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AUSTRALIAN FORCE VIETNAM

MONTHLY REPORT

SEPTEMBER 1967

Reference: HQ AFV R723-1-13 dated 31 Aug 67.

Introduction

1. This report is submitted in accordance with paragraph 33 of the revised Directive by the Chiefs of Staff Committee to Commander Australian Force Vietnam, dated 6th March 1967.

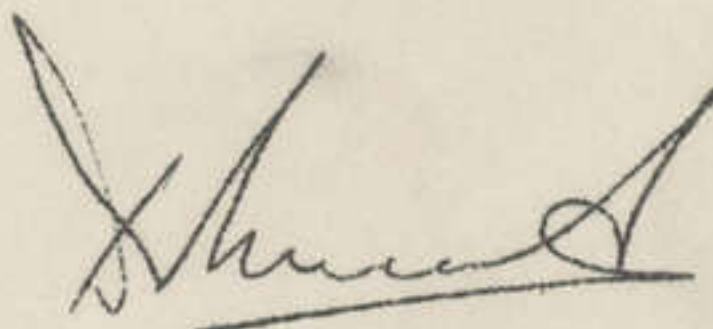
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2. This report covers the period 1 - 30 Sep 67.

Contents

3. The report comprises three parts. Detailed reports and statistical data have been extracted as annexes (with appendices) to each part of the report. Parts are:

- a. Part A - Royal Australian Navy Component Report.
- b. Part B - Army Component Report.
- c. Part C - Royal Australian Air Force Component Report.



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Major General
Commander Australian Force
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Annexes: PART A (NAVY)

- A. RAN CDT Report
- B. RANHFV Report (to be included from October Report only)

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PART A

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY COMPONENT

Clearance Diving Team

1. Employment. STABLEDOOR activities continued to be the main occupation of the RANCDT during the month. Improved weather conditions enabled the Team to operate on most days, and a total of 111 ships were searched.
2. Other missions during the month included:
 - a. EOD duties with a Vietnamese Navy Junk Force on a search and destroy mission in the vicinity of CAT LO.
 - b. An underwater survey of the proposed Ready Reaction Base at VUNG TAU.
 - c. Inspection and demolition of weapons and explosives captured by the Cambodian Mercenary Ranger Regiment at LONG HAI.
 - d. Searches for a suspected underwater chariot and floating mine in VUNG TAU harbour.
3. Members of the RANCDT were introduced to Lieutenant General Sir John Wilton, KBE, CB, DSO, Chairman, Chiefs of Staff Committee, on the occasion of his visit to the First Australian Logistic Support Group on Thursday 14th September. Members of the Team were also introduced to Major General A.L. MacDonald, OBE, Acting Adjutant General of the Australian Army on Friday 29th September.
4. The health and morale of the Team has remained high during the month.
5. Detailed Report. The detailed monthly report is contained in Annex A to PART A of AFV Monthly Report. Copies of this report have been submitted direct to the Secretary, Department of the Navy and the Captain, HMAS WATERHEN.

Annex: A. RANCDT Monthly Report

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ANNEX A TO
PART A OF
HQ AFV MONTHLY REPORT SEP 67
DATED 31 OCT 67

RAN CLEARANCE DIVING TEAM

MONTHLY REPORT 1-30 SEP 67

1. Improved weather conditions this month have allowed the team to carry out operation STABLEDOOR activities on most days. A total of 111 ships were searched during the month, some under extremely difficult conditions as our inflatable rubber raft has been undergoing repairs since Wednesday 20th September. This has necessitated diving direct from a patrol craft in the open anchorage. On two occasions during this period an attempt was made to dive from the 16' "Boston Whaler", a boat very similar in design to the RAN's Carribean Whaler. On both occasions it was found that diving from this boat was most unsatisfactory as it was impossible to manoeuvre it accurately in the short confused sea.
2. On Friday 1st September, a request was received for two team members to accompany a Vietnamese Navy Junk Force which was carrying out a search and destroy mission on a small island one mile west of the CAT LO Naval Base. POCD R.A. DONNE, R37368 accompanied by LSCD M.J. CURRIE, R93186 joined the force of 3 Junks from Coastal Group 32 at 2300 on Friday 1st September 1967. The Junks proceeded via the SONG MUI GIUI waterway landing at YS325542 at 0200 hrs. The landing was unopposed and the resultant sweep through the area failed to find any enemy. However signs of previous activity were found. The two team members were called upon to render safe a US M301AZ 81 mm Mortar illuminating round which had been tampered with and an attempt made to use it as a booby trap in the grounds of a deserted Pagoda at YS 331554.
3. A complete curfew of the VUNG TAU Area for Free World servicemen was enforced on Saturday 2nd September (Viet Cong Independence Day) and Sunday 3rd September (National Election day). Many reports of planned Viet Cong activity were received prior to the Second but the weekend passed uneventfully for our team.
4. An underwater survey of the area around the proposed "Ready Reaction Base" to house the team and the stand-by Patrol Boat crews was carried out on 5th and 6th September 1967. The proposed base will be situated on the waters edge at YS 263450. Though open to heavy seas during the Monsoon season the base will allow quick reaction time to any incidents in the anchorage areas for 9 months of the year. It will also do away with the dangerous high speed run down NUI LON Mountain to answer emergency calls.
5. Whilst disposing of some explosive ordnance in the old fort area (used as the demolition range) on Tuesday 12th September 1967, six shots were fired in the vicinity. Three ricocheted off the old fortifications about 6 feet from where the team members were working. Led by Lieutenant BURNS a patrol, consisting of 3 RANCDT members and eight US Navy personnel from the Harbour Entrance Control Post, searched the area for approximately one hour. Two ARVN soldiers were found and both admitted that they had fired the shots at some monkeys in a group of trees which were in a direct line between themselves and the old fortifications. The soldiers were escorted back to their unit and the matter is being investigated by their Commanding Officer.
6. At the request of the National Police, Lieutenant BURNS, accompanied by their American Advisor, Mr R. LEOPARD, paid a visit on the Cambodian Mercenary Ranger Regiment at LONG HAI on Wednesday 13th September. Captured Viet Cong equipment was inspected and captured explosives destroyed as all were in a badly corroded and crystalline condition. Whilst returning to VUNG TAU by road, several sniper shots were fired from the base of NUI HON THUNG Mountain at YS 435535. Fire was returned as we accelerated out of the area. There were no known casualties.

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7. All team members were introduced to Lieutenant General Sir John WILTON, KBE, CB, DSO, Chairman Chiefs of Staff Committee, when, accompanied by COMAFV and Wing Commander J.S. LATHAM, OBE, he visited the First Australian Logistic Support Group at VUNG TAU on Thursday 14th September 1967.

8. At 1730 hrs on Sunday 17th September 1967 two military police guards on a merchant ship anchored in the Southern Anchorage, VUNG TAU harbour, sighted an object on the surface which appeared to them to be an underwater chariot with a rider sitting amidships and proceeding with the current into the Northern Anchorage. The object was engaged by small arms fire and thought to have been hit before it was engulfed by heavy rain, obscuring it from the sentries' vision. Team members embarked in patrol boats and a search of the area was carried out. No object resembling a chariot, or war head from one, was found but a log with a vertical projection was located; this may have been the object sighted. The search was called off at 2200 because of rough seas and poor visibility.

9. At 0730 hrs on Tuesday 19th September two objects suspected of being sabotage or destruction charges were found in a box on a barge anchored in the stream off the LST Pier, YS 301491. The objects were recovered and rendered safe. One was sent to SAIGON for evaluation by MACV staff whilst the other has been retained by this unit. A description of these objects is given in Appendix 1 to this report. It has since been found that this barge was previously used by a US Navy "Seal" team and investigations are proceeding to determine if the objects were manufactured by them.

10. On Wednesday 20th September a full scale sea and air sea search of VUNG TAU Harbour and approaches for a reported floating mine was carried out. The mine was reported by a merchant ship approximately 17 hours after they had sighted it in the harbour. SAIGON authorities informed VUNG TAU some 24 hours after the mine was sighted that the object had been evaluated as a definite mine and that one was missing from up in the Delta region. No sign of the mine could be found but team members gained a lot of small arms practice sinking drums, hot water heaters and other objects reported as mines in the 28 false alarms received during the next six days.

11. In company with Mr R. LEOPARD, US Advisor to the National Police, Lieutenant BURNS and POWTR K. GARDINER, R49797 visited the Cambodian Mercenary Ranger camp at LONG HAI on Thursday 21st September. An M79 grenade launcher with misfired grenade stuck half way up the barrel was brought back to our base where the grenade was extracted and destroyed.

12. Two team members visited SAIGON during the period Monday 25th September to Thursday 28th September 1967 to attend the "In Country EOD Orientation Course". Much valuable information was obtained from this course and it is hoped that the remainder of the team will be able to attend the next course.

13. All team members were introduced to Major General A.L. MacDONALD, OBE, Acting Adjutant General of the Australian Army, at 1 ALSG, VUNG TAU, on Friday 29th September 1967.

14. The health and morale of the team has remained high throughout this period.

Appendix: 1. Report on Explosive Object

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ANNEX A TO
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REPORT OF EXPLOSIVE OBJECT FOUND AT VUNG TAU 19 SEPTEMBER, 1967

1. Location. Two similar objects were found in a wooden box lying on a barge anchored in mid stream approximately 300 yards west of LST Pier, Vung Tau at 0730 hrs Tuesday 19th September, 1967.

2. Construction. Both objects were of the same construction:

a. Length $6\frac{3}{4}$ "
Breadth $3\frac{3}{4}$ "
Height $6\frac{1}{4}$ "

b. Material Used - $1/8$ " Sheet Aluminium. Welded joints very professionally done.

c. External Markings - Figures No 1 and No 5 respectively on lids - "Safe" - "Armed" engraved around switch on lid.

d. External Features:

(1) Top. Safe/Armed switch on lid secured by 10 normal metal screws and 3 centre punched brass Phillips head screws which were found to be dummies as they did not extend into the body of the device. No 1 had a grub screw capable of locking this switch in either position. No 5 had no grub screw.

(2) Front. Blast panel 5" x 2", $3\frac{1}{2}$ " from base. Panel manufactured of very thin aluminium.

(3) Left Side. Pattern PC02A. Two pin female Jack Point for electric charging. Beneath this a manufactured cover for pressure relief switch secured by 8 screws with a hole at the top right hand corner containing a nylon plug with key ring and lanyard attachment - obviously a safety pin.

(4) Right Hand End. 2 brass screw heads $\frac{3}{4}$ " apart horizontally 3" from base.

(5) Back and Base. Flat metal.

e. Internal Features - 2 x 50 volt metal case screw-in capacitors. Markings ERIE 1200 027 50VDC 6706. Pressure/Pressure Release switch of commercial manufacture. Markings UND & AB INC. LIST L22 IAI25 VAC. Standard United States Armed Services "Mini" electrical blasting cap in holder, fitted into metal block which was able to be rotated by Safe/Armed switch to turn detonator in line or at 90 degrees to main charge. A screw-on plastic container filled with approximately 3 ounces of C4 explosive with a percussion blasting cap in the centre and a C.E. Primer of approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ ounce fitted between the C4 and the electric blasting cap. The container was screwed to the casing of the electric blasting cap holder so as to be held horizontal and about $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the thin blast panel at the front of the case.

3. Details of Operation. The "safety pin" or nylon plug holds the Pressure/Pressure Release switch in the closed position such that the circuit is complete and only required an external electrical source to fire the blasting cap. Removal of this safety pin rendered the circuit broken and no power would reach the electric blasting cap. ie the insertion of a "safety pin" had the reverse effect and made the unit alive, not safe as normally expected. The blasting cap can be fired whilst the Safe/Armed switch is at Safe and there is a possibility that it could initiate the C4 as the percussion blasting cap in the C4 tube is very sensitive.

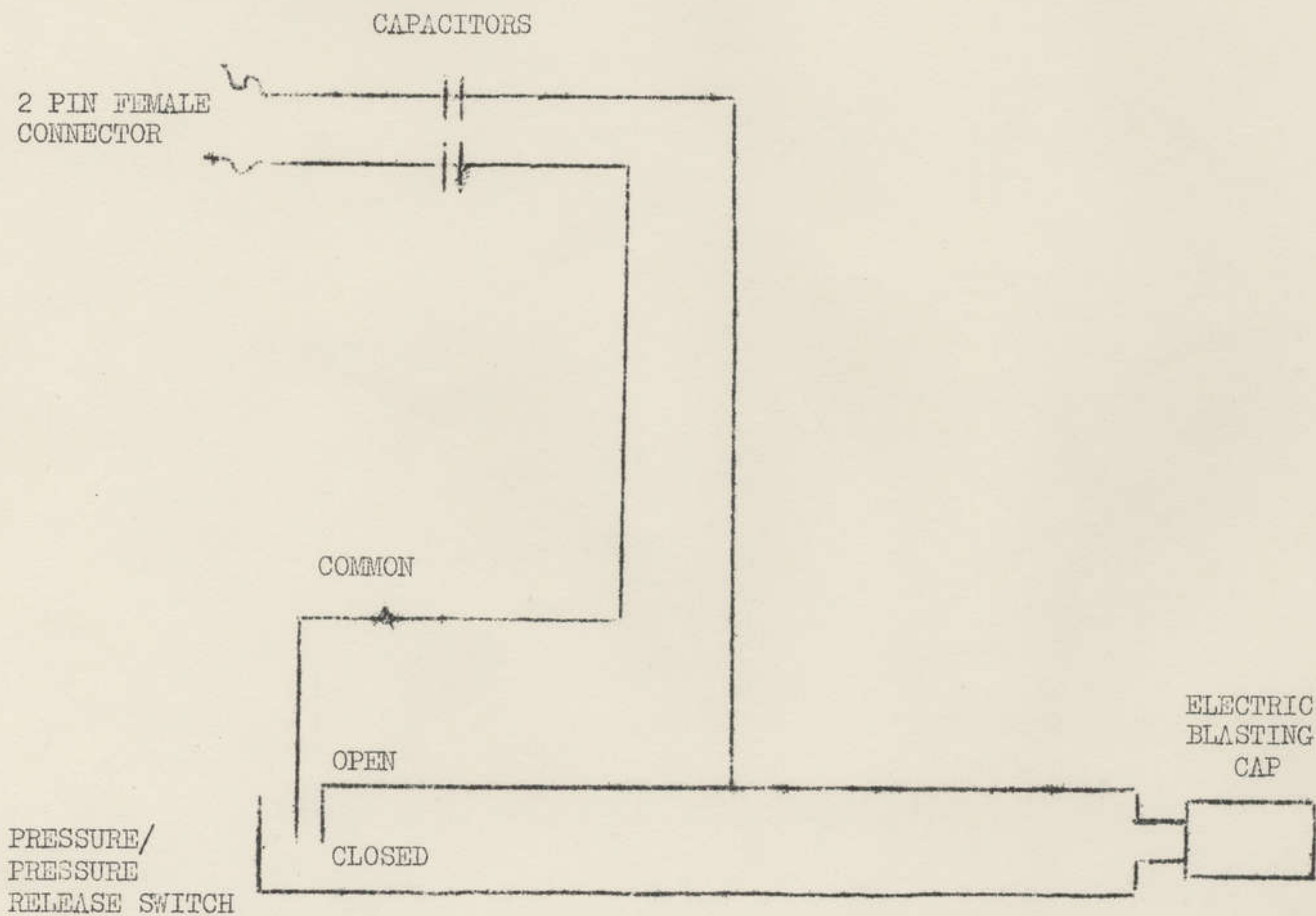
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4. Comments. This device was extremely well manufactured in a very modern workshop. All components are US manufacture and have been so constructed that the unit was watertight up to the charging connection. The unit would appear to be a destruction device for a specific purpose. The elaborate construction could have been simplified and the complete unit could have been made to fit in a cigarette packet. Two to three pounds of explosive could have been fitted in this unit in lieu of the 3 ounces of C4 which comprised the main charge. There was no need for a percussion blasting cap to be fitted in the C4 tube unless it was intended that this would receive a sufficient shock to initiate the C4 should the electrical blasting cap be fired in the "Safe" position.

5. Photographs. Photographs of this item will be forwarded when available.

6. Circuit Diagram.



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PART B

ARMY COMPONENT REPORT

Operations

1. During the month of September 1967, 1 ATF conducted only one major operation, Operation AINSLIE (31 Aug 67 - 21 Sep 67), which involved all 1 ATF combat units.
2. Operation AINSLIE. This operation was a concurrent resettlement and search and destroy operation north of the ATF area around SLOPE 30, in four phases:
 - a. Phase One. The construction of the resettlement hamlet at YS 4371.
 - b. Phase Two. Deployment of units, the establishment of a fire support base, commencement of engineer clearance of Route 2, census taking and evacuation of civilians located within unit AOs.
 - c. Phase Three. Continuation of route clearance and resettlement.
 - d. Phase Four. Continued search and destroy operations.
3. There was sporadic and minor contact with elements of D445 Bn throughout the operation. This was a highly successful operation from 1 ATF viewpoint. It is considered that the VC may, in time, find the HAT DICH base area untenable in view of the lack of a logistic backup from the SLOPE 30 area and the mounting pressure on the HAT DICH base from allied forces. An additional advantage of the operation is that Route 2 from BLACKHORSE (11ACR) to NUI DAT is much more secure from significant enemy action.
4. 11 ACR also conducted a similar type operation to the north of the 1 ATF operational area. This was later extended to the west of the Operation AINSLIE area with the object of destroying battalions of 274 VC Regt who had concentrated to the west of Route 2.
5. LRRP. The deployment of these patrols was restricted during the reporting period due to the increased requirement for base defence and close TAOR patrolling caused by the absence of major units on Operation AINSLIE. A total of seven LRRPs were deployed, three of them making contact with VC elements. A total of 19 TAOR patrols were also mounted.
6. Detailed Reports. 1 ATF MONEVAL for Sep 67 is attached as Annex A to Part B of the AFV Monthly Report. Detailed orders for the operation have been forwarded under separate cover and the daily situation reports in AFV daily SITREPS.

Army Aviation

7. Hours flown by 161 (Indep) Recce Flt in September were:
 - a. Fixed Wing.
 - (1) Cessna 180:

(a)	Operations	357.15 hours
(b)	Test	6.45 hours
(c)	Continuation Training	6.25 hours
(d)	Total	370.25 hours

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(a)	Operations	24.55 hours
(b)	Continuation Training	4.25 hours
(c)	Total	29.20 hours

(3) Total Fixed Wing - 399.45 hours.

b. Rotary Wing.

(1)	Operations	493.10 hours
(2)	Test	3.00 hours
(3)	Continuation Training	3.30 hours
(4)	Total	499.40 hours

Australian Army Training Team

8. The team members continued their activities throughout SVN. A detailed AATTV report is attached as Annex B to Part B of this Report and includes the locations and units to which members are attached.

Civic Action

9. The major task in the month of September was the construction of the refugee village (AP SUOI NGHE) and the settling in of the villagers from the SLOPE 30 area (Operation AINSLIE).

10. A detailed Quarterly Report for period ending 30 Sep 67 is attached at Annex C to Part B of this report.

Communications

11. During the month there was a reduction in traffic volume to a level just below the July figures.

12. Installation of the new Signal and Communications Centres progressed well in September and testing in SAIGON should commence in mid October. The 150 ft tower has been completed.

13. A detailed communications report is attached as Annex D to Part B.

Public Relations (Publicity)

14. Twenty pressmen, including seven from NEW ZEALAND and three from US Army Information covered the activities of the Force during September. The pressmen represented 14 agencies or TV networks and were in 1 ATF area for a total of 25 ration days. A detailed Public Relations report is attached at Annex E to Part B.

Finance

15. The detailed Secretary's Branch report is attached as Annex F to Part B. The cost of US support for the month of September was:

a.	Navy	-	\$US 384.32
b.	Army	-	\$US 497,450.73
c.	Air Force	-	\$US 179,623.40

Personnel

16. Strengths. As at 30 Sep 67 the Force strength was 5944 made up of 8 Navy, 5293 Army and 643 RAAF. These figures include attached personnel but do not include HMAS PERTH. A detailed strength state is attached as Annex G to Part B with graphical representations at Appendices 1, 2 and 3 to Annex G.

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17. Medical Statistics. The health of the Force continues to be satisfactory. Annex H (including appendices) to Part B shown the Force Medical Statistics.

Amenities

18. Live Entertainment. The "Melbourne Show", a Government sponsored concert party, toured AUSTRALIAN and US Installations from 26 Sep 67 to 12 Oct 67. The itinerary included ten performances for AUSTRALIAN audiences and nine for US audiences. The show was very successful in all areas.

19. 16 MM Motion Pictures. The following films arrived in country during September:

- a. 32 feature films.
- b. 21 short films - sport, news, documentary and TV programmes.

20. Amenities Stores from Australia. Total stores received was 12,000lbs. 3500lbs per C130 courier and 3,500lbs per MV Jeparit.

Quartermaster General Branch Reports

21. Annex I (with appendices) to Part B contains the following reports for the month of September 1967:

- a. Movements.
- b. Engineers (construction).
- c. Supplies and Transport.
- d. Ordnance.
- e. Electrical and Mechanical Engineer.
- f. Postal.

Visitors

22. Visitors to the Force in the month of September, 1967, are shown in Annex J to Part B.

Annexes:

- A. 1 ATF MONEVAL September 1967.
- B. AATTV Report
- C. Civic Action Report
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ANNEX A TO
PART B OF
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DATED 31 OCT 67

1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

MONITORING SEPTEMBER 1967

General

1. During September 1967 1 ATF conducted only one major operation - Operation AINSLIE, which involved all 1 ATF combat units.

2. The deployment of Long Range Reconnaissance Patrols (LRRP) was restricted during the reporting period due to the increased requirement for base defence and close TAOR patrolling caused by the absence of other major units on Operation AINSLIE. A total of seven LRRPs were deployed during the month. Of these, three made contact with VC elements. A total of 19 TAOR patrols were also mounted by 1 SAS Sqn during the period.

Operations.

3. Operation AINSLIE. This operation was conceived as a concurrent resettlement and search and destroy operation and was conducted from 31 Aug 67 to 21 Sep 67. 11 ACR also conducted a similar type operation to the north of the 1 ATF operational area.

a. Background. Operations PORTSEA and PADDINGTON have effectively countered VC resupply and maintenance systems in the area south of the MAY TAO base area and have been largely instrumental in keeping VC main force and provincial units away from the main population base. Supplies were however continuing to be routed through the area north of DUC THANH (YS4677) known as the "SLOPE 30" area in ever increasing quantities. The area was under strong VC influence, being in addition a traditional Route 2 crossing point from the HAT DICH to the TAM BO and MAY TAO base areas. The presence of a hostile group of civilians in the area also tended to restrict 1 ATF fire support reaction in the area.

b. The operation was conducted in four phases:

(1) Phase One. The construction of the resettlement hamlet at YS4371.

(2) Phase Two. Deployment of 1 ATF units, the establishment of a fire support base at YS4578, commencement of engineer clearance of Route 2 and census taking and evacuation of civilians located within unit AOs.

(3) Phase Three. Route clearance and resettlement continued. As areas were evacuated by the local civilians, houses, crops and other installations were razed and destroyed.

(4) Phase Four. Continued search and destroy operations within the AOs.

c. Despite expectations to the contrary the VC were unwilling or unable to react against the operation in any strength. It is clear from the interrogation of prisoners and Chieu Hoi, that the operation caught the VC by surprise. Further evidence of this occurred at the end of the operation when various VC prisoners and "Chieu Hoi" indicated that they and their parent units were quite unaware of the

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evacuation. Throughout the operation there was sporadic and minor contact with elements of D445 Bn. Towards the end of the operation reports were received that two battalions of 274 VC Regt were about to cross Route 2 from west to east and 1 ATF deployed as a blocking force in conjunction with 11 ACR and 9th Div - however no contact was made and the operation terminated on 21 Sep 67.

d. Evaluation.

(1) Intelligence. Operation AINSLIE added substantially to the intelligence already held on the Provincial Forces and infrastructure within Phuoc Tuy Province, and in particular that of the CHAU DUC district company which traditionally operates in and around the SLOPE 30 area. In addition, much valuable information was gathered on VC "provincial economics", living conditions and most importantly some hitherto undetected base camps and cache areas on either side of Route 2. These have subsequently been destroyed by ground and air operations.

(2) Economic. The main value of the operation lies in the economic effects on the VC. His last remaining major purchasing and resupply area in Phuoc Tuy Province has been destroyed. It is assessed that this must be a considerable blow to the VC operations and movement in the area as it was the only major food production area between the HAT DICH and MAY TAO base areas. Directly opposed to the economic effect on the VC is the anticipated economic effect on those civilians who have been resettled. For perhaps the first time ever they have the chance to become economically selfsufficient, free from the formerly unending task of providing food, money and supplies to the VC.

(3) Psychological. The long term value of this operation undoubtedly lies in the considerable psychological effect it has had on provincial VC units. What was, up to August/September 1967 (Operations BALLARAT and SOUTHPORT), an inviolate VC resupply, purchasing and staging area, has been suddenly whisked away and resettled under very close FVMAF supervision and protection. This, when coupled with food and supplies shortages (which are a direct result of the economic effects of the operation) is expected to appreciably lower VC morale in the area. It will certainly cause considerable loss of VC prestige among the local population - particularly among those persons resettled.

(4) Resettlement. This was the first major resettlement program undertaken by 1 ATF and many valuable lessons were learnt. The most relevant of these were:

(a) It is essential that the preparation of the resettlement hamlet be well advanced (if not complete) by the time the actual evacuation operation commences.

(b) Security of the resettlement hamlet (and the intention to resettle) must be carefully maintained.

(c) An accurate census of all areas in the resettlement zone must be conducted as an initial phase of the operation.

(d) Provision should be made for persons absent during the operation to be resettled in the hamlet.

(e) Special assistance should be afforded those families without males of responsible age. This aspect was much appreciated by the Vietnamese.

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Conclusion

4. Operation AINSLIE was a highly successful operation from 1 ATF viewpoint. It is considered that the VC may in time find the HAT DICH base area untenable in view of the lack of a logistic backup from the SLOPE 30 area and the mounting pressure on the HAT DICH base from allied forces. An additional advantage of the operation is that Route 2 from BLACKHORSE to NUI DAT is much more secure from significant enemy action. It is intended to conduct a search and destroy operation south of SUYEN MOC during October 67 and this will ensure that the pressure on the MAY TAO base area is maintained from the south as well as from the west.

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AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM VIETNAM

MONTHLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER 1967

General

1. VC activity in I and II CTZ remained at about the same level as in August 67.

Operations and Training I CTZ

2. QUANG-TRI Province. The 10 members of the team are deployed as follows:
- a. Major N.J. Wilson RA Inf - Senior Advisor Mai-Linh district (senior Australian advisor in QUANG-TRI province).
 - b. Capt D. Campbell RAAC - Squadron advisor to 2/7 Cavalry ARVN.
 - c. WO1 D. French RA Inf - assistant advisor TRIEU-PHONG district.
 - d. WO1 J. Selmes RA Inf - assistant advisor GIO-LINH District.
 - e. WO2 P. Gaunt RAAMC - medical advisor QUANG-TRI.
 - f. WO2 M. Van Dyke RAA - assistant advisor 11 Arty Bn ARVN.
 - g. WO2 N. Gruetzner RA Inf - assistant advisor Can-Lo district.
 - h. WO2 C. C. Crapper RA Inf - assistant advisor 1 Inf Bn, 1 ARVN Inf Regt.
 - i. WO1 D. Wise RAA - assistant advisor 2 Inf Bn, 1 ARVN Inf Regt.
 - j. WO2 J. Collins RA Inf - assistant advisor 4 Inf Bn, 4 ARVN Inf Regt.
3. For part of the month the four infantry battalions of 2 ARVN Inf Regt were in Quang-Tri Province but they, with their four Australian advisors, moved to Thua Thien province for training.
4. ARVN battalion operations were largely in support of the RD program in the province. The senior Australian advisor at QUANG-TRI reports that no ARVN-initiated contact had any significant result. However an attack by a VC company on Hai Lang district headquarters compound was repelled with great success. The following points should be noted:
- a. The compound perimeter was not breached.
 - b. There were 40 KIA, 5 PW and blood trails indicating further WIA and perhaps KIA.
 - c. 40 weapons were captured. These included M-2 carbines, AK-47s and AK-50s, BARs and 60 mm mortars.
 - d. Considerable HE mortar and B-40 rocket ammunition was captured:
 - e. Friendly casualties were 1 KIA and about 26 WIA.
5. Although no member of the team was involved, the above incident is included to give some idea of the varying success of Vietnamese forces.
6. Other information on ARVN units in QUANG-TRI:

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- a. They still suffer from very poor coordination between major units. For example in one operation during the month 4 Inf Bn, 4 ARVN Inf Regt was ordered to move through an area, known to be mined by the enemy, to clear it of enemy troops, immediately after a cavalry unit had swept the area. Although the armoured vehicles of the cavalry unit had detonated several mines, and had cleared the area, the battalion lost 1 KIA and 7 WIA.
 - b. The ARVN maintenance system is so poor that some Australian advisors resort to bartering for defence stores, ammunition etc.
7. Generally the situation around QUANG-TRI city has been greatly improved by the deployment in the area of two companies of 1 Bn, 4 Regt USMC with a force of "Scabees". They are sited about 3000 metres to the north of QUANG-TRI city. Their tasks include:
- a. Construction of an airstrip for Tac T (MR) aircraft.
 - b. Construction of a 34 acre helipad area.
 - c. Construction of base facilities.
8. With eventual deployment of 2 rifle bns and an artillery battalion of 1 Regt, 1 USMC Div about 4000 metres south of QUANG-TRI city, the pacification of the area should be ensured.
9. THUA THIEN Province. Again, the level of VC activity shows no great change. During the month 2 ARVN Regt moved into the province to retrain. Advisors with the Regiment are:
- a. 1 Inf Bn, 2 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 W. Fisher, RA Inf.
 - b. 1 Inf Bn, 2 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 D.R. McDonald, RA Inf.
 - c. 3 Inf Bn, 2 ARVN Inf Regt - WO1 L.E. Galloway, RA Inf.
 - d. 4 Inf Bn, 2 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 W. Kenneally, RA Inf.
10. Other advisors were deployed:
- a. HQ 3 ARVN Inf Regt (EUE) - WO1 M.A. Evans RA Inf and
WO2 D. Ford RAASC.
 - b. 1 ARVN Div Recce Unit - WO2 A.J. Woodford RA Inf.
 - c. NAM HOA Sub-Sector - WO1 E.B. Ostara RA Inf.
 - d. PHONG DIEN Sub-Sector - WO2 A.N. Powell RA Inf.
(about 25 km north of HUE)
 - e. 3/7 Cavalry Regiment - WO2 K.A. Richards RAAC.
(north of HUE)
 - f. thua thien sector headquarters - Maj M.P. Casey RA Inf (S3 advisor).
11. QUANG-NAM Province. Team members in this province are:
- a. HQ I CTZ - Major H.D. Lovelock RA Inf (GS Training advisor).
 - b. AATTV DA-NANG - WO1 R. Dummett RA Inf (RSM AATTV).
 - c. AATTV DA-NANG - WO2 B. Bond RAAC (Admin Warrant-Officer.)
 - d. HOA-VANG Sub-Sector - WO2 J.F. Challenger RAA (PF/RF advisor).
 - e. HOA-VANG Sub-Sector - WO2 J.N. Hemerick RA Inf (RF/PF Advisor).
 - f. CORDS HOI-AN - Capt M.T.R. Wilkinson RAA.

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- g. QUANG-DA Special Zone HQ - WO2 L.D. Osborn RA Inf.
(HOI-AN)
- h. 21 Bn, 1 ARVN Ranger Group - WO2 W.A. Eade RAA Pro (assistant advisor - was assistant advisor during the first half of the month to 3 Inf Bn, 3 ARVN Inf Regt, Dong-Ha).
- i. 2/4 Cavalry Regiment - WO2 P. White RAAC (troop advisor).
(Hoi-An)
- j. 1 Inf Bn, 51 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 W.M. Collins RAE (assistant advisor).
- k. 2 Inf Bn, 52 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 R. Boyce RA Inf (assistant advisor).
12. Mike Force of Company "C", 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne) is located at Da-Nang but will be dealt with later.
13. As in the other provinces of I CTZ, the pattern of operations remains the same. The missions of individual units range from bridge protection, provision of security for RD teams, convoy protection, search and destroy operations, subsector protection and very limited patrolling while in defence.
14. An interesting development in the QUANG-DA Special Zone is the creation of an agency to collect, collate, record, evaluate and disseminate all intelligence information. Only planning of the agency, to be named the Province Intelligence Coordination Centre (PICC), was undertaken in September. At the date of writing the housing of the PICC, link up of communications etc, was well under way.
15. QUANG-TIN Province. Team members are deployed as follows:
- a. 3 Inf Bn, 5 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 R.E. Oliver RAASC (assistant advisor).
(TAM-KY)
- b. 1 Inf Bn, 6 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 R.F. Capel RA Inf (Assistant advisor).
- c. 3 Inf Bn, 6 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 D. Wallner RA Inf.
(TAM-KY)
16. WO2 D. Wallner was with his unit, whose task was bridge and compound defence, when it was attacked by a large force of VC on the night of 6 Sep 67. Supported by mortar and recoilless rifle fire the VC breached the compound several times but were counterattacked with grenades and a bayonet charge. About one to one and a half hours after the first rounds of the enemy mortar support, a "Spooky" arrived and silenced a recoilless rifle. Since the VC were close on the wire the Spooky's fire soon became non-effective. A flare aircraft remained until dawn.
17. A summary of the weapons captured is as follows:
- a. One enemy junk destroyed with an estimated 500 lbs of TNT.
- b. One twenty foot long bangalore torpedo captured.
- c. 23 B-40 anti tank rockets captured.
- d. 12 rounds of 60 mm mortar HE and 6 rounds of 81mm mortar HE captured.
- e. 100 (various) grenades captured.
- f. 1 AN/PRC 10 set captured.
- g. 1000 rounds SA ammunition captured.
- h. 2 field telephones captured.
- i. 22 small arms or personal weapons captured.
- j. VC lost 57 KIA and 50 WIA.
- k. Friendly casualties of 5 KIA and 18 WIA.
18. All of the above was checked by a PWMAO body count. In addition province headquarters provided the information that the enemy troops consisted of the following:

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- a. 70 VC Bn. }
- b. 72 VC Bn. } approx 620 members
- c. A-16 VC Recce Unit - 60 members.
- d. A-12 VC Recce Unit - 60 members.
- e. 90 VC Engr Bn - 220 members.

19. All of the above units were commanded by 2 VC Div, according to the Province headquarters.

20. QUANG NGAI Province. Team members were deployed as follows:

- a. 2 Inf Bn, 4 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 M. Sinclair RA Inf (assistant advisor).
- b. 2 Inf Bn, 6 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 J.T. Durrington RA Inf (assistant advisor).
- c. 4 Inf Bn, 6 ARVN Inf Regt - WO2 B. Davies RA Inf (assistant advisor).

21. Mike Force, Company C, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne). AATTV is still very heavily committed to the provision of commanders at platoon, company and battalion level, along with force administrative officers. Members in Mike Force are:

a. Headquarters.

- (1) Commanding Officer - Capt N.B. Dudgeon RA Inf.
- (2) XO - USSF.
- (3) Adjutant - Lt (QM) R.P.J. Stevenson RA Inf.
- (4) S-4 - WO2 T.A. McLean RAASC.
- (5) LO - WO2 M. Hagaen RA Inf.

b. 11 Company.

- (1) OC - WO2 D.H. Lord RA Inf.
- (2) Pl Comd - WO2 B.T. Fitzpatrick RA Inf.
- (3) Pl Comd - WO2 F. Hamersley RA Inf.
- (4) Pl Comd - USSF.
- (5) Pl Comd - USSF.

c. 12 Company.

- (1) OC - WO1 A. Haberley RA Inf.
- (2) Pl Comd - WO2 J. Kendall RA Inf.
- (3) Pl Comd - WO2 J.G. Cahill RA Inf.
- (4) Pl Comd - USSF.
- (5) Pl Comd - USSF.

d. 14 Company.

- (1) OC - Capt P. Ray RA Inf (to be next Mike Force commander) to be relieved by Capt P. Reid RA Inf.
- (2) Pl Comd - WO2 C.N. McEvoy RA Inf.
- (3) Pl Comd - USSF
- (4) Pl Comd - USSF.

e. 16 Company.

- (1) OC - Capt M. McCallum RA Inf.
- (2) Pl Comd - WO2 A.J. Robertson RA Inf.
- (3) Pl Comd - WO2 T.W. Smith RA Inf.
- (4) Pl Comd - USSF.
- (5) Pl Comd - USSF.

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22. Mike Force Operations. During September 14 Coy was attached to 1 Bde, 101 US Airborne Div on the completion of training. They suffered casualties during prolonged contact in the TIEN PHUOC area, including the USSF company commander. Capt Ray, who was acting as an LO to 2 Inf Bn 502 Regiment, immediately took charge of the company.

23. 11 Coy moved to LANG VEI to reinforce a USSF Camp under threat of attack. 12 Coy on return from training at KHAM DUC, took over a number of Rhade Montagnards from 16 Coy, making 12 Coy an all-Rhade Sub-unit. 16 Company remained on stand-by at Da-Nang.

24. A Cholera outbreak, quickly brought under control and resulting in only one death, had the effect of bringing about action on previous Mike Force requests to provide a decent village for Montagnard families.

Operations and Training II CTZ

25. Deployment in II CTZ is as follows:

a. Det B-50, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), at NHA -TRANG:

- (1) S-2 - Capt F.E. Palmer, Aust Int Corps.
- (2) S-4 (rear) located at NHA TRANG - WO2 M.J. James RA Inf.
- (3) LO to 1 FFV - WO2 D.J. Neville RA Inf.
- (4) XO of Mike Force, Det B-50 - WO2 Flannery RA Inf.
- (5) Company commander Mike Force - WO2 D.A. McClymans RA Inf.
- (6) On Mike Force headquarters - WO2 T.E. Gilliver RA Inf.

b. 5th SFG (A) Recondo School instructor - WO2 P. Cowan RA Inf.

c. Ranger Training Centre, Duc-My:

- (1) Training advisor - WO2 B.E. Betts RA Inf.
- (2) Medical advisor - WO2 A.D. Martin RAAMC.

26. Det B-50 continued to mount reconnaissance patrols in its area of operations near Pleiku.

Operations and Training III CTZ

27. PHUOC TUY Province. Deployment is mainly to RF/PF posts. New members during September were:

- a. WO2 A. Parello RA Inf.
- b. WO2 R.G. Davies RA Inf.

Visits

28. Major General A.L. MacDonald, OBE, Acting Adjutant General, travelled to I CTZ during September. He visited:

- a. HQ I ARVN Corps.
- b. Australia House, Da-Nang.
- c. Mike Force, Company "C", 5 SFG(A).
- d. HQ 51 ARVN Regt.
- e. HQ 3 MAF.
- f. HQ 1 ARVN Div
- g. Sector and subsector headquarters in QUANG-TRI and THUA THIEN provinces.

Medical

29. The standard of health of team members remains high.

Morale

30. Morale appears to be very good.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS - PHUOC TUY PROVINCE
QUARTERLY REPORT - PERIOD ENDING 30 SEP 67

General

1. This is the first of the new reports required by the unit Standing Operating Procedures for Project Administration.
2. The unit arrived in South Vietnam on 21 Jun 67 and moved to 1 ATF at NUI DAT the same day. A small section was also deployed to 1 ALSG at VUNG TAU.
3. The first four weeks were devoted mainly to construction of weapon pits and sandbagging of tents. In the same period reconnaissances were undertaken and a portion of the unit took part in Operation PADDINGTON.
4. By late Jul 67 all sections (Engrs, Med, Edn) were deployed on to specific tasks and during the succeeding month a variety of tasks and operations were supported.
5. The most significant tasks undertaken in the quarter ending 30 Sep 67 were:
 - a. A comprehensive MEDCAP programme.
 - b. The rapid construction of a refugee village during Operation AINSLIE.
 - c. The conduct of a province education survey.

Construction (See Appendix 1)

6. As mentioned above the major construction task was the construction of AP SUOI NGHE which involved the following:
 - a. Clearing of trees and scrub prior to Operation AINSLIE.
 - b. Survey of the permanent hamlet.
 - c. Construction of access road to Route 2.
 - d. Construction of a temporary refugee camp:
 - (1) Marquees - 20.
 - (2) 60' x 20' Timber huts - 4.
 - (3) Temporary water supply.
 - (4) Temporary toilets, garbage disposal.
 - (5) Medical facilities.
 - e. Construction of the permanent village (yet to be completed).
7. An abnormal amount of effort has been expended in renovating structures built before 1 Aust CA Unit arrived in theatre. Where possible all construction should conform to the normal Vietnamese plans and specifications. Qualified Australian supervision is required to ensure good workmanship, and good financial control of projects.
8. A summary of projects currently under construction or consideration is given in Appendix 1.

Medical (See Appendix 2)

9. A vigorous MEDCAP programme has been undertaken using the medical personnel from post Task Force units. Nearly all villages and hamlets in the province are visited on a regular weekly basis.

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10. An extension of the medical programme to include more sanitation is being studied.

Education (See Appendix 3)

11. A province education survey approved by the local authorities has been started and the results of this survey will provide valuable planning data for the Province Education Department, Civil Operations and Revolutionary Development Support (CORDS) and this unit.

12. The teaching of English in some schools and Government departments continues. There is a need for additional teachers but this matter is the subject of separate correspondence through normal channels.

Commodity Distribution (See Appendix 4)

13. Commodities were distributed through a large variety of outlets including:

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| a. 1 Aust CA Unit. | } | VIA District Chiefs, village/
hamlet officials. |
| b. Most Task Force Units. | | |
| c. Welfare Chief Phuoc Tuy Province. | | |
| d. US Advisory Teams. | | |

14. The flow of commodities from Australia is currently under review for quantity, quality, and packing as requested by AHQ. There is still a steady stream of parcels being received by the unit from private individuals and small organizations (eg Church groups).

Miscellaneous Projects (See Appendix 5)

15. A number of projects are being investigated to foster the local economy and to improve conditions in the village and RF/PF compounds.

16. The normal welfare type tasks such as beach excursions, assistance to schools and orphanage is being continued by this and other units. Particular attention is being given to the new refugee hamlet AP SUOI NGHE.

Conclusion

17. The new civil affairs programme in 1 ATF has made a good start and is receiving good cooperation from units. The latest evaluation reports indicate that the favourable image of the Australian soldier is being maintained.

- Appendices:
1. Monthly Report - Construction
 2. MEDCAP Report
 3. Monthly Report - Education
 4. Monthly Report - Commodity Distribution
 5. Monthly Report - Miscellaneous

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MONTHLY REPORT - CONSTRUCTION
SEPTEMBER 67

1. Projects under Construction

PROJECT NO	LOCATION/DESCRIPTION	STAGE OF COMPLETION	LOCAL LABOUR EMPLOYED	PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED
7	HOA LONG. Toilet block/shower (2 seats and one shower)	85% complete	4 brick layers	Original estimate of job was below completion price
98	BARIA. High school/temporary class rooms (two plus teachers room)	90% complete	4 carpenters. 2 labourers supplied and paid by province	Australians supplied materials and one supervisor Province supplied labour which requires constant supervision.
99	BARIA. High school/school desks (75)	90% complete	Local contractor	It has been found that con- tractors are better for jobs
55	BARIA. High school/school desks (30)	100% complete	Local contractor	As above
	HOA LONG. School/teachers desks chairs and cupboards	30% complete	Local contractor	As above
17	HOA LONG. North school/fence and gate posts	100% complete	2 brick layers plus parents of children	Only rarely do parents turn up to help
26	HOA LONG. Dispensary renovations	95% complete	2 carpenters, 4 labourers	This building was not origin- ally built to Vietnamese plans. This has now been rectified.
30	HOA LONG. Community building/ renovation	100% complete	2 carpenters and 4 labourers	As in project 26
12	HOA LONG. North school	98% complete	2 carpenters and 4 labourers	As in project 26

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Projects under Construction (Cont)

PROJECT NO	LOCATION/DESCRIPTION	STAGE OF COMPLETION	LOCAL LABOUR EMPLOYED	PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED
100	SUOI NGHE. New refugee village	250 houses completed 2 wells completed	Local labour is not employed yet as village is in its early stage. Labour will be employed at a later stage	Wet weather was the main problem.

2. Reconnaissance for Future Projects

PROJECT NO	LOCATION	TYPE/DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS
19 & 20	DUC THANH	Four class roomed school plus toilet, well, and teachers house	These buildings will be built by a contractor and to the specifications laid down by the Reconstruction Branch BARIA.
102	SUOI NGHE	Dispensary. A normal hamlet dispensary as supplied by the Vietnamese authorities	A Contractor has been given the job and it is hoped to be started in two weeks.
97	BARIA. High School	Three class rooms are required here	Reconnaissance is still continuing
33	HOA LONG	Hoa Long market needs extending, this will be done by local labour under Australian supervision.	This job was under estimated and additional funds will be asked for.

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MEDCAP REPORT

DATE 1 Sep to 30 Sep 67

LOCATION 1 ATF NUI DAT

UNIT CONDUCTING MEDCAP

1 Aust CA Unit with assistance from 2 RAR,
4 Fd Regt and 1 SAS Sqn

OIC Maj FOX RAAMC

NOMBER MED PERSONNEL INVOLVED

3 RMO's
20 Medics

1. GENERAL EXAMINATIONS

Total 3323 (This figure does not include 239 patients treated for dental caries)

Comments (main ailments encountered)

Anaemia, Hookworm, Diarrhoea, Malaria, Malnutrition, Pulmonary Bronchitis, Pneumonitis (Possibly TB), Dental Caries, Deformities (A) Congenital - Harelips
(B) Acquired - Polio Limbs
Gun shot wounds.- Recent and old

2. IMMUNISATIONS

No 620 Type Cholera (EL TOR)

3. MEDICAL EVACUATIONS

a. General

No 15

Comments (diagnosis and possible treatment)

Pneumonia, Anaemia, Malnutrition mainly in young children and elderly adults

b. Surgical

No 22

Comments (type of surgery required)

Hare lips, Hernia, Painful Splenomegaly, Urinary, Calculus, Gunshot wounds (for both immediate and elective surgery), Goitre

4. FOLLOW-UP (Details of cases that require follow-up treatment by a further MEDCAP)

All villages and hamlets in PHUOC TUY Province are visited on a regular routine weekly basis. This enables all cases (both Medevacs and those treated in consultation) to be followed up.

5. ASSESSMENT (Reaction by local population, assessed of general health and public hygiene, overall improvement since previous MEDCAPS, suitability of MEDCAP sites).

After 10 weeks routine medcap visits response by local population excellent. Good response to continual medical treatment is most apparent in the isolated MONTAGNARD community of VINH THANH. Medcaps must be conducted in the busiest centres of the villages. Village market is always the most responsive site.

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MONTHLY REPORT - EDUCATION

1. Commodity Distribution.
 - a. Equipment.
 - (1) 28 Sewing Machines - Source 1 Aust CA Unit
 - (2) 5 Sewing Machines - Source CARE (US)
 - (3) 50 Physical Education Kit - Source CARE (US)
 - (4) 1450 School Kits - Source CARE (US)
 - (5) 350 Youth Magazines (TRE) - Source JUSPAO (US)
 - b. Instructional Material.
 - (1) 220 English Language Texts - Source JUSPAO (US)
 - (2) 2 crates Sewing Aids - Source 1 Aust CA Unit
2. Self Help Projects. Nil.
3. English Classes.
 - a. School Students.
 - (1) Classes 15 - Students Approx 800.
 - (2) Student hours 3600.
 - b. Adults.
 - (1) Classed 12 - Attendance 200.
 - (2) Student hours 1600.
4. Special Tasks.
 - a. Adult Education Programme.
 - (1) Classes 1 - Attendance 25.
 - (2) Three hours only at this date.
 - b. I.F.S. Scholarships (JUSPAO). 6 possible candidates - 3 VUNG TAU - 3 PHUOC TUY.
 - c. Aid in formation of PTA to involve all educational authorities (break down divisions).
5. Comments. Province education survey approved by local authorities and proceeding well.

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MONTHLY REPORT - COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION
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<u>ITEM</u>	<u>UOI</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>
Plastic Bags	cartons	6
Midwifery Kits	single	3
Midwifery Replacements	single	3
Glass Jars	case	6
Male Clothing	case	3
Female Clothing	case	2
Childrens Clothing	case	6
Text Books	case	2
Bouncinette	single	6
Tools & Hardware	loose	5
Liquid Milk	cartons	66
Sugar Granulated	bag	38
Corn Meal	carton	18
Tea Instant	carton	1
Flour	bag	3
Apple Sauce	carton	6
Potato Dehydrated	carton	36
Cake Mix	carton	38
Milk Powdered	carton	8
Margarine	carton	12
Shortening	carton	32
Sweet Potatoes	carton	8
Macaroni	carton	3
Egg Noodles	carton	21
Assorted Cereals	carton	159
Coffee	carton	6
Cranberry Sauce	carton	1
Vinegar	carton	4
Jelly	carton	-
Prunes	carton	25
Tomatoe Sauce	carton	1
Yeast	carton	1
Starch	carton	1
Sugar Brown	carton	2
Apple Dehydrated	carton	2
Cooking Oil	tin	2
Soft Drink	carton	6
Kitchen ware	case	6
Tobacco	bundle	2
Soap	case	3
Salad Dressing	carton	1
Sewing Machines	single	30
Toys	case	6
Hurricane Lamps	single	12
Cabbage	carton	1
Mosquito Nets & Material	case	1
Salt	bag	3
Baby Food	case	1

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MONTHLY REPORT - MISCELLANEOUS
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1. The following activities were undertaken:
 - a. Establishment of a Pig Farm - Phuoc Tuy Province. 1 ATF proposed that a Pig Farm be established to make use of food waste from the 1 ATF area. Investigations are continuing to determine the feasibility of this proposal.
 - b. Erection of Windmills - Phuoc Tuy Province.
 - (1) Efforts are continuing to obtain five (5) windmills promised to the Province Chief so that they can be erected in suitable sites.
 - (2) A windmill is shortly to arrive in this location from Saigon and will be erected in AP Suoi Nghe.
 - (3) Studies on the most suitable type of windmill for use in this province are continuing.
 - c. Rice Silos - Phuoc Tuy Province. Investigations as to the suitability of central rice silos plus the best location and method of control are continuing.
 - d. Provision of Fresh Fruit and Vegetables. The feasibility of purchasing fresh fruit and vegetables from local sources is being investigated. This could produce a better product for consumption by the troops as well as bolster the local economy.
 - e. Beach Excursions.
 - (1) Each Sunday up to thirty (30) underprivileged children, accompanied by adult chaperones, are taken on a beach party to Vung Tau. These children come from all districts in Phuoc Tuy Province.
 - (2) Lunch, cool drink and transport is provided free of cost to the children.
 - f. Activities of Units of 1 ATF.
 - (1) All units in the TF are fostering families in AP Suoi Nghe and are assisting them to improve their homes both inside and out.
 - (2) Other unit activities undertaken are:
 - (a) Medical assistance to Baria Orphanage by 1 SAS Sqn.
 - (b) Repairs to wells, schools and dispensary plus commodity distribution in Xuyen Moc by 161(Indep) Recce Flt.
 - (c) Assistance in repairs to wells and schools in Dat Do by 2 RAR.
 - (d) Provision of fence at North Hoa Long School by 104 Sig Sqn.
 - (e) Repairs to wells plus commodity distribution in Duc Thanh area by 4 Fd Regt.
 - (f) Commodity distribution plus repairs to playground equipment at Baria Orphanage by 1 Fd Sqn.
 - (g) Provision of playground equipment at Suoi Nghe by 4 Fd Regt LAD and 7 RAR.

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COMMUNICATIONS - MONTHLY REPORT
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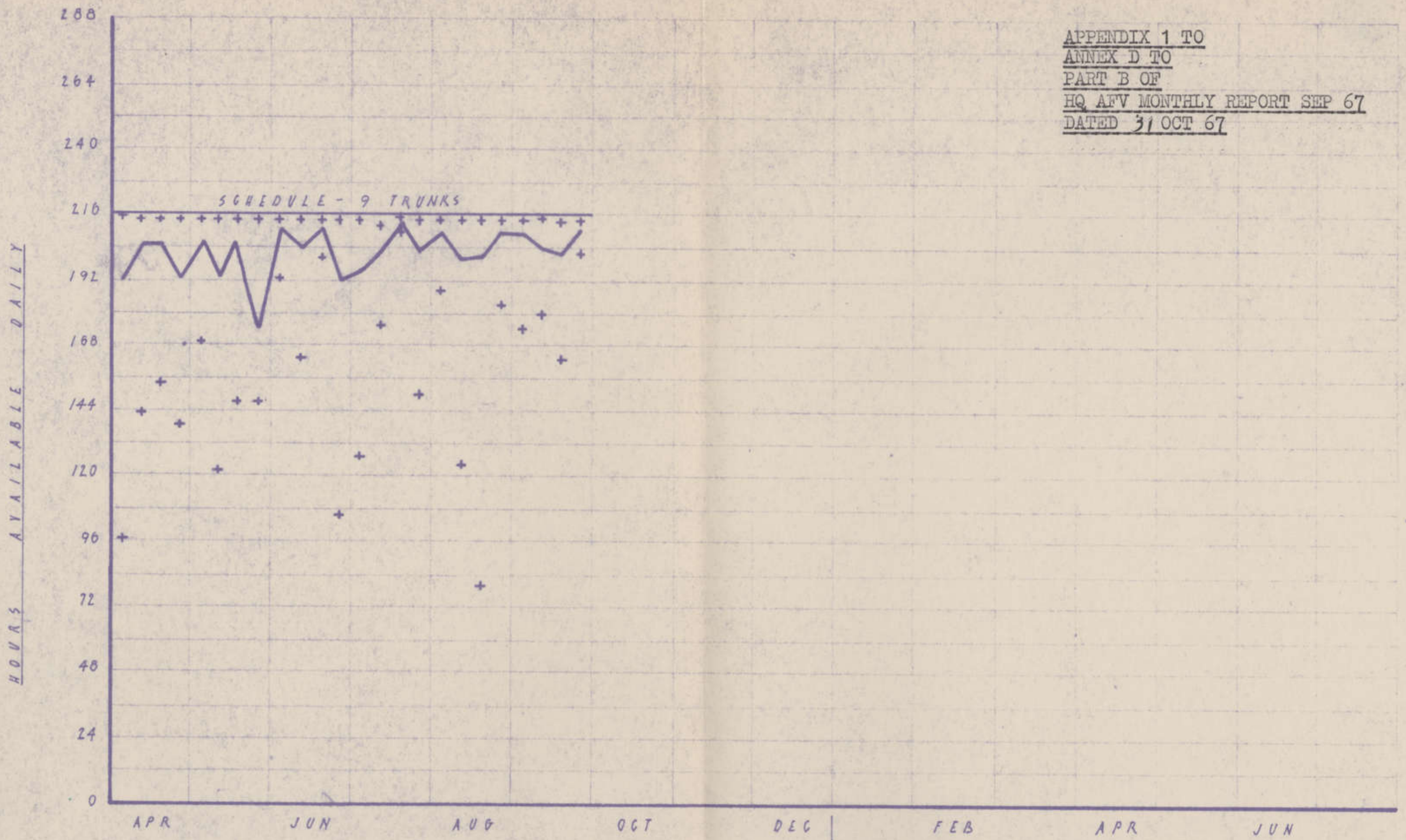
1. During the month there was a reduction in traffic volume to a level just below the July figures. Circuit availability increased during the month on all circuits, and there was an improvement in message handling. Of the 8% drop in the traffic figures, one third of this amount, was due to there being one less day in the month.
2. Installation of the new Signal Centre and Communications Centre progressed well in September and testing should commence in Saigon in mid October.
3. The 150 ft tower has now been completed, and the antennas will be mounted before the testing of the new Communications Centre.
4. The performance of the Radio Relay system in September was satisfactory. New Yagi antennas were mounted on the FWMAO building and despite modification and testing they did not produce any improvement over the bedstead antennas. They are to be re-designed and rebuilt.
5. The following projects in progress last month have now been completed:-
 - a. Manufacture and installation of Yagi antennas at Nui Dat and HONEYSETT KNOLL (on VC Hill).
 - b. Relocation of the AN/MRC 69 terminal at Nui Dat.
 - c. Cut over of the AN/TRC-24 relay from the present site on VC HILL to the new site at HONEYSETT KNOLL.
6. Installation and cut over of the new TC-10 switchboard at 1 ATF and 1 ALSG is scheduled for completion late October.
7. The following graphs are attached:
 - a. Appendix 1 - Trunk Telephone Channel Availability.
 - b. Appendix 2 - Traffic Volume - SAIGON MRS.
 - c. Appendix 3 - Circuit Data Summary - SAIGON MRS.

- Appendices:
1. Trunk Telephone Channel Availability.
 2. Traffic Volume - SAIGON MRS.
 3. Circuit Data Summary - SAIGON MRS.

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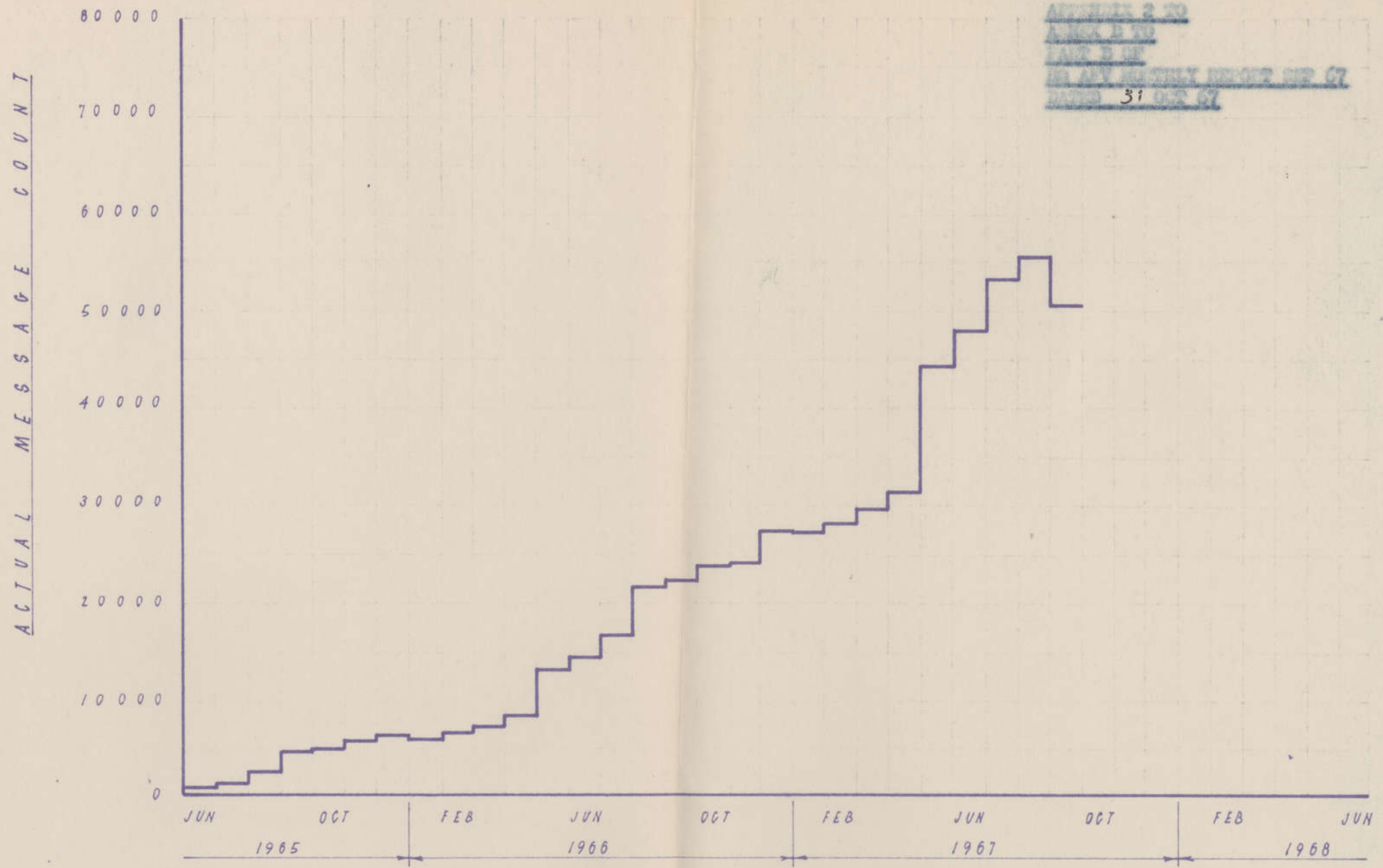
TRUNK TELEPHONE AVAILABILITY

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+ INDICATES EXTREMES I.E. PERFORMANCE OF BEST & WORST TRUNK ON BEST & WORST DAY IN EACH WEEK.

TRAFFIC VOLUME — MAJOR RELAY STATION SAIGON



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PLANT INSTALLED APR 67
APPROX 31 APR 67

CIRCUIT DATA SUMMARY - MAJOR RELAY STATION SAIGON
1 - 30 SEP 67

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Circuit	Bearer	Circuit Availability		Traffic Data - Total Messages IN and OUT								TOTAL	ZFX, ZIG ZFR
		Hours/Day	%	FLASH	IMMEDIATE		PRIORITY		ROUTINE				
				No	No	%	No	%	No	%			
NUI DAT	US hired line (microwave/AN/TRC-24 line)	22.5	93.7	1	455	8	2489	43	2906	49	5851	161	
AFV SIGCEN	Aust line	24.0	100.0	1	451	4	3979	36	6547	60	10,978	5	
MELBOURNE	Aust HF Radio	18.2	75.6	8	2114	12	7323	41	8457	47	17,902	472	
PHAN RANG	US hired line (Troposcatter/ microwave)	22.1	92.0	-	177	5	2237	64	1095	31	3,509	86	
PHU LAI	US hired line (microwave/Land line)	23.4	97.5	4	1485	67	577	26	165	7	2,231	32	
VUNG TAU	Aust AN/TRC-24	21.1	87.7	-	1043	10	4642	46	4369	44	10,054	239	
											50,525	995	
											51,520		

Notes:

- a. All circuits continuous and protected.
- b. NUI DAT circuit is simplex and the remainder full duplex.
- c. Back up to NUI DAT hired line is Aust AN/TRC-24.
- d. Traffic data is "live" traffic by actual message count. ZFX, ZIG & ZFR are added in the last column to make the data compatible with other AUSTCAN circuit statistics.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS HQ AFV

REPORT FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1967

General

1. A total of 24 press visitors, including 7 from New Zealand and 3 US Army Information representatives, covered the activities of the Force during September. The 24 pressmen represented 14 agencies or TV networks and were in the 1 ATF area for a total of 25 ration days.
2. The Force PR Offr and a PR photographer visited AATTV at DA NANG, QUANG TRI and HUE. Six radio tapes, one cine film and 17 still pictures were despatched to DPR, Canberra for distribution in Australia. Arrangements are in hand for a UPITN cine cameraman, a freelance photographer and HQ AFV Sgt Reporter to visit HMAS PERTH in October to seek publicity material.
3. Pressmen permanently, or semi-permanently, residing at 1 ATF during the month included:

Mr A. Ishtiaq	ITN (TV)
Mr B. Allen	Freelance
Mr M. Dyson	Aust Associated Press
Mr E. McQuillan	Aust Forces Overseas Fund
Mr H. Mine	U.P.I.
Mr P. Samual	Bulletin Magazine
Mr T. Choi	Visnews (ABC TV)
Mr J. Bennetts	Melbourne Age
Mr G. Evans	Herald Cable Service
Mr D. Sharp	Ladd Publishing Coy
Mr B. Hall	U.P.I.
Mr T. Trong	ITN (TV)
Mr D. Gibbons	Freelance
Mr B. Jones	3DB Herald/Sun

Press Releases

4. Twenty six news releases were despatched to DPR, AHQ Canberra for the Australian Press and Army Newspaper. In addition, RAAF releases were despatched to DPR, DEPAIR.

Pictorial

5. One hundred and nine black and white negatives, colour negatives and colour positives were selected for release and despatched to DPR, for distribution in Australia. A number of RAAF negatives were also despatched to DPR, DEPAIR.

Television

6.
 - a. Army - PR photographers shot a total of 2790 ft.
 - b. RAAF - PR photographer shot a total of 400 ft.
 - c. The photographers covered eleven assignments, including Operation AINSLIE and a coverage of AATTV activities in QUANG TRI PROVINCE.

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Radio

7. Ten radio tapes, covering a wide variety of subjects, were despatched to CANBERRA for bulk distribution. A daily news bulletin and weekly sports round-up was compiled and read by HQ AFV PR staff for AFRTS broadcast.

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FINANCE

REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 1967 - SECRETARY'S BRANCH

Camp Construction - Reimbursable from US

1. Reimbursements for the month from AIK funds totalled \$VN6,189,741.

Civilian Staff

2. The total number of civilian staff employed as at 30 Sep 67 was 403. Of this total, 216 are paid from AIK funds and 187 from Australian funds.
3. The increase in the number of employees paid from Australian funds is due to the hiring of staff for the Beach Annexes to the R and C Centres.

Audit

4. HQ AFV Cash Office was visited during the month for the purpose of conducting a 100% audit of that office in accordance with the audit programme.

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UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STRENGTH			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
HQ AFV	43	83	126	2	8	10	45	91	136	45	82	127	1	8	9	46	90	136
110 SIG SQN	8	186	194		15	15	8	201	209	8	195	203				9	195	203
AFV DET 11 MC GP	2	12	14		1	1	2	13	15	2	14	16				2	14	16
AFV CASH OFFICE	4	14	18		2	2	4	16	20	4	16	20				4	16	20
+AATTV	14	85	99				14	85	99	18	75	93				18	75	93
DET 198 WKS SECT	1	9	10				1	9	10	1	9	10				1	9	10
FORS (ATT HQ AFV)	2	1	3				2	1	3	2	1	3				2	1	3
(111 CORPS GIA DINH PROVINCE LOCATED SAIGON) + LOCATION OF INDIVIDUAL AATTV PERSONNEL ARE THE SUBJECT OF SEPARATE RETURN																		
TOTAL	74	390	464	2	26	28	76	416	492	80	392	472	1	8	9	81	400	481
HQ 1 ATF	28	121	149	2	10	12	30	131	161	28	129	157				28	129	157
A SQN 3 CAV REGT	10	107	117	1	10	11	11	117	128	11	116	127				11	116	127
DET 131 DIV LOC BTY	3	64	67		6	6	3	70	73	3	75	78				3	75	78
4 FD REGT	26	303	329	1	34	35	27	337	364	27	338	365				27	338	365
A SECT 1 TOPO SVY TP	2	19	21		1	1	2	20	22	2	20	22				2	20	22
1 FD SQN	8	167	175		17	17	8	184	192	6	169	175				6	169	174
21 ENGR SP TP	1	55	56		5	5	1	60	61	1	55	56				1	55	56

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UNIT	ESTB S...			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STRENGTH			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
104 SIG SQN	6	121	127		11	11	6	132	138	5	128	133				5	128	133
DET 152 SIG SQN		17	17					17	17		16	16					16	16
DET 547 SIG TP	2	33	35		1	1	2	34	36	2	29	31				2	29	31
2 RAR	36	760	796	2	74	76	38	834	872	37	861	898				37	861	898
7 RAR	36	760	796	2	74	76	38	834	872	38	862	900				38	862	900
1 SAS SQN	6	76	82		9	9	6	85	91	6	84	90				6	84	90
DET 1 DIV INT UNIT	1	13	14		1	1	1	14	15	1	14	15				1	14	15
DET 6 OFF	1	24	25		2	2	1	26	27	1	25	26				1	25	26
DET A SQN 3 CAV REGT LAL		14	14		1	1		15	15		15	15					15	15
4 FD REGT LAD	1	24	25		1	1	1	25	26	1	20	21				1	20	21
DET 131 DIV LOC BTY WKSP		6	6					6	6		6	6					6	6
1 FD SQN WKSP	1	28	29		2	2	1	30	31	1	27	28				1	27	28
HQ 1 TF LAD	1	15	16		1	1	1	16	17	1	15	16				1	15	16
161 (INDEP) RECCE FLT	15	80	95		8	8	15	88	103	15	94	109				15	94	109
1 AUST CA UNIT	10	39	49				10	39	49	11	35	46				11	35	46
* 1 ARU	6	98	104				6	98	104	6	74	80				6	74	80
DET 1 DIV POSTAL UNIT		3	3					3	3		2	2					2	2
* INCLUDES REINFORCEMENT HOLDING (111 CORPS PHUOC TUY PROVINCE LOCATEI NUI DAT)																		
TOTAL	200	2947	3147	8	268	276	208	3215	3423	203	3209	3412				203	3209	3412

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UNIT	ESTB & SUP.			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STRENGTH			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
HQ 1 ALSG	10	76	86		12	12	10	88	98	10	78	88				10	78	88
17 CONST SQN	10	248	258		9	9	10	257	267	10	259	269		4	4	10	263	273
DET 55 AESS	1	28	29		3	3	1	31	32	1	33	34				1	33	34
67 GL SECT	2	2	4				2	2	4	2	2	4				2	2	4
HQ 5 COY RAASC	4	19	23		3	3	4	22	26	4	22	26				4	22	26
85 TPT PL	2	75	77		7	7	2	82	84	2	82	84				2	82	84
2 TPT PL	2	75	77		7	7	2	82	84	2	81	83				2	81	83
25 SUP PL	2	35	37		3	3	2	38	40	2	38	40				2	38	40
DET 86 TPT PL	1	29	30		3	3	1	32	33	1	31	32				1	31	32
DET 176 AD COY	1	21	22				1	21	22	1	21	22				1	21	22
8 FD AMB	16	114	130		7	7	16	121	137	16	122	138				16	122	138
33 DENT UNIT	5	18	23		1	1	5	19	24	5	18	23				5	18	23
102 FD WKSP	6	120	126	1	11	12	7	131	138	7	130	137				7	130	137
2 COMP ORD DEP	10	131	141	1	4	5	11	135	146	10	127	137				10	127	137
102 FD WKSP STORES SECT 1		15	16				1	15	16	1	15	16				1	15	16
17 CONST SQN WKSP	1	40	41		4	4	1	44	45	1	43	44				1	43	44
DET 1 DIV S & T WKSP.	1	18	19		1	1	1	19	20	1	19	20				1	19	20
DET 1 COMM Z POSTAL UNIT	2	13	15		2	2	2	15	17	2	16	18				2	16	18

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UNIT	ESTB & STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STRENGTH			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
AFV PRO UNIT	1	44	45		4	4	1	48	49	1	48	49				1	48	49
DET 30 TERMINAL SQN	1	17	18		2	2	1	19	20	1	19	20				1	19	20
AUST R & C CENTRE	1	22	23				1	22	23	1	22	23				1	22	23
DET 8 PET PL	1	9	10				1	9	10	1	9	10				1	9	10
DET 5 ASCO UNIT (111 CORPS PHUOC TUY PROVINCE LOCATED VUNG TAU)	3	19	22				3	19	22	5	20	25				5	20	25
TOTAL	84	1183	1272	2	83	85	86	1271	1357	87	1255	1342	4	4		87	1259	1346
GRAND TOTAL	358	4525	4883	12	377	389	370	4902	5272	370	4856	5226	1	12	13	371	4868	5239
<u>NAVY COMP</u>																		
RAN CDT 3	1	6	7				1	6	7	1	6	7				1	6	7
STO (ATT HQ AFV)	1		1				1		1	1		1			1		1	
TOTAL	2	6	8				2	6	8	2	6	8				2	6	8
<u>RAAF COMP</u>																		
RAAF HQ AFV	7	3	10				7	3	10	7	8	15	5	2	7	12	10	22
RAAF HQ VUNG TAU	1		1				1		1	1		1			1		1	
35 SQN	16	66	82				16	66	82	15	65	80				15	65	80
2 SQN	39	250	189				39	250	289	39	221	260				39	221	260

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UNIT	ESTB & STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STRENGTH			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	CR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
9 SQN	22	87	109				22	87	109	22	84	106				22	84	106
BASE SP FLT	17	124	141				17	124	141	19	110	129	3	3		19	113	132
TOTAL	102	530	632				102	530	632	103	488	591	5	5	10	108	493	601
<u>T/DUTY IN COUNTRY</u>																		
<u>ARMY</u>																		
AV "VERNON STURDEF"										6	48	54				6	48	54
<u>T/DUTY IN COUNTRY</u>																		
<u>RAAF</u>																		
5 ACS										1	41	42				1	41	42
<u>TOTAL ARMY</u>																		
5226																		
<u>TOTAL RAAF</u>																		
591																		
<u>TOTAL NAVY</u>																		
8																		
<u>GRAND TOTAL (INCL ATTACHED)</u>																		
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- Appendices:
1. AMF Strength Graph.
 2. RAAF and RAN Strength Graph
 3. Force Strength Graph.

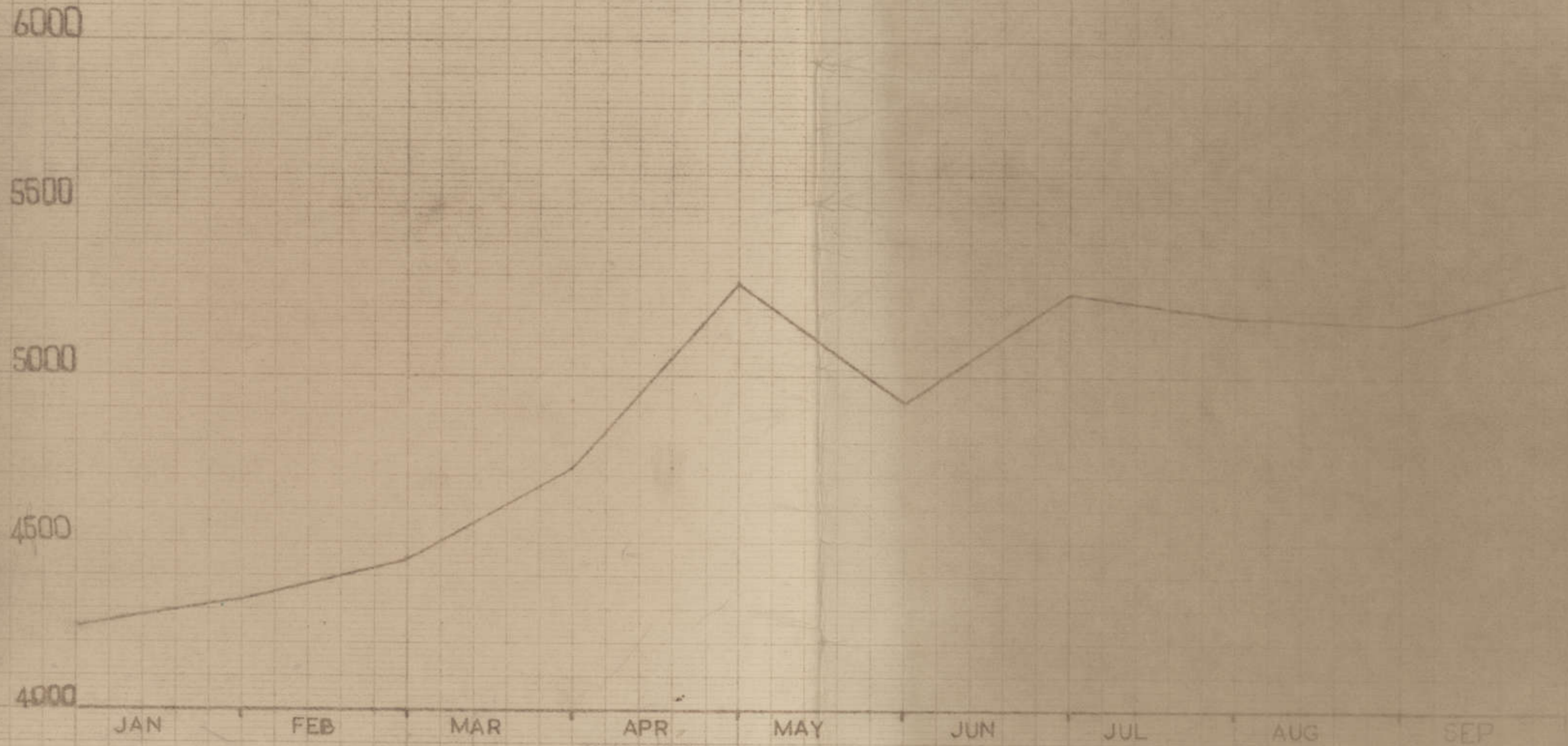
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STRENGTH GRAPH
AMF VIETNAM

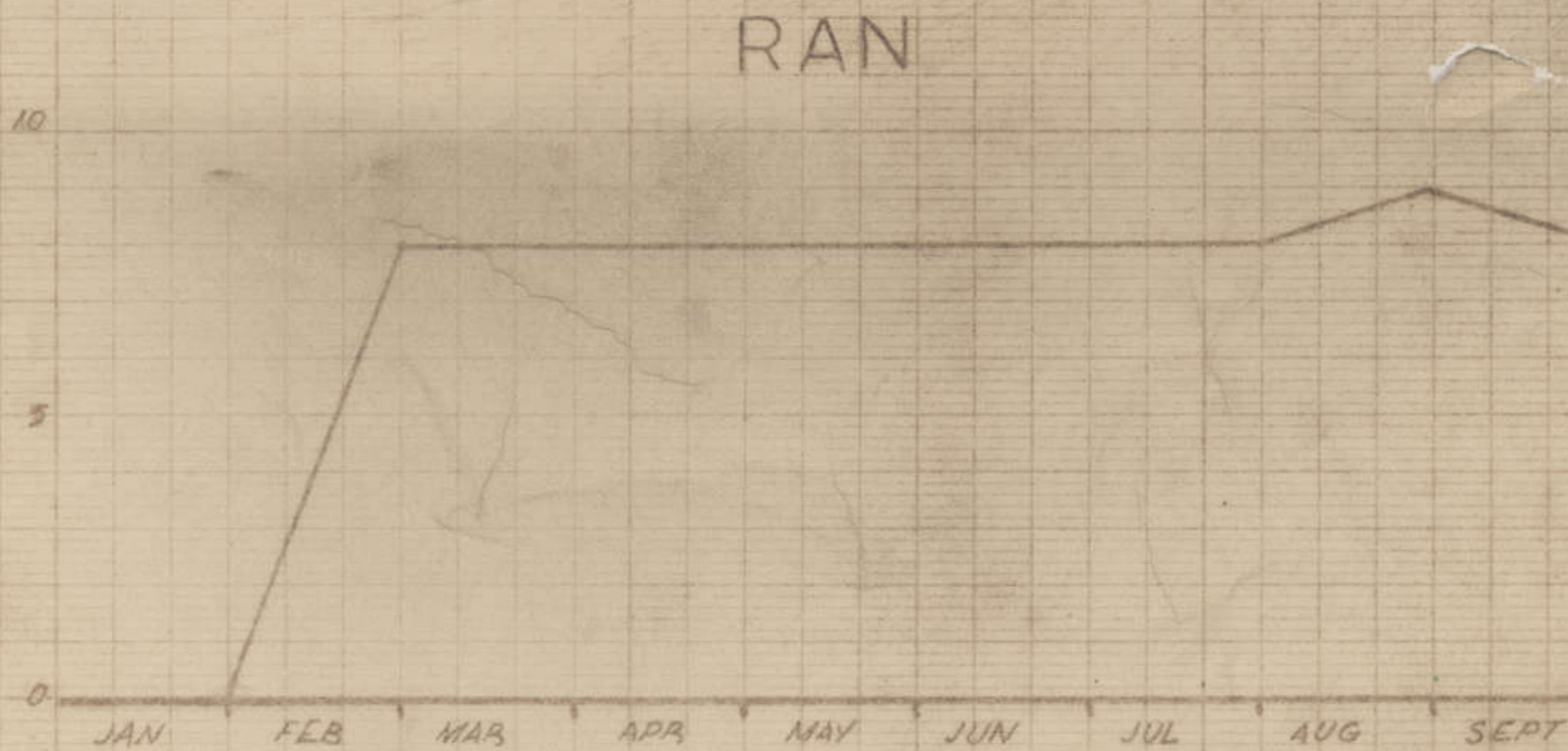
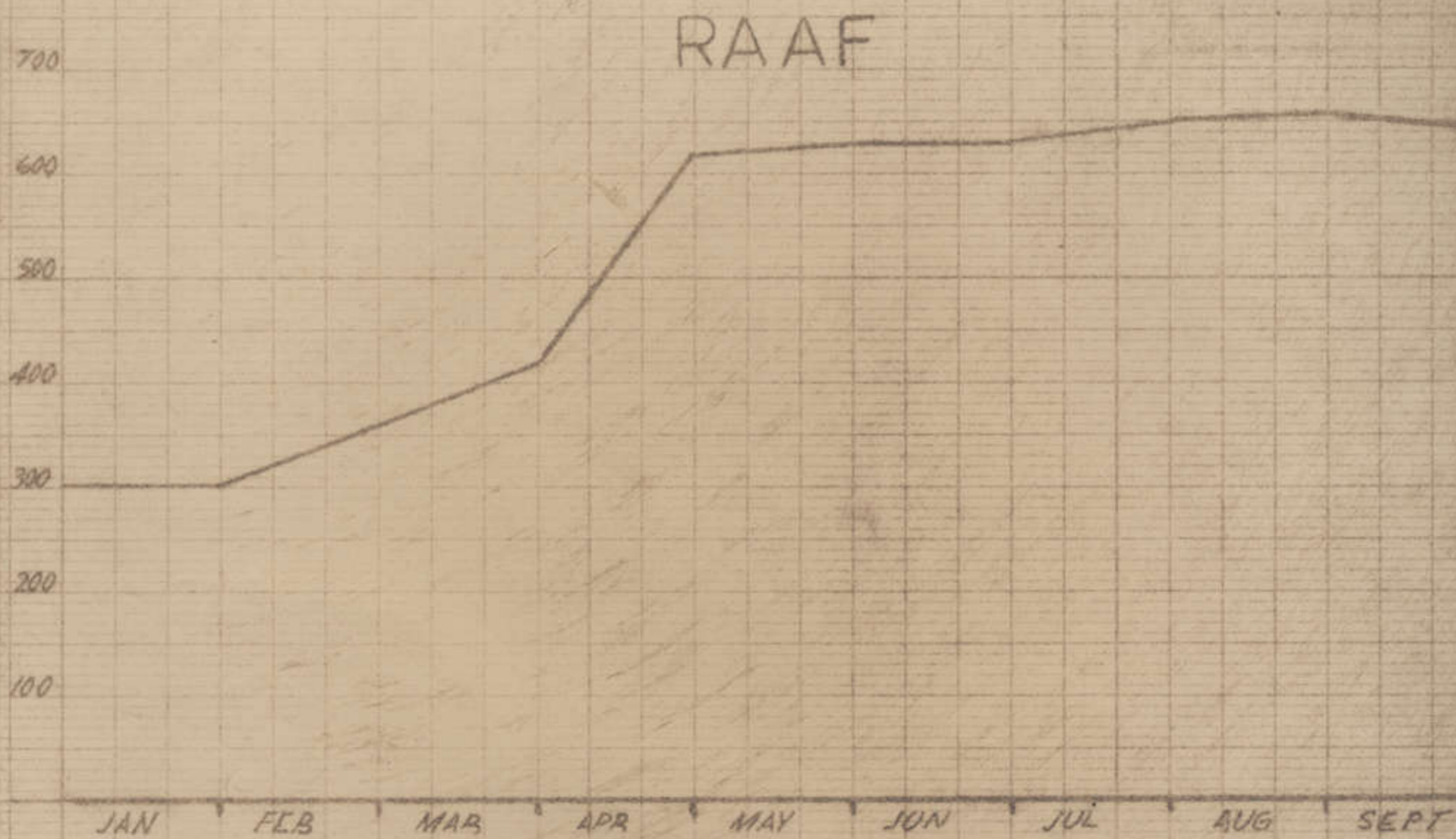


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RAAF AND RAN STRENGTH GRAPH

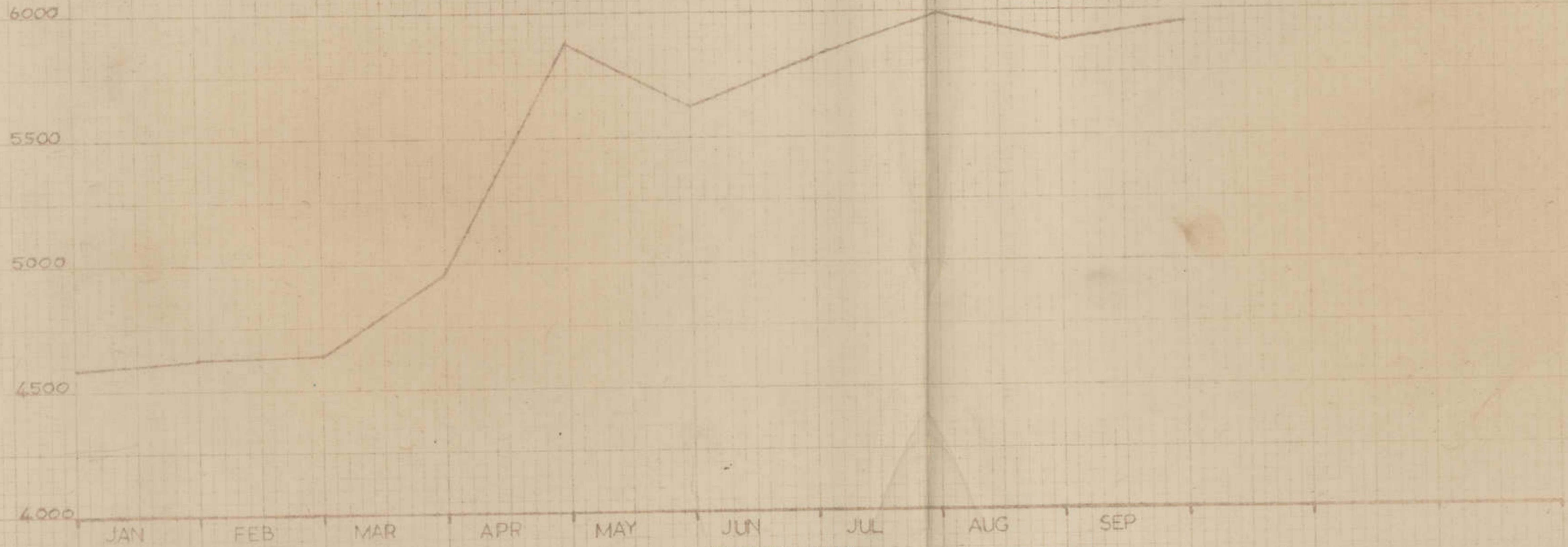


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MEDICAL REPORT AUST FORCE VIETNAM - SEPTEMBER 1967

General

1. SMO HQ AFV arrived in theatre 12 Sep 67. Consequently no comments are made on this report but as an alternative a liaison letter to DGMS is to follow.

Health

2. The health of the Force appears to be satisfactory.

3. It is believed that serology will be actually performed in the theatre in the near future. Previously it was alleged to have been done in Japan and other outside theatre laboratories. However, US sources and Australian, claim to have never received any documented reports.

4. This could completely change US and Aust medical statistics, as up until now they have been merely the clinical whims of medical officers, and hence scientifically inaccurate.

5. The increase in malaria rate for the month from 3 to 5 (all MT) referred to in 8 Fd Amb report is not necessarily significant. It is proposed to circulate malarial slides on which a diagnosis of malaria (positive or negative) has been made amongst the present members responsible for diagnosis. It is anticipated the results especially if they are, unknown to member, examined by him twice, may be not only interesting, but humorous.

Hospital Admission Figures

6. Expressed per 1000 troops per year, and does not include inter-hospital transfers, can be used in estimating theatre bed allocations.

Aust Force	541.8 as at Sep 67
US Army	593.6 as at Jul 67.

Analysis of Battle Injuries - Sep 67

7.	<u>General Summary.</u>	<u>8 Fd Amb</u>	<u>36 Evac Hosp</u>	<u>Others(US)</u>	<u>Total</u>
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
	a. Number of battle injuries admitted	5	7	1	13
	b. Deaths in hospital			1	1
	c. Number of evacuations from theatre		1		1
	d. Number with multiple wounds (Major wounds only)	1	4	1	6
8.	<u>Wounding Agent.</u>				
	a. Bullet	1	1	1	3
	b. Explosive missile	5	7	1	13
	c. Stab				
	d. Blast				
	e. Burns				
	f. Others				

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9. Regional Analysis

2. (a) (b) (c) (d)

a. Head:				
(1) Penetrating				
(2) Non penetrating				
b. Face (including eye)	1	1		2
c. Thorax		2	1	3
d. Abdomen	1	2	1	4
e. Major limb	5	4	1	10

Graphical Representation

10. The following are attached:

- a. Appendix 1 - Graph, Hospital State Sep 67.
- b. Appendix 2 - Detailed Casualty List Sep 67.
- c. Appendix 3 - AFV Casualties since Jun 65.

Appendices:

- 1. Graph Hospital State - Sep 67.
- 2. Detailed Casualty List - Sep 67.
- 3. AFV Casualties since Jun 65.

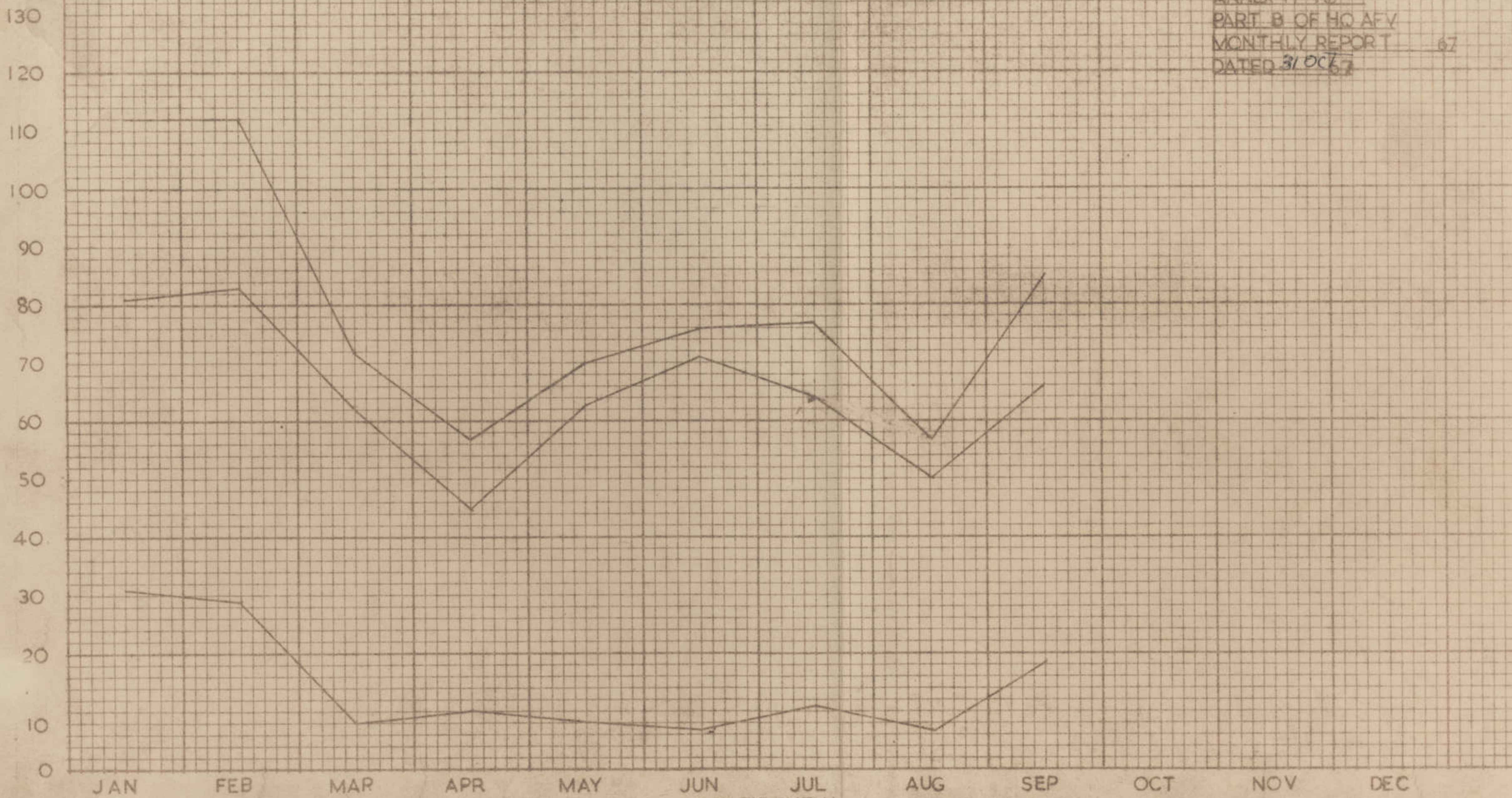
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HOSPITAL STATE

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TOP - TOTAL IN HOSPITAL
CENTRE - 8 FD AMB
BOTTOM - ALL US HOSP



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DETAILED CASUALTY STATISTICS FOR MONTH OF SEP 67

SERIAL	DATE	KILLED IN ACTION		WOUNDED IN ACTION		MISSING IN ACTION			DIED FROM OTHER CAUSES			TOTAL	
		OFFR	OR TOTAL	OFFR	OR TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR TOTAL
1.	8 Sep 67			1	1							1	1
2.	20 Sep 67		1 1	3	3							4	4
3.	28 Sep 67			10*	10*				3*	3*		13	13
4.	30 Sep 67		2 2	1	1							3	3
TOTAL			3 3	15	15				3	3		21	21

LEGEND: * Battle cas. Accident.

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TOTAL CASUALTIES INCURRED BY AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

SERIAL	DESIGNATION	SEP 67			SUMMARY OF LOSSES SINCE JUN 65			TOTAL		
		OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
1.	Wounded in action		15	15	41	450	491	41	465	506
2.	Killed in action		3	3	9	108	117	9	111	120
3.	Missing in action					1	1		1	1
4.	Died from other causes		3*	3*		15	15		18	18
TOTAL			21	21	50	574	624	50	595	645

LEGEND: * Battle Cas, Accident.

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QUARTERMASTER GENERAL BRANCH MATTERS

Movement

1. The following charts are attached to illustrate the degree of movement of personnel and stores, both in country and to and from AUSTRALIA.

- a. Appendix 1 - Tonnages into theatre (MV JEPARIT)
- b. Appendix 2 - Cargo/Courier Flights ex AUSTRALIA
- c. Appendix 3 - Tonnages Forward to 1 ATF
- d. Appendix 4 - Cargo/Courier Flights ex VUNG TAU
- e. Appendix 5 - Tonnages out of theatre by sea (MV JEPARIT)
- f. Appendix 6 - Inland Water Transport
- g. Appendix 7 - Breakup of Inland Water Transport

Engineers

2. Base Development.

a. 1 ATF. Progress in base camp construction is shown in Appendix 8 attached. Ten buildings were completed during the month. The current base development plan shows 506 buildings of various types, of which 87 are still to be completed. 13 of these 87 were in progress at the end of September.

b. 1 ALSG. Progress in base camp construction is shown in Appendix 9 attached. 56 buildings were completed during the month. Of the 430 buildings on the current base development plan 72 are still to be completed and of these, 23 were in progress at the end of September. Much of the work remaining is either large buildings or internal fixtures and fittings and the apparent rate of construction, in terms of number of buildings completed, will fall off in this and subsequent months. However, real progress, in terms of value of construction, remains steady. The value of contract labour employed to the end of September was:

Committed during September	-	A\$40,500
Expended during September	-	A\$27,700
Total committed to end of September	-	A\$339,500
Total expended to end of September	-	A\$233,700
Average monthly expenditure (Mar-Sep) (7 months)	-	A\$33,400

c. Australian Forces Club. Miscellaneous small tasks continued during September. The club is to open for business on 15 Oct 67. Construction of the accommodation annex (Transit area) commenced during the month.

d. Construction Materials. Most of the material problems appear to have been solved. From time to time, however, temporary shortages will undoubtedly occur due to inherent problems in the supply systems and changes in user requirements and priorities. The supply of crushed rock from the US Army Engineer quarry in VUNG TAU stopped at the end of September, while the quarry development and equipment was reorganised. Supply will be interrupted for about three weeks but better production should result when operations are fully resumed.

e. C Vehicles. The state of C Vehicles on 30 Sep is shown in Appendix 10 attached.

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3. Expense Supplies.

- a. It has been necessary to place demands on AUSTRALIA for a few items to counteract the US inability to supply.
- b. Demands on AUSTRALIA will be kept to a minimum but will continue until the flow and availability from US sources is more satisfactory.
- c. The tempo of 1 ATF operations resulting in higher usage rates has been one factor responsible for temporary shortages. Stocks are now being built up.

4. Aerial Delivery Equipment. A submission has been forwarded separately seeking AHQ approval to a theatre scaling of aerial delivery equipment.

5. Messing.

- a. AHQ has been asked to advise the amount of the grant from public funds towards Xmas messing. An early reply to enable satisfactory planning has also been requested.
- b. RAAF VUNG TAU will shortly be drawing supplies from 25 Supply Platoon RAASC. 2 Sqn RAAF will then be the only force unit drawing from US Class one independently.

6. Cyclic Menu.

- a. Substitutions continue to be satisfactory.
- b. No reply has yet been received on the AFV submission for approval to purchase butter as a plus factor to menu entitlements.

Ordnance

7. 2 Comp Ord Dep.

- a. The permanent building programme continues and occupation of the third 200' x 45' storehouse has commenced. The movement of stock is conducted in conjunction with a 100 percent stocktake.
- b. The new vehicle park hardstanding was completed during September and all vehicles have been moved to the new location.
- c. Dues out vouchers were reduced to 4867 on completion of receipting the August Jeparit. As the expected marked reduction did not eventuate, action was taken to list all items with dues out recorded and to forward the data to AHQ Melbourne for investigation. Supply of the necessary stock will be priority 2 and rapid results can be anticipated.
- d. The total number of indents received was 5944 (a reduction of some 1800 on the August figure).
- e. The Service Demands Sections raised signals representing 1440 indents. Progress action on outstanding demands is now continuous.
- f. Operations into the US supply system at Saigon, (although markedly better than through 53rd General Supply Group at VUNG TAU) are producing far from satisfactory results. During the period 21 Jun - 31 Aug 67, 991 requisitions have been submitted, of these 372 have been satisfied, 43 cancelled and 576 are still outstanding over 30 days. A fill of 37.5 percent is slightly below the US 506 Field Depot average.

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g. The special requisitions filed in Aug (as a result of the conference referred to in the August report) have so far resulted in 3 out of 77 being filled after 30 days.

h. Shipment of stores to VUNG TAU is proceeding smoothly through the Newport transit storehouse.

i. The 1 ALSG central clothing store (operated by 2 Comp Ord Dep), opened during September. The stock recovered from unit clothing stores was sufficient to provide initial scaling for the central clothing store. Early indications are that the system will prove satisfactory.

8. Det 6 OFF. Construction of a self-service store building has not yet commenced. Until such time as the building is erected and stocked, 1 ATF units must continue to visit 1 ALSG for self-service items.

Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

9. Equipment Repair.

a. At 1 ATF all RAEME elements, LADs and unit workshops were fully committed. In general they were able to meet unit requirements for repair, servicing and inspection of equipment to suit and meet operational timings.

b. Forward repair teams from 102 Fd Wksp were actively employed at 1 ATF in carrying out repairs to fire control instruments, radios and B vehicles.

c. Very heavy workloading at 1 Fd Sqn Wksp resulted in extended working hours by most workshop personnel. Most tradesmen stood down for only one day throughout September. Some older equipments have been replaced in the squadron and it is expected that the situation will ease and equipment availability will improve.

(1) Scrapers 7-9 cu yd LW have been replaced by Scrapers 10 cu yd EUCLID.

(2) Tractors Tracked Size 0 OLIVER have been replaced with Tractors Tracked Size 0 CASE.

(3) Tractors Tracked Size 4 INTERNATIONAL have been replaced in accordance with the BLR Forecast.

d. The serviceability of Carriers APC M113A1 was maintained well above 90% throughout September. However frequent use of the R and M Pool was necessary to maintain this availability. Restoration of the R and M Pool carriers is now being carried out at 103 Fd Wksp RAEME as a priority task.

e. At 1 ALSG, Det 1 Div ST Wksp RAEME were heavily committed in the repair of Trucks Dump 2½ ton, 5 ton and 2½ ton GS Cargo vehicles. Rectification of defects in Trucks Dump 5 ton required the full efforts of this detachment over extended working hours.

10. Inspections.

a. At 1 ATF the following inspections were carried out:

(1) Quarterly inspection of small arms and mortars.

(2) Regular technical inspections of vehicles in conjunction with servicing.

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b. At HQ AFV and 110 Sig Sqn:

- (1) Office machines and instruments.
- (2) Telecommunication equipment.
- (3) Small arms.

11. Workshop Accommodation.

a. Provision of hardstanding, technical buildings and administrative buildings continued at 102 Fd Wksp RAEME.

b. At 1 ATF a radar repair building was completed at Det 131 Div Loc Bty Wksp.

c. Action is now in hand to provide 1 Fd Sqn Wksp RAEME with protection from weather, hardstanding and storage space for spares and tools.

Postal

12. There is still a degree of irregularity in priority one mail delivery into Saigon.

13. Constant follow up action is being taken, with US authorities, in an endeavour to correct the situation.

14. A submission has been made to AHQ recommending that all Priority 1 mail be handled exclusively by PANAM. It is thought that such a system would solve existing problems of irregularity.

15. The following charts are attached to illustrate the volume of mail being handled:

- a. Appendix 11 - Class 1 Mail
- b. Appendix 12 - Class 2 Mail

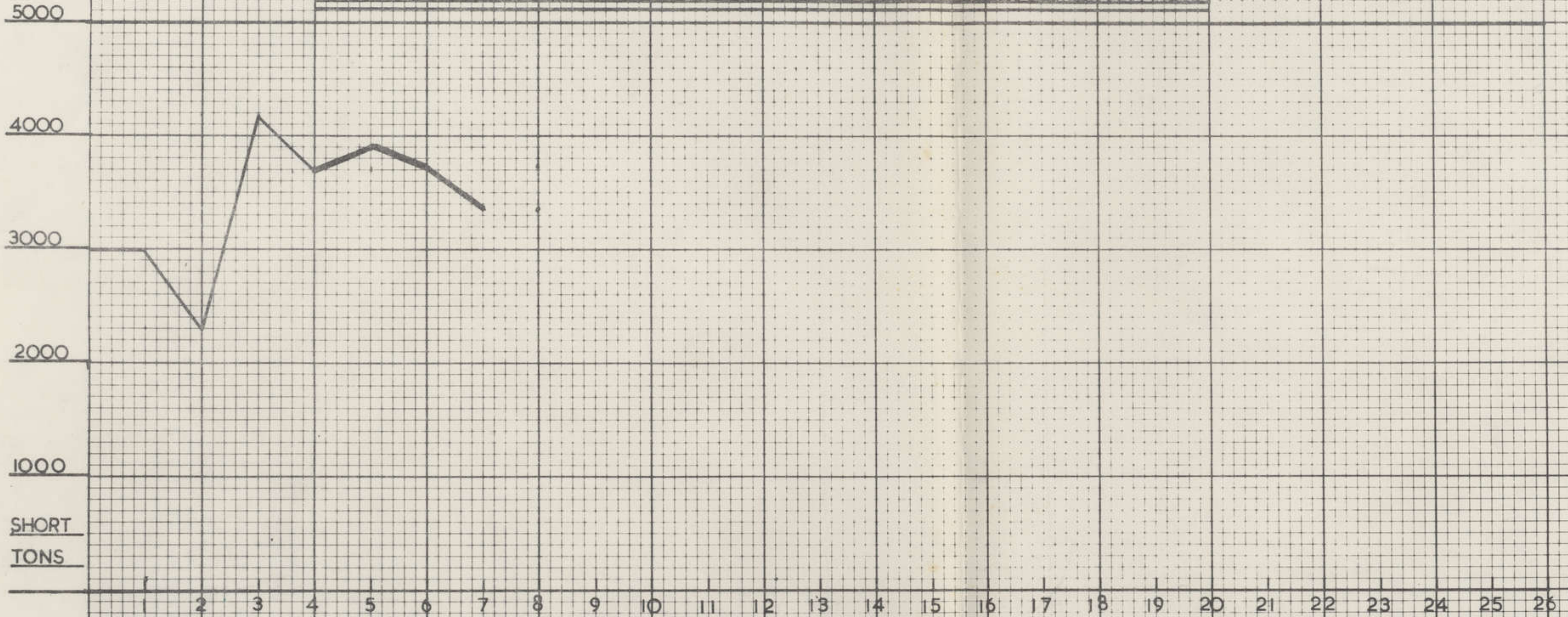
- Appendices:
- 1. Tonnages in Theatre
 - 2. Cargo/Courier Flights ex AUSTRALIA
 - 3. Tonnages Forward to 1 ATF
 - 4. Cargo/Courier Flights ex VUNG TAU
 - 5. Tonnages out of Theatre by Sea
 - 6. Inland Water Transport
 - 7. Breakup of Inland Water Transport
 - 8. 1 ATF - Base Development
 - 9. 1 ALSG - Base Development
 - 10. C Vehicle State as at 31 Aug 67
 - 11. Mail - Class 1, in and out
 - 12. Mail - Class 2, in and out

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TONNAGES INTO THEATRE BY MV JEPARIT



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CARGO-COURIER FLIGHTS EX AUSTRALIA

LBS

190000

180000

170000

160000

150000

140000

130000

120000

110000

100000

90000

LBS

MAY

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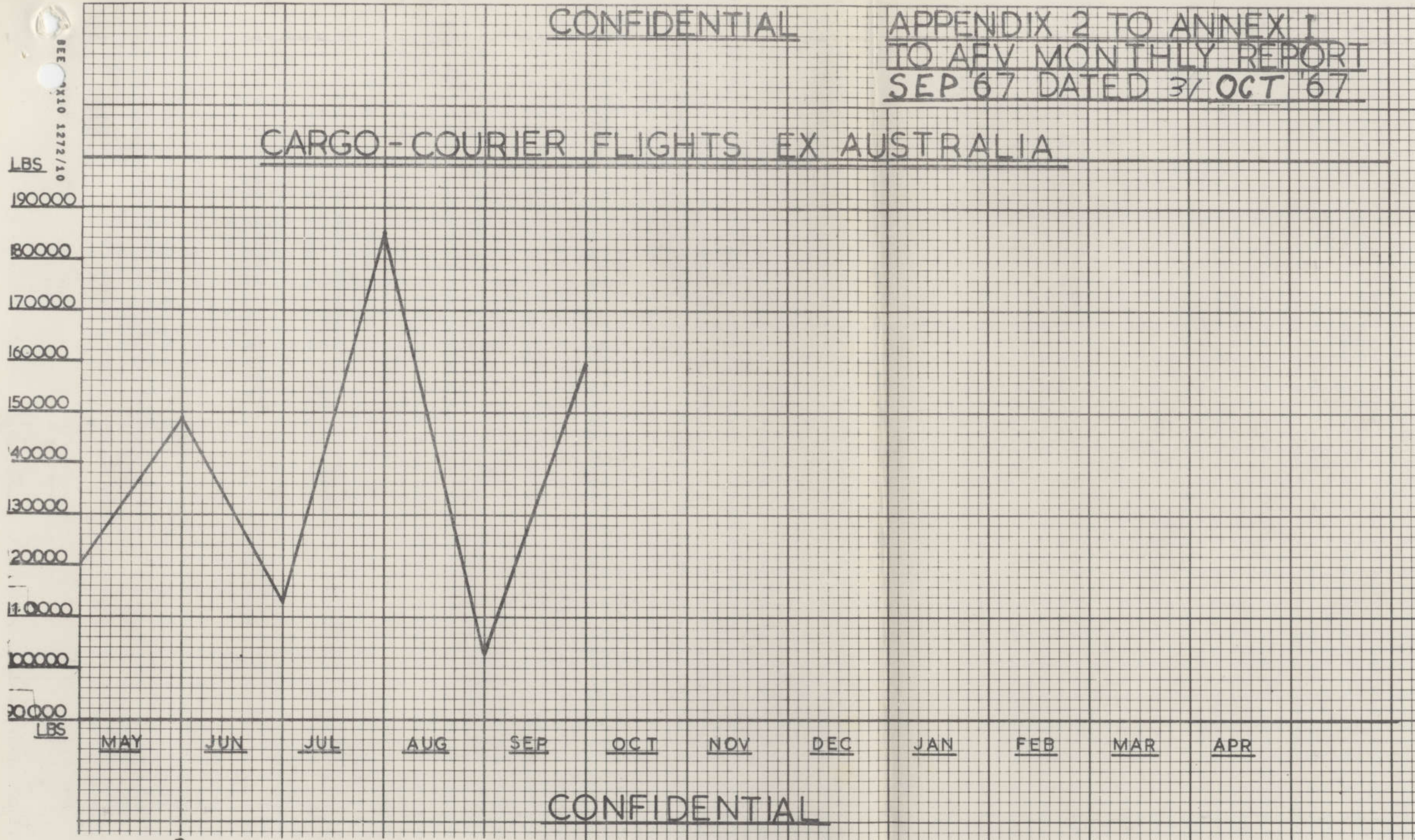
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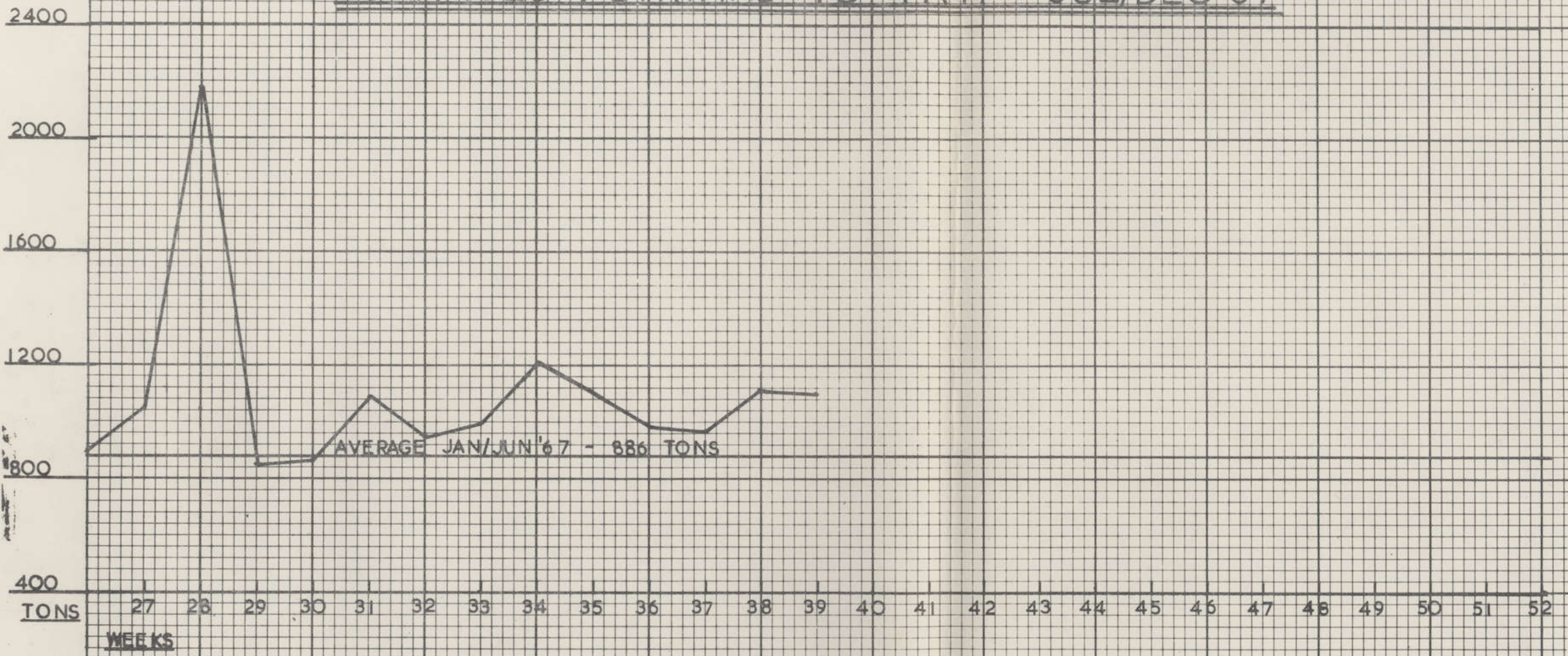


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TONNAGES FORWARD TO LATE - JUL/DEC '67



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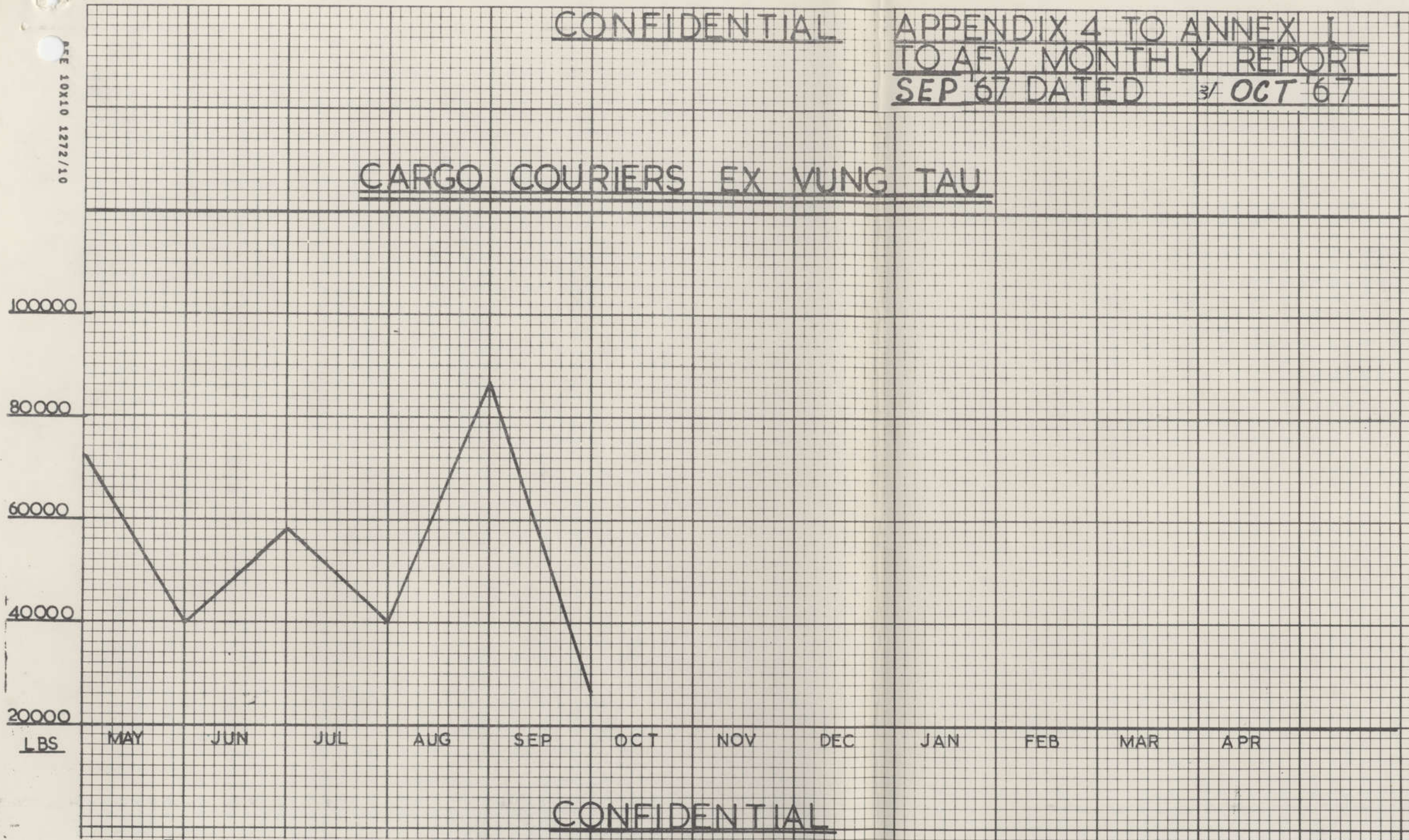
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CARGO COURIERS EX MUNG TAU

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60000
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LBS

MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC JAN FEB MAR APR

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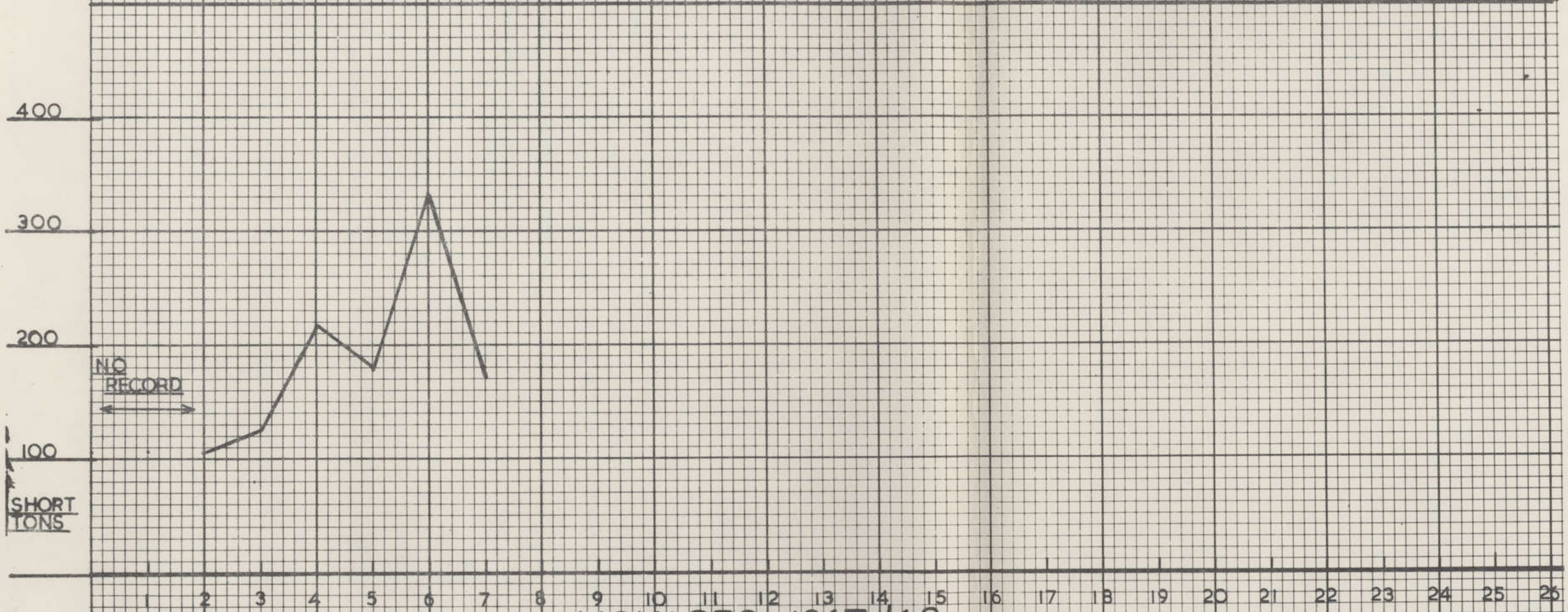


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TONNAGES OUT OF THEATRE BY MV JEPARIT



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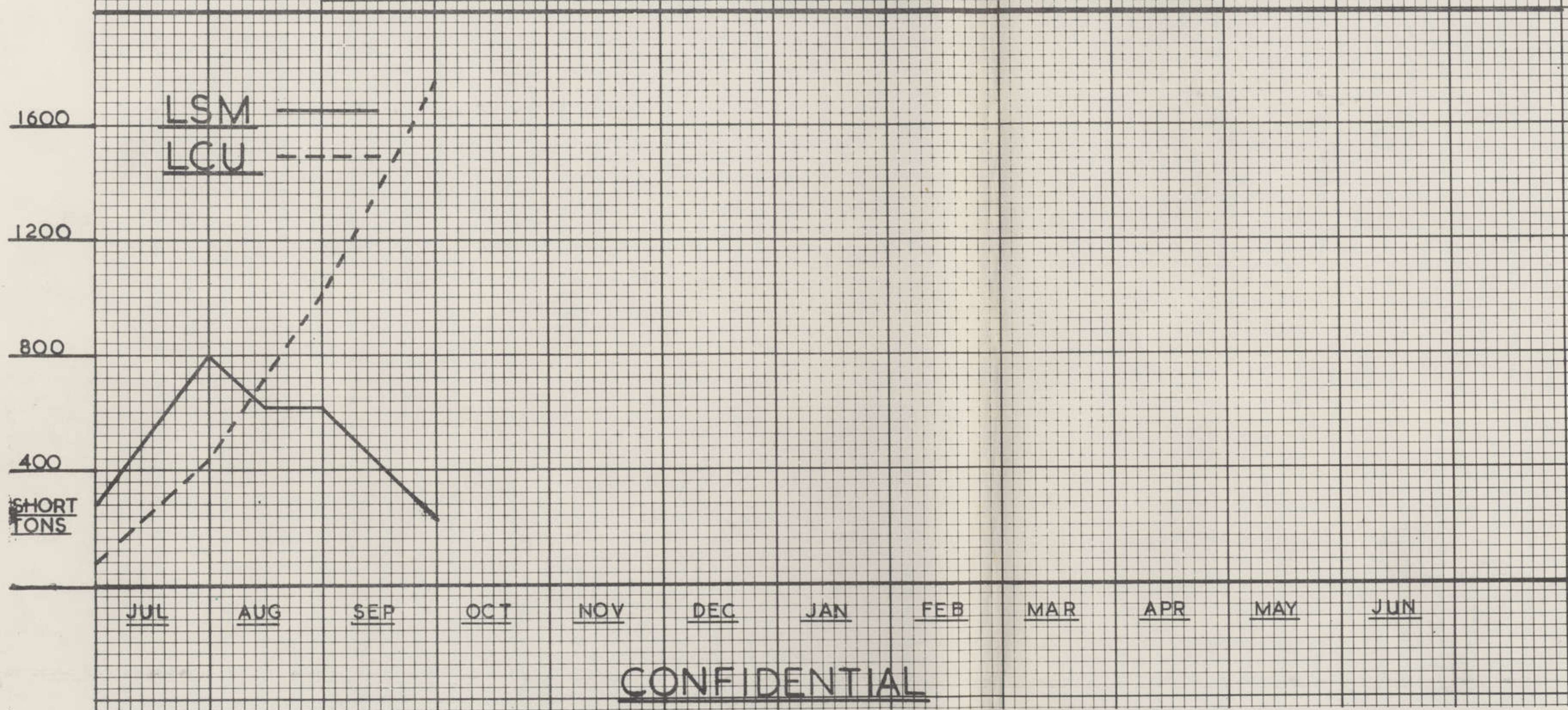
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INLAND WATER TRANSPORT - LSM & LCU



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APPENDIX 7 TO
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SUMMARY OF CARGO CARRIED TO AND FROM
IN COUNTRY PORTS BY AUSTRALIAN LSM AND US LCU'S

1. LSM PORTS

<u>LSM PORTS</u>	<u>AUST CARGO</u>	<u>US CARGO</u>
a. VT/SGN	15	149.0
b. SGN/VT	103	-
c. VT/CANTHO	-	452.4
d. CANTHO/VTA	-	74.3
e. VTA/CRB	8.0	220.2
f. CRB/VT	106.7	-
TOTALS	<u>232.7 S/TONS</u>	<u>895.9S/TONS</u>

2. LCU PORTS

<u>LCU PORTS</u>	<u>AUST CARGO</u>	<u>US CARGO</u>
a. VTA/SGN	150.1	
b. SGN/VT	92.6	
c. VTA/BAR	1317.2	
d. BAR/VTA	198.4	
TOTALS	<u>1758.3 S/TONS</u>	

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ENGINEER WORKS PROGRESS
1 ATF

Month of SEP 67

Dated 30 SEP 67

Building or Work	Unit of Measure	Total Requirement	Previously Completed	In Progress At Date	Completed During Month	No Completed To Date	% Construction Complete	REMARKS
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
Sleeping Accn Stage 1 Stage 2	No	NIL						Stage 1 Shell only Stage 2 Partitions etc
Unit A & Q Accn	No	103	63	2	9	72	71	
Messes	No	54	53		1	54	100	
Canteens	No	33	32			32	97	
Warehouses	No	21	19	-	-	19	90	
Workshops	No	22	14	4		14	73	
Shower Block Stage 1 Stage 2	No	112	92 6	3 1		92 6	84 6	Stage 1 Buckets Stage 2 Piped water

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(2) (d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
Food Pre Rooms	Stage 1		28			28	82	
	Stage 2	No	34	17	3	17	54	
Latrine Blocks	No	120	102	4		102	87	
Miscellaneous Building	No	7	6	-	-	6	86	
Airfield	Sq Yds	32,000	20,000			20,000	62	
Roads (2 way)	Gravelled	yds	43,670	29,210	5,000	5,280	34,490	84
	Sealed	yds						
Hardstanding	Gravelled	Sq yds	106,000	95,675	10,000	4,500	100,175	94
	Sealed	Sq yds						
Helipads	Gravelled	Sq yds	51,600	22,600	-	-	22,600	64
	Sealed	Sq yds						
Culverts 48" and Above	ft	1,620	1,470			1,470	91	
	Under 48"	ft	5,000	4,240			4,240	85
Water Mains	yds	Not determined						
Electricity Lt Retic	yds	Not determined						
	Building Wiring	No	361	188	1	2	190	53

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ENGINEER WORKS PROGRESS

1 ALSG

Month of Sep 67

Dated 30 Sep 67

Building or Works (a)	Unit of Measure (b)	Total Requirement (c)	Previously Completed (d)	In Progress At Date (e)	Completed During Month (f)	No Completed To Date (g)	% Construction Completed (h)	Remarks (i)
Sleeping Accn	Stage 1	117	93	4	17	110	96	Stage 1 Shell Only Stage 2 Partitions Offrs-Sgt
	Stage 2	33	9	2	2	11	36	
Unit A & Q Accn	No	83	43	8	27	70	89	
Messes	No	25	14	2	7	21	88	
Canteens	No	9	8	-	-	8	89	
Warehouses	No	37	26	4	3	29	84	
Workshops	No	19	11	1	1	12	66	
Hospital Accn	No	6	6	-	-	6	100	
Shower Block	Stage 1	30						Stage 1 Bucket Stage 2 Piped Water
	Stage 2		30	-	-	30	100	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
Food Prep Rooms	Stage 1	11	11			11	100	Stage 1 Basic
	Stage 2		NIL	4	4	4	54	Stage 2 Improved
Latrine Blocks	No	52	43	-	7	50	96	
Miscellaneous Building	No	31	8	3	3	11	40	
Forces Club	%		98		1	99	99	
Transit Accn	No	10	-	1	-	-	5	Incl Squash Court
Roads 2 Way	Gravelled	yds	10200	3750		250	4000	39
	Sealed	yds		300			300	
Hardstanding	Gravelled	Sq yds	32000	101000		17700	118700	90
	Sealed	Sq yds	-			-	-	-
Helipads	Gravelled	Sq yds						
	Sealed	Sq yds	18500			17500		95
Culverts 48" and above		ft						
	under 48"	ft	350	60		60		17
Water Supply mains	yds							Not determined
Electricity Lt Retic		yds	NA			500	NA	NA
	Building wiring	No	386	114		42	156	40
Security Fencing	yds							Not determined

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AFV C VEHICLE AVAILABILITY STATE
FOR UNIT HOLDINGS AS AT
30 SEP 67

Census Code	Veh Designation	Total Ent	Total Holding	Serviceable	REPAIRABLE				BLR / BER
					Still Operable	Undergoing Repair	Awaiting Labour	Awaiting Parts	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
6229	<u>Crane-Shovel</u> , truck mtd	1	1	1					
6501	<u>Grader</u> , road motorised	6	7	1	5	1			
6509C	<u>Crane Tractor</u> , 10000lb lift	1							
6513	<u>Crane-Shovel</u> , crawler mtd	1	3		3				
6526A	<u>Scraper</u> , earth moving towed								
6528C	<u>Scraper</u> , semi tractor 7-9 cu yd	6	7		2			5	
6530	<u>Scraper</u> , semi tractor 10 cu yd		3	3					
6531A	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 'O'	4	5	5					
6532	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 2	3	3	2				1	
6534	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 4	8	13	3	6	1			3

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/ 6536 Tractor,

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
6536	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 6	4	2			1		1	
6548	<u>Ditching Machine</u>								
6549A	<u>Entrenching Machine</u>								
6561	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled forklift	6	7	5	1	1			
6565C	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 5	19	21	13	5	1		2	
6566	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 6	2	2					2	
6567	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 7	11	12	3	6			3	
6568	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 8	6	6		6				

FORKLIFT STATE (Already included above by veh type)

6565CW2	Massey Ferguson	12	14	12	1			1	
6567W1	Michigan	7	8	3	2			3	
6561	Pettibone	6	7	5	1	1			

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/ R & M Pool

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AFV C VEHICLE AVAILABILITY STATE
R & M POOL

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
6229	<u>Crane-Shovel</u> , truck mtd	1							
6501	<u>Grader</u> , road motorised	2	1	1					
6509C	<u>Crane Tractor</u> , 10000lb lift								
6513	<u>Crane-Shovel</u> , crawler mtd	2							
6526A	<u>Scraper</u> , earth moving towed	3	3	2				1	
6528C	<u>Scraper</u> , semi tractor 7-9 cu yd	2							
6530	<u>Scraper</u> , semi tractor 10 cu yd								
6531A	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 'O'	2	3	1		2			
6532	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 2	1	1	1					
6534	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 4	5	5			4		1	
6536	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 6	2							
6548	<u>Ditching Machine</u>	1	1						1

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/ 5549A Entrenching

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
6549A	<u>Entrenching Machine</u>	1	1					1	
6561	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled forklift	3	2	1				1	
6565C	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 5	5	3	2					1
6566	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 6	1	1					1	
6567	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 7	6	5				1	4	
6568	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 8	2	1	1					

FORKLIFT STATE (Already included above by veh type)

6565CW2	Massey Ferguson	3	1	1				1	
6567W1	Michigan	3	2				1	1	
6561	Pettibone	3	2	1				1	

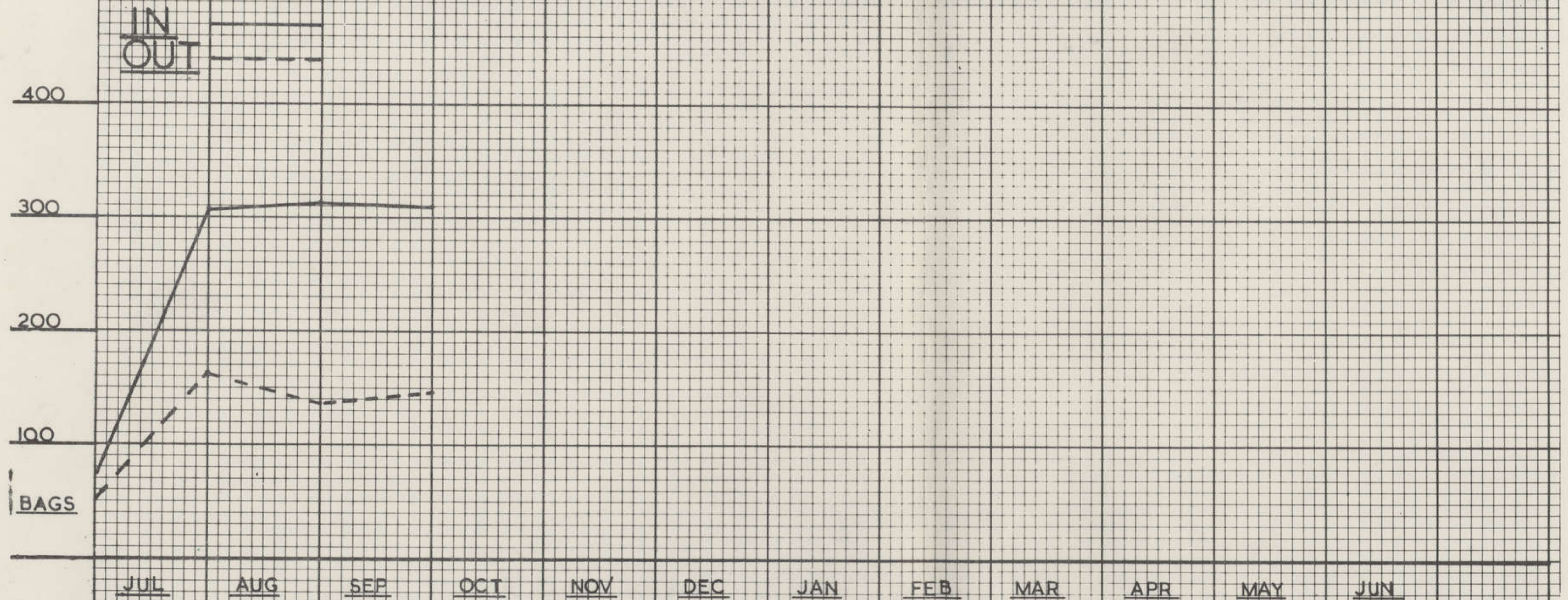
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PRIORITY ONE MAIL IN & OUT



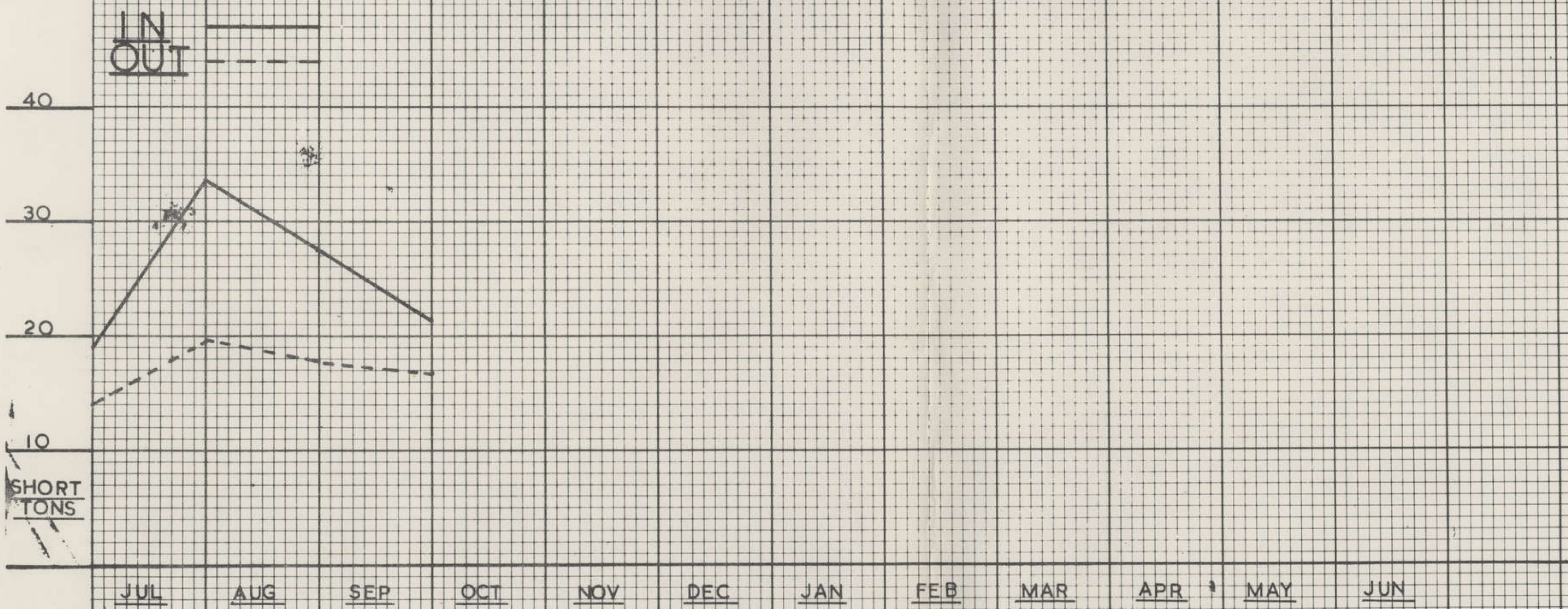
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PRIORITY TWO MAIL IN & OUT



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ANNEX J TO
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VISITORS TO AFV - SEP 67

4 - 11 Sep	AVM A.H. Marsh
7 - 16 "	Brig R.L. Hughes, DSO
12 - 18 "	Principal Air Chap B.D. O'Regan
12 - 22 "	Col J.E. Clarke
	Col D.R. Leslie
12 - 18 "	Col G.T.W. Dixon
13 - 16 "	Lt Gen Sir John Wilton, KBE, CB, DSO
15 - 19 "	Col D.V.V. Jackson, OBE
15 -	Mr K. Eunson
	Mr E. Tressider
	Mr A.M. Menzies
	Mr R. Bourke
	Mr K. Funnell
	Mr D. Exel
20 - 21 "	Air Cdre S.G. Quill, OBE, DFC, RNZAF
21 - 28 "	Lt Col D.J.P. Tier, MVO
	Maj D.J. Ashmore
26 - 27 "	Maj J.L. Smith RNZIR
27 - 30 "	Maj L.G. Williams RNZIR
	Capt M.S. Woodard RNZAC
26 - 2 Oct	Maj Gen A.L. MacDonald, OBE

UNOFFICIAL VISIT

Mr John Price	Monash University
Dr Bauxhall	Dept of External Affairs

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PART C

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIRFORCE COMPONENT REPORT

General

1. The domestic area construction programme at VUNG TAU is expected to be complete by the end of October 1967.

Operations

2. A breakdown of flying hours, cargo and passengers carried and bomb expenditure by Nos 2, 9 and 35 Squadrons is shown at Annex A to Part C.

3. Combat Skyspot radar controlled strikes by No 2 Squadron continue to dominate the Squadron's operational effort. However, a quarter of the Squadron's sorties are now tasked for day missions.

4. 425 targets throughout the Republic of VIETNAM were attacked by No 2 Squadron during the month. BDA reports from Combat Skyspot strikes are still not forthcoming (excepting from the Australian Task Force area) although most of the squadron's effort is on this type of operation. BDA's from day strikes are immediate, satisfying and good for morale. A summary of BDA for the month is shown at Annex C to Part C.

5. Day strikes are FAC controlled. In some instances because of low cloud, these strikes have been converted to Combat Skyspot. All bombs have been 100% on target. Day strikes will continue into October 1967.

Operations No 9 Sqn RAAF

6. No 9 Squadron participated in Operation AINSLIE in support of 1 ATF.

7. As the Special Air Service Squadron were employed on defence and close patrolling during the operation, no long range patrols were inserted for a period of nearly three weeks.

8. On 7th September the squadron was called in to assist in the search for a missing Forward Air Control aircraft which became overdue at 2340 hours local time. Two crews became airborne and searched in conjunction with the FAC detachment commander throughout the remainder of the night. At dawn a search with 4 crews started, but it was not until 0800 hours that information was received of weak emergency beacon well to the north of the Task Force TAOR. The rescue was performed by a squadron crew, and entailed a 120 foot winch while the gunner extricated one dead and one injured from the wreckage of the crashed aircraft. It is of interest to note that, of the many helicopters in the area of the crashed aircraft, only No 9 Squadron aircraft appeared to be equipped with both UHF/DF and winch.

Operations No 35 Sqn RAAF

9. September was a particularly quiet month for No 35 Squadron with the flying rate being probably the lowest in the history of the squadron.

10. A decision regarding replacement of A4-171 is eagerly awaited. The 150 hours lost during the month can be made up during the remainder of the year, however, if the aircraft situation is not improved and further losses occur, the situation will soon become critical.

RAAF Component Strength

11. The RAAF element strength is shown at Annex B to Part C.

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Visits

12. During September, visitors to the RAAF Component were:
- (a) Air Vice Marshal A.H. Marsh, CBE, MB, CHB, DTM&H, UNZ, RCP (Lond), RCS (ENG), Director General of Medical Services.
 - (b) Principal Air Chaplain B.D. O'Regan.
 - (c) Lieutenant General Sir John Wilton, KBE, CB, DSO, Chairman Chiefs of Staff Committee.

- Annexes:
- A. Flight Details No2, 9 and 35 Sqns RAAF
 - B. RAAF Component Strengths
 - C. No 2 Sqn RAAF BDA

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DETAILS OF FLYING HOURS, CARGO AND PAX CARRIED BY
2 SQN, 9SQN, 35 SQN RAAF

1. No 2 Squadron.
 - (a) Hours flown 481.20
 - (b) Sorties 261
 - (c) Bomb expenditure 296 x 500 lb
1194 x 1000 lb
 - (d) VC killed nil reported
 - (e) Bomb damage assessment see attached
 - (f) Aircraft casualties from enemy action nil

2. No 9 Squadron.
 - (a) Hours flown 465.50
 - (b) Sorties 2801
 - (c) Passengers carried 3018
 - (d) Medevacs uplifted 63
 - (e) Freight uplifted 411,223 lbs
 - (f) VC killed in action 1 probable
 - (g) Hits on aircraft nil

3. No 35 Squadron.
 - (a) Hours flown 353.00
 - (b) Sorties 642
 - (c) Cargo carried 255,573 lbs
 - (d) Mail carried 290,539 lbs
 - (e) Passengers carried 8,628

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RAAF COMPONENT STRENGTH STATE

UNIT DESIGNATION	CORP	PROVINCE	LOCATION	UNIT AUTH STRENGTH			PERSONNEL PCS IN-COUNTRY			PERSONNEL TDY IN-COUNTRY			TOTAL PERSONNEL				
				OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR		
2 Squadron	II	NICH THUAN	PHAN RANG	39	250	289	38	219	257	1	1	2	39	220	259		
Base Support Flight	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	17	105	122	19	118	137				19	118	137		
No 35 Squadron	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	15	66	81	15	63	78				15	63	78		
No 9 Squadron	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	22	87	109	22	84	106				22	84	106		
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MONTHLY TOTAL	PROGRESSIVE TOTAL
<u>SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS/FIRES</u>	
7	7
<u>TUNNELS/CAVES DESTROYED</u>	
240 Metres of Trench Destroyed	240 Metres of Trench Destroyed
<u>TUNNELS/CAVES DAMAGED</u>	
2 Tunnel Entrances Uncovered 3 Caves Exposed 50 Metres of Trench Damaged	3 Tunnel Entrances Uncovered 3 caves Exposed 50 Metres of trench damaged
<u>BUNKERS/STRUCTURES DAMAGED</u>	
12 Bunkers damaged 1 Bunker uncovered 1 Weapon pit damaged 2 foxholes damaged 4 foxholes uncovered 2 firing positions uncovered	14 Bunkers damaged 3 Bunkers uncovered 1 Weapon pit damaged 2 foxholes damaged 4 foxholes uncovered 2 firing positions uncovered
<u>BUNKERS/STRUCTURES DESTROYED</u>	
34 bunkers destroyed 2 firing positions destroyed	42 bunkers destroyed 2 firing positions destroyed
<u>KBA</u>	
-	53
<u>MISCELLANEOUS BDA</u>	
1 Ox Cart destroyed 1 mortar destroyed 1 supply trail cut	1 Oz Cart destroyed 1 mortar destroyed 1 supply trail cut

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MONTHLY REPORT

AUGUST 1967

Reference: A. HQ AFV R723-1-13 dated 31 Aug 67.

Introduction

1. This report is submitted in accordance with paragraph 33 of the revised Directive by the Chiefs of Staff Committee to Commander Australian Force Vietnam, dated 6th March 1967.

Period Covered

2. This report covers the period 1 - 31 Aug 67.

Contents

3. The report comprises three parts. Detailed reports and statistical data have been extracted as annexes (with appendices) to each part of the report. Parts are:

- a. Part A - Royal Australian Navy Component Report.
- b. Part B - Army Component Report.
- c. Part C - Royal Australian Airforce Component Report.



(D. VINCENT)
Major General
Commander Australian Force
Vietnam

Annexes: PART A (NAVY)

- A. RAN CDT Report August 67.
- B. RAN CDT Report (Incoming Team).

PART B (ARMY)

- A. 1 ATF MONEVAL August 67
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PART C (AIR FORCE)

- A. Details of Flying Hours RAAF
- B. RAAF Component Strengths

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Chief of Naval Staff	2	2	2	2	2	-	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	-	-
Chief of the General Staff	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Chief of the Air Staff	2	-	-	2	2	-	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
COMUSMACV	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
USMACFWMAO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Australian Embassy SAIGON	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
File	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Unit Dairy and Spare	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
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AFV MONTHLY REPORT AUG 67

PART A

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY COMPONENT

HMAS HOBART

1. The Captain of HMAS HOBART has submitted his monthly report direct to the Flag Officer Commanding the Australian Fleet.

Clearance Diving Team

2. Employment. The primary role during the month of August was again STABLEDOOR, and the safety of shipping in VUNG TAU harbour. Once again poor diving conditions prevailed and ship searches were normally carried out only on information of suspicious objects in the harbour.

3. The team participated in a clearing patrol and ambush operation during the visit to VUNG TAU of SVN Premier KY. A number of ship searches and investigations of floating objects were conducted. The team also salvaged a crashed US Navy helicopter from VUNG TAU harbour.

4. CDT 3 was visited on 7 Aug 67 by COMAFV and it was noted that health and morale remains at its normal high level with the members exhibiting extreme keenness in the performance of allotted tasks up until the moment of being relieved by the newly arrived team.

5. Team Relief. The new team, commanded by Lieutenant R.J. BURNS, RAN, arrived in country on 13 Aug 67 and after a period of briefings, orientation and combined operations with the outgoing team, took over CDT duties at 0800 hours 25 Aug 67 from the outgoing team commanded by Lieutenant M.T.E. SHOTTER, RAN.

6. The new team members participated in an operation with A Sqn 3 Cav Regt (1 ATF) and ARVN troops on 26 Aug 67 to recover two US Army boats captured by the VC in the area of NUI TRUONG PHI. One team member was wounded in action during the operation.

7. A letter of commendation to the outgoing CDT 3 by the commander Southern Surveillance Group (DTG 115.3), US Navy, is attached as Appendix 1 to Annex A to Part A of this report.

8. Detailed Report. The detailed reports of CDT 3 are contained in Annex A (up to 25 Aug 67) and Annex B (25-31 Aug 67) to Part A of AFV Monthly Report. Copies of these reports have been submitted direct to The Secretary, Department of The Navy and to The Captain, HMAS WATERHEN.

Annexes: A. RAN CDT 3 (OUTGOING TEAM) Monthly Report
B. RAN CDT 3 (INCOMING TEAM) Report

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RAN CLEARANCE DIVING TEAM 3

(OUTGOING TEAM)

MONTHLY REPORT - 1 TO 25 AUG 67

1. The team's main responsibility throughout the month has once again been the OPERATION STABLEDOOR role although, with the extremely poor diving conditions prevailing at present, ship searches were normally only carried out if a suspicious object or objects were reported in the harbour. These conditions will most probably continue until the end of the wet season, however comfort is gained when it is considered that the Viet-Cong would have the same difficulty in diving as the CDT.
2. On Wednesday 2nd August, 1967, a lecture on VC booby traps, and the correct methods of searching suspect junks, was given to crew members of the STABLEDOOR patrol craft. On completion of the lecture, one patrol craft was booby trapped by the team and crew members were invited to practise their new found knowledge. Crew members soon realised how easy it is to injure personnel without materially damaging the boat.
3. At 1200H on Thursday 3rd August, 1967, team members led a patrol of USN personnel on a clearing patrol of NUI TU'O'NG-KY MOUNTAIN, VUNG TAU, prior to and during the visit of Premier KY to VUNG TAU. This patrol was carried out at the request of the Vietnamese National Police who had received intelligence reports that the VC may try to injure the Premier during his visit. The ridge line was patrolled until 2000H when an ambush was set up along the trail. The squad remained in ambush until 2200H when it returned to base. Although many old trails, tracks and French forts were searched, nothing untoward was found.
4. At 0500H on Friday 4th August, 1967, two team members accompanied members of the USN Harbour Clearance Unit to TAN AN village, some twenty miles south west of SAIGON, in preparation for locating and inspecting for booby traps, a US Army LCMS boat which had been sunk in the nearby river. The teams were taken down river by US Army LCM 6 boat to TAN TRU village where, after a forty minute search by members of CDT 3, the sunken boat was found and eventually declared safe of enemy ordnance and booby traps. The teams returned to TAN AN village at 1750H but were unable to return to SAIGON that night as the road was closed to friendly traffic between 1800H and 0600H each night. The teams finally departed for SAIGON at 0600H on the 5th August 1967, and arrived back in VUNG TAU at 1830H after experiencing some difficulty securing a flight out of SAIGON.
5. On Monday 7th August, 1967, the team was visited by Maj Gen D. VINCENT (COMAFV) and Lt Col L.C. Chambers, Commanding First Australian Logistic Support Group.
6. At 1900H on Tuesday 8th August, 1967, the team was requested to remove a 4" nylon rope which was wound around the rudder and starboard propeller of a harbour patrol craft. Although this task was relatively unimportant, it conclusively proved that diving conditions in VUNG TAU harbour during the wet season, and not the slack tide, provides problems not usually encountered throughout the world. The task was finally completed at 2200H.
7. During Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th August, 1967, the team was fully employed in searching all ships and R.A.G. boats attached to CTF 117 which were berthed in the vicinity of the L.S.T. piers. Although all members of the team did a considerable amount of diving, no enemy ordnance was found.
8. On Saturday 12th August, 1967, the OC CDT 3 departed VUNG TAU for SAIGON in preparation for meeting the relieving CDT 3, who were due in SAIGON the following day.

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9. On Sunday 13th August, 1967, the relieving team arrived in SAIGON and after their initial in country indoctrination and intelligence briefing, arrived in VUNG TAU at 1700H on Monday 14th August, 1967.

10. During the afternoon of Thursday 17th and all day on Friday 18th August, 1967, both teams were employed in locating and salvaging a USN UH-1B helicopter which had crashed into VUNG TAU harbour. Four of the five crew members were picked up soon after the crash, wet but none the worse for wear. It was subsequently found that the remaining crew member had jumped out of the aircraft just prior to impact and had been caught and killed by the still revolving blades. A definite lesson to all team members, if in a similar situation, is to remain with the aircraft until the blades have stopped revolving. The helicopter was finally lifted out by CH 47 helicopter at 1000H on Friday 18th August, 1967, the remainder of the day being employed looking for the body of the remaining crew member. This search was unsuccessful.

11. At 1715H on Saturday 19th August, 1967, the team was called to investigate an object found floating in the harbour and reported as a suspected floating mine. On investigation the object was found to be cargo slings with a wooden spreader attached to, and supported by, a kapok life jacket. The object was checked for booby traps and eventually declared safe.

12. At 1015H on Sunday 20th August, 1967, the team was once again called to remove a nylon rope from the propeller of a Harbour Patrol Craft. This task was successfully completed with the previous lessons learnt being evident once more.

13. The remainder of the time was devoted to showing the new team the surrounding area and introducing them to the people with whom they would have constant contact.

14. The new team was shown the museum of captured and Allied ordnance and the workings and intricacies of each item. On completion of these explanations, the museum, as a whole, was packed for shipment back to the EOD school at HMAS RUSHCUTTER.

15. On Saturday 26th August, 1967, the team was presented with a letter of commendation by Commander W.C. Nation, USN, Commander Southern Surveillance Group (C.T.G.115.3). A copy of the letter is attached as Appendix 1 to this Annex.

16. Both health and morale of the team remained at its normal high level and it is pleasing to note in the old team that all members were still perfectly willing and ready to carry out any assignment although their time in country had drawn to a close.

Appendix: 1. Letter of Commendation

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COPY - LETTER OF COMMENDATION

COMMANDER SOUTHERN SURVEILLANCE GROUP
APO 96291

CSSG/WCN:jh
1600
Ser:174
15 August 1967.

From: Commander Southern Surveillance Group (CTG 115.3)
To: Commanding Officer, Clearance Diving Team Three, Royal
Australian Navy.
Subj: Letter of Commendation

1. It is with sincere pleasure that I commend the Commanding Officer and Team members of Her Majesty's Royal Australian Navy Clearance Diving Team Three for service during the period 18 February 1967 to 27 August 1967.
2. You were assigned to Task Unit 115.3.4 with the primary duty of providing an explosive ordnance detection and disposal capability in one of the major shipping areas in Vietnam. Over and above the exacting task of your primary assignment, you were called upon for numerous missions working with Coastal Groups of the Vietnamese Navy, Coastal Surveillance Forces of the United States Navy and other forces who required your unique services. Your consistently high state of readiness and the cooperative spirit exhibited by you and your team in all operations contributed much to the success of our efforts against a tough and determined enemy.
3. The professional competence of your team has made your presence as an integral part of this Task Group a most rewarding experience. All of us with whom you have worked so closely hope we may serve together again in the future. You have done credit to your Navy and yourselves and you have been an inspiration to those of us with whom you have worked. Well Done.

W.C. NATION

Copy to:
Commander Coastal Surveillance Force
Officer in Charge, Inshore Undersea Warfare
Group, WPD UNIT ONE

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RAN CLEARANCE DIVING TEAM 3

(INCOMING TEAM)

REPORT 26-31 AUG 67

1. Lieutenant R.J. BURNS, RAN, assumed the duties of Officer-in-Charge, Royal Australian Navy Clearance Team Three from Lieutenant M.T.E. SHOTTER, CD, RAN at 0800 Friday 25th August, 1967.
2. Friday 25th was spent carrying out a survey of an area around number Nine Beacon VUNG TAU Harbour to ascertain the possibility of erecting a wharf and base for Harbour Patrol Craft.
3. At 0800 on Saturday 26th August, 1967, four team members boarded a Vietnamese Naval Command Junk at the 32/33 Junk Force Base. In company with another Command Junk and three assault Junks, the vessel proceeded towards the Viet Cong controlled area of NUI TRUONG PHI, approximately 15 miles north east of VUNG TAU. En route the junk sprang a leak, due to heavy seas, and was forced to turn back. The four team members were taken off by a "Swift" craft and transferred to the other command Junk. Off the beach at NUI TRUONG PHI the force was joined by three "Swift" craft and a Vietnamese Navy Gun Boat (P.G.M.). Eleven 2 Tp A Sqn 3 Cav Regt personnel carriers from the First Australian Task Force joined the force by morning in the area along the beach from LANG PHUOC HAI village.
4. The four team members, and approximately 100 Vietnamese combat troops, were landed across the beach from the junks. Light sniper fire, with occasional bursts of heavy machine gun fire, was received during the landing. A heavy surf hampered landing operations and caused the remaining command junk to broach to on the beach.
5. The two United States Army boats captured by the Viet Cong were located and rendered free of mines and booby traps by team members. No trace of the two 40 horsepower outboard motors, for the boats, could be found.
6. Salvage operations on the Command Junk were commenced approximately two hours after the landing but had to be abandoned because of extremely heavy enemy fire concentrated in the area.
7. Able Seaman Clearance Diver D.C. TROMPP, R63807, was wounded in action during salvage operations on the stranded junk, he was evacuated by DUSTOFF helicopter to 8 Field Ambulance at VUNG TAU.
8. Friendly forces lost one ARVN KIA, and 9 WIA (including two Australians - ABCD TROMPP and one APC driver). The two United States Army boats were demolished by team members and the stranded Junk stripped of all military equipment. Enemy losses are not known.
9. As the surf conditions precluded a withdrawal by sea, all personnel were evacuated by armoured personnel carriers at 1730H.
10. Two team members joined a US Navy force at the CAT-LO Naval Base at 0130 Monday 28th August, the mission of the force being to salvage the Command Junk stranded at NUI TRUONG PHI beach. A dawn reconnaissance of the area around the beach revealed heavy concentrations of enemy troops. The operation was called off, the junk was destroyed and surrounding area neutralized by naval gunfire and air strikes.
11. The health and morale of the team has been at a high level during the period and it is hoped that ABCD TROMPP will rejoin the team within the next week.

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ARMY COMPONENT REPORT

Operations

1. During the month of August 67, units of 1 ATF conducted the following operations:

- a. OPERATION BALLARAT (4-16 Aug 67)
- b. OPERATION ATHERTON (16-24 Aug 67)
- c. OPERATION MOSMAN (18 Aug 67)
- d. OPERATION BURNSIDE (24 Aug 67)
- e. OPERATION ULMARRA (26 Aug 67)
- f. Commenced Phase 1 of OPERATION AINSLIE (31 Aug 67)
- g. Land Clearing in AO JAMES (18-29 Aug 67)
- h. Long Range Reconnaissance Patrolling (LRRP)
- i. Routine patrolling of the Tactical Area of Responsibility.
- j. Re-inforcement of PF/RF post at DUC THANH

2. August was, in the main, a month of consolidation before the Vietnamese elections. Results of search operations in DAT DO - PH-UOC HAI areas justified 1 ATF policy and previous operations in this area. The vulnerability of the XA BANG outpost has been decreased although VC activity in the SLOPE 30 (vicinity of XA BANG) area has increased. OPERATION AINSLIE, commenced on 31 Aug 67, should have the effect of forcing the VC to react to 1 ATF intention of resettling the villagers from the SLOPE 30 area.

3. Operation BALLARAT. A one battalion (7 RAR) search and destroy operation in the eastern HAT DICH Secret Base area to firstly ascertain the extent to which the VC had re-occupied the eastern portion and secondly to place a strong force southwest of XA BANG outpost thus drawing the VC away from the outpost. An unexpected encounter with elements of 274 Regt resulted in a four hour battle culminating in the withdrawal of the enemy force. The remainder of the operation continues with only minor contact but was judged as successful in that it confirmed the movements of 274 Regt and has kept the enemy off balance in this area. Undoubtedly it has relieved much of the pressure on XA BANG outpost.

4. Operation ATHERTON. This was a search and destroy operation by 2 RAR in the area to the north east, east and south east of DAT DO. It was designed to clear infiltration routes into the PHUOC TUY population area from the east prior to the Vietnamese elections and secure 1 ATF eastern flank for the village searches. Only minor contact was made during the operation, one of which killed a platoon commander from CI Coy D445 Bn. Despite the minor contact, the operation was successful. There were two B52 strikes during the operation. A report of the follow ups included as Appendix 1 to Annex A to Part B.

5. Operation MOSMAN. A detailed search of the village of HOA LONG conducted by 7 RAR group. The lack of suspicious finds indicated the success of pacification in PHUOC TUY Province.

6. Operation BURNSIDE. 2 RAR and 7 RAR groups searched the village of DAT DO with a view to negating any VC subversive intentions to disrupt the elections. As with MOSMAN there were no finds of note.

7. Operation ULMARRA. A search of LANG PHUOC HAI coastal village by 2 and 7 RAR groups. Again there were no suspicious finds, success of pacification programmes was again indicated and it should be noted that prior to Operations LEETON and FORTSEA (Mar/Apr 67) it was estimated that DAT DO alone was approximately 80% under VC control.

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8. Jungle Clearing Operations. To further consolidate and secure the populated area, extensive jungle clearing was effected in the area of DINH CO between Route TL 44 and TAM PHUOC. This will deny the VC his traditional covered approach to LONG DIEN, the commercial capital of the Province.

9. LRRP. These patrols were conducted throughout the month, accounting for a total of 12 VC KIA (BC), 4 VC KIA (possible) and one VC WIA. Emphasis throughout August was placed on reconnaissance patrolling rather than ambushes. A contact average of 33% was maintained.

10. MIKE Force Operations. On 20 Aug 67, for an indefinite period, a MIKE Force from III CTZ was allotted an AO in the LONG HAI Hills area bounded approximately by EASTINGS YS42 to YS50 and NORTHINGS YS48 to YS57. This AO is for training and operations of this Force.

11. Detailed Reports. 1 ATF MONEVAL for Aug 67 is attached as Annex A to Part B of the AFV Monthly Report. Detailed orders for the operations have been forwarded under separate cover and the daily situation reports in AFV daily SITREPS.

Army Aviation

12. Flight activities for 161 (Indep) Recce Flt for August were:

a. Flying Hours.

(1)	Rotary Wing	-	492.9 hours
(2)	Fixed Wing	-	308.4 hours
(3)	Total hours flown	-	801.3 hours

b. Sorties Flown.

(1)	Rotary Wing	-	832 sorties
(2)	Fixed Wing	-	208 sorties
(3)	Total sorties	-	1040 sorties

Australian Army Training Team

13. The team members continued their activities throughout SVN. A number of personnel were rotated through jobs in accordance with the normal procedure.

14. Operations continued at the same level, but there were two fatal casualties during this month and a number of woundings including the CO AATTV. These incidents were reported by normal means during the month.

15. A detailed AATTV report is attached as Annex B to Part B of this Report. After Action and Operational reports are to be forwarded direct to Army Headquarters under separate cover.

Civic Action

16. Only minor projects were undertaken in August, the main emphasis being in clearing the proposed projects through the respective Vietnamese Government Departments and the letting of contracts. On 31 Aug 67 the 1 Aust CA Unit commenced preparations for the building and organization of HAMLET 3 for the resettlement of the villagers from the XA BANG area (Operation AINSLIE).

17. The detailed report is attached at Annex C to Part B of this report.

Communications

18. This month saw the rise in traffic volume continue with the number of messages through the Major Relay Station at 55,056, an increase of 5.5% over the July 1967 figure.

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19. Installation of the New Major Relay Station and Signal Centre at SAIGON is now scheduled for completion on 25 Oct 67. The VUNG TAU Minor Relay Station should be completed on 7 Nov 67.

20. A detailed communications report is attached as Annex D to Part B.

Public Relations (Publicity)

21. Thirteen pressmen representing 10 agencies or TV networks, covered the activities of the Force during August. Of these, 7 resided on a permanent, or semi-permanent basis at 1 ATF. A detailed Public Relations report is attached at Annex E to Part B.

Finance

22. The detailed Secretary's Branch report is attached as Annex F to Part B. The cost of US support for the month of August was:

- a. Navy - \$US 323.04
- b. Army - \$US 502,590.84
- c. Air Force - \$US 206,785.60

Personnel

23. Strengths. As at 31 Aug 67 the Force strength was 5878 made up of 9 Navy, 5223 Army and 646 RAAF. These figures include attached personnel. A detailed strength state is attached as Annex G to Part B with graphical representations at Appendices 1 and 2 to Annex G.

24. Medical Statistics. The incidence of disease continues to be at a low level, the figure for August 1967 is slightly up on the previous month. Annex H (including appendices) to Part B shows Medical Statistics.

Amenities

25. There were no concert party tours for the month of August. A total of 32 feature films and 23 short films (sports, news, documentaries and TV programmes) were received from AUSTRALIA during the month.

26. Some 25½ tons of amenities stores (3½ tons by air) were received in country from AUSTRALIA during August 1967. These included the following:

- a. 31 pallets of AFOF gift cartons.
- b. 6100 cartons of cigarettes donated by Godfrey Phillips International Pty Ltd.
- c. 50 cases of beer donated by South Pacific Brewery, Lae.
- d. 1400 packets of coffee, from The Coffee Marketing Board, Gorbra.
- e. Fathers Day gifts of cigarettes, cigars, and tobacco from The Father's Day Council of Australia.
- f. Three pallets of books and magazines.

Quartermaster General Branch Reports

27. Annex I (with appendices) to Part B contains the following reports for the month of August 1967:

- a. Movements.
- b. Engineers (construction).
- c. Supplies and Transport.
- d. Ordnance.
- e. Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.
- f. Postal.

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Visitors

28. Visitors to the Force in the month of August, 1967, are shown in Annex J to Part B.

- Annexes:
- A. 1 ATF MONEVAL August 67
 - B. AATTV Report
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1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

MONEVAL AUGUST 1967

General

1. During August 1967, units of 1 ATF conducted the following major operations:

- a. BALLARAT
- b. ATHERTON
- c. MOSMAN
- d. BURNSIDE
- e. ULMARRA

2. Long Range Reconnaissance Patrols (LRRP) were conducted throughout the period, accounting for a total of 12 VC KIA(BC), 4 VC KIA (Possible), and 1 VC WIA. Emphasis throughout August was placed on reconnaissance patrolling rather than ambushes. A contact average of 33 per cent was maintained.

Operations

3. Operation BALLARAT. This was a one battalion search and destroy operation conducted by 7 RAR from 4-16 Aug 67 in the EASTERN HAT DICH Secret Base area, centre of mass YS3777. The operation was mounted with two principal aims firstly to ascertain the extent to which the VC had reoccupied the EASTERN portion of the base area, and secondly, to place a strong force SOUTHWEST of XA BANG outpost (YS4583), with a view to drawing VC reaction forces away from that location. It was not expected that the battalion would meet other than "rear guard" main forces engaged in the defence of the EASTERN HAT DICH area, however elements of 274 Regt were encountered. It was thought that this regiment may have crossed Route 2 to return to its traditional base area in the HAT DICH since it was forced out of the SOUTHERN MAY TAO base area by Operation PADDINGTON in Jul 67; however its exact location was unknown at the time the operation was launched. Events proceeded without contact until 6 Aug 67 when A Coy 7 RAR contacted what developed into an enemy company. This was later identified as C12 Coy 3/274 Regt. One noteworthy characteristic of the four hour action was the manner in which the enemy remained very much closed up to the Australian company to limit the effects of the artillery fire put into the contact area. Similarly DUSTOFF aircraft were hotly engaged by enemy machine guns; effectively delaying evacuation of the wounded. It was thought unusual at the time that this VC force, which was well equipped, should stay and fight as it did, however follow up action by the battalion revealed a strongly bunkered base camp of approximately battalion size being constructed some 1000 metres NORTH of the contact area in square YS3475. It is also considered that this company force may have been acting as a screen for the withdrawal of the remainder of the battalion once contact was made. Casualties by body count were light, being only 5 KIA, however the effectiveness of artillery fire and airstrikes on the enemy position and withdrawal routes indicate a moderate to high enemy casualty figure. Many blood trails were located. Company cut off groups were sent onto likely escape routes with no result. The remainder of the operation continued with only minor contact however enemy base camps and an amount of documents, supplies and ammunition were located and evacuated or destroyed. The operation was successful in that it confirmed the movements of 274 Regt and has kept the enemy off balance in this area. Undoubtedly it has relieved much of the pressure on XA BANG outpost.

4. Operation ATHERTON. This was a search and destroy operation conducted by 2 RAR from 16-24 Aug 67 in the area to the NORTH EAST, EAST and SOUTH EAST of DAT DO (YS4959). The operation was designed to clear the infiltration routes into the PHUOC TUY population area from the EAST prior to the Vietnamese elections, to maintain pressure on the "LONG GREEN" area (centre of mass YS5958) and to secure

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the 1 ATF eastern flank during a series of village searches conducted later in the month. Only minor contact was made during the operation, however in one small action a platoon commander from C1 Coy D445 Bn was killed and a number of documents were captured. One captured item of interest was a polythene bag gasmask of local origin which was assessed as being capable of providing the limited amount of protection required to negotiate the areas near the SONG RAI river (YS6060) which have been seeded with Riot Control Agent. A considerable number of M16 mines and CBUs were recovered from the area. The operation, despite the significant lack of contact, has again confirmed the impression that this area is now relatively free of all but minor guerilla activity. A report on B52 strike follow up is contained in Appendix 1, this is a copy of a 1 ATF report to 2 FFV and is in the MACV required format.

5. Operations MOSMAN, BURNSIDE and ULMARRA. It was decided to conduct a detailed search of three of the major provincial villages on the periphery of the population centre prior to the Vietnamese elections, with a view to negating any VC subversive intentions to disrupt the elections. The villages searched were HOA LONG (YS4264) (Operation MOSMAN) on 18 Aug 67 by 7 RAR group; DAT DO (YS4960) (Operation BURNSIDE) on 24 Aug 67 and LANG PHUOC HAI (YS5153) (Operation ULMARRA) on 26 Aug 67. Each of these latter operations were conducted by both 2 RAR and 7 RAR who were reinforced by other Task Force units for the operations. None of the searches were significantly productive. Indeed the lack of suspicious finds in any of the villages has again indicated the success of pacification in this Province. Prior to Operations LEETON and PORTSEA (Mar/Apr 67) it was estimated that DAT DO alone was approximately 80% under VC control.

Comment.

6. August was in the main a month of consolidation before the Vietnamese elections. The vulnerability of the XA BANG outpost has been decreased partly through the pressure of Operation BALLARAT, and by continuing 1 ATF assistance to the post. VC activity in the SLOPE 30 area has increased and Operation AINSLIE, to be conducted by 1 ATF during the period 4-18 Sep 67 should have the effect of forcing the VC to react against our intention to resettle the villagers in the SLOPE 30 area.

7. The results of the search operations in the DAT DO-PHUOC HAI areas have fully justified 1 ATF policy and previous operations in this area. The value of the fence from DAT DO to PHUOC HAI, the strong company feature at the HORSESHOE (YS4962) and the continuous operations in the area to the EAST have provided a strong barrier to VC domination of the area. To further consolidate this secure area, extensive jungle clearing has been effected in the area of DINH CO (YS4457) between Route TL 44 and TAM PHUOC. This will deny the VC his traditional covered approach to LONG DIEN which is the commercial capital of the Province.

8. One very rewarding event, undoubtedly due to the long term results of Operations PORTSEA (Mar/Apr 67) and PADDINGTON (Jul 67) was the 100% turnout at the polls of all XUYEN MOC registered voters on 3 Sep 67 and the overall percentage of 90% throughout the Province. No doubt this percentage would have been infinitively less if the population did not consider that they were reasonably safe from the much vaunted VC interdiction.

Appendix: 1. 1 ATF Bomb Damage Assessment and Follow up of B52 Strikes, OP ATHERTON

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1 ATF BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

EMU SIX AND EMU EIGHT

1. This debrief of ground and air follow up teams into the area of B52 Strikes EMU SIX and EMU EIGHT follows format of MACV DIRECTIVE 381/31 Dated 15 Jan 67, Questionnaire, After Action Report.

2. The BDAs follow:

a. EMU SIX.

- (1) 20 Aug 67 1900 hrs, centre coordinate YS551597.
- (2) 2 RAR, Operation ATHERTON, (Inf bn plus) entered the area 0700 hrs 21 Aug 67.
- (3) It is not known if enemy units were in the target area at the time of the strike.
- (4) There were no contacts in the target area.
- (5) There was no indication of prior knowledge of the strike.
- (6) There was no evidence of evasive tactics and normal protective techniques of bunkers with two to three feet of OHP were found by ground troops.
- (7) Two secondary explosions were reported by the FAC who was observing the strike. This was supported by other observers from YS496620.
- (8) No supply or storage caches were found.
- (9) At YS568608 one camp 20 metres by 15 metres was completely demolished. This camp consisted of three large Command Posts with OHP, 15 ft by 12 ft with one continuous caved in tunnel/trench around the camp. Craters were 15ft diameter and 5 ft deep. Three fighting positions were also destroyed. At YS562603, 30 metres of trench were destroyed, 50 metres uncovered. At YS555595 one tunnel was uncovered and caved in. At YS557602 there were tracks of two people through one of the bomb craters. At YS560564 there were tracks of four - five people through one of the bomb craters. Tracks indicated people were moving unsteadily. Follow up produced no result. Two large camps were destroyed, however, exact location of these camps has not been pinpointed due to insufficient information being obtained. Attempts to get this information have been unsuccessful. At YS548593 a large tunnel complex was destroyed.
- (10) There was an extensive communication route system through this area. Most trails have been heavily cratered and protective cover blown down.
- (11) The number of enemy killed or wounded is not known. It is doubtful whether this will be known for some months until a VC from the force in the area, if alive, rallies.
- (12) There were no non combatants killed or wounded.
- (13) No personnel were detained in the target area.
- (14) There were two secondary explosions.

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(15) 80% of the target area was covered by ground troops, 100% of the target area was flown by FAC. The 20% of the target area not covered was in the NE corner of the target box.

(16) Crater locations and percentages of above surface, surface, and sub surface detonations were not noted by ground troops as the mission of the operation was search and destroy not BDA.

(17) CBU's were not used.

(18) The area was thickly wooded, moderate to heavy undergrowth. Trees were 40 to 60 ft high. The soil was sandy and the trees were of a softwood variety. Craters found were 15 ft to 20 ft diameter. Trees surrounding craters were stripped bare and undergrowth was cleared. It was extremely difficult to assess damage caused by the B52 Strike and 175mm and 8in gun barrages in the area, SW of a NW/SE line through YS538590 due to the devastation.

(19) Psychological effect of strike on enemy and/or civilians within and adjacent to target is not known, nor is it expected to be known for several months to come. The only indication this HQ will obtain will be from a rallier from this area.

(20) There were two VC KIA (BC), one VC WIA (possible) as a result of ground operations at YS521583. There are no known effects on enemy combat effectiveness. The VC KIA were identified as being members of D445 Provincial Mobile Battalion. One was a Pl Comd.

(21) There is no other positive information available.

(22) MACV were to conduct photo follow up.

(23) Coordinates of the target conform to those requested.

b. EMU EIGHT.

(1) 24 Aug 67, 1310 hrs, centre coordinate YS555572.

(2) One rifle coy 2 RAR, A Sqn 3 Cav Regt, one ARVN Coy, one RF 6coy - 1400 hrs 24 Aug 67.

(3) It is not known if enemy units were in the target area at the time of the strike.

(4) There were 20 contacts in the target area.

(5) There was no indication of prior knowledge of the strike.

(6) There was no evidence of evasive tactics. Normal bunkering was found throughout the target area.

(7) Two secondary fires were seen by airborne observers at the time of the strike.

(8) No positively identified supply or storage caches were found.

(9) At YS553566 a small camp was destroyed. Two bunkers and 70 metres of trench were positively identified. Five covered weapon pits were damaged, the remainder was cratered. YS568578, one military structure made of corrugated iron roofing material was completely destroyed, one trench/tunnel was completely collapsed. Remaining local area was cratered. YS550563, one camp was directly hit. There was evidence of OHP caved in throughout area. Description of composition of camps was not possible due to bomb damage. During the follow up, one camp was found at YS534564. This was destroyed by ground troops at YS563579, in a large bomb crater there was a large puddle of unidentified yellow liquid, estimate 50-75 gals.

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(10) There was an extensive communication route system through this area. Most trails have been heavily cratered and are now passable with difficulty to bullock carts.

(11) The number of enemy killed or wounded is not known. It is doubtful whether this will be known for some months until a VC from the forces in the area, if alive, rallies.

(12) There were no non combatants killed or wounded.

(13) The following items were found on the ground follow up:

24 x M16 mines
32 x CBUs
1 x 105mm shell
Qty clothing
in areas YS533557, YS534564 and YS527563.

(14) There were no secondary explosions.

(15) Approximately 40% of the target area was covered. Grid squares YS5457 and YS5557 and SOUTH of a line YS541559 to YS551562 was search by A Sqn 3 Cav Regt in conjunction with ARVN and RF troops immediately. One coy 2 RAR followed up on the withdrawal of these in the southern area not covered by A Sqn elements.

(16) The 2 RAR ground parties indicate the blasts appeared to be 80% surface with 15% above surface and the remainder were sub surface detonation. The A Sqn 3 Cav Regt ground party reported tree burst 5%, surface burst 20% and sub surface cratering 75%. On questioning, the reported sub surface could be due to soft soil and surface detonating bombs.

(17) CBUs were not used.

(18) The area of the target box was, to the south low sandy ridges covered with scrub vegetation with swamp, mangrove or padi between the ridges. To the north the area was covered by trees 30 ft - 40 ft high, thick scrub and sand hills. Soil texture generally was very sandy. Craters were generally 10-20 metres diameter and up to 10 metres deep. All scrub and trees were stripped around every crater for a distance of 20-30 metres.

(19) The psychological effect on enemy and/or civilians in the area will probably remain unknown until someone rallies who was in the area at the time of the strike. At YS540562, footprints of one or two people were found across a bomb crater. The tracks indicate an unsteady gait.

(20) There was one VC WIA as a result of ground operations at YS534564. There are no known effects on enemy combat effectiveness.

(21) A direct result of the follow up of this strike was 1 AUST KIA, 8 AUST WIA, caused by mines. One blind 500lb (est) bomb was found at YS523543. This was destroyed. Approximately six bombs landed 2,000 metres SW of the target area. The shortest landed at YS517541. The short bombs fell during both waves one and two. There were no short bombs on wave three. Other bombs fell at YS519538, YS521544, YS570579, YS569582, YS536554.

(22) MACV were to conduct follow up photography.

(23) Bombs falling outside the target box are noted in sub-sub-para 21.

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MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT
AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM
AUGUST 1967

General

1. During the month of August, 1967, the normal rotation of personnel within AATTV after 6 months of their tour continued.

Operations

2. MIKE Force, Company 'C', 5th Special Forces Group, took part in operation BENTON in QUANG TIN Province. Further details will be forwarded to AHQ when the MIKE Force reports are consolidated.

3. The 1st and 2nd Infantry Regiments of the 1st ARVN Division continue to allot 75% of their strengths to the RD security program, mainly around the HUE and QUANG TRI areas. Only daylight operations are being mounted at present.

Incident Involving Commander

4. The TRIEU PHONG Sub-Sector compound was attacked at 0250 hrs 12 Aug 67. Both Lt Col TRIPP (visiting the compound overnight) and Maj HUGHES (advisor) were wounded, the Commander returning to duty and Maj Hughes being evacuated to a Hospital Ship, the USS "Sanctuary". Full reports have been submitted to AHQ during normal reporting.

Casualties

5. a. Fatal Casualties.

(1) 17073 Captain Karl BAUDISTEL, RA Inf, was killed in action at THIEN PHUOC, QUANG TRI Province during operation BENTON, on 13 Aug 67. He received gunshot wounds to the abdomen during a VC assault on the CP of the two MIKE Force companies.

(2) 216455 WO2 A.P. SIGGERS, RA Inf, was killed at approximately 0830 hrs on 21 Aug at TAM-KY, QUANG TIN Province in an aircraft crash. There was a power failure in both engines of the aircraft, which he was a passenger, as it took off from TAM KY.

b. Wounded in Action.

(1) 590 Lt Col M.T. TRIPP, RAAC, at TRIEU PHONG - shrapnel wounds to right shoulder and a cracked eardrum - returned to duty. The outpost was attacked by mortar, B40 rocket and a VC ground assault. Lt Col TRIPP was in the CP when it was attacked with satchel charges.

(2) 235117 Maj J.F. HUGHES, RAE, at TRIEU PHONG - shrapnel wounds to hand and back and extensive shrapnel wounds to leg and buttock - evacuated to USS "Sanctuary": An advisor at the same outpost.

(3) 29613 WO2 N.E. HARDY, RA Inf, at DALAT - slight bruising to back from blast and flying masonry as a result of satchel charge detonated against wall of the sleeping quarters at the AATTV villa during a VC ground attack.

Postings, Attachments, Detachments

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6. a. Replacement Personnel from AUSTRALIA. During the month, the following soldiers arrived from AUSTRALIA to take up their duties with AATTV.

(1)	54422	Capt	N.G. MASON-JONES	(Admin Offr, HQ AATTV)
(2)	6188	WO1	A.D. FRENCH	
(3)	1423	WO1	J.N. JONES	
(4)	28160	WO2	A.C. MARTIN	
(5)	16842	WO2	D.R. McDONALD	
(6)	36485	WO2	J.T. DARRINGTON	
(7)	14451	WO2	K.J. WALLINER	
(8)	37393	WO2	B. DAVIES	
(9)	212518	WO2	J.G. CAHILL	
(10)	52316	WO2	D.A. McClymans	
(11)	216757	WO2	J.E. COLLINS	

- b. Reinforcements from within Theatre. 32548 WO2 L.G. REEMAN joined the AATTV staff from AFV Cash Office.

- c. Members returned to AUSTRALIA. The following AATTV members returned to AUSTRALIA during August:

(1)	235179	Capt	M.B. D'ARCY	
(2)	37491	Capt	W.A. LA GALLE	
(3)	4581	WO1	J. IRVINE	
(4)	A3169801	WO2	B.J. RUST	
(5)	A3166072	WO2	E.A. NICHOLAS	
(6)	41909	WO2	C.D. DERMODY	
(7)	35543	WO2	J. BRODERICK	

Promotions

7. 355120 Captain N.J. WILSON was promoted to Major (temporarily) on 25 Aug 67 and has been reallocated to an advisors posting in 1 CTZ. He was replaced in SAIGON by Capt N.G. MASON-JONES.

Visitors

8. The Military Secretary, Brigadier F.T. WHITELOW, accompanied by the SORE 1 HQ AFV (Lt Col D. ENGEL) and WO1 J. SZAJNER, travelled to DANANG on 29 Aug 67 to visit the team and interview AATTV members.

Honours and Awards

9. Advice was received during August of the award of an MID (Posthumous) to 53326 Sgt (T/WO2) J.M. STONE.

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CIVIC ACTION MONTHLY REPORT

AUGUST - 1967

General

1. Only minor projects including the finalization of existing projects were undertaken by 1 Aust CA Unit in August.

2. The main emphasis, however, was in the clearing of proposed projects through the respective Vietnamese Government Departments and the letting of contracts. These new projects are a result of the reconnaissance and survey conducted during July and the early part of August. Details, when firm, are to be included in the September report.

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3. Constructions.

- a. Toilet block at HOA LONG.
- b. Repairs HOA LONG school.
- c. Repairs to homes damaged by VC at HOA LONG.
- d. Repairs to schools at XUYEN MOC.
- e. Repairs to dispensary at XUYEN MOC.
- f. Provision of 3 temporary classrooms at BARIA High School.
- g. Construction of desks, blackboards and secure cupboards for schools in HOA LONG and BARIA (HIGH SCHOOL).

4. Medical. Medcaps intensified in August with a total of 4,321 people treated in villages throughout the province. This is an increase of 2,439 over last months figure.

5. Dental. 240 patients were treated in the area - an increase of 115 over July.

6. Education. English classes again proved popular with 1,260 people attending 24 classes.

7. Distribution of Commodities.

a. Clothing	-	900 lbs
b. Food	-	1010 lbs
c. School kits	-	40
d. Sewing machines	-	4
e. Sewing kits	-	50
f. Tin sheets	-	34
g. Soap	-	60 lbs
h. Midwifery kits	-	24

1 ALSG

8. Construction. Construction during the month consisted of:

- a. Electrical wiring to NAM BINH school and church.
- b. Repair to VIET-AUST dispensary.
- c. Repair of a road to AN PHONG orphanage.

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- d. Levelling of grounds at VIET-AUST dispensary.
- e. Shelter for electric generator at NAM BINH.
- f. Construction of 50 desks for NAM BINH school.

9. Medical. 702 patients were treated.

10. Dental. 72 were treated.

11. Distribution of Commodities.

- a. Cement - 82 bags
- b. Clothing - 1350 lbs
- c. Food - 533 lbs
- d. Midwifery kits - 6
- e. Kitchen ware - 2 boxes
- f. Sewing machines - 2
- g. Miscellaneous garden tools

12. Education. English classes proved popular at Vung Tau as in 1 ATF area. 560 people attended 16 classes.

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13. The DONG CHUA orphanage is the only planned civic action project in Saigon. 110 Sig Sqn constructed a clothes drying room and repaired the orphanage stairs. In addition they distributed at regular intervals a total of 1500 lbs of baby food, milk, baby clothes, nappies and soap.

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COMMUNICATIONS - MONTHLY REPORT

AUGUST 1967

1. Traffic volume again rose. The number of messages through the Major Relay Station was 55,056 an increase of 5.5% over the July figures.
2. The Director of Signals inspected Signals Installations and units during the period 25 - 31 of August.
3. Installation of new Major Relay Station and Signal Centre at SAIGON is scheduled for completion 25 Oct 67.
4. Installation of new Minor Relay Station at VUNG TAU is scheduled for completion 7 Nov 67.
5. The following projects are currently in progress:
 - a. Manufacture and installation of Yagi antennas for in-theatre AN/TRC-24 circuits.
 - b. Relocation of AN/MRC-69 terminal at NUI DAT.
 - c. Cut over of AN/TRC-24 relay from present site on VC HILL to new site at HONEYSETT KNOLL.
6. The following projects are planned to commence as man power and materials are available:
 - a. Reconstruction and development of line routes at 1 ATF.
 - b. Construction of new line routes at 1 ALSG.
 - c. Installation of new TC-10 switchboards at 1 ATF and 1 ALSG.
 - d. Relocation of MELBOURNE-SAIGON emergency circuit antennae at VUNG TAU and substitution of log periodic for the present sloping Vee type.
7. The following projects are being tentatively planned subject to AHQ approval:
 - a. Rebuild of PHU THO transmitter station, including the installation of new transmitter.
 - b. Installation of new equipment and construction of log periodic antenna at BA QUEO receiver station.
8. A further study is being conducted on the advisability of establishing an alternative transmitter station at VUNG TAU, capable of handling heavy volume RTT traffic. Such a station, keyed from SAIGON, would offer advantages in terms of space and frequency diversity, as well as providing an alternative in the event of station technical failure or destruction due to enemy action.
9. The following graphs are attached:
 - a. Appendix 1 - Trunk Telephone Channel Availability.
 - b. Appendix 2 - Traffic Volume - SAIGON MRS.
 - c. Appendix 3 - Circuit Data Summary - SAIGON MRS.

Appendices:

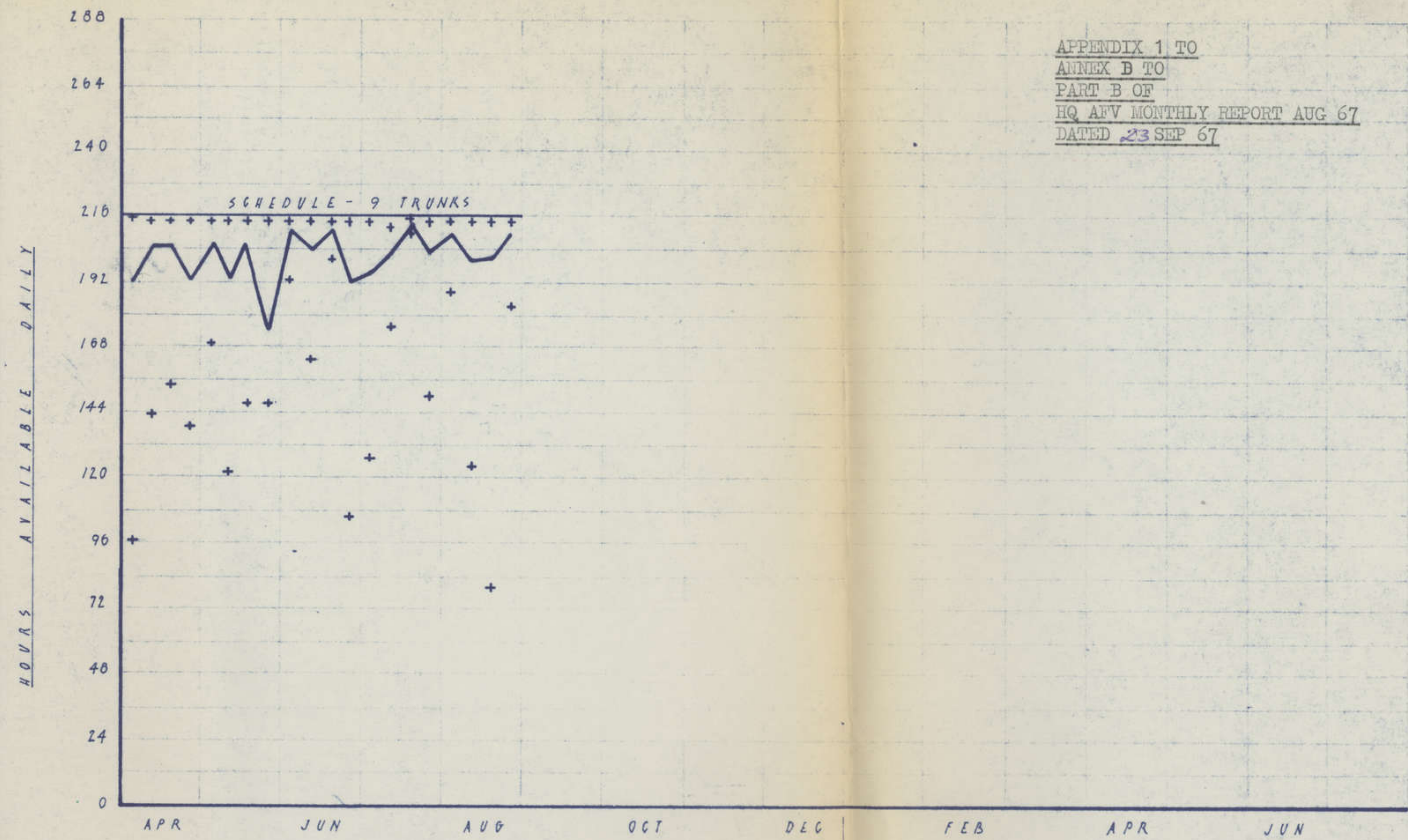
1. Trunk Telephone Channel Availability
2. Traffic Volume - SAIGON MRS
3. Circuit Data Summary - SAIGON MRS

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TRUNK TELEPHONE AVAILABILITY

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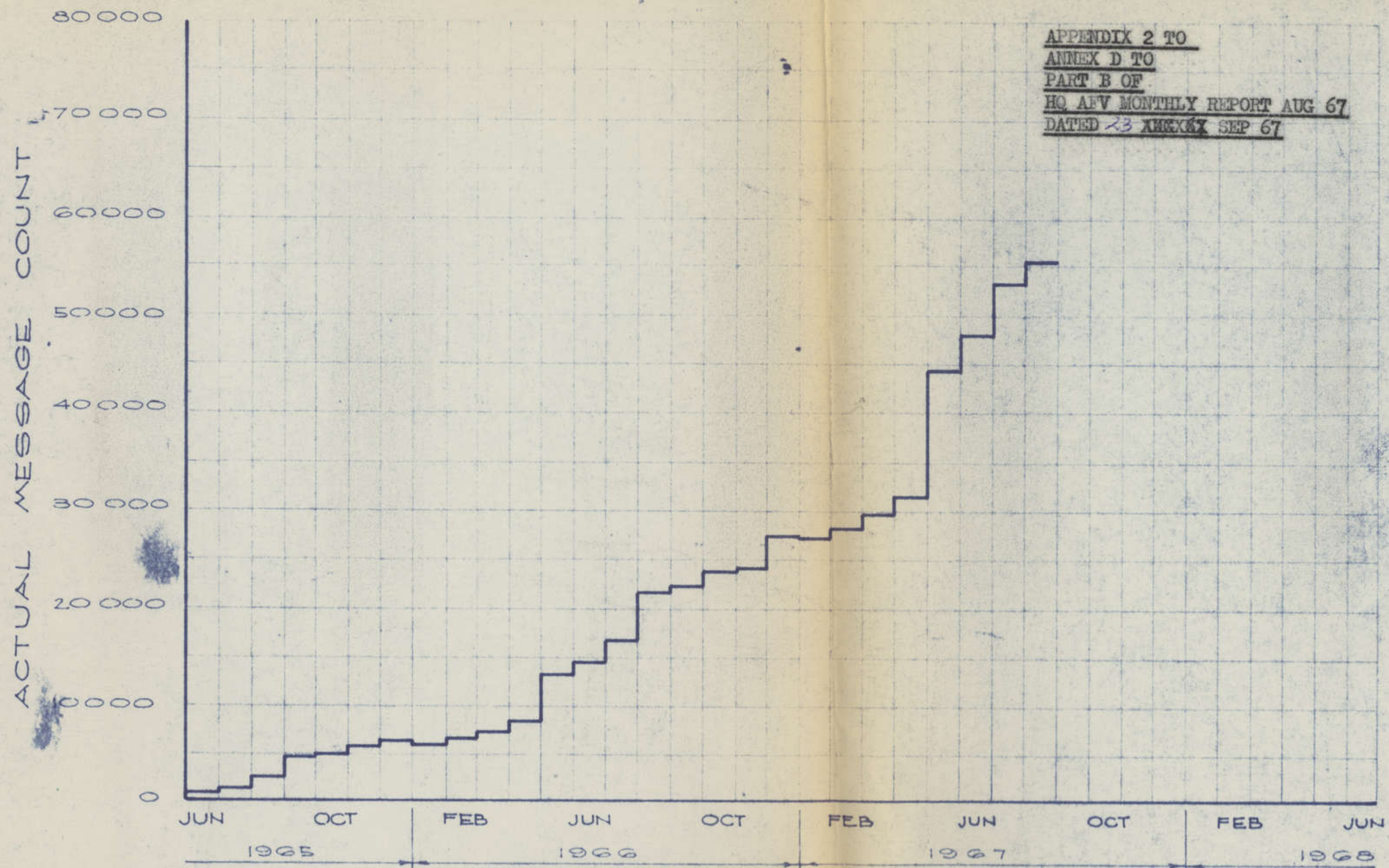


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TRAFFIC VOLUME — MAJOR RELAY STATION SAIGON



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 CIRCUIT DATA SUMMARY - MAJOR RELAY STATION SAIGON
 1 - 31 AUG 67

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Circuit	Bearer	Circuit Availability		Traffic Data - Total Messages IN and OUT								TOTAL	ZFX, ZIG ZFR
		Hours/Day	%	FLASH	IMMEDIATE		PRIORITY		ROUTINE				
				No	No	%	No	%	No	%			
NUI DAT	US hired line (microwave/AN/TRC-24/line)	21.9	91.3	Nil	399	7	2747	45	2918	48	6,064	264	
AFV SIGCEN	Aust line	24.0	100.0	Nil	584	4	4812	39	6996	57	12,392	39	
MELBOURNE	Aust HF Radio	15.3	63.8	2	2128	11	8003	41	9259	48	19,392	1256	
PHAN RANG	US hired line (Troposcatter/ microwave)	22.2	92.5	Nil	265	7	2341	60	1322	33	3,928	235	
PHU LAM	US hired line (microwave/Land line)	23.2	96.7	2	1388	64	551	25	236	11	2,177	103	
VUNG TAU	Aust AN/TRC-24	19.4	80.8	Nil	965	9	5466	49	4672	42	11,103	829	
											55,056	2,726	
												57,782	

Notes:

- a. All circuits continuous and protected.
- b. NUI DAT circuit is simplex and the remainder full duplex.
- c. Back up to NUI DAT hired line is Aust AN/TRC-24.
- d. Traffic data is "live" traffic by actual message count. ZFX, ZIG & ZFR are added in the last column to make the data compatible with other AUSTCAN circuit statistics.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS HQ AFV

REPORT FOR MONTH OF AUGUST 1967

General

1. A total of 13 pressmen covered the activities of the Force during August 1967. The 13 pressmen represented 10 agencies or TV networks and were in the 1 ATF area for a total of 28 ration days. The Force PR Officer visited HMAS HOBART for two days during the month and despatched radio tapes, still pictures, cine film and feature stories to the Department of the Navy for distribution.

2. Pressmen permanently, or semi-permanently residing at 1 ATF during the month were:

Mr T. Dyson	Aust Associated Press
Mr D. Gibbons	Freelance
Mr. R. McDonald	Sydney Telegraph
Mr G. Jones	Mel Sun/Herald Group
Mr T. Trong	ITN (TV)
Mr A. Ishtiaq	ITN (TV)
Mr T. Choi	Visnews (ABC TV)

3. Visits were also made to the Force by representatives of UPI, CBS, ABC (US), AFRTS and the AFOF photographer, Mr E. McQuillan.

4. Messrs McDonald and Jones have returned to Australia. Mr Gareth Evans, Brisbane Courier Mail, will be arriving on 25 Sep 67 to follow up feature writing assignments for the Herald cable service. He will replace Mr G. Jones on these assignments and is expected to be in SVN for approximately two months.

Press Releases

5. Forty news releases were despatched to DPR, AHQ Canberra for the Australian Press and the Army Newspaper. In addition, RAAF releases were despatched to DPR, DEPAIR.

Pictorial

6. One hundred and sixty three black and white negatives, colour negatives and colour positives were selected for release and despatched to DPR, for distribution in Australia. A number of RAAF negatives were also despatched to DPR, DEPAIR.

Television

7. a. Army. PR photographers shot a total of 1890 ft.
b. Navy. PR photographers shot a total of 200 ft.
c. RAAF. PR photographer shot a total of 900 ft.
d. The photographers covered eleven assignments, including Operation BALLARAT and a number of one-day operations.

Radio

8. Thirteen radio tapes, covering a wide variety of subjects, were despatched to Canberra for bulk distribution. A daily news bulletin and weekly sports round-up was compiled and read by HQ AFV PR staff for AFRTS broadcast. The news bulletin programme timing was changed by AFRTS during the latter part of the month from the previous time of 2105 hrs to 1130 hrs.

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REPORT FOR AUGUST 1967 - SECRETARY'S BRANCH

Camp Construction - Reimbursable from US

1. A further increase in the Camp Construction budget has been sought. If approved, this will bring the total for the calendar year 1967 to 65 million piasters which will be reimbursable by Comptroller MACV. The further increase is necessary because of the faster rate of construction now being achieved by civilian contractors. Reimbursement for the month from AIK funds totalled \$VN4,575,645.

Civilian Staffs

2. Additional AIK funds have been requested for payment of greater numbers of permanently employed local nationals. Also a submission has been made for approval to employ local nationals on a daily hire basis and pay these out of AIK funds. Total number of civilian staff employed as at 31 Aug 67 was 346. Of this total, 212 are paid from AIK funds and 134 from Australian funds.

Change 3 to the Financial Working Arrangement

3. This change is currently being drafted. The rate to be charged per capita for expendable and consumable stores has been tentatively decided as have the rates for Australian salvage. It is hoped to complete the draft within the next two weeks.

Audit

4. 1 Det, AFV Cash Office was visited by WO1 WOODS on two occasions during the month. The first visit was to investigate discrepancies and the second in conjunction with the handover to the new Paymaster.

5. Audit during the month was restricted due to the preparation of a cost study in connection with Change 3 to the Financial Working Arrangement and compilation of estimates for the 1968 calendar year AIK budget.

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UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STRENGTH			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
HQ AFV	43	83	126	2	8	10	45	91	136	44	80	124	1	9	10	45	89	134
110 SIG SQN	8	186	194		15	15	8	201	209	8	192	200				8	192	200
AFV DET 11 MC GP	2	13	15		1	1	2	14	16	2	14	16	1		1	3	14	17
AFV CASH OFFICE	4	14	18		2	2	4	16	20	4	16	20				4	16	20
+ AATTV	14	85	99				14	85	99	17	83	100				17	83	100
DET 198 WKS SECT	1	9	10				1	9	10	1	8	9				1	8	9
FORS (ATT HQ AFV)	2	1	3				2	1	3	2	1	3				2	1	3
(III CORPS GIA DINH PROVINCE LOCATED SAIGON)																		
+ LOCATION OF INDIVIDUAL AATTV PERSONNEL ARE THE SUBJECT OF SEPARATE RETURN)																		
TOTAL	74	391	465	2	26	28	76	417	493	78	394	472	2	9	11	80	403	483
HQ 1 ATF	28	121	149	2	10	12	30	131	161	27	118	145				27	118	145
A SQN 3 CAV REGT	10	107	117	1	10	11	11	117	128	11	116	127				11	116	127
DET 131 DIV LOC BTY	3	64	67		6	6	3	70	73	3	69	72				3	69	72
4 FD REGT	26	303	329	1	34	35	27	337	364	27	342	369				27	342	369
A SECT 1 TOPO SVY TP	2	19	21		1	1	2	20	22	2	21	23				2	21	23
1 FD SQN	8	167	175		17	17	8	184	192	7	183	180				7	183	190
21 ENGR SP TP	1	55	56		5	5	1	60	61	1	48	49				1	48	49
104 SIG SQN	6	121	127		11	11	6	132	138	5	129	134				5	129	134
DET 152 SIG SQN		17	17					17	17		14	14					14	14

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UNIT	ESTBL STR			SUPPLEMENT			2. ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STRENGTH			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
DET 547 SIG TP	2	28	30		1	1	2	29	31	2	28	30				2	28	30
2 RAR	36	760	796	2	74	76	38	834	872	38	839	877				38	839	877
7 RAR	36	760	796	2	74	76	38	834	872	38	835	873				38	835	873
1 SAS SQN	6	76	82		9	9	6	85	91	6	87	93				6	87	93
DET 1 DIV INT UNIT	1	13	14		1	1	1	14	15	1	14	15				1	14	15
DET 6 OFP	1	24	25		2	2	1	26	27	1	24	25				1	24	25
DET A SQN 3 CAV REGT LAD		14	14		1	1		15	15		15	15				1	14	15
4 FD REGT LAD	1	24	25		1	1	1	25	26	1	21	22				1	21	22
DET 131 DIV LOC BTY WKSP		6	6					6	6		6	6					6	6
1 FD SQN WKSP	1	28	29		2	2	1	30	31	1	29	30				1	29	30
HQ 1 TF LAD	1	15	16		1	1	1	16	17	1	15	16				1	15	16
161(INDEP) RECCE FLT	15	30	95		8	8	15	88	103	15	88	103				15	88	103
1 AUST CA UNIT	10	39	49				10	39	49	11	35	46				11	35	46
+ 1 ARU	6	98	104				6	98	104	8	74	82				8	74	82
DET 1 DIV POSTAL UNIT		3	3					3	3		3	3					3	3
+ INCLUDES REINFORCEMENT HOLDING (III CORPS PHUOC TUY PROVINCE LOCATED NUI DAT)																		
TOTAL	200	2942	3142	8	268	276	208	3210	3418	206	3153	3359				207	3152	3359
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	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
HQ 1 ALSG	10	76	86		12	12	10	88	98	10	75	85				10	75	85
17 CONST SQN	10	248	258		9	9	10	257	267	9	259	268	3	3		9	262	271
DET 55 AESS	1	28	29		3	3	1	31	32	1	33	34				1	33	34
67 GL SECT	2	2	4				2	2	4	2	2	4				2	2	4
HQ 5 COY RAASC	4	19	23		3	3	4	22	26	4	22	26				4	22	26
85 TPT PL	2	75	77		7	7	2	82	84	2	82	84				2	82	84
2 TPT PL	2	75	77		7	7	2	82	84	2	80	82				2	80	82
25 SUP PL	2	35	37		3	3	2	38	40	2	37	39				2	37	39
DET 86 TPT PL	1	29	30		3	3	1	32	33	1	32	33				1	32	33
DET 176 AD COY	1	21	22				1	21	22	1	21	22				1	21	22
8 FD AMB	16	114	130		7	7	16	121	137	16	123	139				16	123	139
33 DENT UNIT	5	18	23		1	1	5	19	24	5	18	23				5	18	23
102 FD WKSP	6	120	126	1	11	12	7	131	138	7	127	134				7	127	134
2 COMP ORD DEP	10	131	141	1	4	5	11	135	146	10	123	133				10	123	133
102 FD WKSP STORES SECT	1	15	16				1	15	16	1	15	16				1	15	16
17 CONST SQN WKSP	1	40	41		4	4	1	44	45	1	44	45				1	44	45
DET 1 DIV S & T WKSP	1	18	19		1	1	1	19	20	1	19	20				1	19	20
DET 1 COMM Z POSTAL UNIT	2	13	15		2	2	2	15	17	2	15	17				2	15	17

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UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STRENGTH			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
AFV PRO UNIT	1	44	45		4	4	1	48	49	1	45	46				1	45	46
DET 30 TERMINAL ^{SPN} UNIT	1	17	18		2	2	1	19	20	1	19	20				1	19	20
AUST R & C CENTRE	1	22	23				1	22	23	1	22	23				1	22	23
DET 8 PET PL	1	9	10				1	9	10	1	9	10				1	9	10
DET 5 ASCO UNIT	3	19	22				3	19	22	4	17	21				4	17	21
(III CORPS PHUOC TUY PROVINCE LOCATED VUNG TAU)																		
TOTAL	4	1188	1272	2	83	85	86	1271	1357	85	1239	1324		3	3	85	1242	1327
GRAND TOTAL	358	4521	4879	12	377	389	370	4898	5268	369	4786	5155	2	12	14	372	4797	5169
<u>NAVY COMP</u>																		
RAN CDT 3	1	6	7				1	6	7	1	7	8				1	7	8
STO(ATT HQ AFV)	1		1				1		1	1		1				1		1
	2	6	8				2	6	8	2	7	9				2	7	9
<u>RAAF COMP</u>																		
RAAF HP AFV	7	3	10				7	3	10	7	6	13	6	5	11	13	11	24
RAAF HQ VUNG TAU	1		1				1		1	1		1				1		1
35 SQN	16	66	82				16	66	82	16	63	79				16	63	79
2 SQN	41	223	264				41	223	264	34	208	242				34	208	242
9 SQN	18	32	100				18	82	100	21	98	119				21	98	119
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UNIT	ESTB STR'			SUPPLEMENT			5. ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STRENGTH			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
BASE SP FLT	17	116	133				17	116	133	19	116	135		4	4	19	120	139
TOTAL	99	490	589				99	490	589	98	491	589	6	9	15	104	500	604
<u>T/DUTY IN COUNTRY</u> <u>ARMY</u>																		
AV "VERNON STURDEE"										6	48	54				6	48	54
<u>T/DUTY IN COUNTRY</u> <u>RAAF</u>																		
5 ACS										1	41	42				1	41	42
<u>TOTAL ARMY</u>																		
5156																		
<u>TOTAL RAAF</u>																		
589																		
<u>TOTAL NAVY</u>																		
9																		
<u>GRAND TOTAL (INCL ATTACHED)</u>																		
5879																		

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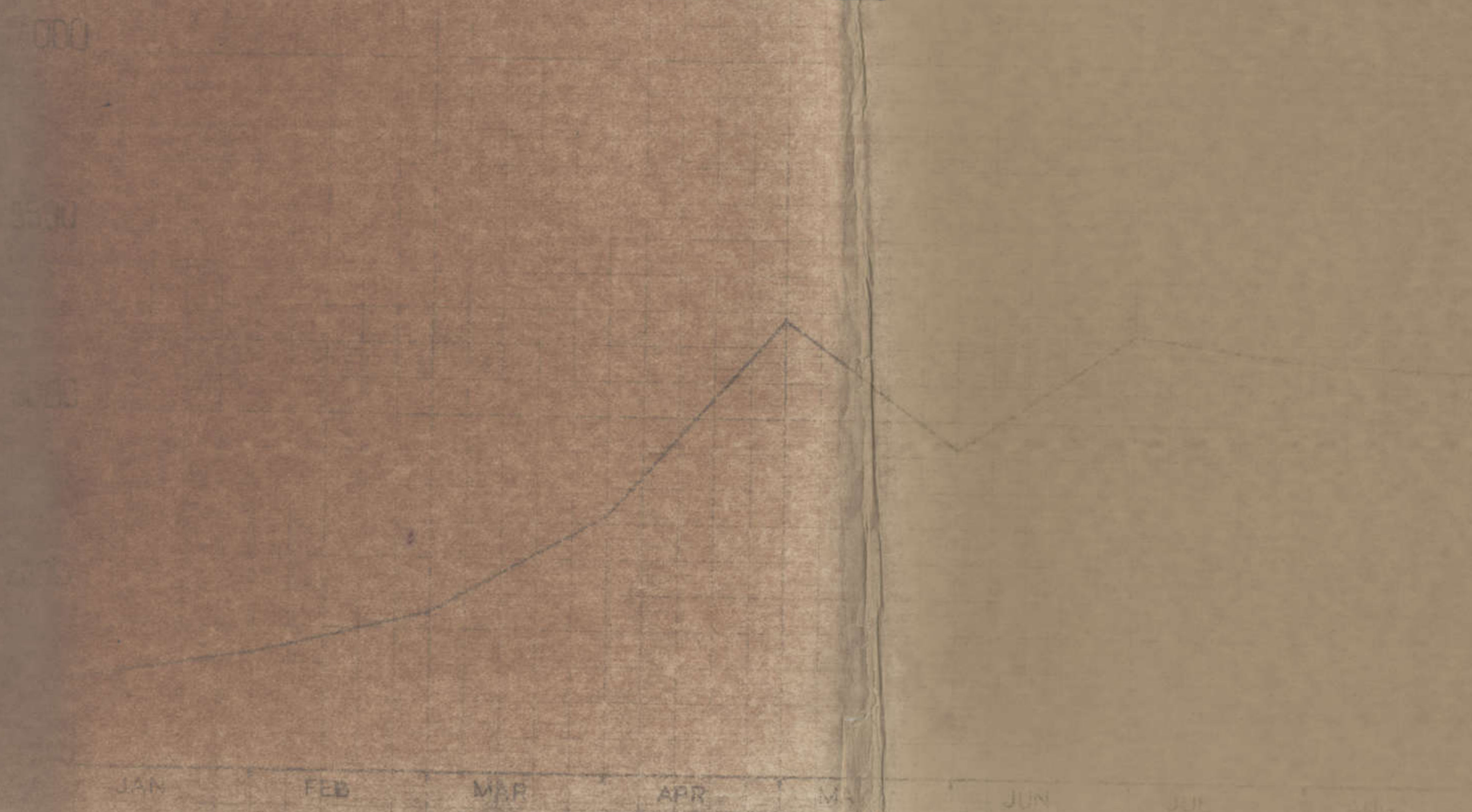
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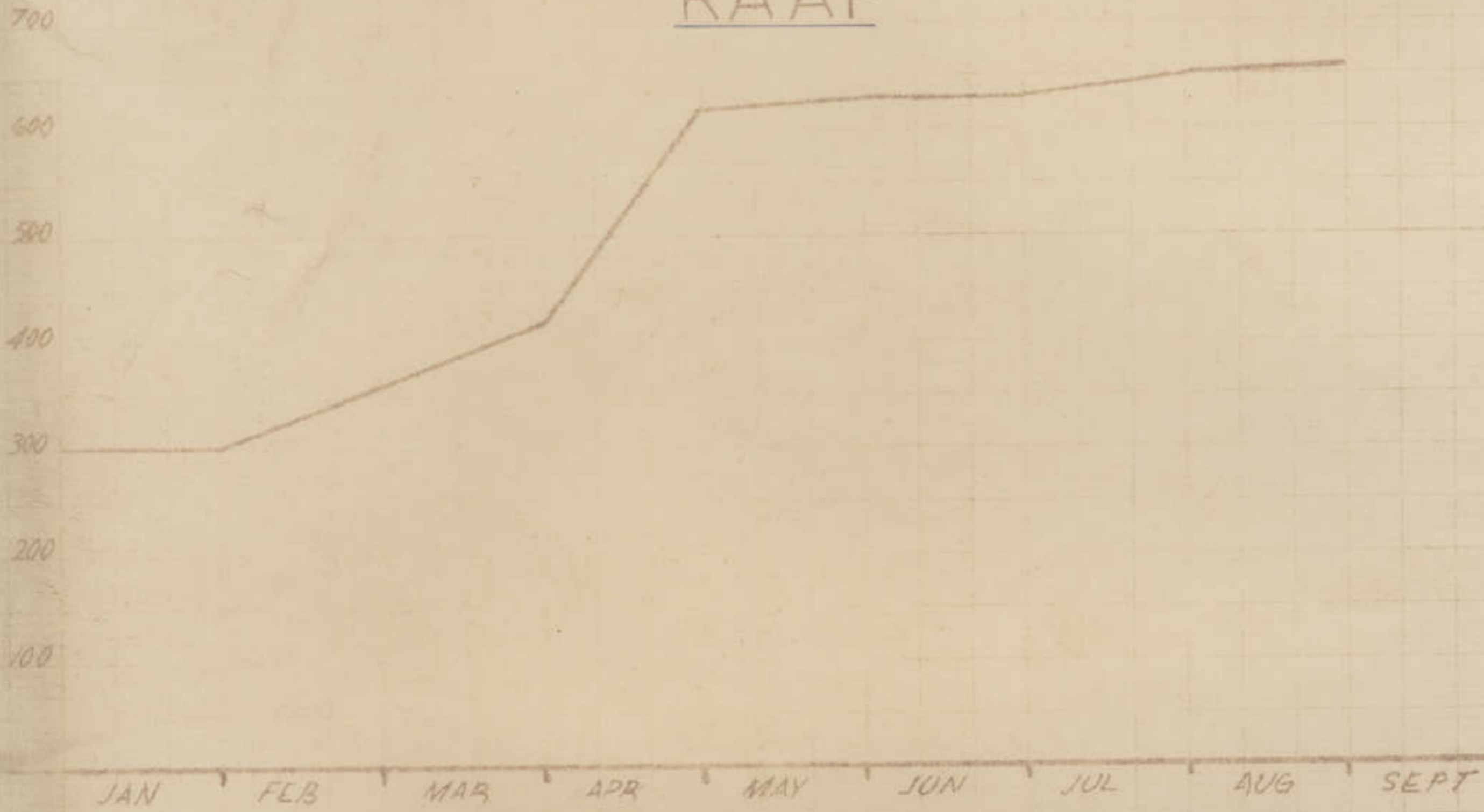
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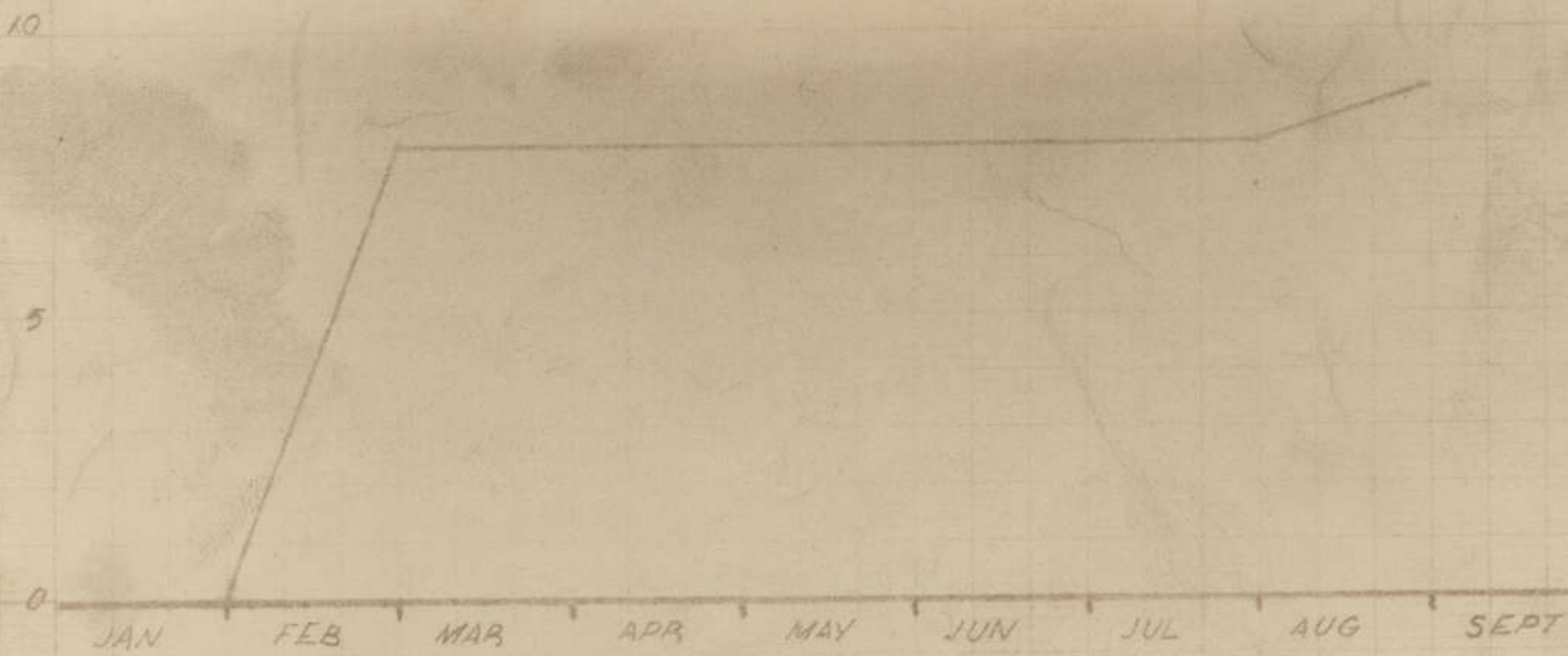
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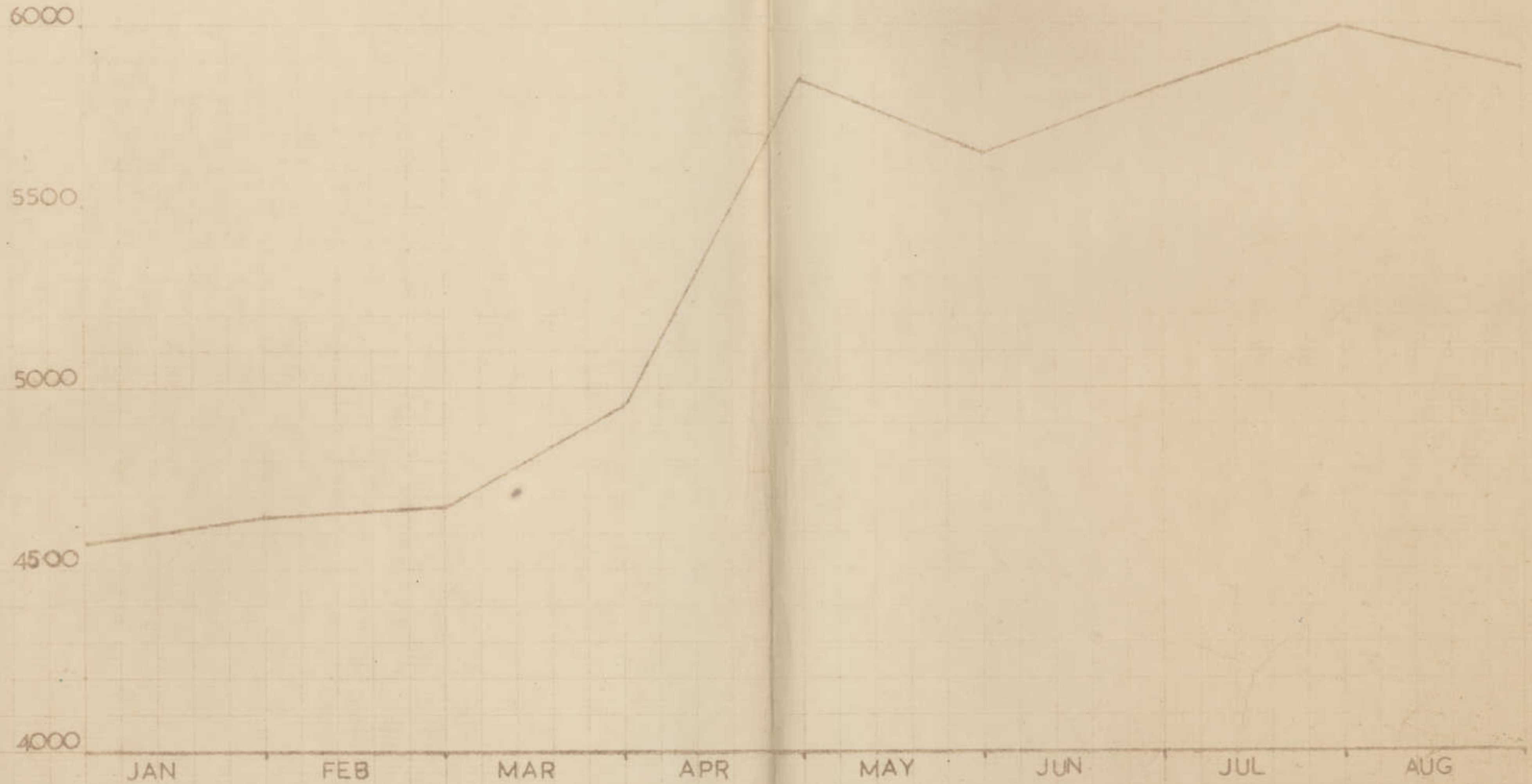


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MEDICAL STATISTICS

Disease Incidence

1. The disease incidence as reflected by hospital admissions to 8 Fd Amb and US installations continues at a low level:

June 1966	50.2 per thousand per month
June 1967	39.3
July 1966	71.4
July 1967	31.9
Aug 1966	75.2
Aug 1967	38.8

Blood Usage Rates

2. Units transfused 77
No patients transfused 7
Patient receiving most blood - 311323 Sgt A.D. SUTHERLAND 7 RAR
Number of units - 36
Type of injury - high amputation left leg, loss left eye, multiple GSW
Survival - survived
Number of units drawn at 8 Fd Amb 7
Blood on hand last day of month 29
Number of units discarded 81
Reason for discarding - 2 units coagulated. Rest outdated
Disposition - destroyed
Transfusion reactions - Nil
Noteworthy events or comments regarding blood programme:

Units B 00609 (O Pos) and F 013051 (A Pos) were found to have coagulated during storage.

Statistics for Force

3. Killed by enemy action - 10
Killed or died other causes - 2
Admitted to US hospitals - 42
Admitted to 8 Fd Amb (includes transfers in from US hospitals) - 200
Died in medical units - Nil
Medical evacuations from theatre - 37
Medical reclass involving change of PES below theatre standards - 8
Total medical boards - 26

8 Fd Amb Statistics

4. Average daily bed state - 49
Major surgery month of August - 80
Major surgery to date (since 25 Apr) - 300

Graphical Representation

5. The following are attached:
a. Appendix 1 - Graph, Hospital State - Aug 67.
b. Appendix 2 - Detailed Casualty List - Aug 67.
c. Appendix 3 - AFV Casualties since Jun 65.

- Appendices:
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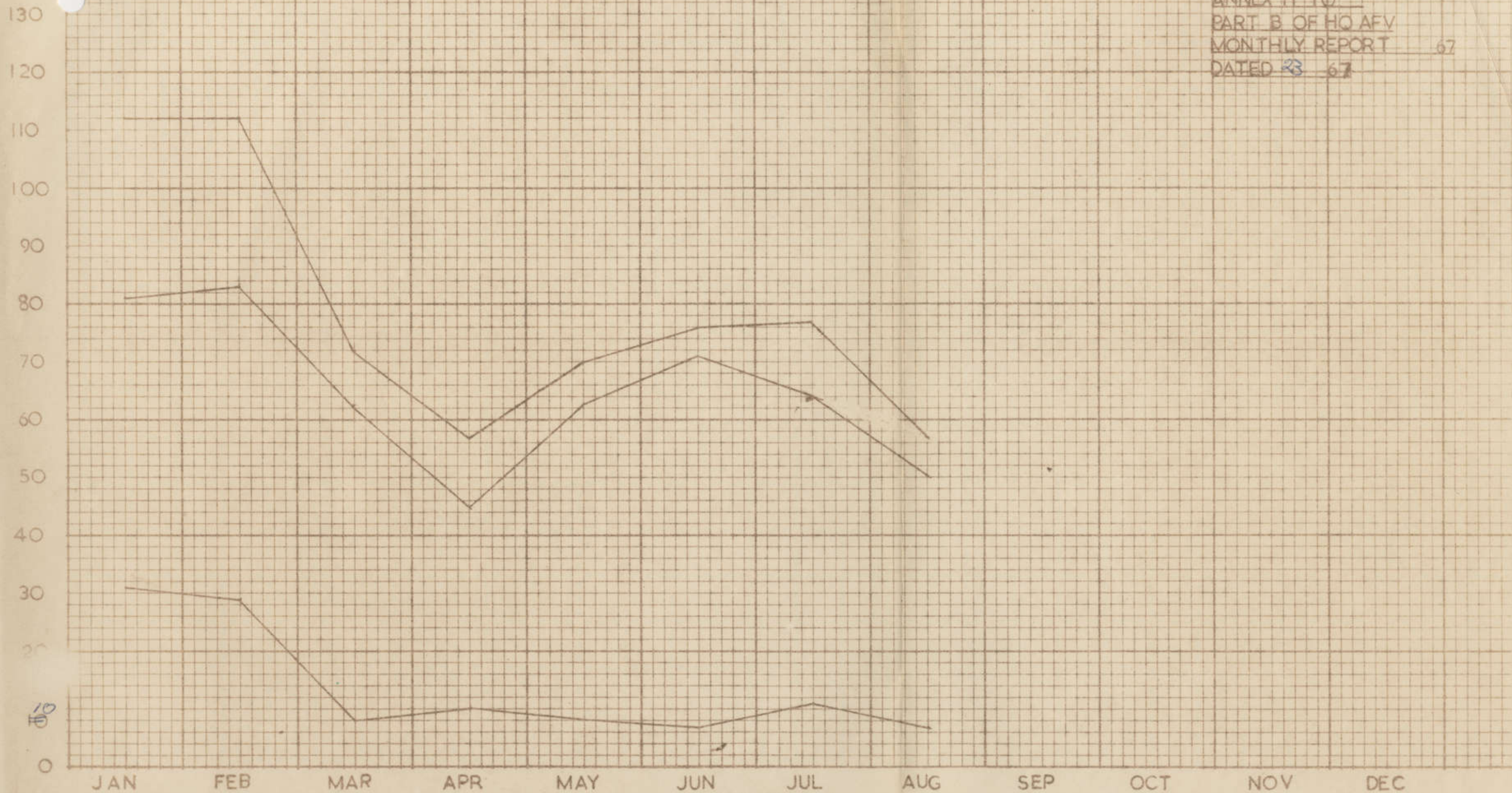
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TOP - TOTAL IN HOSPITAL
CENTRE - 8 FD AMB
BOTTOM - ALL US HOSPITALS

HOSPITAL STATE

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DETAILED CASUALTY FIGURES FOR MONTH OF AUG 67

SERIAL	DATE	WOUNDED IN ACTION			KILLED IN ACTION			MISSING IN ACTION		
		OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
1.	1 Aug	-	6	6	-	2	2	-	8	8
2.	6 Aug	1	16	17	-	6	6	1	22	23
3.	11 Aug	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
4.	12 Aug	2	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	2
5.	13 Aug	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1
6.	25 Aug	2	-	2	-	1	1	2	1	3
7.	26 Aug	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
8.	28 Aug	1	4	5	-	-	-	1	4	5
9.	29 Aug	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
10.	30 Aug	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
TOTAL		6	30	36	1	9	10	7	39	46

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TOTAL CASUALTIES INCURRED BY AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

SERIAL	DESIGNATION	AUG 67			SUMMARY OF LOSSES SINCE JUN 65			TOTAL		
		OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
1.	Wounded in action	6	30	36	35	420	455	41	450	491
2.	Killed in action	1	9	10	8	99	107	9	108	117
3.	Missing in action	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1
TOTAL		7	39	46	43	520	563	50	559	609

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QMG BRANCH MATTERS

Movements

1. The following charts are attached to illustrate the degree of movement of personnel and stores, both in country and to and from AUSTRALIA.

- a. Appendix 1 - Tonnages into theatre (MV JEPARIT)
- b. Appendix 2 - Cargo/Courier Flights ex AUSTRALIA
- c. Appendix 3 - Tonnages Forward to 1 ATF
- d. Appendix 4 - Cargo/Courier Flights ex VUNG TAU
- e. Appendix 5 - Tonnages out of theatre by sea (MV JEPARIT)
- f. Appendix 6 - Inland Water Transport
- g. Appendix 7 - Breakup of Inland Water Transport

Engineers

2. Base Development.

a. 1 ATF. Progress in base camp construction tasks is shown in Appendix 8 attached. Fourteen buildings were completed during the month and steady progress was made on other tasks. 1 Fd Sqn is becoming almost completely committed on operational tasks and progress in building construction is dependent on the capacity of 10 Tp 17 Const Sqn which is attached to 1 Fd Sqn for this purpose.

b. 1 ALSG. Progress in base camp development is shown in Appendix 9 attached. 121 buildings were completed during the month, reflecting a better availability of construction materials. The value of contract labour employed to the end of August was:

(1)	Committed during August	-	\$A17,200
(2)	Expenditure during August	-	\$A34,500
(3)	Total committed to 31 Aug 67	-	\$A299,000
(4)	Total expenditure to 31 Aug 67	-	\$A206,000

c. Australian Forces Club. The building was 98% complete at the end of August. Minor work, to meet changes and additions to the user requirement, continues.

d. Electrical Engineering.

(1) Capt Stokes (CMF FTD) attachment has ended and he has returned to Australia.

(2) Plans for electrical reticulation and power station construction are complete and major stores requirements are on order. Only very limited construction can take place until proposed additions to the electrician strength in the Force occur.

(3) The Caterpillar 62.5KVA generators are now performing well. This is due to the success of the modifications made and to the provision of full time attendants to operate them. These attendants have been taken from other postings and proposals for proper establishment provision of power station attendants are being prepared.

e. Construction Materials. A better flow of construction materials from US sources has occurred following an improvement in engineer planning and continuous efforts to make the US systems work. However it is now apparent that some steel and builders hardware items will always have to come from AUSTRALIA and satisfactory arrangements have been made for the supply of these materials.

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f. Signals Relay Station. Engineer work on the Major Relay Station at HQ AFV is proceeding satisfactorily. Construction work by US Army contractors is well up to schedule but shortage of electrical cable originally requested from Australia may delay the project slightly.

g. C Vehicles. The state of C Vehicles on 31 Aug 67 is shown in Appendix 10. Efforts of the special Ordnance C Vehicle Spares Officer have produced a notable improvement in the availability of spare parts.

Supplies and Transport

3. Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

a. The fly-in of fresh fruit and vegetables from SAIGON to units of 1 ATF has continued.

b. AUSTRALIAN products have not been received during this month, due, it is understood, to contact difficulties in AUSTRALIA

c. Air freighted lettuce and tomatoes from JAPAN have been of excellent quality and extremely well packed.

4. Aerial Delivery Equipment.

a. All parachutes were repacked at CAM RANH BAY. A recommended stocking list for Aerial Delivery Equipment is to be submitted.

5. The Cyclic Menu.

a. The attempt to "Australianize" the cyclic menu has been discontinued. A separate submission is to be made for Australian Funds to be made available for in country purchase of butter.

b. Local liaison is achieving good results in obtaining suitable substitutions for non palatable items.

c. Consideration is being given to the possibility of RAAF VUNG TAU being rationed through 25 Sup Pl and ceasing direct drawing from the US Class 1 Supply Point.

6. Catering.

a. The HQ AFV Catering Officer was appointed, as such, on 7 Aug 67. He has already achieved worthwhile results and assisted the SORE 1 in a survey of all kitchens to determine the requirements for the introduction of certain items of LP cooking equipment.

b. The standard of messing is being continually improved.

Ordnance

6. 2 Comp Ord Dep.

a. The receipt of stock from the August Jeparit coincided with the requirement to dismantle a number of shelters and relocate a considerable amount of stock to facilitate the permanent building programme. Dues out vouchers fell from a peak of 6650 on 18 Aug to 5477 on 31 Aug. As the bulk of the new stock is yet to be receipted, the full effect of the expected reduction has not been evident.

b. The total number of indents received was 7738, a reduction of 1085 from the July figure, but still consistently high.

c. A total of 918 signals representing 2151 vouchers was raised by the Service Demand Section.

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- d. Operations into the US supply system at SAIGON have resulted in a general marked increase in availability of self service items. Discussions were held with US officers from USARV, 1st Log Comd, Saigon Support Comd, and 14 Inventory Control Centre, which resulted in the submission of special requisitions to meet current shortages. These requisitions were tested against total in-theatre assets and releases are to be made from QUI NHAN and CAM RANH BAY depots.
- e. Approximately 1600 square feet of covered accommodation has been obtained at NEM/PORT docks. This will provide greater flexibility in handling receipt from US depots and ensure economical use of the LSM. An increase in the range of items obtained through the US system would have been impracticable without this space.
7. Det 6 OFF.
- a. In-scaling from the August Jeparit has been completed and current availability in fast moving items is satisfactory.
- b. A reserve of clothing and personal equipment is being positioned in the unit.
- c. The improving availability of self-service items has resulted in a decision to establish a store within Det 6 OFF. It will be established as soon as a secure building is constructed.

Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

8. Equipment Repair.
- a. During August the remainder of the backlog of work at 1 ATF which resulted from the intensive inspection programmes, was cleared. With the exception of the repair of 'C' Vehicles the serviceability of 1 ATF equipment remained at a satisfactory level.
- b. With the efforts of the C Vehicle Project Officer taking effect, the delays in repair are diminishing as spare parts provision improves.
- c. 102 Fd Wksp continues to carry a heavy workload resulting from inspections in units and from repairable R and M Pool vehicles at 2 Comp Ord Dep. Extended working hours were necessary during most of the month to meet this workload.
- d. The serviceability of Carriers M113A1 in A Sqn 3 Cav Regt was maintained above 90% throughout August. However one (1) was sentenced BLR and five (5) were replaced from the R & M Pool as operationally required replacements. There is a current shortage of transmission assemblies and right hand torsion bars. One carrier was replaced due to accidental "drowning" in sea water during operations.
9. Inspections.
- a. Due to the heavy outstanding workload at 102 Fd Wksp, the inspection of the equipment of HQ AFV, 110 Sig Sqn and minor detachments in SAIGON had to be delayed. It will now commence on 5 Sep 67.
10. Workshop Accommodation and Development.
- a. Further building and site development was carried out at the following RAEME units of 1 ATF:
- (1) A Sqn 3 Cav Regt LAD.
 - (2) 4 Fd Regt LAD.
 - (3) 7 RAR (RAEME attached).
- b. At 1 ALSG building erection and provision of hardstanding continued at 102 Fd Wksp.

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Postal

11. On a number of occasions, recently, mail has failed to reach SAIGON even though there have been flights in from HONOLULU. It has been established that mail has left SYDNEY daily and the fault therefore lies in HONOLULU.
12. US authorities in VIETNAM have been approached and informed of the situation.
13. If satisfactory results are not achieved quickly, approval will be sought to send an officer to HONOLULU to carry out an "on the spot" investigation.
14. The following charts are attached to show the volume of mail being handled:
 - a. Appendix 11 - Class 1, in and out.
 - b. Appendix 12 - Class 2, in and out.

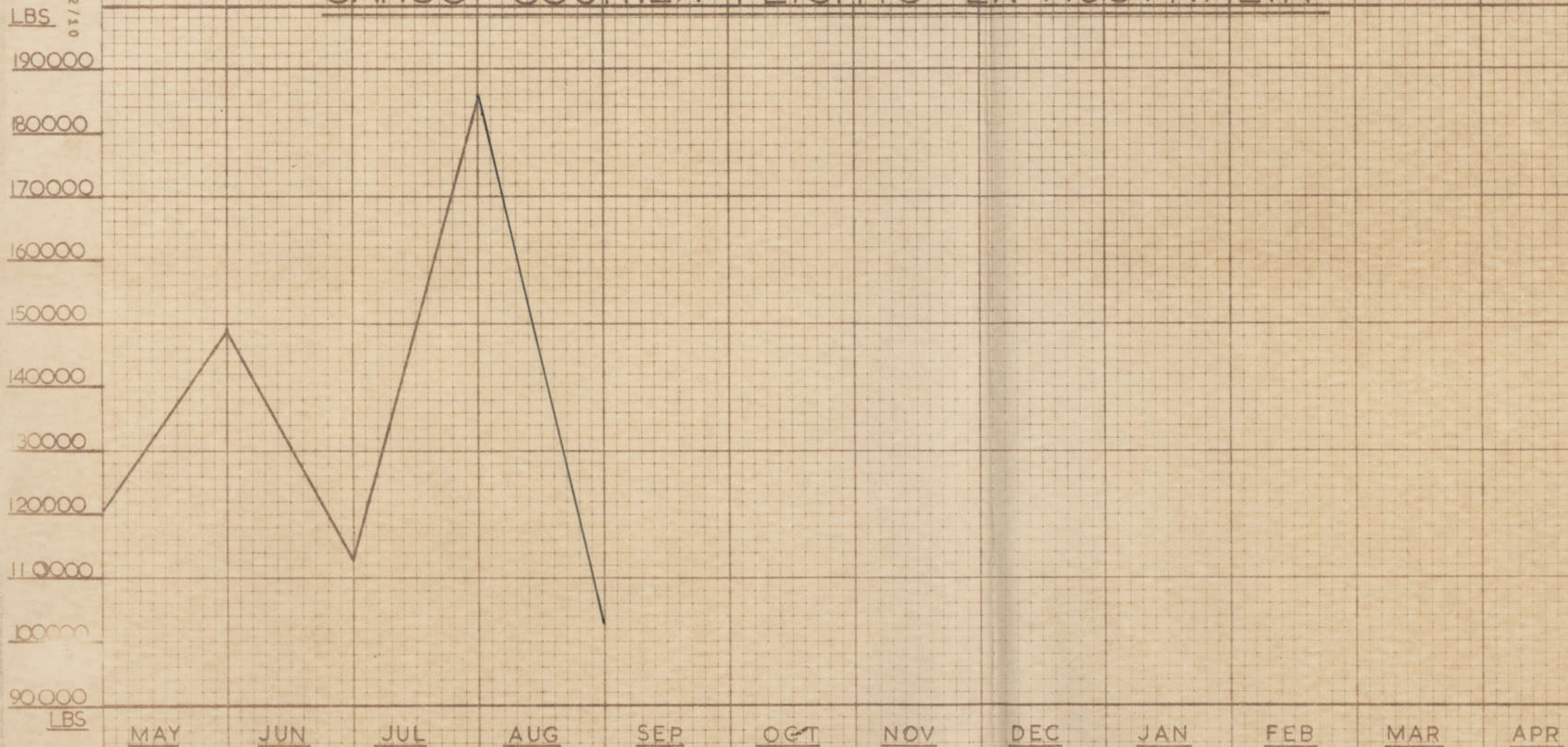
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 7. Breakup of Inland Water Transport
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CARGO-COURIER FLIGHTS EX AUSTRALIA

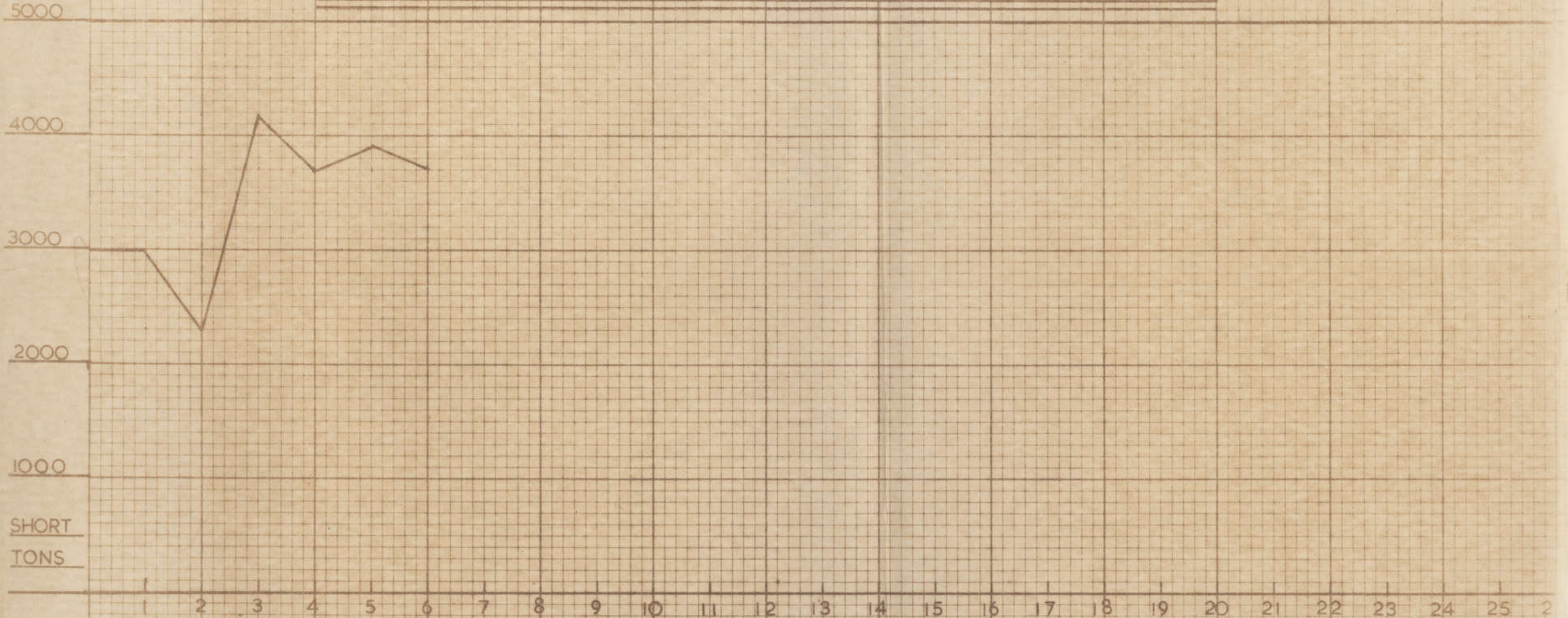


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TONNAGES INTO THEATRE BY MV JEPARIT



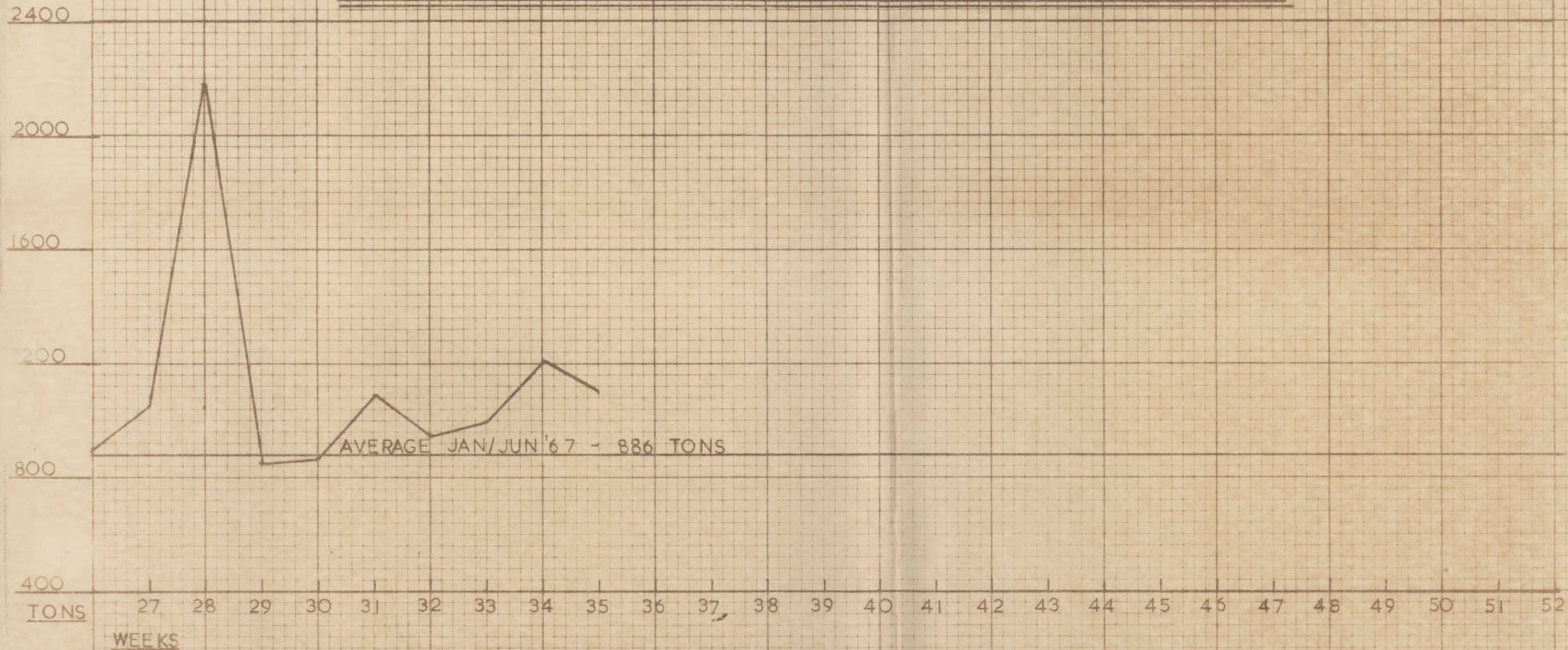
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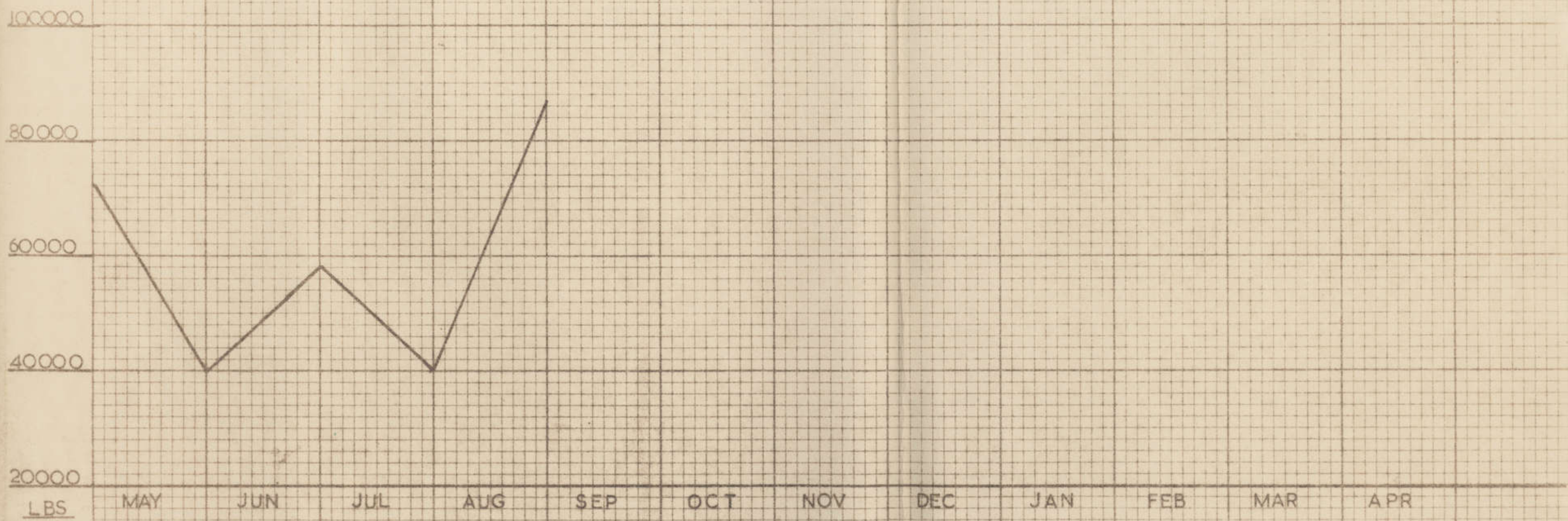
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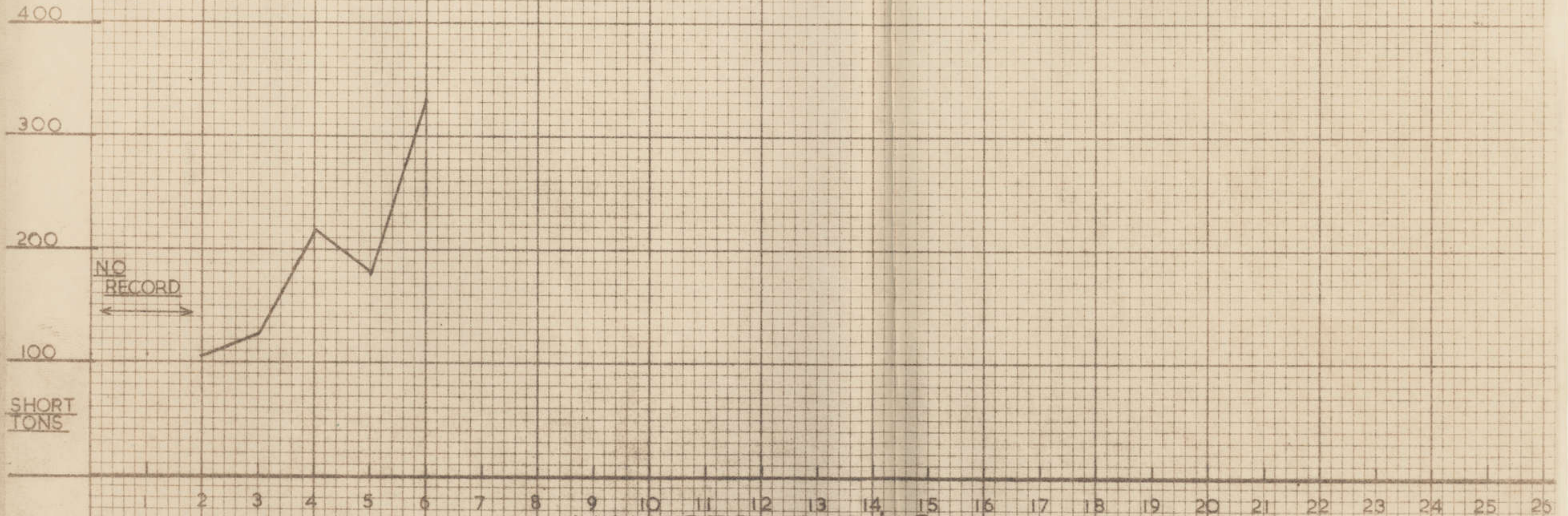
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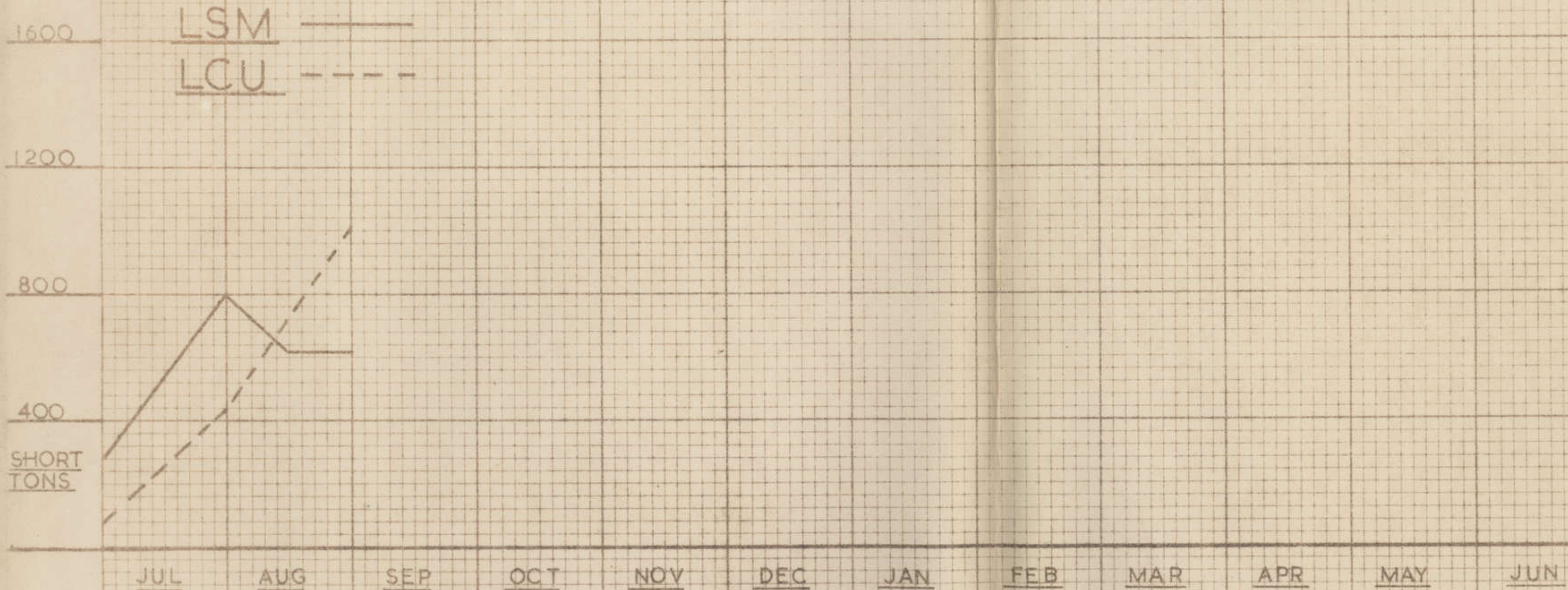
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SUMMARY OF CARGO CARRIED TO AND FROM
IN COUNTRY PORTS BY AUSTRALIAN LSM AND US LCU'S

1. LSM PORTS

<u>LSM PORTS</u>	<u>AUST CARGO</u>	<u>US CARGO</u>
a. VT/SAIGON	70	-
b. SAIGON/VT	133	117
c. CAM RAHN/VT	187	-
d. VT/CAM RAHN	25	-
e. VT/PHAN RANG	31	-
f. PHAN RANG/VT	23	-
g. VT/CANTHO	-	691
h. CANTHO/VT	-	190
i. VT/BARIA	146	-
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>615 S/TONS</u>	<u>998 S/TONS</u>

2. LCU PORTS

<u>LCU PORTS</u>	<u>AUST CARGO</u>	<u>US CARGO</u>
a. SAIGON/VT	91	
b. VT/SAIGON	62.9	
c. VT/BARIA	728.1	
d. BARIA/VT	120.3	
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>1002.3 S/TONS</u>	

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ENGINEER WORKS PROGRESS
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Month of August 67

Date 31 Aug 67

Building or Work	Unit of Measure	Total Requirement	Previously Completed	In Progress At Date	Completed During Month	No Completed To Date	% Construction Complete	Remarks	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	
Sleeping Accn	Stage 1 Stage 2	No	Nil					Stage 1 Shell only Stage 2 Partitions shutters, elec, etc.	
Unit A & C Accn	No	103	57	12	6	63	67		
Messes and Canteens	No	54	51	1	2	53	99		
Warehouses	No	21	19	-	-	19	90		
Workshops	No	18	14	-	-	14	78		
Shower Blocks	Stage 1	No	112	92	-	-	92	82	Stage 1 Buckets
	Stage 2			6	1	-	6	6	Stage 2 Piped water
Food Prep Rooms	Stage 1	No	34	28	-	-	28	82	Stage 1 Basic
	Stage 2			16	-	1	17	50	Stage 2 Improved

/ Latrine Blocks

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
Latrine Blocks	No	120	100	-	2	102	85	
Miscellaneous buildings	No	7	6	-	1	6	86	
Canteens	No	33	31	-		32	97	
Roads (2 way)	gravelled sealed	yds yds	43,670	26210	8000	3000	29210	76
Hardstandings	gravelled sealed	sq yds sq yds	106,000	81675	10,000	14,000	95675	95
Helipads	gravelled sealed	sq yds sq yds	51,600	21600	21000	1000	22600	64
Culverts	48" and above	ft	1620	1470		1470	91	
	under 48"	ft	5000	4240		4240	85	
Water supply	Mains	yds	-	-		-	-	Not yet confirmed
Electricity	Lt Retic Building wiring	yds No	36	180	2	8	188	52
								Error last return adjusted

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ENGINEER WORKS PROGRESS

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Month of Aug

Dated 31 Aug 67

Building or Works (a)	Unit of Measure (b)	Total Requirement (c)	Previously Completed (d)	In Progress At Date (e)	Completed During Month (f)	No Completed To date (g)	% Construction Complete (h)	Remarks (i)
Sleeping Accn Stage1 Stage2	No	117	71	10	22	93	84	Stage 1 shell only
			6	19	65	71	69	Stage 2 Partitions shutters Elec etc.
Unit A & Q Accn	No	83	10	28	33	43	69	
MESSES	No	25	6	7	8	14	68	
Canteens	No	9	7	-	1	8	89	
Warehouses	No	37	20	3	6	26	74	
Workshops	No	19	9	1	2	11	60	
Hospital Accn	No	6	6	-	-	6	100	
Shower Block Stage1 Stage2	No	30	-	-	-	-	-	Stage 1 Buckets
			29	-	1	30	100	Stage 2 Piped Water

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(2) (e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
Food Pre Rooms Stage 1	No	11	11	-	-	11	100	Stage 1 Basic
Stage 2	No	-	-	3	-	-	-	Stage 2 Improved
Latrine Block	No	52	39	2	4	43	85	
Miscellaneous Bldgs	No	34	6	3	1	7	25	Additional require- ment 11xstrong veh ramps timber racks
Forces Club	%	100	92	-	6	98	98	
Roads 2 Way Gravelled	yds	10,200	3,550	-	200	3,750	36	
Sealed	yds	-	300	-	-	300	-	
Hardstanding Gravel	Sq yds	102,000	98,000	-	3,000	101,000	99	
Sealed	Sq yds	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Helipads Gravel	Sq yds	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Sealed	Sq yds	18,500	15,000	-	-	15,000	81	
Culverts 48" and Above	ft	-	-	-	-	-	-	
under 48"	ft	350	60	-	-	60	17	
Water supply Mains	yds	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
Electricity Lt retic	yds	Not determined	19,510	-	1200	20,710	-	
Building wiring	No	386	74	-	21	95	24	
Security Fence	yds	-	-	-	-	-	-	Not yet determined

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AFV C VEHICLE AVAILABILITY STATE
FOR UNIT HOLDINGS AS AT
31 AUG 67

Census Code	Veh Designation	Total Ent	Total Holding	Serviceable	REPAIRABLE				BLR / BER
					Still Operable	Undergoing Repair	Awaiting Labour	Awaiting Parts	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
6229	<u>Crane-Shovel</u> , truck mtd	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
6501	<u>Grader</u> , road motorised	6	7	4	1	2	-	-	-
6509C	<u>Crane Tractor</u> , 10000lb lift	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
6513	<u>Crane-Shovel</u> , crawler mtd	1	3	2	-	-	1	-	-
6526A	<u>Scraper</u> , earth moving towed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6528C	<u>Scraper</u> , semi tractor 7-9 cu yd	6	7	2	2	-	-	3	-
6530	<u>Scraper</u> , semi tractor 10 cu yd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6531A	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 'O'	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
6532	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 2	3	3	2	-	-	-	1	-
6534	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 4	7	13	7	1	1	1	2	1

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/ 6536 Tractor,

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
6536	<u>Tractor</u> , tracked size 6	-	2	-	1	-	-	1	-
6548	<u>Ditching Machine</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6549A	<u>Entrenching Machine</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6561	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled forklift	6	9	6	2	-	-	1	-
6565C	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 5	18	19	13	-	-	-	6	-
6566	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 6	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	-
6567	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 7	13	12	6	-	1	1	4	-
6568	<u>Tractor</u> , wheeled size 8	3	6	5	-	-	-	1	-

FORKLIFT STATE (Already included above by veh type)

6565CW2	Massey Ferguson	11	13	11	-	-	-	2	-
6567W1	Michigan	7	10	6	-	-	1	3	-
6561	Pettibone	6	9	6	2	-	-	1	-

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/ R & M Pool

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AFV C VEHICLE AVAILABILITY STATE
R & M POOL

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
6229	Crane-Shovel, truck mtd	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6501	Grader, road motorised	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
6509C	Crane Tractor, 10000lb lift	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6513	Crane-Shovel, crawler mtd	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6526A	Scraper, earth moving towed	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
6528C	Scraper, semi tractor 7-9 cu yd	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6530	Scraper, semi tractor 10 cu yd	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
6531A	Tractor, tracked size 'O'	2	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
6532	Tractor, tracked size 2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
6534	Tractor, tracked size 4	6	5	4	-	-	-	1	-
6536	Tractor, tracked size 6	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6548	Ditching Machine	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1

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/ 6549A Entrenching

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
6549A	Entrenching Machine	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
6561	Tractor, wheeled forklift	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6565C	Tractor, wheeled size 5	2	5	4	-	-	-	-	1
6566	Tractor, wheeled size 6	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
6567	Tractor, wheeled size 7	2	5	2	-	-	-	3	-
6568	Tractor, wheeled size 8	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-

FORKLIFT STATE (Already included above by veh type)

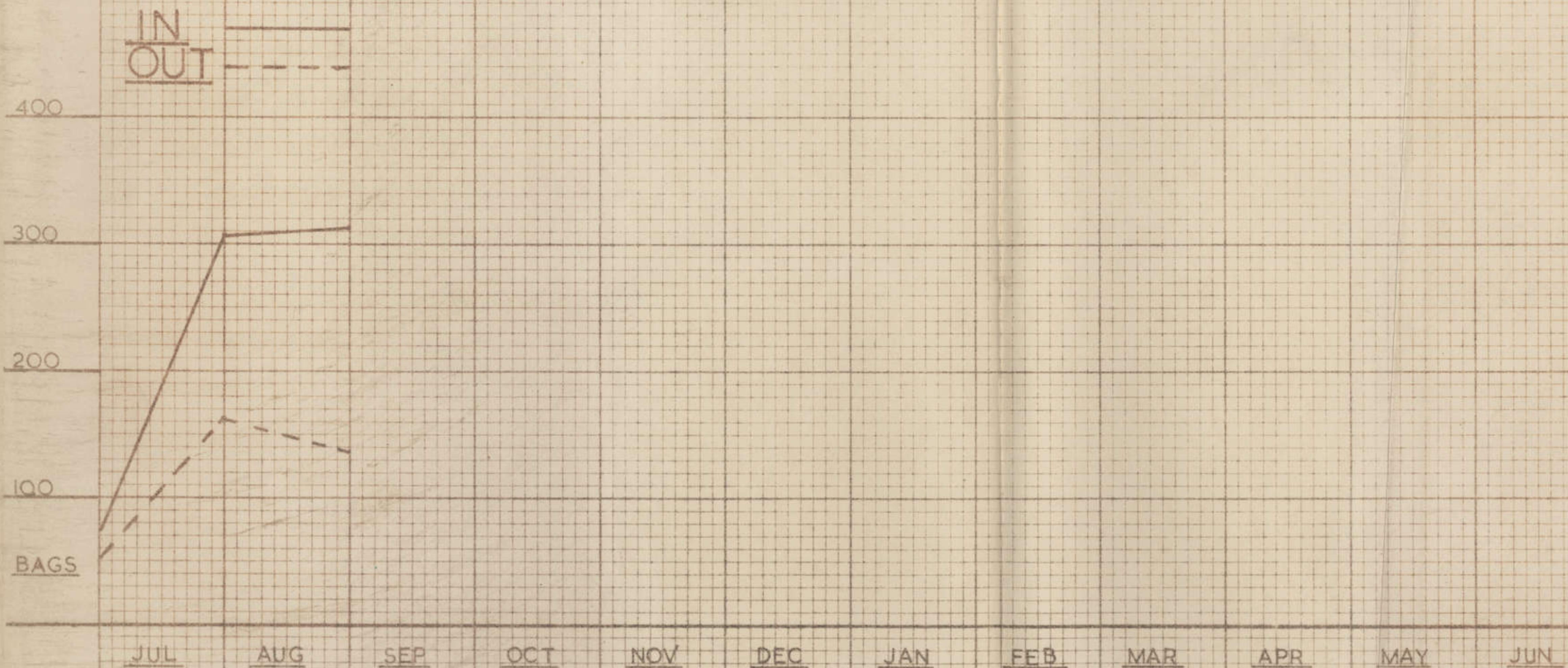
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6567W1	Michigan	4	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
6561	Pettibone	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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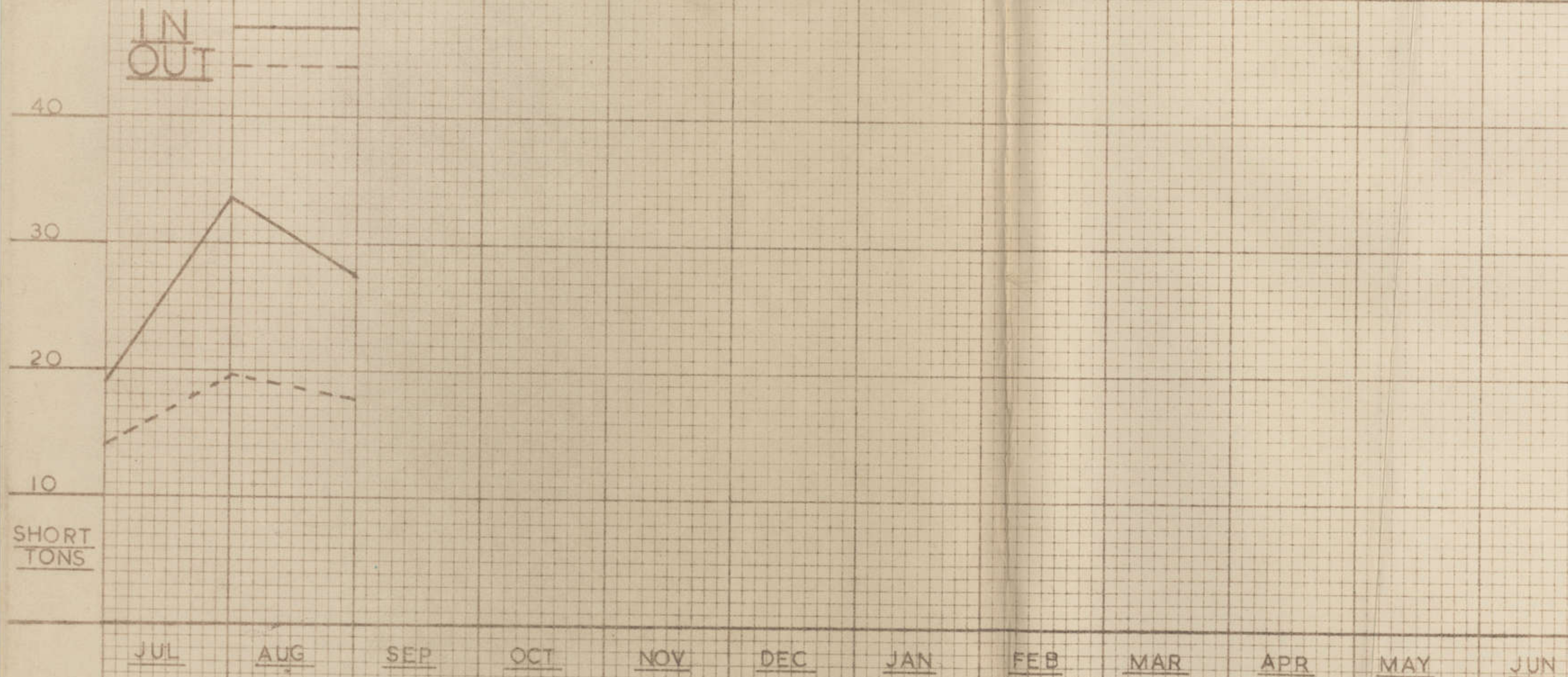


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VISITORS TO AFV - AUG 67

5 Aug	Mr E.R. POCOCK Sir Arthur TANGE Mr HUGHES
12-21 Aug	Lt Col D.J. TIER Mr J. JONES Maj D.H. YEATS
15-21 Aug	Mr L.C. STUBBINGS
16-24 Aug	Lt Cdr N. RALPH RAN
19-29 Aug	Capt S.A. DAVIES RNZASC
22-24 Aug	Brig A.G. ROWELL
25-31 Aug	Brig F.T. WHITELOW Col J.D. HONEYSETT Lt Col D.O. MAGEE
26-30 Aug	Lt-Col POANANGA, MBE RNZIR

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE COMPONENT REPORT

General

1. All the airmen's and SNCO's quarters in the new domestic area at VUNG TAU have been completed, with the exception of overhead fans which are proving difficult to obtain.

2. Despite ever increasing difficulties in obtaining materials, satisfactory progress is being made on the construction programme at VUNG TAU.

Operations General

3. Overall, good results were achieved by operational units. A breakdown of flying hours, cargo and passengers carried and bomb expenditure by No 2, 9 and 35 Squadrons is shown at Annex A to Part C.

Operations No 2 Sqn RAAF

4. No 2 Squadron operational sorties were exclusively combat proof radar controlled strikes. 465 targets were attacked during August. BDA reports continue to be rare with the exception of those from 1 ATF TAOR. RDA in the 1 ATF TAOR is estimated by visual reconnaissance from the air. The following is a summary of the effort for August:

- a. 35 targets attacked.
- b. 10 targets were hit, but only 3 provided BDA which was as follows:
 - (1) One tunnel entrance uncovered.
 - (2) 6 bunkers destroyed and 2 damaged.
 - (3) 2 bunkers destroyed and 2 more exposed.
- c. The estimates of bombing accuracy were received on 17 of the remaining 25 targets and are as follows:
 - (1) 6 targets were missed by 100 metres or less.
 - (2) 6 targets were missed by 100-200 metres.
 - (3) 4 targets were missed by 200-300 metres.
 - (4) One target was missed by 600 metres.
- d. It is suspected that radar errors could be the cause of the inaccuracy.

Operations No 9 Sqn RAAF

5. No 9 Squadron participated in 5 Task Force operations, they were Operations BALLARAT, MOSMAN, ATHERTON, BURNSIDE and ULMARRA.

6. Apart from supply and troop uplift, the main areas of operations were in the medevac and LRRP insertion/extraction roles. In the latter role, as LRRP have been making more contacts and conducting ambushes, the emergency extraction rate has increased, together with the dangers to aircraft and aircrew from enemy ground fire. The "double hoist" procedure has been introduced to reduce the exposure time during winching of patrols and is favoured by both aircrew and patrol personnel.

Operations No 35 Squadron RAAF

7. Caribou aircraft A4-171 of 35 Squadron crashed into the sea off AN THOI on 30th August 1967. A court of inquiry has been convened to investigate the accident.

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8. The loss of A4-171 reduces the number of on-line aircraft in 35 Sqn to 4. The allotment of a replacement aircraft is awaited.

RAAF Component Strength

9. The RAAF Component strength is shown at Annex B to Part C.

Visits

10. During August, visitors to the RAAF Component were:

- a. 28-29 August Lt Col D.O.A. Magee DFW and DD QTG AHQ.
- b. 31 August-4 September Gp Capt M.A. Johnson (021186) MED (Reserve).

Annexes: A. Flight Details No 2, 9 and 35 Sqns RAAF
B. RAAF Component Strengths

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DETAILS OF FLYING HOURS, CARGO AND PAX CARRIED BY

2 SQN, 9 SQN AND 35 SQN RAAF

1. No 2 Squadron.
 - a. Hours flown - 580.20 hours
 - b. Sorties - 260 sorties
 - c. Bomb expenditure - 1344x500lb bombs
450x1000lb bombs
 - d. VC killed - Nil reported
 - e. Bomb damage assessment - 6 secondary explosions reported
 - f. Aircraft casualties from enemy action - Nil
2. No 9 Squadron.
 - a. Hours flown - 449.30 hours
 - b. Sorties - 2583 sorties
 - c. Passengers carried - 3601 passengers
 - d. Medevacs uplifted - 97
 - e. Freight uplifted - 137,000 lbs
 - f. VC killed in action - 3
 - g. Hits on aircraft - 2 hits
3. No 35 Squadron.
 - a. Hours flown - 526 hours
 - b. Sorties - 825 sorties
 - c. Cargo carried - 708,858 lbs
 - d. Mail carried - 193,922 lbs
 - e. Passengers carried - 8153 passengers

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RAAF COMPONENT STRENGTH STATE

UNIT DESIGNATION	CORP	PROVINCE	LOCATION	UNIT AUTH STRENGTH			PERSONNEL PCS IN-COUNTRY			PERSONNEL TDY IN-COUNTRY			TOTAL PERSONNEL		
				OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR
2 Squadron	II	NINH THUAN	PHAN RANG	39	217	256	34	208	242				34	208	242
Base Support Flight	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	17	105	122	19	116	135		4	4	19	120	139
No 35 Squadron	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	15	66	81	16	63	79				16	63	79
No 9 Squadron	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	18	78	96	21	98	119				21	98	119
No 5 ACSDET B	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	2	42	44	1	41	42				1	41	42
No 161 Recce Flight	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU		7	7		7	7					7	7
RAAFHQAFV	III	GIADINH	SAIGON	7	3	10	7	6	13	6	5	11	13	11	24
												TOTAL	104	548	652

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VIETNAM

31 Aug 67

AUSTRALIAN FORCE VIETNAM

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Introduction

1. This report is submitted in accordance with paragraph 33 of the revised Directive by the Chiefs of Staff Committee to Commander Australian Force Vietnam, dated 6th March 1967.

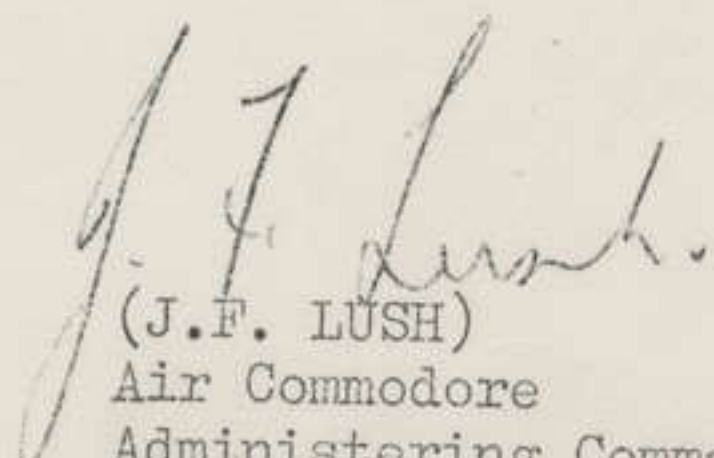
Period Covered

2. This report covers the period 1-31 Jul 67.

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3. The report comprises three parts. Detailed reports and statistical data have been extracted as annexes (with appendices) to each part of the report. Parts are:

- a. Part A - Royal Australian Navy Component Report.
- b. Part B - Army Component Report.
- c. Part C - Royal Australian Airforce Component Report.


(J.F. LUSH)
Air Commodore
Administering Command
Australian Force Vietnam

Annexes: PART A (NAVY)

A. RAN CDT3 Report July 67.

PART B (ARMY)

- A. 1 ATF MONEVAL July 67.
- B. AATTV Report.
- C. Civic Action Report.
- D. AFV Communications Report.
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- H. Medical Statistics.
- I. Quartermaster General Branch Report.
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PART C (AIR FORCE)

- A. Details of Flying Hours RAAF.
- B. RAAF Component Strengths.

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Chief of the General Staff	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Chief of the Air Staff	2	-	2	2	-	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
COMUSMACV	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
USMACFWMAO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Australian Embassy SAIGON	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
File	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Unit Dairy and Spare	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
TOTAL	15	11	15	13	9	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	15	11	11

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PART A

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY COMPONENT

HMAS HOBART

1. The Captain of HMAS HOBART has submitted his monthly report direct to the Flag Officer Commanding the Australian Fleet.

Clearance Diving Team

2. Employment. The primary role throughout the month was again STABLEDOOR, and the safety of shipping in VUNG TAU harbour. Poor diving conditions in the month of July led to a less than normal number of missions.

3. The team was called upon, on a number of occasions, to investigate mystery objects in and around the VUNG TAU area. There were no significant results.

4. It is pleasing to note that the team's missions are becoming more diversified as the controlling authorities realise the team capabilities.

5. Health and Morale. This remains excellent.

6. Detailed Report. The detailed report of CDT3 is contained at annex A to Part A AFV Monthly Report.

Annex: A. RAN CDT3 Monthly Report

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RAN CLEARANCE DIVING TEAM 3

MONTHLY REPORT - JULY, 1967.

1. Throughout the month, the team's main responsibility has been to operation STABLEDOOR and the safety of shipping in the Vung Tau harbours. Far fewer ships have been in the harbour this month, and with the poor diving conditions less diving than normal has been carried out. One main consolation received from the poor diving weather is that the conditions almost certainly preclude the Viet Cong from carrying out underwater attacks on friendly shipping and, as there have been so few ships in harbour, the patrol boats can ensure that junks do not approach too closely to friendly units.
2. At 1925H on Sunday 2nd July, 1967, team members were called upon to investigate a wooden box found floating in the harbour. The patrol boat reported that a rope led from the box towards the sea bed and that this rope appeared to be anchored. On arrival at the scene, team members carried out an investigation of the box and surrounding area. By this time, it was found that the rope was now a loose end and that the box contained ship's rubbish. The area was declared safe and the incident closed.
3. At 0300H on Thursday 13th July, 1967, the team was called upon to investigate an abandoned junk found floating in the harbour by a U.S. P.C.F. (Swift) craft. Upon arrival at the area, an external investigation was carried out, after which team members boarded the junk. After a complete interior, exterior and underwater investigation had been carried out, the junk was declared safe of explosives and booby trap devices and the incident closed. The junk was towed inshore where it was subsequently identified as a registered fishing boat that had broken adrift.
4. On Thursday 13th July, 1967, the team was placed on immediate stand by after receipt of an intelligence report stating that the local Viet Cong sapper unit had been ordered to destroy U.S. installations in the vicinity of the L.S.T. pier. The report further stated that a time limit had been placed on this operation and that the sapper unit must complete its task by 20th July, 1967.
5. On Monday 17th July, 1967, the team was visited by Mr. R. Leopard, an American advisor to the Vietnamese National Police. Mr Leopard stated that he had been approached by a Viet Cong double agent who reported that he had been ordered to throw a grenade at U.S. personnel on 20th July and wanted a grenade that he could throw but which would cause no material damage. The team provided two grenades which, although looking perfectly intact, were harmless. Subsequent to 20th July, Mr Leopard informed the team that the grenades had been thrown with the desired result.
6. At 1715H on Monday 17th July, 1967, the team was called upon to investigate an object, reported as a mine, situated on a sand bar at Cu Lao Ben Dinh, approximately one mile west of the L.S.T. pier, Vung Tau. On arrival at the area the immediate vicinity was checked for booby traps and claymoremines and eventually declared safe. When the object was approached, it was immediately identified as a large mooring buoy and, after investigation, was declared safe of any explosive devices. This incident was declared closed and the team returned to base.
7. As no Viet Cong incidents had occurred in Vung Tau up until the morning of 20th July, half the team was employed searching the area of the L.S.T. pier for the next 24 hours whilst the remaining half remained on immediate stand by for any land incidents. Apart from investigating rubbish found floating in the vicinity of the L.S.T. pier, the team was not called upon to investigate any incidents during this period. It was thus considered that the local Viet Cong sapper unit may have to answer a few embarrassing questions from their superiors in Baria.

8. On Sunday 23rd July, 1967, three team members were requested to accompany Major J. Grise, U.S. Army, an advisor to the Vietnamese Special Forces, on a reconnaissance patrol in the vicinity of Long Hai. Several villas in the area had been owned by Madam Nhu and senior South Vietnamese Generals prior to the area being occupied by the Viet Cong. The Special Forces hoped to re-occupy the areas of the villas as a forward operational base and requested the assistance of the team to check the villas and surrounding area for booby traps. Major Grise and the team members were landed on the nearby beach by USN patrol boats and, after completing the mission with nil results, were returned to Vung Tau by the same boats.

9. During the month, work was progressed on providing a comprehensive allied and enemy ordnance display, mainly for the benefit of any future E.O.D. teams that have recently arrived in country and are unfamiliar with the ordnance in use. Concurrently a second display of Viet Cong type booby traps is being manufactured for the guidance of any personnel who wish to avail themselves of the opportunity to do so. In this regard, the U.S.N. authorities have requested the team to lecture all new patrol boat crews on how to search junks and what to expect from enemy personnel onboard.

10. During the month, the following old ammunition and explosives were destroyed:

M26 grenades	5
Mk. 2 grenades	1
M79 grenades	26
M8 illuminating grenades	1
Trip flares	1
81mm mortar illuminating round	2
50 cal ammunition	50 rounds
7.62 ammunition	200 rounds
Viet Cong claymore mines	3
TNT from VC claymore mines	10 lbs

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ARMY COMPONENT REPORT

Operations

1. During the month of July 67, units of 1 ATF conducted the following operations:
 - a. OPERATION PADDINGTON (6-16 Jul 67).
 - b. OPERATION SOUTHPORT (22-28 Jul 67).
 - c. OPERATION CAIRNS (25 Jul - 1 Aug 67).
 - d. Long Range Reconnaissance Patrolling (LRRP).
 - e. Routine patrolling of the Tactical Area of Responsibility.
2. The pattern of operations in July has been one of consolidation in areas already secured, and major thrusts deep into enemy held territory to keep the enemy off balance and to make it even more difficult for him to launch his monsoon offensive with any reasonable chance of success.
3. Operation PADDINGTON. This was a combined Australian, US and Vietnamese operation aimed at the destruction of 274 Regt and the major VC resupply bases in the SOUTHERN MAY TAO War Zone. The operation inflicted some casualties (in excess 90 KIA) on the VC but did not destroy 274 Regt which avoided decisive contact and withdrew into the MAY TAO area. The majority of 1 ATF units were involved in this operation.
4. Operation SOUTHPORT. A combined Australian-Vietnamese route clearing and outpost construction operation mounted between the 1 ATF Base area and XA BANG. The operation successfully demonstrated to the VC that allied troops are able to clear, hold and use Route 2 whenever required.
5. Operation CAIRNS. The operation was initially designed as a two company operation against local VC operating against the wire barrier fence between DAT DO and LONG PHUOC HAI and Route 23. Companies were inserted on foot via the HORSESHOE Base. After a contact with 20 VC from D445 Bn, the remainder of 2 RAR was deployed but efforts to cut off the VC group were not successful. However a considerable amount of explosives, mines and equipment were located and destroyed.
6. LRRP. Patrols continued throughout the period accounting for a total of 10 VC KIA, 1 WIA and 1 PW. A contact average of 33 percent of all patrols was maintained.
7. Detailed Reports. 1 ATF MONEVAL for Jul 67 is attached as Annex A to Part B of the AFV Monthly Report. Detailed orders for the operations have been forwarded under separate cover and the daily situation reports in AFV daily SITREPS.

Army Aviation

8. Flight activities for 161 (Indep) Recce Flt for July were:
 - a. Flying Hours.

(1) Rotary Wing	-	467.16 hours
(2) Fixed Wing	-	286.33 hours
(3) Total hours flown	-	753.49 hours
 - b. Sorties Flown.

(1) Rotary Wing	-	845 sorties
(2) Fixed Wing	-	206 sorties
(3) Total sorties	-	1051 sorties

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9. Training Team members continue their activities throughout SVN. Operations involving members of AATTV remained at about the same level as for June.

10. The AATTV detailed report is attached as Annex B to part B of the AFV monthly report.

Civic Action

11. The main emphasis in Civic Action during July has been in project reconnaissance and evaluation in both 1 ATF and 1 ALSG areas. Results of these surveys will mean increased projects and activity of 1 Aust CA Unit in the coming months.

12. Apart from intensive MEDCAPS, activity has been confined to finalization of existing projects. The detailed report is attached as Annex C to Part B AFV Monthly Report.

Communications

13. The traffic volume rose again in the month of July with an increase of 10.5% over the June figures. This represents an increase of traffic volume of 97% since 1 Jan 67.

14. Installations of both the SAIGON and VUNG TAU major relay stations will proceed through August with completion scheduled for late October.

15. A detailed communications report is attached as Annex D to Part B.

Public Relations (Publicity)

16. Twenty pressmen representing 16 agencies, or TV networks, covered the activities of the Force during July. Of these 7 resided on a permanent basis at 1 ATF. A detailed Public Relations report is attached at Annex E to Part B.

Finance

17. The detailed Secretary's Branch report is attached as Annex F to Part B. The cost of US support for the month of July was:

a. Navy	-	\$US296.46
b. Army	-	\$US472,403.43
c. Air Force	-	\$US203,822.10

Personnel

18. Strengths. As at 31 Jul 67 the Force strength was 5896 made up of 5242 Army, 8 Navy and 646 RAAF. These figures include attached personnel. A detailed strength state is attached as Annex G to Part B with graphical representations at Appendices 1 and 2 to Annex G.

19. Medical Statistics. The incidence of disease continues to be at a low level with the month of July producing the lowest incidence rate since May 66. No cases of malaria appear to have been contracted in the base camp areas. Medical statistics are shown at Annex H (including appendices) to Part B.

Amenities

20. The July/August AFOF show toured Australian and US installations from 21 Jul to 1 Aug giving 13 performances, the show was reasonably well received in most areas.

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21. The Force currently holds 27 US film accounts with each account drawing five feature films per week. During July, the force received 32 feature films, 34 short films (sporting, documentary and TV), and one 20th Century Fox News reel from Australia.

22. During July the following equipment was received from US Special Services:

- a. Three pool tables (1 ATF-2, 1 ALSG-1)
- b. 11 Portable transistor radios
- c. 1000 lb of expendable sporting/recreational equipment.

Quartermaster General Branch Reports

23. Annex I (with appendices) to Part B contains the following reports:

- a. Movements.
- b. Engineers.
- c. Supplies and Transport.
- d. Ordnance.
- e. Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.
- f. Postal.

Visitors

24. Visitors to the Force in the month of July are shown in Annex J to Part B.

- Annexes:
- A. 1 ATF MONEVAL July 67
 - B. AATTV Report
 - C. Civic Action Report
 - D. AFV Communications Report
 - E. Public Relations Report
 - F. Financial Report
 - G. Force Strength Report
 - H. Medical Statistics
 - I. Quartermaster General Branch Report
 - J. Visitors during Jul 67

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ANNEX A TO
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1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

MONEVAL JULY 1967

General

1. During July 1967, units of 1 ATF conducted the following Operations:
 - a. PADDINGTON.
 - b. SOUTHPORT.
 - c. CAIRNS.
2. Long Range Reconnaissance Patrolling (LRRP) continued throughout the period, accounting for a total of 10 VC KIA (1 possible), 1 WIA possible and 1 PW. A contact average of 33 percent of all patrols was maintained.

Operations

3. Operation PADDINGTON. This was a combined Australian, US and Vietnamese Operation aimed at the destruction of 274 Regt and the major VC resupply bases in the SOUTHERN MAY TAO War Zone (XUYEN MOC YS6568). The Operation was conducted in four phases from 6 Jul to 16 Jul 67 inclusive. Phase one, conducted from 6-7 Jul 67, was a cover plan for the major operation during which ARVN elements conducted resettlement operations NORTH of DUC THANH (YS4677). Grouping and deployment to the operation areas occurred during phase two, (8-9 Jul) with the concentration of force in NUI DAT and the deployment to XUYEN MOC. Phase three (Assault and Encirclement) was the most critical phase of the operation. It was believed that the bulk of the 274 Regt was deployed in the area centre of mass YS6676. 1 ATF's task was to establish a blocking force of two battalions EAST of Route 329 while 1/11 ACR assaulted up the route to secure an objective at YS 7180. The 1 ATF deployment plan was implemented as scheduled on 10 Jul 67. 2 RAR and 7 RAR being located at YS7175 and YS6972 respectively. 1/11 ACR was firm on its objective by 0900 hrs 10 Jul 67, having struck minor opposition. By 1500 hrs 10 Jul 67 as scheduled, 1 ATF had completed the establishment of the blocking force with minimal contact with the VC. Phase four (12-16 Jul 67) of the operation was a search and destroy operation conducted in 1 ATF AO (EAST of Route 329) by the two 1 ATF battalions and 1/11 ACR. 2 RAR located a base camp of bunkers and huts which had been occupied during the previous 48 hours. No enemy were in the position, which was destroyed. 2 RAR also had moderate but inconclusive contact with approx 15 VC in the area YS7273. No other units had any reportable contact during this phase. The operation, while inflicting some casualties (in excess of 90 KIA (BC)) did not destroy 274 Regt. The VC avoided decisive contact and withdrew from the base area behind a light screen towards the MAY TAO base complexes. However, considerable damage was done to the VC base camps and installations in this area; and it is considered that 5 VC Div has been denied the forward bases that have been under development for some time and upon which much of their offensive capability is based.
4. Operation SOUTHPORT. This operation conducted over the period 22-28 Jul 67 was a combined Australian-Vietnamese route clearing and outpost construction operation, mounted between the 1 ATF Base area and XA BANG (YS4584). The operation was designed to deny the VC one of his traditional trading areas and transit routes between the HAT DICH and SLOPE 30 Base areas. The initial clearance of the area of XA BANG was to be consolidated by the reconstruction of the Company strength RF post at YS455840. On 22 Jul 67 one company of 2 RAR secured a fire support base at YS445745. The following day 7 RAR secured a fire support base at YS445745. The following day 7 RAR was airlifted into an LZ near the DUC THANH outpost at YS465777 and rapidly secured route 2 North to XA BANG. Route 2 was cleared to a distance of 500 metres either side of the road. The Engineer elements were deployed into XA BANG outpost on 23 Jul 67 and commenced the reconstruction of the post itself. In addition, a protective

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minefield was laid around the post, fields of fire were cleared, bunds around the perimeter were constructed and a 500 gallon water storage tank was installed. The operation was concluded on 28 Jul 67. No contact was made with VC elements during the operation, however quantities of equipment, ammunition and medical supplies were recovered. Operation SOUTHPORT has successfully demonstrated to the VC that allied troops are able to clear, hold and use Route 2 whenever required. The reconstruction and fortifications of the XA BANG outpost will continue to maintain a GVN presence in what was once a major supply area for the enemy.

5. Operation CAIRNS. The operation was initially designed as a two company operation in the area centre of mass YS5357, against local VC forces operating against the Wire Barrier Fence between DAT DO (YS4960) and LONG PHUOC HAI (YS5151) and Route 23. The operation commenced on 25 Jul 67 with the companies moving by night from the HORSESHOE Feature (YS4962) into the area of operations. This movement was highly successful as the VC, being accustomed to helicopter assault landings or vehicular deployment were quite unprepared for the operation. On 29 Jul 67 V Coy 2 RAR sighted 20 VC who initially appeared to be peasants carrying large grass bundles. In the contact which followed one VC KIA (BC) was identified as being from C1 Coy D445 Bn. The group was engaged on ammunition resupply. Subsequent deployment of the remainder of 2 RAR in an endeavour to cut off this VC group was unsuccessful; however, several minor contacts, primarily with local guerrillas resulted in a further three VC KIA (BC) and one WIA. In addition, a considerable amount of explosives, mines and equipment were located and destroyed. The operation, although only moderately successful in terms of VC KIA, has again demonstrated the relative value of "secure" foot approaches into operational areas, particularly in those areas where the enemy are likely to withdraw immediately after contact has been made.

Comment

6. The operations conducted during July have had significant results, particularly in the area to the EAST and NORTH EAST of 1 ATF TAOR. All operations have had the overall effect of forcing the VC to reconsider his capacity to operate in strength against the population and food producing areas of the province, and the outposts which protect them. The plans of 5 VC Div and 274 Regt for a major monsoonal operation in the province have no doubt been seriously curtailed. The enemy's Southern MAY TAO base complex has been destroyed and his units forced to withdraw to the EAST and NORTH, thus placing him even further from his probable objectives.

7. Operations EAST of DAT DO are progressing and will continue to dominate this area against enemy infiltration. The change in attitude of the population of DAT DO, which was one of barely concealed hostility, or at best apathy, prior to Operations LEEFON and PORTSEA is improving considerably now that they are relatively secure from VC terrorism. An intensive revolutionary development programme has been directed against the town, with particular emphasis on MEDCAP and self help rural reconstruction programmes.

8. The reconstruction of the XA BANG outpost to the stage where it is more than capable of holding its own against a battalion assault has undoubtedly caused some embarrassment to the VC. The area is no longer the safe transit and purchasing area it once was, and it is possible that the VC may start to take more aggressive action to maintain the security of his base area in the SLOPE 30 region NORTH of BINH GIA which to date has been relatively untouched by allied forces. Alternatively, the VC may react violently against the XA BANG outpost in an endeavour to reassert his waning authority in the area. This reaction must be almost immediate, since it is intended to resettle all civilians living in the vicinity of the post to a more secure area.

9. In conclusion, the pattern of operations in July has been one of consolidation in areas already secured, and major thrusts deep into enemy held territory to keep the enemy off balance and to make it even more difficult for him to launch his monsoon offensive with any reasonable chance of success.

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MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT
AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM
FOR MONTH OF JULY 1967

General

1. During July 1967 the normal rotation of personnel within AATTV after 6 months of their tour continued. The rotation will in the main be completed by the end of September. VC activities involving members of AATTV remained at about the same level as during June 1967.

Personnel

2. Casualties.

a. Battle Casualties.

(1) WO2 J.A. BOND - minor shrapnel wound to his right chest. He remained on duty with 2/4 Cav Tp.

(2) WO2 A.N. POWELL - minor shrapnel wound to right buttock. He remained on duty with 4 Bn of 2 Regt.

(3) WO2 J.P. HAGEAN - panji wound to the right buttock. Not serious but required several days hospitalisation.

b. Non-Battle Casualties.

(1) WO2 C.L. UPTON - contracted an unknown heart virus in QUANG TRI Province. He was admitted to 8 Fd Amb on 30 June and since then has been receiving treatment at 8 Fd Amb and 36 Evac Hosp (US).

(2) WO2 N. GREUTZNER - received a fractured check bone when a cargo securing chain in an aircraft snapped under tension. He was admitted to the USAAF Hosp CAM RANH BAY and is still there.

(3) WO2 J.W. LAKE - was admitted to 8 Fd Amb on 22 July suffering from a minor dose of suspected malaria.

3. Individual Replacements.

- a. One officer and 2 WOs RTA during July.
- b. Three officers and 3 WOs arrived from Australia.

Visitors

4. Minister for the Army. The Minister for the Army, Mr Malcolm FRASER accompanied by the Secretary, Department of the Army and COMAFV visited AATTV locations in I Corps on 28 and 29 Jul 67. He visited:

- a. Australia House Danang, the unit HQ in I Corps.
- b. 51st ARVN Regt who are employed on RD in the National Priority Area SE of DANANG.
- c. "Mike Force" of Company C 5th Special Forces Group DANANG.
- d. 1 Bn of 5 Regt, 2 Div on Hill 110 in QUANG TIN Province.
- e. 1st ARVN Div at HUE in THUA THIEN Province.

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f. NAM HOA Sub-Sector in THUA THIEN Province.

g. TRIEU PHONG Sub Sector HQ in QUANG TRI Province.

h. At the above locations he met members of AATTV who are either posted to these units or were brought from outlying units to meet him.

5. Col (Trg) HQ FARELF. Col P.E. SEDDON during his visit to VIETNAM visited some units in I and II Corps where AATTV members are employed.

Honours and Awards

6. The award of the Military Medal was approved on 26 July 67 to WO2 B.D. CLARK and WO2 J. STEPHENS. These two awards bring the total of Honours and Awards to AATTV members, since 3 Aug 62, to 30.

Operations and Training

7. The appendices listed below will be forwarded to Army Headquarters only under separate cover.

Appendices:

1. General Report. Mike Force Company 'C' 5th SF Gp.	} Not Attached
2. Operations 2 Bn/2 ARVN Regt.	
3. Operations 1 Bn/2 ARVN Regt.	
4. After Action Report - Operations LAMSON 79.	
5. After Action Report - Operation BEN QUANG.	
6. General Report - Combined Studies Department II Corps.	
7. After Action Reports - CSD Trail Watch Teams II Corps.	

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CIVIC ACTION MONTHLY REPORT

JULY 1967

General

1. The main emphasis in Civic Action during Jul 67 has been in project reconnaissance and evaluation in both 1 ATF and 1 ALSG areas. Results of these surveys will mean the increase of projects, and activity by 1 Aust CA Unit in the following months.

2. Apart from intensive MEDCAP's, activity has been confined to finalising existing projects.

1 ATF

3. Construction.

a. Assistance was rendered for the repair of the HOA LONG Pagoda.

b. Levelling as part of earlier projects was completed at the Old Peoples House at BARIA and the HOA LONG Market Place.

c. Repairs were carried out to the HOA LONG school.

d. Six wells were repaired in the HOA LONG area.

4. Medical. A total of 1,902 patients were treated at BARIA, BIN BA, DAT DO, HOA LONG, AP NGAI GIAO, DUC THANH, and BIN GIA.

5. Dental. 125 patients were treated throughout the area.

6. Education. English education classes were again successful with 732 people attending 12 classes. In addition the education officer conducted an evaluation of the education system and its requirements.

7. Distribution of Commodities. The following commodities were distributed:

a. Clothing - 500 lbs

b. Food - 3,100 lbs

c. Lumber - 40 lineal ft

d. Midwifery Kits - 7

e. School Kits - 300

f. Soap - 300 lbs

g. Rice - 2200 lbs (recovered during Operation PADDINGTON)

1 ALSG

8. Construction. Construction during the month consisted of repairs to:

a. Dispensaries - 2

b. Fences - 2

c. Hospitals - 1

d. Orphanages - 1

e. Playgrounds - 3

f. Wells - 1

9. Medical. 553 patients were treated.

10. Dental. 54 patients were examined and treated.

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11. Distribution of Commodities:

- a. Cement - 1000 lbs
- b. Clothing - 500 lbs
- c. Fertilizer - 50 lbs
- d. Food - 1000 lbs
- e. Soap - 20 lbs

12. Education. Education consisted of 12 English classes being conducted with an attendance of 35 at each class.

SAIGON

13. Civic Action in Saigon was again devoted solely to the DONG CHUA Orphanage where 1,050 lbs of baby food, milk, baby clothes and soap were distributed.

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COMMUNICATIONS - MONTHLY REPORT

JULY 1967

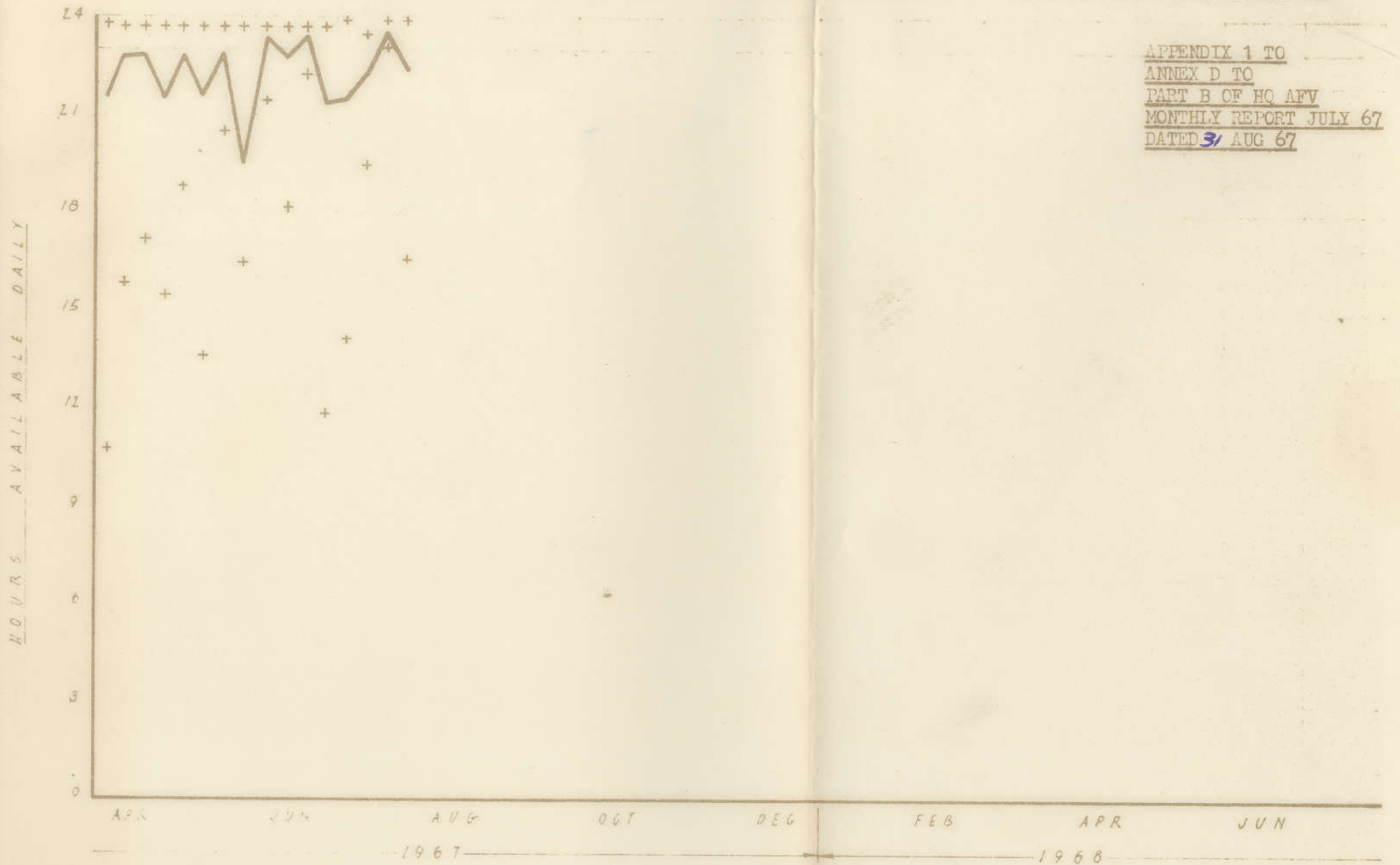
1. The traffic volume again rose. The number of messages through the Major Relay Station was 53,211, an increase of 10.5% over the figures for Jun 67. This represents an increase of 77% since the relief of the Force (1 Apr 67), and 97% since 1 Jan 67.
2. Propagation conditions continue to affect the SAIGON-MELBOURNE radio circuit, however traffic handling capacity has been improved. This was achieved by lifting machine speed to 100 words per minute.
3. Improvements have been made to the transmitter station at PHU THO. This included completely rebuilding the transmission lines, a major overhaul on both transmitters, and improvements to the power distribution system. Additional work is required to bring the station up to an acceptable standard.
4. The in-theatre TRC-24 radio relay system remains marginal, however some improvements and an emphasis on preventative maintenance has increased the telephone channel availability times.
5. Installations of both the SAIGON and VUNG TAU major relay stations will proceed through August until completion scheduled for late October.
6. The following graphs are attached:
 - a. Appendix 1 - Trunk Telephone Channel Availability.
 - b. Appendix 2 - Traffic Volume - SAIGON MRS.
 - c. Appendix 3 - Circuit Data Summary - SAIGON MRS.

Appendices: 1. Trunk Telephone Channel Availability.
2. Traffic Volume - SAIGON MRS
3. Circuit Data Summary - SAIGON MRS

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TRUNK TELEPHONE CHANNEL AVAILABILITY

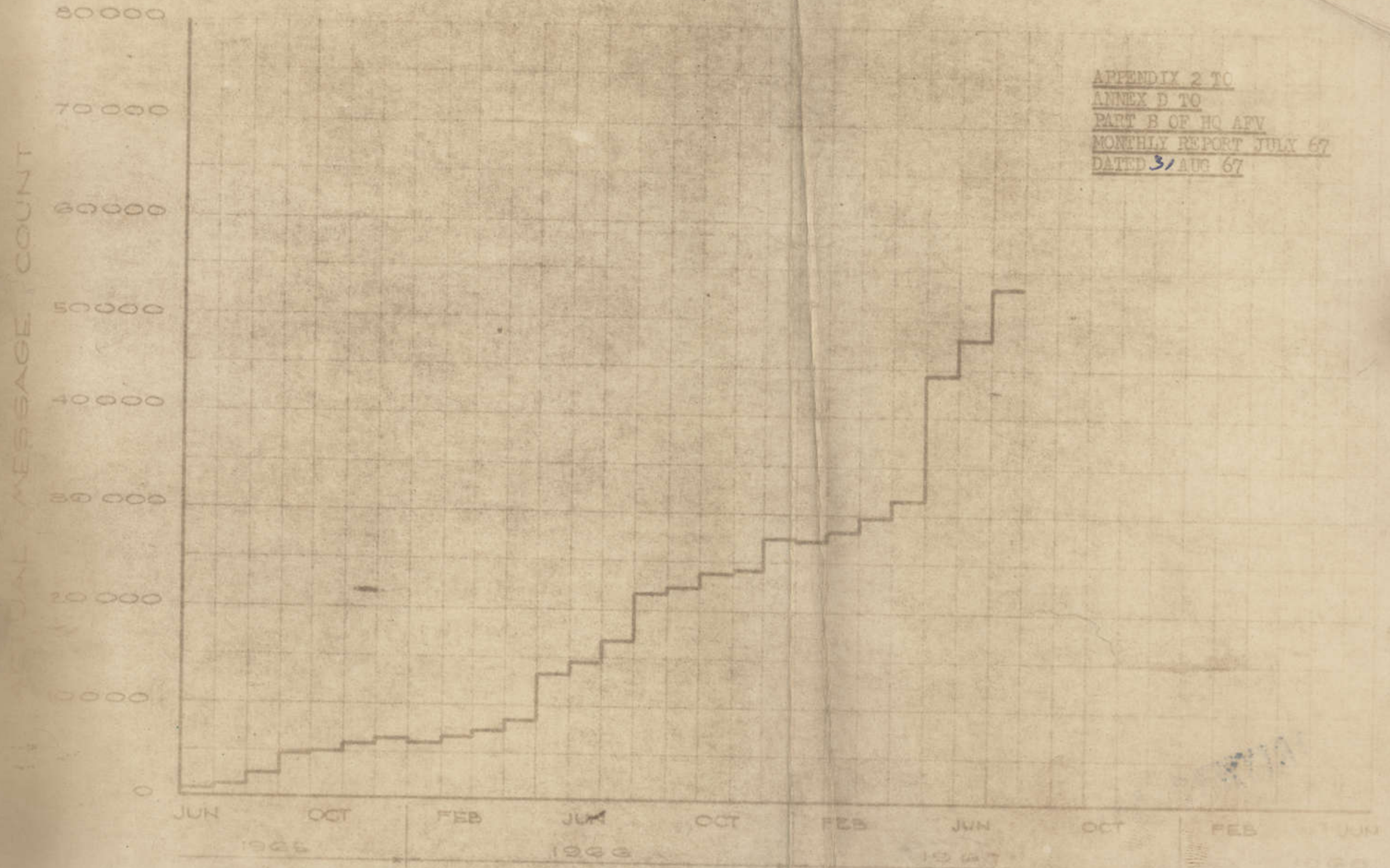


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TRAFFIC VOLUME — MAJOR RELAY STATION SAIGON



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CIRCUIT DATA SUMMARY - MAJOR RELAY STATION SAIGON 1 - 31 JULY 67

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Circuit	Bearer	Circuit Availability		Traffic Data - Total Messages IN and OUT								TOTAL
		Hours/Day	%	FLASH		IMMEDIATE		PRIORITY		ROUTINE		
				No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	
NUI DAT	US hired line (microwave/AN/TRC-24/line)	22.9	95.4	Nil		271	5	2306	43	2801	52	5,378
AFV Sigcen	Aust line	24.0	100.0	Nil		421	3	5421	44	6629	53	12,471
MELBOURNE	Aust HF Radio	16.3	68.0	Nil		1955	13	6955	45	6521	42	15,431
PHAN RANG	US hired line (Troposcatter/ microwave)	21.8	90.8	Nil		234	6	2210	62	1144	32	3,588
PHU LAM	US hired line (microwave/ land line)	22.9	95.4	Nil		1443	26	2047	38	1947	36	5,437
VUNG TAU	Aust AN/TRC-24	19.9	82.9	Nil		715	7	5898	54	4293	39	10,906
												53,211

Notes:

- a. All circuits continuous and protected.
- b. Nui Dat circuit is simplex and the remainder full duplex.
- c. Back-up to Nui Dat hired line is Aust AN/TRC-24.
- d. The above total does NOT include 2,813 ZFX, ZIG or ZFR

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PUBLIC RELATIONS HQ AFV

REPORT FOR MONTH OF JULY 1967

General

1. A total of 20 pressmen covered the activities of the Force during July 1967. The 20 pressmen represented 16 agencies or TV networks and were in 1 ATF area for a total of 50 ration days.

2. Pressmen permanently, or semi-permanently residing at 1 ATF during the month were:

Mr R. Beckett	Aust Associated Press
Mr T. Dyson (relief for Mr Beckett)	Aust Associated Press
Mr D. Gibbons	Freelance
Mr R. McDonald	Sydney Telegraph
Mr G. Jones	Melbourne Sun/Herald Group
Mr T. Trong	ITN (TV)
Mr T. Choi	VISNEWS (ABC TV)

3. Mr Beckett has completed his six-months tour and joined Reuters in London and Messrs McDonald and Jones are expected to return to Australia shortly.

Press Releases

4. Fifty-four news releases were despatched to DPR, AHQ Canberra for the Australian Press and Army Newspaper. In addition, RAAF releases were despatched to DPR, DEPAIR.

Pictorial

5. Sixty-nine black and white negatives were selected for release and despatched to DPR for distribution in Australia. A large number of RAAF negatives were also despatched to DPR, DEPAIR.

Television

6. PR photographers shot a total of 2155 ~~ft~~ of black and white film for TV. The photographers covered nine assignments, including Operation PADDINGTON and the visit of the Minister for the Army. The RAAF PR team covered it's service aspects of these activities for inclusion in a joint TV film news release.

Radio

7. Sixteen radio tapes, covering a wide variety of subjects, were despatched to DPR for bulk distribution. 20 radio tapes were produced on the activities of the force by a field team from AFRTS. A daily news bulletin and weekly sports round-up was compiled and read by HQ AFV PR staff for AFRTS broadcast.

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FINANCE

REPORT FOR JULY 1967 -- SECRETARY'S BRANCH

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY COMPONENT

US/Aust Financial Working Arrangement

1. The cost of US support for July 1967 was \$US296.46.

ARMY COMPONENT

US/Aust Financial Working Arrangement

2. The cost of US support for July 1967 was \$US472,403.43.
3. HQ 1 ATF and HQ 1 ALSG were visited on 26/27 Jul 67 to regularise submission of monthly strength returns and to stress the need for accuracy in their compilation. Returns so far received for July indicate that the visit was successful.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE COMPONENT

US/Aust Financial Working Arrangement

4. Cost of US support for July was \$US203,822.10.

Civilian Staff

5. The total number of civilian staff employed as at 31 Jul 67 was 336. Of this total 197 are paid through AIK Funds and 139 from Australian Funds.

AIK Funds for Camp Construction

6. Approval for the increased allocation of funds for camp construction has been received and the figure for the calendar year 1967 is \$VN45,000,000.
7. Claims submitted to the US for re-imburement for the month totalled \$VN3,587,985.

Audit

8. Det 2 AFV Cash Office was visited on 10-14 Jul 67 by the FA and WO1 Woods. A follow up visit to this office was made on 24-28 Jul 67 by Ssgt Lumsden. A visit was also made to 1 Div S & T Wksps to follow up E Comd Army Audit Staff observations raised prior to the units arrival in theatre.

Local Purchase AIK Funds

9. USMACV has agreed to provide HQ AFV with a revolving imprest fund of \$VN200,000 for purchase of items in accordance with MACV Directive 37-19. A HQ AFV Administrative Instruction has been prepared setting out how these funds will be controlled.

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AFV STRENGTH STATES JULY 1967

UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
HQ AFV	42	82	124	2	8	10	44	90	134	43	90	133	2	9	11	45	99	144
110 Sig Sqn	8	183	191		15	15	8	198	206	8	176	184				8	176	184
AFV Det 11 MC Gp	2	13	15		1	1	2	14	16	3	16	19	1		1	4	16	20
AFV Cash Office	4	14	18		2	2	4	16	20	3	16	19				3	16	19
+ AATTV	14	85	99				14	85	99	18	77	95				18	77	95
Det 198 Wks Sec	1	9	10				1	9	10		7	7					7	7
FORS (att HQ AFV)	2	1	3				2	1	3	2	1	3				2	1	3
(III Corps Gia Dinh Province Located Saigon)																		
+ Location of individual AATTV personnel are the subject of separate returns																		
TOTAL	73	387	460	2	26	28	75	413	488	77	383	460	3	9	12	80	392	472
HQ 1 ATF	28	121	149	2	10	12	30	131	161	27	127	154				27	127	154
A Sqn 3 Cav Regt	10	107	117	1	10	11	11	117	128	11	114	125				11	114	125
Det 131 Div Loc Bty	3	64	67		6	6	3	70	73	3	70	73				3	70	73
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UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			2. ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
4 Fd Regt	26	303	329	1	34	35	27	337	364	27	340	367				27	340	367
A Sec 1 Topo Svy Tp	2	19	21		1	1	2	20	22	2	21	23				2	21	23
1 Fd Sqn	8	157	175		17	17	8	184	192	8	170	178				8	170	178
21 Engr Sp Tp	1	55	56		5	5	1	60	61	1	44	45				1	44	45
104 Sig Sqn	6	121	127		11	11	6	132	138	5	132	137				5	132	137
Det 152 Sig Sqn		17	17					17	17		13	13					13	13
Det 547 Sig Tp	2	28	30		1	1	2	29	31	2	27	29				2	27	29
2 RAR	36	760	796	2	78	80	38	838	876	38	853	891				38	853	891
7 RAR	36	760	796	2	78	80	38	838	876	38	870	908				38	870	908
1 SAS Sqn	6	76	82		9	9	6	85	91	6	85	91				6	85	91
Det 1 Div Int Unit	1	13	14		1	1	1	14	15	1	12	13				1	12	13
Det 6 OFP	1	24	25		2	2	1	26	27	1	25	26				1	25	26
Det A Sqn 3 Cav Regt LAD		14	14		1	1		15	15		15	15					15	15
4 Fd Regt LAD	1	23	24		2	2	1	25	26	1	21	22				1	21	22
Det 131 Div Loc Bty Wksp		6	6					6	6		6	6					6	6
1 Fd Sqn Wksp	1	28	29		2	2	1	30	31	1	27	28				1	27	28
HQ 1 TF LAD	1	15	16		1	1	1	16	17	1	16	17				1	16	17
161 (Indep) Recce Flt	15	80	95		8	8	15	88	103	14	79	93				14	79	93

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UNIT	3.																	
	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
1 Aust CA Unit	10	39	49				10	39	49	11	34	45				11	34	45
+ 1 ARU	6	94	100				6	94	100	6	77	83				6	77	83
Det 1 Div Postal Unit		3	3					3	3		4	4					4	4
+ Includes reinforcement holding (III Corps Phuoc Tuy Province located Nui Dat)																		
TOTAL	200	2937	3137	8	277	285	208	3214	3422	204	3182	3386				204	3182	3386
HQ 1 ALSG	10	76	86		12	12	10	88	98	11	75	86				11	75	86
17 Const Sqn	10	245	255		20	20	10	265	275	10	252	262	3	3		10	255	265
Det 55 AESS	1	28	29		3	3	1	31	32	1	32	33				1	32	33
67 GL Sec	2	2	4				2	2	4	2	2	4				2	2	4
HQ 5 Coy RAASC	4	19	23		3	3	4	22	26	4	23	27				4	23	27
85 Tpt Pl	2	75	77		7	7	2	82	84	2	83	85				2	83	85
2 Tpt Pl	2	75	77		7	7	2	82	84	2	79	81				2	79	81
25 Sup Pl	2	35	37		3	3	2	38	40	2	38	40				2	38	40
Det 86 Tpt Pl	1	29	30		3	3	1	32	33	1	32	33				1	32	33
Det 176 AD Coy	1	21	22				1	21	22	1	21	22				1	21	22
8 Fd Amb	16	114	130		7	7	16	121	137	16	124	140				16	124	140
33 Dent Unit	5	18	23		1	1	5	19	24	3	11	14				3	11	14
102 Fd Wksp	6	120	126	1	11	12	7	131	138	7	127	134				7	127	134
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UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT ^{4.}			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
2 Comd Ord	10	123	133		13	13	10	136	146	11	128	139				11	128	139
102 Fd Wksp Stores Sec	1	15	16				1	15	16	1	15	16				1	15	16
17 Const Sqn Wksp	1	40	41		4	4	1	44	45	1	42	43				1	42	43
Det 1 Div S & T Wksp	1	18	19		1	1	1	19	20	1	19	20				1	19	20
Det 1 Comm Z Postal Unit	2	13	15		2	2	2	15	17	2	13	15				2	13	15
AFV Pro Unit	1	4	45		4	4	1	48	49	1	48	49				1	48	49
Det 30 Terminal Sqn	1	17	18		2	2	1	19	20	1	19	20				1	19	20
Aust R & C Centre	1	22	23				1	22	23	1	20	21				1	20	21
Det 8 Pet Pl	1	9	10				1	9	10	1	9	10				1	9	10
Det 5 ASCO (III Corps Phuoc Tuy Province located Vung Tau)	3	19	22				3	19	22	3	20	23				3	20	23
TOTAL	84	1177	1261	1	103	104	85	1280	1365	85	1232	1317	3	3		83	1235	1320
GRAND TOTAL	357	4501	4858	11	406	417	368	4907	5275	366	4797	5163	3	12	15	369	4809	5178
<u>NAVY COMP</u>																		
RAN CDT 3	1	0	7				1	6	7	1	6	7				1	6	7
STO (att HQ AFV)	1		1				1		1	1		1				1		1
TOTAL	2	6	8				2	6	8	2	6	8				2	6	8
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UNIT	ESIB STR			SUPPLEMENT			5. ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
<u>RAAF COMP</u>																		
RAAF HQ AFV	7	3	10				7	3	10	7	5	12	5		5	12	5	17
35 SQN	16	66	82				16	66	82	16	61	77				16	61	77
2 SQN	41	223	264				41	223	264	42	222	264				42	222	264
9 SQN	18	82	100				18	82	100	17	86	103				17	86	103
Base Sp Flt	17	116	133				17	116	133	19	119	138	2	5	7	21	124	145
TOTAL	99	490	589				99	490	589	101	493	594	7	5	12	108	498	606
<u>T/Duty in Country</u>																		
<u>ARMY</u>																		
AV "VERNON STURDEE										4	50	54				4	50	54
TOTAL										4	50	54				4	50	54
<u>T/Duty in Country</u>																		
<u>RAAF</u>																		
5 ACS										2	38	40				2	38	40
TOTAL										2	38	40				2	38	40
<u>TOTAL ARMY</u>	5173																	
<u>TOTAL RAAF</u>	594																	
<u>TOTAL ANVY</u>	8																	
GRAND TOTAL (Incl TDY)	5896																	

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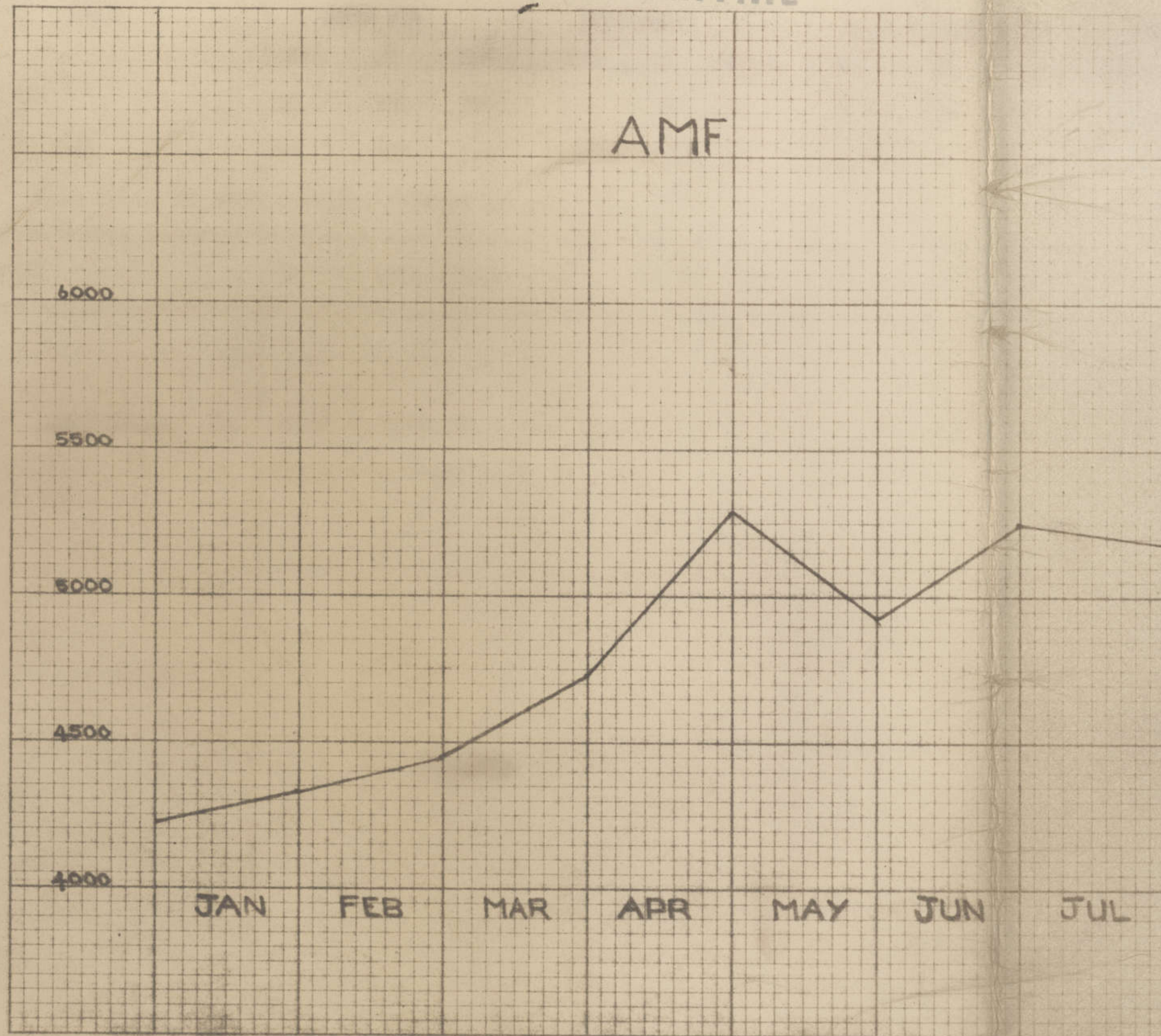
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	OFFR	JP	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
6 RAR	36	760	796	2	78	80	38	838	876		6	6					6	6
1 Fd Regt	26	303	339	1	34	35	27	337	364	4		4				4		4
(III Corps Gia Dinh Province Located Saigon)																		
TOTAL	62	1063	1125	3	112	115	65	1175	1240	4	6	10				4	6	10

- Appendices:
1. Graph - Strengths - Jan to Jul 67.
 2. Graph - Strength as at 31 Jul.

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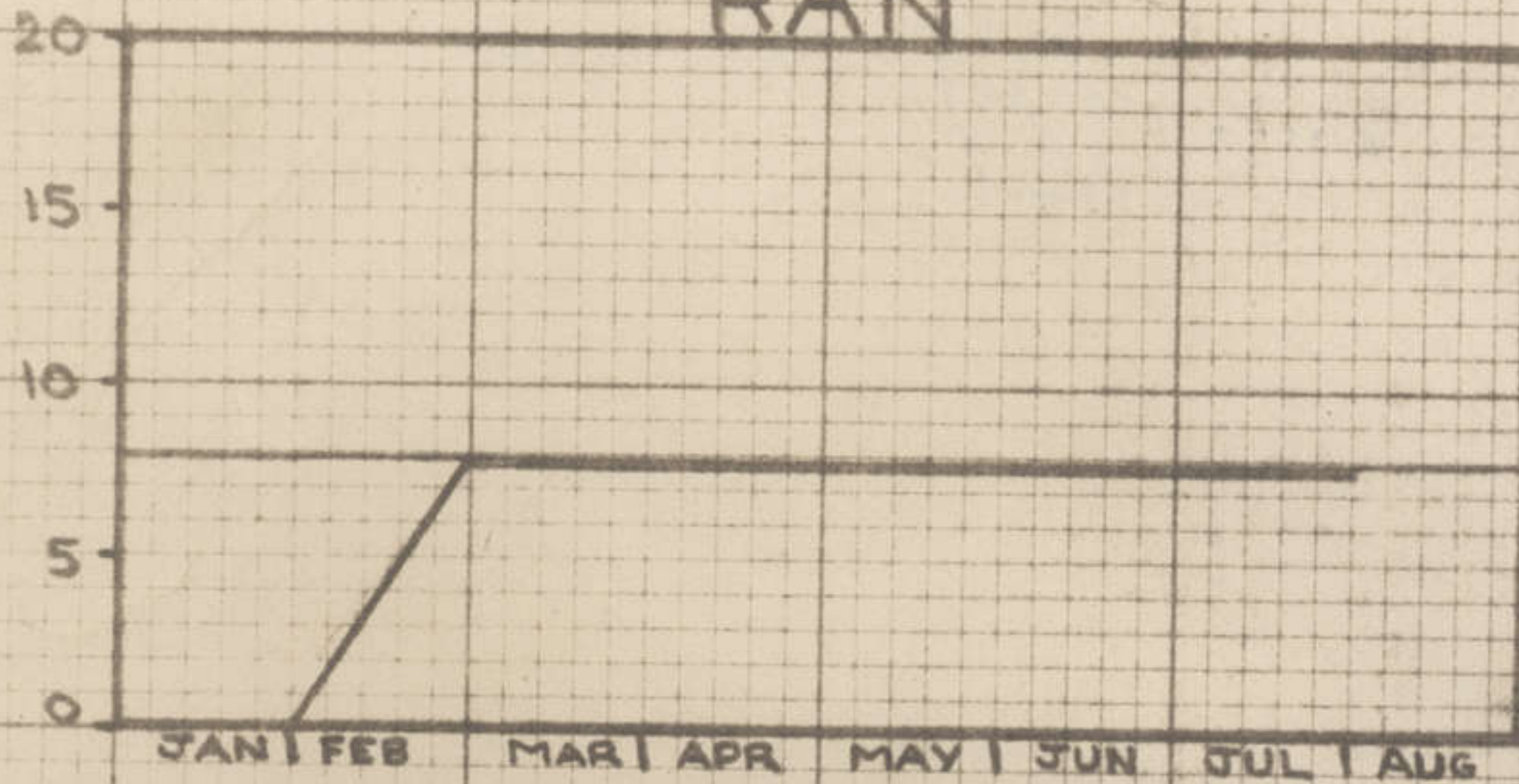
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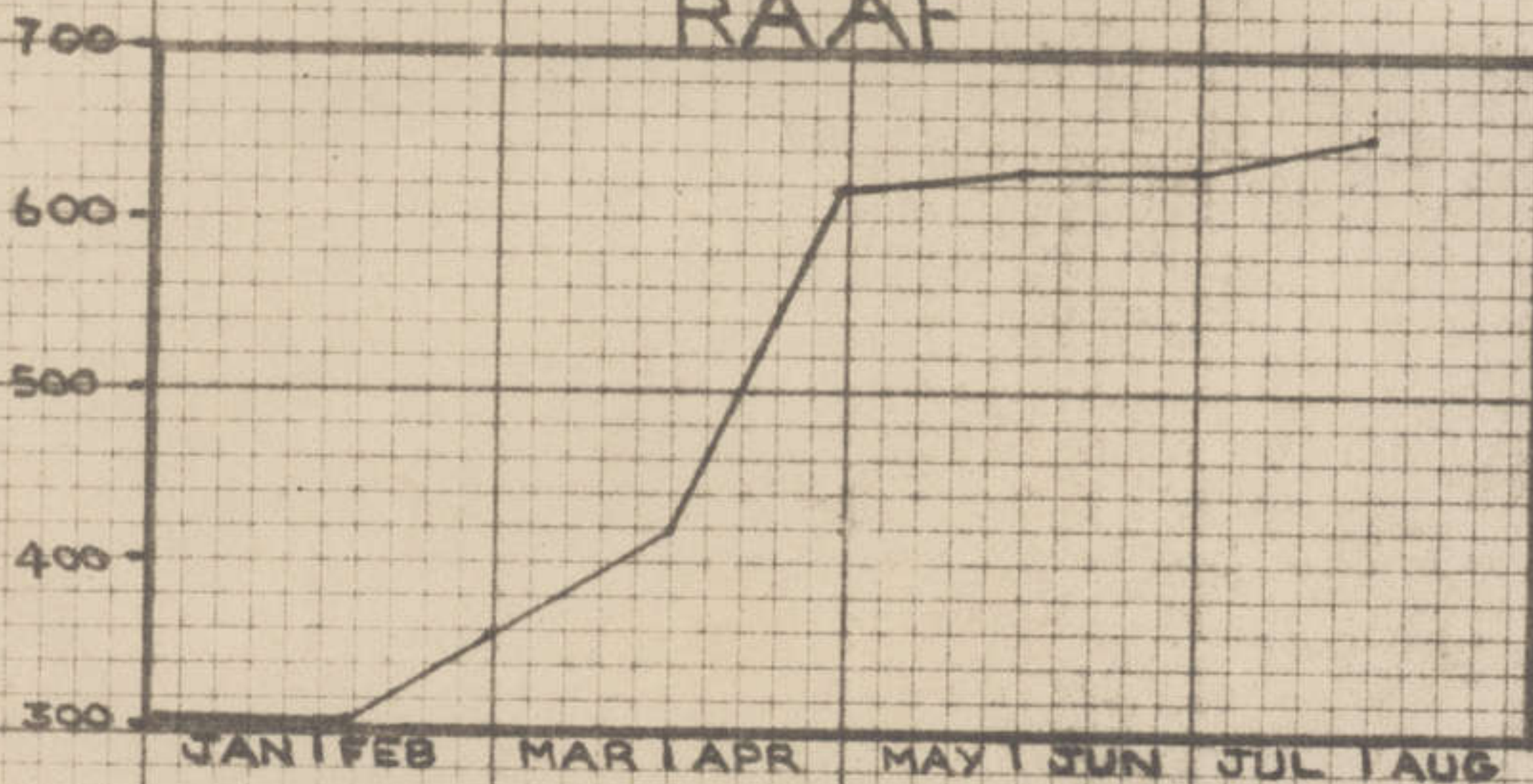
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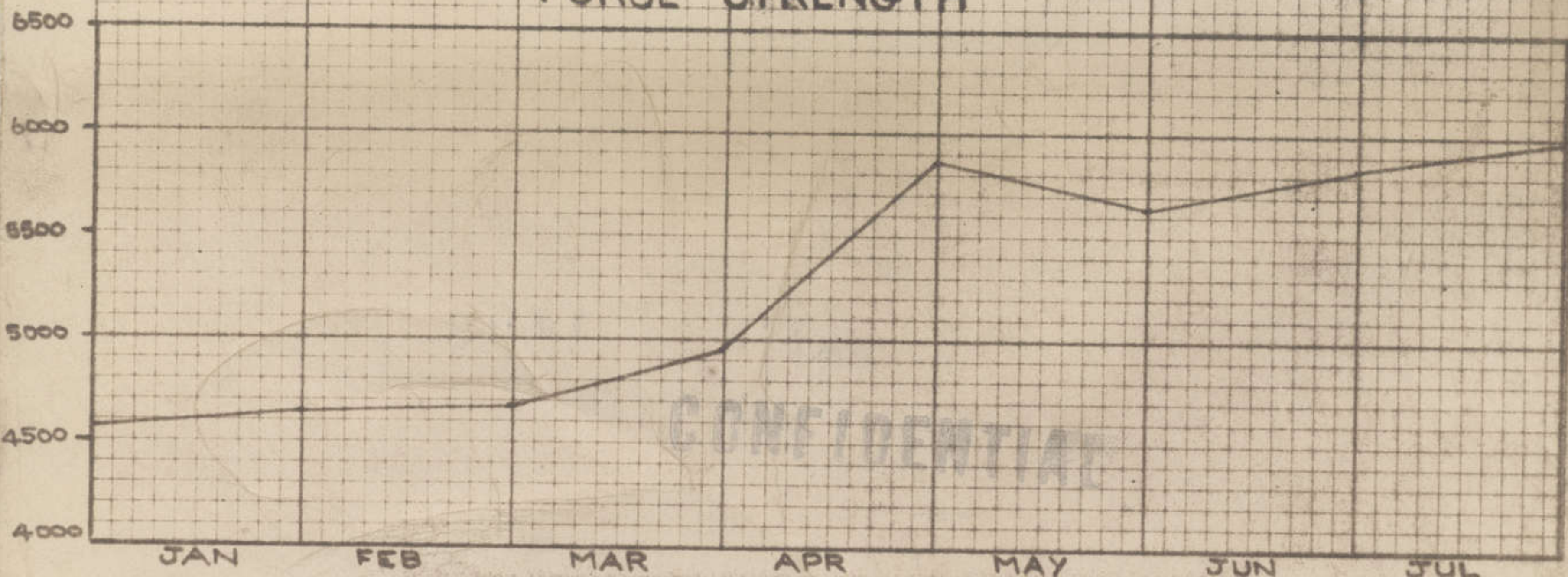
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MEDICAL STATISTICS

Disease Incidence

1. The incidence of disease, as reflected by hospital admissions to 8 Fd Amb, continues at a low level:

a. May 66 - 21.8 per thousand per month
 May 67 - 54.5 per thousand per month
b. Jun 66 - 50.2 per thousand per month
 Jun 67 - 39.3 per thousand per month
c. Jul 66 - 71.4 per thousand per month
 Jul 67 - 31.9 per thousand per month

Blood Usage Rates

2. a. Units transfused - 4
b. How many patients were transfused - 3
c. Patient receiving most blood - 38178 Spr W. DAVIS
 (1) How many units - 2
 (2) Type injury - amputation of lower left leg
 (3) Survival - survived
d. Number of units drawn at 8 Fd Amb - Nil
e. Blood on hand on last day of month - 13
f. Number of units discarded - 62
g. Reasons for discarding - outdated
h. Disposition - destroyed
i. Transfusion reactions - Nil
j. Noteworthy events or comments regarding blood programme - nil

8 Fd Amb Statistics (Vung Tau only)

3. a. Average daily bed state - 46
b. Average number of days in hospital - 7.6
c. Major surgery month of July - 78
d. Major surgery to date (since 25 Apr 67) - 220

4. The figure shown for major surgery this month appears high compared with previous returns, but this is attributable not to a greatly increased work load, but to an SMO decision to regard all cases for which it is necessary to use the operating theatre and staff as major surgical cases. This method gives a more realistic picture of theatre load and will be used in future.

AFV Medical Statistics

5. The following total figures are recorded:

	<u>Australian</u>	<u>Others</u>	<u>Total</u>
a. (1) Killed in action	1	-	1
(2) Died from other causes	-	-	-
b. Admitted to 8 Fd Amb (Direct).			
(1) Sickness	149	23	172
(2) Non Battle Injury	35	5	40
(3) VD	15	-	15
(4) Battle Casualties	7	2	9
(5) Total	206	30	236

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	<u>Australian</u>	<u>Others</u>	<u>Total</u>
c. Admitted to US Hospitals (Direct)			
(1) Sickness	10	2	12
(2) Non Battle Injury	2	1	3
(3) VD	-	-	-
(4) Battle Casualties	-	-	-
(5) Total	12	3	15
d. Total all hospitals	218	33	251
e. Medically evacuated from theatre -	35.		
f. Medically re-classified to below theatre standard -	6.		

Graphical Representation

6. The following are attached:

- a. Appendix 1 - Graph, Hospital State - Jul 67.
- b. Appendix 2 - Detailed Casualty List - Jul 67.
- c. Appendix 3 - AFV Casualties since Jun 65.

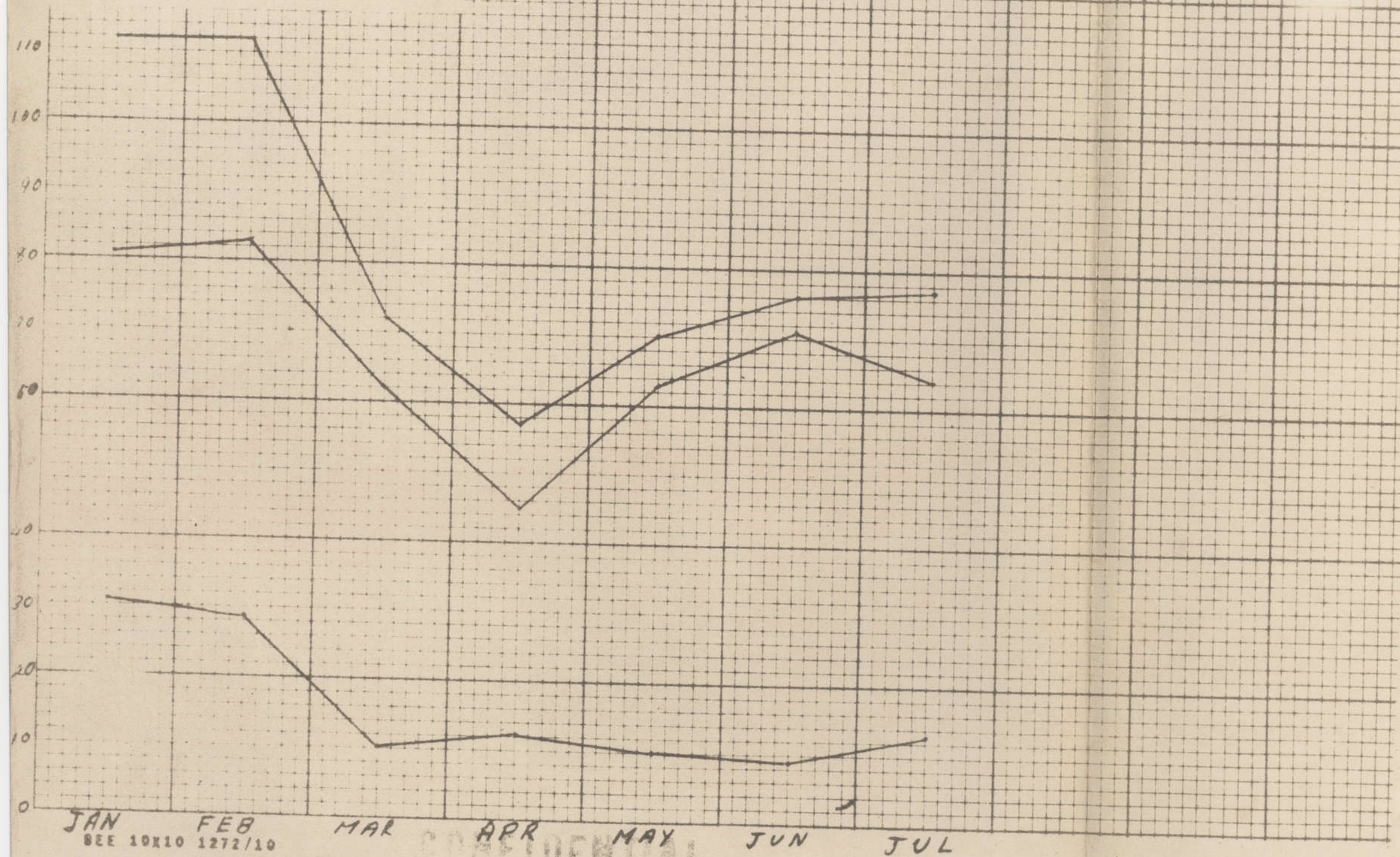
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- 1. Graph, Hospital State - Jul 67
 - 2. Detailed Casualty List - Jul 67
 - 3. AFV Casualties since Jun 65

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HOSPITAL STATE

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140
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● TOTAL IN HOSPITAL
● CENTRE - 8 FD AMB
● PTOM - ALL US MOSP



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DETAILED CASUALTY LIST FOR MONTH OF JUL 67

SERIAL	DATE	WOUNDED IN ACTION			KILLED IN ACTION			MISSING IN ACTION			TOTAL			REMARKS
		OFFRS	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	
1.	7 Jul		1	1								1	1	
2.	10 Jul					1	1					1	1	
3.	12 Jul		1	1								1	1	
4.	13 Jul	1	3	4							1	3	4	
5.	15 Jul		1	1								1	1	
6.	19 Jul		1	1								1	1	
7.	20 Jul		3	3								3	3	
8.	24 Jul		2	2								2	2	
TOTAL		1	12	13		1	1				1	13	14	

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TOTAL CASUALTIES INCURRED BY AUSTFORCE VIETNAM SINCE JUN 65

SERIAL	DESIGNATION	JULY 67			SUMMARY OF LOSSES SINCE JUN 65			TOTAL			REMARKS
		OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	
1.	WOUNDED IN ACTION	1	12	13	34	408	442	35	420	455	
2.	KILLED ACTION		1	1	8	98	106	8	99	107	
3.	MISSING IN ACTION	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	
		1	13	14	42	507	549	43	520	563	

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QMG BRANCH MATTERS

Movements

1. The following charts are attached to illustrate the degree of movement of personnel and stores, both in country and to and from Australia:

- a. Appendix 1 - Tonnage into Vung Tau. (MV Jeparit).
- b. Appendix 2 - Cargo/Courier Flights Ex Australia.
- c. Appendix 3 - Tonnages forward to 1 ATF.
- d. Appendix 4 - Cargo/Courier Ex Vung Tau.
- e. Appendix 5 - Tonnage out of theatre by sea.
- f. Appendix 6 - Inland Water Transport.
- g. Appendix 7 - Breakup of Inland Water Transport.

Engineers

2. Base Development.

a. 1 ATF. Progress in base camp construction tasks during July is shown in Appendix 8.

b. 1 ALSG. Progress is shown in Appendix 9. The value of contract works to date and in progress is:

Committed during July	-	\$A22,800
Expenditure during July	-	\$A29,700
Total committed to end of July	-	\$A281,800
Total expenditure to end of July	-	\$A171,500

c. Australian Forces Club. The building was 92% complete at the end of July reflecting only 2% progress for the month. This is due partly to non arrival of some prefabricated items - due on the August Jeparit and partly to changes in the user requirement which necessitate more work. These are still under consideration.

d. Base Development Plans. During July, base development plans for both 1 ATF and 1 ALSG were completed and submitted to HQ USARV for approval and processing. Approval of these plans will constitute authority for the issue of construction materials and associated funding from US sources. Until now issues have been made on interim approvals. Apart from this, the plans also serve their usual purpose for coordination between present construction and long term planning and design.

e. Electrical. The attachment to Force Engineer's staff of an electrical engineer (Capt Stokes) which commenced in late June has been of immense value:

(1) Testing and observation of the Caterpillar 62.5 KVA generators has been completed and in-theatre modifications to the sets have been determined and made. An interim report on this problem has been submitted to DES and a final report is now in preparation.

(2) A review of the electric power requirements at 1 ALSG in the light of the proposed US high tension distribution has been completed and plans submitted to the US Army Engineers. Problems with operation of Australian equipment at 60 cycles per second (US Supply) have been examined and for the most part resolved. The major problem is with refrigerators and proposals have been submitted to AHQ suggesting the re-equipment of 1 ALSG with US origin refrigerators.

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(3) Plans for a low tension power distribution system at 1 ATF are well under way. Satisfactory implementation of the plans will depend on the provision of an adequate number of electricians in the Force and proposals in this respect have been submitted. It is expected that, by the end of Capt Stokes' attachment, the planning of electricity supply for the Force will be completed.

f. Water Supply. Some success has been obtained in finding underground sources of water within 1 ATF. One well with a potential yield of 40,000 gallons per day has been completed. This yield is about 20% of the eventual requirement and much exploration remains. Several other holes have been drilled but without useful result. Geological advice is being used to plan the drilling programme, and satisfactory results are expected in the long term. Work to date has shown the necessity to have well trained and experienced drill crews under the direction of an officer who also has some technical training or experience in drilling and well development.

g. C Vehicles. The state of C Vehicles on the 31 July is shown in Appendix 10. The availability and supply of spare parts is not yet satisfactory but improves all the time.

Supplies and Transport

3. Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

a. Commencing 17 Jul 67 fresh fruit and vegetables for 1 ATF have been drawn from US Class I Depot Saigon and flown direct to Nai Dat by RAAF Caribou on six days a week.

b. The quality and condition has considerably improved, but the range and availability of green vegetables is still limited and sporadic. As a matter of interest lettuce and tomatoes purchased by the US Agency in Australia are being delivered into 1 ATF on the afternoon of the day of receipt at Saigon. They are flown into Saigon by PAN AM. The Australian products are good quality, well packed and travel far better than similar products from most other sources.

4. Aerial Delivery Equipment.

a. The requirement has been assessed and divided into four categories:

(1) Equipment for medium helicopter sling loading by units and elements of 1 ATF. This is for operational deployment and resupply through unit echelons.

(2) Equipment for medium helicopter sling loading by Det 176 AD Coy. This is for the operational logistical support of 1 ATF from 1 ALSG.

(3) Equipment for air drop by Det 176 AD Coy from 1 ALSG. This is to be sufficient for 7 x Caribou sorties using configuration for G12D/A22, 7A/A21 plus Turner parachutes as required.

(4) Heavy air drop support from First Logistical Command on an emergency demand, as required basis, using US equipment and personnel.

b. This will entail a revised Aerial Delivery Equipment Stocking List and is the subject of a separate submission. Excess holdings of non required equipment, particularly G12D and 7A parachutes are to be back-loaded.

c. All holdings of G12D and 7A parachutes are in course of being replaced at 109 QM Battalion (AD), Cam Ranh Bay under arrangements made with First Logistical Command. This facility is now readily available to us for repacking.

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d. Lack of trained personnel in 2 Comp Ord Depot, and the effect of our intended reduction in equipment holding (particularly parachutes), will not require 2 Comp Ord Dep to hold a reserve of parachutes. These can be better held and maintained by Det 176 AD Coy.

5. Australian Canned Equivalent Reserves. This reserve has now been determined at 10 days for a strength of 5000. The break up by commodities/percentage is to be forwarded to AHQ.

Ordnance

6. 2 Comp Ord Dep.

a. Some results of the correction of the incorrect asset figures were felt during July. Dues out vouchers fell by 1500 during the month but commenced climbing again as the berthing date of the Jeparit (Mid August) approaches. This is a normal fluctuation and is not a cause for concern.

b. The August Jeparit should contain sufficient stock, (based on the corrected figures) to reduce dues out vouchers to a minimal level. Thereafter, immediate availability should remain satisfactory.

c. The total number of indents received continues to rise and at 8800 is 50% more than the figure recorded in January.

d. The two 200' x 45' bulk storehouses have been occupied and a number of canvas shelters dismantled to provide space for further permanent construction.

e. A total of 935 signals, representing 1876 vouchers, were raised by the Service Demand Section. The lead time for non-scaled items has been reduced accordingly.

f. The attachment of a NCO from 2 Comp Ord Dep to DADOS staff, HQ AFV for liaison with US depots in SAIGON has resulted in improved availability in some general stores items; others remain in short supply. After only one months operations it is too early to draw valid conclusions on availability.

7. Det 6 OFF.

a. In scaling from the June Jeparit has been completed and further stocks are expected on the August Jeparit.

b. The proposal to set up a self-service store in 1 ATF has been deferred until a clear pattern of availability from Saigon Support Command is established.

Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

8. Equipment Repair.

a. Heavy workloads continued at 1 ATF throughout July 1967. Clearance of work arising from inspections continued and serviceability of Armanent, Small Arms Instruments, and Telecommunications equipment is now at a satisfactory level.

b. Repair of office machines is now proceeding satisfactorily, in accordance with the new trade repair procedure.

c. Repair of C Vehicles and Forklifts is still retarded due to delay in provision of spares for some equipments. In particular the following are affected:

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- (1) Tractors Wheeled Size 7 Michigan.
- (2) Tractors Tracked Size 6 International (TD25B).
- (3) Fork lift rough terrain 6000 lbs Pettibone.

d. The outstanding workload at 102 Fd Wksp RAEME has risen to 5,600 hours. The majority of these manhours are derived from equipments submitted from the Repair and Maintenance Pool of 2 Comp Ord Depot. Other projects include Trucks 5 ton dump 6x6 IHC, Armoured Shields for Carriers M113A1, and general engineering tasks resulting from equipment inspections at 1 ALSG. The necessary effort is being applied to reduce this backlog.

e. The serviceability of A Vehicles (M113A1) continued to be maintained above 90% throughout the month.

9. Inspections.

a. The inspection of Small Arms, Instruments, Telecommunication equipment and office machines at 1 ALSG was completed during July. The resulting workload is well in hand.

b. Inspections of equipments (less vehicles) of HQ AFV, 110 Sig Sqn and minor detachments in SAIGON are to commence during the second week of August 1967.

10. Workshop Accommodation and Development.

a. Further development of sites and buildings continued throughout the month at both 1 ALSG and 1 ATF.

b. At 102 Fd Wksp RAEME work continued in providing filling and hard-standing for two platoons.

Postal

11. The following charts are attached to show the volume of mail being handled:

- a. Appendix 11 - Class 1, in and out.
- b. Appendix 12 - Class 2, in and out.

There have been no major problems and the postal system has maintained a satisfactory service.

- Appendices:
1. Tonnage into Vung Tau.
 2. Cargo/Courier Flights Ex Australia
 3. Tonnages forward to 1 ATF
 4. Cargo/Courier Ex Vung Tau
 5. Tonnage out of theatre by sea.
 6. Inland Water Transport
 7. Breakup of Inland Water Transport
 8. 1 ATF - Base Development
 9. 1 ALSG - Base Development
 10. C Vehicles State as at 31 July
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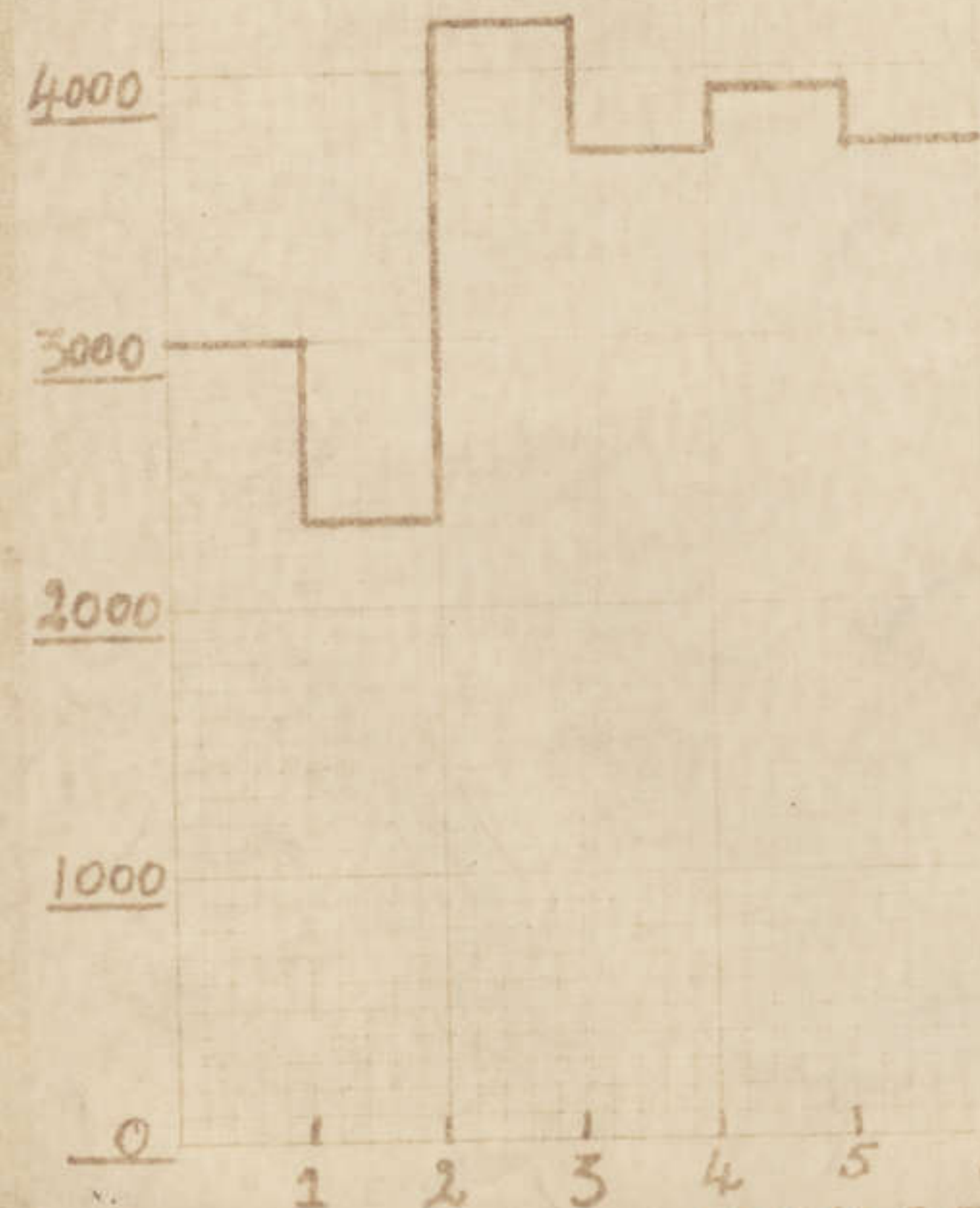
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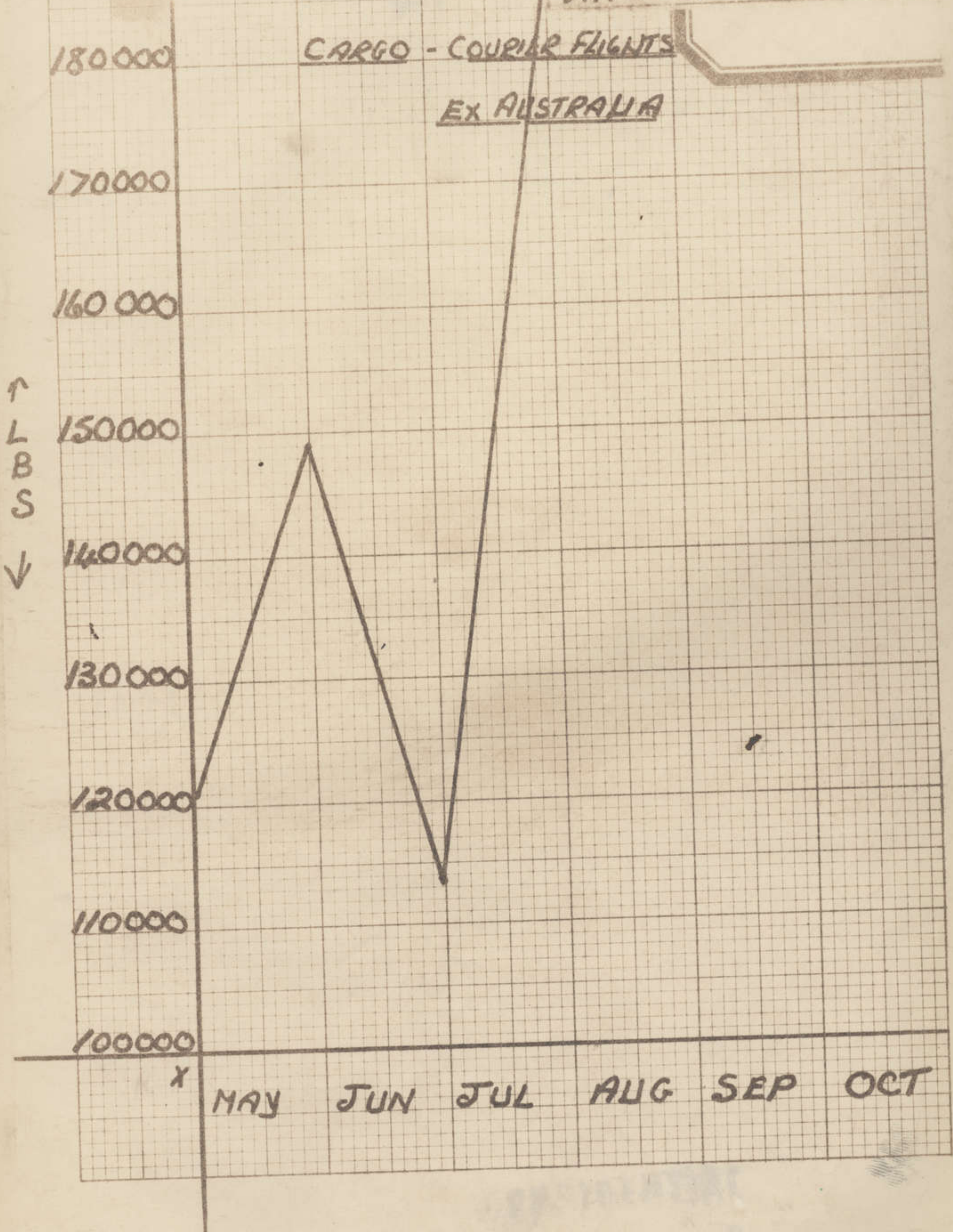
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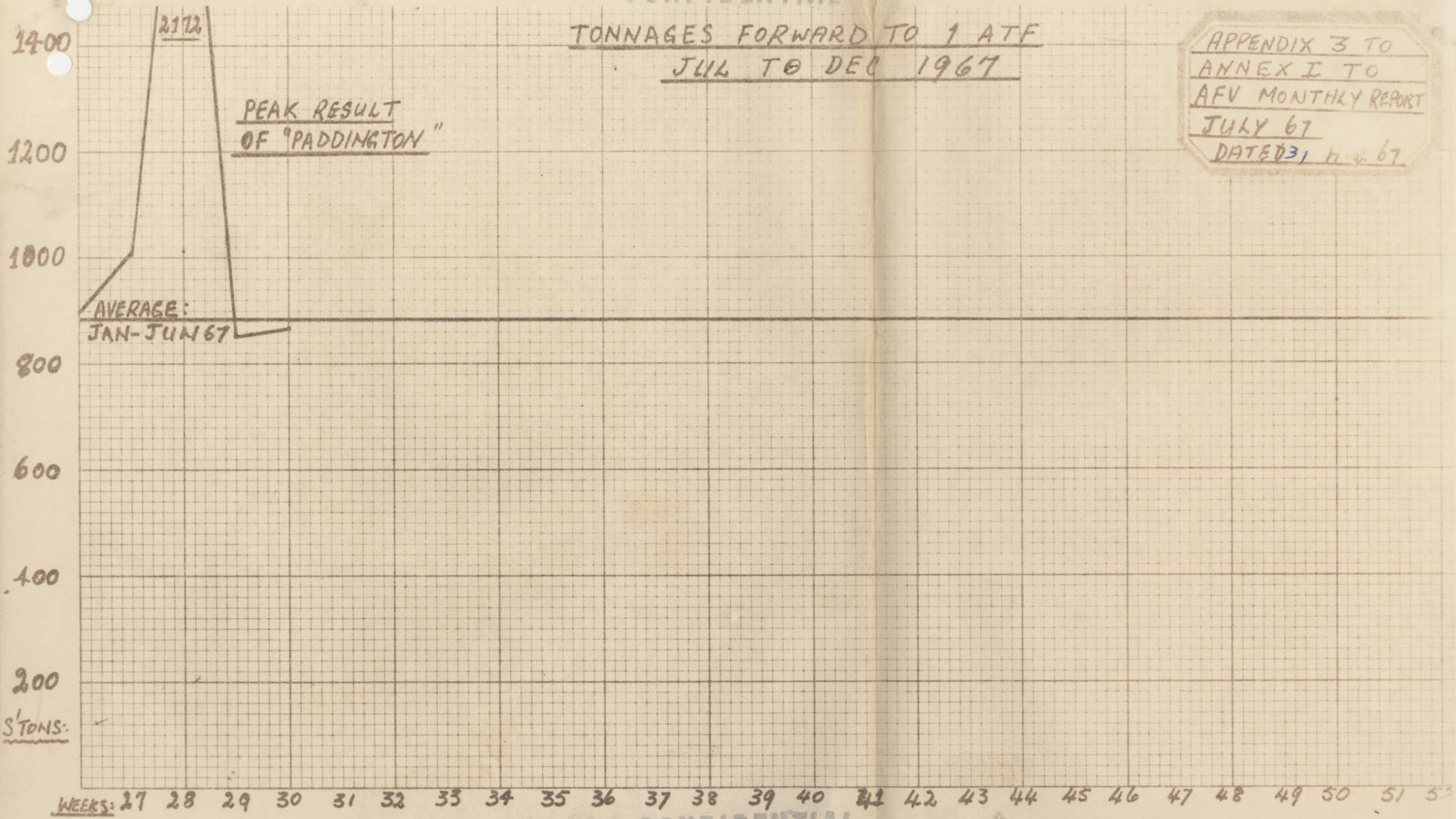


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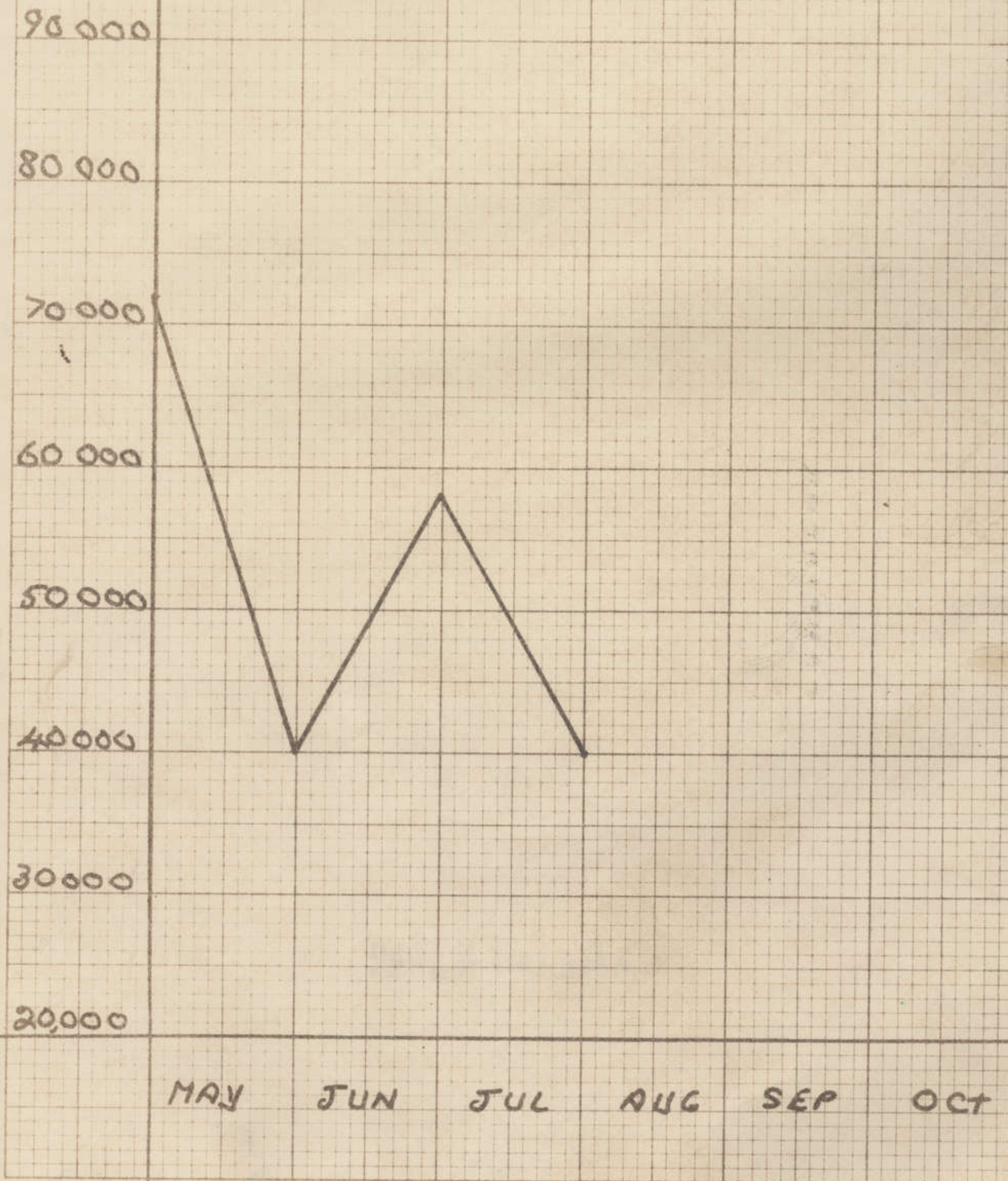


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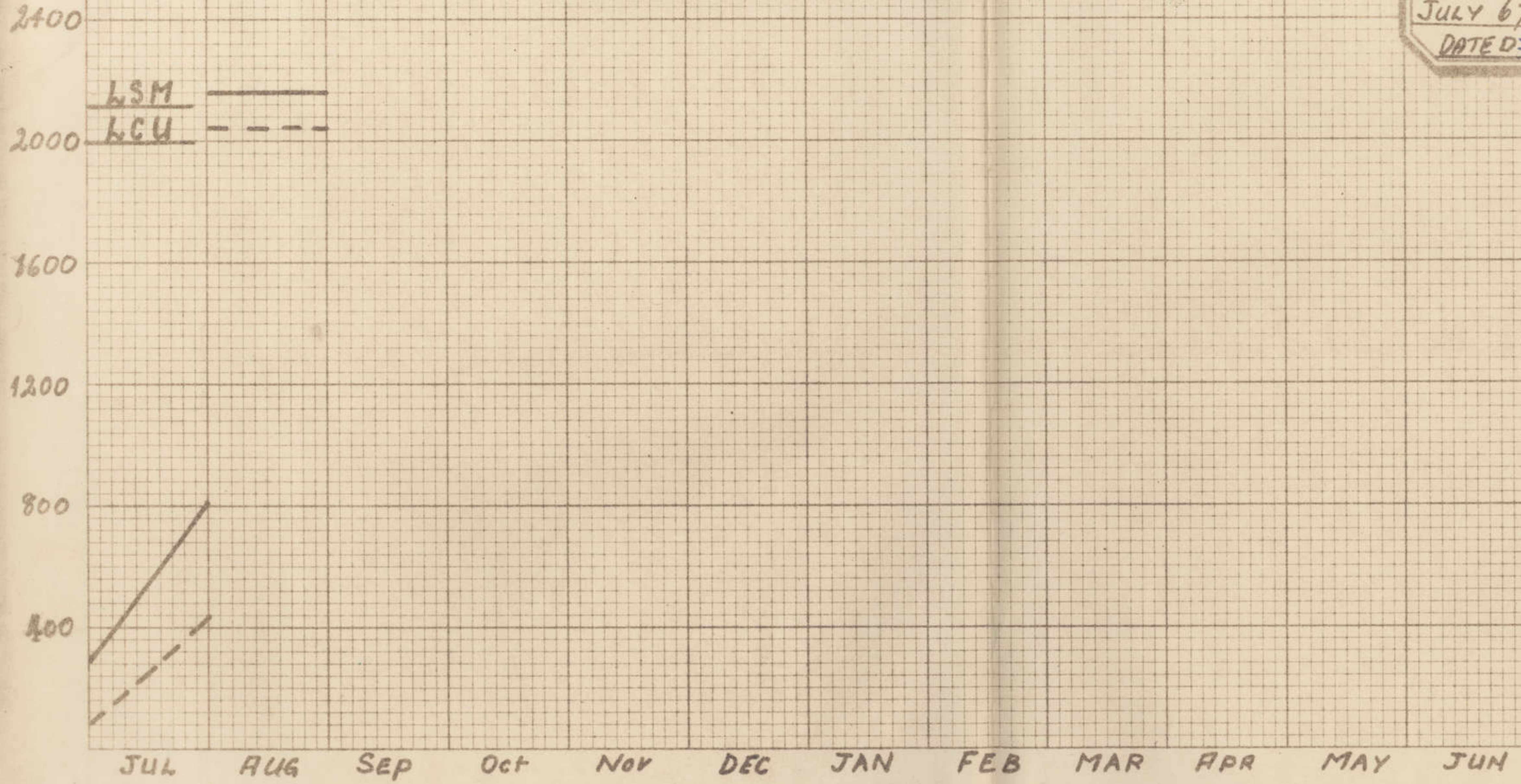
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INLAND WATER TRANSPORT
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SUMMARY OF CARGO CARRIED TO AND FROM
IN COUNTRY PORTS BY AUSTRALIAN LSM AND US LCU'S

1. LSM PORTS

LSM PORTS	AUST CARGO	US CARGO
a. VT/SAIGON	103	28
b. SAIGON/VT	91	17
c. VT/CANTHO	-	446
d. CANTHO/VT	-	116
TOTAL	194 S/TONS 194 S/TONS	607 S/TONS

2. LCU PORTS

LCU PORTS	AUST CARGO	US CARGO
a. VT/SAIGON	70.8	
b. SAIGON SAIGON/VT	44.4	
c. VT/BARIA	228	
d. BARIA/VT	78	
TOTAL	421.2 S/TONS	

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BUILDING OR WORK	UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
Sleeping Accn	Stage 1	No						Stage 1 Shell only
	Stage 2							Stage 2 Partitions, shutters, elec, etc.
Unit A & C Accn	No	103	53	13	4	57	62	
Messes and Canteens	No	53	5	Nil	1	51	96	
Warehouses	No	21	19	Nil	Nil	19	90	
Workshops	No	18	12	Nil	2	14	78	
Shower Blocks	Stage 1	No	85	2	7	92	83	Stage 1 Buckets
	Stage 2		5	1	1	6	5	Stage 2 Piped water
Food Prep Rooms	Stage 1	No	28	Nil	Nil	28	82	Stage 1 Basic
	Stage 2		16	1	Nil	16	49	Stage 2 Improved
Latrine Blocks	No	120	94	2	6	100	84	
Miscellaneous Buildings	No	7	6	Nil	Nil	6	85	

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BUILDING OR WORK		UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
Roads (2 way)	gravelled	yds	43670	25980	1000	300	26280	61	Increase require
	Sealed	yds							
Hardstandings	Gravelled	sq yds	92000	71175	10000	4500	81675	94	
	Sealed	sq yds							
Helipads	Gravelled	sq yds	51600	21600	-	-	21600	42	
	Sealed	sq yds	Not determined						
Culverts	48" and above	ft	1620	1470	Nil	Nil	1470	91	
	Under 48"	ft	5000	3762		778	4240	85	
Water Supply	Mains	yds	Not determined						
Electricity	Lt Retic	yds	361	64	1	6	70	19	
	Building Wiring	No							
Canteens		No	33	29	1	2	31	95	

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BUILDING OR WORK	UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
Sleeping Accn	STAGE 1	104	34	31	37	71	83	Requirement changed from 120 to 104 Stage 1 Shell only
	Stage 2	104	-	31	6	6	14	
Unit A & Q Accn	No	76	4	57	6	10	50	
Masses	No	22	4	14	2	6	10	Total amended but still not firm
Canteens	No	8	6	1	1	7	94	
Warehouses	No	94	16	6	2	18	62	
Workshops	No	16	9	2	2	11	75	
Hospital Accn	No	6	6	-	-	6	100	
Shower Block	Stage 1	31	29	-	-	29	94	Stage 1 Buckets
	Stage 2		-	-	-	-	-	Stage 2 Piped Water
Food Prep Rooms	Stage 1	11	11	-	-	11	100	Stage 1 Basic
	Stage 2		-	-	-	-	-	Stage 2 Improved

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BUILDING OR WORK		UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
Latrine Blocks		No	47	39	1	-	39	84	Total requirement amended
Miscellaneous Buildings		No	15	7	3	2	9	70	
Forces Club		%		90	-	2	92	92	Requirement amended during month
Roads 2 Way	Gravelled	yds	10200	3300		250	3550	35	Sealing requirement not determined
	Sealed	yds		300	-	-	300	-	
Hardstanding	Gravelled	Sq yds	102000	93000	1800	5000	98000	96	Total requirement under review
	Sealed	Sq yds	N/A						
Helipads	Gravelled	Sq yds	18500	18500	-	-	18500	100	
	Sealed	Sq yds	18500	15000	3500	-	15000	90	
Culverts	48" and above	ft							Nil Planned
	under 48"	ft	350	60	-	-	60	17	
Water Supply	Mains	yds							Not yet determined
Electricity	Lt retic	yds	Not determined	19360	-	150	19510	-	
	Building Wiring	No	386	67	-	7	74	19	
Security Fencing		yds	12300	-	-	-	-	-	

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VEHICLE	ENT	HELD	SVC	UN SVC	SVC LAST WEEK	AVERAGE SVC	REMARKS
Tractor Wheeled Size 5	23	20	16	4	16	15	16 Massey Ferguson
Tractor Wheeled Size 6	3	3	3		3	3	3 3 CHAMBERLAIN.
Tractor Wheeled Size 7	19	18	12	6	11	12	12 Michigan
Tractor Wheeled Size 8	5	6	5	1	5	5	Cat 966B
Tractor Tracked Size O	11	8	2	6	3	3	Oliver. 4 BLR. 8 Replacements on Aug Jeparit.
Tractor Tracked Size 2	4	4	2	2	3	3	Cat D4
Tractor Tracked Size 4	18	14	9	5	10	8	TD15, 2 BLR 6 Due on Aug Jeparit
Tractor Tracked Size 6		2	1	1	1	1	TD25B
Scraper 7/9 Cu Yd	8	7	5	2	4	4	
Scraper 10 Cu Yd	2	2	2		2	2	R & M Pool
Crane Shovel P & H	1	1	1		1	1	BLR 1 Due on Aug Jeparit
Crane Shovel 22 RB	2	2	1	1	2	2	
Roller Motorised 25,000 lbs	2	3	2	1	2	2	
Roller Motorised 3 Wh	3	3	2	1	2	2	
Grader Motorised 12 foot	8	7	6	1	5	5	

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NOTE: Average 8 Weeks

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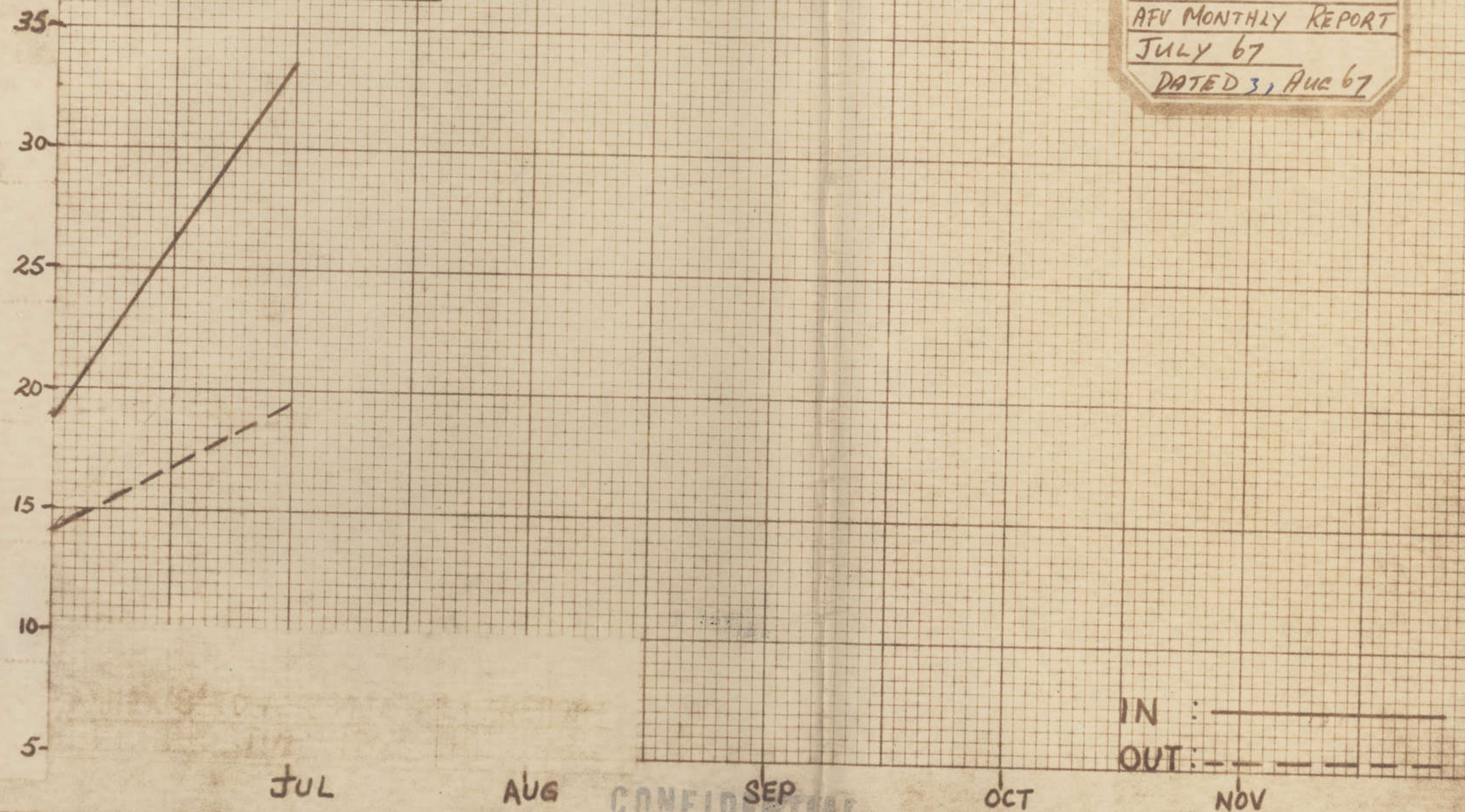
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VISITORS TO AFV - JUL 67

26 Jun - 31 Jul	* Maj L.A. Power
28 Jun - 10 Jul	Capt R.S. Dearing, RNZIR
6 - 30 Jul	Mr M.V. Nesbitt
7 - 15 Jul	A/V/M E. Hey, CB, CBE
9 - 12 Jul	Mr Tom Evans, MLA
10 - 15 Jul	Brig R.A. Hay, MBE
15 - 19 Jul	Col A.B. Stretton, OBE Lt Col J.B. Trenerry Wg Cdr G.H. Bosworth
16 - 26 Jul	Col P.E. Seddon
16 Jul - 3 Aug	Maj J. Altorjay
18 - 24 Jul	Brig E.J.H. Howard
20 - 26 Jul	Mr H. Koppel Mr R.A. Wright
21 - 24 Jul	Maj Gen R.B. Dawson, CBE, DSO
22 - 25 Jul	Mr G. Perkin
25 - 30 Jul	Hon Malcolm Fraser Mr B. White Lt Col R.D.F. Lloyd, MC Mr B. Coburn

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE COMPONENT

General

1. Despite difficulties in supply of construction materials, satisfactory progress is being made on the Cantonment area on VUNG TAU airfield.

Operations

2. All flying squadrons had a successful month. A breakdown of flying hours, cargo and passengers carried and bomb expenditure by Nos 2, 9 and 35 Squadrons is shown at Annex A to Part C.

3. All strikes by 2 Squadron during July were night combat proof radar controlled. 469 targets were attacked during the month.

4. The temporary withdrawal of AVRO triple bomb carriers from use (as a result of a number of bomb release problems), the aircraft bomb/load effectiveness has been reduced. The present bomb load of up to 8 x 500 lb or 6 x 1000 lb bombs is satisfactory as an interim measure.

5. 9 Squadron aircraft suffered their first hits from enemy ground fire. One was during an SAS extraction, another when an aircraft was forced to fly low because of the weather. In the latter instance a crewman was injured in the leg necessitating hospitalization.

6. An accident at DALAT CAMLY Airfield to A4-210 has reduced No 35 Squadron aircraft strength to 6. 35 Squadron also received hits from enemy ground fire. One instance necessitated an engine change. In this incident two Vietnamese were wounded, one slightly and the other later died.

RAAF Strength

7. The RAAF element strength is shown at Annex B to part C.

Casualties

8. A17445 LAC Henson J.A. a helicopter crewman with 9 Squadron received a fragmentation wound in the upper part of his left leg. The circumstances surrounding this battle casualty has been mentioned in para 5.

Visitors

9. During July 1967, visitors to the theatre included:

4 Jul - 10 Jul	Wg Cdr G.W. Bennett MC (051640) Spec D Gr Def DEPAIR
7 Jul - 15 Jul	AVM E. Hey, CB, CBE AMPS DEPAIR
9 Jul - 25 Jul	Wg Cdr S. Bradford, DRC (022040) GDPLT Mr R. Smalley, No 3 Establishment Sub-Committee DEPAIR
25 Jul	Mr Graham Perkins, Editor Melbourne "Age"
26 Jul	Mr Malcolm Fraser, Minister for the Army Mr B. White, Secretary Department of Army

Annexes: A. Flight details 2, 9 and 35 Sqns
B. RAAF Element Strengths

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DETAILS OF FLYING HOURS, CARGO AND PAX CARRIED BY

2 SQN 9 SQN 35 SQN

1. 2 Squadron.
 - (a) Hours flown 512.30
 - (b) Sorties 270
 - (c) Bomb expenditure 1907 x 500 lb
 - (d) VC killed 4 KBA reported
 - (e) Bomb damage assessments 22 secondary explosions plus
2 secondary fires
 - (f) Aircraft casualties from enemy action - nil

2. 9 Squadron.
 - (a) Hours flown 477.40
 - (b) Sorties 2956
 - (c) Pax carried 4043
 - (d) Medevacs uplifted 68
 - (e) Freight 175,700
 - (f) VC KIA Nil
 - (g) Hits on aircraft 2

3. 35 Squadron.
 - (a) Hours flown 532.20
 - (b) Sorties 839
 - (c) Cargo carried 672,841 lb
 - (d) Mail carried 163,100
 - (e) Pax carried 6802

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RAAF COMPONENT STRENGTH STATE

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UNIT DESIGNATION	CORP	PROVINCE	LOCATION	UNIT AUTH STRENGTH			PERSONNEL PCS IN-COUNTRY			PERSONNEL TDY IN-COUNTRY			TOTAL PERSONNEL		
				OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR
2 SQUADRON	II	NINH THUAN	PHAN RANG	39	217	256	40	222	262	-	-	-	40	222	262
BASE SUPPORT FLIGHT	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	17	105	122	19	119	138	1	-	1	20	119	139
NO 35 SQUADRON	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	15	66	81	14	64	78	-	-	-	14	64	78
NO 9 SQUADRON	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	18	78	96	19	76	95	-	-	-	19	76	95
NO 5 ACS DEF B	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	2	42	44	2	45	47	-	-	-	2	45	47
NO 161 RECCE FLIGHT (ARMY)	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	-	7	7	-	7	7	-	-	-	-	7	7
RAAF HQ AFV	III	GIA DINH	SAIGON	7	3	10	8	4	12	6	-	6	14	4	18
												TOTAL	109	537	646

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MONTHLY REPORT

JULY 1967

Reference: A. HQ AFV R723-1-13 dated 31 Jul 67.

Introduction

1. This report is submitted in accordance with paragraph 33 of the revised Directive by the Chiefs of Staff Committee to Commander Australian Force Vietnam, dated 6th March 1967.

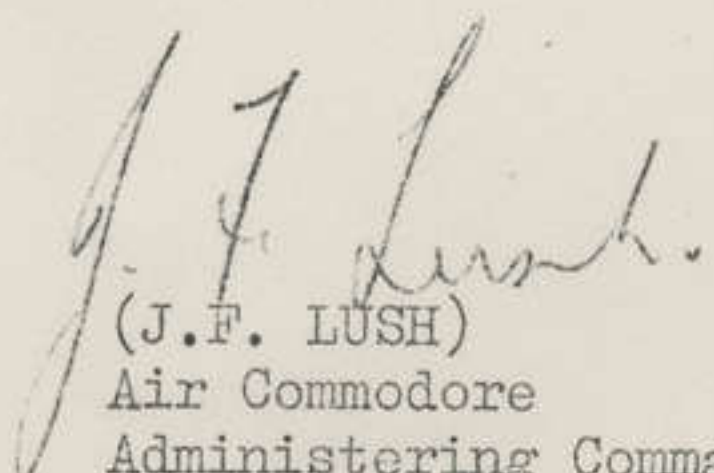
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2. This report covers the period 1-31 Jul 67.

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3. The report comprises three parts. Detailed reports and statistical data have been extracted as annexes (with appendices) to each part of the report. Parts are:

- a. Part A - Royal Australian Navy Component Report.
- b. Part B - Army Component Report.
- c. Part C - Royal Australian Airforce Component Report.


(J.F. LUSH)
Air Commodore
Administering Command
Australian Force Vietnam

Annexes: PART A (NAVY)

A. RAN CDT3 Report July 67.

PART B (ARMY)

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Chief of the Air Staff	2	-	2	2	-	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
COMUSMACV	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
USMACFWMAO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Australian Embassy SAIGON	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
File	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Unit Dairy and Spare	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
TOTAL	15	11	15	13	9	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	15	11	11

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PART A

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY COMPONENT

HMAS HOBART

1. The Captain of HMAS HOBART has submitted his monthly report direct to the Flag Officer Commanding the Australian Fleet.

Clearance Diving Team

2. Employment. The primary role throughout the month was again STABLEDOOR, and the safety of shipping in VUNG TAU harbour. Poor diving conditions in the month of July led to a less than normal number of missions.

3. The team was called upon, on a number of occasions, to investigate mystery objects in and around the VUNG TAU area. There were no significant results.

4. It is pleasing to note that the team's missions are becoming more diversified as the controlling authorities realise the team capabilities.

5. Health and Morale. This remains excellent.

6. Detailed Report. The detailed report of CDT3 is contained at annex A to Part A AFV Monthly Report.

Annex: A. RAN CDT3 Monthly Report

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RAN CLEARANCE DIVING TEAM 3

MONTHLY REPORT - JULY, 1967.

1. Throughout the month, the team's main responsibility has been to operation STABLEDOOR and the safety of shipping in the Vung Tau harbours. Far fewer ships have been in the harbour this month, and with the poor diving conditions less diving than normal has been carried out. One main consolation received from the poor diving weather is that the conditions almost certainly preclude the Viet Cong from carrying out underwater attacks on friendly shipping and, as there have been so few ships in harbour, the patrol boats can ensure that junks do not approach too closely to friendly units.
2. At 1925H on Sunday 2nd July, 1967, team members were called upon to investigate a wooden box found floating in the harbour. The patrol boat reported that a rope led from the box towards the sea bed and that this rope appeared to be anchored. On arrival at the scene, team members carried out an investigation of the box and surrounding area. By this time, it was found that the rope was now a loose end and that the box contained ship's rubbish. The area was declared safe and the incident closed.
3. At 0300H on Thursday 13th July, 1967, the team was called upon to investigate an abandoned junk found floating in the harbour by a U.S. P.C.F. (Swift) craft. Upon arrival at the area, an external investigation was carried out, after which team members boarded the junk. After a complete interior, exterior and underwater investigation had been carried out, the junk was declared safe of explosives and booby trap devices and the incident closed. The junk was towed inshore where it was subsequently identified as a registered fishing boat that had broken adrift.
4. On Thursday 13th July, 1967, the team was placed on immediate stand by after receipt of an intelligence report stating that the local Viet Cong sapper unit had been ordered to destroy U.S. installations in the vicinity of the L.S.T. pier. The report further stated that a time limit had been placed on this operation and that the sapper unit must complete its task by 20th July, 1967.
5. On Monday 17th July, 1967, the team was visited by Mr. R. Leopard, an American advisor to the Vietnamese National Police. Mr Leopard stated that he had been approached by a Viet Cong double agent who reported that he had been ordered to throw a grenade at U.S. personnel on 20th July and wanted a grenade that he could throw but which would cause no material damage. The team provided two grenades which, although looking perfectly intact, were harmless. Subsequent to 20th July, Mr Leopard informed the team that the grenades had been thrown with the desired result.
6. At 1715H on Monday 17th July, 1967, the team was called upon to investigate an object, reported as a mine, situated on a sand bar at Cu Lao Ben Dinh, approximately one mile west of the L.S.T. pier, Vung Tau. On arrival at the area the immediate vicinity was checked for booby traps and claymoremines and eventually declared safe. When the object was approached, it was immediately identified as a large mooring buoy and, after investigation, was declared safe of any explosive devices. This incident was declared closed and the team returned to base.
7. As no Viet Cong incidents had occurred in Vung Tau up until the morning of 20th July, half the team was employed searching the area of the L.S.T. pier for the next 24 hours whilst the remaining half remained on immediate stand by for any land incidents. Apart from investigating rubbish found floating in the vicinity of the L.S.T. pier, the team was not called upon to investigate any incidents during this period. It was thus considered that the local Viet Cong sapper unit may have to answer a few embarrassing questions from their superiors in Baria.

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8. On Sunday 23rd July, 1967, three team members were requested to accompany Major J. Grise, U.S. Army, an advisor to the Vietnamese Special Forces, on a reconnaissance patrol in the vicinity of Long Hai. Several villas in the area had been owned by Madam Nhu and senior South Vietnamese Generals prior to the area being occupied by the Viet Cong. The Special Forces hoped to re-occupy the areas of the villas as a forward operational base and requested the assistance of the team to check the villas and surrounding area for booby traps. Major Grise and the team members were landed on the nearby beach by USN patrol boats and, after completing the mission with nil results, were returned to Vung Tau by the same boats.

9. During the month, work was progressed on providing a comprehensive allied and enemy ordnance display, mainly for the benefit of any future E.O.D. teams that have recently arrived in country and are unfamiliar with the ordnance in use. Concurrently a second display of Viet Cong type booby traps is being manufactured for the guidance of any personnel who wish to avail themselves of the opportunity to do so. In this regard, the U.S.M. authorities have requested the team to lecture all new patrol boat crews on how to search junks and what to expect from enemy personnel onboard.

10. During the month, the following old ammunition and explosives were destroyed:

M26 grenades	5
Mk. 2 grenades	1
M79 grenades	26
M8 illuminating grenades	1
Trip flares	1
81mm mortar illuminating round	2
50 cal ammunition	50 rounds
7.62 ammunition	200 rounds
Viet Cong claymore mines	3
TNT from VC claymore mines	10 lbs

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ARMY COMPONENT REPORT

Operations

1. During the month of July 67, units of 1 ATF conducted the following operations:
 - a. OPERATION PADDINGTON (6-16 Jul 67).
 - b. OPERATION SOUTHPORT (22-28 Jul 67).
 - c. OPERATION CAIRNS (25 Jul - 1 Aug 67).
 - d. Long Range Reconnaissance Patrolling (LRRP).
 - e. Routine patrolling of the Tactical Area of Responsibility.
2. The pattern of operations in July has been one of consolidation in areas already secured, and major thrusts deep into enemy held territory to keep the enemy off balance and to make it even more difficult for him to launch his monsoon offensive with any reasonable chance of success.
3. Operation PADDINGTON. This was a combined Australian, US and Vietnamese operation aimed at the destruction of 274 Regt and the major VC resupply bases in the SOUTHERN MAY TAO War Zone. The operation inflicted some casualties (in excess 90 KIA) on the VC but did not destroy 274 Regt which avoided decisive contact and withdrew into the MAY TAO area. The majority of 1 ATF units were involved in this operation.
4. Operation SOUTHPORT. A combined Australian-Vietnamese route clearing and outpost construction operation mounted between the 1 ATF Base area and XA BANG. The operation successfully demonstrated to the VC that allied troops are able to clear, hold and use Route 2 whenever required.
5. Operation CAIRNS. The operation was initially designed as a two company operation against local VC operating against the wire barrier fence between DAT DO and LONG PHUOC HAI and Route 23. Companies were inserted on foot via the HORSESHOE Base. After a contact with 20 VC from D445 Bn, the remainder of 2 RAR was deployed but efforts to cut off the VC group were not successful. However a considerable amount of explosives, mines and equipment were located and destroyed.
6. LRRP. Patrols continued throughout the period accounting for a total of 10 VC KIA, 1 WIA and 1 PW. A contact average of 33 percent of all patrols was maintained.
7. Detailed Reports. 1 ATF MONEVAL for Jul 67 is attached as Annex A to Part B of the AFV Monthly Report. Detailed orders for the operations have been forwarded under separate cover and the daily situation reports in AFV daily SITREPS.

Army Aviation

8. Flight activities for 161 (Indep) Recce Flt for July were:
 - a. Flying Hours.

(1) Rotary Wing	-	467.16 hours
(2) Fixed Wing	-	286.33 hours
(3) Total hours flown	-	753.49 hours
 - b. Sorties Flown.

(1) Rotary Wing	-	845 sorties
(2) Fixed Wing	-	206 sorties
(3) Total sorties	-	1051 sorties

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9. Training Team members continue their activities throughout SVN. Operations involving members of AATTV remained at about the same level as for June.
10. The AATTV detailed report is attached as Annex B to part B of the AFV monthly report.

Civic Action

11. The main emphasis in Civic Action during July has been in project reconnaissance and evaluation in both 1 ATF and 1 ALSG areas. Results of these surveys will mean increased projects and activity of 1 Aust CA Unit in the coming months.
12. Apart from intensive MEDCAPS, activity has been confined to finalization of existing projects. The detailed report is attached as Annex C to Part B AFV Monthly Report.

Communications

13. The traffic volume rose again in the month of July with an increase of 10.5% over the June figures. This represents an increase of traffic volume of 97% since 1 Jan 67.
14. Installations of both the SAIGON and VUNG TAU major relay stations will proceed through August with completion scheduled for late October.
15. A detailed communications report is attached as Annex D to Part B.

Public Relations (Publicity)

16. Twenty pressmen representing 16 agencies, or TV networks, covered the activities of the Force during July. Of these 7 resided on a permanent basis at 1 ATF. A detailed Public Relations report is attached at Annex E to Part B.

Finance

17. The detailed Secretary's Branch report is attached as Annex F to Part B. The cost of US support for the month of July was:

a. Navy	-	\$US296.46
b. Army	-	\$US472,403.43
c. Air Force	-	\$US203,822.10

Personnel

18. Strengths. As at 31 Jul 67 the Force strength was 5896 made up of 5242 Army, 8 Navy and 646 RAAF. These figures include attached personnel. A detailed strength state is attached as Annex G to Part B with graphical representations at Appendices 1 and 2 to Annex G.
19. Medical Statistics. The incidence of disease continues to be at a low level with the month of July producing the lowest incidence rate since May 66. No cases of malaria appear to have been contracted in the base camp areas. Medical statistics are shown at Annex H (including appendices) to Part B.

Amenities

20. The July/August AFOF show toured Australian and US installations from 21 Jul to 1 Aug giving 13 performances, the show was reasonably well received in most areas.

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21. The Force currently holds 27 US film accounts with each account drawing five feature films per week. During July, the force received 32 feature films, 34 short films (sporting, documentary and TV), and one 20th Century Fox News reel from Australia.

22. During July the following equipment was received from US Special Services:

- a. Three pool tables (1 ATF-2, 1 ALSG-1)
- b. 11 Portable transistor radios
- c. 1000 lb of expendable sporting/recreational equipment.

Quartermaster General Branch Reports

23. Annex I (with appendices) to Part B contains the following reports:

- a. Movements.
- b. Engineers.
- c. Supplies and Transport.
- d. Ordnance.
- e. Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.
- f. Postal.

Visitors

24. Visitors to the Force in the month of July are shown in Annex J to Part B.

- Annexes:
- A. 1 ATF MONEVAL July 67
 - B. AATTV Report
 - C. Civic Action Report
 - D. AFV Communications Report
 - E. Public Relations Report
 - F. Financial Report
 - G. Force Strength Report
 - H. Medical Statistics
 - I. Quartermaster General Branch Report
 - J. Visitors during Jul 67

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ANNEX A TO
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MONTHLY REPORT FOR JUL 67
DATED 31 AUG 67

1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

MONEVAL JULY 1967

General

1. During July 1967, units of 1 ATF conducted the following Operations:
 - a. PADDINGTON.
 - b. SOUTHPORT.
 - c. CAIRNS.
2. Long Range Reconnaissance Patrolling (LRRP) continued throughout the period, accounting for a total of 10 VC KIA (1 possible), 1 WIA possible and 1 PW. A contact average of 33 percent of all patrols was maintained.

Operations

3. Operation PADDINGTON. This was a combined Australian, US and Vietnamese Operation aimed at the destruction of 274 Regt and the major VC resupply bases in the SOUTHERN MAY TAO War Zone (XUYEN MOC YS6568). The Operation was conducted in four phases from 6 Jul to 16 Jul 67 inclusive. Phase one, conducted from 6-7 Jul 67, was a cover plan for the major operation during which ARVN elements conducted resettlement operations NORTH of DUC THANH (YS4677). Grouping and deployment to the operation areas occurred during phase two (8-9 Jul) with the concentration of force in NUI DAT and the deployment to XUYEN MOC. Phase three (Assault and Encirclement) was the most critical phase of the operation. It was believed that the bulk of the 274 Regt was deployed in the area centre of mass YS6676. 1 ATF's task was to establish a blocking force of two battalions EAST of Route 329 while 1/11 ACR assaulted up the route to secure an objective at YS 7180. The 1 ATF deployment plan was implemented as scheduled on 10 Jul 67. 2 RAR and 7 RAR being located at YS7175 and YS6972 respectively. 1/11 ACR was firm on its objective by 0900 hrs 10 Jul 67, having struck minor opposition. By 1500 hrs 10 Jul 67 as scheduled, 1 ATF had completed the establishment of the blocking force with minimal contact with the VC. Phase four (12-16 Jul 67) of the operation was a search and destroy operation conducted in 1 ATF AO (EAST of Route 329) by the two 1 ATF battalions and 1/11 ACR. 2 RAR located a base camp of bunkers and huts which had been occupied during the previous 48 hours. No enemy were in the position, which was destroyed. 2 RAR also had moderate but inconclusive contact with approx 15 VC in the area YS7273. No other units had any reportable contact during this phase. The operation, while inflicting some casualties (in excess of 90 KIA (BC)) did not destroy 274 Regt. The VC avoided decisive contact and withdrew from the base area behind a light screen towards the MAY TAO base complexes. However, considerable damage was done to the VC base camps and installations in this area; and it is considered that 5 VC Div has been denied the forward bases that have been under development for some time and upon which much of their offensive capability is based.

4. Operation SOUTHPORT. This operation conducted over the period 22-28 Jul 67 was a combined Australian-Vietnamese route clearing and outpost construction operation, mounted between the 1 ATF Base area and XA BANG (YS4584). The operation was designed to deny the VC one of his traditional trading areas and transit routes between the HAT DICH and SLOPE 30 Base areas. The initial clearance of the area of XA BANG was to be consolidated by the reconstruction of the Company strength RF post at YS455840. On 22 Jul 67 one company of 2 RAR secured a fire support base at YS445745. The following day 7 RAR secured a fire support base at YS445745. The following day 7 RAR was airlifted into an LZ near the DUC THANH outpost at YS465777 and rapidly secured route 2 North to XA BANG. Route 2 was cleared to a distance of 500 metres either side of the road. The Engineer elements were deployed into XA BANG outpost on 23 Jul 67 and commenced the reconstruction of the post itself. In addition, a protective

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minefield was laid around the post, fields of fire were cleared, bunds around the perimeter were constructed and a 500 gallon water storage tank was installed. The operation was concluded on 28 Jul 67. No contact was made with VC elements during the operation, however quantities of equipment, ammunition and medical supplies were recovered. Operation SOUTHPORT has successfully demonstrated to the VC that allied troops are able to clear, hold and use Route 2 whenever required. The reconstruction and fortifications of the XA BANG outpost will continue to maintain a GVN presence in what was once a major supply area for the enemy.

5. Operation CAIRNS. The operation was initially designed as a two company operation in the area centre of mass YS5357, against local VC forces operating against the Wire Barrier Fence between DAT DO (YS4960) and LONG PHUOC HAI (YS5151) and Route 23. The operation commenced on 25 Jul 67 with the companies moving by night from the HORSESHOE Feature (YS4962) into the area of operations. This movement was highly successful as the VC, being accustomed to helicopter assault landings or vehicular deployment were quite unprepared for the operation. On 29 Jul 67 V Coy 2 RAR sighted 20 VC who initially appeared to be peasants carrying large grass bundles. In the contact which followed one VC KIA (BC) was identified as being from C1 Coy D445 Bn. The group was engaged on ammunition resupply. Subsequent deployment of the remainder of 2 RAR in an endeavour to cut off this VC group was unsuccessful; however, several minor contacts, primarily with local guerrillas resulted in a further three VC KIA (BC) and one WIA. In addition, a considerable amount of explosives, mines and equipment were located and destroyed. The operation, although only moderately successful in terms of VC KIA, has again demonstrated the relative value of "secure" foot approaches into operational areas, particularly in those areas where the enemy are likely to withdraw immediately after contact has been made.

Comment

6. The operations conducted during July have had significant results, particularly in the area to the EAST and NORTH EAST of 1 ATF TAOR. All operations have had the overall effect of forcing the VC to reconsider his capacity to operate in strength against the population and food producing areas of the province, and the outposts which protect them. The plans of 5 VC Div and 274 Regt for a major monsoonal operation in the province have no doubt been seriously curtailed. The enemy's Southern MAY TAO base complex has been destroyed and his units forced to withdraw to the EAST and NORTH, thus placing him even further from his probable objectives.

7. Operations EAST of DAT DO are progressing and will continue to dominate this area against enemy infiltration. The change in attitude of the population of DAT DO, which was one of barely concealed hostility, or at best apathy, prior to Operations LEETON and PORTSEA is improving considerably now that they are relatively secure from VC terrorism. An intensive revolutionary development programme has been directed against the town, with particular emphasis on MEDCAP and self help rural reconstruction programmes.

8. The reconstruction of the XA BANG outpost to the stage where it is more than capable of holding its own against a battalion assault has undoubtedly caused some embarrassment to the VC. The area is no longer the safe transit and purchasing area it once was, and it is possible that the VC may start to take more aggressive action to maintain the security of his base area in the SLOPE 30 region NORTH of BINH GIA which to date has been relatively untouched by allied forces. Alternatively, the VC may react violently against the XA BANG outpost in an endeavour to reassert his waning authority in the area. This reaction must be almost immediate, since it is intended to resettle all civilians living in the vicinity of the post to a more secure area.

9. In conclusion, the pattern of operations in July has been one of consolidation in areas already secured, and major thrusts deep into enemy held territory to keep the enemy off balance and to make it even more difficult for him to launch his monsoon offensive with any reasonable chance of success.

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MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT
AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM
FOR MONTH OF JULY 1967

General

1. During July 1967 the normal rotation of personnel within AATTV after 6 months of their tour continued. The rotation will in the main be completed by the end of September. VC activities involving members of AATTV remained at about the same level as during June 1967.

Personnel

2. Casualties.

a. Battle Casualties.

(1) WO2 J.A. BOND - minor shrapnel wound to his right chest. He remained on duty with 2/4 Cav Tp.

(2) WO2 A.N. POWELL - minor shrapnel wound to right buttock. He remained on duty with 4 Bn of 2 Regt.

(3) WO2 J.P. HAGEAN - panji wound to the right buttock. Not serious but required several days hospitalisation.

b. Non-Battle Casualties.

(1) WO2 C.L. UPTON - contracted an unknown heart virus in QUANG TRI Province. He was admitted to 8 Fd Amb on 30 June and since then has been receiving treatment at 8 Fd Amb and 36 Evac Hosp (US).

(2) WO2 N. GREUTZNER - received a fractured check bone when a cargo securing chain in an aircraft snapped under tension. He was admitted to the USAAF Hosp CAM RANH BAY and is still there.

(3) WO2 J.W. LAKE - was admitted to 8 Fd Amb on 22 July suffering from a minor dose of suspected malaria.

3. Individual Replacements.

a. One officer and 2 WOs RTA during July.

b. Three officers and 3 WOs arrived from Australia.

Visitors

4. Minister for the Army. The Minister for the Army, Mr Malcolm FRASER accompanied by the Secretary, Department of the Army and COMAFV visited AATTV locations in I Corps on 28 and 29 Jul 67. He visited:

a. Australia House Danang, the unit HQ in I Corps.

b. 51st ARVN Regt who are employed on RD in the National Priority Area SE of DANANG.

c. "Mike Force" of Company C 5th Special Forces Group DANANG.

d. 1 Bn of 5 Regt, 2 Div on Hill 110 in QUANG TIN Province.

e. 1st ARVN Div at HUE in THUA THIEN Province.

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f. NAM HOA Sub-Sector in THUA THIEN Province.

g. TRIEU PHONG Sub Sector HQ in QUANG TRI Province.

h. At the above locations he met members of AATTV who are either posted to these units or were brought from outlying units to meet him.

5. Col (Trg) HQ FARELF. Col P.E. SEDDON during his visit to VIETNAM visited some units in I and II Corps where AATTV members are employed.

Honours and Awards

6. The award of the Military Medal was approved on 26 July 67 to WO2 B.D. CLARK and WO2 J. STEPHENS. These two awards bring the total of Honours and Awards to AATTV members, since 3 Aug 62, to 30.

Operations and Training

7. The appendices listed below will be forwarded to Army Headquarters only under separate cover.

Appendices:

1. General Report. Mike Force Company 'C' 5th SF Gp.	} Not Attached
2. Operations 2 Bn/2 ARVN Regt.	
3. Operations 1 Bn/2 ARVN Regt.	
4. After Action Report - Operations LAMSON 79.	
5. After Action Report - Operation BEN QUANG.	
6. General Report - Combined Studies Department II Corps.	
7. After Action Reports - CSD Trail Watch Teams II Corps.	

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CIVIC ACTION MONTHLY REPORT

JULY 1967

General

1. The main emphasis in Civic Action during Jul 67 has been in project reconnaissance and evaluation in both 1 ATF and 1 ALSG areas. Results of these surveys will mean the increase of projects, and activity by 1 Aust CA Unit in the following months.

2. Apart from intensive MEDCAP's, activity has been confined to finalising existing projects.

1 ATF

3. Construction.

a. Assistance was rendered for the repair of the HOA LONG Pagoda.

b. Levelling as part of earlier projects was completed at the Old Peoples House at BARIA and the HOA LONG Market Place.

c. Repairs were carried out to the HOA LONG school.

d. Six wells were repaired in the HOA LONG area.

4. Medical. A total of 1,902 patients were treated at BARIA, BIN BA, DAT DO, HOA LONG, AP NGAI GIAO, DUC THANH, and BIN GIA.

5. Dental. 125 patients were treated throughout the area.

6. Education. English education classes were again successful with 732 people attending 12 classes. In addition the education officer conducted an evaluation of the education system and its requirements.

7. Distribution of Commodities. The following commodities were distributed:

a. Clothing - 500 lbs

b. Food - 3,100 lbs

c. Lumber - 40 lineal ft

d. Midwifery Kits - 7

e. School Kits - 300

f. Soap - 300 lbs

g. Rice - 2200 lbs (recovered during Operation PADDINGTON)

1 ALSG

8. Construction. Construction during the month consisted of repairs to:

a. Dispensaries - 2

b. Fences - 2

c. Hospitals - 1

d. Orphanages - 1

e. Playgrounds - 3

f. Wells - 1

9. Medical. 553 patients were treated.

10. Dental. 54 patients were examined and treated.

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11. Distribution of Commodities:

- a. Cement - 1000 lbs
- b. Clothing - 500 lbs
- c. Fertilizer - 50 lbs
- d. Food - 1000 lbs
- e. Soap - 20 lbs

12. Education. Education consisted of 12 English classes being conducted with an attendance of 35 at each class.

SAIGON

13. Civic Action in Saigon was again devoted solely to the DONG CHUA Orphanage where 1,050 lbs of baby food, milk, baby clothes and soap were distributed.

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COMMUNICATIONS - MONTHLY REPORT

JULY 1967

1. The traffic volume again rose. The number of messages through the Major Relay Station was 53,211, an increase of 10.5% over the figures for Jun 67. This represents an increase of 77% since the relief of the Force (1 Apr 67), and 97% since 1 Jan 67.
2. Propagation conditions continue to affect the SAIGON-MELBOURNE radio circuit, however traffic handling capacity has been improved. This was achieved by lifting machine speed to 100 words per minute.
3. Improvements have been made to the transmitter station at PHU THO. This included completely rebuilding the transmission lines, a major overhaul on both transmitters, and improvements to the power distribution system. Additional work is required to bring the station up to an acceptable standard.
4. The in-theatre TRC-24 radio relay system remains marginal, however some improvements and an emphasis on preventative maintenance has increased the telephone channel availability times.
5. Installations of both the SAIGON and VUNG TAU major relay stations will proceed through August until completion scheduled for late October.
6. The following graphs are attached:
 - a. Appendix 1 - Trunk Telephone Channel Availability.
 - b. Appendix 2 - Traffic Volume - SAIGON MRS.
 - c. Appendix 3 - Circuit Data Summary - SAIGON MRS.

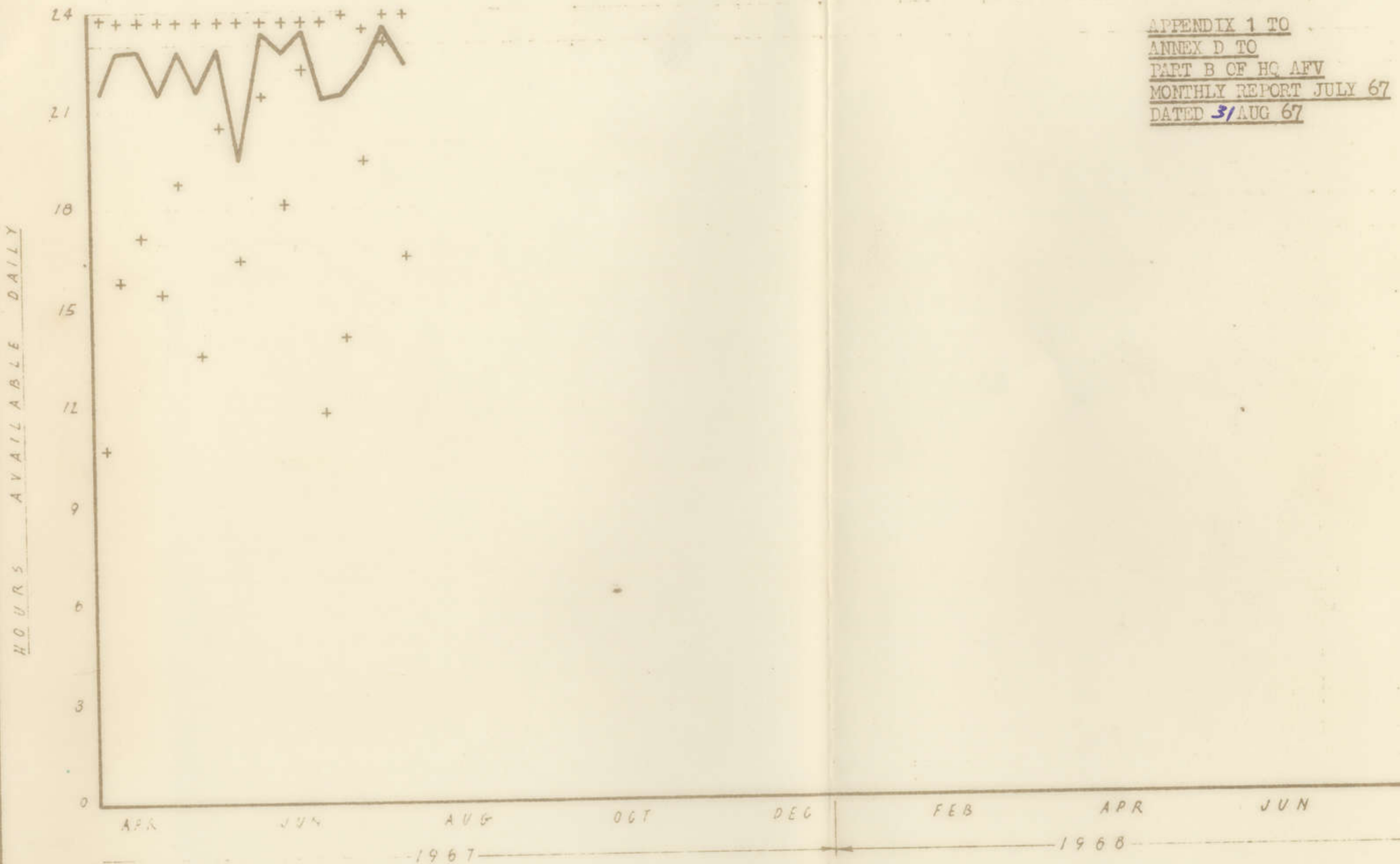
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2. Traffic Volume - SAIGON MRS
3. Circuit Data Summary - SAIGON MRS

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TRUNK TELEPHONE CHANNEL AVAILABILITY

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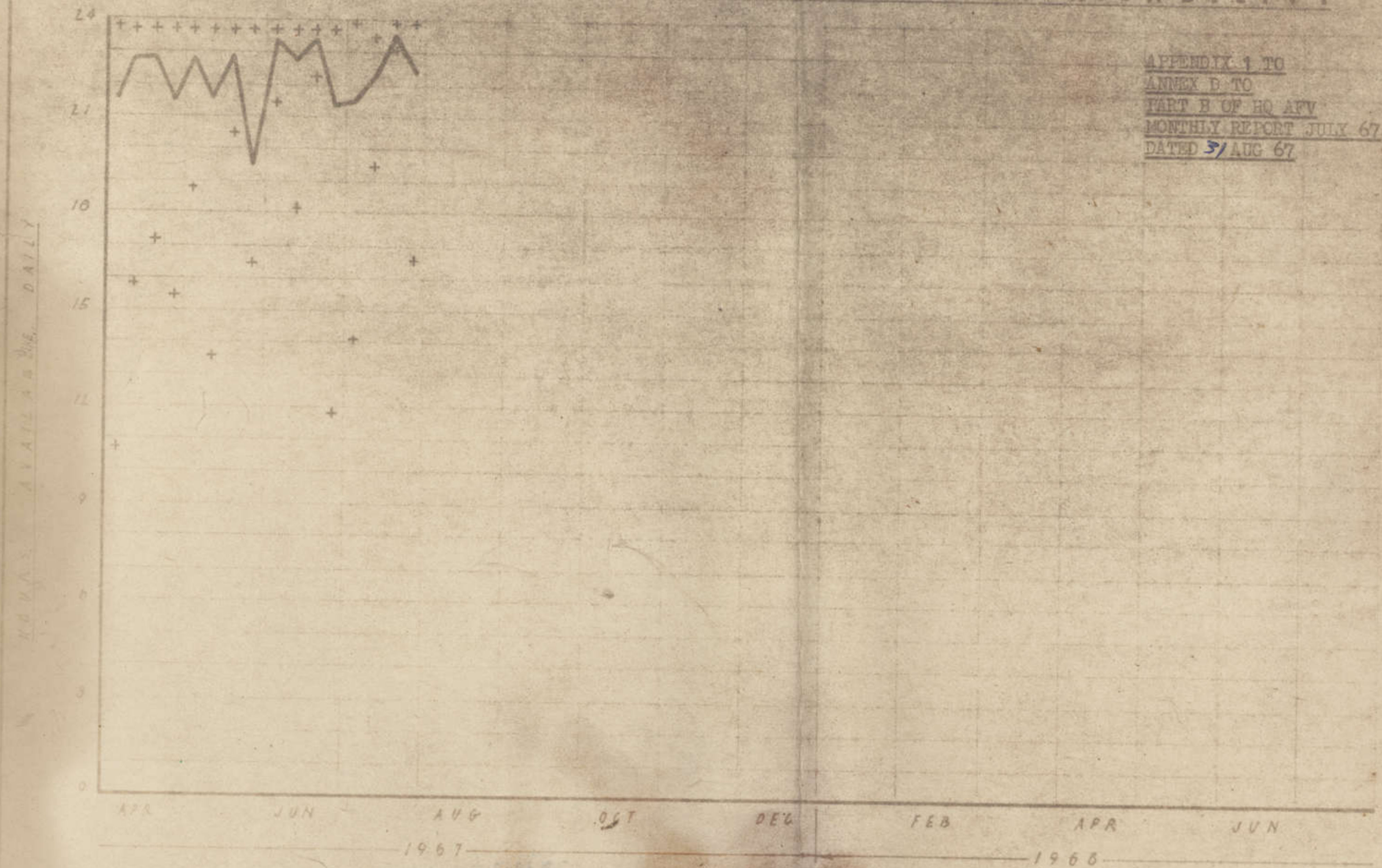
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CIRCUIT DATA SUMMARY - MAJOR RELAY STATION SAIGON
1 - 31 JULY 67

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Circuit	Bearer	Circuit Availability		Traffic Data - Total Messages IN and OUT								TOTAL
		Hours/Day	%	FLASH		IMMEDIATE		PRIORITY		ROUTINE		
				No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	
NUI DAT	US hired line (microwave/AN/TRC-24/line)	22.9	95.4	Nil		271	5	2306	43	2801	52	5,378
AFV Sigcen	Aust line	24.0	100.0	Nil		421	3	5421	44	6629	53	12,471
MELBOURNE	Aust HF Radio	16.3	68.0	Nil		1955	13	6955	45	6521	42	15,431
PHAN RANG	US hired line (Troposcatter/ microwave)	21.8	90.8	Nil		234	6	2210	62	1144	32	3,588
PHU LAM	US hired line (microwave/ land line)	22.9	95.4	Nil		1443	26	2047	38	1947	36	5,437
VUNG TAU	Aust AN/TRC-24	19.9	82.9	Nil		715	7	5898	54	4293	39	10,906
											53,211	

Notes:

- a. All circuits continuous and protected.
- b. Nui Dat circuit is simplex and the remainder full duplex.
- c. Back-up to Nui Dat hired line is Aust AN/TRC-24.
- d. The above total does NOT include 2,813 ZFX, ZIG or ZFR

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PUBLIC RELATIONS HQ AFV

REPORT FOR MONTH OF JULY 1967

General

1. A total of 20 pressmen covered the activities of the Force during July 1967. The 20 pressmen represented 16 agencies or TV networks and were in 1 ATF area for a total of 50 ration days.

2. Pressmen permanently, or semi-permanently residing at 1 ATF during the month were:

Mr R. Beckett	Aust Associated Press
Mr T. Dyson (relief for Mr Beckett)	Aust Associated Press
Mr D. Gibbons	Freelance
Mr R. McDonald	Sydney Telegraph
Mr G. Jones	Melbourne Sun/Herald Group
Mr T. Trong	ITN (TV)
Mr T. Choi	VISNEWS (ABC TV)

3. Mr Beckett has completed his six-months tour and joined Reuters in London and Messrs McDonald and Jones are expected to return to Australia shortly.

Press Releases

4. Fifty-four news releases were despatched to DPR, AHQ Canberra for the Australian Press and Army Newspaper. In addition, RAAF releases were despatched to DPR, DEPAIR.

Pictorial

5. Sixty-nine black and white negatives were selected for release and despatched to DPR for distribution in Australia. A large number of RAAF negatives were also despatched to DPR, DEPAIR.

Television

6. PR photographers shot a total of 2155 ft of black and white film for TV. The photographers covered nine assignments, including Operation PADDINGTON and the visit of the Minister for the Army. The RAAF PR team covered it's service aspects of these activities for inclusion in a joint TV film news release.

Radio

7. Sixteen radio tapes, covering a wide variety of subjects, were despatched to DPR for bulk distribution. 20 radio tapes were produced on the activities of the force by a field team from AFRTS. A daily news bulletin and weekly sports round-up was compiled and read by HQ AFV PR staff for AFRTS broadcast.

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FINANCE

REPORT FOR JULY 1967 - SECRETARY'S BRANCH

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY COMPONENT

US/Aust Financial Working Arrangement

1. The cost of US support for July 1967 was \$US296.46.

ARMY COMPONENT

US/Aust Financial Working Arrangement

2. The cost of US support for July 1967 was \$US472,403.43.
3. HQ 1 ATF and HQ 1 ALSG were visited on 26/27 Jul 67 to regularise submission of monthly strength returns and to stress the need for accuracy in their compilation. Returns so far received for July indicate that the visit was successful.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE COMPONENT

US/Aust Financial Working Arrangement

4. Cost of US support for July was \$US203,822.10.

Civilian Staff

5. The total number of civilian staff employed as at 31 Jul 67 was 336. Of this total 197 are paid through AIK Funds and 139 from Australian Funds.

AIK Funds for Camp Construction

6. Approval for the increased allocation of funds for camp construction has been received and the figure for the calendar year 1967 is \$VN45,000,000.
7. Claims submitted to the US for re-imburement for the month totalled \$VN3,587,985.

Audit

8. Det 2 AFV Cash Office was visited on 10-14 Jul 67 by the FA and WO1 Woods. A follow up visit to this office was made on 24-28 Jul 67 by Ssgt Lumsden. A visit was also made to 1 Div S & T Wksps to follow up E Comd Army Audit Staff observations raised prior to the units arrival in theatre.

Local Purchase AIK Funds

9. USMACV has agreed to provide HQ AFV with a revolving imprest fund of \$VN200,000 for purchase of items in accordance with MACV Directive 37-19. A HQ AFV Administrative Instruction has been prepared setting out how these funds will be controlled.

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AFV STRENGTH STATES JULY 1967

UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
HQ AFV	42	82	124	2	8	10	44	90	134	43	90	133	2	9	11	45	99	144
110 Sig Sqn	8	183	191		15	15	8	198	206	8	176	184				8	176	184
AFV Det 11 MC Gp	2	13	15		1	1	2	14	16	3	16	19	1		1	4	16	20
AFV Cash Office	4	14	18		2	2	4	16	20	3	16	19				3	16	19
+ AATTV	14	85	99				14	85	99	18	77	95				18	77	95
Det 198 Wks Sec	1	9	10				1	9	10		7	7					7	7
FORS (att HQ AFV)	2	1	3				2	1	3	2	1	3				2	1	3
(III Corps Gia Dinh Province Located Saigon)																		
+ Location of individual AATTV personnel are the subject of separate returns																		
TOTAL	73	387	460	2	26	28	75	413	488	77	383	460	3	9	12	80	392	472
HQ 1 ATF	28	121	149	2	10	12	30	131	161	27	127	154				27	127	154
A Sqn 3 Cav Regt	10	107	117	1	10	11	11	117	128	11	114	125				11	114	125
Det 131 Div Loc Bty	3	64	67		6	6	3	70	73	3	70	73				3	70	73
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UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			2. ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
4 th Fd Regt	26	303	329	1	34	35	27	337	364	27	340	367				27	340	367
A Sec 1 Topo Svy Tp	2	19	21		1	1	2	20	22	2	21	23				2	21	23
1 Fd Sqn	8	157	175		17	17	8	184	192	8	170	178				8	170	178
21 Engr Sp Tp	1	55	56		5	5	1	60	61	1	44	45				1	44	45
104 Sig Sqn	6	121	127		11	11	6	132	138	5	132	137				5	132	137
Det 152 Sig Sqn		17	17					17	17		13	13					13	13
Det 547 Sig Tp	2	28	30		1	1	2	29	31	2	27	29				2	27	29
2 RAR	36	760	796	2	78	80	38	838	876	38	853	891				38	853	891
7 RAR	36	760	796	2	78	80	38	838	876	38	870	908				38	870	908
1 SAS Sqn	6	76	82		9	9	6	85	91	6	85	91				6	85	91
Det 1 Div Int Unit	1	13	14		1	1	1	14	15	1	12	13				1	12	13
Det 6 OFP	1	24	25		2	2	1	26	27	1	25	26				1	25	26
Det A Sqn 3 Cav Regt LAD		14	14		1	1		15	15		15	15					15	15
4 Fd Regt LAD	1	23	24		2	2	1	25	26	1	21	22				1	21	22
Det 131 Div Loc Bty Wksp		6	6					6	6		6	6					6	6
1 Fd Sqn Wksp	1	26	29		2	2	1	30	31	1	27	28				1	27	28
HQ 1 TF LAD	1	15	16		1	1	1	16	17	1	16	17				1	16	17
161 (Indep) Recce Flt	15	80	95		8	8	15	88	103	14	79	93				14	79	93

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UNIT	ESTI STR			SUPPLEMENT			3. ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
1 Aust CA Unit	10	39	49				10	39	49	11	34	45				11	34	45
+ 1 ARU	6	94	100				6	94	100	6	77	83				6	77	83
Det 1 Div Postal Unit		3	3					3	3		4	4					4	4
+ Includes reinforcement holding (III Corps Phuoc Tuy Province located Nui Dat)																		
TOTAL	200	2937	3137	8	277	285	208	3214	3422	204	3182	3386				204	3182	3386
HQ 1 ALSG	10	76	86		12	12	10	88	98	11	75	86				11	75	86
17 Const Sqn	10	245	255		20	20	10	265	275	10	252	262	3	3		10	255	265
Det 55 AESS	1	28	29		3	3	1	31	32	1	32	33				1	32	33
67 GL Sec	2	2	4				2	2	4	2	2	4				2	2	4
HQ 5 Coy RAASC	4	19	23		3	3	4	22	26	4	23	27				4	23	27
85 Tpt Pl	2	75	77		7	7	2	82	84	2	83	85				2	83	85
2 Tpt Pl	2	75	77		7	7	2	82	84	2	79	81				2	79	81
25 Sup Pl	2	35	37		3	3	2	38	40	2	38	40				2	38	40
Det 86 Tpt Pl	1	29	30		3	3	1	32	33	1	32	33				1	32	33
Det 176 AD Coy	1	21	22				1	21	22	1	21	22				1	21	22
8 Fd Amb	16	114	130		7	7	16	121	137	16	124	140				16	124	140
33 Dent Unit	5	18	23		1	1	5	19	24	3	11	14				3	11	14
102 Fd Wksp	6	120	126	1	11	12	7	131	138	7	127	134				7	127	134
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UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			4. ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
Comd Ord	10	123	133		13	13	10	136	146	11	128	139				11	128	139
102 Fd Wksp Stores Sec	1	15	16				1	15	16	1	15	16				1	15	16
17 Const Sqn Wksp	1	40	41		4	4	1	44	45	1	42	43				1	42	43
Det 1 Div S & T Wksp	1	18	19		1	1	1	19	20	1	19	20				1	19	20
Det 1 Comm Z Postal Unit	2	13	15		2	2	2	15	17	2	13	15				2	13	15
AFV Pro Unit	1	4	45		4	4	1	48	49	1	48	49				1	48	49
Det 30 Terminal Sqn	1	17	18		2	2	1	19	20	1	19	20				1	19	20
Aust R & C Centre	1	22	23				1	22	23	1	20	21				1	20	21
Det 8 Pet Pl	1	9	10				1	9	10	1	9	10				1	9	10
Det 5 ASCO (III Corps Phuoc Tuy Province located Vung Tau)	3	19	22				3	19	22	3	20	23				3	20	23
TOTAL	84	1177	1261	1	103	104	85	1280	1365	85	1232	1317		3	3	83	1235	1320
GRAND TOTAL	357	4501	4858	11	406	417	368	4907	5275	366	4797	5163	3	12	15	369	4809	5178
<u>NAVY COMP</u>																		
RAN CDT 3	1	0	7				1	6	7	1	6	7				1	6	7
STO (att HQ AFV)	1		1				1		1	1		1			1			1
TOTAL	2	6	8				2	6	8	2	6	8				2	6	8
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UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			5. ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
<u>RAAF COMP</u>																		
RAAF HQ AFV	7	3	10				7	3	10	7	5	12	5		5	12	5	17
35 SQN	16	66	82				16	66	82	16	61	77			16	61	77	
2 SQN	41	223	264				41	223	264	42	222	264			42	222	264	
9 SQN	18	82	100				18	82	100	17	86	103			17	86	103	
Base Sp Flt	17	116	133				17	116	133	19	119	138	2	5	7	21	124	145
TOTAL	99	490	589				99	490	589	101	493	594	7	5	12	108	498	606
<u>T/Duty in Country</u> <u>ARMY</u>																		
AV "VERNON STURDEE										4	50	54			4	50	54	
TOTAL										4	50	54			4	50	54	
<u>T/Duty in Country</u> <u>RAAF</u>																		
5 ACS										2	38	40			2	38	40	
TOTAL										2	38	40			2	38	40	
<u>TOTAL ARMY</u> 5173																		
<u>TOTAL RAAF</u> 594																		
<u>TOTAL ANVY</u> 8																		
GRAND TOTAL (Incl TDY) 5896																		

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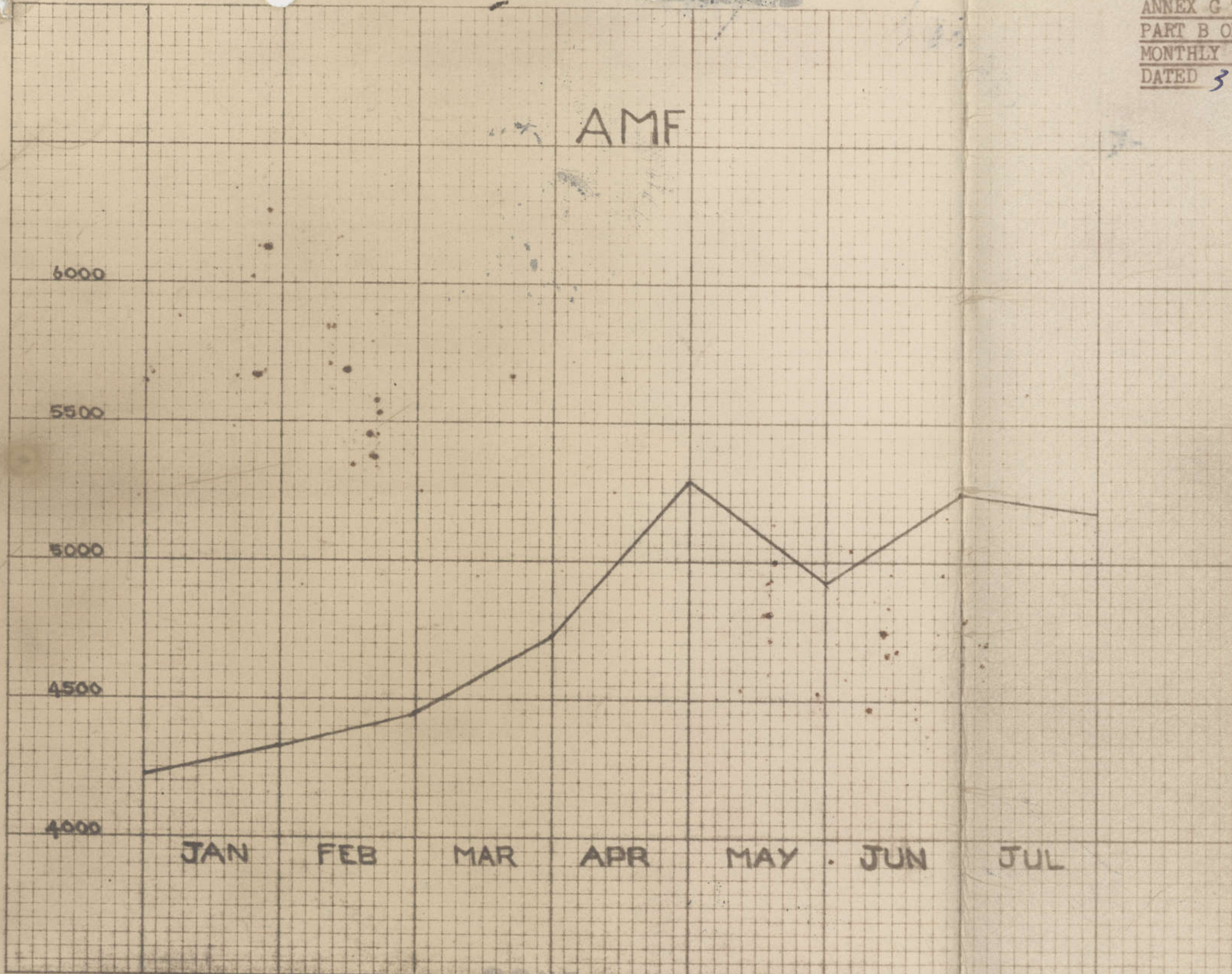
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	OFFR	JP	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL
o RAR	36	760	796	2	78	80	38	838	876		6	6					6	6
1 Fd Regt (III Corps Gia Dinh Province Located Saigon)	26	303	339	1	34	35	27	337	364	4		4				4		4
TOTAL	62	1063	1125	3	112	115	65	1175	1240	4	6	10				4	6	10

- Appendices:
1. Graph - Strengths - Jan to Jul 67.
 2. Graph - Strength as at 31 Jul.

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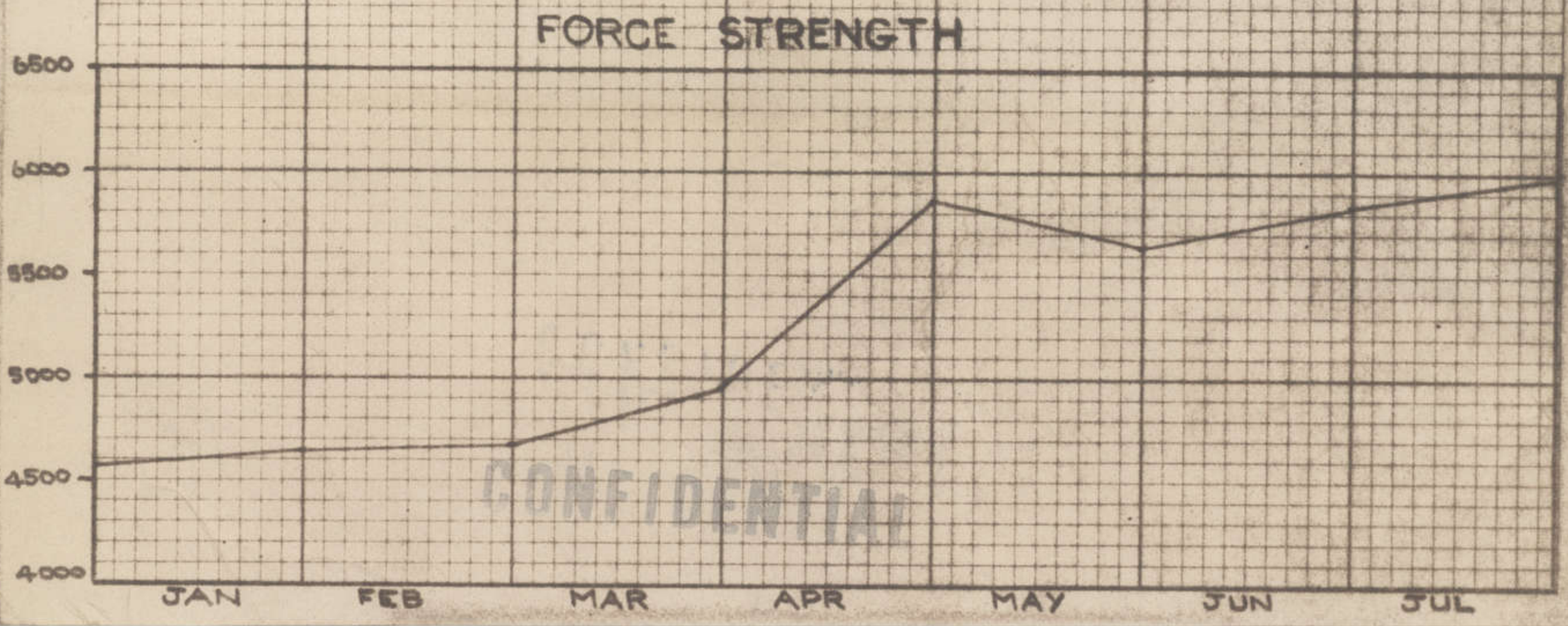
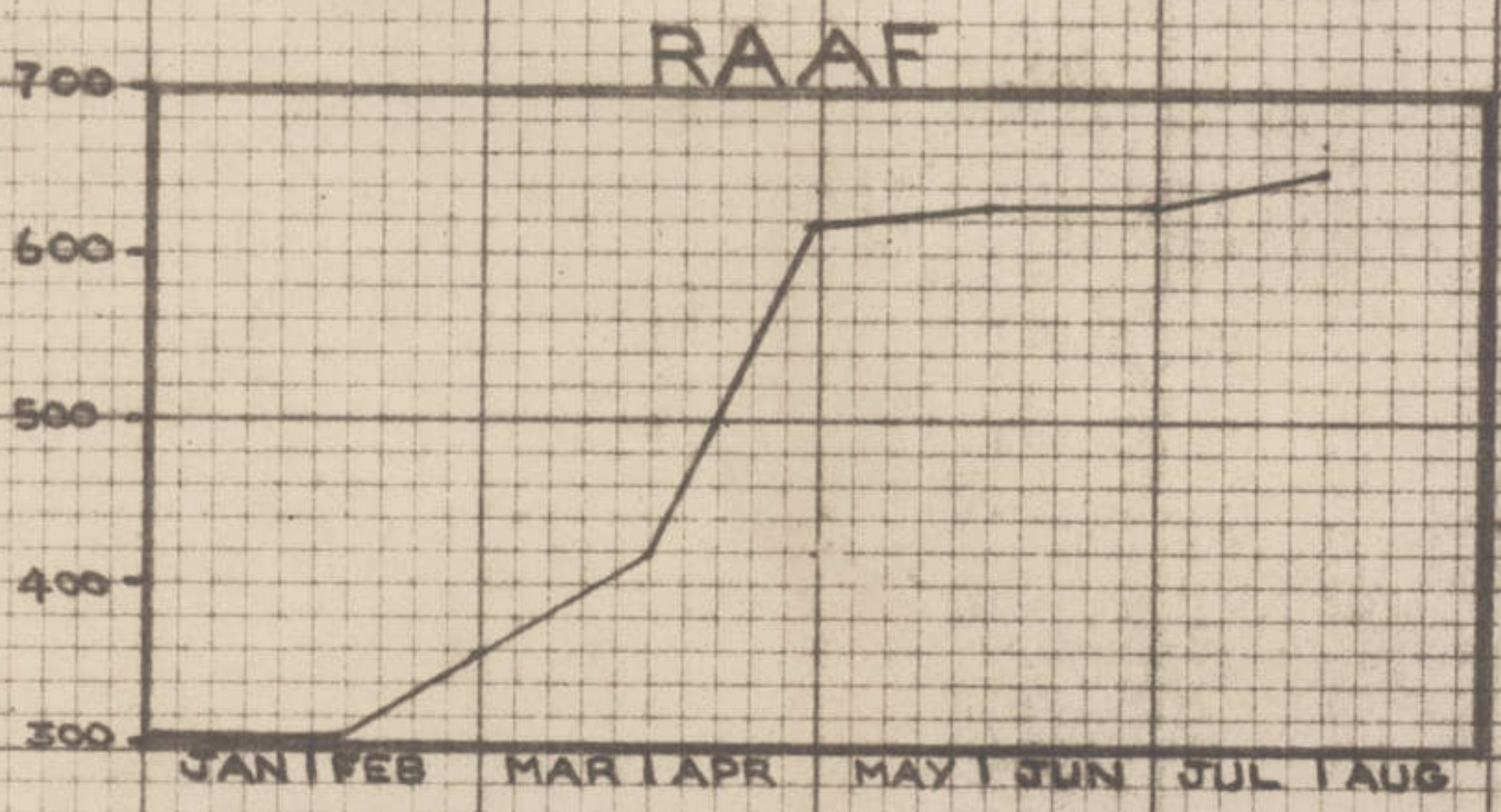
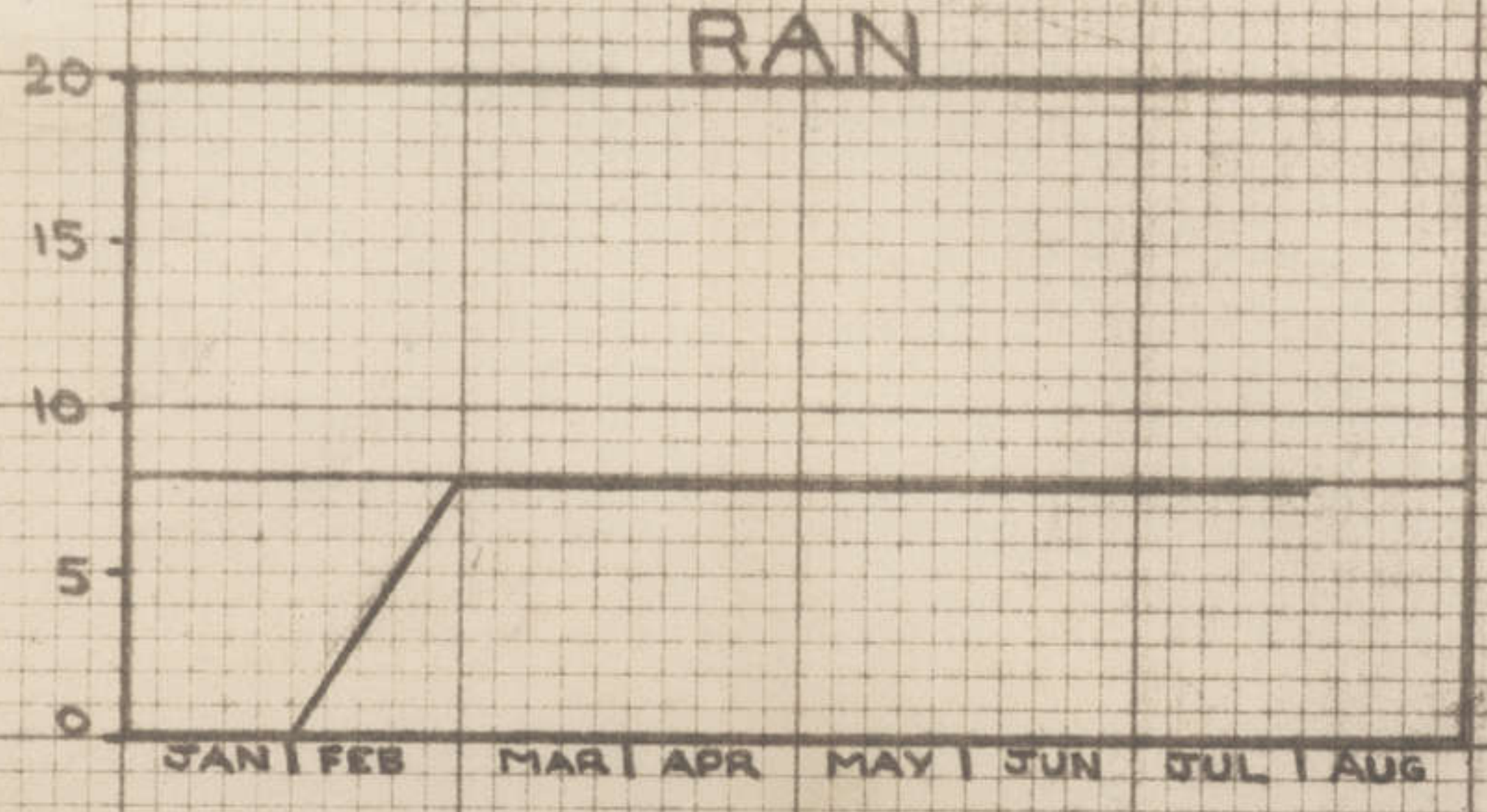
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MEDICAL STATISTICS

Disease Incidence

1. The incidence of disease, as reflected by hospital admissions to 8 Fd Amb, continues at a low level:

- a. May 66 - 21.8 per thousand per month
May 67 - 54.5 per thousand per month
- b. Jun 66 - 50.2 per thousand per month
Jun 67 - 39.3 per thousand per month
- c. Jul 66 - 71.4 per thousand per month
Jul 67 - 31.9 per thousand per month

Blood Usage Rates

- 2. a. Units transfused - 4
- b. How many patients were transfused - 3
- c. Patient receiving most blood - 38178 Spr W. DAVIS
 - (1) How many units - 2
 - (2) Type injury - amputation of lower left leg
 - (3) Survival - survived
- d. Number of units drawn at 8 Fd Amb - Nil
- e. Blood on hand on last day of month - 13
- f. Number of units discarded - 62
- g. Reasons for discarding - outdated
- h. Disposition - destroyed
- i. Transfusion reactions - Nil
- j. Noteworthy events or comments regarding blood programme - nil

8 Fd Amb Statistics (Vung Tau only)

- 3. a. Average daily bed state - 46
- b. Average number of days in hospital - 7.6
- c. Major surgery month of July - 78
- d. Major surgery to date (since 25 Apr 67) - 220

4. The figure shown for major surgery this month appears high compared with previous returns, but this is attributable not to a greatly increased work load, but to an SMO decision to regard all cases for which it is necessary to use the operating theatre and staff as major surgical cases. This method gives a more realistic picture of theatre load and will be used in future.

AFV Medical Statistics

5. The following total figures are recorded:

	<u>Australian</u>	<u>Others</u>	<u>Total</u>
a. (1) Killed in action	1	-	1
(2) Died from other causes	-	-	-
b. Admitted to 8 Fd Amb (Direct).			
(1) Sickness	149	23	172
(2) Non Battle Injury	35	5	40
(3) VD	15	-	15
(4) Battle Casualties	7	2	9
(5) Total	206	30	236

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	<u>Australian</u>	<u>Others</u>	<u>Total</u>
c. Admitted to US Hospitals (Direct)			
(1) Sickness	10	2	12
(2) Non Battle Injury	2	1	3
(3) VD	-	-	-
(4) Battle Casualties	-	-	-
(5) Total	12	3	15
d. Total all hospitals	218	33	251
e. Medically evacuated from theatre -	35.		
f. Medically re-classified to below theatre standard -	6.		

Graphical Representation

6. The following are attached:

- a. Appendix 1 - Graph, Hospital State - Jul 67.
- b. Appendix 2 - Detailed Casualty List - Jul 67.
- c. Appendix 3 - AFV Casualties since Jun 65.

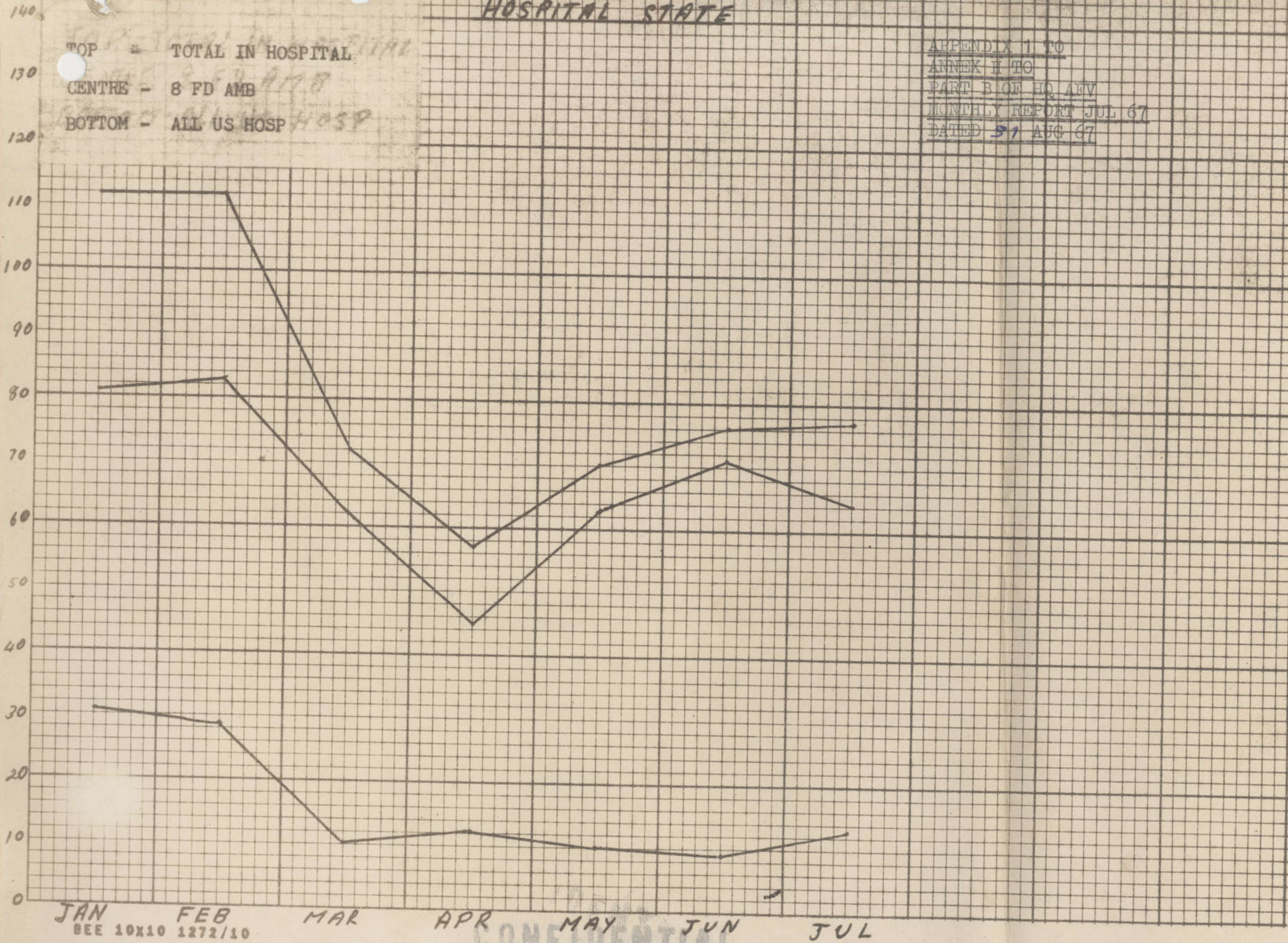
- Appendices:
- 1. Graph, Hospital State - Jul 67
 - 2. Detailed Casualty List - Jul 67
 - 3. AFV Casualties since Jun 65

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HOSPITAL STATE

TOP - TOTAL IN HOSPITAL
CENTRE - 8 FD AMB
BOTTOM - ALL US HOSP

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DETAILED CASUALTY LIST FOR MONTH OF JUL 67

SERIAL	DATE	WOUNDED IN ACTION			KILLED IN ACTION			MISSING IN ACTION			TOTAL			REMARKS
		OFFRS	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	
1.	7 Jul		1	1								1	1	
2.	10 Jul					1	1					1	1	
3.	12 Jul		1	1								1	1	
4.	13 Jul	1	3	4							1	3	4	
5.	15 Jul		1	1								1	1	
6.	19 Jul		1	1								1	1	
7.	20 Jul		3	3								3	3	
8.	24 Jul		2	2								2	2	
TOTAL		1	12	13		1	1				1	13	14	

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TOTAL CASUALTIES INCURRED BY AUSTFORCE VIETNAM SINCE JUN 65

SERIAL	DESIGNATION	JULY 67			SUMMARY OF LOSSES SINCE JUN 65			TOTAL			REMARKS
		OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	OFFR	OR	TOTAL	
1.	WOUNDED IN ACTION	1	12	13	34	408	442	35	420	455	
2.	KILLED ACTION		1	1	8	98	106	8	99	107	
3.	MISSING IN ACTION	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	
		1	13	14	42	507	549	43	520	563	

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QMG BRANCH MATTERS

Movements

1. The following charts are attached to illustrate the degree of movement of personnel and stores, both in country and to and from Australia:

- a. Appendix 1 - Tonnage into Vung Tau. (MV Jeparit).
- b. Appendix 2 - Cargo/Courier Flights Ex Australia.
- c. Appendix 3 - Tonnages forward to 1 ATF.
- d. Appendix 4 - Cargo/Courier Ex Vung Tau.
- e. Appendix 5 - Tonnage out of theatre by sea.
- f. Appendix 6 - Inland Water Transport.
- g. Appendix 7 - Breakup of Inland Water Transport.

Engineers

2. Base Development.

a. 1 ATF. Progress in base camp construction tasks during July is shown in Appendix 8.

b. 1 ALSG. Progress is shown in Appendix 9. The value of contract works to date and in progress is:

Committed during July	-	\$A22,800
Expenditure during July	-	\$A29,700
Total committed to end of July	-	\$A281,800
Total expenditure to end of July	-	\$A171,500

c. Australian Forces Club. The building was 92% complete at the end of July reflecting only 2% progress for the month. This is due partly to non arrival of some prefabricated items - due on the August Jeparit and partly to changes in the user requirement which necessitate more work. These are still under consideration.

d. Base Development Plans. During July, base development plans for both 1 ATF and 1 ALSG were completed and submitted to HQ USARV for approval and processing. Approval of these plans will constitute authority for the issue of construction materials and associated funding from US sources. Until now issues have been made on interim approvals. Apart from this, the plans also serve their usual purpose for coordination between present construction and long term planning and design.

e. Electrical. The attachment to Force Engineer's staff of an electrical engineer (Capt Stokes) which commenced in late June has been of immense value:

(1) Testing and observation of the Caterpillar 62.5 KVA generators has been completed and in-theatre modifications to the sets have been determined and made. An interim report on this problem has been submitted to DES and a final report is now in preparation.

(2) A review of the electric power requirements at 1 ALSG in the light of the proposed US high tension distribution has been completed and plans submitted to the US Army Engineers. Problems with operation of Australian equipment at 60 cycles per second (US Supply) have been examined and for the most part resolved. The major problem is with refrigerators and proposals have been submitted to AHQ suggesting the re-equipment of 1 ALSG with US origin refrigerators.

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(3) Plans for a low tension power distribution system at 1 ATF are well under way. Satisfactory implementation of the plans will depend on the provision of an adequate number of electricians in the Force and proposals in this respect have been submitted. It is expected that, by the end of Capt Stokes' attachment, the planning of electricity supply for the Force will be completed.

f. Water Supply. Some success has been obtained in finding underground sources of water within 1 ATF. One well with a potential yield of 40,000 gallons per day has been completed. This yield is about 20% of the eventual requirement and much exploration remains. Several other holes have been drilled but without useful result. Geological advice is being used to plan the drilling programme, and satisfactory results are expected in the long term. Work to date has shown the necessity to have well trained and experienced drill crews under the direction of an officer who also has some technical training or experience in drilling and well development.

g. C Vehicles. The state of C Vehicles on the 31 July is shown in Appendix 10. The availability and supply of spare parts is not yet satisfactory but improves all the time.

Supplies and Transport

3. Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

a. Commencing 17 Jul 67 fresh fruit and vegetables for 1 ATF have been drawn from US Class I Depot Saigon and flown direct to Nui Dat by RAAF Caribou on six days a week.

b. The quality and condition has considerably improved, but the range and availability of green vegetables is still limited and sporadic. As a matter of interest lettuce and tomatoes purchased by the US Agency in Australia are being delivered into 1 ATF on the afternoon of the day of receipt at Saigon. They are flown into Saigon by PAN AM. The Australian products are good quality, well packed and travel far better than similar products from most other sources.

4. Aerial Delivery Equipment.

a. The requirement has been assessed and divided into four categories:

(1) Equipment for medium helicopter sling loading by units and elements of 1 ATF. This is for operational deployment and resupply through unit echelons.

(2) Equipment for medium helicopter sling loading by Det 176 AD Coy. This is for the operational logistical support of 1 ATF from 1 ALSG.

(3) Equipment for air drop by Det 176 AD Coy from 1 ALSG. This is to be sufficient for 7 x Caribou sorties using configuration for G12D/A22, 7A/A21 plus Turner parachutes as required.

(4) Heavy air drop support from First Logistical Command on an emergency demand, as required basis, using US equipment and personnel.

b. This will entail a revised Aerial Delivery Equipment Stocking List and is the subject of a separate submission. Excess holdings of non required equipment, particularly G12D and 7A parachutes are to be back-loaded.

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d. Lack of trained personnel in 2 Comp Ord Depot, and the effect of our intended reduction in equipment holding (particularly parachutes), will not require 2 Comp Ord Dep to hold a reserve of parachutes. These can be better held and maintained by Det 176 AD Coy.

5. Australian Canned Equivalent Reserves. This reserve has now been determined at 10 days for a strength of 5000. The break up by commodities/percentage is to be forwarded to AHQ.

Ordnance

6. 2 Comp Ord Dep.

a. Some results of the correction of the incorrect asset figures were felt during July. Dues out vouchers fell by 1500 during the month but commenced climbing again as the berthing date of the Jeparit (Mid August) approaches. This is a normal fluctuation and is not a cause for concern.

b. The August Jeparit should contain sufficient stock, (based on the corrected figures) to reduce dues out vouchers to a minimal level. Thereafter, immediate availability should remain satisfactory.

c. The total number of indents received continues to rise and at 8800 is 50% more than the figure recorded in January.

d. The two 200' x 45' bulk storehouses have been occupied and a number of canvas shelters dismantled to provide space for further permanent construction.

e. A total of 935 signals, representing 1876 vouchers, were raised by the Service Demand Section. The lead time for non-scaled items has been reduced accordingly.

f. The attachment of a NCO from 2 Comp Ord Dep to DADOS staff, HQ AFV for liaison with US depots in SAIGON has resulted in improved availability in some general stores items; others remain in short supply. After only one months operations it is too early to draw valid conclusions on availability.

7. Det 6 OFF.

a. In scaling from the June Jeparit has been completed and further stocks are expected on the August Jeparit.

b. The proposal to set up a self-service store in 1 ATF has been deferred until a clear pattern of availability from Saigon Support Command is established.

Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

8. Equipment Repair.

a. Heavy workloads continued at 1 ATF throughout July 1967. Clearance of work arising from inspections continued and serviceability of Armanent, Small Arms Instruments, and Telecommunications equipment is now at a satisfactory level.

b. Repair of office machines is now proceeding satisfactorily, in accordance with the new trade repair procedure.

c. Repair of C Vehicles and Forklifts is still retarded due to delay in provision of spares for some equipments. In particular the following are affected:

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- (1) Tractors Wheeled Size 7 Michigan.
- (2) Tractors Tracked Size 6 International (TD25B).
- (3) Fork lift rough terrain 6000 lbs Pettibone.

d. The outstanding workload at 102 Fd Wksp RAEME has risen to 5,600 hours. The majority of these manhours are derived from equipments submitted from the Repair and Maintenance Pool of 2 Comp Ord Depot. Other projects include Trucks 5 ton dump 6x6 IHC, Armoured Shields for Carriers M113A1, and general engineering tasks resulting from equipment inspections at 1 ALSG. The necessary effort is being applied to reduce this backlog.

e. The serviceability of A Vehicles (M113A1) continued to be maintained above 90% throughout the month.

9. Inspections.

a. The inspection of Small Arms, Instruments, Telecommunication equipment and office machines at 1 ALSG was completed during July. The resulting workload is well in hand.

b. Inspections of equipments (less vehicles) of HQ AFV, 110 Sig Sqn and minor detachments in SAIGON are to commence during the second week of August 1967.

10. Workshop Accommodation and Development.

a. Further development of sites and buildings continued throughout the month at both 1 ALSG and 1 ATF.

b. At 102 Fd Wksp RAEME work continued in providing filling and hard-standing for two platoons.

Postal

11. The following charts are attached to show the volume of mail being handled:

- a. Appendix 11 - Class 1, in and out.
- b. Appendix 12 - Class 2, in and out.

There have been no major problems and the postal system has maintained a satisfactory service.

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 3. Tonnages forward to 1 ATF
 4. Cargo/Courier Ex Vung Tau
 5. Tonnage out of theatre by sea.
 6. Inland Water Transport
 7. Breakup of Inland Water Transport
 8. 1 ATF - Base Development
 9. 1 ALSG - Base Development
 10. C Vehicles State as at 31 July
 11. Mail - Class 1, in and out
 12. Mail - Class 2, in and out

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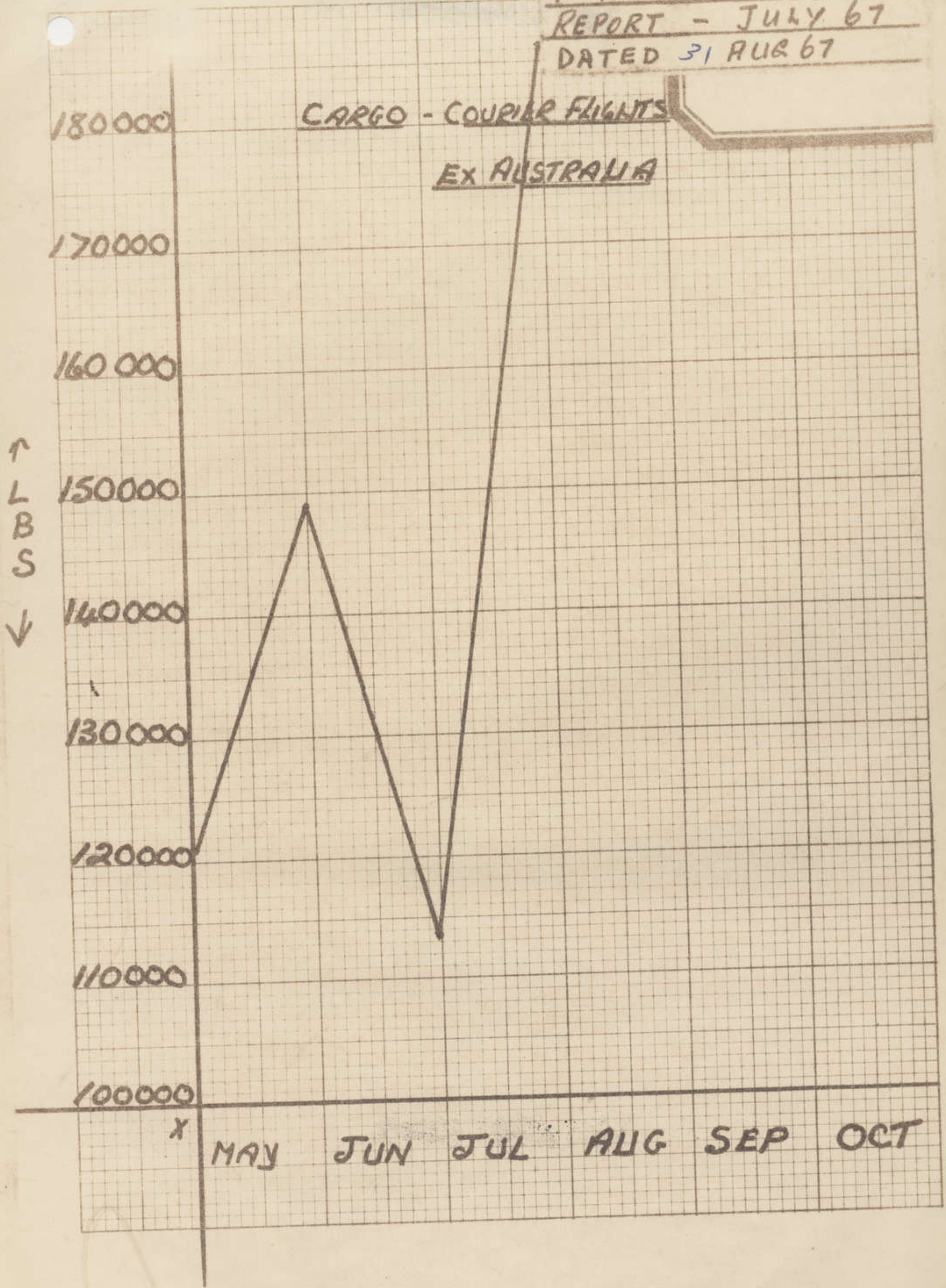
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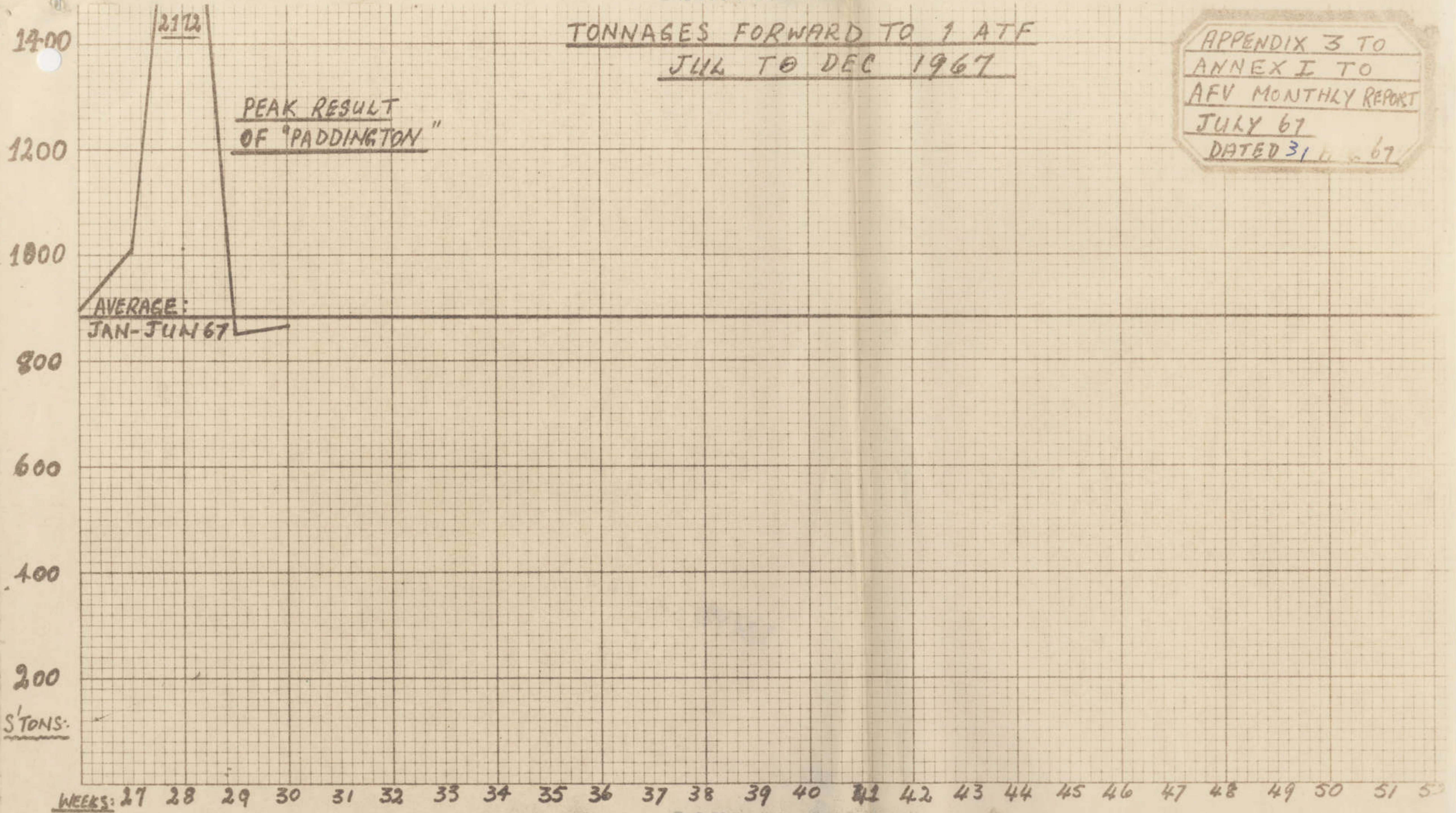


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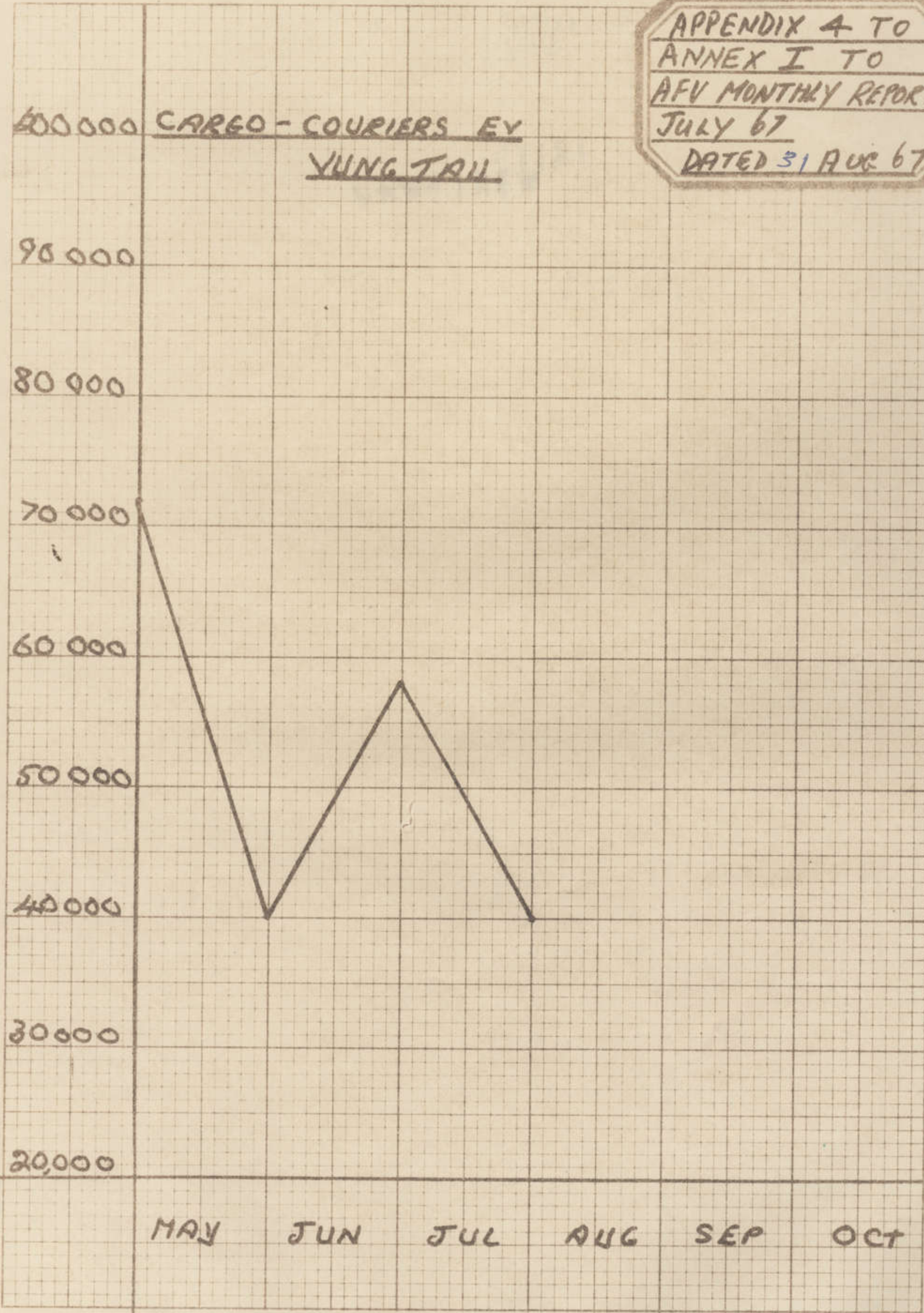
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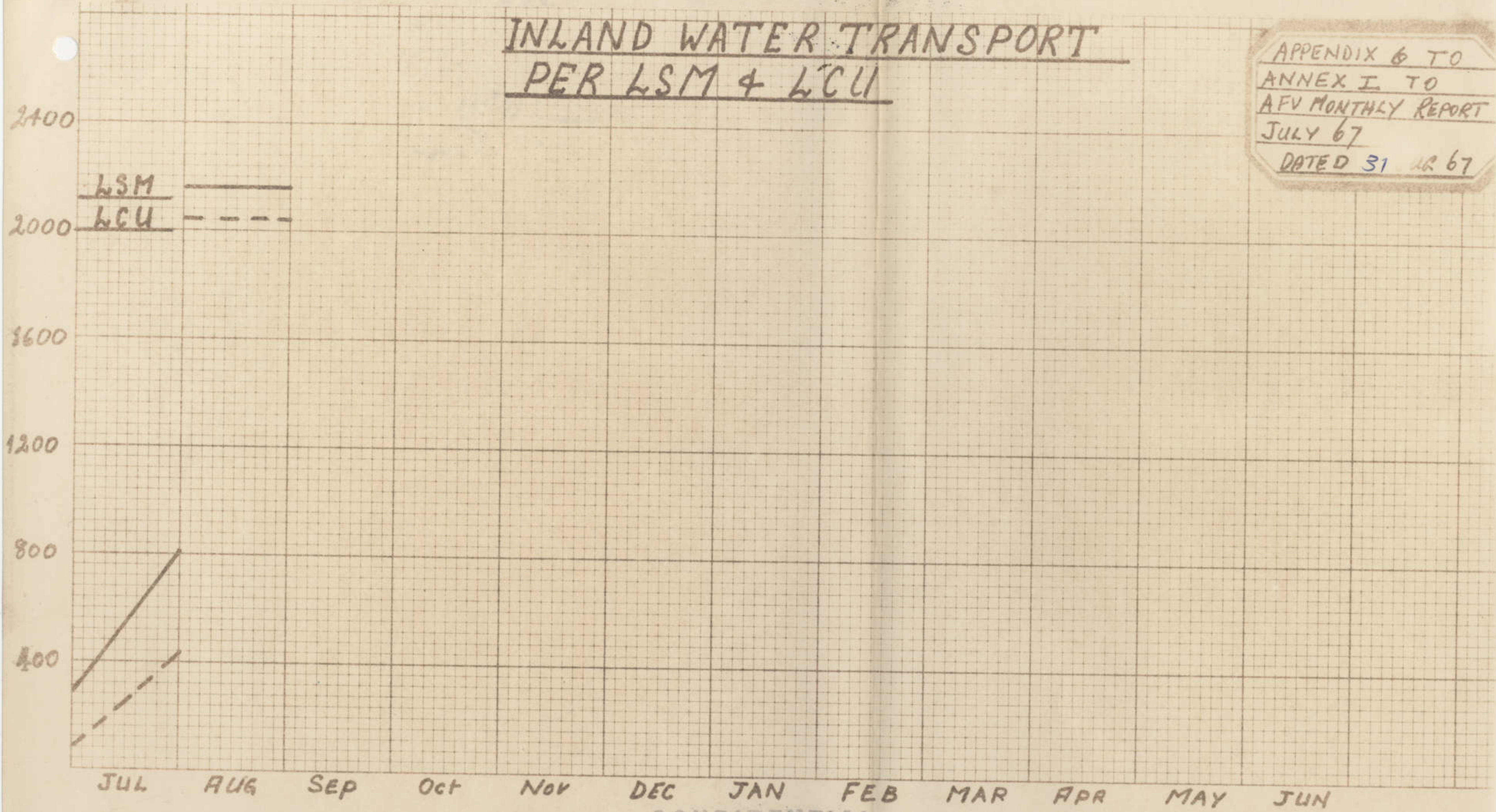
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SUMMARY ~~FO~~ CARGO CARRIED TO AND FROM
IN COUNTRY PORTS BY AUSTRALIAN LSM AND US LCU'S

1. LSM PORTS

LSM PORTS	AUST CARGO	US CARGO
a. VT/SAIGON	103	28
b. SAIGON/VT	91	17
c. VT/CANTHO	-	446
d. CANTHO/VT	-	116
TOTAL	194 S/TONS XXXXXX	607 S/TONS

2. LCU PORTS

LCU PORTS	AUST CARGO	US CARGO
a. VT/SAIGON	70.8	
b. SAIGON SAIGON/VT	44.4	
c. VT/BARIA	228	
d. BARIA/VT	78	
TOTAL	421.2 S/TONS	

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BUILDING OR WORK	UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
Sleeping Accn	Stage 1	No						Stage 1 Shell only
	Stage 2							Stage 2 Partitions shutters, elec, etc.
Unit A & C Accn	No	103	53	13	4	57	62	
Messes and Canteens	No	53	5	NIL	1	51	96	
Warehouses	No	21	19	NIL	NIL	19	90	
Workshops	No	18	12	NIL	2	14	78	
Shower Blocks	Stage 1	No	85	2	7	92	83	Stage 1 Buckets
	Stage 2		5	1	1	6	5	Stage 2 Piped water
Food Prep Rooms	Stage 1	No	28	NIL	NIL	28	82	Stage 1 Basic
	Stage 2		16	1	NIL	16	49	Stage 2 Improved
Latrine Blocks	No	120	94	2	6	100	84	
Miscellaneous Buildings	No	7	6	NIL	NIL	6	85	

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BUILDING OR WORK		UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
Roads (2 way)	gravelled	yds	43670	25980	1000	300	26280	61	Increase required
	Sealed	yds							
Hardstandings	Gravelled	sq yds	92000	77175	10000	4500	81675	94	
	Sealed	sq yds							
Helipads	Gravelled	sq yds	51600	21600	-	-	21600	42	
	Sealed	sq yds	Not determined						
Culverts	48" and above	ft	1620	1470	Nil	Nil	1470	91	
	Under 48"	ft	5000	3762	*	778	4240	85	
Water Supply	Mains	yds	Not determined						
Electricity	Lt Retic	yds	361	64	1	6	70	19	
	Building Wiring	No							
Canteens		No	33	29	1	2	31	95	

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BUILDING OR WORK	UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
Sleeping Accn	STAGE 1	104	34	31	37	71	83	Requirement changed from 120 to 104 Stage 1 Shell only
	Stage 2	104	-	31	6	6	14	Stage 2 Partitions Shutters Elec Etc.
Unit A & Q Accn	No	76	4	57	6	10	50	
Reases	No	22	4	14	2	6	10	Total amended but still not firm
Anteens	No	8	6	1	1	7	94	
Warehouses	No	94	16	6	2	18	62	
Workshops	No	16	9	2	2	11	75	
Hospital Accn	No	6	6	-	-	6	100	
Shower Block	Stage 1	31	29	-	-	29	94	Stage 1 Buckets
	Stage 2		-	-	-	-	-	Stage 2 Piped Water
Food Prep Rooms	Stage 1	31	11	-	-	11	100	Stage 1 Basic
	Stage 2		-	-	-	-	-	Stage 2 Improved

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BUILDING OR WORK	UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
Latrine Blocks	No	47	39	1	-	39	84	Total requirement amended
Miscellaneous Buildings	No	15	7	3	2	9	70	
Forces Club	%		90	-	2	92	92	Requirement amended during month
Roads 2 Way	Gravelled	yds	10200	3300		250	3550	Sealing requirement not determined
	Sealed	yds		300	-	-	300	
Hardstanding	Gravelled	Sq yds	102000	93000	1800	5000	98000	Total requirement under review
	Sealed	Sq yds	N/A					
Helipads	Gravelled	Sq yds	18500	18500	-	-	18500	100
	Sealed	Sq yds	18500	15000	3500	-	15000	90
Culverts	48" and above	ft						Nil Planned
	under 48"	ft	350	60	-	-	60	
Water Supply	Mains	yds						Not yet determined
Electricity	Lt retic	yds	Not determined	19360	-	150	19510	-
	Building Wiring	No	386	67	-	7	74	19
Security Fencing	yds	12300	-	-	-	-	-	

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VEHICLE	ENT	HELD	SVC	UNsvc	SVC LAST WEEK	AVERAGE SVC	REMARKS
Tractor Wheeled Size 5	23	20	16	4	16	15	16 Massey Ferguson
Tractor Wheeled Size 6	3	3	3		3	3	3 3 Chamberlain.
Tractor Wheeled Size 7	19	18	12	6	11	12	12 Michigan
Tractor Wheeled Size 8	5	6	5	1	5	5	Cat 966B
Tractor Tracked Size O	11	8	2	6	3	3	Oliver. 4 BLR. 8 Replacements on Aug Jeparit.
Tractor Tracked Size 2	4	4	2	2	3	3	Cat D4
Tractor Tracked Size 4	18	14	9	5	10	8	TD15, 2 BLR 6 Due on Aug Jeparit
Tractor Tracked Size 6		2	1	1	1	1	TD25B
Scraper 7/9 Cu Yd	8	7	5	2	4	4	
Scraper 10 Cu Yd	2	2	2		2	2	R & M Pool
Crane Shovel P & H	1	1	1		1	1	BLR 1 Due on Aug Jeparit
Crane Shovel 22 RB	2	2	1	1	2	2	
Roller Motorised 25,000 lbs	2	3	2	1	2	2	
Roller Motorised 3 Wh	3	3	2	1	2	2	
Grader Motorised 12 foot	8	7	6	1	5	5	

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NOTE: Average 8 Weeks

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VISITORS TO AFV - JUL 67

26 Jun - 31 Jul	Maj L.A. Power
28 Jun - 10 Jul	Capt R.S. Dearing, RNZIR
6 - 30 Jul	Mr M.V. Nesbitt
7 - 15 Jul	A/V/M E. Hey, CB, CBE
9 - 12 Jul	Mr Tom Evans, MLA
10 - 15 Jul	Brig R.A. Hay, MBE
15 - 19 Jul	Col A.B. Stretton, OBE Lt Col J.B. Trenerry Wg Cdr G.H. Bosworth
16 - 26 Jul	Col P.E. Seddon
16 Jul - 3 Aug	Maj J. Altorjay
18 - 24 Jul	Brig E.J.H. Howard
20 - 26 Jul	Mr H. Koppel Mr R.A. Wright
21 - 24 Jul	Maj Gen R.B. Dawson, CBE, DSO
22 - 25 Jul	Mr G. Perkin
25 - 30 Jul	Hon Malcolm Fraser Mr B. White Lt Col R.D.F. Lloyd, MC Mr B. Coburn

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PART C

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE COMPONENT

General

1. Despite difficulties in supply of construction materials, satisfactory progress is being made on the Cantonment area on VUNG TAU airfield.

Operations

2. All flying squadrons had a successful month. A breakdown of flying hours, cargo and passengers carried and bomb expenditure by Nos 2, 9 and 35 Squadrons is shown at Annex A to Part C.

3. All strikes by 2 Squadron during July were night combat proof radar controlled. 469 targets were attacked during the month.

4. The temporary withdrawal of AVRO triple bomb carriers from use (as a result of a number of bomb release problems), the aircraft bomb/load effectiveness has been reduced. The present bomb load of up to 8 x 500 lb or 6 x 1000 lb bombs is satisfactory as an interim measure.

5. 9 Squadron aircraft suffered their first hits from enemy ground fire. One was during an SAS extraction, another when an aircraft was forced to fly low because of the weather. In the latter instance a crewman was injured in the leg necessitating hospitalization.

6. An accident at DALAT CAMLY Airfield to A4-210 has reduced No 35 Squadron aircraft strength to 6. 35 Squadron also received hits from enemy ground fire. One instance necessitated an engine change. In this incident two Vietnamese were wounded, one slightly and the other later died.

RAAF Strength

7. The RAAF element strength is shown at Annex B to part C.

Casualties

8. A17445 LAC Henson J.A. a helicopter crewman with 9 Squadron received a fragmentation wound in the upper part of his left leg. The circumstances surrounding this battle casualty has been mentioned in para 5.

Visitors

9. During July 1967, visitors to the theatre included:

4 Jul - 10 Jul	Wg Cdr G.W. Bennett MC (051640) Spec D Gr Def DEPAIR
7 Jul - 15 Jul	AVM E. Hey, CB, CBE AMTS DEPAIR
9 Jul - 25 Jul	Wg Cdr S. Bradford, DRC (022040) GDPLT Mr R. Smalley, No 3 Establishment Sub-Committee DEPAIR
25 Jul	Mr Graham Perkins, Editor Melbourne "Age"
26 Jul	Mr Malcolm Fraser, Minister for the Army Mr B. White, Secretary Department of Army

Annexes: A. Flight details 2, 9 and 35 Sqns
B. RAAF Element Strengths

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DETAILS OF FLYING HOURS, CARGO AND PAX CARRIED BY

2 SQN 9 SQN 35 SQN

1. 2 Squadron.

(a) Hours flown	512.30
(b) Sorties	270
(c) Bomb expenditure	1907 x 500 lb
(d) VC killed	4 KBA reported
(e) Bomb damage assessments	22 secondary explosions plus 2 secondary fires
(f) Aircraft casualties from enemy action	- nil

2. 9 Squadron.

(a) Hours flown	477.40
(b) Sorties	2956
(c) Pax carried	4043
(d) Medevacs uplifted	68
(e) Freight	175,700
(f) VC KIA	Nil
(g) Hits on aircraft	2

3. 35 Squadron.

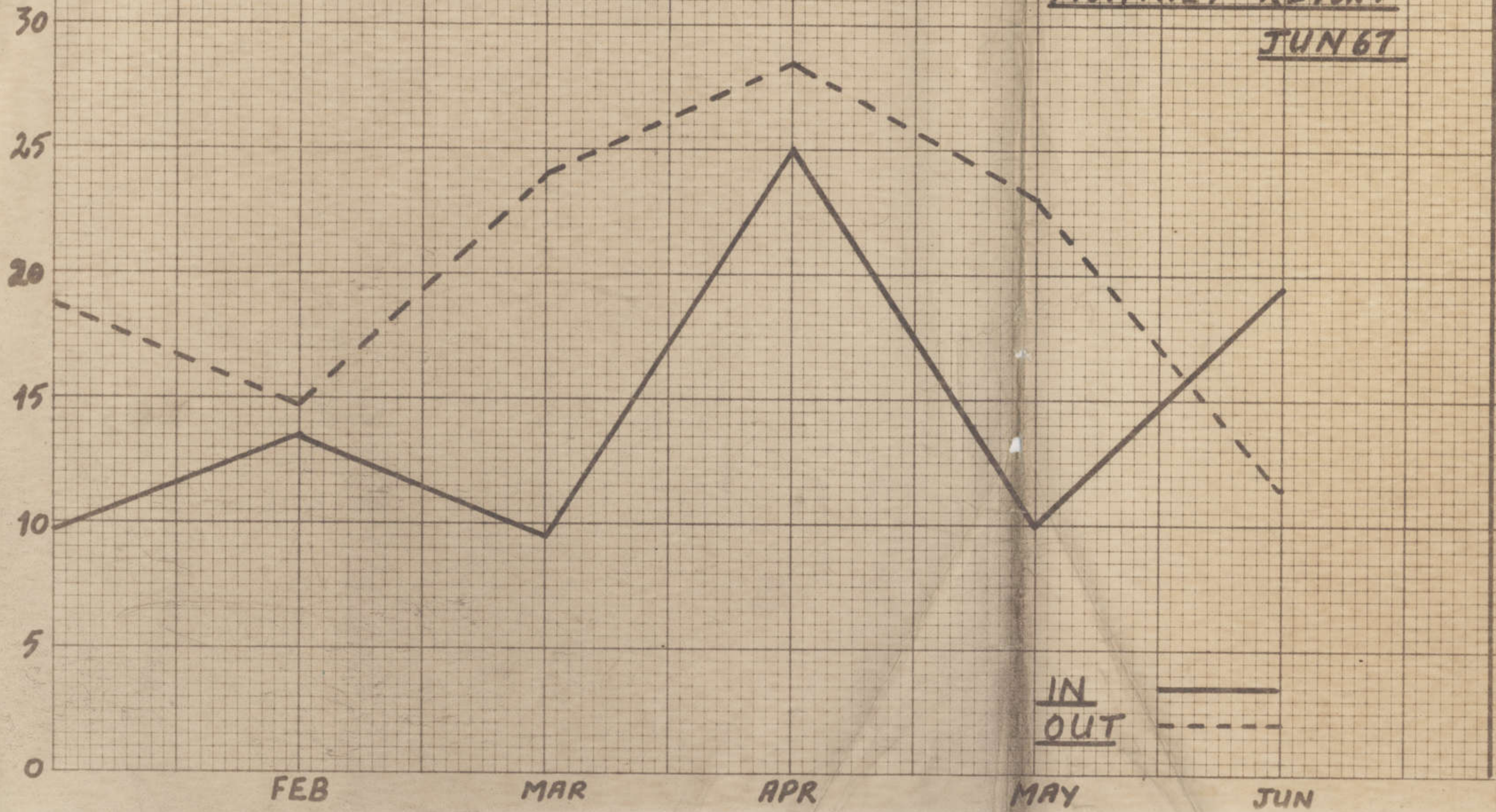
(a) Hours flown	532.20
(b) Sorties	839
(c) Cargo carried	672,841 lb
(d) Mail carried	163,100
(e) Pax carried	6802

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REPORT ON VISIT TO SOUTH VIETNAM

BY BRIG C.F. FLINT, DQMG, ANQ.

1. On Tue 19 Jul 66 ANQ Staff visits to SVN party comprising

BRIG	C.F. FLINT	DQMG
Col	S.F. WEIR	DEMO
Lt Col	J.H. DURRANT	ADOS (Ord 1)
Maj	J.D. KELDIE	SORAC 2 (B) IRAC

departed Sydney, and arrived Saigon Wed 20 Jul. In SVN the party divided according to interests with Brig Flint/Lt Col Durrant, Logistics, and Col Weir/Maj Keldie, Operations, and worked to separate itineraries.

2. The itinerary for the Logistics party comprised visits to HQ Aust Forces Vietnam, US Military Assistance Command Vietnam (J 4 Section), HQ Aust Task Force, HQ Aust Logistic Support Group, US Logistic Support units in the VUNG-TAU area, and included a courtesy call on His Excellency the Australian Ambassador in SAIGON.

3. The visit to HQ AFV on arrival was concerned mainly with briefings. The visit prior to departure was concerned mainly with discussions on points raised during the visit. The visits to US installations were both informative and for discussion on US Logistic Support. The visits to ATF and LSF comprised discussion in detail on logistic matters affecting Aust Forces in Vietnam.

4. 1 ALSG is situated in the sand hills of VUNG-TAU and, with some US Engr assistance, is becoming reasonably well established. Accn at present is in tents but erection of hutting is now ready to commence. This will lead to an overall development of a semi-permanent camp area. Considerably more Engr effort than is available could be used.

5. 1 ATF is situated in the mud in a rubber plantation at NUI-DAT. Conditions here are extremely poor in this wet season period, and considerably more effort (mainly Engr but some self-help) is required to raise the standard of living. It is obvious that every effort to improve is being made but progress is slow as unit members are seldom available for self-help due to op requirements of a Two Bn Task Force. However, it would be unwise in my opinion to put a third Bn into this situation to satisfy an op requirement

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RAAF COMPONENT STRENGTH STATE

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UNIT DESIGNATION	CORP	PROVINCE	LOCATION	UNIT AUTH STRENGTH			PERSONNEL PCS IN-COUNTRY			PERSONNEL TDY IN-COUNTRY			TOTAL PERSONNEL			
				OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR	OFF	EM	AGGR	
2 SQUADRON	II	NINH THUAN	PHAN RANG	39	217	256	40	222	262	-	-	-	40	222	262	
BASE SUPPORT FLIGHT	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	17	105	122	19	119	138	1	-	1	20	119	139	
NO 35 SQUADRON	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	15	66	81	14	64	78	-	-	-	14	64	78	
NO 9 SQUADRON	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	18	78	96	19	76	95	-	-	-	19	76	95	
NO 5 ACS DET B	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	2	42	44	2	45	47	-	-	-	2	45	47	
NO 161 RECCE FLIGHT (ARMY)	III	PHUOC TUY	VUNG TAU	-	7	7	-	7	7	-	-	-	-	7	7	
RAAF HQ AFV	III	GIA DINH	SAIGON	7	3	10	8	4	12	6	-	6	14	4	18	
											TOTAL			109	537	646

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AUSTRALIAN FORCE VIETNAM

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Introduction

1. This report is submitted in accordance with paragraph 32 of the revised Directive by the Chiefs of Staff Committee to Commander Australian Force Vietnam, dated 15th September 1966.

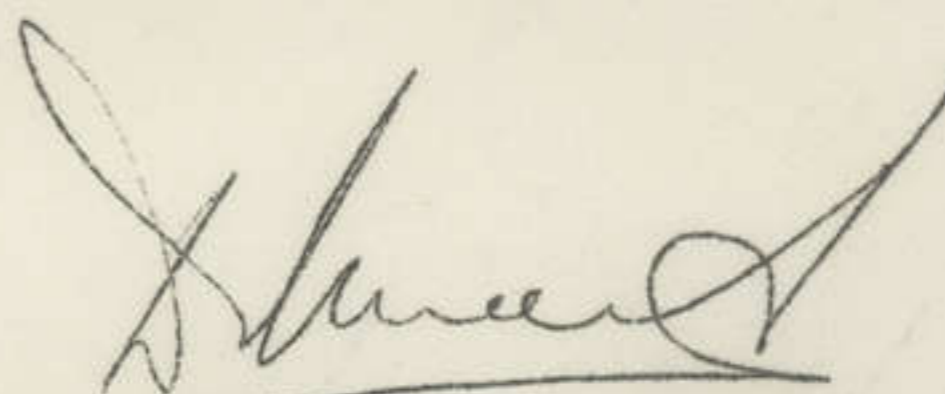
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2. This report covers the period 1 to 30 Jun 67.

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3. The report comprises:

- a. Part A - Royal Australian Navy Report.
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- d. Annexes to the above report.



(D. VINCENT)
Maj Gen
COMAFV

- Annexes:
- A. Monthly Strength Return.
 - B. Medical Statistics.
 - C. Visitors for June 1967.
 - D. Trunk Telephone Channel Availability.
 - E. Total Daily Signals Traffic - SAIGON MRS.
 - F. Traffic Volume - Major Relay Station - SAIGON.
 - G. Circuit Time Lost to Traffic Nui Dat Saigon.
 - H. Circuit Time Lost to Traffic SAIGON - MELBOURNE.
 - I. Tonnages into Vung Tau - MV Jeparit.
 - J. Cargo - Courier Flights ex Australia.
 - K. Tonnages forward to 1 ATF.
 - L. Cargo - Couriers ex Vung Tau.
 - M. Tonnage out of Theatre by Sea.
 - N. Water Transport between Vung Tau and Saigon.
 - O. Progress in Base Construction 1 ATF.

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- P. Progress in Base Camp Construction 1 ALSG
- Q. Force C Vehicle State
- R. Volume of Mail, Class 1 in and out
- S. Volume of Mail Handled, Class 2 in and out
- T. Details of RAAF Squadrons Flying Hours,
Cargo and passengers carried.

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PART A

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY COMPONENT

General

4. a. On Jun 67 Maj Gen D. VINCENT OBE, COMAFV, visited HMAS HOBART whilst the vessel was at sea. The Commander Task Force 77, Rear Admiral MEHLE, USN, commented most favourably on HMAS HOBART'S work in the theatre. HOBART was congratulated for its excellent gunnery by the staff of 3rd Marine Amphibious Force.
- b. The health and morale of the Clearance Diving Team remains excellent and all team members carry out their assigned tasks in an efficient manner.

Clearance Diving Team

Employment

5. Stabledoor Role. This was the primary role during the month. Diving conditions in and around Vung Tau harbour are difficult (due to wind, currents and tide) and it is considered that a full scale underwater attack on shipping would be difficult to mount. Due to the vigilance of harbour patrol boats, any attack would have to originate some distance from target shipping and frequent compass checks would have to be made thus giving ample opportunity to sight attacking swimmers.
6. Calls for the month included:
 - a. 1 Jun 67, investigation of a "partially submerged floating bomb". Identified as a minesweeping float.
 - b. On 3 Jun 67, investigation of metal boxes floating in southern anchorage. Boxes contained expended 40/60 ammunition.
 - c. On 7 Jun 67 the team assisted in a Regional Force/Junk Force assault on an island in the mouth of Cua Dai river (30 miles south west of Vung Tau). The junk Force met no resistance.
 - d. 12 Jun 67. Team employed on cleaning engine inlets and outlets of USNS CORPUS CHRISTI BAY.
 - e. On 22 Jun 67 a suspicious Vietnamese near the camp area was apprehended and passed to local authorities.
 - f. 27 Jun - the team called to investigate a round object, 15 inches in diameter with pad eye on top, floating in northern anchorage. Proved to be a salvage marker buoy.
7. En Ordnance. Some time was spent in stripping captured VC ordnance and arranging a museum for use in training and briefing of relieving teams.
8. Vehicle Sirens. A requirement exists for all EOD vehicles to be fitted with a siren to facilitate easier passage through streets when answering an urgent call. Sirens are being obtained from the USN.

Visitors.

9. On 5 Jun 67 the team was visited by Major C.F. GARDNER (Staff EOD officer to MACV and Officer in charge of EOD), Lieutenant S. HENDERSON, USN (Staff Officer EOD at COMNAVFORV) and Lieutenant T. GARDNER, USN (relieving COMNAVFORV EOD officer). Team members also met the Minister for Air, Hon P. HOWSON MP, on 11 Jun 67 in the RAAF Sergeants Mess Vung Tau.

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PART B

ARMY COMPONENT REPORT

SECTION 1

HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

General

10. During the month of June 67, units under the operational command of the Commander First Australian Task Force, conducted the following major operations:

- a. BAROSSA
- b. DARWIN
- c. BROKEN HILL
- d. GERALDTON
- e. COOPAROO
- f. TAOR security patrolling continued actively throughout the month.

11. Reliefs. The relief cycle of major units was completed on 9 Jun 67 with the relief of 1st Field Regiment Royal Australian Artillery (RAA) by the 4th Field Regiment. The three field 105mm batteries under command of the regiment are the 106th and 108th batteries (RAA) and the 161st battery RNZA. The First Australian Civil Affairs Unit (1 Aust CA Unit) concentrated in theatre on 18 Jun 67.

12. Long Range Reconnaissance Patrols (LRRP). The 1st Special Air Service Squadron inserted and extracted a total of 22 long range reconnaissance patrols during the month. 33 per cent of the patrols made contact with the enemy resulting in 13 VC KIA (BC), two VC KIA (possible), one VC WIA. These patrols have made several highly successful forays into enemy base and transit areas and have produced some very significant kills and equipment/supplies captures.

13. Defoliation. No herbicidal operations were flown in 1 ATF AO during June.

14. Tactical Air Support. The visual reconnaissance programme was concentrated in the NORTH EAST area of the AO and the extension to 1 ATF permanent AO. Targets found were accurately engaged by airstrikes and artillery controlled by the FAC. One B52 strike was conducted on 26 Jun 67 against a known VC infiltration route and base area astride the SONG RAI centre of mass YS598595. A summary of the tactical air support activity follows:

a. Airstrike Missions.

(1)	Preplanned	40
(2)	Combat proofs	42
(3)	Diverts	41
(4)	Immediate	12

b. Fighter Sorties

(1)	F100	232
(2)	F4C	13
(3)	F5	22
(4)	B57	33
(5)	A1E	8

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c. Ordnance Expended.

(1)	750 lb bombs	526	(3 duds)
(2)	500 lb bombs	361	(7 duds)
(3)	750 lb bombs	166	(3 duds)
(4)	Rocket pods	55	
(5)	Sorties 20 mm	39	

d. Bomb Damage Assessment.

(1)	Secondary fires	3
(2)	Secondary explosions	4
(3)	Killed by air	6 (4 possible)
(4)	Fortifications:	

	<u>Uncovered</u>	<u>Damaged</u>	<u>Destroyed</u>
Storage pits	-	-	2
Foxholes	30	-	8
Bunkers	60	70	242
Trenches (metres)	965	150	1630
Structures	-	46	70
Tunnels	15	-	-
Weapon pits	-	-	2

(5) Miscellaneous. 54 tons of rice damaged, five 55 gallon drums uncovered, 70 supply boxes damaged, 7 supply trails cut, two piles of clothing and three piles of rice damaged.

15. Transport Air Support. 9 Sqn RAAF.

a.	Sorties flown in support of operations	3092
b.	Passengers carried	4237
c.	Freight carried	231,365 lb
d.	Medevacs	38
e.	Hours flown	437.20

16. On 14 Jun 67 1 ATF began a CS programme aimed at disruption of known VC routes, storage areas and base camp locations. 110 drums of CS were dropped during the reporting period. All drops were carried out by CH47 aircraft and were extremely accurate. Results of this programme are not yet evident.

17. Losses/Damages Summary.

a. Enemy

(1) Casualties

KBA	6 (possible - 4)
KIA (BC)	16
KIA (possible)	2
WIA	3
WIA (possible)	1
Detainees	114

(2) Weapons.

M1 carbines	2
9 mm pistol French	1
.30 cal Garand rifle	2
Shotgun (home-made)	1
Chicom carbine	1
Soviet carbine	1
1x45 pistol (US)	1

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(3) Stores and Equipment.

8050 lb rice.
Two sampans.
150 lb explosives.
Eight huts.
One sewing machine.
Quantities of food, documents, personal equipment and clothing.

b. Own Troops.

(1) Casualties.

DOW 1
WIA 5

(2) Stores and equipment - nil.

Operations

18. Operation BAROSSA. This was 2 RAR's first operation in country and was designed purely as a familiarisation operation of one day's duration. It was conducted in the vicinity of BINH BA (YS4574) on 5 Jun 67. There was no contact with the enemy.

19. Operation DARWIN. This operation was the second of two familiarisation operations assigned to 2 RAR. It was conducted over a two day period on 6/7 Jun 67. The outline plan of the operation was to conduct a battalion airmobile assault into the area of YS5466 on the morning of 6 Jun 67, consolidate and then conduct a search and destroy operation back to 1 ATF along the axis of the SUOI LO O-NHO (YS5168), NUI DAT (YS4958), SUOI DA BANG (YS4767). There was no contact with enemy elements, but some fresh tracks were followed up without result, and an enemy camp found at YS516677 was destroyed. The operation was 2 RAR's first airmobile assault landing and proved to be of immense value to the unit.

20. Operation BROKEN HILL. This was a search and destroy operation mounted in support of, and complimentary to, Operation AKRON. 7 RAR was deployed on 7 Jun 67 to occupy a series of company blocking positions in the general area of NUI NHAN (YS4378). Sub units were transported to the general area of the blocking positions by the airmobile company in support and APCs. One company of 2 RAR protected the artillery fire base which was established at YS441737. On 7 Jun 67 112 civilians were detained at YS4376 and evacuated to Sector for interrogation. Of these two were detained as VC suspects. Several minor contacts resulted in an accumulated total of one VC KIA (BC), one VC KIA (possible), one VC WIA, two VC suspects. The operation concluded on 13 Jun 67. Two major enemy base areas at YS396792 and YS402795 were discovered, searched and destroyed. A considerable quantity documents, propaganda, supplies and equipment was recovered. From an intelligence assessment of the captured documents it appears that the position located at YS402795 was a battalion or logistic headquarters for units in transit to and from the HAT DICH base area.

21. Operation GERALDTON. This operation was launched as a follow-up action to Operation LISMORE (2-8 May 67) to ascertain whether the enemy had been operating in the area since Operation LISMORE, and particularly to continue to deny the area as a base and resupply area. The operation was conducted by 2 RAR with artillery and engineer support over the period 15-21 Jun 67 in the area bounded by Route 23, SONG RAI River, fence DAT DO (YS4960) to LANG PHUOC HAI (YS5153) east. Operation GERALDTON commenced with an

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airmobile assault into YS588592 and the establishment of an armoured blocking force along Route 23. The area of operations was then thoroughly searched generally from EAST to WEST. Several minor contacts occurred with inconclusive results, the enemy withdrawing immediately on contact. One VC KIA (BC) and 15 detainees were the only confirmed enemy personnel casualties for the operation. Several camps were located and destroyed; one camp at YS557578 covering an area of 15000 square yards was assessed as being a command post area. A total of 150 bunkers and weapon pits were located and destroyed, three tons of rice captured and evacuated and quantities of explosives, documents and equipment were recovered. It is considered that Operation GERALDTON achieved its aim. Enemy troops in the area have been kept off balance; and following upon Operations PORTSEA and LISMORE, one of the VC's traditional supply routes from the DAT DO supply base to the 5 Div base area has been successfully interdicted.

22. Operation COOPAROO. This was a battalion search and destroy operation conducted by 7 RAR, elements of 2 RAR, A Sqn 3 Cav Regt and 1 Fd Sqn, in the area SOUTH, SOUTH WEST and SOUTH EAST of NUI NUA (YS5474). The operation was conducted over the period @2 Jun 67 to 1 Jul 67. The area of operations has long been a traditional staging area for D445 Bn and it was hoped that elements of the unit would be trapped in the search and forced to fight. The outline plan was for three companies to sweep SOUTH EAST from the vicinity of YS5175 onto a company blocking position in the vicinity of YS5471. Contact was extremely light, but a significant number of enemy positions including one fully dug in battalion position (60 bunkers, 160 weapon pits, lecture rooms etc) was located and destroyed. 500 lb of rice was recovered from YS560743. Despite the disappointing lack of contact it is considered that Operation COOPAROO was successful, in that it has destroyed yet another major enemy base area threatening the security of the population areas of PHUOC TUY Province.

161 (Indep) Recce Flt Flying Hours

23. Flight activities for June were:

a. Flying Hours.

(1) Rotary Wing	-	456.05 hours
(2) Fixed Wing	-	269.05 hours
(3) Total hours flown	-	725.10 hours

b. Sorties Flown

(1) Rotary Wing	-	955 (2 by night)
(2) Fixed Wing	-	217 (7 by night)
(3) Total Sorties	-	1172 (9 by night)

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SECTION 2

AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM

General

24. In recent visits to 1 and 11 Corps areas by COMAFV with CO AATTV the various US and ARVN commanders spoke of their continuing high regard for the excellent efforts of those members of AATTV deployed in the advisory effort in the north. Their compatibility with US and ARVN professional competence were praised by these commanders and the senior advisers under whom they work. I believe that the good this team does is considerably in excess of the bill we pay in providing these personnel.

25. The VC activities in which AATTV members were involved showed a decline in June and AATTV members were involved in only one major battle (CON THIEN) with several minor incidents. After action reports for CON THIEN are being forwarded by separate correspondence.

PERSONNEL

26. Battle Casualties

a. WO2 J.A. Bond was wounded in action on 2 Jun 67. The M113 APC he was travelling in was hit by a VC rocket. The member sustained only minor wounds and remained on duty.

b. WO2 F. Callander received ear injuries due to VC mortar fire at CON THIEN. He was medically evacuated to Australia.

27. Non Battle Casualties.

a. WO2 Upton was admitted to 8 Fd Amb for investigation on loss of balance.

b. WO2 Sinclair was admitted to 8 Fd Amb on 30 June 67 with a nervous complaint.

c. WO2 Ford admitted to 8 Fd Amb 28 June 67 for knee injury.

d. WO2 T.R. Smith was discharged from 8 Fd Amb on 19 June 67 after treatment for amoebic dysentery.

28. Visits. The Chief of Staff AFV, Col E.M. GRIFF MC, visited AATTV locations in 1 and 11 Corps areas. He was accompanied by CO AATTV Lt Col M.T. TRIPP. Team members were also visited in Jun 67 by a dental officer from 33 Dental Unit.

29. Personnel Changeover.

a. Two Officers and two Warrant Officers marched into the Team during the month and two officers returned to Australia at the completion of their tour.

b. Four Warrant Officers were reallocated duties within AATTV to utilise specialist skills or to give individuals a break from the severe strain associated with some locations in 1 Corps.

30. Team strength. The team strength on 30 June 67 was 19 Offrs and 78 Warrant Officers.

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OPERATIONS

31. Most actions were in QUANG TRI Province. There was a marked decline in action on that recorded for May.

32. Operations involving members of AATTV were at CON THIEN and KHE SANH. After action/operation reports are to be forwarded to AHQ under separate cover.

33. The sub-sector HQ Compound at TRIEU PHONG received intelligence data on approximately 15 different occasions indicating that they were to be over-run. It is considered that on at least two occasions the information was correct and it is almost certain that these attempts were forstalled only by chance contacts with the VC some distance away. Because of this threat the Advisers at TRIEU PHONG remain alert all night, every night. It is also known that at least 5 VC are amongst the RF/PF garrison of the compound.

34. There were no major operations in the II Corps area that included AATTV members.

35. On 11 Jun 67, at QUANG NGAI, Capt L.M. OPIE (attached to CSD) was invloved in an incident which ultimately caused the complete destruction of an "Air America" C47 Aircraft. At 1545 hrs whilst approaching QHANG NGAI airfield, the aircraft was struck by two rounds of SA fire. The fire which resulted could not be extinguished in the air, nor later when the aircraft landed, and the aircraft was completely destroyed. There were no casualties but 4 Montguard bodies on board were destroyed.

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SECTION 3
CIVIC ACTION

General

36. The Civic Action programme during June 1967 was continued in 1 ATF Areas of Operations and influence, in 1 ALSG area of influence, and in SAIGON. The most significant feature of the programme was the arrival of the main body of 1 Aust CA Unit in the theatre, and the units initial lodgement in 1 ATF and 1 ALSG areas.

1 ATF.

37. Civic Action carried out by 1 Aust CA Unit in the 1 ATF area and units of 1 ATF had been held to a minimum for the month because of the arrival of the new and enlarged CA Unit. A limited programme was conducted in the village of HOA LONG YS4164, the village of DUC THANH YS4573 and in the Provincial Capital BARIA YS3760. Details of the Programme are as follows:

- a. Medical. MEDCAPS conducted throughout the area were increased in number compared with May. 1327 patients were treated compared with 668. Of those treated 36 were RF/PF dependants, and all those treated were residents of HOA LONG and/or DUC THANH. 9 patients were given surgery, whilst 100 patients were evacuated, to civilian hospitals, 17 with TB, 2 with Leprosy, and 81 with other ailments.
- b. Dental. Dental treatment was slightly down on May figures. 87 patients were treated at HOA LONG compared with 118 patients for May. Most patients required extractions.
- c. Construction. The following tasks were completed:
 - (1) BARIA. The orphanage/creche is 99% complete and should be open in early July. The grounds of the Chieu Hoi Centre were levelled and drainage was dug.
 - (2) HOA LONG. The Community Centre North of Hoa Long school, a new well, a flag pole at South Hoa Long School and grading of the market place were completed.
- d. Clothing and Materials. The following were distributed:
 - (1) 564 lb cement (6 bags)
 - (2) 30 lb clothing
 - (3) 3,195 lb mixed foodstuffs
 - (4) 72 ft lumber
 - (5) 240 cakes soap
 - (6) 30 sheets roofing iron
 - (7) 100 star picquets
 - (8) 2 crates household utensils
 - (9) 1,200 lb recovered rice
 - (10) A quantity of sewing materials, cotton and needles.

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e. English Education. Attendance was maintained at a high effectiveness and 732 people received instruction at 12 classes.

f. Miscellaneous. Beach excursions, 30 children were taken to the beach at VUNG TAU for a swim and picnic lunch.

1 ALSG

38. Civic Action programme was again concentrated in VUNG TAU and at NAM BINH Refugee village YS3557. The details are as follows:

a. Medical. MEDCAPS treated 1080 patients at the VUNG TAU and NAM BINH dispensaries. This figure is up on the May figure, 700: 1080 patients. The two Vietnamese nurses at VUNG TAU dispensary continued to give satisfactory service.

b. Dental. 33 Dental Unit treated 30 patients at NAM BINH.

c. English Education. Classes remained at a static level of an average of 35 students; 4 classes per week at NAM - BINH.

d. New Works/Repairs. The following were effected:

(1) New gates were fitted to Old Folks Home at NAM BINH.

(2) Hand pump supplied for well at Old Folks Home; concreting area round well.

(3) Sun shelter constructed at Old Folks Home.

(4) Materials purchased in SAIGON for water reticulation reticulation at Junior Military Academy, VUNG TAU, and 200 dining forms purchased in SAIGON and despatched to Junior Military Academy.

(5) Repairs made to Dispensary at VUNG TAU.

e. Clothing and Materials. The following were distributed

(1) 9400 lb cement (100 bags)

(2) 300 lb clothing

(3) 500 lb mixed foodstuffs

(4) 4 midwife kits.

f. Miscellaneous. The Boy Scout Troop at NAM BINH continues to operate under Australian Scout Master.

HQ AFV

39. Civic Action in SAIGON was devoted solely to the Dong Chua Orphanage, and distribution of baby food and clothing were made on a regular basis. The interest in the orphanage by 110 Signal Squadron maintained at a high level. Working bees were conducted to concrete the back courtyard, to erect a prefabricated shelter on the back porch to allow the huge quantity of washing to be dried now that the inclement weather prevails, and to repair the fence. A new electric washing machine and a new electric fan were purchased from CA funds

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and presented to the orphanage.

b. On 12 Jun 67 an Australian newspaper reporter from the Herald-Sun group, Melbourne, visited the orphanage. His story, together with photographs, appeared in the Melbourne Herald on 22 Jun 67. As a result of this article and interest being shown by a Mrs M. Nielson of Launceston a committee, The National Civic Council, Civil Aid Committee, has been formed in Tasmania to offer assistance to the Dong Chua orphanage in particular and to war orphans in Vietnam in general.

SECTION 4

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH MATTERS

Communications

40. a. Traffic volume continues to rise. The number of messages through the Major Relay Station SAIGON increased by 9% over the figure for May.
- b. Propagation conditions adversely affected the SAIGON - MELBOURNE radio circuit, resulting in some delays to message traffic.
- c. The major Relay Station SAIGON was interconnected to the US STRATCOM Primary Relay Station at PHU LAM on 21 Jun 67 allowing alternative routing to AUSTRALIA via OKINAWA through RAAF, or HONOLULU via RAN.
- d. In theatre telegraph circuits were satisfactory with the exception of the PHAN RANG - SAIGON RTT Link which showed an availability of 69.1%. The restoration priority on this US bearer circuit is 2E which is that allotted to circuits between the command posts of Strategic Air Command. A recommendation has been passed through HQRAAFV to Dep Air recommending the present HF CW back-up circuit between RAAF PHAN RANG and ARMY SAIGON be upgraded to RTT.
- e. It is evident that a requirement exists to increase the power of radio sets on the 1 ATF command net, to increase the range as TF ops take units further afield, to overcome frequency interference from US formations using higher powered equipment or shared frequencies, and to guard against the possibility of deliberate jamming. A staff demand and RVE has been raised and permission sought for an in theatre buy of five radio sets AN/VRC-49 for this purpose.
- f. Delay in Engineer minor works and airconditioning of the new Major Relay Station and Signal Centre HQ AFV, caused the postponement of installation for thirty days. Installation is now due to commence 1 Aug 67.
- g. Improvements for the in-theatre radio telephone system are delayed pending the approval of the Mayor of VUNG TAU for the use of land for a new Relay site on VC HILL.
- h. The following graphs are attached.
- (1) Annex D - Trunk Telephone Channel Availability
 - (2) Annex E - Total Daily Traffic - SAIGON MRS
 - (3) Annex F- Traffic Volume - Major Relay Station SAIGON.

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(4) Annex G - Circuit time lost to traffic NUI DAT - SAIGON

(5) Annex H - Circuit time lost to traffic SAIGON - MELBOURNE.

Public Relations

41. The senior PR Officer, Maj Logan, was relieved by Lt Col R.F. Duke on 21 Jun. A 5 day handover was undertaken and during the period 29 Jun - 1 Jul, Lt Col Duke visited 1 ATF and 1 ALSG for orientation and liaison.

42. A total of 16 pressmen covered the activities of the Force during Jun. 10 of these were on day visits only and those of a more permanent nature were:

- a. Mr R. Beckett - Australian Associated Press
- b. Mr D. Gibbons - Freelance
- c. Mr R. McDonald - Sydney Telegraph
- d. Mr G. Jones - Melbourne Herald
- e. Mr P. Koch - Australian Broadcasting Commission.
- f. Ishtiaq Ahmad - Visnews TV.

g. Messrs McDonald and Gibbons visited HMAS Hobart and Mr. McDonald also spent a few days with AATTV. The 16 pressmen represented nine agencies or TV networks and were in the 1 ATF area for a total of 48 ration days.

43. Press Releases. Twenty eight news releases were despatched to DPR, AHQ, Canberra for the Australian press and the Army Newspaper.

44. Pictorial. Seventy seven black and white negatives were selected for release and despatched to DPR for distribution in Australia.

45. Television. PR photographers covered 12 assignments and shot a total of 2500 ft of black and white for TV. A further 700 ft of colour film was shot for AHQ (DMT).

46. Radio. Twenty seven radio tapes, covering a wide variety of subjects, were produced and despatched to DPR for bulk distribution. A daily news bulletin and weekly sports round-up was compiled and read by HQ AFV PR staff for AFRTS broadcasts.

Visitors

47. Visitors (excluding pressmen, see para 41 above) to AFV for the month of June totalled and are shown at annex C.

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ADJUTANT GENERAL BRANCH MATTERS

Strength State

48. Strength states for the Force are at annex A. Appendix 1 shows strength state graphically.

Medical

49. Health. The health of the Force is continuing at a high level, with no serious outbreaks of disease reported during June. No cases of Malaria have been seen at 8Fd Amb, and it is hoped that with full and enthusiastic cooperation of all ranks, the routine anti-mosquito measures will prevent the large number of cases that occurred last year after the start of the monsoon season.

50. Scrub Typhus. Although no cases of scrub typhus have thus far been diagnosed, it is quite possible that some of the undiagnosed PUO's over the last 12 months have been scrub typhus of the relatively mild variety that occurs in VIETNAM.

51. Insecticide Spraying. Aerial spraying of Australian camp areas and surrounding country has continued this month, and arrangements have been made to have a TIFA team spray the 1 ALSG area monthly in addition, as winds in the area tend to dispense aerial fog quickly.

52. Hospital Admissions. Incidence of diseases reflected by hospital admissions as compared to the same period in 1966 were:

June 1966	-	50.2 per thousand per month
June 1967	-	30.3 per thousand per month

53. Ausdil. The AUSDIL scheme was invoked for one patient:

38913 Pte JENKIN D.W. 1 ARU

This patient was later returned to AUSTRALIA.

Statistics;

54. Medical statistics for the force are shown at annex B. Appendix 1 to annex B shows Hospital State graph.

Amenities

55. Live Entertainment. The "Twiliters", with Valmai Johnston, Maria Blanche, Cathy Wayne and John Stoddart toured Australian and US installations from 8 Jun to 19 Jun 67. A total of nineteen performances were given for some 10,500 servicemen. The itinerary included two days with the US Seventh Fleet. Reception at all performances was favourable

56. 16mm Motion Pictures. The following films arrived in country during June:

- a. 32 feature films.
- b. Four Commonwealth Information Bureau films.
- c. One 20th Century Fox newsreel.
- d. One Bob Dyer's Pick-a-Box.
- e. Four Channel 9 Sydney Rugby League.
- h. One TCN Channel 9 "Bandstand".
- j. One BP sporting film.

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Items f to j inclusive constitute the first of a regular weekly collection of films being provided by the Australian Forces Overseas Fund.

Equipment from US Special Services sources.

a. Dayroom Furniture. Issues by US Army are behind schedule with some requisitions unactioned since Oct 66. Currently AFV has some 30 outstanding requisitions for sets of furniture.

b. 26 table tennis tables were issued to the Force as follows:

(1)	1 ATF	-	13
(2)	1 ALSG	-	10
(3)	2 Sqn RAAF	2	
(4)	HQ AFV	-	1

c. Approximately 600 lbs weight of expendable sporting and recreational equipment was distributed to the Force.

57. Amenities stores from Australia. Total stores received for the month was 15,269 lbs.

SECTION 6

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL BRANCH MATTERS

Relief of The Force.

58. Operation "WINTER-GRIP" was commenced on 1 Mar 67 and completed on 15 Jun 67. The following is a summary of the operation:

a. By Air. A total of 39 chalks were used to move troops to and from South Vietnam. Two of the chalks were QUANTAS charter flights, the remainder RAAF C130.

b. By Sea. HMAS Sydney sailed two voyages and carried, basically, the two infantry battalions to and from the theatre.

c. Total Troops Moved. A total of 3461 troops were moved into the theatre and 3067 were moved out.

d. Total Freight. 1133 short tons of freight was moved into the theatre and 148 short tons moved out. The majority of this freight was Unit Stores.

General Movements.

59. The following charts are attached to illustrate the degree of movement of personnel and stores, both in country and to and from Australia:

a.	Annex I	-	Tonnage into VUNG TAU - MV JEPARIT
b.	Annex J	-	Cargo-Courier Flts ex AUSTRALIA
c.	Annex K	-	Tonnage fwd to 1 ATF
d.	Annex L	-	Cargo-Couriers ex VUNG TAU
e.	Annex M	-	Tonnage out of theatre by sea
f.	Annex N	-	Water tpt - between VUNG TAU and SAIGON

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Base Development

60. 1 ATF. Progress in base camp construction tasks during the month is shown at Annex G. The number of buildings reflects an increase in strength of the Const Sqn detachment to 1 ATF, and the smaller demands on 1 Fd Sqn for combat support.

61. 1 ALSG. Progress in base camp construction is shown in Annex P. Material shortages are causing less trouble now and contract work continues to produce results. Contract values for the month were:

- a. Committed during June - A\$98,500.
- b. Expenditure during June - A\$45,600.
- c. Total committed to end of June - A\$259,000.
- d. Total expenditure to end of June - A\$141,800.

Australian Forces Club. Construction was 90% complete at the end of June and should be finished by the end of July.

C Vehicles

62. An improvement in C Vehicle serviceability has resulted from action taken to improve the supply of spare parts. The state of vehicles on the 28th June is shown in Annex Q.

Supplies and Transport.

63. Air Despatch Capability.

a. The scope of airdrop support, available from US sources, may allow the Australian organic ability in this respect to be greatly reduced. This could result in the backloading of airdrop equipment currently held by Det 176 Air Despatch Coy RAASC and 2 Comp Ord Dep.

b. Should the US airdrop capacity be guaranteed to the Australian Forces, the airdrop capability of Det 176 Air Despatch Coy RAASC could be limited to 5500 lbs per day, for 3 days, and Aerial delivery equipment to meet this requirement, plus a reserve held by 2 Comp Ord Dep would be the only equipment retained.

c. Det 176 Air Despatch Coy RAASC is fully committed to Air Mobile operations, which includes rigging of loads for heli and providing technical advice to units on this aspect.

d. A clear statement of the United States Army's willingness to guarantee airdrop support is being sought.

64. Messing - Cyclic Menu. A submission has been made for the "Australianisation" of the Cyclic Menu. This means the deletion of commodities not acceptable to the Australian palate and the inclusion of acceptable commodities. The only commodity, included in the submission, that is not currently provisioned by the US Army, is butter.

65. POL Equipment.

a. The need to refuel Air Mobile Companies, in support of 1 ATF, has produced a requirement for equipment differing to that on which the supply of POL equipment was originally based. The main difference is the lack of a suitable, and reliable, pumps to feed 5x50 GPM outlets for simultaneous refueling of helicopters. The Australian 250 GPM pump

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has, to date, not been sufficiently reliable and the associated filters have not been received.

b. The US 350 GPM, trailer mounted pump, has proved ideal for the task and is an excellent trouble free equipment. This information has been passed to Australia on the RAASC technical net with a request to investigate possible alternatives.

66. Fresh Rations. Arrangements are in hand to deliver fresh fruit and vegetables direct to 1 ATF from Saigon, instead of via Vung Tau. This should improve condition and will save many handlings.

Ordnance

67. 2 Comp Ord Dep.

a. The adjustment of the incorrect asset figures referred to in para 62 (b) of the previous report has been completed. Some additional stores have been received as a result of the adjustment, but the majority will be on the August JEPARIT. Immediate availability over the entire stocking range should show a marked improvement in the future.

b. Two 200'X45' bulk storehouses are complete except for the floor. One should be ready for occupation by 5 Jul 67.

c. All indents received for items not scaled by the depot are converted into service demands and despatched by signal. Implementation of this procedure has been trouble free so far.

d. Investigations into increased use of the US system revealed that 2 Comp Ord Dep could not be adequately supplied from 53 Gen Sp Gp, Vung Tau. The 2 Comp Ord Dep NCO who had been working with the US depot in Vung Tau has now been moved to the Saigon depot and requisitions are placed direct on Saigon Support Command. Early indications are that availability will be improved. A progressive change to US supply of all common user end items, and repair parts, is now being planned.

68. Det 6 OFP. The unit is now settled into the new location, and, as field defences are completed, the staff have been returned to normal functions. Receipts of new scalings from the Jun JEPARIT should increase immediate availability in 1 ATF area. A proposal to set up a self service store in 1 ATF area is being examined.

Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.

69. Equipment Repair.

a. Work arising from equipment inspections at 1 ATF increased during the first two weeks of Jun. With the exception of B and C Vehicles and some office machines, backlogs in all RAEME establishments had been reduced to less than two weeks work, by the end of Jun. The backlog should be further reduced to an acceptable level by mid Jul.

b. Technical inspections of B vehicles produced a heavy repair load on HQ 1 ATF LAD. The necessary support has been arranged from the field workshop.

c. An increase in spares availability and adjustments in workshop organisations and procedure resulted in an increase in C vehicles availability by the end of Jun. Any further increase in C vehicle availability is dependant upon further supply of spare parts.

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d. The repair system for office machines for 1 ATF is now satisfactory, as a result of an increased R & M Pool of machines and a change in trade repair procedure. Machines from 1 ATF are now flown direct to Saigon and placed with firms for repair. All backlogs resulting from inspections should be cleared by mid Jul.

70. Inspections.

a. Further inspections of small arms were carried out at 1 ATF.

b. Inspections of the following equipment commenced at 1 ALSG on 23 Jun and are currently in progress, by a HQ AFV EIS team:

- (1) Small arms.
- (2) Instruments.
- (3) Telecommunications equipment.
- (4) Office machines.

c. Vehicle technical inspections are now conducted on a regular basis, with servicing. Further improvement in vehicle availability should result from the timely ordering of spares during these inspections.

71. Workshop Accomodation Development.

a. 102 Fd Wksp now has hard standing prepared for the recovery platoon and the stores section. GE platoon is to be moved to this area while the raising of their platoon area is undertaken. Further buildings were erected for production control and living accommodation.

b. 17 Const Sqn Wksp moved to their new location during Jun. Two further buildings and some hard standing are awaited.

c. 1 Fd Sqn Wksp was reorganized and the layout changed to give increased effeciency.

d. A Sqn 3 Cav Regt LAD commenced their move to a new site but are awaiting construction of workshop accommodation before this move can be completed.

Postal

72. The introduction of charter flights has enabled all class 2 mail to be cleared from the theatre. A total of 5,875 lbs of class 2 mail wqs aboard a US aircraft which crashed near Saigon on 22 Jun. Investigations are still in progress. Only 49 parcels were recovered.

73. The following charts are attached to show the volume of mail being handled:

- a. Annex R - Class 1, in and out.
- b. Annex S - Class 2, in and out.

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SECTION 7

SECRETARY'S BRANCH

Royal Australian Navy Component

74. US/Aust Financial Working Arrangement. The cost of US support for Navy was \$US 296.46.

Army Component.

75. US/Aust Financial Working Arrangement. Two changes proposed in this arrangement are a reduction in the rates for provision of US hospital facilities and a new rate for expense stores provided by the US supply agencies. Both these changes, along with others which will arise in the near future, will be considered at the next review of the working arrangement.

76. The cost of US support for May was \$US 477, 825.86.

77. Civilian Staff. The total number of civilians employed is now 365, with 199 being funded by AIK.

78. Audit. There have been no audits completed this month due to the changeover of the Warrant Officer clerk in the FAs office. The one auditor now available was required to learn details of billings from the outgoing WO clerk as it was realised that the replacement would not have time to absorb the detail and background necessary for their accurate compilation.

79. An audit programme has been prepared, commencing 10 Jul 67, and this will be implemented. Shortage of auditors makes it impracticable to undertake audit of stores depots and unit A and Q records. Present audits are virtually confined to those A matters concerning accounting for cash and values.

80. AIK Funds for Camp Construction. Application has been made to COMUSMACV for an increase in the funds allocation for the Australian Army Vietnam from \$VN 20,000,000 to \$VN 45,000,000. This allocation is on a calendar year basis. The increase is necessary to cover the additional funds being spent on camp construction due to more contractors being employed and a faster rate of working as contractors become more skilled.

Royal Australian Air Force Component.

81. The cost of US support for Jun was \$US 235,238.10.

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PART C

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE COMPONENT

General

82. B Det 5 Airfd Const Sqn moved from PHAN RANG to VUNG TAU on 21 Jun 67 to commence work on the RAAF Cantonment on VUNG TAU airfield. The occupation of the first portion of the Base Cantonment was achieved on 21 Jun 67 and, despite initial water and power problems, is more satisfactory than previously.

Operations

83. All squadrons had a successful month overflying once again, their allocated flying hours. A breakdown of flying hours, cargo and passengers carried in respect of No2 2, 9, and 35 Squadrons is shown at Annex T.

84. 2 Squadron was tasked for night combat proof bombing during June on all but two sorties, and generally, each aircraft bombed two targets on each sortie.

85. During the month it was successfully demonstrated that the Canberra aircraft is suitable for day bombing under the direction of a forward air controller.

86. 2 Squadron aircrew flew as observers in local FAC aircraft during June to familiarize themselves with the technique of visual reconnaissance from light aircraft. It is intended that all aircrew be given this experience.

87. 912 targets were attacked during the month.

RAAF Component Strength

88. The RAAF Element strength as at 30 Jun 67 is shown at Annex A.

Casualties.

89. A222023 LAC La Grasta G., cooks assistant of Base Support Flight VUNG TAU was stabbed in an alley behind the airmen's villa on the night of 18 Jun 67 and died in the early hours of the morning of 19 Jun 67. An investigation was conducted into the circumstances. Shortly after the incident was reported to the police, the offender was apprehended and placed in custody and he was charged by the local police with murder. There is no suspicion of any Viet Cong activity associated with this death.

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UNIT	ESTB STR		SUPPLEMENT		ESTB & SUPPLEMENT		POSTED STR		ATTACHED		TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	
145 Sig Sqn (III Corps Gia Dinh Province Located Saigon)	8	180	188	18	18	8	198	206	1	1		1 1	
Total	8	130	188	18	18	8	198	206	1	1		1 1	
1 Fd Regt	26	303	329	1	34	35	27	337	364	4	6	10	4 6 10
6 RAR	36	760	796	2	78	80	38	838	876	1	13	14	1 13 14
Det 1 OFP (III Corps Phuoc Tuy Province Located Nui Dat)	1	24	25	2	2	2	1	26	27	1	1		1 1
Total	63	1087	1150	3	114	117	66	1201	1267	5	20	25	5 20 25
101 Fd Wksps (III Corps Phuoc Tuy Province Located Vung Tau)	6	120	126	1	11	12	7	131	138	8	8		8 8
Total	6	120	126	1	11	12	7	131	138	8	8		8 8
Grand Total	77	1387	1464	4	143	147	81	1530	1611	5	29	34	5 29 34

UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL
HQ AFV	39	82	121	2	8	10	41	90	131	43	90	133				43	93	136
110 Sig Sqn	8	183	191		15	15	8	198	206	8	171	179		3	3	8	171	179
AFV Det 11 MC Gp	2	13	15		1	1	2	14	16	2	15	17	1		1	3	15	18
AFV Cash Office	4	14	18		2	2	4	16	20	4	14	18				4	14	18
+ AATTV	14	85	99				14	85	99	17	78	95	2		2	19	78	97
Det 198 Wks Sec	1	9	10				1	9	10		5	5				5	5	5
(III Corps Cia Dinh Province Located Saigon)																		
+ Location of Individual AATTV Personnel are the subject of Seperate Returns																		
Total	68	386	454	2	26	28	70	412	482	74	373	447	3	3	6	77	376	453
HQ 1 ATF	29	121	150	2	10	12	31	131	162	25	128	153				25	128	153
A Sqn 3 Cav Regt	10	107	117	1	10	11	11	117	128	11	114	125				11	114	125
Det 131 Div Loc Bty	3	64	67		6	6	3	70	73	3	70	73				3	70	73
4 Fd Regt	26	303	329	1	34	35	27	337	364	27	338	365				27	338	365
A Sec 1 Topo Svy	2	19	21		1	1	2	20	22	2	18	20				2	18	20
1 Fd Sqn	8	167	175		17	17	8	184	192	7	160	167				7	160	167
21 Engr Sp Tp	1	55	56		5	5	1	60	61	1	39	40				1	39	40
104 Sig Sqn	5	121	126	1	11	12	6	132	138	5	128	133				5	128	133
Det 152 Sig Sqn		17	17					17	17		13	13					13	13
Det 547 Sig Tp	1	28	29		1	1	1	29	30	2	27	29				2	27	29
2 RAR	36	760	796	2	78	80	38	838	876	38	841	879				38	841	879
7 RAR	36	760	796	2	78	80	38	838	876	38	818	856				38	818	856

UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL
1 SAS Sqn	6	76	82	9	9		6	85	91	6	87	93				6	87	93
Det 1 Div Int Unit	1	13	14	1	1		1	14	15	1	12	13				1	12	13
Det 6 OFF	1	24	25	2	2		1	26	27	4	23	27				4	23	27
Det A Sqn 3 Cav Regt LAD		14	14	1	1			15	15		16	16					16	16
4 Fd Regt LAD	1	23	24	2	2		1	25	26	1	20	21				1	20	21
Det 131 Div Loc Bty Wksp		6	6					6	6		2	2					2	2
1 Fd Sqn Wksp	1	28	29	2	2		1	30	31	1	26	27				1	26	27
HQ 1 TF LAD	1	15	15	1	1		1	16	17	1	16	17				1	16	17
161 Indep Recce Flt	15	77	92	8	8		15	85	100	15	79	94				15	79	94
Aust CA Unit	10	39	49				10	39	49	8	30	38				8	30	38
+ 1 ARU	6	94	100				6	94	100	6	126	132				6	126	132
Det 1 Div Postal Unit		3	3					3	3		5	5					5	5
+ Includes reinforcement holding (III Corps Phuoc Tuy Province Located Nu. Dat)																		
Total	199	2934	3133	9	277	286	208	3211	3419	202	3136	3338				202	3136	3338
HQ 1 ALSG	10	76	86	12	12		10	88	98	11	69	80				11	69	80
17 Const Sqn	10	245	255	21	21		10	266	276	10	249	259	3	3		10	252	262
Det 55 AESS	1	28	29	3	3		1	31	32	1	30	31				1	30	31
67 GL Sec	2	2	4				2	2	4	2	2	4				2	2	4

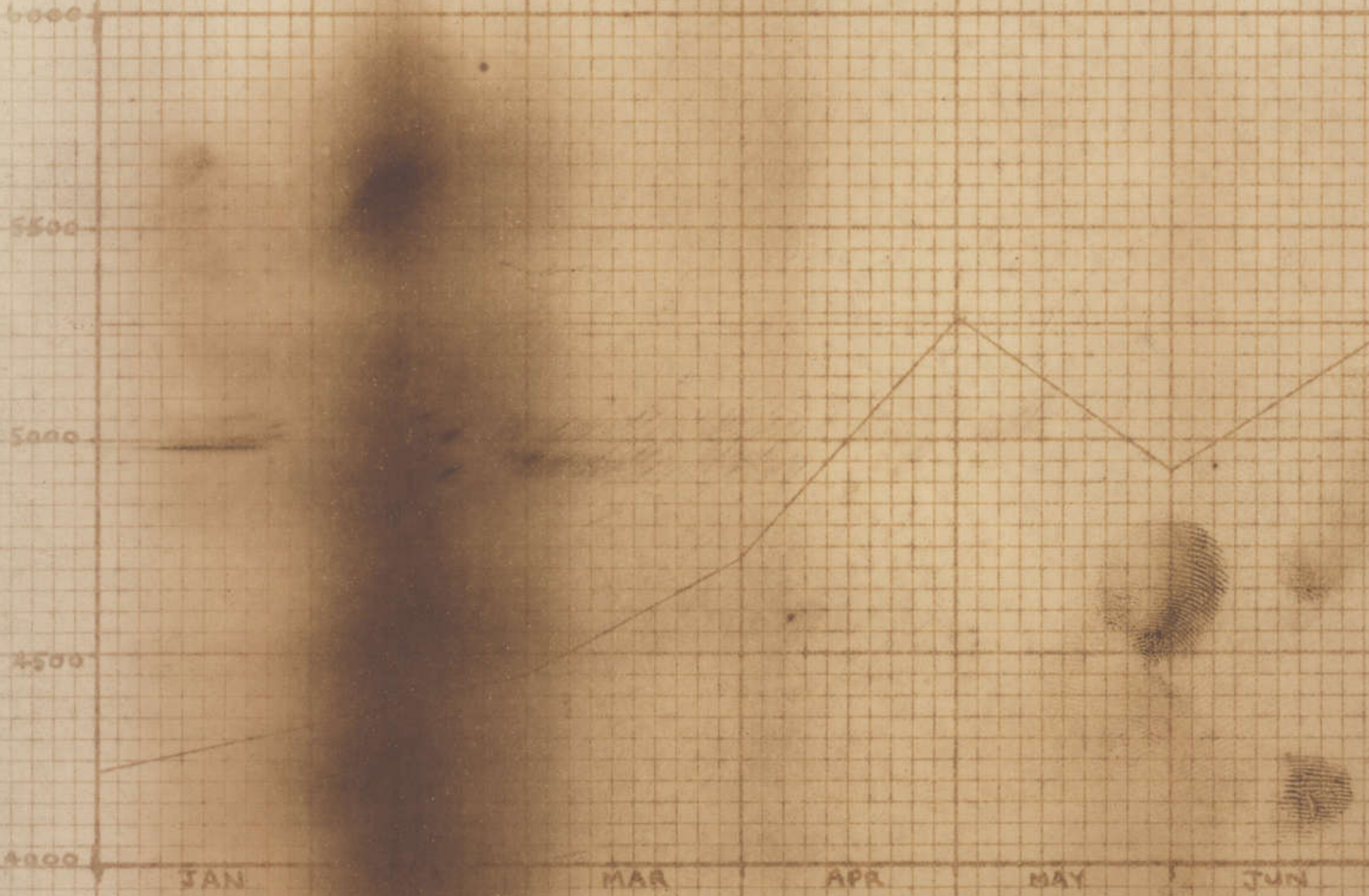
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	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL
H COY RAASC	4	19	23		3	3	4	22	26	4	22	26				4	22	26
85 Tpt Pl	2	75	77		7	7	2	82	84	2	82	84				2	82	84
2 Tpt Pl	2	75	77		7	7	2	82	84	2	82	84				2	82	84
25 Sup Pl	2	35	37		3	3	2	38	40	2	38	40				2	38	40
Det 86 Tpt Pl	1	29	30		3	3	1	32	33	1	32	33				1	32	33
Det 176 AD Coy	1	21	22				1	21	22	1	21	22				1	21	22
8 Fd Amb	16	114	130		7	7	16	121	137	16	116	132				16	116	132
33 Dent Unit	5	18	23		1	1	5	19	24	3	12	15				3	12	15
102 Fd Wksp	6	120	126	1	11	12	7	131	138	7	122	129				7	122	129
2 Comp Ord	10	123	133		13	13	10	136	146	9	128	137				9	130	139
102 Fd Wksp Stores Sec	1	15	16		1	1	1	16	17	1	16	17	2	2		1	16	17
17 Const Sqn Wksr	1	40	41		4	4	1	44	45	1	44	45				1	44	45
Det 1 Div S & T Wksp	1	18	19		1	1	1	19	20	1	19	20				1	19	20
Det 1 Comm Z Postal Unit	1	13	14		2	2	1	15	16	2	13	15				2	13	15
AFV Pro Unit	1	44	45		4	4	1	48	49	1	43	44				1	43	44
Det 30 Terminal Sqn	1	17	18		1	1	1	18	19	1	20	21				1	20	21
Aust R & C Centre	1	22	23				1	22	23	1	20	21				1	20	21
Det 8 Pet Pl	1	8	9				1	8	9	1	8	9				1	8	9
Det 5 ASCO	2	25	27				2	25	27	3	19	22				3	19	22
(III Corps Phuoc Tuy Province Located Vung Tau)																		
Total	32	1182	1264	1	104	105	83	1286	1369	83	1207	1290	5	5		83	1212	1295

UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL	OFFR	OR's	TOTAL
GRAND TOTAL	349	4502	4851	12	407	419	361	4909	5270	359	4716	5075	3	8	11	362	4724	5086
<u>Navy Comp</u>																		
RAN CDT 3	1	6	7				1	6	7	1	6	7				1	6	7
STO (Att HQ AFV)	1		1				1		1	1		1				1		1
Total	2	6	8				2	6	8	2	6	8				2	6	8
<u>RAAF Comp</u>																		
RAAF HQ AFV	7	3	10				7	3	10	7	5	12	5		5	12	5	17
35 Sqn	15	66	82				16	66	82	14	67	81				14	67	81
2 Sqn	41	223	264				41	223	264	41	219	260				41	219	260
9 Sqn	18	82	100				18	82	100	17	86	103				17	86	103
Base Sp Flt	17	116	133				17	116	133	17	123	140	1		1	17	123	140
Total	99	490	589				99	490	589	96	500	596	6		6	102	500	602
<u>T/Duty in Country</u>																		
<u>ARMY</u>																		
AV "Vernon Sturdee"										4	50	54				4	50	54
Total										4	50	54				4	50	54
<u>T/Duty in Country</u>																		
<u>RAAF</u>																		
5 ACS										2	35	37				2	35	37
										2	35	37				2	35	37

UNIT	ESTB STR			SUPPLEMENT			ESTB & SUPPLEMENT			POSTED STR			ATTACHED			TOTAL		
	Offr	OR's	TOTAL	Offr	OR's	TOTAL	Offr	OR's	TOTAL	Offr	OR's	TOTAL	Offr	OR's	TOTAL	Offr	OR's	TOTAL
<u>TOTAL ARMY</u>																		
5109																		
<u>TOTAL RAAF</u>																		
602																		
<u>TOTAL NAVY</u>																		
8																		
<u>GRAND TOTAL (Incl TDY)</u>																		
5821																		
<u>APPENDIX:</u>																		
	1.	Strength State	Graph	AMF														
	2.	Strength State	AFV															

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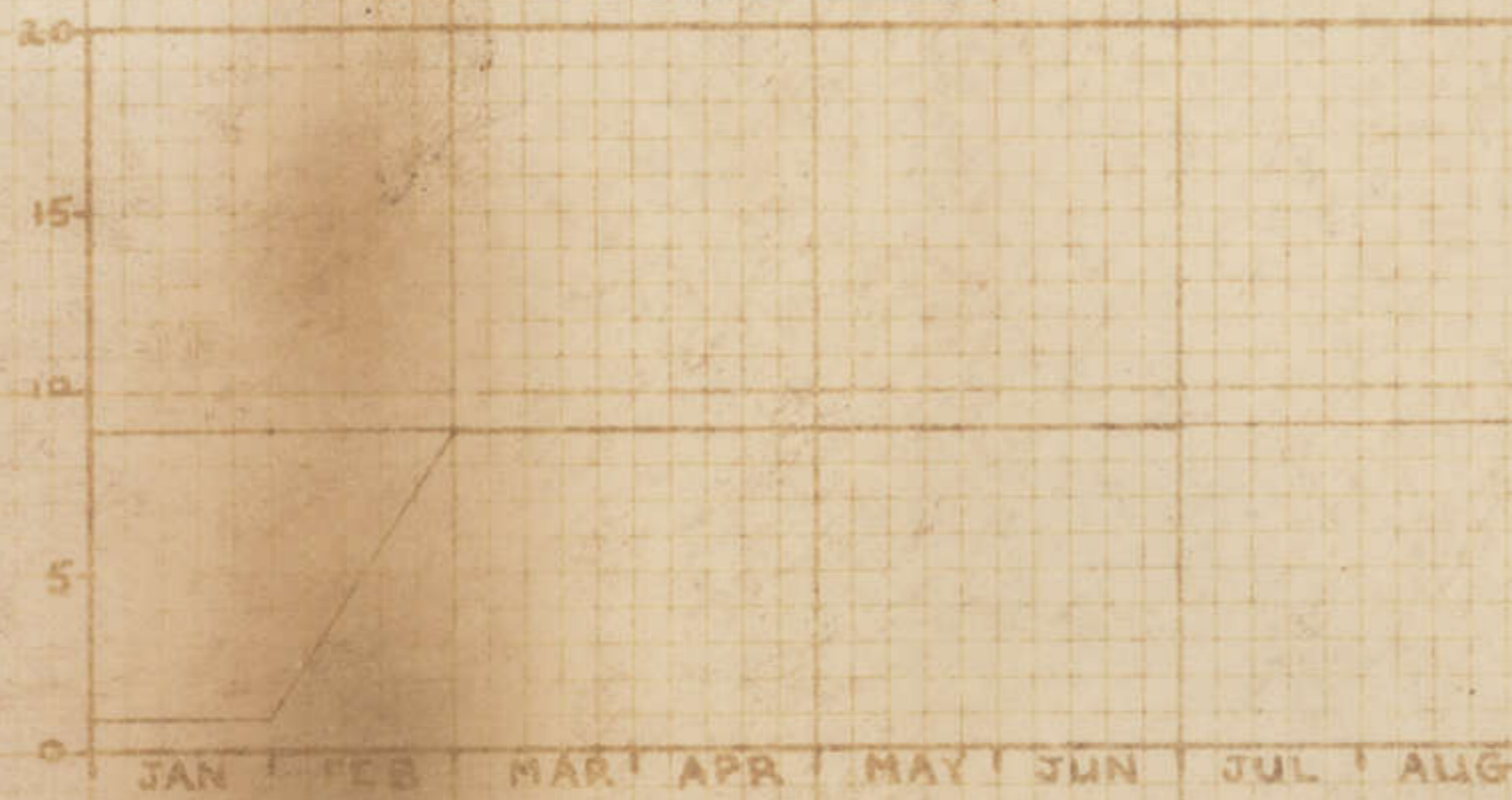


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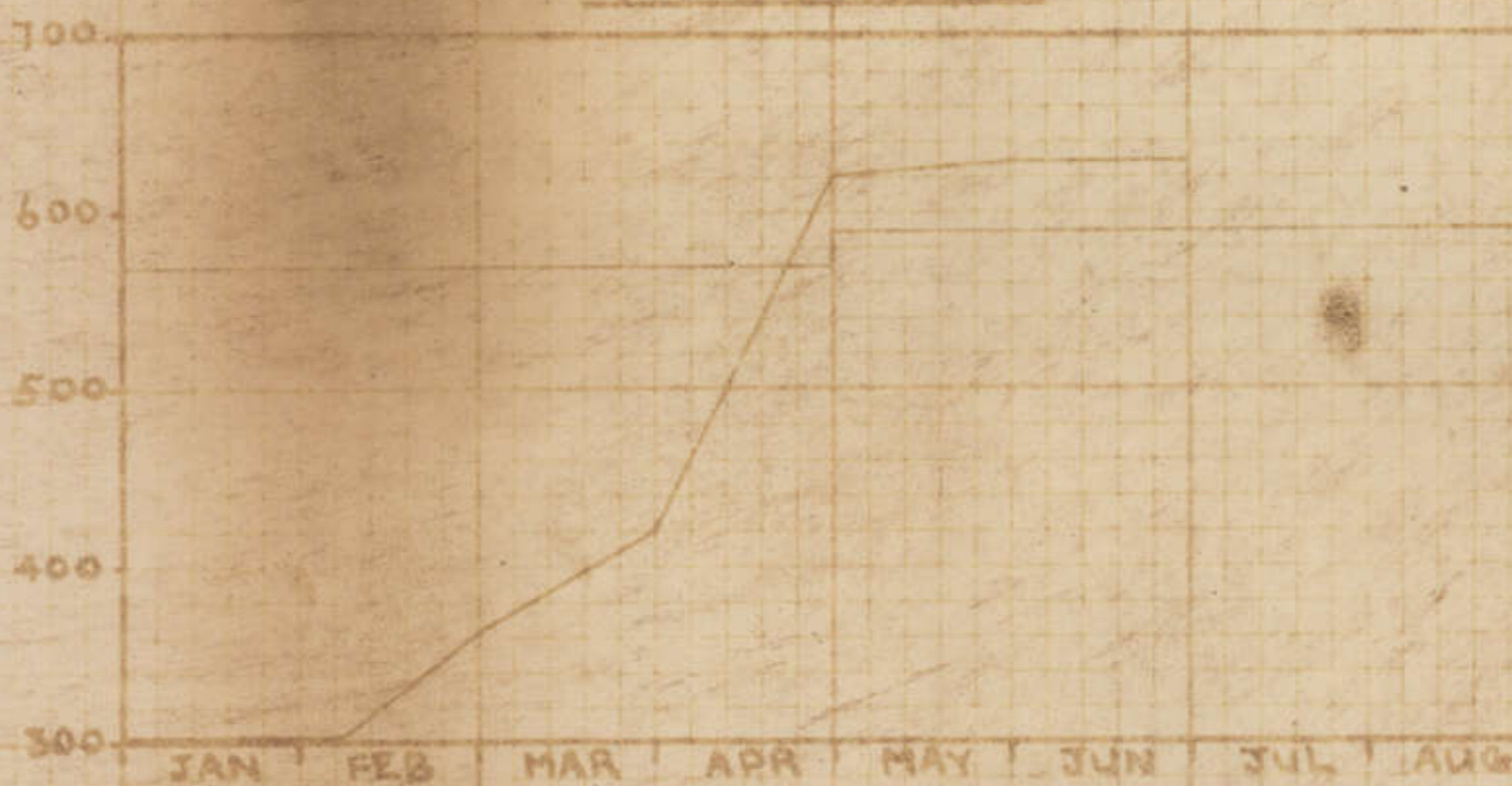
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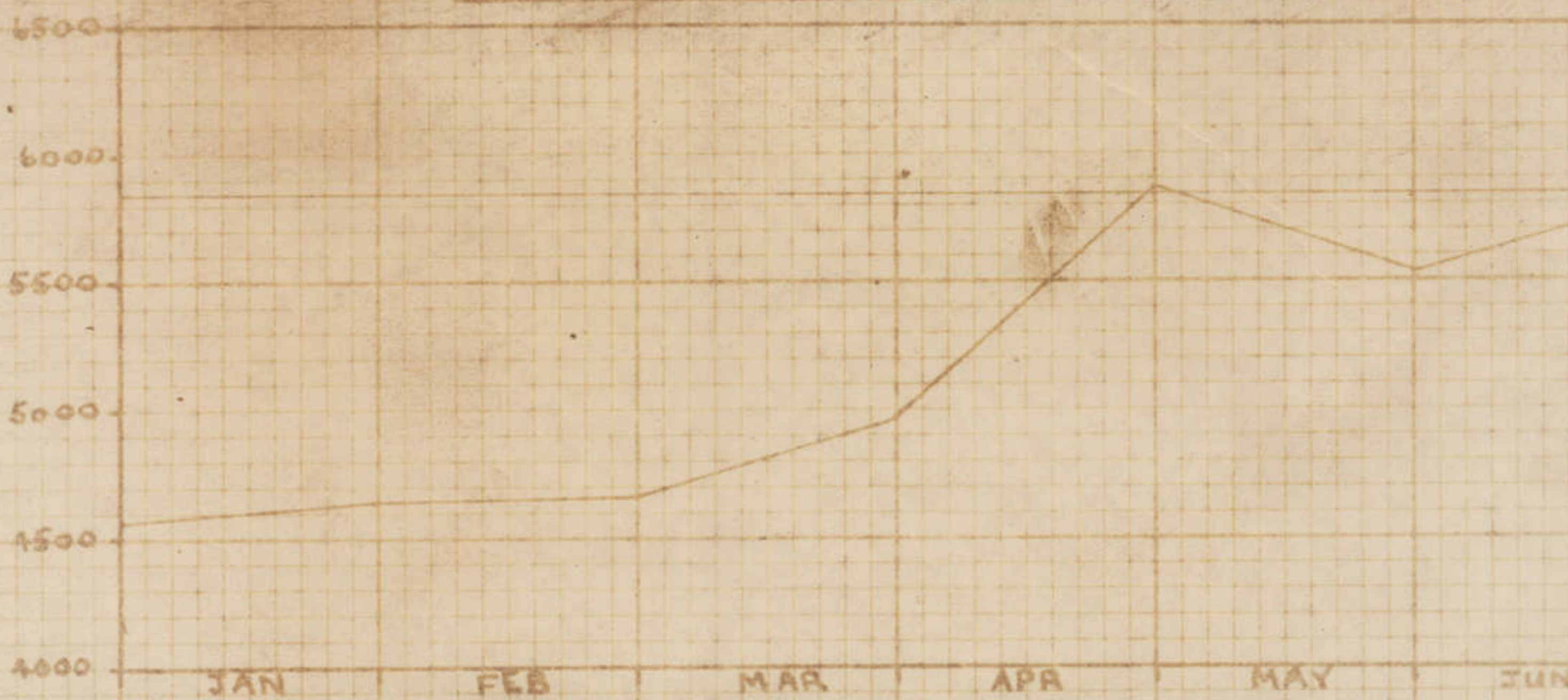
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FORCE STRENGTH



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MEDICAL STATISTICS

(Figures incl RAN, Army, RAAF and NZ pers)

Casualties

1. Killed in Action - 1
2. Died of other causes - 1 (RAAF)
3. Admitted to 8 Fd Amb
 - a. Sickness - 153
 - b. Non Battle Injuries 44
 - c. VD - 20
 - d. Battle Casualties - 7
 - e. Total Admissions - 224
4. Admitted to US Hospitals
 - a. Sickness - 8
 - b. Non Battle Casualties 5
 - c. Battle Casualties - NIL
 - d. Total Admissions - 13
5. Medically evacuated from theatre to Australia: 19
6. Medically evacuated from theatre to Butterworth: 3 (RAAF)
7. Medically reclassified below theatre standard: 3

Blood Usage Rates

8. Units drawn at 8 Fd Amb NIL
9. Units transfused 13
10. Patients transfused 3
11. Units on hand at end of month 29
12. Units discarded 71
Reason - Outdated, all units kept for days
after expiry date.

8 Fd Amb Statistics

13. Number of patients since 25 Apr 67 434
14. Average daily bed state 49
15. Average number days in hospital 10
16. Major surgery month of June 22
17. Major surgery since 25 Apr 67 43

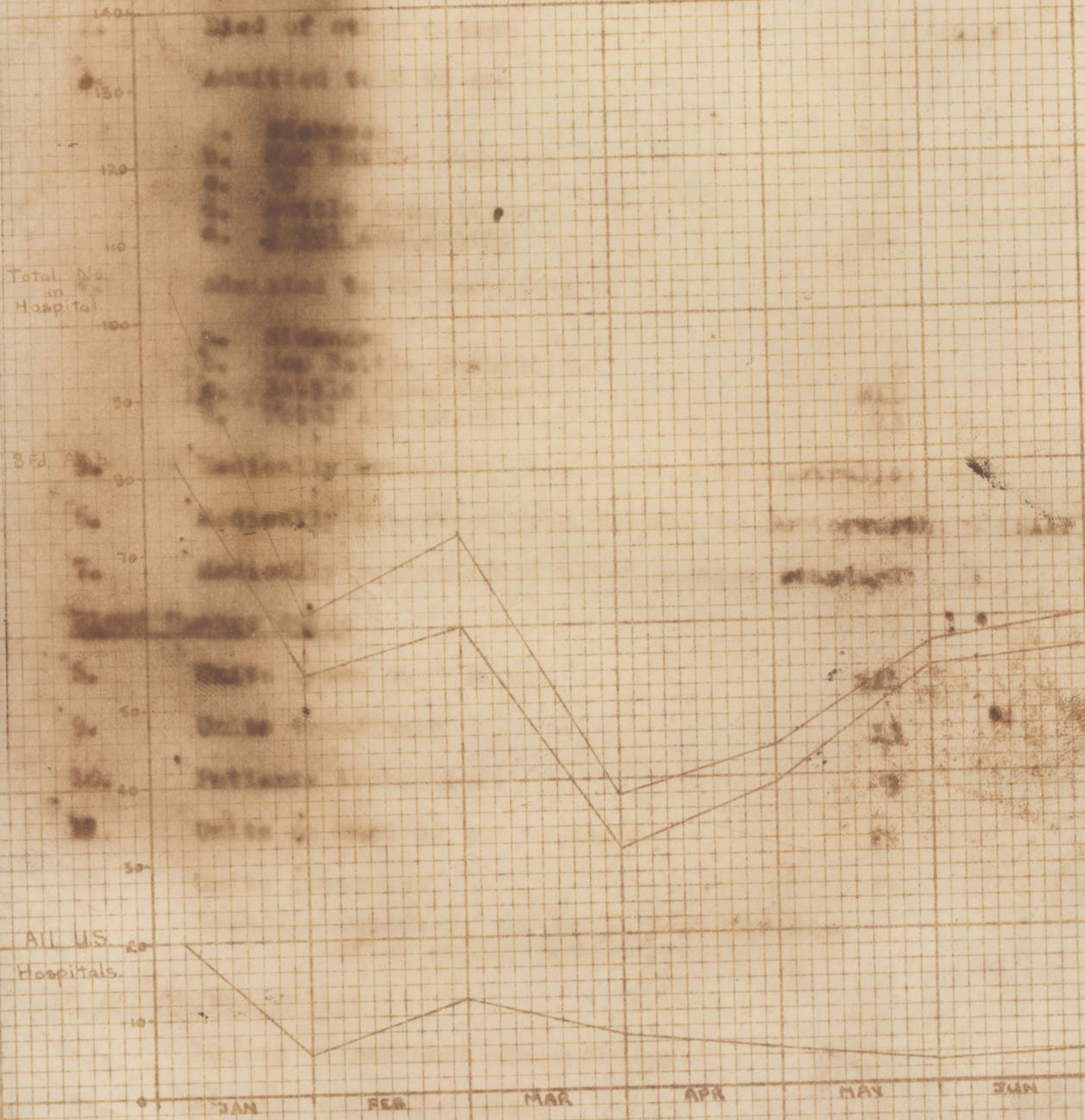
Total AFV Casualties Since Jun 65

	Officers	Other Ranks	Total
Killed in Action	8	98	106
Wounded in Action	34	408	442
Missing in Action	-	1	1
Totals	42	507	549

Appendix: 1 Hospital State

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HOSPITAL STATE

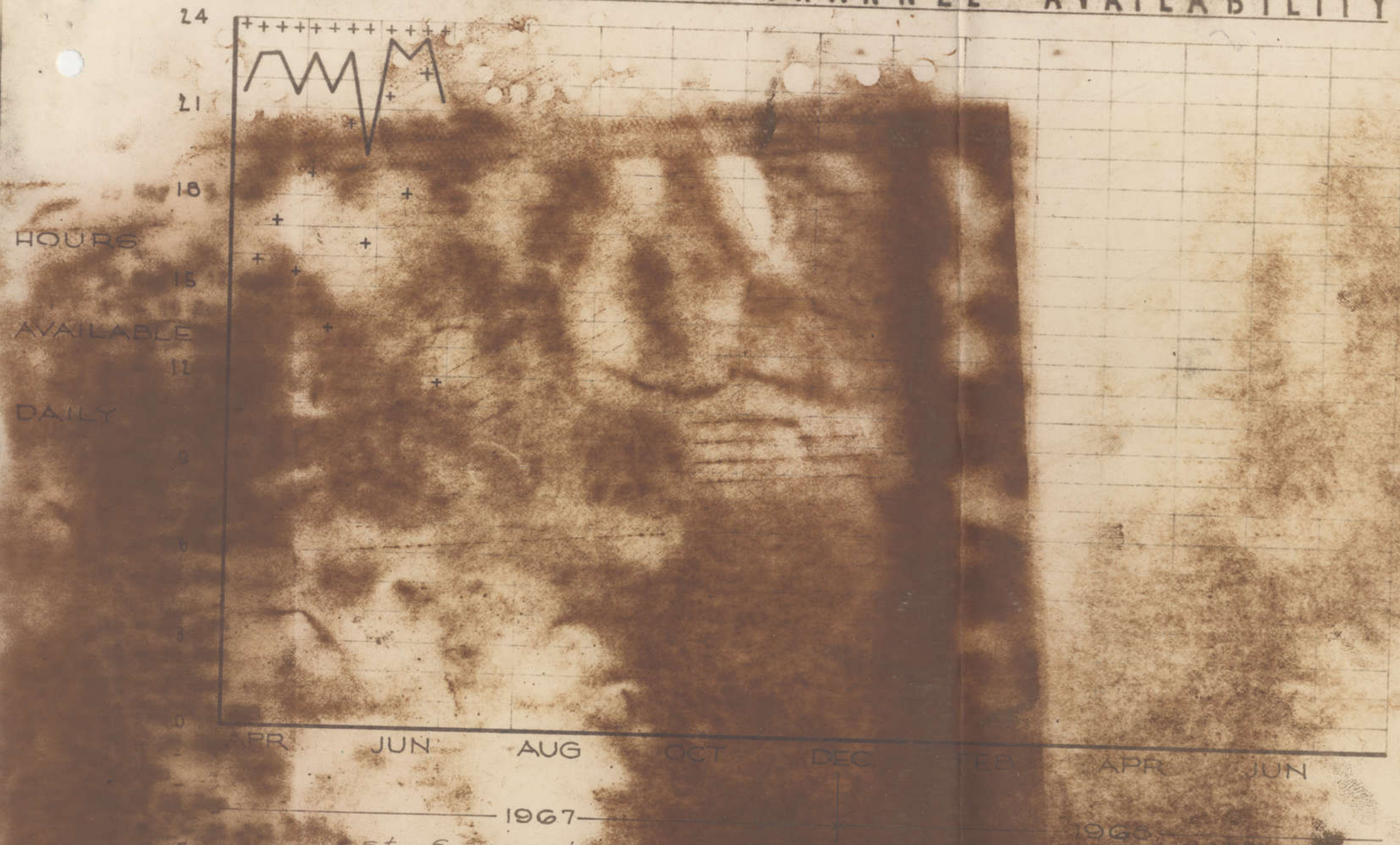


VISITORS TO AFV - JUNE 1967

29 May - 5 Jun	Col W.H. Wansley Lt Col R.W. Morris Lt Col R. Vardanega Lt Col D.W. Hanlin
30 May - 12 Jun	Lt Col W.J. Crosby
1 - 15 Jun	Mr G.W. Spencer
1 - 5 Jun	Air Cdre R.T. Susans, DSO,DFC
2 - 5 Jun	Maj Gen C.E. Long, CBE
5 Jun - 3 Jul	Sqn Ldr T. Ellard
6 - 12 Jun	Flt Lt J.G. Sebastian
9 Jun	Sir Raphael Cilento
9 Jun	Mr G. Fisher
9 - 12 Jun	Hon Peter Howson, MA,MP
9 - 12 Jun	Sqn Ldr J.W. Green
9 - 19 Jun	Avm L.R. Trudinger, CBE Brig C.M. Gurner, ED
10 - 12 Jun	Air Cdre G.H. Steege, DSO,DFC
10 - 15 Jun	Lt Col J. Brooke, MBE RNZIR
19 - 26 Jun	Sqn Ldr R.C. McAleer
23 Jun - 1 Jul	Lt Col L.A. Eyles
25 - 28 Jun	Col N.R. McLeod
26 Jun	Lt Col K.J. O'Neill
26 - 28 Jun	Mr A.S. Peacock, MP
26 Jun - 31 Jul	Maj L.A. Power
28 Jun	Brig D.J. Willison, OBE,MC
28 Jun - 10 Jul	Capt R.S. Dearing, RNZIR

TRUNK TELEPHONE CHANNEL AVAILABILITY

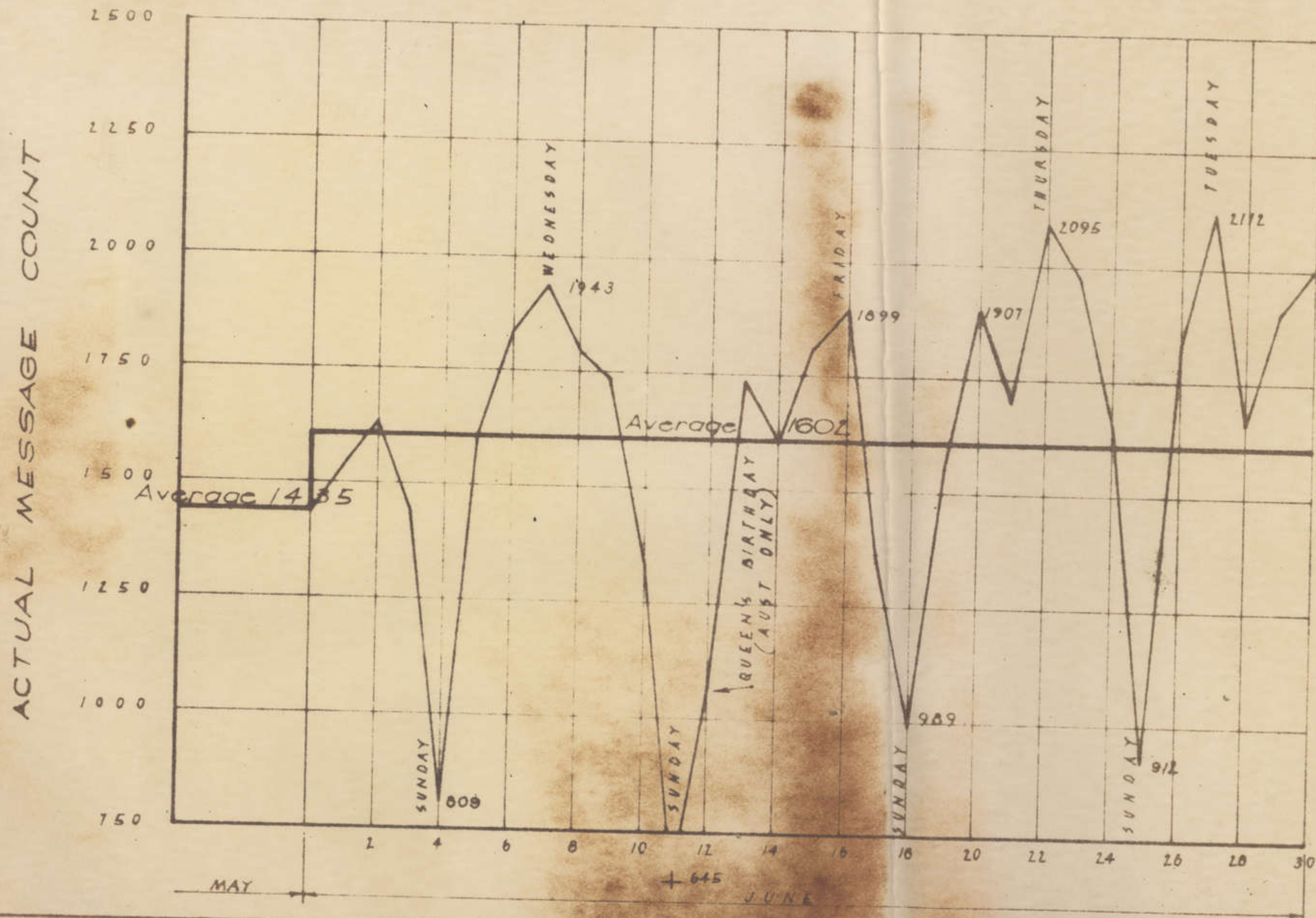
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Best & worst day
in week

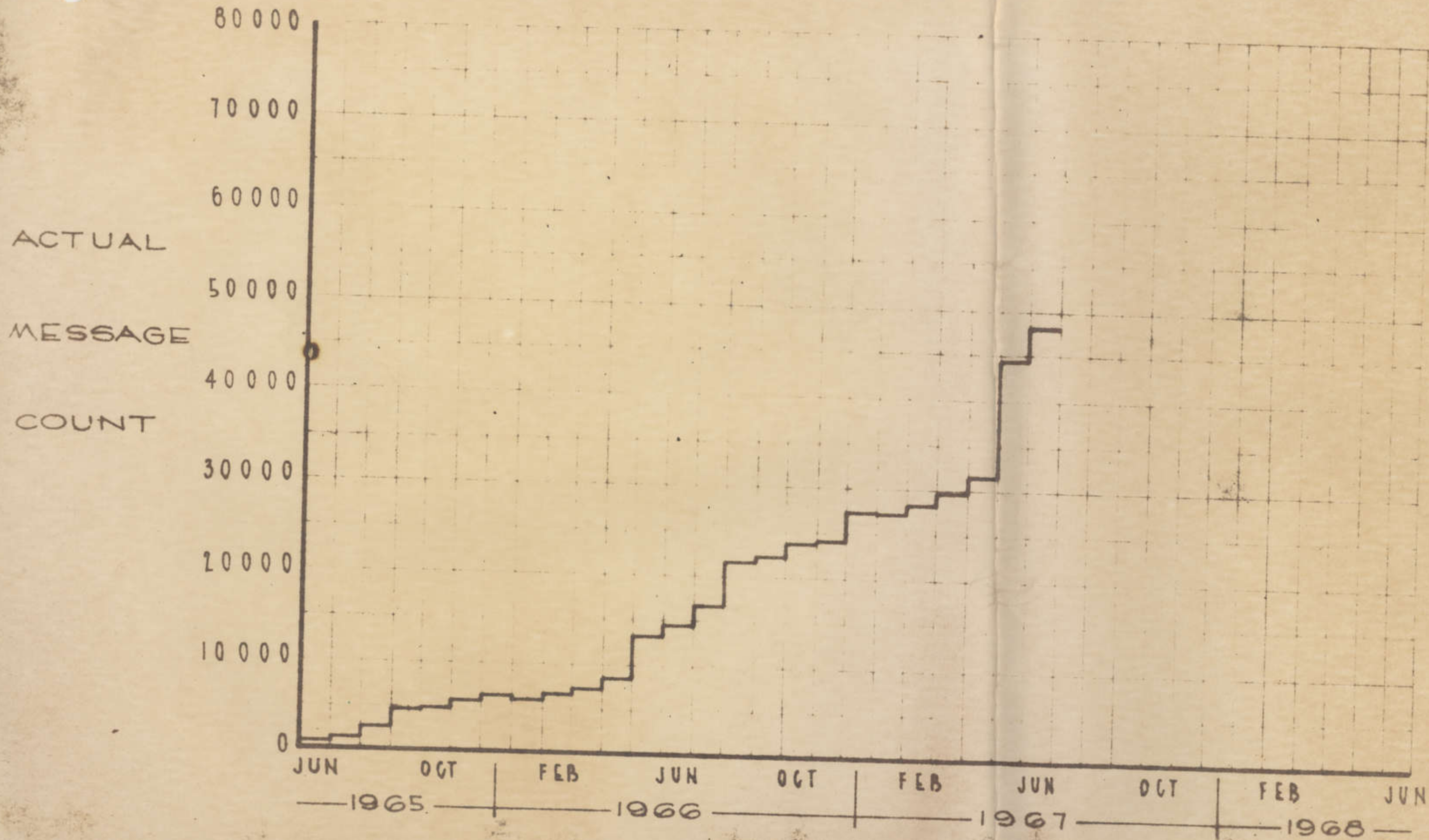
TOTAL DAILY TRAFFIC - SAIGON MRS - JUNE 67

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TRAFFIC VOLUME - MAJOR RELAY STATION SAIGON

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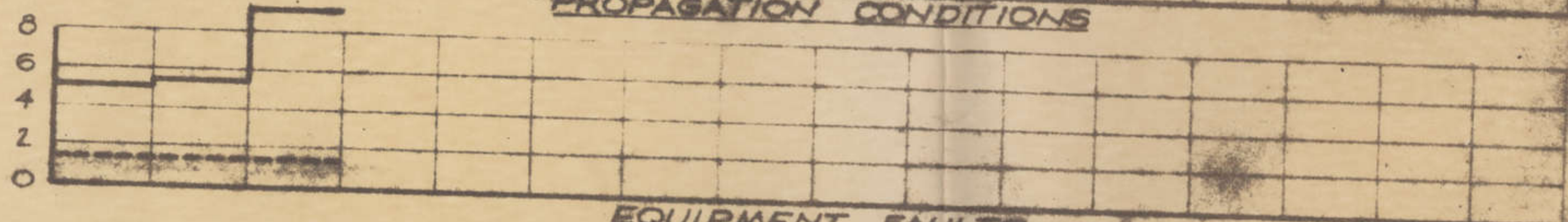
CIRCUIT TIME LOST TO TRAFFIC
NUI DAT - SAIGON

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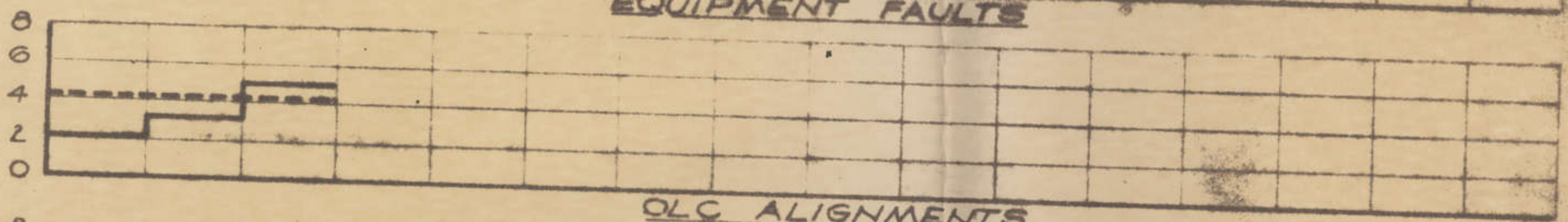
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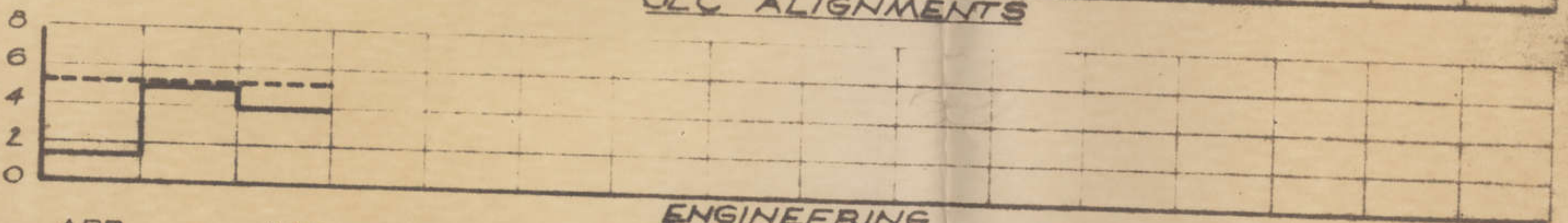
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EQUIPMENT FAULTS



OLC ALIGNMENTS



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CIRCUIT TIME LOST TO TRAFFIC SAIGON - MELBOURNE

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TIME



PROPAGATION CONDITIONS



EQUIPMENT FAULTS



OLC ALIGNMENT



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----- AUSTRALIAN AVERAGE 1966

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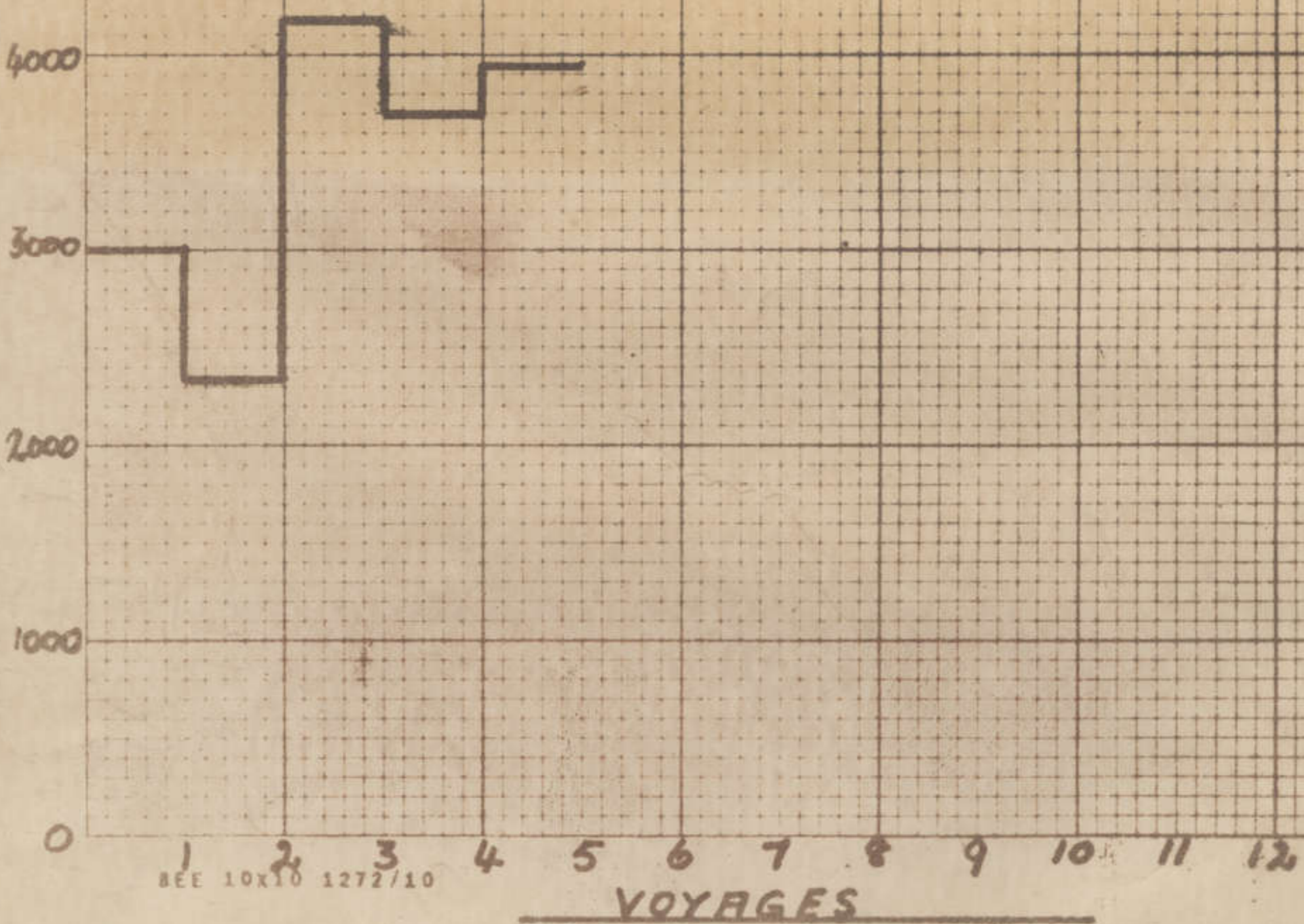
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TONNAGES INTO VUNG TAU 1967

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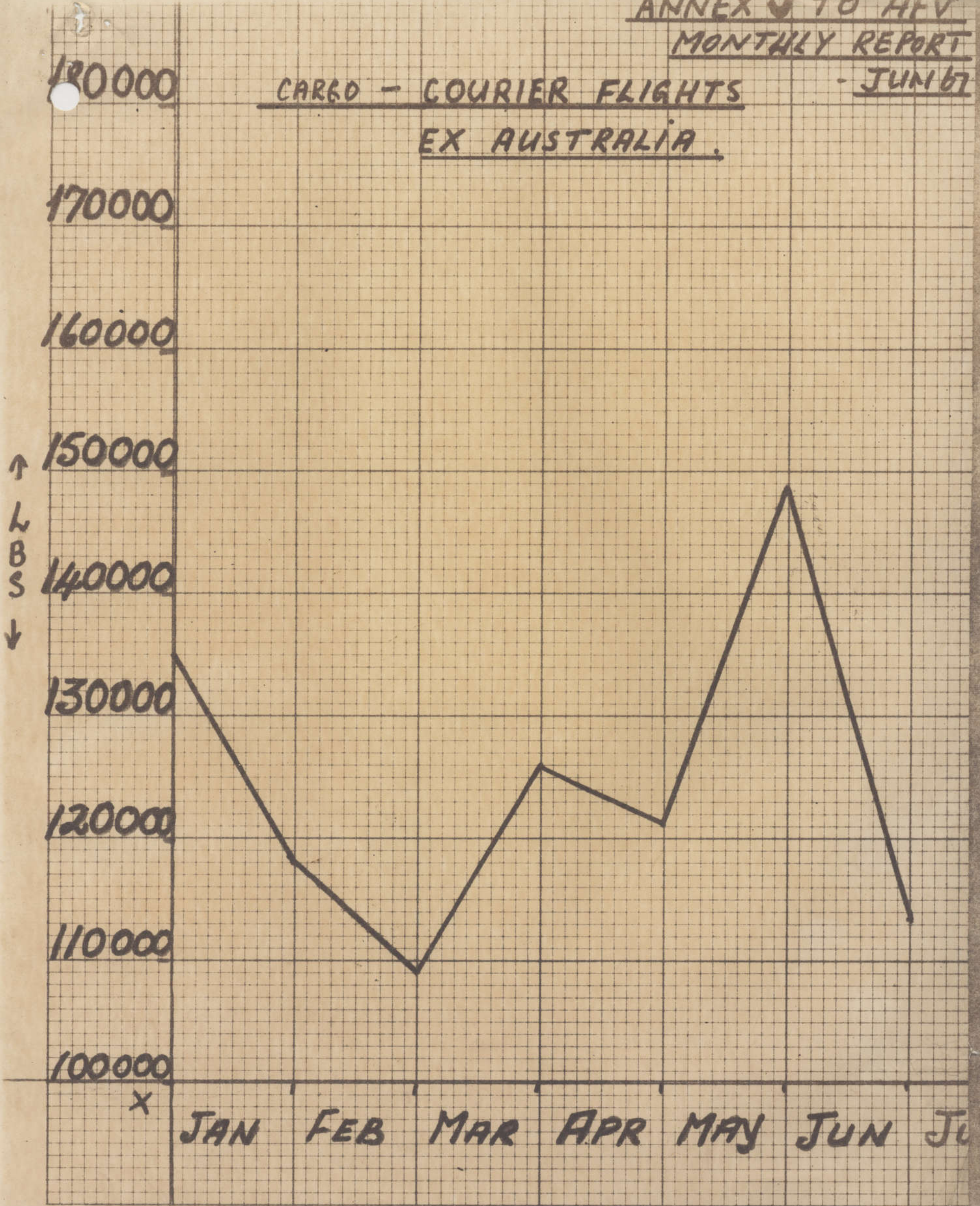
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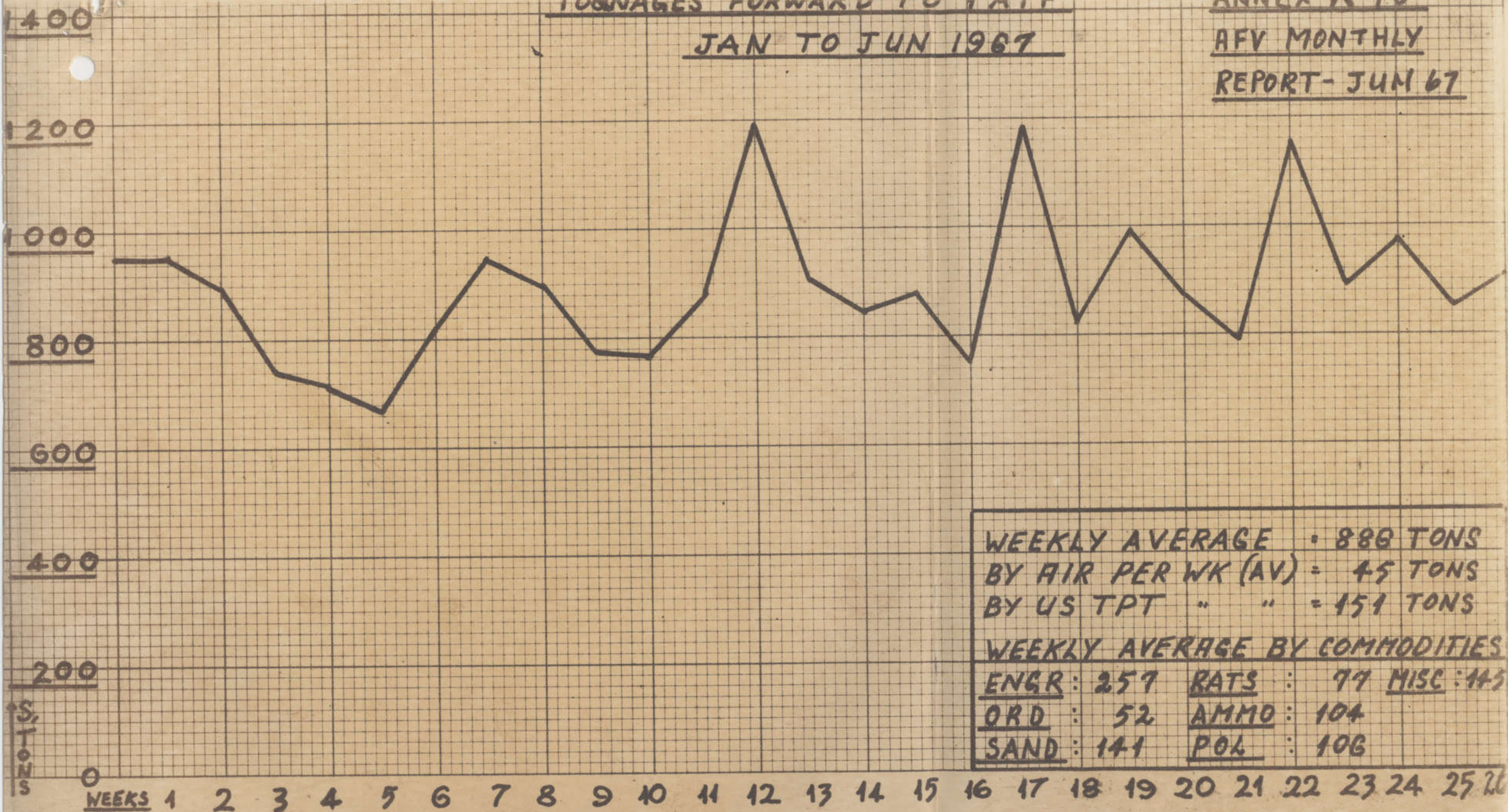
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CARGO - COURIER FLIGHTS
EX AUSTRALIA.



LOADINGS FORWARDED TO TAIT
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WEEKLY AVERAGE = 888 TONS
 BY AIR PER WK (AV) = 45 TONS
 BY US TPT " " = 151 TONS

WEEKLY AVERAGE BY COMMODITIES

ENGR: 257	RATS: 77	MISC: 145
ORD: 52	AMMO: 104	
SAND: 141	POL: 106	

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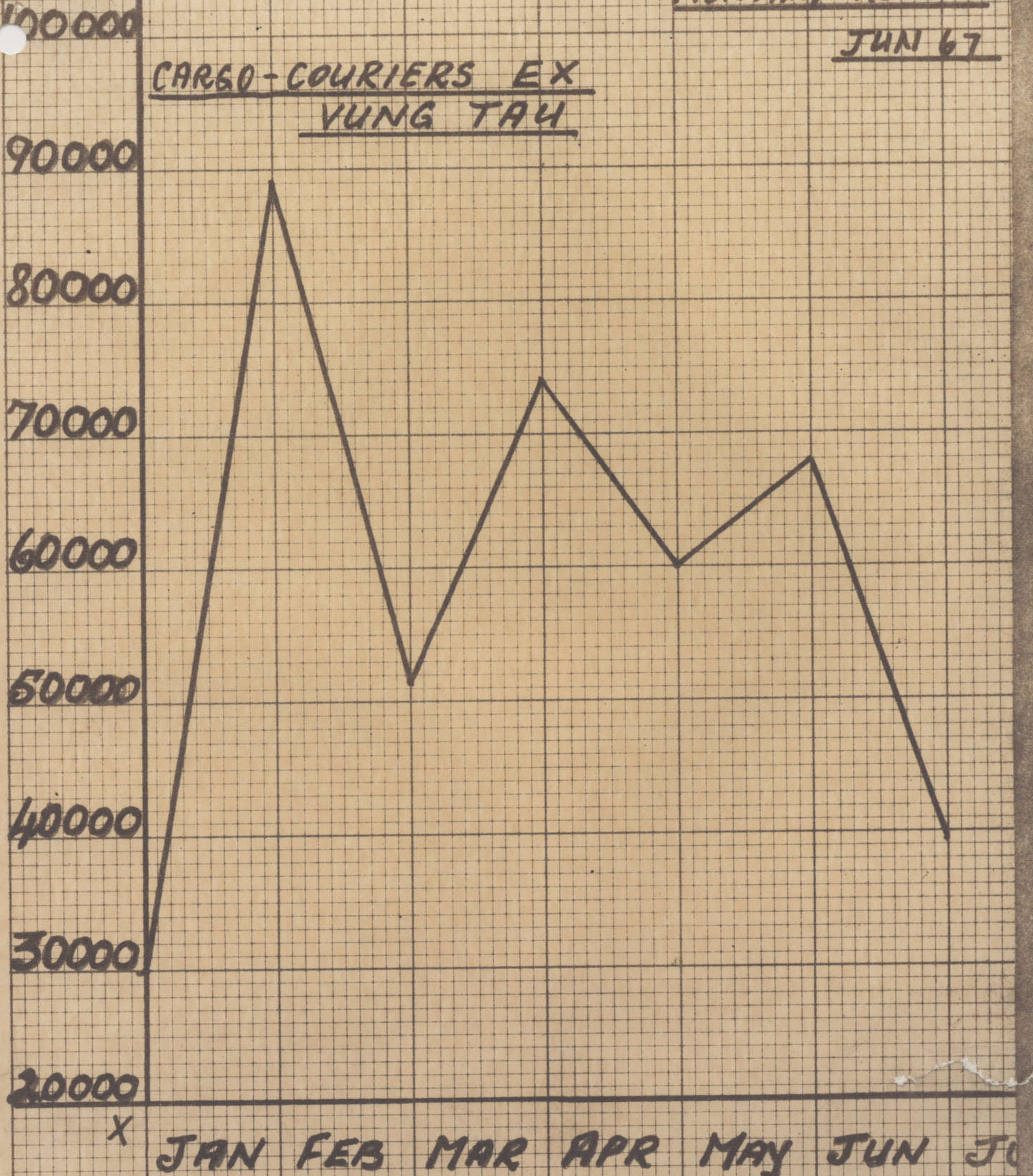
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TONNAGES OUT OF
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MV JEPARIT

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100

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VOYAGES

ENGINEER WORKS PROGRESS

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1 ATF

Month of June 67

Date 30 Jun 67

BUILDING OF WORK	UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)
Sleeping Accn Stage 1 Stage 2	No	None planned at present						Stage 1 Shell only Stage 2 Partitions shutters, elec, etc.
Unit A & Q Accn	No	103	47	8	6	53	55	
Messes	NO	53	50	-	-	50	94	
Canteens	No	33	29	2	-	29	91	
Warehouses	No	21	18	-	1	19	90	
Workshops	No	18	11	-	1	12	67	
Shower Blocks Stage 1 Stage 2	No	112	77	3	8	85	76	Stage 1 Buckets Stage 2 Piped Water
	T	112	4	2	1	5	4	
Food Prep Rooms Stage 1 " 2	No	34	29	-	5	34	100	Stage 1 Basic
			16	-	-	16	47	Stage 2 Improved
Latrine Blocks	No	120	85	4	9	94	80	
Hospital Buildings	No	1	1	-	-	1	100	
Miscellaneous Buildings	No	7	1	-	5	6	85	
Roads(2 Way) Gravelled Sealed	yds Not deter- mined	43,170	25,850	5,000	150	25,980	65	

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	
Hardstandings	Gravelled	sq yds	92,000	73,175	10,000	4,000	77,175	89	
	Sealed	sq yds	not determined						
Helipads	Formed	Sq yds	51,600	20,000	-	1,600	21,600	41	
	Sealed	sq yds	not determined						
Culverts	48" and above	ft	1,620	1,470	-	-	1,470	90	
	under 47"	ft	5,000	3,130	-	632	3,762	74	
Water Supply	Mains	yds	not determined						
Electricity	Lt retic	yds	not determined						Excl temporary wiring.
	Bldg wiring(perm)	no	361	60	2	4	64	17	
Site prep & clearing	fields of fire	acres	900	350	400	50	400	66	
Airfield		sq yds	32,000	20,000	20,000	-	20,000	62	

- NOTES: 1. Requirement is based on the area master plan but is subject to change in detail.
2. In table above all buildings of same function are grouped together irrespective of size and type.
3. Percentage completion is calculated from the number of buildings complete and does not take account of the different sizes and types of buildings in the group.

8 Jul 67

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ENGINEER WORKS PROGRESS

1 ALSG

Month of June 67.

Date..30.Jun.67.

BUILDING OR WORK	UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
Sleeping Accn	Stage 1	120	13	71	21	34	57	Stage 1 Shell only
	Stage 2		-	31			12	Stage 2 Partitions
Unit A & C Accn	No	76	4	43		4	34	
Messes	No	24	4	12		4	41	
Warehouses	No	36	7	3	7	14	42	
Canteens	No	8	5	2	1	6	87	
Workshops	No	16	5	-	4	9	56	
Hospital Accn	No	6	6	-	-	6	100	
Shower Block	No	31	25	-	4	29	93	
Food Prep Rooms	Stage 1	11	7	-	4	11	100	Stage 1 Basic
	Stage 2	11	-	-	-	-	-	Stage 2 Improved
Latrine Blocks	No	44	31	2	8	39	91	
Miscellaneous Buildings	No	14	7	4	-	7	64	

BUILDING OR WORK	UNIT OF MEASURE	TOTAL REQUIREMENT	PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS AT DATE	COMPLETED DURING MONTH	NO COMPLETED TO DATE	% CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE	REMARKS
Forces Club	%	100	75	10	15	90	90	
Roads 2 Way	Gravelled	yds	10,000	3000	300	300	30	
	Sealed	yds		300	-	-	300	Sealing requirement not determined.
Hardstanding	Gravelled	sq yds	102,000	90,000	1200	3000	92	
	Sealed	sq yds						Requirement not yet Determined.
Helipads	Gravelled	Sq yds	18,500	10,500	-	8000	100	
	Sealed	Sg yds	18,500	-	3500	15000	80	
Culverts	48" and above	ft						None planned
	under 48"	ft	350	60	-	-	60	17
Water Supply	Mains	yds						Not yet designed
Electricity	Lt retic	yds	Not determined	19360	-	-	19360	
	Building wiring	No	386	50	2	17	67	17
Security Fencing	yds	12300	-	-	-	-	-	

NOTES:

1. Requirement is based on the area master plan but is subject to change in detail.
2. In table above all buildings of same function are grouped together irrespective of size and type.
3. Percentage completion is calculated from the number of buildings complete and does not take account of the different sizes and types of buildings in the group.

8 Jul 67

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C VEHICLE STATE

Month of June 67

Date... 30 Jun 67

VEHICLE	ENT	HELD	SVC	UNsvc	SVC LAST WEEK	AVERAGE SVC	REMARKS
Tractor Wheeled Size 5	7	8	6	2	7	5	F/L Massey Ferguson
Tractor Wheeled Size 6	2	5	4	1	4	3	F/L Pettibone
Tractor Wheeled Size 7	7	7	4	3	3	3	F/L Michigan
Tractor Wheeled Size 8	3	6	5	1	6	5	Cat 966B
Tractor Tracked Size 0	4	5	1	4	1	1	Oliver. To be replaced 4 BLR
Tractor Tracked Size 2	3	3	2	1	2	2	Cat D4. 2 Svc R & M Pool
Tractor Tracked Size 4	11	13	9	4	12	7	2 BLR
Tractor Tracked Size 6		2	1	1	1	1	TD25B
Scraper 7/9 Cu Yd	9	7	5	2	3	3	
Scraper 10 Cu Yd	2	2	2	-	2	2	R & M Pool
Crane Shovel 22 RB	2	2	1	1	2	2	
Crane Shovel P & H	1	1	1	-	1	1	
Roller Motorised 25,000 lbs	2	3	2	1	2	2	
Roller Motorised 3 Wh	3	3	3	-	2	2	
Grader Motorised 12 foot	6	7	6	1	7	5	

NOTE: Average 5 Weeks

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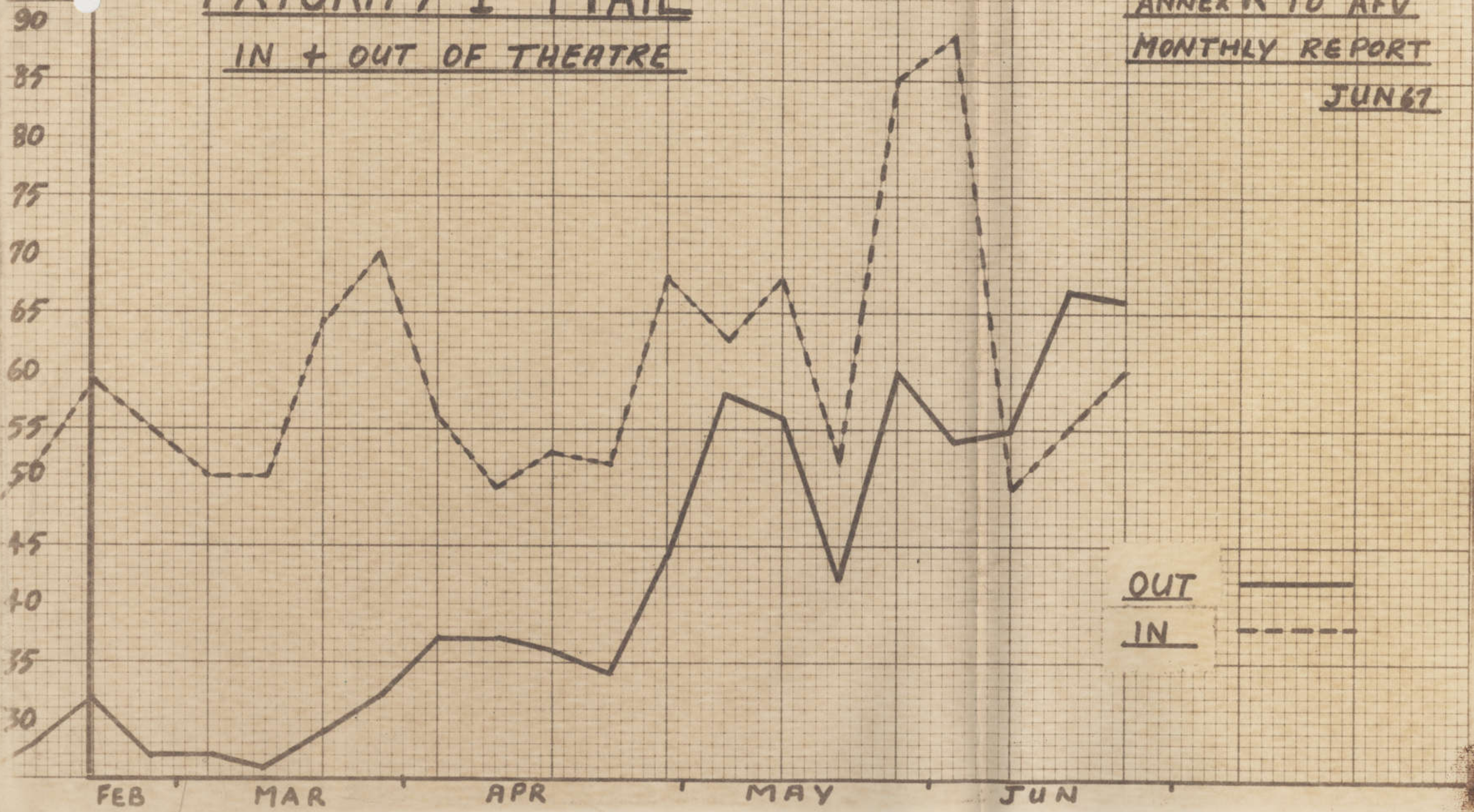
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WATER TRANSPORT - BETWEEN
VUNG TAU AND SAIGON
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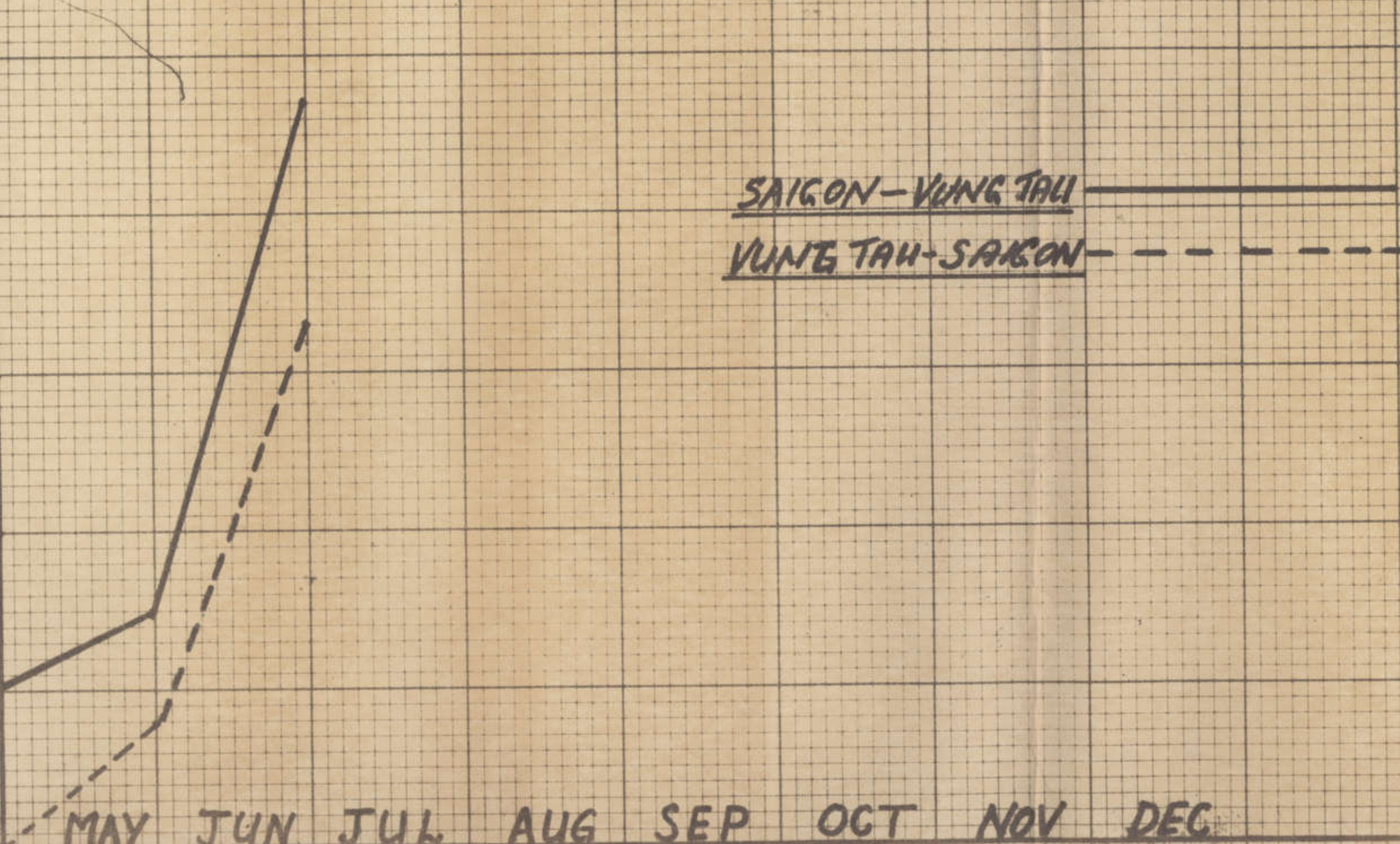
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DATED JUL 67

DETAILS OF FLYING HOURS CARGO AND PAX CARRIED BY
2SQN 9SQN AND 35SQN RAAF

1. 2 Squadron RAAF

a. Flying hours	-	521.45 hours
b. Sorties flown	-	245
c. Bomb expenditure	-	1466x500 lb; 332x1000 lb
d. VC killed	-	2 KBA reported
e. Bomb damage assessments	-	8 secondary explosions
f. Aircraft casualties from enemy action	-	Nil

2. 9 Squadron RAAF

a. Flying hours	-	437.20 hours
b. Sorties flown	-	3092
c. Pax carried	-	4237
d. Medevacs	-	38
e. Freight	-	231,365 lb.

3. 35 Squadron RAAF

a. Hours flown	-	509.40 hours
b. Sorties flown	-	823
c. Cargo carried	-	571,320 lb
d. Mail carried	-	122,389 lb
e. Passengers carried	-	7,396

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