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Headquarters units

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**Item: Headquarters Australian Army
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Narrative

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[1-31 Aug 1967]

COVERING LETTER

Reference No. R707-2-1(G)

To: OIC, Military History Section, AHQ.

1. I enclose Commanders Diary (AF C 2118) (Adapted) as indicated at Part 2.

2. Please return receipt below.

Received & forwarded 3/10/67

(Signature) *[Signature]*
(C.M.I. PEARSON) BRIG
Appointment COMMANDER
(OC Unit or senior staff officer)

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COMMANDERS DIARY

OF

Unit or Formation HQ AAF FARELF SINGAPORE

From 1ST AUGUST 1967

To 31ST AUGUST 1967

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Narrative (AF C 2118)

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- G Intelligence reports and summaries issued; appreciations made
- H Administrative orders and instructions issued
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PART 3

COMMANDERS DIARIES
INSTRUCTIONS

AIM

1. The aim of a Commanders Diary is to provide data on which to base future improvements in Army training, equipment, organization and administration, and to furnish historians with a record of the activities of units and formations in operational and non-operational periods in peace and in war.

GENERAL

2. Entries are to be made daily on AF C 2118 (Adapted) each entry being initialled by the officer detailed to keep it.

3. Commanders Diaries will conform with the rules for drafting orders given in "Staff Duties (Australia)", Chapter 2, Section 12.

RESPONSIBILITY

During Non-operational Periods

4. A Commanders Diary is to be compiled by commanders of all formations.

During Operational Periods (1)

- 5. A Commanders Diary is to be compiled in duplicate by:
 - a. Commanders of all formations.
 - b. Each branch of the staff at formation headquarters commanded by a brigadier or above.
 - c. Heads of services not below the rank of lieutenant colonel.
 - d. Personal staffs and officers holding special appointments.
 - e. Unit commanders.
 - f. Commanders of a detachment of a unit when so ordered.

COMPILATION

- 6. Both original and duplicate copies are to consist of:
 - a. Cover (AF C 2119) (Adapted).
 - b. Index as printed on cover.
 - c. Narrative (AF C 2118) (Adapted).
 - d. Annexes as shown in the Index.
- 7. All details of the unit or formation (if a detachment is concerned, the name of the parent unit), period covered and enclosure numbers of the annexes are to be shown on the cover. If there has been a change of command since the last report, the date of assumption by the new commanding officer is to be included.
- 8. The annexes are to 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 starting at B.

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COMMA **DISPOSAL** DIARIES

13. **Original Commander's Diary.** This is to be forwarded monthly, unless otherwise ordered, by the seventh day of the succeeding month direct to AHQ.

14. **Duplicate Commander's Diary.** This must be clearly marked as a duplicate. It is to be sent separately from the original to AHQ one month after the original has been despatched but not before the former has been acknowledged.

15. When overseas, both copies of diaries are to be sent through the Army Records organization in the overseas theatre but at different times.

16. **TOP SECRET Supplementary Diaries.**

a. The documents referred to in Paragraph 9 together with a list of them made out on AF C 2118 (Adapted) must be placed in separate cover (AF C 2119) (Adapted). All details must be filled in and the cover clearly marked in red: "ANNEX Z — OFFICER ONLY". It may be convenient to group the papers by appendices.

b. Supplementary diaries must be forwarded under the normal rules for TOP SECRET correspondence, to AHQ. The inner envelope must be plainly marked:

TOP SECRET
ANNEX Z to

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

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

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

COMPIATION

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To ARMY CANBERRA

STAFF MESSAGE CONTROL
- 5 AUG 1967
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UNIT WEEKLY REPORT ENDING 5 AUG 67 (.) A PD BTY (.) RAA PE AND
 GROUPING TESTS (.) 110 LAA BTY RAA (.) NCO PROMOTION AND SUBUNIT
 COURSES (.) 2 PD TP RAE (.) ENGR WORKS PROJECTS AT ASAHAN
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TO: AHQ CANBERRA
AHQ WELLINGTON
TPS HONG KONG
HQ 17 DIV/MALAYA DIST
28 BDE
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ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER

RTT

MALAYSIA/SINGAPORE SITREP AS AT 07001Z AUGUST

FIRST (.) ENEMY (.)

ALPHA (.) SINGAPORE (.) (NTR (.)

BRAVO (.) MALAYSIA/THAI BORDER

ONE (.) ON 27 AND 28 JUL MALAYSIA PFF AND THAI BPP OPERATING JOINTLY IN THE BETONG DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN THAILAND FOUND ONE DESERTED CAMP THREE TO FOUR YEARS OLD, TO ACCOMMODATE 100 - 150 PERSONS AT QY 845217, ONE SMALL FOOD LUMP AT QZ 003122 AND A CONFERENCE AREA FROM TWO TO THREE MONTHS OLD AT QY 999142 (.)


TWO (.) BPP DISCOVERED A SIX MONTH OLD CAMP FOR TEN PERSONS AT QY 854278 BETONG DISTRICT, WITH TRACKS LEADING TO THE BORDER (.)

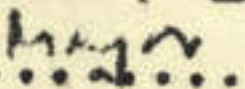
THREE (.) PFF OPERATING IN THE MALAYSIAN SIDE OF THE BORDER ON 27 JUL FOUND A BASHA FOR THIRTY PERSONS AT QZ 241184 (.) BASHA WAS ABOUT THREE DAYS OLD (.) TRACKS LED SOUTHWARD (.)

CHARLIE (.) EAST MALAYSIA (.)

SARAWAK FIRST DIVISION (.) FIVE PGRS SURRENDERED TO 9 R MALAY AT SAPIT GR 921029 ON 4 AUG (.)

SECOND (.) OWN TROOPS (.) POST CROWN FORCE (.) CHANGE OVER OF 59 FD SQN RE AND 11 INDEP FD SQN RE (.) MOVE OF ADVANCE PARTIES COMPLETED (.) MAIN BODIES SCHEDULED TO MOVE THIS WEEK (.)

Signature..... 

Rank..... 

Internal:

G(Int) (MA DJAKARTA))

MA MANILLA)) Not to be signalled
War Room

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To ARMY CAENBRA			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION RESTRICTED
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UNIT WEEKLY REPORT ENDING 12 AUG 67 .

A FD BNY RAA . EQUIPMENT SERVICING CEN CREDENTIALS AND BLOCK LEAVE .

110 LAA BNY RAA . BNY DEPLOYMENT EXERCISES 6 - 12 AUG .

2 FD TP RAE . EXERCISE AT MARANG CEN CONSTRUCTION TASKS AT ASAHAN .

4 BAR . EXERCISE SWAMPING IN GRMAS TRG AREA .

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HQ PARELF

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TPS HONG KONG
HQ 17 DIV/MALAYA DIST
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MALAYSIA/SINGAPORE SITREP AS AT 140001Z AUG (.)

FIRST (.)

ENEMY (.)

ALPHA (.) SINGAPORE (.) NTR (.)

BRAVO (.) WEST MALAYSIA/THAILAND BORDER (.)

ONE (.) BETONG DISTRICT OF SOUTH THAILAND (.)

DURING THE PERIOD 29 JUL TO 3 AUG JOINT THAI AND MALAYSIAN POLICE FORCES ARRESTED THREE SUSPECTED CTO SUPPORTERS AND DISCOVERED TWO OLD CT CAMPS (.)

TWO (.) SADAO DISTRICT OF SOUTH THAILAND (.)

ON 29 JUL JOINT THAI AND MALAYSIAN POLICE FORCES DISCOVERED ONE CT CAMP TWO TO FOUR WEEKS OLD, CAPABLE OF ACCOMMODATING SEVEN PERSONNEL.

CHARLIE (.) EAST MALAYSIA (.)

ONE (.) SARAWAK FIRST DIVISION (.) FIVE UNARMED PGRS SURRENDERED TO SF AT SAPIT GR 921030 ON 4 AUG (.)

TWO (.) SARAWAK SECOND DIVISION ON 7 AUG TWO SUSPECTED PIRAKU WERE SIGHTED AT LEMPONG SIMPAU GR 076023 NEAR ENKILI (.) IN A FOLLOW UP OPERATION ONE IBAN SUSPECT WAS ARRESTED AND TAKEN TO SIMANGGANG FOR INTERROGATION (.)

THREE (.) SABAH/WEST COAST RESIDENCY (.) ON 4 AUG SF RAIDED PULAU MENGALAM OFF JESSELTON AND RECOVERED SIXTY EIGHT BOTTLES OF EXPLOSIVE (.) SIX FILIPINOS ARRESTED (.)

SECOND (.)

OWN TPS (.) POST CROWN FORCE (.) CHANGEOVER 59 FD SQN RE AND 11 INDEP FD SQN COMPLETED (.)

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To <u>ARMY CANTONNA</u>			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION
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			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER
			OPD 4239

STAFF MESSAGE CONTROL
18 AUG 1967
HQ FARELF

Info

UNIT WEEKLY REPORT ENDING 19 AUG 67 . A PD BYY RAA . BLOCK LEAVE AND MAINTENANCE AND PREPARATION FOR HANDOVER TO 107 PD BYY RAA . 110 LAA BYY RAA . LEAD EXERCISE OF RAAP BUTENGRIN . 2 PD BY RAA . EXERCISE AT MARANG CSM CONSTRUCTION TASKS AT ASAHAN . BAR . EXERCISE SWAN SCHE IN CHINA TIG AREA .

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To *ARMY CANBERRA*

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OPS 4374

THE MESSAGE CONTROL STAFF
 25 AUG 1964
 HQ FARELF

UNIT WEEKLY REPORT FINDING 26 AUG 64 . A TO BY RAA . BLOCK LEAVE AND PREPARATION FOR HANDOVER TO 107 TD BY RAA . 130 LAA BY RAA . UNIT COURSES . 2 TD TP RAA . CONSTRUCTION TASKS AT ASAHAN . 4 RAA . UNIT COURSES .

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BRAVO (.) WEST MALAYSIA/THAILAND BORDER (.) NTR (.)

CHARLIE (.) EAST MALAYSIA (.)

ONE (.) SARAWAK FIRST DIVISION (.)

ON 22 AUG ONE MALE AND ONE FEMALE CHINESE ARRESTED DURING

AMBUSH LAID BY SF AT KUCHING-SERIA ROAD GR 957034 (.)

MALE CHINESE SHOT IN LEGS WHILST ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE (.)

SUBVERSIVE DOCUMENTS SEIZED (.)

TWO (.) SARAWAK SECOND DIVISION (.)

ON 18 AUG SF AMBUSHED AND KILLED TWO ARMED PERAKU AT BT KAWI

GR 080023 NEAR ENKILILI (.) ITEMS RECOVERED INCLUDE 2 X STENS

CMM WITH 4 X MAGS AND 395 RDS AMMO CMM 2 GRENADES CMM

COMMUNIST DOCUS CMM PERAKU UNIFORM AND FLAGS (.) SEVERAL

SMALL GROUPS OF PERAKU BELIEVED TO BE PRESENT IN ENKILILI

AREA MOVING ABOUT AT NIGHT (.)

SECOND (.) OWN TROOPS (.) NTR (.)

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