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[1-30 Apr 1966]

COVERING LETTER

Reference No. 207/1/1 (2)

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.

(Signature) *John Myl*Appointment OC 17 CONST SQN RAE Major
(OC Unit or senior staff officer)**SECRET**

ORIGINAL

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not applicable**COMMANDERS DIARY**

OF

Unit or Formation 17 CONSTRUCTION SQUADRON RAEFrom 1 APRIL 66To 30 APRIL 66

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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 NII, will be entered on the cover. If additional annexes are convenient for a particular headquarters, starting at B.

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DISPOSAL

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.

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF - C 2118 (Adapted)
Revised Jun, 1965

UNIT/FORMATION 17 Const Bn RAN

MONTH AND YEAR APRIL 1966

REFERENCE MAP N/A

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj G.M. BYTH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time K hrs	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
KINGSFORD	1 Apr	0905	Sig on Accom stores arrived	I 1
	2-3 Apr		Squadron less ^{ACQ} staff stood down for weekend	
	4 Apr	1130	MilCommand Sydney APA006372 of 310430Z arrived, more photos required including 2 in civies for passport. NO contract photographer avail until 13 Apr at this stage. Reason for 2 in civies is NOT understood as Passport Officer has informed us that any full face photo in uniform or not will satisfy.	I 2
	5 Apr	1030	Mov instr timings arrived E Comd 28/601/289 (Q Mov) of 1 Apr	I 3
			Security briefing instr arrived E Comd 28/601/289 (GI) of 1 Apr	D 1
	6 Apr	0830	OC left for VIETNAM again. Capt MENZIE assumed Adm Comd	I 4
		1000	Sig from E Comd arrived stating NO OPs returns are required on weekends or Public holidays. A good 9-5 o'clock war.	
		1100	Release order for replacement of our $\frac{1}{4}$ ton Vehs with $\frac{3}{4}$ Ton vehs notified by E Comd. Vehs already at WOOLWICH docks ready for loading, held pending arrival of new vehs tomorrow.	
	7 Apr	0930	Mov instr E Comd 28/601/289 (Q Mov) of 6 Apr 66 arrived	I 5
			Mov Instr for planning party arrived E Comd Q Mov 0957 of 060030Z	I 6
			Daily papers announce proposed departure of small ships with engineer plant	

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MONTH AND YEAR APRIL 66

REFERENCE MAP N/A

UNIT/FORMATION 17 Const Sqn RAE

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj G.M. BYTH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time K Hrs	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
KINGSFORD	7 Apr	1500	INGLEBURN switch board closed down for Easter	<i>GR4</i>
		1500	HQ E Comd, including Operations Room, stopped work for Easter	<i>GR4</i>
			Apparently there is NO war or major troop movements to worry about?	<i>GR4</i>
		1620	There is one only AMF Authorization stamp available in E Comd. This was loaned by A Branch to a Capt CURTIS of 32 SMALL SHIPS SQUADRON and we can NOT get use of it.	
			We still have 13 I.D. Cards to be stamped ready for departure tomorrow.	
			Duty Offr E Comd finally had Capt CURTIS deliver it to us at 2055 and we returned it to Duty Offr at 2135 hrs.	<i>GR4</i>
	8 Apr	0915	Planning party left by QANTAS Commercial flight. Capt BOLTON is to write Advance Party diary under Comd Maj BYTH	<i>GR4</i>
	10 Apr	1000	Small Ships party of 11 OR under Sgt WARREN departed SYDNEY	<i>GR4</i>
	11 Apr	1115	Unit Mov Instr issued	M 1 <i>GR4</i>
	12 Apr	0800	Lts CROCKER and SIMPKINS returned to Unit from Regt Offrs Course at SME	<i>GR4</i>
KINGSFORD	13 Apr	1000	Maj PEEK CE Branch visited for quick check on Unit readiness	<i>GR4</i>
		1200	Priority signal from 5 RAR, requesting nominal rolls etc for flight one leaving 19 Apr by 1200 hrs <u>12 Apr</u> , received by phone. E Comd instr requires this info	
			5 days prior to departure i.e. 14 Apr. Sit explained to 5 RAR by phone.	<i>GR4</i>

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MONTH AND YEAR APRIL 66

REFERENCE MAP N/A

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj G.M. BYTH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
KINGSFORD	13 Apr	1430	Unit Adm Instr 2/66 issued	H 2
	14 Apr	0900	Mov Conference by Capt MENZIE with all offr and SSM	
		1130	Troops given initial briefing on move	
			All vehs to be prepared for loading by Sat 16 Apr	
	15 Apr	0930	E Comd sig requiring passes to be prepared for friends of members departing overseas	
			for entry to airport and dock	
		1500	Amendment to Mov Instr received from E Comd	I 7
	16 Apr	0830	Unit worked all day loading stores on vehs for loading HMAS SYDNEY	
		1100	CE E Comd visited unit and spoke to men prior to lunch	
	17 Apr	0830	Loading continued all day	
	18 Apr	0800	Ten pers in advance party prepared for mov on 19 Apr	
		1500	10 MC gp notify 11 pers to go plus 3 reserves	
		1615	10 MC gp notify delete 11 insert 10. 3 reserves still prepared. Flight 2 on 26 Apr	
			delete 39 insert 40 plus 4 reserves	
	19 Apr	1000	Definite Final Discrepancy list of Unit Stores compiled and submitted to HQ E Comd	J 1
	20 Apr	1030	Minister for Army made a very short visit	
		1430	Squadron attended briefing at S Block HQ E Comd until 1915	

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COMMANDING OFFICER Maj G.M. BYTH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
KINGSFORD	20 Apr	1500	Documentation for Flight 2 (26 Apr) fwd to 11 MC gp	<i>Det</i>
	21 Apr	0800	Maj LOCKEY CE Branch inspected troops for parade through SYDNEY. Bad turnout due	
			work load	<i>Det</i>
		1045	Dress improved immensely. However HQ E Comd seems to think soldier can work until	
			8 PM every day for 7 days a week, have most clothes aboard ship, live out of kit bags	
			and still look immaculate.	<i>Det</i>
		1244	150 members of Unit march through streets of SYDNEY	<i>Det</i>
	22 Apr	0900	46 pers left to board HMAS SYDNEY	<i>Det</i>
		1400	Documentation for Flight 3 (28 Apr) fwd to 11 MC gp	<i>Det</i>
		1630	Unit stood down for 23, 24 and 25 Apr	<i>Det</i>
	25 Apr	0800	Closed camp for flight 2	<i>Det</i>
		1025	Notification of change of Unit loc sent to Ops Room E Comd	C 1 <i>Det</i>
	26 Apr	1130	Documentation for flight 4 fwd to 11 MC gp	<i>Det</i>
		1530	Sig from OC arrived (.) Sent 21 Apr VIETNAM, arrived HQ E Comd 22 Apr we received	
			1530 26 Apr. Why?	<i>Det</i>
	26 Apr	2359	Flight 2 departed RAAF RICHMOND to 11 MC gp	<i>Det</i>
	27 Apr	0900	Documentation for flight 5 fwd to 11 MC gp	<i>Det</i>

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UNIT/FORMATION 17 Const Sqn RAN

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj G.M. BYTH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
KINGSFORD	27 Apr	0800	Closed camp for flight 3	<i>DLH</i>
	28 Apr	1130	Documentation for flight 6 fwd to 11 MC gp	<i>DLH</i>
		2359	Flight 3 departed	<i>DLH</i>
	29 Apr	1100	Mr GRAY MP called to check on his son's preparation. If every father was an MP we would never get off the ground	<i>DLH</i>
		1630	Remainder of unit stood down for weekend. Closed camp for flight 4	<i>DLH</i>
	30 Apr	2359	Flight 4 departed	<i>DLH</i>
		2400	HQ 17 Const Sqn closed at KINGSFORD opened at VUNG TAU	<i>DLH</i>
		2400	<i>as yet NO receipt has been received from AMO for the original copy of Commanders diary MARCH 66. Duplicate copy is therefore being withheld as per Para 12 of AF C2119</i>	<i>DLH</i>

MESSAGE FORM

Annex C1
To 17 Const Sqn RAE
Commander's Diary April 66
NUMBER.....

FOR COMM CEN/SIGNALS USE.....

PRECEDENCE — ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE — INFO DEFERRED	DATE — TIME — GROUP 250025Z	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS
From 17 CONST SQN			PREFIX GR
To MILCOMMAND SYDNEY			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION SECRET
			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER 86

Info **AUSTARM VIETNAM**
CARO

IT IS ADVISED THAT THIS UNIT HQ WILL CLOSE AT KINGSFORD
AND REOPEN AT VUNGTAU AT 011400Z MAY 66 (.) HQ 9 TP
17 CONST SQN WILL OPEN AT KINGSFORD AT 012200Z MAY 66

Page.....of.....pages		REFERS TO MESSAGE CLASSIFIED <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		DRAFTER'S NAME MENZIE		OFFICE		TEL No 38			
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DGS/EJF
Telephone 31 0455
Extension 512

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*Annex D1
To 17 Const Sqn RAE
Commander's Diary April 66*

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Quote in reply:

28/601/289 (GI)

HQ Eastern Command
Victoria Barracks,
PADDINGTON. NSW
Apr 66

SECURITY BRIEFINGS - HARDIHOOD

References: A. E Comd Signal OPS 006341 of 31 Mar 66

1. All ranks of the force are to be briefed on return from pre-embarkation leave. The briefings will be given by an AHQ Team and a representative of the Red Cross Society.
2. Subjects to be covered are:-
 - a. Geneva Convention (by Red Cross).
 - b. The enemy; his nature, organization and methods.
 - c. Concept of Allied operations.
 - d. Correct attitude to local population after arrival in theatre.
 - e. Communist techniques of provoking incidents to provide propaganda, selective capture of prisoners in "safe" areas, and conduct if captured.
 - f. Need for security in letters home.
3. Details of units, numbers, dates, times and locations are shown in Annex A attached. The Annex may be downgraded to CONFIDENTIAL when separated from this instruction.
4. Administrative arrangements are to be carried out as follows:
 - a. 1 Fd Regt is to ensure that:
 - (1) The theatre is ready for use on the dates and at the times set out in Annex A, and that sufficient seating is available.
 - (2) A "Vugraph" and 16mm projector are set up and ready for operation for each briefing.
 - (3) Traffic into and out of the unit area, including parking at the theatre, is controlled.
 - (4) No unauthorized person is present during Army briefing.
 - b. Units are to provide their own transport to and from the briefings.
 - c. A responsible officer from each unit is to supervise the movement, seating and conduct of unit personnel involved at each briefing.

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d. HQ LIVERPOOL Area is to provide a "Vugraph" and 16mm film projector for use at each briefing, and is requested to make arrangements direct with 1 Fd Regt regarding delivery and safe custody of the equipments. HQ LIVERPOOL Area is to provide an operator for the film projector on each occasion.

e. For the briefing in P Block, Victoria Barracks Camp Comdt HQ E Comd is to provide the same facilities as those mentioned in 4 a and d above. HQ Comm Z is requested to make P Block available on this occasion.

5. Each briefing session will consist of:

a. Four hours of briefing, including films, conducted by the AHQ Team. This briefing is to be attended by all ranks.

b. Thirty minutes of briefing, including question-and-answer period, conducted by a representative of the Red Cross Society. This briefing is to be attended by all ranks.

c. Thirty minutes of briefing, for the officers in each group at the conclusion of the session, to be conducted by the AHQ Team.

6. Any unit unable to meet the requirements of the programme in Annex A is to advise GS01 (Ops and SD), HQ E Comd, by the fastest means so that alternative arrangements may be made. It is imperative that every member of the force be briefed prior to departure from AUSTRALIA.

Enclosure: 1. Annex A - Briefing
Programme

Col
GS

Distribution

1 TF
LIVERPOOL Area
Comm Z
1 Fd Regt
131 Div Loc Bty
1 Fd Sqn
17 Constr Sqn
11 MC Gp
21 Engr Sp Tp
1 Tope Svy Tp
103 Sig Sqn
5 RAR
1 Div Int Unit
21 Sup Pl
176 Air Dispatch Coy
1 Coy RAASC
1 Tpt Pl
33 Dental Unit
101 Fd Wksp Stores Sect
1 OFP
131 Div Loc Bty
1 Fd Sqn Wksp
17 Const Sqn Wksp
101 Fd Wksp
1 Div S & T Wksp
1 Fd Regt LAD

1 TF HQ LAD
1 Div Cash Office
1 Div Pro Coy
1 Div Postal Unit
67 GL Gp
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ANNEX A to
E COMD 28/601/289 (GI)
OF APR 66

BRIEFING PROGRAMME

SERIAL	UNIT	NUMBER	DATE	TIME	LECTURER	LOCATION	REMARKS
1	All personnel moving by air 19 Apr	409 incl 67 from Metropolitan units	19 Apr	0800-1200 All ranks	AHQ Team	1 Fd Regt Theatre, Kokoda Barracks	Officers remain after main lecture for additional 30 minutes as shown
	All personnel moving by HMAS SYDNEY 22 Apr			1200-1230 All ranks	Red Cross Rep		
				1230-1300 Officers	AHQ Team		
2	5 RAR	450	19 Apr	1400-1430 All Ranks	Red Cross Rep	As above	As above
				1430-1830 All ranks	AHQ Team		
				1830-1900 Officers	AHQ Team		
3	5 RAR	154	20 Apr	0830-1200 All ranks	AHQ Team	As above	As above
	HQ 1 LSG	1					
	55 AESS	4					
	21 Sup Pl	30		1200-1230 All ranks	Red Cross Rep		
	103 Sig Sqn	12		1230-1300 Officers	AHQ Team		

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ANNEX A

SERIAL	UNIT	NUMBER	DATE	TIME	LECTURER	LOCATION	REMARKS
4	17 Const Sqn	136	20 Apr	1430-1500	Red Cross	P Block Victoria Barracks	Officers remain after main lecture for additional 30 minutes as shown
	17 Const Wksp	3		All ranks	Rep		
	11 MC Gp	3		1500-1900	AHQ Team		
				All ranks			
				1900-1930	AHQ Team		
				Officers			
5	1 OFP	11	3 May	0800-1200	AHQ Team	1 Fd Regt Theatre Kekeda Barracks	As above.
	HQ 1 Coy RAASC	6		All ranks			
	131 Div Loc Bty	53					
	1 Fd Regt	22		1200-1230	Red Cross		
	103 Sig Sqn	9		All ranks	Rep		
	HQ 1 TF	83					
	17 Const Sqn Wksp	27		1230-1300	AHQ Team		
	1 Div ST Wksp	10		Officers			
	1 Div Pro Coy	4					
6	103 Sig Sqn	79	13 May	0800-1200	AHQ Team	As above	As above
	HQ 1 TF LAD	14		All ranks			
				1200-1230	Red Cross		
				All ranks	Rep		
				1230-1300	AHQ Team		
				Officers			

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ANNEX A

SERIAL	UNIT	NUMBER	DATE	TIME	LECTURER	LOCATION	REMARKS
7	1 Fd Regt	163	17 May	0800-1200	AHQ Team	1 Fd Regt Theatre Kekeda Barracks	Officers remain after main lecture for additional 30 minutes as shown
	1 Tpt Pl	77		All ranks			
	176 AD Coy	42					
	1 Fd Sqn	77		1200-1230	Red Cross		
	21 Engr Sp Tp	52		All ranks	Rep		
				1230-1300	AHQ Team		
				Officers			
8	1 Fd Sqn Wksp	29	17 May	1400-1430	Red Cross	As above	As above
	101 Fd Wksp	125		All ranks	Rep		
	1 Fd Regt LAD	9					
	67 GL Sect	4		1430-1830	AHQ Team		
	1 Tope Svy Tp	17		All Ranks			
	101 Fd Wksp Stores Sect	16					
	33 Dental Unit	11		1830-1900	AHQ Team		
	1 Div Int Unit	11		Officers			

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*Annex M1
To 17 Const Sqn RAE
Commander's Diary April 66*

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17 Const Sqn RAE
Avoca Street
KINGSFORD

Apr 66

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MOVEMENT INSTRUCTION

1. Situation

This Unit less a const troop and including 17 Const Sqn Wksps is warned for movement overseas to SOUTH VIETNAM.

2. Mission

E64/66. To prepare for movement in accordance with E Comd Mov Instr

3. Execution

a. General

The move is to be carried out by sea and air. RAN and Army ships will be used and chartered civil aircraft.

b. Sea

(1) The Army ships being used are one LSM, AV VERNON STURDEE, and AS JOHN MONASH. These will sail from SYDNEY on 10 Apr 66 and are expected to arrive at VUNGTAU on 6 May 66.

(2) The RAN ship involved is HMAS SYDNEY. This ship will depart SYDNEY on 22 Apr 66 and should arrive at VUNG TAU on 4 May 66.

(3) These ships will be making two trips, however this unit's stores and equipment should all move on the first trip.

(4) Personnel to move by sea are listed in Annex A.

(5) Vehicles and plant are to be prepared for movement by sea in accordance with E Comd SO for Mov by Sea and Air 1966.

(6) Details of call forward of stores, equipment and personnel will be notified separately.

c. Air

(1) Air movement will be from RAAF Base RICHMOND.

(2) The aircraft will depart RICHMOND at 2359 hrs on the dates shown in Annex B.

(3) Officers may carry 96lbs of baggage and OR 80lbs onto the aircraft. This total weight includes all webbing, weapon and ammunition, rations and other supplies, clothing in packs or kit bags.

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- (4) Steel helmets are to be packed into kitbags.
- (5) An allowance of 44lbs per man of unit stores may be moved by air. DCO's are to collect together unit stores up to the maximum weight allowed for the number in his draft and hold them ready for movement.
- (6) The priority for stores to be moved by air is as follows

Priority 1	Documents
" 2	Water jerry cans
" 3	Cooking equipment
" 4	Tradesmans tool kits (carpenters, veh mechs, electricians, refrig mechs only)
" 5	Medical kits
" 6	Other accommodation stores

- (7) NO hazardous cargo is to be carried by air.
- (8) All personnel are to carry one charged magazine in basic pouch. All other ammunition issued to the Draft is to be cased and stowed with the baggage.
- (9) Hexamine tablets for issue to the draft are also to be moved in standard Army packaging.
- (10) All baggage and unit stores but NOT weapons are to be delivered to RICHMOND by 1400 hrs on the day of the flight.
- (11) Personnel with their weapons are to report by 2200 hrs.
- (12) Immigration Outgoing passenger cards are to be completed by each member and handed in at the airfield. Supplies of this document will be delivered to the unit.

d. Documentation

Documentation is to be in accordance with paras 95 and 96 of E Comd 28/601/289(Q) dated 17 Mar 66. Load manifests must show priority of stores for movement by air.

e. Briefing

All ranks are to be briefed before departure from Australia. Details and timings will be issued separately.

f. Dress

Personnel embarking for overseas are to wear.

- (1) Hats khaki fur felt
 - (2) Shirts green
 - (3) Trousers green
 - (4) Beret GP
 - (5) Personal equipment
- and are to carry personal weapons and kitbags only.

...g. Trunks

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g. Trunks Cabin Metal

Trunks, except for the small ships party, are to be moved as cargo on HMAS SYDNEY. Members are to pack their trunks, close them securely and deliver them to their Troop Stores by 15 Apr 66 at 1200 hrs.

h. DPI Checks

DC08s are to carry out a DPI check of all personnel in their draft NOT more than seven days and NOT less than four days prior to movement. This check is to include all aspects namely:-

- a. Kit check as per Unit DPI Check List (as amended)
- b. Check of all medical aspects
 - (i) Inoculations and Mantoux
 - (ii) X Ray
 - (iii) Medical examination
 - (iv) Dental
- c. Documentation check
 - (i) ID Card completed and stamped
 - (ii) Med 4 and 5 completed and signed
 - (iii) IHC entered, signed and stamped
 - (iv) AAB83 complete
 - (v) All photographs taken
 - (vi) Paybook complete with signatures and photographs
 - (vii) Family registration form submitted in duplicate by married members.
- d. Identity discs issued and stamped including blood group and Rh factor
- e. RAASC supplies to be carried on the individual have been issued E Comd 28/601/289(Q) dated 17 Mar 66 para 51 refers.

j. Closed Camp

NO further leave will be granted after 0800 hrs on the day prior to movement for the personnel on each draft. Members are to live in camp on the last night and will use personal equipment bedding.

Capt
Adm Comd 17 Const Sqn RAE

ANNEXES A. Movement by Sea
B. Movement by Air

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Annex A to 17 Const Sqn
Mov Instr of 11 Apr 66

MOVEMENT BY SEA

Serial	Departure Place	Date	Ship	No	Rank	PERSONNEL Name	Remarks
1	WOOLWICH	10 Apr 66	AV	242865	Sgt	M D MYERS	Wksp DCO
			VERNON	216197	Spr	R.J. TATTIS	"
			STURDEE	18762	Cfn	P.A. MUIR	"
				43056	LCpl	B.G. GILES	Plant Tp
				215124	Spr	W.H. JOHNSON	"
				37453	Cpl	J.R. ARNOLD	"
				2781560	Spr	L.G. FORD	HQ
				61358	Spr	D.C. MAPLEY	Res Tp
2	WOOLWICH	10 Apr 66	AS JOHN	21788	Sgt	A.G. WARREN	Plant Tp DCO
			MONASH	29225	Spr	L.J. WALLER	"
				212922	Spr	I.K. ANDERSON	"
				5713695	Spr	W. MITCHELL	"
				2782019	Spr	R.W. HASSETT	10 Tp
				215147	Spr	W.M. HAYMAN	"
				26938	Cpl	W.L. JASPER	Wksp
				214890	Cfn	C C O'BRIEN	"
4	GARDEN ISLAND	22 Apr 66	HMAS	243145	Spr	D.R. MADDISON	"
			SYDNEY	17085	Lt	J. CROCKER	8 Tp DCO
				18519	SSgt	P.E. HAWKINS	"
				29729	Sgt	A.F. REECE	"
				29872	Cpl	S.W. KENYON	"
				16251	Spr	D.J. ASH	"
				242563	Cpl	R. YOUNG	"
				18683	LCpl	G. HADDOCK	"
				24362	Spr	D.L. BLOOMFIELD	"
				243263	Spr	R.W. CAMPBELL	"
				37950	LCpl	L. DENNEMAN	"
				2781846	Spr	M.D. CAMPBELL	"
				215471	Spr	K.J. SMAILES	"
				17996	LCpl	D.K. SMITH	"
				6708219	Spr	G.C. STEVENS	"
				5713697	Spr	R.T. MORGAN	"
				27813889	Spr	D.W. MONTAGUE	"
				214485	Cpl	L.F. HIGGISON	"
				5411432	LCpl	R. BREARLEY	"
				2782124	Spr	D.D. SPOKES	"
				1730861	Spr	BARR	"
				3787286	Spr	P.M. BETTS	"
				2782625	Spr	NABBS	"
				6708247	Spr	R.G. HAYS	"
				2782099	Spr	T.E. BARRY	"
				2781737	Spr	G.E. BRUTON	"
				2781864	Spr	G.J. ADAMS	"
				2781861	Spr	I.J. PIGNAT	"
				2782542	Spr	P R SMITH	"
				1730767	Spr	J.R. STUMER	"
				3787041	Spr	R.M. GOODE	"
				4717485	Spr	P.W. ELLUL	"
				3786749	LCpl	P.D. BUTTROSE	"
				42159	Cpl	D.G. ADAMS	8 Tp
				212549	Cpl	A.J. URQUHART	Plant Tp
				214956	Spr	J. PANDEL	"
				214467	Spr	K.R. ATFIELD	"
				36087	Spr	E R McCULLUM	"
				2782085	Spr	A J PEARMAN	"

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2782083	Spr	E.J. MOSS	Plant Tp
41993	Sgt	E.H. ABLETT	
54496	2Lt	M.J. TONKS	
29630	Cpl	R.G. FULCHER	Wksp
36440	WO2	T.R. SMITH	"
243308	Spr	M.T. FARRAR	"
2782720	Cfn	I C BATH	"
61454	Pte	A G PRICE	"

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Annex B to 17 Const Sqn
Mov Inst of 11 Apr 66

MOVEMENT BY AIR

Serial	Place	Date	Flight	No	Rank	Name	Remarks
	MASCOT	6 Apr 66	Qantas	17020	Maj	G.M. BYTH	
	MASCOT	8 Apr 66	QF759		Capt J. C.	BOLTON	HQ DCO
				11785	WO2	M J DAWSON	"
				5713684	"	D W McILROY	"
				2782786	"	LANDER	"
				54429	Cpl	B MAY	"
				2781703	LCpl	R A HUNT	Resources
				4397	WO2	L W HENESS	"
RICHMOND		19 Apr 66	Flight 1	41861	Capt	B.D. JENKINS	HQ
				21655	WO2	K.G. RAPLEY	Plant
				342096	Spr	K.L. STUART	Res
				54675	LCpl	K. HOLMES	"
				58708	Cpl	B. HONEYCHURCH	10 Tp
				14752	Cpl	R. LAWRENCE	"
				6535	WO1	G W McDONALD	198 Wks
				21800	WO1	M J VERRAN	"
				21385	WO1	R A HINES	"
				41994	Cpl	C.E. McGAVISK	"
RICHMOND		26 Apr 66	Flight 2	235244	Lt	D. SIMPKINS	10 Tp
				214542	Sgt	D.J. ROSE	"
				3787279	Spr	R.A. KING	"
				42819	Spr	D. TWIGDEN	"
				48579	Cpl	J. COTTON	"
				3787047	Spr	G. R MILLER	"
				2781880	Spr	G R YOUNG	"
				243203	"	M CAMPBELL	"
				38112	LCpl	H WILSON	"
				3786939	Spr	A E PRYDE	"
				2782214	"	G.F. JONES	"
				28167	LCpl	C W COLLINS	"
				53866	Spr	T J DUSCI	"
				6708234	Spr	M J SMITH	"
				1731157	Spr	D W O'BRIEN	"
				4410656	Spr	E T DIXON	"
				311536	Spr	STOCKMAN	"
				54388	LCpl	A V JONES	"
				215882	Spr	T SHELLEY	"
				3787113	Spr	C J DAWSON	"
				3787193	Spr	R G VAN EEDE	"
				2781492	Spr	G.A. HOLLIS	"
				216373	Spr	G.A. SELBY	"
				441096	"	R C VERGOE	"
				55075	"	R ALEXANDER	"
				3787594	"	G R HOBLEY	"
				2782285	"	J.E. RUSSELL	"
				2781753	"	J.T. CLARK	"
				2782662	Spr	D.R. WASS	"
				3787469	Spr	FRASER	"
				215441	Pte	D.J. LAMPERT	"
				4410729	Spr	P COX	Res
				54902	Spr	G.G. MORRIS	"
				2781793	"	J.R. RENAUD	"
				120040	"	T RUIG	"
				376795	"	C L O'HAIRE	"
				212794	Cpl	J. GRAHAM	"
				2781901	Spr	V W FISHER	"

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				58722	Spr	F MEREDITH	Wksp
				29941	WO	R.L. RUSSELL	"
				242967	Sgt	N BARRETT	"
				43136	Cfn	T. GADDARD	"
RICHMOND	28 Apr 66	Flight 3		2781884	Spr	K.J. HOWARTH	Plant Tp
				3787012	Spr	K.W. MUSTEY	Res Tp
				2781357	Spr	D. S. FIELD	"
				53121	WO2	A F VINALL	HQ DCO
				5411411	Spr	S. WILLINSKI	"
				22103	WO2	T.V. MILLS	"
				29030	Sgt	C J KEEL	"
				61117	Sgt	K J CASHION	"
				5411426	Cpl	B HAMILTON	"
				2781302	Spr	G. R. BLACK	"
				342729	Cpl	J.L. HOLMAN	"
				36691	LCpl	B.K. DEVLIN	"
				61588	"	T.K. JOHNSTONE	"
				2781547	Spr	D.R. CROFT	"
				5713661	"	R S HILL	"
				5713675	"	J.F. KITCHEN	"
				2781529	Pte	P. WHITTAKER	"
				61459	Cpl	A.E. JONES	"
RICHMOND	30 Apr 66	Flight 4		342805	2Lt	D.J. BRANDIE	Plant
				2781576	Spr	G.M. SCOTT	"
				14645	Cpl	E.C. COWELL	"
				215002	Spr	G. ROWE	"
				1200063	"	V.P. CORDWELL	"
				5713640	"	K.G. FORREST	"
				3786638	"	D.J. MILLS	"
				3411732	"	J.A. NORTH	"
				4717468	"	T.E. CAMPLIN	"
				2781649	"	P.J. BUSH	"
				2782128	"	G.F. HILL	"
				22863	Cpl	J. MAIN	"
				2781483	Spr	D.N. FULLBROOK	"
				42821	LCpl	J.G. PAUL	"
				36182	Spr	R.A. HOLLAND	"
				3787328	Spr	B.T. HENNERBURY	"
				215146	"	R.G. MUNN	"
				37762	"	R.E. WATSON	"
				37167	"	H. WRIGHT	"
				14584	"	H.P. ROEDER	"
				54501	Cpl	N. WATTS	"
				3787482	Spr	J. WARREN	"
				4717789	"	G.A. SIMPSON	"
				2782582	"	G.D. HILL	"
				278796	"	K.J. JOHNSTONE	"
				2782386	"	B.R. BATES	"
				2782458	"	R. GRAY	"
				37377	LCpl	J.J. MAHONEY	"
				16703	Spr	M R BLAIN	"
				2781952	LCpl	D. POTONIDES	"

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Serial	Place	Date	Flight	No	Rank	Name	Remarks
				17865	Spr	K.J. HEMSLEY	Plant
				17604	Cpl	G. TRYHORN	"
				215658	LCpl	B. McKENZIE	"
				42265	"	D.B. BICKEL	"
				28232	WO2	S.A. REMFRY	Res
				35063	Cpl	J.J. ROSS	"
				4717847	Spr	G.L. WUNDERER	"
				48625	"	R.G. HEDGER	"
				5713964	"	G.R. STODDARD	"
				2782240	"	S.W. LOGAN	"
				2781855	"	J.R. CAMBRIDGE	"
				2781929	"	R. WARSOP	"
				2782458	"	I D. GRAY	"
				213385	LCpl	B RILEY	"
				4717509	Spr	H.L. CARPENTER	"
				3786616	Spr	C. SABELL	"
				3787513	"	D.O. MARTIN	"
				36279	Cpl	K.C. JOHNSON	"
				342894	"	W G JEFFERS	"
				213595	Cpl	D. MEEHAN	"
				18684	Spr	R.J. PHILLIPS	"
				2781619	"	L.H. GRIEVE	"
				18733	Spr	B.H. ALLISON	"
				3786689	LCpl	J.R. MURRIHY	"
				13985	Cpl	R BAYLIS	"
RICHMOND	2 May 66	Flight 5		5403	Lt	A J FERNIHOUGH	HQ DCO
				2781480	Spr	K.R. FORD	"
				26339	Cpl	K. RICHARDS	"
				3411231	Cpl	M PATTERSON	"
				2782692	Spr	M W HARGRAVES9	"
RICHMOND	4 May 66	Flight 6		57072	Lt	D R HOBBS	HQ DCO
				2412198	Spr	F SPRAGUE	"
				29083	Cpl	V G GRINHAM	"
				38006	Cpl	DUNCAN	"
RICHMOND	14 May 66	Flight 11		1453	Capt	KIPPEN	Wksps
				14588	Sgt	HOLLIMAN	"
				36318	Cpl	CONSTANTINE	"
				342885	Cfn	E.S. ENGLISH	"
				142886	Cpl	BEGGS	"
				42673	Cpl	CLAYTON	"
					Cpl	GILLESPIE	"
				243080	Cpl	DUNN	"
					Cpl	MITCHELL	"
				37352	Spr	TRINDER	"
				38407	Cfn	KUNISISKIS	"
				2781401	Cfn	PERRY	"
				1731358	Cfn	RYAN	"
				213857	Cfn	McMARTIN	"
				293008	Cfn	HEALEY	"
				15817	Cfn	FIRTH	"
					Cfn	CYBULSKI	"
				3411584	Cfn	ADAMS	"
				1411096	Cfn	WERTH	"

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Seri	Departure Place	Date	Flight	No	Rank	Name	Remarks
					Cfn	WALL	Wksp
				215022	Cfn	WEBSTER	"
				4410747	Pte	OEHSCHLAGER	"
				55050	Cfn	McDONALD	"
				18342	Cfn	WYLIE	"
				14739	Cpl	JOHNSTONE	"
					Cfn	(Clerk)	"
				11084	Sgt	HABLUTZEL	"
	RICHMOND	24 May 66	Flight				
			15	1200249	Spr	E.W. FORREST	
	RICHMOND	26 May 66	Flight	41897	Spr	HOWSON	Att
			16	38006	Spr	DUNCAN	"
					Sgt	McMILLAN	"

Annex H2
To 17 Const Sqn RAE
Commanders Diary April 66
17 Const Sqn RAE
Avoca Street
KINGSFORD

13 Apr 66

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 1/66
PERSONAL ADMINISTRATIVE PARTICULARS FOR TROOPS
MOVING TO SOUTH VIETNAM

1. PAY AND ALLOWANCES

a. Oversease Living Allowance

Payable from date of arrival until day prior to date of departure from SOUTH VIETNAM

Officers	\$A1.70 per day
Other Ranks	\$A1.55 per day

b. Outfit Allowance

\$A40-00 is payable to all members posted to SOUTH VIETNAM on operational duty.

c. Taxation

Service pay and allowances are tax free from date of embarkation until date of return to AUSTRALIA. It is anticipated that taxation contributions will become part of a members active pay and may be drawn as such whilst in the overseas theatre.

d. Members may draw pay of up to existing credit on arrival in the area.

e. The legal limit to the amount of Australian currency which can be taken out of the country is \$100.

f. All members are advised to take the minimum currency needs with them or preferably place or leave credit in their paybooks within the above limit before departure.

2. OTHER BENEFITS

a. Repatriation

Members serving in VIETNAM become eligible for repatriation benefits. Details are available from Repatriation Offices in Capital cities. Claims should be submitted direct to the Deputy Commissioner, Repatriation Department, in the relevant State of enlistment after leaving VIETNAM.

b. War Service Home entitlement.

3. ALLOTMENTS, BANKING FACILITIES ETC.,

a. All members are advised of the desirability of allotting money through their paybooks to next of kin, bank accounts etc, as appropriate, in AUSTRALIA, as banking and facilities for sending money from the theatre are extremely limited.

b. The maximum amount a member may allot from his paybook is ninety percent of active pay excluding allowances.

c. Allotments may be made or varied whilst in VIETNAM

.../Postal

4. POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHS

a. Postal address in VIETNAM is

No.....Rank.....Name.....Initials.....

17 CONST SQN RAE
Australian Force VIETNAM
Aust FPO 3
C/- GPO SYDNEY, N.S.W.

b. Concession Rates

For mail and telegrams apply to the following:-

- (1) In Australia by any person to a member of the Australian Forces serving in VIETNAM
- (2) To AUSTRALIA by any member of the Australian Forces serving in VIETNAM.

c. To obtain concession rates, mail and telegrams for members serving in VIETNAM are to be addressed as in para 4 a. above, except that for telegrams, C/- GPO SYDNEY is NOT necessary.

d. Postage Concession Rates

These apply for all articles having the same dimensions and maximum weights as those sent in AUSTRALIA at normal rates. The concession rates are:-

(1) Surface Mail

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| (a) Letters, letter cards, postcards . | -2c each |
| (b) Books, periodicals & newspapers.
(Registered at GPO as such) | -2c per c or part c |
| (c) Other articles including business papers, printed papers and merchandise. | -2c each |
| (d) Parcels not exceeding:- | |
| 2lb | -20 c |
| 3lb | -25 c |
| 7lb | -40 c |
| 11 lb | -50 c |
| 16 lb | -65c |
| 22 lb | -80 c |

(2) Air Mail

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| (a) Letters. | -5c each 3 oz |
| (b) Post and greeting cards. | -3c each 3 oz |
| (c) Other articles incl business papers, printed papers and merchandise. | -8c each 3 oz |
| (d) Parcels. | -35c each 8 oz |

e. Telegram Concession Rates

Details of this service are available from any post office in AUSTRALIA. The basic charge for each telegram is 30 c for 12 words however, additional words may be sent at 5c each two words. For telegrams from VIETNAM to AUSTRALIA these rates apply only if the telegrams are lodged with an Australian Forces Post Office.

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f. All ranks are reminded of the importance of advising their relatives and friends the details of their address and the details of postal facilities available.

5. STORAGE OF FURNITURE AND REMOVAL OF FAMILIES

Furniture may be stored at public expense and families moved inter or intra-state provided sufficient grounds exist. Such requests will NOT normally be considered unless specific medical or other reasons exist where it is NOT advisable for a member's wife to remain living alone during the member's absence. Suitable documentary evidence must be produced to substantiate such requests.

6. MARRIED QUARTERS

Dependants are to be allowed to remain in married quarters during the period of the members operational tour of duty.

7. TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION ALLOWANCE

Where this allowance is currently being paid it may continue to be paid except that payments will be made to members next of kin under arrangements made by Command Paymasters.

8. STORAGE FACILITIES FOR PRIVATE CLOTHING AND EFFECTS

- a. Facilities exist for members to store personal property on Army premises.
- b. Suitable wooden packing cases are obtainable from the unit QM store.
- c. Members are advised that it is their responsibility to provide insurance cover for private effects stored on army property.

9. DISPOSAL OF PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES

Arrangements for the storage and/or disposal of privately owned vehicles is the responsibility of the member. Service accommodation and facilities are NOT available for this purpose.

10. POWER OF ATTORNEY

a. If any member is in doubt as to the ability of his next of kin to handle his affairs, financial or otherwise, during his absence, he may invest in a relative the Power of Attorney. This entitles the person so invested to act completely on the members behalf on all matters of law, finance, property etc.,

b. It is only possible for these arrangements to be made through a solicitor.

11. WILLS

a. Members are advised of the necessity for making out wills. A will may be made in favour of next of kin or any other person elected by the member.

b. The correct compilation of a will is imperative, having made the contents of a will in favour of a person it is always advisable to make them in favour of some other person in the event of the death of first person. An example is having made a will in favour of a wife the contents should be made in favour of the eldest child in the event of the wife's death. This can obviate the case where in the event of the wife's death and there is NO other recipient, the will becomes void and all effects are claimed by the Government.

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12. LEAVE

a. On completion of a twelve month tour of duty in VIETNAM, a member is entitled to 30 days ARL.

b. Leave will accrue at the rate of 2½ days for each month or part thereof served in the theatre.

13. EXTRA PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

Members are advised to take extra toilet requisites in case initial supply in the theatre should be difficult. The following is a suggested list:-

Razor Blades	6 Packets
Shaving cream	2 Tubes
Tooth paste	2 Tubes
Toilet Soap	2-3 cakes
Writing paper, envelopes and stamps	Extra as required individually.

14. CUSTOMS

Details of custom requirements value of overseas purchases etc., which can be brought back into the country are detailed in Guide to Customs, Jan 1966. All Tp Comds have copies.

[Signature]
Capt
Adm Comd

28/601/289(Q)

MESSAGE FORM

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Amble I I
To 17 Const Sqn RAE
Commander Barry April 66

PRECEDENCE-ACTION PRIORITY	PRECEDENCE-INFO DEFERRED	DATE-TIME GROUP 290500Z	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS
FROM MILCOMMAND SYDNEY			PREFIX
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1 TF	1 Div Int Unit		SECURITY CLASSIFICATION
1 LSF	1 Coy RAASC		RESD
1 Fd Regt	176 Air Dispatch Coy		ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER
131 Div Loc Bty	33 Dental Unit		Q 006096
1 Fd Sqn	1 OFF		
17 Const Sqn	101 Fd Wksp		
55 AESS	1 Div Cash Office		
21 Engr Sp Tp	1 GL Gp		
11 MC Gp	67 GL Sec		
1 Tope Svy Tp	E Comd Pre Coy		
130 Sig Sqn	2 BOD		
5 RAR			

HARDIHOOD. Accommodation stores. Ref E Comd 28/601/289(Q) of 17 Mar 66 para 39. AF G982Es are to be submitted by units to ADOS E Comd by NOT later than 1200 hrs Thur 31 Mar 66 as follows. ONE. Task Force units. In accordance with Block Scale 32/02 Scale 'A'. Details of unit colour bars and serial numbers to be clearly shown in address for stores window. TWO. Non task force logistic units. Demand to bring unit holding from Scale 'B' to Scale 'A'. THREE. Ordnance is to pack GMM mark and ship accommodation stores for task force units GMM AAF T58s are to be forwarded ASP to HQ 10 MC Gp. Non task force logistic units are to draw additional items from Ordnance and stores will accompany units.

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MESSAGE FORM

Annex I 2
To 17 Const Sqn RAE
Commander's Diary April 66

For Comm Cen/Signals Use

Number

Precedence-Action	Precedence-Info	Date-Time Group	Message Instruction
	Deferred	310430Z	

FROM: MILCOMMAND SYDNEY

Security Classification
RESTRICTED

TO 1 TF 1 LSF 1 Fd Regt 131 Div Loc Bty
1 Fd Sqn 17 Const Sqn 55 AESS
11 MC Gp 1 Tpe Svy Tp 103 Sig Sqn
5 RAR 1 Div Int Unit 1 Coy RAASC
33 Dent Unit 101 Fd Wksp 1 OFP
1 GL Gp HQ LIVERPOOL Area ECPD

Originator's Number
APA 006372

INFO G Q(Maint)

HARDIHOOD (.) PHOTOGRAPHS (.) AHQ ADMIN INSTR 1/66 NOW REQUIRES THAT THE FOLLOWING PHOTOGRAPHS ARE INCLUDED IN EACH HARDIHOOD MEMBERS REGIMENTAL DOCUMENTS (.) ALPHA FOR POSSIBLE USE IN PASSPORTS (IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES) TWO EACH 2 1/2 INS BY 2 INS (.) BRAVO (.) FOR PX IDENTITY CARD TWO EACH 1 1/2 INS BY 1 IN (.) FOR THE PX CARD THE CONTRACTOR WILL BE ABLE TO PRINT THE ADDITIONAL COPY FROM EXISTING NEGATIVES (.) 1 COY RAASC PLEASE INFOR 176 AD COY AND 1 DIV ST WKSP

DRAFTER'S NAME	OFFICE	TELE NO
B. ROBERTSON	APA	262

RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE AND RANK
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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 Eastern Command
 Victoria Barracks
 PADDINGTON N.S.W.

Quote in reply:
 28/601/289 Q (Mov)

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OPERATION HARDIHOOD

- 1. Attached is an extract from AHQ Movement Instruction 3/66
2. This table is issued for PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY
3. E Comd Movements Instruction is to be issued in due course.

Lt-Col
 AQMG (Mov)

Distribution:

HQ AAFV
 HQ 1 LSG
 HQ 1 TF
 1 APC Sqn
 1 Fd Regt
 131 Div Loc Bty
 1 Fd Sqn
 17 Const Sqn
 55 AESS
 11 MC Gp
 21 Engr SR Tp
 1 Tape Svy Tp
 103 Sig Sqn
 145 Sig Sqn
 552 Sig Tp
 581 Sig Tp
 506 Sig Tp
 520 Sig Tp
 5 RAR
 6 RAR
 3 SAS
 1 Div Int Unit
 21 Sup Pl
 176 Air Desp Coy
 HQ 1 Coy RAASC
 1 Tpt Pl
 87 Tpt Pl
 2 Fd Amb
 33 Dent Unit
 101 Fd Wksp Stores Sec

2 Comp Ord Dep
 1 OFP
 131 Div Loc Bty Wksp
 1 Fd Regt LAD
 1 TF HQ LAD
 1 Div Cash Office
 1 Div Pro Coy
 161 (Indep) Recce Flt
 1 Div Postal Unit
 1 Aust Rft Unit
 67 GL Gp

Internal:

List 'E'

Info to:

HQ 1 Div
 HQ Liverpool Area
 HQ SSM Area
 2 BOD
 1 LSF

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Annex I3
 To 17 Const Sqn RAE
 Commander's Diary April 66

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17 Const Sqn RAG
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Headquarters
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Victoria Barracks
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Quote in Reply

6 Apr 1966

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17 Const Sqn

ADM COMD 17 CONST SQN

Approval has been given for 61105 Capt D.J. MENZIE to Adm Comd
of 17 Const Sqn wef 4 Apr 66 until return of OC to unit.

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*Annex I 5
To 17 Coast Sqn RAN
Commander's Diary April 66*

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OPERATION HARDHOOD
E COMD MOV INSTRUCTION E64/66

6 Apr 66

Quote in reply:

28-601-289 Q(Mov)

Reference: A - E Comd 28/601/289 (GI) of 18 Mar 66
B - E Comd 28-601-289 (Q) of 17 Mar 66
C - Standing Orders for Embarkation HMAS SYDNEY 1966
D - Standing Orders for Trooping HMAS SYDNEY.
E - E Comd SO for Movement by Sea and Air 1966.

1. Situation

The Australian Government has undertaken to augment the Australian Forces currently resisting communist aggression in VIETNAM.

2. Mission

To move those units covered in E Comd 28-601-289 (GI) of 18 Mar 66 and concentrated in E Comd to VIETNAM.

3. Execution

a. General

The move is to be carried out by sea and air as set out in Annex 'A' to these instructions, issued separately under E Comd 28-601-289 Q(Mov) of 1 Apr 66.

b. Sea

- (1) RAN is making HMAS SYDNEY available for two trips. AS 'JOHN MONASH' and one LSM, AV 'VERNON STURDEE', are also expected to make two trips.
- (2) Units are required to prepare documentation for personnel in accordance with reference B para 96.
- (3) Personnel required to travel on HMAS SYDNEY are to embark at GARDEN ISLAND in accordance with reference C. Should any of these members be required to take part in the march through SYDNEY Town on 21 Apr 66, their movement to GARDEN ISLAND is to be covered in dispersal instructions for the march.
- (4) Vehicles, etc. are to be prepared for movement in accordance with reference E.
- (5) Personnel to travel in AV 'VERNON STURDEE' are to be embarked in accordance with instructions to be issued separately.
- (6) Vehicles, plant, towed equipment and stores are to be called forward for loading in accordance with a table to be issued separately. This loading is subject to priorities shown on "Unit Movement Data Tables", T58s and the Task Force commander's priorities.
- (7) ST is to arrange for the provision of transport as required in accordance with reference C.
- (8) Units required to march through SYDNEY Town with major items of equipment which would normally be loaded in HMAS SYDNEY are to obtain loan equipment for the purpose of the march so that there are no delays in loading the ship.

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Air

- (1) All air movement is to be by civil charter flights as set out in Annex A to this instruction, issued separately under E Comd 28/601/289 Q(Mov) of 1 Apr 66.
- (2) Dress shall be as laid down by the Force Commander. However, for reasons of safety to personnel and the aircraft in flight, steel helmets are to be packed in kitbags travelling as accompanied baggage and are not to be carried in the cabin of the aircraft.
- (3) Weapons are to be carried to the airfields by individuals where they are to be loaded into containers in the cabin of the aircraft under the direction of the ATLO. Magazines shall be removed and weapons proved clear before loading. Each weapon is to be clearly labelled with the soldier's seat number to facilitate re-issue to the member by the aircraft cabin staff immediately before landing.
- (4) ADOS is to arrange for the issue to ATLO at RICHMOND Air Base of adequate supplies of felt backed sisal wrapping material to protect weapons from damage in transit.
- (5) Members are to carry in pouches one (1) charged magazines for their individual weapon. No magazine is to be placed upon any weapon until members are clear of the aircraft.
- (6) The remainder of safety class ammunition to accompany troops is to be stowed, cased, in the cargo hold.
- (7) ATLO is to arrange for the weighing of each soldier prior to emplaning. Each soldier is to be DP 1 standard including weapons, all equipment and bags, kit universal.
- (8) Hexamine tablets forming part of unit stores and in standard Army packaging may be presented for loading on aircraft. These items are to be loaded in accordance with the requirements of the civil airline as exercised by the ATLO.
- (9) No hazardous cargo except as may be expressly cleared by reference to HQ 10 MC Gp will be carried in charter aircraft. This includes paint, spirits, kerosene, turpentine and any type of inflammable fluid, bottle gas or pyrotechnics.
- (10) All cargo, unit stores and baggage is to be delivered to the airfield not later than 1400 hrs on the day of movement.
- (11) Documentation - shall be in accordance with reference B para 95. Due to the large number of copies of the relevant documents required for this move one unit in each chalk is to be nominated on Annex B as responsible for the preparation of co-ordinated documents. Other units are to ensure full co-operation by early delivery of accurate data.
- (12) Immigration - Outgoing passenger cards are to be completed by each member and handed in at the airfield. ATLO had adequate supplies and is to deliver to each unit and advise on compilation.
- (13) Air Manifests Cargo are required to clearly show priority of movement. Any shut out cargo will take precedence on the next flight.
- (14) The detailed call forward of each flight is to be issued separately. by HQ 10 MC Gp.

d. Arrival at Saigon Airport

- (1) On arrival at SAIGON airport, OC Troops is to:
 - (a) Order troops to deplane with personal equipment, weapons, etc.
(Weapons are to be carried from the aircraft with magazine

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- d. (a) cont. off and barrel hold perpendicular).
- (b) Form his party up in three ranks on the port side of the aircraft, parallel to the fuselage, but clear of the wing. Each unit party is to be together but separate from other unit parties.
- (c) Ensure that unit baggage is completely unloaded from the aircraft.
- (d) Await the arrival of the AAFV representative who is to brief the draft and give details of on-movement arrangements.

e. Responsibilities

- (1) HQ 10 MC Gp is responsible for:
 - (a) Movement of personnel, equipment and stores from units and/or depots to departure airfield and dockside. This includes the issue of "Call Forward" and the arranging of transport to facilitate such moves.
 - (b) The movement of cargo from dockside onto HMAS SYDNEY, where such cargo is being loaded via the Bailey Bridge. An MCO and staff is to be detailed for this task.
- (2) 11 MC Gp is to provide an ATLO staff consisting of Capt P.J. MORGAN and six rank and file.
- (3) 30 Terminal Sqn are to provide such personnel as required by ATLO at the airfield and MCO at the dockside. These requirements are to be made known separately.
- (4) DAPM E Comd is to establish liaison with RAAF Provost to provide assistance to that service and to effectively co-ordinate with State and Commonwealth Police as necessary to ensure the security of the operation.
- (5) 104 Med Bty, RAA is to indent for and erect facilities as set out in 4.a. below.
- (6) ST is to provide a small patrol point for replenishing at the dockside those vehicles used in the loading of HMAS SYDNEY.
- (7) RAEME is required to provide mechanics and facilities for minor repairs and adjustments to vehicles in use at the dockside.

4. Administration

- a. Tentage - is to be erected by 18 Apr as follows:
In an area to be indicated by the ATLO, Capt P.J. MORGAN, two eight section marquees and one five section marquee. All marquees to be complete with floor boards. Seating (Forms Dining Tent) sufficient for 130 personnel, and 12 Tables F.S. are also to be provided. In the event of visitors being admitted to the airfield two further eight section marquees may be required. This requirement is to be advised separately.
- b. Catering - RAAF is prepared to help with pre-flight suppers for personnel. However, due to the number of flights E Comd Catering Advisor is to establish liaison with Catering Officer RAAF Base RICHMOND in order to provide staff and commodity assistance as may be necessary.
- c. Lighting - for tentage and loading area is to be provided by RAAF.
- d. Toilets - RAAF have agreed to provide temporary toilets at the loading area.
- e. Dress - Personnel embarking for overseas to wear -

Hats, khaki, fur felt
 Shirts, jungle green
 Trousers, jungle green
 Boots
 Gaiters
 Webbing
 Personal weapons and equipment

f. Security

- (1) In order to permit the appropriate reception and advice to RAAF, staff officers are to advise G (SD) E Comd of intended visits by commanders and heads of branches.
- (2) Any officer desirous of visiting the airfield is required to make an application to G(SD)

5. Command and Signal

a. Communications

- (1) CSO is to arrange for a telephone from the limited area as indicated by ATLO to the RAAF switch board. Direct dial facilities to HOLSWORTHY area are desirable.
- (2) "Intend Load" and "Transload" signals may be despatched on RAAF channels which are to be kept open for this purpose.

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 21 Engr SR Tp
 1 Topo Svy Tp
 103 Sig Sqn
 145 Sig Sqn
 552 Sig Tp
 581 Sig Tp
 506 Sig Tp
 520 Sig Tp
 5 RAR
 1 Div Int Unit
 21 Sup Pl
 176 Air Desp Coy
 HQ 1 Coy RAASC
 1 Tpt Pl

33 Dent Unit
 101 Fd Wksp Stores Sec
 1 OFP
 131 Div Loc Bty Wksp
 1 Fd Sqn Wksp
 17 Const Sqn Wksp
 101 Fd Wksp
 1 Div S & T Wksp
 1 Fd Regt LAD
 1 TF HQ LAD
 1 Div Cash Office
 1 Div Pro Coy
 1 Div Postal Unit
 67 GL Gp

3 SAS
 87 Tpt Pl
 2 Fd Amb
 2 Comp Ord Dep
 1 APC Sqn LAD
 161(Indep) Recce Flt
 1 Aust Rft Unit

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ANNEX 'B' to E COMD MOV INSTR E64/66
dated 6 Apr 66

MOVEMENT TABLE - OVERSEAS MOVEMENT

* Unit so marked to prepare documentation for all other units in chalk.

SERIAL	DEPARTURE		ARRIVAL		PAYLOAD					REMARKS
	PLACE	DATE/TIME	PLACE	DATE/TIME	UNIT	ALLOCATION				
						PERS	VEHS	STORES		
a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	g.	h.	j.	k.	l.
1	SYDNEY	Apr 100700K	VUNG TAU	May 060700H	See Annex A	28			486,000	LSM AV 'VERNON STURDEE' - Engr Plant/ Stores/Vehs
2	SYDNEY	101700K	" "	060700H	" " "				2,124,000	AS 'JOHN MONASH' - Engr Plant/Stores/Vehs
3	RICHMOND	192359K	SAIGON	Apr 201130H	HQ AAFV HQ 1 LSG HQ 1 TF 55 AESS 101 Fd Wksp 17 Const Sqn 11 MC Gp 103 Sig Sqn 145 Sig Sqn 5 RAR * 1 Div Int Unit HQ 1 Coy RAASC 2 Fd Amb 2 Comp Ord Dep 1 Div Postal 1 Aust Rft Unit	9 5(b) 9(a) 1 1(b) 10 1(a) 6 42 1 1(b) 1(b) 2(b) 3 16 113			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 1. (a) TF Recce Party (b) LSG Recce Party
4	SYDNEY	221700K	VUNG TAU	May 040700H	See Annex A	337	365		3,158,000	HMAS SYDNEY
5	RICHMOND	262359K	SAIGON	Apr 271130H	HQ 1 ALSG Gp 17 Const Sqn * 55 AESS 11 MC Gp 103 Sig Sqn 581 Sig Tp 21 Sup Pl 87 Tpt Pl 2 Fd Amb 2 Comp Ord Dep 17 Const Sqn Wksp 1 Div Int Unit 1 Div Cash Office 1 Div Pro Coy	2 39 5 3 12 6 9 6 12 9 3 114 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 2
6	RICHMOND	280840K	BIEN HOA	301030H					21,000	Regular C130 Courier
7	RICHMOND	282359K	SAIGON	291130H	17 Const Sqn 5 RAR * 21 Sup Pl 2 Comp Ord Dep	18 36 21 39 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 3
8	RICHMOND	302359K	SAIGON	May 011130H	1 APC Sqn 17 Const Sqn * 5 RAR	24 55 35 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 4
9	RICHMOND	May 022359K	SAIGON	031130H	17 Const Sqn 5 RAR *	5 109 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 5

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a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	g.	h.	j.	k.	l.
	RICHMOND	042359K	SAIGON	May 051130H	HQ 1 TF 1 Fd Regt * 131 Div Loc Bty 103 Sig Sqn HQ 1 Coy RAASC 87 Tpt Pl 1 OFF 1 Div Pro Coy 17 Const Sqn	23 22 16 9 6 21 11 4 112 4			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 6
11	RICHMOND	050840K	BIEN HOA	071030H					21,000	Regular C130 Courier
12	RICHMOND	062359K	SAIGON	071130H	5 RAR * 17 Const Sqn Wksp 1 Div S & T Wksp	82 22 10 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 7
13	RICHMOND	082359K	SAIGON	091130H	5 RAR	114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 8
14	RICHMOND	102359K	SAIGON	111130H	5 RAR	114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 9
15	RICHMOND	120840K	BIEN HOA	141030H					21,000	Regular C130 Courier
16	RICHMOND	122359K	SAIGON	131130H	5 RAR	114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 10
17	RICHMOND	142359K	SAIGON	151130H	HQ 1 TF * 103 Sig Sqn 17 Const Sqn Wksp 1 TF HQ LAD	60 35 27 14 114			36,0009	Civil Charter Flt 11
18	RICHMOND	182359K	SAIGON	191130H	1 Fd Regt * 103 Sig Sqn 581 Sig Tp	50 44 20 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 12 (no civil charter on 16 May)
19	RICHMOND	190840K	BIEN HOA	211030H					21,000	Regular C130 Courier
20	RICHMOND	202359K	SAIGON	211130H	1 Fd Regt 131 Div Loc Bty 1 Fd Regt LAD	68 37 9 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 13
21	RICHMOND	222359K	SAIGON	231130H	1 Fd Regt * 6 RAR 2 Fd Amb	45 43 26 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 14
22	RICHMOND	241259K	SAIGON	251130H	1 Fd Sqn 1 Div Int Unit 2 Fd Amb * 101 Fd Wksp	9 11 68 26 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 15
23	SYDNEY	251700K	VUNG TAU	Jun 060700H					3,158,000	HMAS SYDNEY second voyage
24	RICHMOND	260840K	BIEN HOA	May 281030H					21,000	Regular C130 Courier

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a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	g.	h.	i.	k.	l.
	RICHMOND	262359K	SAIGON	271130H	1 Topo Svy Tp 506 Sig Tp 176 Air Desp Coy 101 Fd Wksp Stores Sec RAAF * 17 Const Sqn	15 12 27 14 46 114 4			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 16
26	RICHMOND	282359K	SAIGON	291130H	RAAF	114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 17
27	MASCOT AMBERLEY	302215K 310045K	AMBERLEY SAIGON	302330K 311130H	6 RAR	114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 18
28	MASCOT AMBERLEY	Jun 012215K 020315K	AMBERLEY SAIGON	012330K 021130H	6 RAR	114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 19
29	RICHMOND	020840K	BIEN HOA	241030H					21,000	Regular C130 Courier
30	MASCOT AMBERLEY	032215K 040045K	AMBERLEY SAIGON	032330K 041130H	6 RAR	114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 20
31	MASCOT AMBERLEY	052215K 060045K	AMBERLEY SAIGON	052330K 061130H	6 RAR	114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 21
32	MASCOT AMBERLEY	072215K 080045K	AMBERLEY SAIGON	072330K 081130H	6 RAR	114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 22
33	RICHMOND	090840K	BIEN HOA	111030H					21,000	Regular C130 Courier
34	MASCOT AMBERLEY	092215K 100045K	AMBERLEY SAIGON	092330K 101130H	6 RAR * 101 Fd Wksp	67 47 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 23
35	SYDNEY	110700K	VUNG TAU	Jul 070700H					2,124,000	AS 'JOHN MONASH'-2nd voyage
36	SYDNEY	110700K	VUNG TAU	070700H					486,000	LSM 'VERNON STURDEE' 2nd voyage if required
37	RICHMOND	112359K	SAIGON	121130H	3 SAS * 33 Dent Unit 101 Fd Wksp	73 7 33 113			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 24
38	RICHMOND	132359K	SAIGON	141130H	581 Sig Tp 3 SAS 176 Air Desp Coy 1 Fd Sqn Wksp 161 Indep Recce Flt 1 Aust Rft Unit *	6 23 178 9 19 49 114			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 25
39	RICHMOND	152359K	SAIGON	161130H	1 Aust Rft Unit	23			36,000	Civil Charter Flt 26
40	RICHMOND	160840K	BIEN HOA	181030H					21,000	Regular C130 Courier
41	RICHMOND	230840K	BIEN HOA	251030H					21,000	Regular C130 Courier thereafter continuing weekly.

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MESSAGE FORM

Annex I 6
To 17 Const Sqn RAE
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PRECEDENCE — ACTION PRIORITY	PRECEDENCE — INFO DEFERRED	DATE — TIME GROUP 060030Z	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS
From MOVEMENTS SYDNEY			PREFIX GR
To AUSTARM VIETNAM AUSTARM MOVEMENTS SAIGON MELDEPOT SYDNEY			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION CONF
Info ARMY CANBERRA 17 CONST SQN 1 TF HOLSWORTHY 1 FD SQN CENARMYREC MELBOURNE G (OPS) ARMY PAY MELBOURNE A(PA) ARMYREC SYDNEY ENGRS			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER Q MOV 0957

PERS TO AAFV(.) ARMY CANBERRA SD 8899 DTG 280625A MAR MILCOMMAND SYDNEY OPS 006047DTG
290115Z MAR AND AHQ MELBOURNE P/O 65/SH/854 DATED 11 NOV 65 AND E COMD
664/E66/30 (A(MS)) DATED 7 MAR 66(.) ALL NOT TO ALL (.) MOVE ARRANGED
AS FOLLOWS (.)

FIRST (.) 57029 MAJ VB HARRIS 214849 CAPT DR MACKENZIE DEPART SYDNEY/MANILA QUANTAS FLT
QF 274 ETD 080930 APR ETA 081500 (.)

SECOND (.) 38567 CAPT JH MARTIN 17066 CAPT JC BOLTON 11785 WO2 MJ DAWSON 4397 WO2LW HENNESS
54429 CPL BA MAY 2782786 SPR RG LANDER 5713684 SPR EW McILROY 2781703 SPR RA
HUNT DEPART SYDNEY/MANILA QANTAS FLT QF 759 ETD 081015 APR ETA 081740 (.)

THIRD (.) ALL PERS AT PARAS FIRST AND SECOND DEPART MANILA/SAIGON AIR FRANCE FLT AF 187
ETD 091435 APR ETA 019640 (.)

FOURTH (.) O/NIGHT ACCN MANILA ARRANGED BY QANTAS (.)

FIFTH (.) PERS ARE TO REPORT TO THE MCO AT INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL MASCOT AS FOLLOWS(.)

ALFA (.) PERS AT PARA FIRST 0815 HRS 8 APR (.)

BRAVO (.) PERS AT PARA SECOND 0900 HRS 8 APR (.)

SIXTH (.) ALL PERS ARE TO TRAVEL IN UNIFORM (.)

SEVENTH(.) DOCUMENTATION AND BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH AHQ ADM INSTR 4/65
PARAS 204 TO 208 INCL AND PARA 608 (.) UNACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE AT PARA 608A(2)
AND B (3) TO BE DELIVERED TO QANTAS CARGO TERMINAL BY 1000 HRS 7 APR (.)

EIGHTH (.) TRUNKS METAL ARE NOT TO BE MOVED CIVIL AIRLINES

Page.....of.....pages		REFERS TO MESSAGE		DRAFTER'S NAME Capt B. WADE		OFFICE Q MOV		TEL No 521			
		CLASSIFIED <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO									
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Including Amendment No 2.

Reference A - HQ E Comd 28/601/289 Q(Mov) of 1 Apr 66, Annex 'A'.
B - HQ E Comd Mov Instr E 64/66 of 6 Apr 66, Annex 'B'.

- ... 1. Reference A is amended by replacing Annex 'A' with attached.
2. Reference B columns f and g are to be amended to comply with details shown on revised Annex 'A'.

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1 Topo Svy Tp
103 Sig Sqn
145 Sig Sqn
552 Sig Tp
581 Sig Tp
506 Sig Tp
520 Sig Tp
5 RAR
6 RAR
3 SAS
1 Div Int Unit
21 Sup Pl
176 Air Desp Coy
HQ 1 Coy RAASC
1 Tpt Pl
87 Tpt Pl
2 Fd Amb

33 Dent Unit
101 Fd Wksp Stores Sec
2 Comp Ord Dep
1 OFP
131 Div Loc Bty Wksps
1 Fd Sqn Wksp
17 Const Sqn Wksp
101 Fd Wksp
1 Div S & T Wksp
1 APC Sqn LAD
1 Fd Regt LAD
1 TF HQ LAD
1 Div Cash Office
1 Div Pro Coy
161 (Indep) Recce Flt
1 Div Postal Unit
1 Aust Rft Unit
67 GL Gp

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HQ 1 Div
HQ Liverpool Area
HQ SSM Area
2 BOD
1 LSF

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MOVEMENT STAFF TABLE - PERSONNEL

SERIAL	UNIT	Flt 1	Flt 2	Flt 3	Flt 4	Flt 5	HMAS SYDNEY	Flt 6	SMALL SHIPS	Flt 7	Flt 8	Flt 9	Flt 10	Flt 11	Flt 12	Flt 13	Flt 14	Flt 15	Flt 16	Flt 17	Flt 18	Flt 19	Flt 20	HMAS SYDNEY	Flt 21	Flt 22	Flt 23	Flt 24	Flt 25	Flt 26	UNIT TOTALS	REMARKS	
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	aa	bb	cc	dd	ee	ff	gg	
1	HQ AAFV	9																													9	Incl 7 detention pers & 2 linguists	
2	HQ 1 ALSG	7	1				2																								10		
3	HQ 1 TF	9					8	23						31	29																100		
4	1 APC Sqn				24														4					54							82	Incl 24 replacements	
5	1 Fd Regt						18	22						21	68	45	29														203		
6	131 Div Loc Bty						16	16								37															67		
7	1 Fd Sqn																		9					68							77	Plus 1 pers in Plan.Gp	
8	17 Const Sqn	10	39	18	55	5	42	4	10									1	4												188	Plus 8 pers in Plan.Gp	
9	55 AES	1	3				3																								7		
10	11 MC Gp	4	3				2																								9	Incl augmentation team of 5 pers.	
11	21 Engrs Sp Tp																							47						5	52		
12	1 Topo Svy Tp													35	44				15					2							17		
13	103 Sig Sqn	1	12				23	9																							124		
14	145 Sig Sqn	6																													6		
15	552 Sig Tp						11																	6							17		
16	581 Sig Tp		6				8							20																6	40		
17	506 Sig Tp																		12					6							18		
18	520 Sig Tp																							9							9		
19	5 RAR	42		36	35	87	131		104	114	114	114																			777	Incl 1 Philanthropic pers	
20	6 RAR															43			114	114	114			1	114	114	67				681	Estimated strength incl 1 philanthropic pers.	
21	3 SAS																							4				93	3	100			
22	1 Div Int Unit	1	4				2										7														14		
23	21 Sup Pl		10	16			4																								30		
24	176 Air Desp Coy																		35					7							42		
25	HQ 1 Coy RAASC	1		5			10																								17	Incl 1 Philanthropic pers.	
26	1 Tpt Pl																							77							77		
27	87 Tpt Pl		6				33	19																							58		
28	33 Dent Unit																		7					4							11		
29	2 Fd Amb	1	13				8										26	68													116	Incl 1 Philanthropic pers	
30	101 Fd Wksp Stores Sec																		14					2							16		
31	2 Comp Ord Dep	2	8	39			5																								54		
32	1 OFF						3	11																							14		
33	131 Div Loc Bty Wksp						3																								5		
34	1 Fd Sqn Wksp																		6					20							26		
35	17 Const Sqn Wksp		3				4	7		27																					41		
36	101 Fd Wksp	1																	77					19							97		
37	1 Div S & T Wksp						8	1	10																						19		
38	1 APC Sqn LAD																							6							6		
39	1 Fd Regt Lad						4							9																	13		
40	1 TF HQ LAD						2			14																					16		
41	1 Div Cash Office	1					1																								2		
42	1 Div Pro Coy	4					13																								17		
43	161(Indep)Recce Flt																		13	6				23						42			
44	1 Div Postal Unit	3					4																								7		
45	1 Aust Rft Unit						3												4						47				21	91			
46	67 GL Gp																							4							4		
47	Army Total	114	113	114	114	92	36	114	18	114	114	114	114	114	107	114	114	114	114	114	83	114	114	359	114	114	114		93	35	3428		
48	RAAF					22										7								11			114	21			175		
49	GRAND TOTAL	114	113	114	114	114	362	114	18	114	114	114	114	114	114	114	114	114	114	114	83	114	114	370	114	114	114	11	4	114	35	3603	

NOTE: The 31 spare seats on Flt 17 will be used for individual movement arising during this period.

RESTRICTED

STATE OF READINESS REPORT FOR 17 Const Sqn RAE

RETURN OF MAJOR DEFICIENCIES OF VEHICLES/ORDNANCE STORES AS AT 180001Z
DEFINITE FINAL DISCREPANCY LIST

Annex J1
To 17 Const Sqn RAE
Commanders Dec. y April 66

Based on
Establishment No. 111/10/1 (TE)
Equipment Table.....Q37

CENSUS CODE NUMBER (if applicable)	CLASS/SECTION STOCK NUMBER (if no CENSUS NUMBER)	DESIGNATION (Sufficient to identify item. i.e. SHORT TITLE)	TOTAL AUTHORISED ENTITLEMENT	QUANTITY HELD ON CHARGE	QUANTITY DEMANDED ON UEAO	QUANTITY DEFICIENT WITHIN UNIT	INDENT DETAILS		FOR ADOS/DEPOT USE ONLY			
							UNIT IDENT NUMBER	DATE SUBMITTED	DEPOT CONTROL NUMBER	QUANTITY HELD IN UEAO	NETT DEFICIENCY	SUPPLY DETAILS
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)
1	E3-EC 7241	Shackle Lg.D 5-1/2 ton	24	Nil	Nil	24	108	14/3/66				Indents for 30 days reserve of expense supplies have NOT been included
2	E3-ECA 0428	Clamp S/Throat 5/8"	80	"	"	40	108	"				
3	4930-66-018-5928	Dispensing Pump 1/4 Stroke	3	"	"	2	134	"				
4	* 7240-66-011-5806	Lid Metal Bucket S/Steel	125	14	"	11	160	"				
5	7105-66-011-0832	Chair Folding Camp No.2	65	19	"	46	163	"				
6	8340-66-019-3631	Paulin Ext.30' x 20'	18	4	"	12	166	"				
7	6545-66-019-9833	Surg. Inst. Med NCO	1	"	"	1	170	"				
8	E3-EC 9580	Sling Cant Hooks	2	"	"	2	172	"				
9	FI-FA 14246	Hammer Sledge 10lb	1	"	"	1	174	"				
10	JI-JAA 0245	Buckets Shower Canvas	46	35	"	11	188	"				
11	* KA-KA 0200	Block Chopping Circular	2	Nil	"	2	200	"				
12	* KA-KA 0638	Board Pastry	2	"	"	2	202	"				
13	8340-66-019-3632	Paulins Ext. 20' x 16'	16	"	"	16	205	"				

(a)	(b)	(c)						
14	8345-66-020-0193	Panel Marker Air to Gr.	3	Nil	Nil	3	208	15/3 66
15	8120-66-016-6284	Comp. Gas Acet. 100 cu ft	3	2	"	1	225	"
16	7340-66-010-4215	Typewriter Policy	2	-	-	2	233	"
17	KF-KFA 3653	Saucepan Alum. 3 Pint	3	-	-	3	257	"
18	KF-KFA 3655	Saucepan Alum. 7 pint	4	-	-	4	258	"
19	KF-KFA 4001	Urn Tea Elec. 2 Gal	1	-	-	1	265	
20	5150/01 W3-WCA 6301	Plant Washing 415V	2	-	-	2	269	"
21	* KC-KCA 2409	Mattresses Agil. Canvas	2	-	-	2	286	16/3
22	* KC-KCA 2401	Mits Punching Left	12	8	-	4	287	"
23	KE-KEA 0063	Machine Weighing 56 lb	1	-	-	1	314	
24	KF-KFA 0031	Kettle Tea Alum. 3 Pint	1	-	-	1	340	"
25	JI-JAA 0435	Trusses Roof No.2	16	-	-	16	346	"
26	JI-JAA 3620	Members Ridge 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x9'10" Lg	6	-	-	6	348	"
27	JI-JAA 0434	Members Paulin 1"x9'10"	24	-	-	24	349	"
28	JI-JAA 3619	" " 1"x9'10"	12	-	-	12	350	"
29	JI-JAA 3616	" Diag. Side 1"x11'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	12	-	-	12	352	
30	JI-JAA 3681	Covers Sec. End R/Hand	4	-	-	4	353	"
31	JI-JAA 0431	Cable S/Stay 1-1/4"	32	-	-	32	354	"
32	H2-HBA 0426	Cordage Sisal 1-1/2"	20	-	-	20	354	"
33	5140-66-014-4614	Tool Box 31 $\frac{1}{4}$ "X15"X10 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	2	-	-	2	358	"
34	JI-JAA 3617	Members P/Corner 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "X9'9"	16	-	-	16	360	"
35	JI-JAA 3682	Covers L/Hand	4	-	-	4	361	"
36	JI-JAA 3613	Covers Sec. Roof	6	-	-	6	363	"
37	JI-JAA 0432	Covers Sec/Side No.2	12	-	-	12	364	"
38	JI-JAA 0433	Paulin B/End 1"x9'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	8	-	-	8	365	"
39	JI-JAA 0437	Tapes Triangular Measuring	2	-	-	2	366	"

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)
40	JI-JAA 3657	Pins Irons 12"	6	-	-	6	367	16/3				
41	JI-JAA 3624	Stakes Anchoring 1"x3'3"	32	-	-	32	368	"				
42	8120-66-016-6284	Cyl. Comp. Gas 100 cu ft	2	-	-	2	370	"				
43	5120-66-013-6747	Wrench O/E Adj. 10"	4	-	-	4	383	"				
44	E3-EC 0016	Block Tackle GS Cord. 2"	8	-	-	8	385	23/3				
45	W10-WKA 0090	Tape Measuring 100'X3/8"	1	-	-	1	386	"				
46	5120-66-014-0194	Hammer D/Faced 4lb	12	-	-	12	391	"				
47	E3-ECA 0428	Clamps S/Throat 5/8"	60	-	-	60	393	"				
48	E3-ECA 7241	Shackle Lge. 5-1/2 ton	18	-	-	18	397	"				
49	3920-66-010-1466	Wheel Barrow Concrete	3	-	-	3	398	"				
50	7690-66-016-5047	Decal AMF Badge	12	-	-	12	401	"				
51	8305-66-011-5407	Cloth Knitted Cotton	12	-	-	12	403	"				
52	6260-66-021-0121	Glasses Pyrex "Austramax"	24	-	-	24	407	"				
53	7920-66-011-7421	Brush File 4"x2"	4	-	-	4	432	"				
54	W10-WKA 0090	Tape Measuring 100'x 3/8"	1	-	-	1	438	25/3				
55	4210-66-017-1918	Fire Ext 2 Gal Foam Gas	38	-	-	38	461	"				
56	5330-66-017-3981	Caulking Cotton Candle 1b	15	-	-	15	463	"				
57	9905-66-019-1888	Sign "Fire Ext" CO2 Type	6	-	-	6	471	"				
58	9905-66-019-1890	Sign " Foam Type	36	-	-	36	472	"				
59	9905-66-019-1891	" " SA Type	6	-	-	6	473	"				
60	5970-66-018-8475	Insulating Tape 3/4" x 36"	12	-	-	12	517	"				
61	5133-66-014-3092	Drill Set HSS Str. Shank	4	-	-	4	529	30/3/				
62	7750-66-014-5895	Pan Set Messing	5	-	-	5	808	"				
63	8440-66-013-4404	Gaiters Canvas Size 4	5	-	-	5	816	"				
64	8465-66-013-6553	Carrier Sleeping Bag	5	-	-	5	821	"				
65	8465-66-013-7556	Field Pack Webbing Lge	5	-	-	5	855	"				
66	8465-66-013-7530	Pouch Ammo. Basic Lge	10	-	-	10	857	"				

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67	8465-66-013-7508	Strap Webbing Fd. Pack	10	-	-	10	861	30/3				
68	8335-NIV	Laces Footwear Leather Blk.	60	-	-	60	866	"				
69	8405-66-011-9877	Shirt Mans Green Size 14 $\frac{1}{2}$	10	-	-	10	867	"				
70	8405-66-011-9880	" " " " 15	10	-	-	10	868	"				
71	8405-66-015-8427	Shorts Mans Drill Size 30	5	-	-	5	872	"				
72	8405-66-011-8886	Strap Chin Leather Brown	30	-	-	30	875	1/4/				
73	8405-66-019-8983	Trousers Mens Drill 04	10	-	-	10	876	"				
74	8405-66-019-3397	" " " " 12	10	-	-	10	878	"				
75	8455	Insignia Rank Officer Fd.Serv	16	-	-	16	884	"				
76	8405-66-011-9202	Band Hat Puggaree 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	3	-	-	3	907	"				
77	8405-66-011-9204	" " " " 7	2	-	-	2	909	"				
78	8405-66-011-9205	" " " " 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	2	-	-	2	910	"				
79	8405-66-015-8278	Shorts Mans Drill 36	5	-	-	5	920	"				
80	8405-66-012-0535	Sweater Pullover Khaki 40	2	-	-	2	934	"				
81	8405-66-012-0536	" " " " 42	2	-	-	2	935	"				
82	8405-66-012-0537	" " " " 44	2	-	-	2	936	"				
83	8405-66-012-3402	Trousers Mens Drill 17	5	-	-	5	937	"				
84	8420-66-021-5780	Drawer Mans Cot/Pop 32	10	-	-	10	939	"				
85	8420-66-021-5781	" " " " 34	10	-	-	10	940	"				
86	8420-66-021-5782	" " " " 36	10	-	-	10	941	"				
87	8420-66-021-5883	" " " " 38	10	-	-	10	942	"				
88	8420-66-021-5884	" " " " 40	10	-	-	10	943	"				
89	8420-66-021-5885	" " " " 42	10	-	-	10	944	"				
90	8420-66-019-4224	Undershirt Mans Cot 32	5	-	-	5	945	"				
91	8420-66-019-4225	" " " " 34	5	-	-	5	946	"				
92	8420-66-019-4227	" " " " 38	10	-	-	10	949	"				
93	8420-66-019-4228	" " " " 40	10	-	-	10	950	"				

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94	8420-66-019-4230	Undershirt Mans Cot 44	5	-	-	5	952	1/4/				
95	FI-FAA 14776	Iron Soldering 1lb 12 oz	1	-	-	1	1053	"				
96	5120-66-014-0131	Blow Torch Kero 1 Pint	1	-	-	1	1054	5/4/				
97	5120-66-015-0476	Rule Carpenter Folding	1	-	-	1	1055	"				
98	5110-66-014-4791	File Hand Flat 8"	1	-	-	1	1070	"				
99		Charging & Testing Manifold	1	-	-	1	1073	"				
100		Unions H/Flared 1/4" x 1/8"	4	-	-	4	1074	"				
101		Unions Flared 1/4"	2	-	-	2	1075	"				
102	5110-66-017-2392	File Hand H/Round 10"	1	-	-	1	1076	"				
103	5120-66-016-1273	Wrench O/J DE 7/16" x 1/2"	1	-	-	1	1077	"				
104	5120-66-017-2291	Wrench O/J DE 1/2" x 9/16"	1	-	-	1	1078	"				
105	5140-66-019-8001	Rool Tool Acc 11" x 11"	1	-	-	1	1079	"				
106	5120-66-012-0991	Hammer Hand 1 lb 8 oz	1	-	-	1	1080	"				
107	FI-FAA 0896	Shears Metal Cutting 14" Straight	1	-	-	1	1081	"				
108	KF-KF 2448	Fork Cooks	1	-	-	1	1083	"				
109	7350-66-9263	Jug S/S 1 Pint	1	-	-	1	1084	"				
110	E3-EC 0096	Block Tackle 1-1/2" MKI Double	2	-	-	2	1091	"				
111	E3-EC 0098	Block Snatch	2	-	-	2	1092	"				
112	E3-EC 0113	Block 2", MKI Double	2	-	-	2	1093	11/4				
113	E3-EC 0136	Block 2" MK2 Snatch	2	-	-	2	1094	"				
114	E3-EC 0121	Block 3" MKI Double	2	-	-	2	1095	"				
115	E3-EC 0123	Block 3" MKI Snatch	2	-	-	2	1096	"				
116	E3-EC 0408	Clamp Single Throat 1 1/2"	12	-	-	12	1097	"				
117	E3-EC 0409	Clamp S/Throat 2"	18	-	-	18	1098	"				
118	E3-EC 0412	Clamp S/Throat 3-1/8"	24	-	-	24	1099	"				
119	E3-ECA 3404	Ring Plain SWL 5 ton	4	-	-	4	1100	"				
120	E3-ECA 3413	Rope Steel Wire Galv. 2" No. 1	600	-	-	600	1101	"				

121	4610	Distribution Water Tank 800 Gal	1	-	-	1	1114	11/4
122	1005-99-910-0263	Launcher Grenade LIA2	4	-	-	4	155	14/3
123	3431-66-021-3361	Welding Machine ARC 40-170 amp	2	-	-	2	151	"
124	3436-66-017-4074	Bench welders portable	2	-	-	2	148	"
125	3820-66-018-7705	Drill Breaker Gas. Portable	2	-	-	2	152	"
126	3920-66-010-1446	Wheel Barrow concrete	7	-	-	7	150	"
127	4320-66-018-3522	Pump Centrifugal & Access Kit	1	-	-	1	141	"
128	4930-66-018-5928	Dispensing Pump H/Driven	1	-	-	1	134	"
129	5140-66-014-4613	Toolbox Portable steel	8	-	-	8	358	16/3
130	5805-66-018-5313	Telephone Set "K" (Aust) MK2	10	-	-	10	140	"
131	5820-00-086-7536	Installation Unit GP AN/GRC 125	5	-	-	5	423	28/3/
132	6645-00-066-4279	Watch Wrist GS	9	-	-	9	133	14/3/
133	8340-NIV	Shelter Portable (Aust) No.2	2	-	-	2	167	"
134	FI-NIV	Tool Kit Elec. Mech Supplementary	2	-	-	2	124	"

RAE SUPPLY

1	3210-66-013-4770	Sawmill Circular 42"	1	-	-	1	1113	15/4
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COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Annex N1
To 17 Const Sqn RAE
Commander's Diary April 66
AF - C 2118 (Adapted)
Revised Jun, 1965
UNIT/FORMATION 17 CONST SQN RAE

MONTH AND YEAR APRIL 66

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER 17020 Maj. G.M. BYTH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
SYDNEY AUST	8 Apr 66	0015Z	PLANNING PARTY less FORCE SORE 2 and OC 17 CONST SQN depart QANTAS flt QF 759.	
MANILLA	9 Apr 66	0820Z	Above party arrived MANILLA	
		0515Z	Above party plus OC Det 55AESS 1 ALSG depart AIR FRANCE flt AF 187	
SAIGON		0800Z	Above party arrived SAIGON met by OC 17 CONST SQN and MC reps. On MC advice svy instruments and draughting eqpt left at airport.	
	10 Apr 66	0400Z	Planning party less Force SORE 2 who remains HQ AAFV depart RAAF Caribou for VUNG TAU Svy Instr and draughting eqpt and MC reps NOT present.	
VUNG TAU		0420Z	Party arrived VUNG TAU airstrip met by 1 ALSG rep and OC Aust R and C CENTRE. Taken to R and C CENTRE.	
1 ALSG	11 Apr 66	0001Z	Planning Party (PP) moved out to 1 ALSG area for initial recce. Area already occupied by 3TP 1FD SQN RAE of 1 RAR Gp. Planning Party detailed in verbal orders from HQ AAFV to set area out and start const with 3TP eqpt. Work started on the Engr Area to take Engr Stores expected down from BIEN HOA. Planning Party unable to complete recce as Land acquisition had not been finalised between HQ AAFV and USAAFV.	
1 ALSG	12 Apr 66		Bulk filling and area jerry can filling Pt sited. Engr Area WP sited. Maj Rd system plotted. OC gives his pri of work in absence of orders.	

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AF - C 2118 (Adapted)

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UNIT/FORMATION 17 CONS SQN RAE

MONTH AND YEAR

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER 17020 Maj G.M. BYTH.

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	13 Apr 66	0100	OC flew to SAIGON to HQ AAFV with sketch of area to confirm pri of work and seek further info to allow fwd planning.	
		0200	SORE 2 arrived to discuss fwd planning with OC.	
		0300	SORE 2 departs for HQ AAFV	
			Company Commander of Coy D 46 Engr Bn US Engrs visited area and mutual understanding effected.	
	14 Apr 66	0300	OC 1 ALSO Engrs BIEN HOA and OC Det 55AESS arrived to discuss stores layout visit loc contractors and explain engr stores provision.	
		0400	OC 145 Sig Sqn Maj BIRD RA Sigs arrived to a recce of proposed HQ Area which is to incl Sigs elms.	
		0330	Hy rain fell. Sand does not allow percolation drainage will be required. Serious sand erosion on shoulders of existing sealed rd through posn.	
		0500	All visitors departed.	
		0430	OC rang Const Offr from Deer 145(HQ AAFV). Verbal Orders to set out rd system in Ord and EME Areas so that Coy D 46 Engr Bn could start const.	
		0500Z	Setting out started.	
		0800Z	Setting out completed.	
	15 Apr 66	0120	OC RTU. Info US Engrs not arrived.	

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UNIT/FORMATION 17 CONST SQN RAE

MONTH AND YEAR

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER 17020 Maj G.M.

BYTH

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	15 Apr 66	0200	OC and Const Offr visit Coy D HQ. They have not received orders from Bn HQ. OC 17 Const Sqn and OC Coy D make nec mutual arrangements.	
		0300	Const of water well at jerry can pt commenced.	
		0500	Coy D svy party moved into area.	
	16 Apr 66		No const work by US Engrs	
	17 Apr 66		Tests carried out on earth tk recovery rate 2000 gph. PP moved from R and C Centre to 17 Const Sqn Camp site in 1 ALSG area.	
	18 Apr 66		The ground temperature is high due to sand radiation, the glare is causing bloodshot eyes. The soldiers refer to the area as "SUFFERERS PARADISE".NTR.	
	19 Apr 66		Still no indication of maj engr works in 1 ALSG area. Why was an Engr Planning Party sent?	
	20 Apr 66		Flight 1 arrived late due to lack of co-ordination at SAIGON	
	21 Apr 66		NTR	
	22 Apr 66		Comd 1 ALSG issued his area plan. Unit to shift to the SOUTH flank of the posn.	
	23 Apr 66		NTR	
	24 Apr 66		NTR	

