GREASE WB3 or 4	30			120					120				
GREASE WP4	30	648	257	120	1025	302			723				
GREASE CABLE	30			43	43				43				
TOTAL TONS							1096	1734		3696	6476	4792	7310

All in lbs

"B" FOLLOW UP CONVOY

ITEM	DW TONS	TONS (M)
<u>1. OPERATIONAL</u>		
(a) Bridging, bulk loaded	133	532
(b) Crated stores, heavy	300	450
(c) Crated stores up to 100 lb packages		
(d) WE of Units, bulk loaded, heavy crates	50	72
(e) WE of Units, bulk loaded, up to 100 lb packages		
<u>2. AIRFIELD</u>		
(a) Coverage	402	335
<u>3. PORT CONSTRUCTION</u>		
240 ft girdors(30 ft)	500	500
19,800 super ft 12 x 6		
4,300 super ft 12 x 12		
3,900 super ft 8 x 8		
64,500 lin ft 4" decking		
<u>4. BASE CONSTRUCTION</u>		
(a) Coverage 170,000 sq ft	272	272
Timber		
Corrugated Iron	147	57
(b) Water Supply	76	75
<u>5. BULK OIL</u>		
	300	350
	2180	2643

PROVISION OF BRIDGING FOR
OPERATION OBOE SIX

1. ASSAULT CONVOY

<u>20 Aust Inf Bde</u> <u>Gp Ops in</u> <u>BROOKTOWN AREA</u>	(Pontoon Mk V	1 Catwing raft - capable of carrying I tanks
	(FBE	2 Cl 9 Ferries
	(Bailey	2 Balanced rafts, Cl 5 1 - 110 ft DS, Class 24
<u>OPS on LABUAN</u> <u>IS and FUTURE OPS</u> <u>on MAINLAND</u>	(Pontoon Mk V	2 Catwing rafts
	(FBE	2 Trestle bays
	(PLB	2 half floating bays
	(SBG	Div Set 220 ft bridge
	(Bailey	4 - 4 girder 42" bridges 2 Div Sets 4 - 110 ft DS Cl 24

2. FOLLOW UP CONVOY

Pontoon Mk V	1 Catwing raft
FBE	2 Trestle bays
Bailey	2 half floating bays
Propulsion Units 22 HP	$\frac{1}{2}$ Div Set 110 ft bridges 2 - 110 ft DS Cl 24 32

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INITIAL MAINTENANCE - OBOE SIX

(i) Ordnance Stores

	<u>Weight</u>	
	<u>DW</u>	<u>M</u>
(a) Two landing reserves (30 days for 16000 troops) (includes Deck Cargo, oils and acids)	141	362
	(7½)	(8)
(b) Special stores - ambulance stretchers etc.	52	86
(c) ADOS Dump	27	45
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TOTAL	220	493
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(ii) Miscellaneous

Canteen Stores	900	1250
Red Cross	80	170
YMCA, ACF etc	20	40
BBCAU (Relief Stores)	450	600
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	1450	2060
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DISTRIBUTION OF STORES TO SHIPS - ASSAULT CONVOY

(a) ASSAULT CONVOY - LABUAN ISLAND

Serial (a)	Craft (b)	Name Bow Number (c)	Commodity (d)	Unit Stores (e)	Amm (f)	Amm (RAAF) (g)	POL (incl (h) RAAF)	Sups (j)	Ord (k)	Engr Stores (l)	Water (m)	Canteen (n)	BBGAU Relief (o) Stores	Misc (p)	TOTAL (q)
1	LST	MANOORA	24 Inf Bde Gp	57	75										15715
2	LST	WESTRALIA	" " "	41	85			50		70	25				277
3	LST	560	" " "	36			60	50		70	25				271
4	LST	595	" " "	12	50		80								146
5	LST	591	" " "	29	50		30	100			25				167
6	LST	640	" " "	9	50		30	50	40		15		10		234
7	LST	619	" " "	5			40	65					15		194
8	LST	709	" " "	7	100		40	100			20	30			120
9	LST	638	" " "	117											247
10	LST	637	" " "	25	50		130								117
11	LST	1025	" " "	12	100			50							205
12	LST	585	" " "	5			130	50	30						192
13	LST	573	9 Div Res	10	25							20			205
14	LST	562	" " "	10	40		10	20			25				90
15	LST	941	9 Div Tps	70				50				20			120
16	LST	696	" " "				80	100							
17	AKA	TETANIA	" " "												250
18	AK	1	) Loading shown	600	50		70			150				(a) 360	360
19	AK	2	) not firm.	600	100	150	1580	674	15	1005					270
				600	66	150	1580	674		1005		200	60	(b) 70	4454
20	LST	626	Corps Tps)											(b) 70	4345
21	LST	613	Base Tps)	100		50									
22	LST	697	RAAF Tps)	100	30		50		20	45		30			245
23	LST	742		100		42			20	40		10			250
24	LST	743		100	50		25		20	50		40			252
25	LST	614		105			65			45		20		10	250
26	LST	580		100			40	50		45	5			30	250
					30			50	20	22	15				250
															252

(a) US Navy Stores
 (b) Stationery

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DISTRIBUTION OF STORES TO SHIPS

(a) ASSAULT CONVOY - MUARA ISLAND

Serial	Graft	Name Bow Number	Commodity	Unit Stores	Amn	Amn (RAAF)	POL (incl RAAF)	Sups	Ord	Engr Stores	Water	Canteen	BBCAU Relief Stores	Misc	TOTAL
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)	(q)
27	LST	993	Corps Tps)	105			60		20		15	30	20		250
28	LST	1027	Base Tps)	100	30		40	50	30			"	"	"	250
29	LST	1035	RAAF Tps)	105	10		50	50			15	"	20		250
(b) ASSAULT CONVOY - MUARA IS - BROOKETOWN															
30	LST	KANIMBLA	20 Inf Bde Gp	40	128			50	5		15	"	5		243
31	LST	667	" "	3	15		60	12		20	9	"	"		119
32	LST	584	" "	23	15		40	12		20	9	"	"		119
33	LST	751	" "	4	15		60	12		20	9	"	"		120
	LST	574	" "	13	15		50	12		12	9	"	"		111
35	LST	922	" "	33	15		35	12		12	9	"	"		116
36	LSM	168	" "	22						6		"	"		28
37	LSM	203	" "	16						2		"	"		18
38	LSM	219	" "	23								"	"		23
39	LSM	225	" "	10						13		"	"		23
40	LSM	138	" "							13		"	"		13
41	LSM	67	" "	20								"	"		20

(a) De lvy stores
(b) Stationary

DISTRIBUTION OF STORES TO SHIPS - ASSAULT CONVOY

(a) ASSAULT CONVOY - LABUAN ISLAND

Serial (a)	Craft (b)	Name Bow Number (c)	Commodity (d)	Unit Stores (e)	Arm (f)	Arm (RAAF) (g)	POL (incl RAAF) (h)	Supps (i)	Ord (k)	Engr Stores (l)	Water (m)	Canteen (n)	BBCAU Relief Stores (o)	Misc (p)	TOTAL (q)	
				Total TonsDW	2867	1194	392	4395	2393	220	2710	245	600	200	500	15716
1	LST	MANOCRA	24 Inf Bde Gp	57	75											
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 (b) Stationery

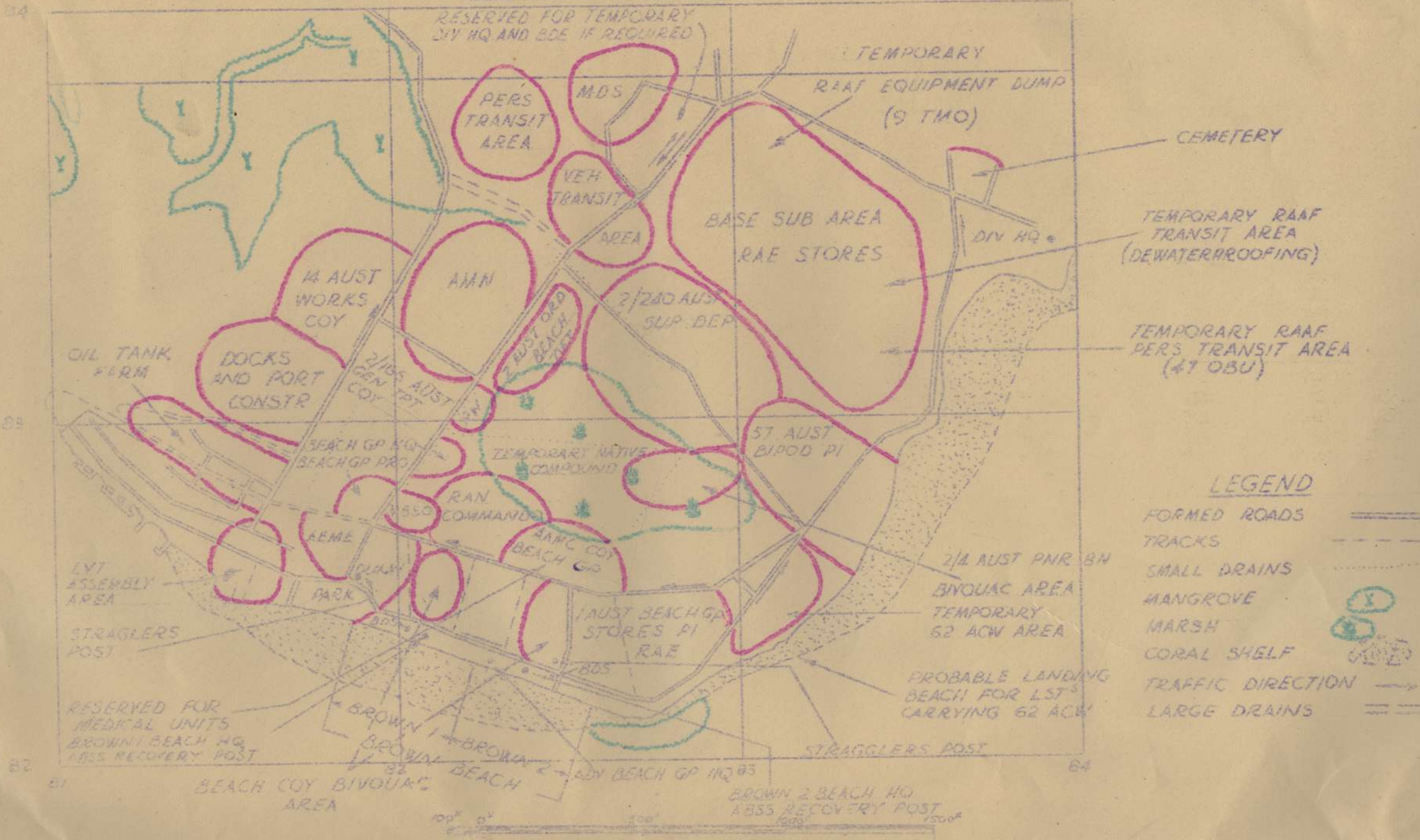
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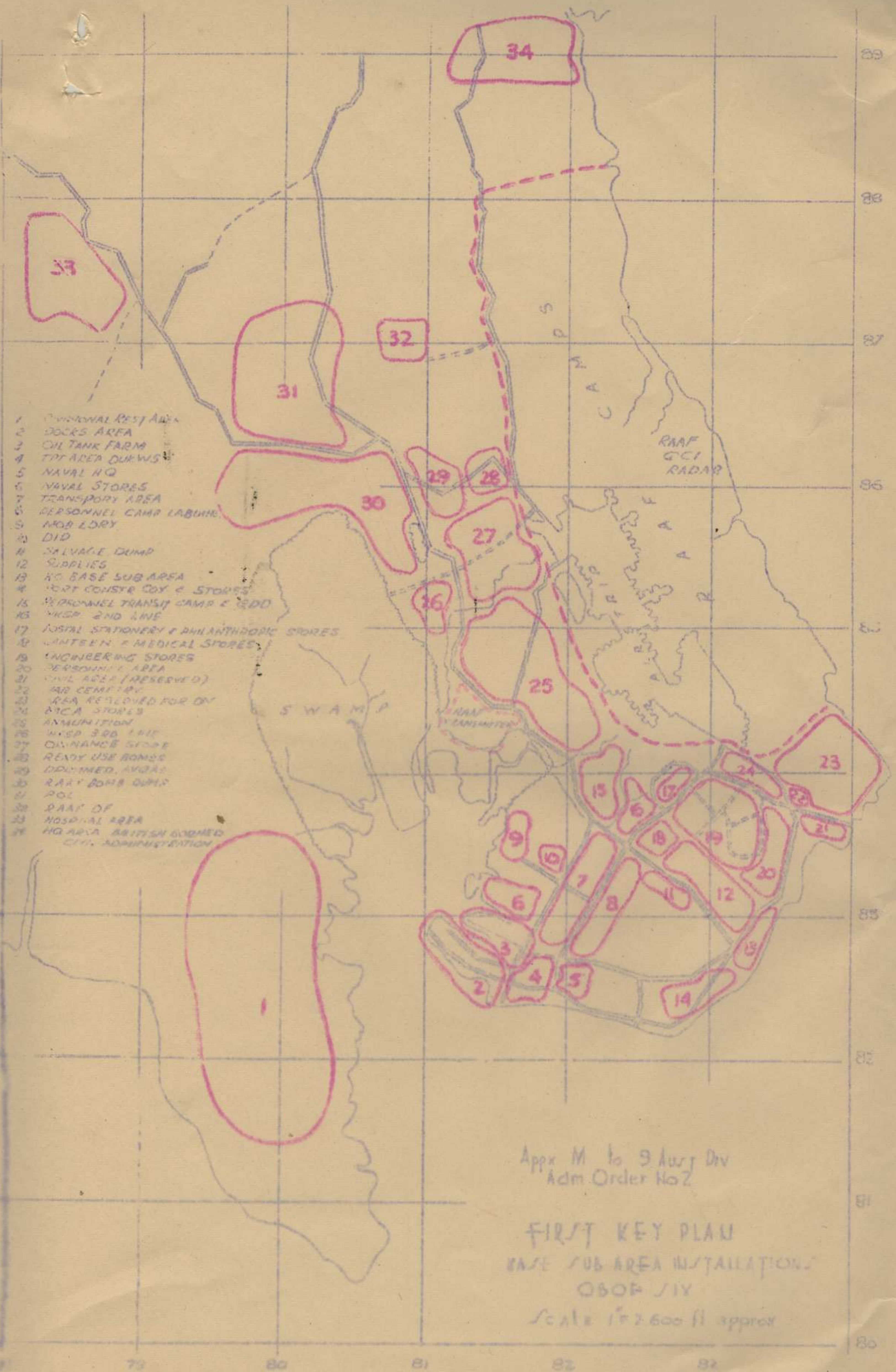
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FIRST KEY PLAN
BEACH MAINTENANCE AREA
OPERATION OBOE 6

SECRET
 Appx I to
 9 AUST DIV
 ADM ORDER NO 3



- 1 ORIGINAL REST AREA
- 2 DOCKS AREA
- 3 OIL TANK FARM
- 4 TPT AREA DUKWIS
- 5 NAVAL HQ
- 6 NAVAL STORES
- 7 TRANSPORT AREA
- 8 PERSONNEL CAMP LABOUR
- 9 MOB LODG
- 10 DID
- 11 SALVAGE DUMP
- 12 SUPPLIES
- 13 HQ BASE SUB AREA
- 14 PORT CONSTR COY & STORES
- 15 PERSONNEL TRANSIT CAMP & QDD
- 16 WSP 2ND LINE
- 17 LOGICAL STATIONERY & PHILANTHROPIC STORES
- 18 CANTEN & MEDICAL STORES
- 19 ENGINEERING STORES
- 20 PERSONNEL AREA
- 21 CIVIL AREA (RESERVED)
- 22 AIR CEMETERY
- 23 AREA RESERVED FOR ON
- 24 MCA STORES
- 25 AMMUNITION
- 26 WSP 3RD LINE
- 27 DISMANCE STAGE
- 28 READY USE BOMBS
- 29 DDD MED. AVDAS
- 30 RAAF BOMB DUMP
- 31 POL
- 32 RAAF OF
- 33 HOSPITAL AREA
- 34 HQ AREA BRITISH BORNED CIVIL ADMINISTRATION



Appx M to 9 Aug Div
Adm Order No 2

FIRST KEY PLAN
BASE / SUB AREA INSTALLATIONS
OBOP / IV
Scale 1:2600 ft approx

CIVIL AFFAIRS AND ADMINISTRATION OFLIBERATED AREAS1. GENERAL

Det British Borneo Civil Affairs Unit (BBCAU) is allotted to and under Comd 9 Aust Div and will be responsible to Comd 9 Aust Div for the Administration of the Civil Affairs of British Borneo (comprising SARAWAK, NORTH BORNEO, BRUNEI and LABUAN).

2. OBJECTIVES

- (a) The objectives of the Civil Administration of British Borneo will be:-
- (i) To relieve combat troops of the necessity of providing for Civil Administration.
 - (ii) To restore law and order and normal conditions amongst the civil population as soon as possible; to procure and distribute necessary food supplies; and to provide relief and maintenance.
 - (iii) To make available to the occupying forces and to the Allied War effort the economic resources of the territory re-captured from the enemy.
- (b) BBCAU is a unit of the AMF comprising UK and AUST personnel. It is not a combat unit, but is provided to relieve combat troops of the burden of Civil Administration.

3. FUNCTIONS OF BBCAU

The basic functions of BBCAU are:-

- (i) The administration and control of all non-military individuals, whether native or otherwise in re-occupied BRITISH BORNEO.
- (ii) The distribution and control of relief supplies and services.
- (iii) The procurement, control, employment and administration of labourers (see para 7 below).
- (iv) The rendering of every assistance to the operational forces.
- (v) The providing of adequate medical aid and hospitalisation for civilians. In the initial stage, the medical resources of 9 Aust Div are available to BBCAU and will render the maximum assistance (see para 12(j)(i) of Adm Order No.2).

4. DEPLOYMENT OF BBCAU

- (a) Adv HQ BBCAU allotted to 9 Aust Div with HQ 9 Aust Div (strength 5 officers and 4 ORs).
- (b) Det with 20 Aust Inf Bde (strength 11 officers and 11 ORs) initially.
- (c) Det with 24 Aust Inf Bde (strength 13 officers and 10 ORs) initially.

- (d) A further Det will come forward in follow up shipping.
- (e) Dets mentioned in sub-paras (b) and (c) above can be subdivided for subsequent operations, as required. The composition of these dets is firm for the assault only. The organisation of BBCAU is flexible and personnel can be moved as necessitated by operations.

5. ADMINISTRATION OF NON-MILITARY INDIVIDUALS

- (a) BBCAU will recommend to Comd 9 Aust Div those individuals to be evacuated from the BRUNEI BAY area and will be responsible for those retained therein.
- (b) BBCAU will:-
 - (i) Be responsible for the application of any restrictions to non-military individuals, as considered necessary by Comd 9 Aust Div.
 - (ii) Prevent the civilian population from interfering with military operations.
 - (iii) Recruit and employ labour for the purposes stated in para 7 below:
 - (iv) Assist in establishing public safety measures.
 - (v) Stimulate local food production, conserve oil and develop rubber production and fishing.
 - (vi) Institute measures for health and sanitation.

6. SUPPLIES FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF

- (a) The provision of food supplies for the relief of the civil population has been arranged by HQ 9 Aust Div in the early shipping and by Higher Authority in later shipping.
- (b) Adv HQ BBCAU, in conjunction with HQ 9 Aust Div will arrange for the unloading, receipt and storage of relief supplies as promptly as military considerations permit.
- (c) The maximum use will be made of captured supplies and of those which can be procured locally by BBCAU in the objective area.
- (d) Under no circumstances will army personnel issue Army Rations to natives as relief supplies. The issue of such supplies is the responsibility of BBCAU.

7. LABOUR

- (a) BBCAU is responsible for recruiting, clothing, equipping, housing, feeding, paying, working, hospitalising and disciplining natives.
- (b) BBCAU will allocate labourers to specific tasks in accordance with priorities laid down by HQ 9 Aust Div.
- (c) Labourers will not be attached to units of 9 Aust Div Force.
- (d) Labourers will normally be employed on the following tasks:-
 - (i) Porterage, incl evacuation of wounded.

- (ii) Docks Work
- (iii) Stores Work
- (iv) In ration, engineer and fuel dumps
- (v) Malarial Control
- (vi) Clearing drainage, spraying etc.
- (vii) Maintenance of roads and air strips.
- (viii) Building
- (ix) Saw-milling
- (x) Farms and gardens
- (xi) Boat crews
- (xii) Carpenters, drivers, mechanics
- (xiii) Guides and pilots
- (xiv) Interpreters

Other than Asiatics, which will be on the strength of BBCAU for which the WE of that unit provides, labourers will not be employed in domestic duties or in tasks other than those mentioned above, except in an emergency.

8. REQUESTS FOR NATIVE LABOUR

- (a) Formations or units requiring native labour will make application through normal channels to "Q" Branch HQ 9 Aust Div.
- (b) Applications will include:-
 - (i) The nature of task and its location.
 - (ii) The number of natives required and the estimated time required to complete task.
 - (iii) Date(s) on which labour required.
- (c) HQ 9 Aust Div, after examining the applications will:-
 - (i) Approve or disapprove the application
 - (ii) If approval is given pass application to BBCAU and ascertain if labour is available.
 - (iii) If labour is available, advise the formation or unit concerned when and where the natives will report or be collected.
 - (iv) If labour is not available advise the unit accordingly.

9. RELATIONSHIP WITH INTELLIGENCE SERVICES

- (a) AIB and other Special units are not part of BBCAU, have no jurisdiction over the administration or control of the civilian population in areas re-occupied by our forces and will in no case be placed in a position of authority over BBCAU.
- (b) If AIB and other Special units require civilians for any purpose, an appropriate request will be submitted to HQ 9 Aust Div.
- (c) There will be the closest liaison between BBCAU and AIB, and other Special units.

10. RELATIONSHIP OF TROOPS WITH CIVIL POPULATION

- (a) It is considered that the population of BRITISH BORNEO, and particularly BRUNEI inhabitants, will be of great assistance to carry out the tasks mentioned in para 7(d) above, once their confidence has been gained. In this regard, it is imperative that all ranks will maintain the most friendly

relations with the civilian population and any violence, bad behaviour or other acts, as a result of which natives are adversely affected, will be regarded seriously and severe disciplinary action taken against the member or members concerned. It is essential that all troops impress the natives favourably in every possible way.

- (b) All ranks will ensure that native religious observances are respected at all times. The majority of the native population are Mohammedans particularly in the BRUNEI Area and religion plays a major part in their lives. It is therefore incumbent on all ranks to respect the local religious customs as far as practicable.
- (c) It is customary for native women in the BRUNEI BAY Area to be married at a very early age. Consequently, it will be impressed on all ranks that any ill behaviour will cause dissension.
- (d) The following will be strictly observed:
 - (i) Troops will contact the civilian population only when absolutely necessary for the purpose of their duties.
 - (ii) Troops will not enter native villages, dwellings or gardens except in the performance of their duties.
 - (iii) The unnecessary discharge of any weapons near native labourers, villages or dwellings is strictly prohibited.

11. MARTIAL LAW

- (a) A proclamation will be promulgated proclaiming martial law and establishment of military administration throughout such areas of BRITISH BORNEO (See para 1 above) as are occupied by the 9 Aust Div Force.
- (b) Military Courts will be set up by Comd 9 Aust Div for the trial of any civilian person charged with an offence under a Proclamation or an offence against the Indian Penal Code 1860 as amended up to and including 1 Sep 42.
- (c) Military Courts will so far as practicable adopt the procedure prescribed by the Army Act, and the rules of procedure for a trial by Field General Courts Martial.
- (d) Copies of necessary proclamations will be issued to all concerned, when applicable.

12. ENTRY OF CIVILIANS

No civilians are to enter BRITISH BORNEO without the approval of Comd 1 Aust Corps. Any applications received by formations or units under comd 9 Aust Div will be forwarded to HQ 9 Aust Div with full report and any recommendation the forwarding authority deems fit to make

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Appendix "O"(1) to 9 Aust
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STOCK HOLDINGS (AS AT.....)

AMMUNITION

Serial	Type of Ammunition	Stock as at	Issues	Receipt	Stock as at	Est	Remarks
1.	Ctgos SA Ball .303 Bdr						
2.	" " .303 Otn						
3.	" " .303 Belt						
4.	" .303 Tracer						
5.	" .303 Incend.						
6.	" SA Ball .303 CC						
7.	" " .303 AP						
8.	" " 7.92 HESA						
9.	" " .380 Rev						
10.	" " 9 mm						
11.	Bombs ML 2 in Mortar HE						
12.	" " " " Smoke						
13.	" " " " Illum						
14.	" " " " Sigred						
15.	" " " " SigGreen						
16.	" " " " MultiRed						
17.	" " " " Multigrn						
18.	" " " " RedGreen						
19.	" " 5 in Mortar HE						
20.	" " " " Star						
21.	" " " " Smoke						
22.	Ctgos Primary ML 3" Mortar 95 grns Ballistite						
23.	Charges Aug 3 in Mortar 115 grns Cordite						
24.	Bombs PITA HE						
25.	Bombs ML 4.2 in Mortar HE						
26.	" " " " Smoke						
27.	Grenados Hand 36 in 4 sec						

Serial	Type of Ammunition	Stock as at.	Issues	Receipt	Stock as at	est	Remarks
28.	Grenades Rifle 36 m 7sec						
29.	Grenades Rifle No.63 Smoke						
30.	Grenades Rifle Tk/A No.68						
31.	" Hand 69 HE						
32.	" Tk/A 75 HE						
33.	" Hand 77 Smk WP						
34.	Ctges 1 in Illum J						
35.	" " Sig Rod						
36.	" " Sig Green						
37.	" 2 Pr Tk/A HE						
38.	" " AP Shot						
39.	" " Case Shot						
40.	" 6 Pr 7 Cwt T/A HE						
41.	" " " "Shot						
42.	" " Tk/A Can						
43.	Shell 25 Pr Star						
44.	" " HE Fuzes 117						
45.	" " " " 119						
46.	" " " " 222						
47.	" " " " 231						
48.	" " Smoke						
49.	" " AP Shot						
50.	Ctges QF 25 Pr Normal						
51.	" " " Super						
52.	Charges 25 Pr Intermediate						
53.	Fuzes T & P No222B						
54.	" Percn DA No.231 208						
55.	Ctges QF 3.7 Gun HE Fuze/						
56.	" " " " Shrap						
57.	" " " " SAP						
58.	Fuzes Percn No.230						
59.	Ctges QF 40 mm HE						
60.	" " " AP						
61.	" " 75 mm HE						
62.	" " " Smoke						
63.	" 3 in-How HE						
64.	" " " Smoke						
65.	Candles Smoke Ground						
66.	Generators Smoke No.8						
67.	Bombs Incendiary 1½ lbs						
68.	Primers Percn No.1 11						

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NON-TECH STORES

Serial	Item	Scaling	Stock		Holdings		Total Holdings
			A	B	C	D	
1	Sec CLO 1 Hats KF						
2	Sec CLO 4 Anklets Web (Aust or US)						
3	Shirts Mil Green						
4	Trousers JG						
5	Sec CLO 5 Capes Anti-gas						
6	Sec CLO 6 Boots AB Trop Studded						
7	Boots AB Universal						
8	Sec NIV Matchettes (USA)						
9	Sec CLO 8 Blades Safety Razor						
10	Dressing Field						
11	Socks Worsted						
12	Towels Hand						
13	Sec H 1 Dubbin (lbs)						
14	Mineral Jelly (lbs)						
15	Oil Rust Preventing Type A						
16	Gas Acetylene (cu ft)						
17	Gas Oxygen (cu ft)						
18	Sec J 1 Axes Pick						
19	Axes Pick Helves						
20	Sheets Ground Mk 8						
21	Tents Mosquito or Sandfly Proof						
22	Tents Shelter Halves						
23	Cans Water 2 gal						
24	Sec K Blankets GS						
25	Stretchers Amb						
26	Stretchers Amb Pillows						
27	Lamps Hurricane						
28	Lamps Hurricane Globes Spare						

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Serial	Item	Scaling	Stock		Holdings		Total Holdings
			A	B	C	D	
29	Sec B1 Dischargers Gren. Rifle Rifle						
30	Pistols Rev .380						
31	Pistols Sig No.1						
32	Rifles No.1 Mk III						
33	Rifles No 3 Mk II						
34	Pullthroughs (complete)						
35	Gauze						
36	Sec B2 Flannelette 4 in (yds)						
37	Sec C1 Guns Machine Bren Mk I						
38	Holdalls Bren .303 MG						
39	Magazines Bren .303MG 30 rounds						
40	Walleys Spare Parts Bren						
41	Guns Machine Vickers Mk I						
42	Mountings Tripod .303 MG Mk IVB						
43	Guns Machine Barrels Mk II						
44	SMG Owen 9mm						
45	SMG Owen Magazines						
46	Sec M1 Ord ML 2 in Mor Mk I (Complete)						
47	Ord ML 3 in Mor Mk II (complete)						
48	Mountings 3 in Mor ML						
49	PITA						
50	Sec V2 Compasses Prismatic Liquid Mk III						
51	Compasses Prismatic Mk VIII or IX						
52	Watches GS						
53	Sec V6 Binoculars Prismatic						

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TECH STORES.....(CONT)

Serial	Item	Stock Holdings				Total HOLDINGS
		A	B	C	D	
	<u>Section W2</u>					
53	Cable Electric D3 Mk VI (Miles)					
54	Wire Electric Assault W130 (Miles)					
55	<u>Bateries Dry Wireless</u> 45V (Aust)					
	1.5V (Aust)					
	1.5/99V (Aust)					
	BA37					
	BA38					
	Lamp Electric					
56	Cells Dry X Mk II					
57	Bulbs 2.5V					
	4.5V					
	<u>Sec V</u>					
58	Fullerphones MkIV Special					
59	Telephone Sets F					
	L					
	Inf No.1 (Aust)					
	No.2 (Aust)					
60	Switchboards Magneto 6 lines					
61	Switchboards Magneto 10 "					
	<u>Sec Z1</u>					
62	Reception Set No.4					
63	Wireless Set No.22					
	No.22 (Yellow Band)					
	No.19					
	No 208					
	No.108 MkIII					
	SCR 536 Freq 1					
	2					
	3					
	4					
	5					
	6					
	7					
	8					
	9					
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RATION AND EXPENSE STORES

Ration Strengths.....	A.....	B.....	C.....	D.....	TOTAL
Aust	A.....	B.....	C.....	D.....	TOTAL
US.	A.....	B.....	C.....	D.....	TOTAL
Civilians	A.....	B.....	C.....	D.....	TOTAL
Authorised Holding.....	A.....	B.....	C.....	D.....	TOTAL

Serial	Item	Receipt for the day	Stock Holdings								Total Holding	
			A		B		C		D		No	Days
			No	Days	No	Days	No	Days	No	Days		
<u>RATIONS</u>												
1.	Pacific Rations											
2.	ABL (6) RATIONS											
3.	O2 Rations											
4.	A3 Rations											
5.	Chocolate D Rations											
6.	Bread Baking Materials											
7.	Civilian Rations											
8.	SWPA Rations (unbalanced below third scale)											
9.												
10.												
11.												
12.												
<u>AASC EXPENSE STORES</u>												
13.	Atebrin (tabs)											
14.	Solid Fuel (Tins)											
15.	Mesquito Repellent lotions (bots)											
16.	Anti Mite Fluid (gals)											
17.	Mosquito Spray (gals)											
18.	Creosote (gals)											
19.	Lime Slaked (lbs)											
20.												
21.	Water Sterilising Outfits individual											
22.	Salt Tabs (tabs)											
23.	Ascorbic Acid Tabs (bots each)											
24.	Foot Powder (lbs)											
25.	Soap Toilet (cakes)											
26.	Soap Common (lbs)											
27.												
28.												
29.	Kerosene (lighting) (gals)											
30.	Methylated Spirits (gals)											
31.	Tobacco (2 oz tins)											
32.	Cigarettes											
33.	Cigarette Papers											
34.	Matches (Wax)											
35.	Blades Safety Razor											
36.	Water Sterilising Powder (lbs)											

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Serial	Item	Stock as at	Issues	Receipts	Total Stock as at			Remarks
					Gals	Vehs	Days	
1.	Petrol MT 80(gals)							
	(a) 4 gal drums							
	(b) 44 gal drums							
	Total MT 80 gals							
2.	Range Fuel(gals)							
3.	Automotive Diesel Fuel(Gals)							
4.	Kerosene (Power) (Gals)							
5.								
6.								
7.								
8.	Oil OE10(or DD-20) (gals)							
9.	Oil OE 30(gals)							
10.	Oil OE 50 (gals)							
11.	Oil GO 90 (gals)							
12.	Grease CGI(AL) lbs							
13.	Grease WB2(lbs)							
14.	Grease WP4(lbs)							
15.								
16.	SAO (gals)							
17.	HBF (gals)							
18.	Fuel thickener (flame thrower)							
19.								
20.								