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WAR DIARY - 'A' FD BTY RAA

1. Attached is one copy of War Diary for period 1-30 Jun 59 together with a duplicate copy for period 1-31 May 59.

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Comd 'A' Fd Bty RAA

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WAE DIARY
or
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C2118
(Adapted)

UNIT 'A' Fd Bty RAA

COMMISSARY OFFICER MAJ P.E. SEDDON

MONTH and YEAR ...JUNE, 1959.....

Place	Day of Month	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
	1.		BC departed for SINGAPORE for a "Atomius" course, attached to HQ 99 Gurkha Inf Bde. Capt B.N. MURTAGH Adm Comd. BHQ ptl no comms	
TAIPING	2		Adm Comd attended 28 COMWEL Bde Comd's O Group and CO's Op Conf. BHQ ptl received resupply.	
ALOR STAR	3		A Tp Comd attended 1 Fed Inf Bde Comd's Conference	
BUTTERWORTH			Visit by DA Ch G. Accompanied by Senior Chap 28 COMWEL Bde BHQ ptl loc VD 797695 ptl in areas VD 78727871.	
BUTTERWORTH	4		Visit by Fire Adviser 17 GURKHA Div/OCLF. BHQ ptl loc VD784735 ptl in areas VD 7773, 7772.	
PENANG			Bty Cricket team defeated by 11 Ind Fd Sqn RE in Major Units Competition semi final	
BUTTERWORTH	5		BC returned to BUTTERWORTH. BHQ ptl in areas VD 7772, 7672	
BUTTERWORTH	6		Visit by Minister for the Army the Hon J.O. CRAMER MP. accompanied by Comd 28 COMWEL Bde, Brig H.J. MOGG, DSO and	

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			Comd AUST Army Force FARELF Col E.G. McNAMARA, ED. BHQ ptl	
			in areas VD 7672, 7772.	
PENANG	7		B Tp mounted Minden Barracks Gd. BHQ ptl returned to BUTTERWORTH	
BUTTERWORTH	10		Bty Capt on leave. Capt D.J. ASHMORE acting Bty Capt.	
IPOH	12		BC attended Bde Comd's Conf. Det A Tp moved to TAIPING for QUEEN's Birthday Celebrations.	
PENANG	13		B Tp supplied gd of honour for QUEEN's Birthday Parade at Minden Barracks, remainder of Bty in attendance.	
BUTTERWORTH			A Tp QUEEN's Birthday Gd returned to BUTTERWORTH.	
	14		Bty Cricket team defeated 11 Ind Fd Sqn RE in PENANG Garrison Competition.	
	15		A Tp deployed VD 704111 in sp 2/6 GR	
	16		A Tp engaged tgts VD 630095, 622098, 633098, 638090, 639199, 640127, 632131.	ANX 'A'
	17		A Tp engaged tgts VD 627092, 624091, 622094, 638090, 641117,	ANX 'A'

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			652136, 652134, 650130, 627135, 630128, 654138, 666136, 658137,	
			662136, Fired 21 Gun Salute HM The Yang Di-Pertuan Agong	
	20		A Tp engaged tgts VD 662136, 634097, 652136, 650130, 630128,	ANX 'A'
			652134, 640127, 630095, 629098, 624091, 632131, 639119. Ceased	
			to be in sp 2/6 GR, returned to BUTTERWORTH.	
BUTTERWORTH	20		Visit by Brig T.E. CAPE, DSO, MBE, DMGO, AHQ and Col R2C2	
			ROSE, OBE, Col SD GHQ, FARELF.	
PENANG	21		Bty Cricket team played drawn matches against RAAF.	
BUTTERWORTH	22		Bty Capt returned ex leave. Bty carried out Physical Efficiency	
			Test No 5.	
	23		Bty carried out Physical Test No 6. Visit by Brig R. KEITH-	
			JONES, MBE, MC, CRA & Deputy Comd 17 GURKHA Div/OCLF.	
SINTOK			B Tp deployed QY 307985 in sp 1 R MALAY. Engaged tgts QY322982	ANX 'A'
			315987, 316980, 309975.	
	24		B Tp engaged tgts QY 307985, 307976, 313983, 321981, 315795,	ANX 'A'

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			316979, 3209 78 . Bty Cricket Team defeated 8 Med Coy	
			in PENANG Garrison Competition.	
	25		A Tp deployed VJ 972 88 in sp 1 LOYALS. B Tp returned to BUTTERWORTH.	
	26		A Tp engaged VK 014788 ceased to sp 1 LOYALS, returned to BUTTERWORTH	ANX 'A'
TAIPING	28		Bty Cricket Team defeated 28 COMWEL Bde Sig Sqn in Minor Units Competition.	
BUTTERWORTH	29		Visit by DDMS 17 GURKHA Div/OCLEF Brig SNOW, OBE. Visit by Lt Col L.E. HAYWARD, CCA FARELF. <i>Bty Commenced Maj War Trg</i>	
	30		Visit by Col F.G. HASSET, DSO, MVO, OBE, Mil Sec AHQ	

ON ARTY OPS FOR THE MONTH OF ..JUN.59.

'A' FD BTY RAA

Appx C to 'A' Fd Bty RAA
Standing Orders for Ops
MALAYA

Serial	Unit	Date	Name or type of Op	GR of Gun Posn	Unit/Fmm Supported Fire	Type of	No of Rounds
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
1	A Tp	15/20	Op JAYA	VD 704111	2/6 GR	HF	3035 HE
2	B Tp	23/25	Op JUMLAH	QY217952	1 R MALAY	HF	2000 HE
3	A Tp	25/26	Op JAYA	VJ 972788	1 LOYALS	Obs	300 HE
TOTAL							<u>5335 HE</u>

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