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PART I

COVERING LETTER

Reference No. B1/65

Cross out addresses which do not apply.

To : ~~Under Secretary of State (WO RC), War Office.~~
~~Under Secretary of State (AMD 1), War Office.~~
OIC Army Headquarters Records.

1. I enclose Commanders Report (AF C2118) as indicated at Part II.

2. Please return receipt below.

Read + Receipted 28/1/65 JS.

(*Signature*) [signature] Major

Appointment Officer Commanding
(*OC Unit or Senior Staff Officer*)

PART II

Army Form C2119

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COMMANDERS DIARY

OF

Unit or Formation 1 FIELD SQUADRON GROUP ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ENGINEERS

From 4th December 1964 **To** 31st December 1964

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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, organisation 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 will be made daily* on AF C2118, 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 in the Field ", Chapter 5, Section 1.

RESPONSIBILITY

During Non-operational Periods

4. A Commanders Diary will be made by commanders of all formations.

During Operational Periods (see note 1)

5. A Commanders Diary will be made 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 will consist of:—

(*a*) Cover (AF C2119).
(*b*) Index as printed on cover.
(*c*) Narrative (AF C2118).
(*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 will 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 will be included.

8. The annexes will 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, the relevant papers should be grouped as annexes starting at B.

9. Documents concerned with future planning for operations will form Annex " Z ", " TOP SECRET ting the document. It will be prepared and disposed of

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(giving place names as well as map references), establishment,

nade and orders given.
ary of the day's fighting, including company movements.
of the commander with regard to equipment, tactics, organisa-

if of potential importance.
sualties to officers, men and equipment.
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cuments issued and received, routine returns, etc. All annexes
e time of receipt or despatch will be given.

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12. The narrative will supplement and connect the annexes but need not give a precis of them.

DISPOSAL

During Non-Operational Periods

13. *Formation Headquarters* will forward the original Commanders Diary annually as at 31st December to reach the War Office Records Centre (through Headquarters Field Records where applicable) as soon as possible after 1st January of the following year. The duplicate will be retained in formation headquarters.

14. *Units* will NOT render a Commanders Diary.

During Operational Periods

15. ORIGINAL COMMANDERS DIARIES

(*a*) *Formations and units in the UK* will forward diaries monthly by the seventh day of the succeeding month direct to the War Office (WORC for reports other than medical, AMD 1 for medical reports).

(*b*) *Formations and units overseas* will forward diaries monthly by the seventh day of the succeeding month to the OIC Field Records for onward transmission to the War Office.

16. DUPLICATE COMMANDERS DIARIES. These will be clearly marked as duplicates and will NOT be sent with the originals. They will be forwarded within two months as follows:—

(*a*) *Units in the UK*
To the OIC parent record office.

(*b*) *Formation Headquarters in the UK*
To OIC Central Clearing Wing, Infantry Records, Exeter.

(*c*) *Units Overseas*
To the OIC Field Records for onward transmission to parent record office.

(*d*) *Formation Headquarters Overseas*
To the OIC Field Records for onward transmission to the OIC Central Clearing Wing, Infantry Records, Exeter.

SECURITY

17. Documents concerned with future operational planning will be listed on AF C2118 and placed in a separate AF C2119. All details will be filled in and the cover will be clearly marked in red:—ANNEX Z—OFFICERS ONLY. It may be convenient to group the papers by annexes.

18. Supplementary diaries will be forwarded in accordance with the normal rules for TOP SECRET correspondence to the War Office (WORC). The inner envelope will be clearly marked:—

TOP SECRET
ANNEX Z to

Commanders Diary of.....(formation or unit)

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

19. The duplicate supplementary diaries will be despatched as in paragraph 16 as soon as receipt of the originals has been acknowledged.

NOTES

1. *Definition of Operational Period.*—The term " operational period " for the purpose of this instruction, means:—
   (*a*) the period between a declaration of war and the official end of hostilities;
   (*b*) any period spent in a theatre of operations;
   (*c*) any period when engaged in any form of military operation.

2. The War Office or headquarters concerned will be responsible for instructing units to submit Commanders' Diaries where the conditions of the unit's employment make this necessary. Wherever possible the beginning and end of the period will be clearly stated. Notwithstanding the above, on the outbreak of global war all units and formations which are not at the time submitting these reports will start compiling them with effect from M day and will thereafter render them in accordance with paragraphs 15 and 16.

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UNIT/FORMATION 1 FD SQN GP RAE

Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 4 December 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	0001	1 Fd Sqn Gp relieved 7 Fd Sqn Gp	
	0800	1 Fd Sqn Gp Administrative Instruction Number 1 issued	H - 1
	0700 to 1600	7 Fd Sqn Gp members employed on road maintenance	

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UNIT/FORMATION 1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE

Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 5 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1000	Signal from AUST ARM Q28 of 040643 CHANGE OF MOVEMENT TIMINGS LO JESSELTON	J - 1
	1200	Correspondence CRE LAND FORCES BORNEO LIAISON LETTER No 49	P - 1
	1200	Remaining personnel of 7 FD SQN GP standing down until departure on 9 Dec 64	
	1245	Movement of % of HQ, 2 Tp and Plant Tp to Mile 20 Camp	
	1600	Signal from CENTRAL BDE RTT of 050521Z to AUST ARM INFO 1 FD SQN Ref Q28 AMENDED MOVEMENT AUST LO AGREED	

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 6 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	0100	Signal from CENTRAL BDE ARMS TO BE TAKEN ON TRAIN TENOM - JESSELTON 9 DEC BY 7 FD SQN 17 DEC by 1 FD SQN JESSELTON - TENOM	D - 1
	0730	Signal from CENTRAL BDE O/121 of 051416Z HANDLING OF DETONATORS TO BE IN CORRECT SERVICE CONTAINERS	
	1050	Signal from CENTRAL BDE O/121 of 051417Z INFO 1 FD SQN GP NO MOVEMENT GRENADES No 94 or G117 or 118 BOX MARKINGS	

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 7 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1100	Signal by ADS from Comd CENTRAL BDE EXCLUSIVE for OC (.) FARLEY SECRET K of 060210Z Dec 64	D - 2
	(0700 - 1200 (1300- 1630	KENINGAU CAMP. Members employed on defensive pits (.) Back to normal routine 1300 hrs	
	0700 - 1630	CAMP 20. Members employed on camp imrpovements.	
	1540	Tp Sgt from 2 Tp 84 SVY SQN TENOM sighted FARLEY Signal to inform his OC on his return night 8 Dec 64	

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 8 DECEMBER 64

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1600	Signal instruction A1 of 080600Z for march out of 7 FD SQN members on 9 Dec 64 Issue of unit Routine Orders Numbers 9,10,11 – CANCELLED.	H – 2 ~~H – 4~~

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 9 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	0415	Movement out of 7 FD SQN (less OC) completed	
	1400	Message by phone from Aust LO JESSELTON reference (1) AUST ARM Signal movement 12 of 080432Z (2) ILLNESS OF SGT COVE TAKEN FROM AIRPORT TO HOSPITAL AT JESSELTON. (3) Movement of OC 7 FD SQN on Sunday 13 Dec 64.	
	2110	Air request RW TASKED FOR 10 Dec . Road reconnaissance SOOK to SAPULUT. Aerial search SOOK area for gravel for road surfacing.	

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 10 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1100	Capt LATHAM, Cpl TANTI departed for JESSELTON on Pay run.	

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 11 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Grid Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1330	Major F CROSS OC 7 FD SQN completed hand over, departed this location for JESSELTON.	

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 12 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Grid Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH		Request from HQ Comlandbor to Aust Arm SINGAPORE for release of 3 tippers held as theatre reserve to 1 FD SQN GP	O - 1

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 13 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH		UNIT STANDDOWN NTR	

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 14 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1230	Major HARMER BADOS CENTRAL BDE arrived for LIAISON VISIT	
	1330	OC departed for conference with CRE BORNEO, G2 Major A JULIUS in JESSELTON for policy on new main camp at SOOK.	

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UNIT/FORMATION 1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE

Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 15 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	0730	WO2 DUNN admitted to KENINGAU HOSPITAL with suspected back injury	
	0850	Major R L PARAMOR returned by air (BORNEO AIRWAYS)	
	0915	First delivery of contract rations for unit arrived by charter aircraft contract, calls for three deliveries each day on Tuesdays and Fridays. Excess and dry rations to come by train on Thursdays.	
	1030	Major HARMER DADOS departed by air (BORNEO AIRWAYS)	
	1030	Capt BOLAND OC Wksp departed for JESSELTON enroute liaison visit to SINGAPORE.	
	1330	HQ CENTRAL BDE INTSUM No 59 arrived, period 0001 30 Nov to 2359 6 Dec 64	G - 1
	1415	AUST ARM A7 of 100917Z. Reference Signal detachment members.	D - 3
	1500	Answer to A7 by unit A2 of 150700Z	C - 1
	1600	CRE COMLANDBOR LIAISON LETTER No 50. Period 30 Nov - 6 Dec 64	P - 2

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 16 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	0930 1700	Visit and inspection of new camp site at SOOK. by OC and Mr W LANG Assistant Director of PWD (Roads) JESSELTON.	
	1400	Issue of Administration Instruction BORNEO No 2 (Arrival of 2nd Flight)	H-5 & 3
	~~1500~~	~~HQ CENTRAL BDE INTSUM No 60 of 15 Dec 64 received, covers the period 1070001 to 132359 (Dec). No activity in our area.~~	~~6~~ 2

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 17 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Events or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	0710	Issue of Signal A2 of 170010Z on Xmas and New Year Daily Routine.	H - ~~65~~ 4
	1400	Issue of Unit Routine Orders B12 - B26. Previous Routine Orders 1 - 11 cancelled	H - ~~75~~ 5
	1430	HQ CENTRAL BDE INTSUM No 60 arrived, period 0001 7 Dec to 2359 13 Dec 64	G - 2
	2030	Arrival of 2nd flight of 1 FD SQN from SYDNEY 2 Officers and 78 Other Ranks. Met at JESSELTON by OC 1 FD SQN GP	
	2330	Sgt HODGE from Mile 20 Camp admitted to KENINGAU HOSPITAL suffering from a respiratory infection.	

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 18 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1630	WO2 DUNN discharged from KENINGAU HOSPITAL	

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UNIT/FORMATION ..1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE.....

Commanding Officer .....
Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 19 December 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1100	Signal CASEVAC 4428 Sgt L G HODGE	C - 2
	1300	Issue of 1 Fd Sqn Gp Operation Order No 1 (190500Z)	~~C - 2~~ C - 5
	1430	Signal to CRE COMLANDBOR. Progress report of road project	~~C - 5~~ C - 7

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 20 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1430	Signal from CENTRAL BDE . 4428 Sgt HODGE REMAINING MRS BRUNEI UNDER OBSERVATION (.) NOT SERIOUS NOK NOT NOTIFIED	J - 32

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 21 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR.....

Day, Month and year 22 DECEMBER 1964.....

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1000	HQ COMLANDBOR 17 Div 3502 OPS. ENGINEER TASKS - FUTURE REQUIREMENTS	M - 1
	1000	AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES DIRECTIVE to OC 1 FD SQN GP RAE	D - 4

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UNIT/FORMATION .1 Fd San Gp RAE.....

Commanding Officer .Major R L PARAMOR.....

Day, Month and year .23 DECEMBER 1964.....

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1100	Signal to CENTRAL BDE. LOCAL SECURITY COMMITTEE REQUEST PROTECTION FOR FAMILIES OF KEY ADMINISTRATION PERSONNEL	C - 3
	1130	RTU Sgt HODGE by SERVICE AIRCRAFT EX MRS BRUNEI. DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL FOR DUTY DIAGNOSIS AS TROPICAL ASTHMA.	

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 24 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	0830	REQUEST CASEVAC Sgt HODGE SIGNAL A2 OF 240830Z	C - 4
	1400	CASEVAC by AIR Sgt HODGE to MRS BRUNEI RECURRENCE OF PREVIOUS COMPLAINT. Signal A4 of 240700Z to CENTRAL BDE.	H - 876

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 25 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1110 1205	VISIT BY BRIGADIER TUZO OBE MC COMMANDER CENTRAL BRIGADE	
	1445	From HQ CENTRAL BDE. Signal RTT of 250601Z. REPORT ON CONDITION OF 4428 Sgt HODGE. SATISFACTORY. NOK NOT NOTIFIED.	J - 43
	1800	From CENTRAL BDE Signal K of 250304Z. ALLOWABLE INDIRECT ASSISTANCE TO PROTECT DEPENDENTS OF LOCAL ADMINISTRATION PERSONNEL IN EVENT OF OVERT EXTERNAL ATTACK.	D - 5

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UNIT/FORMATION ...1 Fd San Gp RAF.....

Commanding Officer ...Major R I PARAMOR.....

Day, Month and year ...26 December 1964.....

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH		Vehicle accident on road project near water point. 170215 TRUCK Cargo 2½ ton GS slid off road. Four injured. 22893 Cfn L P RAYNER admitted to KENINGAU Hospital 0900 hrs 27 Dec 64. Investigating Officer Lt PHILLIPS.	H-97

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 27 DECEMBER 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	0800	HQ CENTRAL BDE INTSUM NO 61. NO ACTIVITY THIS AREA.	G - 3
	0800	CRE LAND FORCES BORNEO LIAISON LETTER No 51. Period 7 Dec - 13 Dec 64.	P - 3
	1600	To CRE COMLANDBOR Signal ENGRS 4 of 270800Z. PROGRESS REPORT.	O - 23

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 28 December 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR

Day, Month and year 29 December 1964

Place and Guide Reference	Hour	Event or Information	Annex letter & enclosure number
KENINGAU, SABAH	1015	Departure of Capt A HOWES SCQ(Aust) LO from CENTRAL BDE after Liaison Visit from 26 Dec to 29 Dec 64. Also the departure of Chaplain HIGGINS who arrived for the C of E Service on Xmas Day.	

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Commanding Officer .... Major R L PARAMOR .....

Day, Month and year ..... 30 December 1964 .....

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KENINGAU, SABAH	1600	Signal to CENTRAL BDE . Our Q5 of 300800Z, COMBAT RATION STATE	K - 1

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Commanding Officer Major R L PARAMOR.....

Day, Month and year ..31 December 1964.....

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KENINGAU, SABAH	1100	Monthly Strength Return Signal to HQ CENTRAL BDE OIC BKS SVCS LABUAN (.) OFFRS 8 WO AND SGTS 18 OR 165 TOTAL 191	K - 2
	1600	HQ CENTRAL BDE INTSUM No 62. 21 Dec to 27 Dec	G - 4
	1600	CRE LANDFORCES BORNEO LIAISON LETTER No 52	P - 4
	1810	Signal from AUSTARM SINGAPORE Q4 of 310431Z (.) REPORTING OF VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	J - 4

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1	SIGNAL A7 (.) SIGNAL DETACHMENT POSTINGS TO AUSTARM	1 Fd Sqn Gp	150700Z
2	SIGNAL (.) CASEVAC 4428 SGT L G HODGE	1 Fd Sqn Gp	
3	SIGNAL G3 (?) LOC SEC COMMITTEE REQUEST	1 Fd Sqn Gp	230300Z
4	SIGNAL A2 (.) CASEVAC 4428 SGT L G HODGE	1 Fd Sqn Gp	240030Z
5	OPERATION ORDER NO 1 of 19 0500Z	1 Fd Sqn Gp	190500Z
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From 1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE

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To AUST ARM SINGAPORE

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Info

Your A7 of 100917Z (.) Sig BC PAYNE on leave in SINGAPORE as arranged by 7 Fd Sqn (.) Not acceptable cross posting to 208 COMWIL RDE SIG SQN by Sig AW LANE yes by Sig EA ELFORD (.) Unit moving to SOCK early next year required to operate as substation on Gen Rdo Comd net 15 to 18 hours daily (.) Also essential to maintain link SOCK - KENTINGAU by det at KENTINGAU (.) Understand Cpl Tech not qualified for Radio Op (.) Minimum of four operators required preferably five for future commitments

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To HQ CEN BDE

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Info Capt HOWTS CEN BDE

ALPHA (.) CASEVAC (.)

BRAVO (.) ONE (.)

CHARLIE (.) TWO (.)

DELTA (.) BLACK 20 (.)

ECHO (.) RESPITORY INFECTION SUSPECT CARDIAC CONDITION ADMITTED

KEMINGAU HOSPITAL THURSDAY NIGHT 2359 HRS

FOXTROT (.) STRETCHER

GOLF (.) MEDICAL ESCORT REQUIRED

HOTEL (.) LOCAL DOCTOR REQUEST EVACUATION OF 4428 SGT LG HODGES

1 FD SQN CP RAE THE MEMBER CONCERNED

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LOCSEC COMMITTEE CONCERNED SAFETY FAMILIES OF KEY ADMINISTRATION PERSONNEL IN EVENT OF PARA ATTACK (.) LOCSEC PLAN TO CONCENTRATE BETWEEN 50 AND 60 WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN REST HOUSE AND RESIDENCY (.) PERMISSION IS REQUESTED TO PLEDGE POLICING ASSISTANCE IN EVENT OF IMMINENT DANGER TO THESE DEPENDENTS (.) FIRST (.) PROVISION OF RATIONS IF SIEGE DEVELOPES (.) SECOND (.) ISSUE OF SIX SIRs TO CIVILIANS DEFENDING REST HOUSES FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF PROTECTING DEPENDENTS SHOULD THEY BECOME TARGET (.) THIS ISSUE NOT TO BE MADE PRIOR TO IMMEDIATE MOVEMENTS

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ALPHA (.) CASEVAC (.)

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ECHO (.) RESPITORY INFECTION SUSPECT TYPE OF ASTHMA (.)

FOXTROT (.) STRETCHER (.)

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HOTEL (.) MEMBER DISCHARGED HAS YESTERDAY CDN ATTACK REOCURRED

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1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE
KENINGAU

15 Oct 6Z

OPS 1

OPERATION ORDER NO 1

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy

(1) The main enemy threat is in the area of the border with KALIMANTAN. This will probably continue to take the form of limited incursions. Intelligence reports say that three to four day's notice of any significant incursion towards KENINGAU District can be expected.

(2) Any of the following courses of enemy action is possible:-

(a) Overt incursions across the border on foot by formed units/sub-units.

(b) Infiltration by foot of small armed groups with the mission pf causing disturbances in conjunction with the dissident elements;

(c) Parachuting groups into the area with specific sabotage or attack missions.

(d) Civil disturbances organised by the CCO.

(3) Normal unit security precautions are designed to cater for most possibilities. Enemy action as in 2(a) above will require the concentration of the squadron for adequate defence, and this order covers action to be taken by OC MILE 20 CAMP in this contingency.

b. Own Troops

(1) The bulk of 1 Fd Sqn Gp construction personnel is concentrated in MILE 20 CAMP. This camp is poorly sited for protracted defence.

(2) The BASE CAMP KENINGAU is capable of being defended with the entire Sqn Gp concentrated.

(3) 2 Tp B Sqn 4RTR have the task of assisting the Police and SABAH Border Scouts under the command of the Superintendant of Police KENINGAU, in towns and villages.

2. MISSION

OC MILE 20 CAMP is to withdraw all personnel, equipment, stores and vehicles from that CAMP to KENINGAU in the event of overt enemy advances along the route PENSIANGAN - SAPULUT - SOOK.

3. EXECUTION

a. General

Withdrawal to BASE CAMP KENINGAU shall take place upon the notification by this HQ of the appropriate codeword.

b. Priorities for Movement

1. Personnel with weapons.
2. Ammunition and explosives.

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3. B and C vehicles
4. Rations
5. Technical Stores and equipment
6. POL
7. Accommodation stores
8. Tentage

c. Detailed Tasks

(1) C vehicles are to be walked out

(2) US vehicles are not to be destroyed. Key parts are to be removed and fuel tanks drained.

(3) Stores NOT required at MILE 20 CAMP are to be back loaded NOW.

(4) After the last vehicle has crossed S PEGALAN the outboard motors are to be removed from the raft. The raft is then to be dragged up onto the bank. The raft is NOT to be scuttled.

d. A screen is to be sited to cover the withdrawal of the camp.

e. Co-ordinating instructions

(1) The time by which the MILE 20 CAMP is to be evacuated will be given together with the codeword.

(2) Hourly reports are to be given when the operation is in progress.

(3) The C11 is to be mounted in an FFW vehicle which is to be the last vehicle to leave MILE 20 CAMP with the exception of the screen.

4. COMMAND AND SIGNALS

a. Once the codeword is given continuous radio contact will be maintained with the BASE CAMP.

b. Codeword for the operation is 'SCRAMBLE'. This is the executive word and will be given with a time by which MILE 20 CAMP is to be clear. The CAMP shall be deemed to be clear when the screen has been withdrawn and is proceeding to KENINGAU.

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Officer Commanding

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1	SIGNAL RTT (.) ARMS CARRIED ON RAILWAY ON CHANGEOVER 2nd FLIGHT	CENTRAL BDE	050408Z
2	SIGNAL (.) FARLEY K (.) EXCLUSIVE FOR OC (.) POLICY ON DEFENCE	COMD CENTRAL BDE	060210Z
3	SIGNAL A7 (.) POSTINGS OF SIGNAL DETACHMENT	AUSTARM	100917Z
4	AMF DIRECTIVE TO OC 1 FD SQN GP RAE	AHQ	30 Nov 64
5	SIGNAL K (.) ANSWER TO LOCSEC REQUEST	CENTRAL BDE	250304Z
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To AUSTARM SINGAPORE

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Info 1FD SQN

YOUR 119/2/57 OF 11 NOVEMBER 64 RELEIF FIELD SQUADRON Ø FIRST Ø DUE ASSESSED ENEMY THREAT 8 DEC, ANNIVERSARY OF OUTBREAK BRUNEI REBELLION, FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TAKEN Ø ALPHA Ø 7 FD SQN TRAVEL ARMED TO JESSELTON Ø BRAVO Ø ARMED POLICE ESCORT TRAVELS IN DIESEL RAIL CAR AHEAD OF FD SQN TRAIN Ø SECOND Ø WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION WILL BE WITHDRAWN AT JESSELTON 9 DEC AND STORED UNDER POLICE ARRANGEMENTS FOR RE-ISSUE TO 1 FD SQN ON 17 DEC Ø THIRD Ø STRESS THESE ARE PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES ONLY Ø CONSIDER IT UNLIKELY THAT SPECIFIC ENEMY THREAT EXISTS AGAINST 7 FD SQN Ø FOURTH Ø INCOMING TROOPS 17 DEC TO BE BRIEFED AT JESSELTON ON PRINCIPLE OF MINIMUM FORCE SHOULD WEAPONS BE FIRED.

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EXCLUSIVE for OC (.) FARLEY (.)

FIRST (.) There is possibility that political situation in SABAH could give rise to disorders (.)

SECOND (.) You are expressly excluded from offering or providing any form of assistance to police or administration without prior clearance from this HQ (.) This includes transport for preparatory movement of police or troops irrespective of a proclamation under POPO (.)

THIRD (.) For 1 Fd Sqn (.) Info Tp 84 Svy Sqn at TENOM (.)

FOURTH (.) ACK

Sgt Bank
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Tp 84 Survey Sqn RE.

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RESTRICTED A7 POSTING RA SIGS PERS. 1 FD SQN SIG DET.

ENTITLEMENT 1 SGT OKY 1 CPL TECH ELEC 2 SIGS OP RADIO. DUE TO FACTORS CARO CONTROL PERS MOVED ARE. ALFA. 1 LCPL OKR (6 NOV) AND 2 SIG OP RADIO (2 DEC). BRAVO. SIG PAYNE (OP RADIO) REMAINED IN BORNEO FOR CROSS POSTING. HEAD OF CORPS SATISFIED LCPL OKR CAN COPE WITH SGT OKR POSTING. TO ALLOW MOVE FORWARD OF 8599 SIG IJ FLETCHER TO FILL CPL TECH ELEC POSN ADVISE WHETHER ONE OF FOL 1 FD SQN DET PREPARED TO BE CROSS POSTED 208 COMWEL BDE SIG SQN TO FILL RADIO OP VAC. 54383 SIG AW LANE 16744 SIG EA ELFORD 16726 SIG BC PAYNE. ALL ELIGIBLE FULL TOUR OF DUTY MALAYA

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

DIRECTIVE

TO

OFFICER COMMANDING 1 FIELD SQUADRON RAE

Introduction

1. At the request of the Government of Malaysia, the Government of Australia has agreed to provide an army engineer construction force for duty in the Borneo States of Eastern Malaysia. The Force has been assigned to the British Commonwealth Far East Strategic Reserve for the purpose.

2. Overall control of operations in the Borneo States, as elsewhere in Malaysia, is the responsibility of the National Operations Committee in accordance with policy defined by the Malaysian National Defence Council.

Role

3. Your role is to carry out engineer construction tasks as laid down by your formation commander.

Composition of Force

4. Your force will consist of :

(a) 1 Fd Sqn RAE less one troop, Establishment II/242/4(TE-P) refers, with under command :-

(i) 1 Fd Sqn Sig Detachment;

(ii) Detachment of 20 Fd Pk Sqn RAE;

(iii) 1 Independent Fd Sqn Wksp RAEME, Establishment III/473/1(TE) refers.

(b) Such other personnel, units or sub-units which from time to time may be allotted to, or attached for duty with, your force.

Channel of Command

5. You are under the command of the Commander in Chief, Far East, for allotment to the British Land Forces, Borneo, for operations.

6. The employment of your force shall be directed by Commander, British Land Forces Borneo, or as delegated by him.

7. Should you, at any time, consider that the task which you are given or a situation develops which you consider would endanger the national interest of Australia or be likely to imperil unduly your command or any part of it, you are to report the situation at once to the Commander, Australian Army Force, FARELF. At the same time, you are to inform your formation commander of your action and the reasons for doing so.

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Administration

8. You are to communicate direct to Headquarters, Australian Army Force, FARELF, Singapore, on matters of purely Australian domestic administration.

9. In matters of other administration, you are to operate in accordance with HQ FARELF Administration Order No 3.

Discipline

10. You are the Commanding Officer for the purposes of discipline for all ranks under your command and you have been appointed by the Adjutant General under Australian Military Regulation 66(5) as Commanding Officer for any other Australian members attached to, serving with or proceeding to your force.

11. Superior authorities in Borneo for discipline, depending upon your allocation, are Commander, Headquarters 17th Division/Land Forces Borneo, and Commander, Central Brigade Area, British Forces Borneo. Both Commanders have a court martial delegation under Table A Appendix IV to AMR&O, except that sentences involving death, cashiering, dismissal, discharge with ignominy from Her Majesty's service or discharge from the Defence Force of the Commonwealth of Australia will be referred to AHQ for confirmation.

Other Employment

12. Your force is not to be used in a role other than that specified in paragraph 3, without the prior consent of the Australian Government. Any requests which conflict with this shall be notified to Commander, Australian Army Force, FARELF, immediately they are received; should however exceptional circumstances arise where time does not permit this action, you are to act on your own initiative and inform the Commander Australian Army Force, FARELF, as soon as possible.

13. Your force is not to be used in aid of the civil power in civil disturbances without a direct order from Commander, Australian Army Force, FARELF.

14. All Australian Army personnel are to take the appropriate measures at all times to safeguard themselves and the Government property entrusted in their care.

Reports

15. You are to maintain a Commander's Diary in accordance with Staff Duties in the Field 1949, and forward it to Army Headquarters, Canberra.

16. You are to submit other reports as may be required to Headquarters Australian Army Force, FARELF.

J.H. Raschbladen Brig
for Lieutenant General
Chief of the General Staff

30 November, 1964

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To 1FD SQN

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Info

Reference your G3 of 230300Z O any action taken or assistance promised to counter overt indonesian attack as envisaged in your signal is Permissible O You are However strictly precluded from assisting the police or administration in the event of internal disturbances without prior clearance from this HQ

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PART 1 - INTERNAL THREAT

North Kalimantan National Liberation League (NKNLL)

1. Further to Intsum 60 Annex B paragraph 12. There is still no positive evidence that the NKNLL has spread to the 4th and 5th Divisions of Sarawak and into Brunei State.

2. However there are possible indications in 4th Division that SUPP activity is being used as a cover for NKNLL recruiting and for gaining support for the organisation.

3. The SUPP Sebauh 2624 sub-branch was closed recently and this may well indicate that NKNLL influence is replacing that of SUPP in the area.

Internal Security - 5th Division

4. 27th December. At a football match during a parents day meeting at milestone 8, Pandaruan Road, 5th Division, one local team carried an Indonesian flag on which was inscribed words meaning 'Newly Formed Youth Movement'. The captain of the team was an ex-detainee and his football shirt bore the TNKU colours. SB are investigating.

Comment (1). Preliminary SB investigations reveal that the 'New Youth Movement' was formed two weeks ago, involved 18 individuals and was led by three men. To date, SB have not found evidence that this was other than an isolated incident.

Comment (2). See also paragraph 20.

PART II - MILITARY ACTIVITY

BAREO - LG BAWAN AREA

Kerayan District

5. Lg Pupong 5329. 19th December. F3. Further to Intsum 59 paragraph 5.

a. Details concerning enemy strength, race, activities, intentions, rations, accomodation and communications have been confirmed.

Comment. Three independent reports in the last few weeks have recorded 40 TNI at this position. These are almost certainly a platoon of 518 Bn, and form the main defensive crust in the Kerayan area.

b. Command. The Kommandant is older than the Lt but takes orders from him. He is the 2IC, probably a 2/Lt, and occasionally leads patrols, the last one being on the 9th December when he took nine men to Ba Siok, staying over night.

Comment. It is considered more likely that the Kommandant is a senior NCO or WO. The insignia of WOs and junior commisioned officers is similar.

c. Weapons. These include :

(1) US M3 SMGs .45.
(2) US M1 Garand 7.62 rifles.
(3) Modified Stens.
(4) SMLE No 4 .303.
(5) 2 x BAR 7.62 MGs.

/(6) 1 Pistol .....

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(6) 1 Pistol.
(7) 1 x 50mm mortar in the longhouse.
(8) There is a large machine gun which has no butt, mounted on small wheels. The barrel is approx 3" in diameter and can be elevated. Four of these weapons are said to have arrived in Lg Pupong in August, of which three were sent to Lg Bawan.

Comment (1). With the exception of the SMLE and possibly the Garand these weapons are all known to be carried by 518 Bn.

Comment (2). The large machine gun is likely to be a Browning MMG, but this is usually mounted on a Colt tripod rather than on wheels. The latter could be a local modification.

d. Defence. There are ten shallow trenches in front of the long-house.

Comment. This conflicts with a later report (F6) which stated that there were no defensive positions at this village.

e. Anbushes. There is a ten man anbush position on the Ba Siok track 5229, which is set at first light and stood down at dusk. Several times during the day, relief parties take over the anbush position, so that each day nearly all the troops from Lg Pupong have a turn on duty.

f. Dress/Equipment. There is a shortage of clothing and troops wear patched OG. Some troops wear the Brawidjaja badge and others the Mabap badge.

Comment (1). The state of the kit is similar to that of the TNI troops at Lg Medang 5233 (Intsum 57 paragraph 15 refers).

Comment (2). The report of Mabap badges and SMLE rifles (see sub-paragraph c(4) above) suggests a presence of volunteers as well as regular troops in the area. The former are probably based at Lg Sia 5329.

g. Military Bearing. Troops are well disciplined and friendly towards the locals. They are cheerful and their morale is good.

Comment. It is noted that the regular troops in this area and in the Belawit district appear to be bent on maintaining good relations with the locals. This is in complete contradiction with both their predecessors and their compatriots in the Lumbis/Labang area. It is unlikely to succeed unless ration supplies improve enabling the troops to be independent of local produce. LG SIA 5329

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6. 17th December. F6. The 50 TNKU who were at this location were withdrawn on the 16th December. They are on route for Malinau 6329 prior to going on leave.

Comment (1). This is considered to be probably true. These troops are probably largely RPKAD who have been deployed opposite the Central Bde front since February. Their role was believed to be offensive but their successes have been small. Their withdrawal could form a pattern with :

a. The 90 men from A Coy RPKAD who left the Tatahas/Sinapar/Lipaha area in October/November. They have not since been sighted opposite the front.

b. The group who were deployed in the Pa Fani 5435 area who have not been heard of for some months.

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Comment (2). It could be that all three groups have been withdrawn for regrouping at Malinau 6329 or Balikpapan 6575 (Intsum 60 paragraph 21e refers).

7. The following reports, graded F3 and F6, concern the group of 50 referred to in paragraph 6 above.

a. Race. There are 40 Javanese, seven Kenyahs and three Sarawak Malays.

Comment. This is probably a platoon of RPKAD and 10 volunteers.

b. Weapons. They have no weapons, having left them all at Lg Bawan while on a recent visit there. These weapons included :

(1) 5 x US M3 SMGs .45.
(2) 4 x SMLE rifles .303.
(3) 10 x modified stens 9mm.
(4) 10 x Berretta rifles 7.62mm.
(5) 1 x Rocket Launcher 90mm.

Comment (1). Intsum 59 paragraph 6 refers to the patrol to Lg Bawan.

Comment (2). The Berretta rifle and Rocket Launcher are both normal RPKAD weapons.

c. Personalities. The following names were mentioned :

(1) Lt Masta Akin - aged 45, height 5' 6" - 5' 8" dark complexion.
* (2) Bit.
* (3) Ingan.
* (4) Marang.
(5) Kila.
(6) Oluk.
(7) Gah.
* (8) Ukang.
(9) Ban.
* (10) Linjaw.
(11) Oleh.
(12) Landung.
* (13) Jalong.
(14) Boy.
(15) Seran or Saran.

Comment (1). The names marked with an asterisk were reported as being in the Lg Sia area in July, (Intsum 38 paragraph 2h refers).

Comment (2). These are probably nicknames.

d. Past Activity.

(1) The recce party to the Salt Springs area on 3rd November (Intsum 55 paragraph 8 refers) was carried out by 'Boy', 'Bit', and 'Kila'.

(2) Seran took part in the Pa Bangar burning.

Comment. This probably refers to the burning of the Pa Banga longhouse on 24th January (Intsum 14 paragraph 4b refers). If so, this indicates that Seran is an ex-Pramuka volunteer as the RPKAD did not arrive in the area until February.

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e. Future Intentions. The group will have one months leave and then return to Lg Bawan by plane.

Comment. This is possible as the RPKAD are believed to have parachuted into the Lg Bawan Area in February.

f. Relief. An unknown group of enmey are said to be moving by helicopter from Balikpapan to Malinau, then by boat to Lg Senbiling 5827 and on foot to Lg Sia.

Comment (1). The route mentioned from Malinau to Lg Sia is the usual supply route to the area.

Comment (2). These reliefs could connect with paragraph 16a - c of this Intsum.

8. New Arrivals. F3. Since 24th November, 45 new troops have moved into the area and are deployed as follows :

a. Pa Sing 5329. 20 TNKU. These may cross the border using the Pa Sing/Pa Dali 5129 track.

b. Pa Ibang 5228. 20 TNKU. These troops are said to be going to Lg Banga via Pa Anor (Lg Bangau) 5324.

Comment. Their role could be to join and strengthen the main party from C Coy 600 Raider Bn who are at present believed to be regrouping at Lg Bangau.

c. Pa Upan. Five unidentified soldiers

Belavit Area 5232.

9. General information about the enemy in this area. 17th December. F3.

a. Dress/Equipment. All the troops wear jungle green uniform, hats vary between British style jungle hats and US pattern fatigue caps. The Brawidjaja and Mabap hadges have been identified.

b. Weapons. These include :

(1) SMLE No 4 .303.
(2) US M1 Garand 7.62mm.
(3) Modified Sten 9mm.
(4) US M3 SMG .45.
(5) BAR LMG 7.62mm.
(6) .30 Browning (in LMG and MMG role).
(7) 50mm Mortars.
(8) 90mm Rocket Launchers.
(9) An unidentified large mortar.
(10) US M16 Armalite .223.
(11) Russian 7.62 Company MG M1946.
(12) 7.62mm Goryunov MG M1943.
(13) .303 US Carbine.
(14) Kalashnikov 7.62mm SMG.

Comment (1). Weapons in sub- paragraphs 1 to 8 are standard issue to 518 Bn, RPKAD or volunteer troops.

Comment (2). The report of the Armalite rifle tallies with Intsum 59 paragraph 8b. Brimob troops are known to have been issued with this weapon.

Comment (3). The MG M1946 has also recently been reported as an armament at Labang (Intsum 61 paragraph 11d refers)

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Comment (4). Sgt 'Horminus' the ex-member of 609 Bn, who defected to Sabah earlier in the year, carried a Klashnikov carbine.

c. Composition and Role. There are three types of troops in the area, TNI, TNKU, and RPKAD. The TNI have a defensive role, while the TNKU and RPKAD combine and carry out incursions into Sarawak.

Comment. This entirely supports Central Bde's previous assessment of the role of the enemy opposite the front.

d. Supplies. These come from Lg Bawan and are carried by unpaid locals. The supply route for ammunition is Samarinda 6984, Tarakan 7426, Malinau 6329, Lg Senbiling 5827 and Lg Bawan. Food is short and the locals are expected to provide for the troops out of their own stocks. The only medical supplies are held at Rh Budud and locals have to go to Lg Bawan for treatment, for which they have to pay.

e. Indonesian Border Scouts. These have been disbanded in the area.

Comment. It is considered more probable that at least some Border Scouts have been regrouped and attached to regular units.

10. Troop Locations. 17th December. F3. Further to Intsum 59 paragraph 7.

a. Rh Budud 5231.

(1) Strength. 40 TNI are shortly to be replaced by 50 others who are coming from Tarakan.

Comment. The replacements could connect with paragraphs 16 a - c of this Intsum.

(2) Race. Javanese.

(3) Command. Lt Yahya Awi, who will be replaced by Kommandant Kopi.

There are either two Sgts or one Sgt and a Corporal whose names are Bandjanin and Anat.

Comment. The 'Kommandant Kopi' probably refers to 'Kommandant Kompi' (company commander) which suggests that in future Rh Budud may be garrisoned either by a company group or that the TNI in the area may site their HQ there.

(4) Location. The troops are split into two camps about 300 yards from the longhouse.

(5) Weapons. Rifles, SMGs, pistols, MMG and a large mortar which is not taken on patrol.

Comment. The mortar is probably an 81mm.

(6) Patrolling. The TNI only patrol for short distances and frequently visit Lg Tugal.

Comment. This supports previous assessments.

(7) There is an unidentified hand-generated radio operated by two men at this location.

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Comment. This is probably of the type used at Lg Pupong (Intsum 59 paragraph 5h refers).

b. Pa Urud 5232.

(1) Strength. 50 TNKU (Probably RPKAD).

(2) Race. Javanese.

(3) Weapons. Personal weapons are the same as those at Rh Budud.

(4) Activities. This party was responsible for the Pa Lungan incursion on the 4th November.

Comment. The group did not reach Pa Lungan. They were contacted on the border ridge at 523323, after which they withdrew back across the border (Annex A(1) to Intsum 55 refers).

c. Ba Siok/Lg Kiwan.5232. Strength 80, of which only 40 are in situ at any one time.

Comment(1). Unit identification is unknown but it is considered likely that at least 40 of these troops are regulars (1 platoon strength), thus forming the defensive crust for the northern Belawit area (paragraph 9c connects).

d. Pa Dalong 5232.

(1) Strength. 30/40 TNKU.

(2) Race. Javanese.

(3) Activities. These troops patrol to Lembada. They have built a camp a short distance East of the longhouse which is used by incursion parties.

e. Pa Pirit 5232. There is no permanent garrison but patrols from Lg Kiwan occasionally stay overnight.

f. Lembada 5232. There is no garrison but a two-three man patrol occasionally visits from Pa Dalong and Pa Urud.

g. Pa Butal 5232. Unoccupied by troops.

Enemy Air Activity.

11. 25th December. Ungraded. A twin engined plane similar to a Twin Pioneer was seen at 1100 hrs flying at 5000 feet from Lg Tugal towards Lg Bawan.

Comment (1). The Indonesians have Twin Pioneers and this aircraft may have been involved on a supply dropping mission to Lg Bawan.

Comment (2). This connects with paragraph 14 of this Intsum.

PENSIANGAN - LUMBIS Area

Kabu Area.

12. 23rd December. Mortar fire, was reported in the area of Kabu 5837 at 1030 hrs. A follow-up party stated that villagers at Kabu had heard nothing.

Comment (1). Explosions sounding like mortar fire have been heard before and have later proved to be bamboo breaking or some such similar acts of nature.

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Comment (2). Four recent independent reports have recorded that there are no enemy troops in the area opposite Kabu but this may possibly have a connexion with Intsum 58 paragraph 18.

13. Possible Future Incursion. 26th December. Ungraded. Mobrig (Brimob) in the Lumbis 5837 area may send a party over the border in the near future.

Comment. Paragraph 16a of this Intsum may connect. Further details of this report should be available shortly.

Enemy Air Activity.

14. 25th December. An enemy aircraft, believed to be a C-130 Hercules, was heard in the Lumbis area at 1030 and 1115 hrs.

Comment. Land supply to troops in this area is known to be inadequate. This aircraft was probably on a supply dropping mission but no ground confirmation of this has yet been received.

15. 26th December. Ungraded. An enemy airdrop was expected at Lumbis on 27th December.

Comment. This is not believed to have taken place to date.

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16. Troop Movements - Tarakan/Malinau. 17th December. C3.

a. Brimob. Four battalions of Brimob (Mobrig) forces are due to arrive in Tarakan from Java during December and are to be sent to Malinau almost immediately. These are intended as extra reinforcements and not as replacements. Up to the 12th December these battalions had not arrived. In addition, seven jeeps, 16 trucks and 18 armoured cars are expected. The battalion strength is about 1200.

Comment (1). Small elements of Brimob have been deployed opposite Central Bde's front for many months and recent evidence has indicated their continued presence in the area.

Comment (2). No associated report of these likely reinforcements has been received by this HQ.

b. Brawidjaja. About two months ago an extra battalion of Brawidjaja arrived in Tarakan from Java in a battleship and were moved within five hours in an assortment of craft, including 12 long military transport boats, to Malinau. This report has been confirmed from other sources as relief troops, but this single source insists that they are extra reinforcements. The strength of the Brawidjaja was about 1200 and all wore steel helmets.

Comment (1). It is considered possible that there are now two companies of 518 Bn in the Lg Bawan area. The second could be the reserve company of BTPI which was originally believed to be at Malinau. The extra battalion could have been sent to replace the BTPI company and to assist in maintaining the long land supply lines between Malinau and the front.

Comment (2). This may connect with Intsum 61 paragraph 14.

c. Sukarelawan. On 18th November about 800 Sukarelawan arrived in Tarakan from Surabaya and Balikpapan. After about 2½ hours in Tarakan harbour they left for Malinau. There were several women in the party.

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They all wore jungle green uniforms with no badges, but had soft cloth jungle green hats with a five pointed red star on the front. The group later arrived in Malinau and were being trained there.

Comment (1). Although the dates and strengths do not tally, there is a possible connexion with the 600 Sukarelawan stiffened by KKO who left Tarakan in early December (Intsum 60 paragraph 21b refers).

17. General Information. 17th December. C3.

a. Training in Tarakan. There are some nine sections of volunteers (12 per section) undergoing training in Tarakan in oivilian clothes and with wooden rifles. The course lasts three months and these sections have been training for one month. 1000 more volunteers have been registered in Tarakan Island but have hot yet been called up.

b. Rice. The rice ration in Tarakan is one kilo every 15 days. The troops in Malinau have asked the locals for food as their own supplies are insufficient.

PART III - COMMENTARY

18. The week passed quietly and no military contact or incidents occured.

19. There has been no further sighting of the small enemy party reported in the area South of Lawas last week. PFF and one SF platoon have continued to comb this area.

20. The overt flaunting of support for Indonesia and the TNKU by a PandarumRoad football team in 5th Division may have suspicious undertones. It is, however, considered to be too early to draw any positive conclusions until SB enquiries have been concluded.

21. Further evidence is available of a possible withdrawal by RPKAD troops from the front.

22. Three reports have been received of extra reinforcements having arrived, or about to arrive shortly, at Malinau. In all a total of nearly 7,000 troops is involved. To date there is no evidence of reinforcements having arrived opposite the Bde front in numbers such as these given.

23. Enemy air activity has increased and during the week aircraft have been sighted in both the Lg Bawan and Lumbis areas.

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PART 1 - INTERNAL THREAT

Brunei Bay Area

1. 14th December. Ungraded. Further to Intsum No 51 paragraph 1, Omar bin Alibasar and two unidentified IBTs were in the area of Bukit Kabar, Sinanginan 5244 in late August, 1964. At that time Omar wanted to return to Indonesia because he was short of food.

Comment (1). This could connect with Intsum 45 paragraph one and comments.

Comment (2). The Brunei Bay area is well known to Omar, who led a party from Brunei to Kalimantan for training in April 1962 (Intsum 15 paragraph 9a and Intsum 14 paragraph 7c(2)(b) refers). If he was involved on a similar mission in August of this year there is little evidence to show that he was successful (see paragraph 2). He could have been leading Brunei Bay rebels back after training in Indonesia.

Comment (3). There has previously been evidence of a party of about 20 undergoing training in the Lg Bawan area.

2. Possible Enemy Sighting. 20th December. 1/2 GR. At 1730 hrs 4 men were seen ½ mile South of Lg Tumo 4943, which is 3½ miles South of Lawas. The men were dressed in Jungle Green, were well turned out, had no packs and did not appear to be tired. A round cap badge was worn in their jungle hats. One was armed with a sten, one with a No 4 Rifle, one with a No 5 Rifle, and the fourth was unarmed. They did not speak the local dialect but are thought to be Malays. They asked for money but no food, and were given $2. PFF immediately sent two parties, cut-off and search, to the scene. At the time of writing the search had revealed tracks for 4 - 5 people.

Comment. The fact that the men were fresh and did not appear to be tired or hungry suggests that they are being harboured by locals in the area, which is known to contain a potentially dissident element. From the many sightings over the past ten months it is assessed that the enemy has been able to move couriers or small groups into and out of the area from Indonesia. Some of the sightings were proved to be false but the majority remain unsolved, although SF and SB have operated extensively in the area. This report indicates the possibility of there being a TNKU type training camp, albeit small, established in the area.

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PART II - MILITARY ACTIVITY

LG BANGA - LG PUDJUNGAN Area

3. Further to Intsum 60 Annex A(1), the enemy are now believed to have withdrawn back across the border. The following equipment was recovered after the contact at Piit Maoh on 10/11 th December:

a. 2 magazines marked - 05564076 - 12
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containing 20 rounds of .30 ammunition each marked:

(1) 1st magazine - 20 rounds marked IK 60.

(2) 2nd magazine - 14 rounds marked PSM 61
6 rounds marked IK 59.

Comment. The magazines are for the BAR .30 (US) Automatic, which is known to be a Raider Bn weapon.

b. 1 x .45 empty case.

Comment. Probably for the .45 (US) M3 smg, another Raider Bn weapon.

c. 3 empty cases of .303 ammunition (Indian manufacture) marked:

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7 11 - 56.

Comment. Probably used in the LE Rifle; if so this may indicate the presence of well trained volunteers amongst the troops involved in the incursion.

d. Two small glass phials with three Chinese characters marked on the outside meaning "two days oil".

e. One small spool of thick wire for use as a trip wire.

Comment. The wire was found wrapped around the legs of the man killed by the mine. Investigation has shown that this was unlikely to have been either a normal anti-personnel mine or a grenade. It was probably a small explosive device, possibly a boot polish tin, attached to a pull switch. No fragments or shrapnel were found.

f. Four camouflaged peaked caps. One inscribed as follows:

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ARSJAD. M.

PRATU RAID.

A small insignia was pinned to the inside of one of these caps and a photograph of this and of the cap are included at Annex B.

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Comment (1). The date (25th April 64) is probably the date owner moved to Lg Pudjungan from the coast.

Comment (2). Pratu means Private First Class and Raid presumably stands for Raider.

Comment (3). The badge is not identified (addressees please advise).

BAREO - LG BAWAN Area

4. 18th December. A two week old ambush position for approx 90 men was found at 518306.

Comment (1). The ambush was probably occupied over the 8th December period, a time when enemy activity along the front was expected to increase.

Comment (2). The ambush position is opposite the Kerayan district and was probably laid by troops from Lg Sia/Lg Pupong 5329.

5. 14th December. TNKU deployment. There are 20 at Pa Sing 5329, 20 at Pa Ibang 5228 and 5 at Pa Upan 5329 area.

Comment. It is considered more probable that these kampongs are patrolled to by the troops at Lg Sia/Lg Pupong, than that the enemy occupy permanent bases here. The Indonesians usually carry out their routine internal patrolling with 15 - 20 men.

BA KELALAN - LG BAWAN Area

6. 15th December. An unidentified jet aircraft was seen four miles South of Ba Kelalan, flying high, North to South at 1405 hrs.

Comment. No SF jet flew in the area at this time.

7. Further to Intsum 57 paragraph 13, Symathcom has again made approaches to the people of Ba Kelalan. He requested information about SF positions and asked for photographs of them. He also sent an invitation for young people in the area to attend a Secondary School which was established in Lg Bawan 5332 in August this year. He stated a preference for students who had completed their Primary Six standard 'in order that children could obtain higher studies just like the Indonesian Nationals'. Mention was made of both Yosep and Pudun.

Comment (1). Symathcom is believed to be a TNI captain stationed at Lg Bawan.

Comment (2). The educational offer probably represents a new idea by Symathcom to promote a network of informants for the Indonesians from within Malaysia.

Comment (3). Yosep could be Yusuf Mathaias, believed to be an enemy SBO in the area.

Comment (4). Pudum is probably Paul Padan, the TNI intelligence Sgt, believed to be a member of DC.

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PENSIANGAN - LUMBIS Area

Indonesian Troop Locations - Lumbis 5837

8. Further to Intsum 60 paragraph 15. Early December. C3. 90 reinforcements arrived by prahu, over a period of several days, from the Labang 6137 direction. They wear the normal TNI uniform without insignia, and have established themselves in a position between, and South of, Tau and Kamong 5837. A further 50 are expected to arrive shortly following which a group of 100 will move to Nantukor 5838. Half of the group will remain there while the other 50 attack Saliliran 5838.

Comment. These could be the troops forecast in Intsum 60 paragraph 18, the figure of '1,000' having since been discredited.

9. 11th December. Ungraded. 50 TNI arrived Kamong 586372 on 11th December.

Comment. These could be the 'further 50' mentioned in paragraph 8 above. The presence of these troops stresses the comments made in Intsum 60. paragraph 24, and the liklihood of an incursion in the near future possibly through Saliliran 5838 to Pensiangan.

Troop Movement Lumbis - Labang. C2. The following troops passed through Labang on route for Lumbis:

a. None during the period 27th November - 10th December.

Comment. This conflicts with Intsum 60 paragraph 11 and Intsum 59 paragraph 13a, unless these troops had been staging at some point between Labang and Lumbis prior to moving to Lumbis. This is probable.

b. 13th December. 11 TNI in three prahus.

c. 14th December. Eight TNI in one prahu. They carried supplies of rice and wore the Brawidjaja flash.

Comment. Although the flash indicates that these troops are from 518 Bn, there is a possible connection with Intsum 60, paragraph 21f and comment.

Details of Labang Garrison. 16th December. C2.

a. Command. The troops are commanded by a Lt and four Sgts.

Comment. This tallies with Intsum 57 paragraph 23b.

b. Accommodation. There are two large bashas with two small cookhouses nearby.

Comment. Information in Intsum 57 paragraph 23c is similar.

c. Defences. Two defensive positions have been constructed under the trees to the NE and SE of the accommodation bashas. Two food stores are being made close to the Sg Senbaking/Logangan river junction.

Comment. These food stores are probably intended to hold reserves for troops West of Labang.

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d. Weapons. The support weapons are two MGs, similar to the Soviet 7.62 M1946(RP-46), and two mortars with cranking elevating handle. There is also an unidentified weapon, referred to as a 'Marian' which is not yet in position, being covered over with a tarpaulin. The four 'big MGs' believed to be 12.7mm DShKs, which were in Labang, were returned to Mansalong in September.

Comment (1). Six mortars were reported (C2) to be in Labang in November (Intsum 57, paragraph 23c refers).

Comment (2). The 'Mariam' connects with Intsum 59 paragraph 18a. It is possible that this is a 80mm mortar and the enemy are awaiting the arrival of baseplate before erecting it.

Comment (3). It is possible that three of the 12.7 mm DShKs were moved to Talisoi, not Mansalong (Intsum 59 paragraph 18b refers).

e. Patrolling. The only regular patrol is one of four men who occasionally go to Talisoi to collect tapioca.

f. Enemy Intelligence. The commander believes that there are 'many Orang Putehs in Bantul 6138'.

Comment. Unless deliberately misleading this reflects a poor level of enemy intelligence as there has not been a SF garrison in Bantul for several months.

The Gap Area

12. BS Report. 12th - 14th December. A BS patrol at 678381 heard sporadic firing from across the border at approx 0900 hrs daily.

Comment. Possibilities:

a. the second group of KKO stiffened Sukarelawan reported in Intsum 60 paragraph 21f.

b. A hunting party from Agisan.

REAR AREAS

13. Mansalong Area. 16th December. C2. The Ki Ai (DO) of Mansalong 6431 has recently given orders to all Kpgs on the Salilir between Mansalong and Labang, that each should build a 21 ft prahu for government use. There are 37 Kpgs on this river, and this may mean a considerable increase in TNI traffic. It is estimated that the construction of these prahus would take two months but that the order is likely to be resisted by all concerned.

Comment. No doubt difficulties are being experienced in feeding the large number of troops in the area from a diminuished productive area, the locals having been forcibly withdrawn South of the river. Information has been received of the pathetic efforts of the troops to grow crops themselves; this has no doubt made the situation even more acute. The large building order reflects:

a. the enemy's intention to stay in the area with similar or even larger numbers.

b. lack of reliance on air support.

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14. Malinau. 16th December. C2. There are many troops in the area.

Comment. These could well be the HQ element of 518 Bn (BTP) or possibly a group of the KKO stiffened Sukarelewan reported to be in the area in early December (Intsum 60 paragraph 21f refers) prior to being deployed to the border areas probably opposite Pensiangan.

PART III-COMMENTRY

15. The week passed without incident in the border areas but the sighting of 4 armed men South of Lawas adds yet another possible enemy sighting in this area. A follow up is in pro-gress. The disturbing part of the report, as yet unconfirmed, is that the men were alleged to be smartly turned out and did not appear fatigued. This would indicate their being harboured or at least tolerated by locals, or that they had a well established base camp in the general area from which to operate.

16. The three interlocking rings portrayed in the badge (Annex B) could represent the Military State of North Kalimantan (Sarawak, Brunei and Sabah) and so have TNKU connections. This might either suggest a deliberate attempt to associate the identity of regular troops involved in cross border activities with volunteers, or indicate the presence of a volunteer element within the attacking force.

17. The gradual movement of enemy forces through Labang towards Lumbis continues although the volunteer group possibly bound for the area has not yet been identified. There are now assessed to be 250 - 300 troops based on the area around Lumbis.

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ANNEX B TO INTSUM 61
DATED 21st DECEMBER 1964

1. Cap badge found after contact at Piit Maoh on 10/11th December.

a. Size: $\frac{1}{2}$" x $\frac{3}{4}$"

b. Material: Bronze

c. Backing: Black plastic taken from rim of a cap of the pattern shown below.

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PART I - INTERNAL THREAT

Sighting at Belurua 3533

1. 5th December. Further to Intsum 59 paragraph 1. Natives working at GR 354330 saw a man wearing KD hiding in long grass. He was also wearing what appeared to be a .303 ammunition bandolier and carrying a "short weapon with holes in it". He signalled to the natives, then ran away when they shouted at him. The natives followed him and found footprints for many men.

Comment. It is doubtful of this was an incursion but was, if true, more likely to be evidence of dissidents undergoing some form of military training. Subsequent investigation has not revealed any further information to date.

2. Brunei State. 8th December, the second anniversary of the Brunei Revolt, passed without incident of security interest. A summary of the present internal security situation within the state is given at Annex B.

PART II - MILITARY ACTIVITY

Lg BANGA - Lg PUDJUNGAN Area

3. 8th December. A jet aircraft was heard from approx 20 miles SW of Lg Banga at 1000 hrs.

Comment. No SF jet aircraft flew in this area on 8th December.

4. Lg Bangau 5325. 5th December. F6

a. Strength 150.

Comment. This could be true as the 90 troops reported to be in the Lg Toea area on the 1st November (Intsum 59 paragraph 2a refers) were expecting reinforcements. When these arrived the original 90 probably moved to the Piit Maoh 510249 area where they contacted SF (Annex A(1) and paragraph 5 refer).

b. Reinforcements. There will be further reinforcements. To date eight boatloads of these have arrived in Lg Pudjungan from Tarakan.

Comment. This connects with Intsum 59 paragraph 2i(1). The numbers in each boat are not known.

c. Intentions. The Indonesians intend to attack Lg Banga before 1st January.

Comment (1). This agrees with Intsum 59 paragraph 2i(1).

Comment (2). The enemy were probably on route for Lg Banga when they contacted SF on 10th December. It is considered unlikely that this contact will induce them to abandon their original aim in the long term.

5. Contact. 10th December. 2/6 GR contacted an estimated 90 enemy near the Batu Kalong crossing in the Piit Maoh area 510249. In the fire fight and subsequent action three own troops were killed (two in action, the other by a mine set off by a trip wire) and one was wounded. Enemy casualties were believed to be heavy but numbers are unknown. Through vast superiority in numbers the enemy were gaining the upper hand when a Javelin in the area made several low runs overhead. An impending enemy assault was stopped and the engagement eventually broken off. Details of the action are given at Annex A(1).

Comment.

(1) The enemy were almost certainly from C Coy 600 Raider Bn.

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Reports reveal their standard of combat efficency, movement, command, and discipline during the contact was very high.

(2) SF reinforcements are now sweeping the area. To date it is not known whether the enemy returned back across the border or whether they are continuing in their believed aim of attacking Lg Banga (Paragraph 4c refers).

(3) The mine was laid near an LZ; previously these troops have indicated their intention to mine, booby trap and ambush LZs.

(4) The immediate effect on even well trained enemy of a SF fighter aircraft need hardly be stressed.

BARIO - LG BAWAN Area

Activity in Belawit Area 5232.

6. 5th December. 30/40 enemy held a drill parade at Pa Urud 5232. On the same day 10 enemy dressed in civilian clothes but carrying weapons left Lembada 5232 for Pa Pirit 5232.

7. 5th December. Further to Intsum 59 paragraph 7 a further 10 troops and a Kommandant are expected to arrive in the area soon.

8. 10th December. Contact. A patrol from 2/6 GR sighted a small enemy party near the border at 523329. One was shot and believed to be killed. (see Annex A(2)).

9. 10th December. F6 The troops at Pa Pirit and Pa Dalong are volunteers, while those at Lembada and Pa Urud appear to be regulars.

Comment. This low grade report does not agree entirely with Intsum 59 paragraph 7 but it does tally with the deployment at Lg Sia/Lg Pupong 5329 and Lg Medang/Pa Apr 5233 where both volunteer and regular troops are located in the same area. This lends credence to the theory that the regular TNI (518 Bn,, are used purely in a defensive role while all enemy cross border patrolling is carried out by the volunteers stiffened by RPKAD.

Ba Kelalan - Lg Bawan Area.

10. Unidentified Lights. 8th December. A beam of light, which shone upwards, was seen on a bearing of 110 degrees from a SF OP at 525334 but at an unknown distance from it. The beam was fixed, powerful and thin and flashed at 25 second intervals between 1930 and 2130 hours.

Comment. Lg Bawan is approximately on this bearing from the OP. The light could have been a guidance beam for possible aerial resupply. The aircraft was not heard.

PENSIANGAN - LUMBIS Area

Troop Movement Reinforcement Lumbis

11. 3rd December. F2. Seven TNI arrived in Lumbis from the Labang /area .....

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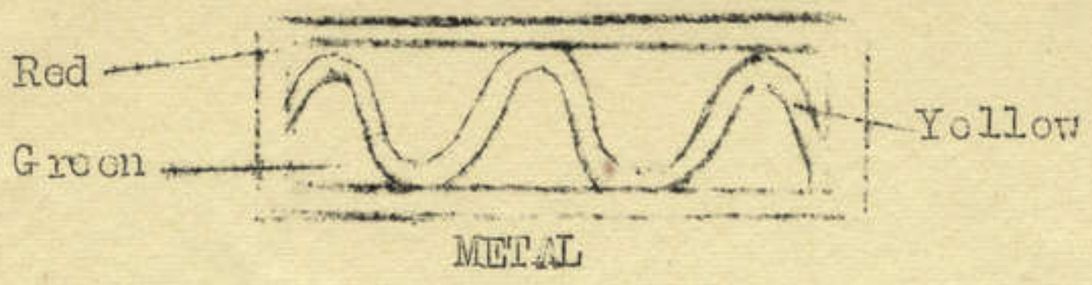
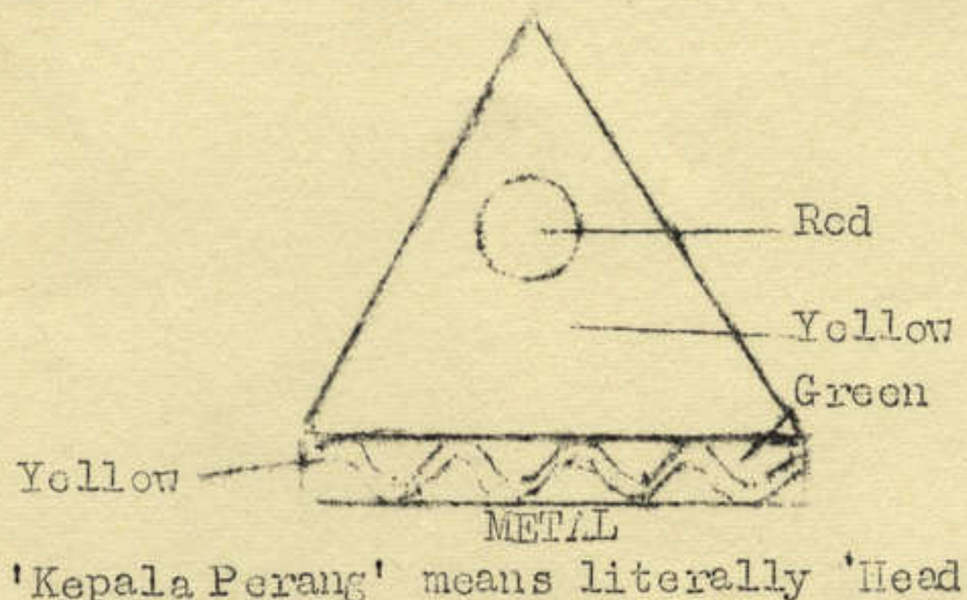
area bringing with them rice and medical supplies. They carried rifles and wore on their left sleeves the insignia described below:



Comment. This group may connect with Intsum 59 paragraph 13a.

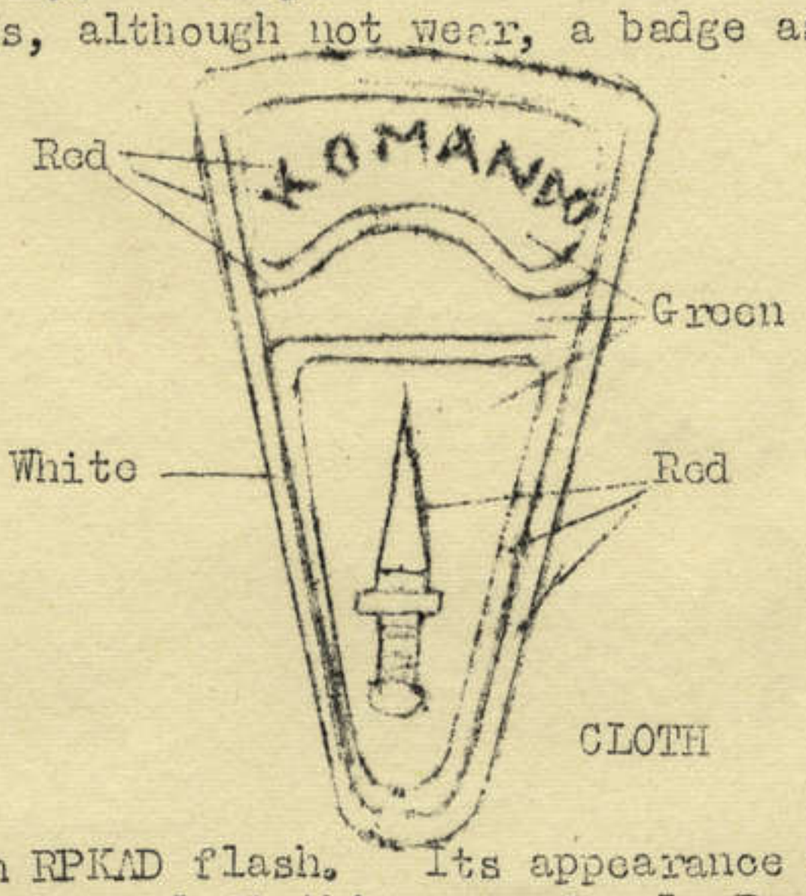
12. 5th December. F3. Approximately 50 TNI arrived in Sibalo 5937 from the Labang area. With them were three 'Kepala Perangs' who went on to Kampong Tau 5837. These three wore the insignia shown below:



Comment (1). 'Kepala Perang' means literally 'Head of War'. In a military context it could mean 'force commander' or just 'officer', the latter being the more probable in this reference.

Comment (2). These troops could connect with the 65 who were reported to have left Labang on foot towards Talisoi in early November (Intsum 57 paragraph 23a refers).

13. 5th December. F3. Troops in the Lumbis area at Tau and Kampng are thought to possess, although not wear, a badge as shown below:-



Comment. This is an RPKAD flash. Its appearance is surprising as the RPKAD were thought to have left this area for Lg Berang. It is still considered that they have moved but the volunteer element, with whom they operated probably remain in the Lumbis area. This could account for an association with the badge.

14. 6th and 7th December. B2. On two occasions parties of TNI from Kamong asked for guides to lead them to Nantukor 5838.

Comment. TNI from Lumbis have patrolled up the Sg Lumbis towards Nantukor on several occasions. The request would only seem reasonable if the troops were new to the area.

15. 12th December. F6. Recently 90 TNI have arrived in the Lumbis area, and more are expected. No date of arrival or staging points are known.

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Comment. This could be a duplication of past reports that the Indonesians are reinforcing the area or it may mark the return of the 100 TNI who were reported to have left the area on the 7th November, (Intsum 55 paragraph 16 refers). The latter seems most probable.

16. 12th December. F3. Amongst the officers in the area are:

a. Maj Menluksahati	Dutch Eurasian
b. Capt Mohtar	From mid-Java
c. Capt Soegondo	Javanese
d. 1st Lt Hamia	Javanese

Comment. The reference to a Eursian is interesting as there have been previously been reports of white-skinned troops opposite the Bde front.

17. Unknown Insignia. The insignia LIAR I has been seen.

Comment. Apart from being an anagram of ALRI (the lettering may have become confused) and therefore possibly having KKO/Marine connections the meaning is not understood. (Addressees please advise if known).

18. 12th February. F6. Further to Intsum 59 paragraph 13 b and comment. '1000' troops are expected to arrive in the area when a long-house, 60 yards long and now under construction at Kamong 5837, is completed. These troops will reinforce Lumbis and reoccupy Lipaha 5737, Tatahas and Sinapar 5837. 500 of them will move to Nantukor with the intention of attacking Pensiangan. The troops are reported being 'Beris' and wear yellow Berets. The TNI in the Lumbis area refer to them as the 'cleverest and bravest' troops in the Indonesian Army.

Comment. (1). The 'cleverest' troops could refer to the KKO within a group of volunteers who may be 'en route' for this area (paragraph 21 f refers). These, however, wear maroon and not yellow berets.

Comment. (2). If the Lumbis garrison is to be further reinforced the Indonesians will have to make considerable improvements in their supply channels as the estimated 200 troops at present holding this area are themselves reported to be short of food.

Comment. (3). Pensiangan has been a coveted target of the Indonesians for some time, the capture of which would both help to satisfy Sukarno's craving to 'crush Malaysia by the 1st January' and add a fillip to morale to the troops in the area to compensate for their repeated reverses during the year.

General Comment on paragraphs 11 to 18. It is stated that the above reports are largely from low grade sources of unproven reliability.

Labang Area

19. 6th December. F3. 16 TNI came to Talisoi from the direction of Labang, bringing supplies of rice and carrying rifles and packs. They wear peaked caps and OG uniforms with a circular cloth insignia on the left sleeve. This is approx $1\frac{1}{2}$ - 2" in diameter with yellow lettering on a blue background and red circumference.

Comment. This insignia bears a similarity to that worn by BRIMOB, members of which are known to have been in the area for some time.

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20. 5th December. BS and locals from Labang reported that they heard mortar fire from Labang at 1825 hrs.

Comment. Mortar and SA firing has been heard previously from the Labang area and it is probably training.

REAR AREAS

Troop Movements Tarakan/Malinau

21. A number of reports have been received recently affecting troop dispositions opposite Central Bde. There are:-

a. C3. Approx 1,000 Brawidjaja (Javanese) moved into the Malinau area in April this year, and another group moved on the 17th August, from Tarakan by landing craft.

Comment. The second group probably refers to 518 bn.

b. C3. Between July and November this year a commercial ship made three trips between Java and Tarakan loaded with Sukeralewan. They did not have uniforms and used wooden rifles when being trained by Police and Brawidjaja. A number of them were sent to Malinau and 60 departed in late Oct/early Nov, still without uniform. or weapons.

c. 5th/6th November. C3. A group of 30 Sukeralewan were moved from Tarakan and sent to Malinau. They were wearing jungle green and left the harbour in a landing craft. All Sukeralewan in the Malinau area are to be relieved or replaced by more Sukeralewan.

d. 5th December. F3. On 3rd November and Indonesian warship with many Sukeralewan on board, was observed in Tarakan harbour. Among the Sukeralawan were about 30 women (Banjarese) who were believed to be en route for Malinau. The following were also on board:-

(1) Zainal bin ?

(2) Arifin

(3) Andi Rasid

The ranks of the latter two are unknown but it is believed that they were in charge of the troops on board the ship.

Comment (1). Arifin could be Djaimal Arifin, the head of police for E Kalimantan Komissariat. Komissariat is police equivalent of military Kodam.

Comment (2). Zainal could be Head of Kalimantan SB .

e. 30th November. C3. Balipapan. There has been increases in the number of RPKAD in Balikpapan.

Comment. It is possible that the RPKAD troops opposite the Central Bde front are to be, or have been, replaced, having been in the area for about 9 months. The 90 ex-Tatahas who recently moved to Lg Bareng via Lg Pala and Namumut may have been withdrawn to Balikpapan rather than to Lg Bawan as was originally supposed. The replacements for the RPKAD could be a fourth company of 518 Bn in the Lg Bawan area, also the volunteer/KKO group from Malinau (paragraph 21 f refers).

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f. Early December. B3. 600 Sukarelawan, stiffened by KKO left Tarakan at the begining of December. They were divided into three equal groups. One group led by 'Hendrik' crossed from Nunukan to Sebatik on the 3rd December. Another group left Tarakan for Sg Soebokoe 7133 on the 3rd December. The third group left via Malinau, presumably for the Central Bde front.

Comment (1). The second group could be destined for the 'Gap', an uninhabited area near the East/Central Bde boundary. The headwaters of a tributary of the Sg Soebokoe follow a northern route through Salang 6835 and Agisan 6637 towards the frontier.

Comment (2). Troops passing through Malinau could be heading either for the Lumbis or the Lg Bawan areas. It is also possible that part of this group could move from Malinau to the Sg Berhau area opposite Lg Banga via Sembiling (approx 5827).

Comment (3). This possible reinforcement of volunteers fits in with the general patten of information received for attacks on or by the 1st January 1965.

22. Amendment. The following amendment should be made to Intsum 59 Part II paragraph 15. Delete paragraph 15, insert:

4th December. A heavy multi-engined piston aircraft was heard flying at approximately 3000 feet from 1300 to 1337 hrs. It made probably three runs North to South over the Botohon Valley 5738, and then orbited NW of Tutelebun 5837 for approximately 15 minutes. It returned to Kabu 5837 and orbited once, then it headed off West.

Comment. No positive identification was made.

PART III - COMMENTRY

23. The possible impending presence of KKO volunteer groups on the Central Bde frontier gives rise to speculation that the RPKAD companies may be in the process of being withdrawn having served over 9 months on the frontier. The company group, until recently, opposite the Pensiangan area were withdrawn last month but were alleged to be headed for Lg Bawan. Their route, Namunut, Lg Pala and possibly Lg Berang, leads due South not WSW towards the Belawit District. Lg Berang is on a main river route to Malinau and Tarakan. The KKO would serve to replace the RPKAD as the spearhead for incursions, and this possible redeployment could explain the large numbers of new Sukarelawan and KKO seen over the past three months in the Tarakan area.

24. There have been many signs and evidence of a build-up of forces opposite Pensiangan over the past three months. The area has had difficulty providing sufficient food to support extra forces, a fact the Indonesians must have known before redeployment. This was made more acute by the forced withdrawal to the South of civilians North of the main W-E river line. The number of enemy is far greater than is needed for 'border protection' and the role of some therefore must be considered to be offensive although the area has been quiet for many months.

25. The main aim of enemy forces opposite Central Bde has long assessed to be infiltration to the potentially dissident Brunei Bay area. This campaign has met with little success to date. Even allowing that a few couriers and possibly scattered groups exist their presence and effect have not made themselves apparent. The internal security situation in the area is well contained and does not give rise to serious concern. As a result of previous frustrated efforts the Indonesians may well consider that the time is not yet ripe for a concerted effort to disaffect the Brunei Bay area by infiltration. The show of strength probably destined for the period over Christmas and the New Year in accordance with

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boast may well manifest itself as a series of shallow incursions terminating in attacks on SF positions, combined with extensive ambushing of LZ's and tracks. Evidence arising from the Indonesian Hearts and Minds campaign directed against civilians on the Malaysian side of the border, coupled with their awareness of the importance of a sympathetic native following does not indicate that these attacks will be of a terrorist nature and directed specifically against civilians or kampongs.

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ANNEX A(1) TO INTSUM 60
DATED 15th DECEMBER, 1964

STATISTICS

1. Place/GR. Piit Maoh 510249

2. Date/Time. 10th/11th December at 1415 hrs

3. Strength/Composition of enemy. Approx 90.

4. Description of Action

a. 10th December 1415 hrs. SF resupply section moving back from a border pl ambush position was ambushed by an estimated 90 strong. A fire fight ensued. Four SF moving to join the resupply section on hearing fire, were also ambushed; two of these were killed. The main SF group then joined resupply section and attacked en position; one SF was wounded. SF then formed defensive position. En attacked twice suffering heavy casualties, and they were about to attack a third time when an SF Javelin flew low over their position causing them to withdraw.

b. 11th December. Reinforcement section of SF landed on LZ and moved forward; one SF was killed by an anti-personnel mine. At the same time the enemy inaccurately mortared the SF main position.

c. 12th December. More SF reinforcements were moved into the area and are currently performing a search and follow up operation.

5. SF Unit. 2/6 GR

6. En Cas. Estimated four killed and three wounded.

7. Race. Unknown.

8. SF Cas. Three killed, one wounded.

9. Equipment captured. Eight rds ammo marked DK 60.

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ANNEX A(2) TO INTSUM NO 60
DATED 15th DECEMBER, 1964.

STATISTICS

1. Location. Border area at 523329.

2. Date/Time. 1525 hrs 10th December, 1964.

3. En Strength/Composition. Two only were seen.

4. Description of Action. Enemy were fired on by SF patrol. One was hit and believed killed.

5. SF Unit. 2/6 GR

6. En Cas. One believed killed.

7. Race of en. Not known.

8. SF Cas. Nil

9. Equipment Captured. Nil.

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ANNEX B TO INTSUM NO 60
DATED 15th DECEMBER 1964

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THE SITUATION IN BRUNEI STATE

Possible Subversive Activity

1. The existence of a possible subversive organisation in the Lawas and Temburong Districts has been revealed. It is known by various names such as Pasokan Perjuangan Kalimantan Utara or Partai Perjuangan Kalimantan Utara but it can be referred to as the PPKU.

2. It is possible that this organisation was originally formulated in Berakas Detention Camp but it may also be linked with the Sabah NKKU (an organisation known as the NNKU which has recently been discovered in Sabah). The possibility of CCO influence cannot be ruled out.

3. Information has revealed that its general aim is to rekindle the spirit of the December 1962 Brunei Rebellion and to revive Partai Ra'ayat policies.

4. The significance of this movement is that it is prevalent in areas which are known to be accessible to Indonesian border crossers. There is also evidence that elements of the population in these areas were strongly linked with the 1962 rebellion and may still have firm beliefs in the aims of the rebellion.

5. The organisation is not particularly strong or widespread at the moment but it is known to exist in at least three kampongs in the Ulu Temburong area. Activities include listening to Radio Jakarta and Radio Peking, group discussion and the making of weapons.

Political Activity

6. Despite the fact that the General Elections are to be held soon, political activity remains at a low ebb. H.M. Salleh, the State Welfare Officer, is reported as saying that he intends to stand as an Independent.

7. The Partai Perikatan Brunei, under the Presidency of Haji Hasbollah bin Haji Mohd Daud, is contemplating asking for help from the Alliance Party of Malaya to prepare for the forthcoming elections. This party, which supports Brunei's entry into Malaysia, enjoys little support in the State.

8. The President of the Partai Perjuangan Brunei is reported as saying that if his party is unsuccessful in the forthcoming elections, he intended to leave politics and concentrate on trade union activity. This party, too, is virtually inactive although having a large membership on paper.

Trade Union Activity

9. There has been a strong revival of interest in trade union activity amongst PWD workers in the Sungei Biang area. Many of these workers are ex-detainees. This revival is being fostered by an ex-detainee notorious for his vociferous support of Azahari and Soekarno.

10. The Oilfield Workers' Union has now reached a membership of more than 50 per cent of the total labour force and may now be recognised by the BSP Co Ltd as a legitimate and truly representative trade union.

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Subversive Activity Amongst The Chinese

11. Since the arrests of CCO suspects in November 1963, there has been little significant communist activity amongst the Chinese in Brunei. However, after the recent elections for the 1965 Chung Hwa School Management Committe, a number of young Chinese who are on security record have appeared on the Committee. The majority of these men are members of the break-away section of the Brunei Chinese Association called the Rice and Sugar Merchants' Association. This Association is known to be pro-Communist.

12. This re-emergence of possible communist activity might have been influenced by the appearance of an organisation known as the North Kalimantan National Liberation League (NKNLL) which was recently formed in Sarawak and dedicated to create a united front throughout the Borneo States.

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PART 1 - INTERNAL THREAT

1. 5th December. A local reported seeing strangers at Beluru 3533. SF are investigating.

PART 2 - MILITARY ACTIVITY

LG BANGA - LG PUDJUNGAN Area

2. Troops opposite Lg Banga. F3. 1st November.

a. Strength/Location. There are 40 enemy at Lg Bangau 5325 and 50 at Lg Toea 5325. Both parties arrived in the first week of November from Lg Kemoeat 5422. Prior to this they were stationed at Pontianak.

Comment (1). These are probably two platoons and a command element from C Coy 600 Raider Bn.

Comment (2). C Coy were believed to have arrived in Borneo from Djakarta in January arriving in Tarakan, not Pontianak, on January 10th. They later moved to Lg Pudjungan at the end of March. Most of the Bn are near Bandjermasin GR 4053.

b. Race. Troops are Malay and Kayan.

Comment. The four companies of 600 Raider Bn were formed from different ethnic groups, Iban, Murut/Iban, Dyaks (from Kapuas) and Javanese.

c. Dress. Dress of a Sgt in this unit is OG trousers and jacket, calf length leather boots, green beret with black piping, two black strips on each shoulder, a black horizontal strip above left breast pocket, green horizontal strip above right breast pocket. Inverted chevrons are worn on the left sleeve but no formation sign.

Comment. Raider troops wear green berets.

d. Weapons. Rifles, SMCs, two 50 mm mortars and grenades; in addition each soldier has a pistol and a knife.

e. Patrols. The troops carry out 20 man patrols to the Batu Kalong area from a semi-permanent camp approx one mile from the border. During these patrols they go barefoot and wear OG shorts. Two locals are made to accompany patrols as food bearers.

Comment. Paragraphs 3 and 4 and Intsum 57 paragraph 4 connect and probably confirm.

f. Guards. At night a guard of two men is mounted at Lg Bahau.

g. Civil/Military Relations. Although troops are well disciplined and generally well-behaved, they have, within one month:

(1) Evicted the locals from their home.

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(2) Demanded food supplies for a week.

(3) Forced two villagers to carry food for each patrol.

h. Supplies. The troops are resupplied weekly by porters from Lg Lat 5425.

Comment. If true this indicates that the Indonesians take considerably more effort to resupply these troops than others in the Central Bde area who either constantly receive supplies late or have to live completely off the locals (but see paragraph 2g(2)).

i. Future Intentions. These are:

(1) To attack Lg Banga in December or January when they have been joined by 1000 troops.

Comment. The figure 1000 has been quoted often by the locals as a pseudonym for the word 'many'. The maximum reinforcements are not likely to exceed 100, the remainder of C Coy 600 Raider Bn, plus a few volunteers.

(2) Troops intend to place mines on helicopter LZs during their incursion.

Comment. This is likely as the company is known to be trained in sabotage and also because the Indonesians have shown a recent awareness of the importance of helicopters to SF operations.

3. 21st November. Further to Intsum 57 paragraph 4. An enemy position for 12 men six to eight days old was found to the North of Batu Kalong crossing 5124.

4. 2nd December. Traces were found of an enemy incursion in Batu Kalong area 5124. An empty 50 round box of .45 ammo marked: Qty 50 cartridge Ball. Calibre 45 M1911 LOT 5734 Remington Arms Company Inc was found.

Comment. Paragraphs 3 and 4 probably connect. There is evidence of at least two incursions in the Batu Kalong crossing area since October. Both were probably carried out by members of 600 Raider Bn, their aim being to recce the area prior to the attack forecast in paragraph 2.

BARIO - LG BAWAN Area

Troops in Ba Siok area 5329.

5. Lg Pupong 5329. 23rd November. F6.

a. Strength/Nationality. 40 Javanese TNI.

Comment. Probably a platoon of 518 Bn.

b. Command. Although there is a Kommandant, the troops appear to be under the command of a lieutenant who in turn takes orders from the lieutenant at Lg Sia.

Comment. See paragraph 6a.

...../c. Weapons.

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c. Weapons. These include:

(1) US MI Garand rifles.

(2) No 4 LE rifles.

(3) Two types of SMG, one probably being a modified Sten, the other either a Madsan SMG or US M3.

(4) LMG and possibly Rocket Launcher/Mortar.

Comment. The No 4 rifle is normally carried by volunteer forces (see paragraph 6a.).

d. Routine/Defences. There are no known 'stand to' drills or practice alarms but two sentries are mounted well forward of the post by day and three prowlers patrol by night. The only known defences are three shallow trenches sited 15 yds forward of the long house. The troops sleep on the public platform of the long house each with his personal weapon.

e. Patrolling. The troops only patrol within Indonesia.

Comment. This substantiates the belief that 518 Bn's role during an incursion has so far been to form a firm base on the Indonesian side of the border through which the incursing troops move (Intsum 57 paragraph 5 refers).

f. Supplies. Inadequate supplies of rations are brought by boat and foot using locals forced to act as porters. The supply route is Lg Sembiling 5828, Tang Payah, Pa Udan and Lg Sia 5329.

Comments. This agrees with Intsum 57 paragraph 8a(3).

g. Dress. Troops wear jungle green uniform and possess dark green helmets, soft peaked caps and jungle hats. Equipment is US pattern.

h. Communications. An unidentified hand-generated wireless is housed in the longhouse. Communication, by morse, is believed to be maintained with troops at Lg Sia and Lg Bawan.

6. Lg Sia 5329. 22nd November. F6.

a. Strength. 60 TNKU occupy this post of whom 50, including the Lt in command, are at present believed to be at Lg Bawan.

Comment(1). This conflicts with Intsum 57 paragraph 8(a)(2), which could be explained by regrouping in the area.

Comment (2). These TNKU troops probably contain at least a 'hard core' RPKAD element.

Comment (3). The commander at Lg Sia is probably either Lt James Rihatama (Intsum 57 paragraph 7 refers) or Lt Palik. He is probably a regular soldier as he is reported as being responsible also for the TNI at Lg Pupong (paragraph 5b refers).

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b. Race. There are Javanese, Kenyahs and also probably ex-Brunei rebels.

Comment. The 'Brunei rebels' could include ex-members of A/S Pramuka who have probably been regrouped with '8 DES TNKU' Force (Intsum 57 paragraph 12 refers).

c. Weapons/Equipment. These are similar to those at Lg Pupong (paragraph 5c refers).

d. Activities. These troops patrol over the border.

Comment. This tallies with Intsum 57 paragraph 8a(4).

e. Accommodation. Troops live in the longhouses but have built a basha which houses the Lt, a Cpl and two radio operators.

f. Defences. Beside a bamboo fence which surrounds the basha and one longhouse there are no known defensive positions, emplacements, or obstacles.

g. Rations. The troops live off local produce despite the fact that Lg Sia is on the ration supply route to Lg Pupong.

Comment. This agrees with Intsum 57 paragraph 8a(4).

h. Communications. There is a hand-generated wireless of which no details are known.

Belawit Area 5232

7. Strengths. 6th December. F6.

a. Pa Urud 5232 - 50 TNKU

b. Pa Dalong 5232 - 30 TNKU

c. Ba Siok 5232 - 80 TNI

d. Rh Budud 5231 - 40 TNI

Comment(1). Previous assessment of this area is that 3 Pls (120 men) RPKAD/Volunteers dressed as TNKU occupy the above named villages. The total above (200) is thought to be exaggerated.

Comment(2). Difficulty is experienced in distinguishing between regular and volunteer troops because of their similarity of dress.

8. Patrolling.

a. 2nd December. An enemy patrol approx 10 strong visited a SF OP at 523325. They left traces of rice and cigarette ash and also dug up SF refuse pits. They used the track from Lembada 5232.

Comment. Intsum 56 paragraph 5 and Intsum 57 paragraph 10 probably connect.

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b. 4th December. Two NCOs (one a Sgt) walked from Pa Dalong to Pa Pirit 5232 via Lembabda. They were wearing OG, jungle boots, American type fatigue hats and were armed with Armalite rifles.

Comment. This is the first mention of Armalites being carried by troops opposite the Central Bde front although positive identification of the weapon is not certain.

c. 6th December. 10 enemy were reported moving from Lembada to Pa Pirit on 5th December.

BA KELALAN 5132 - LG BAWAN 5332 Area

9. TNKU Leaflet. A large number of TNKU propaganda leaflets, exhorting the people of'Kalimantan Utara' to unite against the British and Malaysia, have been found in the Ba Kelalan area.

Comment. The leaflets were signed and issued by the same people and at the same time as the leaflet described in Intsum 55, Annex A Appendix 2, although the content was slightly varied.

PENSIANGAN 5940 - LUMBIS 5837 Area

10. Tatahas Area 5837. Three reports (F2, F6, and ungraded) state that there are no troops in Tatahas, Lipaha or Sinapar. All except 6 RPKAD have left this area; these are the rear stores party still at Lg Pala 5734.

Comment. It is considered that the F4 report that in late October many RPKAD were living in the jungle near Lipaha (Intsum 57 paragraph 18 refers) can probably be discounted.

Lumbis Area

11. Enemy Strengths.

a. Lumbis 5837.

(1) 26th November. F6. 200 troops.

(2) 29th November. C3. 90 TNI.

Comment. If it is accepted that two companies (KTPs) of 518 Bn occupy the Tatahas - Lumbis - Labang front then it is probable that there is a total of about two hundred troops based at Lumbis (Tau and Kamong). Only about half this figure occupy the base at one time, the remainder being employed patrolling and on supply ferrying duties.

b. Panas 5937. C3. 7TNI.

Comment. These troops probably man a transit post on the Sg Sembakung supply route between Labang and Lumbis.

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12. Patrol Activity from Lumbis.

a. 20th November. B2. 15 TNI patrolled to Tatahas returning via Tutulibing 5837 the following day.

b. C3. A regular fortnightly patrol, four or five TNI strong, goes to Tutulibing.

c. C3. A ten man, fortnightly patrol, covers the area north of Sibalo 5937, the patrol lasting between one and three days.

d. Weapons. While on patrol TNI carry rifles and sometimes grenades.

e. Aim. The primary aim of patrols (sub-paragraphs a and b refer) is to collect rice and vegetables.

Comment. This is a further example of troops in the forward area being short of food.

13.. Resupply and Reinforcements. 6th December.

a. C3. Seven enemy troops came to Tau by boat on the 4th December. They brought a large amount of rice and medical supplies. The troops were wearing yellow coloured berets with a cross sword badge.

Comment (1). Members of AA(ARSU) wear slate headress for which this could possibly have been mistaken; their badge is crossed cannons.

Comment (2). This report possibly connects with Intsum 56 paragraph 25. announcing the arrival of new AA detachments in East Kalimantan.

b. F6. A large new basha is being erected at Kamong 5837. 500 reinforcements are expected in Kamong when the basha is completed.

Comment. The figure 500 is considered to be greatly exaggerated.

14. Leaflets. Recent SF psywar leaflets have filtered through to Lumbis. These contain letters from Lewi Ganang who defected to Sabah in April. While receiving favourable comment from some civilian circles, they were ridiculed by the four 'polisi' in Lumbis who refused to believe their content. It is not known if they have been read by the TNI.

15. Air Incursion. 4th December. A heavy multi-engined piston aircraft was heard at 1300 hrs flying low, south to north over Bohoton Valley 5738 for approx 5 minutes. The same aircraft appeared to be circling Sakikilo, 5738.

Comment. This was investigated and reported as being a Hercules C-130. The aircraft was probably on a supply dropping mission to troops in the Lumbis area, and possibly strayed over the border due to a navigational error.

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Labang Area

16. Strengths.

a. Labang 6137

(1) 29th November. Ungraded. 200 TNI.

Comment. Probably greatly exaggerated.

(2) 30th November. C4. 85 TNI.

Comment. This figure tallies with Intsum 57 paragraph 23a.

b. Talisoi 6037. 26th November. C3. 70 TNI.

Comment. This figure agrees with Intsum 55 paragraph 18c but does not explain the present whereabouts of the 65 TNI who were reported to have left on foot for Talisoi in early November (Intsum 57 paragraph 23a refers).

17. Troop Movements. C3. On 21st November 13 TNI arrived at Labang by prahu and stayed one night before leaving for Lumbis. A further 13 were expected on about 1st December. Amongst the party were a Lieutenant Mayal Payo and a Sergeant Amin Daya whose army number is 5609.

Comment. Most regular troops have five or six figure numbers.

18. Weapons. C3. 26th November.

a. The party (paragraph 17 refers) carried with them a weapon five feet long and five inches in diameter. Six men were required to lift it from one prahu to another. A projectile, thought to be a mortar bomb was seen with the weapon.

Comment. Although the dimensions compare with those of the Russian 120 mm M 43 mortar (length of barrel 73" diameter 4.7") the weapon is considered more likely to be an 80 or 82 mm mortar or an 82 mm RCL B 10 (recoiless gun). No mention was made of a base plate or tripod.

b. C3. 26th November. There was three large MGs in Talisoi of the same type as those in Labang.

Comment. These are probably 12.7mm DShK AA HMGs or Browning MMGs, as both weapons are known to be in use in the area. (paragraph 13 refers to troops who could be from an AA detachment).

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19. Supplies to Labang. F3. During October and November locals carried some 150 lbs of rice on two occasions from Sumubumong 6235 to Labang 6138. On each trip three prahus were used each manned by three locals and were not escorted by TNI.

Comment. These supplies were probably routed from the coast up the Sg Simbakung and not via Malinau (Sg Sesajap), then overland to Mensalong 6331 (Intsum 58 paragraph 4 refers).

20. Refugees. 1st December. Seven refugees arrived at Saliliran 5838 from Tutelabran 5837. They wish to settle in Saliliran.

Comment. Total is now 72 since October.

PART III - COMMENTARY

21. The week passed quietly and there was little evidence of cross border activities. However a great number of reports reflect considerable activity and troop movements parallel to the frontier. Much of this is believed to be due to increased patrol activity which also explains considerable fluctuations in reported strengths of enemy posts.

22. The presence of a Hercules aircraft, once a monthly feature but not heard since June 64, has been reported in the border area near Lumbis again. The rugged forested terrain does not lend itself to DZs and the aircraft is considered to be on a supply dropping mission possibly with the accent on heavy stores such as mortar bombs and ammunition rather than food.

23. A satisfactory explanation has not yet been found for the troops wearing yellow berets reported in the Lumbis area.

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Annex ..H..... To Commanders Diary

ANNEX NO	SUBJECT	ISSUING HQ	DATE TIME
1	1 FD SQN GP RAE ADM INSTR No 1	1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE	4 Dec 64
2	SIGNAL A1. March out 2nd flight 7 Fd Sqn	1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE	080600Z
3	1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE Adm Instr No 2	1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE	16Dec 64
4	SIGNAL A1. Xmas, New Year routine	1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE	170010Z
5	1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE RO Pt1 B12 - B26	1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE	17 Dec 64
6	SIGNAL A4. To Central Bde. CASEVAC 4428 Sgt L G HODGE	1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE	240700Z
7	Report of personnel injured in vehicle accident, 26 Dec 64. Veh No 170215. Report by RAP NCO	1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE	27 Dec 64
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Nov 64

ADMINISTRATION INSTRUCTION BORNEO No 1
ARRIVAL OF FIRST FLIGHT
1 FD SQN GP RAE

OUTLINE PROGRAMME

1. (a) 3 Dec (Thu) - First flight depart JESSELTON 1330 hrs
arrive TENOM 1700 hrs
arrive KENINGAU 1900 hrs

(b) 4 Dec (Fri) - 0900 - Lecture
Q Issues
Tour of area

(c) 5 Dec (Sat) - 0900 - Move to Camp 20.
0900-1200 - Main camp members inspect new camp site.
1300-1630 - Take over of vehicles, plant and duties.

(d) 6 Dec (Sun) - Stand down

(e) 7 Dec
(f) 8 Dec - Normal work routine as per 1 Fd Sqn Gp routine orders.

(g) 9 Dec - March-out of remainder of 7 Fd Sqn complete.
(Separate instruction to be issued)

ARRIVAL

2. Transport of three Landrovers and five Mk 3 trucks are to collect the flight from TENOM Station and convey them in convoy to KENINGAU.Camp.

3. Q Staff are to have cots folding set up in locations as shown below.

4. Sgt KELLY is to issue at the meal table one can of beer or soft drink per man. 1 Fd Sqn Regt Funds is to be debited the cost of supplying 5 doz cans of beer and two dozen cans of soft drink.

5. Troops are not required after the evening meal. Canteen will close at the normal time (2130 hrs.)

TRANSPORT

6. Drivers from forward camp are to remain at KENINGAU until the morning of 5 Dec 64. Transport is to leave the mile 20 camp at 1430 hrs direct to TENOM; trnasport from KENINGAU camp will depart at 1530 hrs.

Drivers are:-

Trucks 2½ ton Mk 3 - Cpl ROGERS
Lcpl WALTON
Lcpl SAMUELSON
Spr MARSHALL
Spr HOLIWAY

Trucks ¾ ton GS - WO1 JONES
+ trailers Sgt ~~DIX~~
Cpl COUSINS

ACCOMMODATION.

7. Accommodation is allocated as follows;-
/ Offrs, WOs & Sgts

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Offrs, WOs & Sgts - as directed

Wksps Marquee - 20 personnel

Q Store - 12 Personnel

Tp Lines - 50 Personnel .

DETAILED PROGRAMME

8. Fri 4 Dec 64

0730 hrs - Reveille
0800-0820 - Breakfast (& Fd Sqn 0725)
0845 - Tp parade, call roll, take paludrine.
0900 - Introduction lecture.
0910-0930 - Tour of camp in three parties. Inspect camp layout, Q Store, Wksp.
0930-0945 - Morning Tea.

Plant, 2 Tp (less 1 Sec)
0945-1200 - Q issues to camp 20 pers. weapon inspection 1600 hrs.
1300-1500 - Tour of district
1200-1230 - Lunch

Sqn HQ, 1 Sec of 2 Tp, Wksp
0945-1200 - Tour of district
1300-1500 - Q Issues ~~to camp 20 pers.~~
1600- Weapon inspection.

1715-1745 - Evening meal.

DRESS:- HATS KFF (less chin strap)
SHIRTS Mil green
SHORTS Mil green
BOOTS AB
SOCKS Khaki (rolled over tops of boots.)

9. Sat 5 Dec 64.

0700 - Reveille
0725-0745 - Breakfast
0815 - Tp Parades
0830-1200 - Members move to Camp 20 and settle in.
1200-1300 - Lunch
1300-1600 - Convoy from each camp to move to SOOK, inspect bridge and walk to new camp site.
1300 - Hand over of vehicles and plant to commence and continue on Sunday, to be completed by 061400
1600 - Duties mount.
1715 - 1745 Evening meal.
~~2230~~ 2300. Lights out.

10. Sun 6 Dec 64.

Stand down (except for handover of vehicles etc as per para 9 above.)
0800-0820 - Breakfast
1210-1230 - Lunch
1600 - Duties mount
1745-1815 - Evening meal
2230 . Lights out

11. Mon 7 Dec 64

~~0545~~ 0600 Reveille
0620-0640 Breakfast
0700 Parade

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11. Mon 7 Dec 64 (continued)

1200-1300	Lunch
1615	Field stop work
1600	Duties mount
1630	Camp Standdown

Captain
Administration Officer.

Distribution

All Officers (10)
Tp Sgts
SSM
7 Fd Sqn (3)
File
Spare (3)

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Sgt GILL
Duty Offr
SQMS
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ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER

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File

ONE (.) March Out 7 Fd Sqn 9 Dec (.) Routine cms Ofm evening meal 1745 to 1845 Canteen open 1830 to 2100 hrs (.) Stoves fires to be lit at 1600 hrs all locations and kept going all night (.) Reveille 7 Fd Sqn and drivers 0300 hrs breakfast 0330 hrs loading 0345 hrs depart 0400 hrs cms trucks at 2 min intervals in convoy (.) 5 trucks MKJ to be parked on road ready for loading at 15 foot intervals opposite tent lines #1 1130 hrs (.) Sqn LORRY to carry two tea urns and 80 cups cms sms and rations required by 7 Fd Sqn (.) 2 Lts and trailers to be parked on roadway between Offs kitchen and Sgt's [illegible] (.) Offs Mover to report Offr Mess at 0430 hrs and tpt Maj GROSS to and from TEMCK (.) TWO (.) CONVOY under Lepl CROCKETT to remain at TEMCK till 0730 hrs and to collect all unit stores from railway station (.) Travel in convoy to KERINGAU and empty trucks return direct to fwd comp at turn-off

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1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE
14 Dec 64

ADMINSTRATION INSTRUCTION BORNEO No 2
ARRIVAL OF SECOND FLIGHT
1 FD SQN GP RAE

OUTLINE PROGRAMME

1. (a) 17 Dec (Thu) - First flight depart JESSELTON 1330 hrs
arrive TENOM 1800 hrs
arrive KENINGAU 2000 hrs

(b) 18 Dec (Fri) - 0900 - Lecture
Q Issues
Tour of area

(c) 19 Dec (Sat) - 0900-1200 - Q Issues, Camp Def Positions
0930 - Members detailed move to forward camp
1300 - Main camp members inspect road to road head and camp 20

(d) 20 Dec (Sun) - 0900-1630 - Take over of vehicles, plant and tool kits

(e) 21 Dec
(f) 24 Dec
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26 } - Normal work routine as per 1 Fd Sqn Gp routine orders
Stand down Xmas Day. CE Church Parade Camp 20

ARRIVAL

2. Transport of ~~three~~ four Landrovers and ~~five~~ four Mk 3 trucks are to collect the flight from TENOM Station and convey them in convoy to KENINGAU Camp under the supervision of Sgt MOLLER.

3. Q Staff are to have cots folding set up in locations as shown below.

4. Sgt KELLY is to issue at the meal table one can of beer or soft drink per man. 1 Fd Sqn Regt Funds is to be debited the cost of supplying 5 doz cans of beer and one dozen cans of soft drink.

5. Troops are not required after the evening meal. Canteen will close at the normal time (2130 hrs)

TRANSPORT

6. Drivers from forward camp are to remain at KENINGAU until the morning of 18 Dec 64. Transport is to leave the mile 20 camp at 1430 hrs direct to KENINGAU. All transport from KENINGAU camp will depart at 1630 hrs.

Drivers are:-

Trucks 2½ ton Mk 3
Cpl MORRIS
Spr KELLEHER
Spr KERMODE
Cpl WALTON

Trucks ¾ ton GS
Cpl SAMUELSON
Lcpl CROCKETT
Spr McPHERSON
Spr McILROY

ACCOMMODATION

7. Accommodation is allocated as follows;-

/Offrs, WOs & Sgts

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Offrs, WOs & Sgts - as directed - 2 & 6
Wksps Marquee & Area - 20
Tent Lines - 52

DETAILED PROGRAMME

8. Fri 18 Dec 64

0730 hrs - Reveille
0800-0820- Breakfast
0845 - Tp parade, call roll, take paludrine.
0900 - Introduction lecture.
0920-1000- Tour of camp in three parties. Inspect camp layout, Q Store, Wksp
Morning Tea

Plant, 2 Tp, Wksp { 0945-1200- Q Issues, weapon inspection 1600 hrs.
- Tour of district

1200-1300- Lunch
1300 - Parade

Sqn HQ, 1 Tp { 0945-1200- Tour of district
1300-1530- Q Issues to camp 20 pers
1600 Weapon Inspection.
1800-1830- Evening Meal ORs
1815-1845- Evening Meal Officers & Sgts

1645-1745- Canteen Open
1900-2130

DRESS;- HATS KFF (minus chin strap)
SHIRTS Mil green
SHORTS Mil green
BOOTS AB
SOCKS Khaki (rolled over tops of boots)

9. Sat 19 Dec 64

0730 - Reveille
0800-0830 - Breakfast
0845 - Tp Parades
0900-1200 - Members move to Camp 20 and settle in.
1200-1300 - Lunch
1300-1700 - Convoy from base camp to move to SOCK, inspect bridge and road
1800-1830 - Evening Meal
1900-2230 - Canteen Open
2300 - Lights out
0800 Duties mount

10. Sun 20 Dec 64

Stand down (except for handover of vehicles tool kits etc)
0800 Duties mount
0800-0820 - Breakfast
1210-1230 - Lunch
1745-1815 - Evening meal
2230 - Lights out

11. Mon 21 Dec 64
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0600 - Reveille
0640-0700 - Breakfast
0730 - Parade
Camp Improvements

Distribution
All Officers (10)
Tp Sgts
SSM
File
Spare

Major
Officer Commanding

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To M 20 CAMP

Info Sgt COOK

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CHANGE IN DAILY ROUTINE (.)

FIRST (.) XMAS DAY 1.) STAND DOWN ROUTINE EXCEPT FOR (.)

ALPHA (.) NO LEAVE BEFORE 1400 HRS (.)

BRAVO (.) XMAS DINNER AT MIDDAY MEAL AT 1230 HRS IS A

UNIT FUNCTION DRESS UNIFORM SHIRT SHORTS LONG

SOX (.) EVENING MEAL BUFFET AT 1800 HRS (.)

CHARLIE (.) CANTEEN OPEN 1100 HRS TO 1215 HRS

SECOND (.) SATURDAYY 26 DEC NORMAL STAND DOWN DAY (.)

THIRD (.) WORK STARTS ON SUNDAY 27 DEC NORMAL ROUTINE (.)

FOURTH (.) NEW YEARS EVE (.) DOLLAR FILM NIGHT CANTEEN TO CLOSE

010015 HRS (.) REVEILLE FRIDAY 0730 HRS BREAKFAST 0830

HRS (.) NORMAL WORK ROUTINE 0900 HRS

FIFTH (.) SATURDAY 2 JAN NORMAL WORK ROUTINE

SIXTH (.) SUNDAY 3 JAN STAND DOWN ROUTINE (.)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Numbers B12 - B26

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

57041 Major RL PARAMOR

Commanding 1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE

KENINGAU, SABAH

15 Dec 1964

12. CANCELLATION OF ROUTINE ORDERS

1 Fd Sqn Gp Routine Orders 1 - 11 are hereby cancelled.

13. ACTIVE SERVICE

The Governor General has declared that persons who are subject to Military Law are, in certain defined areas, on active service for the purpose of the Defence Act 1903-1956. Included in the defined areas is the following:

"SABAH

Persons serving in that portion of the mainland of BORNEO And the adjacent islands forming the state of SABAH including the water contiguous to the coast of SABAH for a distance of ten nautical miles seaward from the coast, with effect from 7 Jun 1964."

The above declaration in effect, places this unit on active service whilst in SABAH.

14. DAILY ROUTINE

Daily routine to take effect from 0001 hrs 16 Dec 64 is:-

	WORK DAY	STANDDOWN DAYS
Reveille	0600	0730
RAP Parade	0615	0745
Breakfast - ORS	0645 . 0700	0800 - 0820
- Offrs & Sgts	0650 - 0715	
Parade	0730	
Duties Mount	0800	0800
Work Period	0730 - 1200	
Morning Tea	1000 - 1015	1000 - 1015
Mid-day break	1200 - 1300	
Lunch - ORS	1210 - 1230	1210 - 1230
- Offrs & Sgts	1215 - 1230	
Work Period	1300-- 1630	
P & RT (when specified)	1645 - 1715	
Evening meal (ORS)	1800 - 1830	1800 - 1830
Evening meal (Offrs & Sgts Mess)	1815 - 1840	1815 - 1840
Films (when avai lable)	1915 -	
Lights Out	2230	2230 (2300 Sat)
EVENING TRAINING (when ordered)		
1 st period	1845 - 1930	
2 nd period	1940 - 2020	

.../14. SECURITY DUTIES

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15. SECURITY DUTIES

The following duties are promulgated as annexures to this order and are to take effect from 0001 hrs 16 Dec 64.

Annex A - Duties of the Duty Officer
Annex B - Duties of the Guard Commander
Annex C - Duties of the Guard and Picquet
Annex D - Duties of the Duty Driver.

16. POWERS OF A COMMANDING OFFICER

OC 1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE is a Commanding Officer for the purposes of discipli under Australian Military Law and has the powers of punishment on war service contained in the Army Act 1881 Sect 46 and AMR&O 418.

17. POWERS OF CAMPANY COMMANDER

1. Capt MD BOLAND is appointed OC with the powers of Company Commander for the administration of discipline of members employed in 1 Indep Fd Sqn Wksp RAEME.

2. Capt AC ERNST is appointed OC with the powers of Company Commander for the administration of discipline of members in the forward camp excluding AWD members.

18. ORDERS OF DRESS

A. SUMMER FIELD DRESS

Parades and Guards, Official business in KENINGAU, TENOM or JESSELTON.

NUMBER 1

Hats KFF Complete (turned up)
Shirt JG (Aust)*
Trousers JG
BOOTS AB
GAITERS (Aust) Black
BELTS WE (black)

NUMBER 2

Hat KFF complete (Turned up)
Shirt JG (Aust)*
Shorts JG
BOOTS AB
PUTTEES and Hose tops
Belts WE (Black)

NUMBER 3

As above but with
SHOES black
STOCKINGS khaki

*NOTE: 2 Shirts are to be complete with AMF sign on LEFT sleeve ½" below centre of shoulder and formation sign on RIGHT sleeve ½" below centre of shoulder. Badges "AUSTRALIA" on both shoulders.

B. WORK DRESS

Camp Duties

Number 4

HATS KFF (or Hats utility)
SHIRTS JG or bush jacket & belt.
SHORTS JG
BELTS WE Black (Not with bush jacket)
BOOTS AB

Construction Work

Number 5

As for Number 4 plus
BELT pistol & amm pouch (1)
Clasp Knife & lanyard
FIELD dressing (in case)
MACHETTE
WATER BOTTLE } in cover
CUPS canteen } canteen

.../3. NOTE

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NOTE: Officers & WOs number 3 and 4 dress wear CAPS forage.

Trousers and gaiters to be worn on jungle clearing.

Boots jungle canvas only to be worn on special tasks as authorised by OC (i.e. rafting operation)

C. DRESS FOR LEAVE

Number 6

Dress for leave is civilian clothes, which must be of a satisfactory standard. Shoes and sox are the only permissable footwear on leave.

NOTES: 1. Thongs or scuffs are not to be worn at any time except to and from the showers, if desired. The only permissable open footwear is the regulation sandal, which affords some protection to the feet.

2. Shorts may be worn at night in camp with shoes and stockings/sox or regulation sandals.

3. T shirts or singlets are not permitted in the canteen or on meal parades.

4. Mixed orders of dress are not permitted.

19. TRANSPORT CONTROL

All movement of vehicles from/to EAST Camp by/from MILE 20 Camp area are to report to the Signal Centre in each location before movement. Request for clearance to move being given by the reveiving camp. This procedure applies to both forward and return journeys.

20. SPEED LIMIT - UNIT VEHICLES

The following speeds are a maximum for Unit vehicles under good conditions In the town of KENINGAU it will apply from cattle grid to cattle grid.

(a) 2½ ton Vehicles - 20 MPH in towns,
- 30 MPH outside.

(b) LANDROVERS - 20 MPH in towns
- 35 MPH outside.

21. DRESS FOR DRIVERS

Any driver required for tasks resulting in visits to Townships of KENINGAU, TENOM etc are to be correctly turned out in dress 1 or 2 at all times.

22. LOCAL LEAVE POLICY

Local leave is permitted durings periods of standdown. Before proceeding on leave members are to report to the guard comd for permission to leave the camp and on returning from leave also. Dress is No 6 by day and No 7 by night. Thongs,, scuffs or sandals are not to be worn out of camp at any time.

.../4. DUTY

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Duties

Duty vehicles are available to transport members on leave to and from the BASE Camp. Camp 20 is to arrange leave vehicles at fixed times to and from KENINGAU vehicles to be parked at the BASE Camp between runs. The use of G1 for vehicles for recreation purposes is suspended until further notice.

23. EXTRA REGIMENTAL APPOINTMENTS

The following extra regimental appointments are notified:-

PMC Offrs Mess Security Officer Supervising Officer Sgts Mess	Capt K LATHAM
Transport Officer President Regt Audit Board	Capt RW STEWART
Fire Officer (Fwd Camp)	Lt KW TOMKINSON
Sports Officer Unit Historian Unit Army Correspondent	Lt RJ PHILLIPS
Unit Edn Officer	Capt AC ERNST
Canteen Supervisor Safety Officer	Capt IL MARSH
Sports Liaison Officer Officers Mess Sec/Treas	Capt MD BOLAND
Member Regt Audit Board Investigating Officer	2Lt J MOLLER
PMC Sgt's Mess President Regt Funds	WO2 D MARTIN
Secretary/Treasurer Sgt's Mess	Sgt MD MYERS
Fire Offr (Base Camp)	WO2 HL BRIERLEY

24. 1 Fd Sqn Gp CANTEEN ORDERS

UNIT APPOINTMENTS

Canteen Supervising Officer - Capt IL MARSH
KENINGAU Canteen Manager - Cpl SR SHEPPERD
Mile 20 Canteen Manager - Spr D BRENNEKE

CANTEEN MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Spr WILKINSON Spr WARREN Cpl FRANCIS Spr BRENNEKE	20 Mile Camp
Cpl SHEPHERD Lcpl CROCKETT Spr STEWART Cpl BEVIS	Base Camp

VISITORS

Native Women or men unless employed in the camp, are not allowed in the Canteen.

Permission to bring visitors into the camp must be obtained from the Duty Officer and he must be informed when the visitors depart.

.../5. CANTEEN HOURS.

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CANTEEN HOURS

Monday to Saturday:	Dry	1200 - 1300	Hrs
	Wet	1645 - 1745	"
	"	1900 - 2130	"
Saturday night only	"	1900 - 2230	"
Standdown Days	"	1030 - 1145	"
	"	1500 - 1745	"
	"	1900 - 2130	"

RULES

The Canteen Manager and Committee members have the right to refuse service to anyone whom he/they consider(s) is under the influence of alcohol.

Gambling, loud swearing or misbehaviour is not to be tolerated.

All rubbish and cans are to be placed in receptacles provided.

The Storeroom is out of bounds.

The Canteen is to close 15 mins before meal times.

All members are to be clear of the Canteen area 30 minutes after closing time. (at night).

Hours of trading are not to be altered without permission of the OC.

25. PROMOTION

The following members are promoted to Acting Status in the ranks indicated:-

Cpl WE ROGERS -	Sgt (Veh NCO)
Lcpl JD CHRISTIE -	Cpl (Med Asst)
Lcpl BE MORRIS -	Cpl (Dvr/Op)
Lcpl SJ WALTON -	Cpl (Dvr/Op)

26. FIRE ORDERS

Local fire orders for KENINGAU camp and Camp 20 are published as Annex A to this order.

Capt
Adn Officer

NOTICE

RED CROSS WLEFARE SERVICE

1. The AUSTRALIAN Red Cross Society has decided to extend its Welfare Service to Serving members & their families.

2. The Red Cross Welfare Service is located at 27 Jameison Street SYDNEY & provides a professional service well equipped to advise on the following matters:-

(a) Marriage and domestic problems,
(b) Problems in upbringing & control of children,
(c) Problems arising when a soldier is serving away from home.

DISTRIBUTION

Adm Offr	Duty Offr	OC	HQ Aust Army Force (2)
Diary	Fwd Camp (5)	Wksp	
HQ Central Bde	File (2)	SSM	

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Annex A to 1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE
Routine Order Part 1 number
14/64 (BORNEO).

DUTIES OF THE DUTY OFFICER

1. The Duty Officer is the direct representative of the Officer Commanding during his tour of duty.

2. The tour of duty will be from 0800 hrs on the day of mounting until 0800 hrs the following day.

3. Your duties and responsibilities are as follows:-

(a) To report to the Adm Offr or in his absence the SSM at 0810 hrs and 1550 hrs daily for briefing and collection of the Duty Offr log.

(b) To supervise the mounting of the guard at 0800 hrs.

(c) To ensure that the guard commander and the guard are thoroughly briefed on their duties and understand their responsibilities in relation to the security of the camp.

(d) To vet all incoming signals register the signal in the Duty Officer's log and reply where necessary.

(e) To inspect the preparation quality and serving of all meals in the Sapper's Mess.

(f) To ensure that the telephone in the HQ building is manned at all times between the hrs of 1630 and 0700 and on standdown days, and that all outgoing phone calls military or private are entered in the telephone log.

(g) To make a tour of the camp and guard at least twice before midnight and once between the hours of midnight and 0500 hrs.

(h) To take control of stand to drills and emergency defence routine until relieved by the OC or in his absence the next senior officer.

(j) To close the Sappers' Canteen at the appointed times and to ensure that the area is cleared 30 minutes after closing.

(k) To collect from the Canteen the money received for the days trading and sign a receipt for either a locked or sealed tin box.

(l) To keep the guard commander informed of your whereabouts at all times.

(m) To ensure the maintenance of fire discipline throughout the camp and in the event of fire to take control and direct fire fighting operations until the arrival of the Fire Officer.

4. The Duty Officer will personally make sure that the camp guard fully understand when they may open fire namely:-

(a) When being fired upon.

(b) When squadron equipment is being destroyed and there is NO other way of preventing such destruction.

5. Dress is Number 1 by night and Number 2 by day.

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Annex B to 1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE
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DUTIES OF THE GUARD COMMANDER

1. Your tour of duty will be from 0800 hrs on the day of mounting until 0800 hrs the following day.

2. You will report to the SSM at 0810 and 1545 hrs on the day of mounting for any special instructions and ensure that the guard is paraded at the Squadron flag pole at 0800 hrs.

3. Each member of the guard will carry two full magazines for his weapon in an ammo pouch attached to his belt. These magazines will NOT be placed on the weapon unless absolutely necessary for self defence.

4. Guard duties will be read out to the guard and you will ensure that all members of the guard are familiar with their beat and boundaries, even to the extent of walking them over their beats.

5. You will frequently check the guard on the beat and at the gate. You are to take over the gate guards post at 2300 hrs until 0100 hrs.

6. All vehicles and personnel entering 1 Fd Sqn Gp area will be challenged by the guard in the correct manner and positive identification made before such vehicles and personnel are allowed to continue. The entry and exit of all vehicles is to be recorded on the vehicle log sheet. In the event of hostile action, the warning device will be sounded and the squadron stood to. Should you be in doubt the Duty Officer will be contacted and orders issued.

7. Orders to open fire will only be given in the following cases:-

(a) If you are fired upon.

(b) If squadron equipment is in danger of being destroyed or stolen and there is no other means of prevention.

8. You will maintain an early call book and ensure that the guard knows exactly where soldiers on early call sleep and that they are awake and on their feet at the designated time.

9. You are responsible to ensure that the whole squadron is awake at reveille (0600 normal working days). A whistle will be drawn from the Q Store for that purpose.

10. All sawyers will be filled and lit by 0530 hrs daily. This applies particularly to OR showers and officers and sergeants showers. A check will be made with the sergeant cook as to what fires are to be lit in the kitchen and the time of lighting.

11. Lower the unit flag at 0800 hrs and place it in the squadron orderly room. Raise the flag again at 0600 hrs the following day.

12. Ensure that the guard are familiar with your whereabouts at all times.

13. You will accompany the Duty Officer on inspections and correct or pass on to the Duty Officer any complaints received from the soldiers.

14. Ensure that the running of stationary engines is frequently checked and in the vent of breakdowns only a qualified tradesman will be called to correct the fault.

15. Ensure that each guard is in possession of a torch.

16. Maintain strict vigilance at all times. In the event of an outbreak of fire the Duty Officer will be notified and will in turn contant the Fire Officer. Every effor will be made to extinguish the fire prior to contacting the Duty Officer.

17. Ensure that the Guard Tent is cleared out and that all stores are returned to the Unit Q Store before dismounting the first four guards at 0700 hrs.

18. You will ensure that the guards change over at their correct times and that the guard on the beat wakes the next guard in time for his relief. Times of actual

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change are to be signed by the oncoming guard and initialled by the off going guard on the guard commanders log.

19. Should you be in doubt as to the procedure of the 25 KVA contact the RAEME electricians. Check with the Sgt cook for starting times on Sundays, work days and stop the 25 KVA at lights out giving a 5 min warning before hand.

20. Roster the guard and ensure that reliefs are arranged at meal time for a maximum of 15 minutes per meal.

21. Change the gate guard every half hour by night and every two hours by day.

22. Ensure that the phone at Sqn HQ is manned at all times between the hours of 1600 - 0730 & on Standdown days.

23. During the day carry out duties as directed by the SSM.

24. D Stand the whole guard to around the perimeter of the camp at 0530 to 0600 hrs each day.

25. To ensure that there are two guards on duty at the one time, the following roster is to be used:-

Sentry No 1 Sentry No 2	1600 - 1800	2200 - 2400	0400 - 0600
Sentry No 3 Sentry No 4	1800 - 2000	2400 - 0200	(Gate Sentries)
Sentry No 5 Sentry No 6	2000 - 2200	0200 - 0400	

NOTE:- Sentries 1, 2, 5 and 6 stand to around perimeter from 0530-0600 hrs.

<u>Gate Sentries</u>:

Sentry No 3	0600 - 0700	0800 - 1000	1200 - 1400
Sentry No 4	0700 - 0800	1000 - 1200	1400 - 1600

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Annex C to 1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE
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DUTIES OF THE GUARD AND PIQUET

1. You will mount duty at the squadron flag pole at 0800 hrs daily. Your tour of duty will be from 0800 hrs on the day of mounting to 0800 hrs the following day, for two members of the guard and from 0800 hrs the day of mounting until 0800 hrs the following day for the remaining four members of the guard.

2. Dress and equipment will be:

Shirt JG
Trousers JG* (*Shorts for the following day.)
Boots
Gaiters* (*Hose tops and puttees for the following day).
Hat KFF complete (less chin strap)
Belt pistol
Ammo pouch
Personal weapon
Torch

You will carry your weapon at all times. You will also carry two magazines in the ammo pouch on your belt. You will only open fire in the following cases:-

(a) When fired upon.

(b) When squadron equipment is in danger of theft or destruction and there is no other means of prevention.

4. ROVING SECURITY AND FIRE PIQUET (1600 - 0700)

You will continuously patrol your beat ensuring that all buildings messes vehicles and equipment are secure at all times. You will NOT maintain the same pattern or timing of patrol.

5. You will NOT leave your place of duty without being properly relieved and you will NOT enter the wet CANTEEN or consume liquor during your tour of duty.

6. You will be informed by the guard commander which fires are to be lit and personnel on early call. You will ensure that such times are strictly adhered to and any anomalies will be brought to the immediate attention of the guard commander.

7. You will check the running of stationary engines as detailed by the guard commander and in the case of breaddown you will immediately inform the guard commander who will have the fault remedied by a tradesman.

8. The guard will generally patrol the perimeter, but at least two checks will be made of all stores, tented accommodation stores in the open, vehicles and other equipment during each half hour beat to ensure that there is no possible chance of anyone lying in wait to damage such equipment and stores.

9. Roving security and fire picquet will change duties with the gate guard each half hour during the hours 1600 to 0600.

10. GATE SENTRY (0600-1600)

You will stop all vehicles and personnel entering 1 Fd Sqn Gp area and positive identification will be made before such vehicles and personnel are permitted to proceed. If in doubt inform the Guard Commander immediately. Details of time, vehicle number, type, from/to, number of personnel, drivers name are to be recorded on the guard log sheet.

11. Check the identity card of natives working in the camp area against the list supplied, and enter their passage through the gate on the guard log sheet.

12. No natives (including women and children) are permitted inside the camp boundaries.

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13. Until the Squadron is concentrated, only sentries 1,3 and 5 are to be mounted each day from 1600 hrs to 0800 hrs.

14. The Sentry is to be posted at the main gate and all other exits are to be closed. During each half hour, the gate is to be locked and the sentry is to patrol around the perimeter road of the camp.

15. The guard commander will hold a duplicate key to the gate.

16. All vehicles and native persons entering or leaving the camp are to be recorded during the hours of standdown between 1800 hrs and 0600 hrs.

17. The guard will consist of:-

Guard Commander
Three Sentries
Duty Driver.

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DUTIES OF DUTY DRIVER

1. The Duty Driver will position his Landrover by the guard tent at 0800 hrs the day of mounting duty. The vehicle isto be completely refuelled and serviced prior to mounting duty, and it is to be washed and in a cleqn condition.

2. The tour of duty is from 0800 hrs on the day of mounting to 0800 hrs the following day.

3. The Duty Drivey will parade with the guard at the flag pole when mounting duty.

4. The Duty Driver will sleep in the Duty room and will NOT leave the area unless authorised by the Duty Officer, during the period 1600-0800 and all day on standdown days.

5. During his tour of duty, the Duty Driver will NOT ENTER THE wet canteen and will NOT consume intoxicating liquor.

6. Dress will be:

Shirt JG
Trousers JG* (Shorts by day)
Boots
Gaiters* (Hose tops and puttees by day)
Belt WE black
Hat KFF complete (less chin strap)
Weapon ammo and side arm to be carried in the vehicle.

7. During working hours tasks will be carried out as detailed by the Adm Offr include mail runs at 0800 and 1400 hrs daily. The vehicle is to be parked outside Sqn .

8. Convey meals to the ferry crew and to members in hospital. The Duty Driver will have an early meal at each meal break.

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FIRE ORDERS

GENERAL

1. The attention of all ranks is directed to the following isstructions.

2. All personnel must become fire consoious due to the risk of tent and grass fires that exists in this area.

FIRE SQUAD

3. The following personnel are detailed for fire fighting duties during the tour of duty in BORNEO.

Fire Officer	2Lt PHILLIPS
Deputy Fire Officer	Sgt CONNER, Sgt DIX
Squad members	

Four members to be appointed for each camp.

ACTIVITIES OF THE SQUAD

4. In the event of an outbreak of fire they will assemble at the Piquet tent to await further directions by the Fire Officer or his deputy. The alarm must be raised either by voice or by ringing the fire alarm. Practice alarms will be at the discretion the Fire Officer. All members of the fire squad will keep a close vigilance for the violation of fire orders by individuals, and they will report an incidence that contravenes any part of these fire orders.

FIRE ALARMS

5. Alarms are located in the following areas:-

(a) Sqn Orderly Room
(b) Kitchen
(c) Workshops - Ord Stores.

ACTION ON AN OUTBREAK OF FIRE

6. Any soldier discovering a fire will immediately sound the alarm by:-

(a) The continuous ringing of a fire alarm, if available continuous blasts on a landrover horn,

(b) Giving audible warning by continuously shouting loudly "FIRE" (shouting to continue for two minutes).

ACTION BY ALL PERSONNEL

7. Immediately upon hearing the alarm all personnel will quickly report to the parade ground and stand by until:-

(a) They are directed by the Fire Officer or his deputy in the procedure to be adopted to combat the blaze; or

(b) Until they are advised that their services are not required in the fighting of the blaze.

ACTION BY PIQUET

8. The piquet will maintain a strict check of normal camp fires to ensure that sparks thrown from the fires do not cause any fire risk to tentage or grassed areas.

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FOR SCQ(AUST) (.) 4428 SGT L G HODGE CASEVAC MRS BRUNEI 240600Z (.)

RECURRENCE OF PREVIOUS COMPLAINT (.) REQUEST YOU ASCERTAIN CONDITION

AND ADVISE THIS UNIT AND AUSTAIR ACCORDINGLY

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MEMBERS INJURED IN ACCIDENT

5411244 Spr E C THOMAS	injuries received nil
4410412 Lcpl J P RYAN	injuries received nil
214933 Spr D COOK	injuries received abrasion below right knee bruise on right thigh collar bone LS x-ray. NO fracture To wear sling for 4 days
215455 Spr D WILKINSON	injuries received bruised back and hip lower shin x-rayed. NO fracture
17750 Spr A P THOMKELSEN	injuries received abrasions to RIGHT forearm, slight bruising also present slight bump on RIGHT side of cranium
1410862 Spr P M CACHIA	injuries received slight bruises base of spine slight bruises LEFT side of LEFT leg
215513 Spr D H BRENNEKE	injuries received bruised deltiod muscle RIGHT arm
4410648 Spr G F WALDEN	injuries received slight bruise on LEFT thigh
18466 Spr H BLASZKOWSKI	injuries received bruising of lower part of back and LEFT buttock awaiting result of x-ray from KEMINGAU Hospital
4806 Spr J L WOOD	injuries received soreness of neck and back, under observation if NOT improved to be x-rayed following day
22893 Cfn L P RAYNER	injuries received fractured rib, admitted to hospital for further observation. Morphia ½gr given before journey to KEMINGAU hospital
213078 Spr L O KENDALL	injuries received nil

(Signed) J.D. CHRISTIE Cpl
Med Ord 1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE
27.12.64

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1	SIGNAL Q28. Change of movement timings LO JESSELTON	AUSTARM	040643
2	SIGNAL A4. 4428 Sgt HODGE to MRS BRUNEI	1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE	240700Z
3	SIGNAL RTT. Condition of 4428 Sgt L G HODGE	Cen Bde	250610Z
4	SIGNAL Q4. Reporting of vehicle accidents	Austarm	310431Z
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OUR Q 19 OF 20 NOVEMBER 64 (½) DUE TO SUDDEN DEATH OF WO2 MATHESON THE PROPOSED CHANGE OVER DATES OF WO2 KENT AND COUCHMAN WILL BE ALTERED AS FOLLOWS (.) COUCHMAN WILL REMAIN AT HQ AUSTARM FORCE UNTIL NINE DECEMBER WHEN HE WILL MOVE TO JESSELTON ON MAL FLIGHT ML474X ETD SINGAPORE 0700 ETA JESSELTON 1200 (.) SECOND (.) THE HANDOVER COUCHMAN/ KENT WILL BE AFFECTED ON THE FOLLOWING BLOCK TIMINGS (.) ALPHA (.) AT JESSELTON TWO DAYS ONE WAY BY AIR AND RETURN BY ROAD AND RAIL (.) CHARLIE (.) JESSELTON/ BRUNEI/ LABUAN/ JESSELTON FOR BRIEFING AND LIASION WITH CENTRAL BDE AND HQ COMLANDBOR TWO DAYS KENT TO ARRANGE DETAILED DATES AND TIMINGS AND CLEAR THROUGH ONE FIELD SQUADRON (.) ONE FIELD SQUADRON TO CLEAR THROUGH CENTRAL BDE (.) THIRD (.) KENT TO MOVE TO SINGAPORE ON ONE FIVE DECEMBER FOR RTA ON CHARTER FLIGHT ON 17 DECEMBER (.) COUCHMAN AND CAPT HOWES TO BE FULLY CONVERSANT WITH DETAIL OF ARRANGEMENTS JESSELTON FOR RECEPTION AND ON MOVE ONE FIELD SQUADRON ON 17 DECEMBER 64 (.) FOURTH (.) SGT TIMMERMAN TO MOVE TO SINGAPORE 9 DECEMBER AS PREVIOUSLY ADVISED

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FOR SCO(AUST) (.) 4428 SGT L C HODGE CASEVAC MRS DUNEX 240600Z (.)

REFERENCE OF PREVIOUS COMPLAINT (.) REQUEST YOU ASCERTAIN CONDITION

AND ADVISE THIS UNIT AND AUSCARE ACCORDINGLY

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To: 1 FD SQN RAE

Info: HQ AUST ARMY FORCE SINGAPORE

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SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: UNCLAS

ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER: RTT

YOUR A4 OF 240700Z (.) CONDITION OF 4428 SGT L G HODGE IS SATISFACTORY DIAGNOSIS THIS STAGE IS OVER BREATHING FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION BRITISH MILITARY HOSPITAL SINGAPORE PROBABLE DEPLANE SINGAPORE RAF SCHEDULE 29 DEC (.) NO NOTIFICATION TO NOK MADE AS NOT NECESSARY THIS STAGE (.) NCO HAS WRITTEN TO WRITTEN TO WIFE IN SEYMOR WAS VISITED BY AUST LO

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From: AUSTARM SINGAPORE

To: 1 FD SQN RAE

Info:

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: UNCLAS

ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER: Q4

~~VEHICLE ACCIDENTS (.) YOUR A3 OF 20 DEC (.) ALL VEHICLE ACCIDENTS ARE TO BE REPORTED ASP HOWEVER A INVESTIGATION IS REQUIRED ONLY WHERE THE EXTENT OF THE DAMAGE EXCEEDS POUNDS TWENTY OR WHERE DAMAGE TO CIVILIAN PROPERTY OR INJURY TO PERSONNEL US INVOLVED (.) SIGNAL REPORTS OF ACCIDENTS SHOULD INCLUDE VEHICLE NUMBER CMM DETAILS OF PERSONNEL INVOLVED AND THEIR INJURIES CMM BRIEF DETAILS OF ANY DAMAGE TO BOTH MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PROPERTY AND WHETHER AN INVESTIGATION IS TO BE CARRIED OUT~~

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From 1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE

To Central Bde

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ALPHA (.) 1 FD SQN GP RAE

BRAVO (.) 191

CHARLIE (.) COMBAT RATIONS 10 MAN AUST CHM 200 RATS M/L 3/65

COMBAT RATS ONE MAN AUST CHM 215 RATS ML 6/65

COMBAT RATS 10 MAN BRIT CHM 2750 RATS PACKING DATE PL 6/63

EMERGENCY RATS AUST 200 RATS PL 3/65

BISCUITS SERVICE AUST 574 .825 LB

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From 1 Fd Sqn

To HQ Cen Bde OIC Bk Svcs Labuan

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STRENGTH RETURN (.) OFFRS 8 WO AND SGTS 18 OR 165 TOTAL 191 (.)

REQUEST ADVISE IF THIS FORMAT NOT ACCEPTABLE

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Headquarters East Brigade (2)

ENGINEER TASKS - FUTURE REQUIREMENTS

1. It has now been confirmed that additional military engineers will arrive in East Malaysia early in the New Year.

2. Consequently, most of the tasks already approved should be completed by July 1965.

3. A study is shortly to be undertaken to ascertain airfield maintenance and development requirements in East Malaysia. The majority of this development and possible reconstruction may have to be undertaken by military engineers, but until this study is completed it will not be possible to state what engineer effort is required.

4. In order to ensure that the future force level of engineers is maintained, or if necessary is increased, it is essential to know your future requirements other than those already covered at Annex A.

5. You are therefore requested to give this your careful consideration and, in conjunction with your respective State Security Executive Committees, submit a number of major tasks, in order of priority, for the approval of the Commander Land Forces Borneo. In particular you should consider your requirements for tactical roads.

6. Tasks to be undertaken by military engineers should be of a military or civil/military nature. The criterion for the latter should be whether the State Security Executive Committees will be prepared to allocate State Funds or to recommend that Federal Funds pay for these tasks.

7. It would be appreciated if you could submit your recommendations to this Headquarters by 15th January 1965.

8. The CRE is available to attend any State Security Executive Committee meetings if required.

(P.S. NEWTON)
Lieutenant Colonel
for General Officer Commanding

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APPROVED ENGINEER TASKS AS AT 1 DEC 64 - EAST MALAYSIA

Annexure 'A' to 17 Div 5810 Engrs dated Dec 64

SERIAL	BDE	COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS	ETC	TO BE UNDERTAKEN	ETS	ETC
1.	WEST	KAPIT TEP Airfield and Road					
2.			PADAWAN - TEBEDU Road (Two Troops)	July 65			
3.			PEJIRU - STASS Road (One Troop)	July 65			
4.					Tracks from DZ to Forward Posts (Two Troops)	Feb 65	Jun ?
5.					LUNDU Resettlement Scheme. (One Troop)	Mar 65	

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SERIAL	BDE	COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS	ETC	TO BE UNDERTAKEN	ETS	ETC
1.	EAST	PULAU SEBATIK Jeep Track					
2.			PULAU SEBATIK Resettlement Scheme				
3.					TAWAU-SEMPORNA Road. 10 Miles Road Construction Troop)	Feb 65	
4.					HOVERCRAFT Landing Site. (One Troop)	Jan 65	
5.					RN Slipway (One Troop)		

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SERIAL	BDE	COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS	ETC	TO BE UNDERTAKEN	ETS	ETC
1.	CENTRAL		LONG AKAH TEP Airstrip (One Troop)	Jan 65			
2.			PANDARUAN Resettlement Scheme (One Troop)	Jan 65			
3.					MELIGAN TEP Airstrip (One Troop)	Feb 65	Jul 65
4.					LONG PASIA TEP Airstrip (One Troop)	Feb 65	Apr 65
5.			KENINGAU-PENSIANGAN Road (One Sqn RAE)				

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ANNEX NO	SUBJECT	ISSUING HQ	DATE TIME
1	RELEASE OF 3 T@UCKS 2½ton DUMP	COMLAND BOR	
2	PROGRESS REPORT OF ROAD PROJECT 4 Dec to 18 Dec 64	1 Fd Sqn Gp	190640Z
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RELEASE OF RESERVE TIPPERS (AUST)

Reference: A. Central Bde letter 51/795/Q of 10 Dec 64
(copy to HQ Austarm)
B. COMLANDBOR singal RTT/08 of 120424Z.
C. 1 Engr Sqn Gp letter 194/1/275(1) of 12 Dec 64.

1. OC 1 Field Sqn Gp RAE has requested that three reserve tippers held in SINGAPORE under UASTARM control be released to him for immediate issue.

2. The reasons for this request are;-

a. Length of haul.

b. Reduced serviceability rate, resulting in hold ups of work.

c. One tipper already BER.

3. This request is supported by CRE Land Forces BORNEO.

4. May action to release three Australian tippers please be initiated quickly.

5. The tippers are:-

TRUCKS dump 2½ ton GS 4X4 w/winch International Code No 6524A.

(A. F. ABNNERMAN)
Captain RE
for Commander Royal Engineers.

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1 Fd Sqn Gp RAE
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ANNEX NO	SUBJECT	ISSUING HQ	DATE TIME
1	CRE LAND FORCES BORNEO LIAISON LETTER No 49 23Nov - 29Nov	COMLAND BOR	3 Dec 64
2	No 50 30Nov - 6Dec	"	11 Dec 64
3	No 51 7Dec - 13Dec	"	22 Dec 64
4	No 52 14Dec - 20Dec	"	29 Dec 64
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CRE LAND FORCES BORNEO LIAISON LETTER NO 49

PERIOD 23 NOV - 29 NOV 64

PART I - HQ COMLANDBOR

Visits

1. CRE visited WEST Bde 26 - 28 Nov. He inspected work by 1 and 2 troop, 2 Engr Sqn on the PADAWAN - TEBEDU Link road.

2. GSO 2 RE visited the following locations:-

a. EAST Bde 24/25 Nov

b. WEST Bde 26/30 Nov.

PART II - FIELD

Unit Changeover

3. a. 2 Tp 3 Engr Sqn have taken over the TEBAKANG project from 2 Tp 2 Engr Sqn.

b. Advance party of 3 Tp 11 Indep Field Sqn has taken over all plant and equipment on the BAU project from 3 Tp 2 Engr Sqn.

PART III - TRANSPORTATION

4. ROUTINE

a. Due to the fact that RPL AVON is on LABUAN slip and RPL CLYDE was committed to 4 RTR in KUALA BARAM/MARUDI, an LCT has been assisting in the daily BRUNEI to LABUAN supply run this week.

b. No change on RCL runs to LIMBANG.

5. ADDITIONAL TASKS

a. 22 Nov: Z Craft used to ferry pax of 31 Coy Gur ASC and 10 Flt, cargo and vehs from LST EMPIRE GANNET in the BRUNEI CHANNEL to BRUNEI ramp.

b. 23 Nov - 26 Nov: RPL CLYDE was tasked to move vehicles of RTR between KUALA BARAM and MARUDI. Due to monsoon swell over the KUALA BARAM bar at high water the operation had to be called off. Over the 4 days conditions did not improve, and are likely to continue for some time. There is the added risk of not being able to get the craft out of the river, after completing the task, assuming she was able to clear the bar inwards.

/c. Due.

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c. Due to present committments, with one RPL on LABUAN slip already, and a fixed contract to slip the RPL CLYDE on 7 Dec, the task had to be called off.

d. 25 Nov: Z II made a run to LIMBANG, for 4 RTR and 69 Gurkha Field Sqn.

e. 26 Nov: Z II made a run to BANGAR for Road Engineer PWD BRUNEI.

6. CRAFT STATE

RPL CLYDE	Satisfactory
RPL AVON	LABUAN Slip
RCL 977	Satisfactory
Z II	Satisfactory

7. GENERAL

With the assistance of CRE HQ Land Forces BORNEO a priority berth allocatic has been made to RE Tn craft at LABUAN (CRE's letter No. 47 para 8a refers). This should completely eradicate the problems of berthing met with the Port Authorities LABUAN.

PART IV - WORKS

8. STRENGTH

a. Clerk of Works (E) casevac to UK. Replacement awaited, expect 4 Jan 65.

b. Two Clerk of Works (C) arrived ex UK as replacements.

c. WOII Clerk RE arrived as replacement.

d. Clerk of Works (M) arrived ex UK as replacement.

9. BRUNEI TOWN

a. Bolkiah Camp

(1) Phase I
No change.

(2) Phase II
Work proceeding, but there are some delays due to heavy rain.

(3) Phase III
Progress is good.

b. Town

Minor maintenance work continues on a few requisitioned properties.

/10. - SERIA

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10. SERIA

a. All refrigerators for British and Gurkha families delivered to SERIA.

b. 200 Table Fans delivered so far, balance of 456 en route to BRUNEI by sea.

c. 3 Air Conditioners fitted to MRS.

11. FUTURE WORK

KENINGAU planning now complete, further instructions awaited from COMLANDBOR.

PART V - RESOURCES

BRUNEI Det

12. a. Security fence put up round the stores area.

b. Det will be issued with 1 ton GS truck in lieu of BLR Landrover.

PART VI - EQUIPMENT

13. Nothing to report.

(J.F. ALLEN)
Lieutenant Colonel RE
for General Officer Commanding

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EAST	1 Engr Sqn	2	TAWAU	P. SEBATIK jeep track	1. Track complete to 3,000yds (400yds/wk). 2. Forward clearance to 3,800yds (400yds/wk). 3. Work seriously affected by rain.
				New Bde Camp	1. 9 Defence posts completed; 4 have been roofed over.
				Uniflote	1. During November, the raft ran for 120hrs on 17 missions carrying over 73 tons of stores, veh and personnel.
CENTRAL	7 Field Sqn Gp RAE	-	KENINGAU	KENINGAU - SOOK Road	1. Forward Clearance a. No change (25.6 miles) 2. Formation Level a. No change (25.6 miles) 3. Surfacing a. Complete to 19.9 miles (4,000ft/wk). b. New laterite quarry opened at mile 22.9. c. Stabilisation of weak patches on SOOK Plain in progress. 4. Drainage a. Culverts completed at mile 17.7 and 17.9.

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
69 Gurkha Indep Field Sqn		A	LONG AKAH	TEP Airstrip	
		B	Bde Area	Inf Sp	

5. General
   a. Plant and veh maint in progress.
   b. Work force reduced to ½ by planned phase out to SOOKAMPI.
   c. Br abutments complete; 80% stores on site.
   d. Return raft crossings 202.
   e. Rain affected work on 3 days.

1. Earthwork
   a. 11hrs work by both D4's.
   b. Earthwork 40% (3% per wk).
   c. Work hampered by soft patches.
   d. Digging out of soft patches in progress.

2. Surfacing
   a. NTR.

3. General
   a. Heavy rain all week.
   b. Generator hut completed.

1. Long PASIA
   a. Complete except for helicopter tie-down.

2. PENSIANGAN
   a. Awaiting piping and pump.

3. BA KELALAN
   a. Complete.

4. Move back delayed by weather.

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
		C	PANDARUAN	Resettlement Scheme	1. Earthwork a. No progress due heavy rain. 2. Water Supply a. Temporary water point set up. 3. Building a. Resettlement officers quarter set out and foundations complete.
WEST	2 Engr Sqn	1	PADAWAN	Link Road	1. Earthmoving in section 3,000-3,500yds. 2. Culvert 9 complete. 3. Surfacing not reported. 4. Plant affected by heavy rain during week.
		2 (3 Engr Sqn)	TEBAKANG	Link Road	1. No work on project due to site handover.
		3	BAU	PEJIRU-STASS Road	1. Work still held up by flood. 2. Tp employed on camp improvements.
		Det	KAPIT	Airstrip Access Road	1. Project complete and handed over.

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CRE LAND FORCES BORNEO LIAISON LETTER NO 50

PERIOD 30 NOV - 6 DEC 64

PART I - HQ COMMITBOR

Visits

1. CRE visited Commander CENTRAL Bde on Fri 4 Dec 64 to finalise decisions on future tasks in the Bde area.

2. OC 7 Field Sqn Gp RAE and OC 1 Field Sqn Gp RAE visited this HQ and HQ The Director of BORNEO Operations on Sat 5 Dec 64.

PART II - FIELD

Tasks Completed

3. KAPIT TEP airstrip and road now 100% complete and handed over to PWD for maintenance.

Unit Changeovers

4. 3 Engr Sqn - Federation Engineers took over responsibilities of 2 Engr Sqn on 4 Dec 64, the latter unit has now departed for TAIPING.

5. 1 Field Engr Sqn Gp RAE took over responsibilities from 7 Field Engr Sqn Gp on the 4 Dec 64. The latter have now departed for SINGAPORE prior to returning to AUSTRALIA.

6. A recce of LONG SEMADO jeeptracks and TOMANI airstrips was carried out by OC 69 Gurkha Indep Field Sqn.

PART III - TRANSPORTATION

Routine

7. a. Central Bde maint runs to and from LABUAN have been mainly operated by LCTs during the period.

b. The weekly supply run for 1/2 Gurkha to LIMBANG was operated by RPL 977 as normal.

Additional Tasks

8. a. Tue 1 Dec the Z Craft sailed from BRUNEI at 0400hrs and met MV AUBY in BRUNEI Bay off SAPO Point at 0530hrs. 60 passengers from SINGAPORE for BRUNEI were disembarked, a backlog from RAF schedule trooping flights.

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b. Wed 3 Dec RPL CLYDE was despatched to LABUAN to collect Special Chalk PAX returning to BRU EI on 4 Dec 64. Also on 3 Dec Z II sailed to and from BANGAR with a half Coy and vehs of ASKAR MALAYU BRU EI.

c. RPL AVON came off the LABUAN Slip on Mon 30 Nov 64 but remains moored at LABUAN for completion of the Craft maint contract.

Craft State

9.

RPL CLYDE	Satisfactory
RPL AVON	LABUAN Boat Yard
RCL 977	Satisfactory
Z II	Satisfactory

General

10. The reserved berth at LABUAN for use by In Craft now displays a notice board to this effect and is satisfactory.

PART IV - WORKS

Strength

11. a. Clerk of Works (E) casevac to UK. Replacement awaited, expect 4 Jan 65.

b. 2 Clerk of Works (C) arrived ex UK as replacements.

c. WOII Clerk RE arrived as replacement.

d. Clerk of Works (M) arrived ex UK as replacement.

Brunei Town

12. a. Bolkiah Camp

(1) Phase I
No change.

(2) Phase II
Work proceeding, but there are some delays due to heavy rain

(3) Phase III
Progress is good.

b. Minor maintenance work continues on a few requisitioned properties.

SERIA

13. a. All refrigerators for British and Gurkha families delivered to SERIA.

b. 200 table fans delivered so far, balance of 456 en route to BRUNEI by sea.

c. 3 air conditioners fitted to M.R.S.

/Future Work

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Future Work

14. KENINGAU planning now complete, further instructions awaited from COMLANDLOR.

PART V - RESOURCES

15. S sgt ELLIOT returned to RE Resources Det KUCHING from UK on 30 Nov 64.

16. S sgt LOUGHREY returned to RE Resources Det MIRI after running the detachment in KUCHING.

17. Cpl RUTLEDGE returned to 54 Corps Field Park Sqn RE on the 9 Dec 64.

CGI

18. 7000 sheets purchased by local tender action for use by WEST Bde in KUCHING.

Aquathene Tubing

19. 2000 ft ordered from ERI has not yet arrived, can this be hastened.

PART VI - EQUIPMENT

20. Comd EAST Bde is putting up a case for the Federation Armed Forces to supply more JOHNSON 40HP OBM's, at present most of the few SCOTT/GALE engines held by the Federation Army are off the road, awaiting spares. At present the RE Resources Detachments are supplying all engines for Federation Army use in BORNEO, producing a correspondingly heavy strain on the engines.

(A.A. JULIUS)
Major RE
for General Officer Commanding

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
CENTRAL	69 Gurkha Indep Field Sqn	A	LONG AKAH	TEP Airstrip	1. EARTHWORK a. Piled fill made early in task has now been cleared up. b. Soft patches cleared up and compaction going well. c. End of airstrip levelled with gabions. d. One D4 - 34hrs work, one D4 10 hrs, now awaiting spares. e. Earth moving 46% complete. 2. SURFACING a. NTR. 3. GENERAL a. Rainfall 5.2ins for the week. b. Revised EDC 15 Jan 65.
		B	SERIA	Inf Sp	1. SERIA a. First phase of work in 1/2 GR area complete except where stores not available.

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK		REMARKS
						b. Will move to 2/6 area when stores delivered. c. Tp standing by for IS role.
		C	PANDARUAN	Resettlement Scheme	1.	EARTHWORK a. Main loop road 55% complete. b. Four culverts laid. c. Quarry work held up as no detonating cord available. d. 400ft of water supply main from pump to storage laid. 2. BUILDINGS a. Resettlement officers quarters 55% complete.
			LONG SEMADO		1.	Minefield clearance 15% complete.
	1 Field Sqn Gp RAE		KENINGAU		1.	Take-over completed by 1 Field Sqn. First Sitrep due 11 Dec 64.
WEST	3 Engr Sqn - Fed Engrs		KUCHING		1.	Take-over complete. First Sitrep due 11 Dec 64.

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
EAST	1 Engr Sqn - Fed Engrs	2	TAWAU	FULAU SEBATIK . Jeeptrack	1. Track clearance to 3,400yds. (400 yds/wk). 2. Forward clearance 4,000yds. (200 yds/wk).
				New Bde Camp	1. All defence posts roofed-in. 2. Officers Mess EDC by end of month. 3. Improvements to rear entrance road is in progress.
				Sawmill Camp	1. All defence posts renewed. 2. Reclaiming of swampy ground within the Camp area 50% complete.

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CRE LAND FORCES BORNEO LIAISON LETTER NO 51

PERIOD 7 DEC - 13 DEC 64

PART I - COMLANDBOR

Visits

1. CRE and IO RE attended CE FARELF's Conference 7 - 8 Dec 64.

2. GSO 2 RE visited JESSELTON for a conference with OC 1 Engr Sqn Gp RAE and Assistant Director of PWD (Roads).

PART II - FIELD

3. A consolidated list showing deployment and tasks is attached at Annex 'A'.

PART III - TRANSPORTATION

Routine

4. a. The BRUNEI/LABUAN ferry run has been carried out by Z Craft and LCT during the week, to allow RPL CLYDE to prepare for slipping.

b. RCL runs to LIMBANG for 1/2 Gurkha Rifles and Det 69 Gurkha Field Sqn have continued as normal.

Additional tasks

5. A quiet week with:-

a. RPL CLYDE used for lighterage purposes between LST FREDERICK GLOVER (off LABUAN) and LABUAN on 6/7 Dec 64.

b. RCL carried out an extra run for 69 Gurkha Field Sqn to LIMBANG on 11 Dec 64.

Craft state

6.

RPL CLYDE	Satisfactory.	Prepared for LABUAN Slip 14 Dec 64.
RPL AVON	LABUAN Slip.	Off 14 Dec 64.
RCL 977	Satisfactory.	To be slipped on completion of RPL CLYDE.
Z II	Satisfactory.	

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PART IV - WORKS

7. Next Sitrep due week ending 20 Dec 64.

PART V - RESOURCES

CGI

8. 860 sheets of CGI were purchased for an airdrop in CENTRAL Bde by RE Resources Det, BRUNEI.

Aquathene Tubing

9. 2,000 ft ordered from EBI still not received.

PART VI - EQUIPMENT

10. Troop trials were carried out on the FARELF Filter by units in CENTRAL and WEST Brigades. The general concensus of opinion was favourable.

11. Further trials will be undertaken to try and overcome apparent faults in the filter.

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EDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
CENTRAL	69 Gurkha Indep Field Sqn	A	LONG AKAH	TEP Airstrip	1. EARTHWORK a. Ground very soft making work labourious. b. Gabion construction held up by high water. c. One D4 28hrs work. One D4 unserviceable awaiting spares. 2. SURFACING a. VIBRO Roller producing excellent sealing surface allowing good run off for surface water. 3. GENERAL a. Rainfall 4.42inch for the week.
	B	SERIA	Inf Sp	1. SERIA a. Tp on IS standby all week. b. Barbed wire fence at MUARA LODGE adjusted.
	C	PANDARUAN	Resettlement Scheme	1. EARTHWORKS a. Two full days and two half days work during week. b. Fowler off road with burst low pressure pipe.

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
					c. First spur 100% complete. d. Culvert No. 6 100% complete. e. Survey on all roads except 2nd spur completed. 2. <u>WATER SUPPLY</u> a. 1000ft of trench dug from source towards tank. b. Pipe laying begins 14 Dec 64 under PWD Superintendent.
			LONG SEMADO	Minefield Clearance	1. a. First minefield cleared. b. Second minefield. One booby trap so far located. Trap consisted of No. 36 hand grenade.
EAST	1 Engr Sqn Fed Engrs	2	TAWAU	P. SERATIK Jeeptrack	1. Track cleared to 3,800yds (400yds/wk) 2. Forward clearance 4,000yds.
				New Bde Camp	1. PWD have completed the major earth works on the new North road link to Bde Camp. 2. Work started on erection of 4 Supply Platoon building. ETC 5 weeks.

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
				Sawmill Camp	1. Defences and wiring of sea front completed. 2. Swampy ground within Camp area 60% reclaimed. 3. New Cookhouse. Commence work approx 14 Dec. 4. Work has started on renewing and constructing a Wksps hut for RMN on the seafront near the Camp.
WEST	3 Engr Sqn Fed Engrs	1 2	PADAWAN	PADAWAN - TEBAKANG Link Road	1. No report on project to date.
		3 (1 Sect)	KUCHING	Inf Sp	1. Security fence around RE Resources Det Stores on airfield completed.
		3 (1 Sect)	BIAWAK	Jeeptrack	1. Recce of tracks now taking place.
		3 (1 Sect)	SEMATAN	Repair of SEMATAN Jetty	1. EDC 19 Dec 64.
	11 Indep Fd Sqn RE	3	BAU	BAU - STASS Road	1. No report to date. Report due 21 Dec 64.

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PERIOD 14 DEC - 20 DEC 64

PART I - COMLANDBOR

Visits

1. IO RE visited KUCHING with OC 68 Gurkha Indep Field Sqn RE to discuss employment of Engrs in WEST Bde area.

PART II - FIELD

2. A consolidated list showing deployment and tasks is attached at Annex 'A'.

PART III - TRANSPORTATION

Routine

3. a. The BRUNEI/LABUAN daily ferry has continued to be carried out by Z Craft and LCT.

b. RCL ferry to LIMBANG as normal.

Additional

4. a. Two extra runs were made by RPL on 14 and 15 Dec, to carry two and one coffin respectively, from BRUNEI to LABUAN.

b. 15 Dec; RPL laid on for 97 OMP to move Ord stores LABUAN/BRUNEI.

c. 17 Dec; RPL to collect 2 x D4s for 69 Gurkha Indep Field Sqn from LIMBANG to BRUNEI for REME inspection.

d. 18 Dec; Move of the 2 x D4s BRUNEI to LABUAN for alongside loading to LST.

e. 19 Dec; RCL used to move BRUNEI Hospital landrover from BRUNEI to LUMAPAS, and return.

f. 19 Dec; Z Craft, recce by OC Det up BRUNEI RIVER for an alternative ramp, which can be used at all states of the tide (see para 6 b.).

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5. RPL AVON - LABUAN Slip. Completion date put back to 19 Dec.
RPL CLYDE - Satisfactory. Due on LABUAN Slip 21 Dec.
Z II - Satisfactory.
RCL 977 - Satisfactory. Due on LABUAN Slip 28 Dec.
Harbour Launch HL 8. LABUAN Slip (see para 6 c.).

General

6. a. DCRE, from 20 Dec, will be repairing the foot of BRUNEI Ramp, which will be out of commission at low tides up to 27 Dec. Therefore, loading has been arranged at high tides for the next seven days.

b. In view of para 6 a. above, and in case of any future emergency, it has been considered advisable to establish a second ramp, which can be used at all states of the tide, away from the area of the present ramp. A suitable site, with minimum preparatory work, has been found at 450377 (Sheet 3045-1 : 1 : 50,000). Details will follow through CENTRAL Bde.

c. 10 Port Sqn RE SINGAPORE has informed the Det in BRUNEI that they are now responsible for the maintenance and inspection of the harbour launch HL 8, on strength of Port Commandant LABUAN, and the technical supervision of the crew. Port Commandant LABUAN has been requested to ensure that the harbour launch is kept clean, and its daily maintenance carried out. This craft will be included in the Craft Availability para in future and referred to as HL 8.

PART IV - WORKS

Strength

7. No change.

BRUNEI Town

8. a. Bolkiah Camp

(1) Phase I
No change.

(2) Phase II
Agreed delay in completion of project due to tropical storms and partial flooding will be approximately six weeks from 15 Dec for living accommodation.

(3) Phase III
Agreed delay in completion due to:-

(a) Tropical storms.

(b) Partial flooding on site (will be six weeks from 1 Jan 65).

/Town

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Town

9. a. Repairs to LST Ramp to be started on next low tides, 18 - 25 Dec.

b. Assistance being provided to Supply Point RASC in installation and repair of cold store. One cold store is unlikely to be able to be repaired.

c. Other maintenance is carried out on a few requisitioned properties.

SERIA

10. a. All accommodation is completed except MRS Female consulting room.

b. The balance of 456 table fans will be delivered by ship to BRUNEI within a few weeks.

Future Work

11. a. DCRE discussed future work with CE on the lines described in ... CE conference. CE will be discussing with Regional Director of MPBW the static commitment in BRUNEI in order to release Works Section for other works.

b. No new work has been planned for the Section for 1965.

Detachments

12. a. Assistance given to 2/7 GR with a refrigerator mechanic for 10 days.

b. S sgt WORLEDGE in KUCHING is now providing a bi-monthly summary of his employment.

PART V - RESOURCES

CGI

13. a. 38 ton of CGI has been received from EBI SINGAPORE at Resources Det RE KUCHING.

b. 850 sheets of CGI has been issued during the past week.

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Annex 'A' to 17 Div 5110 Engr
dated Dec 64

BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
CENTRAL	69 Gurkha Indep Field Sqn	A	LONG AKAH	TEP Airstrip	1. EARTHWORK a. Gabion construction nearly completed. b. First D4 52hrs work. Spare parts required for second D4. 2. SURFACING a. compaction of Vibroller as ground still too wet for Wobbly Roller. 3. GENERAL a. Long boat carrying stone sunk. Boat a total wreck.
		B	SERIA	Inf Sp	1. BARIO a. Half Tp at BARIO blowing six LZs. 2. SERIA a. Half Tp limited re-training during week.
		C	PANDARUAN	Resettlement Scheme	1. EARTHWORKS a. One Fowler, One grader and PWD Roller working hard in excellent weather. b. 2 D4's withdrawn and Fowler still awaiting spares.

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
					c. Circuit road cut and fill 100%.
					d. Cross Road 800ft cleared.
					e. Two culverts constructed.
					f. First Spur road 200yds cleared.
					2. BUILDINGS a. One house complete.
					b. Cookhouse started.
					3. GENERAL a. Two D4's handed back to RE Resources Det BRUNEI (see para 1 b. above).
					b. MELIGAN Airstrip recce complete.
EAST	1 Engr Sqn Fed Engrs	2	TAWAU	P. SEBATIK Jeeptrack	1. Track cleared to 4,100yds.
					2. Forward clearance 4,400yds completed.
					3. Cut and fill improvements have been made between 1,400yds and 1,600yds posts.
					4. Distance between road head and DERGOSONG now 1,000yds but the area is extremely swampy - a re-alignment is being sought.
				Sawmill Camp	1. New Cookhouse. All materials now on site, work has commenced on foundations.
					2. Reclamation of swampy ground continous slowly.

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
					3. A 105mm gun of 145 Cdo Lt Bty is now installed to assist local defence.
					4. RMN Wksps. Due to high tides and erosion work has been concentrated on building a retaining wall before erecting the actual Wksps. Task is now 40% complete.
				New Bde Camp	1. North Road EDC now end of Dec.
					2. Chamberlain back actor has been assisting MPBW in excavating drains in camp.
WEST	3 Engr Sqn Fed Engrs	1	PADAWAN	PADAWAN - TEBAKAN (Link Road) PADAWAN end	1. Forward hand clearance 3,560yds. 2. Head of pilot trace 3,400yds. 3. Rough formation 3,300yds. 4. Final formation 2,130yds. 5. Surfacing 1,500yds. 6. Two plant units V R this week total plant VOR 6 units. 7. Rain and floods still hampering work.

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
		2	TEBAKAN	PADAWAN - TEBAKAN (Link Road) TEBAKAN end	1. Forward hand clearance 4,500yds. 2. Head of pilot trace 4,000yds. 3. Rough formation 2,800yds. 4. Final formation 1,200yds. 5. Surfacing 1,000yds. 6. Two plant units VOR during week. 7. Rain and floods hampering work.
		3 (1 section)	SEMATAN	SEMATAN Jetty	1. 80% complete. 2. High winds and rough seas hampering work.
		3 (2 Sections)	BIAWAK	Land Rover Tracks to new NZ	1. 5% complete. 2. Slow progress due to rain.
			BAU - SERIKIN	Land Rover Tracks	Recces being carried out
			TEBEDU - TEPOI	Land Rover Tracks	Recces being carried out.
11 Indep Field Sqn RE		3	BAU	BAU - STASS Road	1. Forward hand clearance 2,833yds. 2. Head of pilot trace 2,833yds. 3. Rough formation 1,767yds. 4. Final formation 910yds. 5. Surfacing 685yds. 6. Two units of plant VOR. 7. Work hampered through rain and floods.

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
CENTRAL	7 Field Sqn Gp RAE		KENINGAU	KENINGAU - SOOK Road	1. Earthwork complete. 2. Surfacing complete to mile 21. 3. Mudstone quarry opened at mile 22.
				SOOK - PENSIAGAN Road	1. FORWARD CLEARANCE a. Head clearance complete to mile 2.08. b. Stripping complete to mile 0.95. 2. FORMATION LEVEL a. Complete to mile 0.76. 3. GENERAL a. Simple barrel 24" ARMCO culvert complete at mile 0.80. b. Ferry made 357 return trips. c. Rain stopped plant work for half day. d. Plant serviceability rate poor.

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FROM CIPHER OFFICE CENTRAL BDE

TO 1/2 GURKHA RIFLES 1 FD SQN R.A.E. KENINGAU.

(TWO ATTACHED)

MESSAGE HAS NOT BEEN ENCIPHERED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON.

1. THE WORD FARLEY INDICATES THAT THE MESSAGE REQUIRES SPECIAL HANDLING.

2. THE MEANING OF FARLEY IS QUOTE NOT TO BEEN SEEN BY ASIAN EYES UNQUOTE.

3. PERSONS OF ASIAN COUTRIES WITHIN BRIGADE AREAS ARE USING THE SAME SETTIN AND SYSTEM AS BRITISH FORCES.

4. YOUR ACK MUST BE SENT TO THIS OFFICE BY A.D.S. AND NOT ENCIPHERED REPEAT NOT ENCIPHERED IN PORTEX.

5. FOR 1 FD SQN R.A.E. PLEASE INFORM 84 FD SVY SQN THE MEANING OF FARLEY.

6. THE WORD FARLEY IS UNCLASSIFIED. THE MEANING IS SECRET REPEAT SECRET.

CIPHER OFFICE
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247 (GURKHA) SIG SQN

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BDE	SQN	TP	LOCATION	TASK	REMARKS
		C	PANDARUAN	Resettlement Scheme	1. Earthwork a. No progress due heavy rain. 2. Water Supply a. Temporary water point set up. 3. Building a. Resettlement officers quarter set out and foundations complete.
WEST	2 Engr Sqn	1	PADAWAN	Link Road	1. Earthmoving in section 3,000-3,500yds. 2. Culvert 9 complete. 3. Surfacing not reported. 4. Plant affected by heavy rain during week.
		2 (3 Engr Sqn)	TEBAKANG	Link Road	1. No work on project due to site handover.
		3	BAU	PEJIRU-STASS Road	1. Work still held up by flood. 2. Tp employed on camp improvements.
		Det	KAPIT	Airstrip Access Road	1. Project complete and handed over.

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