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UNIT: 1st Bn. The Regina Rifle Regiment

DATE: 1 Jul 44

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Serial No.	Message No.	Time of Receipt	Time of Origin	From	To	Information		Remarks
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1			0130	Bde			Conc of enemy tks at 985672. Taken on by our arty.	Coy infmd.
2			0240	Bde			Asked if we could see any activity anywhere, or anything more of the tks. Answer NO. Phoned A Coy - No activity on their front.	
3			0500				LO & Engineer Sgt arrive with 2 truckloads of mines from Bde. Advised to mortar dump inside of gate going into Bn HQ at 945713 off the road near the setry.	
4			0525	C Coy			No enemy activity at all standing patrol reports except our mortar fire. OC, C Coy informs us that engineers just finishing laying mines in front of C Coy posn.	On patrol report Sigs fixing line now.
5			0545	Sigs			Phone out to A Coy.	
6	6415X		0615				Patrol report on way to Bde. Duty Offr there infmd.	
7			0630	A Coy			Sunray wants 3-38 sets from A Coys 60 cwt at A Ech. No sets on A Coys vehicle at A Ech but sigs are supplying the sets.	A Coy infmd.
8			0700	A Coy			Mortar shells landed left and front of Coy posn. Net close.	C Coy infmd.
9			0735	B Coy			2 dead horses in Coy area. Could we get bulldozer today.	2 IC - No bulldozer today
10			0750	Sigs			A Coy in by phone again. All phones in now.	
11			0940	A Coy			A Coy reports a mortar bomb on track just west of bridge. Fell at 0935 hrs.	
12			1350	Bde			1003 C not required for promotion any more. Show on cas return promoted & how it was caused & refer back to cas return when an Offr is promoted to cover off vacancies.	Sgt Fraser infmd.
13			1430	1 CSR			1 C Scot R have checked all civilians residing in their area and issued passes signed by their HQ with aid of ES section. NO civilians checked or issued passes residing in La Villeeneuve and Le Bourg area.	CO infmd.
14			1435	Bde			Our #4 minefield will not be laid tonight by RCE as a gap must be left in that area for formation on our right. #3 will be laid.	
15			1643	D Coy			Reported by Capt Brown - dud shells falling 150 - 200 yds short of his posn. Three have been detected by this coy today. Thinks it is 88 mm gun. Sgt Currie to visit coy and check.	CO infmd, also A Coy Bde infmd. Coy advised to be care: in case armed with time
16			1913				LO from 32 Br Bde reported here re covering party for laying mines to Marcellet. Informed that our info was that no mine field would be laid in this area as Coldstream Gds wanted gaps left for patrols. Told him about our #3 minefield for which we are providing one pl as covering Xtra party.	

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17			1955	1 CSR			Sunray of Uncle (1 C Scot R) phoned info that 9 Fd Regt & 2 Med Regts firing on Carpiquet to commence now. Wants to get in touch with rep of Engineers who is supposed to be on way here.	CO & Coys infmd.
18			2005	Bde			2 IC to pick up shevels and sand bags from Bde A Ech tomorrow 2 Jul 44.	Message given to Capt Cass by runner.
19			2045	Bde			Diversion attack by SD and G Highrs 2245 hrs. tonight. Support by arty and mortar. Objective Gruchy.	All Coys infmd.
20			2108	B Coy			Report shelling - 1 shell, bearing 128°, rear of Carpiquet burst 935702.	Passes to Bde.
21			2130	Bde			SHIREP- Enemy, nothing to report. Own tps, 158 Inf Bde being relieved by 227 Inf Bde at 012300 hrs. A Coy, CH of O HQ changed to 939736. KD Coy, CH of O HQ now at 976753. Further minefield laid at 94807020.	Message passed to "I" branch entered on map.
22			2145	Bde			Message re compromising of password of formation on right. New password - Dutch Courage.	Coys infmd.
23			2145				MM 6s received on Rijn Morast, Talberner, and Olsen.	O Recon notified.
24			2330	Bde			Attack of SD & G Highrs cancelled - Did not go in. Phoned in by LO	CO infmd.
2535			2335				Capt Cass informs all coys and Bn HQ to accept either password.	1 C Scot R infmd.

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Serial No.	Mes-sage No.	Time of Receipt	Time of Origin	From	To	Information		Remarks
						Date & Time	Item	
1		0240		D Coy			Explosion and shellburst heard in D Coy Area. Phone out, sent runner to D Coy HQ.	
2		0340					"Minnies" heard to drop close to our area. No report from Coys.	
3		0410		D Coy			17 Pl reported in from patrol.	
4		0425		A Coy			9 Pl, A Coy sighted an enemy patrol. Fire was exchanged and is being investigated further. Patrol consists of 40 men.	Bde informed.
5		0450		A Coy			Asked for MG fire, but CO advised arty fire.	Fire brought down.
6		0810		Bde			XXXXX Patrol conference at this HQ at 0915 hrs.	LD IO infmd.
7		1005		Bn HQ			Reported to Bde that from 0745 hrs to 1000 hrs one enemy gun fired four rounds airbursts in area 946713. No cas reported yet. Bearing on location not determined.	Shellrep to Bde.
8		1010		A Coy			Airburst coming from SW direction.	
9		1014		CSR			Have we an OP at 957704?	No OP, but snipers there.
10		1017		B Coy			Airbursts observed from grid bearing 94337066, corner of hedge.	CSR infmd.
11		1015					Visited by Gen Stewart, C S I G S.	Bde infmd.
12		1035		A Coy			Airbursts observed coming from direction of airport. Will give more definite information when possible.	
13		1032		Bde			Arty doing big show on Carriquet this afternoon. Time not definite.	Coys infmd.
14		1140		Arty			Our own mortar fire XXXX coming down on blue house (enemy)	
15		0445		D Coy			The missing man of last night covering party had returned to D Coy. Explanation - he had got separated from his pl and tried to find his way back but was unable to and he stayed out all night in concealed position and returned this morning.	CO infmd.
16		1520					RCE Sgt called at Bn HQ and reports that the 500 lb unexploded bomb is 948704. A Coy cannot be moved. The bomb is harmless provided no one attempts to remove the fuse which has been damaged. He will provide sign and we will erect sign on fence.	Bde notified, A Coy asked to erect placed fence sign and other Coys infmd.
17		1545		Adj't			There will be a Coy Com conference at 1900 hrs today.	All infmd.
18		1630					Maj-Gen R F Keller, GOC, 3 Cdn Inf Div accompanied by Maj-Gen C Foulkes GOC, 2 Cdn Inf Div, visited this HQ	
19		1830		A Coy			From MR 95207065 at 74°, 1200 yds, Hun movement, looks like camouflaged trenches.	Bde infmd.
20		2000		B Coy			A man has XXXX been shot through the foot. Coming in himself, Coy furnishing witnesses. Injured man was L103578 Rfn Bratiwa S.	
							Witnesses - M7546 Rfn Boutland C W. K71607 Rfn Lingor M.	

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Shoot. No. 4

Serial No.	Message No.	Time of Receipt	Time of Origin	From	To	Information		Action Taken	Remarks
						Date & Time	Item		
21		2110		A Coy			Shelrep - A 2105, B - 2110, C - 9475, 7050 D-A Coy; E- Believed to be mortar, F - 5 smoke bombs, G - Nil, H - 200 ⁰ Mag approx.		Bde infmd.
22		2155		A Coy			Observed a large civilian pulling in behind B Coy.		B Coy infmd who are g to investigate.
23		2200		Bde			Arty will be doing shoots at the following times- 2240 hrs, 2315 hrs, 2300 hrs, well over our area.		All infmd.
24		2215		B Coy			Car located and civilians escorted to this HQ.		2 IC inf,d who will look after same.
25		2240		Bde			BM will come to this HQ at 0430 hrs to question patrol comd		Patrol Comd to report this Hq at 0430 to 05
26		2255		A Coy			Small arms fire 150 yds from A Coy posn south of C Coy posn. 5 shots fired.		Infmd IO.
27		2335		A Coy			2 shells, bearing 45° from Coy HQ. Vehicle movement to south.		Bde infmd.

REG S NO.	TIME OF RECEIPT	TIME OF ORIGIN	FROM	TO	INFORMATION	REMARKS
1		0010	Bde		Infmd us that one of our arty btys had made a mistake in task.	Infmd A Coy.
2		0012	C Coy		Infmd OP at C Coy if there was any patrol cas due to mistake in task firing. Infmd this this HQ when patrol returns.	Infmd OP. Infmd C Coy.
3		0137	A Coy		Black dog circling 8 pl posn, fired on by 8 pl.	
4		0300	A Coy		Nothing to report from OPs of 8 and 9 pls.	
5		0410	B Coy		Standing patrol reports noise of tks area of Marcellet.	Reported on patrol report as tks moving south Carpiquet. Bde infmd.
6		0925	A Coy		Large fire probably petrol or oil dump right of airfield at 0830 hrs.	
7		0935	Bde		We are allotted 7 vacancies for Corp Rest Area. Personnel must take normal amn, full kit and bring nominal rolls.	Adjnt infmd.
8		1000	Bde		Bde Aux Service Offr has arrived at their Ech. He will extend his services as much as possible to all units. If we contact him at Bde A ech, he will give us writing paper envelopes and smokes.	2 IC infmd.
9		1055	A Coy		At MR 958697, we hear sten guns firing during night of 2/3 Jul. Will check time. A Coy sending out patrol along track 953699 to see if they can find out about our patrol. (No report of Lt Bergeren's patrol to this time.) Going out 1100 hrs. In 1230 hrs.	IO and CO infmd.
10		1105	A Coy		Time of hearing stens was 0230 hrs.	
11		1110	A Coy		5 men coming up rly track now. Think they may be our patrol now.	CO infmd.
12		1123			Lt Bergeren and all of his patrol have reported in and on way to Bn HQ.	CO and Bde infmd.
13		1145	LO, Bde		(i) FOOs from 14 Fd Regt will be leaving today. (ii) If DF (ses) task 2204 is required, ask Bde for it or else ask FOO 6 (Br) Fd Regt and Bn HQ area. (iii) We will provide covering party for engineers tonight while they lift minefields & of tracks. (iv) Bde is losing 2 tps of 17 pdr A/tk guns today, probably will be thined out in Bde area rather than be removed by tps. (v) Route of N Shere Regt will be Lassen - Le Hamel road. They will cenc in area 943715. CO, NMR will liaise with our CO. (vi) There will be an O Gp for our CO sometime today. Brig is at one now. (vii) Patrols tonight will be normal standing patrols only.	CO infmd. Detail B Coy 1 pl as covering party for engineers. B Coy infmd.
14		1330			Airbursts, one shell in Bn area	
15		1350	Bde		Brig McGill, Comd 5 Cdn Inf Bde coming to visit this HQ. Arrives at 1430 hrs.	CO infmd.
16		1545	D Coy		Lt Meeney report that en patrol night 2/3 Jul he saw 4 prs of tk tracks MR 956705. May have been used as hill down posns.	
17		1500	Bde		Arty wish to bring down fire on 95767049. Is this close to our posn.	A Coy warned.
18		1600			O Gp at 1600 hrs today	All Infmd.
19		1545	A Coy		Enemy, 3 in number working 960705 at base of tree-	

INFORMATION

20	1700	B Coy	Shelrep A, 1645 hrs, B - , C - 944707, D - 700 yds SW of B Coy or 933705 E, F, and G unknown, H - 130° mag at 3000 yds from OP.	Own arty was ranged on this posn before report reached this HQ. Bde infd
21	1810	FOO, 13 Fd	FOO of 13 Fd Regt being withdrawn at 1800 hrs.	
22	1820	B Coy	All pl will be firing automatic weapons near C Coy., 1830 to 1900 hrs. One weapon will be firing at a time. Will be firing short range into a bank.	All Coys infmd.
23	1855	B Coy	Shelrep - A - 1845, B - , C - 944707, D - 933705, E F and G - unknown, H - 130° M at 3000 yds from OP.	Bde infmd
24	1905		Own plane flying in front of our own tps firing rockets at ground targets.	Bde infmd.
25	1910	B Coy	Shelrep - A - 1840, B - , C - 94337066, D - 800 yds SE from C, E F and G unknown, H - 80° M, distant unknown.	Bde infmd.
26	1930	Rep of 17 Fd Amb	Location of one sec of 17 Fd Amb in D Coy area.	
27	2000	Bde	A Tk mines will be piled in our area tonight. We are to collect and return to RCASC to be rechecked for safety purposes.	2 I/C infmd.
28	2025	B Coy	Unexploded shell at 945709.	Sp Coy infmd to see if it can be handled by us. Bde infmd.
29	2055	A Coy	Shelrep ; A - 2055, B - , C - , D - 943703, E - , F - 5 HE mortar, G and H unknown.	Bde infmd.
30	XXXX 2115	A Coy	Mortar fire brought down on blue house at 95857035. 10 rds fired. Two enemy and MG seen in this area.	Bde infmd.
31	2100		CO wishes to awakened at 0430 hrs as he is going to C Coy OP.	Jeep and sig set to be laid on.
32	2140		Typhoons firing on enemy to the E of us.	
33	2230	Bde	Lt Laughlin liaised with Coldstream Gds to give them info re lifting our minefms as per CO instr which were received from Bde.	
34	2230	Bde	Cancel instr re smoke signals if fired on friendly tks. If fired on by own tps will throw out yellow smoke and not vary lights as previously stated.	All Coys infmd.
35		Bde	GOC, 3 Cdn Inf Div will arrive at this HQ at 0430 hrs to see beginning of show. He does not want any special arrangements made or to be accompanied.	CO infmd.
36	2305		At 0445 hrs, 6 - 3" mortars will lay down fire on blue house, pt 69 until 0510 hrs unless tks approach house before this time. Liaison with tks has been made.	All infmd.
37	2315	C Coy	MG fire heard from 108° M 900 yds out from point 950708 in the direction of A Coy.	CO infmd & mortar fire brought down on this posn
38	2332	4	Four shells landed in HQ area.	Bde infmd.

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2350

A Coy
A Coy

Meaning Winnies came from a bearing of 70° from OP location at 952705.
Last rd fired from a bearing of 44° from 952705 about 1500 yds distant.

3de infmd.
"X "

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1	0020	A Coy	Vary lights seen on bearing of 72° from 952705. Small arms fire heard from 128° from same OP. Ranges XXXXX undetermined.	Bde infmd.
2	0118	A Coy	A Coy reports white flare seen from hangers near Carpiquet.	Bde infmd.
3	0132	A Coy	Report more firing from posn 44° distant of 1500 yds, assumed to be meaning minnies according to Cpl Ellis who also reported them	No action taken.
4	0210	B Coy	Our area shelled, approx 10 rds landed. No cas.	
5	0230		Shelrep; A - 0150, B - 0153, C - 94337066, D - 938702, E - gun, F - 10 rds of 75 or 88 mm, G - nil, H - 140° 1500 yds.	Bde infmd.
6	0300		Lt Alexander reported in to this Hq that he had now made three gaps in minefd between main EAST WEST rd and rly. Details attached.	All infmd.
7	0420	A Coy	Reports 8 & 9 pl bothered with enemy fire all night. Leaving LMGs out till last possible moment.	CO infmd.
8	0430	B Coy	Report enemy SP close up on their posn. Phoning in MR as soon as possible	Bde infmd.
9	0458	B Coy	Phoned in that what was believed to be SP gun is now believed to be mortar in area Carpiquet on bearing 142° from 94337066.	Bde infmd.
10	0540	A Coy	Gun flash bearing from 193° and 210°.	
11	0500		Major Gen R F Keller visits this Hq.	
12	0552	A Coy	Enemy MG at right hanger of airfd.	IO infmd but posn already known. MO infmd.
13	0552	A Coy	Help needed from first aid personnel to help with cas at A Coy.	
14	0605	A Coy	Op on rly track 500 yds east of Coy HQ.	
15	0625	Sp Coy	A Tk Comd does not wish Comd of XXXX mortars to fire yet.	CO infmd.
16	0630	C Coy	Everything seems to be going OK. Can see very much.	
17	0640	MO	Requires more jeeps to be used to carry cas.	Bde infmd
18	0655	A Coy	Enemy shelling A Coy HQ. No report as to no of shells.	Bde infmd
19	0740	8 Bde	Enquiring as to how 8 Bde is progressing.	Phoning our IO
20	0740	A Coy	Enemy shell on br 3 of A Coy apparently coming from airport.	Bde infmd.
21	0755	C Coy OP	Unable to give a report on battle progress as visibility is poor.	Bde infmd
22	0755	A Coy	Being shelled by enemy. Landing along rly in Coy posn. Shells are from Carpiquet area.	Bde infmd.
23	0750	A Coy	Carriers waiting word to move fwd. Supporting arms moving around in front of them.	
24	0810	CO	CO called for sitrep from A Coy.	Infmd A Coy.
25	0800	CO	CO wishes carriers to move fwd.	Passed on to A Coy.
26	0820	Bde	Sitrep - N Shores & Chauds on their posns. QOR making satisfactory progress	Passed to CO.
27	0830	Bde	R de Chaud is on their objective. QOR ordered to proceed according to plan.	All infmd.
28	0920		Four Sherman tks reported to be knocked out at 955706. Not confirmed.	
29	0920	A Coy	Shelling our posn. Bearing of 44° from 942706.	
	1000	CSR	Mortar posn at 900 yds on a bearing 95° from 942704.	

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31	1025	C Coy OP	XXXXXXXXXX Rd junc beside yellow fd has been taken new. More tps moving up and have passed blue bldg.	IO infmd.
32	1030	Sigs	Bde line in now.	
33	1040	XXXXXX	Infmd Bde that 2 wounded PW identified as 26 PGR. Evacuated to 14 Fd Amb. PW demoralized by our arty fire. Bde reports that armour investigated slit trenches in front of Chateau St Loust and found them empty.	CO infmd.
34	1045	CSR	Small patrol from C Coy forward to investigate slit trenches of enemy which have been shot up. They will liaise with 1 pl en route.	C Coy infmd.
35	1055	C Coy OP	Elements of our tps as far forward as blue house. 15 to 20 tps stay on sky line to left of posn straight ahead - clearing yellow mustard field now.	
36	1100	Sp Coy	7 or 8 shells landed near our OP but no cas.	IO infmd.
37	1100	RAP	One A Tk pl carrier out of action due to enemy shelling. Cas not known yet but waiting full report.	CO and IO infmd.
38	1130	B Coy	Cas up to 1100 hrs - RRR 5, PW 2, R de Chaud 5, 14 Fd RCE 1, NSR 76, Br RAC 1 Offr.	
39	1145		Shelrep - A 1115 hrs, B - Still going on, C - 94337066, D - around that area, E F G - unknown, H - 1700 1500 yds.	Bde infmd.
40	1230	Bde	Br War Correspondent arrive. Get report from IO.	
41	1315	Bde	Establish standing patrol at 960703. See CO for additional details.	IO infmd.
42	1327		IO wants to know where our forward tps are. NSR report 25 - 45 infantry men moving east. Suggest we ask them if we can see any enemy.	
43	1330		Informed Bde location of own pl as follows, between 962707 and 960703. Reported to Bde that enemy had fired on their posn of forward pl - about 50 in number estimated.	
44	1345	B Coy	Civilian killed in our area.	
45	1425	C Coy OP	Pl of D Coy seen digging in area 958717.	
46	1425	Sp Coy	3 tks and 2 SPs reported to east of our posn.	
47	1445	A Coy	Report by mortar or shells from bearing 140°. One landed at 953713.	
48	1555	A Coy	8 pl has been pinned down since 0600 hrs by intermittent shelling. This is coming on a bearing of 44° from OP at 95257055. Two dead cas in that area. Claims that this has been reported for last two days.	CO infmd.
49	1700		Lt Mooney has just reported that in changing one of his action pls, the enemy opened fire and caused three cas. The estimated strength of enemy to our front and left fwd flank is one pl. Fire opened about 500 yds to our left fwd flank. Time was approx 1330 hrs.	All infmd.
50	1750	Sp Coy	Br A Tk guns going out to take up posns on flank of carrier pl posn tonight. Laid on by CO	
51	2045	A Coy	Shelrep A 2040 hrs, B 2043, C 95257055, D 949707, E -, F105 mm, G nil, H 115° unknown.	Bde infmd.
52	2240	Sp Coy	Inform Capt Douglas if patrol has to go out in front of his posn.	

1	0010	Bde	There will be 1600 mines coming here at 0700 hrs. Inform RCE Offr of this so he will know where to contact personnel bringing in the mines.	RCE Offr infmd.
2	0140		Shelrep - A 0140 hrs, B 0145 hrs, C 94587119, D Front of our location & forward elements, E Meaning Minnies, F 2 lots, G 110° distance unknown.	Bde infmd.
3	0225		MG fire seen coming from area 978703 in direction of Carpiquet.	Bde infmd.
4	0225		Shelrep - A 0220 hrs, B 0220 hrs, C 95057082, D area E arty 88mm, F 88 HE, G nil, H 120° M.	Bde infmd.
5	0235		Smoke seen laid to right of this posn.	Bde infmd.
6	0320	Bde	Enemy tks approaching N Shore Regt. Arty are engaging. For our information.	CO infmd. Patrols from C & D Coys going out as laid on by IO.
7	0400	Bde	Task force in front will be reduced in size at dawn. We must leave a patrol out to keep the area under observation.	Bde infmd.
8	0400		Minefd in front of forward elements not laid yet.	
9	0423		OC carrier of forward element infmd of withdrawal.	
10	0457	OC Task F	New patrols in posn. Task force withdrawing.	Bde infmd.
11	0640	OC Task F	No enemy action on Task F front. Task force has completed withdrawal.	Bde infmd.
12	0740		Offr from CSR arrived in with 450 mines.	RCE infmd.
13	0820	69 Fd Bty	They wish to know if we require an FOO up with our carrier pl. They expect the man today or tomorrow.	Infmd them that carrier pl has been withdrew.
14	0844	A Coy	Called for Amb to pick up a cas.	MO infmd.
15	1015	A Coy	Wants to know who is firing mortar on right hanger of airport.	No mortar fire called for so it assumed enemy.
16	1130		Four of our snipers going out to work in area 960708. They will be in at 1700 Capt H L Jones hrs, four others replacing them who will remain out till last light. They will be out again at first light.	patrel Comd infmd
17	1330	A Coy	Shelrep - A 1308 hrs, B 1311 hrs, C -, D 948704, E mortar, F 4 mortar bombs, G nil, H 145°.	Bde infmd.
18	1445	A Coy	Testing automatics by firing into bank.	Coys infmd.
19	1550	C Coy	Hy shells falling in area of our Hq.	
20	1610	C Coy	Shelrep A 1608, B 1610, C 95077082, D Bn Hq and C Coy, E hy arty, F, G not estimated yet, H 104° M.	Bde infmd.
21	1740	A Coy	Shelrep - A 1540 B 1630, C 948705, D 948705. E unknown, F HE, G 4 cas, H 120° M.	Bde infmd.
22	1900	C Coy	Arm'd car seen at 963685 moving east. Explosion heard and seen at same place.	
23	1925	C Coy	15 pl reports large column of black smoke rising from a bearing of 110° from 95177090. No explosions but something on fire.	Bde infmd.
24	1930	C Coy	3 - 4 tks moving with great speed from N hangers across airfield.	File from Regina Rifle Co infmd.

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25 2240
26 2300
27 2315
28 2350

D Coy
Bde
Task F
Patrol

J 10 now moving off.
O Cp at 0930 hrs, 6 Jul 44 at 7 Cdn Inf Bde.
Want amb right away.

No enemy movement. At 0745 hrs enemy smoke screen laid down to right of our posn. Slight enemy MG fire direct to our front, firing into copse left of our posn. At 2000 hrs, hy enemy barrage laid down along rd to left of our posn. No enemy movement seen or heard.

CO and IO infmd.
MO infmd.

Reported to Bde

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1	0005	B Ech	DR in from B ech to inform us that D / 17 vehicles have arrived.	2 IC infmd.
2	0005	Fwd Elements	Capt Jones phoned in for Walky-Talky to supply latual comm with ether pls.	Sigs infmd.
3	0110	A Coy	Reports by vehicles moving on left of airport.	Bde infmd.
4	0130	A Coy	Gun flashes on bearing of 64° from #2 OP.	Bde infmd.
5	0153	A Coy	Enemy plane about one mile from 95187089 believed to be firing on tps.	Bde infmd.
6	0213		Enemy plane dropped bomb nearby our HQ.	Bde infmd.
7	0220	A Coy	Bomb dropped near this HQ.	Bde infmd.
8	0220	Mortars	All quite in area in front. Mines being laid now.	
9	0910		Snipers going out track at 965697.	Fwd tps infmd.
10	1200	Snipers	Report from snipers - At 960704 they stepped to observe but could see no signs of enemy or movement in front so they proceeded to bridge at 965697 and observed from there for some time but could still see no sign of enemy. They returned at 1130 hrs bringing in paper, SS cloth badges etc from empty slit trenches found enroute. Going out again to work further forward.	Bde infmd.
11	1325		Hangers at airfd being shelled.	
12	1730	A Coy	Hy enemy gun shelling posn to rear from approx 94607042 on a bearing of 153°	Bde infmd.
13	1910	B Coy	Mortar fire coming from Franqueville.	Being engaged by arty.
14	2010		Bn area being shelled.	
15	2010	Bde	Sometime after 2230 hrs, an illuminating flare will be fired from 933716. This is for our aircraft.	All infmd.
16	2030	Task F	Shelrep - A 2020 hrs, B 2015 hrs, C 960704, D 960704, E 88 mm, F HE, G nil, H 127°M by flash.	Bde infmd.
17	2105	Bde	Password believed to have been compromised so all tps will take caution & be watchful after dark.	All infmd.
18	2315	A Coy	Gun flashes seen at 105, 183 and 150 degrees from OP at 95357045.	Bde infmd.
19	2348	A Coy	Gun flash seen at 144° from #2 OP.	Bde infmd.
20	2358		Patrol change over complete.	

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1	0055	C Coy	C Coy patrol reported in. Fairly quiet except been mortared and shelled during the day. This was reported at the time.	
2	0105		Enemy aircraft flying overhead but no bombs dropped.	
3	0140	CSR	1 CSR contacting our patrol but have nothing to report.	
4	0225	A Coy	Shelrep - A 0223 hrs, B 0224 hrs, C 947708, D 947708, E 88 mm, F 1 shell 88 mm, G nil, H 120°.	Bde infmd.
5	0430	Fwd Element	All quiet, nothing to report.	
6	0430	B Coy	Standing patrol reporting in. Nothing to report.	
7	0500	Bde	O Gp to be held at 0930 hrs at HQ 7 Cdn Inf Bde.	CO and IO infmd.
8	0500	Fwd Tps	Gun out ahead close. No bearing as yet.	
9	0525	Fwd Tps	Patrol report MG fire in area close by.	Phoned Bde to check.
10	0750	Carriers	Now in posn. Change over completed.	IO infmd.
11	0900	Carriers	Nothing to report.	
12	1100	Br Unit	Sten gun wounded one of the Offrs of Regina Rif at 261912.	No cas reported to our MO.
13	1415	Bde	S C of Bde will be withdrawing 2 guns. He wishes the 2 IC to inform him as soon as possible as to where he will pick them up as they will be taken to R Wpg Rif.	2 IC infmd.
14	2113		Sp Coy ordered to remove A Tk guns and mortars. 1 C Scot R notified.	

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1	0700		9 Cdn Inf Bde launch attack. Bn on 10 min notice to move. Order of march B, C, Bn HQ, D, A, Sp.
2	0845	9 Bde	Fwd tps and tks in Gruchy under mortar fire. Trying to get counter mortar fire.
3	0900	HLI	Opposition very in cake. Small arms and mortars.
4	0910	SDG	Our tks been heavily shelled from 5 posns.
5	0915	HLI	Enemy in front of position approx one coy.
6	0920	SDG	Fwd tps in Gruchy (Fleur).
7	0925	SDG	No more fire from Chateau de Louet (Marmalade).
8	0938	SDG	Preparing to move on Chateau de Louet.
9	1005		St Contest - Baker. (Percy) Gruchy - Charlie (Fleur) Buren - Baker (Cake)
10	1020	NNS	NNS now advancing towards Gruchy.
11	1040	Bde	Move to Eggs now.
12	1050	Bde	Inform Bde that we are on the move now.
13	1105		PW collecting post at 989727.
14	1100	SDG	5 enemy tks sighted in Authie. 1 knocked out.
15	1105	CSR	PW identified as 3 PGR.
16	1110	CSR	Held up by enemy fire. Will move as soon as possible.
17	1125	Com Det	Fighting still in Buren. Also tk scrap in Malen. Some doubt about Buren Reported Herouvillotte 0670 captured this morning. Eabissey has fallen. Calmanche is in our hands. Fighting for la Bijudo now. 5 enemy tks in Authie 1 knocked out. PW identified as 3 PGR.
18	1130	Bde	Gruchy minus 4. My sniping unit temporarily holding up of men.
19	1140	B Coy	C Coy stepped beside road.
20	1150	C Coy	Ass area (985725) minus 4.
21	1155	CSR	B Coy ordered to move fwd pl off road to left, make use of dead ground and push on to ass area (980724).
22	1145	CO	Buren heavily shelled.
23	1155	CSR	Moving off now
24	1205	B Coy	Bn HQ, followed by B A and Sp Coys waiting at 961738 for advance of B and C Coys. Bn HQ moves.
25	1215		Coy now through R upg Rif posn.
26	1220	B Coy	Ass area (985725) Able.
27	1225	CSR	Arrived at ass area.
28	1235	B Coy	Ass area minus 500 yds.
29	1237	C Coy	Ass area has been reached.
30	1245	C Coy	Buren not completely taken.
31	1220	CSR	Buren by no means taken.
32	1250	CSR	

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33	1245	D Coy	Tk running wild on right of road, out of control.	Bde infmd.
34	1255	B Coy	Heavily shelled here, cas suffered. Send jeep to evacuate. Digging in new.	
35	1255	Bn HQ	Heavily shelled here (980724). Digging in My new.	
36	1310	To Bde	RRR ass area Charlie.	
37	1310	D Coy	Stopped in present posn waiting for tps in front of us to move on. Told to move up if possible and dig in.	
38	1310	A Coy	Sit same as D Coy. Told to move up and not get too far behind.	
39	1315		Reported to Bde digging in around ass area. D Coy same location.	
40	1325	Coys	Cas report - C Coy 9, B Coy 5,	
41	1343	D Coy	Moving up now.	
42	1345	Bde	14 enemy tks moving N from Authie.	
43	1400	CSR	Want Code Sign CJI (6 Sqn Cdn Armd Regt).	
44	1400	Bde	Brig ordered ; improve present posn to avoid further cas.	
45	1402	C & D Coys	Cannot see reported enemy tks.	
46	1403	Bde	Authie , Cussy, Ardenne - ? Arty ready to fire on this posn if required.	
47	1415		CSR wish to know if we hold Buren. Bde advised nobody holding Buren. Sit not firm yet. We may fire on it if we wish. Authie and Chateau ne man's land.	
48	1430	A Coy	Moving into low ground rear of our posn and consolidating there.	
49	1430		Sitrep - SDG at Gruchy, 27 Armd Regt fighting at Buren, NNS moving forward, HLI at high ground S of Buren.	
50	1440	B C & D Coys	Can see no enemy and only own tps to our front.	
51	1500		Phase 3 starts.	
52	1500	Bde	Own arty & tks have been engaging Authie and Chateau St Louet for over 30 min.	
53	1525	Bde	SDG reports Chateau Able. NNS Athie Able. 27 CAR still at Buren mucking about CSR takes 6 PW. 27 CAR finally make their Cake (Buren).	CO infmd.
54	1540		Sitrep - Authie, Buren, Chateau - Baker. 59 Div fighting in Malon, St Contest Epron, Galmanche. 51 Div down through grid line 71 from 09 to line 14. Road from Franqueville to St Germaine crowded with enemy traffic moving to Caen. Suitable treatment provided for them. We are on 30 min notice to move.	
55	1600		CO talks to Bde. CO informs Bde that there will be a minimum of 60 min before move over start line.	
56	1615	Bde	Ordered to commence attack from SL rd (982710) to (987718) at 1730 hrs.	
57	1620		CO begins orders.	
58	1640		CO & recce gp proceed on recce to SL.	
59	1650	SDG	No enemy in vicinity of main rd S of Franqueville. Sent patrol through Franqueville and no enemy encountered but not town is cleared. 9 Bde reports Chateau St Louet cleared.	File from Regina Rifles.ca

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60	1700		To the left of Buren smoke screen green and white.
61	1715	B Coy	Still on move to FUP (Started 1700)
62	1715	C Coy	On move to FUP but stopped again. Still in same area.
63	1715	D Coy	Not moving yet.
64	1715		Coys moving up heavily shelled.
65	1723		Sgt Fraser, OR Sgt runs by with 4 jerries in front of him , hands high in the air They looked if they had had enough.
66	1725	Bde	Asked if we be on time at FUP. (983715) Informed that we would be as far as we could tell now, but couldn't be sure now.
67	1730		Our arty begins to fire. A Coy ready to move. C Coy still moving.
68	1738	CO	D Coy ordered to move.
69	1745	Bde	Malon, Epreon and St Contest have fallen.
70	1745		D Coy ready to move. C Coy just ahead.
71	1750		CSR reports they were on Start line on time.
72	1753		C Coy moving. B Coy KILL , we will not be on time.
73	1753		CO with cmd carrier up forward tells 2 IC with remainder of Bn HQ still at ass area to tell coys things must be speeded up.
74	1810	(Inter comm	very peer) B C & D Coys ordered to move up.
75	1815	THE MGs	Wishes to know when to fire.
76	1820	B Coy	Moving forward as fast as possible.
77	1822	CO carrier	MGs to start firing but to be careful of own tps. CO is in FUP
78	1830		CSR report reached first objective (Def Works 992710). Knocked out several Tiger tks there. Mapping up now, being heavily shelled.
79	1830	C Coy	Now at SL. Suffered cas. Asked for jeep to be sent.
80	1833	C Coy	Now forward of SL, waiting for B Coy to move forward.
81	1835	A Coy	On the move now.
82	1840	Coys	D Coy at def works 992710, A Coy at outskirts Authie, B Coy nearing first objective gun sight 990705.
83	1845		CSR pushing on to Cussy. A Coy at SL plus 100 yds. D Coy message for C Coy XX
84	1850	CO carrier	Fwd elements have run into by LMG and mortar fire. Taking care of it now. Have not reached first objective(gun KILL site) yet. C Coy waiting for B Coy to pass through. C Coy not to fire on Abbey unless needed. D Coy SL Charlie.
85	1850	Bde K	Brig Foster asks Col Matheson if assistance is needed. RE Our CO advises that he can deal with it. Is using FOO.
86	1855	CO	Orders Bn HQ to move to SL .
87	1900	CSR	Able on Cussy.
88	1900	C Coy	Posn SL plus 100. Giving covering fire from gun site to Abbey. 993698 - enemy tk

89	1910		Bde laying down mortar fire for B Coy.
90	1915		Leading element almost on gun site. Last elements of Bn moving up through Authie.
91	1925		D Coy at SL, C Coy about SL plus 100, A Coy behind wall west side of Authie.
92	1925	CSR	Need amn urgently. Tks on both flanks (of Cussy). Require assistance immediately.
93	1930		Bn HQ now in centre of Authie. Hy mortar fire coming down on village area. Cas from shelling so far seem quite heavy as well as from fighting in B Coy area.
94	1935		C & D Coy on the move.
95	1945	CSR	Must have assistance of inf and armour if they are going to hold Cussy.
96	1955	Bde	Sending to CSR two coys of R Wpg Rif and 2 guns.
97	1955		A Coy ordered to move forward by CO. C & D now several hundred yds in front of SL. Both moving.
98	2005	B Coy	Fwd elements now consolidating on gun site 990705.
99	2005	Carrier Pl	Arty dropping on our posns (our own).
100	2015	C Coy	Passing through gun site, moving toward Abbey. D Coy moving towards gun site.
101	2020	Bde	Our friends Inns of Court Regt now in St Germaine. Do not shoot them up.
102	2022	B Coy	Charlie on gun site. Require jeep for cas.
103	2025	C Coy	At Abbey area. Full of MGs. Request fire support on house 100 yds S of Abbey at MR 996701 in 15 mins. Another target 994699.
104	2025		A Coy in tempery posn.
105	2035	CSR	Cant hold on much longer without help. Fwd Coy being withdrawn now. Infd by Bde that assistance is on the way now.
106	2035	D Coy	Personnel down on left, held down by MG snipers. Moving forward slowly. Approx 800 yds behind Abbey.
107	2035		C Coy engaging target through arty.
108	2040		Fire on Abbey by mortars. Dont know if D Coy can observe.
109	2040	B Coy	Consolidating now.
110	2050	CO to C Coy	4.2 mortar fire coming down 995696 for 15 mins from 2100 hrs.
111	2050	CO to Carriers	- Are you still able to support with fire forward tps. Answer - no. Carriers then ordered back to Bn HQ.
112	2100	2 IC to Bde	2 ambulance jeeps required immediately at 983712 for us.
113	2100	CSR	Friends arrive, being heavily mortared, Cant move into better posns.
114	2115	C Coy	Hy MG fire from near Abbey.
115	2120	C Coy	Still held down by hy MG fire. Tk support requested.
116	2120	D Coy	Cannot use arty.
117	2140	To Bde	We require assistance of tks at Abbey immediately. Tracer will be fired to indicate targets. Reply: cant contact them to give fire orders.
118	2140	Arty	Want to know MR of enemy posn. Informed as correctly as possible. D Coy asked, but they cannot see target.

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119	2145			Sitrep : We occupy gun site 990705. Strong opposition at Abbey. We ask for and get arty support.
120	2200			Arty fire on Ancient Abbey to try to reduce enemy opposition.
121	2230	CSR		Sitrep : One sub unit, few in number forward of final objective - Cussy. Two sub units few in number half way through on the right. 1 sub unit of R Wpg Rif through on the right, one reserve. Tps have been mortared and shelled continuously and are very tired. Sunray 500 yds short of Cussy.
122	2245	Bde		Tk Sqn now in area Abbey to assist us. Own tps informed but they have not seen them.
123	2245			Bn HQ moving up.
124	2300			Own tps still have not seen tks in Abbey area. Advised to look for them and contact them. Tks advised through Bde to look for our tps and contact.
125	2315			D Coy now through Abbey area and although not cleared, have consolidated on the other side.
126	2330			Bn HQ now about 300 yds NE Abbey.
127	2335			CO orders A Coy to move up to Abbey area and consolidate there.
128	2359	To Bde		RRR, Ardenne Abbey, Charlie.

DETAILS OF DAY

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NO	TIME	CHRON	FROM	DETAILS
1	0010			All Coys and sub units and Bn HQ now consolidating in Abbey area.
2	0130		Bde	Consolidate in present area and send out protective patrols.
3	0150		Bde	Balance of R Wpg Rif ordered to gun site.
4	0230			Several snipers and LMGs in slit trenches, still in coy areas. D and A Coys now consolidated on other side of Abbey. B Coy remained with balance of C Coy in gun site area.
5	0300			Bn HQ moves over to NE side of Abbey area NR 994703 and consolidates there for the night.
6	0600			Hot meal arrived and all tps fed. No counter attack and forward coys commence mopping up of enemy in Abbey bldgs and general Bn area.
7	0800			9 Bde moving out of Francqueville St Germaine area.
8	0830		Bde	Tk inf (enemy) advance reported to be going north to attack La Fellie and Malt Cœuvre - Chef.
9	0845			Informed A & D Coys of fire plan for mortars.
10	0845		A Coy	Patrol spotted two enemy SPs in St Germaine. Arty already had been informed and had taken care of SPs.
11	0900			Coys reajust and move to any new posns as ordered by CO at an O Gp held approx 0700 hrs. Final posns ; A Coy right forward, D Coy left forward, B Coy and balance of C Coy to rear of Abbey bldgs.
12	0900			A Coy asked if our tks had penetrated Caen.
13	0900		Bde	Wants to know if we found entrance to tunnel.
14	1000		Bde	Patrol report suspected minefields SE of Abbey bldgs.
15	1110		Bde	Enemy tks reported at these pts ; at least one at each MR ; 999669, 003690, 990694, 003693, 989691.
16	1110		Bde	Report friendly tks and inf in outskirts of Caen.
17	1115			Lt-Gen Crear, Comd First Can Army visited this HQ.
18	1130			Tks likely enemy firing in front of D Coy area.
19	1200			Hot meal brought up.
20	1400			Bn HQ moves into large bldg near D Coy HQ.
21	1530			Bn HQ visited by Brig Foster, who advises Col Matheson of progress made towards Caen and general situation. CO is warned for the next move which will take us to St Germaine sometime late this afternoon. General plan RWR to move first, followed by RRR on a southerly axis to consolidate in St Germaine area. CO called O Gp and issues orders for next move to St Germaine. Order of march D and A Coys, followed by B Coy and the remainder of C Coy. Infm on enemy is that he is withdrawing completely from the part of Caen, north of the R Orne if he has not already done so and 59 Div is already in Caen.
22	1600			
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Phoned Bde but
not confirmed
Tunnel was not found
All infmd.

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TIME	DATE	LOCATION	REMARKS
23	1700	Bde	RWR crossed SL.
24	1830	Bde	RWR reached first objective without opposition.
25	1750	Bde	Ordered to move now.
26	1830		Fwd elements commence move. Order of march advance guard (D Coy), A Coy, Bn HQ, B Coy.
27	1915		Bn HQ starts to move followed by B Coy.
28	1940	Bde	We are to move now (2nd time this order has been received).
29	1950		RWR coming under hy arty fire and asked for support.
30	1945		RWR, rear elements reached final objective.
31	2010	D Coy	Fwd sub units have reached first objective (Hi)
32	2025	D Coy	Fwd elements have now passed 2nd objective and are on final objective (Ho)
33	2025	Bde to RWR	Stay on final objective. Pick posns to consolidate and send patrols to contact unit on our left.
34	2025	CO to D Coy	D Coy ordered to dispose themselves on line Ho (Final objective) until further orders.
35	2040	D Coy	Rear elements reached final objective.
36	2030		Bn Hq column being shelled.
37	2035	A Coy	200 yds short first objective.
38	2040		Several large lorries moving in on main rd to our right apparently friendly.
39	2053	A Coy	HQ has reached 400 yds fwd of De (2objective).
40	2100	RWR	Our Sunray has received instrs to consolidate on Cheese (St Germaine). We understand your Seagull (BM) ordered consolidation on Ho (forward of St Germaine) Please clarify.
41	2107	D Coy	Report that they are on other side of this town. (Presumably referring to St Germaine).
42	2107	A Coy	We are half way between 2nd and final objective.
43	2115	A Coy	Report that D Coy have run into a hy minefd.
44	2117	D Coy	Report that they need an eng Offr at once to deal with minefd encountered.
45	2117	CSR	Asked Bde if they are likely to be moving tonight and if so, where.
46	2120		Bn HQ held up at St Germaine on Brig orders.
47	2130		Maj Gregory 2 IC, received instrs from Brig to consolidate in area Beaulieu Prison sq 0068. Western outskirts of Caen were occupied without much opposition following hy fighting the previous day beyond outskirts. (CO and Adjt XXX moved forward to D Coy at about 2105 hrs.)
48	2140		Bn HQ column move forward again. Commn to A and D Coys has now been getting steadily worse for the last half hour and at the moment is practically nil
49	2145		CO going ahead on foot to fwd elements. Adjt following behind in carrier to keep comm back to us. Bn HQ temporarily stopped.

CO infmd, also D & A Coys

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10	2150		Bn HQ column moving again.	
11	2155		B Coy consolidating on He and western part of town.	
12	2200		Bn HQ established and sets up at MR 002692, digs in, and consolidates for the night. OR and Ops Room set up in former German dugout. Very dirty place and only one in area safe from shelling as this part of town was heavily bombed and shelled and very few bldgs left standing. A and D Coys consolidate roughly 400 yds forward of this posn on axis of advance, D right and A left. B Coy consolidate with Sp Coy about 100 yds to our rear.	
3	2330		CO and Adj. returns to Bn HQ with word that Coys have consolidated and are now digging in. Reports that rfn Morasty of the sniper section has killed four Germans seen in headlong retreat less weapons and equipment in D Coy area (Morasty, with three of his snipers accomplished this while moving up with D Coy and is staying with them during the night). Also reports Capt G Brown, OC D Coy will be evacuated after sustaining minor wound in neck. Bn settles down for the night.	

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SERIAL NO	TIME OF ORIGIN	FROM	INFORMATION	REMARKS
1	1115		IO proceeded to A Coy.	
2	1245	B Coy	Engineer Offr coming over to see Adj't re minefields.	
3	1335	B Coy	Minefields suspected at 01906986, 01996975 and 02046976.	Bde advised.
4	1440		CO proceeding to NNS Regt.	
5	1540	Bde	Location of R Wpg Rif ; 032680.	
6	1845	Bde	CO to attend O Gp at Bde HQ at 2000 hrs today.	CO infmd.
7	2140	Bde	There will be no ranks on the streets unless on duty from 2300 hrs to 0500 hrs.	All infmd.

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SERIAL NO	TIME OF ORIGIN	FROM	INFORMATION	REMARKS
1	1030	RWR	IO phoned in re the use of our snipers in their area.	IO infmd.
2	1215	C Coy	28 and 32 cm rockets found in frames at MR 019692 and 020696.	Bde infmd.
3	1230		C0 preceeded to NNS Regt.	
4	1740	A Coy	Our HQ at 023698.	
5	1800	Bde	8 Recce sending out 4 main patrols along front of our forward Coy to 02 grid line.	Coys infmd.
6	2025	Bde	8 Bde will be firing mortars tonight from 2000 hrs to 2130 hrs for zeroing purposes.	All infmd.

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1	1300		Unit leaves rest area at Efron 029729.	
2	1340	C Coy	Reports moving into posn.	
3	1345	Patrol	Lt Bergeron reports being fired on. They are continuing to recce the area further in.	
4	1355		Patrol continuing near rly. One cas suffered.	Advised IO.
5	1407		Patrol reports no further opposition.	
6	1430		Lt Bergeron reports locating 2 LMG posns and asks for assistance of fwd fm.	
7	1440		Patrol reports 1 PW taken, also that they are pinned down by fire.	
8	1500		Carrier pl moves up. Scout pl still pinned down by fire.	
9	1530		Arty ready for Bn river crossing. A & D Coys move off.	
10	1600		A and D Coys ready for crossing.	
11	1630		Carrier pl gets in posn.	
12	1700		Arty barrage commences, also own mortar fire. Few rds fell short, causing 2 cas.	
13	1715		Crossing commences. D Coy craft hit, slowing up crossing.	
14	1800		A, B and D Coys across river on going on to final objective.	
15	1815		A Coy on final objective now.	
16	1900		C Coy reports 2 pls across now. B Coy moving on to final objective. 6 cas to this time, including Capt Huckvale, MO of this unit, and a French guide.	
17	2000		A Coy in need of amm.	
18	2000		Bn HQ temporarily at 033689.	
19	2130		All coys now in posn. IO and I Sgt go on a recce across river for a location for Bn HQ and return at 2230 hrs.	
20	2300		Bn HQ cross river and move to new location and set up in house at 036676 on south bank of the river. Lines go out to all coys and CO calls for Coy Comds to report in their final posns.	

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SERIAL NO	TIME OF ORIGIN	FROM	INFORMATION	REMARKS
1	0010		OCs of A and B coys arrive at Bn HQ and report in their posns.	
2	0130		OC, C Coy arrive and report in final objective.	
3	0300		OC, D Coy report in final objective.	
4			5th Bde cross river night of 18/19 Jul on our right flank, 2 Coys Black Watch fwd.	
5			9th Bde approach our area during night and reach posn 300 yds east of left fwd coy (D Coy). At least 40 - 50 PW taken by us up to date. We suffer from 25 - 30 cas only.	
6	0900		9 Bde now in and passing through our area.	
7	0915		Two #9 bridges and one class 40 bridge over river now on our front. Also two more further down to the west on 2 Div front.	
8	1000		CO received instrs to recce Cermelles area 0565. Sending Lt Bergeron and patrol to that area at 1015 hrs.	
9	1100		Sit not clear as yet as to future intentions for Regina Rif.	
10	1200	RWR	RWR moving up and passing through us to occupy Cermelles. SEE CSR and Bde HQ will be over today.	
11	1215	RWR	All marching ^{tps} across river now.	
12	1230		Lt Bergeron returns with patrol and reports Cermelles clear of enemy. 7 PW taken by Lt Gergeron and his patrol.	
13	1245	Bde	Will give situation in an hour and advises us that we will be moving up today a short distance.	
14	1945		B Coy moving off followed by Bn HQ marching tps.	
15	2000		D Coy into posn now. B Coy waiting to go into posn. C Coy been slowed up by bechy traps. Engineers clearing same now.	
16	2020		B Coy in posn.	
17	2035		Bn HQ in posn now at 043662.	
18	2100		Bde sets up at 053672.	
19	2115		All Coys now in posn and Bde infmd at 2130 hrs.	

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SERIAL NO	TIME OF ORIGIN	FROM	INFORMATION	REMARKS
1	0700		Bn HQ moves to assembly area, coys already on the move.	
2	0720		B coy in posn, A, D, and C coys still on the move.	
3	0730		All sub units and Bn HQ on KATE (Assembly Area)	
4	0830	Bde	Phase 1 now completed. CO calls in coy comd to discuss final arrangements.	
5	0850	Bde	This HQ located at 058644.	
6	0915		CSR at 062637. Enemy minefield along N edge.	
7	0930		Our location at 075623.	
8	0935	Bde	Phase 11 has not started yet.	
9	0940	NO	5 cas suffered when shell landed in ass area approx 0815 hrs.	CO infmd.
10	0945	Bde	Phase 1 not quite completed.	CO "
11	0955	Bde	Tilly la Campagne not yet clear.	
12	1020	Bde	No further word about Tilly la Campagne.	
13	1025	Sp Coy	Posn inside village lessening. Outside still active.	
14	1037	Bde	Nothing to report as yet.	
15	1115		Fairly strong enemy in 077605, 086599. A/Tk guns (enemy) at 056585. 9 enemy tks at 075605.	
16	1130	Bde	SITREP - Strong enemy activity in area 077605 and 086599, with at least 9 enemy tks in vicinity of 088598. We are still musing about in Tilly.	
17	1130		10 CAR report that their sqn in support of 9 Cdn Inf Bde now withdrawn back to Soliers, badly cut up.	
18	1245	Bde	No change reported.	
19	1340	Bde	No change in the situation of Tilly.	
20	1350		Shelling of this area causes 4 cas including 1 Ofpr wounded at 1350 hrs.	
21	1400		RWR at 073657.	
22	1430		Being shelled with airbursts and mortars. No bearing available.	
23	1440	Bde	LO on his way down with sitrep.	
24	1515	Bde	Our location 055043.	
25	1530		LO not here yet. Infmd by Bde that he is making his rounds and will call here after going to 1 C Sgt R.	
26	1550	Bde	CO to go to Bde immediately.	
27	1550		Typheons rocketed woods at 1060 and black smoke seen rising from that area.	
28	2130	Bde	Our location reported as 075628. Enquired about any conc of armour on our front. Was infmd that nothing more reported other than 15-20 tanks across Tilly front reported earlier and recorded by us. These has been taken on by rocket-firing Typheons.	
29	2345		This area bombed and strafed by enemy planes. No cas reported.	

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SERIAL NO	TIME OF ORIGIN	FROM	INFORMATION	REMARKS
1	0515	CO	All ranks stand to 0515 to 0545 hrs.	
2	0800		Tilly la Campagne still in enemy hands. Our posn the same. Future intentions unknown. 2 Div - RHLI and RRC in sq 0160. Patrol to La Hague did not return. Patrol to the wood SE of La Hague report enemy in wood carrying amm.	
3	0945		Shelling of our area and that of CH of O, S of Bn HQ. 15 to 25 shells landed. Seems to be going for general line of rly.	
4	1030		Spasmodic shelling of this and Seliers area. all morning - by mortars or rockets. Very hard to get bearing on them.	
5	1100		NNS Highrs move back to rear to reorganize - vehicles move out through our HQ posn. Losses said to be about 200-300.	
6	1130		Rocket firing Typhoons again go in after dug in tks and other targets to our front and Verriers front. One Typhoon shot down early this morning. Bn continues digging in and improving posns.	
7	1320		Location of CSR is 063636.	
8	1345		Lt Webster, Sig Oftr, wounded by shrapnel and had to be evacuated. (3 Oftr cas in the last 36 hrs.)	
9	1350		CO goes to Bde to get any infm available.	
10	1700		2 oftr reinf arrive.	
11	1850		Enemy plane over our area and fired on by our AA. Appeared to be hit but was not observed to crash. One of our planes hit square on in dive on enemy target. Pilot, who had bailed out, landed at approx 084614.	
12	1900	Bde	Skyhawk reports enemy forming up from Frentenay le Marmien 0358 to La Hague 0960.	
13	1915		CO has Bn O Gp. Coys ordered to adjust posns for defence. Future intention is to stay in this posn and hold La Hague attack off. Patrols ordered to go in outpost posns and stand by at night, to return in the morning. A/tk guns to be particularly alert.	
14	2100		Bn HQ - 075628, A Coy - 072627, B Coy - 074627, C Coy 075631, D Coy - 072630. These are daytime posns only as night standing patrols from fwd sections posted out to flanks and approaches. Stand to first light 0445 hrs to 0545 hrs.	
15	2130		Many formations of rocket firing Typhoons go after the Hun again on our right and left central fronts.	

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SHEET NO 29 . . .

SERIAL NO	TIME OF ORIGIN	FROM	INFORMATION	REMARKS
1	0700		SITREP - Enemy attacks repulsed or broken up on our right front. Some enemy patrol activity on central and left front also spasmodic MG fire on central front with flares in S direction. A few enemy planes over, dropped bombs and strafed but did not land in our area. Our planes out starting 0630 hrs, observed them dropping bombs and strafing on central front. Weather clear and bright with prospects of another warm day.	
2	1200		Quiet morning - no shelling of our area, <u>So far.</u>	
3	2120		Shelrep ; A - 2117, B - 2119, C - 075628, H D - 075631, E - 88mm or mortars, F - 15 to 20 shells, G - Unknown.	Bde Infmd.
4	2150		Shelrep ; A - 2145, B - 2150, C - 072627, D - 074627, E - 88 mm or 105 mm F - 20 - 30 rds, G - Unknown, H - 184°.	

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SECRET NO 30

SERIAL NO	TYPE OF ORIGIN	FROM	INFORMATION	REMARKS
1	0420			