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# WAR DIARY

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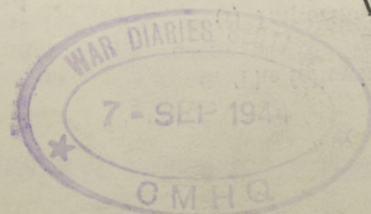
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## LIST OF FILE TITLES

1. *Operations (G.S.) (or Technical Functioning).*

- 1-0. General.
- 1-1. Orders.
- 1-2. Instructions.
- 1-3. Co-operation and Liaison.
- 1-4. Intercommunication, sigs, etc.
- 1-5. Working Parties.
- 1-6. Scheme of Work.
- 1-7.
- 1-8. } Available for allotment.
- 1-9.

2. *Protection. (G.S.)*

- 2-0. General.
- 2-1. Guards and Patrols.
- 2-2. Alarm Posts.
- 2-3. Field defences.
- 2-4. Against air attacks.
- 2-5. Against A.F.V.
- 2-6. Gas.
- 2-7. Defence Schemes.
- 2-8. } Available for allotment.
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3. *Intelligence.*

- 3-0. General.
- 3-1. Secrecy. Codes.
- 3-2. Censorship.
- 3-3. Enemy forces, Prisoners of war.
- 3-4. Reports and sketches.
- 3-5. Maps.
- 3-6. War diary.
- 3-7. Weather.
- 3-8. } Available for allotment.
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4. *Training. (G.S.) (or Technical).*

- 4-0. General.
- 4-1. Drill.
- 4-2. P.T.
- 4-3. Technical: Musketry, Gun Drill, etc.
- 4-4. Route Marches.
- 4-5. Tactical Schemes.
- 4-6. Courses and Schools.
- 4-7. Lessons learned and Pamphlets.
- 4-8. } Available for allotment.
- 4-9.

5. *Organization and Administration (A.G.).*

- 5-0. General.
- 5-1. Establishments.
- 5-2. Medical and Sanitation. Dental.
- 5-3. Inspections. Ceremonial. Visitors.
- 5-4. Discipline. Police.
- 5-5. Office.
- 5-6. Routine Orders.
- 5-7. }
- 5-8. } Available for allotment.
- 5-9.

6. *Personnel (A.G.).*

- 6-0. General.
- 6-1. Officers.
- 6-2. Strengths, Casualties, Reinforcements.
- 6-3. Part II Orders.
- 6-4. Chaplains and Welfare.
- 6-5. Pay. Financial.
- 6-6. Burials. Effects.
- 6-7. Honours and Rewards.
- 6-8. Demobilization and discharge.
- 6-9. Available for allotment.

7. *Movements and Quarters. (Q.M.G.)*

- 7-0. General.
- 7-1. Moves by road, rail, water, air.
- 7-2. Employment of transport.
- 7-3. Reliefs.
- 7-4. Barracks, Billets, Camps.
- 7-5. Baths and Laundry.
- 7-6. Boundaries and areas.
- 7-7. Traffic.
- 7-8. } Available for allotment.
- 7-9.

8. *Supplies and Maintenance. (Q.M.G.)*

- 8-0. General.
- 8-1. Rations, forage, water, disinfectants.
- 8-2. Petrol and lubricants.
- 8-3. Fuel and Light.
- 8-4. Engineer Stores.
- 8-5. Postal.
- 8-6. Remounts and Veterinary.
- 8-7. Canteens, Comforts, and small consignments.
- 8-8. Printing and Stationery.
- 8-9. Available for allotment.

9. *Stores. (M.G.O.)*

- 9-0. General.
- 9-1. Arms and armament.
- 9-2. Ammunition.
- 9-3. Clothing and Necessaries.
- 9-4. Personal Equipment.
- 9-5. Unit equipment.
- 9-6. Vehicles.
- 9-7. Salvage.
- 9-8. } Available for allotment.
- 9-9.

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## WAR DIARY JACKET



## WAR DIARIES, C.A.S.F.

### Instructions for Compilation and Despatch

1. A War Diary is **SECRET**.

2. The War Diary takes the place of the Historical Record when on active service. (K.R. Can. Para. 1530). Its objects are: to supply authentic material for the history of the unit, and of the force; to furnish a historical record of operations; and to provide data upon which to base improvements in training, equipment, organization and administration.

3. Unless otherwise ordered, the original and duplicate copies are sent on the first day of the succeeding month, through the usual channels, to the A.G., 2nd Echelon, wherever that office may be. The triplicate copy may be held by the unit for three months and then forwarded, also through the usual channels, to A.G., 2nd Echelon.

4. Post-war disposal will be as under:

Original—retained at Ottawa for historical purposes.

Duplicate—to British Record Office for historical purposes.

Triplicate—to unit for custody with unit records.

5. The War Diary will be entered up daily on M.F.M. 11 and rendered monthly in triplicate (Mobn. Instr. for C.M. 1937. App. "C"). Each entry will be initialled by the officer detailed to keep the War Diary, which will be signed at the end of each month by the commander. (F.S.R. Vol. II, Sec. 35, para. 3 iii).

6. The following should be recorded daily as events occur:

- (i) Important orders, instructions, reports, messages or despatches received and issued, and decisions taken. *Original documents* should be attached as appendices to the Original copy of the War Diary.
- (ii) Daily map location, employment, movements and dispositions of unit headquarters and of batteries, companies, etc. March tables should be attached as appendices.
- (iii) Important movements of officers and matters relating to the duties of each branch of the staff. A complete set of the *routine orders and instructions, Part I Orders*, issued by the unit during the month should be attached as an appendix to the original copy.
- (iv) Detailed account of operations—to include:—  
Exact hour, location and circumstances of important occurrences. Movements and names of neighbouring units. Commanders of batteries, companies, etc., names of Officers and number of O.R. (i) engaged and (ii) battle casualties. Dispositions, activities and identity of enemy forces. Prisoners and trophies captured. Ammunition expended. Factors affecting operations, topographical and climatic. *Maps and sketches* showing dispositions of batteries, companies etc., at important phases. The record of *communications, both written and verbal*, received or despatched during active operations as an appendix. A complete set of the *operation orders and instructions* issued during the month. Notes on conferences and *reports* rendered to higher formations, or received from lower formations, as appendices to the original copy.

(v) Nature and description of trenches, field works or accommodation occupied or constructed. Meteorological notes.

(vi) Changes in establishment or strength. Names and ranks of officers and number of O.R. Attachment of units and individuals. Reinforcements. *Copy of Part II Orders and Weekly Field Returns of Officers and O.R.* should be attached as appendices to the original copy. Changes in organization, stores, transport, etc.

7. It is essential that all copies of both text and appendices are legible. Appendices will be numbered and referenced to the text in the last column of the form. Current issues of any regimental publication should be attached.

8. It will be found convenient at the end of each month, when the War Diary is being completed and the correspondence in unit files for the month is being reviewed and distributed (F.S.R. Vol. I, sec. 171, para. 3) if the material considered to be of historical value in the light of the above is attached as appendices to the original copy of the War Diary.

9. A good war diary makes possible the accurate and detailed reconstruction of circumstances, conditions and action.

NOTE: If monthly diary is more than one inch thick, use a second folder. If appendices are bulky, tie folder up with tape or string to make a firm package.

**PRESERVE IMPORTANT ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS FOR POSTERITY: INSERT THEM AS APPENDICES IN ORIGINAL COPY OF WAR DIARY**

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## UNIT OFFICE FILING SYSTEM AND RECORDS

"Every office will arrange for the filing and custody of its own correspondence." (F.S.R. Vol. I. Sec. 171.3.)

### 1. *Titles and Numbering of Files.*

A simple filing system adaptable for use in any military office at home or in the field is illustrated by the "List of File Titles" overleaf.

All documents handled by a unit fall into one or other of the nine categories enumerated, 1 to 9. The titles of the nine main divisions are based on British army operations, organization, administration and the regulations governing. Each title may be broken down into ten component parts or sub-titles, by adding a dash and subsidiary numbers 0 to 9. In turn each of these may be further broken down by adding a second dash and a third digit, and if necessary a third dash and a fourth digit. Thus 4-7-3 might be "Cooking Course at Kingston." According to circumstances, a fighting unit would expand the 1-3 prefix to accommodate all arms and services with which it may be concerned

### 2. *Date reference.*

In giving communications a reference number, it is convenient to use the date system of four figures indicating day and month, e.g. 0102 for 1st February; 3010 for 30th October.

### 3. *Combined Numeration.*

If the systems outlined in paras 1 and 2 are combined, by placing the four date figures under the subject file numbers, a simple and informative method of reference results, thus

2-6-1  
0804

might be immediately identified as a communication dealing with replacement of gas masks, dated 8th April.

NOTE.—This method is not applicable to signal messages, A.F.C. 2128, which bear serial numbers 1 to 9999. The use of dashes eliminates confusion between serial numbers and file numbers.

### 4. *Documents for Preservation.*

The monthly review of correspondence (F.S.R. Vol. I, sec. 171.3) is facilitated and future confusion avoided by jacketing the material in "Category ii" (i.e., "no longer required", etc.) to conform with the system.

### 5. *Correspondence in the Field.*

The functioning of the office of a formation or unit during active operations may be simplified by keeping a log or register of all orders and messages, written or verbal, received or sent during the action. This may conveniently be done by extending the use of the "Field Register of Communications Received or Despatched", (Army Form 2040, F.S.R. Vol. I. sec. 171) to include verbal as well as written orders and messages in chronological order as received or sent.

Time of sending and of receipt are of importance second only to time of event, and should be entered both on the office copy of every field message or other document, and in the log or register. A carbon copy for contemporary reference of the commander or others concerned is desirable.

A brief précis of written orders, reports and messages, with the sender's number, is sufficient, for they will be kept on file. But particular care is necessary in making entries of times of moves and of verbal orders, reports or conversations, by telephone or otherwise, which in the stress of action, may not otherwise be recorded on paper. In battle, operations messages dealt with by one officer may number over twenty-five per hour for several hours on end.

The record should be kept convenient to the telephone. Entries may be made by a clerk, or by the officer on duty at the telephone.

Such a record is invaluable to the commander in making appreciations of the situation during the action, and in compiling his report on the action afterwards. It is contemporary evidence of the highest quality, and therefore is of the highest historical value, and should be attached as an appendix to the original copy of the War Diary, together with the original documents sent and received.

(Appendix to Routine Order No. 147 C.A.S.F.  
22 Nov. 39).

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## ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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12 CDN INF BDE

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M.F.M. 11  
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
ITALY 1/100,000 Sheet 172 N 308846.	Thur 13 JUL 44		<p>As the North African and Italian campaigns progressed, it became evident that an arm'd div, containing only one bde of inf, was unable to make the fullest use of its striking power, owing to the demand for strong inf support in the difficult terrain of these theatres and to the efficient manner in which the enemy used it in his defensive actions.</p> <p>British Eighth Army therefore instituted the policy of having two infantry or motorized bdes in its arm'd divs.</p> <p>In order to conform to this policy, it was decided to form a new inf bde from existing Cdn resources in this country to be added to the 5 Cdn Arm'd Div.</p> <p>The history of this bde begins officially at 0900 hrs on 13 JUL 44 when Brig D C Spry, DSO, Comd, 1 Cdn Inf Bde, was summoned to HQ 1 Cdn Corps to be told by Lt-Gen E L M Burns, OBE, MC, GOC 1 Cdn Corps, that he was to command a new bde composed of the following units:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. 4th Princess Louise Dragoon Guards. This unit was formerly the Recce Regt of 1 Cdn Inf Div and is now to become CIC.</li><li>2. The Westminster Regiment (Motor) This unit was formerly the Motor Bn of 5 Cdn Arm'd Bde and is to retain its motorized establishment.</li><li>3. The 1st Canadian Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment plus one troop from the 2nd and one troop from the 5th Canadian Light Anti-Aircraft Regiments. This unit is to become part of the CIC and will be known as The 89/109 Infantry Battalion, pending the time when it receives a new title.</li><li>4. A Brigade Support Group composed of one mortar coy and one MG coy of The Princess Louise Fusiliers.</li></ol>	



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	Thur 13 JUL 44		<p>5. An inf bde wksp (RCEME)</p> <p>6. A bde RCASC coy.</p> <p>7. 8 FDS RCAMC</p> <p>8. A bde HQ Def Pl from the Lorr<sup>e</sup> Scots ( PD &amp; H Regt)</p> <p>9. A bde HQ LAD (<del>RCASC</del>) (68 LAD)</p> <p>This bde is to be known as the 12th Canadian Infantry Brigade.</p> <p>The task of hurriedly forming and preparing this bde for action demanded an experienced staff and Brig D C Spry, DSO, chose the following offrs to assist him:</p> <p>1. Brigade Major: Maj N L C Mather, The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regt) of Canada, who was formerly Brigade Major of 1 Cdn Inf Bde.</p> <p>2. Staff Captain: Capt B S Eby, MC, formerly Adjutant of the 48th Highlanders of Canada.</p> <p>3. GSO III: Capt R M Dillon, MC (The Royal Canadian Regiment) formerly Senior Liason Officer at HQ 1 Cdn Inf Bde.</p> <p>The difficult task of outfitting this bde quickly in this theatre will be greatly facilitated by the top priority accorded to Brig D C Spry, DSO, by Lt-Gen E L M Burns, OBE, MC, on all demands he will have for equipment and personnel.</p> <p>The remainder of the day was spent by Brig D C Spry, DSO, in conferences with BGS, 1 Cdn Corps, and GOC, 1 Cdn Inf Div and GOC, 5 Cdn Armd Div. At these discussions details were settled for the early concentration of the Bde Gp.</p>	



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	FRI 14 JUL 44		<p>Today a recce was made to choose the bde area.</p> <p>A further conference was held at HQ 1 Cdn Corps in connection with the forming of the bde. At the conference reps from all arms and services were informed of action required by them in regard to provision of personnel and eqpt.</p> <p>Two offrs arrived at the new area to take up positions on the Bde HQ staff. Capt J C Keswick, our new TO, who arrived from the post of Tech Adj, 4 PLDG, and Lt R L Grassby, bringing with him 68 LAD which he commands.</p>	



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	SAT 15 JUL 44		<p>Today the nucleus of the Bde HQ moved into its new area MR N 308846 near the VOLTURNO River about 8 miles NORTH EAST of CAPUA, and had no sooner parked their vehs than other members of the HQ Staff began to arrive. By the end of the day the following new offrers had reported here:</p> <p>Capt J W P Bryan, who came from the RCR to be senior LO at this HQ.</p> <p>Capt R A Bell, our new BRASCO from 5 Cdn Armd Div Tps Coy RCASC</p> <p>Capt E A Phillips, RCCS, from HQ 1 Cdn Inf Bde, and Lt G W Garnett, RCCS, from HQ 11 Cdn Inf Bde, both to be Bde Sigs Offrs with 'K' Tp, 5 Cdn Armd Div Sig</p> <p>The Westmr R (M) held a formal Mess Dinner in honour of Maj J K Mahony, VC. Among those present were Maj-Gen Hoffmeister, DSO and two bars, ED, GOC, 5 Cdn Armd Div, Brig J D B Smith, OBE, BGS, 1 Cdn Corps, Brig D C Spry, DSO, Comd, 12 Cdn Inf Bde, Brig Cumberland, Comd 5 Cdn Armd Bde, and Lt-Col Angle, GSO I, 5 Cdn Armd Div.</p>	
	SUN 16 JUL 44		<p>The PLDGs moved into their new area near us to-day at N321842. Today's batch of new arrivals consists of Capt C R Douglas (CAC) from the Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians) to be AQ Staff Learner. Capt M G Klinkhamer from the Westmr R (M) to be Camp Commandant. Lt D W Handford (Perth Regt) arrived from the post of LO at HQ 11 Cdn Inf Bde to be our LO 2.</p> <p>A house-warming party was held in the Offrs Mess in the evening.</p>	



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	MON 17 JUL 44		<p>The Westmr R (M) moved into its new area at N 307847 today. The 89/109 Inf Bn also arrived and settled at N 308850 and commenced the task of conversion to CIC. All armd vehs left the PLDGs today, leaving their former owners with rather glum faces.</p> <p>Both the PLDG and 89/109 Inf Bn proceeded with their reorganizations along inf lines.</p>	
	TUE 18 JUL 44		<p>Maj Somerville and RSM Diplock arrived at the 89/109 Inf Bn from the CBH to assist in the conversion of this bn to inf.</p> <p>Brig D C Spry, DSO, inspected the 89/109 Inf Bn this morning and in the afternoon spoke to the Westmr R (M). On both these occasions the Brig explained the tactical need for additional inf in an armd div and asked for full-hearted cooperation and study.</p> <p>Today's crop of new arrivals consist of Capt J A Vaughan (C Int C), our new IO, who was until now an IO at HQ 1 Cdn Corps, and of CSM H T Young from the Westmr R (M) to assist the Camp Comd, Capt M G Klinkhamer.</p> <p>Arrangements were made to have a Bde NCOs School.</p> <p>The LdSH held a mess dinner in honour of the Westmr R (M) this evening.</p>	
	WED 19 JUL 44		<p>This morning Brig D C Spry, DSO, inspected the 4 PLDG and spoke to them in the same manner as he had to the other bns yesterday.</p> <p>The Bde HQ Def Pl arrived today, a pl of the Lorne Scots (PD&amp;H Regt) formerly employed at HQ, 1 Cdn Corps.</p> <p>Our Brig initiated a Bde Memoranda System as a means of disseminating orders and instrs for ops adm and trg etc. and in order to provide units with a single source of infm.</p> <p>12 Cdn Inf Bde Memoranda Nos 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 were issued today (See Appendices M1, M2, M3, M4 and M5 respectively)</p>	Append M1, M2, M3 M4 and M5



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	WED 19 JUL 44		<p>Memo No 1 - Deals with gen bde policies, instrs and recommendations during both trg and ops periods.</p> <p>Memo No 2 - Assault boat trg</p> <p>Memo No 3 - Security</p> <p>Memo No 4 - Notes from Discussion of the Breakthrough Battle as Experienced in Ops for the Adolph Hitler Line.</p> <p>Memo No 5 - Mine Clearance and Moves.</p>	
	THU 20 JUL 44		<p>The Offrs Mess assumed a more homey aspect today with the arrival of furniture, crockery, cutlery and its own kitchen. Dinner at 1730 hrs out of mess tins is now no longer in vogue. The rapid production of the Offrs Mess was in large part due to the efforts of Capt Bryan, the Mess Secretary.</p> <p>100 yd rifle range started today for PLDGs</p>	
	FRI 21 JUL 44		<p>The bde is quickly taking shape. Today marked the reaching of the HQ s establishment in serviceable vehs despite the efforts which were made to palm off old wrecks on us.</p> <p>We now have yet another addition to our fold. Lt E J M Church arrived from HQ 11 Cdn Inf Bde to be our new educational offr.</p> <p>Reorg and trg of units is progressing very satisfactorily.</p> <p>Memo No 6, Bde Trg Policy, was issued to all units today (See Appx M6)</p>	Appx M6
	SAT 22 JUL 44		<p>This morning our Brig was absent from the 7 o'clock conference, and we learned later that he would have to spend a few days in hospital with a mild case of malaria.</p> <p>The Bde Wksp also arrived and settled quietly at N 285840.</p> <p>Since moving into this area five days ago, the 89/109 Inf Bn has been</p>	



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	22 JUL (cont'd)		...concentrating on its own reorganization interspersed with route marches as part of the hardening process of the bn.	
	SUN 23 JUL		Today the bde NCOs school assembled and Lt-Col E D Adams, DSO, Comd Offr 4 PLDG, gave the opening address. He was accompanied by the BM, Maj N L C Mather. The Comd of the school is Maj Johnston, Westmr R (M) 4 PLDGs started practising fd firing on ll Cdn Inf Bde Fd Firing Range. 10 Offr rfts arrived at 89/109 Inf Bn from CBRGp.	
	MON 24 JUL		Today's highlight was a visit by Maj-Gen B M Hoffmeister, DSO & two bars, to 89/109 Inf Bn. Rumour at 89/109 Inf Bn that it would take name of 2nd Bn 48th Highlanders of Canada. Lt J A Cameron (Three Rivers Regt) arrived here today to become LO 3, from HQ 1 Cdn Armd Bde where he had also been an LO Lt-Col Gilday (Canadian Grenadier Guards) also arrived at this HQ to spend a few days with us. He had previously been commanding a bn of the Special Service Force. 8 FDS moved into the bde area at N292833 under comd of Maj Corrigan. Today Westmr R (M) started its trg program with 2 hrs drill by RSM Clifford, followed by coy trg on bde 3" Mor range, and at the bn MC & MT Drivers School and on 2" Mor range. Bde Softball League started on 24th under the chairmanship of Lt-Col G W Corbould, CO, Westmr R (M). 12 Cdn Inf Bde Memo No 7 - Bde Comds report on his visit to ANZIO Beachhead - issued today (See Appx M7)	Appx M7
	TUE 25 JUL		Our padre arrived today from 4 Bn, CBRGp: H/Capt J A St Pierre (CCS) We received a stock of pams, some of them of little value except in a historical sense as typified by 150 Lewis Gun pams.	



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	25 JUL (cont'd)		<p>1,000 No 1 Mk III rifles also made their appearance, but owing to strong prejudices in this bde against medaeval weapons, we would much prefer the more modern No 4 Mk I type. Action is being taken in this regard.</p> <p>Individual and sec trg is now well under way.</p> <p>The scouts and snipers of Westmr R (M) gave a demonstration of the art of their present profession at Bde NCOs School.</p> <p>6 Sask LI Offrs sent up as rfts to 89/109 Inf Bn were returned to CBRGp because they lacked experience as straight inf coy offrs.</p> <p>12 Cdn Inf Bde Progress Report issued today (See Appx PR 1)</p>	Appx PR 1
	WED 26 JUL		<p>Nothing of note took place today. All bns under our command and the NCOs School are proceeding smoothly with their own trg.</p> <p>Lt-Col F D Adams, DSO, A/Bde Comd and the BM visited the NCOs School.</p> <p>Sp Gp (PL Fus) moved into Bde area and came under our comd.</p> <p>Lt-Col W C Dick, CO, 89/109 Inf Bn, went to CBRGp to select rft offrs and NCOs for his regt.</p> <p>Order to prepare to move between the 27 Jul and the 10 Aug 44 was received by the Bde.</p> <p>12 Cdn Inf Bde Memo No 8 - Movement of 5 Cdn Armd Div Warning Order - issued today (See Appx M8)</p>	Appx M8
	THU 27 JUL		<p>Cpl Durrant of the 10 Fd Sqn RCE arrived here with a mine circus to give lectures and demonstrations on the most common types of enemy and Allied mines. He spent the day with the Westmr R (M) where he lectured each coy in turn.</p> <p>Westmr R (M) practiced night firing with 6 prs (full charge) and MMGs.</p> <p>The Sp Gp (PL Fus) attained its tpt establishment today.</p> <p>Intensive trg in progress in Sp Gp especially in MG Coy which is composed mostly of new arrivals (former Sask LI personnel)</p> <p>12 Cdn Inf Bde Memoranda Nos 9 and 10 were issued today (See Appxs M9 and M10 respectively) M9 - Order of Dress : M10 Extracts from 5 Cdn Armd Div Ops instrs.</p>	Appxs M9 and M10



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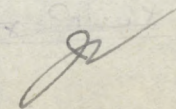
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	FRI 28 JUL 44		<p>Brig D C Spry, DSO, returned from hospital this morning.</p> <p>Lt-Gen E L M Burns, OBE, MC, GOC 1 Cdn Corps paid an informal visit to this HQ, and to the units under its command.</p> <p>The following awards to soldiers in the Westmr R (M) were approved by CinC CMF, Gen Sir Henry Maitland-Wilson:</p> <p>H-17589 Cpl Laing J - The Military Medal M-101774 L/Cpl Enarson C E - The Military Medal</p> <p>m 89/109 Inf Bn had coy trg today on bayonet drill, gas, SA, camouflage.</p> <p>The mine circus today was at the Bde Sp Gp (PL Fus)</p> <p>The War Office Controlled Stores which arrived here on 25 Jul 44 were today distributed to the units under our command.</p>	
	SAT 29 JUL 44		<p>This morning Brig D C Spry, DSO, paid informal visits to all units under his command, during the course of which he watched a river crossing exercise by the Bde Sp Gp (PL Fus).</p> <p>The recce party for the coming move (Ex GRAMPIAN) left today. It consists of Capt B S Eby, MC, SC; Capt R M Dillon, MC, GSO 3; Capt M G Klinkhamer, Camp Comd.</p> <p>4 PLDG rfts arrived - 285 of them.</p> <p>All coys of Westmr R (M) busy cleaning up for Ex TRIGGER.</p> <p>Sp Gp (PL Fus) offrs had a mess party in the evening.</p> <p>Mine circus visited all coys of 89/109 Inf Bn today.</p> <p>12 Cdn Inf Bde Memo No 11 - Battle Prayer for Bde Church Parade of 30 Jul 44 - issued today (See Appx M11)</p> <p>12 Cdn Inf Bde Memo No 12 (TOP SECRET) issued today (See Appx M12) 5 Cdn Armd Div Adm Instr.</p> <p>HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde Fd Return of Offrs No 1 and HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde Fd Return of ORs No 1 issued today (See Appx FR 1)</p>	<p>Appx M11</p> <p>Appx M12</p> <p>Appx FR 1</p> 



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	SUN 30 JUL 44		<p>Since opportunities of gathering the whole bde together will, of necessity, be limited in the future, Brig D C Spry, DSO, decided to have a Bde Church Parade this morning in order that all units in the Bde might ask God for guidance in the tasks ahead. Drake's Prayer was included in the service on the request of the Brig (See 12 Cdn Inf Bde Memo No 11)</p> <p>Maj Johnson, Senior Chaplain of 5 Cdn Armd Div led the service with the assistance of the three unit padres. The Cdn Inf Corps Band was present under the leadership of Bandmaster O'Connor.</p> <p>After the service a March Past of the whole bde took place and the Brig took the salute.</p> <p>4 PLDG have had snipers practising on their own snipers range all week. Each sqn of PLDG has had one night of river crossing trg during the week with assault boats on the VOLTURNO.</p> <p>The mine circus visited the 4 PLDG today, thus completing its tour of the Bde.</p> <p>12 Cdn Inf Bde Memo No 13 (Study Periods) issued today (See Appx M13)</p>	Appx M11
	MON 31 JUL 44		<p>For the bde as a whole, this month closed in a most memorable and promising fashion. His Majesty King George VI was pleased to visit troops of the 1 Cdn Corps today. Amongst these troops the Westmr R (M) was especially honoured. 432 all ranks of the Regt paraded at HQ 1 Cdn Corps near ALIFE, N2703, and were inspected by His Majesty, after which He presented the Victoria Cross to Maj J K Mahony, VC.</p> <p>Brig D C Spry, DSO, was present at these ceremonies and also at the luncheon reception in honour of His Majesty which followed. Also present at this reception were the CO, the 2IC and all Coy Comds of the Westmr R (M): Lt-Col C G Corbould, Maj T W Hall, Maj J K Mahony, VC, Maj D Mackenzie, Maj G W Johnson, and Maj E Douglas.</p> <p>Spectators included representatives from all units of the bde.</p> <p>All preparations for the visit of His Majesty had been conducted under the guise of Ex TRIGGER.</p>	Appx M13



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	MON 31 JUL (Cont'd)		<p>To return from this lofty pinnacle/the daily routine of the bde, a program was started with the object of introducing samples of captured enemy weapons to all troops of the bde, under the supervision of the Bde and Unit Int offrs. These weapons included such standard German eqpt as the MG 34, MG 42, grenades, and the more recent rocket projectors of all sizes in current use in the German Army. These were exhibited at the 89/109 Inf Bn today, and all troops were shown how to use them and were given details on their composition and performance. Unfortunately none of the weapons were in working order, so that it was impossible to fire them.</p> <p>Our A/Q Staff Learner has a harassed look on his face, which he blames mostly on the receipt of the sixth amendment to the Movement Order of 5 Cdn Armd Div for Ex GRAMPIAN.</p> <p>The day and the month closed in a light and pleasant vein for us, for the 2nd Detachment, Canadian Army Show held a performance in the bde area this evening. The sight of Canadian girls was, to say the least, most refreshing. At the conclusion of the show our Brig climbed onto the stage and made a short speech in which he expressed to the cast the hearty thanks of all members of his new bde.</p> <p>During the 19 days of this month since the birth of this bde, the weather has been consistently fine, and except for the daily period between 1100 and 1600 hrs the temperature has not been uncomfortably high.</p> <p>Cinema shows have been frequent thanks to the efforts of Supvr Flewman (YMCA) our Aux Ser Offr and they were most welcome.</p> <p>The original disappointment of many of the troops under command at losing their armd vehs or AA guns, has already been largely forgotten and one can now sense the birth of excellent regt and bde spirits amongst all ranks, due in no small measure to the personality and energy of their leaders.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">D. C. Spry (D C SPRY DSO) Brig Comd 12 Cdn Inf Bde</p>	



LIST OF APPENDICES FOR JULY 1944 WAR DIARY OF HQ 12 CDN INF BDE

1. / 12 Cdn Inf Bde Memoranda Nos 1 - 13 - Appxs M1 - M13  
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Covering period 18 - 31 Jul 44 With Original Copy
3. / Field Return of Officers and ORs on - FR1  
29 Jul 44 of HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde With Original Copy
4. / Progress Report on fmn of 12 Cdn Inf - PR1  
Bde as of 1200 hrs 24 Jul 44 With Original Copy
5. Part I Orders of HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde OR-1 - OR-10  
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M.1

SECRET

HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde

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19 Jul 44

4 PLDG  
WESTMR R(M)  
89/109 Regt  
12 Cdn Inf Bde Sp Gp (PL Fus)

12 Cdn Inf Bde  
Memoranda

1. It is my intention to issue from time to time BRIGADE MEMORANDA as a means of disseminating orders and instructions for ops, adm and trg, etc. It is also intended that this should provide units with a single source of infm.
2. Units will retain copies of BRIGADE MEMORANDA for future reference and will be responsible for the security of the information published therein.

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12 Cdn Inf Bde

MEMORANDUM NO. 1

1. During trg of all types, instruction will be guided by these essentials:-

(a) Task Work

Set the task - when completed break off the individual or sub unit.

(b) Competition

Between individuals, pairs and sub units.

(c) Man management

If this is efficient, a higher standard of trg can be demanded and will be strived for willingly by those under instruction.

2. Security

It will be laid down as a drill that the Bn IO will be responsible for the security of his HQ. He will personally be held responsible for seeing that all documents, maps, code lists, pamphlets, etc. are kept under file and that NO SCRAPS OF PAPER bearing unit identification are lying around. Furthermore, when a HQ moves he will be responsible for seeing that the old HQ is completely bare of any possible clue as to the identity of its late occupants.

It is especially necessary that this latter drill be carried out with the most minute thoroughness, due to the large illicit traffic of information that is being conducted by our Italian co-belligerents through our lines to those of the enemy.

In this connection, any documents or code lists that are found to be missing should be reported to this HQ immediately.

3. Battle Discipline

Fwd of the Bde "A" Ech area all ranks will

(a) Wear a steel helmet.

(b) Carry a weapon (Bron, Rifle or TSM).

(c) Wear web eqpt (incl cross straps).

(d) When carrying binoculars tuck them inside battle dress blouse or pouch.

Vehs will

(e) Be parked in defiladed posns behind bldgs etc; or dug in.

(f) Not create unnecessary dust.

(g) Not be parked in the open.

(h) Jeeps will have windscreens down and covered.

4. Mines and Boobytraps will NOT be laid in the Bde area without the approval of the Bde Comd.

5. Drill for D.Vs Inspection etc.

The following procedure will be adopted by units of this fmn. When the Inspecting Offr or DV approaches, the offr or senior in charge will salute, give his name and unit and what is being done, i.e. "Capt Smith, 'C' Coy, wiring."



6. DEGREES OF READINESS IN DEFENCE

See Appx 'A' attached.

7. GROUND

For simplicity of ref ground will be referred to as follows:-

GREEN	-	Ground occupied by own tps
AMBER	-	No Man's Land
RED	-	Ground occupied by enemy

8. DRESS

In the attack the following addition to dress will be adopted:-

(a) ALL ranks will carry a pick or shovel.

(b) ALL ORs will carry a Hawkins Grenade fastened on web belt in rear and a detonator carried elsewhere on person.

It is suggested that an empty 20mm cartridge makes an excellent carrier for a detonator.

9. PROTECTION FROM DUST ON MT MOVES

In order to avoid silicosis, it is recommended by medical authorities that all ranks wear a handkerchief tied over the mouth and nose on all MT moves along dusty rds.

10. SHELLING - HQ

(a) In future ops when HQ of coys, units, etc, in the Bde are being shelled, a report will be made to the next higher fm. This will be done at once and in code.

(b) Bde will change the code word from time to time.

(c) Until otherwise notified, the code word to be used is "WASHINGTON".

(d) Example: Link sign for WESTMR R(M) is ABC and the WESTMR R(M) HQ is being shelled. The WESTMR R(M) will send to Bde "ABC WASHINGTON".

(e) The reason for this procedure is that when comms cease, the HQ concerned will know the probable reason and can take the proper steps to re-establish the comms.

11. LESSONS FROM ITALIAN CAMPAIGN

Herewith miscellaneous points on a pl and coy level in ANZIO Brhead (source 56 Div).

(a) The Coy Locality

The defensive battle in the close country at ANZIO is very definitely a coy battle. A very carefully worked out fire plan of all weapons is essential. Standing patrols both to flank, front and rear, with telephone conn, are most necessary. Approaches and defiles are sown with shrapnel mines and have proved very effective. Every sub-unit down to a sec has its own mobile reserve, however small. Every pl has its own amm res. Restricted movement and the amount of amm used does not allow for all res amm being kept at Coy Hq.



(b) Offensive use of Brens in the Defence

Periodically an offensive shoot is carried out by the Brens of the Coy. As many as the Coy Comd thinks advisable are taken out of the posn and are pushed as far as possible fwd to the flanks. At a specific time they will open up on areas known to be occupied by the enemy, stop, move and then repeat the performance. This never fails to disturb the enemy who reacts with MGs and lights, and gives away some of his MG posns.

(c) Close support by tks in the defence

In one case a tp of tks was in hull down positions in direct support of an inf coy. Both tp and coy comds could see more or less the same bit of ground, but were separated from each other by about 600 yds.

Tp comd was netted with the Bn fwd net. Therefore the coy comd could call him whenever he wished on his 18 set.

For fire sp, one central ref point was agreed on, and all fire was asked for in reference to this. Coy comd gave corrections from his OP. Failing a suitable ref point corrections were given with reference to a trial shoot.

Although this is an incorrect method of using tks, there is no doubt that in peculiar circumstances of which this is one, there is a role for them used statically in direct support. They have done some very good shooting and have materially assisted the defence of the bridgehead.

(d) Smoke

One coy comd spoken to, used a great deal of smoke, but stressed the importance of putting it down on the enemy position that was being assaulted. This enabled the assaulting sections to get right into the enemy position without being properly seen. If smoke is put down in between the assaulting tps and the objective where the men pass through it they are at once silhouetted and become easy targets.

(e) 77 Grenade

All who were spoken to about this weapon are very enthusiastic about it. It has a devastating effect. It is more than a smoke grenade and when thrown into enemy posns - slits or trenches - either burns or chokes the occupants into surrender or flight. One particular enemy post, manned by very determined men who had fought very hard, was reduced in a matter of seconds by the use of this grenade.

It is a useful defensive weapon as well. Standing patrols and fwd sections were given it and used it with effect against assaulting enemy parties. During an assault to be cornered with burning phosphorous tends to deter the bravest men. The German hates it, and prisoners coming in with phosphorous burns are dispirited. It is the most powerful close quarter weapon we have and there should be a liberal supply.

Care must be taken by our own tps not to walk on the phosphorous when the grenade has been thrown, but the coy in question who had used a number of them had suffered no such casualties.

Grenades were only carried when they were actually going to be used. They were carried in the normal way. The risk of being burnt when hit was accepted as a normal one. A readily accessible pouch slung at the back would probably be safer. They would never be carried in the pockets.



(f) Offensive Harassing Patrols

Patrols of various sizes, with Brens and rifles were sent out at night with plenty of amm to harass known enemy localities. Whenever an enemy weapon opened up, all the fire power of the patrol was turned in its direction. Patrols moved about changing their positions frequently and fired at any enemy movement or weapon heard in the locality.

This form of patrol is popular. It gives the men confidence as it makes them operate offensively, and is infinitely preferable from many points of view to sitting in a slit trench and waiting for something to happen.

It has a quietening effect on the Boche and tends to establish an ascendancy over No Man's Land.

(g) Tracer

Everyone spoken to agreed on the inadvisability of using tracer. Our own inf never use it as it at once gives away the position of the weapon. The German in this sector is learning this lesson now too. He fires very little tracer from his automatics, as he has found it gives our harassing patrols and automatics an excellent line of fire.

(h) Verrey Lights

The German continues to use a great many Verrey Lights. During the past few weeks whenever the enemy is withdrawing from a position he fires a white Verrey light as a sign for his mortars to put a concentration on his vacated position.

An amber light fired in a certain direction brings down mortar fire in that direction.

(i) Intercomm at night

An infantry section usually has about four weapon pits each of which contains two men. One pl comd, finding that he had difficulty in "standing to" at night without making a noise or raising his voice, had each weapon pit connected to the next by a string. The ends of the string were tied to one man in each pit. If a sentry hearing movement wished the section to "stand to" he tugged the string and this was passed on until the whole section was aroused. They were then all ready - having made no noise or used their voices - to take any necessary action.

The section comd also had a string to someone at Pl HQ, which in turn had one to Coy HQ, so it became possible for the whole coy to "stand to" with absolute quietness. This system was used on several occasions with success. On one occasion a small German patrol walked straight into a pl position, which were all ready to receive them, without having the slightest knowledge that they were there.

The fact that a man in a weapon pit and the section comd had some tangible connection with the rest of the coy gave them added confidence.

(j) Enemy Snipers

These often work in pairs, one well hidden and motionless, the other moving about and making a noise to attract attention. When anyone moves to deal with him, he is promptly shot by the hidden sniper. This trick has been tried also by us, and although of German origin, he has fallen into the trap himself. An officer and a man went out several times near the enemy position and while the officer moved about and hurled insults at the Germans, the sniper killed several who made a move in the officer's direction.



White Flags

The white flag trick is still being done and casualties suffered.

(1) Concealment

Deep slit trenches and good camouflage have been essential. During three weeks in constant contact with the enemy there was no case of a man being hit by mortar or shell splinters when in his slit trench.

There is sometimes a tendency for a man, given the time, to dig his slit trench so deep that he cannot fight from it. This must be watched.

Camouflage of positions was given the greatest attention with the result that the enemy had the greatest difficulty in pin-pointing our positions. The importance of such camouflage when in close contact cannot be too highly emphasised.

12. Equipment

In future, mugs or cups will NOT be carried tied to the outside of web equipment.

All Mess Tins will be fitted immediately with some form of cover in order to ensure that they do not shine.

Personnel carrying TMCs, 2" Mortars, PIATS and Bren Guns will be equipped with entrenching tools, riflemen will carry either a pick or a shovel.

13. Operations

When tps have approached to approximately 300 yds from the enemy, they will automatically fix bayonets. In this connection, all tps will be given as much practice as possible in firing their rifles with bayonets fixed at ranges up to 300 yds.

14. Signal Priorities

In future operations, the phrase "Mortar Target" will carry the same Signal Priority as the Artillery phrase "Mike Target".

15. Pistol Holster (during ops)

It is repeated for infm that the pistol holster will be worn on the belt on the right side.

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(H.L.C. Mather) Major  
B.M., 12 Cdn Inf Bde

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DEGREES OF READINESS IN DEFENCE

NORMAL DAY ROUTINE (HAM) X

Pl. 1 Sentry on each Sec post.  
1 Offr or NCO on duty at Pl HQ  
1 Runner on duty.

Coy 1 Offr or NCO on duty.  
1 Tele or R/T op on duty.  
1 Runner on duty.

Bn. C.O. or 2 i/c available.  
Adj't, I.O. or D.O. on duty.  
1 Intelligence on duty.  
1 Clerk on duty.

RELAXED DAY ROUTINE (BULLY) X

Pl. 1 Sentry per pl.  
1 Offr or NCO available.

Coy 1 Offr or WO available.  
1 Tele or R/T op on duty.  
1 runner available.

Bn. 1 Offr available.  
1 Intelligence available.  
1 Clerk available.

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Pl. 2 Sentries per sec on duty.  
1 Offr or NCO on duty.  
1 runner on duty.

Coy 1 Offr or WO on duty.  
1 Tele or R/T op on duty.  
1 runner on duty.

Bn. C.O. or 2 i/c available  
Duty Offr on duty.  
1 Intelligence available.  
1 Clerk available.

NORMAL NIGHT ROUTINE (EGGS) X

Pl. 2 Sentries on each sec post.  
1 Offr or NCO awake on duty.  
1 Runner available.

Coy 1 Offr or WO awake on duty.  
1 Tele or R/T op awake on duty.  
1 Runner available.

Bn. C.O. or 2 i/c available.  
Duty Offr awake on duty.  
1 Intelligence awake on duty.  
1 Clerk available.

RELAXED NIGHT ROUTINE (BEEF) X

Pl. 2 sentries at each pl.  
1 Offr or NCO available.  
1 Runner available.

Coy 1 Offr or WO available.  
1 Tele or R/T op awake on duty.  
1 Runner available.

Bn. Duty Offr awake on duty.  
1 Intelligence available.  
1 Clerk available.

This drill for relaxed day and night routine will never be used unless Bde is in Div Res in Mobile Ops, and will never be employed forward of Bde reserve when situation is static and front and flanks are fully covered by other units. If unit is in Bde Reserve and situation is static with flanks uncovered normal routine will be used.

X - Code Words



12 Cdn Inf Bde

MEMORANDUM NO. 2

16. ASSAULT BOAT TRAINING

Herewith notes by C.O. PPCLI on conclusion of Bn trg at Eighth Army Bridging School. These notes do not represent established doctrine and it is stressed that they are the opinions of one C.O.

1. (a) Boat requirements for an assaulting Coy

As a principle, sections should not be broken up into separate boats; nor can the boats take their full complement of men if those men are fully equipped. The coxswain should come from the assaulting Coy and it is suggested that the assaulting Coys provide their own paddlers, ferryman coming across later and picking up the boats.

Under this system the most satisfactory requirements of an assaulting Coy are 8 Mk II boats and 3 Mk III boats, 2 Mk IIs and 1 Mk III per pl and 2 Mk IIs for Coy HQ.

If ferryman are included, 11 Mk IIIs are required 3 per pl and 2 per Coy HQ.

The maximum personnel the boats can carry is, Mk II 7 or 8 Mk III 14 or 15, depending on the amount of equipment.

(b) Carrying Parties

It was found that it is much easier carrying the boat erected and upside down on the shoulder. This means that the Erecting Point can be well back, even identical with the offloading point.

It is impossible for assaulting tps with equipment to carry the boats any great distance. The suggested drill is that other personnel carry the boats to erecting point and there hand over to assault tps. If offloading points and boat erecting point are identical, it is suggested that personnel from a reserve Bn carry the boats erected from the offloading point to a take over point as near the launching sites as the situation permits. This will greatly relieve the assault tps. Assaulting tps must launch the boats themselves.

10 men are required to carry a Mk III, 6 for a Mk II.

(c) Number and positions in boat

As mentioned in para 2 (a) the quoted numbers are too large. The maximum number carried is 7 or 8 in Mk II and 14 or 15 in Mk III depending upon the amount of equipment. Any greater number will undoubtedly lead to capsizing in the event of casualties during the crossing.

It is felt that the sec or boat cmd must be in the bow of the boat to direct the boat in transit and organize the group on the enemy side of the river.

A coxswain, especially in Mk III boats, is considered necessary. He is in the stern and might be the 2 i/c sec, but it is more important that he is a better boatsman than an ECO.

The position of the paddlers varied in the Coys, but it was found most satisfactory in Mk IIs to have them in pairs, 1 pair well forward and one pair well back. In Mk IIIs evenly distributed along sides.

The first man out must be a paddler or ferryman to hold the boat. Next out is the sec cmd to organize his sec.

Coys varied as to position of their LMG groups but it is felt that they will not normally be firing from the boat, therefore, their posn is a secondary consideration to the position of paddlers.

(d) Ferryman

Ferryman should come from the reserve Bn, but only if they are trained. Handling the boats in a current is too tricky a job, unless personnel have had previous training.



(d) Ferryman (cont'd)

If reserve Bn is not trained, ferryman must come from the reserve Coy.

In either case, men from the assaulting coy will paddle across. It is felt that they have the greater responsibility in the crossing, and should have complete charge of the boat.

As suggested in para 2 (a) assaulting Coys prefer to have only their own men in the boat. Ferryman can come over later, pick up the boats and take them across.

(e) Method of loading and ferrying Sp weapons

The drill detailed for Sp weapons was satisfactory.

Mortars must be ferried across in man loads. Their ammunition should be packed across by reserve Coy and stacked in a pre-arranged spot.

Anti-Tank guns are dealt with in (g) below.

(f) Ammunition Supply - Amounts per boat - Method of loading, etc.

The immediate reserve must be carried on the man in assaulting Coys. They must carry as much as they are physically able to. Amn and all equipment must be carried in a manner that it can quickly be disposed of in case of over-turning.

The Bn reserve must be ferried across by reserve personnel. Dvrs etc. from "A" Echelon could be used for this. This amn would be piled into boats, and only sufficient men to man the boats would accompany it. A Bn reserve dump would be established on enemy side of the river in a pre-arranged spot.

(g) Rafting of Guns, Carriers, etc.

A class 5 raft will take an empty carrier only. Therefore, the eqpt for it must come across separately.

The raft for the A/Tk Gun carried it across well, but the gun must have a shoe on the spade, if towed by a jeep. A jeep can carry required ammunition of 40 rds.

The approaches must be carefully recced and prepared. The Pnr Pl will need extra men to do this if it is in addition to their usual task of providing sweeping parties. If they use explosives they can speed things greatly.

It is suggested that two sets of landing ramps be supplied for each raft instead of the present one. This would speed things up, as it removes the necessity of unfastening the ramps, ferrying them across and setting them up again. Average time per gun would be five to ten minutes less.

(h) Procedure for dealing with casualties

It is felt that Mk II and III boats are unsatisfactory as stretcher carriers. The only satisfactory method of ferrying stretcher cases is by raft, either two Mk IIIs lashed together or a full raft. A rope is needed to work them across. The Mk III A/Tk is excellent, as it would be empty on return trips.

Until this has been constructed, casualties should be rested on the enemy shore in as protected a spot as possible.

The R.A.P. will normally be split, with an advanced post across the river, and the main R.A.P. on our own shore.

(i) Arrangements for crossing of follow-up sub-unit

As far as this affects the Bn, the reserve Coy will ferry all Bn sub-units and supplies across.

Once this is achieved, the reserve Coy must be relieved by some other Unit to take over this work.

(j) Other significant points

(1) Picks and shovels must be taken across in first loads. A man cannot carry digging implements as well as his equipment and help carry the boat.

It is suggested that tools be pooled and one or two men be detailed to carry them, being relieved of helping with the



(j) (Cont'd)

- (ii) Inspection of boats This is very difficult for assaulting tps to do, especially if the take over pt is well fwd. On the other hand carrying parties of another unit are likely to omit to do so.  
It should be a drill that the engineers do this as soon as the boat is offloaded.
- (iii) Patching Materials At the trg area, NO patching materials were available. This must be made available, well fwd. It is suggested that reserve personnel acting as carrying parties be supplied with this in abundance.
- (iv) No of Jeeps The supply of 6 pr amn depends on the number of jeeps available and the number that can be ferried across. One jeep can carry 40 6 pr rds.  
Jeeps could also be used for a great number of other jobs - re supplies, and an increase in the numbers in a Bn, (now five) is strongly recommended for an operation of this kind.
- (v) Taping of routes It is a matter of the greatest importance that routes from offloading pt to erecting pt, to takeover pt to launching pts are very carefully recce'd and marked beforehand. The best method of marking is by tapes, but this involves the use of large amounts of tape, probably more than engineers or pioneers normally carry. The extent to which this method may be employed depends upon the supplies of tape made available, and the ability of tps to transport and lay the tapes.  
An alternative method is guides. It is anticipated that we must fall back on them to a large extent. Then it becomes essential that they are well rehearsed and know their duty.

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MEMORANDUM NO. 3

17. LEAKAGE OF INFORMATION

1. In compliance with Security Regulations, in future all Regimental Bulletins sent home must be submitted for censorship by Div Hq.

2. Some Officers will write to their Regimental Depots or Officers Associations requesting that those responsible will submit to censorship any bulletins published for info of officers or ex-officers of their Regiments.

18. COLOURED SMOKE

GREEN flare or smoke will be used to signify the following:-

Require Supporting Fire

Go ahead and Fire

RED flare or smoke will be used to signify the following:-

Stop Firing

Do not Fire we are too close.

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MEMORANDUM NO. 4

NOTES FROM DISCUSSION OF THE BREAKTHROUGH BATTLE AS  
EXPERIENCED IN OPS FOR THE "ADOLPH HITLER" LINE.

19. General

Sufficient time is required to enable Bn Comds to issue orders in daylight on the ground and for subordinate comds to make day and night recces.

When different types of maps are issued Bde will when sending refs indicate which map is used.

The smaller type of pillbox does not have all round traverse and is therefore vulnerable from the rear at night.

A good telescopic sight for 6 pdr A Tk guns would be invaluable in engaging pillboxes etc, at longer range.

Every officer should carry Morphine and be advised in its use by a Medical Officer.

It was suggested that the present 3 ton GS lorry per coy be exchanged for two (2) 15 cwt GS to increase mobility.

The use of exhaustion cases as POW escort will conserve effective manpower.

Good fieldcraft was considered essential, therefore all ranks should have their knowledge of this subject refreshed.

It is suggested that POW Cages should be closer to battle and sufficient vehs should be immediately available for transportation.

Inf when by-passing A Tk guns must send location to tanks.

Flame throwers may be useful in an attack of this nature.

Infm must be kept flowing up and down.

Units when moving and in contact may send messages in clear but when static will use Map Ref Code.

If Code Names for report lines are required, Div HQ will supply them on request.

Mortar Reports were good and had a decided effect on enemy mortars.

20. Comms

Alternative methods of comms must be maintained.

When considering comms with tanks all methods must be made available.

21. Arty

There was a misunderstanding of the shell line and it was settled that a FOO can take on any target he can see.

Comms must be selected, plotted and passed to Bns before the battle



22. Tanks

The question of fire and movement between tanks and inf must be thrashed out by Comds concerned to prevent stalemates.

A box of .303 amn will be carried on right rear mudguard for use of inf.

23. Engrs

Present engr resources within the Bde plus the Pnr Pls of the Inf Bns are not sufficient to handle the numerous tasks which occur in an attack of this nature. Assistance should be supplied by Div HQ.

Engrs and Pnrs should have a well organized drill for gapping wire. It is suggested that Bangalores be prepared and laid in adv and blown just before attack goes in.

24. A Tk

The whole Bde Gp must know locn of A Tk stop line.

It was suggested that an A Tk rep be with fwd coys and the Pl Comd at Tac HQ to facilitate selection of gun posns and ensure speed in getting Bn guns fwd.

25. Medical

Medical services within the Bde Gp should liaise closely to prevent wasted effort. This refers particularly when the medical services within the Bde Gp consist of more than one Fd Amb.

26. White Flags

A case was mentioned where under cover of a white flag the enemy crossed open ground and then jumped into prepared posns. There is only one method by which the enemy may surrender, by using the white flag and that is to come out in the open unarmed and hands held high above the head, any other method will be ignored and in every case use of the white flag will be regarded with the greatest suspicion.

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MEMORANDUM NO. 5

27. Mine Clearance

(a) During all future ops a Mine Trace will be kept by the Bde Int Sec which will show:-

- (i) Known Minefields.
- (ii) Suspected Minefields.
- (iii) Cleared Areas and Routes.

(b) In order that the full value of this trace may be obtained units in this fm will report mined areas, and progress made in clearing these areas, to this HQ. It will be the responsibility of the Int Sec periodically to check the trace with the C.R.E. 5 Cdn Armd Div.

28. Moves

In the future, on the completion of adm moves Bn comds will personally report to the Bde Comd.

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MEMORANDUM NO 6

29 Trg Policy

As early as possible the Bde must be brought up to a battle worthy standard of efficiency.

30 This will be brought about as under:-

- (a) Due to a period of wireless silence to be practised in the div and the necessity of the new bns becoming familiar with tks, inf-cum-tk trg on a pl-tp and coz-son level will take place about 26 Jul for a period of approx 3-4 days. Therefore, for the present, units will concentrate on individual sec and pl trg, and include sufficient tac trg to produce efficient coy teams.
- (b) At the conclusion of the inf-cum-tk trg, units will revert to weapon trg so that all ranks will become proficient in the use of inf weapons.

31 A series of Bde Study periods will be conducted by the Bde Comd.

32 (a) Lectures are being arranged for junior ofrs and senior NCOs as under:-

- 1 Man Management
- 2 Discipline
- 3 Tac Emp of Inf Bn Weapons
- 4 Bn in the adv
- 5 Coy and pl in the attack
- 6 Coy and pl in def and consolidation
- 7 Withdrawal
- 8 Break-in and break-through battle
- 9 Pursuit
- 10 Arty co-op
- 11 Engr co-op
- 12 Emp of MGs
- 13 Emp of 4.2" mortar
- 14 Emp of A tk regt incl SP
- 15 Inf-Tk co-op
- 16 Intercomm in Inf Bn
- 17 River Crossing
- 18 Mtn warfare

(b) Units will be warned beforehand as to time and place of these lectures.

33 A Bde NCO School has been organised to ensure a constant sup of well-trained senior NCOs.

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MEMORANDUM NO. 7

Hereunder Bde Comd's report on his visit to ANZIO Beachhead.

34. ANSWERS TO QUESTIONNAIRE

Question 1. In any attacks or counter-attacks that have taken place in the bridgehead -

(a) Have there been cases in which we were thrown off the objective through being unable to consolidate quickly enough? Were we driven off by fire or counter-attack? Give details and suggestions as to how this might have been avoided.

Answer - There have been very few instances where our own tps have been forced off their objectives either by fire or by immediate counter-attack. The only true example of a successful enemy counter-attack by fire occurred following an attack by two bns on BUON RIPOSA RIDGE (8432). This attack failed because a simultaneous attack to capture a commanding feature on the right proved impracticable. In addition, the lack of cover and the observation enjoyed by the enemy made the main objective untenable. It was felt by those concerned that the solution lies in the previous capture or at least neutralization of flank posns and of ground which provides observation for the enemy.

In general, enemy physical counter-attacks have not been successful for the following reasons:-

- (i) Enemy use of ground and fire has not been of a high standard.
- (ii) Arty and 4.2 Mortar Tasks selected before Zero have generally destroyed the counter-attacks before they reached our FDL. Centralized control has made it possible to bring to bear the whole fire effect of the Corps Arty.
- (iii) The quickly co-ord fire of 3" Mortars and MG has destroyed these elts which survived the Arty comes.
- (iv) The very open ground on the RIGHT and CENTRAL sectors and the very broken country on the LEFT made the launching of counter-attacks difficult for the enemy.
- (v) Adequate warning appears to have been received through ground and Air OP thus making it possible for Comds to bring maximum fire to bear on the enemy, before the counter-attack was launched. As an example, one German counter-attack of Bn strength was spotted forming up and broken up by Corps Arty. The inf holding that sector did not realise that a counter-attack had been intended until they were told later by PsW.



Where enemy counter-attacks have been successful it appears that the reasons were:-

- (i) Enemy infiltration has disorganized the tps holding the objective. He has used tks in small numbers to cover the infiltration of his inf. Where our A Tk weapons have not been readily available this procedure has been very successful. Those concerned felt that the solution lies in organizing coys in really tightly defended localities and very aggressive patrolling immediately after the capture of objective; and also in the use of the Tank Destroyer rather than the 6 pr or 17 pr A Tk guns.
  - (ii) Flanking fire from enemy guns and mortars has been effective in preventing daylight maint or reinforcement of our tps on the objectives.
- (b) What was the system for getting forward and co-ordinating the fire of 3" Mortars, 4.2" Mortars, 6 prs and 17 prs?

Answer - The following is an extract from notes produced by 1 (Br) Div:- 3" and 4.2" Mortars - The bulk must and can normally be already on the ground with Ops moving forward with the leading inf. The increased range of the 3" Mortar facilitates this. In one attack two mortar dets were kept on wheels ready to make a limited adv to obtain the range required for premeditated consolidation tasks. The OP went fwd as above.

Movement, especially when cross country routes are impracticable, must be eliminated as far as possible.

Coordination of fire of 4.2" Mortars was done by the Sp Cp Comd, acting on the orders of the Bde Comd. Supporting fire for the attack and consolidation D.F. tasks were pre-arranged.

6 & 17 prs - With restricted routes and the type of towing vehicle available, a move up by day is impossible. At the same time the weapons must be got forward as soon as possible. Selection of time of attack is the answer. The Inf A Tk Pl Comd is the man who initially coordinates the A Tk defence in the Bn sector, the Arty A Tk Comd coming up later and altering dispositions where necessary, particularly in regard to the 17 pr. It was previously thought that the Arty A Tk comd should be the one to coordinate from the start, but it is now considered that this does not work.

The solution is undoubtedly the S.P. A Tk gun, which not only can bound forward with the attack and so support the infantry closely, but also enables the tanks to remain forward. We have had American Tank destroyers and employed them to very good effect. The more static 6 and 17 prs can come up later, be sited in more depth, and be better protected against infiltration.

It should be noted that 1 (Br) Div's views re co-ordination were not universally accepted. It seems to be more generally accepted that the Inf Pl Comd should control his own guns and that the A Tk gunner should coordinate the Inf guns and the Arty guns as early as possible.



Question 1. (c) When the objective has been captured what time has elapsed before 3" Mortars were in action?

Answer - The following is an extract from notes prepared by 1 (Br) Div:- "Not really applicable as mortars have almost invariably been in posn before-hand. In cases where mortars were carried forward, 5 to 10 minutes was the average period before they were in action. The OP again is the crux."

Others expressed the opinion that, even more than the OP, communications are the crux of the problem, and either 38 sets or sound-powered telephones or D5 telephones must be provided so that OPs can call for fire immediately they reach the objective.

Question 1. (d) Were A Tk mines, A Pers mines or 75 Grenades brought fwd, and if so how were they brought fwd and how employed?

Answer - The normal procedure in the Br Divs was to carry one 75 (Hawkins) mine per man on the cross straps at the back of the web eqpt; detonators were carried by sec comds, also lengths of cord to be used in tying the mines together in "necklaces". These mines were then laid on the most likely approaches as soon as objectives were reached.

A Tk and A Pers mines were not carried by assaulting inf, but A Tk mines and wire were rushed up as and when required in jeeps or carriers or, more often, carried fwd by hand. Considerably more use seems to have been made of Dannert Wire in the early stages as compared with EIGHTH ARMY front.

In the Br Divs, A Pers mines are not popular for the same reason as with the EIGHTH ARMY but the American Divs have made considerable use of these mines. The reason for this may be that the more open country held by the Americans (RIGHT sector and Eastern half of CENTRE sector) makes it easier for patrols to move at night whereas in the difficult "wadi" country of the LEFT sector movement is sufficiently difficult at night without the fear of blundering into ones own A Pers mines.

Question 1. (e) To assist in rapid consolidation what tools were carried by the attacking inf, what tools were brought up later behind them and how were they carried?

Answer - In 1 (Br) Div the normal practice was to carry one pick and one shovel per sec in the assault in addition to the entrenching tool per man, but one Bde Comd strongly disagreed with this and said that it was not nearly enough.

It must be remembered that the ground was generally soft and sandy and easy for digging, except that 15 Bde in one case struck a rocky patch, also that it was often not possible to dig more than 1 1/2 to 2 ft before meeting water. The provision of extra tools was therefore not so important as it would have been in rocky or clayey soil.

The American Divs appeared to rely entirely on their entrenching tools. In all cases further tools were sent up by Jeep, carrier or by hand but there did not appear to be any standardised drill as regards numbers or methods.

In fact, the answer appears to be that the provision and carriages of tools must vary in accordance with the nature of the ground over which the tps are operating.

Question 1. (f) Have any new methods of digging in during consolidation been tried out?

Answer - No. No infm at all was obtained.



Question 1. (g) Were FOOs carried fwd in tks, and, if so, did any lessons emerge?

Answer - One case of a FOO moving in a tank during an inf attack was reported but the tank was knocked out almost immediately.

It was considered that this would generally be unsatisfactory and highly unpopular with the Inf, as a solitary tank would draw fire.

As regards tank attacks the FOO must obviously be in a tank and should be near the Sqn Comd, rather than with the leading tks, so that he can move from one view point to another.

Question 2. 1. (Br) Div and possibly others, in defence of the bridgehead, are stated to have had very heavy cas. Why was this? Was it due to shell fire or were whole fwd elts over-run and captured?

Answer - The following is an extract from written notes produced by 1 (Br) Div:- "Physical conditions in the beach-head must be properly appreciated in relation to casualties. Enemy fire came from the front and both flanks, and in the case of "point" tps almost from the rear. Observation was with the enemy. The "wadi" country favours the defence and the well-established German infiltration tactics. Enemy snipers always active. Very limited and obvious road and track communications.

The bulk of "straight" casualties came from shell and mortar fire. Medical Officers state they have never seen such severe wounds.

One Bn which was never over-run, had 422 casualties between 22 Jan and 16 Mar. It was continuously in action but never took part in an attack except for one successful immediate counter-attack by a Coy.

Two Bns were over-run in enemy night attacks supported by tanks and lost respectively 248 and 335 officers and ORs (in each of these cases there is evidence both of elts which fought it out and elts which did not "stay put").

There were other cases of fwd elts being over-run, the enemy attacking with the tks and S.P. guns standing back but giving effective support.

Much fighting is hand to hand and extremely severe, with the situation very fluid.

In the first 5 weeks 12 Bns averaged in casualties 25 officers and 513 ORs. Two Bns had 34 and 740 casualties each.

As regards the Arty, the A Tk Regt has had 149 casualties and lost 20 guns; of these casualties 69 are missing owing to the localities in which they were sited being over-run. One Fd Arty Regt had 22 officers cas.

As trained and experienced officers and NCOs became casualties the rate of loss among private soldiers correspondingly increased. This is inevitable and will always occur.

In "quiet" times average casualties are 30 per day."



Another cause of considerable casualties in the Br area appears to have been the extreme difficulty of operating at night in the very difficult "wadi" country. Several cases have occurred of pls, and even stronger parties, being sent off on a task and the result being total loss of the men concerned.

On the American front casualties were also caused by the enemy's skilful use of tks to support small attacks on rather isolated posts and localities.

But generally speaking the main causes of hvy casualties appear to have been:-

- (i) Mortar Fire
- (ii) Arty Fire
- and, to a smaller extent,
- (iii) Skilfully used MG fire from a flank on to newly captured objectives.
- (iv) Cutting off and capturing small parties which have been separated from their own forces for various reasons.

Question 3. The Bosche is said to have attacked in the bridgehead, with no less than four Divs, and in each of the attacks they only progressed about 1,000 yds.

(a) Why was this?

Answer - His attacks were defeated by:-

- (i) Arty Concs.
- (ii) Very good use of 4.2" Mortars and 3" Mortars, and MG coord by Sp Gp Comds.
- (iii) Tks used in small numbers in "counter penetration" and counter-attack roles.
- (iv) Lack of coord between his Arty, Tks and Inf.
- (v) In some instances, by his very poor use of ground.
- (vi) Use of forming up posns in full view of our Arty OPs.
- (vii) Coord of our 6 pr, 17 pr and tank destroyer units.

Question 3 (b) Was his plan indifferent, or were his attacks only limited?

Answer - Yes, his attacks appeared to be badly prepared, hasty and with insufficient coord of arty with tks and inf. The Americans particularly emphasized the uninspired, and even stupid, nature of the attacks put on by the enemy. The Germans were several times seen marching down the road in formed bodies without any attempt at deployment or use of ground.

Question 3.(c) Did we, in our turn, put in immediate counter-attacks and, if so, what was their nature and what success did they meet with?

Answer - In most cases coys in Bn res were used to counter-attack after the enemy attack had lost its momentum. In some instances Bns in Bde res were so employed. These appear to have been successful. One or two tps of tks were available in each fwd sector for counter-attack and on occasion had "field days" although restricted in manoeuvre by adverse ground conditions. Our Arty was employed to prevent "follow up" units closing up on the foremost elts. This was very successful on several occasions and the impression left with our inf was that the Germans frequently failed to provide any sp for the leading tps in an attack.



Question 3. (d) How did the enemy consolidate after each attack?

Answer - On all occasions the Germans consolidated quickly, dug in and endeavoured to bring up sp weapons under cover of darkness. Once his attack was brought to a standstill he was very quick to push out small outpost gps to front and flanks in an effort to protect the consolidation and mislead us as to his real defensive posns.

Question 3. (e) How quickly did the enemy sp weapons come up?

Answer - Owing to the open ground and our good observation on the RIGHT flank he was forced on some occasions to bring up his sp weapons under cover of darkness. In the left sector the "wadis" facilitated daylight fwd moves of these weapons. In general he appeared to be very quick to attempt to reinforce success with his sp weapons.

Question 4. In the enemy counter-attacks, has he used tks, and if so, what success have our various natures of arty had? 6 prs, 17 prs, 3" S.P., 75 mm in tks, fd arty and med arty? In the case of the last two, have they employed the technique of firing divisional arty concs?

Answer - Yes, the enemy has used tks with varying success. Sometimes they have been skilfully used to "stand back" and sp an attack in non-tank country both by day and by night. At other times they have been used more boldly but less skilfully to attack down a road when the country on either side of the road was too wet for tks. This has resulted in the leading tk being knocked out and others being bogged when they swung off the road.

Our Arty has had considerable success, especially the 3" Tank Destroyer which has been most effective.

The 6 prs and 17 prs although they have done good work when properly sited have not been so generally successful owing to their lack of mobility and of protective armour. This has resulted in considerable losses.

The 75 mm guns in tks were successfully used on many occasions but 3 U.S. Div pointed out the necessity for having T.Ds close up to deal with German "Tigers", which could otherwise stand back out of effective range of the 75mm's and knock out our tks without fear of being hurt. In addition the 75 mm guns could do little damage to enemy tks firing from inside houses.

Fd and Med Arty both did excellent work on several occasions against enemy tk concentrations, and with the help of the Air OPs, knocked out several enemy tks.

Conc of Arty is a most noticeable feature of the Beach-head. In Corps HQ there is a C.B. Office which controls the whole of the Arty and it was customary, till amm supplies were drastically cut down, to fire a Corps conc once a day against some selected target. In addition 1 and 5 Br Divs combined to fire a double Div conc, and in 5 Div the Coy which did the best night's patrol was allowed to choose a target for a Div Arty Conc. Also, as regards A Tk Arty, there is a Brigadier at Corps HQ who is responsible for the coordination of all A Tk guns, T.Ds etc within the Beachhead.



Question 5. The enemy has used radio or remote controlled tanks. How have these been employed tactically?

Answer - Very few persons visited had any first hand infm regarding radio or remote controlled tks. The S.S.F. stated that one had been seen but that it had been ineffective because of its poor cross country performance. Others have been reported but they have been dealt with successfully by Arty fire well outside our FDL. No infm was received as to the tactical employment of these weapons.

Question 6. Have the Germans developed some form of grapnel to deal with A Pers mines in large numbers?

Answer - No. This report originated on the front of J S.S.F. but it is now stated that the apparent cause of large numbers of A Pers mines having exploded, is that the mines may have been slightly defective and have been exploded by the vibration set up by Arty or Mortar Fire, or something similar.

#### ADDITIONAL POINTS OF GENERAL INTEREST

#### 35. BATTLE DISCIPLINE

This was of a very high standard and the following points were particularly noticed:-

- (a) M.T. Driving. The 50 yds dispersion rule was carefully observed and in spite of a very considerable quantity of M.T., and tracks and roads being generally in very bad condition, no traffic jams and very few cases of congestion were seen.
- (b) All HQs were very thoroughly and completely dug in and camouflaged.
- (c) Digging and Camouflaging of Vehs. This was extremely good; hardly any vehs were to be seen which had not been dug down till at least the engine was fully protected from shell splinters.
- (d) Jeep wind screens were always kept down, and the glass covered, to prevent movement being given away by flash.

This necessitated the addition of some device to protect the driver from low wires or branches. This was done by addition to the front bumper of a vertical angle iron picket about 4' long with some form of hook at the top.

- (e) The wearing of steel helmets was compulsory throughout the beach-head and very few men were seen that were not wearing their helmets.
- (f) All amm and petrol dumps in fwd areas were dug down and camouflaged.

#### 36. SMOKE SCREENS

Smoke was extensively used to screen the rear areas within the beachhead. This was produced from some form of engine, the number and posn of the points of origin varying in accordance with the wind. In view of the excellent observation available to the enemy from the high ground to the NORTH and NE this smoke screen must have been very valuable.



### 37. USE OF GUNS OF TANKS, T.Ds etc

Considerable additional fire power was obtained during this rather static period by the use of the guns of tanks, tank destroyers, A.A. Btys etc for indirect harassing fire. This fire was probably not very accurate but it certainly added considerably to the weight of shell falling in the enemy rear areas. For instance the 1 American Armd Div claimed that they could get 13,000 yds out of the 75mm guns of their SHERMANS by ramping them up at an angle and using last-war sights from old medium MGs.

Fire was controlled by the Arty while the guns themselves were operated by the tank crews.

### 38. USE OF MMGs

This was not included in the questionnaire but MMGs are reported to have done excellent work on many occasions. 5 (Br) Div does not have the 4 MMGs within the Bn, but 1 (Br) Div strongly emphasized their value for direct fire and stated that Bns would refuse to give them up if any attempt were made to remove them.

### 39. STANDARD OF TRAINING

Several officers emphasized the low standard of training of our tps. This is partly due to hvy casualties and even more to lack of opportunity for getting out of the line and absorbing the lessons learnt by experience, before too many officers and NCOs have been lost.

It is considered that with this low standard of training a lower standard of achievement and a higher rate of casualties must be accepted, and also plans must be simple and easy to carry out.

Another point of training which was stressed was the low standard of skill with, and the lack of confidence in, the rifle. ORs are generally far too prone to rely on noise and volume in fire production, instead of aiming at accuracy and amm economy.

It was also pointed out that the German training, which aims at teaching men to fight in pairs, or even individually, gave them a great advantage in the "wadi" country over our men, who are trained to fight as Secs or Pls.

### 40. DIVISIONAL FRONTAGES

It was very noticeable that the American Divs held a very much wider front than the Br Divs. This was partly due, of course, to the fact that the American front was more open and much less suited to infiltration, but also, and it may not be generally known, to the fact that the American Coy is about 190 strong.

All the same, it is interesting to find that the 1 S.S.F. was at one time holding about 12,000 yds of front along the MUSSOLINI Canal, with about 900 men. In spite of this wide frontage active and successful patrolling has enabled the 1 S.S.F. to dominate No Man's Land completely and push the German outposts back to a considerable depth.



41. TANKS AT NIGHT

The success achieved by the enemy in using tanks at night to support patrols and cover infiltrations has been very noticeable. Our tanks on the other hand seldom moved at night, and, according to Comd 1 U.S. Armd Div on the few occasions when they have tried to operate at night in forward areas considerable protest has been made by our own tps, on account of the volume of arty and mortar fire brought down by the enemy on our fwd tps as soon as the tks were heard.

It is difficult to understand why the enemy does not suffer from our fire in the same way and no explanation of this was put forward.

It seems possible that, relying on the moral effect of tanks on our inf, the enemy may withdraw most of his fwd tps while his tks are operating at night, or possibly get his inf well under cover in deep shelters to avoid our arty fire.

42. THE AIR OP

The Air Op has been an unqualified success and it is rather surprising that the enemy does not appear to have attempted to produce anything similar, especially as our command of the air has not been complete.

43. SYSTEM OF SUPPLY

In outline, this consists of 6 to 12 LSTs per day carrying lorries pre-loaded in accordance with a fixed plan which can be varied if necessary. On arrival at ANZIO, a run of approximately 10 hours, the LSTs come alongside the jetty and the lorries drive off direct to the various dumps according to their loads. Meanwhile the previous day's lorries have unloaded and been re-loaded with salvage, empty containers, etc. They are now ready to move on board the LSTs as soon as the ships are empty. After refilling with the "empty" vehs LSTs return to NAPLES.

The round trip takes approximately 36 hours.

In addition to the LSTs a number of LIBERTY Ships are also used. These anchor in the ANZIO harbour and are unloaded into DUKWs which then swim ashore and move straight to dumps for unloading.

This system appears to work extremely well and is controlled by HQ VI Corps working in conjunction with an adv ADM ECH of FIFTH ARMY.

44. CONCLUSIONS

No new methods of quick consolidation appear to have been produced. However, as a result of this visit to the ANZIO Beachhead the essentials appear to me to be:-

- (a) In view of the admittedly low standard of trg, plans must be simple and well within the powers of the tps taking part. Night attacks can only be carried out on suitable ground and to a limited depth, e.g. the "wadi" country in the LEFT sector was considered to be too difficult for night attacks.



44. CONCLUSIONS (Cont'd)

- (b) If the attack is to be on a narrow front it is essential that arrangements be made to neutralize the enemy's flanking fire. It is considered that the enemy will frequently defend vital ground by fire from the flanks rather than by holding the feature itself with masses of inf.
- (c) Selection of Arty and Mortar D.F. tasks prior to the attack is essential. It is most important that alternative methods of comm be provided to ensure that these D.F. tasks can be called for by fwd tps.
- (d) The provision of weapons, tools, wire etc., at earliest possible moment in accordance with the nature of the ground.

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DISTRIBUTION

4 PLDG (7)  
89/109 Inf Bn (7)  
Westmr R (M) (7)  
Comd  
BM  
SC  
GSO III  
IO  
LO 1  
LO 2  
LO 3  
File G  
Spares (3)  
War Diary (3)



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26 Jul 44

12 CDN INF BDE

MEMORANDUM NO. 8

Ref Maps: ITALY Rd Maps 1/200,000, Sheets 13 to 19 incl.

INFM

45. 5 Cdn Armd Div will move to conc area from 26 Jul to 10 Aug incl. NO move before 27 Jul.

MOV

46. To be issued separately.

RECCE PARTIES

47. (a) Plan and unit recce parties will be on 12 hrs notice to move from 271200 hrs.
- (b) All parties will be self contained for period up to arrival respective main bodies.

REPORT CENTRE

48. 1 Cdn Corps Adm Report Centre has been est rd junc SOUTH of FOLIGNO (A 9584).

SUPS

49. Units will carry sufficient rations over and above normal 2nd line to maintain themselves during journey and for day following arrival. First draw in new area will take place day after arrival, for consumption following day.

POL

50. (a) B Vehs - will carry sufficient to complete trips with a margin in hand, subject to availability of containers.  
Carriers - will carry 40 gals pet.
- (b) Pet and jerricans in new area are in extremely short sup. All jerricans will be taken and on arrival new area strict economy in pet will be practised. Units will not exceed 12 miles of POL per day. Details of pet re-filling points en route, and drawal of pet in new area to be notified later.

AMN

51. Units will move with complete first line. Any deficiencies to be notified through S&T channels immediately, assuming present releases to be held.

MED

52. 5 CCS closes present locn 0600 hrs 2 Aug. Same time 13 FDS (N301932) will receive cas from remaining units, rear parties, etc of 1 Cdn Corps.



REC

- 53. (a) Static Rec Posts en route to be notified.
- (b) Normal Rec deta will move with units and will rec fwd to nearest Rec Post.
- (c) Temporary Corps Collecting Point is being est staging area vicinity VALMONTONE. A small repair depot is being provided under arrangements 1 Cdn Corps.
- (d) 5 Cdn Armd Tps Wksp and Hy Sec No 1 Rec Coy remain present locn and come under comd 5 Cdn Armd Div 1 Aug.

TRACKS

- 54. (a) New tracks will be fitted to any carriers which will not have 400 miles track life remaining on arrival in new area.
- (b) All tracks, incl carriers, will move at maximum speed 8 mih or 15 mph. THIS SPEED WILL NOT BE EXCEEDED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES AND WILL BE MADE CLEAR TO ALL DVRS BEFORE MOVE.

TPT

- 55. Requests for additional tpt over and above first line will be made to HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde by 1200 hrs 27 Jul.

SAL

- 56. Units will commence clean-up of present area immediately, centralize within fmn areas, and dispose of sal in accordance with instrs to be issued by ADCS 5 Cdn Armd Div. Fmns will ensure inspecting offr visits all lines after units departure.

SECURITY

- 57. (a) Any personnel or vehs proceeding to 8 Army area will remove all fmn identification before leaving this area.
- (b) Arrangements will be made to ensure that fmn patches and unit titles, when removed by all ranks, are not lost but kept until they are again taken into wear.

ROUTES

- 58. This move will be referred to under code name GRAMPIAN and routes are being marked with letters as follows:-

- 1 Cdn Corps Tps - A
- 1 Cdn Inf Div - B
- 5 Cdn Armd Div - C
- 21 Tk Bde - D

- 59. ACK

DISTRIBUTION

- 4 PLDG (7)
- 89/109 Inf Bn (7)
- WESTMR R(M) (7)
- 12 Cdn Inf Bde MG Coy (3)
- Comd
- BM
- SC

- GSO 3
- IO
- File
- War Diary (3)

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HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde  
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MEMORANDUM NO. 9

ORDER OF DRESS

60. Walking out Dress

Soft caps, waist belts, anklets or puttees.

K.D. - day - shirts with sleeves rolled, tuck inside shorts, hose tops with anklets or puttees.

night - slacks, sleeves down, shirt outside slacks, anklets or puttees.

S.D. - ORs, neck done up, trousers properly pressed, boots, ankle, anklets or puttees.

At all times cap badges and brasses on waist belt will be polished. Boots will be shined. Regimental flashes and div patches will be worn.

61. Drill Order

Soft caps, waist belt, rifle, bayonet and frog (if carried) K.D. or S.D. as ordered, with boots and anklets or puttees.

62. Musketry Order

Steel helmet, skeleton web, pouches, cross straps, weapons as ordered.

63. Fighting Order

Steel helmet, skeleton web (as for musketry order) water bottle slung on left side, gas cape rolled and secured on back of belt, entrenching tool, slung below gas cape, or shovel or pick, covered mess tins on right side slung in water bottle carrier, 75 gram on cross straps above gas cape (igniter set in separate container).

64. Marching Order

Same as Fighting Order plus small pack. Small pack includes:-

Clean underwear, shirt, socks; shaving and washing kit, housewife, plus personal effects.

65. Full Service Marching Order

As for Fighting Order with following exceptions:

Large pack on back, small pack containing water bottle slung on left side, less shovel or pick and 75 grenade.



66. PT Dress

PT shorts (if available) singlets, soft shoes.  
Trousers, denim, may be worn in lieu of shorts.  
During summer singlets will NOT be worn. Boots,  
ankle, may be worn at discretion of CO for  
hardening purposes.

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69/109 Inf Bn (7)  
Westair R (M) (7)  
12 Cdn Inf Bde MG Coy (3)  
12 Cdn Inf Bde Coy RCASC  
12 Cdn Inf Bde Chap RCEME  
68 LAD  
8 FDS RCAMC  
Comd  
BM  
SC  
OSO 3  
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War Diary (3)  
Spares (2)



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HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde  
27 JUL 44

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MEMORANDUM NO. 10

Extracts from 5 Cdn Armd Div Op Instrs  
for distribution down to coys

67. NOMENCLATURE OF HEADQUARTERS

- (a) The following terms will be used to denote Headquarters and divisions of Headquarters:

- (i) Main Headquarters - (Main HQ)
- (ii) Rear Headquarters - (Rear HQ)

- (b) When a Commander is located forward of his Main HQ his location will be termed Tactical Headquarters (Tac HQ).

- (c) Corresponding terms in use in the Army of the USA are:

<u>BRITISH</u>		<u>USA</u>
Tactical Headquarters	-	Advanced Command Post (Adv CP)
Main Headquarters	-	Command Post (CP)
Rear Headquarters	-	Rear Echelon

68. ENEMY DOCUMENTS

- (a) As all enemy documents are of the utmost value to Int, and as much of their value is dependent upon the speed with which they are received by GS(Int) at Fmn HQ, any documents found or captured will be forwarded by the speediest safe means available to the appropriate HQ, for onward transmission by GS(Int).
- (b) Such documents will be marked to indicate:
- (i) Unit finding the document.
  - (ii) Date and place where document was found.
- (c) Codes and Ciphers and marked enemy maps will be given the highest priority, and should be sent back by hand of Offr where possible.
- (d) The German Soldier's Paybook (Soldbuch) will be left in the possession of any German deserter or prisoner. Other papers will be taken from him, and dealt with as outlined above, except in the case of offr prisoner from whom every document will be taken incl the paybook.



68. CONSERVATION OF FACILITIES

- (a) The conservation of existing facilities is of the utmost importance in present and future ops.
- (b) It is necessary to preserve intact such installations essential for the needs of Allied Forces, where this can be done without prejudice to the op situation.
- (c) In gen the following facilities should be conserved:

- (i) Hospitals
- (ii) Vital brs
- (iii) Rly locomotive depots, principal marshalling yards, rly eqpt
- (iv) Installations, quays, break waters, shipping, craft, lighters, cranes, docks, plants in port areas.
- (v) Telephone, telegraph, wireless installations.
- (vi) All installations and sups
- (vii) Main water sups
- (viii) Main power sups
- (ix) Gas works
- (x) Airfd eqpt, stores, bldgs
- (xi) Refrigerating installations
- (xii) Flour mills and bakeries
- (xiii) Printing presses

- (d) For specific ops, lists of more important installations, details, locations, etc, will be issued as required. PRIORITY installations will require special detailed tps for the purpose.
- (e) Special instrs applicable to Sig installations are noted below:

- (1) All installations in the following categories should be secured without damage if possible and safeguarded:

- (a) Cable Huts (land terminals of submarine cable)
  - (b) Telephone Exchange
  - (c) Telegraph Offices
  - (d) Wireless Installations
  - (e) Telephone Repeater Stas
- (ii) Any telephone exchange, telegraph office or wireless sta secured by our tps, whether listed among specific installations or NOT, should be safeguarded as described below.
- (iii) When an installation is secured, all Axis personnel will be evacuated. A gd will be mounted and a Sig offr will give instrs for the maint of the eqpt.
- (iv) It is of the first importance that all records, diagrams and plans found in any installation should be safeguarded and taken over by a Sig offr. They should NOT be removed or given to 'I' personnel. Care should be taken to ensure that such records are NOT destroyed or removed by the Axis personnel of the installation.



68. CONSERVATION OF FACILITIES (Cont'd)

- (v) Strict instrs will be issued to all tps to the effect that no piece of apparatus, large or small, should be removed from any of these installations. Experience has shown that the removal of pieces of apparatus as souvenirs has seriously interfered with the use of captured installations by our own tps.

69. SIG SECURITY AND PROCEDURE

GEN

- (a) Comds are reminded of the vital necessity for sig security related always to the time factor. Trg and discipline form the basis of SECURITY. Comds will, therefore, ensure that trg is strictly carried out and severe disciplinary action taken against offrs or soldiers unjustifiably breaking SECURITY.
- (b) The direct supervision of sig SECURITY will be a Sigs responsibility and detailed instrs will be issued as necessary through R C Sigs channels.

70. MONITORING OF OUR WIRELESS NETS

- (a) OC Div Sigs will employ at least 1 set on monitoring under the direction of Sig Security Offr, OsC Bde Sigs will employ a set on monitoring nets within their Bdes, when the set and personnel can be made available.
- (b) OC Div Sigs will take action on breaches of SECURITY by Sig personnel.
- (c) Breaches by other than Sig personnel will be reported to 'G' Staff by whom the necessary action will be taken.

71. CODES

(a) Codex RT Codes

Instrs for the use of these codes are contained in "Eighth Army Offrs' Guide to Sig Security and use of RT Codes."

(b) Codex Keyword Lists

- (1) GSO 1 Cdn Corps distributes "Army Lateral Keyword Lists" for use with the following vocabularies:-

OPS/SIGS (OPS holders)	RCE
OPS/SIGS (SIGS holders)	ST
Q	MED
RCA	REME

OsC Div Sigs will issue Div Keyword Lists for the following vocabularies:-

OPS/SIGS (OPS holders)



Codex Keyword Lists (Cont'd)

(ii) Div Keyword Lists will be used within Div only. "Army Lateral Keyword Lists" will be used for all vocabularies behind Div and fwd of Div for all vocabularies other than OPS/SIGS and Q. For lateral comms between Divs or other units not in the same div, "Army Lateral Keywords" will be used for all vocabularies.

(iii) For lateral comm with units of other Armies the Keywords to be used will be arranged by Liaison.

(iv) OC Div Sigs is responsible for distribution within the Div of both Army Lateral & Div Keyword Lists.

(c) Unit RT Codes

Unit (bn or equivalent) will make up their own RT codes for use below Bn HQ level in every case using Codex Code Words. A vocabulary of up to 200 words may be chosen. The codes will change at least weekly, immediately in case of compromise.

(d) Appointments Code

(i) The following code will be used:

<u>Appointment or Branch</u>	<u>Code Names</u>
Comd	SUNRAY
GS Staff	SEAGULL
AQ Staff	MOLAR
RCA	SHELLDRAKE
RCE	HOLDFAST
Sigs	PRONTO
S & T	PLAYTIME
REME	BLUEBELL
OS	RICKSHAW
Med	STARLIGHT

(ii) GS (Int) has purposely been omitted for SECURITY reasons and will NOT be allotted a code name.

(iii) The code will NOT change and its SECURITY value lies in the fact that it conceals the type and size of a HQ.

(iv) It is intended for use to indicate:-

- (a) all offrs required to speak RT
- (b) for whom or which branch a clear or RT code message is intended.

(v) In future the RT Appointments Code Names will be used on all phone conversations. This will be done in order that offrs will be thoroughly familiar with the 10 code names, and their use will become automatic.



(e) Map Ref Code

Map refs will be encoded using either Codex or Map Ref Pts Code described in "Eighth Army Offr's Guide to Sig Security and use of RT Codes." Refs encoded in the Ref Pts code will NOT be re-encoded into Codex or vice versa. OC Div Sigs will be responsible for distribution of Map Ref Pts Code. For lateral comm between fms of different Armies, fms on the left will use the code of the Army on the right.

(f) Unauthorized Codes

No unauthorized codes will be used for any purpose which can be covered by codex described in the preceding paras. Code signs will always be employed to disguise the name of a unit or fm, code names will NOT be used.

72. SECURITY OF LINES

(a) Telephony

Ordinary phone comms will always be regarded as insecure. Conversations will incl no direct ref to:-

- (i) Movements of tps, aircraft or ships
- (ii) Future plans of ops.

Teleprinter, fullerphone carrier circuits and Secraphone conversations will be regarded as secure, except for MOST SECRET messages provided circuit is operated and controlled throughout by service personnel. Carrier circuits are subject to overhearing by switchboard ops, secraphones are NOT. Circuits that pass through test frames NOT manned by service personnel will be regarded as insecure unless explicit instrs to the contrary are issued. MOST SECRET messages will be transmitted in cipher whatever the means of transmission. Further details are given in "Eighth Army Offrs' Guide to Sig Security and the use of RT Codes."

73. SIG PROCEDURE

Sig procedure will be according to "Sig Trg (All Arms) Pamphlet No 5 Parts I and II (1943).

74. OPERATING SIGS

Operating Sigs will be according to "Army Operating Sigs 1943."

75. MOVES BY RT

(a) Duties of all military vehs moving by rd

It is the duty of all convoys and individual vehs moving on the rd to assist the TC org in every way possible, in so doing they in turn will receive the benefit of its assistance.

- (1) All units must recognize that the Pro Service



(a) Duties of all military vehs moving by rd (cont'd)

In the fwd areas and the TC Coys in the L of C area are responsible for carrying out the policy of the COMD. Instrs received from them carry authority of the COMD and will be obeyed.

(ii) All convoys and individual vehs passing to and from the fwd areas should pass important info regarding rd int to the nearest TP. In turn they will be able to obtain the latest rd int from the TP.

(iii) All units on moving into or out of an area will report their new location to the nearest TP.

(b) Convoy Markings

(i) All convoys of 12 vehs or more will bear the following markings:-

	<u>By Day</u>	<u>By Night</u>
(1) Leading veh	Blue Flag	Blue Lamp
(2) Rear veh	Green Flag	Green Lamp

(ii) Priority convoys are indicated by a black and white checkered flag on the leading veh for 1 Cdn Corps maroon and white checkered flag for 5 Cdn Armd Div convoys.

(c) Speed

(i) All convoys will travel at the following speeds both by day and night:-

(1) Within Army area	-	10 mph
(2) Rear of Army area	-	12½ mph

(ii) Vchs travelling other than in convoy will be restricted to the following speeds:-

Staff Cars	-	50 mph	Vchs with trailers	20 mph
MCs	}	45 mph	Tracked vchs	20 mph
Cars 5 cwt				
Trucks 8 cwt	}	35 mph	Tks	12 mph
Trucks 15 cwt				
Lorries 3 ton	-	30 mph	Tk Tptrs	10 mph
Trucks 15 cwt Water	-	20 mph		

(d) Density

(i) By day all convoys will travel at 20 vtm (90 yds between vchs).

(ii) By night all convoys will travel in packets of 40 vchs with 25 yds between each veh. Convoys of more than one packet will maintain overall density of 20 vtm.



(e) Halts

- (i) Convoys or individual vehs will NOT, except in emergencies halt on the rd for any purpose whatsoever. Authorized halts for convoys will be made as ordered in mov instrs.
- (ii) When stopping for emergencies or on authorized halts, the following will be observed without damaging verges or driving into ditches:
  - (1) March distance between vehs will be maintained.
  - (2) All vehs will draw off to the right of the rd as much as possible.
  - (3) The dvr or his relief will be posted on the left of the rd to control passage of through traffic.
  - (4) Personnel will remain in vehs at all times unless otherwise ordered.

(f) Lighting

GS of fms will define the line fwd of which no lights will be used. In rear of this line lights, at discretion of fm comds, may be normal both for free runners and convoys.

(g) Protection

(i) On the Move

- (1) AA sentries will be posted throughout the convoy.
- (2) During air alerts convoys will proceed normally, unless actually attacked. If the convoy is attacked by hostile aircraft it will halt at full march distance by the side of the rd, tps will dismount, disperse and engage the aircraft.

(ii) At the Halt

- (1) AA weapons will be set up, but will NOT engage enemy aircraft unless convoy is attacked.
- (2) Ground def sentries will be posted.

(h) Rd Markings

- (i) The main Div axis will be marked with the Div sign. Signs to be erected by the Div Pro Coy.
- (ii) Fms and units under cmd are responsible for marking the route to their own HQ from the Div axis.

(i) Overtaking and Double Banking

- (i) Convoys will NOT overtake or double bank individual vehs or another convoy without specific directions by TC personnel.
- (ii) Convoy comds will ensure that an offr, whenever possible of fd rank, moves at the rear of the convoy on the left hand side of the rd. This offr will only permit Flag Cars, Priority Convoys, MGs and lt vehs, travelling individually to pass the convoy provided the rd ahead is clear.



(j) Security

At least one armed man will travel in the rear of each veh while on the move.

(k) TC

- (1) TPs will be set up by Pro as required and will function in the manner laid down in instrs issued through Pro channels.
- (ii) TPs will usually be sited at important traffic features along the rd covered, eg X rds, defiles etc. TPs also function as Infm Posts. Whenever possible TPs are linked together by line or wireless comm.

(l) Unauthorized Lifts

Civilians may only be carried in WD vehs in the following circumstances:-

- (i) When in possession of a specially authorized pass issued by AMG of FS.
- (ii) If employed as civilian labour, when the dvr is authorized by an offr of the employing unit to carry such persons to and from work.

(m) Mov by Marching Tps

- (1) Marching tps in single file will move on the left side of the rd facing approaching traffic unless sidewalks or verges which have been swept for mines, are available.
- (ii) Marching tps in threes will move as far to the right of the rd as possible unless sidewalks and verges which have been swept of mines are available. When tps are marching in threes on the right of the rd two men will move 50 yds in front of the coln and two men 50 yds in rear to warn approaching traffic. By night these men will carry lights.

76. "LEFT OUT OF BATTLE" (LOB) POLICY ARMD & INF UNITS  
I CDN CORPS POLICY

(a) Object

The purpose of leaving the key personnel detailed below out of battle is to have a cadre available for reforming the unit in case of heavy cas to offr and NCOs. This reforming will normally be done during a pause in the ops, or when the unit is in res, and the "bulk" of rfts come fwd. In principle, therefore, "left out of battle" personnel will NOT be called fwd until the unit has completed a phase of offensive ops, and has time to re-organize.



(b) Control

The time to bring fwd LOB personnel will be decided by Bde Comds who will apply the above principles to the situation.

(c) The LOB policy for Armcd and Inf Units within 5 Cdn Armcd Div will be as follows:-

(i) Armcd Recce and Armcd Regts

CO or 2IC  
One Capt per fighting sqn  
One Tp Leader per Regt

(ii) Inf and Mot Bns

Unit - CO or 2IC  
Rifle and Mot Coys each - Coy Comd or 2 IC  
" " " Pl Comds total 4 per bn  
" " " Pl Sgts " 4 " "  
" " " R&F " 24 NCOs or  
potential NCOs per bn.

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89/109 Inf Bn (7)  
Westar R (M) (7)  
12 CIB MG Coy (PL Fus) (3)  
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SC  
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War Diary (3)  
Spares (2)



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29 Jul 44

12 CDM INF BDE

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68. BATTLE PRAYER

- (a) At this stage in the war, it is sometimes enticing to consider easing up on the pressure of trg and fighting. Nothing could be more calculated to delay Victory, and our return to our own country.
- (b) I feel that this Prayer should help all ranks in remaining steadfast to the tasks ahead of us, and to this end, and on the advice of the Chaplains serving this Brigade, I wish Drake's Prayer to be included in all church services where it is appropriate.

" Oh Lord God, when Thou givest to Thy servants to endeavour any great matters, grant us also to know that it is not the beginning, but the continuing of the same, until it is thoroughly finished, which yieldeth the true glory; through Him that for the finishing of Thy work laid down His life, our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. "

(D C Spry) Brig  
Comd 12 Cdn Inf Bde

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4 PIDG (40) (NB - one copy per offr)  
VESTER R (M) (40)  
89/109 Inf Bn (40)  
12 CIB MG Coy (PL Fms) (15)  
Comd  
HM  
SC  
GSC 3  
IO  
SO  
File  
Sr Chaplains 3 Cdn Armd Div (4)  
War Diary (3)  
Spares (10)



12 CDN INF BDE

MEMORANDUM NO 12

MOV INSTRS

69 Att herewith 5 Cdn Arm Div Adm Instr No 18 plus Mov Tables for tracked and wh vehs.

70 5 Cdn Arm Div cone area southern border of LAKE TRASIMENO.

Bde SP - Rd June CALAZZO

Bde Dis P - (a) rd june 9463  
(b) rd june BOLSENA 3352

NOTE: 5 Cdn Arm Div Dis P now W 346812. Route and timings remain the same to stage area BOLSENA A 3352. Route thence by RADICOFANI A 1879 SARTEANO A 2689 CHIUSI W 3183 to Dis P.

71 Route

SP - DRACONI - Div SP thence as in 5 Cdn Arm Div Adm Instr No 18.

72 Order of March - and time pass SP

(a) HC 12 Cdn Inf Bde and LAD 060415B  
12 Cdn Inf Bde MG Coy  
4 PLDG  
89/109 Inf Bn  
Westmr R (M)  
8 Cdn FDS RCAMC  
12 Cdn Inf Bde Wksp

(b) Order of March will remain as above for entire move.

(c) SP from staging areas will be notified later.

73 Bde will move as one convoy.

74 Units will liase with preceding units and cross SP as cleared.

75 Halts - 30 min halt wh vehs FROSINONE.

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RM HC 12 Cdn Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION:

4 PLDG ) As per para 69  
Westmr R (M) )  
89/109 Inf Bn )  
8 FDS RCAMC )  
12 Cdn Inf Bde Wksp)

68 LAD - Covering letter only  
12 Cdn Inf Bde Sp Cp - info by IO

RS. No Copy of Mov Tables (see Para 69) available.



12 Cdn Inf Bde

MEMORANDUM NO 13

SECRET

HC 12 Cdn Inf Bde  
30 Jul 44

## - STUDY PERIODS -

76 A series of Study Periods will be conducted by the Bde Comd, at times to be selected, probably on short notice in view of mov.

77 Object

The Bde Comd wishes an interchange of ideas of comds to ensure that the Bde Gp will be able to fight on the basis of a common doctrine. These discussions will then form the basis of instr for regt offrs by their COs.

78 Attendance

<u>Bns</u>	-	CO and one offr if CO desires
<u>Sp Gp</u>	-	Comd Hy Mortar Coy Comd MG Coy
<u>Bde HQ</u>	-	Comd BM GSO 3 Bde IO Sigs Offr LOs 1, 2, 3 SC

It would be appreciated if 5 Cdn Armd Div arranged that the following attended:-

<u>Armour</u>	Sqn Comd from 5 Cdn Armd Bde
<u>Armd Recce Regt</u>	Sqn Comd
<u>Arty</u>	CO 11 Cdn A Fd Regt Bty Comd SP A tk Regt
<u>Engrs</u>	Sqn Comd or 2 IC
<u>Div HQ</u>	One GSO if available

79 Subjects(a) Attack

The Approach to the enemy  
First contact with the enemy  
The Main Attack  
- against lt opposition  
- against prepared def posn

(b) Def

Def of a hastily occupied posn  
Def of a prepared posn  
Outposts and battle patrols

(c) Withdrawal

Recce and preparation of routes	Abandonment of fwd posns
Occupation of intermediate posn	Occupation of posn in rear
Thinning out fwd posns	Abandonment of intermediate posn

80 The first Study Period will be held at Bde HQ on 1 Aug 44 from 1600 - 1800 hrs.

## DISTRIBUTION

4 FLDC (2)  
Vestiar R (M) (2)  
C9/109 Inf Bn (2)  
MG Coy (2)  
Comd  
BM

SC  
GSO 3  
IO  
SO  
G File  
War Diary (3) Spares (2)

G 5 Cdn Armd Div  
(7)

*M. L. C. Mather*  
(N L C Mather) Maj  
BM HC 12 Cdn Inf Bde



BDE STUDY PERIOD

THE APPROACH MARCH AND GAINING OF CONTACT

- A G E N D A -

The Armd Div

- 1 Emp of component arms
- 2 Armour incl Recce Regt
- 3 Inf
- 4 Arty incl SP and SP A tk
- 5 Sp Gps
- 6 Engrs
- 7 Air

The Inf Bde

Normal adv gds

- 8 Winged (composition  
(role
- 9 Main Gd (composition  
(role
- 10 The Motor Bn
- 11 Sp Gp

Comd and Control

- 12 Bde HC
- 13 Bn HC
- 14 Coy HC
- 15 SP Armour



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0845	Westmr R (M)	12 CIB	Previously allotted town of CERVARO for "village fighting" for 28,29,30 Jul (Leave 27 and return 31) Does this still hold?	Village Fighting	To Div for confirmation. Answer "Yes" to Westmr R (M)
0900	5 Div	12 CIB	Rear Link Offr - ACV 1 Div - 1600 on 19 and 20 Jul	Sigs Scheme	To GSO III
0900	12 CIB	11 CIB	Called to find locns proposed area NCO school	NCO School	MR 348928. Passed to Maj Johnson who is going to new area this morning
1100	12 CIB	11 CIB	May syllabus of Unit NCOs Schools be made available for Maj Johnson. We will pick up.	NCO School	11 Bde will contact units. O.K.
1110	Maj Davis 1 Corps	12 CIB	Compliments to EM. Will call back in a few days to see about any problems		
1145	12 CIB	Adjt CRE	Have you any angle iron pickets (12) for a 6 pdr target frame - bns this afternoon	6 pdr A/Tk target	LO going to 4 Fd Pk Sqn to pick up 10 x 6'0" pickets
1415	12 CIB	5 CAD	Re Westmr Crse. 5 CAB return did not coincide with Westmr return re crse nor vacancies. Div will contact 5 Bde to come again and straighten out.	Westmr Crse	
1700	5 Div	12 CIB	G 2 called - Following signs reqd s.a.p. (additional to ones already in use) Bde HQ Main HQ - 2 Rear HQ - 2 Visitors' Car Pk - 1 Bde Axis - 6 ea Bn Main HQ - 2 Coy HQ - 2 (ea coy) A Ech - 2 Sp Gp MMG Coy HQ - 2  Detailed instr to follow.	Bde Signs	Passed to SC Passed to Units



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1745	12 CIB	ADOS	They can supply 12 Bde with 20 gals white paint, a small amt of yellow, white & red. If in difficulty call Capt Duncan ADOS R Div	Paint	1 LAA Regt sending offr to m/n units to pick up paint and to bring it to 12 Bde for distribution to units
1750	12 CIB	5 Pro Coy	They can supply 12 Bde with red, blue, maroon, yellow, black paint MR299972	"	
1755	12 CIB	4 Fd Pk Sqn RCE	They can supply 12 Bde with blue, red, buff. MR 272962	"	
1800	12 CIB	4 PLDG	Will you accept trg film tonight. Answer, "Yes". Trg film sent down		
1820	CBH	12 CIB	Capt Gale, CBH, will be willing to come to 12 Bde		Passed to Comd
2130	5 Div SC "A"	12 CIB	SC "A" called re blitz on 3 jeeps to GCHQ's. 3 additional jeeps have arrived in Div OFP to be released to us	Jeeps	Pass to SC
2215	5 Div DAQMG	12 CIB	GCHG's will deliver here 3 jeeps in the morning of 19 JUL. They picked them up and may have delivered them to 11 Bde by mistake. This is being rectified.	Jeeps	Pass to SC



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1715	12 CIB	1 LAA	Where is paint - to be picked up last night. Offr was told paint would not be available till 191000	Paint	Called G 2
0915	12 CIB	CRE	What about lumber for Bde's use. Ans - Guide ready at 200800 to take veh to NAPLES to DWW	Lumber	Arrange 4 PLDG to provide tpt RV 12 Bde 200800 hrs.
1430	12 CIB	Westmr(M)	Re liquor box and -- finished tonight and should be set up tomorrow	Bar accoutrements	
1445	12 CIB	Westmr(M)	Will you accept trg films for show tonight. Ans - Yes. Return in morning	Trg Films	Send trg films to Westmr (M)
1450	12 CIB	89/109	Ditto - Ans. Yes. Will 'phone back whether movie is on tonight	Trg Films	
1520	89/109	12 CIB	No show tonight		
1620	Westmr(M)	12 CIB	Have A/Tk range for approval. Can this be looked at please	A/Tk range	
1730	4 PLDG	12 CIB	Are carriers taken on Bde Inst Teams. Ans Yes	Ede Inst Teams	
1800	12 CIB	4 PLDG 1 LAA Westmr (M)	Instructors reporting to 1 LAA Regt will do so 201600 hrs (as ordered by BM)	Inst Teams	



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0825	Comd	GSO 3	Brig wants summary of today's trg PLDG P.T. W.T. Route March Admin Night Route March 89/109 P.T. Bn parade Adm Coy route marches Westmr R (M) A - TMC B - Schools - MG, trucks dvr ops C - Weapon check Sp - Specialist	trg	Called units
0835	11 Bde	12 Bde	Granger will call from 11 Bde. If possible give him syllabi of 11 Bde NCO schools	NCO	They are now with Maj Johnson. If they return, will do. If not send back s.a.p.
1030	12 Bde	5 Div	286839 fire Grid South - A/Tk range Westmr fire commence from 220700 approx 700 yds Location notified	A/Tk range	
1055	12 Bde	4 PLDG	Offr for trip to BARI for pamphlets reporting this P.M. for instructions	Pams	
1345	12 Bde	Westmr	May trg films be returned to 12 CIB please	Trg films	Being returned
1515	5 Div	12 CIB	Ref instr for Enemy Weapons, suggest Sgt Fagan, Westmr R (M)		To IO
1630	Westmr	12 CIB	Trg films are being retained for a more successful showing at some future date	Trg films	
1520	12 Bde	Westmr	Re Amendment Inf Cum Tank Coop. Amends are completed Westmr (M) now satisfied	Amendments	



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1715	89/109	12 Bde	Two NCOs from PLDG who went to 89/109 as A/Tk inst were apparently told they would be transferred. 89/109 say they have A/Tk NCOs but are willing to keep PLDG NCOs on hand for instr purposes	Transfer NCOs	Phoned PLDG NCOs are on attachment only. 89/109 informed
1750	11 Bde	12 Bde	Capt MacDonald wants to know whether instrs from 11 Bde reporting to Westmr are to remain there permanently or is it just the prelim meeting	11 CIB Instrs	Yes, bring own kit
2045	11 Bde	12 Bde	Perth Regt instrs for NCO school change to: A-82108 Cpl Tedford W G L-27301 Sgt Campbell C R A-118552 Cpl Krohn C W for O'Brien, Willliary, Chartwick	NCOs School	To Maj Johnston and G3
2040	5 CAD	12 Bde	Offr vacancy for Mine Warfare Crse CMTC 22 Jul-31 Jul	Crses	To LAA



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0730	5 Div	12 Bde	Corps Sigs ex "VITAL" from 2200 hrs Sun to 1300 hrs Mon. G3 12 Bde to be on OG Corps. Conference at Corps HQ at 0900 tomorrow Infm will be down from Div	Sigs Ex	To G3
0800	12 Bde	Westmr	Could you let us have copy of Inf Cum Tk screed put out by Brig Smith in Apr or May	Inf Tk screed	Will check and send one down. If not try 11 Bde
0930	5 Div	12 Bde	Div policy is to have MMG pls in PLDG & 89/109 Inf Bns. Will let us know how soon guns <del>XXXXX</del> will be available	MMG	
1015	12 Bde	Adj't CRE	Have you materials for oil water cooker. Will call back	Cooker	No parts but suggest LAD offr visit CRE and see what is req'd
0900	5 Div	12 Bde	Can you let arty have some of your allotment (500) of 75 gren for trg?	75 gren	O.K. They can have 100 only.
1415	12 Bde	G2 Div	(2700 to 5) - 9000 to be disposed 40mm ammo still in LAA area		G2 - O.K.
1545	5 Div	12 Bde	O.K. to send Log "Follow Up" in longhand. Crse vacancies allotted 3 Tac Sub Unit Comd 3 Dvr Mech 30 Snipers	Log Crse	1 to PLDG
1900	Westmr	12 Bde	Trg film at "Sally Ann"		
1900	5 Div	12 Bde	1 Div Scheme "Hill Billy" now in progress and lasts until tomorrow noon. 2 Bdes taking part and Mtn warfare is main feature. Offrs of your units invited to attend tomorrow morning as observers. Go to Sq 4597 - Sioreszello		To Units. Some going from each



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2100	G1 5 Div	BM 12 CIB	(1) Maj Gilday will be down tomorrow 22 Jul (2) 3 Coy Comdrs have been arranged by DAAG. Is this number sufficient.		) Passed to BM ) )
2150	G2 Ops 5 Div	Comd 12 CIB	After the last action some fms of 5 CAD thought the amount of ammo carried in accord- ance with 8 Army scale of ammo was too large. Would Comd 12 CIB please submit by noon ELS 24 Jul 44 any observations as to the advantages of an increase or decrease in the amount of ammo carried. This request will be confirmed in writing		To BM



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1000	5 Div LO	12 Bde	Let Div know each morning by 1200 what films (trg) are being shown at night  Recce party on 12 hr notice is now cancelled		To S C
1020	LAA	12 Bde	Sub-Unit Comds Crse Capt R T Craddock Capt R E C Hown	Crses	To LO 1
1050	Sp Gp	12 Bde	Maj Minshall, CO 12 Bde SpmGp has HQ set up in his present area and wants to be put on Dist List		
1300	12 Bde	5 Div	No trg films being shown tonight (Sat)		
1400	12 Bde	89/109	Can nominal rolls for NCO crse be submitted s.a.p.		
1405	12 Bde	Adj't CRE	Re Pnr Pls of 12 CIB. Not yet decided who will <del>xxxxx</del> train, when nor where. All answers forthcoming tomorrow noon	Pnr Pls	To GS
1600	4 PLDG	12 Bde	Lt-col Adams has arrived back in PLDG area		Informed BM who informed Lt-col Corbould of fact
1630	5 Div	12 Bde	Re NCOs crse eqpt. 10 tables, 20 benches cooking eqpt for 100. GOC has laid on that this will be produced today. Q under impression we already have it		Phone Ardagh Westmr (M) and find out what he has. Phone SC "Q" 5 Div and tell him. SC "Q" will phone and tell 12 Bde where to pick up requirements.



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2020	ACV 1 Div	12 Bde	Capt Dillon will report to Coys at 1600 hrs tomorrow for a conference re Ex VITAL in which he is on the Corps Control Staff		Passed to Capt Dillon
2130	5 Div	12 Bde	Capt Dillon to report to A/Brig of Corps Controll Staff before 1000 hrs tomorrow		Passed to Capt Dillon



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0850	5 Div	12 Bde	Vacancies for Mtn Warfare Crse - 1 Offr 2 NCOs. Let know by his P.M. Re Instrs for Sniper's School. G I at Div is taking up with G I at Corps. We will be notified as to action.		
	12 Bde ACV 1	PLDG BM	Do you want vacancies for Mtn Warfare Crse. What days are NCOs crse requiring fd firing range. Ans.- 0800-1200 Wed 2 Aug 0700-1200 Sun 6 Aug		Will let us know  Phone 11 CIB. 11 CIB will check with BM and let us know
0945	12 Bde	PLDG Westmr 89/109	Can you submit your demands for trg ammo by 1800 hrs this date	Trg Ammo	Passed to Westmr
0950	12 Bde	PLDG	Do you want 11 CIB Fd Firing Range. Ans, Yes. 25 JUL	11 CIB Fd Firing Range	
0950	PLDG	12 Bde	Do <u>NOT</u> want any vacancies on Mtn Warfare School		Passed to LO. Vacancies passed for approval to 89/109. Yes, will take them
1015	89/109	<del>Rm</del> 12 Bde	Do not want Fd Firing Range <del>24 Jul</del> 29 Jul	11 CIB Fd Firing Range	
1110m	12 Bde	Westmr	Do you want Fd Firing Range 24 Jul	" "	Will let us know. Will take it.
1125	11 Bde	12 Bde	12 CIB may have 11 CIB Fd Firing Range on 2 Aug and on 6 Aug	11 FIB Fd Firing Range	To Maj Johnson
1210	<del>XXXX</del> 12 Bde	4 PLDG	Offr went to BARI two days ago for pams what luck? Has not arrived back yet		To LO 1



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1230	12 Bde	5 Div	Will accept vacancies on Mtn Warfare Trg films - LO coming from Div with infm on them Answer on 9mm ammo - try and get it (1) from Br units (2) through I channels	Crse	To LO
1325	NCO School	12 Bde	NCO School Trg Films Tues 2130 hrs. Need projector because Westmr not available		
1400	89/109	12 Bde	What is location of Fd Firing Range. Ans - MR 3487		Passed to Westmr (M)
1400	89/109	12 Bde	A Lt Seldon was to come to 89/109. He has not yet arrived. Is any information forthcoming on him?	Lt Seldon	Passed to BM
1410	5 Bde	12 Bde	May a member of "I" phone 5 Bde please		Passed to "I"
1740	21 Bde	12 Bde	IO phoned re Enemy Weapons Exhibit. He would like to hang on until Tues noon when he will call for them.		Passed to G3
1745	89/109	12 Bde	Where are lectures to be held. Ans 12 CIB HQ		To 89/109
1750	Capt Vaughan	12 Bde	Is at G (Int) 5 Div and will <u>not</u> be able to return to 12 CIB until tomorrow P.M. (Exercise Vital)		BM notified
1925	Col Dick	12 Bde SC	Draft of 8 Sub-Cpts have just arrived. They are returning the other offrs. Wishes to see Brig Haldenby when he arrives		To Q and SC



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0845	BM	ACV 1	BM gone to 89/109		
0850	12 Bde	Westmr (M)	1 vacancy Sub-Unit Comd Crse 31 Jul-19Aug		Crse book
1100	NCOs School Maj Johnson	12 Bde	Brown paper (1 roll) for targets Projector for trg films tomorrow night at 2030 hrs. Also films, and if possible a movie. Mail to come in to Sigs for personnel on crse and will be picked up here		
1400	12 Bde	5 Div	(1) Trg films for tonight at 89/109 C603 Tellermine, copy D7 C476 Camouflage & Fieldcraft D42 (2) The Pnr Pls - trg of them is now in hands of G2 5 Div (3) Frame-up is exercise run by 11 CIB will advise (4) Dynamite & set-up to be run off on schedule	Trg films  Pnr pls Frame-up Dynamite set ahead	Div advised  Phoned CRE  To G 3
1415	12 Bde	CRE Adjt	Re Pnr pls - advice is not yet received from higher authority as to trg of pnrs but it is in hand & 12 CIB will be advised	Pnr pls	To G 3
1415	PLDG	12 Bde	Adj 4 PLDG would like BM to call in and see Col Adams before he (BM) goes to see Brig	Col Adams	To BM
1500	12 Bde	5 Div	Range 100 <sup>x</sup> at 288836 fire NORTH) 50 <sup>x</sup> at 285838 fire EAST ) from WEST (range approved by 12 CIB (JWPB))	Range	Notify Div



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1515	Maj Weston	12 Bde	Lt-col Guilday is to be attd 12 CIB and will visit this HQ after supper	Lt-col Guilday	To BM
1540	12 Bde	<del>11XX</del> Bde	Pams Mortar Reconciliation of Ranges see 11 CIB	Mortar Pams	Squibbs at 11 CIB will inform us
	11 Bde	12 Bde	BM 11 CIB knows nothing of Frame-up as far as it concerns 12 CIB	Frame-up	To Div. Div will pass to G 1 for further info & will inform us
1630	G 1	12 Bde	2 Coy Comds are coming from 1 Cdn Div		
1635	12 Bde	89/109	Lt-col Guilday has arrived. Does Lt-col Dick wish to see him at 89/109 or at HQ 12 CIB		Passed to 89/109. Lt-col Dick coming to 12 CIB for interview with Lt-col Guilday
1800	12 Bde	4 PLDG 89/109 Westmr	Trg ammo will NOT be picked up until 26 JUL		Passed to Bns
2105	Main Div	12 Bde	BM to take no action re exercise Frame-up G I is coming to see him and will clarify situation. 12 CIB will not be involved for some time		Passed to BM
2145	Press LO Corps	S.C.	Press LO desires brief history (regtl) plus nominal roll of all offr in the Westmr R & the job they are doing		SC Infm



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0950	Div	12 Bde	Ref "Jargon Code" - being prepared and will be forwarded	Jargon Code	To BM
1000	SO	G 3	Would like to set up rifle fange behind sigs area. Ans. O.K. if you get range checked by us. Will let us know when he is going to recce range	Sigs rifle range	
1040	12 Bde	89/109	Can you sup projector for picture at NCOs school tonight? Will call back	NCO school film	When dvr from NCO school reports here at 251830B duty offr will give him answer. Ans. No
1115	12 Bde	PLDG 89/109	Ammo - 26 Jul 44 at Ammo Pt 1030 hrs		Passed to units
1400	5 Div	12 Bde	Regtl Sigs - 3 ORs - 30 Jul to 22 Aug The above courses will be filled	Crse	Crse Book
1430	PLDG	12 Bde	Sgt Epps to replace Sgt Henry on NCOs crse. Have latter sent back tomorrow morning	NCO school	Adjnt NCO school infm
1930	89/109	12 Bde	Lt-col Dick would like G 3 to call ref 30 yd range. He wonders what areas he may use. He would like 1 range per coy.	Trg	
2000	PL Fus	12 Bde	SC to call QM of PL Fus re vickers	Q	
2030	5 Div	12 Bde	Dynamite and <del>XXXXXXXXXX</del> Get ahead cancelled	Trg	BM told
2200	G 3 5 Div	G 3	Where is report by Brig re increase or decrease in scale of ammo to be carried This was due 1200 hrs 24 Jul 44  Maj McAlpine S/Capt "A"	Report Ammo	Report passed to Div by SDR



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0740	12 Bde	5 Div	Suggested scales of amm will be in by 1200 hrs this date		
0745		CRE Adj	Pnr pls are to be attd compl to RCE on 48 hrs notice within few days	Pnr pls	Letter to Units G 3
	K tp	ACV 1	When Sp Gp arrive may K Tp be notified so that line can be laid to K Tp		K Tp notified
0755	12 Bde	89/109	Petrol cans are not available for petrol for carrier trg - Unit QM advised this HQ that 89/109 had 250 mi petrol		Capt Cooper will check and inform this HQ if carrier trg can NOT be carried out
0800	GOC	12 Bde	Can BM phone GOC immediately		To BM
0900	Westmr R	12 Bde	Westmr would like to change Mine Circus date with PLDGs		
	NCOs School		Reading material - Sports equipment Sp Gp - HIGHLIGHT - Friday - River Crossing (Tarps)		
0950	89/109	12 Bde	2 offrs on course near BARI - off course - now belong to R 4		On Course book
1005	12 Bde	89/109	Regtl Sigs Crse 2 ORs 30 July 22 Aug - 2 ORs accepted		" " "
1030	12 Bde	4 PLDG	Regtl Sigs Crse 1 OR 30 Jul 22 Aug - 1 OR accepted		
1100	1 Cdn Corps	12 Bde	SC to phone Maj Davis 1 Cdn Corps		To SC
1100	Sp Gp	12 Bde	Have arrived in area 309846		To Div



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1150	G3 (air) Div	12 Bde	G 2 (air) at Corps requests info re lecture to be given this date to 12 CIB		TonDiv
1245	11 CIB	12 Bde	Beginning 2 Aug 12 CIB can have complete use of 11 CIB Fd Firing Range		To G 3
1330	5 Div	12 Bde	G III to call Capt Miller ACV 1 Div		To G 3
1500	S. Coy	12 Bde	Highlights of trg for 27 Jul Mortar Coy trg on mortars and drill. Lectures.MMG Coy trg TOET & drill		
1900	CRASC	BRASCO	Call Carter CRASC HQ right away		
1945	SC "Q"	12 Bde	5 lorries to ADOS dump 0730 27 Jul to go to 557 AOD NAPLES to pick up stores	Tpt	Passed to TO
	DAAG	S C	Lt-col Guilday will report to 1 CBRGp not later than 271500B for despatch to O.R. Immediate	Lt-col Guilday	Lt-col Guilday inform "Q"



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0830	89/109	12 Bde	May we use the ammo we have for trg		To LO 1
0840	12 Bde	5 Div	Highlights of trg 4 PLDG Pd craft, W.T. Map Reading, semaphore sec trg, carriers, sec facts Westmr (M) Carrier tactics, M/C Dvr School, S.A. Range, 6 pdr LAA Spec trg, use of explosive, bayonet fighting, fdcraft & camouflage, LMG elem & adv handling Counter Mortar PL Fus EOD River Crossing EMD Direct fire orders and stoppages	trg highlights	Passed to Div
0845	5 Div	12 Bde	Pull in trg films	Trg films	To LO 1
0847	12 Bde	PL Fus	2 offrs from PL Fus for offrs lecture	Offrs Lec	Passed to PL Fus
0900	12 Bde	89/109	Sp Coy have 2 A/Tk instrs and 4 Dvr Mech (tracked) instrs in unit area	Trg Instrs	Passed to 89/109
0930	BM	ACV 1	(1) 8 Army Pam - "Street & Village fighting" (2) Firm in NAPLES that makes Bde Comd flags (ADOS)		Passed to Div IO Luigi Mazza 59 & 60 Corso Umaerto
0935	12 Bde	89/109	Trg ammo which may be used: (1) that drawn from Bde HQ (2) that drawn from AP under Trg Ammo Screed d/24 Jul	Trg Ammo	Passed to 89/109
0940	BM	ACV 1	Leonard may remain at NCOs school	Capt Leonard	To G 3
0941	12 Bde	PL Fus	Mine Circus going to you 28 Jul 0730-1200 hrs	Mine Circus	Passed to PL Fus



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1000	12 CIB	5 Div CRE	Capt Hertzberg asked if 1 Aug will be a satisfactory date for return of assault boats	Trg	O.K.
1055	11 CIB	12 CIB	Pamphlets for 89/109 (Lt-col Dick) and chalk for 12 Bde on way		Have arrived. Despatched to Lt-col Dick
1100	12 CIB	5 Div	Trg films. May they be retained for a slightly longer period in order that NCOs crse may have the benefit of them		Passed to Div
1515	CRE	12 CIB	Pnr pls to report 10 Fd Sq N 265965 at 1100 hrs Friday 30 Jul 44 with expended portion of days ration	Pnr pls	
1630	RAC/RE	12 CIB	Fd firing is now on AM of 29 JUL 44	Trg	Units warned
1700	Westmr	12 CIB	May we expend 2" M flares for trg tonight?	Trg Ammo	BRASCO says he will replace. Westmr infm. Pick up replacement at AP on 31 Jul
1720	LAA	12 CIB	26 carriers on strength		To SC



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0730	12 Bde	Irish	Capt Leonard to go to Div this AM for a couple of hrs.	Capt Leonard	Infm taken via IO 2
0745	BM	Duty Offr	Corps Comd arriving at 1000 hrs this morning	Corps Comd	LO to meet at 0930 at CAIZZO
0935	12 Bde	5 Div	Highlights of trg passed to Div		All units warned. No special parades to be laid on
	BM	ACV 1	LAA want 11 CIB Range Sun, Mon. Want 60 3" Mortar $\frac{1}{2}$ HE $\frac{1}{2}$ Smoke		Pick up at Bn HQ Westmr Pick up at PLDG Mor Pl
	11 CIB	12 CIB	Re range. Have someone go over range before 2 Aug. Take precautions against civilians		
	8 FDS	12 CIB	Will be going on a route march from 0430 to 0630 hrs 29 Jul	Trg	
1100	3 CIB	12 CIB	Maj Horsey is requested back at unit today. If still desired in 12 CIB will we move him? Capt Ott of C&YR and Langlois R22 Regt. Do we want them at all	Maj Horsey Capt Langlois Capt Ott	Phoned PLDG. Want Maj Horsey <del>xxx</del> to remain. Will transport him back Yes, this afternoon
1720	A/Q 5 Div	12 CIB	AQ called, wants to know why 2" M, 3" M & MMG's not at 89/109	Equipment	To SC
1750	Brig	ACV 1	Has gone to PL Fus		
1800	12 CIB	5 Div	092 Ack		
1800	G 2	12 CIB	When rfts arrive for PLDG documents to be sent to ACV 1 DIV		To PLDG



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1820	G 2 5 Div	BM	<p>(1) Dem Coy from 1 Div - not available until after Grampice</p> <p>(2) Coy Comd for LAA - should have been here today. If he does not come tomorrow it is unlikely he will be available before Grampice</p> <p>(3) Spectators for Frame-Up - as many as you wish (offrs &amp; NCOs) GOC suggest as many as possible from PLDG &amp; X Bn without upsetting trg</p> <p>(4) Name for X Bn. No authority for name or shoulder patches as yet.</p>	<p>Dem Coy</p> <p>89/109</p> <p>Frame Up</p> <p>89/109 Inf Bn</p>	<p>To G 3 and BM</p>
1835	5 Div	12 CIB	Mine Warfare # 12 7 - 17 Aug	Crse	Phone by noon
1930	Div	12 CIB	<p>OK to keep films - instr for return of same later</p> <p>School of Admin 28 Aug - 16 Sep 2 Offrs 2 CQMS</p> <p>Gas Crse #9 4 Sep - 14 Sep 1 Offr 1 OR</p>		<p>To LO 1</p>
1900	8 FDS <del>XXXXX</del>	12 CIB	8 FDS thinks they are in danger area and are. Could some palatable reconciliation be affected		Suggest 8 FDS go on route march
2000	Irish	12 CIB	Capt Leonard from NCOs Crse to LO at Div report to Div	Capt Leonard	
2015	SC "Q" Rear Div	12 CIB	Re jeeps. Etab 6 at Bde HQ. Put Veh Cas return on BLR jeep. Wants complete story from Capt Eby system of reposting veh & CS Cas Report before 1800 hrs. Nil return reqd.		
2015	12 CIB	PLDG	Can you give us GIN. Ans. 6 Offr OR even	GIN	Passed to ACV 4 Main Div



TIME	FROM	TO	MESSAGE	ITEM	ACTION
0900	12 CIB	5 Div	Highlights of Trg 4 PLDG Church parade, Boating, Mine Crse. Westmr (M) Practice for ceremonial 89/109 Church parade, Interior Economy PL Fus Church parade	Trg	Passed to Div
0845	12 CIB	89/109	Pnr pls getting ready for att to 10 Fd Sqn RCE Pnr pls		Passed to 89/109
1355	LAA	12 CIB	2 cooks for PL Fus. They only have 4 daxies 6 frying pans. 1 Pte cook for Wksp in place of Cpl		Passed
1415	5 Div	12 CIB	<u>Mine Warfare:</u> Corps requests vacancies be filled <u>Tpt for Courses:</u> Tpt 21 from course after Grampion will be as per instr coming down. People going on 7 Aug will be left at DMA before fm moves. Ser 6 in instr should read so that 12 CIB provies tpt to railhead		To LO



TIME	FROM	TO	MESSAGE	ITEM	ACTION
1130	5 Div	12 Bde	Did documents from 2 Ech come with PLDG rft	Documents	Phoned PLDG. Documents did NOT
1135	BM	ACV	Wants pam Inf Trg Inf Cum Tk	PLDG Rfts Pam	come. Passed to Div.
1330	5 Div	12 Bde	When does 12 Bde want to return Trg Films. Ans. 3 Aug. Q to Div - Where do you want assault boats delivered. Ans forthcoming	Trg films Assault Boats	To LO 1
1420	5 Div	12 Bde	Claims return required. Show MR, dates, times. State whether live amm or explosive used	Claims	Passed to Units
1930	Corps	12 Bde	BM to phone Capt Clarkson G3(1) at Corps	Capt Clarkson	BM to be notified on return
2010	5 Div	12 Bde	Ref Ex TRIGGER. Watering vehs to follow Serial "A" of operation instr issued, i.e. they will report filled at 311000 hrs at rd junc N 102990	Ex TRIGGER	Passed to S L on his return
2125	5 Div	12 Bde	Amdt No 4 to move table tracked vehs in conjunction with 5 Cdn Armd Div Adm Instr No 18 d/27 Jul 44 - 6 copies (TOP SECRET) arrived.	Amendments to Move Table	Passed to S L
2145	G3(1)Corps	12 Bde	1. Corps Sniper School not moving 2. Ref conference asked for. 5 Div contacted; are working on it. 3. Ref black berets, ADOS 5 Div has it under control 4. Ref vehs incl ACV. G2 SO looking into it right away 5. Ref Aux Ser Offr of 4 PLDG. A Branch at Corps have authorized move & will get him down as soon as possible	Sniper School Conference Black berets Vehs Aux Ser Offrs	Passed to BM and Brig on their return



TIME	FROM	TO	MESSAGE	ITEM	ACTION
21-	G3(I)Corps	12 Bde	<p>6. Ref conversion of FDS to Lt Fd Amb, G I at Corps is attending to it.</p> <p>7. Ref the study period on 1 Aug. No LO can come from Corps</p> <p>8. Ref Trg films. Notification of where to be sent will be sent down to us.</p> <p>9. Ref Amm request. <del>XXXX</del> Will be dealt with in new area</p> <p>10. Maps asked for will be sent tomorrow if available, otherwise will come in new area</p> <p>11. Ref conversation with Brig. Changes now. What Capt Clarkson said probably will not hold good.</p>	<p>fds</p> <p>Study Period</p> <p>Amm Request</p> <p>Maps</p>	
2155	Q 5 Div	12 Bde	Message re HUP's released by 5 Div Ord Fd PR to us	Vehs	Passed to SC
2200	Q 5 Div	12 Bde	Capt Douglas to phone Capt Murdock at Q 5 Div		Passed to SC
2400	HQ 1 Corps	12 Bde	Candex Order 50 cancelled	Candex Order	Passed to SC



TIME	FROM	TO	MESSAGE	ITEM	ACTION
0830	12 Bde	5 Div	<u>Trg Highlights</u> 4 PLDG Route March Enemy Weapons Coy Silence - Sec in the Attack Westmr R "Trigger" 89/109 Fd Firing - Sec & Pl in advance Chem Warfare - Zeroing Weapons PL Fus Elementary Mortar Drill - Chem Warfare	Trg	To Div
0835	12 Bde	PL Fus	Regret no further allotment of Fd Firing Range is possible	Ranges	To PL Fus
0845	K Tp Sigs	ACV 1	Does "Claims" refer to line amm only. Ans:- NO - All exercises involving damage to crops, animals, bldgs., etc.	Claims	O.K.
1000	K Tp Sigs 4 PLDG	12 Bde "G"	Require Trg Frequencies - 4 PLDG would like 7.6	Trg Frequencies	Passed to Div LO
1115	12 Bde	4 PLDG 89/109	Return assault boats by 1800 hrs 1 AUG 44 to RE Dump, CANCELLO 15 & 15 vacancies for Corps Snipers in day or two	Assault Boats  Courses	To 4 PLDG
1355	12 Bde	PL Fus	May a lecturer on MMG and another on 4.2 M be procured for our Offrs and Senior NCOs. Ans:- Will let us know		
1405	5 Div	12 Bde	Films. LO 2 will visit and give required infm re destination Ref Depot Instrs letter for infm only Obliterate Div Patches	Films  Instrs Div Patches	To LO  To LO To SC



"G" LOG

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DATE... 31 JUL 44

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TIME	FROM	TO	M E S S A G E	ITEM	A C T I O N
1615	PL Fus	12 Bde	Will be prepared to give lecture on MMG or 4.2" M at 1900 hrs 1 AUG 44 at 12 Bde	Offrs Lectures	
1700	5 Div	12 Bde	Re Study Gp. Reps of Armd Bde & Arty will be present. No reps of Recce or Engineers will be present. Probable G I will attend	Bde Study Gp	Passed to BM
1720	12 Bde	PL Fus Westmr R	No 2 Det Cdn Army Show "Rapid Fire" tonight 1900 hrs 89/109 Inf Bn lines	Show	Passed to PL Fus " " Westmr R (M)
1750	5 Div	12 Bde	Trg films will be picked up morning of 3 AUG by LO	Trg Films	Passed to LO



BE MADE UP TO MIDDAY ON SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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Serial No. 1

(Repeat at Part D.)

## FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde (Unit.) For Week Ending 29 Jul 44

## PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5
Ranks.	W.E. less 1st Rfts.	Strength counting against W.E. less 1st Rfts.	Surplus to W.E. less 1st Rfts.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on W.E. less 1st Rfts.)
			No.	Any Specific Qualifications
Brigadiers*	1	1	-	-
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	14	12	=	=
Captains	2	2	=	=
Lieutenants				
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters				
District Officers				
TOTALS	18	16	-	-

\* Insert details of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.).

## PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

## (i) Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Regt. or Corps.	Date.	Unit from which joined.
	N.A.			

## (ii) Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Regt. or Corps.	Date.	Cause or Unit to which proceeded.
	N.A.			

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## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Regt. or Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

## FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

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Unit

HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde

For Week Ending

29 Jul 44

## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS.

(i) OFFICERS ON STRENGTH COUNTING AGAINST W.E. LESS 1st RFTS. (Total to agree with column 3 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Personal Number.	Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or Temporary Rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Parent Corps or Regiment.	Date taken on Strength.	Whether present with Unit.	Appointment held.	Date Assumed present Appointment	Remarks including how employed if absent from unit.
1		Brig		DC SPRY DSO	R C R	13 Jul	Yes	Comd	13 Jul	
2		MAJ		NLC MATHER	R H R	13 Jul	Yes	BM	13 Jul	
3		Capt		R M DILLON MC	R C R	13 Jul	"	5503	13 Jul	
4		LT	a/Capt	B S EBY MC	48 21st Bde	13 Jul	"	SC	13 Jul	
5		CAPT		J W P BRYAN	R C R	15 Jul	"	L O	15 Jul	
6		LT		D W HANFORD	P W L B	16 Jul	"	L O	16 Jul	
7		LT		J A CAMERON	C A C	17 "	"	L O	17 "	
8		CAPT		C R DOUGLAS	B M 25 CARR	16 "	"	S/L	16 "	
9		CAPT		R A BELL	1 RCASC	13 "	"	BRASCO	13 "	
10		LT	a/Capt	J A VAUGHAN	4 PLD G	13 "	"	T O	13 "	
11		Capt		J B KESWICK	4 PLD G	13 "	"	T O	13 "	
12		H/Capt		C T BROWN	C C L S	20 Jul	NO	Chgo	20 Jul	4 PLD G
13		H/Capt		D R ANDERSON	C C L S	20 Jul	NO	"	20 Jul	29/102 1st Bn
14		H/Capt		D R G OWEN	C C L S	20 Jul	NO	"	20 Jul	Western R(M)
15		H/Capt		SANPIERRE	C C L S	20 Jul	YES	"	20 Jul	
16		LT	a/Capt	M B KLINKHAMER	Western R(M)	16 "	"	Camp Comd	16 Jul	
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## (ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED IN EXCESS OF W.E. LESS 1st RFTS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or Temporary Rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Regt. or Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
LT		PLEWMAN E.T.M. CHURCH	YMCA	26 Jul 44	Aux Sec Offr EDUC Offr

28 Jul 44

(Date of Despatch.)

12 CIB

5 Cdn Armd Bde  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

(Signature of Commander.)



## FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

(Unit) For Week Ending

PART A-STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

(i) Officers JOINED during week.

(ii) Officers QUITTED during week.

PART D-NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS



7HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde

(Unit). For week ending 29 June 77

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### Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4	5
Rank or Appointment.	W.E. less 1st Rfts.	Strength counting against W.E. less 1st Rfts.	Surplus to W.E. less 1st Rfts.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on W.E. less 1st Rfts).
W.Os. Class I. ... ..	1	1		
W.Os. Class II ... ..	2	1		1 (A.G.M.S)
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants ... ..	1	1		
Staff Serjeants ... ..	1	1		
Serjeants ... ..	4	2		2
Corporals ... ..	6	6	2	2 (G.A.C.K.)
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c. ... ..	43	36		7
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc. ... ..				
TOTALS ... ..	58	48	2	10 12

\* These Totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2.

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UNIT. Week ending.....19..... A.F.W.3009H (H.Q. Units).

**Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.**

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For week ending

29 Feb 44

**Part D.—Detail of Trades and Duties of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A.**

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W. H. Hurdman Capt. Camp Comd.  
Hq 12 Cdn Inf Bde Signature of Commander.  
9 5 Cdn Armd Div  
Bde., Div., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

28 Jul 44

*Date of Despatch.*



Serial No.

For week ending

(Unit)

Part D—Detail of Trades and Duties of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A.

Totals (to agree with Columns 4 and 5 of Part A)

Signature of Comptroller.

~~Bae. Dic. Area, etc., with which must be serving.~~



(Report at Part D.)

For week ending

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

\* These Totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2.

PART B. Other Banks attached in excess of W.E. less 1st Rts.

Part C. Description of other tanks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.



P.R.1.

SECRET

HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde  
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25 Jul 44

DAQMC 5 Cdn Armd Div (2)

Progress Report  
12 Cdn Inf Bde

1. As requested by 1 Cdn Corps letter 5/WE : 3 CIP/1 dated 23 Jul 44, herewith Progress Report on the form of 12 Cdn Inf Bde as of 1200 hrs 24 Jul 44.

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(D C Spry Brig  
Comd 12 Cdn Inf Bde

Copy to:

Time of Signature 1 40 B hrs

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War Diary(3)

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P. R. I.

SECRET

PROGRESS REPORT  
 fmn of  
 12 Cdn Inf Bde  
 2400 hrs 24 Jul

Ser ial	Fmn or Unit	PERSONNEL				G.1098	Vehs (incl MCs)		Controlled Stores	REMARKS
		Offrs		ORs			WE	Held		
		WE	Held	WE	Held					
1	4 PIDG	37	108%	811	71%	85%	135	99%	95%	
2	89/109 Inf Bn	37	67%	811	98%	10%	135	90%	5%	
3	HQ 12 Cdn Inf Bde	18	88%	58	63% (a)	1%	26	100%	30%	(a) Pers req'd RCME 5 Clerks 3 Batmen Dvrs 3 Orderlies 10
4	12 CIB Ground Def Pl	N11	N11	27	96%	N11(b)	5	100%	88%	(b) G.1098 stores have been indented for by this HQ
5	K Tp RC Sigs	2	100%	81	82%	1%	32	81%	33%	
6	12 CIB MG Coy	13	100%	254	95%	10%	73	100%	N11	
7	12 CIB Wksp	6	100%	184	42%	1%(c)	74	71%	33%	In addition to lack of G.1098 listed above, the stores sec is lacking 18 3-ton loads of spare parts and assys without which wksp can not function
8	Bde Counter Mortar Org	1	100%	5	N11	N11	-	N11	N11	Indents forwarded

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