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UNIT: - 1st Bn. The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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MONTH: - April 1945

Commanding Officer: - Lieut. Col. J. Masterton-Smith.

Hour, Date, Place	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References
		to Appendices
0700 1. PETKU LL 1996	Bn marched to new area.	RMC
0945 PYINZI	Bn arrived and concentrated in area PYINZI LL 3293.	RMC
1330	Def Pl and FOO 16 Fd Regt RA patrol in 4 carriers to YWATHIT LL	
	2288 via TETLAN LL 2492.	RMC
1700	Patrol returned. Much information obtained from locals about Jap	
	dispositions in KOKKOZI LL 2884. Saw one dead Jap.	RMC
	Strength - Offrs 26 ORs 674. Major A.F. Hirst MM posted to Bn.	APP I
1700	B coy left with FOO 16 Fd Regt RA to est ambushes on Eastern &	RMC
	Southern approaches to KOKKOZI LL 2884.	
0700 2.	B Coy returned NES.	RMC
1100	Jeep patrol to SONGON LL 2287 via KETLAN LL 2492 - YWATHIT LL 2288.	RMC
1300	Jeep patrol returned having obtained inf of Japs in SADAUNG LL	
	2283.	RMC
1500	C Coy moved to SONGON LL 2287 to est patrol base at tr junc LL	
	219857 to make constant small patrols to detect enemy movement	
	during night in area SADAUNG LL 2283 - TABIN LL 220830.	RMC
1600	D Coy moved to est ambush in Chaung and tr running East from KUNI	
1000	LL 3284.	RMC
1900	C Coy recce patrol 1. Strength NCO and three left to recce N.W.	Divid
1000	SADAUNG. Encountered patrol eight Japs at LL 223841.	RMC
1900	C Coy recce patrol 2. Lt Morse and two. Arr at tank LL 218838 where	
	enemy encountered. Patrol fired on enemy and withdrew. During withdrawal patrol got lost and did not return till 0700 hrs 3	
	April.	RMC
2200	Recce patrol 1 returned.	RMC
2230	150 Japs and 12 horses passed within 40 yds patrol base heading for	KINC
2230	SADAUNG.	RMC
0015 3.	C Coy recce patrol 3 left patrol base. Strength NCO and three.	RMC
	C Coy recce patrol 4 left patrol base. Strength Lt Morgan and	
	three.	RMC
0200	Three figures approached C Coy perimeter at SONGON LL 2287. Own tps	
	opened fire. One Burman killed One Jap wounded.	RMC

0400	Recce patrol 3 returned having encountered 16 enemy moving to	
	SADAUNG 300 yds North of SADAUNG. Patrol lay up and heard much	
	noise in SADAUNG.	RMC
0415	Patrol 4 returned having been to LL 225840. Saw large number of	
	Japs moving EAST from SADAUNG carrying packs. Much noise heard.	RMC
1100	C Coy ordered to return to Bn area.	RM Crockatt Captain,
1200 PYINZI	D Coy Patrol to KUNI LL 3284 found it occupied by enemy. Two guns	I.O. 1st Bn The Royal
	seen. KUNI harassed by Bty 16 Fd Regt RA.	Scots (The Royal
1700	D Coy moved to ambush on main Jap escape route at LL 354823.	Regiment)
	G.O.C's Personal Note No. 4 communicated verbally to all ranks.	APP II
0001 4.	D Coy ambushed Jap coln at approx LL 354823. 53 Japs killed incl 3	
	offrs. Own cas One killed One wounded. Captured material/37 mm A/Tk	
	/two guns complete with sights, one MMG, two LMGs, three Gren	
	dischargers, also large amount of personal equipment, documents,	
	rifles, grenades, SAA etc.	RMC
0830	D Coy returned to Bn area.	RMC
1700	A Coy moved to ambush at LL 350824.	RMC
1000 5.	A Coy returned NES.	RMC
	Major I.A. Menzies returned to Bn from hospital.	RMC
0800 6.	Major W.A. Russell left on Adv party. Lt B.D. Parker left Bn, to HQ	
	4 Inf Bde.	RMC
0800 7.	Adv party left for new area.	RMC
0900	Bde Comd at Bn HQ.	RMC
	Bn packing up to move.	RMC
0600 8.	Bn moved by MT to new area.	RMC
0900 LL 820078	Bn arr at LL 820078.	RMC
1230	Corps Comd at Bn HQ.	
	Strength - 28 Offrs 664 ORs.	RMC APP III
9.	Bn waiting to be flown out. Lt C.F. Pomphrey rejoined Bn from hosp.	RMC
	Lt E.S. Mellor left Bn.	RMC
Afternoon 10.	1st party of C.O., Adjt, A & C Coys flown out by Dakotas. Party	
	split up and landed at DOHAZARI and HATAZARI and entrained for	
	CHITTAGONG.	RMC
2130 approx	1st party at CHITTAGONG.	RMC
a.m. 11.	2nd party of B, D and HQ Coys flown out by Dakotas. Party split up	
	and landed at DOHAZARI and HATAZARI and entrained for CHITTAGONG.	RMC
1130 CHITTANGONG	1st party entrained for CHANDPUR.	RMC
1800	2nd Party arr at CHITTAGONG.	RMC
2100	2nd party entrained for CHANDPUR.	RMC
	Draft of 146 Party ex Reinf Camp joined Bn at KANCHRAPARA.	RMC
2230 CHANDPUR	1st party arr at CHANDPUR and boarded ferry.	RM Crockatt Captain,
	I.O. 1st Bn The Royal Scots	(The Royal Regiment)

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1100	12.		1st party left ferry and entrained for KANCHRAPARA.	RMC
1430			2nd party arr at CHANDPUR and boarded ferry.	RMC
			Major A.D.W. Sanderson rejoined Bn from hosp. Lt D. Morgan left Bn	
			to hosp.	RMC
0030	13.		2nd party left ferry and entrained for KANCHRAPARA.	RMC
0300		KANCHRAPARA	1st party arr at KANCHRAPARA and moved by MT to camp.	RMC
1000			2nd party " " " " " " "	RMC
			Capt S. Beard and Lt D.T. Matheson joined Bn.	RMC
	14.		Day spent improving camp area.	RMC
0715	15.		Party left by special train for one days leave in CALCUTTA.	RMC
0930) Church Parades.	RMC
1100				RMC
			Strength - 28 Offrs 842 ORs.	RMC APP IV
0715	16.		Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
			Lieuts. J.W. Penstone-Franklin, W.H. Thompson, F.C. Walker and A.	
			Ritchie joined Bn.	RMC
0715	17.		Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
0715	18.		Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
1100			Div Comd at Bn.	RMC
0715	19.		Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
0900			Bde Comd visited Bn inspected draft.	RMC
1745			Inter Bn football v 1/8 L.F.	RMC
0715	20.		Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
0715	21.		11 11 11	RMC
0715	22.		11 11 11	RMC
1100			Church Parades.	RMC
			REME inspection of all instruments, wireless sets and small arms.	RMC
1745			Football v R.A.F.	RMC
			Strength - 34 Offrs 827 ORs.	RMC APP V
0715	23.		Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RM Crockatt Captain,
1700			Rugby football v 1/8 L.F.	I.O. 1st Bn The Royal
			Inter Coy football. Parties for swimming.	Scots (The Royal
		KANCHRAPARA	Mobile laundry in area.	Regiment)
			Order of the Day by Lieut. Gen. Sir W. Slim, KCB, CBE, DSO, MC,	
			made known to all ranks.	RMC APP VI
0715	24.		Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
			Inter Coy football. Heavy rain in the evening.	RMC
0715	25.		Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
			Lieut. J.H. Mackenzie rejoined Bn ex hosp.	RMC
1745			Inter Bn Football v 1/8 L.F. Inter Coy Football.	RMC

0700	26.	Guard of Honour (Capt. J.A. Stevenson and 33 men) left for	
		investiture by Lieut Gen Leese at BARRACKPORE.	RMC
0715		Leave party for CALCUTTA.	RMC
1400		Guard of Honour returned.	RMC
		Inter Coy Football.	RMC
0700	27.	Lieut. T. Towers and 14 men left for CALCUTTA Docks.	RMC
0715		Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
1745		Football v RAF also Inter Coy.	RMC
0715	28.	Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
		Major A.K. MacGeorge MC rejoined Bn ex hosp.	RMC
		Heavy rain in afternoon and evening.	RMC
0715	29.	Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
1030		Church Services.	RMC
1745		Inter Bn Football v 1 R. Norfolk.	RMC
1800		Church Services. More rain at night.	RMC
		Strength - 34 Offrs 813 ORs.	RMC APP VII
0715	30.	Leave party to CALCUTTA.	RMC
		Special Order of the Day from Major General C.G.G. Nicholson, CBE,	
		DSO, Comd 2 Div received by Commanding Officer and published in Bn	
		Orders.	RMC APP VIII
			RM Crockatt Captain,
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