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(BRANCH/DIRECTORATE)

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2. Please return receipt below

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**COMMANDERS DIARY**

Unit or Formation HQ 1 ALSG  
From 01 JUL 67 To 31 JUL 67

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Narrative (AF C 2118)

ANNEXES

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- Z Top Secret Supplementary Diary

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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.
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## COMMA DISPOSAL DIARIES

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.

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ANNEX Z to

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

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

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - VIETNAM

Quote in Reply

HQ 1 ALSG  
VUNG TAU

R220/1/1

30 Jun 67

Distribution

List A, less serial 54.

List D, less serial 9, 14, 38, 57 - 59.

MINUTES OF COMD 1 ALSG CONFERENCE

28 JUNE 67

Serial	Subject/Decision	Responsibility
1.	a. Maj FURMEN, GSO 2 (Int) from 1 ATF addressed the conference with a most interesting lecture on the previous, current and proposed activities of Task Force.	
2.	<u>COMD</u>	
	a. The Comd thanked Maj FURMEN for a most informative address.	
	b. Area Development Plan. The Development Plan of the 1 ALSG area has been issued to unit comds. The Comd then spoke briefly on the subject.	CO/OCs
3.	<u>GSO2</u>	
	a. Lt ANDERSON the new GSO 3 was introduced to the conference.	
	b. Conference Room. Units are encouraged to make use of the HQ 1 ALSG Conference Room, however to avoid any inconvenience it is suggested that they liaise through IO to ensure that there are not any duplications in booking of conference room	CO/OCs
	c. Visitors. Details of proposed visits by members to the 1 ALSG area was issued to the conference.	
	d. <u>S.D.C.</u> The signal centre are to commence the SDS run with in the area commencing Mon 3 Jul 67. There will be two internal and one external run daily.	CO/OCs
	e. Telephone Extensions. The new numbers are now in operation. Members are requested to ask for extension numbers and not appointments or names.	CO/OCs
	f. Establishments. Confirmation has been received regarding amendments to establishments.	CO/OCs
4.	<u>COMD</u>	
	a. The Comd commented on any further submission of amendments to establishments.	

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5. DAA and QMG

- a. ASCO Service. Arrangements have been made with ASCO to put aside articles and gifts for members for a short period of time. The deadline for payment is the following payday. CO/OCs
- b. Beach Parties/Barbeques. With immediate affect there will be an officer present at all beach parties and barbeques to supervise discipline as well as final cleaning of the area. CO/OCs
- c. Back Beach Bars. With immediate affect the bars along the Back Beach are out of bounds between the hours 1800 hrs to 0800 hrs daily. Unit Comd to notify troops accordingly. CO/OCs
- d. RSL Membership Cards. These are available to units. Requests for these cards are to be made to HQ 1 ALSG. CO/OCs
- e. Confidential Reports. Units were requested to bring forward the date of submission of AAF A26, Confidential Reports for Captain from the 21 Jul 67 to 15 Jul 67. CO/OCs
- f. Col COOK DSO, MC. Advise had been received of the death of member.

6. DAQMG(OPS)

- a. Details of weekly tonnages to 1 ATF were given to the conference

7. 17 CONST SQN

- a. Statistics on Rock, Grass, Sand, Water etc, were detailed to the conference.
- b. Dump Trucks. At the present moment there are only six out of the ten operating, and can see future problems with other vehicles.

8. COMD

- a. The Comd pointed out to comd the need for constant inspection of vehicles and indenting for replacement parts so that they are on hand when needed. Also the replacement of B.L.A. vehicles should be also watched. CO/OCs

9. 55 AESS

- a. Statistics. Details were given for the period on the Stores/Engineer Equipment situation.

10. COMD

- a. An enquiry was made into the availability of material to contractors.
- b. Glue. The Comd requested the current situation on glue, and also wished to be informed of all outstanding projects requiring this material DAAQMG(Ops)
- c. The Comd asked for an estimate of time it would take to complete the R and C Centre after necessary stores have been made available 17 Const Sqn
- 11. Flourescent Lighting. Have been recived and are available for issue to units. CO/OCs

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12. COMD

- a. To ensure that the movement of 55 AEBS is complete by 30 Aug 67, one forklift is to be provided each day and an operator by night on a 6 day a week basis.

CO/OCs

13. LSM

- a. Details of movements and tonnages for the LSM were issued to the conference.

14. 110 SIG SQN

- a. Firing of Weapons. The American guards at the rubbish tip are still in the practice of firing weapons into the hill occupied by 110 Sig Sqn.

15. COMD

- a. The Comd directed that the American authorities be approached on this matter.

GSO 2

16. 110 SIG SQN

- a. S.D.S. The SDS is not permitted to handle such things as explosives, inflammable materials clothing, money and etc.

CO/OCs

17. a. The Comd suggested that units are to be informed of what facilities are required to ensure that the SDS operates smoothly without delay.

110 Sig Sqn

18. b. Telephone Traffic. A recent survey of calls indicates that the switchboard and operator are working at full capacity.

- c. Signal Centre. Changeover should be completed today, that is, well ahead of schedule.

- d. Line Equipment. A stores list has been submitted to 55 AEBS.

55 AEBS

19. 5 COY RAASC

- a. Statistics. The statistics for the period relating to vehicles, stores, sand, rock, rations etc.

20. COMD

- a. Fresh Rations. The Comd would like a report on the quality of fresh rations.

OC 5 Coy

- b. Unloading of aircraft. Were 5 Coy experiencing any problems.

- c. St Kilda Hele/Pad. Estimated time of completion. Could be a slight delay because of bitumen sprayer being under repair.

17 Const Sqn

- d. Storage of Ammunition. This has to be stacked and covered correctly with plenty of ventilation.

OC 5 Coy

- e. Air Despatch Accommodation. When will Air Despatch Company be finally established in buildings.



21. 8 FD AMB
- Statistics. The medical statistics for the period were issued to the conference.
  - Stomach Disorders. Over the period it has been noticed that the stomach complaints have decreased.
22. COMD
- The Comd spoke on the subject of sullage pits and drainage from showers. The improvement of these is contained in the area development plan
23. 2 COMP ORD DEPOT
- Statistics. Statistics for the period were detailed to the conference.
  - Reception of stores. 2 Comp Ord area is clear and ready to receive stores ex Jeparit.
24. COND
- Priority 2 Demands. The Cond would like a letter drafted for AFV requesting an investigation in Australia on Priority 2 Demands to ensure availability of stores. DAQMG(Ops)
25. 102 Fd Wksp
- Statistics. Workshop statistics for the period were issued to the conference.
  - Wksp area. The changeover of the areas in 102 Fd Wksp nearing completion.
26. 33 DENTAL UNIT
- Establishment. There has been an increase in the Dental unit establishment.
  - Dental Facilities - Saigon. These could be improved.
27. ASCO/PX
- Statistics. Statistics and details of shortages of certain commodities were issued to the conference.
28. DET AFV PRO
- Detention Barracks. Four members in custody.
  - Traffic Accidents. Three for the week
  - Thefts. Five wallets stolen from members. CO/OCs requested to advise members of their unit not to carry large sums of money to Vung Tau CO/OCs
29. R AND C CENTRE
- Members on R and C. Average strength for week was 51.
  - Repairs to Villas. Pil repair to Nos 1 and 3 Villa. No 4 villa will probably be handed over on 28 Jun and Engineer work to commence immediately.

*W. S. WUST*  
(W..S WUST)  
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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MINUTES OF COMD 1 ALSG CONFERENCE

26 JUL 67

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1.	<u>COMD</u>	
a.	Visit by Minister of State for the Army. The Comd spoke briefly on the visit of the Minister. Unit Comd to ensure that all unit members are aware of the fact that he will be in the area. Arrangements at officers mess to be detailed by PMC later in the conference. S Sgt WHATMAN, 17 Const Sqn to report to S Pd Amb by 1355 hrs 26 Jul 67 for interview with Secretary for the Department of the Army.	CO/OCs  OC 17 Const Sqn
b.	Headdress. Unit drivers are still not wearing headdress. Unit comd to pay particular attention to this matter.	CO/OCs
c.	Sporting Activities. The Comd commented on the number of injuries sustained by members participating in sporting activities.	CO/OCs
2.	<u>IO</u>	
a.	<u>Situation Report.</u> A detailed summary of the current situation and activities during the period was issued to the conference.	
3.	<u>GSO 2</u>	
a.	Visitors. Apart from the Minister for the Army there will be no further visits for the week. Details of future visits include:  (1) Sir Arthur TANGE -- Aust High Commissioner to India and Mr POOCK -- 5 Aug 67.  (2) Mr JONES and Maj YEATS -- Logistic experts approximately 14-21 Aug 67.  (3) D Sigs -- DD quartering and Mil Sec -- during period 25-31 Aug 67.  (4) CGS -- 29 Aug 67.  Itineraries to be issued accordingly.	
b.	Training. Details were given on the following courses:	

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(1) A movements course on TCM's is currently being conducted and concludes on 27 Jul 67.

(2) A voice procedure course is to be conducted during period 31 Jul to 4 Aug 67 for 5 Coy RAASC personnel.

OC 5 Coy RAASC

(3) It is intended to run a forklift operators course after the next Jeparit operation subject to availability of forklifts.

CO/OCs

4. DAA and Q&A

a. Visit by DADLS. It is intended to have DADLS HQ AFV visit 1 ALSG on the 28/29 Jul 67 to assist unit cmd with any legal problems.

CO/OCs

b. Signal Marker Pickets. Coloured pickets have been sited by 110 Sig Sqn around the area. These are proposed locations for line poles and are not to be removed.

CO/OCs

5. DAQMG (OPS)

a. Statistics. Details of weekly tonnages to 1 ATF were issued to the conference. The overall figure for the period was 842 tons.

b. LSM Movements. The ship returned last night from CAN THO.

c. Demonstration of Sikorsky Flying Crane. Proposed to conduct a demonstration of capabilities of this aircraft at St Kilda Pad at 1130 hrs Wed 2 Aug 67. This aircraft has a 14,000 lb working load and an 18,000 lb maximum load.

CO/OCs

d. Movement of Stores. The 50,000th ton of stores moved will be reached during the coming week.

e. Forklifts. Again the attention of unit cmd is directed to the need for careful attention to servicing of forklift equipments, and ensure that adequate stocks of spare parts are held.

CO/OCs

6. CA/LO

a. Provost Matters. The following details were given:

(1) Detention Barracks. Six soldiers under sentence.

(2) Standard of Drivers. The standard of driving both in the ALSG area and on the highway has improved considerably.

(3) ASCO Parking Area. The new parking area is clearly signposted and is to be used by units when parking vehicles

(4) Provost Escort. Details of escort to the Minister of State for the Army were described to conference members.

b. 1 ALSG Officers Mess. Unit cmd were requested to have their officers in unit groups to assist in the introduction of members to the Minister. Details of dining arrangements, seating plan, were also mentioned by the PMC. Members to assemble by 1215 hrs.

CO/OCs

c. Officers Mess Plaque. The officers mess plaque to be returned immediately.

CO/OCs

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7. COMD

- a. The Comd spoke briefly on the procedure that will occur on the arrival of the Minister at the 1 ALSG Officers Mess. Also additional remarks to those of the PMC were made regarding the plaque.

CO/OCs

8. CA/LO

- a. Presentation to JMA. The dining forms had arrived and will be handed over to the Junior Military Academy by the Minister for the Army together with the water pipes and refrigerator.

9. 17 CONST SQN

- a. Statistics. Statistics for the period were detailed to the conference which included:
- (1) Rainfall for period - 190 points.
  - (2) Water consumption - 24,000 gallons daily.
  - (3) Water point level - 2 foot rise.
  - (4) Rock haulage - 421 cu yds daily average.
  - (5) Sand - 1673 cu yds daily average.
  - (6) Turf - Lift of turf again just commenced.
- b. Survey of Electrical Retriculation Poles. No further development at this stage.

10. COMD

- a. The Comd raised the following points :
- (1) The current situation as regard availability and movement of turf.
  - (2) The progress as regard completion date of St Kilda Helipad.
  - (3) Progress regarding completion of the concrete floor at No 2 storehouse.
  - (4) The situation as regard construction of Nos 3 and 4 warehouses.
  - (5) Progress report on the levelling of RAEME Hill.

OC 17 Const Sqn

11. 55 AESS

- a. Statistics. Statistics on Engr Stores/Equipment included:
- (1) Received in - 314 tons.
  - (2) Issued out - 525 tons.
- b. Relocation of 55 AESS. A progress report was detailed to conference .
- c. R & R. OC 55 AESS is proceeding to HONG KONG on R and R.

/12.



12. 110 SIG SQN

- a. Weapon Firing by US Guards at Rubbish Dump. Practice appears to have ceased.
- b. New Telephone Installation. Route has been marked out, pole installation to follow, however at this stage line stores have not been received.
- c. SDS. At the moment not affected by hospitalisation of two members.

13. 5 COX RAASC

- a. Statistics. Included in the statistics for the period were the following:

Mileage	15,465	338,399
Tasks	323	4,900
Tonnage to: ATF	643	11,054
: ALSG	393	3,564
Accidents	1	16
Water (Gals)	137,000	1,918,000

Details of statistics on Air, Terminal Sqn, Workshop and supplies/POL were issued.

- b. Fresh Rations. Details of availability and quality of fresh rations for the period were mentioned.
- c. Salt and Sugar. Now available.
- d. Sporting Activities. The lack of sporting material, e.g. football boots, was the cause of a lot of injuries sustained by members.

14. COMD

- a. The Comd requested that the avenues of purchasing sporting equipment be investigated.

DAA & QMG

15. 8 FD AMB

- a. Hospital Patients. Fifty patients.
- b. Specialist Appointments. Members of units are not reporting for specialist appointments. This is causing not only embarrassment with US sources but causing unnecessary wastage of staff time. A writing on the subject to be forwarded to units from 8 Fd Amb and unit comd are requested to ensure that specialist appointments are kept by members concerned.

CO/OCs

- c. RAP Timings.

Mon - Sat	Offrs	1130 hrs	CRs	0730 hrs
Sun	Offrs	0930 hrs	CRs	0930 hrs

16. 33 DENTAL UNIT

- a. Increase in Establishment. An additional section together with appropriate equipment to arrive in near future. Equipment will be of a field type.

/17.



17. 2 COMP ORD DEP

- a. Statistics. The following details were included in the statistics for the period:

Demands received from units	- 2450
DORs raised	- 512
Signals demands raised	- 467
Requisitions to US Supply	- Nil
Issues to units	- 1297
Receipts from depots	- 395
DORs held	- 4904

- b. Computers. Further trouble being experienced with computers. Two in operation and one forwarded to SAIGON for repair.

- c. Central Clothing Store. As a result of delays in completion of building it is anticipated that the central clothing store will not be in operation for approximately four weeks.

CO/OCs

18. 102 PD WKSP

- a. Statistics. Statistics for the period included the following points:

- (1) Five forklifts for repair; four awaiting parts.
- (2) Eighteen generators for repair; ten awaiting parts.

19. COMD

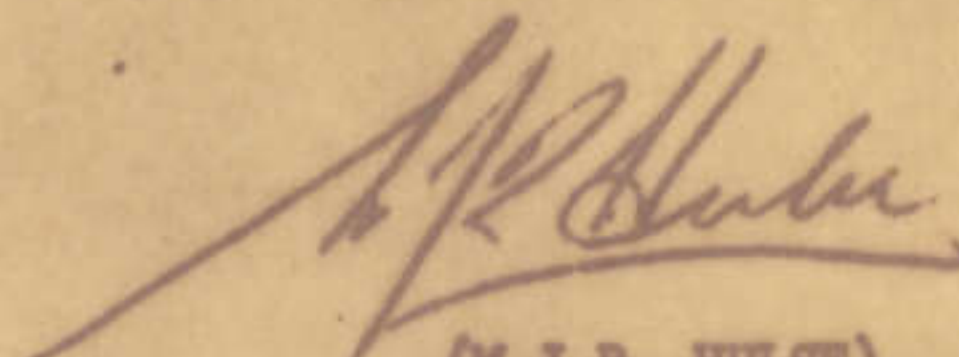
- a. The Comd queried the situation on availability of spare parts.

20. ASCO/PX

- a. Statistics. Details were given as to reasons for low tonnages to 1 ATF and to the current holding of stocks.

21. R AND C CENTRE

- a. R and C Strengths. At the present sixteen.
- b. Repairs. Nil repairs to Villas for the period.

  
(M.J.R. HULSE)  
Maj  
GSO 2



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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

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Commanding

1st Australian Logistic Support Group

SOUTH VIETNAM

24 Jul 67

Serial : 13

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116. OUT OF BOUNDS AREA : BACK BEACH

1. The area known as Back Beach, and all the bars in that area, are out of bounds to all members of the Australian Military Forces between the hours of 1800 and 0800. Members are NOT to visit the Back Beach area between those hours.
2. RO 106/67 of 3 Jul 67 is cancelled.

117. ASCO VEHICLE PARK

1. A parking area for vehicles belonging to PX customers has been set aside across the road from the ASCO PX.
2. No vehicles are to park on the side of the road adjacent to the ASCO storage area, or between the ASCO buildings, unless authorised to do so by the OC Det 5 ASCO Unit.

118. WORKSHOP OFFICER APPOINTMENT : 102 FD WKSP

1. Capt J.A. ROBINSON RNZEME has assumed the appointment of Workshop Officer with 102 Fd Wksp RAEME.
2. All enquiries relating to workshop production should be made direct to Capt ROBINSON (EMU 40).

119. TRADE TESTING AND SUPERVISING OFFICERS

1. Amendments to Annex A to 1 ALSG RO 105/67 of 3 Jul 67 are shown at Annex A to these Orders.

120. CANCELLATION OF HQ 1 ALSG ROUTINE ORDERS

1. The following Routine Orders Part 1 which have either become superceded or are no longer applicable, are cancelled:

1966. 111, 223, 225, 256, 277.

1977. 1, 4, 11, 12, 28, 30, 41, 56, 7, 100.

121. OUT OF BOUNDS AREAS : VUNG TAU

1. The following places are out of bounds to all members of the Australian Military Forces at all times:
  - a. The area inside the triangle formed by TRIEU AU St, on the South, LE LOI St, on the West and the line formed partly by LE LAI St and continued on an imaginary line from the dead end of LE LAI St to where it would join LE LOI St.
  - b. The ARVN Training Centre bounded by an imaginary line joining GR323494, GR328502, GR340508 and GR367503.
  - c. The lane off No 11 HOANG DIEU St, behind the RAAF Villa.
  - d. The C-40 Bar on NGUYEN TRI PHUONG.
  - e. The HONEYMOON Bar on Sanitary Fill Road.
  - f. All Back Beach Bars between the hours of 1800 and 0800 daily.
  - g. All eating establishments at all times, with the following exceptions:

GRAND HOTEL  
CYRNOs  
NEPTUNE  
RENDEZVOUS  
PIZZERIA

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GSO 2



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122. RAP TIMINGS

1. RAP timings at 8 Fd Amb are to be as follows:

a. Weekdays. Rank and File - 0730 hrs  
Officers - 1130 hrs

b. Sundays and Public Holidays

All ranks - 0930 hrs

Emergencies only are to be treated outside these times.

2. The above timings are to be strictly adhered to.

3. Units are to ensure that F Med / and enclosures are taken to RAP parades by an NCO, or sealed in accordance with MBI 142-3 if no NCO is available.

123. BOUNDS : AMERICAN R AND R CENTRE

1. The American in-country R and R Centre in VUNG TAU is out of bounds to all Australian Personnel. This follows the American policy that the centre is for US personnel on R and R only and is not for other US personnel who may be stationed in or visiting VUNG TAU.

124. POWER - 1 ALSG

1. With effect from 20 Jul 67 the 240v power will be cut off in 1 ALSG on Thursdays and Sundays from 1030 hrs until 1100 hrs. 1 ALSG Routine Order 101 refers.

125. CURFEW RESTRICTIONS

Saigon and Cholon

1. All members of Australian Force Vietnam in the Saigon-Cholon area are to be within their assigned billets between the hours of 2200 and 0400.

2. This restriction does not apply to members when they are performing military duty.

Vung Tau Peninsular

3. All members of Australian Force Vietnam on the Vung Tau Peninsular are to be within 1 ALSG camp area or in their assigned billets between the hours of 2200 and 0600.

4. Members on leave are permitted to be outside 1 ALSG camp area or their assigned billets:

a. If granted leave for Saturday, until 0100 hrs the next day.

b. If granted leave for any other day, until 2359 hrs the same day.

Provided that after 2200 hrs they are in any premises, place or ship under direct guard by Australian, United States or Korean armed forces.

5. After 2200 hrs members are to travel on Vung Tau Peninsular in military vehicles only. Members are not to travel in civilian vehicles between 2200 hrs and 0600 hrs.

6. The provisions of paragraph 3 of this order do not apply to members when they are performing military duty.

126. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY - 1 ALSG

1. Generating plant supplying the ALSG area is on charge to 5 Coy RAASC and operated by 17 Const Sqn RAE. Supply is normally provided 24 hrs each day, but unforeseen shut-downs may be caused by overloading if the following instructions are not observed.

2. Voltages used in 1 ALSG supply are as high as those used in AUSTRALIA, and can cause lethal accidents if electrical wiring is tampered with.

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3. The following are the only appliances which should be connected to the power supply:

- a. Refrigerators and freezers issued by 55 AESS.
- b. Electric shavers and haircutters.
- c. Electric fans connected to power outlets installed by 17 Const Sqn RAE.
- d. Some 110 volt refrigerators allocated by HQ 1 ALSG prior to Aug 66, and connected to mains via a transformer.
- e. Irons and washing machines as allocated by HQ 1 ALSG.
- f. Personal radios and tape recorders or record players.

4. No other appliances with the exception of signals equipment will be used by individuals or by units without an inspection and written authority by 17 Const Sqn RAE. Supervision of this requirement is a unit responsibility and a register of approved appliances should be held by all units.

5. Some of the following unauthorised practices constitute fire hazards and risks to life:

- a. Removal of metal reflectors from globes installed in tents.
- b. Improper installation of switches, splicing of leads to fans, wandering leads to beds.
- c. Tampering with fuse boxes by unauthorised personnel.
- d. Use of globes larger than 60W in light outlets.

6. Inspection of appliances or repairs to wiring may be arranged by submission of AAF P26.

7. Emergency repairs can be requested by telephoning Resources Troop, 17 Const Sqn RAE by day or Duty Officer by night. No emergency repair action will be taken by units except to prevent spread of fire.

8. In the event of unforeseen power failure to 8 Fd Amb, the electrician belonging to that unit will isolate the main supply and start up the 8 Fd Amb standby power generator set.

9. To ensure that adequate reserve of power is available for refrigeration and other essential equipment, and to minimise generator loading, appliances not in use should be switched off, particularly during the day.

10. 1 ALSG RO 27/67 is cancelled.

11. This Order is to be reprinted in Unit Routine Orders.

127.

MODIFICATION OF UNIT EQUIPMENT

1. EMEI's have recently been issued which detail Group 1 modifications to equipment. The following have been issued during June 67:

<u>EMEI</u>	<u>Equipment</u>	<u>To be Modified by</u>
EMEI VEH G557-21	Truck 2½ Ton GS No 1 Mk 3 IHC	LADs and Wksp
EMEI VEH G557-30	Truck 2½ Ton GS No 1 Mk 3 IHC	LADs and Wksp
EMEI TELECOMMUNI- CATIONS F537-1	Radio Set AN/PRC 25	RAEME Wksp

2. Units holding unmodified equipment should enter the modification details in Log Books and request action by RAEME.

128.

UNSERVICEABLE TENTAGE

1. Tentage that is not repairable may be destroyed in unit lines after board of survey action. Repairable tentage is to be returned to 2 Comp Ord Dep.

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2. An ordnance officer is to be in attendance at any Board of Survey involving tentage.

129. VEHICLE TRAILERS - LOCATIONS

1. All units are to check and advise DADOS HQ AFV if the following trailers are in their possession:

- a. 6118 TRAILER 1 TON WATER 200 GAL Reg No 100917.
- b. 6015G TRAILER  $\frac{1}{2}$  TON CARGO Reg No 154422.

2. Returns are required at HQ AFV by 31 Jul 67. Nil returns are to be submitted.

130. WATER PURIFICATION CHEMICALS

1. The responsibility for the provision of all water purification chemicals previously that of the RAASC has, effective from 1 Jul 67, been passed to RAE (Engineer Stores).

2. Units of AFV should accordingly indent for their requirements to Det 55 AESS and not to 25 Sup Pl RAASC.

131. BRIDGE CLASSIFICATION - 5 TON VEHICLES

1. Trucks 5 Ton GS cargo and dump have a bridge classification of 12 when loaded with 10,000 pounds of cargo.

2. As some bridges between Vung Tau and Baria are class 12, units responsible for operating 5 ton vehicles are to ensure that loads do not exceed 10,000 pounds.

132. DRESS

1. HQ 1 ALSG RO 115/67 dated 3 Jul 67 on dress is amended by adding:

"8. Except when malarial precautions are applicable, shirts may be removed in the 1 ALSG area. Shirts are to worn outside the 1 ALSG area except by drivers of tippers travelling to and from the quarry."

*B. C. Gray*  
(B.C. GRAY)  
Maj  
DAA and QMG



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MAIL

The following list contains the names of members for which mail is held at AFPO 4. Units are requested to inform AFPO 4 if any member is located within that unit or known to have RTA.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS

	Pte	C	HOWIE	216659	Pte	B	TUDOR
	Spr		PRENDERGAST		Pte	R	HOWELL
	Spr	T R	VINEY		Gnr	Ross	DEAGON
	Spr	N	SCHLEIN	2784351	Pte	A J	FENERTY
54877	Pte	F C	HOWARD		Mr	A J	PETERSEN
1731082	Pte	Norm	WATERSPOON	3786795	Spr		CHAIRE
1731621	Pte	G. J	HAUPT	54496	Lt	M J	TONKS
16206	Pte	GERALD L	BOSTOCK		Spr	C J	DAWSON DDA
3790188	Pte	T J	SOUTTER	31140	Spr	N	McDERMOTT
2226078	Cpl	J W	FREEMAN	2781901	Spr	V M	FISHER
			STEWART RAYMOND K		Mr	CHRITOPHER	DAWSON
1731105	Pte	BARRY	DARR	21236	Sgt	M A	FAIRWEATHER
27105	WO2	R W	FOSTER				
	Pte	B	GARTHERN				
			Mr Garry L TODD				

UNCLAIMED FILMS

39014	Pte	S	MATTHEW
44038		REINERSTEN	C
2782925	L Cpl	P J	PHILLIPS

UNCLAIMED PARCELS/PAPERS

21236	Sgt	M A	FAIRWEATHER
2783869	Spr	A P	WALKER

CONDUCT OF AUSTRALIAN SERVICE PERSONNEL IN MILITARY VEHICLES

1. At a recent meeting of a US-Vietnamese Friendship Council the subject of behaviour of military personnel in vehicles, particularly in the Saigon area attracted criticism. Vietnamese cited instances of servicemen striking cyclists riding close to military vehicles, crowding cyclists and pedestrians, racing engines and banging on cab roofs in deliberate efforts to frighten Vietnamese women, and too liberal use of bad language.

2. Every effort is required to ensure that Australian drivers take due care and endeavour to avoid accidents, and not to resort to similar behaviour listed above in an attempt to force their way through traffic.

3. This notice is to be repeated in Unit Routine Orders.

SPORTS RESULTS

1. Rugby Union

a.	2 Jul 67	17 Const Sqn	11	&	HQ Coy ALSG	6
		5 Coy RAASC	23	&	2 Comp Ord	3
		102 Wksp	bye			
b.	9 Jul 67	2 Comp Ord	16	&	102 Wksp	3
		5 Coy		&	HQ Coy ALSG	(Postponed)
		17 Const Sqn	bye			
c.	16 Jul 67	2 Comp Ord	16	&	HQ Coy ALSG	N11
		102 Wksp	11	&	17 Const Sqn	6
		5 Coy	bye			

d. Ladder

TEAM	Points	For	Against	%
*5 Coy RAASC	4	23	3	766.6
2 Comp Ord	4	35	26	132.7
17 Const Sqn	4	17	17	100.
102 Wksp	4	14	22	63.7
*HQ Coy ALSG	N11	6	27	23.

\*Postponed game of 9 Jul 67 still to be played.



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2. Australian Rules

a. 16 July 67.

5 Coy RAASC  
16 Goals 13 behinds - 109 points  
&  
102 Fd Wksp  
9 Goals 5 behinds - 59 points  
17 Const Sqn  
12 Goals 8 behinds - 80 points  
&  
RAAF  
6 Goals 9 behinds - 45 points

b. Ladder

Team	Points	Win	Loss	For	Against	%
5 Coy RAASC	4	1	-	109	59	184.7
17 Const Sqn	4	1	-	80	45	177.7
RAAF	-	-	1	45	80	56.3
102 Wksp	-	-	1	59	109	54.1

Note: 2 Comp Ord and 8 Fd Amb are to play on Wed 19 Jul 67 at 1700 hrs.

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ANNEX A TO HQ 1 ALSG  
RO No 119/67 OF  
24 Jul 67

1. Insert the following new serials:

Serial	ECN	Trade	Testing Officer		Supervising Officer	
			Name	Unit	Name	Unit
12a	243	Clerk (Tech) Class 1, 2 and 3	34258 Capt L M ROSS	102 Fd Wksp	57558 Maj K RAWNSLEY	102 Fd Wksp
58a	840	Storeman Tech (MTE) Class 1, 2 and 3	34258 Capt L M ROSS	102 Fd Wksp	57558 Maj K RAWNSLEY	102 Fd Wksp
70	T834	Storeman Tech Medical	1200521 Capt W A WILLIAMS	8 Fd Amb	340147 Lt Col R H MEYER	8 Fd Amb



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HQ 1 ALSC  
VUNG TAI

Jul 67

Comd AFV

MILITARY CIVIC ACTION TO PF AND ARVN

1. One of the principles I have observed in civic action work is concentration of effort in order to make the greatest impact on the civilian and military population. Our effort in the past has been hampered by the lack of a Civil Affairs detachment.
2. The degree of pacification in this District suggested to me priority on the civilian population with emphasis on medical and educational assistance.
3. Projects have been completed for PF and ARVN units namely

PF Fort Bach Ban	-	Construction of Barracks.
JVA	-	Substantial assistance including gifts for dependants
4. I agree that now is the time to improve standards for PF and selected ARVN establishments.
5. There is a particular ARVN unit that has a record for self help: the RVNAF SIGNAL SCHOOL. The CO Lt Col VU-SUY TAO is an outstanding man with a deep sense of feeling for his people. He has recently completed, with assistance from USAID and the people of VUNG TAI, an elementary school for his dependants. Now he wishes to open this school to the children of incapacitated and deceased ARVN soldiers. I have already made an offer subject to your approval to give assistance. Four more class rooms are required; he has cement and roofing, we should provide the remaining materials. I also want to complete this school by providing a good standard playground. Major BACHHIEU has offered to construct the equipments with voluntary labour in their spare time. Ajust Civil Aid will provide the materials.
6. Col TAO told me of his plans, in the process of preparation, for a Dispensary for dependants and other families in the local area. He will obtain the medical assistants; I propose to ask the Ajust Civil Medical team to help. I would like this to be an Australian effort, that is provide the materials, and some civil contractor work on the more difficult tasks. Once again the Signal School will provide the labour and direction.
7. Concurrently but step by step I intend to improve the living conditions of the PF Forts and Dependant areas. I have visited four areas and am appalled at the conditions. It is important to ensure that these units are involved in self help. I am awaiting a list of projects from the OC PF Coy. After obtaining your approval, we will issue materials for each project in turn. Some civil contractor work will be required. As each project is completed, it will be inspected, then the next will commence. In addition I will provide kitchen utensils, clothing and other items from Civic Action stores.

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8. It will take 3 weeks for our first formal proposal to reach you, and construction commencement dates depend on the School of Signal and RF arrangements. By the end of October, a number of these projects will be well advanced.

9. There is only one RF Coy in VIRM TML, soon to move from its present barracks to a new barracks area.

10. In the civilian field of activity, the proposal for a Day Nursery NAW RIRM will be forwarded early next week. I intend then to concentrate on the military side for at least 4 months. I trust that these proposals meet with your approval.

(L.C. CHAMBERS)  
Lt Col  
Comd 1 AISC

For Information: AISC Det 1 Aust CA Unit,  
1 Aust CA Unit RIRM RIF.



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List A, less Serial 5;  
List D, less Serial 9, 14, 38, 57 - 59.

MINUTES OF COMD 1 ALSG CONFERENCE  
18 JUL 67

Serial	Subject/Decision	Responsibility
1.	<u>COMD</u>	
a.	The Comd opened the conference at 0730 hours.	
2.	<u>GSO 2</u>	
a.	Visitors. Details of proposed visits in the near future were given to the conference. These include:	CO/OCs
	Col STRETTON - 18 Jul 67	
	Brig HOWARD (DSD) - 21-22 Jul 67	
	Mr KEPPEL and Mr WRIGHT - 22 Jul 67	
	Maj Gen DAWSON - 24 Jul 67	
	Mr PERKIN - 25 Jul 67	
	Minister for Army - 26 Jul 67	
b.	Leave. Unit Comd are reminded that figure for members proceeding on leave will not exceed 25% of unit strengths.	CO/OCs
c.	Gate Guards. The D and E Pl having returned from ATF will assume the responsibility of day and night gate duties.	D & E Pl
d.	Staff Duties. Correspondence has been received regarding proposed alterations to establishments of the following units:	
	Det AFV Pro Unit	
	55 AESS	
	Det 8 Pet Pl	
	1 Aust CA Unit	
3.	<u>DAQMG (OPS)</u>	
a.	Statistics. Details of weekly tonnages to 1 ATF were issued to the conference.	
b.	JEPARIT. At this stage the Jeparit is expected on the 8 Aug 67. Unit Comd to ensure normal preparation for receipt of stores is carried out.	CO/OCs
4.	<u>COMD</u>	
a.	The Comd passed on a message from COMAFV congratulating 1 ALSG on an excellent performance during Operation PADDINGTON.	CO/OCs
5.	<u>DAA and QMG</u>	
a.	Area Cleanliness. Unit Comd to commence immediately programme of area cleaning in preparation for visit by Minister of the Army.	CO/OCs
b.	Refuse Bins. Those units who have not completed the painting of drums (yellow) to effect action immediately.	CO/OCs

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- c. Laterite. As a result of vehicles being required for other tasks, the cartage of laterite was deferred. However the movement of this material has recommenced and should be available for unit demands this week. CO/OCs
- d. Building Plan. The DAA and QMG is preparing a chart which details the building plan of 1 ALSG as regards commencement/completion dates of these projects. Units Comd are invited to study this plan which should be finished by the next conference. CO/OCs
6. CA/LO
- a. Statistics. The following details were given to the conference:
- (1) Detention barracks - six under sentence
  - (2) Military Police Reports - Twenty six
  - (3) SIB reports - Nil
  - (4) Vehicle accidents - Two
- b. Civil Affairs. The painting of the dispensary in VUNG TAU should be completed this week.  
The official presentation of piping, dining forms and refrigerator to the Junior Military Academy is scheduled to coincide with the visit of the Minister for the Army, on the 26 Jul 67.
- c. 1 ALSG Officers Mess. These points were mentioned:
- (1) Committee Meeting. 0745 hrs Thu 20 Jul 67.
  - (2) Happy Hour. Fri 21 Jul 67. Col KIM and other Korean delegates will be in attendance
  - (3) Sunday Buffet. Normal arrangements.
- CO/OCs
7. 17 CONST SQN
- a. Statistics. Details of tonnages of rock, sand, etc, together with water consumption for the period.
- b. Electrical Retriculation. Further meeting to be held. It is anticipated that the poles will be positioned in approximately two weeks, however these are purely to carry the high tension cable through to other subscribers. It is anticipated that there will be a long delay before final connection to huts.
8. COMD
- a. The Comd raised the following points:
- (1) The interim electrical reticulation plan already in the hands of 17 Const Sqn. 17 Const Sqn
  - (2) Suggested that an assessment of turf be made as regard requirement and amount still left in the area. 17 Const Sqn
  - (3) Area Beautifacation. Units to continue effort in growing of grass in the area. The mixture of red lead and seed could prove successful. DAA & QMG CO/OCs
  - (4) Trees. Requested that 200 more Australian gums be obtained for the 1 ALSG area. 55 AECS
9. 55 AECS
- a. Statistics. Details of tonnages regarding engineer stores/equipment were given to the conference.
10. COMD
- a. The Comd queried the availability of several items. /11.



11. 110 SIG SQN  
a. Firing of weapons by Americans. This is still prevalent and causing concern on Signals Hill. GSO 2  
b. Line Stores. These have been received and poles are to be erected. Installation of automatic telephones from American sources forthcoming.  
c. Construction of Signals Installations. A progress report of new signal sites were given to the conference.
12. 5 COY RAASC  
a. Statistics. Details of tonnages, mileages, rations, air lifts, accidents, vehicle availability, etc, were issued to the conference.
13. COMD  
a. The Comd queried availability of replacement 2½ ton vehicles.  
b. Was it considered that the vehicle accidents could be attributed to driver fatigue or lack of skill. This subject warrants close investigation. OC 5 Coy  
c. Unit Comd are to ensure that Quartermasters are aware of their responsibilities for rationing and take an active interest in it. CO/OCs  
d. The Comd would like to see the Air Despatch buildings completed at an early date. OC 5 Coy  
e. The problem of water in fuel tanks was raised, however situation appears to have been rectified.
14. 5 COY RAASC  
a. Messing Conference. Permission requested to conduct a messing conference. Granted. DAA & QMG
15. 8 FD AMB  
a. Medical Statistics. Details of hospitalization, etc, given to the conference.
16. 33 DENTAL UNIT  
a. Dental Sick Parades. Attention of units was directed to hours laid down for dental sick parades i.e. 0745 - 0830 hrs daily. CO/OCs
17. 2 COMP ORD DEP  
a. Statistics. Ordnance statistics for the period were detailed.
18. COMD  
a. The Comd spoke briefly on the functions of the Ordnance Liaison Officer who will shortly be on the headquarters of 1 ALSG. CO/OCs
19. 102 FD WKSP  
a. Statistics. Workshop statistics for period given to the conference.
20. DET AFV PRO UNIT  
a. Statistics. Increase in offences indicated by the statistics for period.
21. ASCO/PX  
a. Statistics. Current holdings of stocks and details of proposed replenishment were detailed to the conference.



22. R AND C CENTRE

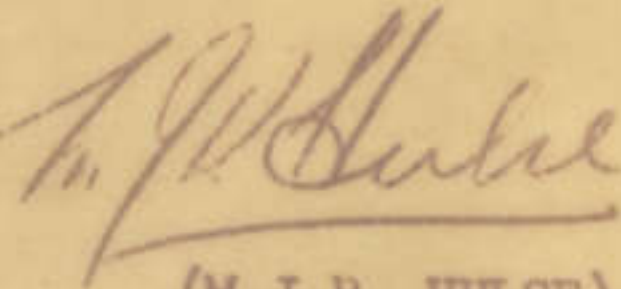
- a. Average strength on R and C for the week - 16.
- b. Villa repairs - Nil.
- c. Lack of availability of fork lift for off loading is delaying delivery from 2 Comp Ord Dep of refrigerator for the bar at No 4 Villa.

DAQMG (OPS)

23. IO

- a. Correspondence to units from a Mr PATRACK. Units to notify IO of any known correspondence. Nil returns required by Fri 21 Jul 67.
- b. Situation Report. A detailed summary of the current situation and result of Operation PADDINGTON was given to the conference.

CO/OCs



(M.J.R. HULSE)  
Maj  
GSO 2



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MINUTES OF COMD 1 ALSG CONFERENCE

12 JUL 67

Serial	Subject/Decision	Responsibility
1.	<u>COMD</u>	
a.	The Comd opened the conference at 0830 hrs and explained that the conference would take slightly different form to those previously held.	
2.	<u>IO</u>	
a.	The IO spoke at length on the build up, preparation and intention of Operation PADDINGTON and detailed latest information on the current situation.	
3.	<u>USLO</u>	
a.	Logistics. Maj ALLEN spoke at length on the logistical planning for Operation PADDINGTON.	
4.	<u>DAQMG (OPS)</u>	
a.	Logistics. The DAQMG (OPS) spoke further on the logistical side of Operation PADDINGTON.	
b.	Statistics. Details of tonnages to 1 ATF were issued to the conference.	
c.	Unit Co-operation. The DAQMG (OPS) expressed his appreciation for the ready assistance given by units to operations staff.	CO/OCs
5.	<u>COMD</u>	
a.	The 1 ATF Comd complimented 5 Coy RAASC with the excellent and professional manner in which they handled the movement of stores and ammunition for Operation PADDINGTON. Comd 1 ALSG to address unit Mon 17 Jul 67.	OC 5 COY RAASC
6.	<u>DAA &amp; QMG</u>	
a.	Accommodation Buildings. Details were given on the progress in construction of buildings, reasons for certain delays and commencement/completion dates.	
b.	Security Fences. Certain security fences already constructed in the 1 ALSG area are not considered suitable and the material situation is being investigated as to whether 2 in. water pipe or welded steel pipe are to be used to construct a more suitable fence.	DAA & QMG
c.	Sullage Disposal. Negotiations are being made with PA and E to see if they can provide sullage tanks and also if they can have them pumped out daily.	DAA & QMG
		/a.



- d. Acquisition of Land. No answer has yet been received from local authorities regarding acquisition of land for new Signals and R and C Centre sites. DAA & QMG
7. COMD
- a. Unit Engineer Problems. The Comd suggested that these matters be brought up by unit Comd at next conference. CO/OCs
8. CA/LO
- a. Detention Barracks. Four members are undergoing detention.
- b. Offences. There were 33 MP reports, 25 SIB reports and 2 traffic offences for period.
- c. The American in country R and R Centre in VUNG TAU is out of bounds to all Australian personnel. This follows the American policy that the centre is for US personnel on R and R only and is not for other US personnel who may be stationed in or visiting VUNG TAU. CO/OCs
- d. Illegal Entry to 1 ALSG Area. Vietnamese nationals have been warned by the Chief of Police that they must stay outside the perimeter of the 1 ALSG.
9. COMD
- a. Civil Aid. The Comd queried the estimated date when the 1 Aust CA Unit anticipated movement of stocks to their warehouse.
10. 17 Const Sqn
- a. Statistics. Details of tonnages of rock, water consumption rate etc, for the period were issued to the conference.
- b. Generator Voltage Regulators. As a result of fluctuation of power in the 1 ALSG area, investigations have commenced to rectify the fault.
- c. US Electrical Retriculation. Progressing satisfactorily considering problems which have been encountered.
- d. Shortage of Materials. Contract work is being hampered by shortage of materials such as CGI, roofing nails, tempered masonite, screws, barrel bolts, etc.
- e. Plant Equipment. Details were given on serviceability of engineer plant equipment.
11. 55 AEES
- a. Statistics. Details were given for the period on the stores/equipment situation.
12. COMD
- a. The Comd requested a progress report on the relocation of 55 AEES. OC 55 AEES
13. LSM
- a. Details of movements and tonnages for the LSM were issued to the conference.
14. COMD
- a. The Comd enquired whether there were any problems such as navigational charts or security of the LSM.
15. 110 SIG SQN
- a. Discharging of Weapons. The American guards were still firing automatic weapons into the signals hill. 53 Gen Sp Gp

/b.



- b. Relocation of Signals Equipment. The move is progressing well, however a temporary delay has occurred due to absence of recovery vehicles at ATF. These are required to lift some of the heavier pieces of equipment.
  - c. Vehicle Accident. One of 110 Sig Sqn drivers was involved in a vehicle accident. Details to be forwarded to HQ 1 ALSG at earliest. 110 Sig Sqn
  - d. Radio Frequencies. Difficulties are being experienced with interferences on the radio frequency at signals centre. Situation has been rectified by reallocation of frequency.
  - e. Generator. OC 110 Sig Sqn apologised for the noisy generator operating during the conference. Other power plant unserviceable at the moment.
- 16. 5 COY RAASC
  - a. Statistics. Detailed statistics regarding tonnages, mileages, stores, rations, air lifts, POL, etc, were issued to the conference.
  - b. Fuel Problems. Recently difficulties have been experienced with water in the petrol. Situation under investigation and is being rectified at earliest. 5 Coy RAASC
- 17. 8 FD AMB
  - a. Statistics. Medical statistics for period.
  - b. Civil Aid Clinic. The attendance by civil population is increasing and a medical officer visits there once a day. In addition there is a Vietnamese nursing sister in attendance.
- 18. COMD
  - a. The Comd commented on the reduction in numbers of VD cases for the month of June. Units to continue campaign against this problem. CO/OCs
- 19. 33 DENTAL UNIT
  - a. Nothing of any interest to the conference to report.
- 20. 2 COMP ORD DEP
  - a. Statistics. Statistics for the period were detailed to the conference.
  - b. Computers. The electronic computers have now been changed over and the unserviceable machine returned to Australia for repair.
  - c. Storehouse No 1. The hardstanding floor is breaking up and becoming unserviceable. 17 Const Sqn
  - d. Attractive Stores Building. The completion of the lysaght building designed for attractive stores requires completion for purpose of security of these stores. 17 Const Sqn
  - e. Unit Carpark and Areas. These require sand fill and levelling to establish a hard standing for vehicles. 17 Const Sqn
  - f. Headquarters Complex. The lack of manpower and materials are preventing completion of this project.
- 21. 102 FD WKSP
  - a. Statistics. Detailed information on vehicle repairs were given to the conference.
- 22. COMD
  - a. The Comd enquired as to whether the relocation of the 102 Fd Wksp was causing any difficulties in repairs to vehicles.



23. DET AFV PRO UNIT  
a. Statistics. Statistical details on vehicle accidents, offences, etc, were given to the conference.
24. COMD  
a. The Comd enquired if there was any significance in the increased number of SIB reports during the period.
25. ASCO/PX  
a. Statistics. Statistics for period were detailed to conference.
26. COMD  
a. The Comd made reference to the proposed barbers shop in the ASCO complex.  
b. The Comd expressed his sincere thanks to Col BERGER, Comd 53 Gen Sp Gp for his attendance at the conference.  
c. The Comd asked members at the conference if they had any points on local administration.  
d. (1) 55 AECS - Raised the matter of cement problem.  
(2) 5 Coy RAASC - Disturbed about the anchorage of buildings. Not secure enough  
- Brief account of progress of inter-unit sports competition. Suggested that more unit officers attend these activities for both moral support and conduct of spectators.  
- Removal of stocks of baby food by Civil Affairs Unit.  
(3) 17 Const Sqn - OC 17 Const Sqn raised a point regarding attendance of officers at ORs barbecues.
27. COMD  
a. Instructions and Orders. Units are to observe Instructions and Orders issued by them.  
b. Personal Weapons. Units are to ensure that weapons are carried by members at all times in accordance with HQ 1 ALSG Routine Order No 95/67 of 10 Jun 67  
c. Ammunition. Members will have an empty magazine on the weapon and be in possession of a loaded magazine.  
d. Dress and Saluting. Units are to pay particular attention to this matter.  
e. Sergeants Messes. 8 Fd Amb and 110 Sig Sqn to both have their own Sergeants Mess.
28. GSO 2  
a. Visitors. Details of proposed visits in the near future were detailed to the conference.  
b. Forklift Course. Units to submit to GSO 2 by Sat 15 Jul 67 the names of members they wish trained as forklift operators  
c. Training Information Bulletin. This will be circulated to certain OC/COs with a distribution stop and under confidential cover. It is requested that this publication be passed quickly and finally returned to GSO 2 HQ 1 ALSG.  
d. Vehicle Signs. Unauthorised vehicle signs are to be immediately removed.

17 Const Sqn

CO/OCs

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- e. Comd Conference. The next conference will be  
Tue 18 Jul 67.

CO/COs

29.

R and C CENTRE

- a. Average strength on R and C Centre for the week  
- 41 (Present strength 14).
- b. Villa repairs - Nil.
- c. Paint has been received for Villas 1 and 3.
- d. No major stores and equipment yet received for  
Villa 4.



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GSO 2



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MINUTES OF COMD 1 ALSG CONFERENCE

5 JUL 67

Serial	Subject/Decision	Responsibility
1.	<u>COMD</u>	
a.	Publicity. The Comd spoke at length on the publicity in the Australian Press and Army paper regarding activities in 1 ALSG Area. Units are to appoint a unit correspondent to prepare articles each month to be submitted to AFV through HQ 1 ALSG.	CO/OCs
b.	Behaviour of Australian Troops: As a result of the extremely poor behaviour of Australian Troops the Beachcomber is out of bounds to AMF personnel on Sun 9 Jul 67.	CO/OCs
c.	Combined Regimental Police and Provost Patrols. This is considered necessary to endeavour to improve behaviour of troops, their dress and bearing. An instruction on this matter will be issued shortly.	CO/OCs
d.	Guard Room. Units are reminded that the guard room is available for use, however ensure that it is used correctly.	CO/OCs
e.	Engineer Works. As the aim is to complete the 1 ALSG area as quickly as possible, units are requested to assist as much as possible to speed up the programme. This can be done by ensuring that areas are cleared of stores to enable engineers to commence construction.	CO/OCs
f.	Weekly Parades. Units will commence weekly parades of all personnel. Particular attention is to be paid to dress, haircuts and weapons. Parades are to be outside of normal working hours.	CO/OCs
g.	Venereal Disease. As yet the figures for the month are not to hand.	
h.	CGS Visit. CGS will be visiting the 1 ALSG area late August. Unit Comd are to submit their ideas on matters which should be discussed, such as welfare of member's families whilst serving in Vietnam, conditions of Service, etc.	CO/OCs
2.	<u>IO</u>	
a.	Details of activities during the previous week and current situation were issued to the conference.	
3.	<u>GSO 2</u>	
a.	Training Films. The film "Its up to you" is not considered suitable for screening and is to be replaced by a similar type film.	

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- b. Visitors. Details of proposed visits by members to the 1 ALSG area were issued to the conference.
- c. Officer Location Board. The location board of unit Comd, situated in the HQ 1 ALSG Operations Room is to be maintained correctly with up to date detail. CO/OCs
- d. Warehouse Equipment. Unit Comd are requested to have a close look at requirement for forklifts and where applicable submit EL4s at the earliest date. CO/OCs
- e. Change of GSO 2. Capt WUST mentioned the fact that Maj HULSE had now assumed the appointment of GSO 2.
- f. Out of Bounds Area. The details contained in HQ 1 ALSG Routine Order 106/67 of 3 Jul 67 were clarified by stipulating the "bars on the Back Beach South of the American area were out of bounds". CO/OCs
4. COMD
- a. Ceremonial Guards. These will in future be provided for such members as Minister for the Army and CGS. HQ Coy responsibility for training. Separate dress as laid down by DAA and QMG to be set aside for occasion. DAA & QMG  
OC HQ Coy
5. DAA and QMG
- a. Amenities Stores. If any unit would like to be fostered by a Rotarian Group, as regards provision of amenities items, they can write direct to
- Rotarian Phill POTTER  
Box 234 PO  
CAIRNS QLD
- CO/OCs
- b. AFPO 3 Mail Time. Details of new mail closing times were issued. Units were requested not to leave unit mail until the late closing but deposit it at AFPO 3 as per normal for sorting and bagging. The 2400 closing time is only designed for letters written that evening and can be handled by the duty postal orderly. CO/OCs
- c. Area Cleanliness. Units are requested that the clean up programme in preparedness for the visit of the Minister for the Army should commence now and not left until the last moment. CO/OCs
- d. Members Reduced to the Ranks. Members who have been issued with an award of reduction in rank for an offence committed, shall still wear the rank until the charge and offence report has been ratified by HQ AFV. CO/OCs
- e. Dry Garbage. All dry garbage containers in the area are to be painted yellow. To ensure regular clearance by contractor units are requested not to load them with odd pieces of timber or broken pallets. This attractive material should be stacked separately and collected last. CO/OCs
6. DAAQMG (OPS)
- a. Details of weekly tonnages to 1 ATF were given to the conference.
- b. Documentation for Cargo Ex JEPARIT. Units must acquit documentation to 11 MC Gp as quickly as possible. CO/OCs
7. CA/LO
- a. AFV Detention Barracks. Six members in custody.
- b. Behaviour. Conduct of Australian troops at Beachcomber left a lot to be desired. Unit Comd to rectify. CO/OCs
- c. Swimming Parties. Units are to advise members that swimming naked at the beaches is prohibited. CO/OCs
- d. Static Speed Checks. These have now commenced at irregular intervals and various positions. CO/OCs

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- e. 1 ALSG Officers Mess. The general mess meeting has now been deferred until 1600 hrs on 14 Jul 67. CO/OCs
- f. Election of Committee Members. Unit Comd are requested to give their attention to this matter with the view of nominating suitable members to the committee at the General Meeting on the 14 Jul 67. CO/OCs
- g. Civil Affairs. Current details of civil affairs activities such as completion of resting house for Old Folks Home at NAM DONC etc, were given to the conference.
8. COMD
- a. The Comd thanked units who assisted with these civil affairs projects. He also asked unit Comd to give some thought to the possibility of fostering any of these establishments. CO/OCs
9. 17 CONST SQN
- a. Statistics: Details regarding water consumption and levels, tonnages of rock etc, were issued to conference.
10. COMD
- a. The Comd requested that a staff study be made of the water table delivery system. DAI & QMG
11. 17 CONST SQN
- a. R and G Centre and Forces Club. Details were given on works progress on these two establishments.
12. COMD
- a. HQ AFV/1 ATF are to be notified of the anticipated opening date of the R and G Centre. DAA & QMG
13. 17 CONST SQN
- a. Availability of Building Materials. Sufficient hardware and materials for completion of 20 buildings. There is no hold up of contractors, through lack of material.
14. 55 AESS
- a. Statistics. Details were given for the period on the stores/equipment situation.
15. 110 SIG SQN
- a. Statistics. The statistics for the month of June were detailed.
- b. SDS. Units were asked to have the SDS bag available at the appropriate time to save any delays in the service. CO/OCs
- c. Signal Centre. Now operating most satisfactory.
16. COMD
- a. The Comd enquired as to the possibility of improving the appearance of the signals wiring. OC 110 Sigs
17. 5 COY RAASC
- a. Statistics. Statistics on stores, mileages, tonnages etc, were issued for the period.
- b. Replenishment of Water. This is presenting a problem with increase in unit. The capacity of vehicles are inadequate.
- c. Forklifts. The supply platoon are experiencing problems in the store/cases with forklift equipment. These are too cumbersome and should be replaced with a smaller equipment.



OC 5 Coy

18. COMD
  - a. The Comd would like a report on the quality of fresh rations being issued to the Supply Depot.
19. 8 FD AMB
  - a. Statistics. Details of hospital patients.
  - b. Visitor. The Director of Clinical Services, US Army visiting 8 Fd Amb today.
  - c. Aereal Spraying. Again deferred until a date to be notified.
20. 2 COMP ORD DEP
  - a. Statistics. The ordnance statistics for Jun were detailed to conference.
  - b. Electronic Computers. These machines are out of action and repair action is being effected.
21. 102 FD WKSP
  - a. Statistics. Statistics for period were detailed to conference.
22. 33 DENTAL UNIT
  - a. Statistics. Statistics for period were detailed to conference.
23. ASCO/PX
  - a. Statistics. Statistics for period were detailed to conference.
24. COMD
  - a. Congratulated 5 Coy RAASC on an excellent manner in which the JEPARIT was unloaded.
25. R AND C CENTRE
  - a. R and C Strength. Average strength on R and C for the week = 61.
  - b. Repairs to Villas. No repairs by owners of Villas 1 and 3. Agent for No 1 contacted 30 Jun 67; she was taken to No 1 Villa and shown work required. She has to contact owner in SAIGON before any work can be started. Full details of work needed have been sent to HQ AFV.  
Villa No 4. Difficulty in obtaining suitable refrigerators from US sources. This and unavailability of other kitchen equipment is delaying completion of work by Engineers.
  - c. Bus Service. 236 To/From R and C Centre in 10 trips
26. AFV PRO DET
  - a. Escort vehicles for convoys. This is to be reviewed.
  - b. Gate Check. This was carried out recently but civilians were only caught with mirror articles.

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