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**February 1945**

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 45 To 2 Feb 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PEARL RIDGE	1 Feb 45	0800	Further mov by 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) personnel from the NUMA	Ref Map KOWARO 1/25000 att as appx "A"
BOUGAINVILLE			NUMA AREA back to TOROKINA. Additional personnel of 55/53	
			Aust Inf Bn arrived.	
		<del>0915</del>	Two japs sighted in the vicinity of B Coy (678132) . Fire	
			was exchanged with unobserved results.	
		0930	Arty engaged enemy mov seen on SMITH'S HILL. One jap blown	
			from tree presumed killed, four others possibly killed.	
		1530	Patrols for 2 Feb briefed	
			Security patrols report no contact	
	2 Feb	0800	Main Body 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) moved out from Coy perimeters	
			and personnel from 55/53 Aust Inf Bn relieved them	
		0900	Our arty harassed SMITHS HILL to help camflg the relief of our	
			tps by 55/53 Aust Inf Bn.	
		1300	Comd Offr 55/53 Aust Inf Bn assumed comd of NUMA NUMA AREA	

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Unit 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Date and Time.—From 2 Feb 45 To 6 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	2 Feb	1330	Maj CALLINAN (Adm Comd 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Capt MAXWELL (Adjt)	
BOUGAINVILLE			departed for TOROKINA to Unit camp area.	
	3 Feb	0815	Coy Parades, - Rest day	
		1000	Brig STEVENSON (Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) visited Maj CALLINAN (Adm Comd 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	
			Unit posted strength      40 Offrs    735 OR	
			Att    1    "    32 OR	
			41    "    767 OR	
	4 Feb	0815	Coy Parades - Rest day	
	5 Feb	0830	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD	
		0900	Bn (less essential duties) march to beach for swimming parade	
		1000	CO's conference with Coy Comds re wearing of shirts, discipline	
			atebrin parades and Sig Pl to be first priority in re-org of Unit	
	6 Feb	0830	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD	

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Date and Time.—From 6 Feb 45 To 8 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	6 Feb		Cadre Course started for trg of future NCO's . Lt COLLYER (i/c) CSM	
BOUGAINVILLE			and four instructors.	
		0930	Bn (less essential duties) march to beach fro swimming parade	
		1400	Maj RALSTON (2 I/C ) and Capt SEARLES (OC A Coy) returned to Unit from L.H.Q. Tactical School Beenleigh.	
		1800	Unit placed on Warning Order of 24 hrs for relief of 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) in TSIMBA AREA	
	7 Feb	0830	Bn parade on REAMS FELD. Unit inspected by Brig STEVENSON (Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde) who congratulated Unit on its excellent work in its initial campaign and he hoped for tye same results in future ops.	
		1100	7 Pl A Coy relieved 10 Pl LARUMA OP's	
		2359	Time changed from K to L Time	
	8 Feb	0830	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD. Lt Col ABBOTT delivered farewell As from 7 Feb 45 Maj B.J. CALLINAN appointed to Comd 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) with the rank of T/Lt Col	

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Date and Time.—From 8 Feb 45 To 11 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA BOUGAINVILLE	8 Feb		address to Unit. He congratulated Unit on its fine work in the recent campaign.	
		1030	Bn (less essential duties) march to beach for swimming parade	
	9 Feb	0900	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD. Address by Lt Col CALLINAN (CO) on future trg and ops	
		0915	8 Pl A Coy (under Comd Lt CHAMBERS) moved out to 2/1 A.G.H. as guard	
		1000	Bn (less essential duties) to beach for swimming parade	
	10 Feb	0830	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD	
			Unit Posted strength      Offrs 42      OR 730	
			Att      "      1      "      32	
			"      43      "      762	
		<del>0900</del>	Bn (less essential duties) march to beach for swimming parade	
	11 Feb	0815	Coy Parades. Remainder of day spent in organised sports	

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Date and Time.—From 11 Feb 45 To 12 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	11 Feb	1100	Captured enemy eqpt incl 47mm Type 01 Tk A Gun, 70mm Type 92	
BOUGAINVILLE			Bn Gun, 7.7mm Type 92 Juki MMG received from 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) and exhibited for Unit tps to familiarise themselves with these weapons.	
	12 Feb	0800	CO's conference with Coy Comds . CO explained that this conference would be held daily to avoid unnecessary sig traffic	
			Matters discussed: Posting of Offrs in order of seniority, trg for the week 12 Feb to 19 Feb with special attention to lessons learnt during the last campaign, clothes, health and general bearing of tps.	
		0830	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD. Unit inspected by Lt ColCaALLINAN (CO 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF))	
		1215	Captured enemy eqpt incl 6.5mm Type 96 LMG, 6.5mm TAISHO 11 'NAMBU' LMG, Short 6.5 'MEIJI' Type 38 Rifle, Type 93 No 2	

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Date and Time.—From 12 Feb 45

To 14 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	12 Feb		Naval Respirator, 50mm Type 89 Grenade Discharger captured by	
BOUGAINVILLE			9 Aust Inf Bn received from 3 Aust Div and exhibited for Unit	
			tps to familiarise themselves with the weapons.	
	13 Feb	0800	CO's conference with Coy Comds	
		0830	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD	
		0500	Lt Col ABBOTT departed BOUGAINVILLE for mainland.	
		1800	Lecture to Unit Offrs by Maj McDONALD ( MALARIOLOGIST 2 Aust	
			Corps) on Malaria and its control.	
	14 Feb	0815	CO's conference with Coy Comds.	
		0830	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD	
		1130	C Coy returned to unit after relief by 101 Aust Bde Sp Coy	
			at Roadhead NUMA NUMA Trail	
		1500	16 Pl D Coy (under comd Lt MOORE) relieved 7 Pl A Coy at	
			LARUMA OP's	

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Date and Time.—From 14 Feb 45 To 16 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	15 Feb	0815	CO's conference with Coy Comds	
BOUGAINVILLE		0830	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD. CO addressed tps on future ops	
		1615	CO's conference with Coy Comds re future ops	
		2000	All Unit Offrs attend demonstration 25pr Star Shell shoot TOROKINA RIV Area.	
	16 Feb	0815	CO's conference with Coy Comds	
		0845	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD. Unit addressed by Maj McDONALD (Malariologist 2 Aust Corps) on atebrin and malaria	
		1100	8 Pl (under comd Lt CHAMBERS) returned to Unit from guard duties at 2/1 A.G.H.	
			Lt R BISHOP resumed regimental duties as OC 8 PL from secondment as LO 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	
			Lt CHAMBERS seconded to 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) as LO	
		2000	Discussion of ops in 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) area by	



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Date and Time.—From 16 Feb 45 To 18 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	16 Feb		Capt TITLEY (OC C Coy 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) and Lt REITER	
BOUGAINVILLE			( LO 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	
	17 Feb		Unit Posted strength ; 41 Offrs 727 OR's	
			Att    1    "            31    "	
			42    "            758    %	
		0815	CO's conference with Coy Comds	
		0830	Bn Parade on REAMS FIELD	
		1100	Lt Col CALLINAN (CO) visited HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) in connection with forthcoming ops	
			Instn as to composition of Unit Advance Party and LOB personnel issued	Att as Appx <b>OB</b>
	18 Feb 45	0815	CO's conference with Coy Comds	
		1100	26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Op Intsn No 1 issued covering Unit area of responsibility on TOROKINA Perimeter.	Att as Appx <b>OC</b>

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Date and Time.—From 18 Feb 45 To 21 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	18 Feb	1400	Lt Col CALLINAN (CO) departed by air to make aerial recce	
BOUGAINVILLE			of TSIMBA AREA.	
			26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Mov Order No 2 for mov of Unit from	Att as Appx <b>1D</b>
			TOROKINA to PUTO issued	
	19 Feb	0600	Adv Party of Unit departed TOROKINA for PUTO area fro relief	SORAKEN WEST
			31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	1/25000 att as appx 'E'
		0900	Bn Parade on REAMS FIEED	
	20 Feb		Preparations for mov of main body of Unit to PUTO carried out	
	21 Feb	0915	Main body departed 4 Beach TOROKINA in two LCT's for PUTO	
		1610	Main body disembark PUTO MR 224536.	
		1700	B, C and D Coys departed PUTO for respective Coy areas	
			LCI with Unit stores failed to arrive due to engine trouble	
		A	A Coy bivouaced night at PUTO	
		2300	Enemy shelled Tac HQ near GENGA RIV mouth(MR 224567) with	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA			12 rounds 2 blinds	
BOUGAINVILLE	22 Feb	1100	All Units in area come under Comd 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	List of Units att as appx 'F'
		1135	12 Pl B Coy reached 248580 established Firm Base then advanced  NORTH	
		1200	17 Pl occupied former B Coy posn 238569	
		1215	2 Aust Mtn Bty engaged enemy posns on DOWNS HILL	
		1300	B Coy HQ at 245580. Pls proceeding NORTH towards LALUM	
		1400	15 Pl C Coy contacted enemy 300 yds EAST of GILLMAN RIV  cas enemy 1 killed own 1 wounded.	
		1445	Enemy posn (MR240583) bombed by 3" Mortar inpreparation for  new probing by 15 Pl.	
		1500	LCI with Unit stores arrived PUTO	
		1500	A Coy departed PUTO for DOWNS HILL AREA for relief A Coy	
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	22 Feb	1500	Two LCT's departed PUTO for TOROKINA with main body 31/51	
BOUGAINVILLE			Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	
		1600	B Coy less one Pl moving towards LALUM from Firm Base (245579)	
		1600	Barge with ANGAU natives departed PUTO for PETATS IS off WEST coast BUKA IS to collect native inhabitants.	
		2000	Barge departed PUTO with jeep and trailer and beached on NORTH bank GENGA RIV mouth.	
	23 Feb	0900	Tac HQ closed GENGA RIV (MR225567) and reopened 235575	
		1000	Lt A CHAMBERS , Bde LO arrived Tac HQ	
		1400	Barge returned from PETATS IS with 376 natives . Cas inflicted on new party of enemy were 4 killed. One Royal Papuan Constabulary (R.P.C.) slightly wounded.	
		1700	Jeep track from GENGA RIV mouth to 243578 opened to traffic	
		1900	Jeeps commenced moving stores from GENGA DUMP to C Coy	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	23 Feb	1925	Enemy 75 mm shelled GENGA - GILLMAN area with 8 rounds 2 blinds	
BOUGAINVILLE		1935	CB fire by 2 Aust Mtn Bty on 263600	
		2000	Enemy arty engaged DOWNS HILL AREA	
		2000	Barge transported further jeep from PUTO to GENGA DUMP 225567	
		2225	Enemy 75 mm engaged GENGA - GILLMAN area with 18 rounds 2 blinds	
		2240	CB fire by 2 Aust Mtn Bty on 263600	
	24 Feb	0630	Enemy 75mm shelled DOWNS HILL Area with 6 rounds.	
			Unit Posted strength :            41 Offrs 717 OR's	
			Att     1     "     31     "	
			<u>42     "     748     "</u>	
		0645	CB fire by our arty on 278598	
		0900	B Coy (MR 245581) continueing advance towards LALUM. Hy swamp to EAST prevented mov on this flank.	
		0900	Patrol from 14 Pl C Coy departed Coy perimeter MR 238583	

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Date and Time.—From 24 Feb 45

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	24 Feb	0930	Our Arty bombarded area 241583 prior to advance by 14 Pl	
BOUGAINVILLE		1000	CO moved fwd to C Coy Area mouth of GILLMAN RIV.	
		1000	Tac/R plane flew over A and B Coy areas to fix posn of own and enemy tps for possible Arty/R	
		1000	A Coy moved from MR 283574 and probed enemy posn on EAST flank of DOWNS HILL. Enemy used 3 LMG's and rifles and were hard to pinpoint	
		11000	Recece patrol from B Coy at MR 245582 moved EAST through swamp for 400 yds to dry ground.	
		1200	Further recece patrol from B Coy report a well worn track 500 yds NORTH of Coys posn.	
		1200n	Two pers from ATIS Det 2 Aust Corps moved fwd to Tac HQ	
		1400	Natives taken from PETATS IS on 22 Feb 45 moved from PUTO to SIPAAI	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	24 Feb 45	1600	14 Pl reached gardens at 242563 and dug in for night. No contact made with enemy.	
BOUGAINVILLE		1600	A Coy after flanking move reached posn on main Jap L of C to DOWNS HILL to NORTH of ridge at MR 245582 . A patrol operating northward along the track found one dead jap and two graves. A patrol moving SOUTH to DOWNS HILL was fired on by the enemy which was dug in.	
		1600	B Coy reached well used track previously reported and dug in at 248586	
		1930	Enemy shelled Tac HQ with 22 rounds 2 blinds.	
		2005	Enemy 75mm shelled A Coy posns in DOWNS HILL area with 16 rounds 2 blinds	
		2015	CB fire by our arty on suspected enemy gun posn at 264601	
	25 Feb	0750	Patrol from A Coy to DOWNS HILL found japs dug in on small	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	25 Feb		knoll	
BOUGAINVILLE		0845	Patrol from B Coy moved WEST made contact and probably killed one jap.	
		0900	CO'c conference with OC D Coy and attached arms re plans for 26 Feb.	
		0900	Tac/R over B and C Coy areas	
		1015	Patrol from A Coy contacted enemy at a point 300 yds NE of perimeter. Japs were using 2 LMG's. Cas Own 1 Offr ( Lt ADAMS) and 4 OR's wounded. Enemy 1 probably killed	
		1110	Patrols both EAST and WEST of B Coy perimeter contacted enemy posns.	
		1130	14 Pl C Coy moved EAST onto track and est perimeter. Coy HQ and 13 Pl moved across to same vicinity.	
		1200	B Coy patrol operating to the EAST located track junc at 250586	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM ARAE	25 Feb	1215	CO instructed B Coy to maintain a Firm Base on the track	
BOUGAINVILLE			junc and push out patrols on all tracks.	
		1220	10 Pl B Coy seized small knoll 50 yds EAST of the track junc	
			at MR 250586 killing 4 japs	
		1315	Patrol moving WEST from B Coy found disused hut with iron	
			roof also discarded amm	
		1320	Patrol moving NORTH from B Coy advanced 600nyds at which point	
			sounds of enemy activity were heard	
		1330	Brig STEVENSON ( Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Brig CREMOR	
			(CRA 2 Aust Corps) and Lt Col ARTHUR visited Tac HQ	
		1430	11 Pl B Coy reached WEST coast approx 300 yds NORTH of C Coy	
			This patrol located a damaged 75 mm jap gun nearby.	
		1455	11 Pl dug in for night at 240585 . This move by 11 Pl was	
			the final move which resulted in the sealing of one of the Jap main L of C	

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LALUM ARAE	25 Feb		to the GILLMAN RIV area where C Coy was still meeting opposition	
BOUGAINVILLE		1600	2 OR'S accidentally wounded in A Coy by the exploding of a booby trap. One later died of wounds.	
		1730	Patrol from B Coy perimeter moved NW along track contacting 7 japs with LMG . No Cas either side.	
		1745	Patrol B Coy moving WEST towards coast contacted enemy	
		1900	Mov heard near 15 Pl perimeter on NORTH bank of GILLMAN RIV	
		2045	Enemy grenades thrown onto 10 Pl perimeter Nil Cas	
		2110	Enemy harrassed B Coy with probable grenade discharger	
		2245	Enemy 75mm shelled vicinity A Coy (DOWNS HILL) with 12 shells	
	26 Feb	0700	A Coy 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) departed DOWNS HILL Area to return to Unit.	
		0715	D Coy moved out from 237573 and advanced NORTH toward B Coy	
		0820	Enemy attacked 11 Pl perimeter with LMG and rifles Cas	

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To 26 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	26 Feb		3 killed Own 1 wounded	
BOUGAINVILLE		0845	Brig STEVENSON (Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) who had been visiting area departed for TOROKINA	
		1026	D Coy passed through B Coy at 250586 and continued advance NORTH.	
		1230	Patrol from A Coy moving around right flank of enemy posns in DOWNS HILL Area reported posn clear of enemy. Eqpt left behind included 2 Aust rifles, 1 P14 rifle, 1 OSMG(damaged) 3 Bren magazines, quantity of 9mm amm and webbing eqpt bearing Aust names. One dead jap was found.	
		1255	D Coy reported being at a posn 600yds NORTH of B Coy at approx 248592.	
		1320	D Coy report large pits- probably old gun posn - 700 yds NORTH of B Coy.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	26 Feb	1415	A Coy moved from Firm Base at 278562 to posn at 277567	
BOUGAINVILLE		1430	A Patrol moving WEST from C Coy HQ at 241583 contacted enemy at a track junc 50 yds out . Cas own NIL Enemy 1 Killed 1 probably killed.	
		1455	D Coy reached a point 750 yds NORTH of B Coy and dug in.	
		1700	C Coy came under fire of Jap grenade discharger in the vicinity of the track junc previously mentioned . Our Arty brought to bear on Jap posn.	
		1730	Patrol moving NORTH from D Coy perimeter(248589) contacted 5 enemy. Cas Own NIL enemy 2 killed 1 probably killed	
		1824	Our arty engaged huts in vicinity D Coy with 230 rounds	
		1830	P1 A Coy reached 262582 approx 700yds NW of Coy HQ and dug in for night. Several enemy sighted	
		1950	One PW captured by C Coy on GILLMAN RIV Area. PW had been	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	26 Feb		slightly wounded by our booby traps, and was in very poor physical condition. PW held in Coy perimeter for night.	
BOUGAINVILLE		2130	11 Pl harrassed by enemy fire. Enemy called out to draw our fire.	
			During night 26/27 Feb our arty harrassed enemy posns in GILLMAN RIV Area.	
	27 Feb	0200	Enemy 75mm's shelled area vicinity Tac HQ firing 40 shells in seven minutes. Cas 2 Engrs slightly wounded. Stores in ANGAU area damaged.	
		0215	CB fire by our arty on 278642; 272625; 258612; 260608; 271624	
		0830	Pl A Coy dug in at 262582 killed one Jap.	
		0715	C Coy located another Jap who had been wounded by our booby traps during night. Jap taken as PW and evacuated.	
		0900	Ph/R over area flown by RAAF	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	27 Feb	0940	C Coy report now in posn at 239584. Reported enemy weapon pits 170 yds NE of this posn reported clear on 26 Feb now reoccupied by Japs.	
BOUGAINVILLE		0945	C Coy report track junc naerby to perimeter clear of enemy.	
		0945	Patrol from 16 Pl Don Coy reached WEST coats at 243592 sighted two Japs killing one.	
		1025	Patrol from 16 Pl D Coy moving NORTH along coast found 3x 37mm Tk A guns and 3 damaged Jap trucks.	
		1105	enemy 75mm shelled vicinity Tac HQ with 20 rounds 5 blinds.	
		1230	Patrol moving NORTH from C Coy Perimeter (GILLMAN RIV) found well worn track with enemy sig wire. This track considered to be jap main L of C. The patrol found recently vacated enemy posns and 2 rifles taken.	
		1230	16 Pl Don Coy moving NORTH along coast investigated wide track	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM ARBA	27 Feb		running EAST near abandoned Jap truck . The patrol was attacked	
BOUGAINVILLE			Cas own 1 killed 2 wounded Enemy unknown.	
		1230	Brig MANN (CE 2 Aust Corps) Lt Col MURNE (CRE 4 Aust Base) and Maj NETTLE (CO 16 Aust Fd Coy RAE) arrived Tac HQ	
		1245	A Coy moved to join 9 Pl on track at 271575.	
		1330	17 Pl reached coast at approx 244606 and commenced digging in	
		1400	13 Pl C Coy moved from track junc to coast which was reached 200 yds NORTH of 15 Pl.	
		1530	Patrol from 11 Pl B Coy moved 500 yds NORTH along the coast from their perimeter and recaptured one Bren Gun Cas own one killed.	
		1606	Enemy arty engaged coastal strip from Tac HQ NORTH with 20 rounds.	
		1610	Two OR's from D Coy wounded by enemy arty shell . One later	

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118  
(adapted.)

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Unit 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Date and Time.—From 27 Feb 45 To 28 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	27 Feb		died of wounds	
BOUGAINVILLE.		1615	15 Pl moving fwd to select new perimeter came under enemy shell fire . Cas own 3 wounded	
		1700	A Coy moving into posn at 272575 were fired on by enemy. In ensuing action cas were Own 1 killed enemy 1 killed. One Type 99 7.7 mm LMG captured	
		1900	Engrs moved by barge to GILLMAN RIV mouth taking two FBE's to make jeep crossing across river.	
			During night 27/28 Feb enemy attacked A Coy at 271575. Our arty DF was brought down and squeals could be heard. Cas enemy 5 probably killed.	
	28 Feb	0645	Mov heard around 18 Pl area. Enemy threw one grenade .	
		0900	13 Pl moving NORTH along coast passed through 11 Pl	
		0930	Maj RALSTON (2I/C 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) and Capt MAIR (SC 11	



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Unit 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Date and Time.—From 28 Feb 45 To 28 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	28 Feb		Aust Inf Bde (AIF) arrived Tac HQ	
BOUGAINVILLE		1000	Brig Mann (CE 2 Aust Corps) and party departed Tac HQ	
		1000	13 Pl moving NORTH along coast contacted 17 Pl One sec 13 Pl remained at this posn ( 244606) and remainder of Pl returned to Coy perimeter. 17 Pl moved out and pushed North along coast	
			C Coy entered a period of rest 200yds NORTH of the GILLMAN RIV mouth.	
		1045	18 Pl engaged small party of japs on right flank of perimeter	
		1115	11 Pl arrived at B Coy from their posn on the coastal L of C This L of C as a result of the activities of B,C and D Coys now considered clear of enemy as far fwd as D Coy.	
			10 Pl departed perimeter and moved EAST along track	
		1245	Patrol around the right flank of the enemy opposing D Coy struck wide track with old wheel marks and sig wire. One Jap	

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Unit 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Date and Time.—From 28 Feb 45 To 28 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	28 Feb		killed	
BOUGAINVILLE		1315	17 Pl report track along which they were moving cut out. Patrol now moving towards COMPTON RIV	
		1330	D Coy reached posn 242604 and found an abandoned OP in tree. Track to the SE investigated and no enemy seen.	
		1435	D Coy HQ moved to posn of 13 Pl standing patrol at 243606	
		1440	11 Pl which had moved from coast to B Coy took over old 10 Pl posn on knoll	
		1520	10 Pl moved 600yds EAST to posn where enemy contacted 27 Feb. Patrols to NORTH and SOUTH report no signs of enemy. Pl dug in for night at this posn MR 260588	
		1630	17 Pl contacted enemy at 242607. Cas own 2 wounded enemy 1 killed.	
		1640	Comm with A Coy which had been out for several hours resumed	

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Date and Time.—From 28 Feb 45 To 28 Feb 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LALUM AREA	28 Feb		The Coy reported killing 3 Japs who had approached the perimeter.	
BOUGAINVILLE		1755	Enemy shelled GENGA - GILLMAN Area with 15 rounds	
		2100	2 Aust Mtn Bty moved by barge from 225532 to 228568	
			During night 28 Feb/1 Mar our arty fired HF on enemy posns fwd of D Coy.	
			Attached as appx 'G' are Unit SITREPS covering ops from 21 Feb 45 to 28 Feb 45.	
			<i>B. J. Gallen</i> Lt Col.	

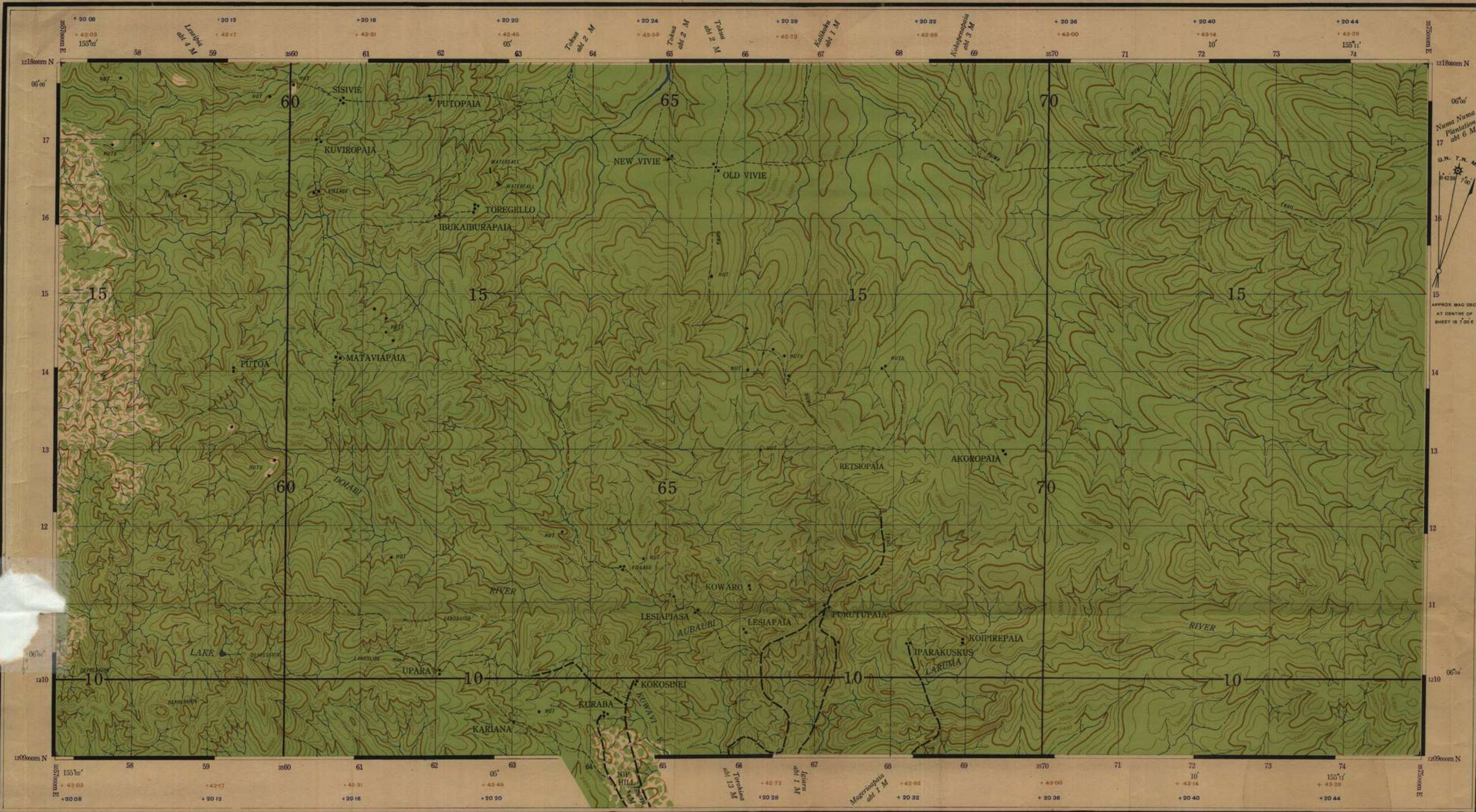
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SOUTHERN NEW GUINEA ZONE

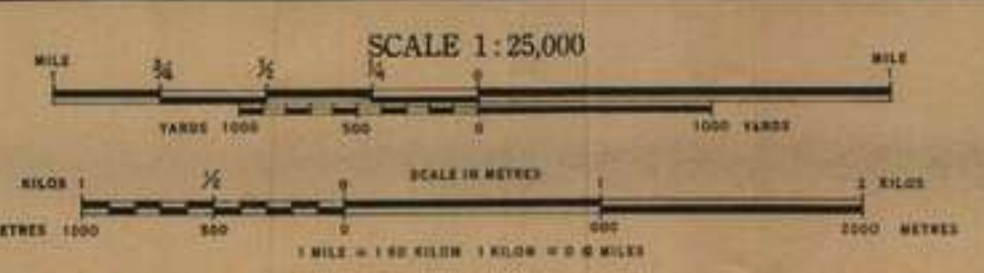
# BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND KOWARO

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NO 4830 KOWARO 1:25000 SERIES



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### LOCALITY DIAGRAM



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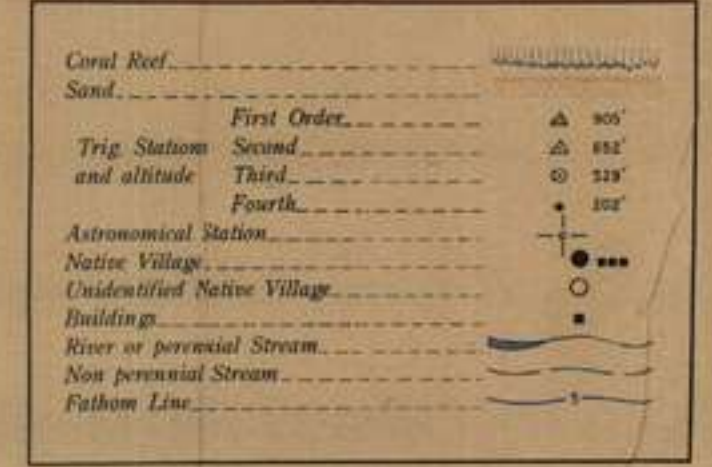
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POINT KOWARO (VILLAGE)

East	North
65	11
66	12
67	13
68	14
69	15
70	16
71	17

REFERENCE 662112

Unit: Metres  
Scale: 1:25,000  
Reference to nearest: 100  
Nearest similar reference distance: 100 Kilometres

Subject : ADVANCE PARTY AND L O B PERSONNEL

HQ 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
17 Feb 45  
15/1/2

1. Advance party and L O B personnel for the forthcoming move will be as under :-

(a) Advance Party

CO ; Adjt ; IO and 3 OR ; Coy Comd, one offr, 4 WOs or NCOs and 1 OR per rifle coy ; QM and 10 OR ; Sig Offr and 10 OR ; MMG Offr and 2 OR ; Mortar Offr and 2 OR ; Tk A Offr and 1 OR ; Pioneer Offr and 1 OR ; RMO and 2 OR ; RSM and 6 OR BnHQ ; CSM and P&O Cpl HQ Coy.

(b) L O B Personnel

En 2ic (Maj A. C. Ralston)  
5 Offrs - (Capt A.C.M. Taylor ; Capt J. Ellwood ; Lt C. F. Fraser ; Lt O. C. Ruddick ; Lt A. G. Prime )

3 WOs or Sgts ( 2 HQ Coy ; 1 A Coy)

5 Cpls (1 per coy to include cadre instructors)

43 OR to include specialists as under :-

2 clerks BnHQ ; 1 Int Duty ; 1 RAP Orderly ; 2 Signallers ; 2 MMG numbers ; 2 3" mortar numbers ; 2 Tk A gun numbers ; 2 pioneers ; Cpl Storeman QM Store ; 6 Riflemen per rifle coy (to include one potential NCO per pl to attend unit cadre No.2 as student and may include students at present attending Cadre No. 1) ; 1 cook each from HQ and C Coys ; 1 Postal Orderly C Coy ; 1 bootmaker D Coy.

All personnel who departed on No.2 leave draft.

2. Acknowledge.

( C. K. MAXWELL ).....Capt  
Adjnt 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>	<u>COPY NO</u>
HQ Coy	1
A Coy	2
B Coy	3
C Coy	4
D Coy	5
CO	6
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Adjnt	8 - 9
QM	10
TO	11
RMO	12
File	13
War Diary	14 - 15
<u>FOR INFORMATION</u>	
11 Aust Inf Bde(AIF)	16

/s/ Feb 45

26 AUST INF BN (AIF) OP INSTR NO. I

Ref Map ; EMPRESS AUGUSTA DAY 1 : 20,000 Sheets 6 & 7

**INFM**

Enemy

- 1. As per current revsits and int summaries.

Likely Enemy Approaches.

- 2. It is considered that the main lines of approach to the extreme left sector of TOROKINA perimeter are LARUMA TRAIL and BEACH TRACK.

Own Tps

- 3. (a) 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) is responsible for the def of left sector of TOROKINA perimeter from incl NUMA NUMA TRAIL.
- (b) 55/53 Aust Inf Bn is responsible for def of TOROKINA perimeter from excl WEBB RD to excl LARUMA TRAIL.
- (c) Base and L of C Units - In the event of determined enemy attack threatening penetration of the perimeter, Base and L of C units are to concentrate in their respective camp areas and each area is to be prepared for all round def. All mov behind the rear boundary of fwd formations is to be reduced to a minimum especially at night.

Tps Allotted

- 4. 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) with under comd
  - one pl 16 Aust FC Coy
  - one pl 101 Aust Bde Sp Coy

**INTENTION**

- 5. 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will prevent enemy penetration into the extreme left sector of TOROKINA perimeter from incl LARUMA TRAIL.

**METHOD**

Summary of Op

- 6. (a) def of extreme left sector of the perimeter with FDLs based on existing minefields and wiring as shown on sketch map att as appx A.
- (b) est of coy posns as outposts on general line of LARUMA RIVER.
- (c) active patrolling

FDLs

- 7. Based on existing minefields and wiring as shown on trace att as appx A.

Boundaries

- 8. Boundaries and coy areas as per trace att as appx A.

Outposts

- 9. (i) D coy will take up outpost posn at LARUMA TRAIL and RIVER crossing. Role - to deny enemy crossing and use of LARUMA TRAIL. On withdrawal D Coy will take up posn on line of FDLs as shown on trace att as appx A.

- (ii) C Coy will take up outpost posn at mouth of LARUMA RIVER. Role - to deny crossing of mouth of LARUMA RIVER and use of BEACH TRACK to enemy. On withdrawal C Coy will come into Bn res with role of counter attack on any part of bn front ordered.

#### Withdrawal of Outposts

10. (i) Time of withdrawal - D and C Coys will withdraw from outpost posns on receipt of code word from bn comd - code word will be issued separately from this order.  
 (ii) Routes of withdrawal - D Coy by LARUMA TRAIL  
 C Coy by BEACH TRACK

#### Patrols

11. D Coy will furnish patrol - str one sec.  
 Task : To patrol daily down and fwd river from D Coy outpost posn to C Coy outpost posn.  
 C Coy will furnish patrol - str one sec.  
 Task : To patrol daily along beach to LAGOON 11802203.

#### Digging Policy

12. On occupation of outposts and def posns, coys will dig weapon pits.

#### Time of Occupation

13. Def areas will NOT be occupied until further orders.

#### Fd Arty

14. 2 Aust Mtn Bty will sp bn as follows :-  
 DF - (i) area intersection BEACH TRACK and mouth of LARUMA RIVER  
 (ii) area LARUMA TRAIL crossing of LARUMA RIVER

#### RAE

15. one pl 16 Aust Fd Coy will carry out following tasks:  
 (i) preservation of minefields  
 (ii) repair and reinstatement of existing wire obstacles

#### MMG

16. (i) one sec under comd A Coy  
 (ii) one sec under comd B Coy

#### Mortars

17. (i) 3" mortars (a) two dets under comd A Coy  
 (b) two dets under comd B Coy  
 (c) four dets bn res  
 (ii) 4.2" mortars - one pl 101 Aust Bde Sp Coy will cover area BEACH TRACK and FIRING RANGE in sq 121216

ADM

#### Amn

18. on man as per WE II/12C/3  
 bn res as per WE II/12C/3

#### Sups

19. (i) FSD est 12572162  
 (ii) coys to hold 3 days rations plus one emergency ration

Med

20. (i) ADS est 12752187  
 (ii) MDS est 12482164  
 (iii) RAP est 12452168  
 (iv) 4 SBs per coy

Dress

21. (i) for ops ; battle order  
 (ii) for outposts ; battle order plus pack, blanket, change of clothing.

Security

22. Normal op procedure.

INTERCOMN

23. BnHQ est 12452169  
 24. W/T - 208 sets with outpost coys  
 - HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde will supply link to BnHQ  
 25. L/T - line from HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde  
 - line to outposts and coy areas  
 26. SOS signal - GREEN over RED

ACK

*(Handwritten signature)*  
 ( C. K. MAXWELL )....Capt  
 Adjnt 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

ISSUED BY

SIGNED AT 1000 HRS 18 FEB 45.

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HQ Coy	1	1
A Coy	2	2
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C Coy	4	4
D Coy	5	5
C O	6	6
2 IC	7	7
Adjnt	8	
I O	9	8
Sig Offr	10	9
R M O	11	10
R S M	12	
2 Aust Mtn Bty (AIF)	13	11
16 Aust Fd Coy	14	12
101 Aust Bde Sp Coy (AIF)	15	13
19 Aust Fd Amb (AIF)	16	
223 Aust Sup Depot Pl (AIF)	17	
HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) (for infm)	18	14
War Diary	19 - 20	15 - 16
File	21 - 23	17



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26 AUST INF BN (AIF) MOVEMENT ORDER NO.2

Ref Maps : TOROKINA 1/63,360  
          TAIOF IS 1/63,360  
          BANIU 1/63,360

INFORM

1. ENEMY

As per current Int summaries.

2. OWN TPS

26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) TOROKINA PERIMETER  
31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) TSIMBA AREA

INTENTION

3. 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will move from TOROKINA to TSIMBA area to relieve 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Gp.

METHOD

4. ADVANCE PARTY

(a) Comd ; Capt S. G. Searles  
(b) Tps : As per appx A att.  
(c) Task ; To move 19 Feb 45 as advance party to 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
(d) FUP : REAMS FIELD  
(e) Mov from FUP ; 190530L  
(f) Surface craft departs : 190600L

5. MAIN BODY

(a) Comd : Capt D. R. Milson  
(b) Tps : As per appx A att.  
(c) Task : To move 21 Feb 45 to relieve 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Gp  
(d) FUP : REAMS FIELD  
(e) Order of mov : HQ Coy ; BnHQ ; B Coy ; D Coy ; C Coy ; A Coy  
(f) Mov from FUP : To be advised  
(g) Surface craft departs : To be advised

6. L O B

(a) Comd : Maj A. C. Ralston  
(b) Tps : As per appx A att.  
(c) Task : To move to area at present occupied by 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) L O B personnel.  
(d) Mov : At a time and date to be notified.

7. TT

(a) To embarkation beach ; By MT under arrangement with HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
(b) By sea : On 19 Feb 45 by 2 barges  
          On 21 Feb 45 by 2 LCTs

8. EMBARKATION BEACH

Beach at 16 Aust Fd Coy RAE area.

9. EMBARKATION OFFICER

Lt K. M. Christie is appointed embarkation officer and will arrange embarkation on 19 Feb and 21 Feb.

10. BEACHMASTER

Lt A. W. FOERS is appointed beachmaster and will

supervise off loading of all surface craft and dispatch of tps to respective destinations.

ADM

12. ROUTINE

(a) 19 Feb 45 : Reveille 0330 hrs  
Breakfast 0400 hrs HQ Coy Kitchen

(b) 21 Feb 45 : To be advised

13. ACON STORES

All acon stores, cooking gear, engine stores etc to be transferred to 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will remain in coy stores. A detailed handover certificate, in triplicate, will be prepared; distribution of certificates as follows - one copy to QM; one to incoming coy; one coy file.

14. SUPP

One days dehydrated and two days iron rations on the man.

15. AMN

Scale as laid down in appx D of unit standing orders.

16. EQUIP AND DRESS

As per Dress 2. Mosquito net will be carried in haversack.

All unit pugarees will be tied into sea bundles and left with LOB stores.

Berets, jungle, green, will be re-issued to tps.

INTERCOMN

17. SIGS

No 1 pl will take full WE of stores and sig eqpt.

18. HQ

Bn HQ will close at present area and will re-open LOB area at a time and date to be notified.

Tac HQ will open at site of 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
Tac HQ at place and time of relief.

ACK

ISSUED BY RUNNER

SIGNED AT 120 HRS 18 FEB 45.

*(Signature)*  
(C. K. MAXWELL).....Capt  
Adjt 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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Q M	10	10
R M O	11	11
Lt FOERS	12	11
Lt CHRISTIE	13	12
File	14	13
War Diary	15-16	14-15
<u>FOR INF</u>		
11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	17	16
31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	18	17

ISSUED WITH 26 AUST INF BN (AIF) MOVEMENT ORDER No. 2

APPX 'A'

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SUB-UNIT	ADV PARTY			MAIN BODY			L O B		
	OFFRS	OR	TOTAL	OFFRS	OR	TOTAL	OFFRS	OR	TOTAL
Bn HQ	4	11	15	1	17	18	2	7	9
HQ COY									
Coy HQ	-	2	2	1	10	11	1	2	3
1 Pl	1	10	11	-	10	10	-	4	4
2 Pl	1	2	3	-	21	21	-	3	3
3 Pl	1	2	3	-	40	40	-	2	2
4 Pl	1	1	2	-	17	17	-	2	2
5 Pl	1	1	2	-	29	29	-	4	4
6 Pl	2	10	12	-	26	26	-	2	2
A Coy	2	5	7	3	100	103	-	8	8
B Coy	2	5	7	3	86	89	2	14	16
C Coy	2	5	7	3	80	83	-	11	11
D Coy	2	5	7	3	92	95	1	12	13
TOTALS	19	59	78	14	528	542	6	71	77

BN TOTAL 39 OFFRS 658 OR

# SORAKEN WEST

- Hut
- Reported Track
- Confirmed Track
- Loop Track
- Scattered Timber
- Open Forest
- Dense Jungle Forest
- Swamp
- Scrub
- Timber Boundaries

**NOTE-**

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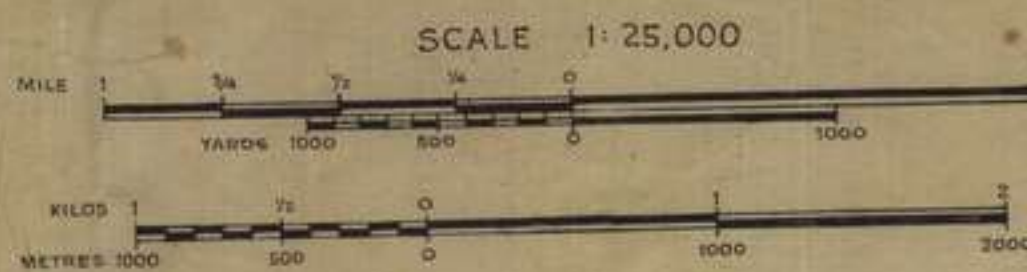
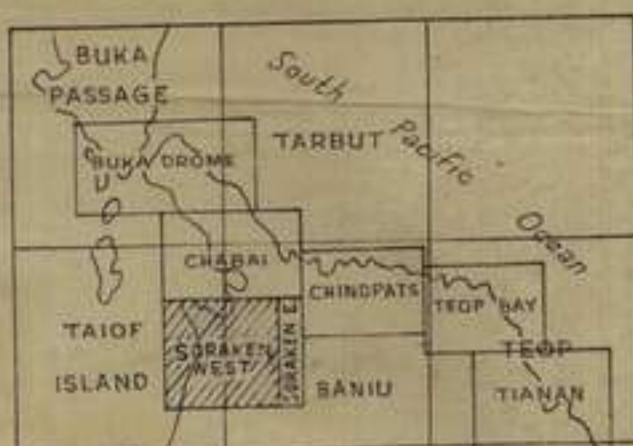
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Aust. Svy Corps

**LOCALITY DIAGRAM**



UNITS UNDER COMD 26 AUST INF BN (AIF)

HQ 4 Aust Fd Regt (AIF) Jungle Div

12 Aust Fd Bty ( 4 Aust Fd Regt)

2 Aust Mtn Bty

4 Det 5 Aust Mob Met Fl

2 Pl 101 Aust Hy Mortar Coy (AIF)

1 Pl 16 Aust Fd Coy (RAE)

B Coy 19nAust Fd Amb (AIF)

Det 42 W/Craft Landing Coy

Det 222 Aust Sup Dep Pl

Det 223 Aust Sup Dep Pl.

Det 'B' Aust Corps Wireless Sec

Det 11 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec

Det 1 Aust Water Tpt Sigs

ANGAU

25 Sec FSS

7 Aust Pigeon Sec

2 Aust Corps Language Det (ATIS)

4Det 4 Aust Div Pro Coy

Det 102 Aust Bde Workshops

72 Aust Dental Sec.

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS**

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 3/2/1945 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. II/120/3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 32 ATT. BY W.E.

**Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.**

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
-	1	-	-	W.Os. Class I.					
-	3	-	3	W.Os. Class II.	1	1			
-	1	-	4	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
-	-	2	34	Sergeants	3	2	1	6	3
-	16	-	51	Corporals	4	1	1	7	1
-	15	-	643	Troopers, Privates, etc.	17	1		18	4
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
34 *	36	2	735 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	A APC A APC A APC A APC A APC	32 *	4	4	1 *

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).  
 \*\* Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	A.I.F.		C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
	A	B	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	604			163	0						767
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	AAPC			1	Hospital		
3	AREME			18	leave		
4	DENTAL			5	AWK		
				8	Schools		
				9	1 unit in trials unit		
				1	Old Est o Rec		
				2	2 Aust Corps. Pro Coy.		
				3	11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)		

**Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. 3/2/1945**

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

26 Aust INF BN (AIF) Unit

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 3/2/1945.**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)				
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.		
			<u>Fwd</u>			<u>Fwd</u>	17	17		<u>Fwd</u>	56	58	1
Ammunition Examiners			Surveyors, Engineering	1	1	Operating Boom 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				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless						Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery						Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine						Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1				Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers						Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers						Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital			GROUP II.			Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	4	-
Coppersmiths			Armourers			Signallers	27	27	-	Tailors	2	2	-
Dispensers			Axemen			Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen			Bakers			Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			Bty. Comd'a. Asst.			Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			Boilermakers			Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			Carpenters	6	6	Winchman				Whitesmiths	Non Tradesmen		
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			Carpenters and Joiners			Wireman				R.S.M.	5	2	-
Electricians			Cooks			Woodturners				C.S.M.	12	14	-
Electricians (M.V.)			Dental Mechanics							R.G.M.S			-
Electricians (Signals)			Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)							Water Duties	2	2	-
Fitters			Driver-Operator							O'Room Sgts	2	2	-
Fitters (Cycle)			Drainers							Provost Sgt	1	1	-
Fitters (Electrical)			Electricians							Street Brers	21	21	-
Fitters (Gun)			Electricians (Engineers)							Storemen	11	10	-
Fitters (Instrument)			Fire Control Operators			GROUP III.				Regtl Police	6	6	-
Fitters (M.V.)			Gun Operator			Battery Surveyors				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Railway Signal			Hatchman			Butchers	1	4	-	TK/A Gun Nos	22	22	-
Fitters, Signals			Height Taker			Clerks	10	10	-	Batmen	35	35	-
Grinder, Precision			Helio Operator			Clerks, Supply				Dvrs MT	12	12	-
Mechanics, Instrument			Instrument Operator			Clerks, Technical				LMG & Rfn	397	365	32
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			Intelligence Duties	10	10	Coach Trimmers				MMG Nos	25	25	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			Joiners			Concretors				Mortar Nos	78	78	-
Mechanics, Radio			Lineman			Cooks				Orderlies	32	32	-
Mechanics, Typewriter			Lineman, Signals			Dental Clerk Orderlies				Pioneers	33	33	-
Mechanics, Wireless			Lithographers			Despatch Riders				Gen Dutymen	3	3	-
Millwrights			Machinists, Metal			Draughtsmen, Signals				Byg Duties	4	4	-
Operators, Excavator			Machinists, Wood			Drivers, H.T.				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Pattern Maker			Masons			Driver Mechanics				AACC	24	25	
Pharmacist			Masseurs			Driver Tptn. Plant				AAMC	4	4	
Photographer, Wet Plate			Mechanics, M.T.			Engine Hands, I.C.				AROC	1	1	
Photewriter			Miners			Equipment Repairers	1	-	1	AAPC	2	1	1
Plumber			Moulders			Farriers				AAPC	1	1	
Saw Doctors			Nurses, Trained			Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors			Observation Post Assts.			Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	CARRIED FORWARD	17	17	CARRIED FORWARD	56	58	1	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	801	767	35*

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.

Feb 45.  
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander  
ADM. COMD. 20  
Maj  
BN. IALFN





# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 3/2/1945 26 AUST INF BN (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. II/129 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
-	1	-	-	Lieut.-Colonels					
-	2	-	1	Majors					
-	-	-	9	Captains	A.A.M.C.	1	-	-	-
-	-	10	30	Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
-	3	10	40			1	-	-	-

DETAIL.	A	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.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	40	-	1	-							41
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.
QX.38913	Lt	SCRASE G.W.	106 Aust CCS	1.2.45	Rejoined unit

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX.59	Lt-Col	ABBOTT J.N.	106 Aust CCS	30.1.45	Evacuated via 19 Aust Fd Amb (AIF)

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. 3/2/1945 (Unit) IS

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

AAF W. 3008 Serial 5/45 Part D Continued

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Lt	HX104191	TURRELL	A.H.	OG 1 P1	Yes		
Lt	HX111499	MOORE	R.H.		Yes		
Lt	OX.38913	BORASE	G.W.		Yes		
Lt	HX129738	McALISTER	D.L.	OG 14 P1	Yes		
Lt	HX127632	ADAM	W.J.	OG 7 P1	Yes		
Lt	VX.36633	PRIME	A.G.	IO	Yes		
Lt	OX.35958	QUAIFE	L.H.	OG 4 P1	Yes		
Lt	HX143975	HOPKINS	G.J.		Yes		
Capt	WX.31924	CONNAUGHTON	H.	R.H.O.	Yes		

26 AUST INF BN (AIF) Unit

5/45 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 3/2/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col	NX.59	ABBOTT	J.N.	CO	No	106 CCS - X List	30.1.45
Major	QX.6219	RALSTON	A.C.		No	LHQ Tactical Sch. X List	3.12.44
Major	VX.162	SWINBURNE	G.P.		No	A/OC 2 Aust Corps Fd Punishment Centre	15.12.44
Capt	QX.34396	MILSON	D.R.	2 IC	Yes		
Capt	Q.30763	IRWIN	T.O.		No	LWOP	31.12.44
Capt	QX.36511	SEARLES	S.G.		No	LHQ Tactical Sch. X List	3.12.44
Capt	QX.36510	TAYLOR	A.C.M.	2 IC B	Yes		
Capt	NX101320	McNAIR	S.H.	OC B	Yes		
Capt	NX124610	GIBSON	J.M.	OC HQ	Yes		
Lt, T/Capt	NX109205	ELLWOOD	J.	OC A	Yes		
Lt	QX.36515	FRASER	C.J.	Asst Adjnt	Yes		
Lt	QX.36514	COLLYER	G.A.F.	OC 16	P1 Yes		
Lt	QX.36519	MEARES	E.H.D.	2 IC C	Yes		
Lt	QX.36517	WATTS	R.L.	2 IC A	Yes		
Lt	QX.34002	BRYCE	E.B.	2 IC D	Yes		
Lt	QX.36516	COMPTON	J.W.	OC C	Yes		
Lt, T/Capt	QX.35737	DUDDINGTON	H.G.	QM	Yes		
Lt	QX.34003	CHRISTIE	K.M.	OC 13	P1 Yes		
Lt, T/Capt	QX.36520	MAXWELL	C.K.	Adjnt	Yes		
Lt	VX104333	FOERS	A.W.	TO	Yes		
Lt	QX.814	OSBORNE	G.	OC 3	P1 Yes		
Lt	QX.34007	CHAPLAIN	D.F.	OC 18	P1 Yes		
Lt	VX102620	LYONS	K.H.	OC 10	P1 Yes		
Lt, T/Capt	VX133644	COLEMAN	K.R.G.	OC D	Yes		
Lt	QX.34021	WYLIE	A.				
Lt	QX.60441	NILSON	R.N.		Yes		
Lt	VX104330	CHAMBERS	A.L.	OC 8	P1 Yes		
Lt	NX.29396	BENTLEY	A.W.	OC 11	P1 Yes		
Lt	QX.33508	WEBB	F.G.	OC 5	P1 Yes		
Lt	QX.36521	DAVIS	A.L.	OC 15	P1 Yes		
Lt	QX.33705	RUDDICK	O.C.	OC 17	P1 Yes		
Lt	VX102601	LEA	A.G.		Yes		
Lt	QX.44159	WILKINSON	J.W.	OC 12	P1 Yes		
Lt	NX101079	NAIRN	F.H.		Yes		
Lt	NX113433	MALOUF	K.G.	OC 2	P1 Yes		

(For continuation see attached list)

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.
VX.50081	Major	CALLINAN B.	31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	30 Jan 45.	Adm Comd
WX.37414	Chap	FEWSTER F.M.	AA Ch D	27 Nov 44	Chaplain

Feb 45  
Date of Despatch

Truth-7/43.

Signature of Commander

Maj  
ADM. COMD, 26 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF)

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

Serial NO 232  
Nos 826-832

by  
MAJOR B.J. CALLINAN

ADM COMD 26 AUST INF BN (AIF)

HQ 26 Aust Inf Bn(AIF)  
3 Feb 45

826. DUTIES

3/4 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER. . . . . Lt QUALFE L.H.  
NEXT FOR DUTY. . . . . Lt WILKINSON J.W.  
DUTY COY. . . . . A COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY. . . . . B COY

4/5 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER. . . . . LT WILKINSON J.W.  
NEXT FOR DUTY. . . . . LT CHAPLAIN D.F.  
DUTY COY . . . . . B COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY. . v. . . . . D COY

5/6 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER. . . . . LT CHAPLAIN D.F.  
NEXT FOR DUTY. . . . . LT MALOUF K.G.  
DUTY COY. . . . . D COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY. . . . . A COY

827.

BERETS JUNGLE GREEN

Berets will be withdrawn from ALL personnel and held in Coy QM store pending orders for reissue.

828.

DAILY ROUTINE

Mon to Sun Incl:-

Reveille	0600
Breakfast	0700
Inspection and Atobrin Parade	0815
Lunch	1200
Afternoon Parade	1330-1600
Dinner	1700
Offrs Mess Dinner	1730

829.

ANTI MALARIA CONTROL

Ref DO 824 Para C

The administration of Atobrin will in future be conducted daily at the 0815 hrs Parade. Pl and Coy HQ Atobrin Rolls will be maintained, names called on parade and care taken to ensure that Atobrin is taken by any member off Parade. Atobrin Rolls initiated daily and submitted to Coy HQs for inspection. Coy certificates will be submitted daily at 2300 hrs to Bn Duty Offr stating that:-

- (a) Atebrin has been taken by ALL members.
- (b) All nets have been drawn and all sleeping personnel are under nets properly drawn and tucked.

830. CARE OF SA AMMUNITION

Care will be taken during maintenancing of SA Ammunition, that oil is NOT used or allowed to contact the cap chamber.

1. Brass Ammunition cases will NOT rust if kept clean and dry but if left without attention corrosion will set in.

2. Charger Clips ONLY may be lightly oiled.

831. SURRENDER LEAFLETS

Surrender Leaflets will NOT be transmitted to the Australian Mainland either in correspondence or by hand.

832. INTER COY TRANSFERS

NX 124610	Capt	J.M.	GIBSON	A Coy to HQ Coy
QX 36510	Capt	A.C.M.	TAYLOR	B Coy to HQ Coy
VX 133644	Capt	K.R.G.	COLEMAN	Hq Coy to D Coy
QX814	Lt	G.	OSBORNE	HQ Coy to B Coy
NX 176877	Ptc	E.F.	TAYLOR	Bn Hq to D Coy
SX 31357	Ptc	R.H.	TUCKER	D Coy to Bn H q

*(C.K. Maxwell)*

(C.K. MAXWELL) Capt  
Adjt 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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CRICKET

The following teams have been selected to represent this Unit in Matches on Sunday 4 Feb 45 Commencing at 1300 hrs Personnel selected will report at Unit 'IN' Sign at 1130 hrs.

NO 1 TEAM TO PLAY 223 SUPPLY PL AT 55/ 53 Bn NO 1 GROUND

Lt	K.G.	MALOUF
Pt	R.N.	NILSON
Cpl	A.S.	BOURKE
"	J.T.	JAMIESON.
S/Sgt	P.E.	SILAW
Cpl	W.A.	COUPER
Ptc	E.C.	LAJE
"	A.K.	HADLER
Cpl	F.K.	KNOWLTON
Ptc	E.R.	PEEL
L/Cpl	R.R.	BENNETT

No 2 TEAM TO PLAY 19 AUST FD AMB AT BDE HQ NO 2 GROUND

Cpl	W.E.	JOHNSON
Sgt	A.K.	ANDERSON
WOII	G.R.	KRAEMER
Cpl	H.L.	HINDS
L/Cpl	S.G.	LOCORNU
Ptc	D.H.V.	BRENNAN
Cpl	L.R.	DAWSON
L/Cpl	D.A.	WARD
Ptc	T	DAVIDSON
Cpl	J.	HENRY.

CHURCH SERVICES Sunday 4 Feb 45

OPD SERVICE	1000 hrs	26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Chapol
R.C. Mass	0900	" " " " " "

CONCERT PARTY

"Tasmania" concert party at Roams Field Monday 5 Feb 45

AMENITIES

Receipt is gratefully acknowledged of the undormentioned articles received from the Australian Comforts Fund:-

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790	Tins	TOBACCO
790	Pkts	PAPERS
790	"	CIGARETTES
790	Cases	TOILET SOAP
790	"	LAUNDRY SOAP
790	Tins	BOOT POLISH
790	TUBES	TOOTHPASTE
2370	Pkts	CHEWING GUM.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

MAJOR B. J. CALLINAN

Serial No. 254

Nos. 839 - 840

ADM COMD 26 AUST INF BN (AIF)

HQ 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
9 Feb 45

839. DUTIES

9/10 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER ..... Lt F. G. WEBB  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... Lt G. W. SCRASE  
DUTY COY ..... 'A' COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... 'B' COY

10/11 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER ..... Lt G. W. SCRASE  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... Lt O. C. RUEDICK  
DUTY COY ..... 'B' COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... 'D' COY

11/12 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER ..... Lt O. C. RUEDICK  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... Lt O. J. HOPKINS  
DUTY COY ..... 'D' COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... 'A' COY

840. UNIT SPORTS OFFICER

Lt T. H. NAIRN is appointed Unit Sports Officer as from 8 Feb 45.

*(Signature)*  
( C. K. MAXWELL ) ..... Capt  
Adjt 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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CHURCH SERVICES

RC MASS in unit chapel at 1800 hrs Sunday 11 Feb 45.

Protestant Church Parade and Communion in unit chapel at 1000 hrs Sunday 11 Feb 45.

CRICKET

The following have been selected to represent this unit on Sunday 11 Feb 45. Matches commence at 1200 hrs and players will report to REAMS FIELD at 1130 hrs.

VERSUS 4 AUST FD REGT (REAMS FIELD)

Lt K.G. MALOUF ; Lt R. N. WILSON ;  
Cpl JAMIESON, K.T ; Cpl COUPER, W.A ;  
Cpl NASH, K.H ; Pte HADLER, A.R ;  
Pte DRYBURGH, R ; Pte PEEL, E.R ;  
L/Cpl BENNETT, R.R ; Pte O'CONNOR, R.G ;  
Cpl KNOWLTON, F.K

VERSUS 11 ADE SIGS (55/53 BN)

Cpl JOHNSON, W.E ; Sgt ANDERSEN, K ;  
WO KRAEMER, G ; Cpl HINDS, H. L ;  
Cpl BENNETT, R.F ; Pte RIDLEY, G ;  
Cpl DAWSON, L.R ; Pte WARD, L.A  
Pte BRENNAN, D ; S/Sgt SHAW, P.E  
Cpl HENRY, J.N

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

SERIAL NO. 234

MAJOR B. J. CALLINAN

NOS. 841 - 850

ADM COMD 26 AUST INF BN (AIF)

HQ 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
12 Feb 45

841. DUTIES

12/13 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER ..... Lt O. J. HOPKINS  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... Lt T. H. NAIRN  
DUTY COY ..... 'A' COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... 'B' COY

13/14 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER ..... Lt T. H. NAIRN  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... Lt A. W. FOERS  
DUTY COY ..... 'B' COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... 'D' COY

14/15 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER ..... Lt A. W. FOERS  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... Lt A. N. TURRELL  
DUTY COY ..... 'D' COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... 'C' COY

842. MALARIA DISCIPLINE (Extract from 2 Aust Corps RO Serial 7/45)

The following personnel were charged under AA Sec 40 with failure to take atabrin, thereby developing malaria :-

NK.141752	Cpl YOUNG, C. C	36 Aust Wireless Task Sec
N.201457	Pte STOCKTON, N. F	15 Aust Inf Bn
Q.31514	Pte KELLY, R. F	15 Aust Inf Bn
Q.113109	Pte MATTHEWS, J. E	42 Aust Inf Bn
Q.105130	Pte BATES, W. T	47 Aust Inf Bn

Cpl Young was severely reprimanded.  
The remainder were fined 25

843. AMMUNITION : GRENADES SMOKE No.77 MK I (Extract from 11 Aust Inf Bde RO Q.47)

1. This grenade which is filled with White Phosphorus will burst into flame if air comes into contact with the filling, whether the grenade is primed or not.
2. The risk of fire if one of these grenades is hit by a bullet is great, but is accepted because of the operational efficiency of the grenade itself. Nevertheless, this risk must be considered and guarded against as far as possible.
3. When vehicles are being loaded, great care must be exercised in handling packages containing this ammunition, and, as far as possible, these grenades will be stored and transported apart from other ammunition.

844. ANTI-MITE FLUID

Coys will ensure that ALL clothing is regularly treated with anti-mite fluid.



845. UNIT FREEZING CHAMBER

Access to freezing chamber for the depositing or removal of goods will be permitted ONLY between the hours of 0900 and 1700 daily. Freezing chamber will NOT be opened at any other times.

846. BOUNDS

The area bounded by road from freezing chamber to postal tent inclusive of Ration Store, QM Store, and in depth to JOSEPH ROAD is out of bounds. Members will NOT enter or pass through this area unless on authorised duty.

847. INTER-COY TRANSFERS

QX.34396	Capt D. R. MILSON	BnHQ to HQ Coy	12 Feb 45
NX.124610	Capt J. M. GIBSON	HQ Coy to C Coy	12 Feb 45
QX.36516	Lt J. W. COMPTON	C Coy to D Coy	12 Feb 45
QX.36519	Lt E.H.D. MEARES	C Coy to B Coy	12 Feb 45
QX.36514	Lt. G.A.F. COLLYER	D Coy to C Coy	12 Feb 45
QX.36481	Pte BREW, D	BnHQ to HQ Coy	12 Feb 45
NX.153005	Pte PFITZNER, J.C	C Coy to D Coy	12 Feb 45
NX.156429	Pte GENCE, A. A	HQ Coy to C Coy	12 Feb 45
N.288462	Pte REED, M	C Coy to B Coy	12 Feb 45
QX.58298	Pte HALE, J. R	A Coy to BnHQ	12 Feb 45

848. PROMOTIONS PROMULGATED THROUGH ROUTINE ORDERS PART II NO. 4/45

QX.56729	Pte CRUMBLIN, T	Apptd Paid L/Cpl	30 Dec 44
NX.154965	Pte AULD, S. E	do	30 Dec 44

849. REVERSIONS PROMULGATED THROUGH ROUTINE ORDERS PART II NO. 4/45

QX.55985	Cpl WATSON, P	To Private	30 Dec 44
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850. TRADE-GROUPINGS PROMULGATED THROUGH ROUTINE ORDERS PART II NO. 4/45

QX.55985	Pte WATSON, P	Graded Cook TG2	30 Dec 44
NX.202450	Pte MOFFATT, V. R	Graded Sp 2 Int Duty	20 Dec 44

( C. K. MAXWELL).....Capt  
Adj't 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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BEER ISSUE - Until further notice beer issue will be two (2) bottles per man per week.

CRICKET - Matches played by this units teams on Sunday, 11 Feb 45 resulted as follows :-

26 Bn No.2 Team versus 11 Aust Inf Bde Sigs.

26 Bn First Innings - 148 (Johnson 63)

11 Bde Sigs First Innings - 74 (Kracmer 5 wickets for 13 runs)

Won by 26 Bn by 74 runs on the first innings.

Opposition teams did not field teams against teams Nos 1 and 3. No.1 team played Mortars resulting in an outright win for No.1 team.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by  
LT.-COL B. J. CALLINAN

Serial No. 235  
Nos. 851 - 853

COMD 26 AUST INF BN (AIF)

HQ 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
16 Feb 45

851. DUTIES

16/17 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER ..... Lt A. WYLIE  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... Lt R. R. BISHOP  
DUTY COY ..... 'B' COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... 'D' COY

17/18 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER ..... Lt R. R. BISHOP  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... Lt G. OSBORNE  
DUTY COY ..... 'D' COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... 'A' COY

18/19 FEB 45

BN DUTY OFFICER ..... Lt G. OSBORNE  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... Lt D. L. McALLISTER  
DUTY COY ..... 'A' COY  
NEXT FOR DUTY ..... 'B' COY

852. COMPASSIONATE LEAVE (EXTRACT FROM GRO 598/43 PART III)

1. From recent applications for compassionate and/or emergency leave submitted by members of this unit, it is evident that personnel are not fully aware of the provisions of GRO 598/43 Part III in relation to the grant of compassionate and emergency leave.
2. To ensure that personnel are conversant with these provisions and to obviate the additional and unnecessary work entailed in dealing with applications for leave which is not authorised under this part of GRO 598/43, the provisions thereof are published hereunder for the information of all personnel.

PART III - COMPASSIONATE AND EMERGENCY LEAVE

Leave on compassionate or emergency grounds may be granted under this part as follows :-

COMPASSIONATE - Death, imminent death or dangerous illness of spouse, child, parent, or other near dependent relative.

EMERGENCY - Urgent private reasons of an exceptional or personal nature not connected with the immediate resumption of civil employment. Cases of serious prejudice to business, domestic, or financial affairs will be considered as a legitimate ground for granting leave ONLY when the member's presence will materially affect the situation. Normal childbirth of a members wife is not considered to be grounds for grant of emergency leave.

3. It is pointed out that, as in the case of leave generally, leave under this part is a privilege and not a right and it is always subject to operational requirements and the availability of transport. It is also exclusive of travelling time.

4. On receipt of an application for compassionate or emergency leave from a member, coys will ascertain if the circumstances are grounds for grant of leave in accordance with this order and if not the member will be advised accordingly. Numerous applications at present being submitted could be adequately dealt with under the provisions of the 'Request Hour' and reference to welfare organizations which exist for the purpose of providing help to the families of members. (Complete details of request hour are being published for the information of all ranks.)

853. APPOINTMENT TO COMMAND

VK.50081 Maj D. J. CALLINAN has been appointed to Command 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) with rank of T/Lt.-Col as from 31 Jan 45.

*C. K. Maxwell*  
( C. K. MAXWELL).....Capt  
Adjnt 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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NOTICES CRICKET TEAMS

The following have been selected to represent this unit in matches on SUNDAY 18 Feb 45. Play commences at 1300 hrs and players will report to REAMS FIELD at 1230 hrs on that day.

No.1 Team versus  
31/51 Bn at REAMS  
FIELD

Lt K. G. MALOUF  
Lt R. N. NILSON  
Cpl JAMIESON, K.T  
Cpl COUPER, W. A  
Pte DWYER, V. T  
Cpl NASH, K. H  
Pte HADLER, A. R  
L/Cpl BENNETT, R.R  
Pte O'CONNOR, T. G  
S/Sgt SHAW, P. E  
Pte PEEL, E. R

No 2 Team versus  
101 Sp Coy at  
55/53 Bn No.2

Cpl JOHNSON, W.E  
Sgt ANDERSEN, A.K  
WOII KRAEMER, G. R  
Cpl BENNETT, R. F  
Cpl DAWSON, L. R  
Pte WARD, L. A  
Pte BRENNAN, D  
Lt R. R. BISHOP  
Cpl HENRY, J. N  
Pte DAVIDSON, T  
Pte RIDLEY, C

No 3 Team versus  
2/1 Gd Regt at  
Bde HQ No.2

Lt A. WYLIE  
Cpl SMITH, J. J  
L/Cpl SEARLE, G.L  
Pte COULTER, L.E  
Pte SEMMENS, G.A.H  
Pte LEONARD, L.C.J  
Pte MCKENZIE, D.G  
Pte DONE, G. E  
Pte DRYBURGH, R  
Pte TYRRELL, R.T  
Pte WATSON, E. C

CHURCH SERVICES

Protestant MEMORIAM service in unit chapel at 1000hrs Sunday, 18 Feb 45.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Serial No. 236  
Nos. 854 - 860

Lt-col B. J. CALLINAN

COMD 26 AUST INF BN (AIF)

HQ 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
27 Feb 45.

854. APPOINTMENTS PROMOTIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS OF RANK. R.O. PART 11 5/45

QX 38182 A/WO 11 METCALFE N.J. Rank of WO 11 Confirmed 17 Jan 45

855. TRADE-GROUPINGS PROMULGATED THROUGH ROUTINE ORDERS PART 11 5/45.

Q130400	Pte HUME W.R.	Graded Gp 2 Signaller	8 Dec 44
Q131621	Pte ADEVILLE C.C.	do	8 Dec 44
NX43085	Pte BORTHISTLE W.J.	do	8 Dec 44
NX202444	Pte ALLEN E.K.	do	8 Dec 44

856. INTER-COY TRANSFERS

QX55806	Pte FUNCH L.W.	A Coy to HQ Coy	17 Feb 45.
NX153762	Pte BUXTON R.	B Coy to HQ Coy	17 Feb 45.
SX39188	Pte FAHAMAN T.D.	B Coy to HQ Coy	17 Feb 45.
N130056	Pte ROBERTSON J.L.	B Coy to HQ Coy	17 Feb 45.
QX59651	Pte SNEEL N.	B Coy to HQ Coy	17 Feb 45.
NX37165	Pte FROOME R.S.	B Coy to HQ Coy	17 Feb 45.
QX38994	Pte MCKENZIE A.D.	D Coy to HQ Coy	17 Feb 45.
QX54397	Pte MITCHELL W.H.	D Coy to HQ Coy	17 Feb 45.

857. GREEN ENVELOPES.

In accordance with LHQ Censorship Instruction No 4 Appendix "B", the Unit censor stamp must be impressed on the front of green envelopes clear of the declaration and writer's signature. Green envelopes will NOT bear a franking officer's signature.

858. DRINKING WATER AND SALT TABLETS.

Some cases admitted to 106 C.C.S. suggest that some soldiers are not drinking sufficient water which is giving rise to some kidney trouble. It is advised that all ranks be encouraged to drink water freely. This necessitates the taking of salt tablets, at least two a day.

859. SCHOOLS AND COURSES.

QX60566	A/CPL BREWER R.	To LHQ School of Military Intelligence B Wing Course No 21 on 19 Feb 45.
QX38921	Sgt D'ARCY T.R.	To First Aust Army Regt1 Trg School (WONGABEL) Pioneer Wing Course No 5 on 19 Feb 45.
Q 30888	Pte FLANAGAN H.P.	To N.G. Trg School Bread Baking Course No 2 on 19 Feb 45.

859. SCHOOLS AND COURSES (Contd).

QX52950 Pte LEONARD L.C.J. To LHQ School of Army Cooking and Catering, 2 Aust Corp Trainee Cooks Course No 1. on 24 Feb 45.

QX43762 Cpl YATES E.V.I. To 3 Aust Div Flame Throwers Course on 26 Feb 45.

QX38924 Sgt HINE S.J. To 3 Aust Div Flame Throwers Course on 27 Feb 45.

860. PUNISHMENTS AND AWARDS.

A DCM convened by Brig J.R. STEVENSON Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) was held in the field on 15 Feb 45 for the trial of Q131621 Pte ADEVILLE C.C. of 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

The accused was charged with AWL from 2359 hrs 8 Oct 44 until 1030 hrs 29 Nov 44.

The accused pleaded guilty.

The Court sentenced the accused as varied by Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) (AIF) to undergo detention for a period of ninety (90) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for a period of eighty nine (89) days.

The accused was in custody awaiting trial for 78 days, being 65 days in open arrest and 13 days in close arrest.

The finding and sentence was duly confirmed on 18 Feb 45 and promulgated to the accused on 20 Feb 45.

A DCM convened by Brig J.R. STEVENSON Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) was held in the field on 15 Feb 45 for the trial of Q112561 Pte GOLDEN E.R.R. of 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

The accused was charged with AWL from 1000 hrs 22 Nov 44 until 1035 hrs 26 Dec 44.

The accused pleaded guilty.

The Court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for thirty (30) days and to forfeit all ordinary pay for 30 days.

The accused was in custody awaiting trial for 51 days, being 41 days in open arrest and 10 days in close arrest.

The finding and sentence was duly confirmed on 18 Feb 45 by Brig J.R. STEVENSON Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) and promulgated to the accused in the field on 20 Feb 45.

A DCM convened by Brig J.R. STEVENSON Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) was held in the field on 15 Feb 45 for the trial of N244361 pte HUDD E.R. of 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

The accused was charged with AWL from 0800 hrs 23 Sep 44 until 1700 hrs on 6 Dec 44.

The accused pleaded guilty.

The court sentenced the accused to undergo detention for seventy (70) days and to forfeit pay for a period of seventy (70) days.

The accused was in custody awaiting trial for 70 days, being 59 days in open arrest and 11 days in close arrest.

The finding and sentence was duly confirmed on 18 Feb 45 by Brig J.R. STEVENSON Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) and promulgated to the accused in the field on 20 Feb 45.

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*Maxwell*  
K.C.K. MAXWELL Capt.  
Adjt 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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<i>For Action</i>		
<p><b>TO</b> 41BDE.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(w) For Information (INFO.)</i></p> <p>26BN. LOB 4FD. ARTY. REGT. REAR</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>Message Instructions</i> <b>GR</b></p>	

ORIGINATOR'S No. I391 SECRET(.) SITREP118 to 021000L(.) A,B, and C Coys(.)

situation unchanged(.) D Coy(.) 3 alert japs approached 16 pl(.) nil cas

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<b>FROM</b> <i>Originator</i> (A) 26 AVST INF BN		Date—Time of Origin 222030L	Office Date Stamp
For Action  11 AVST INF BDE		Message Instructions <b>GR</b>	
<b>TO</b> (w) For Information (INFO.)			

ORIGINATOR'S No. I 329. SECRET O SITREP to 222000L O 221920L

enemy shelled A coy O further particulars not yet to hand  
 O City activity for today O R enemy guns shelled the HQ  
 212340L 12 rounds & duds O our arty bombarded  
 target sq 2459 also MR 264603 O new hostile arty  
 located sq 2561 unprovoked O change over C coy screened  
 by arty smoke O City smoke used by B coy for map  
 spotting over O enemy contacted 242584 engaged by  
 arty results unobserved

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	26 AUST INF BN	221930L	
For Action			Message Instructions
TO	11 AUST INF BDE		
(w) For Information (INFO.)			GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 228. SECRET ○ SITREP 67 to 221800L ○  
 H coy SITNOR ○ B coy ○ advance held up by  
 swamps and returned to firm base at 245579 ○  
 anticipate movement to same objective tomorrow by  
 different route ○ C coy ○ 1745L 15 pl returned to  
 perimeter ○ enemy now using LMG in addition to rifles ○  
 D coy SITNOR

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TO	(12) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 227 SECRET SITREP No. 66 to 1600 L D  
 A Coy SITREP B. Coy Coy less one pl mov  
 in direction of LALUM from firm base  
 at 2155 79, <sup>other</sup> remaining pl remaining  
 at firm base. C. Coy 14452 15 Pl withdrawn  
 for bombing by mortars of enemy  
 area in preparation for fresh attack  
 1555 L 15 Pl held up by enemy est  
 abt 8/10 dug in + armed with rifles  
 D Coy Retnov

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For Action

*11 Bde*

TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*I 326 SECRET SITREP No 65 to 1400L*

*A Coy @ sitrep @ B. Coy @ pos<sup>now</sup> fixed by map spotting by arty smoke as 245580*

*NOT as given in sig I 325 @ coy now mov on bearing 53 deg towards LALUM @*

*C. Coy @ 15 Pe contacted enemy approx 275<sup>1400L</sup> x EAST of perimeter - fight shell in progress cas ~~seen~~ to date enemy 1 killed own 1 wounded @ D Coy either @ arty activity @ <sup>12/5L</sup> ~~with~~ our mtn guns engaged enemy pos near A Coy with harassing fire*

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<b>FROM</b> (A) <u>26 HUST INF BN</u> For Action	Originator	Date—Time of Origin <u>221200L</u>	Office Date Stamp
<b>TO</b> <u>11 HUST INF BDE</u> (w) For Information (INFO.)		Message Instructions	GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 325 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 64 to 221200L  
 A coy @ SITNOR @ B coy @ 221135L fwd pl (12 pl)  
 reached posn 248580 forming from base and then moving  
 out no enemy seen @ C coy @ sighted one jap 150 yds  
 NORTH of perimeter mortar engaged area results unknown @  
 D coy @ 17th occupied former B coy area 238569.

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<b>FROM</b> (A) 26 AUST INF BN	Originator	Date—Time of Origin 221615L	Office Date Stamp
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For Action

11 AUST INF BDE

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 227 SECRET SITREP 66 to 221600L  
 A coy SITNOR B coy coy less one pl moving  
 in direction LALUM from firm base 245579 other pl  
 remaining firm base B coy 1445L 15 pl  
 withdrawn for bombing by mortars of enemy area in  
 preparation for fresh attack 1555L 15 pl salted  
 by enemy estimated strength 8-10 dug in and armed  
 with rifles D coy SITNOR.

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(A) 26 AVST INF BN

221430L

For Action

11 AVST INF BDE

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(w) For Information (INFO.)

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 326 SECRET ○ SITREP 65 to 221400L ○ A

○ SITNOR ○ B coy from now fixed by map spotting  
by arty smoke as 245550 304 as given in sig I 325 ○  
coy now moving on bearing 53° M to LALUM ○ B coy ○  
221400L 15 pl contacted enemy at approx 275 yds  
EAST of perimeter fight still in progress as to  
date enemy 1 killed own 1 wounded ○ D coy ○ SITNOR  
○ Arty activity ○ 221215L mountain guns engaged enemy  
near A coy with HF

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11 Hede.		221930L	after 1815L passed 1930L <u>about 0600</u>

For Action

26 Aust Lyn Bn

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ORIGINATOR'S No. 0486 CONFIDENTIAL @ Ref your 06 of 221520L tac/R and ARTY/R amended per 230900L as per our 0484 of 221910L

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	26 br	23 2200L	
For Action			
11 Rde			
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

T 337 ~~SECRET~~ ref hostile  
 Shelling 1925L my I 335 refers  
 the cas @ own counter by  
 effective

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TO <i>11 Bce</i>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 336 SECRET @ A Coy @ posn  
 A Coy established by arty ad  
 275564 @ 1830L 3 enemy MGs and  
 tree snipers engaged A Coy 26 BW  
 some fire from ridge to SW @  
 A Coy 31/51 replied with MMGs from  
 from firm base which appeared  
 effective as ~~the~~ enemy MGs  
 ceased @ cas. own mil enemy  
 unknown @ the enemy shelling  
 at 2000L my I 335 refers was  
 on A Coy 31/51 area @ mil cas.

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26 Km 2/8 2015L

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

Enemy 1-335 SECRET ~~Enemy~~ 1925L  
 arty shelled area 228568 eight  
 rounds two dud 0 2000L  
 enemy arty shelled A Coy  
 area 0 results unknown

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	For Action <i>11 Bde</i>		Message Instructions <b>GR</b>
TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)		

ORIGINATOR'S No. *I 335* SECRET @ SITREP No. 72 to 1800L @  
 A Coy @ consolidated astride KUNAMATORO  
 track @ A Coy 3151 bn engaged enemy  
 now killing 1 jap @ B Coy @ posn 250582  
 @ no change @ jeep track constructed  
 in rear B Coy to 244577 @ body of  
 jap dead about 4 days found 244577 @  
 C. Coy @ no change @ D Coy @ SITREP @ locations  
 Tac HQ, 235574 @ H Fd Regt HQ, 235573 @  
 Engine 235573 @

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TO	(w) For Information (INFO.) <b>IS REQ. ANGAU</b>	Message Instructions <b>GR</b>
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

**I. 334 SECRET O PETATS mission completed O 376 natives O one armed enemy arrived 221830L to apprehend village chiefs O enemy killed O eight enemy attacked our party 230100L 3 enemy killed O RPC native IRIAP slight head wound O awaiting instructions for onward move of natives O ~~EMB~~ BRIDGE**

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For Action

*11 Bae*

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*T 333 SECRETUSITREP No 71 to 1400L @*  
*A Coy @ 1330L consolidating posn astride*  
*track to KUNAMATORO posn being fixed*  
*by arty @ B Coy @ no change @ C Coy @*  
*arty engaged enemy posn @ Recce*  
*patrols out @ further cas own 1*  
*killed by sniper while evacuating*  
*wounded @ D Coy @ situon*

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

1 332 SECRET SITREP No 70 to 1200L

A Coy move continuing B Coy present posn 250 582 move continuing no contact C Coy deep outflanking move by 15 pl contacted strong enemy posn at 24158<sup>50</sup> only engaging area <sup>down</sup> cas 1 killed 11 wounded D Coy situatio

*Cas wounded man  
A Coy area cas 1 unit of wounds as result of enemy army at 24158*

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(A)

26 BN

231120L

For Action

TO

11 BDE

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 331 SECRET @ SITREP 69 to 231000L @

A Coy @ 0900L Coy ~~moving~~ moving to cut enemy L of C.

B Coy @ Coy located 248581 SITNOR @ C Coy @

15 pl patrolling fwd @ D Coy @ SITNOR

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*1346 SECRET O SIT REP 86 to 2000LO*  
*A Coy no ~~pos~~ change on B Coy @ 1730L*  
*12 Pl contacted enemy at ~~approx~~*  
*245585 results unknown to C Coy*  
*0 no change of Coy status 0 arty*  
*activity 0 enemy arty shelled*  
*nearby Tac HQ 22 rounds 1*  
*dud possibly 75 mm 0 the cas*

*278567 26 Br*

*275566 34/51*  
*275567 26/Br*

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I. 345 SECRET TO SITREP 79 to 1800LO  
 A Coy @ 1800L patrol reports finding  
 jap body 200 yds NN along track  
 from A Coy 26 Bn posn also 2 jap  
 graves @ B Coy @ awaiting report @  
 C Coy @ Pl posn 500 yds EAST of  
 Coy dug in for night @ D Coy  
 SITNOR.

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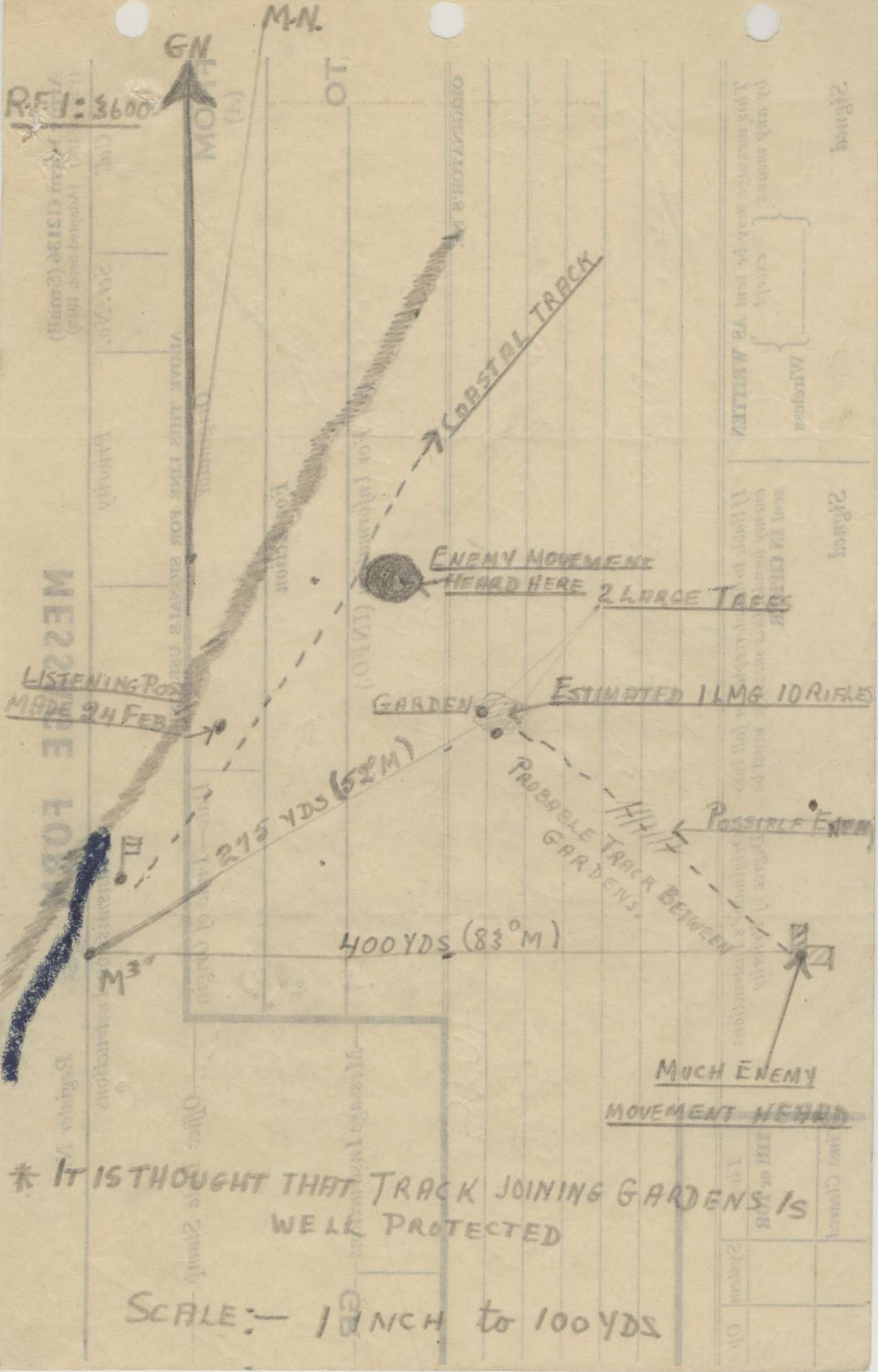
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FORM 53130 (2-man)

MESSIAH FORM

\* IT IS THOUGHT THAT TRACK JOINING GARDENS IS WELL PROTECTED

SCALE: - 1 INCH to 100 YDS



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TO	(w) For Information (INFO.) 26 Bn L.O.B.	Message Instructions	GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No. I. 344 SECRET @ SITREP 78 to 1600L @

A Coy 01455L patrol from ACoy 26 Bn for 500 yards along track to KUNAMOTORO returned @ no contact @ during night 23/24 one jap was killed by booby trap @ ~~has~~ B Coy @ coy digging in on well worn track running EAST and WEST at approx 248586 @ C Coy @ no further info @ D. Coy @ SITNOR

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(A)

Originator  
26 bn

Date—Time of Origin

24/1200L

Office Date Stamp

For Action

11 Bde

TO

(w) For Information (INFO.)

26 bn 20 B

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 2421 SECRET OSITREP No 76 to

1200L O A Coy 26 bn 0 pssw 600 yds  
along gap 4 of C from front base 0900L  
Patrol back iswards gap pssw  
encountered 3 LMGs and rifle fire  
cas mil O B Coy 0<sup>0304</sup> struck swamp  
at 248583 approx 300 yds wide O  
reccu patrol out fwd O C. Coy O  
1200L patrol 400 yds to EAST O no  
contact

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<small>For Action</small>		
<b>TO</b> <i>11 Bde.</i> <small>(w) For Information (INFO.)</small>		<small>Message Instructions</small> <b>GR</b>

ORIGINATOR'S No.

*I 339* <sup>340</sup> **SECRET** ○ SITREP No 75 to 0900 L ○

*A Coy ○ awaiting report ○ B Coy ○ moving NORTH.  
 ○ C Coy ○ fighting patrol out on night flank ○  
 D Coy ○ SITNOR.*

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For Action  <i>11 1000</i>			
<b>TO</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

339 SECRET @ SITREP NO 74 10 0800L @  
 A Coy @ 240630L enemy arty shelled area  
 with rounds apparently trying to range on  
 posn A Coy 26 but otherwise sitnor for night  
 B Coy C Coy D Coy @ SITNOR

237578

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FROM (A) <i>26 km TAC</i>	Originator	Date—Time of Origin <i>25 1950</i>	Office Date Stamp <i>206</i>
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For Action

*11 Bde KW70*

TO <i>26 km L.O. B</i>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions <i>GR</i>	<i>102</i>
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*I 355 SECRET @ SITREP 87 TO BOOL @  
A Coy 26 km @ 1630L patrols to the right  
and left flanks returned @ no  
contact with enemy @ another  
patrol moved in NW direction to a  
creek which was crossed and  
came across a track @ ~~considered by~~  
the patrol for the ~~about~~ ~~on~~  
~~the~~ ~~motor~~ ~~on~~ ~~the~~ ~~patrol~~ ~~returned~~  
by practically same route and  
on crossing creek a newly constructed  
shelter <sup>unable to give map ref.</sup> was found @ ~~no~~ ~~activity~~  
was observed but no contact made @  
B. Coy @ NO further info @ C. Coy @ ~~no~~ ~~info~~  
patrol estimated 7 men with 1 LMG  
fired on perimeter from track  
heading NE @ fire was exchanged  
results unknown ~~all~~ ~~casualties~~ @  
D Coy silent*

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For Action	Message Instructions
11 Pae K470	GR

TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions
26 bn	L.A.B.	68

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 354 SECRET 0 SITREP 80 to 1600L-0  
 A Coy 26 bn 0 200 further inland 0 B Coy  
 1415L 11 Pl moving WEST of the main  
 base report posn 400 yds from  
 beach 0 found 75 mm shell and  
 probable site of 75 mm m by 0 1455L  
 11 Pl reached coast and digging in  
 0 damaged 75 mm m gun found 0  
 C Coy 0 1530L mov observed near  
 base at 242583 fire exchanged  
 results unknown 0 D Coy 0  
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 enemy hands, this message must be  
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For Action <b>11 Bde KUTO</b>			
TO <b>26 Bw LOR</b>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	<b>GR</b> <b>50</b>

ORIGINATOR'S No. **I 353 SECRET O SITREP 85 to 1400 L O**

**A Coy 26 Bw O no further info O  
B Coy O 1315 L Patrol mov WEST along  
Track, <sup>abandoned</sup> found, but with galvanized  
iron roof and containing discarded  
ammun O patrol mov EAST reported  
enemy mov along track running NORTH  
O C Coy O no further info O D Coy O Sit rep.**

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FROM (A) <i>26 Bn</i>	Originator <i>TAC</i>	Date—Time of Origin <i>25 1245L</i>	Office Date Stamp <i>436</i>
For Action <i>11 Bde</i>			
TO <i>26 Bn LOR</i>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions <i>QQX 112</i>	GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

*I 352 SECRET @ SITREP 84 to 1200L @  
A Coy 26 Bn @ ref my I 351 @ now ascertained  
patrol 1000f came under fire from  
LMG and rifle fire from 20 yards range  
@ cas enemy 1 killed own 1 offr 4 ors  
wounded @ offr wounded through foot  
other cas NOT serious @ estimated  
enemy strength 12 men incl 1 LMG @  
B Coy @ 1110L patrol WEST from firm  
base 400 yds observed enemy mov. @  
1200L patrol to EAST of firm base 400 yds  
located the junc one bearing 20<sup>degrees</sup> and  
other 330 deg mag @ killed 4 enemy @  
now consolidating on knoll vital  
ground to the junc @ C. Coy @ 1125L forming  
base astride track 242582 @ D. Coy.  
situation.*

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FROM (A) 26 Bw TAC Date-Time of Origin 25 1105L Office Date Stamp

For Action

11 Bde KUTO

TO (w) For Information (INFO.) Message Instructions GR

26 Bw L2 B

QQX 68

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 351 SECRET @ SITREP 83 to 1100L @

A Coy 26 Bw @ 1000L patrol probing NE along creek and track came under fire 2 LMGs and rifles about 200 yds out @ cas own 1 offr 2 ers wounded @ 1030L other patrols probing enemy on left and right flank @ B Coy @ no further info @ C Coy @ 10.20L security patrol reports sounds of digging 150 yds north of coy @ D Coy situon.

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Originator's Instructions Degrees of Priority

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For Action

**11 Bde REAR**

**567**

TO	(w) For Information (INFO.) <b>26 Bde LOB</b>	Message Instructions <b>QAX</b>	GR <b>65</b>
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

**I. 350 SECRET SITREP 82 to 8980L @**

A Coy 26 Bde @ 0750L patrol probing enemy  
posns to SE came under fire 2 LMGs 100  
yds along track @ cas vil @ B Coy @  
result contact with enemy @ 245585  
at 241730L my I. 346 refer @ engaged  
enemy with LMG @ enemy replied  
with LMG rifle and grenades @ cas  
enemy one probable own vil @ C Coy  
no change @ D Coy SITNO R

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<b>11 Bde</b>			

TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
<b>26 bn LdB</b>		<b>QQX</b>	<b>57</b>

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 3490 SECRET SITREP 81 to 0600L  
 24/25/55  
 A Coy 2010L enemy area shelled 80 yds  
 in front of coy by enemy arty  
 possibly 75 mm hows & dedds  
 nil cas 10000 awaiting report  
 B Coy C Coy D Coy SITREP ref  
 enemy shelling vicinity Tac HQ  
 24/1930L I 3490 refers one wounded C  
 Coy Rear HQ. 238581

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TO	(w) For Information (INFO.) 26 Bn LOR # Aust Fd Regt. Rear	Message Instructions	GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 365 SECRET @ SITREP 95 to 2000L @  
A Coy @ ~~1900L~~ 1900L @ Patrol reached pt  
275570 approx 600 yds NW of coy perimeter  
and struck track thought NOT to be  
main track @ patrol digging in for  
night @ B Coy @ no change @ C. Coy @ arty  
engaged area rd junc 239584 @ further  
probing came under fire 2 LMGs and  
rifles estimated str 10 @ Coy less  
one pl dug in on main track leading  
NE from track junc @ 1950L one prisoner  
captured being held in perimeter  
for night and moving to rear in  
the morning @ D Coy @ no change.

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11 BDE

26 BN. LOB  
4 Aust Fd Regt  
Rear.

I 363 SECRET (.) SITREP 94 to 1800L (.)

A Coy (.) No further information (.)

B Coy (.) 1525L (.) Recce patrols 500 yards NE and 400 yds SE  
from 10 Pl posn 250585 reported no contact with enemy (.)

C Coy (.) 1430L (.) Probing enemy posns at rd junc at 239584  
killed one jap own cas nil (.)

D Coy (.) 1800 L (.) patrol moving 170 yds along the north  
track from the track junc at 248591 encountered 5 japs killed 2 (.)  
own cas nil (.)

General (.) ref your Int 1648 (.) map ref 11 pl and damaged gun  
239586 (.) ref your Int 1649 (.) apparently refers my I 357 (.)  
group omitted figures 300

Lt. IMPORTANT.

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*(A)*

Originator

*11 Bde.*

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*26 12 05 L.*

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For Action

**TO**

*26 Bn.*

*(w) For Information (INFO.)*

Message Instructions

**GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

*Int. 1649. Confidential. Notify groups*

*between <sup>not</sup> omitted between. quote ABOUT. unquote  
and quote yard. unquote.*

*261657 L.*

This message may be sent **AS WRITTEN**  
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If liable to be intercepted or fall into  
enemy hands, this message must be  
sent **IN CIPHER**

Signed

*Walsh  
Buttle.*

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# MESSAGE FORM

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**FROM**

Originator

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*(A)*

*11 Bde*

*260932*

For Action

**TO**

*26 Bn.*

*(i)* For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

**GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

*INT. 1648. confidential your I 3540 give map  
ref 11 pl posn also map ref location damaged  
75 mm gun*

*23958*

This message may be sent **AS WRITTEN**  
by any means { except }

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26 BN.

261515L

11 BDE

26 BN. LOB  
4 Aust Fd Arty  
Rear.

I 362 SECRET (.) SITREP 93 to 1400 Lc (.)

A Coy (.) 1300L (.) Firm base moving along track to coy  
perimeter (.) recon patrols out to NW (.)

B Coy (.) No change (.)

C Coy (.) active patrolling (.)

D Coy (.) 1400L (.) digging in on junc of three tracks at

ref. 248591

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26 BN.

261300L

11 EDE

26 BN LOB  
4 AUST FD REGT  
Rear.

I. 360 SECRET (.) SITREP 92 to 1200 L (.)

A Coy (.) 1005L Patrol round right flank occupied enemy posn (.)  
enemy had vacated leaving some captured AUST equipment and own equipment (.)  
posn particularly well defensed with estimated str 30/40 incl some Naval  
personnel (.) One Jap unburied body found (.)

1135L  
B Coy (.) /11 P1 killed one Jap.(.)

C Coy (.) Patrols out no contact (.)

D Coy (.) 1026L (.) Coy passed through fwd HQ B Coy and mov NORTH (.)

General (.) 0700L 5 P1 26 bn relieved A Coy 31/51 bn

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For Action <b>11 Bde KUTO</b>		Message Instructions <b>GR</b>
TO <b>(w) For Information (INFO.) 26 bn L0 B Rear 4 Aust Id Regt.</b>		<b>44</b>

ORIGINATOR'S No.

**I 359 SECRET O SITREP 91 to 1000L O  
A Coy 26 bn O unchanged O B Coy O 0840L  
11 Pl on coast at 239586 contacted enemy  
killing 20 own cas 1 wounded O  
C. Coy O no change. O D. Coy O 0930L 2 fwd  
elements passing through B. Coy rear  
ref. 243578**

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FROM  
(A)

Originator

26 BW

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250845L

For Action

11 Pde

TO

(w) For Information (INFO.)

26 bn L0B  
Rear  
H Aust Rd Regt

Message Instructions

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 258 SECRET SITREP 90 to 0800L

A Coy B Coy C Coy @ no change @ P.

Coy @ 0715 Coy move NORTH to pass through B Coy

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	26 Bn	26 0745	

For Action

11 Bde

TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
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26 Bn L.O.B.

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

L. 357 SECRET @ SITREP 89 to 0600 L.O.

A Coy 26 Bn @ 2245 to 2300h enemy  
 arty shelled about 300 yds wide  
 of coy area @ 12 pds as duds @  
 probable 75 mm @ P Coy, C Coy  
 D Coy @ 5 pds @ general @  
 shot and grenades heard from  
 first coys at 2210h our tps not  
 involved @ cause unknown

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GILLMAN RIVER at more exposed  
 position enemy arty fire came  
 down on river mouth at that  
 time deduction enemy steel  
 maintaining coastal OP  
 not previously reported 27 Feb  
 C Coy captured one NAMBU LMG

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26 BN.

281700L

11 BDE

26 BN LOB

4 Aust Fd Regt Rear/

I 379 SECRET (.) SITREP 107 to 1600L (.)

all coys (.) no further infm

*Robertson*  
Lt. IMPORTANT/

26 BN

281500L

11 BDE

26 BN LOB  
4 Aust Fd Regt  
Rear/

I 378 SECRET (.) SITREP 106 to 1400L (.)

A Coy (.) night 27/28 (.) enemy movement around the perimeter (.)  
enemy threw some grenades nil damage (.) we engaged enemy with unknown results  
(.) arty DF fire during night considered effective ~~xx~~ screams and moans were  
heard (.) main enemy attacks coming from the WEST (.) line was cut between  
280100L and 281015L (.) captured IMG referred to in I 373 now identified as  
type 99 (.)

B Coy (.) no further reports (.)

C Coy (.) No change (.)

D Coy (.) 1245L (.) patrol round the right flank of enemy in  
vicinity of 248594 reported finding well worn track with old wheel marks and  
another wide track with signal wire (.) patrol round the left flank found a  
wide track no sig wire (.) when returning the right flank patrol killed one  
Jap (.) 1330L (.) 17 ~~patrols~~ pl moving north reached 242604 and found jap  
look-out and track leading off SE (.) tracks showed signs of recent use (.)

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Doc 249596

26 BN

281300L

11 BDE

26 BN LOB  
4 Aust Fd Regt  
Rear.

I 376 SECRET (.) SITREP 105 to 1200L (.)

A Coy (.) 0630L (.) firm base reports rifle fire from direction  
of fwd coy (.) ~~line~~ line has been cut (.) awaiting re-opening of comms (.)

B Coy (.) 1115L (.) 11 Pl. reported back at coy HQ (.)

1125L (.) 10 Pl patrol arrived at posn 255584 (.)

investigating this xing before moving on (.) this xing previously referred  
to in my § 371 (.)

C Coy (.) Section standing patrol at 243602 (.)

D Coy (.) 1045L (.) small party of japs moved round the right  
flank of 18 Pl and were engaged (.) results unknown (.) ref 248594

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D 289591  
26 BN

281045L

11 BDE

26 BN LOB  
4 Aust Fd Regt  
Rear

I 375 SECRET (.) SITREP 104 to 1000L (.)

A Coy (.) awaiting report (.)

B Coy (.) 0730L (.) patrol from 10 pl ref 250585 moved EAST (.)

0715L (.) 12 pl moved NORTH to take over D Coy firm base (.) 0800L (.) <sup>11</sup> 12 Pl  
moving EAST from coast to rejoin coy (.)

G Coy (.) 0800L (.) Coy moved NORTH to take over <sup>11</sup> 12 pl area at  
239586 (.) 0940L (.) fighting patrol from G Coy moving NORTH contacted 17 Pl  
of D Coy (.) map ref this area now thought to be 243602 NOT 244607 (.)

D Coy (.) 0940L (.) fighting patrol from G Coy arrived at 17 Pl  
area (.) 17 Pl now moving NORTH along the coast (.)

Note (.) posns of coys are given in relation to arty fire and  
reconciliation with map is never easy (.)

General (.) further search of the PIMPLE area on DOWNS RIDGE did  
NOT reveal more than the one unburied body and two fresh graves previously  
reported but from the smell there are obviously other bodies buried very shallow (.)

Ref your GI 1656 (.) river at 244606 named COMPTON RIVER

*W. A. Wilson*  
Lt. IMPORTANT.

26 BN

280745L

11 BDE

26 BN IAB  
4 Aust Fd Regt  
Rear/

I 374 SECRET (.) SITREP 103 to 0600L (.)

A Coy (.) awaiting report (.)

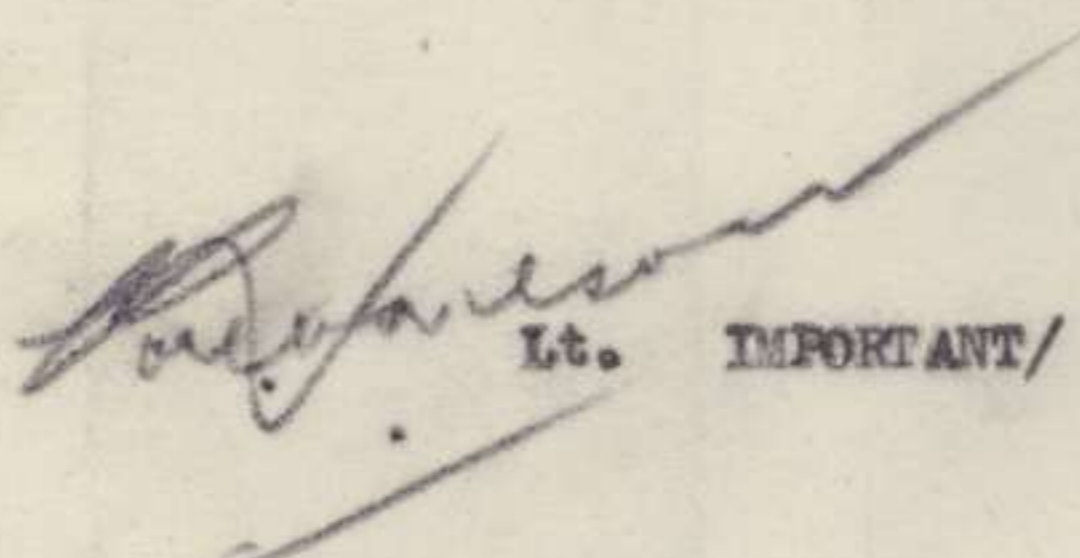
B. Coy (.) nothing to report (.)

D. Coy (.) 272055L (.) some enemy activity vicinity 18 Fl at  
ref 248594 (.) shots and grenades were exchanged (.) our cas nil enemy  
unknown (.)

Arty activity (.) 2300L to 2315L (.) enemy arty shelled area  
from GILLMAN RIVER mouth to vicinity Tac HQ (.) <sup>30</sup>40 rounds incl <sup>5</sup>3 duds (.)  
3 or more guns 75 mm in different posns (.) own cas nil (.)

Our arty retaliated by firing 5 rds gunfire on each of map ref  
271624 and 266606 and engaging other known enemy posns (.)

General (.) 2100L to 2245L (.) engr pontoon moved to GILLMAN  
RIV and now in posn to ferry jeeps across the river

  
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*I 370 SECRET 0 SITREP 102 to 2000L0  
A Coy 0 ref my I 370 0 map ref new  
coy posn 2715750 1800L coy  
attacked while digging in and in  
the ensuing action our cas were  
1 killed enemy 1 killed 0 one  
type 96 LMG captured 0  
B Coy 0 C Coy 0 D Coy 0 no change*

*SECRET*

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271830L

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I 371 SECRET (.) SITREP 101 to 1800L (.)

A Coy (.) 1800L (.) spasmodic firing from A Coy fwd posn (.)  
awaiting report (.)

B Coy (.) 1600L (.) <sup>10 pl</sup> recce patrol to the EAST came under rifle  
fire from ck crossing map ref 255584 (.) enemy str unknown (.)  
1530L

11 pl patrolled to ref 242589 and struck enemy posn (.)  
own cas 1 killed (.)

C Coy (.) 1530L (.) 15 Pl moved NORTH to map ref 239585 (.)  
engaged in digging in when enemy arty opened (.) 1601 to 1606L (.)  
enemy arty fired 20 rds on coy area and vicinity GILMAN RIVER mouth area (.)  
own cas 3 wounded (.) coy now digging in ~~xxxxx~~ perimeter (.)

D Coy (.) 1717L (.) 16 pl in contact with enemy estimated str  
25 men in well dug in posn ref. 248594 (.) 1606L (.) 16 pl one man wounded  
by drop short from enemy shelling of 15 pl posn

*W. J. Jackson*  
Lt IMPORTANT./

26 BN

271500L

11 BDE

26 BN LOB  
4 Aust Fd Regt  
Rear.

I 370 SECRET (.) SITREP 100 to 1400L (.)

A Coy (.) ~~at~~ 1245L (.) Fwd patrol astride a well worn track  
and remainder of coy moving to establish a new coy base (.) map ref  
to posn fwd patrol not yet known (.)

B Coy (.) no further infm (.)

C Coy (.) 1400L (.) pocket of resistance between coy HQ and coast  
clear of enemy (.)

D Coy (.) 1335L (.) patrol moving NORTH along the coast encountered  
enemy in a small clearing at approx map ref 244607 (.) estimated str of  
enemy 1 HMG 1 LMG and 6 rifles well dug in

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26 IN

271205L

11 BDE

26 IN LOB  
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~~SECRET~~  
I 369 (.) SITREP 99 to 1200L (.)

A Coy (.) 1115L (.) aust skeleton with aust equipment and paybook  
found in vacated jap posn between old and new firm base (.) paybook in  
respect of Q 39550 Pte VAUGHAN; J (.) no identity discs (.)

B coy C coy (.) nothing to report (.)

D Coy (.) ref my I 368 posn of patrol estimated to be 244605 (.)  
not yet verified by Tac/R (.) 1030L patrol moved NORTH from 244605 about  
50 yds found one 37 mm tk/A gun (.) a further 50 yds NORTH at approx  
244606 found damaged enemy truck possibly 3 ton (.)

General (.) PWs now being interrogated but are stubborn

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26 BN

271045L

11 BDE

26 BN LOB  
4 Aust Pd Regt  
Rear

I 368 SECRET (.) SITREP ~~BT~~ 98 to 1000L (.)

A Coy (.) 0820L (.) Fwd pl moving ~~WEST~~ NW from 275570  
killed one jap (.)

B Coy (.) 1000L (.) patrols out (.)

C Coy (.) 0940L (.) garden at 242585 reported yesterday as  
unoccupied now reported as occupied (.) track junc at 239584 reported  
clear at 0945L (.)

D Coy (.) 1000L (.) patrol moving WEST struck coast (.) map ref  
being checked by tac/R (.) killed one jap

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26 HW

270845L

11 BDR

26 BN LOB  
4 Aust Fd Regt  
Rear

I 367 SECRET (.) SITREP 97 to 0800L (.)

A Coy (.) Night 26/27 no activity (.)

B Coy (.)<sup>26</sup>/2130L (.) 11 pl attacked by enemy who attempted to draw  
fire by shouting (.) nil cas (.) coy otherwise sitnor (.)

C Coy (.) 0745L (.) additional PW (.) this prisoner and one  
captured at 261950L by I 365 refers were both wounded by booby traps  
or arty fire (.) booby traps were placed on escape route near road  
junc 239584 (.) one prisoner stretcher case (.)

D Coy (.) 261900L (.) enemy counter attack on 18 pl ref 248592  
broken up by own arty DF (.) coy otherwise sitnor (.)

Ref your 0 520 (.) activity seen due to digging in by B Coy HQ  
at 247584

*W. J. ...*  
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26 BN

270700L

11 BDE

26 BN LOB  
4 Aust Fd Regt  
Rear.

I 366 SECRET (.) SITREP 96 to 0600L (.)

270200 to 270210L (.) enemy arty estimated by our arty to be  
two to four guns 75 mm at 271624 fired 40 rounds incl 4 duds vicinity  
Tac HQ and Engrs at 235573 (.) Our cas 2 wounded damage to sup and  
equipment (.) *our Arty retaliated.*

0600L (.) Line parties repairing damage caused by shell fire  
(.) awaiting re-opening of comms

*W. J. Brown*  
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

1465

~~SECRET~~ Situation to 0800L @ A Coy @  
B Coy C Coy D Coy sitnos @ enemy activity @ from  
212340 to 212350L 20 rds possible 75mm full vicinity  
north bank GENGA RIVER @ NIL DAMAGE or cas @ probable  
location of gun by 2559 @ two blends.

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ORIGINATOR'S No. *I 329* SECRET. @ 1920H enemy shelled  
 H Coy @ further particulars not yet known  
 arty activity for day @ Two enemy guns  
 shelled Tac HQ. 12 rds 2 duds at 2125 40 L @  
 our arty bombarded target in sq 2459 also  
 map ref 264603 @ new hostile lch located  
 sq 2561 unpressed @ Change over C Coy

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*screened by arty smoke @ arty  
smoke used by B Coy for map spotting  
area @ enemy contacts 24/2584  
engaged by arty results not  
observed*

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*T 328 SECRET @ SITREP No 67 to 180040  
A Coy @ Sitnor @ B Coy @ Coy adv held up by swamps  
and returned to firm base at 245579 @  
anticipate mov to same objective tomorrow  
by different route @ C Coy @ 1745L 15 Pl  
returned to perimeter enemy now using  
an LMG in addition to rifles @ D Coy @*

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

C.2 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 1 to 221600h

RED WHITE SITNOR @ BLUE contacted about 12

enemy with rifles approx 240581 @ cad. 1

enemy killed own wounded

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*11 Pae*  
For Action

(w) For Information (INFO.)

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*L 3250 # SECRET SITREP No. 64 to 1200L*

*A Coy SITNO R B Coy 1135L Jwa pl NO 12 reached*

*posn 248580 ~~and~~ forming firm base and*

*then moving on <sup>to enemy contact</sup> C Coy reported sighting*

*one jap 150' NORTH of perimeter most engaged*

*and result unknown. D Coy 1010L 17 Pl*

*occupied former B Coy area ref 238569*

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ORIGINATOR'S No. I 324 - SECRET SITREP No 63 to 1000L

A Coy @ 0800 enemy arty shelled ~~pos~~ our pos  
and then counter attacked - counter attack  
repulsed via cas @ B Coy @ 0830 fwd pl mov NE  
along LALUM track remainder Coy mov  
1000h ~~pos~~ C. Coy @ relief completed 0830L @ D Coy @  
situation ~~pos~~ occupied 17th occupied

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ORIGINATOR'S No. *Int 1639* Conf. o Reheld party report of  
*21 Feb routes o scout report many*  
*Japs from NUMA NAMA + NE area*  
*have gathered at TEO P o" all infer*

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	( <i>re</i> ) For Information (INFO.)	

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ORIGINATOR'S No. *1 330 SECRET 0 SITREP 110 0600L 0 A Coy*  
*B Coy 0 C Coy D Coy 0 SITNOR*

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ORIGINATOR'S No.

T 348 SECRET ref your int 16420

215564 supers A Coy 31/51 bn O A Coy  
26 bn notes passed by arty as 278567

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ORIGINATOR'S No. T 343 SECRET 0 SITREP 77 10 1400L 0  
no change

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*I 3410 SECRET 0 ref yours int 1633 0*  
*A coy referred to in my I 324 SITREP 63*  
*was A Coy 31/51 br*

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ORIGINATOR'S No. 338 SECRET SITREP NO 73 to 0700L  
 A Coy waiting report to B Coy situation C Coy  
 231925L 2 japs seen 200 yds from perimeter  
 warning to attention otherwise situation  
 D Coy situation <sup>attract</sup> 231025L enemy arty engaged  
 area vicinity ~~225568~~ <sup>231518</sup> eighteen rdos 9 duds  
 no cas or damage

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	(w) For Information (INFO.) <b>26 Bm LOB</b>	GR <b>25</b>
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ORIGINATOR'S No. **T 356** SECRET O SITREP 88 to 2000L  
 A Coy B Coy C Coy D Coy O no change O  
 prep track now open from GEN. GA  
 RIVER to 233571

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Signed

Originator's Instructions  
Degree of Priority

*Handwritten signature*  
*Important*

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