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2/32 Infantry Battalion

October 1943

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of the 2/32 FLIST INF BN

Adm Comd - Maj K.F. Mollard.

PLACE: LAE, NE NEW GUINEA

Ref Mop LAE (hrov.) 1:63360

Oct 1st
Friday

a Bde swimming beach has been selected approx 500 yds WEST of the BUREP mouth. Certain ptes from this Bn were detailed to cut a track through to it. Although the task was accomplished, the soggy nature of the area due to the frequent rainfall, rendered it practically useless.

D boy were selected to capture and garrison the TAMU island gp. May G.E. Dixon becomes temporary Bn 2 i/c, Capt G.D. Lancaster succeeding him as OC HQ boy.

Oct 2nd
Saturday

Bn parade this morning for an address by our Bde Comd. Brig Evans complimented us on our performance during POSTERN but deplored the wastefulness exhibited by certain ptes during the operation as they freely discarded eqpt unnecessarily. He pointed out the burden we were imposing on the Aust. taxpayer by such thoughtlessness, while we were also penalising ourselves by delaying the tpt of amenities for our use while, after the war, we too, would be confronted with heavier taxation bills if we persisted in such actions. He informed us that the Bn less D boy would remain in this area for the present to perform various duties such as providing various duties such as the providing of loading parties etc., and trusted that this would not gain the impression that they had been relegated to the role of "bhoos" and became disheartened as this state of affairs would be of short duration and he, personally, regretted that jungle warfare necessitated the splitting of the Bde into smaller gps. In conclusion, he wished D boy good luck in their mission.

After the dismissal of the parade, boys went out to receive the neighbouring country in accordance with Bn Coy Instn att.

DENNESS force departed this evening and carried the good wishes of the Bn with them. To ensure the force was up to strength, 10 volunteers from B boy accompanied them.

Oct 3rd
Sunday

Patric Williamson conducted the usual church service. 20 Bde added to the laurels of our Div by capturing FINSCH HAFEN. DENNESS force effected an unopposed landing. (Report att) List received showing ptes of this unit mentioned for gallant and distinguished service in the MIDDLE EAST last yr. Our Adm. Comd's name was included.

Oct 4th
Monday

Lieut W.M. Buckley evacuated suffering from Fibrositis. Arrangements have been made for members of the RAE to instruct ptes in rope lashing, knot tying etc.

Oct 5th
Tuesday

A & B boys provided loading and unloading parties for the despatch of stores from LAE to G BEACH (BUREP MOUTH) which involved day and night work. They did a particularly good job, unloading the boxes and placing the stores on MTs in 3 hrs. The quantity involved was 211 tons and the effort cooked warm horse from Div. The supplies contained meat, eggs and fresh fruit; these provide a welcome change of diet but it is observed that certain ptes suffer digestive troubles after partaking of these, following a lengthy course of hard rations.

a TEWT was received from Bde: Bn HQ offrs and boy Comds were divided into syndicates of three, each of whom submitted their solutions to the Adm. Comd. He, in turn, arrived at a Bn solution which was submitted to Bde.

An interesting lecture was given by Mr L. Taylor of the YMCA att 2/28 Bn, this evening, the subject being "Boxing", after which, Lieut Carmichael (Bde Education offr) gave a commentary on the news.

Oct 6th
Wednesday

The Bn held a sports day at the Bde swimming beach and all who attended spent an enjoyable day. The events included foot races, swimming and tug of war. The final results of the competition were B boy 35 points; C Coy 23 points; HQ boy 13 points; A boy 13 points.

Our old friends, the Salvation Army, were on hand with ample liquid refreshment.

Oct 7th
Thursday

8 "X" pers. marched in.
The top infn secured by boys during their recess over the past few days has been passed on to Bde for forwarding for Survey Dept

Oct 8th
Friday

Hy rain fell throughout the day.
As is customary during periods of comparative inactivity, the are indulging in much speculation as to our future. The ultra optimists predict that we will be home for Xmas, the optimists fix early next yr as the probable time while one pessimist avows that we are to remain here as garrison the for the duration!!!

Mr Bermichael addressed the on "Army Intelligence" this evening. His frequent visits to our area to lecture on items of current interest are greatly appreciated.

We learnt tonight that 9 Aust Div is again a part of 2 Aust Corps. As it is comd by Lt-gen Sir Leslie Morshead, this re-allocation is welcomed by us.

Oct 9th
Saturday

A boy have completed a miniature range in our area and C Coy made initial use of it today.

Bn HQ offrs and boy bombs attended 24 Bde HQ for a TEWT on the probable role of the Bde

Oct 10th
Sunday

Patrol Williamson conducted a voluntary church service.
A working party went to C Beach to unload an LST and again acquitted themselves admirably. It would appear that our ability to labour is exceeded only by the fighting capacity which this Bn has displayed.

Conditions were very cloudy tonight and, between 2100-2200 hrs, the enemy raided LAE. Two casualties were reported, one being fatal.

R. J. R. Capt
Adjt for Comd Offr ACo

2 Oct 43

Ref: Map
LAE 125000

2/32 AUGUST INF Bn TRG INSTN

FOR
2 Oct 43

TROOPS TAKING PART

1 H.B. & C Coy

OBJECT

- 2 Div require topo info on country south of grid 44. Nature of info required
 - (i) tracks traverse of same width nature of soil possibility of undergrowth to 500 FT TRACKS EN
 - (ii) Vegetation open forest, forest, scrub or Kunuar
 - (iii) Terrain (i) nature of soil is damp, swampy, gravelly, subject to inundation by tides or by rain
 - (ii) local features: height & shape illustrated by profile lines
 - (iv) Rivers or creeks
 - (i) traverse of same
 - (ii) perennial or non-perennial
 - (iii) width, depth, nature of hollow & banks when fordable
 - (iv) hrs & carrying capacity
 - (v) tidal
 - (v) Beaches
 - (i) Type of beach is sandy or stony
 - (ii) depth of water approximately
 - (vi) villages full details

AREA

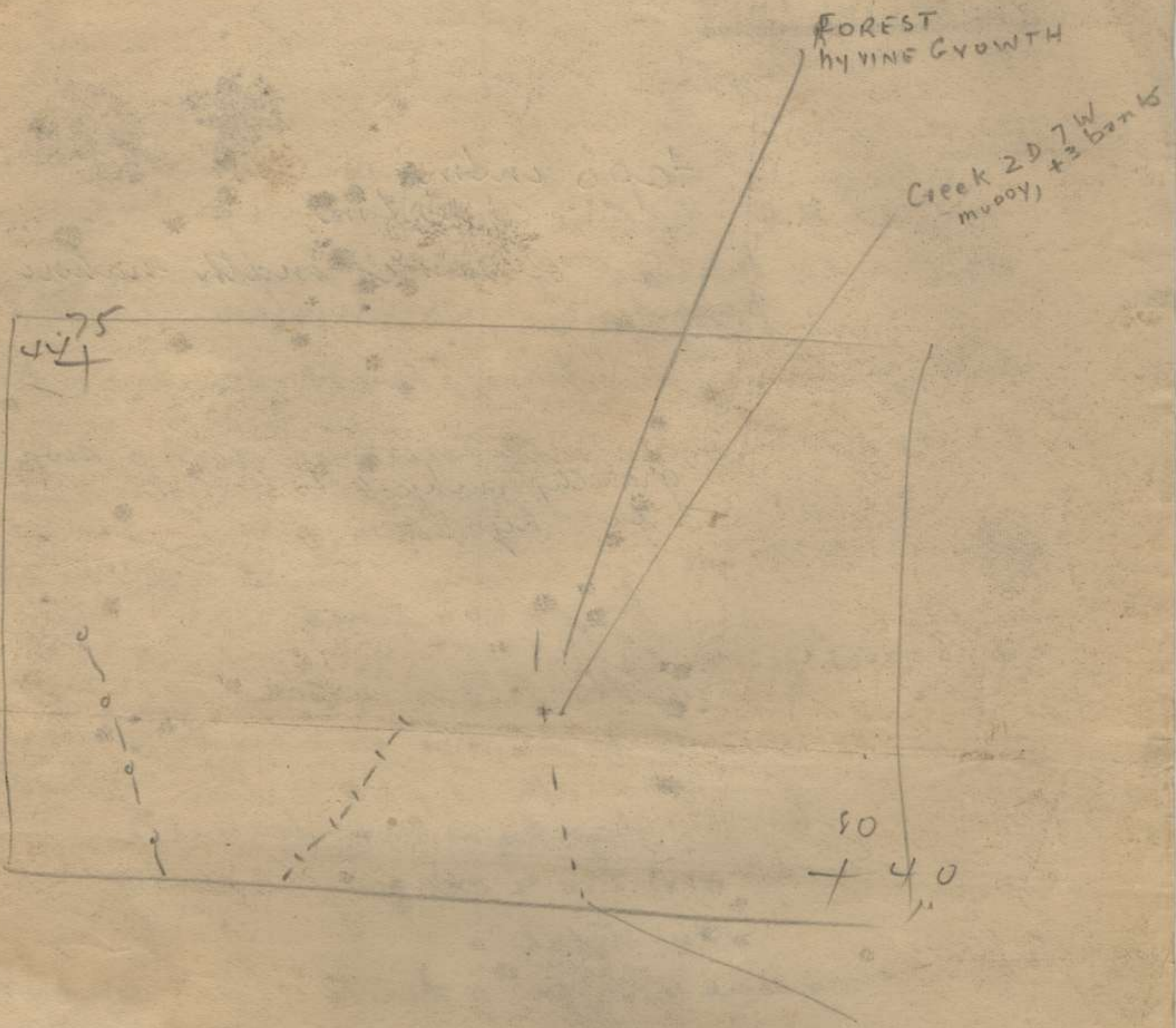
- 3 (i) trace as per Appendix B
- (ii) Coy to allot sub-areas one for each pl & one for Coy HQ

INSTRUCTIONS TO REPORTS

4 Coy Unit pers will consolidate info on trace covering Coy area, submit along with reports from EACH unit party

TIME OF SIGNATURE
1640 hrs 1 Oct 43

K. J. [Signature]
Adj. Comd. [Signature]



— — — —	13 Pl Route
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2/32 AUST INF BN O.O. NO 6

Ref Map : 4 miles strat LAE sheet.

INFORMATION1. Enemy

An undated entry in a captured notebook indicates a possibility of a Coy of 238 Regt and a pl of MGS having been sent to TAMI ISLAND. Air photographs do not disclose signs of enemy occupation nor have our aircraft been fired on while attacking the islands. Villages appear deserted and no native canoes appear on the beaches.

2. Topographical

TAMI ISLAND group consists of four islands-

- (a) DJAM - low-lying, covered by coconuts and said by natives to be haunted by a spring of good water.
- (b) WONAM - low-lying and scrub covered; Mission station and village and report of spring of good water.
- (c) KALAL - reported to have 50ft cliffs on NE side, but little evidence of such on photographs. Dense scrub and some coconuts. Small supply of poor water from wells.
- (d) NASCHUNUT - lying between DJAM and WONAM, little more than a scrub covered rock.

There is little arable ground and natives are dependant on the mainland for their vegetables.

3. Navigational

The group is surrounded by a submerged reef but an entrance from the NW between DJAM and KALAL allows the passage of vessels drawing to 6 ft. The most suitable beach for landing appears to be on the SW end of WONAM. Once within the reef there is a good shelter for vessels in all seasons.

4. Natives

Are excellent boatmen and use large two masted canoes for traffic with the mainland. It is not known if they are still in occupation of the island.

5. OWN Tps

DENNESS Force consisting of -

D Coy 2/32 Aust Inf Bn

U/c 2 Bn sigs

1 Int person.

1 NCO & 6 Pioneers

2 det mortars (8 personnel)

det 2/3 Aust Fd Amb

det sigs 9 Aust Div (3 ORs)

det RADAR

1 sec HMG pl 532 Gp 2 ESB

(21 personnel and 6 x 50 cal MGS)

In support det. 532 Gp 2 ESB for movement of tps and support of the landing.

6. Intention

Denness Force will

- (a) Land on one of the TAMI on D Day.
- (b) Destroy any forces on the island.
- (c) Provide local protection for RADAR station to be installed

METHOD

7. The intention will be carried out in 2 phases -

8. PHASE I

16 & 18 pls will land simultaneously on the south west corner of WONAM ISLAND and exploit northwards for 200 yds and form a defence line across the neck of the cape.

9. PHASE 2

17 pl will land on same beach at Z plus 6 and take up posn 100 yds rear of fwd pls.

10. should for coral or any other reasons, a landing can't be made on SW corner alternative landing places are being reced by Lieut. CAVANAGH, ESB on D minus 1, by Tac R plane.

11. Two 50 cal. MGS on landing will be mounted for AA. Remaining 4 will move into perimeter, two on each flank.

12. Allotment of craft
As per Appx "A"

13. H Hour
The landing will be made earliest possible after first light.
H Hour will be decided after joint recce in daylight on D day by OC DENNESS Force and det 532 Gp 2 ESB.

14. D Day
3 Oct '45.

15. support of the landing will be small arms fire from LCV (P) and LCS as arranged by D Coy 2/32 Aust Inf Bn.

16. Embarkation
Will be on D minus 1 day and is being controlled by 9 Aust Div embarkation table. see appx "A" att.

17. sighting of RADAR
Will be responsibility of det. RADAR.

18. Missionaries
Any German Missionary found will be returned to "D" Coy HQ.

19. ADM reserves are being provided by 9 Aust Div and to be carried with the force will be

- Sups - 20 days
- Ann - 10 days at WUR
- Medical stores - 30 days
- Water - Up to 10 days at 2 gals per man per day.
- Engnr stores - quantity wire and sandbags
- Lift and force pump - One.
- Gas tank - one.
- Tarpaulin for water supply - one
- ord stores - 10 days.

store boats will remain vicinity KASANGA. will be called by wireless by the passing of the code word to be arranged. Alternative. The sending back of one LCV (P).

20. Resupply
Is being arranged by 9 Aust Div.

21. Medical Evacuations
TO LAE

22. Water
(a) CRE 9 Aust Div is providing pump and tank to est. a water point.
(b) In view of shortage of water containers reserve will be conserved until the local water has definitely been established.
(c) OC force may find sources ready available. If resupply is required supply containers will be returned for filling.
(d) All previous instns regarding water are to be rigourously enforced.

Loading and Embarkation Table

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Serial	Craft No	Crew	Pers	Stores	Load	Time	Time	Remarks
1	LEV 1	16 PL 2/32 Bms	22		G	2100	2130	
2	LEV 2	16 PL 2/32 Bms 18 PL 2/32 Bms 17 PL 2/32 Bms	789 13		G			
3	LEV 3	18 PL 2/32 Bms	22	21 3" Mortar Bombs	G	2100	2130	
4	LEV 4	Oc O boy 2/32 Bms Det Ligo (Plat) Dio Det 2/3 Flt Amb Det Radar Ra P(1) arambis (2) Batmans (1) Lnt (1) Ligo (2) P & O cpr (1)	1 3 6 2 8	500 lb medical eqpt 300 lb supp eqpt One no 11 wff set 4 gal petrol 1 gal engine oil	G	2100	2130	Radar det embark Red Beach
5	LEV 5	11 PL 2/32 Bms 17 PL 2/32 Bms	6 17	2x50 cal HMG 500 Rds - ammo	G	2100	2130	2x50 cal HMG Red Beach 2230 hrs
6	LEV 6	17 PL 2/32 Bms boy 2/32 Bms (8 HMG books (2) Ra P(1) 11 PL 2/32 Bms 11 PL 2/32 Bms	8 2 7 7	500 Rds - ammo 2x10 Cal HMG	G	2100	2130	As above
7	LEV 7	11 PL 2/32 Bms 11 PL 2/32 Bms 11 PL 2/32 Bms 11 PL 2/32 Bms 11 PL 2/32 Bms 11 PL 2/32 Bms 11 PL 2/32 Bms	7 7 7 7 7 7	2x50 cal HMG 1x3 mortars 500 - ammo 2x3" mortar bombs	G	2100	2130	As above
8	LEV 8.13			15 tons supp ammo water medical, ord equip stores	Red	1600	1800	Loaded under Q arrangements
9	LEV 14 LEV 15	Radar Det.	30	Radar eqpt	Red	2200	2230	Eqpt already loaded

Embarkation Instructions

1. Personnel embarking of Beach will report to Maj TRAINER, Disho at Beach Report Centre (marked by lights) by 2030 hrs.
2. Oc loads det will hand to oc of each craft nominal roll in duplicate of personnel embarking. One copy will be handed to Dio by each oc craft when personnel have been checked and embarkation is complete.
3. Oc O boy 2/32 Bms will arrange for, as oc of each craft to be detailed under
4. Convoy will assemble off Red Beach 2300hrs 2 Oct and move
FSB control to TAMI ISLAND.

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APPX "B" to

2/32 Aust Inf En O O No 6

CODEWORDS to REPORTS

(To be used in conjunction with R/T code)

WALHALLA	Landing successful - no opposition
MALEESH	Landing successful - slight opposition
INFERNO	Landing unsuccessful
HECTOR	WONAM ISLAND
PENNY	DJAM ISLAND
LYEANDER	KALAL ISLAND
FARTING	NASCHUNUT ISLAND
PELUNIA	Enemy craft sighted
DAFFODIL	Enemy bombing and/or strafing
ROSES	Unsuccessful no casualties
CABBAGE	Good landing at-----
APPLE	PL
PEAR	ENEMY dug in at-----
CASTOR	Rations required
OLLUX	Ammunition required
DANIEL	Missionary in custody
PRIROSE	RADAR equipment installed and working
CAT	LCV
DOG	LCM
DAISY	Passage found into lagoon

INTERCOM

- 23. On landing - (a) Line to each pl.
(b) walkie-talkie, one to each pl and one to coy HQs.
(c) runners.
- 24. No. 11 set link between 9 Aust div and DEFENSE Force.
- 25. ship to shore recognition signals
Extract from ACB 0224 (3) have been issued separately to D coy 2/32 Aust Inf Bn.
- 26. wireless silence - during sea move will be broken only
(a) By assault ops on landing.
(b) In extreme emergency where no other means of communication exists.
- 27. reports
Reports to 9 Aust div by D coy 2/32 Aust Inf Bn
(a) Report on the landing. Code words for reports are shown in Appx "B" att. Reference to arbitrary grid shown in photo trace issued to D coy 2/32 Aust Inf Bn, may be made in clear.
(b) Sitreps to 0600 hrs and 1600 hrs daily, and in addition to 1200 hrs on D day
(c) Immediate report of any events of military importance.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

ISSUED THROUGH SIGS.

TIME OF SIGNATURE.....HRS

Capt.
Adjt 2/32 Aust Inf Bn

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Loading and Embarkation Table

Secret
appx 17. 10 2/32 Bn
00 Nob

Serial	Craft No	Unit	Per	Notes	Beach	Time Begin	Time Complete	Remarks
1	LCV 1	16 PL 2/32 Bn.	22		G.	2100	2130	
2	LCV 2	16 PL 2/32 Bn. 18 PL 2/32 Bn. 17 PL 2/32 Bn.	8 13		G.	2100	2130	
3	LCV 3	18 PL 2/32 Bn	22	21 3" MORTAR Bombs.	G	2100	2130	
4	LCV 4	OC D Coy DET SIGS 9 AVST DIV. DET 2/3 FD AMB. DET RADAR RAP(1) ORDERLIES (2) BATMAN(1) INT (1) SIGS(1) P+O CPL (1)	1 3 6 2 8	500 LB MEDICAL EQPT 300 LB SIGS EQPT ONE No 11 W/T SET 16 GALL PETROL 1 GALL ENGINE OIL	G	2100	2130	RADAR DET EMBARKS RED BEACH.
5	LCV 5	HMG SEC 532 REGT 2 ESB 17 PL 2/32 Bn	6 17	2x50 CAL HMG. 500 RDS .5 AMN.	G.	2100	2130	ESB DET EMBARKS RED BEACH 2230 HRS.
6	LCV 6	17 PL 2/32 Bn COY 2/IC + BATMAN COMS COOKS(2) RAP(1) HMG SEC 532 REGT 2 ESB	8 2 4 7	500 RDS .5 AMN 2x50 CAL HMG.	G.	2100	2130	AS ABOVE.
7	LCV 7	HMG SEC 532 REGT 2 ESB MORTAR DET STOREMAN COOKS(2) RAP(2)	7 8 5	2x50 CAL HMG. 1x3" MORTAR 500 .5 AMN 21 3" MORTAR Bombs.	G.			AS ABOVE
8	LCV 8-13			15 TONS SUPS AMN WATER MEDICAL ORG ENGR STORES	RED	1600	1800	LOADED UNDER ARRANGEMENTS.
9	LCH 14 LCH 15	RADAR DET	34	RADAR EQPT	RED	2200	2230	EQPT ALREADY LOADED

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3. OC D Coy. 2/32 Bn will arrange for an OC Aps in each craft to be detailed.
4. Convoy will assemble off RED BEACH 2300 hrs 2 Oct and move under ESB control to TAMU ISLAND

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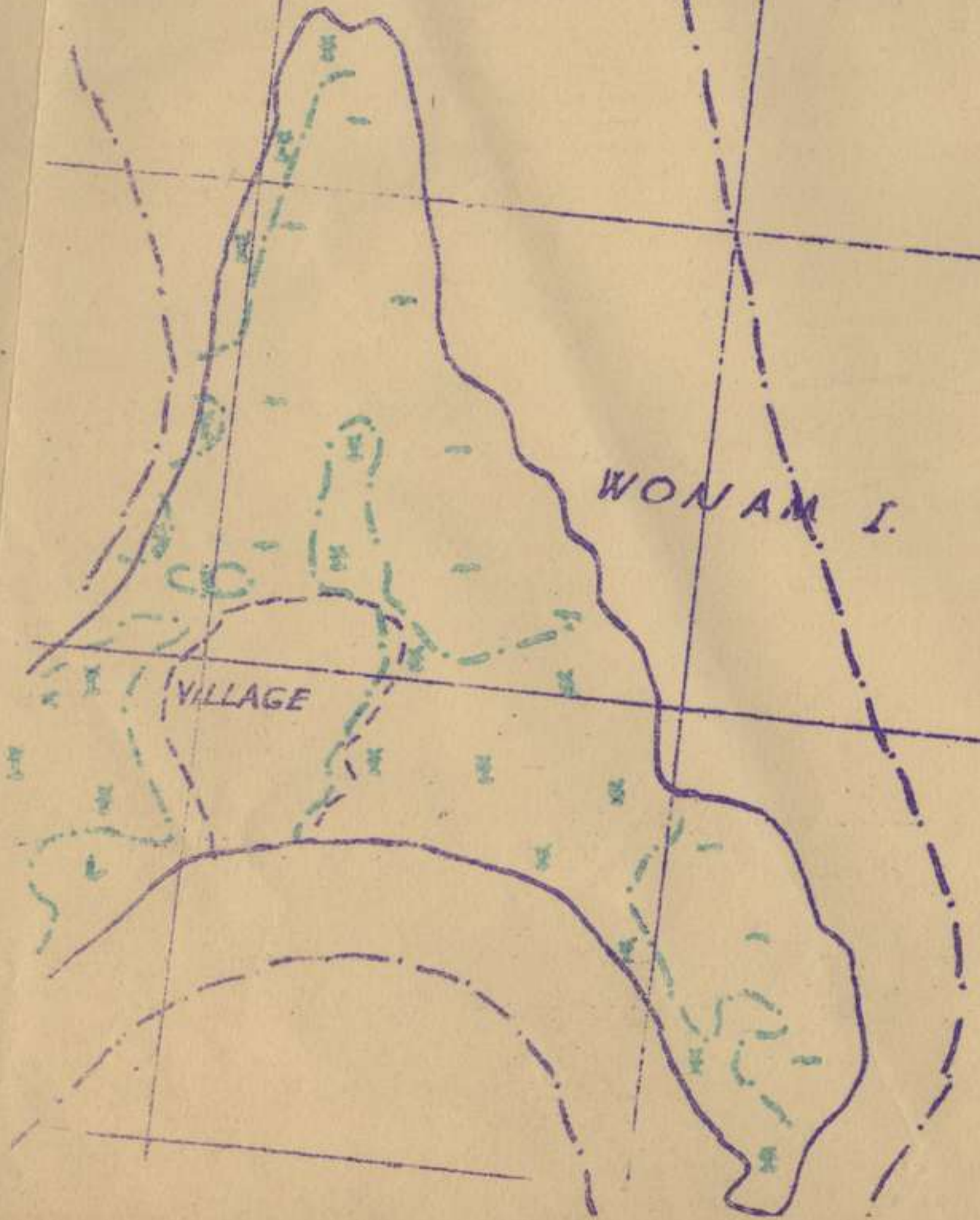
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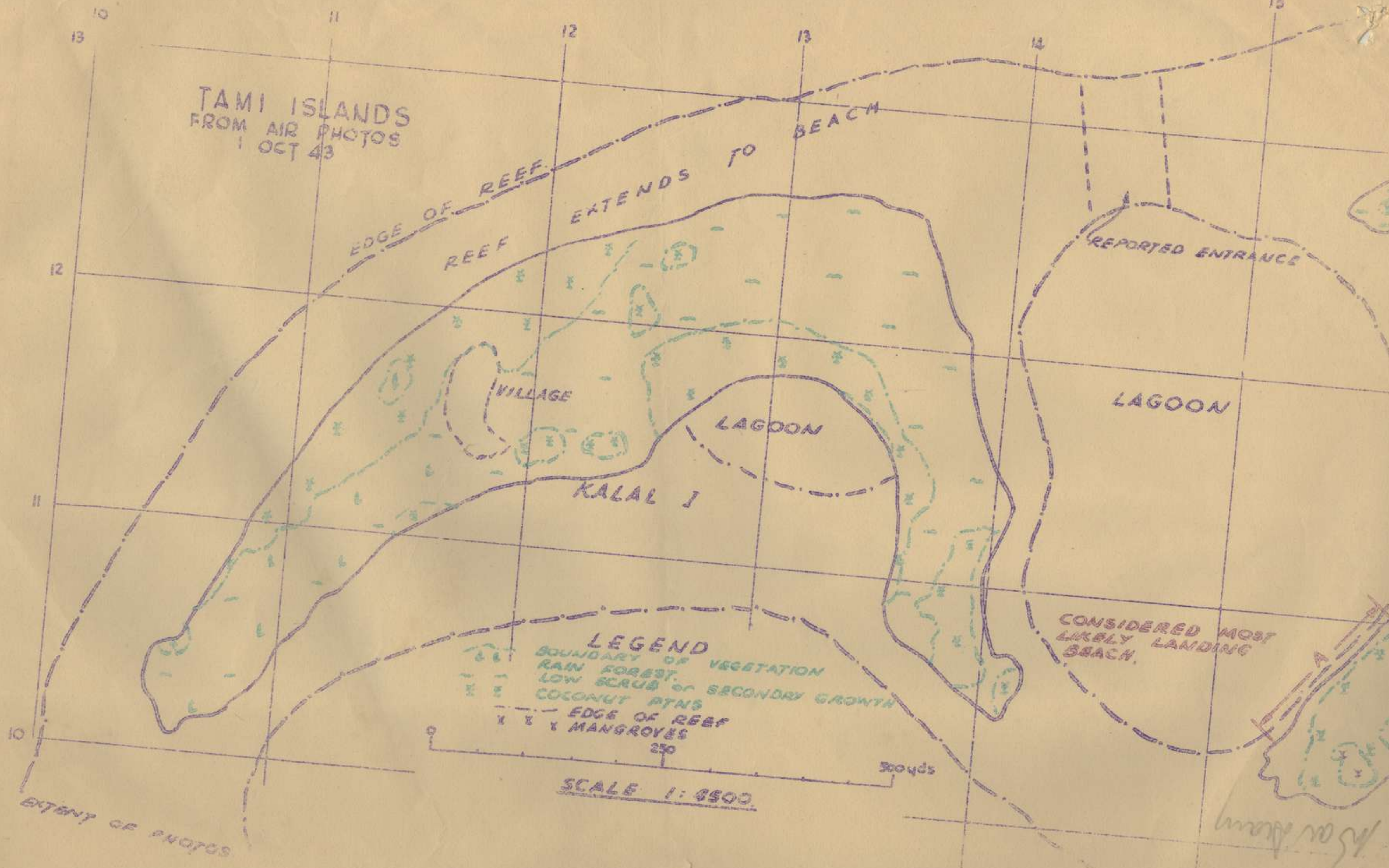


WONAM I.

VILLAGE

G.S.I.
HQ 9 AUST DIV.

TAMI ISLANDS
FROM AIR PHOTOS
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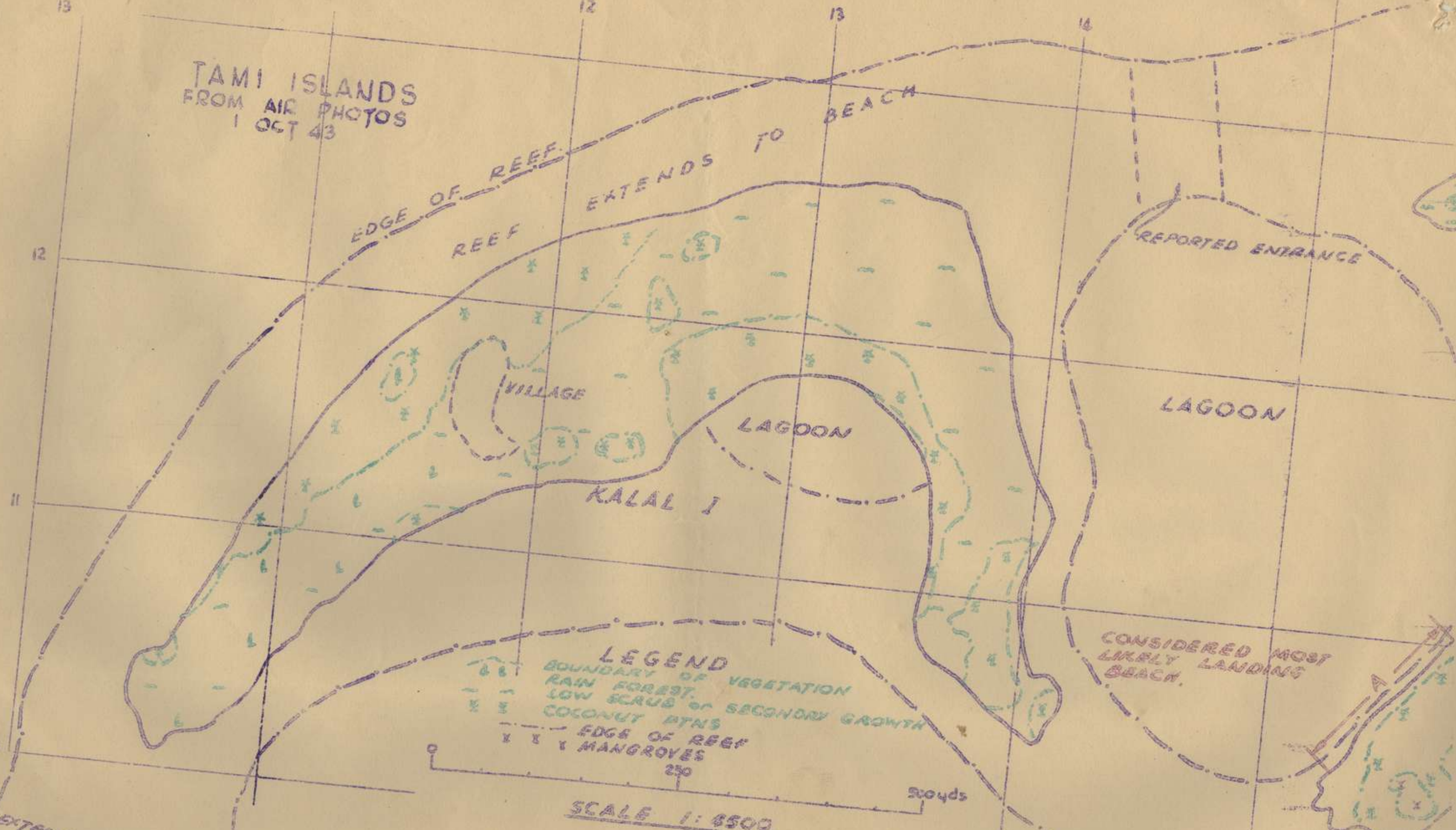
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LEGEND

- BOUNDARY OF VEGETATION
- - - RAIN FOREST
- ... LOW SCRUB or SECONDARY GROWTH
- X COCONUT BTNS
- · - · - EDGE OF REEF
- Y Y MANGROVES

250

SCALE 1:6500

yards

EXTENT OF PHOTOS

REPORT ON OPERATION AGAINST TAMI ISLANDS 3 OCT 43

Force embarked G BEACH at 2130 hrs, arrived RED BEACH at 2300 hrs, where craft numbers 4, 5, 6 and 7 beached to take on members and weapons of 532 Regt ESB. The convoy, which was then joined by 8 other craft, aboard which were stores, equipment, etc, and air force personnel, left RED BEACH at 2315 hrs. After encountering very rough weather and high seas and continual rain, convoy arrived off KASANGA 0600K where it was found that stores craft were not with the convoy. OC decided to carry on with the operation and let the remainder of the convoy move up to KASANGA and wait until called forward.

Convoy approached the TAMI group from SE until reaching the shoals around the group, then changed direction to south and circled KALLAL ISLAND. On arrival off No 1 beach on WONAM ISLAND the 6 rear boats of the convoy were given the signal to reduce speed, and the comd craft moved in for recce. Up to this stage, no movement of any description had been seen on the foreshore of either island. When the craft had approached the point at about 30 yards from No 1 Beach 4 natives came out of the fringe of the jungle waving their arms in a friendly manner, whereupon P/O BELL acting as interpreter established the fact that the island group was completely clear of enemy. The natives swam and paddled in canoes out to the craft, and were taken aboard. OC decided to get the natives to guide them through the channel and into the lagoon between KALLAL and WONAM islands; moved round in a northerly direction between WONAM and DJAM islands skirting the coral reef and came through the passage into the lagoon. During this voyage an average of at least 6 feet of water over the coral was observed. As KALLAL was the highest island in the group, it was decided to beach the craft on No 5 Beach at SE corner of the island inside the lagoon. The landing was made at 0800 hrs. OC with P/O BELL, one orderly and 6 natives made recce and decided on a location for the radar station. All assault craft unloaded on beaches 3 and 5 and one was sent to KASANGA to guide the equipment and supply craft to No 5 Beach, where they unloaded 3 at a time. By 1400 hrs all unloading was completed and all craft with the exception of 2 returned to RED BEACH.

ADMINISTRATION

All natives on islands were rounded up on afternoon of 3 Oct 43. Total number of adults (male, female), children - 74. Each classified, names listed and each given a pass on which appears his name and his classification. On the whole, they appeared to have been very short of food and owing to their terror of bombers and strafing planes, have been living in dank, low-roofed and foul-aired caves dug out of the coral cliffs. 24 of the males are now on labouring jobs including organized cleaning of area and the carrying of stores and radar equipment. For their labour, payment has so far been made with food, and the airforce assist by giving them a small ^{ration} of tobacco. Information gained from them is that about last Easter a force of over 100 enemy were encamped on the islands but left after about a month. Returning with a stronger force of approx 200 about two months ago, they set up a wireless station, and a complete defence system on the islands. The evidence of this defence system still exists. They were strongly entrenched around the whole of the islands, in large, heavily-reinforced bunkers and air-raid shelters dug in the side of the coral cliffs. Allied bombers and strafing planes made several attacks, the success of which is very evident. Later many barges came in one night and the whole enemy force was withdrawn. The distress of the natives was brought about by the shortage of food, as all pigs, chickens and vegetables were commandeered by the enemy. As the season is drawing near for the natives from surrounding island groups to visit each other for trading purposes, the policy has been adopted of treating and feeding the natives well, so that the news will spread and enable us to gain further valuable information and help. Most of the natives

not labouring are employed in spotting and watching posts. All craft and planes sighted are immediately reported.

HYGIENE

All hygiene, anti-malarial precautions and the defence of the island group, are in full operation. A permanent water supply has been established by the digging of wells and lining them with empty fuel drums. Fly proof latrines have been constructed, refuse is daily taken out to sea and dumped. Natives are segregated from the troops. Daily visits are paid by the MO in search of any contagious diseases amongst the natives. Rounds are also made by the MO and the orderly officer through each occupied island.

TOPOGRAPHY

On the northern side of KALLAL there are coral cliffs, approx 30 feet high. In the center of the island, where the native village was, all buildings are partially destroyed by bombing. No 5 Beach consists of 100 yards of white sand, but the beaching strip is only 10 yards in width. The remainder of the beach is dotted with coral heads about 10 yards from the shore line. WONAM ISLAND has sandy beaches which extend over three-quarters of the shore line, the remainder being low coral cliffs. Owing to the coral shoal surrounding the island, No 3 Beach is the only one suitable for beaching craft. Average height of the island is about 7 feet above sea level. It was on this island that the mission was established. All buildings on the island are completely destroyed. DJAM ISLAND has an average height of 3 feet. Type of vegetation, partly jungle and partly coconut palms. Completely devoid of any signs of habitation, as the natives believe it is haunted. NISCHUNUT ISLAND is just a scrub-covered rock. Lagoon between WONAM and KALLAL ISLANDS, being calm and well sheltered from the weather, could afford excellent protection for float planes or small craft up to the size of LCT, or larger craft if necessary by blasting a deeper passage through the coral entrance.

(sgd) A P DENNESS, Lieut
OC D Coy 2/32 Aust Inf Bn.

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3 Oct 43.

Extract from General Orders 31 Aug 43
No 82.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve that the following be Mentioned in recognition of gallant and distinguished services in the Middle East during the period 1st May 1942 to 22 Oct 1942.

VX 48771	Maj	K.F.Mollard.	
WX 1974	WO I	P Lawson.	(killed in action)
NX 11302	A/Sjt	Linden A A.	
TX 1006	Sjt	Nicholls G!J.M.	
QX 6554	Sjt	Waters L.H.T.	
QX 4712	Pte	Dudley A.F.	
NX 11233	Cpl	Eveleigh J.	
WX 10345	Pte	Marwick J.A.	
WX 507	Lieut T/Capt	M.J.O'Mara	(died on active service)
QX 2594	Pte	Whitchurch A.C.	(died on active service)

War Diary

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/10/1943 2/32 Aust LIF Bn. (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/12 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 738 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

Table with 10 columns: 1. W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED, 2. W.Os. Class I, 3. W.Os. Class II, 4. Staff Sergeants, 5. Sergeants, 6. Corporals, 7. Troopers, Privates, etc., 8. Totals of cols. marked *, 9. Arm or Corps, 10. Posted Strength, 11. Surplus to W.E., 12. Deficient W.E., 13. Reinf'ts. Required.

Analysis of Part A table with columns: Detail, A.I.F., C.M.F. (Under 19 Years, 19 Years and over), A.W.A.S., A.A.M.W.S., CIVIL, R.A.N., R.A.A.F., **, TOTAL.

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Table with 8 columns: Number of O.Rs., Unit to which they belong, Number of O.Rs., Unit to which they belong, Number of O.Rs., Unit to which detached, Number of O.Rs., Unit to which detached.

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

Table with 4 columns: Army No, Rank, Name and Initials, REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

2/32 Avst Inf Bn

Unit

Army Form W.3009
(Adapted) (Page 2)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
13/43 Serial No.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 2/10/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	3	1
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wirelss								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artifber, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artifcer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Briclayers								Radlographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	3	1
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	22	6	Tailors	3	1	1
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners	12	4	8	Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator											
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman											
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker											
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10									
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners											
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman											
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals											
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers											
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal											
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood											
Pattern Maker				Masons											
Pharmacist				Masseurs											
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.											
Photowriter				Miners											
Plumber				Moulders											
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained											
Surveyors				Observation Post Assis.											
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	22	14	8	CARRIED FORWARD	62	45	17	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	773	625	149

NON TRADESMEN

STOREMEN	6	6	
RPS	7	4	3
HYGIENE	4	4	
GEN DUTIES	15	15	
DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
WATER DUTIES	2	2	
SBs	21	17	4
TR/A Nos	22	22	
BATMEN	35	35	
REMAINING	411	293	118
MMA	25	25	
MORTARS	62	62	
ORDERLIES	32	32	
PIONEERS	24	24	
ATTACHED BY W.E.			
HYG RAP.	2	2	
MED ORDERLIES	2	2	
CHIROPODIST	1	1	
PAY CLERKS	2	2	
SHOEMAKER	1	1	
POSTAL	1	2	
SMITH AND ARTIFICER	2	2	
ARMOURER	1	1	
CATERER & COOKS	23	19	4

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

3 Oct 43
Date of Despatch
a.w. 6m bks 3/43

H. J. Mowbray
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
12/43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/10/1943 2/32 BN (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/CL OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 738 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 36 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
1	1			*	AAMC	1			
1	1		2	*					
5	5		3	Lieut.-Colonels					
		1	21	Majors					
			1	Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
7	7	1	27			1			

DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
A.	28									28
E.(1)	1									1
E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
6x477	CAPT	LANCASTER CG.		30.9.43	Rejoined unit from hospital

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
6x6092	CAPT	DAVIDSON JT.	HOSPITAL	25.9.43	Evacuated P.V.O

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 2/32 Aust WFBN (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 2/10/1943

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
6x22425	LIEUT	HARRISON.	AJ 3ART CARUNGA.
6x2108	"	DONALDSON	R "
6x4203	"	CALCINO	AV "

2/32 AUS INF BN Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/10/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MAJ	VX 47881	MOLLARD	K.F.	ADJUTANT	YES		
"	WX 529	DIXON	G.E.	2/L	"		
CAPT	WX 477	LANCASTER	G.G.	HQ Coy	"		
"	QX 37	DAVIES	H.B.	"	"		
"	QX 2083	CARTWRIGHT	R.E.	G.M.	"		
"	VX 3064	DALKER	J.E.	H Coy	"		
NEUT/CAPT.	VX 39719	CRONK	R.G.	ADJT.	"		
"	WX 35125	THORNTON	J.J.	B Coy	"		
"	4X 400	MORRIS	J.H.	2/L Coy	"		
NEUT.	QX 297	GATWOOD	G.M.	"	"		
"	6X 8667	DENNESS	A.P.A.	D Coy	"		
"	QX 160	THOMSON	C.P.	2/L Coy	"		
"	10X 16080	HAMILTON	T.R.		NO	Lo B	5-9-43
"	10X 9252	LIDDELL	J.H.	8 PL Coy	YES		
"	6X 205	DOWNNEY	R.K.	PIONEER	"		
"	QX 21388	GARDINER	R.A.	I.O.	"		
"	6X 9926	KELEY	H.J.	4 PL Coy	"		
"	10X 17029	IRELAND	R.D.	MMG	"		
"	10X 17028	BUCKLEY	10 M	10 PL Coy	"		
"	6X 13115	LEWIS	R.T.	7	"		
"	10X 12453	KENNEDY	R.R.	2	"		
"	NX 3780	LAING	W.D.	Sig OFF	"		
"	NX 11889	GARNEY	K.A.	3 PL Coy	"		
"	QX 4334	CLARK	J.C.	11	"		
"	6X 9585	HAMILTON	A.	18	"		
"	10X 10752	NORTH	S.F.	17	"		
"	10X 2110	SMITH	E.	16	"		
CAPT.	VX 59291	KAYE	P.	RMO	"		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CHAPLAIN.	Nx 79397	WILLIAMSON, R.E.		25.5.43	CHAPLAIN.

30 Oct '43
Date of Despatch

K.F. Mollard
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
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13/43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9/10/1943 3 2/32 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11, 2/10 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 138 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
1	1			*	AAMC	1			
1	1		2	*			Lieut.-Colonels		
			3	Majors					
5	5		3	Captains					
			20	Lieutenants					
			1	Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
7	7		26			1			

DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
A.	27									27
E.(1)	1									1
E.(2)										

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

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
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PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
6x17028	LIEUT	BUCKLEY WM.	HOSPITAL	4.10.43	FIBROCLITIS

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 3/32 Aust Inf Bn. (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 9/10/1943.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
6x22425	LIEUT	HARRISON AJ	3 ART CARUNGA.
6x2108	"	DONALDSON R	"
6x1423	"	CARCINO AV	"

2/32 Aust Inf Bn Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MAJOR	VX4781	MOLLARD	KF	ADM CMD	YES		
"	WX529	DIXON	GE	2/c	"		
CAPTAIN	WX477	LANCASTER	CG	A Coy CMD	"		
	QX37	DAVIES	AG	C	"		
	QX2083	CARTWRIGHT	RE	Q.M.	"		
	VX3064	WALKER	JE	A Coy CMD	"		
LIEUT / CAPT	VX39719	CRONK	RQ	ADJT.	"		
	KX35125	THORNTON	JJ	B Coy CMD	"		
	WX400	MORRISH	JH	2/c A Coy	"		
LIEUT	QX297	GATWOOD	GN	C Coy	"		
	WX8667	DENNESS	RPA	D Coy CMD	"		
	QX160	THOMPSON	CP	2/c Coy	"		
	WX19080	HAMILTON	TR		NO	LOB	
	WX9252	LIDDELL	JH	SP2 CMD	YES		
	WX205	DOWNEY	RK	MONIEER	"		
	QX21388	GARDINER	RA	1.0	"		
	WX9926	KELEY	HJ	14 PL CMD	"		
	WX17029	IRELAND	RD	MMG	"		
	WX12011	LEWIS	RT	7 PL CMD	"		
	WX12153	KENNEDY	RR	12 "	"		
	NK3780	LAING	WD	Sig OFF	"		
	NX11889	GARNSEY	KA	13 PL CMD	"		
	QX4334	CLARK	JC	11 "	"		
	WX9583	HAMILTON	RJ	18 "	"		
	WX10752	NORTH	SF	17 "	"		
	WX2110	SMITH	E	16 "	"		
CAPTAIN	VX59291	KAYE	P	RMO	"		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CHAPLAIN		WILLIAMSON BE		25.5.43	CHAPLAIN

10.10.43
 Date of Despatch

K. J. [Signature]
 Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

13/43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9/10/1943 2/32 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/C2 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 738 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				2 DETAIL.	3 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.	
			1	W.Os. Class I.	AAMC	4		1		
	1		5	W.Os. Class II.	AEME	2		1		
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	AAPC	1		1		
			5	Staff Sergeants	AAOC	1				
	1		30	Sergeants	AAPS	2	1			
	7		57	Corporals	AACC	18		5		
	153		478	Troopers, Privates, etc.						
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
162*	162		576*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		28*	1	8	7*	

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
		Under 19 Years	19 Years and over							
A	605									605
B(1)										
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	AACD AN 24 Bde			1	DRO WARWICK		
16	2/43 Aust Inf Bn			18	REAR PARTY - BONA		
				8	AWK		
				1	SCHOOL		
				1	24 Bde		
				1	ADS		

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

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

2/32 Aust Inf Bn

Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 9/10/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	3	1
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Eivettors			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radlographers				Stevadores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	3	1
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	22	5	Tailors	2	1	1
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	12	4	8	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1	1					
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks	11	7	4				
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10		Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant							
Photovriter				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Saw Doctors				Moulders				Farriers							
Surveyors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	22	14	8	CARRIED FORWARD	62	45	17	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	473	605	169

NON TRADESMEN
STOREMAN 6 6
RPS 7 3 4
HYGIENE 4 4
GEN DUTIES 15 15
DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.
WATER DUTIES 2 2
SB's 21 17 4
TK/A No's 22 22
BATMEN 35 35
R.F.M.M.M.G. 411 278 133
M.M.G. 25 25
MORTARS 62 62
ORDERLIES 32 32
PIONEERS 24 24
ATTACHED BY W.E.
H.Y. & RAP 2 2
MED ORDERLIES 2 1 1
CHIROPODIST 1 1
PAY CLERKS 2 1 1
SHOEMAKER 1 1
POSTAL 1 2
Bsmith Artificer 2 2
ARMOURER 1 - 1
LATERER, BOOKS 23 18 5

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(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
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10 Oct 43
Date of Despatch

J. J. ...
Signature of Commander

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1943	BUREP RIVER	REF MAP LAE 1/25000
11 OCT. MONDAY	While making a recce. of the area in our vicinity 14 Pt. discovered the wreckage of a JAP plane.	
12 OCT. TUESDAY	Examination of the plane found yesterday proved it to be a MITSUBISHI med. bomber & details were sent to 26 Bde. The SALVATION ARMY party conducted a general knowledge quiz which proved very popular, cigarettes & PK ² being distributed as prizes	
13 OCT. WEDNESDAY	Recce. of our area was continued today. Another interesting talk on boxing was given by MR. TAYLOR of YMCA followed by the news commentary by SGT. BROWN (Bde). All show a lively interest in the news & these talks have become a daily feature.	
14 OCT. THURSDAY	A quiet day with general trg. in my areas.	
15 OCT. FRIDAY	Warning order (attached) received this morning & at 1100 hrs. the Bn less D Coy moved to G BEACH for mvmt. to KEDAM Pt. (REF MAP LANGEMAK BAY 1/25000) 637598. At 1330 hrs. approx half the Bn embarked on LCM's & LCV's arriving at KEDAM BEACH at 2200 hrs. The second wave embarked at 1830 hrs. arriving at 0415/16. Except for a very heavy thunderstorm the trip was uneventful. The remainder of the night was spent just off the beach & 2 pts. of D Coy rejoined us in the morning.	
16 OCT SATURDAY	At 0730 hrs 00 No 20 (attached) was received the Bn now being Div. reserve. The reason for our hurried departure from the BUREPR. was explained by the fact that a JAP counter-attack was expected to	

he made tonight, possibly by landings along the coast. The information had been obtained from a captured O.O.

0800 hrs coy. comdr. conference

0830 hrs. CO. & I.O. left for DIV & on their return coy. comdr. received the site chosen for our new area & at 1330 hrs. the Bn. moved to KAKAKOG HOSP. area 635589 where posns. were taken up round the hill feature, D coy. being detached for DIV. gd. duty. Recce. of tracks in the vicinity were made & an O.P. est. at the rear of Bn. H.Q. from which pt. SATELBERG was under observation.

At 1820 hrs. 8 destroyers & 7 MTB^s were sighted moving EAST.

17 OCT
SUNDAY

At 0330 hrs a raid on the area in our vicinity was made, single bombers coming over at intervals until 0500 hrs. Unfortunately some bombs fell on AYC coy posns. & 7 casualties resulted including 3 killed.

News was received that approx 100 TAPS attempted a landing near the mouth of the SONG R at 0500 hrs. The beach def. gfr. including some U.S. HMG^s, accounted for all but a few stragglers who were rounded up by the 2/43 Bn.
At 1105 hrs a number of 6 bombers escorted by fighters were intercepted near KEDAM Pt. Three bombers were shot down for the loss of two of our fighters.

An order to move to new posns was received & at 1330 hrs. the Bn was on the move once again. 1700 hrs. Bn. H.Q. was est. at 636648 (REF MAP SATELBERG, 1/25000) on the coast near FINSCHHAFEN air strip. C coy left for TAREKO area 617656 to be disposed by 20 Bde while

A, B, D & HQ. Coy took up def. posns, the two pls of D Coy having rejoined us during the afternoon.

The same warning as for yesterday was given & coast watching sentries were posted throughout the night, which was uneventful.

18 OCT.
MONDAY

Infm. regarding the posn. of our fwd. tps. has been very scanty.

A Coy. was ordered to move with one coy. 2/13 Bn to area SOUTH of KATIKA 640680 as protection for the arty. posns., under comd. 20 Bde. D Coy moved into the posns. vacated by A Coy., while one pl B Coy is guarding the QUOJA ford 631642.

Pte FOX, B Coy was accidentally wounded & LIEUT KENNEDY is to be evacuated tomorrow due to sickness.

19 OCT.
TUESDAY

In the early hours of this morning the air strip & nearby arty. posns. were bombed. Some members of H.Q. Coy. had rather a close shave when bombs fell in the coy. area.

C Coy returned to the Bn area & the D Coy pl. arrived from TAMI IS.

Two patrols were out during the day with the object of ascertaining whether any E had penetrated along the coast to ARNDT Pt. or in the HELDSBACH PLANTATION. LIEUT DOWNEY took the fwd. pl. to the plantation area & LIEUT NORTH a pl. along the coastal route to the mouth of the SIKI R. but no E were sighted.

Advice was received that 26 Bde would arrive during the night & the C.O. & I.O. recd a bivouac posn. for the Bde gr.

SGT NOBBS & Pte CANNON of A Coy, were escorting a bombardier to a fwd. pl of C Coy 2/13 Bn when

an engagement between the pl. & the E commenced. In endeavouring to get into the pl. area SGT NORRIS was killed & the bombardier wounded.

20 OCT
WEDNESDAY

B Coy moved into posn. in the plantation area.

26 Bde, plus a squadron of MATILDAS arrived last night at LANGEMAK BAY & during the morning the Bde moved into the posns. recd. by our CO.

B Coy received orders to move to SCARLET BEACH 646687 at 0700 hrs. tomorrow. A Coy. is to rejoin the Bn which will probably move to SCARLET BEACH ON 22 OCT. & will revert to comd.

24 Bde.

21 OCT
THURSDAY

Capt. DAVIDSON & 24 X list personnel marched in.

B Coy. left for SCARLET BEACH at 0700 hrs per LCV³

26 Bde is to receive 20 Bde. in certain localities to allow re-organization.

An R.C. mass was conducted at 1500 hrs.

22 OCT.
FRIDAY

Mvt. to SCARLET BEACH commenced at 0900 hrs. but due to the limited number of LCV² available it was 1800 hrs. before the move was completed.

The Bn. was ordered to take up a posn. WEST of KATIKA & at 1330 hrs. D Coy left as adv. gd. The coy reached KATIKA without incident but shortly afterwards signs of E activity were noticed & one pl. was sent to investigate. The CO joined D coy. & it was found that the fwd pl. was cut off but was able to fight its way back with the loss of 2 killed & 1 wounded.

Fresh orders were then issued, D Coy to remain in posn. near KATIKA & the rest of the Bn formed

a def. perimeter at SCARLET BEACH.

23 OCT
SATURDAY

at 0630 hrs. D Coy ret'd. to BN area.

A patrol from A Coy to 638684 made contact at several points & sustained H casualties. C Coy went fwd. in support of A Coy. & took up a posn. on an excellent feature 300' WEST of KATIKA five minutes before the E arrived there.

Further orders received & the 2/32 BN is now to relieve the 2/28 BN holding portions of the perimeter covering SCARLET BEACH. The relief was effected by late afternoon (Trace of posns attached). B Coy remains in at the BEACH.

At 1515 hrs. E. attacked on C Coy's front almost as soon as they were in posn. but this was held successfully. Attacks continued inter-mittently on both C & D Coy until darkness a heavy attack coming in at 1820 hrs. no estimate of E casualties could be made.

The E continued his attacks for some hours after dark & attempted to infiltrate but our GPs were ready & the least sign of movt. was soon discouraged.

24 OCT
SUNDAY

0915 hrs. a patrol from B Coy in an effort to gain contact with A Coy found & engaged a JAP posn. 75' SOUTH of the coy.

A 75mm gun was located 70' fwd. of D Coy. THA rifle fire proving ineffective a 2 pdr. was brought in & soon put it out of commission.

It was reported this morning that E planes were seen dropping supplies in the vicinity of SATELBERG HILL.

A & B coys were ordered to close the gap between their posns. Although a recon. had NOT disclosed any signs of the E, B Coy on going fwd.

were immediately engaged & A coy. also met fierce resistance. A pl. was sent fwd. to assist A coy. who eventually dug in at 63906850 still in close contact. We had some casualties ~~but~~ but have no estimate of those caused to E.

A coy. 2/3 Pw Bn came up & 1/32 Bn & took up a reserve posn in the rear of D coy NORTH of SIKI R & just WEST of KATIKA - HELDSBACH track.

Our casualties for 24 hrs were 7 killed 27 wounded.

25 OCT.
MONDAY

Several small recce. patrols were out during the morning but no contact was made. M.M.G., Mtrs, & arty harassed the E throughout the day. 13 E dead were found close to D coy posns but an extensive search was not possible.

At 1330 hrs. an E party was heard digging fwd. of A coy & was engaged with Mtrs & M.G.

at 1430 hrs. a pl. from C coy moved fwd. to fill the gap between C & A coys & the fwd. pl. of B coy advanced slightly to 637697.

1645 hrs E active on both A & C coy. fronts, & appeared to be trying to infiltrate between B & A coy. All moves were frustrated by our fire.

Our casualties for the day were 10 off (LIEUT GARYSEY) & 11 OR^o wounded. 4 evacuated sick.

Although sleep has been almost out of the question since taking up our present posns all troops are keen & in excellent spirits. Contact with the E has been close & given us a good opportunity of studying the JAPS idiosyncracies. At times he would attack silently while on at least one occasion he came in blowing a huge chattering & making a lot of noise. He is persistent & returns to the

attack irrespective of casualties & when withdrawing after one attempt was heard to shout "We'll be back Aussie" - and he was!

The slightest movt. on his part day or night was sufficient to bring down a terrific hail of fire & this is evident from a summary of our amm. expenditure for the past 3 days :-

.303 45500

9mm 28000

2" mtr 930

3" mtr. 800

36 Grenades 516.

Small fires are now permitted & water containers have been obtained for the food coys, which all tend to make conditions more comfortable

26 OCT
TUESDAY

E activity slackened during the night & at first light indications were that he had withdrawn. Several patrols went out on various routes during the day, numerous diggings along our front indicate that at least one bn. was opposed to us. A number of E dead & equipment was found also some of our own gear which he had been using. Although the patrols penetrated up to 500' no E were seen. All reported the excellent effect of our arty. & mtr fire.

There was no E activity throughout the night.

27 OCT
WEDNESDAY

Patrols were pushed out further today but there was no sign of the E who appears to have withdrawn well back from our F.D.L.

A, B & C Coys advanced their posns. slightly to conform with a straightening of our line

A coy. is now linking ~~with~~ with 2/48 Bn on our left & B coy. with 2/28 Bn on the right. D coy. is now in reserve.

At 1700 hrs. 9 E bombers with fighters escort were seen to drop 65 parachutes WEST of SATELBERG, evidently supplies. This was later confirmed by native reports.

Attached is a list of some of the arms & equipment which has fallen into our hands to date. In addition a number of documents, maps etc. have been sent on to Bde.

Our total casualties to date 17 killed 2 died of wounds ^{61 wounded sick} 25 eva.c.

28 OCTOBER
THURSDAY

A quiet day. Patrol from D coy led by LIEUT NORTH. penetrated approx. 1500' from our FDL but did not make contact with E.

The CO & I.O. made a recce. of an area allotted to us for a counter-attack role in the event of a break through from the NORTH.

A limited supply of chocolate was available today - the first canteen supplies, apart from tobacco, which have come along for some weeks. The position regarding our mail has improved considerably & some papers & parcels have been delivered.

29 OCTOBER
FRIDAY

A patrol led by LIEUT. A. HAMILTON, D coy, moved out for 1300' without sighting any E. numerous diggings & a quantity of E equipment was found.

Key rounds made this recce. for the counter-attack task for which we are now responsible & O.O.S. in this connection is attached.

Congratulations were showered on SGT. H. BELL when his award of a D.C.M. was announced for good work in the M.E. campaign
Capt. DAVIES marched in from C.C.S.

30 OCTOBER

SATURDAY

A further patrol today from B Coy, (WOTI SMITH)

found no sign of the E.

Boys are taking advantage of the present lull to improve conditions, cutting fire lanes & cam. posts.

31 OCTOBER

SUNDAY

LIEUT KELEY took a patrol to 615689 approx. 2000' WEST of our posts. without locating any E tro. & it appears that the area fwd. of our P.D.L. has been cleared.

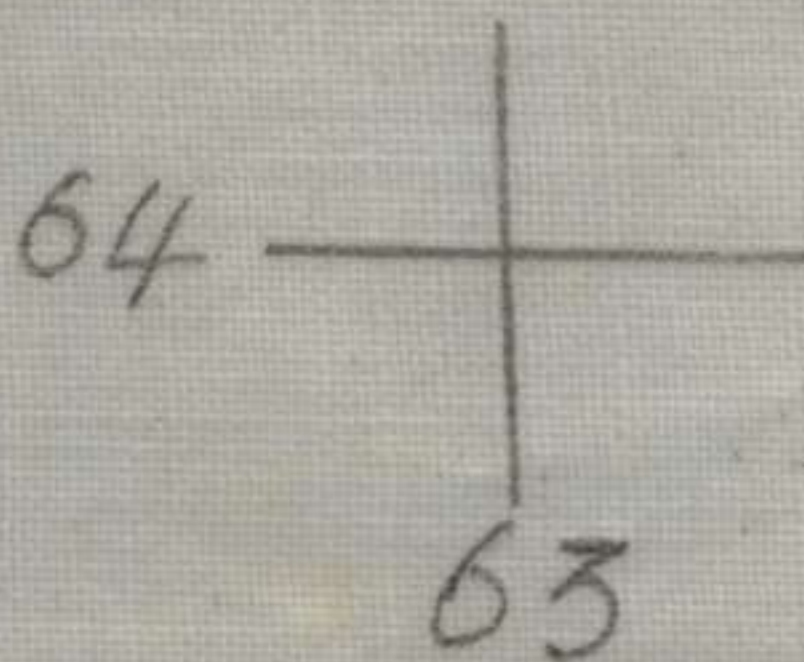
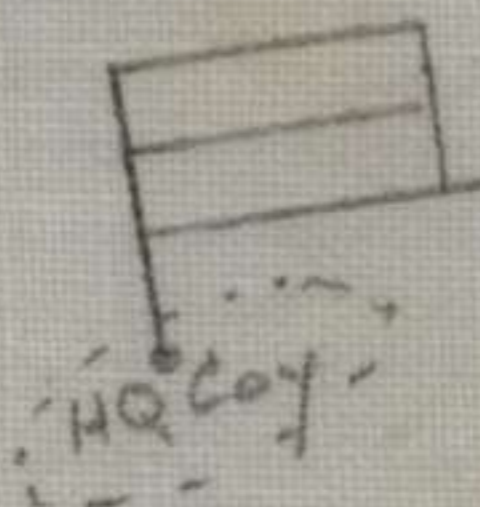
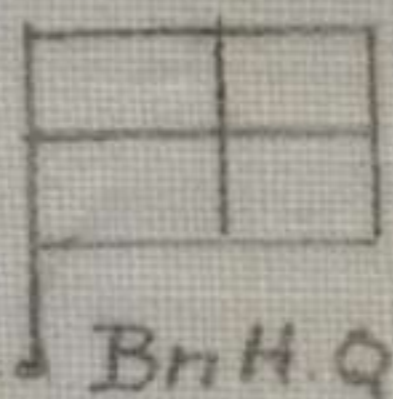
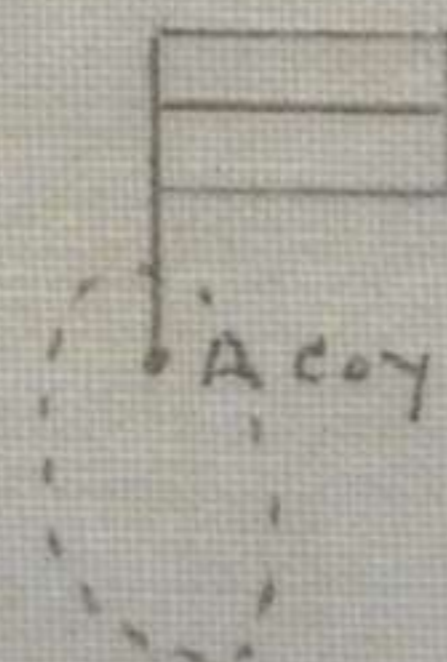
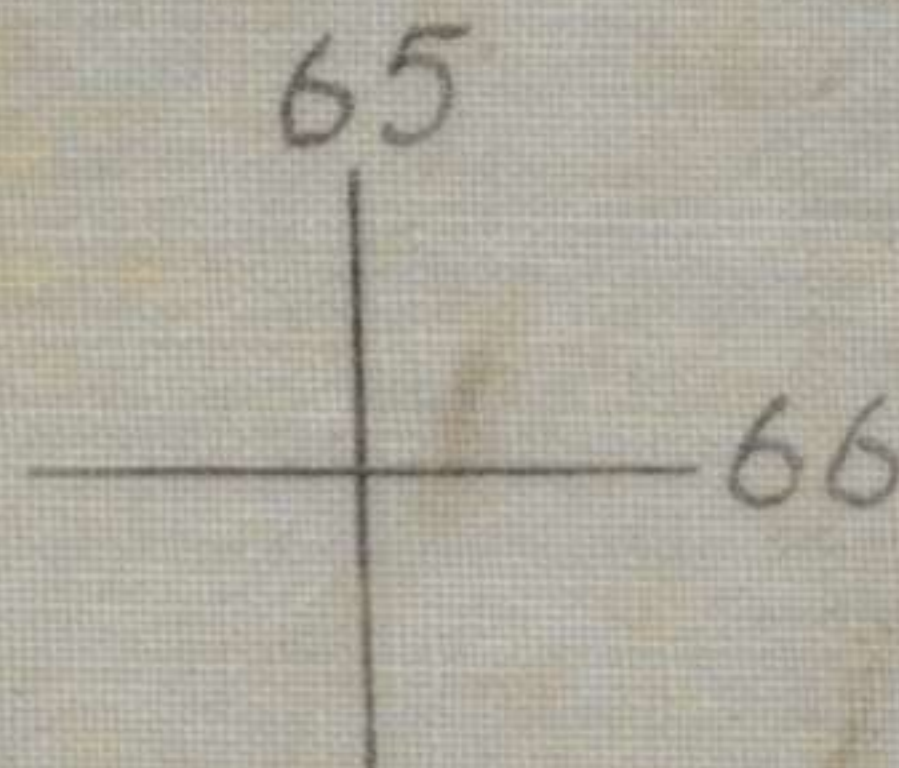
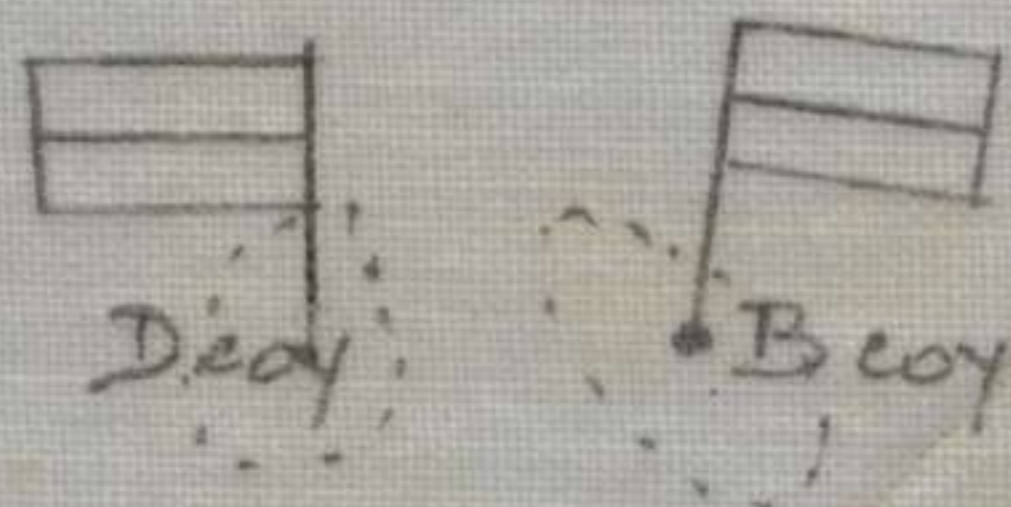
280 natives entered the BDE area today from FIOR & PALANKO. Several were interrogated & reported that the E is very short of food & having raided the local gardens was now forced to forage further afield. They also stated that JAP reinforcements were continuing to arrive mostly in small grps. & that many wounded had passed through during the last few days.

Padre WILLIAMSON conducted a church service.

H. J. Holland Maj.

Trace Showing Disposns of 2/32 Bn (less C Coy)
night 18/19 Oct

superimpose over SATELBERG 1/25000



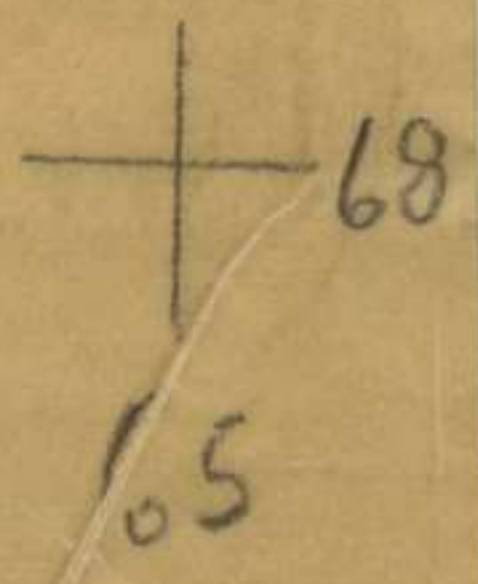
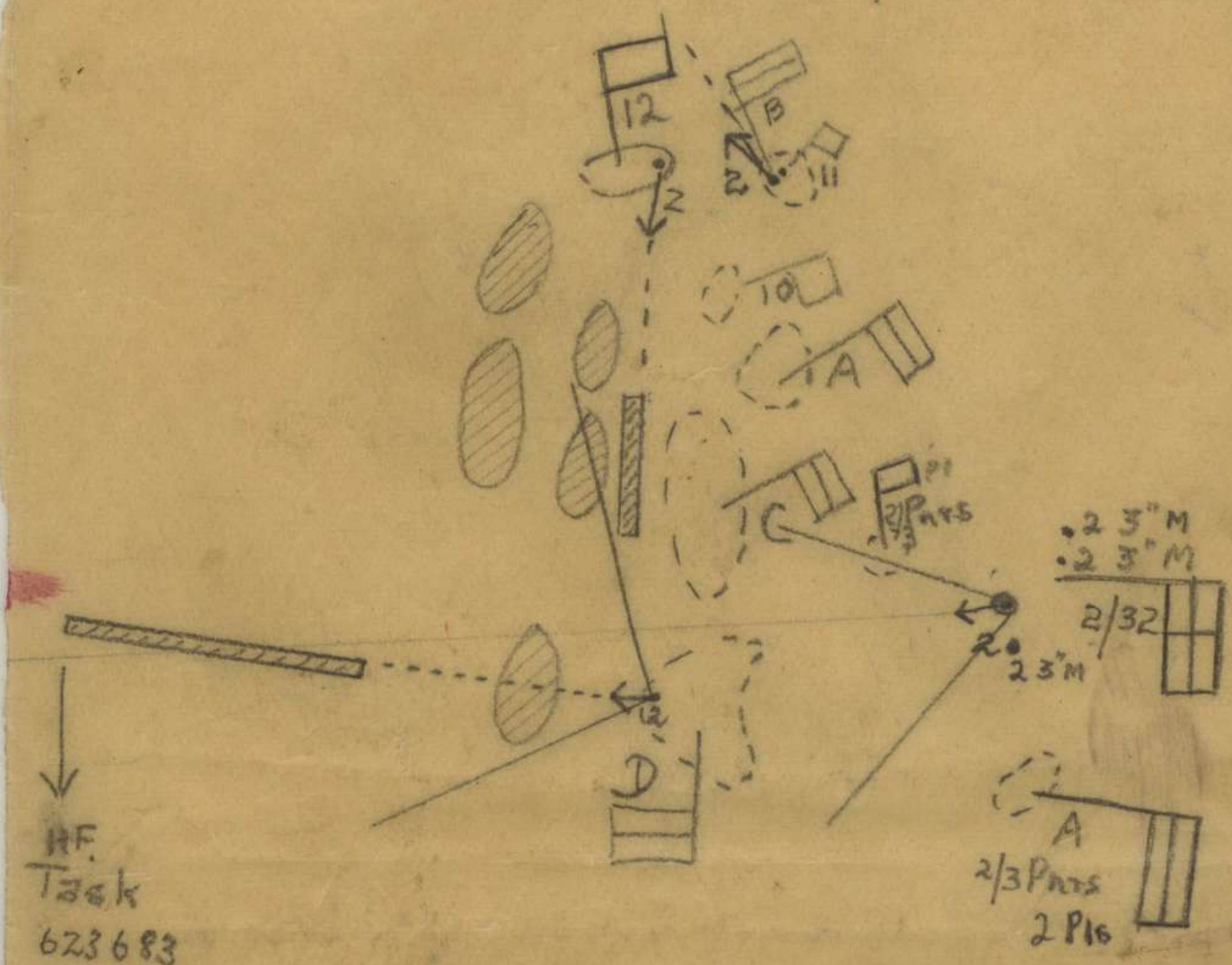
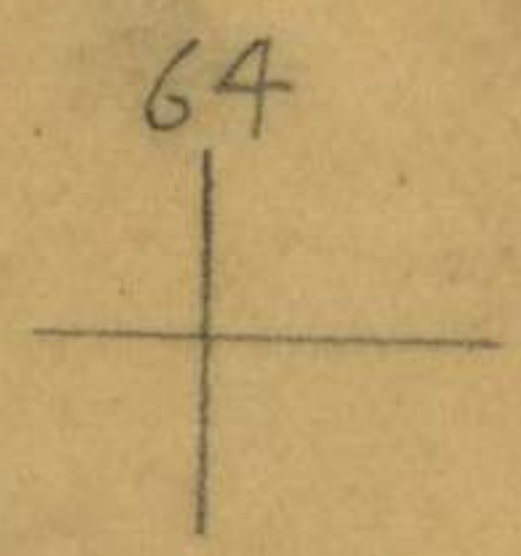
C Coy at TAREKO 618656

1 Section
2/32 Bn

19 Oct 43

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 ENLARGEMENT FROM SATELBERG 1:25,000 26 OCT 43

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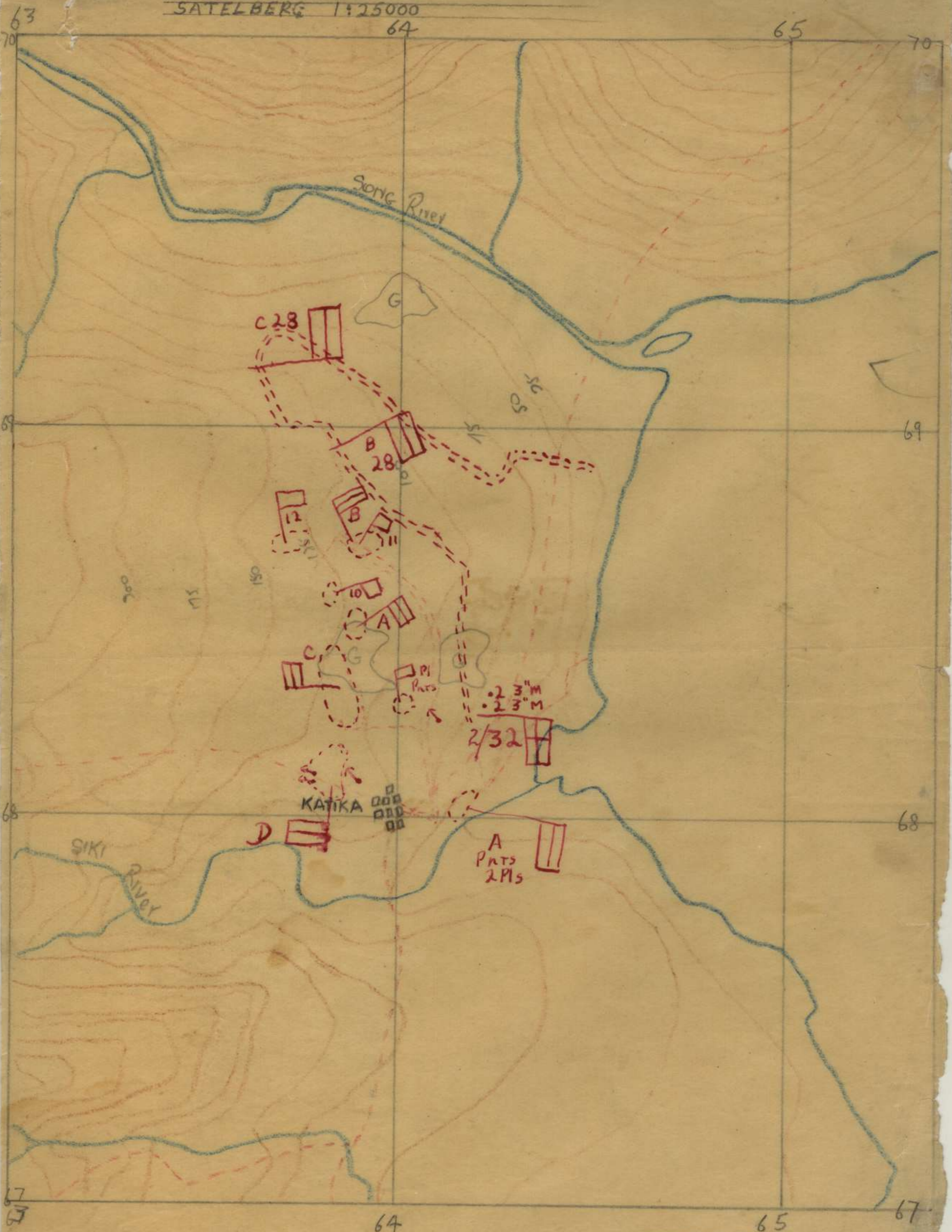


R.F 1:12,500

J. W. Henry
"I" Sec
2/32 Bn

ENLARGEMENT KATIKA AREA FROM

SATELBERG 1:25000



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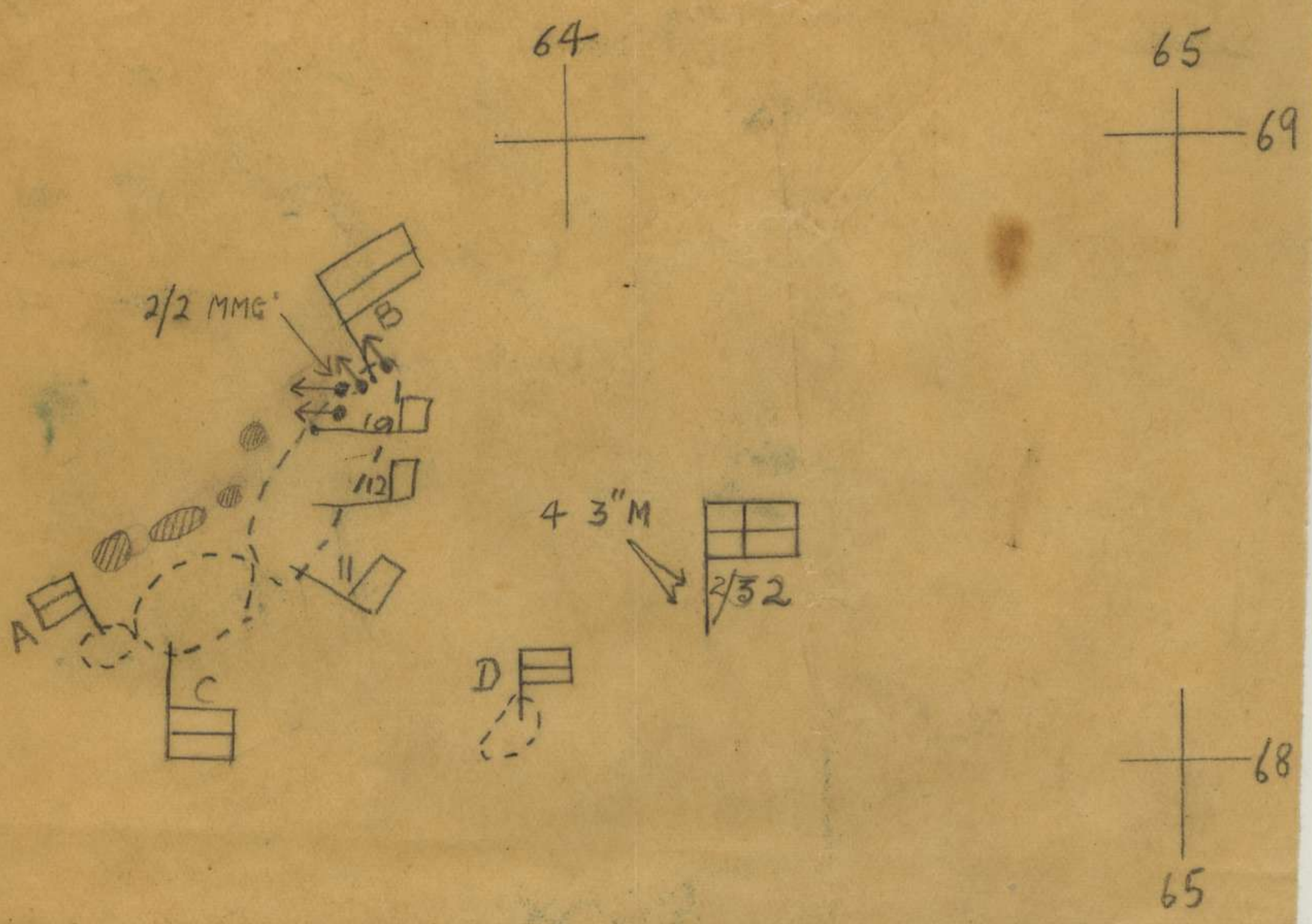
DISPNS OF 2/32 BN AS AT 0800 hrs 26 OCT 43


FOR WAR DIARY

PG J.W. HEARN
 "I" Sec
 2/32 Bn

TRACE SHOWING DISPNS & FIRE PLAN OF 2/32 BN 28 OCT 43

SUPERIMPOSE OVER SATELBERG 1/25000



NB. 32 MMG PI. No Task
Mortar task . . . 

"I" Sec
2/32 Bn
28 OCT 43

MESSAGE FORM

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DEGREE OF PRIORITY

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1830

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

Report Capt eqpt + observations KATIKHA area 22 to 27 Oct

3. Enemy equipment	Jukis	2	75 mm Mtn Gun 1 (u.s.)
	Rifles	173	
	LMGs (Brens)	2	
	" (Jap)	4	
	Knee mortar	1	
	Grenade discharger	4	

3. Weapons
- (a) Short click before knee mortar fired. 1 in 9 duds. These and hand grenades were used considerably.
 - (b) Used our own Brens and rifles.
 - (c) Our own Mortars (2" and 3") Arty and MMGs inflicted by casualties and did great damage.

4. General
- (b) The only identifications visible, apart from captured documents, was the army insignia i.e. 5 pointed star.

Observations

1. Food : Practically no rice but raw and cooked Taro.
2. Tactics :
 - 5 attacks one night against C Coy, charged headlong up slope at sound of whistle.
 - Last attack leading man said in good English "We'll be back!"
 - Sometimes silent in forming up sometimes noisy Tenacious
 - Tactics obsolete - in defence and attack.
 - Attacks directed against D Coy preceded by Arty and grenades from dischargers at close range. Snipers in trees fired at our gun flashes. Scouts and patrols heavily camouflaged with leaves laced into back and front of their equipment.

Enemy dead (counted) 137
 " graves (") 58 195
 Wounded (estimated) 200
 Enemy holes in front of FDL 400

War Diary

2/32 Aust Inf Bn

27 Oct 43

2nd Aust Inf Bn

NUMBER ENEMY DEAD, Captured Equipments + Observations

Katika Ops (by this Unit)

1	Enemy dead (counted)	137	
"	Graves (")	58	195
"	Wounded (estimated)	200	200
Total enemy Casualties			<u>395</u>
2	Enemy holes in front Bn FDLs		400
3	Enemy Equipment		
	Junkies	2	75mm Mort Gun 1 (us)
	Rifles	173	
	LMGs (Brems)	2	
	" (Trip)	4	
	Knee Mortar	1	
	Grenade Dischargers	4	

No.

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Observations

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3 Weapons

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ducks

These and hand grenades were used considerably

(b) used our own Brens + rifles

(c) DUY DWT MFRS (2" - 3") ARTY + MMGs inflicted by cas
- matics + did great damage

4 General

(a) CO considers enemy who counter attacked us
were remnants of original attacking force

(b) The only identification visible, apart from
captured document, was the Army insignia
ie 5 pointed star

Lieut. J. J. ...

Lieut 1.0.2/32
Ans. lat. Br

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No.

2/32 Aust Inf Bn O O No 8.

Ref Map : SATELBERG 1:25,000.

TOC "A"

TOC "B"

TOC "C"

TOC "D"

TOC "E"

TOC "F"

INFORMATION

1. Enemy. Our patrols to the North and NW of SCARLET beach have contacted the enemy in unknown numbers. From this and other information it appears possible that the enemy may attempt to capture NORTH hill-SCARLET beach area by an attack from the North or NW.
2. Own Tps. 2/43 Aust Inf Bn have been ordered to hold present position at all cost, and will make no move to deal with enemy penetration or infiltration.

INTENTION

3. 2/32 Aust Inf Bn less "C" Coy will counter attack enemy penetration if ordered.

METHOD

4. "C" Coy will remain present position and patrol from 2/28 Aust Inf Bn left flank to 2/48 Aust Inf Bn right flank. Any enemy movement will be reported immediately.
5. Route. On receipt of orders 2/32 Aust Inf Bn less "C" Coy will move immediately to the Assembly Area by shortest route. "B" Coy will move by Jeep track to "C" Coy 2/28 Bn, thence East through KUNAI patch. Remainder of Bn will move via main coastal track.
6. Assembly Area. Present "B" Ech. Area 644687.
7. On receipt of orders to move Coy Comds will report to CO at present ~~area~~ Bn HQ to move forward for recce and further orders. Coy Sigs will move Coys to Assembly Area.
8. Recce. Coy Comds will recce area North of SONG river on morning 29 OCT 43. Particular attention will be given to country in squares 6469 and 5569.

ADM

9. Supp. One days rations and two days emergency will be carried.
10. Arm 150rds SAA or 250rds 9MM and 3 grenades will be carried on the man.
11. Weapon. Normal. Tk/A rifles will NOT be carried.
12. Dress. Battle order + less bed rolls.

INTERCOMM

13. Wireless American 511 set will supply link with 24 Aust Inf Bde.
14. Line. Line will be laid behind Coys during any attack.
15. Walkie Talkie. Will be held at Bn HQ pending further instructions.
16. Bn HQ Will open Assembly Area on arrival.

ACK.

Time of signature. 1000

Distribution on back.

 Capt,
Adjt 2/32 Aust Inf Bn.

PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

TO : 2/28 Bn, 2/32 Bn, 2/43 Bn, C Coy 2/2 MG Bn,
rptd 9 Div, 26 Bde, 20 Bde.

FROM : 24 Aust Inf Bn .O 225 23

cancel my O 224 of 22 oct (.) confirmation verbal orders issued 1100
hrs 23 oct (.) NO change (.) bde left bndy now all incl river SIKI
from 620 683 to mouth (.) C coy 2/43 bn reverts cmd 2/43 on 23 oct
on arrival bde area (.) all dets 2/3 par bn will move to FINCH area
by craft commencing 23 oct (.) INTENTION (.) 24 bde will hold SCARLET
beach perimeter incl NORTH HILL area to SIKI creek vicinity 637 679
and patrol offensively (.) METHOD (.) sectors (.) right 2/43 centre
2/28 left 2/32 (.) bndys centre sector (.) right excl river SONG
left incl track 643 690 to 631 687 (.) FPLs approx general posns
held (.) offensive patrols will be carried out in each sector (.)
2/32 bn will cover relief in southern sector with standing patrols
at least 400 yds fwd (.) posns will be camouflaged fire lines cut
and mutually supporting (.) booby traps may be used at discretion
of COs (.) if laid full particulars and location will be advised
immediately (.) res (.) 2/28 bn will hold one coy in bde res (.)
probable role counter attack within bde area (.) this coy will be on
2 hrs notice (.) arty (.) OPO with each bn (.) IF will be arranged
in all sectors on 23 oct (.) engrs (.) pl 2/13 fd coy remains in sp
24 bde (.) MG (.) as at present until advised (.) pars (.) to be
placed where they can be called fwd to barges for movt to FINCH area
(.) ADM (.) 3 days rations and amm in all fwd posns (.) INTERCOMN (.)
normal L/T and W/T (.) bde HQ remains present posn ACK

DRLS

This message must be sent
IN CIPHER if liable to inter-
ception or to fall into enemy
hands

T.O.O. 1270

E.H.I.

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A B C D HQ Coy 2/28 Bn RPTD 2/43 2/32

2/28 Bn 038 22

warning order ref mad sat @ 1/25000 INFMO enemy appear

to be withdrawing west @ 26 Bde taking over 20 Bde area about

SIKI creek @ inter Bde boundary incl 24 Bde SIKI @ 2/32 Bn less one
coy concentrating 24 Bde area prepare to move west of KATIKA area

square @ 6268 INTENTION @ 2/28 Bn plus C coy 2/3 pioneer Bn

will take up interded locality SONG river to include

SIKI creek METHOD @ A coy Plus 1 plat 2/3 Pioneer Bn present

position with KATIKA @ Platoon locality 638679 B coy 2/3 Pioneer

less 1 Platoon 63806824 and 63956826 B coy 63856865 @ C coy

covering track area 639690 @ D coy area SONG river 640694 @ HQ coy

less detail 64076830 @ SUPPORT ARMS @ 1 Det 3 plat plus sub sec

2 Plat U-C A coy @ 1 Det 3 PL U-C D coy remainder res T/ACT P2

2 guns remain beach defence @ ARTY @ has notified by Bde @

det 3 PL U-C A coy will be prepared to support advance 2/32 Bn

will from KATIKA @ ADM @ one days res sup art ammo

in addition 400 rounds 9MM 150 round SAH for weapon to

be held @ MEDICAL @ RAT plus det 2/3 field ambulance will move

to new BHQ area @ CAP will be est @ jeep track will be where

possible NOT closer than 50yds from locality Beech remain

present position @ INTERCOMS @ BN HQ 64076830 closes

present for 1530 hrs @ L/T all locality's valley talky's AD coy @

lateral L/T 2/32 2/46 BMO Code word move OCCUPY @

SDF to be notified @ ACKE

1340
1350 OHG

Serial No 558

R.O.

Adv.

I.D.

Sett. Map

Int Log ~~1001~~

BMB

SECRET

13 Oct 43

PROFORMA MESSAGE FORM

TO : 20 BDE (4) : 24 BDE (4) : RAA (3) : RAE (2) : SIGS : 22 BN : 2/32
BN : C COY PIB : REAR HQ 9 AUST DIV : 2/2 AUST MG BN : 532 GP 2 ESB :
COMD : G : Q : MLO KEDAM : MLO SCARLET BEACH : AASC : MEDICAL (4) :
CAMP : BMB : WD (2)
FROM : 9 AUST DIV

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SECRET (.) OO number 20 (.) ref one inch map (.) INFM (.) indications are that enemy may counter attack towards either or both FINSCHHAFEN AIRFIELD and LANGEMAK BAY by any or any combination of land attack seaborne landing naval bombardment on afternoon 16 oct or night 16/17 oct (.) INTENTION (.) 9 aust div will hold in depth the area excl BONGA incl DREGER HARBOUR (.) METHOD (.) important ground to be held at all costs is (.) track juncs area sq 6473 hill 6372 hill 6272 spur 629708 spur 631703 hill 6470 hill 6168 spur 610677 hill 5966 hill 6166 present posn 5865 present posn 5764 spur 600630 hill 598582 track juncs 603562 TIMBULUM SAWMILL TIMBULUM VILLAGES 6254 spur just west TIMBULUM PLANTATION LOGAWENG ESB bivouac areas SCHNEIDER HARBOUR DREGER HARBOUR (.) only changes in bndys and allotment of tps follow (.) right bndy of centre sector all incl SATELBERG JIVEVANENG 5865 thence all excl rd to R QUOJA thence R QUOJA to coast (.) additional tps under comd 20 bde are A and D & coys 2/2 MG bn and for ops all parts of 532 gp 2 ESB in centre area (.) 20 bde will coordinate defences south of R QUOJA to incl LANGEMAK BAY (.) defensive policy all three areas (.) hold important ground at all costs defence in depth maintenance of local mob res beach watching systems and coastal defence (.) 24 bde will maintain one bn in res (.) 20 bde will maintain two coys in res for employment in area FINSCHHAFEN (.) in div res vicinity R BUMI 2/32 bn on arrival and 2/2 MG bn less three coys (.) RAA (.) only changes are lt AA guns sited near coast will sp their area comds in beach defence (.) should comms fail fd arty allotted in sp of area comds will come under their comd (.) none of own craft will move between all incl ARNDT PT - DREGER HARBOUR between 1800 hrs 16 oct and 0800 hrs 17 oct (.) any craft moving in that area in that period will be treated as hostile (.) precautions to be taken in all units and subunits night 16/17 oct follow (.) no firing after 1700 hrs except at possible enemy preparations for or actual attack (.) precautions against naval bombardment (.) local security measures by all units and subunits and individuals in accordance with previous instns (.) all ranks ready to stand to at short notice (.) rigid PAD particularly no lights torches striking matches near coast (.) all defensive measures will be complete by 1700 hrs (.) ADM (.) at least three days sups amn and water in all fwd posts (.) MT pool maintained by 9 aust div in area FINSCHHAFEN for movement of res (.) INTERCOMN (.) all possible alternative means will be ready (.) code words for reporting enemy land attack northern area BUBBLES centre area PIPSQUEAK southern area WILFRED (.) code words for reporting seaborne attack northern area MULLET centre area MACKEREL southern area MARLIN (.) light signals for arty defensive fire northern area red red red centre area green green green southern area white white white (.) authorized ship to shore system of challenging will be rigidly applied and current recognition signals must be made known to all ranks concerned ack

If liable, etc.

Namer Maj

IMMEDIATE by SDR
DRLS Rear HQ 9
Aust Div

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Verbal

INT adv to approx 627686 in Runan base + firm base

METHOD: 1 ~~center of main~~ H Coy Adv Ld

1 Lt E Coy
2ac Bn HQ + mtr Recce party of 3
2 Pls C Coy
~~1~~ mtr

Main Bn HQ

RAP

A/S B Coy mtr will cover adv
HQ Coy

639689

~~Coy~~ D Coy ↑

2 ST. 0930 (Main Body)

3 S.L. MDS as indicated to A Coy Comd

4 Bounds:
1st 636687 supported clear by Coy Comds
2nd 629687 who will fix like main body
arrives

ADM 4A

5 Amn 2 HE 36 150 rds SAA

6 TKA rifles not carried

7 Supplies 2 days emergency 3 days hand

INTERCOMM

8 Bde Hqs lay L/T with Tac Bn HQ

9 " will supply 511 set

10 Comm Adv Lt 2 walkie-talkie - 1 Tac Bn HQ

June 0840/20

0915 above order cancelled

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① BATTLE CASUALTIES

The first casualties sustained by the Bn in the Fuschafen area were the result of enemy bombing. This occurred in the early hours of 18 Oct when enemy APC raided our defensive area at Hahnberg & dropped a large number of A.P. bombs. In this raid, 3 were killed & 5 wounded. Of the latter, PTE. BRIGHT. RE. sustained a bilateral fracture of both femora & severe injury of his R. hand. His R. limb was so severely damaged that it necessitated radical amputation by the R.M.O. prior to evacuation. In marked contrast the remaining 5 cases were of minor severity only eg. bomb splinters in the arm, shrapnel, legs etc.

On this same day, the Bn moved to a defensive position in the Heldbach plantation & during the ensuing days indulged in patrols etc. During this period 3 members of the Bn were KIA.

On 23 Oct, with the Bn in position in the Hahnberg area, the enemy attacked in force for several days. In this engagement, the unit suffered 79 battle casualties, of whom 12 were killed.

Type of wounds - During the last operation, the pre-ventive type of wound, was single, & caused either by S.A. fire or mortar - bomb splinters. Most of these were severe in nature. In this engagement however, the fighting occurred at close quarters & the enemy lacked artillery or mortars. This was reflected in the wounds which were generally multiple & a result of hand-grenades. Few if any caused great trauma, although several were in many cases severe. In lower leg, were especially - bullet wounds. Most of these occurred in B. Coy during one particular attack, when the injuries sustained were severe & with a gross degree of damage - eg. Cpl. Owens, suffered a complete avulsion of his R. leg; Pte. King, a grossly damaged lower limb.

One case of a small penetrating C.S.W of the spine is worthy of mention - Pte. McElvie. On arrival at the R.A.P. it was found that he had a complete paralysis of both lower limbs, with loss of sensation & voluntary movements. The bullet (sniper) had entered his thoracic spine.

Although, most cases were not of serious nature, they nevertheless required a great deal of painstaking medical attention & many cases required a more liberal dose of morphine than was at first apparent.

EVACUATIONS - As the R.A.P. was well situated within the
Bn area & in close proximity to the Forward Coy.
the carrying by R.S.Bs was short, & most cases obtained medical
attention very soon after wounding. Owing to an incomplete
establishment of S.Bs, & early casualties amongst them, all
available personnel were employed as bearers when the
need arose.

Only one Coy (B. Coy) found difficulty in
evacuating casualties to the R.A.P. This Coy was on the
extreme R. flank & the area between it & B.D. was prone
to infiltration by the enemy. For this reason, the R.M.O. &
S.B. left the R.A.P. on 24 Oct & proceeded to B. Coy position
to the attack. This was indeed fortunate, for the casualties
there, were all of severe type & required immediate surgical
attention which was thus given them during the attack
in the Coy area itself. In this way, the long interval of
waiting without any medical assistance was avoided.

On the following ^{day}, the track running N-S
to B. Coy was reported clear of enemy, & so was utilized on
several occasions for supply & evacuation of personnel.

Logways were opened from R.A.P. to N.S. at Scarlet
Beach, was by a natural line - steps. In this respect, the 7th Amb
did you and service along a difficult & dangerous track.

SICKNESS - In the early stages, 20 cases - mostly malaria -
required evacuation & treatment. Since
they retreat off the enemy, this number has somewhat increased.
Despite the initial immunogenic conditions it was
pleasing to note that very few cases of dysentery were
reported.

LESSONS LEARNT

(1) The strict need of rapidly "dropping-in" the
R.A.P. on all occasions. Shut out Kakaheh! This was
neglected & consequently the R.A.P. staff were obliged
to attend to cases of poisoning, during the bombing
itself. Little if any protection was given to either staff
or patients.

(2) Equipment adjusted as a result of earlier
experiences, were found suitable for all occasions.

(3) In view of the experiences at B. Coy, it may at
times be necessary to split the R.A.P. if the occasion
demands. Although it may not always be advisable for
the R.M.O. to personally attend to cases in a particular
Coy or Bn area. The results obtained thereby, outweigh
the probable risk.

Peter Kaye Capt
AND 2/32 Amb Sub Bn.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
17, 43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6/11/1943 2/32 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/24 OFFRS. 32 O.R.'s. 738 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					
1 Rein'fts Required.	2 Deficient W.E.	3 Surplus to W.E.	4 Posted Strength.		5	6 Arm or Corps.	7 Posted Strength.	8 Surplus to W.E.	9 Deficient W.E.	10 Rein'fts Required.
1	1			*	AA MC	1				
1	1		2	*		Lieut.-Colonels				
4	4		4			Majors				
5	5		4			Captains				
			14			Lieutenants				
			1			Quarter-masters				
					A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
					Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
11	11		21			1				

DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
A.	21									21
E.(1)	1									1
E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
QX37	CAPT.	DAVIES. HG.	HOSPITAL	30-10-43	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 2/32 Aust Inf Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 6/11/1943

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
W22425	LIEUT.	HARRISON AJ.	3 A.R.T. CARUNGA
W22108		DONALDSON R	
Q44208		CALCINO HV	

2/32 Aust Inf Bn

Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6/11/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MASOR	K4751	HOLLARD	K.F.	ADJ CND	Yes		
	104529	DIXON	G.E.	3/L		LOB	11-11-43
CAPTAIN	104477	LANCASTER	C.G.	HQ Coy 6th			
	RK6092	DAVIDSON	J.J.	B.			
	R2202	CARTWRIGHT	R.E.	Q.M.			
	Rx37	DAVIES	H.C.	Chef			
Lieut Major	VK3064	WALKER	J.E.	ADJ CND			
LIEUT CAPT	VX3719	CROWR	R.G.	ADTT			
Lieut	10435125	THORNTON	J.J.	Blwy 4/10			
LIEUT	1048667	DENNESS	A.R.A.	Dxylnd			
	1046080	HAMILTON	T.R.	T.O.			
	Rx205	DOWNNEY	R.K.	PIONEER			
	R21300	GARDINER	R.H.	T.O.			
	1049926	KELEY	H.S.	ADJ CND			
	1047029	IRELAND	R.D.	ADJ CND			
	1041345	LEWIS	R.T.	ADJ CND			
	NK5780	LAING	W.D.	SIG OFF			
	R24334	CLARK	J.C.	ADJ CND			
	1049585	HAMILTON	R.	ADJ CND			
	10410752	NORTH	S.E.	ADJ CND			
	1042210	SMITH	E.	ADJ CND			
CAPTAIN	VX59291	KAYE	P.	RMO			

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CHAPLAIN	N470397	WILLIAMSON R.E.		23.5.43	CHAPLAIN

6. 11. 43

Date of Despatch

K.F. Hollard Maj.

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6 / 14 / 1943 2/32 Aust/Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 02 OFFRS. 32 O.R.'s. 738 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1				2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.				ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.					Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.				AAMC	5			
NR.	2		4	W.Os. Class II.				AEME	2		1	
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.				AAPC	1		1	
NR.	1		4	Staff Sergeants				AAPS	1			
NR.	4		27	Sergeants				AAOC	1			
NR.	14		50	Corporals				AACC	8		15	
			374	Troopers, Privates, etc.								
				Civilians counting as O.R.								
278*	278		460*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.					18*		17	17*

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	478									478
B(1)										
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
				1	DRO WARWICK		
				15	REAR PARTY - BUNN		
				1	ADS		
				1	MG - SIG SCHOOL		
				40	LOB.		

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

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

2/32 Aust Inf Bn

Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 6/11/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.	16	14	2	G.P.O. Assistants	56	45	11
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	3	1
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	3	1
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	12	5	Tailors	2	1	1
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	4	2	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers	1	1					
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks	11	7	4				
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10		Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photowriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers	1	1					
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
								Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	16	14	2	CARRIED FORWARD	56	45	11	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	773	478	295

NON TRADESMEN

STOREMEN 12 11 1
RPs 7 5 2
HYGIENE 4 3 1
FCI DUTIES 15 15
DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.
W/DUTIES 2 1 1
SBE 21 13 8
TK/A No's 22 22
BATMEN 35 35
RELM-LME 411 160 257
MMG 25 25
MORTARS 62 62
ORDERLIES 32 32
PIONEERS 24 24

ATTACHED BY W.E.

HYG-RAP 2 2
MED ORDERLIES 2 2
CHIROPANIC 1 1
PAY CLERKS 2 1 1
POSTAL 1 1
SHOEMAKER 1 1
B'Smith & Artificer 2 2
ARMOURER 1 - 1
CATERERS Cooks 23 8 15

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

6-11-43
Date of Despatch
a.w. 6m bks 3/43

K.J. [Signature]
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16 / 10 / 1943 2/3rd Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 1 / 1 OFFRS. 1 O.R's. + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
1	1			*	AAMC	1								
			2	*										
			3	Lieut.-Colonels										
			20	Majors										
			1	Captains										
				20	Lieutenants									
				1	Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
7	7		26			1								
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	27									27
				E.(1)	1									1
				E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 2/3rd Aust Inf Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 16 / 10 / 1943

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
VK22N-25	LIEUT	HARRISON AJ	
WD2108	"	DONALDSON R	
	"	CALCINO AV	

2/32 Aust Inf Bn.

Unit

14/43 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16/10/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MAJOR	V447881	MOLLARD.	KF.	ADJ (MD)	YES		
	V4529	DIXON	GE	2/IC			
CAPTAIN	W4477	LANCASTER	CG	HQ CMD			
	Q437	DAVIES	AG	C			
	V43066	WALKER	JE	A			
	W42083	CARTWRIGHT	RE	QM			
LIEUT / CAPT	V439719	CROOK	RG	ADJ			
	W435125	THORNTON	JJ	BCOY (MD)			
	W4400	MORRIS	JH	1/4 ACOY			
LIEUT	Q4347	GATNARD	GN	BCOY			
	W48667	DENNESS	APA	BCOY (MD)			
	Q4160	THOMSON	CP	1/4 BCOY			
	W46050	HAMILTON	TR		NO	DET LO 9 Aust Div	16-10-43
	W49252	LIDDELL	JH	2/4 BCOY	YES		
	W4705	DOONEY	RK	PONCE R			
	Q41388	GARDNER	RH	T.O			
	W49926	KEELEY	HT	1/4 BCOY			
	W417029	IRELAND	RD	MTG			
	W41315	LEWIS	RT	7/4 BCOY			
	W42453	KENNEDY	RA	A			
	N43780	LAING	WD	SIG OFF			
	N41869	GARNSEY	KA	13/4 BCOY			
	Q42331	CLARK	TC	11			
	W49685	HAMILTON	R	18			
	W410712	NORTH	SP	17			
	W47110	SMITH	E	16			
CAPTAIN	V459291	KAYE	P	RMO			

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CHAPLAIN	N479397	WILLIAMSON RE.		25.5.43	CHAPLAIN.

16.10.43

Date of Despatch

Signed R.F. Mollard

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16/10/1943. 2/32 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 / C2 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 738 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5 DETAIL.		6-10 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.			Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.		AAMC	6	1		
NR	1		5	W.Os. Class II.		AEME	2	1	1	
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.		AAPC	1		1	
NR	1		4	Staff Sergeants		AROC	1			
NR	1		30	Sergeants		AAPS	1			
NR	8		56	Corporals		AACC	16		7	
	164		467	Troopers, Privates, etc.						
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
175 *	175		563 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			27 *	1	9	8 *

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	590									590
B(1)										
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	AACAD			1	DRD NARWICK		
15	2/43 BN			17	REAR PARTY - BUNB		
				5	AWL		
				1	24 Bde		
				1	ADS		
				1	School		
				1	9 DIV		

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

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

2/32 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Unit

Army Form W.3009
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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 16/10/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.	22	14	8	G.P.O. Assistants	62	45	17
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	3	1
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	3	1
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	22	5	Tailors	2	1	1
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	12	4	8	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators											
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator											
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman											
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker											
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator											
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	10									
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners											
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman											
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals											
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers											
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal											
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood											
Pattern Maker				Masons											
Pharmacist				Masseurs											
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.											
Photewriter				Miners											
Plumber				Moulders											
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained											
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.											
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD	22	14	8	CARRIED FORWARD	62	45	17	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	773	590	183

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

21-10-43
Date of Despatch
a.w. 6m bks 3/43

K.F. [Signature]
Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
15/03 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23/10/1943 2/32 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/02 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 736 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
1	1			*	A.A.M.C	1			
1	1			*		Lieut.-Colonels			
			24			Majors			
5	5		3			Captains			
			18			Lieutenants			
2	2		1			Quarter-masters			
					A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.				
					Civilians Counting as Offrs.				
9	9		24			1			

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

DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.	24									24
E.(1)	1									1
E.(2)										

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
9269	CAPT.	DAVIDSON, J.J.G.	HOSPITAL	20.10.43	RETOINED UNIT.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
9237	CAPT	DANES HQ	EVAC SKW	17.10.43	
9160	LIEUT	THOMSON CP	"	19.10.43	
1042543	"	KENNEDY RR	"	19.10.43	

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 2/32 Aust Inf Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 25/10/1943

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
1022425	LIEUT	HARRISON AJ	BART CARUNGA
102108	"	DONNADSON R	
92203	"	CALCINO AV	

2/32 AUST INF BN Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23/10/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MAJOR	VK47881	MOLLARD	K.F.	40M(LND)	YES		
	WX529	DIXON.	GE.	2/1			
CAPTAIN	WX477	LANCASTER	CG.	40(LND)			
	VX3064	WALKER	JE.	A			
	QX6092	DAVIDSON	JJ.	B			
	QX2083	CARTWRIGHT	RE.	Q.M.			
LIEUT/CAPT	VX39719	CROOK	RG.	AOTT.			
	WX35126	THORNTON	JJ.	5/12/43			
	WX400	MORRISH.	J.H.	2/1/43			
LIEUT	QX297	GATWARD	GN.	1/1/43			
	WX8667	DEWNESS	APH.	1/1/43			
	WX1080	HAMILTON.	TR		NO	DET. L.O. 9 AUST DIV.	16.10.43
	WX9252	LIDDELL	JH.	5/1/43	YES		
	WX205	DOWNNEY	KK	PIONEER			
	QX21380	CARDINER	R.H.	10			
	WX9926	KELEY.	HJ	14/2(LND)			
	WX17029	IRELAND	RD	MMG			
	WX13115	LEWIS	RT	7/1/43			
	WX3780	KRING.	WD	SG OFF			
	WX11889	GARNSEY.	KH.	13/2(LND)			
	QX4330	CLARK	JC	A			
	WX9183	HAMILTON.	R	11			
	WX10752	NORTH	SF	17			
	WX2110	SMITH.	E	16			
CAPTAIN.	VX59291	KAYE.	P	RMO			

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CHAPLAIN	WX19397	WILLIAMSON, R.E.		25.5.43	CHAPLAIN.

23.10.43

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

15/43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23/10/1943. 2/32 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11/12 C2 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 738+ OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 35 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1				2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.				ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.					Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.				AAMC	6	1		
NR	2		4	W.Os. Class II.				AEME.	2		1	
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.				AAPC	1		1	
			5	Staff Sergeants				AAPS	1			
			31	Sergeants				AADC	1			
NR	8		56	Corporals				AACC	15		8	
	179		452	Troopers, Privates, etc.								
				Civilians counting as O.R.								
189*	189		549*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.					26*	1	10	9*

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	575									575
B(1)										
B(2)										

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
				1	DRO WARWICK		
				17	REAR PARTY-BUNA		
				2	AINL		
				1	24 BDE		
				1	ADS		
				1	9 Aust Div		

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

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

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 25/10/1943.

Table with columns for Details of Tradesmen (GROUP I, II, III), W.E., Posted Strength, and Reints. Required. Includes rows for various trades like Ammunition Examiners, Surveyors, Operating Room Assts, G.P.O. Assistants, etc. Includes handwritten entries for 'NON TRADESMEN' and a 'CARRIED FORWARD' summary row.

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

25-10-43 Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30 / 10 / 1943 2/32 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12 / 02 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 738 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5	6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.	AAMC	6	1		
NR	21		4	W.Os. Class II.	AAME	2		1	
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	AAPC	1		1	
			5	Staff Sergeants	AAPS	1			
NR	4		27	Sergeants	AADC	1			
NR	21		43	Corporals	AACC	13		10	
	232		399	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
259 *	259		479 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	2	20 *	1	12	11 *

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

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

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

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
3	2/12 FLD REGT			1	BRO WARWICK		
21	24 BOE SIGS			16	REAR PTY BUNA		
				2	AW		
				1	ADS		
				1	SIG SCHOOL		

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

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

2/32 Aust Inf Bn

Unit

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

Table with columns for Details of Tradesmen (GROUP I, II, III), W.E., Posted Strength, and Reints. Required. Includes categories like Ammunition Examiners, Surveyors, Operating Room Assts, G.P.O. Assistants, etc. Includes handwritten totals and non-tradesmen details.

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

30.10.43 Date of Despatch a.w. 6m bks 3/43

K.J. Mollan Maj Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
16/43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30/10/1943 2/32 Aust Inf Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11/12/12 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 738 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 35 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.	
1	1			*	AAMC	1				
1	1		2	*			Lieut.-Colonels			
5	5		3	Majors						
6	6		14	Captains						
			1	Lieutenants						
				Quarter-masters						
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.						
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.						
13	13		20			1				

	DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.	20									20
	E.(1)	1									1
	E.(2)										

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
0					

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
Qx297	LIEUT	GATWARD G/M	HOSPITAL	23-10-43	PUO
6x9892	"	LIDDELL JN	"	"	WIA
NX11889	"	GARNSEY KR	"	25-10-43	WIA
6x400	LIEUT/MAJ	MORRISH J	"	25-10-43	Tomboid External file

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 2/32 Aust Inf Bn (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 23/10/1943

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
Vx22426	LIEUT	HARRISON AJ	3 ART CARUNGA
6x2108	"	DONALDSON R	"
Qx4208	"	CALCINO HV	"

2/32 Aust Inf Bn

Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30/10/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
MAJOR	V47881	MOLLARD KF	K F.	ADY CMD	YES		
"	W4529	DIXON	GE	2/c	"		
CAPTAIN	W4477	LANCASTER	CG	CCY CMD	"		
	Q46092	DAVIDSON	JJ	B.	"		
	Q42083	CARTWRIGHT	RE	QM.	"		
LIEUT/CAPT.	V439719	CROOK	RG	ADJT	"		
	W435125	THORNTON	JJ	Bdy 2/c	"		
LIEUT.	W48667	DENNESS	APP	Dly CMD	"		
	W416080	HAMILTON	TR	T.O	"		
	W4205	DOONEY	KK	PIONEER	"		
	Q421388	GARDINER	RA	I.O	"		
	W49926	KELEY	HJ	WAR CMD	"		
	W417029	IRELAND	RD	MMG	"		
	W413115	LEWIS	RT	TRX CMD	"		
	N43780	LAING	WD	SIG OFF	"		
	Q44334	CLARK	JC	WAR CMD	"		
	W49555	HAMILTON	R	IC	"		
	W410752	NORTH	SF	IT	"		
	W42110	SMITH	E	IB	"		
CAPTAIN	V459291	KAYE	P	RMO	"		
	V43064	WALKER	TE	ACoY CMD	"		

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
CHAPLAIN	N479377	WILKINSON RE		25.5.43	CHAPLAIN.

30.10.43
Date of Despatch

K. J. Mollard Maj.
Signature of Commander

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN

OUT

No. of Groups
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

2/32 Biv

FROM

ADVANCE G HUST DIV

Originator's Number

0789

Date

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In Reply to Number

<i>Secret</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>Ref</i>	<i>1" maps</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>Ref</i>
<i>captured</i>	<i>operational</i>	<i>letter</i>	<i>00</i>	<i>re</i>	<i>published</i>
<i>separately</i>	<i>⊙</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>Bdc</i>	<i>will</i>	<i>rite</i>
<i>and</i>	<i>hold</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>all</i>	<i>costs</i>	<i>a</i>
<i>post</i>	<i>NORTH</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>river</i>	<i>SONG</i>	<i>on</i>
<i>direct</i>	<i>track</i>	<i>remaining</i>	<i>through</i>	<i>620</i>	<i>700</i>
<i>to</i>	<i>WARCO</i>	<i>which</i>	<i>track</i>	<i>possible</i>	<i>access</i>

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20 Bde 24 Bde RAA 2132 Bde

FROM

ADVANCE 9 AVS DIV

Originator's Number

0803

Date

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In Reply to Number

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LANGEMAK BAY northward and only between

1900 hrs 17 Oct and 0800 18 Oct Naval

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FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

land attack @ all units whose
location permits will establish lookouts to
report immediately through normal channels
the lighting of any fires at
night by SATELBERG HEIGHTS and
any answering fires All informed

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protection in that area has been requested
night 17/18 Oct 0 Own ESB craft from
19 BEACH are due arrive FINSCHHARBOR
between 1500 and 1800 hrs today all informed

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FROM

ADVANCE GUST DIV

Originator's Number

0A2

Date

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In Reply to Number

Please notify any US pilots that A/c are landing VETA 1625 hrs to them from area @ If NOT possible pilots reach air strip 1625 hrs forward to 9 GUST DIV

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TO **2/32 Bn**

FROM **ADVANCE GAUST DIV**

Originator's Number
0806

Date
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In Reply to Number

One Coy 2/32 Bn will move early as possible to TAREKO where it will be disposed by 20 Bde Task to TAREKO area and track junk in vicinity of TAREKO remains under command 2/32 Bn in Qld NO and will NOT be moved from TAREKO without ref to

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9 AUST DIV or if comms FAIL ref to 20 Bde
all inform

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TO *2/32*

FROM <i>Adv 9 Coast Div</i>	Originator's Number <i>0808</i>	Date <i>17</i>	In Reply to Numbers
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<i>Ref 1/35000</i>	<i>coast</i>	<i>watching</i>	<i>stations</i>
<i>estab'd by 3/12 Td Regt a light</i>	<i>to indicate</i>	<i>at approach of 15</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>craft of 1st Lt. Jones</i>	<i>650674</i>	<i>"White Red"</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Armed Pt 651672</i>	<i>Red Green</i>	<i>645655</i>	<i>green</i>
<i>white all</i>	<i>engaged</i>		

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Signed				Signed (BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)								T.H.I. <i>2107</i>
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TO

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FROM

9 Aust Div

Originator's Number

0811

Date

18

In Reply to Number

SECRET (C) OO21 (C) ref (one unit) map (C) intention (C) 9 Aust Div will resume the offensive immediately (C) Method (C) 24 Bde will take immediate action to regain effective patrol control of the area held by 1st Oct and any posts vacated will be re-

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Established in strength (C) in addition
24 Bde will capture and hold first
major contour 5966. Then force of about
623/22 to 630/10 (C) 20 Bde will exert
pressure on the 2/5 and 2/7 Bns along
preparatory lines of advance and capture
ground wherever possible 11 p.m. 1/15

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FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
<i>Comms section</i>	<i>Command</i>	<i>C Coy</i>	<i>P. B.</i>
<i>18 Oct</i>	<i>ack</i>	<i>all</i>	<i>enforced</i>

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TO *2/32 Bm*

FROM *9965T DIV*

Originator's Number *0820*

Date *18*

In Reply to Number

*A Coy 2/2 MG Bm reports from 20 Bde to
Command 2/2 MG Bm forthwith and remains
present location. A and D Coy 2/2 Bm
come under command 2/2 MG Bm on arrival
KAKOG area all informed*

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FROM 9 Aust Div

Originator's Number 2826

Date 18

In Reply to Number

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Confirmation of telep message to
 1900 hrs 18/10/42 @ 1/25000 @ C Coy

2/43 Bn B, C & D Coy 2/5 Pion Bn come under
 command 20 Bde @ B & C Coy will
 be withdrawn to within 20 Bde disposition
 and on arrival pass to Cmdr 2/32 Bn @
 A Coy 2/32 Bn comes under Cmdr 20 Bde @

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20 Bde will prevent any enemy movement south
between 20 Bde present disposition and area
held by 24 Bde © 20 Bde is employing
2/13 Bn less 2 coys and in addition A Coy
2/32 Bn for this task © 2/32 Bn less A Coy
will hold TAREKO and area position
637653 and vicinity track junctions 631641

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and in addition will prevent enemy
landings vicinity JEDDY 637648 @ C Coy 2/32 Bn
at (TAREKO) will be prepared to move
at first light 19 Oct if so ordered
@ 24 Bde held SCARLET BEACH including
hill NORTH of it and KATIKA @
A Coy 2/2 MG Bn in present position and A and Decoy

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Achr 9 Aust Div

Originator's Number

0 835

Date

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In Reply to Number

Confirmation	<input type="radio"/>	Ref	1/25000	map	<input type="radio"/>
First	FIRST	<input type="radio"/>	Believed	small	<input type="radio"/>
party	infiltrated	To	coast	south	<input type="radio"/>
SCARLET	BEACH	night	18/19	Oct	and
attacked	our	northern	front	coast	watching
party	at	650677	<input type="radio"/>	2/32	Bn
will	send	patrol	<input type="radio"/>	strength	to

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Location	of	coast	watching	party	⊙
Route	out	by	coastal	track	⊙
Route	in	across	country	between	coast
and	main	coast	rd	⊙	JAPS
found	will	be	destroyed	⊙	SECOND
⊙	2/32	Bn	will	send	out
another	patrol	strength	one	pl	to

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search	HELD	SRACH	PLANTATION		
between	coast	and	main	rd	and
south	of	east	west	ck	through
645668	○	Enemy	met	will	be
destroyed	○	If	large	body	enem
met	patrol	will	hold	and	fight
○	THIRD	○	2/32	Bn	will

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TO

2/32 Bn

FROM

Adv 9 Aust Div

Originator's Number

0834

Date

19

In Reply to Number

SECRET (O) following on infiltration by small enemy parties yesterday 20 and 24 Bds will send out strong patrols throughout day to locate enemy (O) enemy found will be attacked by Artillery, Mortars or Inf or any combination of these (O) policy of rigorous offensive defensive will be carried out till further orders

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From Adjutant, 1st Coy, 1st Bn, 1st Div, 1st AIF
at 1500 hrs

Lat def of H.
C.O. seen

Ring 1st Coy to two. Re Capt Pines to

SCP at 1500 hrs

All boys report stand to at 0600 hrs OK'd

Ring HQ Coy at 0545 hrs

Finally - Hundred local Mortars thrown

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TO

2/32 Bn rftd 24 Bde

FROM

Adv 9 Aust Div

Originator's Number

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Date

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C	cont	2/32	Bn	will	be
sited	with	D	com	2/32	Bn
about	636654	⊙	PL	D	com
ex	KDMI	ISLAND	will	arrive	KEDHAM
24	morning	19	Oct		

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SECRET	⊙	24	Bolo	will	garrison
and	hold	at	all	corps	and
incl	with	hill	and	SCARLET	BEACH
to	incl	SIKI	CK	⊙	Budy
between	20	and	24	Bolos	incl
as to	24	Bolo	SIKI	CK	⊙
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The restrictions on movement of own small craft which will enforce were in force night 16-17 and 17-18 Oct no longer apply but the challenge and recognition system will be rigidly applied by both craft and shore bases. Officers in charge of beach defence detachments will ensure that the system is understood and

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TO 2/28 2/3 2/4 3 RPTD 9 Div 26 Bde

FROM 26 Bde

ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER

DATE

IN REPLY TO NUMBER

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FROM	ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER	DATE	IN REPLY TO NUMBER
0 inly	2/32 Bdo	South boundary	from 2/28
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TO 2/32 Bn Rptd 2/28 2/43 C.M.G. Bn 26 Bde

FROM 2/4 Bde

ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER 0227	DATE 26	IN REPLY TO NUMBER
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Confirmation of Inter-Bde boundary now excl. KATIKA track west of 2/48 are established as at approx 6336810. 2/32 will advance their left flank to conform to and link with 2/480 Arty D.F. to be registered earliest.

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TO: ^{AS} CDQM 10. RMD.
FROM: B-HQ

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Royal Aust Navy is carrying
out hydrographic
survey this area & is erecting
survey marks consisting of
white calico on stakes @ Under no
circs will these survey marks
be removed or interfered with
in any way @ Promulgate
all maps.

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TH 1 1242

1500⁺ 90°

Dry Creek - ^{25⁺} home and Kell

Garden - 90°

House - ck to K 105

across Kow 110° 400⁺ the 75°

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21/10/43

2/32 Bn

ADV 9 DIV

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FIRST following moves will take place
21 Oct (1) B Bay 2/32 will embark 0700
at HELSBACH FETTY (1) and come under Comd
24 Bde at SCARLET BEACH (1) 1 Bn 26 Bde
will come into Div reserve in area where
coast road crosses river, QUOJA (1)
26 Bde less one Bn and in support 1 Bty
2/12 fd regt will relieve 2/13 Bn in
sector coast at excluding mouth
SIKI CREEK to include main coast
road vicinity HELSBACH to link with
20 Bde as arranged mutually

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and will prevent any enemy penetration
southwards in that sector. (1) Boundary between
24 and 26 Bde incl 24 Bde SIKIEREFER (2)
2/13 Bn on relief will move as follows
2/13 Bn less 2 boys move as ^{required} by and
under comd 20 Bde and A boy 2/32 Bn reverts
commd 2/32 Bn (3) 20 Bde will relieve earliest
possible D and as available B+C boys 2/3 Pnr
Bn who revert to Div comd in Area FINSCHE
HAFEN (4) SECOND (5) 2/32 Bn including A boy
and each B boy remains in Div reserve (6)
THIRD (7) Completion of each of above moves
will be reported by quickest means (8)
FOURTH (9) probable moves commencing
22 Oct after completion of above but
subject to confirmation (10) 2/32 Bn less B boy
to revert comd 24 Bde at SCARLET BEACH
(11) all dets 2/3rd Pnr Bn now with 24 Bde
to revert Div comd in area FINSCHEHAFEN
(12) 24 Bde after move of dets Pnrns still
remains responsible defence NORTH HILL
(13) At all costs (14) A and B boys 22nd Bn revert
to comd 22nd Bn and to relieve A and B boys
2/13th Bn (15) A and B boys 2/13 Bn revert
comd 20 Bde as relieved in FINSCHEHAFEN
area by D and B boys 2/3 Pnr Bn (16)

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Consequence reorganization of command
in Area FINSCHEFFEN will be notified
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2/32 Bn.

21 Oct 43.

9 Aust Div

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Ref my O. 877 @ Ref 1/25000 map @

The following action will be taken on
release of 2/13 bn by 26 bde @ 24 and
26 bde will make and execute mutual
plan to eliminate enemy from both
incl mouth SIKI .CK. to KATIKI when
24 and 26 bde will advance their
left & right flanks respectively to
general line west of main road @
20 and 26 bdes will adv their right
& left flanks ^{respectively} to general line of track

along spur 638672 Aa 628668
all informed

P 1522 D.S. Cey Hill

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Sit Map

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20 Bd 22 2/32

9 AUST DIV 0892 21

Secret REF My 077 Rq 1/2500 map
first following move and changes in command
will take place 22 Oct 2/32 less B Coy will
move to Scarlet beach by small craft starting
0900 hrs at HELDSTADT Jetty and completing
approx 1400 hrs and on arrival revert command
24 Bde B Coy 2/3 Pioneer Bn will move by
these craft on last return journey to
FINSCHAFFEN and come under com. 2/2 M.C.
BN temporarily

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20 Bde will relieve Don Coy 2/3 P

Bn who will embark HELLSBACK Jetty
approx 1600hrs for Kunchupfer where
they will come under command 2/2 MG
BN temporarily. D Coy 2/2 MG BN passes
from command 20 Bde and Don Coy left
two platoons under command 2/2 MG
BN and two platoons Don Coy come
under command 22 BN. A and D Coys
22 BN revert from command 2/2 MG
BN to command 22 BN and relieve A and
D Coy 2/13 BN movement being by
small craft ferry service.

arranged with Q and March route
A and P coys 2/13 BN stay night 22/23
Oct Fuschafen in area vacated by
A and D coys 22 BN. SECOND Bdy 26 Bde
right bdy excl river side from
620683 to mouth left boundary all
incl 26 Bde re-entrant 618675 -
Road bend 626669 thence road to
road junction 638663 thence road to
~~618675~~ 632644 thence excluding
French airfield - including coast
at 635 6460 Boundary 20 Bde with 2/2

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Set map
CO advised
S.O. ~~KM~~

Bn add 22 BN excl. to 20 Bde coast
at 637608 - creek junction 62051
③ Timororo incl Quembung I ref strap
map ① boundary between 22 BN and 22 BN
include 2/2 MC BN track from 615595 to
track junct 617572 thence to coast at
excluding sinlang ① THIRPO coast watching
and coast protection ① 24 Bde 26 Bde 2/2 MC BN
are responsible for own sectors and 2/2 MC
in ad be responsible for 20 Bde sector
of coast ① 20 Bde 2/2 MC BN left one Coy
and 2 platoons ad with adishan troops is
alotted from time to time

will be responsible for defence of its
sector in accordance with orders issued
separately and will co-ordinate defence of
all sub units and installations in its
sector. 2/3 Pioneer BN left four coys from
Scarlet Beach to Trenchhafen where Band
P coy revert to its command C coy 2/43
BN to be relieved by 20 Bde and stage
night 23-24 Oct with 2/23 BN A and C coys
2/13 BN from Trenchhafen via jetty to
rejoin 20 Bde. FIFTH probable move 23 Oct
subject to confirmation act

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To 2/13, 2/15, 2/17 Bns 2/32 - 2/33 Bde

FROM 20 Bde

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0020 @ ref map 1/25000 @ enemy still holds small area R SIKI at mouth & astride SATELBERG rd vicinity, 594667 @ 9 and Div has ordered relief & reorganization 26 Bde relieve 2/13 & elements 2/32 Bn who alternately relieve 24 Bde SCARLET BEACH area @

INTENTION 20 Bde will re-organize & make preparations for opening of SATELBERG rd @

METHOD following move will take place @

FIRST 1 Bn 26 Bde is relieving 2/13 Bn less 2 coys in present area Alay Lay 2/32 Bn reverting command

(7)

2/13 Bn @ 2/13 Bn less 2 coys will on relief
 move to SATTELBERG rd rejoin D Coy 2/3 Pw Bn
 linking with det 2/17 Bn vicinity. NEW TARIKO @
 D 2/3 Pw Bn on relief revert to DIV comd in
 FINSCHHAFEN area @ B & C coys 2/3 Pw Bn when
 withdrawn to within our lines revert to
 DIV comd. moving to FINSCHHAFEN area @
 anticipated move 22 OCT @ 22 Bn less 2 coys
 relieve A & D Coy 2/13 Bn which move into
 FINSCHHAFEN area with view later rejoining
 2/13 Bn orders issued separately. ack

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TO H.Q. ABCDCoys 2/3 Rm Rpt 24 Bde 2/32. 2/43

FROM

2/28

ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER

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DATE

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IN REPLY TO NUMBER

Acct to 2/28 AUSTINF BN operation inst No 10 INFM
 Enemy indications enemy have withdrawn west from
 posns round KATIKA @ own tps @ Inter Bde bde
 KATIKA track incl 26 Bde @ 2/48 1st moving to 634 680
 @ 2/28 Bn will commence offensive patrolling in depth 29
 Oct @ 7 times out 0830 hrs times in 1630 hrs strength one pltn
 Acct 2/28 Bn will move to Coy area adjacent to SCARLET

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ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER

DATE

IN REPLY TO NUMBER

BEACH @ 1000 hrs 27 Oct and will receive pltn areas for immediate occupation on alarm for beach defense. Pltn areas for infiltration will also be prepared as indicated to Capt PARRY

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428 2/32 C Coy MG Rptd 2/43 9 DIV
 2/4 Bde

ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER

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IN REPLY TO NUMBER

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Following move take place on date shown @
 B. ech. 2/28 and 2/32 to SCARLET BEACH north and
 south respectively today @ Areas arranged by Capt NICHOLAS
 @ Park beach defended by night @ Elements 2/3 par Bn
 move by march route to Carex river BUM 1 @ all dets BHQ
 and HQ Coy 26 Oct @ A Coy morning 27 Oct @ B Coy
 afternoon 27 Oct @ move to be arranged by Major ROSEVEAR

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ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER

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IN REPLY TO NUMBER

*in conj with 2/33 and 2/38 Bn @ arrival BUMI area
 all detachments pass revert command 2/3 pmt Bn*

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First Coy ~~101st~~
Capt ~~101st~~

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AG 2/3 Pioneer ~~101st~~
RR, advised ~~101st~~

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TO *432 Bn*

FROM *24 Bde*

Originator's Number *0224*

Date *22*

In Reply to Number

Confirmation @ Bde left boundary now

all incl SIKI from 620683 to north

@ Intention @ 24 Bde will continue offensive

ops @ method @ Present SCARLET perimeter will

be reorganised with western FDL approx 1000 yds

from sea linking with 248 Bn on SIKI approx

637640 and NORTH HILL approx 638695

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@ All det's 2/3 pur Bn except A Coy are placed
 under command 2/28 Bn @ A Coy 2/3 pur remains
 under command 2/43 Bn @ B Coy 2/3 pur SCARLET
 and NORTH HILL @ Right 2/43 1st 2/28 @ Inter Bn
 boundary, all incl 2/43 river SONG 2/28, jump points
 on each flank will be arranged mutually with 2/43
 and 2/48 Bn and manned by both units

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Concerned @ 1st booby traps used, detailed description and area will be described immediately @ 2/32 Bn will advance west from KATIKA area 6268 and carry out offensive ops directed by Bde in area south SONG to Bde's boundary and west to river in squares 6169 and 6168 ADM @ 3 day rations and amms with man as arranged by C @ SO INTERCOMMUNICATION

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<p><i>Normal L/T and W/T @ Extra W/T L/R being arr with 2/32 Bn @ City lines to OPOSO 2/32 Bn will report hourly on posn and situation @ Bde HQ remains present posn ACK</i></p>			

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