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[1-31 Dec 1965]

COVERING LETTER

Reference No. DEC 4RAR.

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To: Ministry of Defence (ARC).

Ministry of Defence (AMD1).

OF Records. DIRECTOR OF

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

2. Please return receipt below.

Receipt Sent. 27/1/66

(Signature) Quian Quiels ay City.
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COMMANDERS DIARY

OF

Unit or Formation 4th Battalion The Royal Australian Regiment

From 1 Dec 65

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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 2, Section 7.

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 Supplementary Diary" of the formation originating the document. It will be prepared and disposed of as

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

nade and orders given.

of the day's fighting, including company movements.

of the commander with regard to equipment, tactics, organisa-

f of potential importance.

alties to officers, men and equipment.

equipment captured.

it was employed in the time not accounted for. The type of

eness and to save work as much information as possible will iments issued and received, routine returns, etc. All annexes 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 Army 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 Ministry of Defence (ARC 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 Ministry of Defence.
- 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 Ministry of Defence (ARC). The inner envelope will be clearly marked:—

TOP SECRET ANNEX Z to

Commanders Diary of	(formation or u	ınit)
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 Ministry of Defence 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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COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

UNIT/FORMATION 4 RAR



MONTH AND YEAR.....

Dec 65

COMMANDING OFFICER Lt Col D S THOMSON, MC

Place and grid reference	Day of Month	Hour	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	29 Nov	0800	R0 Pt 1 405-410 issued	Annex H Enclosure
TERENDAK	2 Dec	0830	4 RAR Swimming ^C arnival	
GARRISON	2 Dec	1100	Routine Orders Part 1 Nos 411-424 issued	Annex H Enclosure
***************************************		1100	Change in org Bn HQ issued	Annex H Enclosure 2
			Orders Gp for Ex BULIROARER, Issue Confirmatory Notes incl mobilisation, staging throug	
			SINGAPORE, fly in of Bn Gp, forced distance march and occupation of def posn in prep-	
***************************************	******	+	aration for possible SEATO commitments.	Annex O Enclosure
	6 Dec	0230	Mobilised for Ex BULIROARER	
	10 Dec	0615	Ex BULLROARER ended	
***************************************	11 Dec	1000	Bde debrief on Ex BULIROARER. Attended by all officers	
······································	***************************************	2400	4 RAR less D Coy on leave until 2400hrs 27 Dec. D Coy Garrison Duty Coy	
	14. Dec	1035	Farewell visit by Comd 17 Div/Malaya Area Maj Gen P M HUNT DSO OBE	

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COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Army Form C 2118

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MONTH AND YEAR Dec 65

COMMANDING OFFICER Lt Col D S THOMSON, MC

UNIT/FORMATION

Place and grid reference	Day of Month	Hour	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	14 Dec	1100	Issue RO Pt 1 431-439	Annex H Enclosure
	15 Dec	1100	Issue RO Pt 1 No 440. Announcement of award of Military Cross to 2Lt D R BYERS	Annex H Enclosure
	17 Dec	0915	Visit by Senator McCORMACK	
	25 Dec	1215	Commanding Officer, Officers and Senior NCOs served 300 soldiers with Christmas Dinner	
•••••••	28 Dec	0730	Unit less D Coy returned from leave, D Coy on leave,	
	30 Dec	1135	Inaugural visit by Maj Gen A G PATTERSON DSO, OBE, MC. Quarter Guard mounted by Sp Coy.	
			Music by 4 RAR Regimental Band.	

Annex H Brelowne! Comdo Diary

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AUSTRILLIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

BY

LIEUTEN NT COLONEL D S THOMSON MC

COM INDING OFFICER

4TH BATTALION THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT

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BATTALION ORDERLY DUTIES

ORD OFFR

ORD SGT

3 Dec 65 2Lt C PEPPER 4 Dec 65 2Lt W C BROWN 5 Dec 65 Lt P J DESMOND

Sgt W J McINERNEY Sgt G N HUISH Sgt K J RYIN

Rear detail mount duties 6 - 11 Dec 65 inclusive:

412. PARADE STATES

- 1. Companies taking stand-down will submit daily parade states in advance for these days.
- 2. The Orderly Corporal will submit the parade state to Bn HQ the next day and will verify that members marked present are in fact on duty.
- Non compliance with these instructions will result in disciplinary action.
- This order is to be read in conjunction with 4 RAR Routine Order Part I Ser 22 No 174/64 dated 20 May 64.

413. RATIONS

4 RAR Rear Details warned in for rations 1 Dec - 5 Dec 65.

414. DISCIPLINE - SMOKING IN ARMY VEHICLES

- 1. Drivers are not to smoke whilst driving any Army Department vehicle.
- Passengers are not to smoke in the driver's cab, in the body of a load carrying vehicle loaded with stores, nor in an empty vehicle when there is a risk of fire (eg petrol vapour present through the nature of a previous load).
- The Senior Officer or NCO in a vehicle may, provided he is satisfied there is no risk of fire, allow smoking in a vehicle subject to sub-para 1 and 2 above.

415. SECURITY OF INFORMATION

- Members of 4 RAR are aware that certain UK and foreign nationals occasionally write to individuals and units asking for Unit/Formation letter headings; histories of units and personalities in the unit, unit rubber stamp impressions, and so on. Although many of these letters come from genuine collectors the possibility of the information sought being used for subversive purposes cannot be ruled out. It is for this reason that instructions have been issued that such correspondence be handed to Int Sect (Malaya) through 22 Int Pl (Bde).
- 2. For your information, the letters are finally forwarded to GPO London, through normal command channels, where a curt letter is sent to the originator in an attempt to discourage further efforts.
- This information is given in order to assure you that something is being done in an effort to prevent you being innundated by this irritating form of literature. To try and reduce this flow even more it is essential that:
 - a. You continue to send all correspondence and enclosures of this nature, to Int Sect.
 - b. On no account should any correspondence be acknowledged or envelopes returned to their senders.

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416. SECURITY - PROPAGANDA

- A case has occurred in which a unit which was formerly stationed in Malaya was involved in Communist propaganda. A photograph, alleged to be of a British soldier holding a decapitated head of an Indonesian was published by an East German news agency, and an illustrated account followed in the West German magazine "Der Spiegel". A British spokesman has termed the published account as "Absolute lies".
- Copies of the photograph are still in circulation in Malaya. All ranks are to be warned of the danger of this form of propaganda. Copies of the photograph in question, and other compromising photographs of a similar nature, are to be handed in to Int Sec.

417. INDISCRIMINANT USE OF TRANSPORT

- 1. Vehicles will be booked on a job requirement basis, on the same conditions that were operative at WOODSIDE.
- When the job had been completed vehicles will return to the transport lines. Vehicles will NOT be used to take personnel to their respective messes for lunch, nor will they be left standing outside various offices on the off chance that a requirement might arise.

418. HYGIENE RESPONSIBILITIES

The individual Companies are responsible for their own hygiene of Barracks, iblutions and Lines with the exception of the following shared ablutions:

No 20 (B)

No 25 (B)

419. PRESS RELE SES

- 1. The attention of all ranks is to be drawn to the following:
 - a. No statement is to be made to the press or their agents without proper press clearance.
 - b. Press photographers or their agents are not permitted to take photographs of security forces, captured enemy personnel, arms, eqpt, etc.
- 2. Clearance for the above can only be given by OPSCO through PRO 28 Bde and MINDEF.

BOUNDS

- Vehicles will not be p rked on the 1 wns or nature strips within CANBERRA Lines.
- Members moving on foot will keep to the footpaths. They will not walk on the lawns.

CIVILIAN VEHICLES 421.

- All privately owned cars must be registered with 4 RAR Regimental Police within 48 hours of purchase or change of ownership.
- 2. CSMs will be responsible to ensure that this order is strictly complied with.

SECURITY OF OFFICE & SAFE KEYS 422.

- All office and safe keys are to be held by the Orderly Officer when not in use.
- 2. Companies are to submit names of personnel authorised to draw these keys from the Orderly Officer, with speciment signatures, in duplicate.
- One copy of these will be retained in the Orderly Officer's safe for his reference.

DISCIPLINE - DRIVING LICENSES, INSURANCES AND ROAD TAX 423.

- The attention of all Military Personnel and their dependants is drawn to Garrison Standing Orders Fera 21 h (7) (e) which states:
 - (1) All motor vehicles, motor cycles and scooters in TERENDAK Camp belonging to Service Personnel and their dependants, UK based civilians and civilian Army and NAAFI employees must, when used within Terendak Camp, be covered by tax and insurance in accordance with the laws of the Federation of Malaya.
 - All drivers thereof must be in possession of a current Malayan driving licence.
- 2. Several instances have occurred of soldiers and families not comlying with this order. It should be pointed out that serious disciplinary action will be taken against Military personnel not complying with these orders and in the case of dependants they will not be allowed to drive vehicles in the Camp.

OUT OF BOUNDS 424.

It has been reported that vehicles are driving across the hardstanding and sealed area of the new helicopter hangers, pads, eto and that this is causing rapid deterioration. With effect from the date of this order NO vehicle will drive onto the pads or sealed area but will keep to the roads. Bhelford Wt

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4 RAR Terendak Garrison MALACCA

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CHANGE IN ORGANISATION - BATTALION HEADQUARTERS EX BULLROARER

- For Ex BULLROARER the organisation of Bn HQ will vary from previous exercises.
- Details of the CP group and Echelon group are attached as annexures to this instruction.

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A Coy

B Coy

C Coy

D Coy

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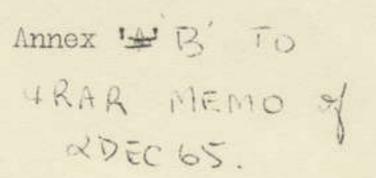
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RP Sgt

4 RAR CP GROUP EXERCISE BULLROARER

batman op dvr	1	1
2IC batman		4
C Sp Coy batman		2
Adjt batman	SS1	2
0 batman	DDI	2
Sigs Offr batman		
C Mor batman Mor Cpls Sigs		6
OC Aslt Pars batman Op		2
C A Tk batman Pl Sgt		
SM		3
nt Sgt Int Cpl Int Ptes (2)		1
Clerks		4
Ps		3
igs Fwd Con 5 Rear 3 Line 6 Cypher 1	ST1	5
MO Batman	211	15 2
ed Assts		2
Bs, Drum Major, SB Sgt, Bandmaster		7
yg Cpl		1
adre		1
SM Sp Coy		1
lerk Sp Coy		1
nr Pl		28
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Attached BCs Party



4 RAR ECHELON GROUP EXERCISE BULLROARER

		Vehs	Pers
		,	
OC Admin/batman			2
CSM Admin			1
MTO, Tpt Sgt, 15 Dvrs			17
Veh Mechs			8
QM Batman			2
Asst QM			1
RQMS Clerks (3)			4
Tech Sgt			1
Cooks rifle coys (1) Admin (2) Sp (3)			17
WO Caterer			1
Postal Cpl			1
Ammo Storeman			1
Mor Pl Sgt			1
Sig Pl Sgt			1
Hyg Sgt			1
Battery charging			1
A Clerk			1
RPs (2)			2
CQMS all coys			6
Tp Engrs		6	35
Sec Fd Amb		3	25
Padre			1
Welfare Rep			1
AQ Sigs 3 Rear Link (3)			6
Armourers (3)			3
Tp 4 RTR		6	14
	TOTAL	30	154
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

BY

MAJOR JP A DEIGHTON

OFFICER COMMANDING

4TH BATTALION THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT

14 DEC 65 NUMBERS 431 - 439.

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1. FREE OF DUTY

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- 3. THE COMMONWE LITH PLAYERS.

431. BATTALION ORDERLY DUTIES

DATE	ORD OFFR	ORD SGTS
13 Dec 65 14 Dec 65 15 Dec 65 16 Dec 65 17 Dec 65	Lt JR BRETT Capt KJ FARRELL 2Lt R J WICKHAM 2Lt B J AVERY Lt J R BRETT	

432. RATIONS

D Coy is warned in for ration from 11 - 27 Dec incl.

Coy is warned in for rations 1 to 5 Dec 65 - Garrison duties.

433. DISCONTINUANCE OF THE TERM "BRIGADE GROUP"

The attention is drawn to DCI (Gen) 47/65 which notifies the decision to drop the term "Group" from the title of brigades in the Army. In future there will be no brigade groups, only brigades.

434. MEDICAL EXAMINATION - FOOD HANDLERS

- 1. With the arrival of 6 Regt RA, 4 RAR and the large numbers of reinforcements for 1 RNZIR, a great many food handlers (which include privately employed Amahs and Cooks etc) will be newly employed.
- 2. It is advised that these people should be medically examined the women at the FMC concerned and the men at the unit Medical Centre.
- 3. OC Admin Coy should contact the MOIC the Medical Centre so that a programme may be arranged.
- 4. A MMR programme for X-raying these people will be laid on in due course.

435. APPOINTMENTS - OUT PATIENTS DEPARTMENT TERENDAK MIL HOSPITAL

- A considerable number of out-patients are failing to keep appointments at the MH Terendak, and furthermore they are failing to notify the department of their inability to attend.
- 2. This results in a considerable waste of time and will also result in additional delay in making new appointments.
- Patients are requested wherever possible to keep appointments, and if unable to do so, to notify the Out-Patients Department as soon as possible of their inability to attend either in writing or by telephone (Malacca 3131 Ext 285 or on the Terendak Military Exchange 7285).

(BRO 341/55).

436. THEFTS FROM HIRINGS AND PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

1. I suggestion has been received from the Civil Police, Malacca, that occupants of houses situated outside the Camp area be advised to lookinterconnecting doors in their houses upon retiring at night or on leaving the house empty. This restricts the activities of any burglar by making it difficult for him to move freely inside the house.

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- 2. This was confirmed in a recent case where the burglar was unable to move through the house and had to confine his activities to the room of entry only
- 3. Sub-units with families living outside the Camp area are requested to advise heads of families accordingly (BRO 343/65).

437. VISITORS TO CAMP

- 1. Annex '0' to Garrison Standing Order allows visitors to enter the Camp when vouched for by a sponsor.
- 2. Instances have occurred when this facility has resulted in the entry of undesirable persons.
- In future, the passissuing authority is authorised to refuse the issue of a pass to visitors who are known to be undesirable. Details of any such refusals will be passed to the Commanding Officer of the sponsor in order that the latter can be informed accordingly.

 (BRO 339/65).

· 438. FIRE H.Z.RD - L.NDROVER FILLER CAPS

EMER Wheeled Vehs Q 029 (FIREIF) Local Misc Instr No 5 Issue 2 dated 17 Apr 64.

- a. The above reference details a slight modification to the petrol cap, and replacement of the old pattern cork seal with a new seal locally manufactured. It should be noted that the correct new seals are a second attempt at local production, the first attempt being unsatisfactory.
- b. All workshops and units are to ensure that the above action has been taken as soon as is reasonably possible.
- c. The new seal can be checked to ensure that it is of the correct material as follows:-

Dampen a little of a surface of the seal with petrol. Rub the dampened surface with a finger. If no colour comes off the seal onto the finger, it is the correct material. The material is also of a relatively hard synthetic rubber composition.

d. In addition to the action taken in sub-paras a to c above all drivers should be warned that this modifi-fication makes the correct fitting of the petrol cap more difficult. To reduce the hazard all drivers should especially check that the cap is correctly fitted after filling. He should also ensure that the petrol tank cover panel is secured by the locking catch at all times.

(BRO 345/65)

439. COMWAND

35162 Major JP 1 DEIGHTON is appointed OC with powers of Detachment Commander for the period 1600 hrs 11 Dec to 0800 hrs 28 Dec 65 inclusive.

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NOTICES

1. FREE OF DUTY

Extract from letter received by, 16059 Lcpl K B POLKINGHORNE

Department of Customs and Excise Customs House Queen St Brisbane Aust dated 11 Nov 65.

"Servicemen serving overseas are given a concession in that they are permitted to send to hust free of duly, goods to the value of A£12.10.0 in any twelve calander contas. Provided they have not used this concession and provided they attach to the parcel a declaration to this effect (these forms are available at your nearest army Post Office). A tape recorder valued at \$50 Malay, would be admitted duty free."

Signed D K CAMPBELL Collector of Customs Qld.

2. GURRISON POST OFFICE - CHRISTMUS ARRUNCEMENTS

a. Counter Business

The counter will close at 1200 hrs 24 Dec and re-open 0830 hrs 28 Dec 65.

b. Sorting Office

The sorting office will be open for the collection of mail as follows:

19 Dec 0900 - 1200 hrs, then as usual until

24 Dec 1330 - 1600 hrs.

25 Dec) 26 Dec) Closed all day. 27 Dec)

c. Telegrams

(1) There will be no service on:

Sat 25 Dec)
Sun 26 Dec) from Malacca or Garrison Post Office

- (2) On Mon 27 Dec telegrams should be taken to GPO MALACCA or MASJID TANAH Postal Agency.
- (3) Urgent Telegrams

These may be sent by phone via KUALA HUMPUR. Ask for the operator and then ask for KL PHONOGRAMS.

THIS MUST BE DONE FROM . PRIV. TE TELEPHONE.

3. THE COMMONWEALTH PL.YERS

The first production of this newly formed society is going to be a fun filled pantomine to be staged in early February. "Aladdin" has been cast, but the society hopes that all those interested in theatre will still come along, as there is plenty of work to do backstage, and understudies are needed too.

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There will be an ther production in June in completely different rein, and in between the pantomine and the next play, it is hoped to hold play readings. There promises to be loads of entertainment and fun in these productions, and the Commonwealth players are keen to make it a flourising Dramatic Society.

Rehearsals for "Aladdin" are held in Slim School every Monday; Wednesday Friday evening at 8 pm.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

SPECIAL ROUTINE ORDERS - PART I

BY

MAJ J P A DEIGHTON

4TH BATTALION THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT

SERIAL NO 43

15 DEC 65

NUMBER 440

440. HONOURS AND AWARDS

The Commanding Officer wishes to inform all Ranks of 4th Battalion The Royal Australian Regiment of the honour conferred most graciously by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II to 43248 2Lt D.R. BYERS by the award of the Military Cross in recognition of his distinguished service in SARAWAK.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

BY

LIEUTENANT COLONEL D S THOMSON, MC

COMMANDING OFFICER

LTH BATTALION THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT

SERIAL NO 39

29 NOV 65

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- 410. CINEMA

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- 2. CHRISTM S MILLS 1965
- 3. DUTY ELECTRICIANS.

405. BATTALION ORDERLY DUTTES

DATE	ORD OFFICER	ORD SERGE NT
30 Nov 65 1 Dec 65 2 Dec 65 3 Dec 65 4 Dec 65 5 Dec 65	WO1 L JONES Sgt TPB MUIR Ssgt IN FORAN 2Lt C PEPPER 2Lt WC BROWN Lt PJ DESMOND.	Cpl PREISIG Lcpl CORBEY Cpl PATCH Sgt WJ McINERNEY Sgt G N HUISH Sgt KJ RYAN

406. ADMINISTRATION AND RECORDING OF PALUDRINE PARADES

- 1. Each working day all sub-units will hold a paludrine parade under the command of an officer. The issue of this paludrine will be recorded by placing a dot inside the "P" in the roll book denoting the members presence. These dots will also be recorded in the Company Roll Book.
- 2. Before a week-end, stand-down, leave or absence for any reason such as courses, etc enough paludrine will be issued to each member to cover the period involved. This will be recorded in the Roll Book with a mark denoting that Paludrine had ben issued for that number of days.

407. JRC LIQUOR TRADING HOURS

1. Subtended are the current Liquor trading hours for the JRC:

Mon - Thu	1615 - 1730 hrs 1830 - 2230 hrs.
Fri	1830 - 2330 hrs.
Sat	1000 - 1200 hrs 1500 - 1700 hrs. 1830 - 2400 hrs.
Sun	1030 - 1200 hrs 1430 - 1730 hrs 1830 - 2400 hrs
Thu (Pay Week)	1830 - 2330 hrs.

- 2. Soldiers are granted 30 minutes to clear interior of club, after programmed closing times.
- 3. There is no objection to soldiers remaining outside the club at anytime.

408. DISCIPLINE - DRESS

- 1. Non-Regimental forms of dress, such as bare buff, socks rolled down over boots, PT shorts, no hats, are not permitted outside unit lines, except when troops are taking part in some form of unit trg.
- 2. a. Hats are to be worn with uniform at all times when travelling in military and civilian vehicles.

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- Note travelling in uniform on motor cycles, scooters etc, uniform hats or crash helmets are to be worn at all times.
- 3. Sub-units should encourage personnel to wear crash helmets at all times when riding a motor cycle or schoter but particularly when doing so outside Terendak Campo

409. BUS SERVICES

1. Details of bus services are given belows

ROUTE	1	n to	Saturday only		
JR Beach Club The Mall (Bus Stop off Garrett Ave) Garrison Post Office Leech Ave Palm Beach	1000 6955 0939	1100	0830 0840 0845 0852		
Bukit Rambai Somerset Green Oxford Lane Seaview Suffolk Gardens Eden Park Happy Land Hotel Cold Stores Malacca Bukit Bahru Santosa Gardens	0938 0937 0936 0935 0935 0936 0936 0936 0927 0920 0920 0950	1124 1125 1128 1130 1133 1140 1200	1 0000 mm (CD0) HT	1009 1008 1007 1000 0940	1205 1307

- 2. Buses provided 1 x 39 seater Mon, Tue, Wed and Frie 2 x 39 seater Thu and Sate
- 3. Timings must be strictly adhered to as these buses are required for school children during week days.
- 4. Routes within areas will be:
 - a. JRC The Mall via Boyd Ave, Cornwall Rd, Templer Ave, Beach Ave.
 - b. Bukit Bahru Santosa Gardens via Jalan Melor, Jalan Tanjong, Jalan Pengala Abas.
 - c. Santosa Gardens Bukit Bahru via Jalan Datoh Pelembang, Jalan Pengala Abas.

410. CINEMA (WED MATINEES)

Very strong complaints were made regarding the noiseness and bad behaviour of children.

The following action will now be takens-

The NCO will be fully briefed regarding his duties.

The show will be stopped if behaviour does NOT improve.

Distr: List A less Ser 7-19,31,32,49, 51-53.

1. FOR SALE

1954 FORD Anglia. Good Condition. Price \$800. For details contact WO2 D ADAMS A Fd Bty RAA.

2. CHRISTMAS MAILS 1965

The latest dates of posting are:

Destination	Parcels Letters and Zmas Cards (Surface)	Parcels Letters and Kmas Cards (Air)
Australia East & Tasmania	29.11. 29.11.65	16, 12, 16, 12, 65
Australia West Canada Germany Holland UK	26.11. 0.13.65 12.10.65 29.10.65 15.11.65 15.11.65 10.11.65 10.11.65 13.11.65 24.11.65	11, 12, 65 8, 12, 65 11, 12, 65

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3. DUTY ELECTRICIAN

Wef 1700 hrs 29 Nov 65 the duty electrician during silent hours can be contacted at SOON Construction ~ Depot Office MPBW.

All existing arrangements to remain ie, tot to be supplied by unit.

The duty electrician is only to be called out for urgent essential services.

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4 RAR Terendak Garrison MALACCA

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CONFIRMATORY NOTES TO CO 4 RAR'S VERBAL ORDERS

1. Situation

- a. Enemy Forces. As given in briefing by IO 4 RAR.
- b. Friendly Forces
 - (1) 28 Bde Mission is to secure SELANDER 3289.
 - (2) Concept of ops
 - (a) Phase 1 rapid deployment into strong defensive posns.
 - (b) Phase 2 infliction of max cas by ground and air action to gain time for build up.
 - (c) Phase 3 mounting of co-ord offensive ops.
 - (3) 28 Bde outline plan
 - (a) two bns fwd and one bn in res.
 - (b) covering tps fwd of SEL NDER.
 - (c) 1SG RIGHT fwd bn
 - (d) 1 RNZIR LEFT fwd bn.
 - (4) The police and Armed Forces of MISA are still in con but surveillance over the border is limited to widely separated border posts.
 - (5) It is reported that local forces are unable to guarantee the security of the sea and air ports of entry until some time on S day.

c. Atts and dets

- (1) Under Comd from time mob complete.
 - (a) A Fd Bty RAA
 - (b) One tp 11 Indep Fd Sqn
 - (c) One sec 16 COMWEL Fd Ambulance.
- (2) Under Comd from O61100GH one light tp 4 RTR.
- (3) In Sp from 091600hrs 7 Cdo Lt Bty.
- (4) In Sp period 7-9 Dec MRT airlift provided by 3 Beverley and 2 Argosy aircraft.

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(6) In sp 7 - 10 Dec - one SIOUX 45 Lt Regt.

2. Mission

4 RAR Gp is to fly into MALACCA on S Day (7 Dec) and move forward to occupy a covering tps posn at BUKIT KELEDEK Estate 5095 by 1800hrs S + 1.

3. Exection

a. Gen Outline

The op is to be in three phases.

- (1) Phase 1. Bn gp moves by road or rail to NEE SOON as follows
 - (a) On order Bn HQ, Admin Adv Party, SUEO's Party and Loading & Lashing Teams depart by road for NEE SOON via MUAR under comd 2IC D Coy.
 - (b) On order Bn HQ, Tac Adv Party under comd OC B Coy departs for NEE SOON via TAMPIN with MRT scale.
 - (c) On order Bn HQ one coy gp (A Coy) plus two rifle secs departs for NEE SOON via TAMPIN ASP after their particular mobilization procedures completed. Convoy under comd OC A Coy.
 - (d) Main Body by rail from TAMPIN. OC Admin Coy OC Train.
 - (e) Mov details sp arms.
 - (i) Tp. 4 RTR in convoy with A Coy gp.
 - (ii) A Fd Bty RAA independent convoy to NEE SOON.
 ETD ASP after mobilization complete and on order
 4 RAR.
 - (iii) Tp 11 Indep Fd Sqn vehs with A Coy gp. Remaining soldiers move by rail with main body.
 - (iv) Sec 16 COMWEL Fd Ambulance vehs with A Coy gp. Remaining soldiers move by rail with main body.
- (2) Phase 2 Air mov NEE SOON to MALACCA. Outline air move plan Annex 'B'. Detail may be ammedaded after arrival NEE SOON.
- (3) Phase 3 Adv MALACCA to ASAHAN. Order of march, A Coy, D Coy, B Coy, and C Coy.

b. A Coy

- (1) Phase 1
 - (a) Grouping under comd
 - (i) Tp 4 RTR.
 - (ii) Wehs of Tp 11 Indep Fd Sqn.
 - (iii) Two secs C Coy.
 - (iv) Sec Mors.
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- (v) Vehs of Sec 16 COMMEL Fd Ambulance.
- (b) Task travel in convoy from MALACCA to NEE SOON via

(2) Phase 2

- (a) Groupings
 - (i) Under Comd Tp 4 RTR
 Two Sec C Coy
 Sec Mors
 R R Veh.
 - (ii) Att FOO

 Engr Recce Party

 Elms Engr Sec

 MFC

 FAC.
- (b) Task first coy gp to fly into MALACCA. On arrival MALACCA secure airfield.

(3) Phase 3

- (a) Groupings No change from Phase 2 except RR Veh and 2 secs C Coy detached on arrival TAMPIN. Veh & two secs C Coy to be positioned at G TAMPIN 1203.
- (b) Task Adv as quickly as possible along route MALACCA ASAHAN. Mov on order Bn HQ.

C. B Coy

- (1) Phase 1
 - (a) Grouping Under comd sec mor. Att MFC.
 - (b) Task Travel by rail with main body.
- (2) Phase 2
 - (a) Grouping No change from Phase 1.
 - (b) Task Third Coy gp to fly into MALACCA.
- (3) Phase 3
 - (a) Grouping No change from Phase 1.
 - (b) Task When ordered Adv as quickly as possible along route MALACCA-ASAHAN.

d. C Coy

- (1) Phase 1
 - (a) Grouping Det to A Coy two secs.
 - (b) Task Travel by rail with main body.
- (2) Phase 2
 - (a) Grouping No change, Phase 1.

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- (b) Tisk Fourth Coy gp to fly into MALACCA.
- (3) Phase 3
 - (a) Grouping To be notified.
 - (b) Task On order Bn HQ adv as quickly as possible along rd MALACCA-ASA HAN.

e. D Coy

- (1) Phase 1
 - (a) Grouping Under comd- sec mors att MFC.
 - (b) Task Travel by rail with main body.
- (2) Phase 2
 - (a) Grouping As for Phase 1 plus FAC.
 - (b) Task Second coy gp to fly into MALACCA.
- (3) Phase 3
 - (a) Grouping To be advised.
 - (b) Task On order Bn HQ adv as quickly as possible along route MALACCA-ASAHAN.

f. Mor Pl

- (1) MFCs att A Coy, B Coy and D Coy.
- (2) Mov Details one sec under comd each of A Coy, B Coy, D Coy for all phases. Pl HQ travels with Bn HQ.

g. Pnr Pl

- (1) Phase 1 travels by rail with main body.
- (2) Phase 2 flys to MALACCA when called fwd by SUEO.
- (3) Phase 3 protects Bn HQ during adv.

h. A tk

- (1) Phase 1 travels by rail with main body.
- (2) Phase 2 flys in with A Coy.
- (3) Phase 3 provides protection for veh convoys as ordered by Bn HQ.

j. Tp 4 RTR

- (1) Phase 1 travels by road with A Coy.
- (2) Phase 2 flys in with A Coy. Acts as excort to A Coy rd convoy.

k. A Fd Bty RAA

(1) Phase 1 - travels as independent convoy via TAMPIN to NEE SOON. Departs on order 4 RAR.

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- (2) Phase 2 guns flown in under arrangement SUEO. At least two guns to arrive MALACCA by 071600GH. BCs party to arrive ASP after first coy gp.
- (3) Phase 3 provide fire sp during adv. Grouping details to be advised.

1. Tp 11 Indep Fd Sqn

- (1) Phase 1 vehs travel with A Coy gp. Remaining soldiers mov by rail main body.
- (2) Phase 2 flown in under arrangements SUEO. Engr Recce Party plus elms to be flown in with A Coy.
- (3) Phase 3 assist with adv. Engr recce party to mov fwd with A Coy.

m. Sec 16 COMWEL Fd Ambulance

- (1) Phase 1 vehs travel with A Coy gp.
- (2) Phase 2 flown in under arrangements SUEO but NOT before 8 Dec.
- (3) Phase 3 adv on orders Bn HQ.

n. Co-Ord Instructions

- (1) Prelim orders occupation of ASAHAN posn issued at NEE SOON
- (2) Train timings:
 - (a) ETD TAMPIN 2230hrs
 - (b) ETA JOHORE BAHRU 0435hrs.

4. Admin and Logistics

a. Med

- (1) RAP
 - (a) Phase 1 Travel by rail with main body.
 - (b) Phase 2 flown in with Bn HQ under arrangements SUE0. RMO to be flown in with A Coy.
 - (c) Phase 3 Adv with Bn HQ. RMO to remain MALACCA airstrip writil joined by En HQ.

(2) Casevac

- (a) Phase 1 to nearest hosp.
- (b) Phase 2 to MALACCA airport for backloading on aircraft to SINGAPORE.
- (c) Phase 3 up to time of return last MRT aircraft to SINGAPORE cas will be evac to MALACCA airport. After this time cas will be held under arrangements sec 16 COMWEL Fd Ambulance.

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(3) Paludrine

All sub-units will carry a minimum of 14 days supply.

- b. Burials Up to time last aircraft bodies return SINGAFORE.
- c. Packs (37 web)
 - (1) Phase 1 carried by individual.
 - (2) Phase 2 as detailed by SUEO.
 - (3) Phase 3 placed in sub-unit lots.

d. Rat

- (1) Phase 1 Admin Coy to provide haversack meals. OCs of train and convoys to arrange collection from WO Caterer.
- (2) Phase 2 & 3 24hr rat packs to be collected.
- (3) Resup aval S + 4. Demands submitted S + 3.
- c. POL PP opens S + 4. Loc and timings to be notified.

5. Comd and Sig

a. Mov of Bn HQ

- (1) COs Gp
 - (a) Phase 1 by road.
 - (b) Phase 2 under arrangement SUEO. ASP after A Coy fly in.
 - (c) Phase 3 to be notified.

(2) Bn HQ Gp

- (a) Phase 1 by rail.
- (b) Phase 2 under arrangements SUEO. ASP after A Coy.
- (c) Phase 3 to be notified. Control centre to be established MALACCA airport on arrival.

b. Radio

- (1) Radio Relay to be established on G TAMPIN.
- (2) Sig Instruction to be issued separately.
- c. Nicknames Annex 'A'.
- d. Passwords and Codes Normal code sheets to be issued by IO.
- e. Codewords
 - (1) BULLROARER mobilize ex BULLROARER.
 - (2) PLOVER break electronic silence.

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- (3) BARREN Wdr covering tps
- (4) SHARK Counter attack to be launched.

Ack Instrs ACK.

D S THOMSON Lieutnenat Colonel CO 4 RAR

Brian Lindsay Capt Adjt

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Annexes

Annex 'A' - nicknames and their meanings.

Annex 'B' - SUEOs Emplaning Instruction to be issued separately.

DISTRIBUTION		
A Coy	1	
B Coy	2	
C Coy	3	
D Coy	. 4	
Sp Coy	5	
Admin Coy	6	
Mor Pl	2 3 4 5 6 7 8	
Aslt Pnr Pl		
A Tk Pl	9	
Tp 4 RTR	10	
A Fd Bty RAA	11	
Tp 11 Indep Fd Sqn	12	
Tp 16 COMWEL Fd Ambulance	13	
HQ 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp	14	
HQ AAF FARELF	15	
CO	16	
2IC	17	
Adjt	18	
IO	19	
RSO	20	
MTO	21	
RSM	22	0.4
Comds Diary	23 - 1	24
File	25	20
Spare	26 -	50.

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Annex "A" to 4 RAR Confirmatory Notes of 031330 GH

RICKNAMES

	RICKNAME	Grid Reference	Meaning .	By Whom Given
1.	ROUNDS			
	HOT SPRINGS	1774	Complete MALACCA	All C/S
	WET ALICE PREETY GIRL ALL BUT	23982 1 328892 43797 1	Airport Rd Junc Secure	All C/S
2.	REPORT LINES	A O E N N O		177 C/S
	TEPID WATER TASTY SAUCE HOT ROD BAD SMELL SWING LOW COLD COFFEE GOOD MOVE RACE TRACK ROCKING HORSE SEX BOOK	185778 211804 251852 278881 360902 437948 474970 545955 559910 585930		All C/S 11
3.	FEATURES			
	RUSTY NAIL BROKEN BALL ROCK PILE LITTLE ALE	521957 505964 503958 499965	286' feature NORTHERN Feature SOUTHERN " Ech Area	

NOTE: ONLY AFTER ELECTRONIC SILENCE BROKEN

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