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G.H.Q. LIAISON REGIMENT

WAR ESTABLISHMENT

This establishment supersedes W.Es. Nos. V/9B/3 and V/351/1

(i) Personnel

Detail	Regimental headquarters				Army group squadron					Two army squadrons (each)						Total, G.H.Q. liaison regiment		
	Headquarters	Operations and intelligence troop	Administrative troop	Signals troop	Total, regimental headquarters	Squadron headquarters	Three captains' patrols (each)	Three subalterns' patrols (each)	"J" troop	Total, army group squadron	Operations and intelligence troop	Administrative troop	Signals troop	Six captains' patrols (each)	Three subalterns' patrols (each)		"J" troop	Total, army squadron
Officer commanding (lieutenant-colonel)	1				1													1
Second-in-command (major)	1				1													1
Squadron commanders (majors)						1				1	1						1	3
Officers i/c intelligence (majors)		1			1						1						1	3
Adjutant (captain)	1				1													1
Technical officer (captain)		1			1													1
Captains											1						1	2
Intelligence officers—																		
Captains		1			1	1	1			4	2			1			8	21
Subalterns		2			2		1	1		4	4				1	3	10	26
Quarter-master			1		1													1
Total, officers	3	5	1		9	2	1	1	1	9	8	1		1	1	3	21	60
Regimental serjeant-major	1				1													1
Regimental quarter-master-serjeant			1		1													1
Squadron serjeant-majors						1				1	1						1	3
Total, warrant officers	1		1		2	1				1	1						1	5
Squadron quarter-master-serjeants											1						1	2
Clerk			1		1													1
Mechanist			1		1													1
Intelligence serjeant		1			1						1						1	3
Technical storeman			1		1													1
Serjeants						1			1	2						1	1	4
Total, staff-serjeants and serjeants		1	3		4	1			1	2	1	1				1	3	12
Corporals (including 7 lance-serjeants)		4	2		6	4	1	1	3	13	5	4		1	1	5	23	65

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Troopers, gunners and privates (includes 32 lance-corporals)	6	13	10		29	15	5	5	7	52	13	12		5	5	30	100	281
Total, rank and file	6	17	12		35	19	6	6	10	65	18	16		6	6	35	123	346
Total, other ranks	7	18	16		41	21	6	6	11	68	20	17		6	6	36	127	363
Total, all ranks	10	23	17		50	23	7	7	12	77	28	18		7	7	39	148	423
<i>Attached—</i>																		
<i>R. Signals</i>																		
Major				1	1													1
Captains				1	1							1					1	3
Lieutenants				1	1	1				1		1					1	4
Total, officers				3	3	1				1		2					2	8
Company serjeant-major				1	1													1
Company quarter-master-serjeant (foremen of signals)												1					1	2
Company quarter-master-serjeant				1	1													1
Serjeants				1	1	1				1		2					2	6
Total, warrant officers, staff-serjeants and serjeants				3	3	1				1		3					3	10
Corporals (includes 8 lance-serjeants)				8	8	4			1	5		9				3	12	37
Signalmen and drivers (includes 13 lance-corporals)				31	31	17			3	20		42				9	51	153
Total, rank and file				39	39	21			4	25		51				12	63	190
Total, other ranks				42	42	22			4	26		54				12	66	200
Total, R. Signals				45	45	23			4	27		56				12	68	208
<i>A.C.C.—</i>																		
Corporals						1				1								1
Privates			2	1	3	2				2		1	2			1	4	13

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Total, A.C.C.			2	1	3	3				3		1	2			1	4	14
Total, attached			2	46	48	26			4	30		1	58			13	72	222
Total, G.H.Q. liaison regiment	10	23	19	46	98	49	7	7	16	107	28	19	58	7	7	52	220	645
<i>(ii) Distribution of rank and file (including R. Signals) by trades and duties</i>																		
<i>Tradesmen—</i>																		
Clerks		5	1		6						3	1					4	14
Driver-mechanics		1	1		2													2
Driver-operators		4			4	2	4	4	8	34	3			4	4	29	68	174
Electrician			1		1													1
Equipment repairer			1		1													1
Technical storemen											1						1	2
Vehicle mechanics			1		1	2	1	1	1	9	2		1	1	1		12	34
Total, tradesmen		10	5		15	4	5	5	9	43	6	4		5	5	30	85	228
<i>Non-tradesmen—</i>																		
Batmen	2				2													2
Batmen-drivers	1	2			3	1				1	1	1				2	4	12
Corporals for administrative duties						1				1	1	1				1	2	5
Drivers, I.C.	2		2		4	3				3	3	3					6	19
Intelligence duty men		3			3	4			4	5	4						4	16
Medical officer's orderlies (lance-corporals)			1		1	1				1		1					1	4
Motor-cyclists		2			2	4	1	1		10	2		1	1	2		13	38
Orderlies (also for duty as batmen)	1		1		2						2	3					5	12
Sanitary duty men			1		1							1					1	3
Storemen			1		1	1				1		1					1	4
Water duty men			1		1							1					1	3
Total, non-tradesmen	6	7	7		20	15	1	1	1	22	12	12		1	1	5	38	118

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<i>Attached—</i>																		
<i>R. Signals—</i>																		
<i>Tradesmen—</i>																		
Clerks				2	2													2
Despatch riders				5	5							5					5	15
Driver-mechanics (driver class)				7	7	6			1	7		10			3		13	40
Electricians (signals)				1	1	1				1		1					1	4
Instrument mechanics				1	1	1				1		4					4	10
Linemen				2	2							2					2	6
Operators, wireless and line				16	16	12			3	15		24			9		33	97
Storemen												1					1	2
Vehicle mechanics												1					1	2
Total, tradesmen				34	34	20			4	24		48			12		60	178
<i>Non-tradesmen—</i>																		
Drivers, I.C., for duty as—																		
Batmen				1	1	1				1								2
Batmen-drivers				2	2							1					1	4
Drivers of vehicles				2	2							2					2	6
Total, non-tradesmen				5	5	1				1		3					3	12
Total, rank and file , R. Signals				39	39	21			4	25		51			12		63	190
<i>(iii) Transport</i>																		
Motor-cycles, solo	1	5	2	8	16	6	2	2	2	20	5		8	2	2	6	37	110
Cars—																		
4-seater, 4 x 4	2			1	3						1						1	5
5-cwt., 4 x 4	1	2		1	4	1	1	1	1	8	1	1	1	1	1	3	15	42

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Trucks, 15-cwt., 4 x 2—																		
G.S.			4	1	5	2				2	1	4	1				6	19
Wireless house				5	5	4			3	7			8			5	13	38
4 x 4, personnel		2			2	1	1	1	1	8	2			1	1	3	14	38
Lorries, 3-ton, 4 x 4—																		
G.S.			1	2	3	2				2		1	2				3	11
Troop carrying		1			1	1				1	1						1	4
Wireless "I"				1	1	1				1			1		3		4	10
Trailers—																		
10-cwt., 2-wheeled, G.S.		2	4	2	8	2	1	1	1	9	2	4	2	1	1	3	20	57
15-cwt., 2-wheeled, water, 180-gallons			1		1							1					1	3
1-ton, 2-wheeled, G.S.		1			1						1						1	3
(iv) Weapons																		
L.M.Gs., .303-inch	1	2	1	1	5	4	1	1	2	12	2	1	1	1	1	3	16	49

3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, troop carrying Office	Intelligence captain 2 intelligence dutymen Batman-driver
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, wireless "T" 4 R. 107 receivers	Serjeant, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals
<i>Six patrols (each)</i>	
Motor-cycle, solo 1	Driver-operator
Motor-cycle, solo 2	Motor cyclist
5-cwt. car, 4 x 4 (draws 10-cwt. trailer) R. 107 receiver	Driver-operator Vehicle mechanic
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, personnel L.M.G.	Intelligence officer (captain or subaltern) 2 driver-operators
<i>"J" troop</i>	
Motor-cycle, solo 1	Driver-operator
Motor-cycle, solo 2	Serjeant
5-cwt. car, 4 x 4 (draws 10-cwt. trailer) R. 107 receiver	Vehicle mechanic Intelligence dutyman
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, 1 wireless house 2 R. 107 receivers	3 driver-operators
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, 2 wireless house 2 R. 107 receivers	2 driver-operators
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, 3 wireless house No. 12 set, L.P L.M.G.	3 operators, wireless and line, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, personnel No. 22 set L.M.G.	Intelligence subaltern 2 driver-operators

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Operations and intelligence troop

Motor-cycle, solo 1	Intelligence subaltern
Motor-cycle, solo 2	Squadron serjeant-major
Motor-cycle, solo 3	Intelligence serjeant
Motor-cycles, solo 4-5 (each)	Motor-cyclist
4-seater car, 4 x 4	Major (intelligence) Intelligence subaltern Driver, I.C.
5-cwt. car, 4 x 4 (draws 10-cwt. trailer)	2 intelligence subalterns Batman-driver
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, G.S. L.M.G.	3 clerks Driver, I.C.
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, 1 personnel No. 22 set	Major 2 driver-operators
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, 2 personnel No. 22 set	Intelligence captain Orderly Driver-operator
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, troop carrying (draws 1-ton trailer) L.M.G.	Intelligence captain 4 intelligence dutymen Orderly Driver, I.C.

Administrative troop

5-cwt. car, 4 x 4 (draws 10-cwt. water trailer)	Captain Batman-driver
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, G.S. 1 (draws 10-cwt. trailer)	Cook, A.C.C. Orderly Driver, I.C.
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, G.S. 2 (draws water trailer)	Water dutyman Sanitary dutyman Driver, I.C.
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, G.S. 3 (draws 10-cwt. trailer)	2 vehicle mechanics
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, G.S. 4 (draws 10-cwt. trailer)	Technical storeman Orderly Administrative corporal Medical officer,s orderly
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. L.M.G.	Squadron quarter-master-serjeant Clerk Storeman Orderly Driver, I.C.
<i>Signals troop</i>	
Motor-cycle, solo, 1	Lieutenant, R. Signals
Motor-cycle, solo, 2	Vehicle mechanic, R. Signals
Motor-cycle, solo, 3	Foreman of signals, R. Signals
Motor-cycles, solo 4-8 (each)	Despatch rider, R. Signals
5-cwt. car, 4 x 4 (draws 10-cwt. trailer)	Captain, R. Signals Batman-driver, R. Signals
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, G.S. (draws 10-cwt. trailer) Cable detachment	2 linemen, R. Signals Driver, I.C., R. Signals
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, 1-2 (each) wireless house (rear link to Army Group)	3 operators, wireless and line, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, 3 wireless house (anchor to 1, 2 and 3 patrols)	3 operators, wireless and line, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, 4 wireless house (anchor to 4, 5 and 6 patrols)	3 operators, wireless and line, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, 5 wireless house (anchor to 7, 8 and 9 patrols)	3 operators, wireless and line, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, 6 wireless house (anchor to "J" troop)	3 operators, wireless and line, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, 7 wireless house ("J" stepping set at Army)	3 operators, wireless and line, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2, 8 wireless house (guard set at Army)	3 operators, wireless and line, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 1 Technical workshop L.M.G.	4 instrument mechanics, R. Signals Storeman, R. Signals 2 cooks, A.C.C. Driver, I.C., R. Signals
3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, G.S. 2 Charging set, 4-K.W.	Electrician, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals

3-ton lorry, 4 x 4, wireless "I" 6 R. 107 receivers	2 serjeants, R. Signals Driver-mechanic, R. Signals	15-cwt. trucks, 4 x 2, 1-3 (each) wireless house No. 12 set L.P. L.M.G.	3 operators, wireless and line, R. Signals Driver-mechanic
	<i>Nine patrols (each)</i>		
Motor-cycle, solo 1	Driver-operator		
Motor-cycle, solo 2	Motor-cyclist		
5-cwt. car, 4 x 4 (draws 10-cwt. trailer) R. 107 receiver	Driver-operator	15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2 4 wireless house 2 R. 107 receivers	2 driver-operators
15-cwt. truck, 4 x 4, personnel No. 22 set L.M.G.	Intelligence officer (captain or subaltern) 2 driver-operators	15-cwt. truck, 4 x 2 5 wireless house 2 R. 107 receivers	3 driver-operators
	<i>"J" troop</i>		
Motor-cycles, solo 1-3 (each)	Driver-operator	15-cwt. trucks, 4 x 4, 1-3 (each) personnel No. 22 set L.M.G.	Intelligence subaltern 2 driver-operators
Motor-cycles, solo, 4-5 (each)	Motor-cyclist		
Motor-cycle, solo 6	Serjeant		
5-cwt. car, 4 x 4 1 (draws 10-cwt. trailer)	Administrative corporal	3-ton lorries, 4 x 4, 1-3 (each) wireless "I" 4 R. 107 receivers L.M.G.	5 driver-operators
5-cwt. car, 4 x 4 2 (draws 10-cwt. trailer)	Cook, A.C.C. Batman-driver		
5-cwt. car, 4 x 4 3 (draws 10-cwt. trailer)	Vehicle mechanic Batman-driver		

NOTES

1. Three aircraft (to be piloted by officers of the regiment) will be supplied and maintained by the Royal Air Force.
2. Any squadron required to operate with non-British formations will be increased by one lorry, 3-ton, 4 x 4, stores and one driver, I.C., for the carriage of additional M.T. spares.
3. For army groups of more than two armies one additional army squadron will be added per army.

NOTES ON FIRST REINFORCEMENTS AND ATTACHED PERSONNEL

First reinforcements (to be trained by the training and holding squadron, G.H.Q. liaison regiment and then attached for final training with the regiment)—

Subaltern	1
Lance-corporal	1
Rank and file	10

Attached—

A carrier pigeon loft, R. Signals, see W.E. III/30J/1