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July	1	Routine
	2.	Drew large numbers of camouflage nets, and also 20 No.1 cookers and 84 No 3 cookers.
	3.	Distributed all the rope required by all units of the Div, also all the capes-anti gas. D.D.O.S. agreed that Cpl. Watson should be the B.W.O. for the 6 Brigade in place of WO1 Bracken who is going to O.C.T.U.
	4.	Drew 150 tents for units that are moving into the new MAHFOUZ camp. Drew balance of Sections V2, Y & Z stores available at No. 4 B.O.D. 50 motor cycles available for collection on the 6 July. Finished rewriting circular dealing with "Accounting and maintenance and General Instructions re M.T"
	5.	Attended lecture given by C.R.A. on "Operations in Greece"
	6	Units drew 50 motor cycles and the Artillery 32, 25pdrs and their trailers. Ordnance personnel despatched to further gun course at Abbassia and also further N.C.O's course at 2 N.Z.E.F. School of Instruction.
	7.	Units drew further 50 motor cycles and 25, 15 cwt trucks. Went to No. 3 Sub-Depot. Hastened supply of available armourers tools and spare parts and arranged for inabilities to be supplied from No. 5 B.O.D. Drew camouflage equipment from No 4 B.O.D. Div. Ord. workshops moved to new location at Abbassia for the purpose of training under field conditions.

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Unit ADOS, NZ Div.

Commanding Officer

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Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
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July	8	Drew 3375 shovels, 100 cookers No. 1, 30 cookers No. 3 and 20 cookers No 2. Forwarded to H.Q. Middle East a schedule covering the position of all controlled stores of all units of the Division.	
	9.	Rearrangement of duties in the office consequent on several personnel going to courses.	
	9.	Practically completed requirements of cooking gear. Received good consignment of armourers tools and spare parts. Conference with M.E. salvage officer. Initiated arrangements for the repair and modification of all guns of the A/TK Regt.	
	10.	Drew more camouflage equipment. No more M.T. equipment or tools available at present.	
	11	Routine.	
	12.	Attended lecture by Brigadier Puttick on " Operations in Crete" Continued to draw camouflage equipment.	
	13.	Routine.	
	14.	Lt. Reid went off to course at Abbassia. Issued instructions regarding replacement of officers kit lost in Greece and Crete. Drew further 31, 3 ton lorries.	
	15.	Routine	
	16	Received several thousand messtins. Spent all day endeavouring to dispose of surplus stores we	seem to have at the Depo

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Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Append
July	17	Auditor was in all day. He went through the system both at the office and the dump and also discussed it from the point of view of units. Appeared to be satisfied.	
	18	Routine	
	19	Attended Brig. lecture by Brigadier Hargest on "5 Brigade Operations in Crete". Drew 15 cars and 10, 8wt G.S. trucks. Drew balance of Sections G1 & G2 stores available.	
	20	All day checking 'Census of Warlike Stores' Returns before forwarding them to Middle East.	
	21	Arranged with DADOS (MT) Spares, for the release of some chests tool M.T. Fitters. Obtained an old derelict vehicle for the 7 A/TK Regt for instructional purposes. Tried unsuccessfully to get M.T. Steel bins. Long conference with Q.M. 7 A/TK. Regt. over general matters.	
	22)		
	23)		
	24)	No controlled stores have yet been released. Flow of general 1098 equipment has practically ceased and all efforts to expedite delivery are useless, until the Division is placed on a higher priority.	
	25)		
	26	Drew 23 ^{men} Carriers ^{with} several hundred 1 gall containers for No 1 cookers. All ^{with} carriers we required.	
	27	Routine.	

8 Normal routine. Captain G.D. Pollack awarded the M.B.E.

9 With D.D.O.S. to M.E. Interview Col. Fitton and suggest that all trucks be placed in M.E. Pool and used as general stores.

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Unit A.D.C.S.,
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Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
July	28	Capt. D.E. Harper joined Div as DADOS. Spent afternoon at Div Ord. Workshops in company with D.D.C.S. Inspection of the workshops was made by the D.C.S. who was extremely impressed with the work being performed. He authorized the special issue of a workshop loan, electric welding plant, charging plant and two water carts.	
	29	Drew 40 chests, tool filled M.T., also a lot of Section K equipment for the Field Ambulances. Capt. W.A. Knox of 7 A/TK Regt. has agreed to transfer to NZOC as O.C. Div. Ord. Fd. Park.	
	30	Routine.	
	31	Routine.	

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Col ADOS
NZ Div.

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D.A.D.O.S.(E)., NZ Div.

Forces.

July

1

D.A.D.O.S.(E)., NZ Div. appointed as member of M.E. M.T. Advisory Committee. Conference with D.D.O.S. and Lieut H.B. Ward re establishment of Ord. Training Company.

2

With D.D.O.S. to HQ 6 Bde. at Moascar. Attended conference of T.Os. of 6 Bde and addressed them on the functions of Ordnance Units. To 25 Light A.A. Regt to see NZ personnel attached to this unit. Learn of organisation of A.A. W/Shops Section and the way it functions in the field.

3

Attended lecture by the G.O.C., General Freyberg on "The Battle of Crete". Attended meeting of M.T. Advisory Committee at M.E. Discussed Desert Worthiness of Union vehicles.

4b

To further meeting of M.T. Advisory Committee to consider a report to G.H.Q. on loading capacities of vehicles and distribution of loading. This report will shortly be made available to all units. Worked on W.E. of Ord Fd Pk.

5

With S.O.M.E.(Base) to inspect 31 L.A.D. organisation and the work in progress.

6.

Personnel return from Ordnance, A.A., and N.C.O. courses, and new personnel attached. Conference with A.D.O.S. on general matters.

7

To 4 B.O.W. to inspect instrument mechanics, electricians, and gun courses. 1 NZ Div Ord W/Shops move to Long Valley, Abbassia and are attached to 4 B.O.W. under command of C.O.M.E. The function of this Workshops will be to repair vehicles from R.V.S. HQ and 3 Sections are fully staffed and will operate as separate entities if required, but at present operating as one unit. To inspect this unit. Lieut H.B. Ward reports for duty.

8

Normal routine. Captain G.D. Pollöck awarded the M.B.E.

9

With D.D.O.S. to M.E. Interview Col. Fitton and suggest that all trucks coming from N.Z. be placed in M.E. Pool and used as general Base vehicles. Interview personnel of 5 Reinfs.

10

To Helwan Camp to see A.D.O.S. re general matters. Prepare Draft copies of Workshop and O.F.P. procedure.

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Forces	July	11 To lecture on "The Campaign in Greece" given by Brigadier Miles. With S.O.M.E. Base to 4 B.O.W. re course for instrument mechanics and attachment of O.F.P. storemen. To A.D.O.S(P) of 4 B.O.D. re adverse report on O.F.P. functions in Greece, and discussed his reply to D.D.O.S. To C.O.M.E. of B.T.E. and D.A.D.O.S.(E) O.S.6 of M.E. re modifications.	
		12 O.C. Div W/Shops called to discuss staff and work in progress. Normal routine.	
		13 To Records and A.A.G. 2 Echelon re procedure of returns and demanding reinforcements.	
		14 With D.D.O.S. to inspect NZ Div Ord W/Shops at Long Range, Abbassia.	
		15) Normal routine.	
		16) Normal routine.	
		17 Normal Routine. To NZ Div Ord W/Shops re work in progress.	
		18 To lecture on "Battle for Crete" by Brigadier Puttick. To 4 B.O.W. re attachment of storemen. To NZ Div Ord W/Shops. To C.O.O., 4 B.O.D. re: (a) Ord. Fd. Pk. Sealing; (b) Storemen's attachment; (c) R.V.S. jobs to NZ Div Ord W/Shops. Arranged with C.O.O. for A.D.O.S., D.A.D.O.S.(E), O.C. Div Ord W/Shops, and O.C. NZ Ord Fd Pk to be called upon to assist with the sealing of NZ Ord Fd. Pk. Final arrangements for this to be made by D.D.O.S., 2 N.Z.E.F.	
		19 Normal Routine. Prepared gradation list of Ordnance Corps H.C.Os.	
		20 Normal Routine.	
		21 To inspect 9, 12, and 14 L.A.Ds., and also contacted Os.C. 4 Fd. Regt., 27 (MG) Bn., and Div Sigs. Arranged with O.C., 4 Fd. Regt. to apply to C.R.A. for appointment of Technical Officer to regiment surplus to establishment.	
		22 Normal routine. To C.O.M.E., H.Q., 4 B.O.W. to arrange for modification of roofs of all Ford vehicles in New Zealand Division. To C.O.M.E., B.T.E. re type of breakdown truck for use by light L.A.Ds.	
		23 To inspect 11, 16, 17, 18 L.A.Ds. Contacted Os.C., 5 and 6 Fd. Regts and 4 and 5 Bdes. Field Regiments to apply for appointment of Technical Officer. Conference with D.D.O.S. and A.D.O.S.	

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E. Forces	July	24	Normal routine. Visit by O.M.E, 10 L.A.D., and discussed the organisation of the unit with him.	
		25	With D.D.O.S. to inspect A.A. Regt. W/Shop Section and contacted O.C., A.A. Regt. To Ordnance Training School and School of Instruction. O.C., NZ Div Ord W/Shops called and discussed work in progress and organisation with him. O.M.Es., 11 and 18 L.A.Ds. called re equipment and personnel.	
		26)	Normal routine,	
		27)		
		28	With D.D.O.S., A.D.O.S., and S.O.M.E.(B). to 4 B.O.W. Inspection of instrument mechanics at Instrument School of Instruction. To NZ Div. Ord. W/Shops which were inspected by D.O.S., M.E. D.O.S. arranged for machinery lorry, electric welding set, and charging plant to be drawn by workshops.	
		29	To inspect NCOs. at School of Instruction. To Vehicle Park, Mena, with D.D.O.S. to draw car. Normal routine. Ordnance personnel, 1st Section 6 Reinforcements arrive.	
		30	To meet O.M.Es. of 6 Reinf. Introduced these officers to D.D.O.S.	
31	To interview N.C.Os. of 6 Reinf. Normal routine.			

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