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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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| SUSSEX, N.B. | 1 Jul '41 | 0800         | Major Spragge appointed 2 i/c Unit. Major Hudson temporarily 2 i/c unit. Major Hudson O.C. "B" Coy. Capt. Pangman O.C. D. Coy. Capt. Milne temporarily O.C. "B" Coy. Capt. Downie 2 i/c "A" Coy. Lieut. Robertson 2 i/c "D" Coy. Capt. Grout temporarily O.C. "D" Coy. Lieut. Dunlop temporarily 2 i/c "C" Coy. Dominion Day, Statutory Holiday observed Training syllabus | Att.<br>App. B                                 |
| SUSSEX, N.B. | 2 Jul '41 | 1400         | Bn. M.T. move with night practice in embussing and debussing.  | Att.   |
| SUSSEX, N.B. | 3 Jul '41 | 0900         | Advice received that Bn. to start Embarkation Leave immediately. Packing, turning in of equipment and kit inspections immediately started. Warning order   | Att.   |
| SUSSEX, N.B. | 4 Jul '41 | 1200         | Nominal rolls completed, warrants issued for one third fare and special trains arranged.   | Att.   |
| SUSSEX, N.B. | 5 Jul '41 | 0700<br>0800 | 1st special leave train pulled out for Toronto.<br>2nd special leave train pulled out for Toronto.<br>Major Hudson in command of Unit.   | Att.   |
| SUSSEX, N.B. | 6 Jul '41 | 0045         | Leave trains arrived Toronto<br>Fire broke out in "C" Coy wash room. Brought under control by prompt action of Fire Picquet. Damage of about \$300 - \$400 as no pressure from hoses.  | Att.   |
| SUSSEX, N.B. | 7 Jul '41 | 1600         | Fire destroyed Sjts. Mess of R. de Chaud. adjoining unit. Hoses of Q.O.R. of C. were first in action.<br>Second Warning Order received changing date to 17-7-41  | Att.   |
| SUSSEX, N.B. | 8 Jul '41 | 1300         | Leave trains left Toronto to return to Camp Sussex.<br>Diamond Jubilee of Major-General Rennie published in orders.  | Att.   |



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| CAMP SUSSEX, N.B. | 9 Jul '41  | 1815<br>1930 | Officers Mess on cost basis.<br>1st. Embarkation leave train returned from Toronto.<br>2nd. train arrived.  | <i>Atu</i>  |
| CAMP SUSSEX, N.B. | 10 Jul '41 | 0800         | Unit allowed return of 2nd 30 cwt. Only one 30 cwt. and one station wagon originally kept when transport turned back to Ordnance 3 July.<br>Regimentally owned station wagon to be given to 2nd Bn.   | <i>AM</i>   |
| CAMP SUSSEX, N.B. | 11 Jul '41 | 0800         | Boxes painted and ready for packing. Shortages in men's kit made up where Q.M. had stores available.<br>Capt. Craig H.Q. 11 Inf. Bde. 4th Cdn. Div. guest at lunch.<br>Map of Camp Area with training areas and unit lines shown<br>Sussex Sheet 1/63360<br>Plan of Unit lines Sussex.<br>Plan of Camp Sussex.<br>Panorama photograph of 1st. Bn. taken on bank in front of Bde. Mess | <i>AM</i>   |
|                   |            | 1800         | Lieut. W.A. Robertson became Captain, effective 26-6-41.<br>66 reinforcements from 2nd. Bn. under Capt. Dane MacKendrick 2 i/c D.D. No. 2 arrived.<br>Two men sent to H.Q. Coy. rest divided evenly principally as to their choice among four rifle companies. Men attached to Coys. boarded and kit inspected same evening.  | App. D1<br>App. D2<br>App. D 3A & B<br>App. D4<br>App. E. |
| CAMP SUSSEX, N.B. | 12 Jul '41 | 0800         | Capt. MacKendrick guest of Mess.<br>Training continued by Companies interrupted by revision of nominal rolls, attachment of recruits, new equipment, etc.   | <i>AM</i>   |
|                   |            | 1230         | 2/Lieut. William D. Stewart of 2nd Bn. joined unit, after course at Brockville, C.A.T.C. attached to "D" Coy.   | <i>AM</i>   |
| CAMP SUSSEX, N.B. | 13 Jul '41 | 1000         | Church parade arranged for River Bank, cancelled due to heavy downpour.   | <i>AM</i>   |
| CAMP SUSSEX, N.B. | 14 Jul '41 | 0800<br>1000 | Training carried out principally route marches and close order drill.<br>Last pay parade for officers in Canada.  | <i>AM</i>   |



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| CAMP SUSSEX, N.B.                  | 15 Jul '41 | 0800 | Training sketchy due to packing and painting and crating duties. It is expected that Bde. will move 18 July.   | <i>[Signature]</i>                             |
| CAMP SUSSEX, N.B.                  | 16 Jul '41 | 0800 | C.O. and I.O. will move as an advance party 1330 hrs. 17-7-41. Bn. to entrain 0630 hrs. 19-7-41. Letter 8 Cdn. Inf. Bde. Arrangements made to turn in all barrack equipment Friday 18 July. Blankets and mattresses only will be retained night of 18/19 July. Huts will be scrubbed 18 July swept 19 July after reveille 0430 hrs. Stoves to be wired shut after 2200 hrs. 18 July. Order for Train No. 322 | App. F <i>[Signature]</i>                      |
| CAMP SUSSEX, N.B.                  | 17 Jul '41 | 1530 | Notice received that 30 men from I.T.C. Camp Borden will report to us on docks at Halifax. G.O.C. 3rd Can. Div. authorized 2nd Bn. to send 20 men to 7 Inf. Bde. at Debert. These men to be transferred to us in England. Communion was celebrated in Trinity Church, Sussex at 0700 hrs. celebrant - Capt. J.C. Clough. The attendance was large. Last Pt. II Orders issued at Camp Sussex.                 | App. G (1, 2, & 3.) <i>[Signature]</i>         |
| ADVANCE PARTY<br>CAMP SUSSEX, N.B. | 17 Jul '41 | 1330 | O.C., I.O. and 2 o.R entrained for Halifax. 2200 hrs. arrived Halifax and contacted E.S.O. Lt.-col. Keating. Advance Party remained ashore.  | <i>[Signature]</i>                             |
| CAMP SUSSEX, N.B.                  | 18 Jul '41 |      | Notes re movement gone over with Coy Comdrs., 2 i/c, Lt. Wilson (Train Orderly Officer) and H. Green (Train Inspection Officer). Day devoted to general cleaning up and loading of freight cars. All clearances obtained.  | App. J (1-2, <i>[Signature]</i>                |
| ADVANCE PARTY<br>HALIFAX NS ?      | 18 Jul '41 | 0900 | Conference postponed until 1330 hrs. A.D.S.T. Maj-Gen. Price, Lt.-cols. Keating, E.S.O., MacKendrick, Parker, Sparing & Lieut. Matheson present. Lt.-col. MacKendrick to be O.C. Canadians, Col. V.R. Jackson late the Buffs, o c. ship EL19 to be oc Troops. Lieut. Matheson to be ship's adjt.   | <i>[Signature]</i>                             |
|                                    |            | 1530 | Inspection of ship by Lt.-cols Keating E.S.O. MacKendrick Sparing Col. Jackson, Capt. Linton of HMT Strathmore, EL19 staff, Capt. Coates, asst. Troop Officer, Roadall, and the Purser Hussey.   |  |



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| ADVANCE PARTY<br>HALIFAX NS       | 18 Jul '41 | 1530 | Arrangements made re berthing, stowing of baggage and rifles, fatigues, guards etc.  |
| CAMP SUSSEX, NB                   | 19 Jul '41 | 2000 | O.C. Canadians, ships adjt., and O.R.s took berths aboard.   |
|                                   | 19 Jul '41 |      | Reveille at 0330 hrs. Coffee served by Auxiliary Services. All regiment entrained by 0605 hrs. as laid down. Raining quite heavily. Train stop at Moncton. divisional halt at Truro. short route marches held. Arrive Halifax 1630 hrs. A.S.T. Embarked and baggage loaded H.M.T. Strathmore by 1900 hrs. Strength 41 officers, 1 W.O.1, 49 W.O.2s and Sjts., 90 Corporals and 704 Riflemen. |
| advance Party<br>HALIFAX N.S.     | 19 Jul '41 | 0900 | Preliminary block plan for berthing outlined by O.C. Canadians. E.S.O. announced that 400 American Technical civilians coming on board, proceeding to Northern Scotland and Ireland to build air bases. Visit paid by G.O.C. 3rd Div. and Commander 8 C.I.B. Ships first Daily Orders issued, appointments made for all ships duties   |
|                                   | 1730       |      | QOR train arrived at Pier 28. ADST   |
| HALIFAX NS                        | 1740       |      | Embarkation staff arrived with berthing plan.  |
|                                   | 20 Jul '41 |      | Full complement now aboard ship consisting of Q.O.R. of C., Highland Light Infantry, and Regiment de la Chaudiere, plus detachments and U.S. technicians. Meals excellent. ship crowded. Draft of 30 men reached us at boat from All (A)T.C. Emergency stations practiced for first time. Pt.I and II Orders issued.   |
| AT SEA                            | 21 Jul '41 |      | Clear and bright. H.M.T. Strathmore moved out from dock at 1130 hrs. A.S.T. and proceeded to sea with convoy. Escort provided by H.M.S. Malaya and six destroyers, Ships routine required considerable detailed effort because of large number of troops aboard - some 3800.   |
| AT SEA                            | 22 Jul '41 |      | Quiet sea: clear, convoy practiced formations during day. Sports and entertainments begin.   |
| AT SEA                            | 23 Jul '41 |      | Quiet sea: clear, sunny day. Planes from Newfoundland circled the convoy. usual boat drill and ships inspections, Duties and fatigues absorb energies of large numbers of men. Brass Band played for Officers' mess. Talks given to officers and men by various naval officers returning to England from service in the East.  |

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| AT SEA                         | 24 Jul '41 |      | Misty in early morning, clearing later. Ship rolling to some extent this morning A/A action and Emergency Stations carried out. Fairly cold, sky overcast later.  | <i>Ch.</i>   |
| AT SEA                         | 25 Jul '41 |      | Squally, gray day Firing practice carried out 0900 to 0930 hrs. Emergency stations at 1000 hrs. Destroyers dropped depth charges during evening - probably practice.  | <i>Ch.</i>   |
| AT SEA                         | 26 Jul '41 |      | Slightly warmer: sky overcast: misty at intervals. Destroyer escort changed in early morning. Emergency stations at 1000 hrs. Gas Drill practiced. Submarine alarm during afternoon. Depth charges dropped: no official results given out.  | <i>Ch.</i>   |
| AT SEA                         | 27 Jul '41 |      | Gray, squally day, strong wind, Convoy joined by anti-aircraft cruiser. Convoy flying anti-aircraft kites. Church service curtailed due to rain. Lighthouse (Isle of Lewis?) sighted at approximately midnight.   | <i>Ch.</i>   |
| AT SEA                         | 28 Jul '41 |      | Convoy in line ahead skirting coast of Scotland. Land on starboard bow. D.C.M. held on board on Sjt. Conroy promulgated. Preparations for disembarking made. Sea quiet: sky overcast Dropped anchor in Clyde at 2100 hrs. - opposite Gourock.   | <i>Ch.</i>   |
| GOUROCK SCOTLAND               | 29 Jul '41 |      | H.M. Secretary of State for war, Canadian minister to London, G.O.C. 3 Cdn. Div. and other officers came on board to speak to contingent at anchor all day. preparations for disembarking. Q.O.R. disembarked by tender at 1730 hrs. Left Gourock in two train parties. Travelled through night. Lts Greathed and Dampier left on board in charge of rear party 120 O.R.s (45 from QOR) | <i>Ch.</i>   |
| MANDORA BKS.<br>ALDERSHOT ENG. | 30 Jul '41 |      | 1st train arrived Aldershot 10300 hrs. 2nd train 1230 hrs. Unit occupied Mandora Barracks:<br>1230 day spent in settling in.<br>1400 1st half Bn. Parade.<br>1500 2nd half Bn. Parade.<br>R.H.L.I. 2nd Cdn. Div. Holding Unit found advance party Q.O.R. of C. under Major.Upper.   | <i>Ch.</i>   |



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| MANDORA BKS.<br>ALDERSHOT |      | 31 Jul '41<br>0900 | <p>Bn. Parade, coy. training, principally close order drill and P.T.<br/>           First Bn. Daily Orders issued in England.<br/>           P.A.D. instructions, blackout etc. issued.<br/>           Receipt for Disembarkation Documents signed by E.S.O.<br/>           Message re visit of Secretary of State for War on Board H.M.T. Strathmore<br/>           Ships Orderly Officers Duties<br/>           Note re hammocks on board<br/>           Note on Unit baggage<br/>           Wireless News H.M.T. Strathmore<br/>           Summary of personnel embarked<br/>           Note on Ships Kit inspection<br/>           Ships Divisional Officers<br/>           List of ships appointments<br/>           Inspection Report ships A.A. defences.<br/>           Daily bulletin U.S. Technicians.<br/>           Ships Inspection and emergency stations.<br/>           Addenda to ships standing Orders (medical)<br/>           Training instructions.<br/>           A.A. Defence Orders<br/>           Emergency Station officers<br/>           Berthing list, 1st class<br/>           Ships Guard.<br/>           Emergency Station Orders.<br/>           Bn. Fatigues H.M.T. Strathmore<br/>           Naval message received at sea.<br/>           Provost Staff's Duties<br/>           Ships Standing Orders<br/>           Ships Disembarkation Orders</p> | <p>App. K1<br/>           App. K2<br/>           App. K3<br/>           App. K4<br/>           App. K5<br/>           App. K6<br/>           App. K7<br/>           App. K8<br/>           " K9<br/>           " K10<br/>           " K11<br/>           " K12<br/>           " K13<br/>           " K14<br/>           " K15<br/>           " K16<br/>           " K17<br/>           " K18<br/>           " K19<br/>           " K20<br/>           App. K21<br/>           App. K22</p> |

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