

**Series: AWM95**  
**Australian Army commanders' diaries**  
**[Vietnam]**

**Signals units**

**Item number: 6/3/39**

**Item: 110 Signal Squadron**

**Narrative**

**Annexes**

**[1-30 Sep 1970]**



COVERING LETTER

Reference No. R707-4-10

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) [Signature] Maj.

Appointment Officer Commanding (OC Unit or senior staff officer)

SECRET

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DUPLICATE }

Strike out where not applicable

COMMANDERS DIARY

OF

Unit or Formation 110 SIGNAL SQUADRON

From 1 SEP 70 To 30 SEP 70

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Narrative (AF C 2118)

ANNEXES

- \* A ~~Copy of~~ Monthly Report
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\* Only to be included during operations.
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† ~~Revised~~
† ~~Despatched to~~

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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, they should be grouped as annexes starting at B.

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and to save work as much information as possible is to be included. Orders issued and received, routine returns, etc. All orders and the time of receipt or despatch is to be given.

The annexes, but need not give a precis of any of them.

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COMMANDERS DIARIES

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AF C 2118 (Adapted)

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COMM 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.

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This form is to be enclosed with the annexes in AF - C 2119 (Adapted).

# COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF - C 2118 (Adapted)

Revised Jun, 1965

MONTH AND YEAR..... Sep 70.....

Special Use SE ASIA

REFERENCE MAP 1:100,000 Sheet 6430 Series L607

UNIT/FORMATION..... 110 SIG SQN.....

COMMANDING OFFICER Maj D.R. OVERSTEAD

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	1 Sep 70		Squadron Parade & inspection of the unit. Five (5) CMF Officers visited the unit.	
	2 Sep 70		To Saigon & spoke to CE AFV about better air-conditioning in the Saigon MRS and Comcen. COMAFV visited Transmitter Station and has promised gravel or metalling for the area to hold the sand down. He is taking quite an interest in the Station.	
	3 Sep 70		To Nui Dat to visit Det 110 Sig Sqn, 547 Sig Tp and 104 Sig Sqn. I picked up a lot of interesting information on VC intercept capability. Radiotelephone lecture to all operators on 1 ALSG Defence Net at HQ 1 ALSG. Maj O'REILLY (CMF) from 3 Sig Regt arrived on a one weeks' visit. AFR put on EMU switch at request of DAAG 1 ATF.	
	4 Sep 70		Briefed Maj O'Reilly. Commanders Conference. Ops Offr and STT to Saigon to talk about move of MRS to Vung Tau. New US Advisor to ARVN Sigschool (Lt Col Evans) came to visit.	
	5 Sep 70		Voice procedure on 1 ALSG Defence Net still poor. I wrote a report on poor procedure and breaches of security to HQ 1 ALSG. I also instigated a Security Breach Pro Forma.	



# COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

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UNIT/FORMATION.....

MONTH AND YEAR.....

REFERENCE MAP.....

COMMANDING OFFICER.....

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	6 Sep 70		Theft - our first for quite a while - of a camera and Cassette/radio. Received a newspaper cutting from Australia inserted by AVCAP stating we are "looking after our own bastards" at the An Phong. I wrote to the President of AVCAP on this.	
	7 Sep 70		Application for discharge of a very good Sgt. He cannot stand being apart from his family & is breaking down. All major and minor Engineer Works cancelled, no more vertical construction & predicted scarcity of engineer stores. Major Roberts (OC 104 Sig Sqn elect) visited. Three locals shot at by HQ Coy for attempted theft at 1 AFCU Compound about 2230 hrs.	
	8 Sep 70		Another of our soldiers topped a US Course at Long Binh (Cable Splicers' Course). Parade & inspection. Helicopter search of swamp around our area continues looking for any locals still hiding after incident last night. One KIA, one WIA and one taken prisoner. Maj Roberts departed.	
	9 Sep 70		To Saigon. Three charges including one Unauthorized Discharge. Fathers Day cigarettes handed out. CA Officers persuaded CO 1 Aust Rd Hosp to start Medcap at ARVN sig school	



# COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

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MONTH AND YEAR.....

REFERENCE MAP.....

UNIT/FORMATION.....

COMMANDING OFFICER.....

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	9 Sep 70		cont: Families Dispensary. Col TAO is delighted.	
	10 Sep 70		Maj O'Reilly departed.	
	11 Sep 70		Sig RENTON was dimented & threatened me. I spoke to him for about an hour & calmed him to the point where he consented to talk with a Psychiatrist at the hospital. One of our junior NCO's is extremely upset over a "Dear John" letter from his young wife.	
	12 Sep 70		Squadron conference. Tried to assist a drunken Aust soldier outside a bar in Vung Tau. He was bellowing, stupid, covered in blood from a gash (from a bottle wound) & demanding return of 500 Piastre from a bar girl. He nearly got himself shot by a local policeman, however I got two MP patrols there as quickly as I could. We won the Rugby match against HQ Coy.	
	13 Sep 70		Generators being adjusted Saigon. We had to use field generators & limit our traffic for two hours.	



# COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

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MONTH AND YEAR.....

REFERENCE MAP.....

UNIT/FORMATION.....

COMMANDING OFFICER.....

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	14 Sep 70		I was invited to CHILDRENS TET (Childrens Festival) at the ARVN School of Signals where about 1000 children sang, danced and received cakes, sweets & ice cream. Grenade Practise. Medcap of ARVN School of Signals. Lecture to the unit on MALARIA by 1 ALSG Hygiene Inspector.	
	15 Sep 70		Parade & inspection. I chaired a discussion group on DFRB Scheme. We gave cakes, sweets and drinks to 200 small children of the AN PHONG for Childrens Tet. Volley Ball against US Advisers.	
	16 Sep 70		To Saigon. Spoke to C of S about side-levers and long hair in other units in the theatre and asked for a uniform policy. Why should 110 Sig Sqn observe the rules if others don't? Spoke to GS02 (SD & Trg) AFV; Det 110 Sig Sqn is shown as under command HQ Coy AFV for local Admin. This is incorrect and the G2 will have this altered.	
	17 Sep 70		Emu switchboard playing up badly. Visited Nui Dat Det. Warned Sig MOOR for Admin discharge (a very poor soldier).	



# COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

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UNIT/FORMATION.....

MONTH AND YEAR.....

REFERENCE MAP.....

COMMANDING OFFICER.....

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	18 Sep 70		Two charges. General Fire Alarm Practise. New OC Saigon Det arrived at Vung Tau (Capt BALDWIN). Results of foot inspection show 10% of unit have Tinea & need medical attention. Regular foot inspections are to be held.	
	19 Sep 70		Breifed Capt Baldwin. Squadron Conference. A mass of overhead cables taking power from Generator Shed to MRS was changed to a UG Cable. This will be far more satisfactory.	
	20 Sep 70		OC 104 Sig Sqn visited. Farewell party for Capt BOURNE in Officers' Lines.	
	21 Sep 70		Sig RENTON (Man with violent moods) to Detention Barracks for 3 days. Lineman PL trade test (5 members).	
	22 Sep 70		Squadron Parade (new format) & Inspection. Final conference at HQ 1 ALSG on AATTV. Ceremonial Parade 30 Sep.	
	23 Sep 70		To Saigon. I got RAE to take some positive steps on air-conditioning of MRS at last. 1 charge at Saigon (offering violence to a WO).	



# COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

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UNIT/FORMATION.....

MONTH AND YEAR.....

REFERENCE MAP.....

COMMANDING OFFICER.....

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	24 Sep 70		Sig RENTON escorted by Pro to his RTA plane in Saigon.	
	25 Sep 70		Tested an external PA system for AATTV Parade on St Kilda Pad, and internal PA system in K Wheatley Stadium. Commanders Conference.	
	26 Sep 70		Sqn conference. Visit by DMGO and party assessing amount of equipment to return to Australia in the event of a withdrawal. To Saigon PM.	
	27 Sep 70		Farwell party to Capt Bourne in Saigon. Day successful.	
	28 Sep 70		Another application from a soldier to marry a VN Girl. Rehearsal with PA system for AATTV Parade went very well, also PA in Kevin Wheatly Stadium.	
	29 Sep 70		Sqn Parade and inspection. CMF Officers visited (5). Unit lecture 1900-2000hrs on "Security".	







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ANNEX D TO  
AFV (ARMY COMPONENT)  
ADMIN INSTR No 3  
AMDT No 3 DATED 22 JUN 68

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

UNIT..... 110 Sig Sqn .....

WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN (SPECIAL) REVISED JUN 68 as at 0800hrs Wed...2...Sep.70..

To reach HQ AFV (Records Det) by 1200hrs Wed of each week.

STRENGTH

	ESTB	POSTED STR
Offrs	9	9
WO's	10	8
OR's	232	232
Total	251	249

ARA/NS BREAK UP

	ARA	NS
Offrs	9	
OR's	163	77
Total	172	77

LOCATION OF POSTED STRENGTH

With unit & physically located				Not physically with unit					
	Sgn	1ATF	1ALSG	Leave	Hosp	AWOL	Detn	Aust	Total
Offrs	2		7						9
WO's	2		6						8
OR's	94	23	107	4	4				232
Total	98	23	120	4	4				249

AHQ ATTACHMENTS

No	Rank	Name
1401976	SGT	K. McCOWAN

Movement Details attached.

*Applying Capt* Rank  
 SIGNATURE  
 Operations Officer Capt  
 APPOINTMENT

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**MARCH INS**

61687      **LepI**      **D.R. RITCHIE**  
 3177841   **Sig**      **M.W. BOOTH**  
 2411506   **SSgt**     **J.P. MILLER**

2678/70  
 2669/70  
 3486/70

**MARCH OUTS**

39722      **Sig**      **D.J. SELF**                      2732/70  
 3794801   **Sig**      **I.W. TAYLOR**                  2490/70  
 44421      **LepI**     **T.R. BROCK**                    2733/70  
 5716331   **Sig**      **M.A. PARMENTER**            2490/70  
 215404     **Sgt**      **T.R. SMITH**                    2787/70  
 216319     **Cpl**      **J.D. TOULMIN**                2735/70

27	163	
27	172	Total

8	10	
232	232	
242	251	Total

**LOCATION OF POSTED STRENGTH**

With unit & physically located	Not physically located	Total
2	7	9
2	6	8
24	107	232
28	120	242

**AND ATTACHMENTS**

No	Rank	Name
1401976	Sgt	I. McCowan

*[Signature]*  
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 Captain  
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Movement Details attached

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UNIT 110 Sig Sqn

WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN (SPECIAL) REVISED JUN 68 as at 0800hrs Wed... 9 Sep 70

To reach HQ AFV (Records Det) by 1200hrs Wed of each week.

STRENGTH

	ESTB	POSTED STR
Offrs	9	9
WO's	10	8
OR's	232	234
Total	251	251

ARA/NS BREAK UP

	ARA	NS
Offrs	9	
OR's	165	77
Total	174	77

LOCATION OF POSTED STRENGTH

With unit & physically located				Not physically with unit					
	Sgn	1ATF	1ALSG	Leave	Hosp	AWOL	Detn	Aust	Total
Offrs	2	-	7						9
WO's	2	-	6						8
OR's	88	22	122	1		1			234
Total	92	22	135	1		1			251

AHQ ATTACHMENTS

No	Rank	Name
3166337	MAJ	O'REILLY W.L.
1401976	SGT B	MCCOWAN K.
37159	SGT	BENNETT

Movement Details attached.

*Appling Capt* Rank  
 SIGNATURE Capt  
 Operations Officer  
 110 Sig Sqn  
 APPOINTMENT

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NEILSON

R.P.

P/O SVN 3206/70

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

UNIT 110 SIG BATT

WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN (SPECIAL) REVISED JUN 68 as at 0000hrs Wed

To reach HQ AFV (Records Det) by 1800hrs Wed of each week.

ANALYSIS BREAK UP

MS	ANA	
	2	Others
11	162	OR's
11	174	Total

STRENGTH

POSTED STR	ESTS	
2	2	Others
8	10	WO's
234	232	OR's
251	251	Total

LOCATION OF POSTED STRENGTH

With unit & physically located				Not physically with unit			
Spn	TAIW	TAISC	Leave	Help	AMC	Detm	Total
2	-	7					2
2	-	6					8
88	22	122	1		1		234
92	22	132	1		1		251

AND ATTACHMENTS

No	Rank	Name
370337	MAJ	O'NEILLY W.J.
370376	SGT	MCCOYAN K.
37199	SGT	BRIDGES

Movement Details attached.

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UNIT... 110 Sig Sqn .....

WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN (SPECIAL) REVISED JUN 68 as at 0800hrs Wed..16.Sep.70..  
To reach HQ AFV (Records Det) by 1200hrs Wed of each week.

STRENGTH

	ESTB	POSTED STR
Offrs	9	9
WO's	10	8
OR's	232	236
Total	251	253

ARA/NS BREAK UP

	ARA	NS
Offrs	9	
OR's	166	78
Total	175	78

LOCATION OF POSTED STRENGTH

With unit & physically located				Not physically with unit					
	Sgn	1ATF	1ALSG	Leave	Hosp	AWOL	Detn	Aust	Total
Offrs	2		7						9
WO's	2		6						8
OR's	88	28	114	6					236
Total	92	28	127	6					253

AHQ ATTACHMENTS

No	Rank	Name
1401976	SGT	MCCOWAN

Movement Details attached.

*for* *Appling*  
SIGNATURE Rank  
Capt  
Administrative Officer  
110 APPOINTMENT

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MARCH OUTS

2788065 SIG K.P. DAMM

Medical Downgraded

MARCH INS

6709067 LCPL R.A. McENNULTY 3725/70

2140398 SGT L. TOFF 3222/70

42030 CPL M.J. ROCHE NZ V Force

35844 SGT E.F. HERLIHY 3726/70

No march HQ 4th (Records Det) by 1200hrs Wed of each week.

ARRIVE BREAK UP

DEPART

NO	NAME	POSTED DATE
9	TOFF	3725
8	ROCHE	3222
8	Total	3725

NO	NAME	POSTED DATE
9	TOFF	3725
8	ROCHE	3222
8	Total	3725

LOCATION OF POSTED STRONGS

With unit & physically located				Not physically with unit			
NO	NAME	POSTED DATE	LEAVE	NO	NAME	POSTED DATE	LEAVE
9	TOFF	3725		9	TOFF	3725	
8	ROCHE	3222		8	ROCHE	3222	
8	Total	3725	0	8	Total	3222	0

THIS ATTACHED IS

No	Rank	Name
140126	SGT	McCOWAN

Signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*  
 Movement Details attached.  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Position: \_\_\_\_\_

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UNIT 110 Sig Sqn

WEEKLY STRENGTH RETURN (SPECIAL) REVISED JUN 68 as at 0800hrs Wed. 23 Sep. 70.

To reach HQ AFV (Records Det) by 1200hrs Wed of each week.

STRENGTH

	ESTB	POSTED STR
Offrs	9	10
WO's	10	8
OR's	232	232
Total	251	250

ARA/NS BREAK UP

	ARA	NS
Offrs	10	
OR's	166	78
Total	176	78

LOCATION OF POSTED STRENGTH

With unit & physically located				Not physically with unit					
	Sgn	1ATF	1ALSG	Leave	Hosp	AWOL	Detn	Aust	Total
Offrs	3		7						10
WO's	2		6						8
OR's	86	23	113	8	1		1		232
Total	91	23	126	8	1		1		250

AHQ ATTACHMENTS

No	Rank	Name
1401976	SGT	MCCOWAN K.

Movement Details attached.

  
 SIGNATURE **Capt** Rank  
 Administrative Officer  
 110th Signal Squadron  
 APPOINTMENT

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STRENGTH

	ESTB	POSTED STR
Offrs	9	10
WO's	10	8
OR's	232	229
Total	251	247

ARA/NS BREAK UP

	ARA	NS
Offrs	10	
OR's	166	78
Total	176	78

LOCATION OF POSTED STRENGTH

With unit & physically located				Not physically with unit					
	Sgn	1ATF	1ALSG	Leave	Hosp	AWOL	Detn	Aust	Total
Offrs	3		7						10
WO's	2		6						8
OR's	80	22	122	5					229
Total	85	22	135	5					247

AHQ ATTACHMENTS

No	Rank	Name

Movement Details attached.

*[Signature]* Cap Rank  
Signature Officer  
110th Signal Squadron

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MARCH OUTS

15762	Sgt	R.W.	WARHURST	Med Downgraded
36492	Sgt	R.G.	MOSS	
31556	Cpl	B.J.	MORRIS	3738/70
39652	Sig	J.W.	HUBBARD	3388/70
44753	Sig	D.K.	RENTON	AFV Discipline Grounds

March Ins

218017	Cpl	K.T.	BEAUMAN	3723/70
1734500	Cpl	R.F.	MASON	3730/70
3794759	Sig	G.R.	DAVIS	3389/70
3176026	Sig	D.J.	SPIVEY	3554/70
45323	Sig	I.A.	WEBSTER	2888/70

	10	0710
87	100	0210
87	170	Total

	2	0710
8	10	0710
222	222	0710
221	221	Total

								0710
								0710
								0710
								Total


1100 Signal Squadron  
 A Generalist's Unit  
 1100 Signal Squadron

Movement Details attached.



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ANNEX B TO  
SECTION 2 TO  
CHAPTER 2

QUARTERED NOT RATIONED UNITS IN SAIGON AREA

HQ AFV(For Financial Adviser)

UNIT: DET 110 SIG SQN SAIGON

Strength Report For the Month of.....September 1970.....

- 1. Unit Average Strength(See Note 1)  
 Officers...2,20..... WOs.....2,23..... ORs(Less WOs)...80,38.....
- 2. Hospitalized(See Note 2)  
 Total Bed Days: .....  
 Officers.....Nil..... WOs.....Nil..... ORs(Less WOs).....Nil.....
- 3. Australian Combat Rations(See Note 3)  
 Total Number Consumed.....Nil.....

I certify that I have checked this return and its accuracy

.....  
(Responsible Officer)

Notes For Compilation of Return

- Note 1. a. Only Aust Personnel are to be included.
- b. The method of calculating average strength of the unit is to count the P,D,H,S(and when the member is in the equivalent of unit lines for the period of rest)markings in Company Roll Books. Daily Parade State figures are NOT to be used.
- c. Add: Aust Philanthropic Representatives accommodated in a BOQ/BEQ.  
 Aust overnight Attachments/Transients accommodated in a BOQ/BEQ  
 Day leave=Duty out of SAIGON
- d. Exclude: Anyone who is not Aust, Out of country R and R, Hospitalized Butterworth or RTA, AWOL personnel, overnight Detachments.
- e. AATTV: Show strengths by HQ AATTV, AATTV on special duty and other AATTV.

Note 2 Show only bed days per Offr, WO, OR(Less WOs) of members hospitalized in US hospitals.

eg. 2 OR in hospital for 5 days  
1 OR in hospital for 7 days  
1 Offr in hospital for 8 days  
Return should read: Offrs 8 bed days - OR 17 bed days

Note 3 The total number of Australian Combat Rations consumed on a daily basis, eg 20 personnel consumed Australian Combat Rations over a period of 3 days - Return should read: 60

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War Diary

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RATIONED NOT QUARTERED UNITS  
OUT OF SAIGON AREA

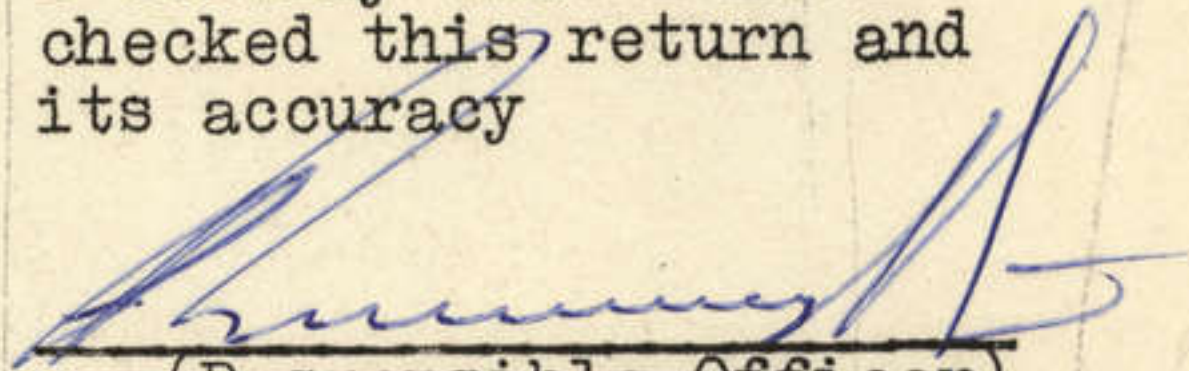
HQ AFV (For Financial Adviser)

UNIT: 110 SIG SQN

Strength report for the month of: SEP 70

1. Unit Average Strength (See Note 1)  
 Offrs: 7.10 ORs (include WOs): 138.33
2. In country R and C Average Strength: See note 2)  
 Offrs: \_\_\_\_\_ ORs (include WOs): \_\_\_\_\_
3. Australian Combat Rations (See note 3)  
 Total number consumed: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I have checked this return and its accuracy



(Responsible Officer)

C. BOUGHENON  
Capt  
Admin Offr

Notes for Complilation of Return

- Note 1:
- a. With the exception of the return rendered by HQ 26 Coy RAASC only Aust personnel are to be included.
  - b. HQ 26 Coy RAASC is to show separately members of the concessionaire's staff as well as Aust personnel.
  - c. The method of calculating average strength of the unit is to count the P,D,H,S (and R when the member is in unit lines for the period of rest) markings in Company Roll Books. Daily Parade State figures are not to be used.
  - d. Add:
    - Aust Philanthropic Representative.
    - Aust overnight Attachment/Transients.
    - Aust day leave/Duty Saigon.
  - e. Exclude: Anyone who is not Aust(HQ 26 Coy RAASC excepted).
    - Out of Country R and R.
    - In Country R and C.
    - Hospitalized Butterworth or RTA
    - AWOL personnel.
    - Overnight Detachments.

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f. AFV Amenities and Welfare Unit, 1 Aust Fd Hosp, 8 Fd Amb, AFV Provost (in respect of the AFV Detention Barracks) are to show Aust staff only.

Note 2: For use by AFV Amenities and Welfare Unit only; to show monthly strength of members present for rest and convalescence.

Note 3: The total number of Australian Combat Rations consumed; eg. 20 personnel consumed Australian Combat Ration over a period of 3 days. Return should read: - 60.



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110 Signal Squadron  
Vung Tau

7 Oct 70

SO(Sigs)2 AFV (8)

110 SIG SQN MONTHLY REPORT SEP 70

Reference: A. Maps Special Use, SE Asia, 1:100,000 Series L607, Sheet 6430.

GENERAL

1. The pressure of work has been constantly high, making September a busy month, with October promising to be even busier.
2. Highlights of the month were:
  - a. Conduct of a Radiotelephone lecture and exercise for HQ 1 ALSG staff and users of the 1 ALSG Defence Net.
  - b. An outbreak of shooting by War Veterans in Saigon causing Saigon Det to keep heads down.
  - c. Cancellation of most work on the Works Programme because of shortages in labour and materials.
  - d. The shooting and subsequent search for civilian intruders who attempted to break into the 1 ALSG area.
  - e. Commencement of MEDCAP visits to the ARVN School of Signals.
  - f. Provision of Public Address facilities for the AATTV Ceremonial Parade, official opening of the Kevin Wheatley Stadium and the Grand Final of the 1 ALSG Basketball Competition.
  - g. A grenade practice.
  - h. A Children's "Tet" party given for two hundred children at the An Phong Orphanage.
  - i. Participation in the occupation of Night Defensive Position "ISA" in the 1 ATF TAOR.
  - j. Successful tradetesting of five Linemen Fd as Linemen PL.
  - k. Two unit lectures.

TAPE RELAY TRAFFICTraffic Figures

3. MRS Saigon Traffic Summary is attached as Annex A.
4. Traffic in MRS Saigon again decreased slightly by 2.16% to a total of 88730 transactions.

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5. Tributary traffic has fluctuated. Percentage variations over 5% in comparison with last month's figures are:

- a. From AFV Comcen. A 5.4% decrease.
- b. To AFV Comcen. A 7.2% decrease.
- c. To Nui Dat. A 15.7% increase.
- d. From Long Binh. A 5.1% decrease.
- e. From 1 ALSG Comcen. A 5.1% decrease.
- f. From 1 OSU. An 8.5% increase.
- g. To 1 OSU. A 7.2% increase.

Traffic Analysis

6. Rerun Summary. Annex B.
7. Long Term Trends. Annex D.
8. The traffic to Nui Dat recovered after a decrease of 21.2% last month.
9. Traffic figures to and from AFV Comcen continues to fall over two reporting periods.
10. 1 OSU traffic figures are building up.
11. The MRS average for reruns increased again with IN traffic up 0.3% and OUT traffic up 1.4%. The rerun figures are disconcerting, however there are always valid reasons for the high percentages, and they are gradually becoming a fact of life. A day with good rerun figures is a good day indeed.

OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

1 ALSG Switchboard (EMU)

12. The number of local and trunk calls remained steady, however the EMU was resuscitated from near death back to life on several occasions, and continues to limp on barely coping with the situation. The operators are now "EMUNE" to complaints. Thirty-nine cords were replaced during the month. This was good. Fifty were replaced last month.
13. Unfortunately at this stage two new operators have joined the switchboard team, and the combination of the old switchboard and new operators does nothing to enhance the unit's reputation.
14. SO(Sigs)2 AFV is in constant touch with US Depot Long Binh over the delivery of the AN/MT1 shelters. These have been delayed because of CES shortages, and are still expected daily.

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Signal Dispatch Service

15. 1 ALSG.

a. SDS figures were:

(1) Dispatches out	4815
(2) Dispatches in	486
	<u>5301</u> Total

b. The total vehicle mileage was 2158 miles shared by two DR vehicles (Landrovers).

16. HQ AFV. Two landrovers shared 550 vehicle miles in the Saigon area delivering official mail and ADS and safehand bags.

Air Dispatch Service

17. ADS figures were:

a. ADS Bags. 178.

b. Safehand Bags. 78.

Radio

18. The following activities were carried out:

a. 2 Sqn RAAF Phan Rang. The HF RTT back-up circuit was tested weekly, and used to pass twenty-four messages on one occasion during an outage of the normal telegraph channel.

b. AFV Emergency Frequency. Permanent listening watch was maintained on this frequency.

c. Vung Tau-Nui Dat-Saigon. AN/GRC-106 back-up communications were tested regularly.

d. Shipping. Schedules were worked with:

(1) HMAS Hobart.

(2) HMAS Jeparit.

(3) AV Harry Chauvel.

(4) AV Brudenell White.

e. Radio Australia. This was monitored with good results.

f. 1 ALSG Defence Net. This net was monitored nightly. Net discipline has improved since the Radiotelephone lecture and exercise.



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g. Security Monitoring.

- (1) 110 Sig Sqn Comsec Det (3) remains attached to 104 Sig Sqn. Twenty-one breaches of security were reported for the month.
- (2) Radio Section Vung Tau continues to sample monitor 1 ALSG nets.
- (3) Random monitoring of trunk telephone calls reveals that there are relatively few breaches of security since the tighten up last month, but bad language is used constantly.

Communication Centres

19. Both HQ AFV and 1 ALSG Comcens are running efficiently.
20. It is interesting to note that Teletypewriters TT-4A/TG in 1 ALSG Comcen could not cope with 75 band working, and have been replaced with two TT-98D/FG (150 CKP) equipments acquired from US sources.
21. 2 AOD traffic arrives at 1 ALSG Comcen in batches of fifty and more despite all arrangements tried to even out the flow. The Comcen will continue to work closely with 2 AOD, however it is apparent that such a large customer should be served by a tributary station once the Vung Tau MRS opens and settles down.

ENGINEERING

General

22. Telegraph Circuit Availability Summary. Annex C.
23. The availability of all circuits remained at a satisfactory level.
24. National Rear Link. The increase in Melbourne availability was due to less loss in propagation.
25. Technical Maintenance. The back-log in equipment for repair has disappeared, and the workshop staff is busy testing 1851 modules and other equipment ready for the opening of the new Transmitter Station and MRS.

Vung Tau Transmitter Station

26. The feeder-route poles, and antenna masts have been installed for the second VLPA.
27. Further work on Phase 2 of the installation, the move of a second transmitter to Vung Tau, has been curtailed due to the non-arrival of certain VLPA stores. SO(Sigs)2 has this in hand, but this project may now clash with other activities and be further delayed.
28. The generator shed has been RF screened and the generators have been reinstalled for easier maintenance. Rewiring is proceeding, and the installation is to be tested and handed back to the unit from RAE on 6 Oct 70.

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Vung Tau MRS

29. The squadron took delivery of six AN/TGC-5AX transmit, and six AN/TGC-5AX receive/monitor consoles on 22 Sep on loan from US Signal Corps. These have been installed in place of Australian equipment in MRS Saigon, releasing this equipment ready to move to and be installed in MRS Vung Tau.
30. Engineer work is all but complete in the MRS. Jobs outstanding are installation of three new air-conditions, and the last of the power wiring.
31. Ducting has arrived at last, and is being fitted. The last major worry - the engineering panel - should arrive daily.
32. The target date for opening the MRS remains at 28 Oct 70.

Line and Antennae

33. Line. Apart from general maintenance tasks, the line section:
- a. Replaced the line from HQ AFV to "The Buis" (Officer Accommodation) in Saigon. The run was about two miles through city streets.
  - b. Built a 15 pair run from 1 ALSG to Vung Tau township to replace the old cable to SIB HQ, R and C Centre, and the CA Office.
  - c. Replaced eight cables in the 1 ALSG area.
34. Antennae. Rigging tasks were:
- a. Maintenance of antennae at Nui Dat.
  - b. Maintenance of antennae, mast and feeders at Saigon.
  - c. Replacement of guys on Jamaica and Delta antennae for Radio Section.
  - d. Erection of masts and feeder route poles for the second VLPA at the Transmitter Station Vung Tau.

Deployment Troop

35. Deployment Troop detachments remain at Nui Dat and the Horseshoe providing five telephone channels for whoever occupies the Horseshoe. Currently this is HQ 7 RAR again.
36. The total outage time for the month was 10 hrs 52 mins, that is 98.5% circuit availability - the worst for some time, and mainly through 10KVA generator faults. The generator problem is under consideration now, and at first glance will not be easy to solve. The faults divide roughly into three with no particular pattern appearing:
- a. Water in the fuel causing motor failure.
  - b. Various mechanical failures in the motor.
  - c. Electrical problems.



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Recording of Courts Martial

37. A second trial recording is scheduled for 12 Oct when DAAG, DADLS AFV and staff will enact a Court Martial in the Court Martial Room 1 ALSG for the benefit of our technicians.

38. It is hoped to develop a simple recording system for use by HQ AFV legal staff, and thus obviate the need to call in civilian specialists from Australia.

Public Address Systems

39. The squadron installed and operated public address equipment for:
- a. 1 ALSG Basketball Grand Final 28 Sep.
  - b. AATTV Ceremonial Parade for the presentation of the Meritorious Unit Citation 30 Sep.
  - c. The official opening of the Kevin Wheatley Stadium.

TRAINING AND DEFENCE

40. Range Practices. Normal weekly range practices were conducted such that each soldier fires once per month.

41. Weekly Runs. Weekly runs of one and a half miles in boots by all members under forty years of age continued.

42. Grenade Practice. A squadron grenade throw was conducted on 15 Sep.

43. US Signal Corps Courses at 1st Sig Bde Long Binh.

- a. One member attended O2/71 Cable Splicers' Course 10 Aug - 4 Sep 70.
- b. One member attended O2/71 AN/GRC-106 Maintenance Course 7 Sep - 2 Oct 70.
- c. Both students obtained high marks, were graded "Honours Students" and topped their respective courses. This has become the rule and not the exception.

44. Subject C Coaching. The unit is planning a coaching course for Subject C for promotion to Cpl and Sgt. Coaching sessions are to be held weekly after normal working hours, and culminate in a two day coaching course before the exam is attempted 30 Nov.

45. Trade Testing. Five Linemen Fd were successfully trade-tested as Linemen PL on 21 Sep.

46. Practice Fire Alarm. A practice general fire alarm was held on 18 Sep. The results were pleasing.

47. Unit Lectures. Two unit lectures were conducted during the month. They are:

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- a. "Malaria" by the 1 ALSG Hygiene Inspector on 14 Sep.
- b. "Security" by the OC, Ops Offr and WO1 Spvr Comcen on 29 Sep.

48. Patrols. The following patrols were successfully completed during the month:

- a. Day patrol 3 Sep.
- b. Day patrol 8 Sep.
- c. Night patrol 24/25 Sep.
- d. Night patrol 30 Sep/1 Oct.

49. Incidents.

- a. The "War Veterans" demonstrated against poor conditions, especially the government's housing policy, in Saigon 3 Sep. Shots were exchanged with the police and the army, and personnel of Saigon Det were forced to avoid certain areas of the city and to keep their heads down.
- b. On 7 Sep, one Vietnamese civilian was shot dead, another wounded and a third captured after attempting to break into the 2 AFCU compound near the Sigs Lines. A search of the swamp area immediately outside the perimeter wire was made by a low-flying helicopter using a powerful search-light for about two hours. The incident stressed the need for 110 Sig Sqn picquets to remain alert.

50. Night Defensive Position "ISA". The squadron contributed three operators to assist in the 1 ALSG occupation of NDP ISA about three miles South of DAT DO mid Sep to 8 Oct.

CIVIL AFFAIRS

51. General.

- a. General support to CA projects continued during the month.
- b. Twenty-two boxes and cartons of clothes, toys and "Pentavite" donated by The Pearce Church Ladies and the Farrer Primary School of Canberra, were given to the An Phong Orphanage.
- c. A world globe donated by The Pearce Church Ladies was presented to the Vung Tau Protestant Primary School.
- d. Four cartons of medical supplies, baby food, childrens' clothing and toys were received from AVCAP ready for delivery to the An Phong.

52. Detailed Support. The following support was provided:

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a. An Phong Orphanage.

- (1) Folding beds.
- (2) Mattresses.
- (3) Pillows.
- (4) Mosquito nets.
- (5) "Pentavite".
- (6) Blankets.
- (7) Dextrose and Saline Solution.
- (8) Repair of a TV set.
- (9) 300 lbs of food.

b. Vagabond Boys Home.

- (1) Continued restoration of the banana plantation.
- (2) Assistance to construct more "shanties".
- (3) English instruction each Sunday.
- (4) Advice on sanitary arrangements.
- (5) 600 gals of potable water.
- (6) Paint.
- (7) Paint brushes.
- (8) 200 lbs fresh fruit.
- (9) Shovels.
- (10) Mattock.
- (11) Axe.

c. ARVN School of Signals Families' Dispensary.

- (1) Four boxes of peanut brittle.
- (2) Assistance with MEDCAP visits.

d. Hamlets. Two members taught English at the DUC DAN School every Saturday.

53. Childrens' Tet. A highlight of the month was the handing out of a cake, a bag of sweets and a cup of iced cordial to each of two hundred little inmates of the An Phong on the occasion of "Childrens' Tet" by squadron personnel. Childrens' Tet is a festival for small children when they receive presents and are encouraged to play games and be happy.



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PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

Manning

54. Variations to establishment are shown in Annex E.
55. Eighteen personnel marched into the squadron and twenty-one marched out on return to Australia.
56. Officer Appointments. Capt R.H. BALDWIN arrived in theatre on 17 Sep to assume the appointment of Saigon Det Commander vice Capt L.V. BOURNE (who returned to Australia 1 Oct).
57. Three members were returned to Australia prematurely during the month. These were:
- a. Sgt. Compassionate reasons.
  - b. Cpl. Compassionate reasons.
  - c. Sig. Indiscipline.

Visitors

58. Visitors were:
- a. CMF Visit (5 officers) 1 Sep
  - b. Maj W.L. O'REILLY 3 Sig Regt 3-10 Sep
  - c. Maj A.G. ROBERTS OC 104 Sig Sqn elect 7-8 Sep
  - d. CMF Visit (4 officers) 15 Sep
  - e. Brig J.D. HONEYSETT and Party DMGO 25 Sep
  - f. CMF Visit (6 officers) 29 Sep
  - g. Maj R.E.P. COWLEY SO(Sigs)2 AFV 30 Sep

Amenities

59. The squadron recorded 277 Amenities tapes during the month.
60. This service may come to a stand-still if Amenities do not provide funds for the purchase of new master and slaves tapes soon. The quality of the recording is beginning to drop for the want of new tapes.

Sport

61. Volleyball and Rugby football continued during the month, but the unit did particularly well in water polo and basketball by staying in the competition almost to the last.

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Q ADMINISTRATION

62. Boards of Survey. The value of boards was \$338.75.
63. New Works.
- a. Renovation of the MRS is nearing completion.
  - b. The new Troop HQ/Tape Library Building is erected and the office space is available. The Tape Library is yet to be fitted with equipment benches and air-conditioning.
  - c. One new barrack hut is complete, the second is about two-thirds complete.
  - d. The squadron has managed to obtain approval for the erection of a 60 ft by 20 ft Q Store. This should be ready for use by mid December, and will mean that harrassed Q personnel will be able to set out their stores in clean, secure and weather-proof surroundings. At present there is grossly inadequate storage space.
64. Spot Checks and Internal Auditing.
- a. Weekly spot checks and internal auditing continued.
  - b. Sub-account holdings at Saigon and Nui Dat are gradually being whittled down.
  - c. The QM is presently conducting a check of Vung Tau sub account documentation and stores.
65. CES Accounting. A 100% check of all CES equipments is being carried out and due for completion by 30 Oct.
66. Transport. The unit can only manage to keep nine of its fourteen light vehicles on the road due to the time taken in maintenance, repairs and servicing. HQ AFV has been approached to release the restrictions on three of the light vehicles imposed earlier in the year. With the full entitlement of seventeen vehicles, the unit should be able to maintain vehicles for:


a.	Saigon Det	3
b.	Nui Dat	1
c.	DR duties 1 ALSG	2
d.	Line parties	2
e.	Rigger party	1
f.	Q duties	1
g.	Duty vehicle	1
h.	Deployment Tp	2
i.	OC	1
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CONCLUSION

67. It is unfortunate that the delays with the transmitter antenna stores, and switchboard shelters, will cause work on the three major projects to clash; however with luck October could break the back of all three projects. It is hoped that the new MRS Vung Tau will be operating by late October, and that the new switchboard and Transmitter Station will be operating by mid November.

  
(D.R. OVERSTEAD)  
Maj  
OC

- Annexes:
- A. MRS Saigon - Summary of Traffic Sep 70.
  - B. Traffic Rerun Summary Sep 70.
  - C. Telegraph Circuit Availability Sep 70.
  - D. Long Term Trends.
  - E. Manning.

Copy to:

1 ALSG  
104 Sig Sqn  
Radio Officer 1 OSU (for info).

Internal:

OC (2)  
Ops Offr (3)  
QM  
Vung Tau Op Tp Comd  
Vung Tau Tech Tp Comd  
Deployment Tp Comd  
Nui Dat Tp Comd  
Saigon Det Comd  
Commanders Diary (3)  
File  
Float  
Spare (3)



MAJOR RELAY STATION SAIGON  
SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC SEP 70

ANNEX A TO  
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DATED 7 OCT 70

Ser	Circuit		FLASH	IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	TOTAL	ZFX
1	Melb A	In Out		1823 1544	2508 2138	5182 5366	9513 9048	135
2	Melb B	In Out		1120 1321	1226 848	2933 1763	5279 3932	124
3	AFV Comcen A	In Out		400 496	2441 1926	2758 4193	5599 6615	18
4	AFV Comcen B	Out		309	1457	3074	4840	
5	Phan Rang	In Out	2 1	88 165	1048 1201	411 939	1549 2306	68
6	Nui Dat A	In Out	1 10	332 344	2114 1261	1769 2249	4216 3864	136
7	Nui Dat B	Out	4	321	1197	1901	3423	
8	Iong Binh	In Out	153 11	2009 1678	398 238	205 80	2765 2007	62
9	1 ALSG Comcen	In Out	3 3	223 368	1556 1937	3158 3939	4940 6247	102
10	1 OSU	In Out	2 150	334 537	1535 1659	506 1075	2377 3421	45
11	Canberra	In Out		14 18	9 14	16	23 48	1
12	Services	In Out	6 1	860 991	1559 1486	1451 367	3876 2845	
13	TOTALS		347	15295	29756	40635	88733	691
	Multi Routes (Processed)						6598	



TRAFFIC RERUN SUMMARY - SEP 70

ANNEX B TO  
110 SIG SQN R723/1/6  
DATED 7 OCT 70

(Percentages calculated on all services)

SAIGON MAJOR RELAY STATION

Ser No	Channel	As % of IN traffic		As % of OUT traffic		Remarks
		This month	Last month	This month	Last month	
1	MELB A	10.6	12.2	13.7	12.3	
2	MELB B	13.3	14.0	15.6	14.8	
3	HQ AFV A	3.1	2.4	1.5	2.0	
4	HQ AFV B			1.8	2.4	
5	1 ATF A	6.1	6.0	3.5	4.2	
6	1 ATF B			4.6	2.5	
7	PHAN RANG	6.6	1.9	6.1	6.2	
8	LONG BINH	6.9	3.9	1.9	2.3	
9	1 ALSG	7.7	4.6	4.5	5.5	
10	1 OSU	3.5	2.5	5.8	6.9	
11	STATION AVERAGE	7.1	6.8	6.6	6.5	



ANNEX C TO  
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 DATED ↗ OCT 70

TELEGRAPH CIRCUIT AVAILABILITY SUMMARY

SAIGON

Ser	Channel	Availability	Percentage of OLC Faults and Alignments	Other Eqpt Faults	Bearer	Propagation
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
1	MELB A	88.2	0.7	3.9		7.2
2	MELB B	82.1	1.4	3.4		13.1
3	HQ AFV A	96.9	1.2	1.9		
4	HQ AFV B	98.4	0.5	1.1		
5	1 ATF A	95.6	1.0	1.6	1.8	
6	1 ATF B	96.5	0.7	1.1	1.7	
7	PHAN RANG	95.0	0.9	1.6	2.5	
8	LONG BINH	96.9	0.9	1.0	1.2	
9	RAAF VUNG TAU	97.3	1.5	1.2		
10	1 ALSG	95.8	1.2	3.0		



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ANNEX D TO  
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LONG TERM TRENDS

- Notes: 1. Numbers are rounded to three significant figures.  
2. There is no direct relationship between traffic and Australia - Vietnam availability.

MONTH	AUSTRALIA-VIETNAM AVAILABILITY		MRS		COMCEN	
	A%	B%	SAIGON	VUNG TAU	HQ AFV	1 ALSG
Oct 68			76,000	15,800	29,000	9,800
Nov			73,000	16,800	30,000	9,000
Dec 68			72,000	27,000	15,500	9,000
Jan 69						
Feb			82,800	34,600	18,000	11,100
Mar			92,400	38,300	19,200	11,200
Apr		73.0	87,700	34,000	19,200	10,700
May	97.0	62.5	90,500	35,700	19,400	10,200
Jun			83,500	29,900	18,500	9,200
Jul			98,000	35,900	21,600	11,500
Aug	79.0	56.5	103,300	36,500	22,800	11,600
Sep	86.0	78.7	104,900	35,600	22,000	11,000
Oct	91.5	86.7	99,000	35,600	21,400	11,000
Nov	90.4	84.7	86,600	30,700	19,100	9,800
Dec 69	91.8	89.0	86,800	30,600	19,100	7,700
Jan 70	93.1	89.4	84,800	30,600	18,400	9,700
Feb	88.7	89.7	84,900	29,800	19,700	10,200
Mar	80.8	80.0	93,600	32,600	20,200	10,600
Apr	88.9	83.1	93,600	35,300	19,800	11,100
May	92.5	87.1	93,700	35,200	19,300	10,000
Jun	88.8	80.0	91,600	33,800	18,100	8,900
Jul	88.8	86.0	93,200	35,900	19,000	10,900
Aug	87.2	81.2	90,700	*	17,800	11,500
Sep 70	88.0	82.0	88,800	*	17,000	11,200

\* Closed from 11 Aug 70 for rebuild.

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ANNEX E TO  
110 SIG Sqn R723/1/16  
DATED 7 OCT 70

MANNING

ESTABLISHMENT VARIATIONS

Note: Civilian establishment is not included.

1. Net Manpower Position

Establishment 251 Posted Strength 246 Net -5

2. Trade Position. Surpluses are shown against deficiencies where some of the surplus skills balance some of the deficient skills.

<u>Trade Deficient</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Trade Surplus</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>No</u>
Spvr Tech Tels	WO2	1	Tech Elec	SSgt	1
Spvr Tech Tels	SSgt	1			
Tech Elec	Sig	1	Tech Tg	Sig	2
Rigger Sigs	Sgt	1	Lmn Pl	Sgt	1
Lmn Pl	Cpl	2	Lmn Fd	Cpl	2
Lmn Pl	Sig	4	Lmn Fd	Sig	4
OKC	Sgt	1			
OKC	Sig	9	OK	Sig	7
OK	Cpl	3	OKC	Cpl	3
Op Swbd	Sig	1	Rigger Sigs	Sig	1
Dr	Sig	3	Mil Skills 1	Sig	1
Spvr Tpt	Sgt	1			
			Clerk Admin	Sig	1
		<u>28</u>			<u>23</u>

3. Supervisory Position. This shows the net deficiency of supervisory effort. Numbers are not related to the net strength.

<u>Rank Deficient</u>	<u>Trade</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Filled By</u>
WO2	Spvr Tech Tels	1	SSgt Tech Elec.
WO2	Spvr Comcen	1	SSgt Spvr Comcen
SSgt	Spvr Tech Tels	1	Not Filled.
SSgt	Clerk Admin	1	Sgt Clerk Admin.
Sgt	Tech Elec	1	Cpl Tech Elec.
Sgt	OKC	2	Cpl OKC (1).
Sgt	Stmn Tech	1	Cpl Stmn Tech.
Sgt	Spvr Tpt	1	Not Filled.
Cpl	Tech Sigs	1	Sig Tech Sigs.
Cpl	Tech Elec RAE	3	Spvr Tech Elec RAE (3).
	Surplus to estab		Cpl OKR

PROMOTIONS

- 4. a. Sgt to SSgt Clerk Tech RAAOC
- b. Lcpl to Cpl Tech Elec (2)  
OKC (3)
- c. Sig to Lcpl OKC (2)

REDUCTIONS

- 5. Cpl to Sig Op Swbd/Rigger

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