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PART III

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" marking the document. It will be prepared and disposed of as

19. The duplicate supplementary diaries will be prepared and disposed of as originals has been acknowledged.

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giving place names as well as map references), establishment, orders made and orders given. Summary of the day's fighting, including company movements.

NOTES

- 1. Definition of Operational Period.—The term "operational period" shall mean:
 - (a) the period between a declaration of war and the end of hostilities;
 - (b) any period spent in a theatre of operations;
 - (c) any period when engaged in any form of military operations of potential importance.
- 2. The War Office or headquarters concerned will be required to state the conditions of the unit's employment make this clear. Notwithstanding the above, the date of receipt of these reports will start from the date of receipt of the reports in accordance with paragraphs 15 and 16.

unit was employed in the time not accounted for. The type of operations and to save work as much information as possible will be given. Documents 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 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.

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

UNIT/FORMATION HQ AUST ARMY FORCE FARELF

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MONTH AND YEAR OCT 64

COMMANDING OFFICER BRIG F R EVANS OBE

Place and grid reference	Day of Month	Hour	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
SINGAPORE	01		AHQ requested vide our 122-4-2 for permission to destroy and reclassify old classified documents.	
	01		AHQ requested vide our GI6 for advice regarding present state of joint planning committee report 92/63 dealing with the possible repatriation of dependants of Australian servicemen from the Malayan area.	
	01		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 25/2/30 a copy of National Operation Sub-Committee Instruction No 1.	
	01		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 30/1/4 a copy of a report on visit to VIETNAM by Capt R G ELDER.	
	02		Advised AHQ vide our TRG 14 NIL applicants for flying training 1965.	
	02	1007Z	AHQ requested vide our Ops 21 for advice as to proposed NEW ZEALAND and AUSTRALIAN amendment to the directive to Commander-in-Chief.	
	02		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119/1/38 details of 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp Op Instr 6/64 Passive Air Defence of TERENDAK Garrison.	
	02		Issued extract of ARO 50/64 dealing with charges in DFRB Fund Contribution.	H1
	02		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119/1/34(2) copies of FARELF Standing Operating Procedures for units moving to BORNEO.	
	02		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119/2/43 a copy of 7 Fd Sqn report on Range Cooking Outfit Field M37.	
	02		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 30/1/4 a copy of report on visit to VIETNAM by Capt G L HART.	
	02		Advised AHQ vide our 133/4/11 of changes in the responsibilities of G (Operational Requirements and Analysis) Branch HQ FARELF.	
	02		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 25/2/31 copies of the Minutes of the 11th Meeting for 1964 held by Commander-in-Chief FAR EAST.	
	03		Issued copies of itinerary for visit by Col T W YOUNG, Military Secretary AMF.	H2
	05		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 207-6-4 reports on User Trials of Machete 13 inch.	
	05		Requested HQ FARELF for staff clearance for visit by Lt Col L J JEWSON ADST AMF.	
	05		Requested HQ Western Command vide our Trg 2 for approval to delay conduct of Queens Medal Competition elimination until 6 Nov.	

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SINGAPORE	05		Advised AHQ vide our G13 of 7 Fd Sqn RAE sitrep as at 010811Z.	
	05		Advised AHQ vide our 119/1/20 of types of operation on which Commonwealth Forces in MALAYSIA may be employed and the officer who may give the authority in each case.	
	05		Issued SITREP 8 to AHQ vide our Ops 16	H3
	05		Issued Force Routine Orders	H4
	06		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119/2/1(4) a copy of Central Bde Administrative Instruction No 18 - Maintenance of 7 Fd Sqn Gp RAE.	
	06		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 117/1/13 copy No 70 of Special Branch Joint Weekly Intelligence Summary No 69.	
	06		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-27 a copy of Operation CROWN progress report to 1 Sep 64.	
	06		Advised AHQ vide our G8 of 7 Fd Sqn Sitrep to 3 Oct.	
	06		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-27 a copy of Minutes of a Meeting on Operation CROWN.	
	06		Issued instruction on production of Staff Duties (Aust) 1965.	H6
	06		Issued instruction on new summer uniform	H7
	07		Issued sitrep No 8 to AHQ vide our Ops 11.	H5
	08		AHQ requested vide our SD 12 for review of establishment for HQ Aust Army Force and Miscellaneous Detachments Aust Army Force FARELF	
	08		Issued Routine Orders 98 and 99	H8
	09		Issued Sitrep No 9 to AHQ vide our Ops 29	H9
	09	0854	Requested AHQ vide our A25 for advice on reburial of WO2 K G CONWAY AATTV	
09		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-45 a copy of 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp Op Instr No 7/64 Op HISTORY.		
10		AHQ REQUESTED vide our SD 17 for details of visit by Lt Col L J JEWSON ADST to SINGAPORE.		
10		Issued Routine Order No 100	H10	
10		Issued Instruction on New Summer Uniform	H11	

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SINGAPORE	12		Forwarded to HQ FARELF under cover of our 207/2/6 a copy of Army Design Establishment Report on evaluation of US M79 Grenade Launcher.	
	12		Forwarded progress Trial Reports on Smocks Tropical Lightweight by 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp OFF.	
	12		Requested AHQ vide our G26 for progress report on proposed new establishment for an independent LAA Bty RAA.	
	12		Advised AHQ vide our G28 of 3 AASO comments on utility parachutes.	
	12		Requested MILCOMMAND MELBOURNE for additional copies of Southern Command Training Instruction 3/63.	
	12		Requested AHQ vide our SD13 for progress report on application for new establishment for 32 Dental Unit.	
	12		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 117-1-13 copy No 71 of Special Branch Joint Weekly Intelligence Summary No 70.	
	12		Advised AHQ vide our SD25 of developments in provision of equipment and training facilities for BRUNEI MALAY regiment.	
	12		Issued Commander Aust Army Force FARELF Monthly Liaison Letter 9/64.	H 12
	13		Issued Routine Order No 101	H13 (Original)
	13		Advised Australian Embassy BANGKOK vide our G23 of visit by AMF Director of Combat Development to MRDC	
	13		Requested AHQ vide our G22 for early confirmation of visit to BANGKOK of DCD.	
	13		Forwarded to Malaysian Ministry of Defence production data for Aust prototype tent general purpose 11 feet by 11 feet with extension, under cover of our 205-1-15.	
13		Requested AHQ vide our G1S for details of shelter portable 18 foot span (Aust) No 2.		
13		Advised HQ FARELF and Aust Defence Representative SINGAPORE vide our 119/1/6 of change in codewords of AHQ Operational Plans 2/63 and 3/63.		
13		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 31-1-30 copies of FARELF Training Directive for 1964/65 issued to 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp and 28 Bde Provisional Training Directive for the same period.		
13		Requested AATTV vide our A26 to finalise details for reburial of remains of WO2 K G CONWAY.		

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SINGAPORE	13		Requested AHQ vide our A31 for religion of WO2 CONWAY deceased.	H14
	13		Issued summary of Officer arrivals and departures for period 5 - 13 Oct	
	14		Requested AHQ vide our A-3-2 for consideration to be given to increasing continuation flying time per year for Maj A ARGENT 3 RAR.	
	14		Advised AHQ vide our 119/1/5 of detail of extracts from SABAH State Security Executive Committee.	
	15	1051Z	Sitrep 10 to AHQ vide our Ops 22.	H15
	15		Advised AHQ MELBOURNE vide our G13 of delay in Troop Trial 8/63 Motor Cycle Solo.	
	15		Forwarded copy of CRE Land Forces BORNEO Liaison Letter No 41 to AHQ under cover of our 119/2/8(3).	
	15		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 133-3-6 a copy of the Malaysian Army Operational Location Statement as at 31 Aug 64.	
	15		Advised HQ NORTHERN Command vide our A4 of details of reburial of remains WO2 CONWAY.	
	15		Advised CARO vide our 144/1/1 of Australian personnel of 40 Air Supply Platoon RAASC who had special service in MALAYA.	
	15		Issued itinerary for visit by Lt Col L J JEWSON ADST to SINGAPORE	H16
	16		Advised FARELF vide our W-5-14 of details of S Sgt R F WHALAN who was nominated for training attachment to HONG KONG.	
	16		Advised AHQ vide our Trg 31 of nil applicants for flying training 1965 intake.	
	17		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 207/6/6 a copy of ORUFE report No 2/64, Comparison of Japanese and British Binoculars under Dehumidified Storage Conditions.	
	17		Advised AHQ vide our G13 of delay in Rifle 5.56 MM M16 evaluation by 3 RAR.	
	19	0927Z	Sitrep No 11 forwarded to AHQ vide our Ops 27.	H17

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SINGAPORE	19		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119/1/5 a duplicate copy of Commander-in-Chief's Report on Operations in BORNEO.	
	19		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 133-4-11 a copy of ORUFE report 4/64 - New US Detection Systems.	
	19		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 25-2-32 a copy of FE 7605/14 Trg dealing with Commander FARELF Study Period 1965.	
	19		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 117-1-13 copy No 71 of Royal Malaysian Police SARAWAK Special Branch Headquarters Joint Weekly Intelligence Summary No 71.	
	20		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-2-8 a copy of CRE BORNEO Liaison Letter No 42.	
	21		AHQ advised vide our G21 of details of attendance of Capt CHARLTON at No 7 Joint Services Movements Staff Course in UK 7 Oct - 18 Oct 63.	
	21		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-20 a copy of FARELF Aide Memoire on Operations in MALAYA and SINGAPORE.	
	21		Requested AHQ vide our Trg 33 to amend distribution list of SEATO exercise papers to include Commander Aust Army Force.	
	22		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-38 an amendment to 28 Bde Op Instruction 3/64.	
	22		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-38 a copy of FARELF Op Instruction No 110; Op CANNON.	
	22		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 207-1-6 a copy of Federation Armed Forces Trial Report on Cartridges 9mm Ball deep penetration.	
	22		Advised AHQ vide our Trg 21 of NIL return for Civil Schooling 1965.	
	22		Requested AHQ vide our G24 for performance details of Aust light-weight sleeping equipment.	
	22		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 117-1-13 copy No 71 of Royal Malaysian Police SARAWAK Special Branch Headquarters, Joint Weekly Intelligence Summary No 72.	
22		Issued summary of Officer arrivals and departures in SINGAPORE for period 14-22 Oct.	H18	

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SINGAPORE	23		Advised AHQ vide our G15 of details of FARELF observers for AHQ User Trial AN/PRC 64.	
	24		Requested AHQ vide our SD16 for details of possible visit of Archbishop of SYDNEY to FARELF during 1965.	
	26		AHQ requested vide our Trg 33 for approval for two members of 3RAR to undergo THAI Language training.	
	26		Requested AHQ vide our G36 to reconsider Sgt J W KIRBY's application for service with AATTV.	
	26		Advised AHQ vide our 207-2-7 of developments in this theatre on the employment of light mortars.	
	27		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-45 a copy of amendment 1 to HQ 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp Op Instr 7/64 Op HISTORY.	
	27		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-38 recent documents received dealing with the Defence of West MALAYSIA against Indonesian Infiltration.	
	27		AHQ requested vide our A10 for clarification of definitions for active service in MALAYSIA	

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SINGAPORE	27		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 153-2-2 three copies of White Paper on General Service Medal 1962.	
	27		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 232-5-1 a copy of the revised charter for the Jungle Warfare School.	
	27		Advised AHQ vide our SD31 of appointment of Lt Col W J A McCAUSLAND as HQ FARELF logistic planner for SEATO Exercise LOG TRAIN.	
	28		Requested AHQ vide our 119-1-34(2) for approval for the employment of 2 Fd Tp RAE in BORNEO.	
	29		Sitrep as at 290230Z to AHQ vide our Ops 13.	H19 (Original)
	29		Requested AHQ vide our A4 for decision on the employment of Aust troops for counter-infiltration duties.	
	29		Sitrep 13 to AHQ vide our Ops 22	H20
	30		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-38 amendment No 6 to 28 Bde Op Instruction 3/64.	
	30		Sitrep 15 to AHQ vide our Ops 34	H21
	30		Advised AHQ vide our Ops 33 of press release policy on current operations.	H22
	30		<i>Director of Infantry Col J G OCHILTREE OBE and Deputy Command Aust Army Force FARELF Lt Col R SUTTON MVO recalled Operation FLOWER</i>	
	31		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-27 a copy of the Minutes of a Meeting on Op CROWN.	
	31		Advised AHQ vide our Ops 18 of answers to some queries on Medical aspects of Plan DOWAGER.	
	31		Forwarded to AHQ under cover of our 119-1-38 copies of Record of Visit of Army Comd and GS01 Ops to Operation FLOWER.	H23
31		Issued summary of Officer movements in and out of SINGAPORE over period 23-31 Oct.	H24	

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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HQ Aust Army Force
FARELF
SINGAPORE

2 Oct 64

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CHANGES IN DFRB FUND CONDITIONS -
ELECTION TO CONTRIBUTE FOR PREVIOUSLY
REJECTED PENSION

Reference: ARO 50/64 of 29 Jul 64

1. Subtended for the advice of all concerned is relevant extract of the above ARO. It is stressed that the information contained herein should be given the widest possible distribution as early as practicable so that interested members may submit their elections before the due date viz, 26 Oct 64.

- "21. Any prescribed contributor whose new category number is now higher and who rejected all or portion of additional pension entitlement under the 1959, 1962 or 1963 DFRB Acts now has a further opportunity of electing by notice in writing to the DFRB Board before 26 Oct 64 to contribute for all or portion of the previously rejected pension. The election should be made on Form 119.
22. The conditions under which a member may elect to contribute for previously rejected pension are:-
- a. Within 6 months after making an election, the contributor must satisfy the DFRB Board that he is not suffering from any physical or mental defect likely to render him incapable of performing his duties.
 - b. He must, in addition to any other contributions that he is required to make to the DFRB Fund, pay from the date of the election (or, if that date is not a pay day, as from the next following pay day) such fortnightly contributions to the fund as is determined by the DFRB Board on the advice of the Commonwealth Actuary.
 - c. THE ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE PAID FOR PREVIOUSLY REJECTED PENSION ENTITLEMENTS CANNOT BE DEFERRED."

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2. To satisfy the condition in paragraph 22 a. of the above extract, arrangements are to be made for the member to be examined by a service medical officer who is to complete the form "Medical Officer's Report" which has been designed for the purpose. Requests for these forms and subsequent medical examination will be forwarded to reach this Headquarters by 2 Nov 64.

Commander
for

Maj
DAAG Aust Army Force FARELF

Annex H2 to Comd Aust
Army Force Far East Diary 10/64

VISIT BY COLONEL T W YOUNG

MILITARY SECRETARY AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

TO MALAYSIA, THAILAND AND SOUTH VIETNAM 1-19 Nov 64

PROPOSED ITINERARY

SERIAL	DAY & DATE	TIME	EVENT	REMARKS
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1	Sunday 1 Nov 64	1850	Arrive Paya Lebar Airport from AUSTRALIA Flt BA 701	Met by Lt Col R SUTTON MVO, D Comd Aust Army Force (AAF) Transported by AAF Station Sedan accommodation at Goodwood Park Hotel (GH) Evening free
2	Monday 2 Nov 64	0900hrs - 1035hrs	Call on Comd AAF Brig F R EVANS OBE	AAF transport to GH at 0940. Depart for HQ Tanglin Gate 3 at 0945. Met by Staff Captain A(SC'A') AAF Capt N E W GRANTER, and escorted to Comd office To be provided with a list of all Aust Offrs in FARELF by DAAG.
3	"	1040hrs - 1115hrs	Discussions with Colonel 'A' HQ FARELF, Col R H A POWELL OBE MC	SC 'A' AAF responsible throughout SINGAPORE portion of visit for usher- ing MS from appointment to appointment.
4	"	1120hrs - 1145hrs	Discussions with Command Secretary HQ FARELF Mr W T HORSLEY	Luncheon at home of Comd AAF. Comd's car to be at Gate 10 Tanglin at 1200hrs Met on return to HQ by SC'A' and con- ducted to Assistant Military Secretary FARELF (AMS)
5	"	1400hrs - 1630hrs	Discussions with AMS Lt Col R C L TAYLEUR OBE 14/20H	SC'A' AAF to be in attendance at dis- cussions. AAF tpt to GH 1630 to be at Gate 3 Tanglin.
6	"	Evening	NO ENGAGEMENTS	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
7	TUESDAY 3 Nov 64	0840hrs	Depart Paya Lebar Airport for BORNEO on Flt ML 497	AAF tpt pick up from GH at 0745hrs Personal effects not required in BORNEO taken into care of AAF Mov Rep who conducts MS to Airport.
8	"	1320	ETA BRUNEI	Met by Aust LO Capt A R HOWES RAASC who is to accompany MS throughout BORNEO visit
9	"	1325hrs - 1705hrs	In BRUNEI. Call on Comd Central Bde Brig H C TUZO OBE MC and discussions with Maj J T D STEWART MC R Aust Inf and Maj J D MANNION RAAC	Luncheon prior to calls to be or- ganised by LO.
10	"	1710hrs	Depart BRUNEI for Jesselton Flt ABSA3	
11	"	1800hrs	ETA JESSELTON	Remain overnight. Accommodation arranged at Ang's Hotel by LO. Subject to change.
12	"	0713hrs	Depart Tanjong Aru railway station for TENOM	Tpt under arrangements Aust LO
13	"	1035hrs	Arrive TENOM, Depart by road for KENINGAU	Met by Maj F J CROSS RAE, Oc 7 Fd Sqn Gp RAE at TENOM
14	"	1200hrs	Arrive KENINGAU	Remain overnight. Accommodation arranged by 7 Fd Sqn. While at KENINGAU interview Sqn Gp Offrs as required.

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
15	THURSDAY 5 Nov 64	1145hrs	Depart KENINGAU for JESSELTON Flt AB656	
16	"	1215hrs	ETA JESSELTON	Luncheon under arrangements Aust LO
17	"	1515hrs	Depart JESSELTON for SINGAPORE Flt ML 498	
18	"	1950hrs	ETA Paya Lebar Airport Remainder of evening free	Met by SC'A' AAF. AAF tpt to pick-up Capt GRANTER at 1900hrs Accommodation at GH. Gear stored during BORNEO trip to be taken to GH.
19	FRIDAY 6 Nov 64	0900hrs 1155hrs	Interview Aust Offrs then in SINGAPORE.	DAAG to prepare list of Aust Offrs who wish to be interviewed. Timetable to allow for variation in individual offrs requirements. In DAAG office.
20	"	1200hrs 1215hrs	Call on Army Commander FARELF Lt Gen Sir ALAN JOLLY KCB CBE DSO	Met at Tanglin Hall by MA to Comd, Maj W T MACFARLANE R Sigs. MS MOD(Army), Lt Gen Sir JOHN ANDERSON KCB CBE DSO. Followed by drinks in Senior Officers Mess. AAF tpt to GH for luncheon to be at Senior Offrs Mess at 1245hrs. Pick up from GH again at 1350hrs.
21	"	1400hrs - 1630hrs	Interview remaining Aust Offrs; discussion with Staff AAF as required	AAF tpt to Gate 10 Tanglin at 1630 for return to GH.

SERIAL	DAY & DATE	TIME	EVENT	REMARKS
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
22	FRIDAY 6 Nov 64	1640hrs and subsequent	No Engagements	
23	SATURDAY 7 Nov 64	0700hrs	ETD Paya Lebar Airport for PENANG. Flt ML 032	AAF tpt to pick up at GH at 0600 hrs
24	"	0945hrs	ETA PENANG	Met by Maj A McDERMOTT RAA, Bty Comd (BC) 111 LAA Bty RAA
25	"	1030hrs - 1300hrs	At BUTTERWORTH. Interview Offrs 111 LAA Bty RAA	As organised by BC. Luncheon 1215hrs - 1300 hrs.
26	"	1300hrs	Depart BUTTERWORTH for Tac HQ 3 RAR SIK	Tpt by 3 RAR
27	"	1500hrs and subsequent	ETA SIK with 3 RAR Interview offrs available	As organised by Maj A ARGENT, R Aust Inf 2IC 3 RAR. Remains overnight. Offrs able to come in from outlying companies who wish to see MS, may do so.
28	SUNDAY 8 Nov 64		FREE	
29	MONDAY 9 Nov 64	1445hrs	ETD PENANG for MALACCA Flt ML 003	Tpt under 3 RAR arrangements
30	"	1655hrs	ETA MALACCA Airport. Depart for TERENDAK cantonment by road	Met by Maj L A EYLES R Aust Inf, DAA & QMG 28 Bde Accommodation and programme as detailed in itemised itinerary attached(not to all). Remains TERENDAK until Wednesday at 1000hrs.
31	WEDNESDAY 11 Nov 64	1110hrs	ETD MALACCA Airport for SINGAPORE Flt ML 021	

SERIAL	DAY & DATE	TIME	EVENT	REMARKS
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
32	WEDNESDAY 11 Nov 64	1200hrs	ETA Paya Lebar Airport	AAF tpt to GH. Afternoon Free.
33	THURSDAY 12 Nov 64	0930 - 1230 ^{hrs}	Interview Aust Offrs in SINGAPORE not covered in Serials 19 and 21	AAF tpt to pick up at GH at 0915 To Gate 3 Tanglin. Action by DAAG as before. AAF tpt to return MS to GH for luncheon Gate 3 at 1230hrs Pick up again at 1400hrs
34	"	1415 and subsequent	Discussions with HQ FARELF departments, made necessary as result of tour to date.	DAAG AAF to inform GS02 AAF of discussions and resultant appointments to be made through SD. AAF tpt to gate 3 1630hrs. Taken to GH. Evening Free.
35	FRIDAY 13 Nov 64	0830hrs	ETD Paya Lebar Airport for SAIGON, Flt PA 842.	AAF tpt to pick up at GH at 0700hrs having previously pick up mov rep.
36	"	1035hrs	ETA TAN SON NHUT Airport, SAIGON.	Met by Col P H G OXLEY Naval & Military Attache; detailed programme provided in VIETNAM
37	THURSDAY 19 Nov 64	1130hrs	ETD SAIGON for SINGAPORE Flt PA 841	
38	"	1240hrs	ETA Paya Lebar Airport SINGAPORE	All subsequent transport and accommodation are a responsibility of the airline company
39	"	1830hrs	ETD SINGAPORE Flt BA 700 for DARWIN BRISBANE, SYDNEY, CANBERRA.	

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OPS 16

SITREP NO 8 FROM 030100Z TO 050930Z. REF MAPS MALAYA 1 : 250000 SERIES.

FIRST. OP LILAC.

ALFA. EN SIT 94 EN ELIMINATED FROM ORIGINAL 98.

BRAVO. OWN TROOPS. 1/10 GR WITHDRAWN FROM OP LILAC.

SECOND. OP LIVER. 1 RNZIR FOLLOWING UP REPORTED CONCENTRATION OF REMAINDER OF BENUT GROUP.

THIRD. OP MAGNUS. NTR

FOURTH. OP LIMIT. NRT

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OPS 11

SITREP NO 8 AS AT 070500Z (.)

FIRST. OP LILAC (.)

ALFA. EN SIT (.) NTR (.)

BRAVO. OWN SIT (.) 1/10 GR WITHDRAWN FROM
OP LILAC AREA TO 050430 HAVING HANDED
OVER TO CIV POLICE (.)

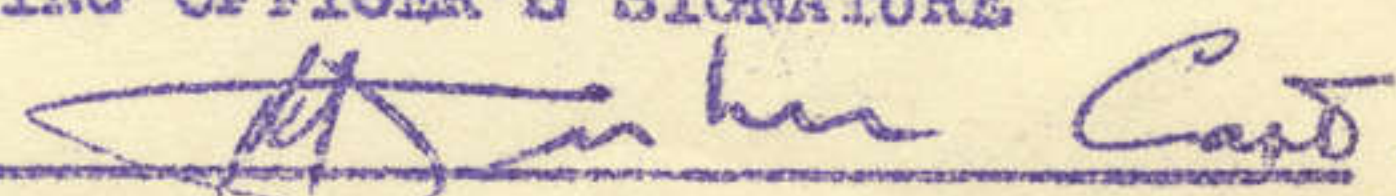
SECOND. OP LIVER (.)

ALFA. EN SIT (.) TWO INDONESIAN SUSPECTS
CAPTURED BY 8 RMR IN AREA KG KAYU
ARA PASONG GR WM 5888 HANDED BY POLICE
TO IRNZIR (.) SUSPECTS HAVE BEEN
SUPPLYING FOOD TO 6/7 ARMED INDONESIANS
DAILY FROM 20 SEP TO 1 OCT IN AREA
GR 601979 (.) TRACKS FOR 2/3 APPROX
2 HOURS OLD FOUND AT GR 618988 FOLLOWED
SW BUT LOST IN SWAMP (.)

BRAVO. OWN SIT (.) AMBUSHING LIKELY AREAS
TONIGHT (.) IRNZIR DEPLOYED IN RENGAM
AREA (.) SE OF FRONT WAS MORTARED
DURING PERIOD 1200 - 1240 AND 1355 TO 1415
HOURS 6 OCT (.) NRT (.) 8 AC CARRIED
OUT AIR STRIKE IN SAME AREA 1300 - 1350
HOURS 6 OCT (.) NTR (.) VOICE AC
OVER AREA 1545-1600

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OPS 29

SITREP NO: 9 AS AT 090900Z (.)

- FIRST. IN CONTACT WITH INDONESIANS 1RNZIR ON
8 OCT 64 COLLECTED FROM INDONESIAN CAMP
THE FOLLOWING (.) 240LBS OF RICE (.)
70LBS OF OATMEAL (.) ONE CONSUL CAR
PURCHASED FROM LOCAL MARKET (.) 1000
ROUNDS OF 303 AMMUNITION (.) 4000
ROUNDS OF 7.62 MM AMMUNITION (.) LARGE
QUANTITY OF PRESERVED FOODS (.) 31
SOLDIERS PACKS (.) NUMBER OF STEN GUNS
AND CONSIDERABLE ITEMS OF CLOTHING (.)
- SECOND. CONSIDER THAT SOLDIERS NOW HAVE ONLY
PERSONAL WEAPONS AND ITEMS WHICH THEY
GARRY (.)
- THIRD. DURING AIR ATTACK ON 7 OCT 64 STRA ING
ETC WAS CARRIED TO WITHIN 125 YARDS OF
INDONESIAN CAMP (.)
- FOURTH. IN FIRST CONTACT WITH INDONESIANS NEW
ZEALANDERS KILLED GETAWAY MAN AND WOUNDED
ONE OTHER (.) ON FOLLOWING DAY
CAPTURED ONE INDONESIAN BUT HAS SINCE DIED (.)
- FIFTH. INDONESIANS HAVE AMBUSHED TROOPS OF 1RNZIR
TWICE BUT HAVE CAUSED NO CASUALTIES (.)
- SIXTH. 5 TO 6 INFILTRATORS MOVED AWAY FROM NZ
TROOPS TOWARDS ROAD AND ARE THOUGHT TO
HAVE BEEN PICKED UP BY POLICE (.)

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SEVENTH. 1RNZIR NOW HAS AMBUSHES IN VARIOUS AREAS
AND EXPECTS A CONTACT WITH APPROXIMATELY
10 INDONESIANS SHORTLY

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TO :	ARMY	CANBERRA				ORIGINATORS NUMBER
						OPS 22

SITREP NO 10 AS AT 142230Z . REF MAP MALAYA 1 to 253440 .

FIRST . OP MAGNUS . ALL EXCEPT TAC HQ AND TWO COYS TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM AREA .

SECOND . OP LIVER .

ALFA . CURFEW LIFTED IN PONTIAN AREA AND IMPOSED IN MALAYSIAN TERRITORIAL WATERS FROM MOUTH OF SG PONTIAN KECHIL IN SOUTH TO MOUTH OF SG PONTIAN HESAR IN NORTH WEF 120430Z .

BRAVO . NINE INDONESIANS ARRESTED BY MARINE POLICE OFF COAST OPPOSITE MOUTH SG AYER BALOI MAKING FOR PULAU PISANG . THREE OTHER INDONESIANS IN SAME AREA APPROACHED FISHERMAN TO BE TAKEN TO SAME ISLAND .

CHARLIE . CONTACT BETWEEN 8 RMR AND EIGHT EN IN SQUARE WR 4495 AT 131130 Z RESULTED ONE EN KIA AND ARMS AMMO CAPTURED . TWO OF REMAINDER CAPTURED WR 4394 . 5 REMAINING THOUGHT TO BE HEADING NORTH . HOWEVER 3 EN REPORTED MOVING SOUTH EAST FROM WR 491889 AT 132330Z .

DELTA . COY 6 RMR AND TWO PLS 8 RMR WITHDRAWN FROM COMD 1 RNZIR . ONE TP RECCE SQN NOW UNDER COMD 8 RMR .

THIRD . OP LILAC . TWO INDONESIANS CAPTURED BY POLICE FIELD FORCE AT WF 756352 . ARMS AND AMMO RECOVERED . BOTH PRIVATES SECOND CLASS .

FOURTH . OF LIMIT .

ALFA . CODEWORD COMPROMISED . NEW CODEWORD

FORWARDED IN LATER SITREP .

BRAVO . AREA EXTENDED TO INCLUDE FROM MUAR WL5548 TO

KUKUP WR 6261 .

FIFTH . PERAK . A COY SINGAPORE INF REGT AND SENOI PRAAK BEING

DEPLOYED SOUTH WEST OF GRIK TO CHECK ON

POSSIBLE EN IN AREA

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OPS 37

SITREP NO 11 AS AT 190900Z COVERING PERIOD 170100Z TO 190900Z.

FIRST. OP MAGNUS. DEPLOYMENT OF FORCE.

ALFA. A COY DEPARTS TERENDAK FOR BORDER 22 OCT.

BRAVO. FOLLOWING COMPANIES RETURN TERENDAK DEPARTING
BORDER AREA ON DATES SHOWN. C COY 19 OCT CMM
D COY 23 OCT CMM SP COY AND BN HQ 21 OCT.

CHARLIE. A COY AND B COY AND TAC HQ TO REMAIN ON OP MAGNUS.

DELTA. 28 BDE HAVE PROPOSED THAT ONE COY 1 SCOTS GUARDS
SHOULD BE DEPLOYED ON BORDER OPS ON 23 NOV AND
REMAINDER BN BY 1 DEC. THIS IS UNDER CONSIDERATION
AND FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS FROM FARELF ARE TO FOLLOW.

SECOND. OP LIVER.

ALFA. INCIDENTS NIL.

BRAVO. ESTIMATED NUMBER OF INFILTRATORS REMAINING IS
SIXTEEN.

CHARLIE. LOCATIONS 1 RNZIR. NO CHANGE EXCEPT CMM A COY AT
AYER BEMBANG GR WM 670055 CMM C COY WITH 7 AND 8
PLS AT GR 680880 CMM 9 PL GR 705925. 8 R MALAY.
OP AREA EXTENDED ON EAST BDRY FROM JUNG GR 882873
SOUTH THROUGH SCUDAI ALONG RD UP TO BRIDGE GR
898848 THEN ALONG RIVER DOWN TO MOUTH OF SUNGAI
SCUDAI.

THIRD. OP LILAC. NTR .

FOURTH. OP LURGAN (FORMERLY OP LIMIT). NTR

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INFO	:	AUST COMMISSION	KUALA LUMPUR	ORIGINATORS NUMBER		
				OPS 22		

SITREP NO 13 AS AT 291000Z . OUR OPS 13 OF 290245Z WAS SITREP NO 12 . REF MAPS NO CHANGE .

FIRST . OP LURGAN .
ALFA . OPERATION AGAINST THIS LANDING NOW KNOWN AS OPERATION FLOWER .
BRAVO . EN . TOTAL CAPTURED NOW BELIEVED TO BE 11 .
CHARLIE . OWN TPS . TAC HQ PLUS CHARLIE DELTA COYS 1RNZIR TO BE AT SUNGAI MATI WL 5559 BY LAST LIGHT CMM WHEN BRAVO COY 1 RNZIR FROM MERLINAU FORCE REVERTS TO COMD 1 RNZIR . 1/10 GR ALLOTTED AS MAY BE 1 SG IF FURTHER INCURSIONS IN MALACCA . AUST SUBUNITS TO FORM INNER CORDON UNDER COMD CO 3 RAR CMM REMAINDER FORM OUTER CORDON .

SECOND . OP MAGNUS . 3 RAR CONTACTED 4 UNKNOWN PERSONS AT QS 964204 . RAN ON BEING CHALLENGED CMM 3 RAR OPENED FIRE ONE WOUNDED 3 CAPTURED . THOUGHT TO BE THAI SMUGGLERS .

THIRD . ANSWER YOUR OPS 23369 OF 290600Z .
ALFA . PREDOMINANCE INITIAL FORCE AUSTRALIAN CMM CO 1 RNZIR WAS STILL AT RENGAM . CO 3 RAR ONLY TO COMD PORTION FORCE NOW BEING DEPLOYED . 2 IC 3 RAR MAJ A ARGENT IN COMMAND BORDER AREA AS ONLY TAC HQ AND TWO COYS DEPLOYED THERE AND WOULD SHORTLY BE FURTHER REDUCED . IF REQUIRED WILL INVESTIGATE FURTHER

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TO : ARMY CANBERRA

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OPS 34

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OP FLOWER . SITREP 15 AS AT 301200Z . POSSIBILITY SITREP 14 AS AT 291820Z CMM OUR OPS 23 WAS INADVERTENTLY NOT DESPATCHED . THIS SITREP COVERS OMITTED PERIOD .

FIRST . EN .

ALFA . TOTAL ASSESSED NOW AS 52 IN FIVE BOATS FROM SUMATRA .

BRAVO . LANDING MADE IN TWO GROUPS EITHER SIDE OF SUNGEI KESANG WITH INTENTION DISTRACTING SECURITY FORCES FROM BENUT GROUP .

CHARLIE . ALL UNIFORMED AND ARMED .

SECOND . OWN TPS .

ALFA . LANDING FIRST REPORTED BY FISHERMAN CMM CONFIRMED BY VIGILANTE . POLICE DEPLOYED TWO PLATOONS PFF IMMEDIATELY .

BRAVO . COMD 28 BDE WARNED 290500 HRS GH CONFIRMED 290700GH CMM INNER CORDON ESTB AROUND LANDING AREA BY 0930 . CONSISTED OF DELTA COY 3 RAR B COY 1 RNZIR 102 FD BTY AS INF AND C SQN 4 RTR UNDER COMD CO 3 RAR . TAC HQ 28 BDE ESTB AT MERLIMAU AT 291100 GH . BDE COMD DECIDED TO ESTB OUTER CORDON FROM 1/10 GR AND 1 RNZIR LATTER HAVING BEEN RELEASED FROM PONTIAN OPS THAT DAY . LEADING ELMS OUTER CORDON IN LOC BY 291530 GH AND CORDON ESTB BY 291630 GH .

CHARLIE . BY 1630 PFF PIN POINTED THE TWO EN GROUPS CMM 20 OF SOUTHERN GROUP SURRENDERED TO PFF AND NORTHERN ACCURATELY LOCATED FOR CO 3 RAR TO PLAN FOR ATTACK IN MORNING 30 OCT .

DELTA . EN COMMENCED SURRENDERING FROM NORTHERN GROUP 30 OCT WHEN MORTARING COMMENCED CMM AND 102 BTY WERE

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BY

BRIGADIER F.R. EVANS, OBE

COMMANDING AUSTRALIAN ARMY FORCE FARELF

SINGAPORE

DATE 5 OCT 64

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CHRISTMAS MAIL

1. The following are the latest dates of posting at the General Post Office SINGAPORE (TERENDAK two days earlier).

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AUSTRALIA (WESTERN)	30-11-64	30-11-64	17-12-64	17-12-64
UNITED KING KINGDOM	23-11-64	17-11-64	16-12-64	12-12-64
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HQ Aust Army Force
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STAFF DUTIES (AUSTRALIA) 1965

... 1. Following is text of AHQ A262/1/912 (T3) of
25 Sep 64 forwarded for the advice of all concerned:

"1. It is unlikely that Staff Duties
(AUSTRALIA) 1965 will go to the printer
before Dec 64. Distribution can be expected
by mid-1965.

2. An ARO covering AMF Military Writing will
be issued shortly. With the exception of those
matters covered by the ARO, Aust Staff College
Staff Duties precis issued for the 1963/64
Course will remain AMF doctrine until the issue
of Staff Duties (AUSTRALIA) 1965.

3. AHQ (DSD) will provide Aust Staff
College with 75 copies of the draft Staff Duties
(AUSTRALIA) less Annex 'A' by 31 Oct 64.
Subsequent amendments will be discussed by
GSO1(T3) DMT with Aust Staff College before
the book is sent to the printer."

Stewart Capt
Maj
DAAG Aust Army Force FARELF
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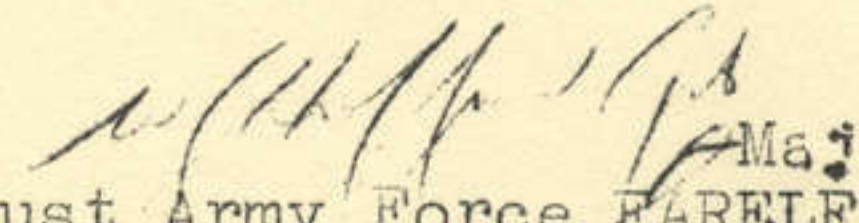
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6 Oct 64

NEW SUMMER UNIFORM

1. AHC MELBOURNE advise that because of complaints received on the type of pockets in the new style summer dress jacket, the Military Board has decided to revert to the original style of pleated and bellows pocket.

2. It is expected that members in possession of jackets with the discontinued style pocket will continue to wear them without alteration.


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LT COL R. SUTTON, MVO

DEPUTY COMMANDER

HEADQUARTERS AUSTRALIAN ARMY FORCE FARELF

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98. CONVEYANCE OF AUSTRALIAN SERVICES FAMILIES FOR
MEDICAL TREATMENT AT BRITISH MILITARY HOSPITALS

1. Subtended for the information of all concerned is the text of AHQ A19487 of 11 Sep 64:-

"Existing conditions will vary WEF 4 Nov 63. After determination by Mil Board probably 18 Sep, members on production of evidence of expenditure may be reimbursed dependants fares in excess of one Malaysian Dollar, on each occasion of travel to a service medical centre for treatment. Public transport will be used where possible. No action to be taken under new conditions pending further advice."

2. In anticipation of confirmation of the above allowance, members are advised to retain evidence of travelling expenses involved for submission of claims.

99. RUGBY MATCH - SAT 10 OCT 64

1. HQ FARELF XV will play TANKARDS XV (a SINGAPORE Cricket Club Social Team) on HQ FARELF Oval on Sat 10 Oct 64. Kick off will be at 1700 hrs and the following players and reserves are directed to be ready on the ground at that time:-


PLAYERS

Sgt LOVEGROVE
Cpl EALES
Cpl CUNNEEN
Pte HEUSTON
Pte TURNOR

RESERVES

Capt GILIMAN
Pte WOLBER

2. KIT: Pte ROBSON is requested to have the kit (BLUE and WHITE HOOPS) at the ground by 1645 hrs.

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Adm Offr Aust Army Force FARELF

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1. CHRISTMAS MAIL

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RUGBY MATCH - MON 12 OCT 64

1. A friendly rugby match will be played on TANGLIN Oval on Mon 12 Oct 64. Two new teams will play, the HQ FARELF President's XV and the HQ FARELF Captain's XV. The teams will be led by Lt Col R. SUTTON and Mr. G. EVANS respectively. Kick off is at 1700 hrs and the following players will participate:-

CAPTAIN'S XV

Capt GILLMAN
Cpl CHURCH
Cpl CUNNEEN
Cpl STEVENSON
Cpl GOSSLAND
Pte HEUSTON
Pte TURNOR
Pte STENNING

PRESIDENT'S XV


Lt Col R. SUTTON
Sgt LOVEGROVE
Cpl EALES
Pte EDWARDS

REFEREE

Capt I.S. FISHER

2. KIT

Pte ROBSON is requested to have 2 sets of jumpers (white and blue and white hoops), 1 set of shorts and 1 set of socks at the ground by 1645 hrs. President's XV are requested to bring their own gear.


Adm Offr Aust Army Force FARELF Capt

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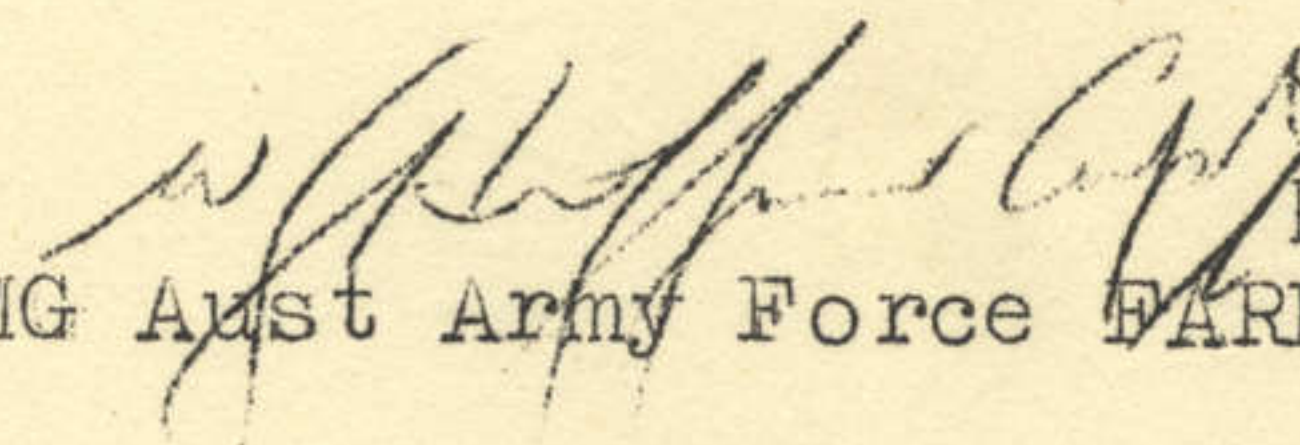
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NEW SUMMER UNIFORM

Reference: HQ Aust Army Force 148-1-1 of 6 Oct

Since promulgation of the reference, further advice has been received to the effect that both summer and winter service dress jackets are affected and not merely the summer jacket as previously advised.


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COMMANDER AUSTRALIAN ARMY FORCE FARELF
MONTHLY LIAISON LETTER 9/64

Period

1. This report covers the period of September and in some aspects relates to matters occurring up until the date of signature.

Attachments

2. The following Annexes are attached:-

- Annex 'A' - The statistical state of the Force as at 30 Sep 64.
- Annex 'B' - Accommodation statistics as at 30 Sep 64.
- Annex 'C' - Visits made during Sep by Staff Officers of HQ Aust Army Force.
- Annex 'D' - Aust children attending British Service Schools.
- Annex 'E' - Diagrammatic outline of FAR EAST Land Forces Order of Battle as at 5 Oct 64.

PART I - GS MATTERS

Operations

3. MALAYA Operations

a. Operation LILAC

- (1) To date 89 out of the estimated total of 98 parachutists who landed in the LABIS area in early Sep, have been eliminated. Of these, 29 have been killed, 59 captured and 1 surrendered.
- (2) Among the prisoners taken was Lt SOETIKNO the Commander of the team which landed near AYER PANIS. He has been broadcasting surrender instructions from voice aircraft since his capture.
- (3) 1 RNZIR were withdrawn from the operation on 28-29 Sep for redeployment on Operation LIVER tasks. 1/10 GR withdrew on 5 Oct 64. Coy Comd B Coy 1/10 GR was killed on 23 Sep when ambushed by six Indonesians. All 6 Indonesians were killed. One member of this group was subsequently identified as Sergeant Major ATJING, 2IC to Lt SOETIKNO.

b. Operation LIVER

- (1) A police special branch report of 26 Sep stated that rubber tappers near RENGAM (10 miles SOUTH of KLUANG)

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have been feeding and hiding a group of 20-30 Indonesians. It is believed that this is the BENUT group making for GUNONG BLUMUT Area in order to establish a base.

- (2) Ministry of Defence (MALAYSIA) requested FARELF to provide a battalion for use in Operation LIVER. This request was approved on 28 Sep and 1 RNZIR deployed in the Operation LIVER area on 29 Sep under operational control of 4 Fed Inf Bde. HQ MALAYA Area remain responsible for the administration of 1 RNZIR. Battalion HQ 1 RNZIR was established at RENGAM on 29 Sep.
- (3) Contact was made by 1 RNZIR with an Indonesian Force on 7 Oct, resulting in 3 Indonesians being killed, and 8 captured. There have been no contacts since 9 Oct. and it is believed that the enemy have split into small groups which are being closely pursued by 1 RNZIR.

c. Operation LIMIT

- (1) To counter Indonesian infiltration in MALACCA State, troops from 1 and 4 Fed Inf Bdes are being employed in conjunction with Royal Malaysian Police, Royal Malaysian Marine Police and Royal Malaysian Navy, in an anti-infiltration operation codenamed "LIMIT".
- (2) The general outline of the employment of land forces in this operation is:-
 - (a) A series of static watch post/patrol bases have been established and manned along the coastline from where the movement of trading boats can be observed and reported, and from where foot patrols can check on suspicious craft and persons landing along the coast.
 - (b) Mobile patrols are in operation between given reporting points along the coastline, with the task of capturing or reporting suspicious persons or craft.
 - (c) A mobile reserve of one rifle coy remains in TERENDAK Garrison for use as required within MALACCA State. This mobile reserve is on 30 minutes notice to move during the hours of darkness and 4 hours notice to move during daylight hours.
- (3) A copy of 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp Operation Order for Operation LIMIT was forwarded to AHQ on 28 Sep 64.

d. Operation MAGNUS

- (1) Originally it was planned that 3 RAR would be employed on border operations for a period of six weeks with effect from 4 Sep 64. The battalion did in fact commence operations on 4 Sep 64, and approval has now been given for the battalion to remain on border operations until Dec 64, should they be required.
- (2) The underlying reason for this extension is to cover the period during which 1st Scots Guards would normally have been committed to border operations, and to allow that unit sufficient time for acclimatization and training.

- (3) To date 3 RAR have had no contacts. Copies of the battalion's future plans together with traces of existing and proposed company localities were forwarded to AHQ on 18 Sep 64.

e. Operation HISTORY - Passive Air Defence (PAD) TERENDAK Garrison

- (1) 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp issued Operation Instruction No 6/64 on 25 Sep 64 aimed at minimising the effects of air attack on TERENDAK Garrison. This instruction was based on the following appreciation:-
- (a) Indonesian air attacks on MALAYSIA are now considered possible. Such attacks would be limited and in no way comparable to that of World War II.
 - (b) This threat makes it necessary to formulate plans to minimise the effects of air attacks on Garrisons in MALAYSIA.
 - (c) TERENDAK Garrison is likely to be a high priority target.
- (2) Full details of the plan were forwarded to AHQ on 2 Oct (Aust Army Force 119/1/38 of 2 Oct refers). The plan in outline is:-
- (a) Units are responsible for Passive Air Defence in own lines.
 - (b) A Garrison Mobile Rescue Column will be organized and equipped for operations:-
 - (i) In Garrison areas outside unit lines.
 - (ii) In unit lines when casualties/damage are beyond unit capabilities.
 - (iii) Outside TERENDAK Garrison in certain circumstances.
 - (c) Families in quarters both inside and outside TERENDAK Garrison are initially responsible for their own air raid precautions, first aid, and fire-fighting.
 - (d) An air raid warden system is to be introduced for married quarter areas.
 - (e) Early warning, air raid alarm, and black out systems will be implemented.
 - (f) 28 Bde Gp/TERENDAK Garrison is to provide the MALAYA Area Reserve Mobile Rescue Column. This column is additional to the Garrison Column described above. (Instructions for this column were issued separately as operation Instruction 7/64, a copy of which was forwarded to AUSTRALIA on 7 Oct 64).

f. Operation TRIPOD, SHUTTER, and STEREO

Codenames and nicknames used in SINGAPORE Base Area Operation Instructions 35 (TRIPOD) - Family Protection Scheme, 36 (SHUTTER) - Anti-Sabotage Plans SINGAPORE and

37 (STEREO) - Passive Air Defence in SINGAPORE have been changed to conform to Ministry of Defence (UK) policy. The following codename changes have occurred:-

Op TRIPOD becomes PARK
Op SHUTTER becomes RADIOGRAM
Op STEREO becomes SOLO

(Aust Army Force 119/1/44 of 2 Oct refers).

4. BORNEO Operations

- a. Unit Reliefs. Changes in command, and movement of units since the Aug report are reflected in Annex 'E' attached. Future unit moves are shown in Appendix 1 to Annex 'E' attached.
- b. It has been arranged that one British Troop of 11 Fd Sqn RE is to go to BORNEO on a 4 monthly rotational basis, commencing late Nov 64.
- (1) To date the specific nature of work required of this troop has not been notified, however, it is anticipated that when the nature of work has been notified, HQ FARELF will request approval for the use of 2 Fd Tp RAE in normal rotation with other troops of 11 Fd Sqn.
- (2) On present planning 2 Fd Tp will be asked to serve as the third group in BORNEO, that is, over the the period Aug - Nov 65. This would mean that 2 Tp would not be ready for their proposed return to AUSTRALIA in Aug 65 but would require the relief to be delayed until Dec 65. This matter was discussed with CRE 1 Div during his visit to FARELF.
- c. Administration and Operations. Headquarters Director of BORNEO Operations is now located at LABUAN. Postal address of this Headquarters is now BFPO 660.
- d. Australian Personnel in BORNEO Australian personnel in BORNEO during Sep 64, excluding 7 Fd Sqn Gp RAE and 221 Tp 201 Sig Sqn, were:-

237663	Maj	J.D.	MANNION	19 May 64	- still serving
18049	Maj	J.T.D.	STEWART MC	19 May 64	- still serving
31916	WO2	B.L.	KENT	29 May 64	- still serving
235141	Capt	E.J.	O'DONNELL	1 Jun 64	- still serving
54336	Capt	A.J.	GROESSLER	21 Jul 64	- still serving
15247	Sgt	D.L.	BOGUE	14 Aug 64	- still serving
21448	Sgt	E.F.	BUXTON	18 Aug 64	- still serving
15513	Lt	E.D.	JACOBS	1 Sep 64	- still serving
213766	Gnr	B.J.	WRIGHT	1 Sep 64	- still serving
335107	Capt	A.R.	HOWES	4 Sep 64	- still serving
15915	Sgt	H.	TIMMERMAN	4 Sep 64	- still serving
41519	Sgt	G.W.	DOBSON	4 Sep 64	- still serving
29130	Cpl	F.A.	FUNNELL	4 Sep 64	- still serving
22224	WO2	P.J.	OVENDON	14 Sep 64	- still serving
335143	Lt	R.E.	BOWD	25 Sep 64	- still serving
17037	Capt	D.	QUINN	14 May 64	- 17 Sep 64
52767	Sgt	M.A.	BROWN	15 May 64	- 10 Sep 64
25478	Capt	N.E.W.	GRANTER	9 Jul 64	- 10 Sep 64
57061	Lt	K.R.	HALL	4 Aug 64	- 2 Oct 64
28413	Capt	B.J.	O'NEILL	3 Sep 64	- 17 Sep 64
337576	Maj	E.N.	CONDER	15 Sep 64	- 18 Sep 64
237696	Capt	B.W.	GILLMAN	15 Sep 64	- 28 Sep 64
245216	WO2	H.V.	DUNKLEY	15 Sep 64	- 28 Sep 64

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57011	Maj	R.A.	GREY	22 Sep 64	-	26 Sep 64
367	Maj-Gen	J.W.	HARRISON CBE	25 Sep 64	-	26 Sep 64
241	Brig	F.R.	EVANS OBE	25 Sep 64	-	26 Sep 64
2504	Lt Col	E.S.	SWINBOURNE	29 Sep 64	-	6 Oct 64

d. Progress Report 7 Fd Sqn Gp RAE

(1) KENINGAU Detachment. Work progress KENINGAU - SOOK Road as at 3 Oct 64:-

(a) Survey. Completed to 108,000 feet.

(b) Forward Clearance

(i) Hand clearance - 92,000 feet

(ii) Topsoil stripping - 90,000 feet

(c) Formation Level

Complete to 87,000 feet.

(d) Surfacing

(i) River gravel surfacing complete to 68,000 feet.

(ii) Laterite surfacing from 11.35 miles to 12.5 miles 50 percent complete. Resurfacing from SUNGEI PEGALAN to 6.45 miles in progress.

(iii) 5 x 48-inch ARMCO culvert completed. A 30-inch culvert completed at 74,500 feet.

(iv) General

Work was affected by rain for 3 days during week ended 3 Oct 64. Weekly average return raft crossings was 263.

(2) KUAMUT Detachment

(a) Clearance

(i) End clearance complete.

(ii) Side clearance complete.

(iii) Strip surface complete.

(b) Drainage. 98 percent complete.

(c) Earthworks

(i) Earthmoving complete.

(ii) Grading 98 percent complete.

(iii) Compaction 98 percent complete.

(d) POL shed 40 percent complete.

(e) Grass sowing not yet started.

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e. Relief of Force - 7 Fd Sqn Gp RAE

- (1) Preliminary planning commenced following the receipt of AHQ GS Instr 12/64. Little detailed planning can be done until the AHQ movement instruction is received. The delay in receiving this instruction is causing some embarrassment as the airlines concerned have the flight timings and QANTAS are pressing for the release of seats booked on normal flights for members of 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp who it is now planned to move on the relief charter flights.
- (2) 7 Fd Sqn RAE will commence a 100 percent stocktake on 24 Oct 64 and as representatives of 1 Fd Sqn RAE and the incoming OC of 1 Indep Fd Sqn Wksp RAEME will be present, the stocktake will be a handover/takeover stocktake.
- (3) HQ Central Bde have been requested to conduct a technical inspection of arms, vehicles, plant, generators and refrigerators.

5. BRUNEI MALAY Regiment

- a. The Australian Defence Representative SINGAPORE has advised Department of Defence CANBERRA that the Brunei Malay Regiment have now formally asked the Australian High Commission KUALA LUMPUR to request vacancies at the Officer Cadet School PORTSEA. The vacancies being sought are for two cadets on each of the courses commencing Jan 65 and Jul 65 respectively. A decision on this matter is still awaited. (Aust Army Force SD18 of 19 Sep refers).
- b. With regard to the provision of equipment and training facilities to the regiment the Australian Defence Representative SINGAPORE has been advised that requests for equipment by the Brunei Malay Regiment which are of British Army pattern should be requested through HQ FARELF. (AHQ 100/R4/5 of 10 Sep refers).
- c. Up to this stage HQ FARELF have not been advised of requests by the Brunei Malay Regiment as it was expected that the Australian High Commission or Trade Commission as appropriate would discuss the requests with the appropriate British authorities. The Defence Representative has suggested that AHQ could be brought up to date by discussing the matter with the Defence Department, CANBERRA.

6. Operation CROWNa. Progress Report

- (1) Surfacing Trials. During the month the emphasis on the project was placed on carrying out stabilisation trials using cement and the various earths found in situ. The Howard Trains have been fully tested and it is now confirmed that a satisfactory surface to the airfield can be obtained by this method, subject still to a satisfactory sealing and wearing course being produced. It is likely that the solution to this problem will be found in a premixed bitumen granite wearing course, and to check this, trials are continuing.
- (2) Culverts. The runway is being constructed across low lying padi over approximately one third of its length, and it is in this area that two large culverts

are required. One is being constructed using ARMCO culverting on a reinforced concrete base and the other is to be constructed using precast concrete pipes similarly supported. It is estimated that using these pipes will simplify construction and reduce the time for this task by some 3 - 4 weeks, compared with the effort involved in constructing a large reinforced concrete box culvert.

- (3) Construction Water. A further bore hole for the provision of construction water is required. Negotiations have commenced with the Department of Mineral Resources in BANGKOK and it is expected that the drilling rig will return to the site in early November.
- (4) Local Labour. Approval has been given for the employment of local labour for unskilled manual tasks on airfield construction.
- (5) All Weather Light Aircraft Strip. The airstrip is in almost daily use by a US Army Beaver supplying rations to a detachment of 207 Signal Unit US Army, operating 13 miles NORTH WEST of CROWN Camp. The surface of the airstrip is proving adequate even in wet weather.

7. VIETNAM Orientation and Observer Programme

a. The following teams visited SOUTH VIETNAM during Sep:-

(1) 1 - 10 Sep

Maj P.R. SHEKLETON	HQ Aust Army Force
Capt K.W. RUSSELL-SMITH	3 RAR
Lt R.V. BEHAN	2 Inf Wksps

(2) 15 - 24 Sep

Maj R.W. RUCK	16 COMWEL Fd Amb
Capt G.L. HART	HQ Aust Army Force
Capt G.A. CONSTABLE	102 Fd Bty RAA

b. The first New Zealand Officer accompanied the Australian team 15 - 24 Sep.

Training

8. 3 RAR - Operational training has continued constantly since 4 Sep 64 while the battalion has been engaged in Operation MAGNUS.

9. 111 LAA Bty RAA

- a. No training was conducted during the month apart from that which was integral to the road move of part of the battery to and from CHINA ROCK range, situated on PULAU RAMUNIA off the SOUTH EAST tip of SOUTH JOHORE. There was no chance to conduct firing at CHINA ROCK as that portion of the battery was recalled to BUTTERWORTH before firing commenced.
- b. It was necessary that the troop left behind at BUTTERWORTH to man eight guns, remained deployed during the absence of the main portion of the battery at CHINA ROCK. These eight guns were at four hours notice and the troop could not have coped with the number of tasks involved in the time given.

c. LAA Firing Range - BUTTERWORTH Area

- (1) The reasons for the request for this range were advised in Aust Army Force 119/3/2 of 10 Sep to Australian Defence Representative SINGAPORE, (one copy to AHQ). Subsequent to the above-mentioned letter, a copy of a letter from the Army Commander FARELF to CGS AUSTRALIA was received on 22 Sep. This letter indicated that there was no prospect of obtaining the range. It now appears that the bid for the range has become a lost cause at least through direct military channels, and as these channels apparently have now been closed, perhaps the only avenue of approach is through the Australian High Commission in MALAYSIA, stressing the need for such facilities in order that our military "Aid to MALAYSIA" be able to function at its highest level.
- (2) In view of the above, the matter has now been referred to the Australian Defence Representative, SINGAPORE.

Trials and Development

10. Australian Sponsored Trials

a. Smocks, Tropical, Lightweight

- (1) User Trial Reports on this Trial have been submitted by 3 RAR, 102 Fd Bty RAA, 2 Fd Tp RAE, 201 Sig Sqn (Overseas), 208 COMWEL Sig Sqn, 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp Pro Unit, and JWS and have been forwarded to AHQ as received.
- (2) All trial units agree that the garment is suitable for issue as is, but almost every unit has suggested modifications for garments to be manufactured in future.

b. Boots, General Purpose. This trial is proceeding and periodic reports by Trials Officers together with completed questionnaires are being forwarded to AHQ as they are received.

c. Machete 13-inch. The first report on this item of equipment by the trials unit (3 RAR) was forwarded to AHQ on 5 Oct 64.

d. Rifles 5.56mm M16 (Rifle Armalite .223 inch AR-15) Evaluation

- (1) Six of the above equipments together with 8,880 rounds of ammunition were received on 19 Sep and forwarded to 3 RAR. Copies of User Trial Instruction 11/64 were not received until 24 Sep and a copy was despatched to 3 RAR on 25 Sep.
- (2) Portion or all of the trial will be carried out by 3 RAR whilst engaged in Border Operations. Commencement date of the trial is yet to be advised.

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e. Motor Cycles 350cc BSA

- (1) One motorcycle accidentally fell over while on its side stand and the foot rest bent back causing a fracture of the chain case cover. When the cover was removed it was noted that there was an old repair weld at the point of fracture.
- (2) No replacement parts are available with the machines nor could any be obtained from the local BSA agent. 3 BOD SINGAPORE have been advised and they are arranging for the replacement part through their local purchase system.
- (3) No further information on the progress of the trial is yet available.

11. FARELF Sponsored Trials

- a. Minor Trials. Copies of HQ FARELF G (Operational Requirements and Analysis) Branch memoranda on minor trials currently in progress or planned have been forwarded to AHQ at regular intervals.
- b. Hovercraft Trials. A paper summarising this information at present available on the SRN Hovercraft was forwarded to AHQ on 29 Sep. A close watch will be kept on the progress of trials and information will be forwarded to AHQ as it comes to hand.
- c. Low Cost Parachutes. 3 AASO have been requested to supply information in answer to questions contained in AHQ NST 20670 CL1360 of 28 Sep. To date no reply has been received.
- d. A summary of FARELF equipment requirements, trials and studies was forwarded to AHQ on 28 Sep.

Visits to FARELF by Australian Officers

12. The following officers visited the area during Sep:-

Mr L.G. STUBBINGS Chief Commissioner Australian Red Cross	27 Aug - 7 Sep
Maj N.H. GREEN PNGVR	29 Aug - 8 Sep
Maj R.A. GREY Infantry Centre	4 Sep - 2 Oct
Col E.N. DOIG RRC QHNS Matron in Chief AMF	7 Sep - 16 Sep
Lt Col I.E. KERR Services Attache VIENTIANE	8 Sep - 12 Sep
Maj Gen J.W. HARRISON CBE AG AMF	20 Sep - 5 Oct
Maj Gen A.J. CLYNE CBE DGMS AMF	23 Sep - 26 Sep
Col T.G. TRAINOR DRA AHQ	24 Sep - 3 Oct
Col R.P. WOOLLARD D Sigs AHQ	24 Sep - 26 Sep
Lt Col J.E.T. STUBBS DAP AHQ	24 Sep - 26 Sep
Lt Col E.S. SWINBOURNE CRE 1 Div	27 Sep - 9 Oct
Brig A.G. ROWELL DDS AMF	28 Sep - 7 Oct

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Training Exchange 1/7 Duke of Edinburgh's Own GURKHA Rifles/ Pacific Islands Regiment.

13. a. The 1/7 Duke of Edinburgh's Own GURKHA Rifles are affiliated with the Pacific Islands Regiment. Over the past two years the two regiments have been exchanging officers on an attachment basis. The attachments have proved to be of great benefit to the regiments and to the officers concerned.
- b. HQ Brigade of GURKHAS have now suggested that an exchange of platoons should take place at some future date. This could perhaps be carried out as part of a small scale airportability exercise.
- c. AHQ were requested for their views on this proposal but to date no reply has been received. (Aust Army Force G3 of 9 Sep refers).

Conferences and Committees

14. National Operational Sub-Committee. The National Operations Committee has established a sub-committee which has the task of overall planning and co-ordinating the command, control and deployment of security forces engaged on operations. A copy of the Sub-Committee Instruction No 1 dealing with control of operations in MALAYA/SINGAPORE Area was forwarded to AHQ on 1 Oct 64.

15. 11th Meeting for 1964 held by Commander-in-Chief FAR EAST

- a. Minutes of this meeting were forwarded to AHQ on 2 Oct. This was the first set of such minutes received by HQ Aust Army Force and it is understood that in future we shall receive a copy.
- b. It is of interest to note that at this meeting AUSTRALIA was represented by the Australian Deputy High Commissioner and that neither the Defence Representative nor Commander Aust Army Force attended.
- c. A second meeting of this committee was held on 8 Oct. The minutes of this meeting will be forwarded when received.

16. Responsibilities of G(Operational Requirements and Analysis), G(OR and A) Branch.

In light of experience gained since the inception of G(OR and A) Branch earlier this year, HQ FARELF have found it necessary to amend their definitions of the responsibilities of this Branch. Details of the new requirements were advised to AHQ in Aust Army Force 133/4/11 of 2 Oct 64. HQ FARELF FE 103202 SD1 (A) of 29 Jul 64 which was attached to Aust Army Force 133/4/11 of 21 Sep 64 is cancelled.

PART II - AG MATTERS

Declaration of MALAYSIA as an Active Service Area

17. Advice is awaited on our request for the whole of MALAYSIA to be declared an active service area under Defence Act Sec 4(b). Our A8 of 18 Sep 64 refers.

18. At this stage the following are on active service:-

- a. 3 RAR and attached troops. Serving with the MALAYSIA/ THAILAND Border Security Operational Force.

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- a. An alteration to the Defence Act to provide punishments similar to those of the UK, or
- b. provision made for the review of punishments by some Australian superior authority.

27. The latter has the distinct disadvantage of placing a reviewing authority in the position of assessing what would be a fair punishment when he, on the face of the AAF A4, has no knowledge of the background or prevalence of the offence in the unit.

AATTV - Status of Forces Agreement

28. Members of AATTV are included within the terms of the UN Treaty Series Volume 185 (1954) as possessing a degree of diplomatic status.

29. Clarification has been sought from AHQ on the actual status of these personnel. The subject has been referred by AHQ to Dept of External Affairs but, to date, no further advice has been received from AHQ. (Our 234/2/1 of 31 Dec 63 refers).

Tour of Duty - Integrated Appointments BORNEO

30. UK policy, in general, allows for a twelve month tour of duty in BORNEO.

31. We have officers filling integrated appointments in BORNEO and to replace these officers on a twelve monthly basis is considered undesirable from manpower aspects.

32. To ease this problem, we have sought, and gained approval in principle, from HQ FARELF for the two Australian Officers serving with HQ 17 Div/Land Forces BORNEO to be accompanied by their families in LABUAN, provided that the families concerned are included in the ceiling of 10 families authorised in LABUAN.

33. Further details will be advised in due course.

Return to AUSTRALIA of Dependants

34. MBI 150-2 Annex 'A' restricts Comd Aust Army Force FARELF to approving the return of members and their dependants to AUSTRALIA at public expense only under the following circumstances:-

- a. Completion of tour.
- b. Moral turpitude (see also AHQ Adm Instr 2/63).
- c. Illness of wife and/or family.
- d. Estrangement (dependants only can be returned).

35. Under all other circumstances, approval must be gained from the Minister for the Army.

36. These restrictions cause concern under the present adverse internal security situation. Relaxation of these terms has been sought in our 144/1/2 of 5 Sep 64 and our Ops 26 of 29 Sep 64 but approval has not been received.

37. Apart from the internal security situation, which has caused a considerable proportion of families to become concerned for their safety, these restrictions impose unnecessary military control when considered against:-

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- a. Current UK policy which allows dependants to elect return to ENGLAND.
- b. The normal civil rights and wishes of dependants who are in no way subject to military law.
- c. The inability of over school age children to gain employment in MALAYSIA under current legislation.
- d. The lack of suitable agencies in MALAYSIA to allow professional, apprentice or trade training for dependants.

38. It is believed that the terms of Annex 'A' to MBI 150-2 require revision to allow for the approval for the return of families, or parts thereof, to be exercised at a level below that of the Minister for the Army and Treasury or finance representatives.

39. Advice on this matter is requested.

MALAYSIA Allowances

40. Details of the new MALAYSIA Allowances have been received from AHQ.

41. The new allowances are quite satisfactory and appreciation of AHQ effort in this matter is expressed.

42. However, certain anomalies have been disclosed and these have been referred to AHQ for decision. Our 80/1/2 of 28 Sep 64 and signal A25 of 1 Oct 64 refers. To date advice has not been received.

43. Rates for BORNEO should be similar in all respects to those rates prescribed for MALAYA. Approval for this has been requested in our 80/1/2 of 28 Sep 64 but advice has not been received.

PART III - QMG MATTERS

Census of Technical Stores

44. Due to a shortage of forms AAF - E5 - 1A in the theatre census returns have not yet been completed by 111 LAA Bty and 3 RAR. A request for additional forms has been made and the returns should be completed and forwarded to AHQ within 1 week of their receipt by the units concerned.

Lightweight Sleeping Equipment

45. Complete sets of equipment are still not available from 3 BOD SINGAPORE. In an effort to fully equip members of AATTV, a special request for items not currently held in stock by 3 BOD has been made by HQ Aust Army Force to Army Headquarters MELBOURNE.

Stores Accounting - HQ 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp LAD RAEME

46. Since the subject was raised with HQ FARELF as reported in Serial 23 of Monthly Liaison Letter 8/64 further investigation has shown that as the unit is in fact operating on a UK equipment table and that all equipment held is UK supplied, the proposed change from UK to Australian accounting procedures is not acceptable to HQ FARELF.

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Write-Off Delegations

47. The write-off of Australian stores within the theatre comes under two categories:-

- a. Where the stores are held by an Australian unit or sub-unit. In this case delegations have been given to the CO/OC.
- b. Where the stores are held by a UK ordnance depot or unit and as there is no known authority for the British CO/OC to write-off Australian stores held on his charge authority has been requested in our signal Q10 of 11 Sep to AHQ CANBERRA for the adjustment of stores accounts in this category to be effected by British COs/OCs in accordance with British procedures.

Replacement of Australian Locally Purchased Vehicles

48. Since the inception of Aust Army Force, four vehicles have been purchased from trade resources, primarily to provide suitable vehicles for the movement of families. One of these vehicles, a Ford Thames Estate car, registered number AMF 108-562, has now travelled some 60,000 miles and its mechanical state is deteriorating rapidly. In view of recent disturbances in SINGAPORE, it is essential that all vehicles are mechanically reliable. As the vehicle currently requires work to the value of \$464 to remain roadworthy and it is anticipated that expenditure of this nature and size will now be a continuing requirement, authority has been requested to replace the present vehicle. Our signal Q2 of 19 Sep of AHQ CANBERRA refers.

Commander's Residence

49. As advised in our signal Q17 of 25 Sep to AHQ CANBERRA, the residence currently occupied by the Commander Aust Army Force is being offered for sale by the owner. In view of the difficulty in leasing a suitable residence, authority to buy or build a residence is required urgently. Our Q20 of 2 Oct 64 refers.

Movements

50. A summary of movements to and from SINGAPORE for the month is shown below:-

a. Overseas

(1) <u>Air</u>	<u>AMF</u>	<u>Families</u>
(a) Arrivals	94	8
(b) Departures	88	7
(2) <u>Sea</u>		
(a) Arrivals	2	2
(b) Departures	Nil	Nil

b. Internal

(1) <u>Air</u>		
(a) Arrivals	15	3
(b) Departures	41	6

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(2)	<u>Rail</u>	<u>AMF</u>	<u>Families</u>
	(a) Arrivals	43	Nil
	(b) Departures	55	Nil

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Distribution

AHQ CANBERRA	(7)
Comd FAR EAST Land Forces	(1)
GOC 17 Div/Land Forces	(1)
BORNEO	(1)
Comd MALAYA Area	(1)
Comd 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp	(1)
Comd Central Bde BORNEO	(1)
Comd RAAF Base BUTTERWORTH	(1)
Comd AATTV SAIGON	(1)
Comd	(1)
Deputy Comd	(1)
G	(2)
A	(1)
Q	(1)
Comd's Diary	(2)
File	(1)
Spare	(2)

STATE OF AUSTRALIAN ARMY FORCE IN FAR EASTPART I - MILITARY

<u>ESTABLISHMENTS</u>	<u>OFFR</u>	<u>OR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
SINGAPORE	43	121	164
MALAYA	106	1238	1344
SABAH	14	193	207
TOTAL	163	1552	1715

POSTED STRENGTH

SINGAPORE	42*	115*	157
MALAYA	105	1233	1338
SABAH	14	187	201
TOTAL	161	1535	1696

* Posted strength SINGAPORE includes 1 WO1 filling offr vacancy (84 Svy Sqn)

DEFICIENCIES
SINGAPORE

	<u>OFFR</u>	<u>OR</u>	
Aust Fd Cash Office	1		(Amdt to Estb)
Aust Staff and Regt Appts	1		
201 Sig Sqn	1	8	(Increment)
TOTAL	3	8	

MALAYA

HQ 28 COMWEL Inf Bde Gp		2
102 Fd Bty		2
32 Dental Unit		1
3 RAR Sig Tp		1
16 COMWEL Fd Amb		1
Aust Staff and Regt Appts	1	
111 LAA Bty	1	2
TOTAL	2	9

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7 Fd Sqn Gp		6
TOTAL		6

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SURPLUSES
SINGAPORE

	<u>OFFR</u>	<u>OR</u>
HQ Aust Army Force (1 OR detached from 3 RAR)		1
Aust Staff and Regt Appts (1 Offr to return to Aust on completion handover and 1 OR filling Offr vacancy)	1	1
Misc Aust Dets (1 Offr attached to BMH SINGAPORE for training)	1	
TOTAL	2	2

MALAYA

3 RAR (4 OR to return to Aust on completion handover)		4
Aust Staff and Regt Appts (1 Offr to return to Aust on completion handover)	1	
TOTAL	1	4
TOTAL SURPLUSES	3	6

PERSONNEL OUTSIDE MALAYSIA

Personnel are also serving in the following FAR EAST COUNTRIES:-

	<u>OFFR</u>	<u>OR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
HONG KONG	2	10	12
THAILAND	7	8	15
LAOS		2	2
VIETNAM	18	64	82
TOTAL	27	84	111

NOTE :-

1. These figures do not include Service Attaches or their Staff.
2. 18 OR of 201 Sig Sqn SINGAPORE are currently employed with 221 Sig Tp SABAH (Estb not received).

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PART 2 - DEPENDANTS

	<u>WIVES</u>	<u>CHILDREN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
SINGAPORE	118	261	379
SEREMBAN	2	2	4
MALACCA	360	725	1085
JOHORE BAHRU	3	4	7
KLUANG	1	2	3
PENANG	1	2	3
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TOTAL FARELF	485	996	1481
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HONG KONG	11	16	27
THAILAND	13	29	42
VIETNAM	1	2	3
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	25	47	72
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TOTAL FAR EAST	510	1043	1553
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Annex 'B' to Comd Aust
Army Force Liaison Letter 9/64ACCOMMODATION - MALAYA/SINGAPORE AS AT 30 SEP 64

Location	Rank	Army owned Married Quarters	Permanent Houses	Hirings Flats	Private Houses	Hirings Flats	Unaccommo- dated living in Hotels	Total Accn	Families awaiting C/F! to MALAYA	Remarks
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)	(l)
SINGAPORE	Offr	6	* 32	5	-	-	-	43	-	
	OR	1	79	2	-	-	-	82		
JOHORE BAHRU	Offr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	OR	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	
TERENDAK MALACCA	Offr	25	15	-	14	-	-	54	-	
	OR	188	108	-	8	-	-	304		
SEREMBAN	Offr	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	
PENANG	Offr	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	
KLUANG	Offr	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	
TOTAL		220	241	7	22	-	-	490	-	

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VISITS BY STAFF OFFICERS
HQ AUST ARMY FORCE

NAME	APPOINTMENT	PLACE/UNIT VISITED	REASON	LEFT SINGAPORE	RETURNED SINGAPORE
Miss J. CHAPPLE	Comdt Red Cross	MALACCA	Visit with Mr L.G. STUBBINGS	1 SEP 64	1 SEP 64
Maj P.R. SHEKLETON	Education	SAIGON	Observer Visit	1 SEP 64	10 SEP 64
Miss J. CHAPPLE	Comdt Red Cross	PENANG	Visit with Mr L.G. STUBBINGS	2 SEP 64	4 SEP 64
Capt B.W. GILLMAN	Public Relations	MALACCA	PR Duties	11 SEP 64	11 SEP 64
Capt V.K. VADIVELOO	Dental	MALACCA	Dental Duties	14 SEP 64	15 SEP 64
Capt G.L. HART	Adm Officer	SAIGON	Liaison Visit	15 SEP 64	24 SEP 64
Capt B.W. GILLMAN	Public Relations	JESSELTON	Public Relation Duties	15 SEP 64	23 SEP 64
Maj P.R. SHEKLETON	Education	MALACCA	Education Duties	22 SEP 64	22 SEP 64
Brig F.R. EVANS	Comd Aust Army Force	MALACCA/KUALA LUMPUR PENANG/BRUNEI	Accompanying Maj Gen HARRISON	22 SEP 64	26 SEP 64
Maj E.H. DAVIES	Legal Officer	PENANG	Legal Duties	22 SEP 64	22 SEP 64
Brig F.R. EVANS	Comd Aust Army Force	BANGKOK/SAIGON	Accompanying Maj Gen HARRISON	30 SEP 64	5 OCT 64

AUSTRALIAN CHILDREN ATTENDING BRITISH SERVICE CHILDREN'S
SCHOOL IN FARELFSCHOOL STATISTICS1. SINGAPOREa. INFANT

ALEXANDRA	5
PASIR PANJANG	5
TANGLIN	9
RAF SELETAR	25
TOTAL	<u>44</u>

b. JUNIOR

ALEXANDRA	13
PASIR PANJANG	22
MAJEDEE	1
RAF SELETAR	16
TOTAL	<u>52</u>

c. PRIMARY

NEE SOON	3
TOTAL	<u>3</u>

d. SECONDARY

ST JOHNS	26
RAF CHANGI GRAMMAR	5
BOURNE	18
RAF SELETAR MODERN	11
TOTAL	<u>60</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>159</u>

2. MALAYAa. PRIMARY

TERENDAK	131
SEAVIEW	91
SEREMBAN	1
KLUANG	1
TOTAL	<u>224</u>

b. SECONDARY

BOURNE	18
TOTAL	<u>18</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>242</u>

3. HONG KONGa. INFANT

VICTORIA	1
WHITFIELD	1
TOTAL	<u>2</u>

b. JUNIOR

MINDEN ROW	-
TOTAL	<u>-</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>2</u>

4. ANALYSIS

TOTAL SINGAPORE	159
TOTAL MALAYA	242
TOTAL HONG KONG	2
GRAND TOTAL	<u>403</u>

TOTAL PRIMARY	325
TOTAL SECONDARY DAY PUPILS	46
TOTAL SECONDARY BOARDERS	<u>32</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>403</u>

FARELF UNIT MOVES 1 OCT 64 - 31 MAR 65

SERIAL	U N I T	F R O M	T O	DATE (APPROX ONLY)
1.	B Sqn 22 SAS	UK	Land Forces Borneo - Force tps(c)	6 Oct
2.	GURKHA Indep Para Coy	Singapore Base Area	Land Forces Borneo - Force troops (W)	6 Oct
3.	7 Flt AAC	Western Bde	656 Lt Ac Sqn	7 Oct
4.	Coy 1 IG	Mid EAST	1 SG	14, 15 Oct
5.	P1 1 DLI	Land Forces Hong Kong	Singapore Base Area	14 Oct
6.	Coy 1 KOYLI	Malaya Area	UK	14, 15 Oct
7.	1/7 GR (-)	Malaya Area	WESTERN Bde	20 - 22 Oct
8.	1/1 GREEN JACKETS (-)	WESTERN Bde	Malaya Area	24 - 27 Oct
9.	9 Lt AD Bty	12 Lt AD Regt	Land Forces Borneo - Force troops (W)	3 - 9 Nov (1)
10.	T Lt AD Bty	Land Forces Borneo - Force Troops (W)	12 Lt AD Regt	3 - 9 Nov (1)
11.	1(Gds) Indep Coy Para	Land Forces Borneo - Force Troops (W)	UK	1 Nov
12.	A Sqn 22 SAS	Land Forces Borneo - Force Troops (C)	Singapore Base Area	7 Nov
13.	P1 1 DLI	Singapore Base Area	Western Bde	10 Nov
14.	A Sqn 22 SAS	Singapore Base Area	UK	13 Nov
15.	Auster Sect 4 RTR Air Tp	4 RTR	A Sqn 4 RTR	Mid Nov
16.	10 Flt AAC	656 Lt Ac Sqn	Central Bde Area	19 - 23 Nov
17.	11 Flt AAC	Central Bde Area	656 Lt Ac Sqn	25 - 29 Nov
18.	31 Coy GURKHA ASC	Singapore Base Area	Central Bde (with dets in Western Bde)	Nov
19.	30 Coy GURKHA ASC	Central Bde	Singapore Base Area	Nov
20.	Det 61 Coy RASC (MT)	Singapore Base Area	Central Bde Area	30 Nov
21.	Det 61 Coy RASC (MT)	Central Bde Area	Singapore Base Area	30 Nov
22.	1 SBS RM	Eastern Bde	3 Cdo Bde	end Nov
23.	Tp 11 Indep Fd Sqn RE	11 Indep Fd Sqn RE	Land Forces Borneo	end Nov (1)
24.	Sqn 5 Innis DG	UK	48 Bde	1 - 15 Nov
25.	A Sqn 16/5L	48 Bde	UK	12 - 15 Dec
26.	7 Flt AAC	656 Lt Ac Sqn	WESTERN Bde	early Dec
27.	14 Flt AAC	Western Bde	656 Lt Ac Sqn	early Dec
28.	42 Cdo	3 Cdo Bde	Eastern Bde	early Dec
29.	145 Cdo Lt Bty	29 Cdo Lt Regt	Eastern Bde	early Dec
30.	40 Cdo	Eastern Bde	3 Cdo Bde	early Dec
31.	79 Cdo Lt Bty	Eastern Bde	29 Cdo Lt Regt	early Dec
32.	70 Lt Bty	45 Lt Regt	Western Bde	early Dec
33.	176 Lt Bty	Western Bde	45 Lt Regt	early Dec
34.	D Tp 170 Med Bty	Western Bde	170 Med Bty	early Dec
35.	Tp 170 Med Bty	170 Med Bty	Western Bde	early Dec
36.	2 SBS RM	3 Cdo Bde	Eastern Bde	4 Jan
37.	1/10 GR	Malaya Area	Western Bde	Mid Jan (1)
38.	2/2 GR	Western Bde	Singapore Base Area	Mid Jan (1)
39.	1/2 Green Jackets	UK	Malaya Area	15 - 30 Jan
40.	1/1 Green Jackets	Malaya Area	Berlin (via UK)	15 - 30 Jan
41.	'A' P1 47 Coy RASC	UK	Singapore Base Area	7 - 31 Jan
42.	'A' P1 22 Coy RASC	Singapore Base Area	UK	7 - 31 Jan
43.	Y Coy Singapore Guard Regt	Western Bde	Singapore Guard Regt	Jan (2)
44.	Z Coy Singapore Guard Regt	Singapore Guard Regt	Western Bde	Jan (2)
45.	68 GURKHA Sqn RE	Malaya Area	Land Forces Borneo	Jan (3)
46.	T Lt AD Bty	12 Lt AD Regt	Land Forces Borneo - Force Tps(W)	early Feb
47.	9 Lt AD Bty	Land Forces Borneo - Force Troops (W)	12 Lt AD Regt	early Feb
48.	2/7 GR	48 Bde	Central Bde	early Feb
49.	1/2 GR	Central Bde	48 Bde	early Feb
50.	11 Flt AAC	656 Lt AC Sqn	Central Bde	Mid Feb
51.	10 Flt AAC	Central Bde	656 Lt Ac Sqn	Mid Feb
52.	Sqn 4 RTR	4 RTR	Western Bde	Late Feb
53.	A Sqn 4 RTR	Western Bde	4 RTR	Late Feb
54.	Three tps 4 RTR	4 RTR	Central Bde	Late Feb
55.	Three tps 4 RTR	Central Bde	4 RTR	Late Feb
56.	1 Gordons	UK	FARELF	Mid Feb
57.	1 SG	28 Bde	Western Bde	Feb
58.	1 RUR	Western Bde	UK	Feb
59.	A Sqn 22 SAS	UK	Land Forces Borneo - Force tps(C)	end Feb
60.	B Sqn 22 SAS	Land Forces Borneo - Force Troops (C)	UK	end Feb
61.	GURKHA Indep Para Coy	Land Forces Borneo - Force Troops (W)	Singapore Base Area	end Feb
62.	14 Flt AAC	656 Lt Ac Sqn	WESTERN Bde	early Mar
63.	7 Flt AAC	Western Bde	656 Lt Ac Sqn	early Mar
64.	Tp 11 Fd Sqn RE	Land Forces Borneo	11 Fd Sqn RE	end Mar (1)
65.	Tp 11 Fd Sqn RE	11 Fd Sqn RE	Land Forces Borneo	end Mar (1)

- NOTES:-
- (1) Subject to confirmation.
 - (2) Serial 43 may return from Borneo without a relief, in which case serial 44 would be cancelled.
 - (3) Whether the Sqn or one tp only moves is subject to confirmation.
 - (4) As may be seen, no mention is made of the 7 Fd Sqn RAE relief.

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BY

LT COL R. SUTTON, MVO

DEPUTY COMMANDER

HEADQUARTERS AUSTRALIAN ARMY FORCE FARELF

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101.

RUGBY MATCH - WED 14 OCT 64

1. HQ FARELF XV will play SINGAPORE Cricket Club XV on the SINGAPORE Padang on Wed 14 Oct 64. Kick-off will be at 1715 hrs and the following players and reserves are directed to be ready on the ground at that time:-

PLAYERS

Sgt LOVEGROVE
Cpl EALES
Cpl CUNNEEN
Cpl CHURCH
Pte HEUSTON
Pte TURNOR

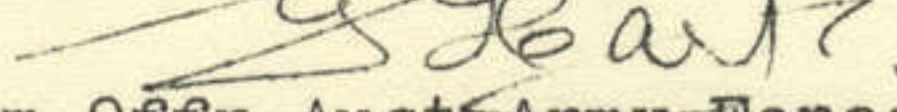
RESERVES

Capt GILLMAN
Pte WOLBER

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KIT

Pte ROBSON is requested to have the kit (BLUE) on the minibus by 1615 hrs.


Adm Offr Aust Army Force FARELF Capt

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OFFICERS MOVEMENTS 5 OCT - 13 OCT 64

ARRIVALS

NO	RANK	NAME	UNIT	FROM	TO	DATE	AIR FLT/SEA	REMARKS
241	BRIG	F.R. EVANS	HQ AAF	SAIGON	SINGAPORE	5 OCT	PA 841	VISIT
235088	MAJ	D. WISE	HQ AAF	PENANG	SINGAPORE	5 OCT	ML 033	
2504	LT COL	SWINBOURNE	AHQ	JESSELTON	"	6 OCT	ML 498	VISIT
	BRIG	ROWELL	AHQ	PENANG	"	"	ML 153	VISIT
212824	LT	G.C. SKARDON	AATTV	AUST	"	"	QF 733	ON MOVE SAIGON 16/10/64
47509	LT COL	L.I. HOPTON	AHQ	AUST	"	9 OCT	BA 701	ON MOVE BANGKOK 10 OCT
	LT	H.W. SMITH	CASH OFFICE	AUST	"	13 OCT	QF 733	POSTING

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DEPARTURES

	RANK	NAME	UNIT	FROM	TO	DATE	AIR FLT NO/SEA	REMARKS
	BRIG	ROWELL	AHQ (DENT)	SINGAPORE	SYDNEY	7 OCT	QF 732	RTN AHQ
2504	LT COL	SWINBOURNE	AHQ	"	MALACCA	8 OCT	ML 034	RTN SAME DAY
214507	MAJ	E.H. DAVIES	HQ AAF	"	JESSELTON/ BRUNEI	"	ML 454	LEGAL DUTIES
2504	LT COL	SWINBOURNE	AHQ	"	SYDNEY	9 OCT	QF 736	
47509	LT COL	L.I. HOPTON	AHQ	"	BANGKOK	10 OCT	QF 741	
340121	MAJ	J. YOUNG	RAE	"				
12841	CAPT	G. BAKER	RAAC	SINGAPORE	SAIGON	13 OCT	PA 814	ORIENTATION VISIT
14908	LT	B. GOODWIN	R AUST INF					

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TO SINGAPORE 15 - 17 OCT 64
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Serial	Day and Date	Time	Event	Remarks
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1.	Thursday 15 Oct 64	1830	Arrive PAYA LEBAR Airport Flt. BA 700	Met by Maj P.G. RICHARDS RAASC Aust Army Force transport to pick-up Maj RICHARDS at 7a Jalan Tempua SINGAPORE 11, at 1745 hrs Accommodation arranged Goodwood Hotel.
2.	Friday 16 Oct 64	0850	Picked-up at Goodwood Hotel	Aust Army Force Transport (Pte ROBSON)
3.		0900 - 0925	Call on Commander Aust Army Force Brig F.R. EVANS OBE	
4.		0930	Met at Aust Army Force by Maj P.G. RICHARDS RAASC, and conducted to ST Directorate FARELF	
5.		0935-1225	Discussions at ST Directorate FARELF	
6.		1230-1425	Luncheon at home of DST FARELF Middlesex Road, GHQ TANGLIN	Mrs EVANS also attending Providing own transport
7.		1430	Leaves home of DST FARELF for 3 AASO	Aust Army Force Transport (Pte ROBSON)
8.		Subsequent Until 1630	At 3 AASO CHANGI	Met by CO 3 AASO, Lt-Col P de L BAINBRIGGE. RASC also meets Lt J D O'NEILL RAASC
9.		1635	Return to Goodwood Hotel	Evening free

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
10.	Saturday 17 Oct 64	0915	Pick-up at Goodwood Hotel	Aust Army Force transport (Pte ROBSON)
11.		0925	Collects Maj P.G. RICHARDS RAASC at ST Directorate TANGLIN (Gate 3) and proceeds to 4 SPRD. Dover Road	Met by CO 4 SPRD, Lt-Col C W FOSKETT RASC Also meets Capt K. GALLASCH RAASC
12.		1200	Returns to Goodwood Hotel for luncheon	Remainder afternoon free until 1750.
13.		1750	Picked up at Goodwood Hotel for transportation to PAYA LEBAR	Accompanied by Maj P.G. RICHARDS RAASC Aust Army Force transport. to pick-up Maj RICHARDS prior to 1750.
14.		1920	Depart PAYA LEBAR Airport for SYDNEY Flt BA 700	

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OFFICERS MOVEMENTS 14 OCT - 22 OCT 64

ARRIVALS

NO	RANK	NAME	UNIT	FROM	TO	DATE	AIR FLT/SEA	REMARKS
14102	CAPT	J. DEVITT	AATTV	AUSTRALIA	SINGAPORE	14 OCT 64	QF 735	ON MOVE TO SAIGON
337563	LT COL	J. JEWSON	AD OF S & T	"	"	15 OCT 64	BA 700	GOODWOOD HOTEL
47509	LT COL	L.I. HOPTON	AHQ	BANGKOK	"	15 OCT 64	TG 401	
227	MAJ GEN	A.G. HASSETT	AHQ	"	"	15 OCT 64	C IN C AIRGRAFT CHANGI	
348	COL	E.C. LORD	EX AAS CONF LONDON	LONDON	"	17 OCT 64		ON MOVE TO MELBOURNE
3141	COL	OCHILTREE	D-INF EX UK	LONDON	"	22 OCT 64	BA 700	ON MOVE AUST

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DEPARTURES

NO	RANK	NAME	UNIT	FROM	TO	DATE	AIR FLT NO/SEA	REMARKS
47509	LT COL	L.I. HOPTON	AHQ	SINGAPORE	SYDNEY/ CANBERRA	16 OCT	QF 736	
212824	LT	G.C. SKARDON	AATTV	"	SAIGON	16 OCT	PA 814	POSTING
57056	LT	A.G. THOMPSON	AATTV	"	"	16 OCT	PA 814	POSTING
3195	COL	COLEMAN	HQ AAF	"	SYDNEY	16 OCT	QF 736	RTA
337563	LT COL	J. JEWSON	AHQ	"	SYDNEY/ CANBERRA	17 OCT	BA 700	
227	MAJ GEN	F.G. HASSETT	AHQ	"	SYDNEY	17 OCT	BA 700	RETURNING FROM VISIT
348	COL	E.C. LORD	EX AAS (LONDON)	"	MELBOURNE	20 OCT	BA 710	EX LONDON

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ALFA. THE STRAITS TIMES TODAY. STRIP ABOVE MAIN BANNER HEADLINES QUOTE AUSSIES IN ACTION AGAINST INDONESIANS FOR FIRST TIME UNQUOTE. BACKPAGE STORY CONTINUATION GIVES AUST DEF MINISTER STATEMENT THAT AUST PARTICIPATION WAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT STATEMENTS. LATTER CONSISTS OF 4IN SINGLE COLUMN.

BRAVO. THE MALAYAN TIMES TODAY. SPECIAL INSERT OF MAIN STORY QUOTE COUNTER-ACTION BY THE AUSTRALIANS UNQUOTE COM WITH DATELINE CANBERRA 29 OCT GIVING ALMOST IDENTICAL QUOTE BY SENATOR PATTRIDGE MENTIONED IN ALFA ABOVE. GOES ON TO REPORT MILITARY SOURCES IN CANBERRA STATING SOME AUSTRALIAN FORCES WERE AT MALACCA COM THUS MERELY LEAVING DEDUCTION THAT THEY WERE BEING EMPLOYED.

CHARLIE. THE MALAY MAIL TODAY. NO COMMENT WHATSOEVER.

SECOND. POLICY ON RELEASE OF DETAILS AS EXPLAINED BY MINDEF KUALA LUMPUR TO AUST COM KUALA LUMPUR QUOTE WHILE IT IS NOT MINDEF POLICY TO IDENTIFY UNITS ENGAGED IN OPS COM THERE WOULD BE NO OBJECTION TO OTHER COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENTS DOING SO IN RESPECT OF THEIR OWN FORCES UNQUOTE. THIS IS OBVIOUS REASON FOR RETICENCE IN NOMINATING SPECIFIC UNITS IN NEWSPAPERS.

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RECORD OF VISIT OF ARMY COMMANDER AND GSO 1 OPS
TO OPERATION FLOWER FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER 1964

Enemy

1. Interrogation of surrendered enemy personnel to date has revealed the following facts:

2. The landing group is assessed as 52 comprising 29 PGT, 21 IBT, and two Malaysians (one Malay, one Chinese). This group were from Base V at SELAT PANDJANG and staged at BENGKALIS on the way. They crossed from SUMATERA in five fishing boats which had been captured off MUAR on night 26/27. Five Malaysian fishermen were taken with their boats and compelled to drive them. These fishermen have now been recovered.

3. The original plan was to land in Malaysia on 19 Oct. An effort to do so on this date was made but upset by bad weather and one prisoner has stated that one boatload of Indonesians was lost.

4. The task of this landing group was to distract the attention of security forces from the BENUT group. The initial objective was the area of KUALA PILAH where the group was to establish a base from which to harass security forces, ambush roads, intimidate locals and carry out acts of sabotage.

5. The landing was made in two parties either side of the mouth of the SUNGEI KESANG. The northern group was approximately 30 strong in three boats: the southern group 24 in two boats. The plan was to have landed all five boats further southwards along the coast and it is not known why in the event they landed astride the mouth of the SUNGEI KESANG.

6. All infiltrators were in uniform and armed. The PGT had light machine guns, grenades and explosives. The IBT had a miscellaneous collection of weapons. Equipment included two transistor radios. All members carried \$500 currency except the leader, a sergeant first class IBT, who had \$1000.

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The Landing

7. The landing was first reported by local fishermen who were fired upon by the Indonesians at the mouth of the SUNGEI KESANG. The landing was subsequently confirmed by a member of the Vigilante Corps. Immediate reaction by the police was to deploy two platoons PFF, one from MALACCA one from JOHORE either side of the estuary to contain the landing. During the morning of 29 Oct, 20 of the southern group gave themselves up to the JOHORE PFF platoon. The northern (MALACCA) PFF platoon had a fire fight during the morning with the northern group during which two PFF personnel became detached and were missing until mid-day 30 Oct.

8. Commander 28 Bde was first warned at 0500 hrs of a suspected landing had taken place. This information was confirmed to him at 0700 hrs. By 0930 hrs an inner cordon had been established round the landing area consisting of a composite Battalion group comprising one company 3 RAR, one company RNZIR, 102 Fd Bty RAA (as infantry) and one squadron 4 RTR, under command of CO 3 RAR. Tac HQ 28 Bde was established at MERLIMAU at 1100 hrs. On arrival at MERLIMAU, Commander 28 Bde decided to form an outer cordon to be formed by 1/10 GR and 1 RNZIR, the latter having been released from PONTIAN ops that day. Leading elements of 1/10 GR and 1 RNZIR reached the area by 1530 hrs and the outer cordon was established by 1630 hrs.

9. By 1630 hrs the two PFF platoons had pinpointed the two enemy groups, north and south of the estuary. 20 of the southern group had surrendered to the PFF and the location of the northern group had been identified sufficiently accurately for CO 3 RAR to make a plan to deal with it. This plan consisted of maintaining a tight inner cordon during the night with a view to going in after first light and dealing with the enemy. During the evening one of the northern enemy group was captured. He stated that the remainder of the group would not surrender but would fight defiantly. Throughout the night this group attempted to break out of the north-western end of the cordon. They probed outwards in many directions but, on being met with fire from the cordon troops, did not attempt to fight their way through.

10. The plan for the morning consisted of calling on the northern group by voice aircraft to surrender. If this was not successful a plan of escalating fire was to be brought down on the group, beginning with mortars and working through air strike to gunfire.

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By this time 102 Fd Bty RAA had been relieved as infantry in the inner cordon and had manned its guns. The Brigade Commander hoped by bringing this fire down on the enemy group to get them to surrender without having to put in an infantry attack which was to be the last measure to be adopted.

11. This plan began at first light with mortaring of the northern group and almost immediately the enemy started surrendering. Because of this an air strike of eight Hunters, arranged on call from 0800 hrs, was not used and by mid-morning it was assessed that all but three to five of the enemy group had been accounted for.

12. During the morning the two platoons of the outer cordon closed up to the line of the inner cordon releasing 'D' Coy 3 RAR for any final attack which might be necessary on the remnants of the northern group. After further shelling of the group by 102 Fd Bty RAA 'D' Coy 3 RAR cleared the area previously occupied by the enemy group, in the course of which one enemy wounded was found and one enemy escaped.

13. On the assumption that the strength of the group, as assessed in interrogation, was 52 there are still four at large. It is not known whether these are either north or south of the estuary. In the light of the elimination of practically the whole of the group a recommendation was made from the AUCA SSEC to MINDEF in the afternoon of 30 Oct that the troops of 28 Bde less one company 1 RNZIR should be withdrawn from 1700 hrs 30 Oct. This will leave the two platoons PFF and one company 1 RNZIR to maintain a presence in the area to look for the missing four Indonesians. At 1630 hrs 30 Oct MINDEF approved the withdrawal of 28 Bde. The one company 1 RNZIR will be withdrawn on the arrival of a further two platoons PFF from IPOH on 31 Oct.

(J.J. Day)
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RECORD OF VISIT OF ARMY COMMANDER AND GSO 1 OPS
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1. Interrogation of surrendered enemy personnel to date has revealed the following facts:
2. The landing group is assessed as 52 comprising 29 PGT, 21 IBT, and two Malaysians (one Malay, one Chinese). This group were from Base V at SELAT PANDJANG and staged at BENGKALIS on the way. They crossed from SUMATERA in five fishing boats which had been captured off MUAR on night 26/27. Five Malaysian fishermen were taken with their boats and compelled to drive them. These fishermen have now been recovered.
3. The original plan was to land in Malaysia on 19 Oct. An effort to do so on this date was made but upset by bad weather and one prisoner has stated that one boatload of Indonesians was lost.
4. The task of this landing group was to distract the attention of security forces from the BENUT group. The initial objective was the area of KUALA PILAH where the group was to establish a base from which to harass security forces, ambush roads, intimidate locals and carry out acts of sabotage.
5. The landing was made in two parties either side of the mouth of the SUNGEI KESANG. The northern group was approximately 30 strong in three boats: the southern group 24 in two boats. The plan was to have landed all five boats further southwards along the coast and it is not known why in the event they landed astride the mouth of the SUNGEI KESANG.
6. All infiltrators were in uniform and armed. The PGT had light machine guns, grenades and explosives. The IBT had a miscellaneous collection of weapons. Equipment included two transistor radios. All members carried \$500 currency except the leader, a sergeant first class IBT, who had \$1000.

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7. The landing was first reported by local fishermen who were fired upon by the Indonesians at the mouth of the SUNGEI KESANG. The landing was subsequently confirmed by a member of the Vigilante Corps. Immediate reaction by the police was to deploy two platoons PFF, one from MALACCA one from JOHORE either side of the estuary to contain the landing. During the morning of 29 Oct, 20 of the southern group gave themselves up to the JOHORE PFF platoon. The northern (MALACCA) PFF platoon had a fire fight during the morning with the northern group during which two PFF personnel became detached and were missing until midday.

8. Commander 28 Bde was first warned at 0800 hrs of a suspected landing and taken place. This information was confirmed to him at 0745 hrs. By 0930 hrs an inner cordon had been established round the landing area consisting of a composite battalion group comprising one company 3 RAR, one company RNZIR, 102 Fd Bty RAA (as infantry) and one sqn from 4 RTR, under command of CO 3 RAR. Tac HQ 28 Bde was established at MERLIMAU at 1100 hrs. On arrival at MERLIMAU, Commander 28 Bde decided to form an outer cordon to be formed by 1/10 GR and 1 RNZIR, the latter having been released from PONTIAN ops that day. Leading elements of 1/10 GR and 1 RNZIR reached the area by 1530 hrs and the outer cordon was established by 1630 hrs.

9. By 1630 hrs the two PFF platoons had pinpointed the two enemy groups, north and south of the estuary. 20 of the southern group had surrendered to the PFF and the location of the northern group had been identified sufficiently accurately for CO 3 RAR to make a plan to deal with it. This plan consisted of maintaining a tight inner cordon during the night with a view to going in after first light and dealing with the enemy. During the evening one of the northern enemy group was captured. He stated that the remainder of the group would not surrender but would fight defiantly. Throughout the night this group attempted to break out of the north-western end of the cordon. They probed outwards in many directions but, on being met with fire from the cordon troops, did not attempt to fight their way through.

10. The plan for the morning consisted of calling on the northern group by voice aircraft to surrender. If this was not successful a plan of escalating fire was to be brought down on the group, beginning with mortars and working through air strike to gunfire.

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By this time 102 Fd Bty RAA had been relieved as infantry in the inner cordon and had manned its guns. The Brigade Commander hoped by bringing this fire down on the enemy group to get them to surrender without having to put in an infantry attack which was to be the last measure to be adopted.

11. This plan began at first light with mortaring of the northern group and almost immediately the enemy started surrendering. Because of this an air strike of eight Hunters, arranged on call from 0800 hrs, was not used and by mid-morning it was assessed that but three to five of the enemy group were left for.

12. During the morning the inner cordon closed up to the line of the inner cordon releasing 'D' Coy 3 RAR for any final attack which might be necessary on the remnants of the northern group. After further shelling of the group by 102 Fd Bty RAA 'D' Coy 3 RAR cleared the area previously occupied by the enemy group, in the course of which one enemy wounded was found and one enemy escaped.

13. On the assumption that the strength of the group as assessed in interrogation, was b2 there are still four at large. It is not known whether there are either north or south of the estuary. In the light of the elimination of practically the whole of the group a recommendation was made from the 28 Bde to MINDEF in the afternoon of 29 Oct that 28 Bde less one company should be withdrawn from 1700 hrs 30 Oct. This will leave the two platoons PFF and one company 1 RNZIR to maintain a presence in the area to look for the missing four Indonesians. At 1630 hrs 30 Oct MINDEF approved the withdrawal of 28 Bde. The one company 1 RNZIR will be withdrawn on the arrival of a further two platoons PFF from IPOH on 31 Oct.

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