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Australian Army commanders' diaries
[Vietnam]

Dental units

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Narrative

[1-30 Nov 1966]

PART 1

COVERING LETTER

Reference No. 6/66

To: OIC, Military History Section, AHQ.

1. I enclose Commanders Diary (AF C 2118) (Adapted) as indicated at Part 2.

2. Please return receipt below.

(Signature) RW Baynon May

Appointment OC 33 DENTAL
(OC Unit or senior staff officer)

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PART 2

AF C 2119 (Adapted)
Revised Jun, 1965

SECRET

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COMMANDERS DIARY

Unit or Formation 33 DENTAL 1 ALSG
From 1 Nov 66 To 30 Nov 66

OF

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Narrative (AF C 2118)

ANNEXES

- * A ~~Duty officer's log~~
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- * E ~~Sitreps issued~~
- F ~~Orders of battle and location reports issued~~
- G ~~Intelligence reports and summaries issued; appreciations made~~
- H ~~Administrative orders and instructions issued~~
- I ~~Administrative orders and instructions received~~
- J ~~Administrative reports and bulletins; ammunition returns; field strength returns~~
- * K ~~Standing orders issued~~
- L ~~Commander's policy and demi-official letters~~
- M ~~Action reports (if required)~~
- N ~~Other papers, eg, maps and diagrams, air photos, reports from sub units~~
- O ~~Periodical summaries of operations~~
- Z ~~Top Secret Supplementary Diary~~

Enclosure Numbers

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PART 3

COMMANDERS DIARIES INSTRUCTIONS

AIM

1. The aim of a Commanders Diary is to provide data on which to base future improvements in Army training, equipment, organization and administration, and to furnish historians with a record of the activities of units and formations in operational and non-operational periods in peace and in war.

GENERAL

2. *Entries are to be made daily on AF C 2118 (Adapted)* each entry being initialled by the officer detailed to keep it.
3. Commanders Diaries will conform with the rules for drafting orders given in "Staff Duties (Australia)" Chapter 2, Section 12.

RESPONSIBILITY

During Non-operational Periods

4. A Commanders Diary is to be compiled by commanders of all formations.

During Operational Periods (1)

5. A Commanders Diary is to be compiled in duplicate by:
 - a. Commanders of all formations.
 - b. Each branch of the staff at formation headquarters commanded by a brigadier or above.
 - c. Heads of services not below the rank of lieutenant colonel.
 - d. Personal staffs and officers holding special appointments.
 - e. Unit commanders.
 - f. Commanders of a detachment of a unit when so ordered.

COMPILATION

6. Both original and duplicate copies are to consist of:
 - a. Cover (AF C 2119) (Adapted).
 - b. Index as printed on cover.
 - c. Narrative (AF C 2118) (Adapted).
 - d. Annexes as shown in the Index.
7. All details of the unit or formation (if a detachment is concerned, the name of the parent unit), period covered and enclosure numbers of the annexes are to be shown on the cover. If there has been a change of command since the last report, the date of assumption by the new commanding officer is to be included.
8. The annexes are to be assembled in the groups shown on the cover. If there are no enclosures for an annex NIL will be entered on the cover. If additional annexes are convenient for a particular headquarters, starting at B.

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COMMA DISPOSAL

13. **Original Commander's Diary.** This is to be forwarded monthly, unless otherwise ordered, by the seventh day of the succeeding month direct to AHQ.

14. **Duplicate Commander's Diary.** This must be clearly marked as a duplicate. It is to be sent separately from the original to AHQ one month after the original has been despatched but not before the former has been acknowledged.

15. When overseas, both copies of diaries are to be sent through the Army Records organization in the overseas theatre but at different times.

16. **TOP SECRET Supplementary Diaries.**

a. The documents referred to in Paragraph 9 together with a list of them made out on AF C 2118 (Adapted) must be placed in separate cover (AF C 2119) (Adapted). All details must be filled in and the cover clearly marked in red: "ANNEX Z — OFFICER ONLY". It may be convenient to group the papers by appendices.

b. Supplementary diaries must be forwarded under the normal rules for TOP SECRET correspondence, to AHQ. The inner envelope must be plainly marked:

TOP SECRET

ANNEX Z to

Commanders Diary of.....(Formation or Unit)

From.....to.....(Dates)

c. The duplicate supplementary diaries must be despatched as shown in Paragraph 14 as soon as receipt of the original has been acknowledged.

COMPILATION

6. Both original and duplicate copies are to consist of:

- a. Cover (AF C 2119) (Adapted).
- b. Index or record of contents.
- c. Narrative (AF C 2118) (Adapted).
- d. Annexes as shown in the Index.

7. All details of the unit or formation (if a detachment is concerned, the name of the parent unit, period covered and enclosure numbers of the annexes are to be shown on the cover. If there has been a change of command since the last report, the date of assumption by the new commanding officer is to be entered.

8. The contents are to be assembled in the groups shown on the cover. If there are no entries for a particular day, an entry NIL will be entered on the cover. If no entries are contained for a particular day, the day is to be entered at B.

The operations from Annex "Z", TOP SECRET document. It is to be prepared and despatched as follows:

ITEMS

as well as map references), establishment, equipment

orders given.

day's fighting, including company movements.

annexes with regard to equipment, transport, organization

troops engaged.

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This form is to be enclosed with the annexes in AF - C 2119 (Adapted).

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF - C 2118 (Adapted)

Revised Jun, 1965

MONTH AND YEAR

NOVEMBER 1968

REFERENCE MAP

CAP ST JACQUES (6442 III) VIETNAM

UNIT/FORMATION

33 DENTAL

COMMANDING OFFICER

RW BEYRON

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
TASK FORCE 432670	7 NOV 66	0900	Dunkap BARIA OVAL	
VUNG TAU 297442	9 NOV 66	0900	Dunkap BARIA SCHOOL	
	9 NOV 66	1400	Dunkap DISPENSARY VUNG TAU.	
	10 NOV 66	0900	Dunkap LONG SON	
	16 NOV 66	0900	Dunkap BARIA SCHOOL	
	16 NOV 66	1400	Dunkap DISPENSARY VUNG TAU.	
	17 NOV 66	1600	HQ SECTION MOVED INTO KINGSTRAND HUT VUNG TAU.	
	23 NOV 66	0900	Dunkap BARIA SCHOOL	
	23 NOV 66	1400	Dunkap DISPENSARY VUNG TAU.	
	30 NOV 66	1000	Dunkap XUYEN MOC.	