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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Hondeghem Doulieu	8/8/17		Battalion moved as part of B'de group to Berquin Area. Move completed by 1800 - E.S. 48-1187 R.S. 39-1041	
Doulieu	9/8/17		Morning spent in cleaning up. Afternoon training under boy arrangements.	
"	10/8/17		Training during morning. Route marches under boy arrangements followed by Foot Inspection - lectures on New Gas by Platoon commanders. Afternoon devoted to refitting underwear + Platoon Training	
"	11/8/17		Bathing carried out at STEENWERCK during the day. Intelligence section inspected by Div Staff Officer Lieut R Woodhouse } left for duty with 2 <sup>nd</sup> T.B. " F D'Arcy Power } Lt Col J W Mitchell proceeded on leave to Paris	
"	12/8/17		Weather fair - church parade held during morning - R.C. parade at church at DOULIEU. Lt J W Tuttle + 1 OR. proceeded to attend 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army School at WISQUES.	
"	13/8/17		Weather fine - Training carried out as per Syllabus - E.S. 46-1185. R.S. 41-1024	
"	14/8/17		Weather fine - Training as per Syllabus. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt P.A. Waters } reported for duty " R.W. Bunsmead }	
"	15/8/17		Weather fair - Training as per Syllabus - E.S. 46-1185. R.S. 40-1025	
"	16/8/17		Weather fair - Training as per Syllabus.	
"	17/8/17		Training as per Syllabus - 1 <sup>st</sup> B'de carried out - bathing parade at BAC ST. MAUR. Lt. A.D. Temple app'd to B'de L. G. O.	



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Douliou	18/8/17		Training carried on - Remainder of Bathn bathed during the morning. LT. L. G. Errey MC app'to B <sup>n</sup> S. O. 2/Lt J. L. Fott app'to B <sup>n</sup> B. O.	
"	19/8/17		Sunday - Weather fine - Church parade carried out during morning. 2/Lt J. H. Wicks, P. G. Perkins + 2/Lt S. Young - taken on strength dated 29/7/17 - vide AIF List 126 of 15/8/17. B <sup>n</sup> mounted B <sup>n</sup> duties at 1930	
"	20/8/17		Training as per Syllabus - Weather fair - ES 47-1186 RS 38-1030	
"	21/8/17		Training as per Syllabus.	
"	22/8/17		Bathing parade carried out during morning under boy arrangements.	
"	23/8/17		Training as per Syllabus.	
"	24/8/17		Parades as per Syllabus - Battalion mounted Brigade duties at 1930.	
"	25/8/17	26/8/17	Syllabus continued during day	
"	27/8/17		Sunday - Church parade held during morning. Capt J. J. Gook, Lt Maguire, Lt Joynt proceeded on leave to Paris	
"	28/8/17		W <sup>n</sup> s, B <sup>n</sup> boys took part during morning in Side March Part. 406 2 <sup>nd</sup> Army. Remainder of B <sup>n</sup> Training as Syllabus	
"	29/8/17		Training as per Syllabus	
"	30/8/17		Training as per Syllabus	
"	31/8/17		Weather Wet - Training as per Syllabus	

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