

**Series: AWM95**  
**Australian Army commanders' diaries**  
**[Vietnam]**

**Ordnance units**

**Item number: 13/2/5**

**Item: 2 Composite Ordnance Depot**

**Narrative**

**Annexes**

**[1-30 Sep 1967]**



COVERING LETTER

Reference No. R707-2-1

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

Receipt forwarded 6/13/68 (Signature) MAJ OC 2 A.O.D. (OC Unit or senior staff officer)

SECRET

ORIGINAL Strike out where not applicable

COMMANDERS DIARY

OF

Unit or Formation 2 COMPOSITE ORDNANCE DEPOT

From 1 SEPTEMBER To 30 SEPTEMBER

INDEX

Narrative (AF C 2118)

ANNEXES

- \* A Duty officer's log
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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

Table with 2 columns: Enclosure Number, to Enclosure Number. Rows include 1 to 5 and 1 to 1.

\* Only to be included during operations. † Cross out whichever is not applicable.

† NIL † RETAINED † Despatched to

on.....



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, they should be grouped as annexes starting at B.

for operations form Annex "Z", "TOP SECRET the document. It is to be prepared and disposed of as

EVENTS

as well as map references), establishment, equipment and orders given. The day's fighting, including company movements. Commander with regard to equipment, tactics, organization

essential importance.

officers, men and equipment.

ment captured.

employed in the time not accounted for. The type of

and to save work as much information as possible is to be given. Reports issued and received, routine returns, etc. All and the time of receipt or despatch is to be given.

the annexes, but need not give a precis of any of them.

(continued on back cover)

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COMMANDERS DIARIES

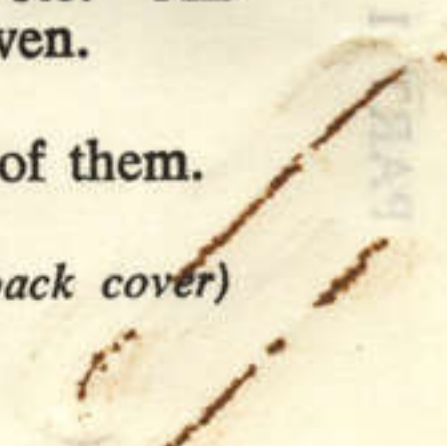
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VE C 3118 (Adapted)

TABLE 5

AF C 2118-5-1

COMBING LETTER





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. Each original and duplicate report 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) in which the diary was kept during the period covered and enclosure numbers of the diary are to be included in the report. The date of receipt of command since the last report, the date of departure, etc., are to be included.

8. The annexes are to be assembled in the proper order in the report. A list of the annexes for an annex Nil will be entered on the cover. If a separate report is submitted for a particular formation, the date of receipt of command should be entered at the beginning of the report.

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# COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF - C 2118 (Adapted)

Revised Jun, 1965

UNIT/FORMATION 2 COMP ORD DEPOT

MONTH AND YEAR SEPTEMBER 1967

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj M. J. RALPH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
VUNG TAU	1 September		6 Tons Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF and 6 Red Star issues made.	
			1 x size 5 forklift inoperable.	
			1 x Sgt admitted to 36 Evac Hosp.	
		1910 H	Clearing patrol sent out and returned at 1945 H.	
		2300 H	Second clearing patrol sent out.	
VUNG TAU	2 Sept		Clearing patrol out again at last light.	
			Trouble with generator -- no unit movie.	
VUNG TAU	3 Sept		More holes appearing in depot perimeter fence.	
VUNG TAU	4 Sept		6 Red star issue transactions carried out.	
			1 x size 5 forklift inoperable.	
			Contractors labourers again found on beach area during lunch time.	
			<u>Vehicle State a s at 4 - Sept.</u>	
			Awaiting insp & call in	27
			Under unit repair	14
			In wksp	33
			Others unfit for issue	6
			Total unfit for issue	80



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MONTH AND YEAR SEPTEMBER 1967

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj M.J. RALPH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
VUNG TAU	4 September contd		Vehicle state contd On f1A ----- 34	
			Fit for issue ----- 117	
			Total ----- 231	
			Receipts last week ----- 6	
			Issues last week ----- 15	
			Awaiting Pick up ----- 2	
			Outstanding issues ----- 3	
VUNG TAU	5 Sept		9 tons Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF	
			21 Red star issue transactions carried out.	
			1 size 5 forklift inoperable.	
			Stock in bulk storehouse subject to slight damage from flooding due to lack of proper drainage.	
			High winds have blown tarpaulins off stores in traffic area --- Retarped.	
			<u>Strength Return as at 5 September:</u>	
			Establishment inc theatre supplement --- 146	
			posted strength --- 131	
			Surplus --- 1 x WO2 --- 1	
			Deficient --- 1xWO1, 2x Sgts, 10 Cpls, 2 Ptes 16	

1 B P Coy—275/65—55m



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MONTH AND YEAR SEPTEMBER 1967

REFERENCE MAP .....

UNIT/FORMATION 2 COMP ORD DEPOT

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj M.J. RALPH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
VUNG TAU	5 Sept contd		Strength return -- 1 Sgt remains detached to DADOS AFV.  Strength on ground in ALSG - 11 Offrs and 125 OR's.	
VUNG TAU	6 Sept		9 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF.  29 Red star issue transactions carried out  1 forklift inoperable.	
VUNG TAU	7 Sept		3 tons Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF and 16 Red star issues made.  1 size 5 forklift remains inoperable.  Receipts ex August ! JEPARIT ! now 70 %.  Sullage pits not cleared for 11 days now -- position now unsavoury.  WO Caterer ALSG visited unit and made favourable comments -- cooks should be commended.  2 vehicles and drivers required urgently by 5 Coy RAASC for ammunition lift to 1 ATF.	
VUNG TAU	8 Sept		12 Red star issue transactions carried out  1 size 5 forklift off the road.	
VUNG TAU	9 Sept		12 tons Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF.  16 Red star issues made with 1 size 5 forklift still inoperable.  Receipts ex August ! JEPARIT ! now 80 % complete.  Visit by Chief of Staff AFV ( Col GRIFF ) and Lt Col ENGLE.	

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REFERENCE MAP .....

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COMMANDING OFFICER Maj M. J. RALPH.

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
VUNG TAU	11 Sept		<p>3 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF.</p> <p>17 Red star issue transactions carried out</p> <p>1 size 5 forklift inoperable.</p> <p>2 promotions from Pte to Cpl effected.</p> <p>Visit by Col G.T.W. DIXON --- 1315 H to 1345 Hrs.</p> <p><u>Vehicle State as at 11 Sept:</u></p> <p>Awaiting inspection and call in to workshops --- 29</p> <p>Undergoing unit repair --- 15</p> <p>In workshops --- 31</p> <p>Others unfit for issue --- 3</p> <p>Total unfit for issue --- 78</p> <p>Out on F1A --- 34</p> <p>Fit for issue --- 115</p> <p><u>Total</u> --- 227</p> <p>Receipts last week 10</p> <p>Issues last week 8</p> <p>Awaiting pick up 1</p> <p>Outstanding issues 5</p>	



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MONTH AND YEAR SEPTEMBER 1967

REFERENCE MAP .....

UNIT/FORMATION 2 COMP ORD DEPOT

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj M.J. RALPH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number								
VUNG TAU	12 Sept		<p>3 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF.</p> <p>19 Red star issues made.</p> <p>1 size 5 forklift in workshops.</p> <p>Receipts ex August ' JEPARIT' now 90 % completed.</p> <p>Engineers working on new sillage pit.</p> <p>8 members RTA in accordance with individual replacement programme.</p> <p><u>Strength Return as at 12 Sept:</u></p> <table data-bbox="1641 1044 2635 1330"> <tr> <td>Establishment</td> <td>146</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Posted strength</td> <td>131</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Surplus</td> <td>1 WO 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Deficient</td> <td>1 WO1, 2 Sgts, 8 Cpls, 5 Ptes</td> </tr> </table> <p>Strength on ground in ALSG : 11 Offrs &amp; 125 ORs ( inc 5 attached pers. )</p>	Establishment	146	Posted strength	131	Surplus	1 WO 2	Deficient	1 WO1, 2 Sgts, 8 Cpls, 5 Ptes	
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Posted strength	131											
Surplus	1 WO 2											
Deficient	1 WO1, 2 Sgts, 8 Cpls, 5 Ptes											
VUNG TAU	13 Sept		<p>3 tons Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF.</p> <p>6 Red star issue transactions carried out.</p> <p>1 size 5 Forklift inoperable.</p> <p>3 Sgts and 13 ORs marched in.</p> <p>1 Lt RTA on Emergency Leave.</p> <p>1 Sgt discharged ex S. Rd Amb.</p>									

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REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj M. J. RALPH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
VUNG TAU	14 Sept		<p>6 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF.</p> <p>33 Red star issue transactions carried out.</p> <p>1 size 5 forklift in workshops.</p> <p>Vietnamese fishermen approached to within 50 yards of the Australian beach.</p> <p>Order for glue received.</p> <p>Visit by Brig R.L. HIGES, DSO 1155 hrs to 1210 hrs.</p>	
VUNG TAU	15 Sept		<p>9 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF;</p> <p>20 Red star issue transactions carried out.</p> <p>1 size 5 forklift inoperable.</p> <p>Receipts ex August 1 JEPARIT 1 now completed.</p>	
VUNG TAU	16 Sept		<p>12 tons Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF</p> <p>32 Red star issue transactions carried out.</p> <p>1 size 5 forklift remains inoperable.</p>	
VUNG TAU	17 Sept		<p>Ammunition Maintenance received and passed on to ammo pl.</p>	
VUNG TAU	18 Sept		<p>6 tons Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF and 33 Red star issues made.</p> <p>1 size 5 forklift inoperable.</p> <p>One member placed under close arrest and then placed in custody after making statement re wallet stolen the previous day.</p>	



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MONTH AND YEAR SEPTEMBER 1967

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj M.J. RALPH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
VUNG TAU	19 Sept		<p>3 tons Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF.</p> <p>12 Red star issue transactions carried out.</p> <p>1 size 5 forklift in workshops.</p> <p><u>Strength Return as at 19 Sept :</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Establishment ..... 146</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Posted strength ..... 137</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Surplus ..... 1 WO 2 and 1 Sgt ..... 2</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Deficient ..... 1 Capt, 1 WO1, 8 Cpls, 1 Pte ..... 11</p> <p>Strength on ground in ALSG : ..... 10 Offrs and 132 ORs ..... 142</p> <p>( includes 1 Offr and 2 RNZAOC pers.; 2 ORs attached from 6 OFP and 2 others )</p> <p>1 Sgt remains detached to DADOS office AFV.</p>	
VUNG TAU	20 Sept		<p>15 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF.</p> <p>31 Red star issue transactions carried out.</p> <p>1 size 5 forklift in workshops.</p> <p>Contractor's labourers again found in Depot area during lunch time. Have been engaged in construction of new storehouses.</p>	



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UNIT/FORMATION 2 COMP ORD DEPOT

MONTH AND YEAR SEPTEMBER 1967

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj N.J. RALPH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
VUNG TAU	21 Sept		Vietnamese swimming at Australian beach had to be removed by Duty Offr. 15 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF. 16 Red star issue transactions carried out. 1 size 5 forklift in workshops.	
VUNG TAU	22 Sept		Search of civilian labour conducted at ALSG main gate. Such items as batteries, a blanket, soap, wire and fly spray were found in the truck and were confiscated. 18 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF. 15 Red star issue transactions carried out. 1 size 5 forklift in workshops. Relocation of Group 2 bulk stores commenced. Movement of vehicles to new vehicle park completed. SSO, Capt STOVE marched out for 5 days R & R Leave and 5 days ARL.	
VUNG TAU	23 Sept		Lack of sealed road through centre of camp causing increased concern as rubbish trucks are unable to enter and water trucks are in danger of breaking axles. 12 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF. 11 Red star issue transactions carried out. 1 size 5 forklift in workshops.	
VUNG TAU	24 Sept		ATO, Capt FARRELL marched out on R & R Leave.	

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UNIT/FORMATION 2 COMP ORD DEPOT

MONTH AND YEAR SEPTEMBER 1967

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj M. J. RALPH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
VUNG TAU	25 Sept		10 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF. 3 Euclid scrapers issued.	
			15 Red star issue transactions carried out.	
			1 size 5 forklift in workshops.	
			<u>Weekly Vehicle State as at 25 Sept :</u>	
			Awaiting inspection & call in	28
			Undergoing unit repair	21
			In workshops	24
			Total unfit for issue	73
			Out on F1A	37
			Fit for issue	110
			<u>Total</u>	220
			Receipts last week	4
			Issues last week	5
			Outstanding issues	2
			Vehicles BER	9
VUNG TAU	26 Sept		8 tons Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF.	
			13 Red star issue transactions carried out.	
			1 size 5 forklift in workshops.	

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# COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

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UNIT/FORMATION 2 COMP ORD REPOT

MONTH AND YEAR SEPTEMBER 1967

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj M. J. RALPH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
VUNG TAU	26 Sept	contd	Power failure in Sgts lines and Q Store.	
			<u>Strength Return as at 26 Sept:</u>	
			Establishment	146
			Posted Strength	137
			Surplus	2
			Deficient : 1 Capt, 1 WO 1, 7 Cpls, 2 Ptes	11
			Strength on ground in ALSG : 11 Offrs and 131 ORs	142
VUNG TAU	27 Sept		No vegetables received from RAASC for 10 days now. <del>...</del>	
			ATO called on to inspect a Blind at the Armed Forces Club -- turned out to be a blind.	
			9 Red star issue transactions carried out.	
			1 size 5 forklift inoperable.	
			3 ORs marched in.	
VUNG TAU	28 Sept		22 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF. 1 size 5 forklift inoperable.	
			7 Red star issue transactions carried out.	
			OO DADOS Office visited unit.	
			2 ORs located 8 Pd Amb.	

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UNIT/FORMATION 2. COMP. ORD. DEPOT

MONTH AND YEAR SEPTEMBER 1967

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj W. J. RALPH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
VUNG TAU	29 Sept		18 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF. 11 Red star issue transactions carried out. 1 size 5 forklift inoperable. Adjutant General visited Depot from 1605 hrs to 1630 hrs. ATO Capt FARRELL returned from R. & R. Leave.	
VUNG TAU	30 Sept		18 tons of Ord stores fwd to 1 ATF. 63 Red star issue transactions carried out. 1 Michigan forklift inoperable. SSO Capt STONE returned from leave. Bar-B-que held in OR's canteen.	



HQ AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES VIETNAM

UNIT 2 COMP ORD DEPOT

In reply quote : R1 - 3 - 2a

RETURNS (SPECIAL) - WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN

PROFORMA NO. 2

AS AT 2359 HRS TUES 5 - Sept - 67.....

(as amended 5 Sep 66)

(This return to be lodged to reach DAAG HQAFV by 1000 hrs THURS of each week)

OFFICERS						WO'S			RANK AND FILE						TOTAL ALL RANKS	DETAIL	
Maj Gen	Brig	Lt Col	Maj	Capt	Lt	Total	WO1	WO2	Total	SSGT	Sgt	Cpl	Lcpl	Ptes	Total		
-	-	-	1	3	6	10	2	8	10	-	16	33	5	72	126	146	ESTB including theatre supplement.
-	-	-	1	3	6	10	1	9	10	-	14	23	5	69	111	131	POSTED STRENGTH
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	SURPLUS
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	10	-	3	15	16	DEFICIENCIES

NOTES TO AFV WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN

1. Detail of Surplus and Deficient personnel to be shown on reverse of Proforma
2. Attached personnel are to be categorised as either :-
  - a. Local - ie. personnel from parent units by HQ AFV (for up to 3 months) or CO's authority (7 days).
  - b. AHQ - ie. personnel attached to units within the theatre from units located outside on AHQ authority.
3. REGARDIES of a members location (hospital, or leave granted from within the theatre) he is to be shown on the POSTED STRENGTH OF HIS PARENT UNIT unless notified by Struck off Strength signal.
4. Personnel detached to another unit are to be shown on the Posted Strength of THEIR PARENT UNIT. The unit to which member/s are attached are to show details of nature of attachment (as in para 2 above) in Part 2 of Proforma.
5. ALL units shown on the Order of Battle are to submit a separate return. GROUPING of units on returns IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.
6. Members Medevaced are NOT to be STRUCK OFF STRENGTH untils are notified by HQ AFV to take this action.
7. For normal reposting on completion of tour of duty SVN member is to be struck off strength on date AAFMob 3 raised marching member out to new unit or unallotted list of command in which member takes leave. In all other cases (compassionate reposting, administrative reposting) member is to be struck off strength on receipt of signal advice from HQ QFV.

NAME..... W. McD CLARKE.....

RANK..... 2Lt.....

APPT..... ADJT.....



DETACHED

ECN	ARMY NO.	RANK	NAME	REMARKS
237	828454	Sgt	A. J. KEELER	HQ AFV (DADOS AFV)

DEFICIENCIES

APPT/POSTING	ECN	RANK	REMARKS
Clerk Ord	237	Pte	Pte G.M. LANE. PO 35/67.
Clerk Ord	237	Pte	Pte G.D. BUTT. PO 376/67.
Clerk Ord	237	Pte	Pte J.W. COOPER PO 376/67.
Clerk Ord	237	Sgt	Sgt L.G. DIXON PO 311/67.
Cook	253	Pte	Vacant.
Dvr/Batman	303	Pte	Vacant.
WEO	954	Pte	Vacant.
Stam Tech Ord	839	Sgt	Cpl T.E. RICHARDS PO311/67.
Stam Tech Ord	839	Sgt	Cpl G.H. HUGHES PO 31/67.
Stam Tech Ord	839	Pte	Pte R.J. REILLY PO 359/67.
Stam Tech Ord	839	Pte	Pte A.J. GRONOW PO 289/67.
Stam Tech Ord	839	Pte	Pte A.M. CONTE PO 289/67.
Stam Tech Ord	839	Pte	Pte K.G. TICKELL PO 287/67.
Stamj Tech Ord	839	Pte	Vacant.
Stam Tech Ord	839	Pte	Vacant.

ATTACHED - LOCAL

ARMY NO	RANK	NAME	PARENT UNIT
37232	Lt	R. L. GROSS	RNZAOC
33137	SSgt	J. N. TWIST	RNZAOC
212236	Cpl	L. R. HAWKINS	RNZAOC
31982	Pte	P. G. DEAN	1 ALSG
1411099	Lcpl	C. NEWETH	17 Const. Sqn.

STRENGTH ON THE GROUND IN THE ALSG AREA

Maj - 1      WO1 - 1      Cpl - 24  
 Capt - 3      WO2 - 9      Lcpl - 6  
 Lt - 3      Ssgt - 1      Pte - 70  
 2Lt - 4      Sgt - 14

AHQ

ARMY NO.	RANK	NAME	PARENT UNIT



In reply quote : R1 - 3 - 2a

HQ AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES VIETNAM

UNIT 2 COMP ORD DEPOT

RETURNS (SPECIAL) - WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN

PROFORMA NO. 2

AS AT 2359 HRS TUES 12 Sept 67

(as amended 5 Sep 66)

(This return to be lodged to reach DAAG HQAFV by 1000 hrs THURS of each week)

OFFICERS						WO'S		RANK AND FILE						TOTAL ALL RANKS	DETAIL		
Maj Gen	Brig	Lt Col	Maj	Capt	Lt	Total	WO1	WO2	Total	SSGT	Sgt	Cpl	Lcpl	Ptes	Total		
-	-	-	1	3	6	10	2	8	10	-	16	33	5	72	126	146	including theatre ESTB supplement.
-	-	4	1	3	6	10	1	9	10	-	14	25	5	67	111	131	POSTED STRENGTH
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	SURPLUS
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	8	-	5	15	16	DEFICIENCIES

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RANK.....2Lt.....

APPT.....ADJT.....



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DEFICIENCIES

APPT/POSTING	ECN	RANK	REMARKS
Clerk Ord	237	Pte	Pte G.M. LANE. PO 35/67.
Clerk Ord	237	Pte	Pte G.D. BITT. PO 376/67.
Clerk Ord	237	Pte	Pte J.W. COOPER PO 276/67.
Clerk Ord	237	Sgt	Sgt L.G. DYSON PO 311/67.
Cook	253	Pte	Vacant.
Dvr/Batman	303	Pte	Vacant.
Stann Tech Ord	839	Sgt	Cpl T.E. RICHARDS PO 311/67.
Stann Tech Ord	839	Sgt	Cpl G.H. HUGHES PO 311/67.
Stann Tech Ord	839	Pte	Pte R.J. REILLY PO 359/67.
Stann Tech Ord	839	Pte	Pte A.M. CONEE PO 289/67.
Stann Tech Ord	839	Pte	Pte A.J. GRONOW PO 289/67.
Stann Tech Ord	839	Pte	Pte K.G. TICKNELL PO 287/67.
Stann Tech Ord	839	Pte	Vacant.
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33137	Ssgt	J.N. TWIST	NZ
212236	Cpl	L.R. HAWKING	NZ
31982	Pte	F.G. DEAN	1 ALSG
1411007	Lcpl	C. NEWETH	17 Constr

STRENGTH ON THE GROUND IN THE ALSG AREA

Maj <sup>1</sup> -- WO <sup>1</sup> -- Cpl <sup>26</sup> --  
 Capt <sup>3</sup> -- WO <sup>2</sup> -- Lcpl <sup>6</sup> --  
 Lt <sup>3</sup> -- Ssgt <sup>1</sup> -- Pte <sup>88</sup> --  
 2Lt <sup>4</sup> -- Sgt <sup>14</sup> --

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ARMY NO.	RANK	NAME	PARENT UNIT



HQ AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES VIETNAM

UNIT 2 GMP ORD DEPOT

In reply quote : R1 - 3 - 2a

RETURNS (SPECIAL) - WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN

PROFORMA NO. 2

AS AT 2359 HRS TUES ..19. Sept. 67.....

(as amended 5 Sep 66)

(This return to be lodged to reach DAAG HQAFV by 1000 hrs THURS of each week)

OFFICERS						WO'S			RANK AND FILE						TOTAL ALL RANKS	DETAIL	
Maj Gen	Brig	Lt Col	Maj	Capt	Lt	Total	WO1	WO2	Total	SSGT	Sgt	Cpl	Lcpl	Ptes	Total		
-	-	-	1	4	6	11	2	8	10	-	16	33	5	71	125	146	ESTB including theatre supplement.
-	-	-	1	3	6	10	1	9	10	-	17	25	5	70	117	137	POSTED STRENGTH
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	SURPLUS
-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	8	-	-	1	9	11	DEFICIENCIES

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RANK... Lt.....

APPT... ADJT.....



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61761	Pte	R.G. FARMER	6 OFF
1200514	Pte	R.C. ANDERSON	6 OFF

STRENGTH ON THE GROUND IN THE ALSG AREA

Maj	1	WO1	1	Cpl	25
Capt	1	WO2	1	Lcpl	6
Lt	1	Ssgt	1	Pte	73
2Lt	1	Sgt	17		

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## HQ AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES VIETNAM

UNIT 2 COMP ORD DEPT

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Maj	1	WO1	9	Cpl	27
Capt	3	WO2	1	Lcpl	70
Lt	4	Ssgt	17	Pte	-
2Lt	-	Sgt	-		

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## AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

VIETNAM

ANNEX "B"  
 Annex B to  
 AFV Adm Instr 20/66  
 (For units not in  
 SAIGON area)

HQ AFV (For Financial Adviser AFV)

UNIT STRENGTH REPORT FOR MONTH ..... SEPTEMBER .....

UNIT ..... 2. COMPOSITE ORDNANCE DEPOT .....

1. Unit Average Strength (See Note 1)

<u>Offrs</u>	<u>ORs</u>
11.00	130.97

2. In Country R & C Average Strength (See Note 2)

<u>Offrs</u>	<u>ORs</u>
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3. Aust Combat Rations (See Note 3)

Total Consumed 548

..... Signed W McD CLARKE .....  
 ee/ee/Adjt.

Notes for Compilation of Return

Note 1. a. In arriving at unit average strength :

Include Philanthropic Representatives,  
 Overnight Attachments/Transients,  
 Hospitalised US Hospitals/8 Fd Amb,  
 Day/Leave/Duty SAIGON.

Exclude Overnight Detachments,  
 Out of Country R & R,  
 In Country R & C,  
 Hospitalised BUTTERWORTH or RTA.

b. Aust R & C Centre

Show Staff only.

Note 2. For use by Aust R & C Centre only; to show average monthly strength of members present for Rest and Convalescence.

Note 3. The total number of Aust Combat rations consumed :

e.g. 20 personnel consumed Aust Combat rations over a period of 3 days;

Return would read; 60.



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From <b>2 Comp Ord Depot</b>			PREFIX GR
To <b>Army Melbourne</b>			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION <b>Unclas</b>
Info <b>Austforce Vietnam</b> <b>1 ALSG</b>			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER <b>Ord 5066</b>

Ref DOS 980-M180-3 dated 22 Mar 67 (.) 2 Comp Ord Depot statistics for week ending 1 Sep 67 (.)

**First (.) Issues (.)**

No of issue vouchers received 1712 repeat one seven one two (.)  
 No of issue vouchers cleared 1297 repeat one two nine seven (.)  
 Backlog of issue vouchers 919 repeat nine one nine (.)

**Second (.) Receipts (.)**

No of receipt vouchers completed 1575 repeat one five seven five (.)  
 Outstanding CRS under 21 days 365 repeat three six five (.)  
 Outstanding CRS over 21 days 52 repeat five two (.)

**Third (.) Dues Out (.)**

Group Two 1156 repeat one one five six (.)  
 Group Three 281 repeat two eight one (.)  
 Group Four 2251 repeat two two five one (.)  
 Group Five 784 repeat seven eight four (.)  
 Group Six 716 repeat seven one six (.)  
 5 Sup Depot 289 repeat two eight nine (.)

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From 2 COMP ORD DEPOT			PREFIX GR
To ARMY MELBOURNE			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION  UNCLAS
Info AUSTFORCE VIETNAM 1 ALSG			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER  ORD 5207

Ref DOS 980-M180-3 dated 22 Mar 67 (.) 2 Comp Ord Depot statistics for week ending 8 Sep 67 (.)

## First (.) Issues (.)

No of issue vouchers received 1414 repeat one four one four (.)

No of issue vouchers cleared 1356 repeat one three five six (.)

Backlog of issue vouchers 977 repeat nine seven seven (.)

## Second (.) Receipts (.)

No of receipt vouchers completed 1079 repeat one zero seven nine (.)

Outstanding CRS under 21 days 176 repeat one seven six (.)

Outstanding CRS over 21 days 108 repeat one zero eight (.)

## Third (.) Dues Out (.)

Group Two 1157 repeat one one five seven (.)

Group Three 149 repeat one four nine (.)

Group Four 2185 repeat two one eight five (.)

Group Five 785 repeat seven eight five (.)

Group Six 717 repeat seven one seven (.)

5 Sub Depot 241 repeat two four one (.)

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From 2 COMP ORD DEPOT			PREFIX GR
To ARMY MELBOURNE			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION  UNCLAS
Info AUSTFORCE VIETNAM 1 ALSG			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER  ORD 5531

Ref Dos 980-M180-3 dated 22 Mar 67 (.) 2 Comp Ord Dep statistics for week ending 15 Sep 67 (.)

First (.) Issues (.)

No of issue vouchers received 1825 repeat one eight two five (.)  
 No of issue vouchers cleared 1782 repeat one seven eight two (.)  
 Backlog of issue vouchers 1020 repeat one zero two zero (.)

Second (.) Receipts (.)

No of receipt vouchers completed 856 repeat eight five six (.)  
 Outstanding CRS under 21 days 58 repeat five eight (.)  
 Outstanding CRS over 21 days 96 repeat nine six (.)

Third (.) Dues Out (.)

Group Two 1044 repeat one zero four four (.)  
 Group Three 146 repeat one four six (.)  
 Group Four 2007 repeat two zero zero seven (.)  
 Group Five 787 repeat seven eight seven (.)  
 Group Six 717 repeat seven one seven (.)  
 5 Sub Depot 166 repeat one six six (.)

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From 2 Comp Ord Dep			PREFIX GR
To Army Melbourne			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION  UNCLAS
Info Austforce Vietnam 1 ALSG			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER  ORD 5720

Ref DOS-M180-3 dated 22 Mar 67 (.) 2 Comp Ord Dep statistics for week ending 22 Sep 67 (.)

First (.) Issues (.)

No of issue vouchers received 1602 repeat one six zero two (.)

No of issue vouchers cleared 1856 repeat one eight five six (.)

Backlog of issue vouchers 766 repeat seven six six (.)

Second (.) Receipts (.)

No of receipt vouchers completed 473 repeat four seven three (.)

Outstanding CRS under 21 days 59 repeat five nine (.)

Outstandin CRS over 21 days 66 repeat six six (.)

Third (.) Dues Out (.)

Group Two 1151 repeat one one five one (.)

Group Three 155 repeat one five five (.)

Group Four 2107 repeat two one zero seven (.)

Group Five 826 repeat eight two six (.)

Group Six 767 repeat seven six seven (.)

5 Sub Depot 174 repeat one seven four (.)

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From 2 COMP ORD DEPOT			PREFIX GR
To ARMY MELBOURNE			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION  UNCLAS
Info AUSTFORCE VIETNAM 1 ALSG			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER  ORD 5944

Ref DOS - M180 - 3 dated 22 Mar 67 (.) 2 Comp Ord Depot statistics for week ending 29 Sep 67 (.)

First (.) Issues (.) No of issue vouchers received 1951 repeat one nine five one (.)  
 No of issue vouchers cleared 1977 repeat one nine seven seven (.)  
 Backlog of issue vouchers 740 repeat seven four zero (.)

Second (.) Receipts (.) No of receipt vouchers completed 342 repeat three four two (.)  
 Outstanding CRS under 21 days 35 repeat three five (.)  
 Outstanding CRS over 21 days 90 repeat nine zero (.)

Third (.) Dues Out (.) Group Two 1229 repeat one two two nine (.)  
 Group Three 168 repeat one six eight (.)  
 Group Four 2122 repeat two one two two (.)  
 Group Five 831 repeat eight three one (.)  
 Group Six 773 repeat seven seven three (.)  
 5 Sub Depot 166 repeat one six six (.)

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14 Oct 67

AHQ (DOS) 5 (through DADOS AFV)

MONTHLY REPORT-2 COMP ORD DEPOT  
September 1967  
Part 1 - General Staff

Enemy.

1. Nothing to report.

Own Troops.

2. No change since last report.

Establishment.

3. No change since last report.

Equipment Table.

4. No change since last report.

Training.

5. In Theatre. Two WEO courses were conducted in 1 ALSG during the month. Four members attended one of 19 days duration and five attended a course of five days duration.

6. In Australia. There has been a slight improvement in the technical standard of members posted to this unit. However there is tremendous scope for further improvement.

Part 2 - Administration

Military.

7. It has become increasingly evident throughout the month that the Individual Relief Programme is not functioning as planned. Replacements are not arriving in theatre in accordance with the programme. Members for RTA are not to move before replacements arrive in theatre and on one occasion the unit did not receive notification of who was to arrive on the incoming charter flight until 26 hours before the return flight was due to depart. This is not satisfactory for the morale of those concerned. Replacements made during the month are shown in Annex 'A' and positions still to be filled are shown in Annex 'B'.

Local Labour.

8. The 3 positions restricted previously are now held against this unit but employed by other units in the area on 1 ALSG authority.

a. Number on Establishment 131.

b. Number employed within unit 128.

c. Number employed by other units in area against Establishment. 3.

/ Health and Hygiene.



Health and Hygiene

9. No change since last report.

Morale.

10. No change since last report.

Discipline.

11. Four charges were heard during the month. Two of these were serious, one charge being stealing money and the other leaving his post as a sentry and both offenders were awarded a period of detention.

Promotions and Reductions.

12. a. Effected.  
(i) Pte to R/Cpl - 1  
(ii) Pte to Cpl - 1
- b. Proposed.  
(i) L/Cpl to Cpl - 2  
(ii) Pte to L/Cpl - 1  
(iii) Pte to Cpl - 6

Trade Qualifications.

13. a. Proposed.  
(i) Driver Gp 4 to Storeman Tech Gp 3-1  
(ii) Clerk Gp 1 to Clerk Ord Gp 5 -1  
(iii) Storeman Gp 1 to Storeman Gp 3 -1
- b. Effected.  
Nil

Accommodation

14. a. Living Accommodation. Construction has commenced on the final two OR Scale 'C' accommodation huts and these should be completed during October. The Sergeants Mess has been completed and is occupied.

b. Warehousing Accommodation. One 200 ft x 45 ft storehouse was completed during the month and the concrete floor (last task) was half completed on another. The foundations for the Traffic Centre were completed and construction has commenced on the pre-fabricated trusses. This building should be completed in November. Construction of the Gp 3 detailed storehouse is well advanced and this building should be completed in October.

c. Office Accommodation. The RAE representatives are procrastinating on the design of the building for the accounting machines and under these circumstances, based on previous experience, it is not possible to estimate a likely completion date.

d. Other Accommodation. No change since last report.



Part 3 - Technical

Statistics

14. Stores transactions for issues, DOR's and receipts totalled 8154 for the month, a decrease of 1739 on the August figures. Issues and receipts were up to date at the end of the month and the decrease is attributed to ledd demands received during this period. This appears to have been only a temporary situation because the inflow of unit demands is steadily rising again.

Workload

15. Outstanding CRS over 21 days were 90. The relocation of Group 2 inconjunction with the revised regular stocktaking programme is progressing satisfacotry although IAS is under constant pressure to maintain the programme. Future tasks include the relocation of Group 3,4 and 5 Sub-Depot and the preservation and packing of much of the Depot's Stocks. These tasks will take a considerable period with the present manpower resurces.

16. The new Group 1 area south of the Depot has been completed, and there are now 240 vehicles and trailers on the new park.

17. Vehicle Statistics as at 30 Sep 67 were as follows:-

a. FFI	128
b. Awaiting Inspection	33
c. Awaiting Wksp Callin	26
d. In Wksp	27
e. Unit Repair	53
f. F1a Issue	33

18. These Group continue to function satisfactorily, despite some disruption and congestion, caused by the movement of stores to provide space for new buildings.

Control Office

19. Accounting Machines.

a. Average number of postings per machine per day

Machine No1	237.2
Machine No2	304
Machine No3	332.1
Machine No4	In Storage.
Total Daily Average	704.7
Total Monthly Postings	18,323.

b. Machines in use three

c. Hours lost to breakdown

Machine No1	14.7 hrs
Machine No2	Nil
Machine No3	Nil

d. Breakdown cause

Broken lug on key stem of the keyboard digit 2 of machine No1.

e. During September Cpl HOLT was absent on emergency leave in AUSTRALIA from 15 Sep. 51.45 operator hours were lost due to his absence.

Accounts section

20. The progress of all documentation through the Control Office is proceeding smoothly and rapidly. Due to the supervision of NCO's in charge of the various sections, and the on the job training received by all personnel, little difficulty is being experienced. Unit indents are being handled from registration through to scheduling to storehouses within 48 hours and Red Star indents are handled within two hours, Other documentation is handled at a comparable time rate.



21. Whilst documentation in the "Y" series suffered considerable mishandling through inexperience or lack of knowledge on the part of the staff handling them, every care is being taken to ensure that "A" series vouchers will be strictly controlled at all times. In this way the troubles inherited from the "Y" series will cease and a greater degree of efficiency and service will be provided to units at all times.

#### Provision Section

22. With the arrival of all Provision Section staff since July 67 it is now possible to devote the whole of this section to full time provisioning, Inscaling is progressing satisfactory and the review of service demands continues on a permanent basis. Outscaling has been started for equipments no longer in theatre, however an outscaling review programme has not been instituted as yet. It is anticipated that this will be commenced toward the end of November.

#### Signal Demand Centre

23. The Signal Demand Centre is now up to date with its workload and this combined with the inscaling being carried out by the Provision Section together with an easing of indents requiring signal demands being raised has combined to increase the efficiency of this section. A separate Signals Register has now been started and the Centre now registers all Service Demands without sending them through the Depot Registry. This reduces handling time for signals and also ensures their quicker transmission to Australia.

24. Stores are being cleared quickly from each courier however the greatest delay occurs in the opening of packages to locate the No.4 copy G982E sent with the stores so that they may be checked against the original demand, particularly when packed too well, especially in multi-item packages. It is considered that the G982E would be better placed in an envelope and tape to the outside of the package when small packages are sent in a larger crate. A memo is being prepared on this subject.

#### Traffic

25. A total of 273 tons were dispatched to 1 ATF by road convoys in September. This represents a daily average of 10.1 tons, which is a decrease of 0.2 tons on the August figure. The construction of the new Traffic Centre has considerably reduced the size of the Traffic Park.

#### Shipping

26. At this stage is it not practical to give details on the unloading of the September "Jeparit". A separate report will be forwarded.

#### Packing & Preservation

27. A. Items received from Aust. Generally the standard continues to improve. The introduction of the new style shipping containers has reduced damage and loss of stores. However, more care should be taken with the packing of glassware items, especially those items shipped by air, our R980-250-1 of 7 Oct 67 refers.

b. Items in Storage

Some items are now being treated for rust on a time available basis.

c. Packaging to Units

Nothing to report.



Part 4 - Conclusion

28. As stressed in this and previous reports, there is still a considerable workload to properly establish this depot. It is considered that the existing establishment has insufficient manpower to achieve the desired results within a reasonable time frame. It is not intended to submit further establishment proposals until HQ AFV takes some positive action on any of the numerous proposals already submitted.

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