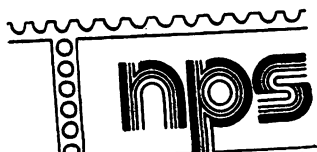


# Egypt Postage Prepaid Military Datestamps 1941-1947.



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## FOREWORD

I have been asked to write this Foreword to Jim Benians' detailed study of the Egypt Postage Prepaid datestamps.

In the following pages will be found details of these datestamps used not only by British troops but also by Australian, Indian, New Zealand and South African troops as well as the Free French and Polish forces fighting alongside them. Use by the Royal Navy and Royal Air Force, is also included.

Wherever possible the Egypt Postage Prepaid (EPP) datestamps have been identified with the FPO datestamps and post offices of the formations serving in Egypt and also with their unit censors. It is hoped, therefore, that this study will become the hub of an intensive research into the postal arrangements of the British Commonwealth and Allied Forces in Egypt and its neighbouring territories during WW2. From it should emanate local studies in complementary directions. This study has reached its present state as a result of the whole-hearted co-operation of many collectors and students, to whom I know the author is extremely grateful and without whose co-operation this work would never have been published.

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In undertaking this study, one is very conscious of taking up a story which others had begun and then set aside; of following in the wake of such students of postal history as Messrs. D.E.F. Burney, J.A. Firebrace, M. Goodman, E. Jagger, A.L. Kennedy, D. Kirk, M. Sacher and the late C.W. Minett upon whose earlier works and collections or listings I have drawn for some of my information.

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As a member of both the Egypt Study Circle and the Forces Postal History Society it was natural that a large segment of help should have come from friends in both those societies; to them also my sincere thanks and the hope that they are enjoying the respite from my inquiries. Some of the earlier contributors are now deceased, but their work remains to be included.

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## INTRODUCTION

To understand the circumstances leading up to the issue and subsequent use of the Egypt Postage Prepaid datestamps it is necessary to consider back to the years between the two world wars. At that time the British Forces stationed in Egypt were there as a result of a treaty concluded between the United Kingdom and Egypt. One of the articles of this treaty agreed that the Egyptian Ministry of Communications would be responsible for the carriage and forwarding of military mail to the UK and Ireland.

In 1932 the postage rate for mail sent by the British Forces to the homeland was raised from one piastre ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ d) to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  piastres, an increase which set off a storm of protest. As a result of these protests a special concessional rate of postage for Forces mail was negotiated with the Egyptian authorities. To obtain this concession members of H.M. Forces were required to prepay postage by purchasing specially printed stamps, or "seals", which were then stuck on the back of the envelope and cancelled by a Retta canceller. These seals were supplied by the NAAFI and could be purchased at their canteens in barracks, air stations and naval bases at a cost of 1 piastre each.

Special numeral franks were used in conjunction with this mail and were applied to the front of the envelope. These should not be confused with the subject of this study. Readers wishing to pursue this period of Egyptian military postal history in greater detail are recommended to read "Postal Service of the British Forces in Egypt 1932-1940" by J.E.O. Hobbs, and the works of earlier writers.

Compensation was paid to the Egyptian Government for loss of revenue.

Concession seals, franks and the Retta cancellers were withdrawn from use during February 1936, the seals being superseded by the large Army Post stamps with the portrait of King Fuad which were supplied by the Egyptian authorities. These came into use on March 1st 1936 and were affixed to the front of the envelope and cancelled by Military Post Office (MPO) datestamps.

On December 16th 1939 a further change took place, when smaller Army Post stamps bearing the portrait of King Farouk were introduced.

Following the outbreak of war on September 3rd 1939, Egypt was soon to become a major war base, as thousands of British and Dominion troops poured in. The newcomers were unwilling to accept the arrangement of handing over their outgoing mail to the Egyptian postal authorities, and to paying what they thought to be an undue postal charge into the bargain, and were soon to be forthcoming in expressing their objections. During 1940 attempts were made to have the existing postal arrangements revised, but it was not until April 1941 that there was any response from the Egyptian authorities.

Meetings then took place between the British and the Egyptian authorities, which finally agreed to a new approach to the handling of "Forces" mail in Egypt. A fuller account of these negotiations may be found in "The Mails went Through" by R.M. Startup of New Zealand.

The new arrangements dealt with the carriage of mails, postage rates, and a new type of datestamp to be supplied by the Egyptian authorities. The Egyptian Minister of Communications stated that these datestamps were to contain the word "Egypt" and were to be affixed to all free mail.

For obvious security reasons the military authorities would have preferred to have been allowed to use datestamps which concealed the country of origin of outgoing mail. However, the Egyptian authorities remained determined to include the name "Egypt" in the new datestamps. In the interests of a speedy settlement this condition was finally accepted by the British.

Thus the Egypt Postage Prepaid datestamps were born.

The newly agreed postal arrangements came into force on May 1st 1941, from which date the military authorities became responsible for the carriage of their own mail. Each contingent developed its own system of transferring outgoing mail from their Field Post Offices to their Base Army Post Office in Cairo, which in turn transported the mail in bulk to the port of embarkation or airfield, the reverse procedure being adopted for incoming mail.

Ordinary surface mail now became free, if addressed to the man's homeland, but other postal services had to be paid for at agreed rates. For the first time British and Dominion forces could buy and use the stamps of their own country in Egypt for this purpose. Stamps of an "Ally" were accepted. Mixed frankings of Australian, British, Indian, New Zealand or South African stamps are not uncommon.

Forces mail to civilians in countries other than the homeland were subject to normal Egyptian postal rates and were of course franked with Egyptian postage stamps. Excess postage was charged on letters to addresses in Egypt and the Sudan when their weight exceeded 30 grammes.

The mail of relatives of serving members of H.M. Forces still resident in Egypt and civilian employees serving with the Forces was not included in the agreement and was subject to the normal Egyptian postal rates.

All military mail including that of relatives and civilians attached to H.M. Forces was subject to unit censorship before being placed in the military mails. It was an offence for such mail to be put directly in the civilian postal system. Illustrations of the various types of censor hand stamps will be found in Chapter One.

It is not known whether Egypt received compensation for the loss of postal revenue from the discontinuation of the sale of the Army Post stamps.

At least the Egyptian postal authorities had been relieved of carrying the increasing volume of military mails, and were assured that the numerous types of Field Post Office datestamps previously in use were replaced by one standard type.

The new postage rates (for mail to the homeland of the troops) came into force on May 1st 1941 and were as follows:-

Surface letters up to 2 oz	Free
Lettercards and postcards (surface mail)	Free
Printed Matter up to 2oz	Free
Newspapers first oz	Free
First additional 2 oz	1d
Each subsequent 2 oz	$\frac{1}{2}$ d
Registration Fee	3d
Airmail Lettercards	3d
Airmail Letters to the UK (first $\frac{1}{2}$ oz)	10d
"    "    to Australia/NZ (first $\frac{1}{2}$ oz)	9d
"    "    to South Africa (first $\frac{1}{2}$ oz)	10d
Each additional $\frac{1}{2}$ oz	1/8d

The EPP datestamps were handed over directly to General Headquarters who became solely responsible for their subsequent issue and security.

They were issued to static Field or Army Post Offices on the several lines of postal communications, where they served the various headquarters, leave centres, training areas, transit camps, airfields, ports, hospitals, and other such areas of heavy military populations.

Since these datestamps were issued mostly to static post offices we can expect little movement from them. If because of the fortunes of war a post office closed, or left the country, its EPP datestamp would be returned to GHQ. In the event of its subsequent return to Egypt, it is unlikely to have been re-issued with its original EPP datestamp, but would receive a completely new number.

Similarly, datestamps which showed signs of wear and needed replacement were also returned to GHQ who issued a new one in its place.

Field Post Offices belonging to operational formations passing through Egypt were not issued with EPP datestamps. It has not been established if such post offices continued to function whilst in transit through the country but if they had done so then it may be presumed that local arrangements would have been made for their outgoing mails to have been directed into the existing postal system.

A description of the various types of EPP datestamps will be found in the next chapter.



1.

DATESTAMP TYPES

The Egypt Pre Paid (EPP) datestamps supplied by the Egyptian authorities had the word "EGYPT" and an indicator number in the top segment and "POSTAGE PRE PAID" in the lower with a movable dateline through the centre. The first official date of use was May 1st 1941 though examples have been reported dated during the last few days of April. The Australians in particular are believed to have been quick off the mark in adopting their use. The Army Post stamps were withdrawn at the same time and after the first few days in May rarely appear cancelled with an EPP datestamp. The latest reported date of use was from EPP 32 on November 5th 1947.

The datestamps appeared in two forms - hand and machine types of cancellers.

The Hand-operated Datestamps

These datestamps were allocated serial numbers ranging from Nos. 1 to 155, and they can be sub-divided into four distinct types. They are believed to have been constructed of a composite material rather than metal.

Most of the datestamps appear to have been subjected to heavy use and soon began to show signs of wear. An attempt was made to prolong their life by fitting solid slugs to some of the dies, which had the effect of "packing" them.

Datestamps numbered 26, 40, 52, 55 and 71 were the first casualties and were withdrawn from use because of wear in early 1942. These were replaced with dies bearing the same numbers which are noticeably smaller in diameter. Numbers from 105 onwards are similar to these smaller replacement dies, a fact which lends support to the theory that all the datestamps were not manufactured or issued at the same time.

The datestamps issued to EPP No. 105 and above have been identified as Type IV.

By 1946, impressions from most of the datestamps then in use were generally poor and in some cases completely illegible.

The differences between the four types of dies fitted to the handstamps are summarised in the following table:-

Type	Diameter	Presentation		Earliest	Latest
		Month	Day/month/year Separation		
I	28 mm	Letters	Dashes	May 1941	End of Period
II	27-28 mm	Letters	Dots	"	" " "
III	28 mm	Roman numerals	Dots	"	" " "
IV	25 mm	Letters	Dots	Feb 1942	" " "

### Machine Datestamps

In July 1942 an automatic EPP datestamping machine was brought into use at the British Army Base Post Office in Cairo. It was similar to those used in smaller main post offices in the United Kingdom, the two dateheads being separated by five wavy lines. (Type V). Impressions from this datestamp are usually sharp and clear and were generally applied to the reverse side of mail as a transit mark.

In March 1943 the wavy lines were replaced by a rectangular boxed slogan "It Pays to Lend" set in a cogwheel motif. The earliest recorded date of this is March 10th 1943. (Type VI).

The cogwheel motif gave a great deal of trouble in service principally because of poor inking and one sign of this was an uninked band running through the whole length of the postmark. The position of the band varies depending upon the various adjustments which were made to the tension in an attempt to eradicate this problem.

Albino or uninked impressions from the dateline also show a marked unevenness until finally the outer ring of one of the dies disappeared completely, leaving only the dateline. The earliest recorded date of this state is March 27th 1944 and the latest June 6th 1944 and is known as the "missing circle" variety.

On or about June 14th 1944 a new and larger die was fitted which was 28 mm in diameter against the 25 mm of its predecessor and of the remaining accompanying die. It had an enlarged star in the upper segment and the date line appears boxed. Impressions of the new die appear to have a "squashed-up" look and really clear ones showing this new datehead in any degree of clarity are scarce. (Type VIa).

On August 25th 1943 one of the dateheads was inverted and again on July 13th 1944. On the second occasion the date remained in its correct position in spite of the inversion of the die. The "slogan" remained in use until September 1945.

Type	Description	Earliest	Latest
V	Wavy Lines	6.7.42	7.3.43
VI	Slogan (25 mm dies)	10.3.43	March 44
	"Missing Circle"	27.3.44	6.6.44
VIa	Wavy Lines with 28 mm die	14.6.44	Sept. 45

# EPP DATESTAMP TYPES

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Type II



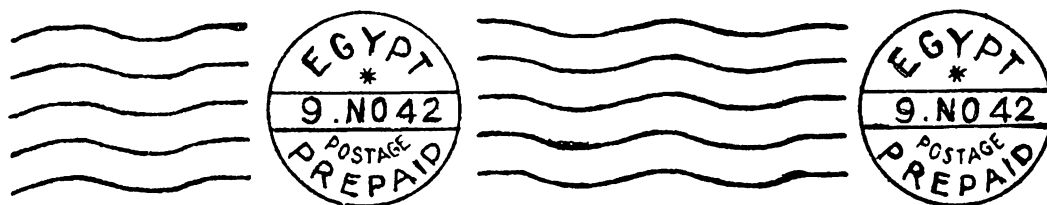
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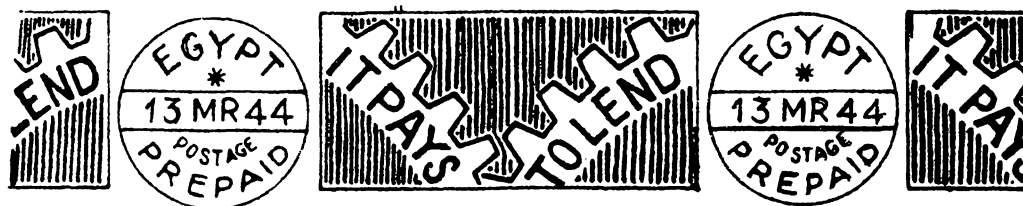
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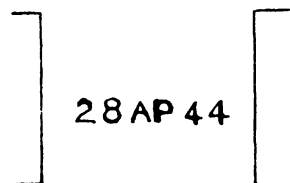
Type V



Type VI



'Missing Circle' Variety



Replaced Die



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## 2.

PATTERNS OF USE

This book brings together most of the private studies known to the author. These have been amalgamated with the records of the Egypt Study Circle and the Forces Postal History Society to form a suitable base to re-examine the use of these datestamps.

There are no official records or documents to aid the research so each of the many students has had to establish his own reference sources and set his own objectives. It is not surprising that each brought a different emphasis and point of view to his study. This book is no exception in that it attempts to use and evaluate the evidence provided by the many unit censors who handled the envelopes which interest us.

The unit censor was the first person to handle the envelope (which reached him with flap unsealed) once it had left the writer. It was one of the duties of an officer to undertake the censoring of the men's mail. The unit's censor stamp was usually held in the orderly room where the censor would apply it to the mail. Only then was the mail ready to be forwarded to the Field Post Office. The unit censor stamp thus becomes the first link in a chain of evidence which will help us to locate a given EPP datestamp.

Once it has been possible to identify a unit, or formation via its unit's censor stamp, the next step must be to investigate the relationship between specific units and the individual APO/FPO until finally it is possible to link together the APO/FPO with a specific EPP datestamp. These are the links this book has begun to forge.

Presenting this data posed many problems. It had to be interesting and instructive to the general reader, whilst offering information in depth to the specialist collector.

To begin with a series of graphs was prepared, which, by using censor records, was able to show the use made of each datestamp by various formations. These proved quite conclusively that definite "Patterns of Use" could be observed and recorded.

For example, EPP No. 7 can be seen to have had three periods of use; first by the Australians, then by the RAF and finally by the British Army.

Others indicated the replacement of one formation by another, such as one might expect from a training area, while a mixed use indicated a hospital, headquarters or leave centre.

These graphs were then used as a basis to prepare chronological lists of the operating life of each datestamp, while at the same time retaining the bulk of the censor and unit information. It is hoped this knowledge will lead to the eventual discovery of any formation using a particular Army or Field Post Office and thus to its probable location.

An interesting example of this occurs with EPP No. 33. Some of the units using this datestamp towards the end of 1942 have been identified as forming part of the 10th Armoured Division which at that time was held in reserve completing its training behind the lines at El Alamein. From this it could be deduced that the Field Post Office using EPP No. 33 was functioning on the divisional lines of communication. It was in fact situated at the divisional supply point in the desert between El Alamein and Alexandria.

It also became clear from the data order of EPP postmarks that one type of censor marking was replaced by another with very little overlapping, thus supporting the belief that, for security reasons, one type of censor mark was replaced by another.

Datestamps in use with the RAF Headquarters, Cairo, are seen to have had comparatively short spells of duty, but were obviously subjected to heavy use. By tracing the censorship numbers of the static units it has been possible to construct a table of the datestamps in the order in which they were employed. This information can be found in Chapter Five.

Naval markings might indicate the probable location being in one of the major ports - Alexandria, Port Said, or Port Tewfik. Other datestamps are seen to have had connections with the smaller contingents over a considerable period of time.

Although some of the EPP datestamps may be associated with certain Indian Field or Army Post Offices, care should be exercised before an assumption may be made that the EPP and Indian FPO datestamps were currently in use in the same office. It was customary for the Indians to apply their datestamps on the reverse side of their mail. Scrutiny has shown that these may be dated several days earlier than the accompanying EPP datestamp. The difference may be explained when the Indian Forces concerned were operating outside Egypt, whilst their mail was routed through that country, the EPP datestamp being applied at the Army Post Office on the lines of their postal communications. It has been noted that when the Indian unit concerned was within the borders of Egypt itself, the time lag was not more than a day or so.

However it should be noted that in the instance of the use of EPP No. 13 with the Indian FPO No. 13, the two datestamps have been struck in the same coloured ink, and bear the same date. The accompanying Indian Base Post Office datestamp (Cairo) is approximately seven days later, and may indicate one of the few instances where the EPP datestamp was used outside the borders of Egypt itself.

The listing show that after 1942 the percentage of use made by the British fell, whilst that by the South Africans rose. After the Battle of Alamein the fighting line moved away from Egypt to North Africa and Italy. As the Mediterranean was re-opened the British mails were sent by the shorter route via Gibraltar. On the other hand Egypt was on the homeward route for the South African troops fighting in the battle zone. Although

this was the era of the Airgraph Service, air mailed letters were being received in South Africa a week or so after being posted.

The question must also be asked, were the conditions of the "agreement" always complied with, and the EPP datestamps wholly used on postal duties, or were the normal Field Post Office instruments brought into use on normal mail. In the case of the New Zealanders this is known to be so as there is no evidence that after the end of 1943 the EPP datestamps were used by them, but those of their Field Post Offices then remaining in Egypt were.

From 1945 onwards quite a different pattern emerges. Numerous datestamps were in use for comparatively short periods and were then showing signs of extreme wear. The general move now was back towards the Canal Zone. The troops were preparing the last great base, and congregating to form the drafts for demobilisation. Dominion troops were passing through and returning home. With this general movement and contraction, the postal arrangements could at times have only been on an "ad hoc" basis and only the usable datestamps brought into service, perhaps several at a time in the same office.

Recognition must be given for the detailed work already achieved in connection with the use made by the Australian and New Zealand contingents. Studies are in progress on similar lines in connection with that of the South Africans. To assist this a list of the South African Army Post Offices known to have operated in Egypt is appended. From the data already obtained tentative suggestions are made in a few instances of the EPP datestamps allocated to them, but it must be remembered that this particular facet of the study is still in its early stages.

It is hoped that the accumulated data already obtained will provide a groundwork and stimulus for similar work to be undertaken with other "users", particularly with our own forces.

A study of this nature cannot be separated from its complementary studies. The value of the tables can be enhanced only by the addition of still further data and its subsequent interpretation by the military postal historian, in the study of the postage stamps employed by a philatelist, and in the research to understand the circumstances in which the serviceman or his unit were in at the time by a military historian. To this must be added the expertise of the student of censorship.

This mail reflects the movements of the men in whatever capacity employed, in training, on leave, in the field of battle, hospitalisation, or just waiting to go home.

## 3.

UNIT CENSORSHIP

The responsibility for censorship in Egypt and the Middle East was in the hands of the Chief Field Censor. This was one of the functions of a department in British Intelligence at General Headquarters in Cairo. Certain responsibilities were delegated to the Deputy Field Censors in charge of security in each of the contingents. The subject of censorship is complex and although markings of the departments appear on mail bearing EPP datestamps, for the purpose of this study only the Unit Censor markings are dealt with in detail.

On arrival in Egypt newcomers fell in line with the existing arrangements, and in a short space of time their own censor stamps were withdrawn and they were issued with one of the type then in current use. Each unit was allocated its own particular stamp and it was the duty of the officers to censor their men's mail. This act of censorship identified the mail with its unit of origin.

In the interests of uniformity the Forces Postal History Society's system of identification and numbering of the various types has been adopted and those of the Egypt Study Circle are identified.

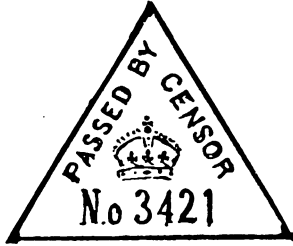
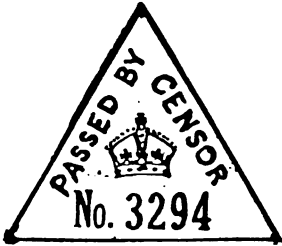
Identification of Unit Censorship Type Numbers

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A 3a and b	A 5a and b
A 4	A 8
A 5	A 1
A 6	A 3
A 7	A 4
 <u>Royal Air Force Marks</u>	
R 9	R 3
R 10	R 2
R 11	R 1a and b
R 12	R 4
R 20	
 <u>Royal Navy Marks</u>	
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NN5	N 2
	N 3
 <u>East African Force</u>	
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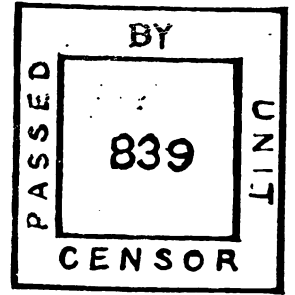
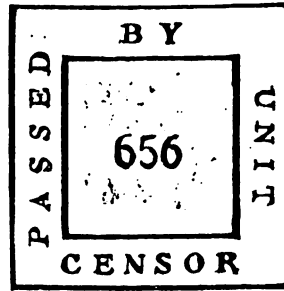


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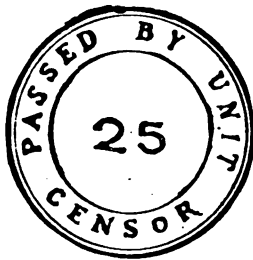
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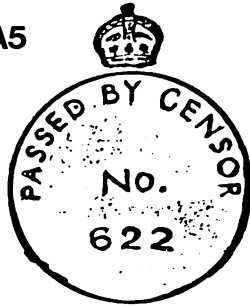
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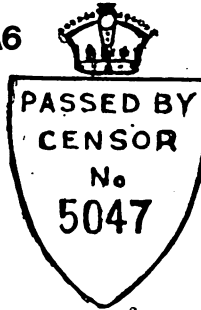
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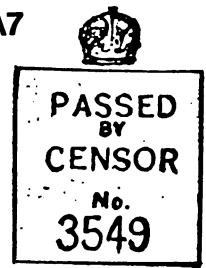
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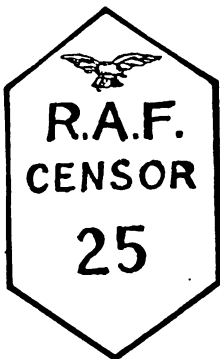


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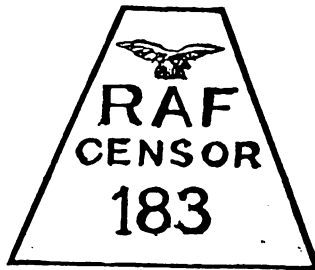


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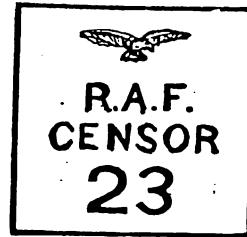
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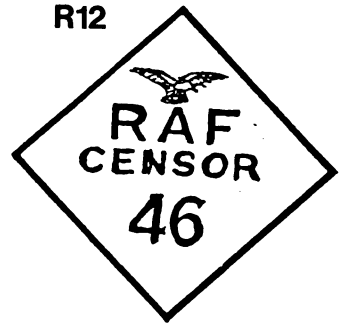
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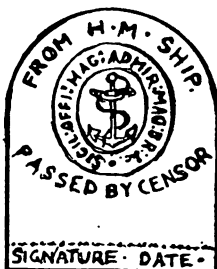


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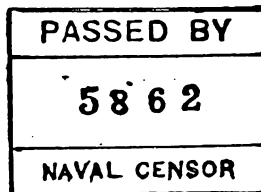


Naval

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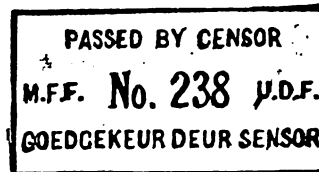


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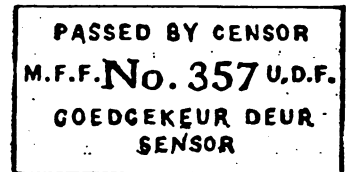


South African Forces

SA1B

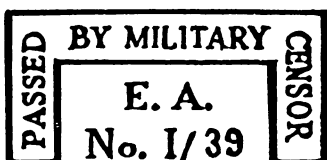


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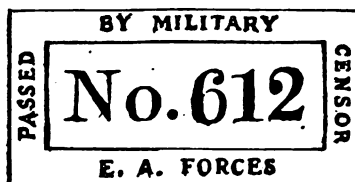


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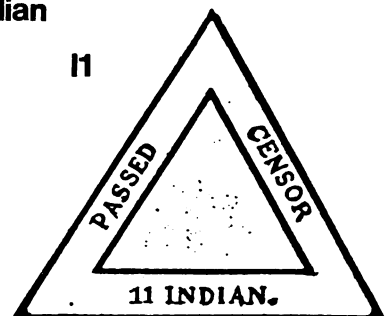


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Indian

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## 4.

THE MILITARY POSTAL ORGANISATION

Very little has been written on this subject covering the overall framework of the British Military Postal Organisation in Egypt during the second world war. A brief and general outline may be of some help to understand how the EPP datestamps fit into the scheme of things.

It is fortunate that there are very detailed accounts available to those relevant to the Australian, Indian, New Zealand, and South African contingents. From these a general picture of the system to which they were linked may be drawn.

The British Base Army Post Office (BAPO4) was situated in Cairo in Sharia Mashero, and each of the contingents had its own Base Post Office either in or nearby to it:-

The New Zealand BAPO		Sharia Tira El Balaqiya
South African (SA APO 29)		Sharia Lady Cromer
Polish		Sharia Maleka Farida
Australian		
Indian		
Free French		
RAF	S.241	Sharia Ibrahim Pasha
SAAF	(SA APO 31)	

The British Base Post Office also had direct liaison with GHQ, the RAF HQ, The Censorship Dept, and The Egyptian Civil Postal Authority. It was in effect the central exchange point for each of the various systems and a considerable volume of mail passed through in transit from one to another.

It also established its own system of Army or Field Post Offices and was responsible for the carriage of mails between them. These were the offices established in the various General Headquarters, hospitals, ports, training areas or where there were large concentrations of military personnel.

Other offices were established to serve the units operating in the field. These were mainly at Division or Brigade Headquarters and were usually to be found near its supply point.

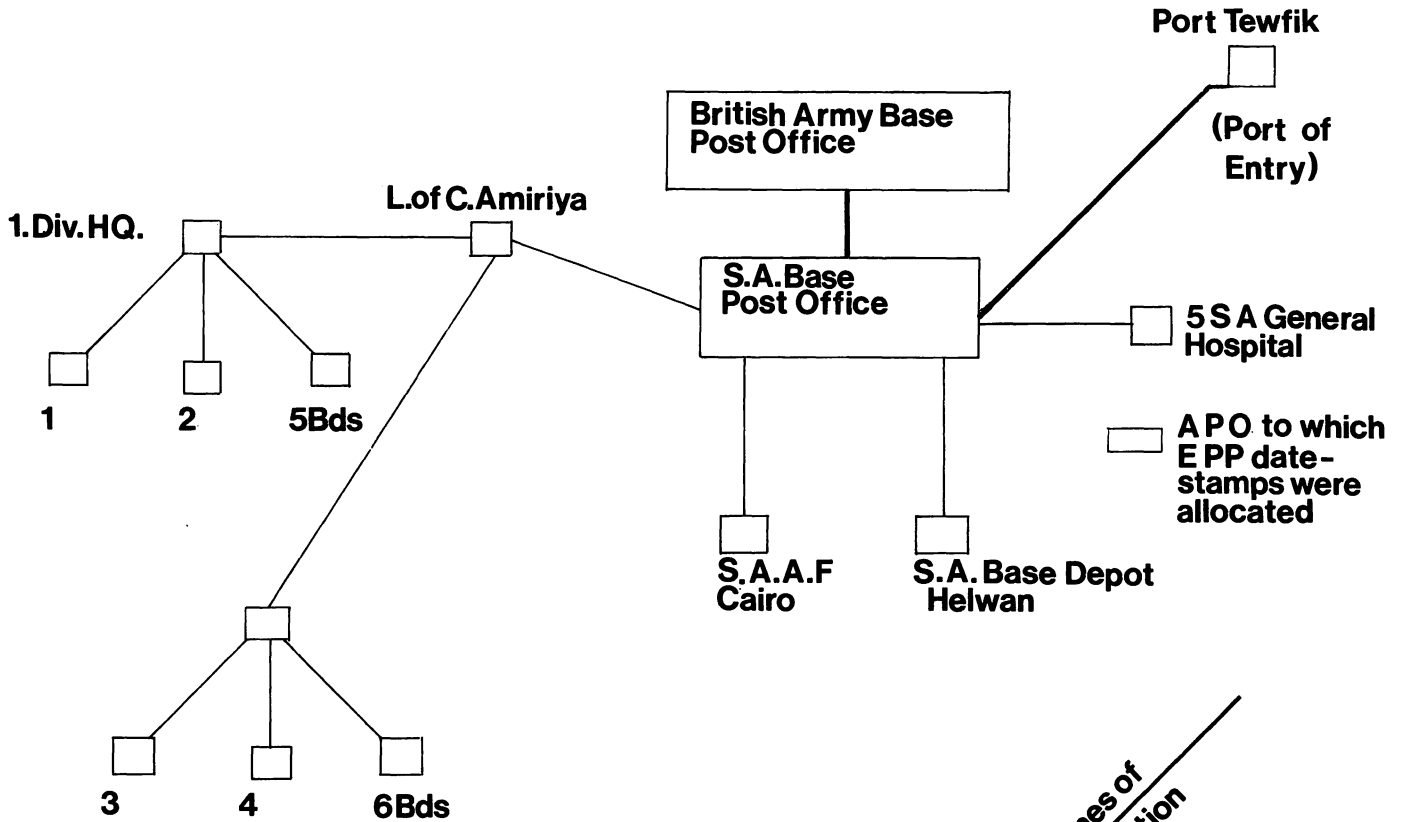
To all the offices established on the lines of postal communications the units in the vicinity would bring in their own outgoing mail and collect the mail waiting for them. At the same time the unit postal courier would transact postal business on behalf of the men, send parcels, bank monies, buy stamps and postal orders. Returning to his unit he would distribute their mail to the men, and if the unit was dispersed over a wide area, such as might be the case with an Artillery Regiment, a round trip of five hundred miles or so was not uncommon.

In the field the more important offices were housed in large army tents and were easily picked out by the piles of mail waiting to be collected. The smaller ones which were continually on the move centred around their three-tonner trucks with a canopy to protect their mail. The postal orderlies were a hard-working set of men, who went to great lengths to keep the mails on the move and this did much to keep up the morale of the men.

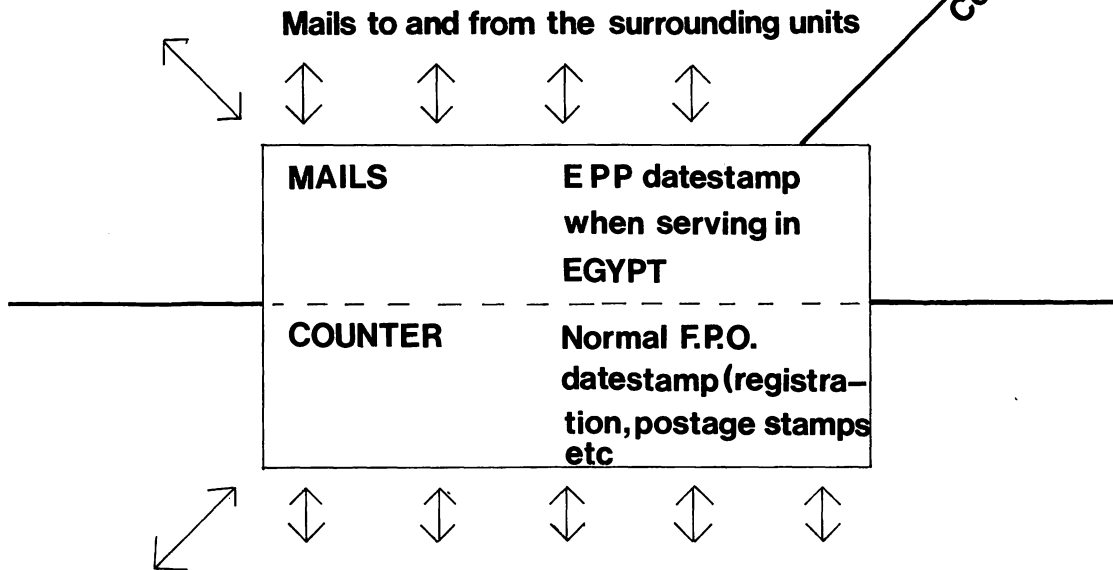
It was to these offices on the lines of postal communication that the EPP datestamps were issued and this explains why there are such a great variety of unit censor markings to be found on the correspondence they franked.

From June 1940 until the end of 1943 most of the ordinary mail and parcels from overseas were shipped via Port Tewfik, Ataka and Adabiyak in the bay of Suez. After the end of 1943 when the Mediterranean had been opened it was possible to utilize Port Said and Alexandria in addition.

**Disposition Of The S.A. Contingent  
Postal Lines Of Communications  
Summer 1941.**

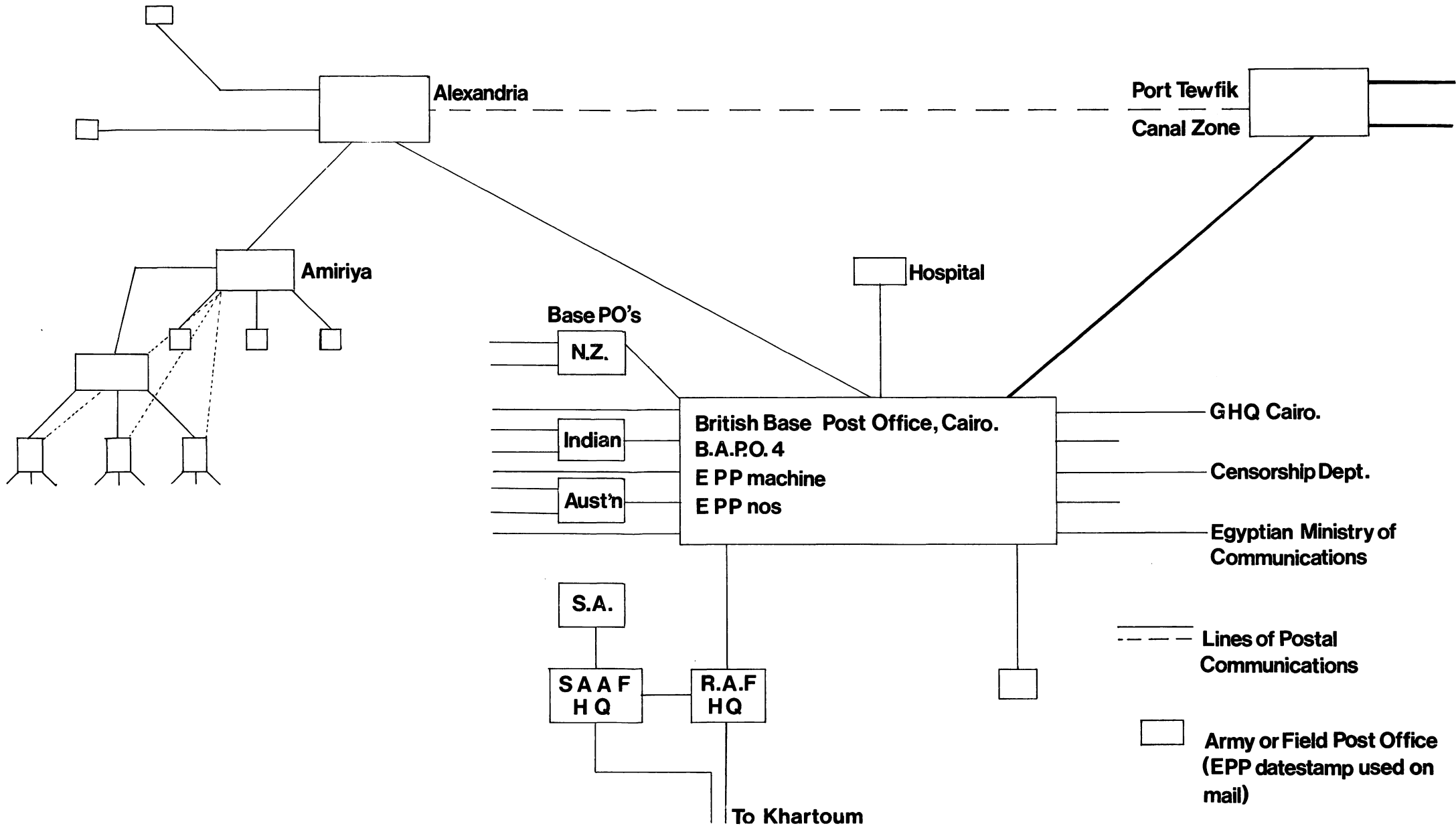


**Diagram To Show The Flow Of Work  
By A Typical Army Post Office.**



**Counter business serving the Units and men in the surrounding area.**

**Diagram To Show The Principle Of The Lines Of Postal Communication.  
(British Forces 1941-42)**



## 5.

HISTORIES OF INDIVIDUAL DATESTAMPSSummary of Use by The Australian Imperial Forces (AIF)

## EPP No.

5	Australian Base PO	Cairo	MAY 41	to late 41
8	" " "	"	"	" "
58	" " "	"	"	" OC 41
7	" FPO 43	Tel-el-Kebir	"	" DE 41
41	" FPO 31	Ikingi Maryut	"	" late 41
61	" FPO 18	Alexandria	"	" SE 41

Summary of Use by New Zealand Forces

## EPP No.

50	New Zealand Base PO	Cairo	MAY 41	JL 41
62	" " "	"	MAY 41	DE 41
87	" " "	"	"	AU 42
25	" " "	"	MARCH 42	OC 43
21	NZ FPO 1	HQ Maadi	MAY 41	OC 41
42	" " "	Camp	MAY 41	FE 42
30	" " "	"	SE 41	AU 42
38	" " " (relief)	"	AU 42 (relief)	
87	" " "	"	SE 42	AU 43
22	NZ FPO 2	NZ General/ Hospital	MA 41	JL 43
50	NZ FPO 3	NZ No.4 Convalescent /Depot	JL 41	MR 42
28	NZ FPO 6	NZ Forces Club	DE 41	JU 42
94	" (relief)	"	JU 42	AU 42
46	"	"	AU 42	AU 43
62	"	NZ Gen. Hospital Gerawla	DE 41	MR 42
26	NZ FPO	Geneifa	JA 42	FE 42

Summary of Use at RAF Headquarters: APO S 241

EPP No.	Period of use		Censor Type	Nos.
	earliest	- latest		
11	1 MA 41	- JU 42	R 9 R10	2, 9, 91, 991
17	8 MR 42	- MA 43	R10 R11	9, 91, 991 2, 751, 85
26	- MA 43	- DE 43	R11	2, 751, 85
143	- JU 43	- DE 43	R11	2, 751, 85
7	- AU 43	- DE 43	R11	2, 751, 85
55	- JA 44		R11	2, 886
86	- JA 44	- JA 45	R11 R20	2, 751, 886
58	- JU 44	- AU 44	R11	2
117	- SE 46			
46	- MR 47			

6.

SOUTH AFRICAN ARMY POST OFFICES IN EGYPT

At present there is little information from which to identify the EPP datestamps with the various South African Army Post Offices to which they were allocated. However in 1946 the Director of the South African Postal Service did issue a list of the movements and locations of the various offices. From this an extract of those offices serving in Egypt has been prepared as a basis on which to identify the EPP datestamps allocated to them.

SA APO No.	Location	Opened	Closed	Possible EPP datestamp No.
3	1 SA Bde 1 SA Div	- JU 41	2 JA 43	55
5	6 SA Armd Div HQ	13 AP 43	11 AP 44	
7	2 SA Bde 1 SA Div	14 JU 41	2 JA 43	
8	5 SA Bde 1 SA Div 2 Wing SAAF	5 DE 41 (to replace APO 17) 24 JU 42 2 JL 44	- JU 44 7 JL 44	
9	L of C Office 7 Wing SA	7 JA 42	26 JU 42	
10	3 Wing SAAF	6 DE 42		
11	11 Armd Bde 6 SA Armd Div	2 JA 44		
12	12 Mtd Bde 6 SA Armd Div	2 JA 44	11 AP 44	
13	1 SA Div HQ Rear Party 6 SA Armd Div	3 MA 41 - JA 44 - FE 44	1 FE 43 24 FE 44	
14	4 SA Gen Hospital	20 MA 42	11 AU 42	
16	L of C 106 SA Gen H	4 MA 42 7 DE 43	- JU 43 - MA 44	67
17	5 SA Bde 1 SA Div Lost at Sidi Rezegh	3 MA 41	23 NO 41	73
28	Sub Base PO Port Tewfik	13 MA 41	12 JU 44	53 MA 41
29	GHQ Postal Unit Base PO Cairo	28 5 41	25 2 46	
30	2 SA Div HQ (Lost at Tobruk 21.6.42)	26 MA 41	25 3 42	
31	SAAF HQ	17 JL 41	19 DE 45	31
32	UDF Base Depot	1 JL 41	FE 46	37
33	3 SA Bde 2 SA Div 3 SA Bd 1 SA Div	21 MA 41 20 AP 42	2 JA 43	63
34	4 SA Bde 2 SA Div (Lost at Tobruk 21.6.42)	13 MA 41	- MR 42	54



SA APO No.	Location	Opened	Closed	Possible EPP datestamp No.
35	L of C Office (Amiriya)	2 MA 41		
	" " (Alexandria)	15 MA 42	5 JA 46	
36	6 SA Bde 2 SA Div (Lost at Tobruk 21.6.42)	13 MA 41	- MR 42	84
37	L of C Office	30 NO 41	- FE 45	
38	SAAF Base Depot	12 MR 44	26 JL 45	
40	5 SA General Hospital/ and 102 SA Gen Hosp	24 SE 41	26 JA 46	
	UDF Units, SAAF HQ )	1 SE 42	27 AP 44	
	SAAF Base Depot 5 SA )			
	General Hospital )	26 JA 46	12 FE 46	
44	Adv. Party 6 SA Armd Div	7 MR 44	20 MR 44	

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#### BRITISH ARMY

We know of no work that has been prepared in detail in connection with the use of EPP datestamps by the British forces, but would invite interested collectors of this material to join in to produce a listing on the lines of those of the other contingents.

7.

THE AIRGRAPH SERVICE TO EGYPT

The entry of Italy into the war in June 1940 resulted in the closure of the Mediterranean to civilian traffic and the withdrawal of fast mail ships, and led to a slow service round the Cape to Egypt from the United Kingdom. A serviceman took at least eleven weeks to reach Egypt if sent by sea transport by this route, and a letter telling of his safe arrival in Egypt took as much time again.

The Post Office investigated the airgraph as a possible answer to reduce the long delay in communication and to relieve the anxiety it caused.

Airgraph letters were photographed on microfilm and a film of 1600 - 1700 letters with its canister weighed five ounces. These could be packed into military aircraft already loaded with priority cargoes. (The contents of one canister was equal to a mail bag of approximately fifty pounds weight).

The homeward route was as follows: from Cairo, south to Khartoum, then west to Takoradi on the Gold Coast and north to Lisbon and London. The average time taken for correspondence to travel by this means was about three weeks.

By August 1941 Cairo was able to receive and develop microfilm. The peak was reached in 1943 and the service finally ceased in 1945. Its phasing-out coincides with a marked increase in the number of EPP items recorded addressed to the United Kingdom.

(During this latter period Service Air Mail letters were carried at 1½d each and finally were "FREE").

Airgraphs were subjected to censorship and are of interest in that both the unit of the sender and the censorship stamp appear on the heading. This information may help in the identification of the unit with its censor stamp in the Tables of Use.

## 8.

POSTAL RATES

Postal Rates for Servicemen prior to 1 May 1941

Surface Mail	20 grs	(1 oz)	10 mills	(1 piastre)
Air Mail	20 "	(1 oz)	40 mills	(4 piastres)
Parcel Postage	1 kilo	(1 lb 4 oz)	115 "	
	3 kilos	(6 lbs 10 oz)	240 "	
	5 kilos	(11 lbs)	380 "	
	10 "	(22 lbs)	560 "	

Outgoing mails were handed over to the Egyptian Ministry of Communications for despatch to the UK, India, Australia and New Zealand.

Postal rates for mail to foreign countries if posted at an APO in Egypt - on and after 1 May 1941

Surface Mail	20 grs	22 mills
	each additional 20 grs	13 mills
Air Mail	10 grs	52 mills
	20 grs	82 mills
	30 grs	125 mills

Charge payable in Egyptian postage stamps

1 Sept 1943	First Day for Honour Letter Cards (ALC)
1 Sept 1944	ALC increased from 6 to 8 every four weeks (green envelopes AFW 3078 and ALC)
17 Dec	Non-privilege ALC ceased to be rationed; no restrictions placed on numbers issued to personnel entitled to use them.
31 Dec	Only officially printed declaration on the Privilege ALC will be utilised. (Units which had no stock of printed ones were allowed to use ordinary ones with written declaration up to end of January 1945).
6 Apr 1945	All letters (including ALC and green envelopes) up to one ounce carried by sea, but may be sent by air on pre-payment of 6d for first and 6d for each additional $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.

Other concessions granted were -

Sea Mail up to 2 ozs	FREE
" " 2 to 3 ozs	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ d
each additional ounce	1d

The charge for the Airgraph Service remained at 3d per letter. From this date the sendings by this service were meagre and the Airgraph Service was suspended after 31 July 1945.

June 7 1945      Letters from MEF to India  
up to 1 oz                      FREE  
1 to 1½ ozs                    6d or 5½ annas  
each additional ½ oz          6d or 5½ annas  
(Air letters may contain enclosures)

June 8 1945      Unit Censorship of letters ceased, all letters  
continued to be impressed with the Unit Censor  
stamp, but were liable to be censored by Base  
Censor.  
Issue of Green Envelope AFW 3078 suspended.

Sept 20 1945     Base Censorship ceased except for correspondence  
to Germany, Austria and India which in turn was  
abolished on Oct 31 1945.

(Note - much of the above information is based on notes kindly  
provided by E. Jagger).

9.

CHECK LIST OF POSTAGE STAMPS SEEN CANCELLEDBY EPP DATESTAMPSGreat Britain

K Edward VIII  $\frac{1}{2}$ d and 1d  
 K George VI Dark colours and original values  
 $\frac{1}{2}$ d, 1d,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ d, 2d,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ d, 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 7d, 8d, 9d,  
 10d, 1/-, 2/6, 5/-, 10/-  
 1940 Centenary Issue  $\frac{1}{2}$ d - 6d six values  
 Definitive light colours  $\frac{1}{2}$ d, 1d,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ d, 2d,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ d, 3d  
 Overprinted MEF 1d and 3d

Australia

1937 - 46 Pictorial Issue 1d, 2d, 6d, 9d and 1/-

New Zealand

Obtainable from the "Kiwi Club" in Hyde Park Hotel  
 Second Pictorial 1936 - 1947  
 2d,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ d, 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 8d, 9d, 1/-, 2/- and 3/-  
 King George VI  $\frac{1}{2}$ d green,  $\frac{1}{2}$ d chestnut, 1d scarlet, 1d green,  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ d chocolate,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ d scarlet, 3d blue, 1d on  
 $\frac{1}{2}$ d yellow green, 2d on  $1\frac{1}{2}$ d chocolate  
 Centennial of New Zealand, issue 1940  
 $\frac{1}{2}$ d, 1d,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ d,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ d, 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 8d, 9d and 1/-

Aden

King George VI issue 1939  
 3 as, 8 as

India - "Obtainable at the Citadel"

K George VI 1937 issue 1a  
 1941 - 43 3 as, 8 as  
 K George V Officials 1 a 3 p  
 K George VI " 3 pies, 1a, 2as, 4as

Bahrain

1938 - 41 issue of India overprinted  
 3as, 8as

Malta

K George VI 1938 - 1946 issue 1d, 2d and  $4\frac{1}{2}$ d

South Africa "Obtainable from the Springbok Club over the Metro Cinema, SA Forces Post Offices"  
 1933 - 47 Pictorial issue  
 1d, 2d, 3d, 4d, 6d, 2/6  
 1941 - 42 War Effort issue (large size)  
 1942 - 43 War Effort issue (bantam size)  
 1945 Victory Issue  
 K George VI Revenue 3d & 6d

S Rhodesia 1935 - 41 2d, 3d Falls  
 K George VI 1937 issue ½d, 1d, 1½d, 4d, 9d and 10d

Palestine 15 mills

Lebanon 1940 5p light green

Egypt

Army Post King Fuad 1 3 mills 10 mills  
 King Farouk 3 mills 10 mills

Air Mail 10 mills, 20 mills, 30 mills, 100 mills

Definitives King Fuad 1 1927 - 1937  
 4 mills, 13 mills, 100 mills

King Farouk investiture  
 1 mill, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 15 and 20 mills

King Farouk 1939 Mosque issue  
 20 mills, 30 mills and 100 mills

Child Welfare issue Princess Ferial  
 5 + 5 mills brown lake

Express Letter 1929 issue 20 mills black and red

Official 5 mills

## 10.

ABBREVIATIONS

ADAPS	Assistant Director Army Postal Service
adh	adhesive postage stamp
ALC	Air Letter Card
AMLC	Air Mail Letter Card
AP	Army Post adhesive
APO	Army Post Office
BAPO	Base Army Post Office
Bde	Brigade
bs	back stamped
c	cover
cd	card
c/m	censor mark
CMF	Central Mediterranean Force
(D) DAPS	(Deputy) Director Army Postal Service
DCFC	Deputy Chief Field Censor
Div	Division
dr	double ring
d s	datestamp
EPP	Egypt Postage Prepaid (datestamp)
f	front (of cover)
FPO	Field Post Office
GH	General Hospital
HQ	Headquarters
Honour	privilege envelope
h s	hand stamp
Ind	Indian
L of C	Lines of Communication
m/c	machine
MEF	Middle East Force
mk/mkg	marking
MPO	Military Post Office
m/s	manuscript
OAS	On Active Service
pc	postal card

POW	Prisoner of War
ppc	picture post card
priv env	privilege envelope
p s	postal stationery
ptd	printed
RAF	Royal Air Force
recd	received
reg	registered
s/1	straight line
SAAF	South African Air Force
sgd	signed
UDF	Union Defence Force
w	with



11.

GLOSSARY

Abar, Abyar	Wells (plural of Bir)
Alam	Cairn; rock
Bab	Pass; gate
Bir	Well; cistern
Bullet	Pool
Burg	Fort; tower; hill resembling tower
Buweib	Pass
Deir	Depression
Duweir	Group of hills
Gabr	Tomb
Gebel	Hill; mountain
Kafr	Village
Maaten	Shallow wells
Mersa	Port; anchorage
Minqar, Munqar	Cliff; bluff
Naqb	Pass; cutting
Qabr, pl Qubur	Grave
Qaret	Low Hill
Raqabet	Dry watercourse
Ras	Headland; cape
Sanyet	Deep well
Sidi	Saint
Tel.	Mound (often artificial)
Wadi	Watercourse (dry)
Wishka	Palm

12.

FUTURE ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS

At this stage this work may be considered an interim report of the study and of the use to which these datestamps were put. Not only should the periods of use of each instrument be extended, but the location of the office which used them and the identity of the Forces they served should be established. A simple and uniform system of recording is the following:-

Datestamp            its number and the date  
 Censor stamp        its type, number and colour  
 Unit                    the identity of the unit using it and  
                               its location  
 Destination  
 Postage                the type of mail and postage rate  
 Other marks and information

Examples may be described as follows:-

EPP No.	Date	Censor	Destination
69	30 JL 42	A5 802 1 Armd Div Wk/ shops "near the sea"	UK
36	9 SE 43	A5 1899 4/11 Sikh Regt	India
118	6 JU 44	R11 615 RAF Marine Craft Unit Port Said	SA

All information supplied to me has been carefully and accurately recorded but the compiler fully appreciates that there may be anomalies. Your amendments and additions will be acknowledged and periodically published in the FPHS Newsletter and ESC Quarterly Circular.

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EGYPT PREPAID MILITARY DATESTAMPS1941 - 1947TABLES OF RECORDED USE

<u>Earliest</u>	<u>Latest</u>	<u>Censor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>	<u>Destination</u>
<u>EPP No 1 Type I</u>				
One period of recorded use with H M Indian Forces				
15 MA 41		A3 246	b s Cairo 15 MA 41	India
14 FE 42		A3 659		India
?? FE 42			2/5 Mabratti L I	India
25 MR 42		A5 167		India
15 AP 42		A5 1142	OHMS to Tax Office	India
21 AP 42		A5 1860	OHMS to Tax Office	India
25 MA 42			By MPO "Postage Realised"	India
9 JL 42		I 11	With H M Indian Forces	India
11 JL 42		A5 530	Ris Gurka Ram (?Guides Cavalry)	India
5 AU 42		A5 1829		India
12 FE 43		A5 882	b s FPO 374	India
16 FE 43		A5 4976	Censor struck in red	India

Note:- The index figure "1" has a pronounced sloping serif and may be mistaken for the figure "7". The numerals in the dateline are bold and compactly grouped. The top right segment of the outer circle is weak.

EPP No 2 Type I

## 1 Indian Forces

23 JU 41		A3 128	b s 2nd Base P O Egypt	Cairo
5 JL 41	16 DE 41	A3 534	b s 2nd Base P O Egypt	Cairo
18 AU 41	(b s)		By M P O	Alexandria
5 SE 41		A2 2895	4/11 Sikhs	Cairo
5 NO 41		A2 1750	b s Ind B0/1	Cairo
30 DE 41	16 JA 42	A3 722	b s 2nd Base P O Egypt	Cairo
9 MR 42		A5 1014	b s 2nd Base P O Egypt	Alexandria
21 AP 42	30 OC 42		"Postage Realised" OHMS	

EPP No 2 Type I continued

3 MA 42		A5 327	Ind Sigs Corps	India
10 NO 42		A5 1357	b s Ind BPO No 1/Sor	Alexandria
13 NO 42		A5 4010		India
24 NO 42		A5 2066		UK
2 Late Use				
7 MR 47				
29 AP 47			2nd Royal Fusiliers	UK

EPP No 3 Type I

1 Indian FPO No 19 - 11 Inf Bde 4 Inf Div				
27 MA 41	21 JL 41	A2 1816	4th Ind Div b s Ind FPO 19	Cairo
14 JL 41		A3 5	"	UK
7 OC 41		A2 1838	"	
2 NO 41		A2 ?		
13 FE 42	17 AP 42			
28 AP 42	10 MA 42	A5 634		India
2 Late Use				
13 MA 45		A6 6702	2720 Indep German PW Co	UK

EPP No 4 Type I

Three periods of recorded use probably with the British BPO in Cairo, numerous strikes being applied to the reverse side of correspondence as a transit mark

6 MA 41	b s	A2 1509	From Ind FPO 25 (6 MA 41)	Jerusalem
11 MA 41			OAS	UK
24 MA 41	10 JU 41	R9 109	RAF Habbaniyah Iraq	UK
26 MA 41			Mustafa Pasha Camp	
26 MA 41		R9 90		
2 JU 41	12 OC 41	A3 188		
2 JU 41		R9 103	RAF Habbaniyah Iraq	UK
13 JU 41		R9 92	1st Bn Essex Regt	UK

EPP No 4 Type I continued

20 JU 41		A3	319		
24 JU 41		N1		Passed by Censor No 4 ADEN	
				4 JU 41	Alexandria
8 JL 41	18 OC 41	A3	457		Cairo/UK/SA
24 JL 41	25 SE 42	R9	36	107 MTU	UK
4 AU 41		A3	48	Rec Sect 7th Armd Bde	
1 SE 41		R9	138		
20 SE 41		R9	88	RAF Habbaniyah Iraq	UK
24 SE 41		R9	287		
24 SE 41		R9	31		
1 OC 41		R9	13		
4 OC 41	17 OC 41	R9	25	1 AAU RAF Habbaniyah	UK
5 OC 41		R9	196		
8 OC 41		R9	67	RAF Habbaniyah Iraq	UK
10 OC 41	25 OC 41	A3	868	GHQ Cairo - 180 miles	
				Egypt adh	USA
11 OC 41		R9	133		
19 OC 41		R9	208	Described as "Libya"	India
24 OC 41		A3	839		UK
25 OC 41		R9	163		
14 NO 41	28 JA 42	R9	40	148 Sqdn RAF/MEF	UK/SA
6 DE 41	14 JA 42	R9	101		UDF
9 DE 41	27 FE 42	R9	36	107 MRU RAF (Engine Repair	
				Sqdn)	UK
15 DE 41		A3	879		
16 DE 41	2 JA 42	A3	958	Comp Operating Co SAEC	SA
17 DE 41	20 DE 41	A3	162		
1 JA 42		A2	1208	77 DID RASC	UK
2 JA 42		A2	2926	8 as Ind adh	India
21 JA 42		A3	361		
12 MR 42	23 AP 43	A5	1797	bs Ind I 11 Censor	India
18 MR 42		A5	2089	bs Ind I 11 Censor	India
20 MR 42				Certified Official OHMS	India
10 AP 42	3 MA 42	A5	560	bs Ind I 11	
20 AP 42	10 MR 42	A5	2291		SA
22 AP 42		R10	669		UK
1 MA 42		R10	136	Air 9d rate	Kenya
11 MA 42		A5	1106	No 3 Coy BD RASC MEF	
18 MA 42		A5	1604		India
19 JU 42		R10	96		
28 JU 42					SA
10 JL 42				DCFC "OAS"	UK
10 OC 42	18 OC 43	A5	2054	BD REME MEF	UK
19 MR 43		A5	4697		
3 AP 43		A5	?	1 Coy 17 Area Sigs HQ Line	
				Mtce SAC	
5 AP 43		R11	238		
10 AP 43	15 AP 43			Written in Greek YMCA Staty	Alexandria
22 AP 43	23 AP 43	A5	6384		UK

EPP No 4 Type I continued

12 NO 43	A5 2001	No 2 Base Wk/shops REME	
12 NO 43	A5 4562		Cairo
14 JA 44	R11 101		UK
2 Late Use GHQ Cairo			
16 AP 45		168 MU GHQ Cairo	UK
4 MA 46		CO Inf Wing Gen Base Depot	UK
4 OC 46			UK

EPP No 5 Type I

1 Australian Base PO Cairo			
2 MA 41		10m AP adhs	
21 JU 41	27 AU 41	1 Aust GH (AIF Abroad)	Australia
18 AU 41		1 Aust Corps (AIF Abroad)	Australia
4 SE 41		AIF Base PO Cairo	
2 Mixed Use			
1 JU 42			
1 JU 42		234 Wing RAF/MEF	
9 JU 42			India
15 JU 42			UK
17 JU 42			
28 JU 42	28 JL 42		Cairo
20 JL 42	29 SE 42		UK
28 JL 42	14 SE 42		UK
13 OC 42		83 HAA Baty RA Qassassim	
18 OC 42			
27 OC 42		227 Petrol Depot RASC MEF	UK
12 FE 43			
3 British Army			
10 SE 43		3d GB adh	
8 OC 43	A5 2??4		UK
30 JA 44	A5 6802		UK
25 FE 44	A5 4328	Qassassim	UK
26 FE 44	A5 1392	*98 DRS Sigs Maadi Sigs Depot	UK
9 AU 44	A5 4485		

\*98 DR also used FPO 293 (28 MR 44 - 7 AP 44)

EPP No 5 Type I continued

## 4 Late Use

	44		A6 1493		MEF
10 MR 45	22 MR 45		A6 9547		UK
	MA 45		A6 6032	Polish member of PUC	
15 SE 45			A7 3168	Written in Greek	USA
17 SE 45			A6 9545		Nigeria

EPP No 6 Type II

## 1 Probably Army Headquarters Alexandria

30 AP 41				10m AP adh (1 day early)	
1 MA 41	14 SE 41	A3 429		(blue)	UK
3 MA 41		A3 505		RM 88 Force Overt C/o GPO	
				London	
6 MA 41		A3 421		40m AP adh	UK
14 MA 41		A3 430		10m AP adh	Egypt
16 MA 41	2 NO 41	A3 331			UK
20 MA 41		A3 532			
23 MA 41		A3 549		OAS	UK
3 JU 41	9 OC 41	A3 536		GHQ Alexandria) same	USA
9 JU 41	23 OC 41	A2 2380		GHQ Alexandria) correspondence	USA
2 JL 41		A2 2032			UK
3 JL 41	30 OC 41	A3 504		RM/96 Force Overt C/o GPO	
				London	UK
14 JL 41		A2 23??		13 Sb part 13 Corps AMMUT RASC	UK
17 JL 41		A3 345			UK
20 JL 41		A1 950			Cairo
23 AU 41		A2 2628		13 Armd Corps RASC	
26 AU 41		A3 16			Palestine
- AU 41		A2 2914			UK
9 SE 41		A3 429		RM 4 Force Overt	Scotland
1 OC 41		A2 2185			
9 OC 41		A3 536			
16 OC 41	25 JA 42	A3 868		GHQ Alexandria 232m Egypt adh	USA
22 NO 41	24 NO 41	A2 2692			Cairo
4 JA 42		A3 84		Egyptian adh	Cairo
14 JA 42		A3 524			
23 JA 42		A3 351			SA
5 FE 42	19 FE 42	A5 207		Camp Staff Mustapha	UK/Cairo
6 FE 42	12 FE 42	A5 564		Alexandria	UK
27 FE 42		A5 2121			Cairo
13 MR 42	19 AP 42	A5 640			UK
4 AP 42	13 MA 42	A5 45			SA/India

EPP No 6 Type II continued

20 AP 42		A5 267	Egyptian Adh	USA
19 JU 42		A2 2328		
23 JU 42		A5 2288	GB 10d Adh	UK
- JU 42		A5 75	10d S Rhodesian Ad arr Bulawayo 29 JU 42	Rhodesia
15 SE 42	9 OC 42	R10 220		USA
20 SE 42		A5 1079		UK
20 SE 42		A5 4700		MEF
24 SE 42		N1	(W F Budd) AML	UK
6 OC 42		A5 1819		Malta
- OC 42		A5 81		UK
8 NO 42		A5 1370		UK
28 NO 42		A5 4301		UK
18 JA 43	14 FE 43	R11 42	32 ASP RAF	
19 JA 43	18 FE 43	A5 2079		UK
? SE 43		A5 2001		NZ
15 OC 44			SA Marine Corps	SA
2	Late Use Canal Area			
27 FE 45		A6 6906	HQ Movements Canal Area South	UK

EPP No 7 Type II

1	AIF Base Ord Depot Tel-elKebir, Australian FPO 43			
3 JU 41				
11 JU 41			ds in violet	
11 JU 41	13 DE 41	A2 1906	Tel-el-Kebir	Australia
7 JL 41	16 AU 41		BOD (TEK) AIF Aust FPO 43	Australia
16 AU 41		A2 2954	SA Red Shield Huts for Australian troops	Australia
21 OC 41			9d Plat adhesive Tel-el-Kebir	Australia
2	British			
18 JA 42		A3 401	bs Cairo (18 JA 42)	Suez
1 FE 42			HQ RAF OHMS	India
11 FE 42	19 AP 43	A5 2001	2 BD Wk/shops REME	UK
? AP 42		A5 1349		India
31 MA 42		A5 622		UK
12 JU 42	24 NO 42	A5 1951		UK/Egypt



EPP No 7 Type II continued

11 JL 42	29 MR 43	A5 4350	B Sqdn 40 Bn RTR	UK
4 AU 42	12 OC 42	A5		UK
11 AU 42		A5 62		
14 AU 42	13 OC 42	A5 2007		UK/India
21 AU 42	30 AU 42	A5 1405		UK
13 SE 42		A5 1219		
21 OC 42		A5 4977		
10 NO 42		A5 2197		
29 DE 42		A5 974		
16 JA 43	3 JU 43	A5 2236	27 Gen Hospital 276/1211 Fld Reg RA	UK
26 JA 43		A5 1578		
17 MR 43		A5 6045		
28 MR 43		A5 926		
29 MR 43		A5 2232		India

## 3 HQ RAF MEF Cairo APO S 241

27 AU 43	3 SE 43	R11 80	276 Wing RAF	SA
3 SE 43	19 OC 43	R11 1		
3 SE 43	28 DE 43	R11 2	AP0 S 241	UK
3 SE 43	15 DE 43	R11 791		
17 SE 43	18 DE 43	R11 85	20 AD RU RAF Heliopolis (1-1-42 26-07-44)	UK
18 SE 43		R11 162		
19 SE 43		R11 818		
22 SE 43	15 NO 43	R11 11	HQ Air Defence Cairo	UK
23 SE 43			HQ RAF MEF APO S 241	UK
2 OC 43		R11 895		
11 OC 43	22 OC 43	R11 751		
17 OC 43		R11 633		
19 OC 43		R11 796		
3 NO 43	9 NO 43	R11 886	No 1 (MEF) Ferry Control	SA
18 NO 43		R11 704		UK
11 DE 43		R11 240		UK
Unspecified			Almaza RAF Camp	

EPP No 8 Type II

## 1 Australian Forces

1 MA 41			piece 9d Plat	
6 MA 41	24 MA 41	A2 3294	9d Plat AIF Base PO	Australia
8 MA 41		A3 266	SA adh	SA

EPP No 8 Type II continued

13 MA 41			9d Plat	Australia
13 MA 41		A2 3037	9d Plat	Australia
16 MA 41			AP adh inc 3m green	Australia
18 MA 41	26 MA 41	A2 1020	Aust YMCA Stationery	Australia
11 AU 41				Australia
1? NO 41		A3 351		UK

## 2 S African Forces possibly UDF APO

2 FE 44	25 MR 44	A5 4711	1st RNC/UDF	SA/UK
11 FE 44	17 AP 44	A5 6529		SA
21 FE 44	11 SE 44	A5 8190	UDF Publication & Stationery Dept	SA
14 MR 44	3 AP 44	A5 6678		SA
16 AP 44	16 DE 44	A6 8764		SA
17 AP 44		A6 6259		SA
4 JL 44	8 SE 44	A6 8191	UDF Publication & Stationery Dept	SA
18 JL 44		A6 6916	In Transit from UDF APO 12	SA
28 JL 44		A6 9526		SA
2 AU 44	5 OC 44	A6 5539	In transit from UDF APO 39	SA
21 SE 44			In transit from UDF APO 5	SA
17 OC 44		A6 8537		SA
21 DE 44			In transit to Italy	SA
23 UG 44		A6 8764		SA

## EPP No 9 Type not verified

(Reported ex Rawson collection)

27 FE 43		A2 ???? ?	GB 10d adh	
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EPP No 10 Type I

## 1 Mixed Use

5 MA 41			10m AP adh	Egypt
7 MA 41		A3 183	10m AP adh	Egypt
8 MA 41		A3 369		Ismalia

EPP No 10 Type II continued

22 MA 41	30 MA 41	A3 137	red	UK
24 MA 41	3 JU 41	A3 528		UK
	JU 41	A3 294		UK
5 AU 41	15 OC 41	A2 1838	ms Ind Div in Egypt	UK
21 SE 41		A3 775		
1 OC 41		R9 120		UK
4 OC 41		R9 104	Australian adh	
1 NO 41	29 NO 41	A3 920		UK
12 DE 41		R9 235		
4 JA 42		A3 61	?	UK
28 FE 42			10d SA adh	SA
22 MA 42		A5 1380		UK
29 MA 42		A5 166	? SA Red Shield for Australian Troops	UK
2 RAF				
3 JL 42		R10 305		UK
2 AU 42		R10 148		
14 AU 42		R10 423		UK
14 AU 42		R10 931		
21 AU 42	29 OC 42			SA
10 SE 42	6 NO 42	A5 456	NZ/YMCA postal stationery	UK
13 SE 42		R10 486		
15 SE 42		R10 121	To the Red Cross	Cairo
15 SE 42	14 OC 42	R10 685		UK
17 OC 42		A5 2003		India
5 NO 42	9 JU 43	R11 828		UK
30 DE 42	11 JA 43	A5 778	306/27th S/L Batt RA MEF	UK
26 JA 43	21 FE 43	A5 4578		UK
?? 43		R11 438		
3 South African				
1 NO 43		A5 6670	1 LH Kimberly Regt UDF	SA
4 Late Use				
19 DE 46			Original record	

EPP No 11 Type I

## 1 RAF HQ Cairo

1 MA 41	7 MA 41		AP adhesives	
3 MA 41			RAF HQ Despatch Office Cairo	MEF
8 MA 41	27 FE 42	R9 2	HQ RAF MEF	SA UK
11 MA 41	26 AU 41	A3 319	Possibly FPO 190	UK
3 JU 41		R9 64	RAF Habbaniyah Iraq	UK
4 JU 41		R9 172		
14 JU 41	24 JU 41	R9 13		Cairo
16 JL 41		R9 133		
11 AU 41	24 AU 41	R9 9	RAF Habbaniyah Iraq	UK
20 SE 41		U2 323		
24 SE 41	11 FE 42	R9 7	RAF Station Suez Road	
1 OC 41		R9 201		
5 DE 41		R9 155		
12 DE 41		R9 120		
22 DE 41	10 FE 42	R9 37		
6 FE 42	20 FE 42	R9 38		
13 FE 42		R9 105		
2 MR 42	6 JL 42	R10 92	HQ RAF	
3 MR 42	18 MA 42	R10 92	WO Base Accounts Office RAF	
6 MR 42	18 OC 42	R10 89		UK/USA
12 MR 42	23 MR 42	R10 91		
19 MR 42	8 JL 42	R10 9		
6 MA 42		R10 12	red	UK
14 MA 42	9 JU 42	R10 993		
14 MA 42	11 JU 42	R10 196	216 Sqdn RAF	UK
19 MA 42		R10 81		UK
29 MA 42		R10 748		UK
16 JU 42		R10 927	ADU/RAF/MEF	UK
20 JU 42		R10 112		
22 JU 42		R10 15		
22 JU 42		A5 1320		India
? JL 43		R10 991		
12 JL 24			noted	

## 2 British Army

2 AU 42		A5 469		UK
9 SE 42		A5 168		UK
29 SE 42	11 NO 42	A5 774		UK
14 OC 42			SA adh	
24 OC 42		A5 19	red	
26 MR 43		A5 323		Cyprus
27 AP 43		A5 6273		

EPP No 11 Type I continued

## 3 Canal Zone

8 AU 44  
44 45 FPO 190 Port Tewfik

## 4 Late Use Canal Zone

25 MA 45			2 Coy Canal Sigs R Sigs MEF	UK
20 JL 45		A6 8795		
23 JL 45		A6 6905		
24 JL 45		A6 6866		
15 AU 45		R 162	OAS	UK
15 AU 45		A6 8976		UDF Sigs
18 AU 45		A6 1838		MEF
19 AU 45		A6 6903	?	UK
27 AU 45		A7 7732		UK
18 SE 45		A7 3732	GB 1d Rec'd from Port Said	UK
8 OC 45			Transit Coy RAOC Ataka	UK
5 NO 45			UNRRA Camp El Shatt	Palestine
20 NO 45			2 GHQ No 18 control area sigs	UK
23 NO 45			No 1 MP 70 'E' sect CMP MEF	UK
3 DE 45			No 6 Eng Stores Brt Sec RE	Cairo
17 DE 45	5 JA 46		Mov't Control Suez Area (Jagger)	UK
31 DE 45			No 9 CRASC Petrol Instal MEF	UK
4 JL 46	14 NO 46		Royal West Kent Regt Port Tewfik	UK
5 JL 46			HQ Cyrenaica Dist Sig	
15 JL 46			2 Warwick Regt Port Tewfik	
5 SE 46				
26 SE 46	2 DE 46			
16 DE 46			Eqpt sect 236 Wing Shallufa	
3 MR 47	19 MR 47			
6 MA 47			1 1/2d GB piece	

EPP No 12 Type II

## 1 British Army - possibly in desert w. of Alexandria

19 MA 41	19 AU 41	A3 42		UK
20 JU 41		A3 70		UK
24 JU 41		A3 531		UK
23 AU 41		A3 42	GB adh (1d & 9d)	UK

EPP No 12 Type II continued

8 SE 41	A3 698		UK
21 OC 41	A3 815		UK
3 NO 41	A3 559	3 Sqdn 7 Armd Div Sigs	Alexandria
19 DE 41	A3 70	(red) bs 4 JA 42 Cairo	Alexandria
2 RAF			
15 SE 42	R10 781	104 Sqdn RAF	
3 British Army			
5 FE 44	A5 4901	Ox/Bucks L I	
4 Late Use			
45	A6 1257	GB 10d adh	

EPP No 13 Type I

1 Indian Forces associated with Ind FPO 13 (Ind FPO 13 served with the 7th Indian Inf Bde/4th Ind Divn)				
17 JU 41	7 JL 41	A2 1843	ds violet bs Ind FPO 13	India
26 OC 41		A2 1821	bs Ind FPO 13	India
10 JA 42			Certified Official bs Ind FPO 13 10 JAN 42 in violet	UK
18 JA 42		A2 1395	ds violet bs Ind FPO 13	India
18 JA 42		A3 569	ds violet bs Ind FPO 13	India
2 Late Use				
20 OC 45		A5 6432		Egypt
5 AP 47			SMC GHQ MELF	UK
11 AP 47	27 MA 47			
13 JU 47	19 AU 47			

Late dates appear with solid slugs inserted between the groups of numbers and letters in the dateline

EPP No 14 Type I

## 1 Mixed Use

4 MA 41	1 JL 41	A3 368	"Certified Official" OHMS	Egypt
5 MA 41		A3 160	10m AP adh	Egypt
24 MA 41		R9 119		SA
4 JL 41		A3 114		
8 JL 41		A3 677		Cairo
8 JL 41		R9 97		
? AU 41			Use by NZ Forces	
7 OC 41		A2 1576		
27 OC 41			Composite Op Coy SAEC	
29 NO 41				
16 FE 42		R9 198		UK
FE 42	MR 42		Ind FPO Alexandria	
2 MR 42		A5 1890		India
19 AP 42		A5 81		UK
4 MA 42		? 314	SAEC	SA
31 MA 42		R10 655		UK
23 JU 42		R10 406		
23 JU 42		A5 2056	10d GB Air Mail	India

## 2 15 Scottish Gen Hospital - Cairo

15 DE 43	13 MA 44	A5 1895	15 Scottish Gen Hospital/ DNSE/ENSA	UK UK
18 DE 43		A5 4732	bs EPP m/c and FPO 166 21 DE 43	Tel-Aviv
28 DE 43	13 MR 44	A5 1403	GHQ (see EPP 71)	
30 DE 43	16 FE 44	A5 1837	DDOSP/MED	
7 JA 44		A5 408		
11 JA 44		A5 323		
23 JA 44			Written in Roumanian to 544 EM Coy RE	
14 FE 44				Malta
1 MR 44	12 MA 44	A5 6660	DNSE ENSA (Cinema Sect)	
10 MR 44		A5 7151		
24 AP 44		A6 6215	SA adhesives	SA
2 MA 44			Movement Control 17 Area MEF	
9 MA 44		A6 1777	10d GB adhesive	SA
17 MA 44	28 MA 44	A6 6339		UK
30 MA 44		A6 6470		UK
13 JU 44		A6 6215	NZ adhesives	UK
21 AU 44		A6 6215	Sender Nile Houseboat "Puritan" - leave centre	UK
19 JL 44	17 AP 45	A6 6215	15 Scottish Gen Hospital	UK
28 JL 44	28 AP 45	A6 6552	HQ CM Police	UK
30 OC 44		A6 4377		UK
17 FE 45		R12 65	No 7 (ME) MTRU RAF Cairo	
9 MR 45			B Troop BDRA	

EPP No 14 Type I continued

18 JU 45			Air HQ RAF Cairo	Cairo
6 JL 45		R12 25		
11 JL 45		R12 51	OAS Air Mail	UK
5 SE 45		R12 241	RAF Sig School Helwan	UK
11 SE 45		R12 171		

EPP No 15 Type I

## 1 Indian Forces

3 MA 41	?	? 165		UK
26 AU 41		A2 2998	bs Ind FPO/25 (22 AUG 41)	
29 OC 41			3d AMLC	UK
9 NO 41				
16 NO 41		A3 738	bs Ind FPO/25 (16 NO 41) Ind Base PO No 1 (19 NO 41) Xmas Card to India Sofafi Egypt	India
3 AP 42	12 MA 42	A5 1325	bs Ind FPO/25 same day	India
8 AP 42		A5 704	(Capt Stanoievich) Yugoslav Unit Western Desert bs Ind FPO 25	
20 AP 42		A5 196	bs Ind FPO/25 (same date)	Poona
28 AP 42		A5 2187		India
1 MA 42		A5 561	Ind adh 2a, 6a KGVI bs Ind FPO 25 (same date)	India
12 MA 42		A5 1249	bs Ind FPO/25	India

Indian FPO/25 attached to the 5 Inf Bde (4 Inf Div)  
 Aug 1941 was at Qatana Syria  
 April 1942 was at Kabrit Egypt

## 2 Late Use Canal Zone

20 MR 47			Geneifa	
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EPP No 16 Type I

## 1 Mixed Use

1 MA 41		A3 254	OAS not stamped	Ismalia
3 MA 41		A3 165	Honour Envelope OAS	UK
5 MA 41	3 JL 41	R9 133		
16 MA 41		A3 120		UK
18 MA 41	2 OC 41	R9 38		UK
18 MA 41		R9 90		
1 JU 41		A3 425		
12 JU 41	23 NO 41	R9 37	267 Sqdn SAAF	US/SA
17 JL 41		A3 696		UK
31 JL 41		R9 132		
10 AU 41	24 SE 41	A3 450	4/11 Sikhs	Cairo
AU 41		A2 2998		UK
28 AU 41		A3 641		UK
11 SE 41		A3 112	10d GB adh	S Rhodesia
19 SE 41		A3 174	YMCA envelope	UK
25 SE 41		A3 238	1 Royal Natal Carbineers	SA
SE 41		A3 517		
23 OC 41		R9 173	3d GB adh	UK
29 OC 41		R9 37		UK
29 OC 41		A3 958	Comp Op Coy RE SAEC	SA
1 DE 41	22 JA 42	A3 488	"Honour" envelope 11th Hussars	
			PAO	UK
10 DE 41		A3 298	OAS "Free"	UK
16 DE 41		A3 873	5m Egypt adh	Egypt
23 DE 41		A3 ?	2 x 10 AP, 1m Egypt adh	USA
24 DE 41		A3 996		UK
30 DE 41	15 JA 42		6m Egypt adh NAAFI Abbassia	Egypt
31 DE 41		A3 291		
10 JA 41		A3 370		
16 JA 41		A3 770		
19 JA 41		A3 391		Egypt
27 JA 41		n/c		

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6 MR 43		A5 5273		
14 MR 43		A5 4977	RASC Mil Training GHQ MEF	UK

## 3 No 1 General Military Hospital

2 DE 43	20 JA 44	A5 294	No 1 Genl Hospital MEF	UK
2 JA 44	3 JA 44	A5 1026	DAPPL/75 Sub-Area MEF	UK
12 JA 44		A5 ?	FPO 171	India
19 JA 44		A5 1868		UK
20 JA 44		A5 ???	QAMNS (R) No 1 Genl Hosp	UK

EPP No. 16 Type I continued

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1 MA 44 A5 1880  
 3 AU 44 A6 5670 "Written in Greek"

5 Late Use  
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30 DE 45 RAF Fayid MEF UK

6 v Late Use

30 NO 46  
 1 JA 47 RAF Kabrit MEF  
 27 JA 47 HQ RAF Alsea Draft Heliopolis  
 cds Egypt  
 28 JA 47 Wk/shops Plat 223 Coy RASC  
 (AD) MEF UK  
 10 FE 47 RAF Fayid South UK  
 26 FE 47 31 MA 47 2nd East Surrey Regt OHMS\*  
 Fayid UK  
 9 AP 47 2 MA 47 RAF Deversoir UK  
 14 AP 47 B Sqdn Life Guards MELF UK  
 12 MA 47 Draft 2549 RAF MEF UK  
 28 MA 47 21 PTC Kasfareet MELF UK  
 21 JU 47 548 UG Cable Troop 1 Egypt  
 comm Sigs MEF UK  
 21 JU 47 1½d GB adh Air Mail UK  
 25 JL 47 Datestamp in a very worn  
 condition 1½ GB adh Airmail UK

EPP No 17 Type I

1 Mixed Army Use possibly Alexandria

23 MA 41  
 3 JU 41 9 DE 41 A3 12 red Alexandria  
 5 JL 41 A2 1707 India  
 21 NO 41 30 JA 42 A3 838 SA/UK  
 1 DE 41 7 DE 41 A2 1663 UK  
 5 DE 41 A3 1012 UK

\* Subsequent correspondence from BR FPO 187

## EPP No 17 Type I continued

8 DE 41		A3 648	"OAS"	UK
10 DE 41	11 DE 41		Certified Official OHMS	India
11 DE 41		A2 1335		
29 DE 41		A2 1029		
31 DE 41		A3 553	Green "Honour" Envelope	UK
6 JA 42	21 JA 42	A3 485		Cairo
24 JA 42		SA 1B 351	10d GB adh	SA
11 FE 42	25 FE 42	A5 1765		UK/SA
25 FE 42	18 AP 42	A5 2106	"In the Field"	Alexandria
?? FE 42		A5 195	10d GB adh Air Mail	India
1 MR 42		A5 1230		
2 MR 42		A5 2147		UK
2 MR 42		A5 1152		UK
2 HQ, RAF, Cairo APO S 241				
8 MR 42	9 OC 42	R10 9	HQ RAF APO S241	UK
22 MR 42		A5 1290		UK
23 MR 42		R10 91		
5 AP 42		A5 2197	153rd Sq HAA Batt RA	UK
14 AP 42		R10 872	58 RSU/RAF/MEF	UK
15 AP 42		A5 1373	"By Military Post"	India
27 AP 42	21 MA 42	R10 423		
11 MA 42			"Postage Realised"	
12 MA 42		A5 1197		India
7 JL 42		R10 158		Alexandria
10 JL 42	2 OC 42	R10 37		SA/Cairo
10 JL 42	5 OC 42	R10 196		UK
17 JL 42	25 SE 42	R10 89	Heliopolis	UK
17 JL 42	14 OC 42	R10 81	RAF "Suez Road"	UK
17 JL 42		R10 908		
22 JL 42		R10 991		
26 JL 42		R10 927	OAS	UK
5 AU 42	4 OC 42	R10 412		UK
6 AU 42	7 OC 41	R10 12	HQ RAF MEF	UK
7 AU 42	25 SE 42	R10 606		
7 AU 42		R10 48		
9 AU 42		R10 998		
12 AU 42		R10 21	To Polw Red Cross	Cairo
17 AU 42		A5 50		
25 AU 42		R10 396		
29 AU 42		R10 17		
11 SE 42	17 SE 42	R10 312	ms pencil Heliopolis (Stores)	
21 SE 42	20 OC 42	R10 377	111 MU RAF 'B' (Massara Caves)	SA/UK
28 SE 42		R10 15		
3 OC 42	4 OC 42		523 Coy RASC 8th Army Training	
12 OC 42	30 MA 43	R11 791	APD 1815 RAF MEF AL	UK
16 OC 42	5 JU 43	R11 751		UK
17 OC 42		R10 99	247 mills adh "Pan Am"	USA

EPP No 17 Type I continued

20 OC 42	24 FE 43	R11 85	RAF HQ	UK
21 OC 42		R11 389	10d GB adh	UK
22 OC 42	28 MA 43	R11 895	111 MU ('B' Echelon)	UK
27 OC 42	31 MA 43	R11 2	HQ RAY MEF S 241 Cairo	UK
27 OC 42		R11 363	259 AMES RAF MEF	
29 OC 42	4 DE 42	R11 181		UK/Egypt
11 NO 42		A5 230		
17 NO 42	6 AP 43	R11 11	HQ RAF Cairo	UK
	6 AP 43	R11 11	Free OAS	Australia
17 NO 42		R11 946		
20 NO 42		A5 1569	ms "For attention of Base Censor"	Cairo
21 NO 42		R11 80	276 Wing RAF MEF	
21 NO 42		R11 548		
24 NO 42		R11 12		
9 DE 42	27 NO 43	R11 246	111 MU RAF Tura Asmant	UK
10 DE 42		R11 886		
10 DE 42		A5 22	6m Egypt adh	Egypt
11 DE 42		R11 220		
21 DE 42	16 FE 43	R11 216		UK
- DE 42		R11 214		
29 ?? 42	25 ?? 43	R11 39		
6 JA 43		R11 23		
24 JA 43		R11 789	OAS	Cairo
12 FE 43		R11 28	14. as Aden adh	Scotland
25 FE 43		R11 240	C Group 106 MU RAF MEF	UK
6 MR 43		R11 796		
6 MR 43	?? JU 43	R11 751		UK
25 MR 43		R11 53		UK
9 AP 43		R11 902		UK
17 AP 43		R11 635		
24 AP 43		R11 240	"Green Honour Envelope"	UK
8 MA 43	28 MA 43	R11 895	HQ RAF Heliopolis	
24 MA 43		R11 181		
???		R11 473		
28 JA 43		R8 224	Malta adhesives, Censor Type and numbers associated with HQ RAF Malta	
15 MR 43		R8 285		
28 MR 43		R8 233		
- AP 43				
21 MA 43		R8 4	10d Malta adh	SA
3 Late Use				
21 JA 45		A6 5039	Med Depot CRC Admn HQ (Rear) UDF "Not far from Cairo along Nile"	SA

EPP No 17 Type I continued

11 FE 45	A6 9833	OAS	UK
12 FE 45	R12 771		
12 FE 45	R12 171	with R12 20	
- MR 45	A6 7079	4 GS Coy 4 BOD See EPP No 34 (Use followed by EPP No 34)	

## 4 v Late Use

6 JA 46

EPP No 18 Type I

## 1 Probably Cairo

8 MA 41	A3 12	3d AMLC	UK
8 MA 41	A3 119	Free OAS	Egypt
15 MA 41		DCFC Written in German	Luxemburg
15 MA 41	2 JU 41	(To Bechuanaland)	SA
13 MA 41	5 JL 41	Free OAS	Egypt
20 MA 41		rec'd 11 AU 41	UK
26 MA 41	2 JU 41	Free OAS	UK
8 JU 41			SA
18 JU 41	21 JU 41		India
19 JU 41			UK
29 JU 41			UK
3 JL 41		OAS	UK
13 JL 41	15 AU 41	(15 AU 41 117 m Egypt adh AIR)	USA
13 JL 41	29 OC 41	(14 OC 41 Australian YMCA envelope)	
19 JL 41		Priv 10d GB adh	NZ
1 AU 41		AMLC	UK
17 AU 41			Palestine
1 SE 41		red	UK
4 SE 41	26 SE 41	52m Egypt adh Air Mail	USA
25 SE 41		GHQ Cairo	UK
29 SE 41			
30 SE 41		"In the Field" blurred "Cooks" ds	Cairo
2 OC 41			
5 OC 41			
6 OC 41		SA APO	
10 OC 41			UK
21 OC 41			Egypt

EPP No 18 Type I continued

11 NO 41		R9	2		
27 NO 41		A2	1538	OAS	Egypt
7 DE 41		A3	296	"G" Plans GHQ MEF	
12 DE 41	16 DE 41	A3	450		India
13 DE 41		A3	749	Free "OAS"	India
14 DE 41	4 JA 42	A3	1025		UK
16 DE 41		A3	873	5m Egypt adh	Egypt
24 JA 42		A3	73		
28 JA 42	9 JU 42	A5	2007	8 as Indian Air Mail (28 JA 42)	India/UK
4 MR 42				To SDF Khartum	
9 MR 42		A5	503		
17 MR 42		A5	855	Free OAS	UK
5 AP 42		A5	190	AMLC GHQ Cairo	UK
16 JL 42		A5	1895	Free OAS	India
20 JL 42		A5	280		UK
18 OC 42	20 OC 42	A5	121		
18 OC 42	1 MA 43			To Command Paymaster in Egypt	Cairo

## 2 Late Use to S Africa

24 DE 45				(ds worn) 1s 9d SA Air	SA
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EPP No 19 Type I

## 1 Mixed Use probably Cairo

19 MA 41				2 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d dark col GB	
26 MA 41		A3	492		
30 MA 41		A3	114	bs 2 JU 41 Cairo	
30 MA 41		A3	136		
30 JU 41		A3	187		Egypt
22 JL 41		A3	?	Framed "Damaged by Sea Water"	
13 SE 41		A2	1967		UK
18 NO 41	10 DE 41	A3	749	RAMC insigna (10 DE 41)	India
22 NO 41		R9	38		
3 DE 41	16 DE 41	A3	450	11 Sikhs	India
8 DE 41		A2	1018	YMCA envelope	UK
21 JA 42		A3	863	AMLC	UK
30 JA 42		A3	174		UK
4 MR 42		A5	765		
19 MR 42	11 JU 42	A5	323		UK
21 MR 42		A5	465		UK
1 AP 42					India

EPP No 19 Type I continued

10 AP 42	1 MA 42		11 Sikhs	India
1 MA 42			Movement Control Cairo	
3 JU 42	23 JU 42	A5 2091	School of AA and CD	
			Searchlight Wing MEF	UK
14 JU 42	2 JL 42	A5 1478	Free OAS	UK/SA
26 JU 42	10 JA 44	A5 2007		Cairo/India
29 JU 42		A5 4804	School of AA and CD	
			S/L Wing MEF	UK
23 AU 42		A5 2000		UK
2 OC 42	11 OC 42	A5 1575	911/83 Armd Bde Coy RASC	
			(before Alamein)	UK
7 NO 42	3 JU 43	A5 1403	GHQ Cairo	UK
3 DE 42	19 FE 43	A5 6288	MI 14 GHQ Cairo	UK
19 DE 42		A5 1695		SA
21 DE 42		A5 4859		UK
27 DE 42	19 FE 43	A5 590		India
6 JA 43	8 MA 43	A5 190	Mu Tr RASC GHQ MEF	
8 JA 43	10 MA 43	A5 6464	MI 14 GHQ MEF	MEF
27 JA 43		A5 6268		UK
25 AP 43		A5 6208		SA
13 MA 43	15 MA 43	A5 4977		UK
22 JL 43				SA

## 2 Late Use South African Forces

4 AU 45	17 SE 45	A7 5291	Pretoria Regt R & T Depot	SA
16 NO 45			SA adhesives	SA
14 JA 46			SA "Victory" issue	SA

EPP No 20 Type I

## 1 Indian Forces

20 MA 41		A3 305		UK
28 OC 41			Ind FPO 28	India
23 AP 42		A5 2239	(29 days in transit)	India
1 MA 42		A5 1452		India
3 MA 42		A5 641		India
4 JU 42		A5 654	bs Ind Base PO	Cairo
?? 42		A5 2121		UK

## 2 Late Use

9 MR 45				
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EPP No 21 Type I

## 1 New Zealand Forces

1 MA 41	- OC 41			HQ Maadi Camp NZ/FPO/1	
20 MA 41	9 AU 41	A3	142	YMCA/NZ "OAS"	UK, NZ
1 JU 41	22 JL 41				NZ
24 JL 41					India

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21 JA 42				2 x 2/6 brown GB adh	
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## 3 Mixed use possibly Alexandria or in desert w. of Alexandria

24 MA 42					
28 MA 42		R10	880		UK
12 JU 42		A5	2223		SA
16 JU 42	27 AU 42	A5	1208		UK
19 JU 42		R10	307		
20 JU 42		A5	1079	10d GB Green Honour Env	UK
8 JL 42		A5	1047		UK
10 JL 42	16 JL 42	A5	1956		UK
12 JL 42		A5	801		UK
13 JL 42		A5	1594		
13 JL 42		U3	361	"Paiforce" type	UK
15 JL 42					Australia
18 JL 42		A5	1099		UK
30 JL 42		A5	314		
5 AU 42	7 AU 42	A5	4951		
6 AU 42	24 AU 42	A5	1385		UK
12 AU 42		A5	1041	addressed to "Red Cross" Cairo	Cairo
17 AU 42		A5	4788		UK
22 AU 42	28 AU 42	R10	192	"Airfield nr Alamein"	MEF
24 AU 42		A5	60		Kenya
31 AU 42		A5	2094		Cyprus
- AU 42		R10	300		
- AU 42		R10	991		
2 SE 42		R10	203		
8 SE 42		R10	911	addressed to "Red Cross" Cairo	Cairo

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2 OC 43		U3	345		SA
13 NO 43				No 2 Convelescence Depot	
17 NO 43		A5	1026	75 Sub-Area - DADDL HQ	UK
17 NO 43				El Ballah	



EPP No 22 Type I

## 1 New Zealand Forces - Helwan

1 MA 41	- JL 43			NZ Gen Hospital Helwan etc. (NZ/FPO/2)	
3 MA 41	10 MA 41	A3	445	9d NZ adh	UK
14 AU 41		A3	263	NZ Stat'y	Egypt
13 OC 41	16 OC 41	A3	282		UK

(Relief to NZ, MPO. KW 2 at Tobruk which lost its equipment in a mine explosion on its arrival 29 NO 41. Datestamp EPP No 22 loaned until replacement datestamp could be provided. Approx period of use 1 DE 41 to 18 DE 41).

16 JA 42	28 JL 43	A5	1503	No 1 NZ GH Helwan	NZ/UK
22 OC 42					

## 2 S. African Forces

13 AP 43				APO-U-MPK A	SAAF
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EPP No 23 Type not verified

## 1 RAF

19 AP 44		R11	23	206 Group HQ	
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## 2 SAAF

12 AP 45		R11	209	SAAF Base Depot	SA
7 JL 45				bs 10 JL 45 possibly an Indian unit	UK

EPP No 24 Type I

## 1 Army - Alexandria

4 MA 41		A3	489	10m AP	Egypt
18 MA 41		A2	3152		

EPP No 24 Type I continued

21 MA 41	6 JL 41	A3	285		India
22 MA 41		A3	186		UK
24 MA 41	30 JU 41	A3	84	1st ASH (BTE) Mustapha Barracks	Cairo
15 JU 41		A3	90		India
29 JU 41		A3	58		
18 JL 41	7 AU 41	A2	1776	64 Gen Hosp Mustapha Pasha Camp	UK
1 AU 41				Camp Commandant No 1 Mustapha Kom el Dir	
19 AU 41		A3	687	NZ YMCA Stat'y	UK
- AU 41	20 OC 41	A2	2986		India
16 SE 41		A3	351	3d GB AMLC	UK
14 OC 41				"Hirings Officer" Mustapha Pasha Camp	Alexandria
2 Army					
24 FE 42		A5	664		
24 FE 42		A5	1836	64 Gen Hosp (rec'd 29 AP 42)	UK
4 MR 42	2 JU 42	A5	587		UK
11 MR 42	23 MR 42			Certified Official	India
13 MR 42		A5	1796	OAS	UK
20 MR 42		A5	2130	PRIV	
20 MR 42	27 MR 42	A5	2136		
23 MR 42		A5	291		
25 MR 42		A3	291	?	
25 MR 42	24 MA 42	A5	1773		UK/India
30 MR 42		A5	1979		Alexandria
19 AP 42	7 MA 42	A5	739		UK
24 AP 42	17 MA 42	A5	1388	Heavy Tanks TS RAC BD W. Abbassia	UK
29 AP 42		A5	757		
30 AP 42	14 MA 42	A5	1423		UK
3 MA 42				RAC BD MEF	UK
6 MA 42		A5	2195		Cairo
24 MA 42		A5	1773		
10 JU 42		A5	778		UK
10 JU 42		A5	727	1a & 8as Ind Air Mail	UK
28 JU 42		A5	664		UK
13 JL 42		A2	2393	Free OAS	Australia
- JL 42	7 SE 42	A5	1657		UK
20 JL 42		A5	395	Air Mail 5 days in transit	UK
23 MR 42					UK
31 JL 42		R10	885		
2 AU 42		R10	31		
3 AU 42	19 AU 42	A5	282	address to "Red Cross"	Cairo
5 AU 42		R10	95		
6 AU 42		R10	252	addressed to "Red Cross"	Cairo

EPP No 24 Type I continued

12 AU 42		A5 385		
13 AU 42		R10 166	addressed to Red Cross	Cairo
15 AU 42		N3 1598	red	
27 NO 42		A5 4781		

## 3 South African Forces

- FE 43	26 JU 44		SA adhs	SA
- DE 43		A5 976		SA
26 JU 44		A6 220		SA
4 AU 44			83 ES BD UDF	SA
7 AU 44		A6 3314	3d SA adh	SA

EPP No 25 Type I

5 MA 41		A3 515	3d GB adhesive	UK
20 MA 41	?? OC 41	A3 33		
? MA 41	9 NO 41	A3 488	red	Alex/UK/Australia
18 SE 41		A3 362		MEF
11 OC 41	18 OC 41	A3 600		UK
	OC 41	A3 190		UK
14 NO 41			TDS 7 Armd Div	Eire
	JA 42	A3 47		

## 2 New Zealand Forces Cairo

MR 42	OC 43		NZ Base PO Cairo	
3 JL 42	9 JL 43	A3 341	Nat Patriotic Fund Stationery	NZ
11 NO 42		A5 1562	NZ YMCA Stat'y	Australia
14 JA 43	24 JA 43	A5 488		NZ
16 FE 43			"Certified Official"	Egypt
16 MA 43		A5 640	bs 2nd NZ	
	OC 43	A5 230	NZ YMCA Staty	NZ

Replaced by normal d/s

4 DE 43

EPP No 26 Type I

## 1 Mixed Army use possibly Canal Zone

1 MA 41		A3 63	10d GB adh	UK
4 MA 41	6 OC 41	A3 400	YMCA env	UK
7 MA 41	25 MA 41	A3 298		UK
24 MA 41	23 AU 41	A3 87		
27 MA 41	- OC 41	R9 39	magenta	UK
2 JU 41		A3 385		
12 JU 41	1 JL 41	A3 305		UK
21 JU 41	15 AU 41	A3 323		UK
26 JU 41		NN5 9487		
3 JL 41	23 AU 41	A1 1597		UK/SA
5 JL 41	23 SE 41	R9 47		
10 JL 41		N1	6m Invest adh	Egypt
11 JL 41		A3 272		SA
19 JL 41	17 AU 41	A3 610		SA
27 JL 41		A3 23	10m AP adh	Cairo
9 AU 41		A3 654		UK
3 SE 41		A2 1157		UK
13 SE 41		A3 824	10m AP adh	Cairo
4 OC 41		A3 654		UK
26 OC 41		NN5 4280	m/s "Fleet Letter" bs 29 OC 41 Cairo	Cairo
27 NO 41		A2 2185		
6 DE 41		A3 627	No 1 Amb Car Coy RAMC	
- DE 41		A3 640		
? ? 41		A3 507		UK
8 JA 42		A3 934		
JA 42	FE 42		NZ FPO Geneifa	

## 2 Maaten Bagush

21 AP 42		R10 57	234 Wing RAF Maaten Bagush	UK
20 JU 42		A5 2001	OAS	UK
18 SE 42		A5 709		
1 OC 42		A5 2054	10d GB adh	SA
26 OC 42		A5 974		UK
27 OC 42		A5 1773	Xmas Greeting AMLC	UK

(234 Wing RAF Maaten Bagush 19 DE 41 - 21 JU 42)

EPP No 26 Type IV

1 RAF HQ Cairo APO S 241

14 MA 43	27 JL 43	R11 266	51 (RAF) MT Coy APO S 241	UK
19 JU 43	23 AU 43	R11 85	20 ADRU/RAF HQ RAF	UK
16 JL 43	24 AU 43	R11 11	Heliopolis	UK
17 JL 43	20 JL 43	R11 751		UK
19 JL 43		R11 709	No 1 (ME) Check & Conversion Unit RAF	Australia
21 JL 43	24 JL 43	R11 240		
21 JL 43		R11 886	red 4 x 2½d light colours	SA
24 JL 43	23 AU 43	R11 2	AP0 S 241	UK
4 AU 43		R11 420		
19 AU 43		R11 ?		Australia
25 AU 43		R11 85		UK
21 DE 43				

2 Late Use - GHQ Cairo

19 FE 45		A6 4685	Q (AE) GHQ Cairo	
? MR 46				UK
3 AU 46			BSDO (E) GHQ MEF	UK
9 AU 46			HQ RAF	UK
15 AU 46			HQ RAF MED ME	Malaya
20 AU 46			HQ RAF NAFFI Stat'y	UK

EPP No 27 Type III

1 Army PO on lines of Postal communication, latter period known to have been working in the desert west of Cairo

13 JU 41		A3 591		SA
21 JL 41		A3 529		UK
25 SE 41		A3 612		
30 SE 41				
11 DE 41		R9 229		
19 DE 41		A3 688		UK
21 JA 42			1 Btn KRRC	
21 JA 42		A2 2385		
16 FE 42	21 FE 42	A5 342	C Sqdn 4 Q Own Huss rs	UK
17 FE 42		SA1A 27		
27 FE 42	27 DE 42	A5 390	Mena Sub Area RASC Office MEF	UK
28 FE 42	8 MA 42	A5 520		
26 MR 42		A5 1960		
10 AP 42		A5 4528		UK

EPP No 27 Type III continued

1 MA 42		A5 2053		UK
? JU 42		R9 228		
7 AU 42			West of Alexandria/Cairo road	
7 AU 42	19 NO 42	A5 1644	523 Coy RASC 9 Armd Bde	
15 NO 42		A5 4566		UK
19 NO 42			s Mersa Matruh 9 Armd Bde	
6 DE 42		A5 878		UK
			Br FPO/170	

## 2 Late Use GHQ Cairo

14 DE 46			GHQ MEF "Free"	UK
17 JA 47				UK
23 JA 47			SMC GHQ MELF	UK
17 FE 47				

EPP No 28 Type I

## 1 N Zealand Forces Cairo

1 MA 41	DE 41		NZ Base PO	
1 MA 41			10m AP adh	
4 MA 41		A3 334		NZ
4 MA 41		A3 506	HM Ship C/o GPO	London
5 MA 41	9 JU 41	R9 59		UK
21 MA 41	18 JL 41	A3 359		UK
22 MA 41		A3 36	6m Invest	Egypt
24 MA 41	15 SE 41	A3 436	232/74 HAA regt (15 SE 41)	UK
7 JL 41		A3 525		UK
28 JL 41		A3 585		UK
21 AU 41		N2 8625		
11 SE 41		R9 124		
24 SE 41		R9 191		
- DE 41	- JU 42		NZ Forces Club Cairo NZ FPO 6	
1 AP 42				NZ
23 AP 42	10 MA 42			NZ
10 MA 42			NZ YMCA envelope	NZ
26 JU 42			NZ Forces Club Cairo	

EPP No 28 Type I continued

## 2 Possibly S. African Forces

7 SE 42				SA
16 SE 42				
26 JU 43				UK

EPP No 29 Type I

## 1 British Army

4 MA 41		A3 291		Cairo
13 MA 41		A3 170	AMLC	
18 MA 41		A3 103	18 BD RASC MEF	UK
28 FE 42				

## 2 Mixed Use with Indian Army content

14 JL 42		A5 664	HQ 10 Ind Div	India
15 JL 42	9 MR 43	A5 1388		SA/UK/India
26 JL 42	30 OC 42	A5 1820	No 5 SA Rescue MT Coy SA Base	UK
	JL 42		Madras Sappers & Miners	India
10 AU 42	1 OC 42	A5 2048		NZ/UK
11 AU 42		A5 1018		UK
19 AU 42		A5 277		UK
29 AU 42	23 JL 43		BD RAC Abbassia	
8 SE 42		A5 1796		
12 SE 42		A5 2069		UK
16 SE 42		A5 1423		
21 SE 42	13 DE 42	A5 1702		UK
22 SE 42	9 MR 43	A5 1388		UK
27 SE 42		A5 2136		UK
28 SE 42	24 NO 42	A5 757		UK
2 OC 42			"Postage Realised" OHMS	India
9 OC 42		A5 4933		UK
11 OC 42		R10 59		
28 OC 42		A5 488		UK
11 NO 42		A5 2099	18 AA Bde HQ Sigs MEF	UK
6 JA 43		A5 336	Sigs Expl Grp MEF	UK
8 JA 43	21 JA 43	A5 1814	RAR Secn GHQ 2nd Echelon	UK/Cairo
18 JA 43			No 14 Reinforcement Camp	
8 FE 43		A5 782		Alex
16 MR 43			Honour Envelope	
22 MR 43			BD RA Almaza	

EPP No 29 Type I continued

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25 NO 43	20 DE 43	A5 627	
NO 43		A5 408	UK
NO 43		A5 1837	
12 DE 43		A5 528	"Christmas Greetings" AMLC UK
2 JA 44		A5 548	From Ind FPO/90 (29 DE 43) Egypt (Then in Asmara, Eritrea)

## 4 Late Use Cairo

28 NO 45	29 NO 45		OAS UK
11 JA 46			No 78 Sqdn RAF Almaza UK
15 JA 46			216 Gp Transit Camp RAF Heliopolis Palace Hotel
16 JA 46			HQ 19 Area MEF NAAFI crest UK
28 JA 46			Movements Suez (Jagger)
17 MA 46			Matron/TANS UK
20 JU 46	26 JU 46		"C" Coy Inf Wing GB D MEF UK
8 OC 46			
1 DE 46			date stamp in v. worn condition UK

EPP No 30 Type I Date bars 9 mm apart

## 1 Mixed use possibly Alexandria

1 MA 41			40 mills AP adh	
11 MA 41	25 MA 41	A3 481		UK
11 MA 41		A3 545		UK
11 MA 41	17 JL 41	R9 12		UK
12 MA 41	11 JU 41	A3 351	6m Invest adh	Egypt
19 MA 41	28 JL 41	A3 79		UK
21 MA 41	? JU 41	A3 304		UK
22 MA 41	8 JU 41	N	Use by Naval PO	
22 MA 41	1 JU 41	N 1	HMS Nile Naval Base Alexandria	
24 MA 41	15 AU 41	R9 48	103 MU RAF	UK
28 MA 41	30 MA 41	R9 73		Cairo
30 MA 41		R9 138	274 Sqdn RAF MEF (1941)	UK
? MA 41			8th Gen Hospital	
1 JU 41		A3 301		UK
10 JU 41		A3 502		UK
23 JU 41		N 1	A/c's Officer "HMS Formidable"	UK



EPP No 30 Type I continued

5	JL 41				SA
16	JL 41	A3	548		UK
	JL 41	R9		From an Indian Unit	India
1	AU 41	A3	711		UK
6	AU 41	A3	687		UK
23	? 41	R9	144		UK

## 2 New Zealand Forces Maadi Camp

	SE 41	AU 42		NZ FPO/1	NZ HQ Maadi Camp	
3	MR 42	21 AU 42	A5 1251			NZ
10	AP 42		A5 596			UK
26	AP 42	25 JU 42	A5 1742	NZ YMCA envelope		NZ
15	MA 42	25 MA 42	A5 431	NZ YMCA Maadi Hut		UK/NZ
21	MA 42		A5 1714	NZ "		NZ
28	MA 42		A5 1026			
23	JL 42		A5 1432	7th NZ A/T Regt		NZ
30	JL 42		A5 1978			NZ
21	AU 42		A5 1251			NZ
27	AU 42		A5 1386			NZ
26	SE 42		A5 1041			NZ

"HMS Formidable new Aircraft carrier based at Alexandria  
took part in the Battle of Matapan 27th - 30th March 1941"

EPP No 30 Type I Date bars 10 m apart

## 3 Late Use Signs of general wear of the datestamp

7	NO 45	"Free"	UK
7	NO 46	SSAFA GHQ MEF	UK

## dates noted

14	APO - 1	
16	JA PO - 2	A3 496
4	- JU ■ 41	
10	■ AP ■ 42	

Later dates show solid slugs between the groups of figures and letters in the dateline. Examples seen dated 1945 and 1946 the dateline appears boxed with the date bars wider spaced. Although there are general signs of wear no other characteristics were noted. It is suggested these variations are the result of "packing" the head of the instrument to hold the letters firmly in place.

EPP No 31 Type I

## 1 South African Air Force - possibly SA APO 31

SA APO 31 established at SAAF HQ Cairo 17-7-41 closed 19-12-45

8 SE 41	31 JL 42	SAIB 420		UK
10 SE 41	3 NO 41	R9 122	1 Sqdn SAAF Robert Heights	SA
10 OC 41	25 NO 41	R9 292		SA
1 DE 41		A3 507	To HM Ship C/o GPO London	UK
14 DE 41		E2 323		SA
18 DE 41		A3 794		SA
22 DE 41	7 FE 42	A3 795		SA
15 JA 42		SAIB 322		SA
20 JA 42		SAIB 324		SA
19 FE 42		SAIB 288		SA
4 MR 42	8 JU 42	R10 298	21 Sqdn SAAF/UDF	SA
17 AP 42		R10 167		SA
7 MA 42	11 AU 42	R10 873	SA Reg Env	SA
11 MA 42	19 MA 42	R10 896	SA Reg Env APO 31	SA
21 MA 42		R10 890	"	SA
2 JU 42	30 AU 42	R10 183	No 1 Fighter Sqdn SAAF LG 92	SA
19 JL 42	24 AU 42	R10 60		SA
23 JL 42		R10 295		SA
6 AU 42		R10 252		Cairo
9 OC 42		R10 ?	Applied in transit	Malta
19 OC 42		R11 217	red	SA
19 NO 42	17 MA 44	R11 768	bs SA APO 29 of 16 MA 43	SA
29 NO 42		R11 167	10d SA adhs	SA
2 DE 42	9 AU 43	R11 759	24 Sqdn SAAF/UDF	SA
5 MR 43		R11 548		SA
14 JU 43	22 JU 43	R11 923		SA
10 ?? 43		R11 43		SA
9 AP 44	31 AU 44		44 Sqdn SAAF Cairo West	SA
24 AP 44	28 NO 44	R12 367		SA
26 NO 44		R15 21		

## 2 Late Use

JA 46	18 FE 46		RAF/PO 554 Shari Ibrachan Pasha	UK
20 FE 46			5 Coy 3 GHQ Sigs MEF	
7 MR 46			MEEU Helwan Disposal Park	
10 MR 46	12 JU 46		ms "At Sea - Port Said"	
3 JU 46			SEME b w Sudan MEF	
12 JU 46			No 2 Survey Map Depot	Palestine
14 JL 46				

EPP No 32 Type I

Long associated use with the Polish contingent

16 OC 41		A3 241	Written in Polish	Palestine
17 OC 41		A3 241		Egypt
31 JL 43				SA
DE 44			Polish APO with GB adhs	Cairo
15 JA 46	28 NO 46		Br FPO/28 Polish APO 102	Poczta Polowa
1 JU 47			Br FPO/33 Polish APO 114	
			Polish APO 103	
5 SE 47			Polish APO 111	" "
5 NO 47	(Latest recorded date of use)		( Polish APO 111 reg.	
			( Polish APO 101 (7 x 1947)	

EPP No 33 Type I

## 1 British Army

8 MA 41	9 JU 41	A3 326		UK
26 MA 41	21 JU 41	A12 53		UK
2 JU 41	6 JU 41	A3 317		UK
9 JU 41	14 NO 41	A3 236		
20 JU 41	19 JL 41	A3 251	6 MT SD RASC MEF	
5 JL 41	30 OC 41	A3 502		UK
21 JL 41		A3 538		Natal
11 SE 41	24 SE 41	A3 169		
15 SE 41		A2 1157		UK

## 2 Army Post Office behind Alamein

18 MA 42		A5 614		UK
10 JL 42	8 SE 42	A5 536	10th Armd Div	UK
7 AU 42		A5 1575	911 Coy RASC 8 Armd Bde	UK
8 SE 42		A5 3488	158/53 LAA Reg RA 10th Armd Div	UK
11 SE 42		A5 741		India
12 OC 42		A5 491		UK
18 NO 42		A5 4777		UK
25 NO 42		A5 628	104 Reg RHA MEF	India

EPP No 33 Type I continued

3 South African Forces possibly SA APO 31 HQ SAAF Cairo

13 AP 43	10 DE 43		SA adhesives	SA
17 MR 44	7 AP 44		"Certified Official"	SA
15 AP 44	21 JU 44	R11 759		
17 MA 44		R11 768		
6 OC 44		A6 9517		
23 NO 44	28 AP 45	R12 209	SAAF Base Depot Cairo	SA
25 FE 45			SA adhesives	

4 Late Use

1 JU 46	18 JL 46		REME GHQ 2nd Eschelon	UK
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EPP No 34 Type I

1 1st South African Division UDF possibly SA APO No 7

6 JU 41			10m AP adh	SA
30 AU 41	? DE 41	SAIA 118	25 Inf Bde HQ 1 SA Div UDF	SA
21 SE 41	23 AP 42	SAIA 254	Cape Town Highlanders	SA
12 OC 41	15 OC 41	SAIA 119		SA
4 NO 41		A3 222	2 SA Bde 1 SA Div	SA
7 NO 41	27 JA 42	SAIB 319	SA Eng	SA
8 NO 41		SAIA 10		SA
14 DE 41	23 DE 41	SAIB 326	10 Fld Batt 4th Fld Reg UDF	SA
27 JA 42			Kaffrian Rifles UDF	SA

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4 MR 42	17 JA 43	A5 210		UK
28 AP 42		SAIB 334		UK
14 MA 42	1 JA 43	A5 2211		UK
11 JU 42	1 JL 42	R10 95		
12 JU 42		N 1	Naval Censor	
24 JU 42		A5 778		UK
29 JU 42		R10 885		UK
5 JL 42	9 MR 43	A5 1380	15 Gen Hospital	UK
4 AU 42			HQ 75 Area - redirected to HQ Sub Area	UK
6 AU 42		R10 292		Cairo
20 AU 42	13 NO 42	A5 1026	HQ 75 Sub Area	

EPP No 34 Type I continued

17 SE 42	21 MR 43	A5 294		SA/UK
17 OC 42			180 Gen Transport Coy RASC	
26 OC 42		A5 1610		India
19 NO 42		R11 152		UK
25 NO 42		A5 180		
5 MR 43		A5 4764		
8 MA 43	15 MA 43	A5 1668		UK
6 JL 43		A5 1657		India
MR 43			Kantara	
3 Canal Zone				
11 MR 45		A6 7079	4 BOD 4 GS Coy Fayid	
20 MR 45			Free OAS	MEF
22 MR 45	11 JU 45	R12 96		UK
2 AP 45		R12 371		
8 AP 45		A6 1446	No 2 Base Wk/shps RE	UK
16 AP 45	28 AP 45	A6 8719		UK
26 AP 45	28 AP 45	A6 7079	4 GS Coy 4 BOD RAOC	UK
26 AP 45	7 JL 45		RAF Fayid	
27 AP 45	7 NO 45		9 Base Amno Depot RAOC	UK
6 MA 45		R12 171	RAF Fayid	UK
19 MA 45		A6 384		
13 JU 45			70 Sub Area	
30 JL 45	31 JL 45	A6 5212		
17 JL 45	11 SE 45	R12 43		UK
3 AU 45		A6 1600		
8 AU 45		A6 5046		
25 AU 45		R12 20)		Alexandria
		R12 43)		
4 SE 45	20 SE 45	R12 77	112 MU RAF WadiYsara	
11 SE 45		R12 20		Alexandria
		R12 171		
17 SE 45		A7 4322	No 2 Base Wk/shps	
24 OC 45	6 NO 45		112 MU RAF WadiYsara	
29 DE 45			107 MU (GES) RAF MEF	
31 DE 45			240 Wing Mtce RAF MEF	
31 DE 45			52 DID Wing RASC MEF	
6 JA 46			Fayid	
6 MA 46	6 JU 46		(Datestamp in very worn state)	
19 NO 46				

EPP No 35 Type I

## 1 Indian Forces - possibly Alexandria

15	JU 41		A2 3287	bs Ind/BAPO/Egypt	Cairo
28	JL 41		A3 633		
28	JL 41				India
5	OC 41		A2 1304		
3	NO 41			No 5 Convel <sup>l</sup> ce Depot	

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18	OC 42		A5 4733		
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## 3 Mixed Use possibly Alexandria

15	JU 43	21	JU 43		GB adhesives	
1	JL 43			A5 314		MEF
30	JL 43	11	JU 44	R11 234	RAF Aboukir	UK
23	SE 43	6	MR 44	R11 295		UK
13	OC 43	19	OC 44	A5 1774	No 5 Convel <sup>l</sup> ce Depot	UK
31	DE 43			R11 219		UK
12	FE 44	16	AU 44	R11 215	46 Uganda SCPN	
24	JL 44	25	JL 44	A6 5078		UK
28	JL 44			A6 1551	- 40 days in transit	UK
8	AU 44			A6 7263	4 HAA Regt	
16	AU 44			R11 912	2902 Sqdn RAF(R)	UK
18	AU 44	19	SE 44	A6 5511		UK
26	AU 44			R11 836	Sidi Bishr	
20	SE 44				ALC 3d GB adh	
15	NO 44			R11 209	Reg Br APO 38 10d SA adh	UK

EPP No 36 Type I

## 1 Indian Forces (three periods of use)

20	MA 41			OHMS	India	
15	JU 41			bs Ind BPO/Egypt/16 JU 41	Cairo	
4	OC 41	8	OC 41	A2 1418	ms With HM Indian Forces	India
?	? 41			A3 622		

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28	MR 42	19	MA 42	A5 1789	"Postage Realised"	India
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EPP No 36 Type I continued

18 AP 42	18 AU 42	A5 1074	Labratta L I	India
12 MA 42		A5 1115		India
6 AU 42		A5 1922		
19 NO 42		A5 6588	bs Ind BPO No 1 SOR Cairo	
11 DE 42		A5 1769		
18 MR 43			1st Btn 2 Punjab Regt	India
9 SE 43		A5 1899	4/11 Sikh Regt	India
19 SE 43			"Postage Realised"	India

## 3 Late Use

6 MR 45		A6 3098	8as Ind Adh	India
14 MA 45				

EPP No 37 Type II

## 1 South African Forces. Possibly SA APO 32 U

SA APO 32 U was opened in 1941 at the UDF Base Depot Helwan to serve personnel in transit - closed Feb 1946

5 MA 41	15 MA 41		AP adhesives	UK
21 MA 41		A3 414	Free OAS	UK
16 JL 41		A3 479	10m AP adh	SA
1 AU 41		A3 604		
AU 41		SAIB 420	red	UK
6 DE 41	19 JA 42	A3 327	HQ 4 Inf Bde	SA
6 DE 41	19 JA 42	A3 805		SA
7 DE 41		A3 12	ms "In the Field"	
31 DE 41		A3 908	Free OAS	Egypt
31 DE 41		A3 806	HQ 4 Inf Bde	SA
29 JA 42		A3 1056	AMLC	
11 FE 42		EA3A 278		Bulawayo
14 FE 42		A5 214		
18 FE 42			2nd Eschelon SA APO 32 U	
19 FE 42		A5 1656		
27 FE 42		A5 2229		UK
28 FE 42	21 DE 42	A5 1633	7 Fld Bakery GSC UDF	SA
8 MR 42		A5 983	SA adh	UK
12 MR 42	5 NO 42	A5 1635		
16 MR 42	6 MA 42	A5 1213	HQ 4 Inf Bde	SA
23 MR 42		A5 1730	Reg SA APO 32 U	SA
15 AP 42		A5 743		SA
8 MA 42		A5 1247		India
1 JU 42		A5 1146		SA

EPP No 37 Type II continued

1 JU 42	12 JL 42	A5 2084		SA
17 JU 42		A5 1252		SA
28 JU 42			L of C Sigs SA	
29 JU 42		A5 1843		
20 JL 42		SAIB 437	10d SA adh	SA
25 JL 42	19 OC 42	A5 573	Reg SA APO 32 U	Palestine
1 AU 42	26 AU 42	A5 1730		SA
27 OC 42		A5 1633	SA APO 32 U	MEF
9 DE 42	3 MR 43	A5 1297		SA
14 DE 42	11 JA 43	A5 1676	9th Armd Command SA Base	SA
16 DE 42		A5 1638		SA
17 DE 42		A5 1147		SA
3 JA 43		A5 39		NZ
10 FE 43		A5 ?	1 Fld Provost Coy SA Base	SA
24 FE 43		A5 6564	Armd Group UDF	SA
25 MR 43			2 x 6d SA adh	SA

EPP No 38 Type I

## 1 Mixed Use

2 MA 41	25 MA 41			SA
17 MA 41		R9 118		
15 JU 41		A2 2273	OAS	SA
18 JU 41		SAIA 210	SA Tank Corps envelope	SA
19 JU 41		A2 2369		UK
21 JU 41		A2 2327		
27 JU 41		A3 361		
29 JU 41		A2 2120	(9)	UK
12 JL 41		A3 483		SA
21 JL 41	24 DE 41	A3 588		UK
1 AU 41	19 AU 41	R9 41		
9 AU 41	24 SE 41	A3 215		Egypt
18 AU 41	1 SE 41	A3 486	27 SL Bty RA MEF	UK
1 SE 41	17 SE 41	A3 548		SA/UK
21 SE 41		A3 482		UK
25 SE 41		R9 116		
1 OC 41	4 OC 41	A2 1974		
7 OC 41		A2 2004		UK
17 OC 41			No 3 GH MEF	
17 OC 41		R9 21	red	UK
? OC 41		A3 1413		
OC 41		A3 715		Tel Aviv
4 NO 41	20 DE 41	A3 316		
5 NO 41		A3 217	HQ 7 Inf Bde	UK



EPP No 38 Type I continued

31 DE 41		A3 309	SA
41		EA5 621	SA

## 2 Relief Usage

AU 42	NZ/FPO/1 HQ Maadi Camp
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EPP No 39 Type not verified

## 1 British Army

9 JU 41			
14 JU 41		A2 1014	Scotland
18 JU 41		mss	UK
9 JL 41		A2 186	UK

## 2 Indian FPO 93

27 MR 43	- MA 43	Indian FPO 93	Port Tewfik
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EPP No 40 Type I

## 1 Mixed Use

6 MA 41			10m AP adhesive	
7 MA 41	10 OC 41	A3 306		
7 MA 41	29 MA 41	A3 207	Captured Italian envelope (29 MA 41)	NZ/UK
7 MA 41		R9 41	6m Egypt adh	Egypt
8 MA 41	11 DE 41	R9 36	107 MU RAF MEF Kasfarlut	UK
16 MA 41		A3 242		
19 MA 41	15 AU 41	R9 101		UK
22 MA 41	20 OC 41	R9 40		
28 MA 41		A3 606		
29 MA 41	29 JL 41	A3 352	81 Base Wk/shops SA E Corps	Cairo
3 JU 41	8 NO 41	A3 162		UK/MEF
8 JU 41	9 JU 41	A3 244	10m AP	SA
26 JU 41		SAIA 272		SA

EPP No 40 Type I continued

27 JU 41	7 JL 41	A3 361		
1 JL 41		R9 118		India
3 JL 41		SAIB 420	SAAF Envelope "Robert Heights"	UK
8 JL 41	8 AU 41	A3 696		SA
17 JL 41		R9 200		UK
2 SE 41		A3 689		UK
3 SE 41		A3 639		
17 SE 41		A3 403	Indian Official adhesives	India
4 OC 41		R9 33		UK
10 OC 41	28 OC 41	A3 827	Free OAS	SA
1 DE 41		A3 33??		UK
9 JU 41		R9 135	HQ RAF Heliopolis	
26 SE 4?			RAF Shandur	

## 2 Known association with the New Zealand Forces

- JU 41	- JA 42		NZ FPO 4	
- FE 42	- MA 42		NZ FPO 4 - 3 NZ Gen H Helwan (Office to Lebanon)	

EPP No 40 Type IV

## 3 RAF Followed by mixed Army use

18 JL 42		R10 872	10m adhesive	
21 JL 42	1 OC 42	R10 915		Egypt
27 JL 42		R10 414		
29 JL 42		R10 446	51 Repair Salvage Unit RAF	UK
6 AU 42		A5 4621	OAS	UK
7 AU 42		R10 158		
14 AU 42		R10 423		
15 AU 42		R10 307		
18 AU 42	19 AU 42	A5 4488		UK
31 AU 42				
2 OC 42	19 OC 42		"Postage Realised"	India
19 OC 42		A5 4875	red	India
28 NO 42			3m adhesive	Egypt
7 DE 42	28 FE 43	A5 2106		UK
28 JA 43		A5 2242		UK
13 AP 43		A5 6811		MEF
19 AP 43		A5 2196		India
19 AP 43		A5 7874	From a Gunner	UK
31 MA 43		A5 6436	65/22 Fld Regt SAA	SA
12 JU 43		A5 4888		SA

EPP No 40 Type IV continued

## 4 Late Use

24 AU 45	14 SE 45	R12 175		UK
26 AU 45		R12 151		UK
3 SE 45		R12 136		
14 SE 45		A7 3389		
18 SE 45			Almaza	
19 SE 45		A7 5279	BD RA MEF	
18 OC 45			RS Inf BD MEF	UK
24 SE 45		R12 244		

EPP No 41 Type I

## 1 Australian Forces Ikingi Maryut

7 MA 41				
10 MA 41		A2 3296	Australian YMCA Envelope	Australia
11 MA 41		A2 3091	9d Plat	Australia
MA 41	SE 41	A2 3498	9d Plat	Australia
7 JU 41			Aust FPO 31 AIF Ikingi Maryut	Australia
JU 41		A3 157	9d Plat	NZ
8 JL 41		A3 469	9d Plat	Australia
		A3 448	9d Plat	Australia

## 2 Mixed Forces, possibly Western Desert

23 JA 42		R9 138		UK
23 AP 42	25 JA 43	A5 282	No 3 Coy RETC/MEF	UK
27 AP 42		A5 418		UK
28 AP 42	21 MA 42	A5 283	4/13 Frontier Force Rifles 10 Ind Div	India
1 MA 42		A5 1349		UK
19 MA 42		A5 704	Yugoslav unit in w. desert	Cairo
16 JU 42		A5 576		India
24 AU 42		R10 531		
12 NO 42			Indian FPO	India
13 NO 42		A5 802	OAS	UK
15 DE 42		A5 385		UK
18 DE 42		R11 87		UK
20 DE 42	26 DE 42	A5 1148		UK
21 DE 42		A5 65		SA
9 JA 43		A5 733		
9 JA 43	24 MR 43	R11 936		
1 FE 43		A5 4236		

EPP No 41 Type I continued

14 MR 43		A5 538		UK
24 MR 43		A5 6448		UK
30 AP 43		R11 617		
7 MA 43	2 JU 43	A5 1410		Cairo
43		R11 980		UK

EPP No 42 Type I

## 1 New Zealand Forces

- MA 41	- FE 42		NZ FPO 1 Maadi Camp	
13 MA 41		A3 ?		
24 MA 41	24 JU 41	A3 326	NZ adhesive	NZ
29 MA 41		A3 111		NZ
4 JU 41	? JL 41	A3 355		Cairo/NZ
6 JU 41	21 JA 42	A3 148	NZ adh	NZ
15 JU 41		A3 184		NZ
21 JU 41		A3 325		NZ
21 JU 41		A3 164	NZ adh	NZ
28 JU 41		A3 522		NZ
1 JL 41		A3 521		NZ
17 JL 41		A3 286	NZ YMCA envelope	UK
30 JL 41	7 AU 41	A3 107	27 MG Bn NZEF "(10 miles from Cairo)"	UK
2 AU 41	8 OC 41	A3 166	NZ YMCA envelope	NZ
15 SE 41		A2 3027	NZ adh	NZ
2 OC 41		A3 518	NZ adh	NZ
13 OC 41		A3 859		
15 OC 41		A3 355	NZ AMLC	NZ
28 OC 41			NZ Training Depot	
29 OC 41	18 NO 41	A3 787	NZ adh	NZ
22 DE 41		A3 356	NZ adh	
11 JA 42			3d KG VI NZ adh	NZ
7 FE 42		A5 431	NZ adh	NZ
12 FE 42		A5 1386		
15 FE 42		A5 803	NZ adh	NZ

## 2 South African Forces, possibly UDF APO 16 106 SA Gen Hospital

29 MR 42			SA adh	SA
7 MA 42		A5 1175		Cairo
4 JU 42	21 JU 42	A5 1735		SA
4 JU 42	3 OC 42		SA adh	SA

EPP No 42 Type I continued

10	JU 42	6 DE 42	A5 1765	4d S Rhodesia adh	S Rhodesia
26	AU 42			10 NZ adh	NZ
	SE 42		A5 422		
8	JA 43		A5 1639	Comp Railway Coy UDF APO 16	SA

## 3 S African Forces, possibly SA APO 32 U

14	AU 43	11 NO 43	A5 1730		Natal
23	AU 43			Director of Medical Services SA Base	SA
15	SE 43		A5 4770		SA
26	SE 43	4 NO 43	A5 1633		SA
21	OC 43	13 NO 43	A5 1297		SA
28	OC 43		A5 2220		UK
7	NO 43		A5 39		SA
11	NO 43		R11 120		SA
20	DE 43		A5 1676		SA
20	JA 44	29 JA 44	A5 6897		SA
4	MR 44		A5 9250	SA Bantam adh	SA
25	MR 44		A6 1504		
6	AP 44			SA adh	
15	MA 44	21 JU 44	A6 4358		
2	JU 44		A6 9517		
19	JU 44			SA MC Wing	

EPP No 43 Type II

## 1 South African Forces

6	JU 41		SAIA 109		SA
14	JU 41		SAIA 7		SA
23	JU 41		SAIA 210	SA Tank Transport Corps Env	SA
-	JL 41		SAIA 233		SA

## 2 GHQ Cairo

10	JA 42	17 JU 42		OHMS	Cairo
18	FE 42	6 AP 43	A5 657	RE GHQ MEF	UK
28	AP 42		A5 657		India
28	MA 42			"Postage Realised"	India
2	JU 42		A5 1817		UK
16	JU 42			GHQ Cairo	"Alex"
21	JL 42		R10 250	Gezira Sporting Club Cairo	"Alex"

EPP No 43 Type II continued

28 JL 42	20 AU 42	R10 449	53 RSU RAF MEF	Cairo
11 SE 42	4 NO 42	A5 4322		UK
14 SE 42		R10 573		
15 SE 42		A5 5703		
16 SE 42		A5 598		UK
23 SE 42		R10 96	236 Wing RAF MEF	Gold Coast
21 OC 42		R11 205		
4 NO 42		A5 4328		
5 NO 42	15 NO 42	R11 283	XMAS AMLC (15 NO 42)	UK
16 NO 42				
9 DE 42		R11 269		
9 DE 42	24 DE 42	R11 238		
24 DE 42		R11 218		
30 DE 42	4 JA 43	R11 203		UK/SA
4 JA 43		A5 4798		
16 JA 43		A5 48		UK
20 JA 43		R11 ?92	RAF BPO	UK
24 JA 43		R11 292		UK
19 FE 43		A5 1903		
9 FE 43		R11 31		"Alex"
7 MA 43		R11 234	1d GB adh	N Ireland
11 MA 43			GB adhesives	
21 FE 44		A6 7166		
			British FPO 191 (Jagger)	

EPP No 44 Type I

## 1 Mixed Army Use

7 AU 41			10d GB adh	
20 SE 41		R9 227		
24 OC 41		A3 728	52 mills Egypt adh	Bahrain
24 OC 41	18 NO 41			SA
26 NO 41		A3 457	6m Invest	Cairo
30 DE 41		A3 16		Palestine
1 JA 42		A3 1005		UK
22 JA 42		A3 970	mixed Frankings	SA
28 JA 42		A3 923		UK
3 FE 42		A3 877		UK
10 MR 42		A5 1906	blue FPO 38 25 FE 42	UK
24 MR 42		A2 ...5	written in Greek 15 mills	
			Palestine adh	Egypt
28 MR 42		SAIA 254	10d GB adh	
8 MA 42		R10 369		

EPP No 44 Type I continued

10 JL 42		A5 1205	Ind PO L-69 8 JLY 42)	UK
5 AU 42		A5 940		Cairo
14 OC 42		A5 520	LAD C/o HQ Sqdn 6 RTR	UK
22 OC 42		A5 2117		Cairo
20 DE 42				

## 2 Late Use

25 JL 45				Ismalia
1 AU 45		A6 1493	5 BOD MELF	UK
6 AU 45		A6 5984		UK
9 AU 45		A6 8317	OAS Air Mail	UK
20 AU 45		A 3755	5 BOD MELF	UK
20 AU 45		A7 4887		Alexandria
15 SE 45	22 SE 45	R12 322	1330 CU Bil Beis	UK
15 OC 45			No 1 Batt BD RASC	
12 NO 45			Swazi Works Coy	Swaziland
24 NO 45			1997 (Swazi) Coy APC	SA
3 DE 45			Br Mil Hospital Quassassim	
8 FE 46	15 DE 46		5 BOD MELF	UK
11 MR 46	28 MR 46		BD REME ROL GG	UK
1 AP 46			31 Ind Bde C/o REME Base	UK
- MA 46			No 4 Coy P/CD WA Wing	SA
22 AU 46			No 2060 Seychelles Coy 5 BOD	
10 DE 46	18 JA 47		No 29 Br Mil Hospital	Canal Zone
6 JU 47			Air Letter	UK

EPP No 45 Type I

## 1 Australian

Unspecified 1941			Base PO AIF	Cairo
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3 FE 42			Official	UK
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## 3 RAF

4 FE 44	18 AP 44	R11 843	RAF Station El Ballah	UK
19 MR 44		R11 636		
20 MR 44			RAF Station Abu Sueir	

EPP No 45 Type I continued

25 MR 44		R11 238		UK
26 ?? 44		R11 87		
16 AP 44		A5 5252		Cairo
4 RAF				
24 AP 45		R12 936		
29 MA 45		A6 9509		UK
9 JU 45	16 JL 45	R12 60		
18 JU 45	24 SE 45	R12 188	red	UK
19 JU 45	29 AU 45	R12 173	RAF Ismailia	
19 JU 45		R12 175		UK
7 JL 45	3 AU 45	R12 173)		Palestine
		R12 20)		
5 British Army possibly				
24 AU 45	24 SE 45	A7 4164	Free OAS	UK
31 AU 45		A7 3936		Palestine
10 SE 45	24 SE 45	A7 4165		UK
24 SE 45		A7 3905	A Coy RETD	UK
28 SE 45			Sister QAIMNS 12 Br Gen Hospital	UK
6 OC 45			7 Btn The Rifle Bde/MEF	UK
8 OC 45			A Coy RETD	UK
1 NO 45			946 INT Op Coy RE MEF	UK
11 NO 45	3 DE 45		8 Inf Bde REME	UK
13 NO 45			Br FPO 67 Moascar	UK
3 DE 45			42 DR Sec 3 Coy 18 (Canal) Area Sigs	UK
11 DE 45				CMF
14 JA 46			2nd East Surreys	UK
28 MR 46			No 10 MDRU AMDGW	UK
26 AP 46				
27 AP 46	26 OC 46		AMDGW Ismailia	UK
JL 46			104 Sqdn Ismailia	

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EPP No 46 Type I

## 1 Mixed Use

24 MA 41		A3 207		UK
19 JU 41		A3 6		Cairo
31 OC 41		A3 446		UK
41		R9 46		UK

## 2 New Zealand Forces

AU 42	AU 43		NZ FPO 6 NZ Forces Club Cairo	
19 AP 43				India
20 JU 43		A5 2081	Free OAS	NZ
26 AU 43		A5 530	?	UK

## 3 Late Use - datestamp in worn state

10 MR 47	27 MR 47		HQ RAF Med MA Abusuir	UK
18 AP 47			2nd N Staffs Regt MELF	
28 MA 47			Geneifa	UK

EPP No 47 Type I

## 1 South African Forces possibly SA APO 17 5th Inf Bde

15 MA 41	31 OC 41	SAIB 320		UK/SA
15 MA 41	20 MA 41	SAIA 69		SA
28 MA 41	14 JL 41	SAIB 315	(14 JL 41 SA Revenue adh)	SA
MA 41	21 OC 41	SAIA 35	5th Ind Bde HQ	SA
17 JU 41	3 NO 41	SAIB 303		SA
16 JL 41		SAIA 119		SA
23 AU 41		SAIB 330		SA
5 SE 41	16 SE 41	SAIA 28		SA
18 SE 41		SAIB 334	1od SA adh	SA
12 NO 41	30 DE 41		SA adhs	

## 2 NZ adhesives or destination

15 OC 42	16 OC 42	R10 998	24 Wing 3 AF sigs NZ adh	UK
	42			NZ

EPP No 48 Type II

## 1 RAF - Aboukir

10 JU 41		A3 556		SA
16 AU 41		R9 240		UK
14 SE 41		R9 158		
18 SE 41		A3 162		UK
10 OC 41	4 NO 41	A3 864		UK
10 DE 41	3 JA 42	R9 48	Aboukir	
21 JA 42		R9 61		
4 FE 42		R10 311		
17 FE 42			103 MU RAF Aboukir	Egypt
3 MR 42	31 AU 42	R10 345		UK
14 AP 42		A5 1150	OAS	India
28 MA 42	14 OC 42	R10 260		
26 JU 42		A5 480		
4 OC 42	14 NO 42	R10 263)	same correspondence	
13 OC 42	27 AP 43	R11 155)		
19 OC 42	7 MA 43	R11 234	Aboukir	
26 OC 42	26 NO 42	R11 153		
25 NO 42			Aboukir Depot RAF	Cairo
11 DE 42		A5 713	OAS	Cairo
11 DE 42	22 DE 42	R11 143		
24 DE 42		R11 218	258 Wing HQ RAF	
23 FE 43		R11 395		
20 MR 43		R11 154		Cairo

## 2 Mixed Army Use

20 OC 43	24 OC 45		16 Area Sigs MEF	
1 DE 43		A5 1895		
14 DE 43		A5 6445		MEF
18 JA 44		A5 6206		
18 JA 44		A5 2162	bs (from FPO 167)	Alexandria
24 JA 44		A5 44	bs	SA
9 FE 44		A5 9465	bs (from Ind FPO R 2)	
3 AP 44	12 AP 44	A5 230	bs	
15 AP 44			Civil Censor - Greek National	
25 AP 44			9 as Aden	Palestine
3 JU 44			Indian adh	Palestine

## 3 Late Use Alexandria

19 AP 45		A6 8953	Green Honour Env	UK
20 AP 45		A6 1106	Free OAS	UK
17 MA 45		A6 6571		
21 MA 45	13 JU 45	A6 8181		UK
21 MA 45	19 AU 45	A6 5677	1 Coy 8 L of C/RCS Carlile Club Alexandria	UK

EPP No 48 Type II continued

6 JU 45		A6 4372		
22 JU 45	27 AU 45	A6 5430		UK
29 JU 45		A6 7775		
17 JL 45	18 SE 45	R12 68)		Cairo
		R12 20)		
17 JL 45	27 SE 45	R12 68	Air HQ Eastern Med	UK
3 AQ 45		R12 190		UK
4 SE 45		A7 3357		
18 SE 45	22 SE 45	A7 5016		
20 OC 45			SIB 16 Area MEF	
2 NO 45			RAF Gianacelis	UK
9 NO 45	12 JA 46		2nd Btn Royal Irish Fus MEF	UK
29 NO 45			No 3 Sec <sup>n</sup> Production Group RE	
18 DE 43	13 JA 46		No 3 Gen Mil Hospital Amirya	UK
18 FE 46			1003 Docks Operating Coy RE	UK
12 JL 46			SCU 4 (MERS) MEF	UK
8 AQ 46			SNAK 14 Petrol Depot	UK
21 AU 46			Fleet Mail Office Alexandria	

EPP No 49 Type I

The cancellations from this datestamp are generally very weak

30 OC 41		A3 95		
? OC 41		A3 958	Australian and GB adh's ?	SA
41		A3 79	3d GB adh OHMS	India
12 NO 41		A5 713		
16 MR 43				

EPP No 50 Type I

1 New Zealand Forces Cairo

1 MA 41	- JL 41		NZ Base PO Cairo	
- JL 41	- MR 42		NZ/FPO/5 4 NZ Conv Depot	
			Moascar etc.	
20 MA 41	21 MA 41	A3 540		NZ
6 JU 41	6 SE 41	A3 541	NZ adh	UK/NZ

EPP No 50 Type I continued

7	JU	41		A3	565		NZ		
8	JU	41	14	JL	41	A4	25	NZ YMCA stationery	NZ
14	JU	41	28	JL	41	A3	665	9d GB adh 3d GB AMLC	NZ
16	JU	41	11	AU	41	A3	624	NZ YMCA stationery	NZ
27	JU	41	24	JL	41	A3	637		NZ
30	JU	41				A3	304		SA
5	JL	41	14	JL	41	A3	628		Australia
15	AU	41				A3	99		NZ
23	AU	41				A3	662	NZ adh	NZ
24	OC	41				A3	325	NZ YMCA stationery	NZ
27	OC	41		?	41	SAIA	247	NZ YMCA stationery 9d NZ adh	NZ

Office to Palestine

## 2 Army

21	AU	42	13	OC	42	A5	4781		UK
22	SE	42				A5	604	to FA's Branch GHQ	Cairo
22	SE	42				A5	734		

## 3 Late Use "Mixed"

19	JL	45				A6	9572		
21	NO	45						RAF Giamacles	UK
12	FE	46						With British Fleet Mail 36	
								Alexandria	SA
21	MR	46						12th Royal Lancers MEF	UK
29	AP	46						3 Br GHQ	Alexandria
4	DE	46	16	DE	46			Br Mil Hospital Amirya	UK
13	JA	47						Lt Col Wynch Life Guards	

EPP No 51 Type I

## 1 Mixed Use

19	SE	41						3d SA adh	
25	SE	41				A2	1707		India
22	NO	41				A2	2158	11 BSD RASC	UK
30	NO	41						HQ A Park 10 ORD/RASC	
6	DE	41				A2	1228	Free OAS	UK
23	DE	41				A2	1691		
1	JA	42	25	FE	42	R9	97		
1	JA	42				A3	979		"Alex"

EPP No 51 Type I continued

3 JA 42		A1 950		UK
9 JA 42		A2 116		UK
16 JA 42		A3 213		UK
23 JA 42		SAIA 27		Cairo
10 FE 42		R9 238		
5 MR 42		A5 292	11 BSD RASC	UK
7 MR 42	7 MA 42	R10 910	HQ 206 Group (18 M6 42)	UK
13 MR 42		R10 212		
19 MR 42		A5 1835		UK
30 MR 42	17 AP 42	A5 248	OAS	UK
11 AP 42		A5 405		UK
12 AP 42	27 AP 42	R10 180		
16 AP 42		R10 307		
29 AP 42		A5 1963	"Postage Realised"	India
30 AP 42		A5 1208		
11 MA 42		A5 911		"Alex"
23 MA 42		A5 329		
6 JL 42		R10 747	GB 10d NZ 5d adh	UK
2 OC 42		A5 4983	OAS	UK
8 OC 42		A5 2276		UK

## 2 British Army

21 AU 44		A6 9572	bs LEE SE 12/25 AU 44	UK
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EPP No 52 Type II

1 South African Forces, and is also associated with the New Zealand Forces

14 JL 41	2 NO 41	SAIA 108	mixed franking	SA
17 JL 41	2 NO 41	SAIA 108	SA adh	
4 AU 41			10d SA adh BAPO 4 ds as killer	UK
5 AU 41		E 120		SA
22 AU 41		SAIA 129		SA
29 AU 41		A3 772	Censor number inverted	SA
30 SE 41	12 OC 41	SAIA 210	SA Tank Corps	
8 OC 41		A3 827	Mixed franking	SA
15 OC 41		SAIB 411		SA
22 OC 41		A3 365		
29 OC 41			5th Armd Regt SA	
2 OC 41	30 NO 41	A3 805	HQ Kaffrarian Rifles	SA/Egypt
14 NO 41	17 NO 41	SAIA 103	15th Mobile Bath Unit	SA

EPP No 52 Type II continued

14 NO 41		A3 908		
24 NO 41	28 NO 41	A3 327	HQ Kaffrarian Rifles	Cairo/SA
8 NO 41		A3 806	NZ 3d AMLG HQ 4th Inf Bde	SA
5 AU 41	24 AU 41		NZ adhesives	

## 2 Army

25 MR 42		A5 ?		UK
30 JU 42	OC 42	A5 2123		Cairo
24 SE 42		A5 605		
11 NO 42		A5 2252		

EPP No 52 Type IV

## 3 British Army

3 AP 43	29 SE 43	A5 1814		
11 AP 43	11 MA 43	A5 1388		UK/Malta
3 MA 43		A5 2254		
5 MA 43			535 Base Wk/shps REME	
6 MA 43		A5 358		UK
11 MA 43		A5 4752		UK
14 MA 43		A5 443	10d GB adh	Kenya
23 MA 43	29 MA 43	A5 528		UK

## 4 Mixed Use with RAF

14 AU 43	10 DE 43	R11 636		
18 AU 43	10 DE 43	A5 284		UK
24 AU 43		R11 120		UK
? AU 43	17 SE 43	R11 943		UK
24 AU 43	2 DE 43	A5 1522	306/27 S/L Batt RA MEF	UK
5 SE 43		R11 936		
13 SE 43	10 NO 43	A5 282		
24 SE 43		A5 605		
2 OC 43		A5 2294		
19 OC 43		R11 499		
9 NO 43		A5 1009		
7 DE 43	5 JA 44	R11 843	E1 Ballah	
12 JA 44		R11 87		SA

EPP No 52 Type IV continued

## 5 Later Use

29 NO 44		R12 142)	Moascar	UK
		R20 15)		
30 NO 44		A6 6350	Reported as type III but has not been verified, confirmation of other examples from this period requested.	

EPP No 53 Type I1 Use by South African Forces in Dock area possibly SA APO 28/  
Port Tewfik

13 JL 41		A2 1874	3d dark blue GB AMLC	UK
1 NO 41		A3 778		SA
3 NO 41	13 NO 41		SA APO	SA
3 NO 41			SA Hospital Ship No 1	SA
9 JA 42		A3 837	SA APO	SA
20 JA 42		A3 ??11		SA
21 FE 42	3 AP 42	A5 1389		SA
15 AP 42		EA5B 612	41 SAEC UDF MEF	
9 MA 42			1st Netherland Indies Hospital Ship "Oranji"	
9 JL 42		A5 1215	SA adh	UK
6 AU 42		A5 1640	Egypt adh "Via Air Mail Clipper"	USA
7 AU 42	4 SE 42	A5 1176		
9 SE 42	2 DE 42	A5 1933	31st (Road Const) Coy SAEC	SA
5 OC 42	16 AP 43			SA
6 NO 42		A5 2133		SA
11 JA 43		R11 217		Alexandria
6 FE 43	23 MA 43	A5 976	2nd Docks Operating Coy SAEC	SA
16 AP 43		A5 1388	To Army Sig Office GHQ	Cairo
2 JL 43		A5 6630	SA adh	SA

## 2 SA APO No 29 2nd SA Div HQ Cairo

19 AP 44		A5 7166	SA APO 29 SA Reg Letter	GB
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EPP No 53 Type I continued

## 3 Late Use, possibly Cairo

4 JL 46	Cairo	
10 JL 46	No 3 Det 4 B Wk/shps REME	UK
18 JL 46	REME Record Sect 2nd Echelon GHQ	
5 OC 46	Almaza Camp	UK
19 OC 46	8 mills Egypt adh Air Mail	
19 DE 46	ds very worn state	
14 JA 47	25 mills Egyptian Air	
15 JA 47		
10 MR 47		Palestine

EPP No 54 Type III

## 1 South African Army possibly SA APO 34

11 JU 41			
11 AU 41	26 JA 42	SAIA 244	4th Bde SACS SA APO 34 SA
14 AU 41		SAIA 231	2nd RDLI
15 AU 41		SAIA 224	
22 AU 41	26 OC 41	SAIA 243	
24 AU 41	12 DE 41	SAIA 242	Sig UMR 2 Div UDF SA
13 FE 42	13 JU 42	A5 1984	HQ Coy Kaffarian Rifles SA
15 FE 42	25 MA 42	A5 1536	SA
15 FE 42	18 MA 42	A5 1244	Sig UMR Mt Rifles 4 SA 2 Div SA
27 FE 42		A5 1252	SA
27 FE 42			Certified Official India
2 AP 42		R10 307	UK

## 2 Mixed Usage

13 NO 42	
15 FE 43	R11 138
11 MA 43	A5 1208
18 OC 43	

Two of the 1943 recordings were reported with capital letters for the month. Confirmation required if the roman numerals were replaced during the later period of use.

## 3 Late Use

13 SE 45	A6 5981	Att No 3 (B) BESD RE	UK
19 SE 45	A6 4322	No 2 Eng (Base) Wk/Shops RE	UK



EPP No 55 Type I

## 1 South African Forces, possibly SA APO 3

3 JU 41	12 AU 41	SAIA 15		SA
20 JU 41	5 JA 42	SAIA 17		SA
25 JU 41		SAIA 254		SA
27 JU 41	16 OC 41	SAIA 16		SA
20 JL 41	28 AU 41	SAIA 18		SA
3 AU 41	16 FE 42	SAIA 47		SA
25 OC 41			bs	
13 FE 42		A5 1554	Yugoslav Base and Training Depot	SA
20 FE 42	25 DE 42	A5 426	1st Transvaal Scottish 1 SA Bde	SA
9 MR 42		A5 1648		SA
19 MR 42		A5 936		SA
20 MR 42		A5 1166		SA
23 MR 42	19 SE 42	A5 1176	SA adh	SA
8 AP 42		A5 922		SA
13 AP 42	20 SE 42	A5 2190		UK
3 MA 42		A5 3281		MEF
12 MA 42	17 MA 42	A5 440		SA
13 JU 42	30 AU 42	A5 1261	SA adh	SA
12 JL 42		SAIB 310		SA
5 AU 42		A5 1546	DMR	
11 AU 42	21 SE 42	A5 839	1 Royal Natal Carbineers	Natal
17 AU 42		A5 1429		SA
19 AU 42	23 SE 42	A5 1700		SA
3 SE 42		A5 723		SA
28 OC 42		A5 836		
6 NO 42		A5 2214		

## 2 Alexandria

6 MA 43			Greek Unit Alexandria	
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EPP No 55 Type IV

## 3 RAF HQ Cairo APO S 241

6 JA 44		R11 843		UK
12 JA 44	29 JA 44		R Sig Wing GBD HQ RAF	
12 JA 44		R11 406		
12 JA 44		R11 635	10d GB adh	Kenya
14 JA 44		R11 886	No 1 (MEF) Ferry Control	

EPP No 55 Type IV continued

20 JA 44		R11 28	216 Group HQ RAF	
24 JA 44		R11 2	APD S 241 Cairo	
7 ?? 44		R11 892		
4				
6 JU 44			bs from FPO 293	
8 JU 44			bs from FPO 142	
17 JU 44		A6 9824		UK
27 JL 44			AF 10 USA 6 cent adh	USA
5 Cairo possibly Cairo West				
3 OC 44			To 37 Coy RASC (Amb Car)	UK
			4m Egypt adh	
28 OC 44	13 AU 45	A6 6212	Free OAS	UK
13 DE 44		A6 1554	208 BLU Royal Jugoslave	UK
			Base and Training Depot	
13 DE 44	4 JL 45	A6 44	HQ Force 133 GHQ MEF	UK
28 FE 45			Flown in from E Africa	UK
23 AP 45		R12 232	43 Staging Post RAF Paiforce	UK
12 MA 45	24 JL 45	R12 281		UK
12 MA 45		R20	11 5 45	
22 JU 45		A6 9242		SA
30 JL 45		A6 6215	Free OAS	UK
2 AU 45		R12 309		UK
9 AU 45		A6 240	Written in Greek YMCA envelope "Alex"	
24 AU 45	26 NO 45	R12 310	No 22 Staging Post RAF Wadi	
			Halfa	UK
13 SE 45	15 NO 45	R12 241	Signal School RAF Helwan	UK
17 SE 45		A7 3387	OAS	UK
1 NO 45	26 NO 45		RAF Wadi Halfa	UK
12 NO 45			695 Coy RASC	
3 DE 45			Survey GHQ MEF	Ordnance
15 DE 45			AFSTD MEF	
14 JA 46			1589 Flight Cairo West	

EPP No 56 Type I

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AP 41

Naval Markings - suspect date

EPP No 56 Type I continued

## 2 Mixed Use

21 JU 41	23 AU 41	A3 60	bs Ind FPO 87 (Gebeit Sudan)	
23 JU 41	30 OC 41	A3 346		UK
30 JU 41		A2 1707		Cairo
26 AU 41			OHMS bs EPP 4	USA
17 SE 41		A3 185		
16 SE 41		A3 78		UK
18 SE 41		A3 129		UK
25 OC 41		A3 265	"OAS"	UK
1 DE 41		A3 925	10m AP adh	Alexandria
1 DE 41	20 JA 42	A3 272		UK
6 DE 41		A3 323		Cairo
31 DE 41		R9 259		UK
6 JA 42	15 JA 42	A3 639		
11 JA 42		A3 573		UK
19 JA 42		A2 1366		UK
21 JA 42		A2 213		UK
22 JA 42		A2 1625		Australia
1 FE 42		A2 1658		UK
11 FE 42		A5 282	"Free OAS"	UK
14 FE 42		R9 186		
20 FE 42		R9 245		
20 FE 42		R9 175		
28 FE 42		A5 1410		UK
16 MR 42		A5 2221		
21 MR 42	24 MR 42	R10 293		UK
23 MR 42		A5 2186		UK
24 MR 42	28 MR 42	A5 1657		UK
25 MR 42	31 MR 42	R10 885		UK
15 AP 42		R10 141		
17 AP 42		R10 317		UK
4 MA 42		R10 947		UK
?6 MA 42		R10 95		UK

## 3 Army

3 AU 42		A5 4719		UK
26 SE 42		A5 4871		
11 OC 42		A5 4023		UK
14 OC 42	16 OC 42	A5 4735		UK
NO 42		A5 1651		India
42		A5 1950		

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6 MR 43

3d GB adh

EPP No 56 continued

## 5 Late Use possibly Canal Zone

29 JA 45 Movement Control Suez UK  
 27 JU 45 R12 244

EPP No 57 Type II

## 1 Mixed Use

3 MA 41 R9 120 Lt 1st Ae SH (16 Inf Bde) in  
 Baggish Box defending an  
 airfield in Fuka area UK  
 "Alex"  
 11 JL 41 A3 64  
 19 AU 41 13 OC 41 R9 48 Sig Sect 68 HAA Regt MEF UK  
 19 AU 41 R9 213  
 21 SE 41 R9 105 287 AMES RAF  
 29 DE 41 26 JA 42 GB adh  
 6 JA 42 A3 359 UK  
 8 JA 42 R9 24 UK  
 17 JA 42 21 FE 42 R9 63 Senior RAF Officer Port Said UK  
 30 JA 42 R9 178 Belgian Camp Te Tahag  
 Qassassin Cairo  
 3 FE 42 24 AP 42 A5 617 UK  
 10 MR 42 7 AP 42 A5 496 Censored by 2nd/Lt RA UK  
 10 MR 42 15 MR 42 R10 469 Port Said UK  
 11 MR 42 25 MR 42 A5 121  
 27 MR 42 A5 1998 blue black OAS UK  
 29 MR 42 R10 496 204 AMES MEF UK  
 16 MA 42 A5 929 Gibraltar  
 4 JU 42 4 DE 42 A5 6117 UK  
 7 JU 42 10 JU 42 A5 187 Gibraltar  
 18 JU 42 A5 5782  
 29 JU 42 R10 148  
 - JU 42 6 OC 42 A5 1816 UK  
 15 JL 42 A5 4530 B Sqdn 40 Btn RTR/MEF UK  
 22 JL 42 - OC 42 A5 1951  
 22 JL 42 Jaipur Guards  
 28 JL 42 A5 684  
 9 AU 42 A2 182 30 LAA  
 15 AU 42 A5 4918  
 19 AU 42 A5 4532 UK  
 21 AU 42 R10 534  
 23 AU 42 A5 615 India  
 1 SE 42 21 OC 42 A5 4861 UK

EPP No 57 continued

4 SE 42	15 SE 42	A5 613		Cairo
3 AU 42	15 JA 42	A5 1375		Sudan UK
7 SE 42		A5 1051		UK
8 SE 42		A5 2252		
15 SE 42		A5 375		
15 SE 42		A5 4459	No 5 TT Coy RASC	UK
17 SE 42	DE 42	A5 1006		UK
19 SE 42	21 OC 42	A5 4861		
26 SE 42		A5 4871		UK
31 OC 42		A5 58		
	OC 42	A5 4782		
11 NO 42		A5 4988	OAS	UK
4 DE 42		A5 6117		
4 DE 42		A5 5894		SA
27 DE 42		A5		

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20 JA 43	6 FE 43	R11 316		
MA 43				

## 3 Late Use GHQ Cairo

16 JA 46			PID GHQ	UK
23 JA 46			CAB GHQ	UK
22 AU 46			RAF/MELF	UK

EPP No 58 Type II

## 1 Australian Base PO Cairo

3 MA 41			AIF Base PO Cairo	Australia
19 JU 41	7 JL 41		9d Plat adh	Australia
17 JL 41		A2 3294		Australia
16 NO 41		A2 3037		Australia

## 2 Mixed Use

17 JA 42	(arr)	A2 3289	(arr)	Cairo
19 JA 42	bs	A2 3076	(bs) AIF PO No 13 (17 1 42)	Egypt
28 MR 42	3 AP 42	A5 2291		UK
5 AP 42		A2 1106		

EPP No 58 continued

19 MA 42		A5 1062		UK
10 JU 42		A5 221		Egypt
7 AU 42			GB adh	
16 OC 42		R11 318		Canada
19 MR 43		R11 233		UK
22 MR 43		N 1	From RNVR	Sierre Leone

## 3 Late Use RAF HQ Cairo

7 JU 44	19 JU 44	R11 2	HQ RAF ME	9th Army
28 JU 44	17 AU 44	R11 2)		
		R11 20)		
28 OC 44		A6 5242		UK
16 NO 44		A6 44	5th Div Sigs	UK
29 NO 44	29 MA 45	A6 44	BD RAMC	
1 MR 45			bs from FPO 35 (27 FE 45)	
1 MR 45		R12 312		UK
1 MR 45		R20 15	bs from FPO 35	UK
13 MR 45		R12 234	RAF Bahrein Bas Bahrein	UK
14 AP 45	27 JU 45	A6 6212		UK
4 MA 45	24 MA 45	A6 9943	ms Jeddah RASC ME Mission	UK
12 MA 45		A6 1205		
20 JU 45		R12 25/R12 15		
24 JL 45		A6 7740	HQ Coy 2/7 Middx Regt Palestine	UK
26 JL 45		R12 25		
7 AU 45		R12 77		
23 AU 45		A6 9572		
7 AU 46				

EPP No 59 Type I

Three separate periods of use have been recorded with the South African Forces

1				
16 JU 41	5 NO 41	SAIA 233	DMR	SA
18 JL 41	15 NO 41	SAIA 235		SA
16 AU 41		SAIA 249		SA
23 SE 41		A3 237		SA
15 OC 41		SAIA 235	bs Cairo 21 OC 41	Cairo
28 OC 41		SAIA 203		SA
28 OC 41		SAIA 239		SA

EPP No 59 continued

12 JA 42		EA5B 410		SA
8 FE 42		SAIA 254		SA
27 FE 42	6 MR 42	A5 1158	HQ Sqdn Pretoria Regt	SA
2 MR 42	28 AU 42	SAIB 337	1/7 SA Rec Mt Coy UDF	SA
3 MR 42		SAIB 377	MT Transport	SA
15 AP 42		A5 132	HQ Kaff	SA
12 MA 42		R10 288		SA
8 JL 42		A5 154		SA
29 JL 42		A5 1306		SA
19 OC 42	1 NO 42			UK

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31 JA 44	31 MR 44	A5 6317	HQ Sqdn Pretoria Regt	SA
5 FE 44	28 MR 44	A5 6542	C Sqdn PAC UDF	SA
8 MR 44		A5 6670		SA

## 3 Possibly SA APO 32

3 NO 44		R12 42	SIGS RS HQ SQDN 107 MU RAF	
28 NO 44		A6 9701		SA
21 MR 45		A6 9517		SA
29 MR 45	18 AU 45	A6 5039	Med Depot CRS Admin (HQ)Rear	SA
30 MR 45		A6 5962		UK
20 JU 45		R15 21	Atchad ?	
28 SE 45		A7 4880	Med Depot CRS Admin (HQ)Rear	SA
2 NO 45			984 INT w/shop Coy RE MEF	SA
3 DE 45				

EPP No 60 Type I

## 1 South African Forces

24 JU 41		SAIB 410	6 SA Armd Car Regt	SA
24 JU 41	6 SE 41	SAIA 233	DMR 2nd Div	SA
25 JU 41	8 SE 41	SAIA 234		SA
30 JU 41		SAIA 65		SA
15 JL 41	8 AU 41	SAIA 227	OAS	SA
23 JL 41		SAIA 68		SA
3 AU 41			Australian YMCA envelope	SA
6 AU 41		SAIA 208		SA
16 AU 41		SAIA 216		SA
18 AU 41		SAIA 217	SA RA Crest	SA
19 AU 41	24 AU 41	SAIA 219	BD EB 2 Div Q Services Corps	SA
			UDF	SA

EPP No 60 continued

24 AU 41	8	41	SAIA 218		SA
7 SE 41					NZ
11 SE 41			SAIA 247		SA
17 SE 41			SAIA 213		SA
17 SE 41				SA OHMS	UDF

## 2 Mixed Use

7 FE 42				Multi franking	SA
18 FE 42				Certified Official	India
4 MR 42			R10 295		SA
6 MR 42			A5 117		UK
13 MR 42			SAIB 353		UK
16 MR 42			A2 2034		UK

## 3 Late Use, mixed possibly Alexandria

1 NO 44	28 NO 44		R12 151		
7 NO 44	8 JA 44		R12 181	1 DKU RAF	
27 NO 44	28 NO 44		R20		
3 DE 44			A6 3278	Christmas Card	UK
15 DE 44	19 JA 44		A6 8777	APO/OOA/MEF	UK
1 JA 45			A6 3009		
13 JA 45			A6 7451	Corps of Mil Police 16 Area	UK
16 JA 45			A6 6162	Free OAS	UK
21 MR 45	25 JL 45		A6 9589		
29 MR 45	9 AU 45		A6 9572	18 Coy "C" sec RASC(MAC)MEF	SA
31 JL 45			A6 5146		
15 OC 45				2 Btn Royal Irish Fus	
14 NO 45	3 DE 45			RAF Gianallis MEF	
31 DE 45				Alexandria	
19 MR 45				Audit Branch NAAFI/ME PO	
				Base 1006	Cairo
29 AP 46				335 Coy RASC MED	
10 JU 46				RV 3 LB Draft MEF	UK

EPP No 61 Type I

## 1 Australian FPO No 18 Alexandria

20 MA 41					
20 MA 41			A3 251	AIF FPO/18 Alexandria	
3 JU 41	22 JU 41		A3 281	9d Platy adhesive	Australia
9 JU 41				Aust'n Red Cross Society Overseas	



EPP No 61 continued

3 AU 41	10 SE 41	A3 478	9d Platy adhesive	Australia
10 SE 41		A2 1753	9d Platy adhesive	Australia
2 Mixed Use				
16 MA 42		A5 1018	A Park 10 ORD RASC MEF	
3 JL 42	19 NO 42	A5 207		UK
3 JL 42	4 SE 43	A5 45	"Camouflage" HQ 8th Army	UK/SA
13 JL 42		A5 1562	YMCA	UK
25 JL 42				India
25 JL 42	15 MA 43	A5 640	64 Gen Hospital	mixed
9 AU 42		A5 1430		UK
15 AU 42		R10 2	To Red Cross	Cairo
24 AU 42		A5 81		
21 SE 42	7 MR 44	A5 781		
3 OC 42		A5 913		Egypt
8 DE 42	14 JA 44	A5 16	B Coy 1st Arg & Suth H Sidi Bishr Camp	UK
29 DE 42	12 MR 43	A5 1992	S Rhodesian adhesives	S Rhodesia
3 JA 43		A5 1326		UK
5 JA 43		A5 1826		
5 FE 43		R11 601		
27 FE 43		R11 512		
17 MA 43		A5 1993	To Army sigs Off GHQ	Cairo
24 JU 43		A5 4935		UK
9 AU 43		A5 1430		UK
13 AU 43	12 NO 43	R11 ?64	Att No 1 MEAS/RAF Shallufa	UK
22 AU 43		A5 21		UK
26 AU 43	24 SE 43	A5 5763		
3 OC 43		A5 5791		UK
12 OC 43		A5 3143	"Official"	UK
15 OC 43	21 AP 43	A5 211		
6 NO 43	13 DE 43	A5 6722		
6 NO 43		A5 6805		UK
9 NO 43		A5 29		UK
28 FE 44		A5 231		
7 MR 44		A5 5044		
13 MR 44		A5 4080		UK
26 MR 44	31 AU 44	R11 864	RAF Shallufa	
4 AP 44	9 MA 44	A6 5243		
15 AP 44	25 AO 44	A5 1397		UK
11 MA 44		A6 7263		
MA 44		A6 1425		
4 JU 44		A5 830	Hosp Ship "Dorsetshire"	UK
12 JU 44	4 JL 44	A6 7610		
15 JU 44		A6 8966		
22 AU 44		R11 373		
30 AU 44		A6 9701		
6 OC 44		A6 1403		

EPP No 61 continued

11 OC 44	27 AP 45	A6 8795			
4 DE 44		R12 114	No 1 ME Arm't School RAF		Egypt
			Shallufa		
4 DE 44	28 AP 45	R12 114	DSS RAF Shallufa		
23 DE 44			79 DID RASC		
30 JA 45		A6 8928			UK
JA 45		R12 276	No 2 (ME) Fuel Transport		
			Coy RAF		
27 FE 45		A6 446			UK
28 FE 45	23 JU 45	A6 6906			UK
11 MR 45		A6 6926			UK
16 MR 45	16 AP 45	A6 5997			
8 AP 45		A6 6900	Port Tawfiq		UK
29 MA 45		A6 6675			
1944 - 1946			APD/190		

EPP No 62 Type to be confirmed

## 1 New Zealand Forces

1 MA 41	DE 41		NZ Base PO Cairo		
DE 41	MR 42		NZ/FPO/3 2 NZ GHQ	Gerawla	
AU 41	16 FE 42		NZ adhesives		NZ
5 DE 41		A3 445	NZ adhesives		Kenya
8 JA 42			9d Plat adhesive		Australia
1 FE 42		A3 999	Free OAS		UK
2 FE 42		A5 2031			NZ
19 FE 42		A5 249	3dAMLC		UK
			Office to Palestine		

## 2 Army

23 MA 42		A4 142			SA
DE 43		A5 284			UK

EPP No 63 Type I

## 1 South African Forces possibly SA APO 33

30	JU 41					
19	JL 41		SAIA 79			SA
23	JL 41	18	SAIA 215	3 Inf Bde 2 SA Div		SA
26	JL 41	7	SAIA 69			SA
	5	AU 41	SAIA 213			
18	OC 41		SAIA 97			SA
25	OC 41	26	SAIA 212			SA
26	OC 41		SAIA 68			SA
28	OC 41	13	SAIB 341	No 5 SA RES MT Coy UDF		SA
	1	NO 41	SAIA 209			SA
	14	NO 41	SAIA 213			SA
22	NO 41		SAIA 213			SA
	1	DE 41	SAIB 357			SA
12	DE 41		SAIB 364			SA
16	FE 42		A5 1607	Military Accounts		India
	7	MR 42	SAIA 171			SA
16	MR 42	12	A5 831			SA
12	AP 42		SAIB 316	4 Batt 2 AA Regt UDF		SA
	5	MA 42	A5 1331			SA
24	MA 42	29	A5 708			SA
11	AU 42		A5 1254			SA
22	AU 42		A5 1166			SA
18	AU 42	22	A5 1546	3 Batt 1 Anti Tank Regt UDF		SA
13	SE 42		A5 1216			SA
			A5 703			SA
			A5 768			SA
19	NO 42		A5 887			SA
	6	DE 42	A5 867			SA

## 2 Late Use GHQ Cairo

31	JA 46	21	JU 46	HQ RAF
22	FE 46	27	FE 46	SMC GHQ NAAFI
14	MR 46			
21	AP 46	31	MA 46	CAB GHQ MEF

EPP No 64 Type II

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6	OC 41			SA adh
14	FE 42		A5 1244	(month roman II)

EPP No 64 continued2 Airfield near Alamein - also reported as used by the Canadian  
Air Force

8 AU 42		A5 4515	8 an Indian	India
12 SE 42			adh	
17 SE 42	29 SE 42	A5 520		
20 SE 42	30 SE 42	R10 747		UK
20 SE 42		A5 1072		
21 SE 42	23 SE 42	A5 370		UK
21 SE 42	? OC 42	R10 991		UK
23 SE 42	29 SE 42	A5 874		UK
9 OC 42		A5 2234		SA
11 OC 42		A5 1913	13 Survey Map Depot RE	
12 OC 42		R10 208		Egypt
13 OC 42	19 OC 42	R10 122		UK
16 OC 42		R11 163		
22 OC 42		R11 143		
25 OC 42	1 NO 42	R11 52		
25 OC 42		R11 214		
25 OC 42		R11 633		
28 OC 42		R11 242		
1 NO 42		A5 335		UK
13 NO 42		R11 152		
14 NO 42		A5 109	3d GB adh	
9 DE 42		R11 138		
9 DE 42		R11 195		
11 DE 42	8 JA 43	R11 798		
21 DE 42		R11 147		
- DE 42			Br FPO 140	UK
- DE 42				India
11 MR 43		A5 4328	74th CW Coy RE MEF	
28 MR 43		R11 371		
31 MR 43		R11 502		
11 AP 43		A5 211		UK
3 MA 43		R11 413		UK
11 MA 43		A5 1208		UK
10 ?? 43		R11 179		
27 JU 43		A5 1141	Free OAS	UK

## 3 (South African Unit)

11 OC 44		A6 8821	1936 Coy RASC (Basuto)	SA
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EPP No 65 Type II

## 1 South African Forces

13 JL 41		SAIA 108		SA
14 AU 41		SAIA 243		SA
27 AU 41		A2 4890		
15 AU 41		SAIA 17		SA
20 SE 41		A3 837		
15 NO 41		SAIA 16		

## 2

19 MA 42			bs Free OAS from FPO 235	Egypt
26 AU 42		A5 4674		
5 SE 42	25 OC 42	A5 4646	50 Bn 50 RTR MED	UK
23 SE 42		A5 4340	"B" Sqdn 4 RTR MEF	UK
5 NO 42	1 DE 42	A5 4821		UK
15 NO 42		A5 4788		UK
NO 42		A5 4835		UK

## 3

4 AP 43	28 JA 44			
21 MA 43			(bs) From FPO 137	
26 MA 43			Palestine adhesive	

## 4 Cairo

26 FE 44			RAF	
25 OC 44		A6 939	OAS m/c "It Pays to Lend"	
			25 OC 44	Wales
17 OC 44		A6 5682		UK
24 JL 45		R12 318	Cairo West RAF	UK
13 AU 45		R12 96		UK
23 OC 45		R12 244		UK
13 DE 45			AF STD/MEF	UK

EPP No 66 Type I

## 1 Mixed Use

6 JL 41		A3 185		
3 AU 41	10 SE 41	R9 172		

EPP No 66 continued

17 AU 41			bs 3 res MT Coy RASC	
3 SE 41		R9 164	9d Platy Australian adh	Australia
30 SE 41		A3 60		
30 OC 41				

## 2 Army

12 JA 42		A3 492		
17 FE 42	9 MR 42	A2 3152		UK
6 AP 42	20 AP 42	A5 1959		

## 3 Army W. desert

5 SE 42		A5 4646	C Sqdn 50 Batt RTR Alamein	UK
30 NO 42		A5 ?	1 Btn R Sussex Regt	UK
			7 Ind Inf Div	

## 4 HQ RAF Cairo

FE 44	HQ RAF Cairo
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## 5 "Late Use" Cairo

24 AP 45		A6 5238	61/64 Anti Tank Regt RA	
4 MA 45	3 AU 45	R12 318	RAF Cairo W	UK
19 JU 45	30 JL 45	R12 96		
16 JL 45		A6 3134		
14 AU 45		R12 129	RAF Cairo W	
8 NO 45	5 DE 45		4 BOD (T) RAOC	UK
10 JA 46			HQ 216 Group (Transport) RAF	UK
			(In Jan 1945 216 Group came under Med Allies Air Forces)	
24 JA 46			Official	UK

EPP No 67 Type I

## 1 South African Forces

22 JU 41			SA adh	SA
23 JU 41	30 AU 41	SAIA 118		SA

EPP No 67 continued

3 JL 41	27 JL 41	SAIA 254	13 Plat D (5) 60 Cape Town Highlanders	SA SA
6 JL 41	10 AU 41	SAIA 119		
2 South African Forces - possibly SA APO 16				
18 MA 42		SAIB 425		SA
24 MA 42		A5 1285		SA
26 MA 42		A5 153		SA
1 SE 42		A5 165		SA
13 SE 42		SAIA 125		SA
10 OC 42	19 SE 44	A5 1093		SA
17 NO 42		A5 2685		
30 AP 43	3 MA 43	A5 1765	106 SA Gen Hospital	SA/MEF
14 MR 44				
3 Late Use - RAF				
5 JA 45	9 AP 45	R12 188		
24 MR 45		R12 60		

EPP No 68 Type I

## 1 Mixed Use possibly connected with a hospital

30 JL 41		A3 387		UK
4 SE 41		A2 1911	390 Fld Btty 144 Fld Regt	
7 DE 41		A3 864	Hospital near Rosetta	Alexandria
15 DE 41	19 AP 42	SAIA 49	4 SA Gen Hospital	SA
11 MR 42	5 NO 42	R10 311		UK
18 MR 42	14 OC 42		Certified Official	India
21 MR 42	18 AP 42	A5 242		UK
11 AP 42	14 JU 43	A5 1150	(av 36 days in transit)	India
19 AP 42		A5 1572		
17 AU 42		R10 263 )	same correspondence	
26 OC 42	21 NO 42	R11 155 )		
1 OC 42	4 OC 42	A5 2121		SA

## 2 Mixed Use

17 AU 43		R11 348		
16 MR 44		N1		
20 JU 44		A6 211	3rd Air Sigs	UK
21 JU 44		A6 8715		UK
10 MR 44		R12 170		UK

EPP No 69 Type I

## 1 Army

21 AU 41		A3 186		
22 SE 41		A3 243		UK
16 OC 41		A3 716	61 days in transit	UK
11 NO 41		A3 12	red "In the field"	UK
17 NO 41		A2 1437		Alexandria
19 DE 41		SAIB 314		SA
22 DE 41				

## 2 Army possibly western desert

21 JL 42		A5 1979		
30 JL 42	11 AU 42	A5 802	1 Armd Div Wk/shps "near the sea"	
2 AU 42	15 AU 42	A5 774		UK
5 AU 42		A5 4646		UK
28 AU 42		A5 168		UK
1 SE 42		A5 1402		
13 OC 43	18 OC 43	A5 410		SA
27 OC 43		A5 52?	OAS	UK

## 3 Mixed use

1 FE 44	3 MA 44	R11 497		
21 FE 44		A5 1814		
25 FE 44		A5 2216	arr Bombay 26 MR 44	India
29 FE 44		A5 6412		
5 MR 44		R11 943		
6 MR 44	17 MA 44	R11 614		
6 MR 44	23 MA 44	R11 898		
7 MR 44		A5 1604		
13 MR 44		A5 587	809 BPSS Coy RASC	UK
20 AP 44		A5 6243	blue Greek Forces	Alexandria
AP 44	JL 44			NZ
10 MA 44	16 AU 44	R11 103	RAF Shandur	UK
13 MA 44	MA 44	A6 5996		
22 MA 44		A6 4573	Indian Unit	UK
12 JU 44		A6 8547		
20 JU 44	21 JL 44	A6 5775		
5 JL 44		A6 7700		SA
15 JL 44	4 SE 44	R11 120	RAF Fayid	UK
30 AU 44			Fanara	
20 SE 44	7 OC 44	A6 4374	6 Coy 3 Bn (MT) ME I TO/MEF	
13 OC 44		R12 171	RAF Fayid	UK
17 OC 44		A6 8719	550 RE Wk/Shps	
23 OC 44	30 OC 44	R12 196	RAF Shandur	UK
30 OC 44		A6 384		



EPP No 69 continued

4 NO 44		A6 5212		
6 NO 44		A6 5449		
7 NO 44		R11 769		
13 NO 44		R12 43		
17 NO 44		A6 3244		UK

## 4 Late Use

30 AU 45		A7 2679		UK
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EPP No 70 Type III

## 1 South African Forces

8 JL 41	5 FE 42	SAIB 410	6 SA Armd Car Regt UDF	SA
14 JL 41	19 AU 41	SAIB 319	SA Eng'r Unit	SA
15 JL 41	15 AU 41		Australian adh's	
24 JL 41	29 JL 41	A3 726		SA
30 JL 41		EA5B 26		SA
12 AU 41		SAIA 105		SA
17 AU 41	20 AU 41	SAIB 330		SA
21 AU 41		SAIA 107		
11 SE 41		SAIB 364	6 SA Armd Car Regt	
17 SE 41		SAIA 90		SA
4 OC 41		SAIB 341	No 5 SA RES Mt Coy UDF	
15 OC 41		A3 847		SA

## 2 South African Forces, later dates possibly Canal Zone

10 MR 42			S Rhodesia adh	
27 MR 42		A5 1490		
27 AP 42		A5 2169		
6 JL 42		R10 295		
10 JL 42		SAIA 68		
19 AU 42		A5 1699		
22 AU 42	8 DE 43	A5 2121	151 Inf Bde	
9 SE 42	6 DE 43	A5 2118		
3 DE 42	12 OC 43	A5 1899		SA
1 MR 43		A5 1765	151 Inf Bde Wk/shops	
13 JL 43	6 JA 44	N1		SA
21 SE 43		A5 1360		SA

EPP No 70 continued

## 3 South African Forces, possibly SA APO 40

3 AP 44			From ship enroute to SEAC	
21 AP 44		A5 1699	106 SA Gen Hospital	SA
21 AU 44				SA
2 JA 45			5 SA Gen Hospital	
14 MR 45			With SA APO 40 Reg Label	SA
9 AU 46				UK
1 NO 46			From ship en route to SEAC	
21 NO 46		A6 4681	SA adhesives	SA

EPP No 71 Type I

## 1 South African Forces, possibly SA APO 29 GHQ Base PO Cairo

11 MA 41		A3 41	SA adh	UK
23 JU 41		EA5B 120	Sub Base	SA
29 JU 41		A3 673		SA
16 JL 41		SAIA 60	SAAF Crest	
2 AU 41		A3 33		
2 SE 41	8 SE 41	A3 680		
5 SE 41	29 SE 41	E 614	2 Sig Coy UDF	SA
4 OC 41	11 NO 41	A3 585		SA
1 NO 41		SAIB 332		SA
6 DE 41		SAIA 35	5 Inf Bde HQ UDF	UK
17 DE 41		A3 997		SA
13 JA 42	13 MA 42	SAIB 341	No 5 SA RES MT Coy UDF	SA
23 JA 42	17 FE 42	SAI 27		
11 FE 42	2 JU 42		DCFC SA adh	SA
	FE 42		"Certified Official"	India
24 MR 42		A5 1648		SA
5 MA 42		A5 1194	7th Mobile Field Wk/shops TSC	
10 MA 42		SAIB 361		
11 MA 42	29 JA 43	A5 1239	"T" Services SAAS	MEF
1 JU 42		A5 839		SA
19 JU 42	4 AU 42	A5 1648	CROC SAEC	SA
29 JU 42		A5 673		
30 JU 42		A5 294		S Rhodesia
13 JL 42		A5 1640		SA
9 AU 42		A5 2115	bs Ind FPO 90 then in Eritrea	
15 AU 42		A5 426		S Rhodesia
	NO 42	13 AP 43	A5 116	HQ Coy R & T Batt SA Base UDF SA
2 DE 42			R11 134	
10 JA 43	19 JA 43		R11 73	
6 FE 43	4 MR 43		A5 1211	HQ Railway Const & Mtce Group S Rhodesia
24 MR 43			R11 167	10d SA adh SA

EPP No 71 continued

26 MR 43		A5 6538		SA
15 JU 43		A5 787	6m Egypt adh	Cairo
21 RR 43	25 AU 43	R11 548	24 Sqdn SAAF	UK
25 AU 43		A5 1176		SA
27 SE 43		A5 1403	SA adh	
13 NO 43			Movement Control 17 Area MEF	
1 FE 44		N1	Same correspondence continues in EPP 120	
21 JA 44		A5 1479		SA

EPP No 71 Type IV

## 2 Mixed Use, possibly Cairo

13 JU 44			OCTU/MEF	
14 JU 44	29 JU 44	A6 1436	2 Coy 3 GHQ Sigs MEF	UK
25 JU 44		A6 6766		UK
5 JL 44	26 AP 45	A6 1205	Royal Corps & F Sigs GHQ Mena	UK
22 JL 44	11 NO 44	A6 217	Rifle Bde Personnel Selection Pool GHQ	
21 OC 44	31 AP 45	A6 7800		UK
18 MR 45			R Sigs BD	SA
25 MA 45		A6 1411		UK
5 JU 45	18 JL 45	A6 1467		UK
2 JL 45		A6 1226		Palestine
3 JL 45		A6 1791		UK
1 AU 45	18 AU 45	A6 1757		UK
31 AU 45		A7 4788		UK
19 SE 45			ss "Strathnever" en route from India to UK	
2 OC 45	22 OC 45	R12 310	RAF No 22 Staging Post Wadi Halfa	UK Palestine
11 OC 45				
15 NO 45				
16 NO 45			No 5 Ferry Unit RAF/MEF	UK
10 NO 45	20 NO 45		No 4 ARF/MEF	UK
28 DE 45				UK

EPP No 72 Type I

## 1 British Army

12 MA 41	17 JL 41	A3 491		UK/SA
1 JU 41	15 AU 41	A3 485		UK
8 JU 41		A3 620	16 Inf Bde El Tahag	UK
22 JU 41		A2 1359		Cairo

EPP No 72 continued

30 JU 41	28 JL 41	A3 430	? Hospital	UK
30 AU 41			Free "OAS"	
2 Mixed Use, possibly Alexandria				
6 OC 41	20 JA 42	A3 588		
21 NO 41	14 FE 42	R9 118		
25 NO 41		A2 1236		
26 NO 41	21 JA 42	A3 482	black	UK
27 NO 41		A2 2038		
2 DE 41		A2 2117		
2 DE 41		A2 1228		
10 DE 41		A2 2273		
16 DE 41	31 DE 41	R9 41		UK
23 DE 41	6 JA 42	A3 972		SA
? DE 41		A3 480		
3 JA 42		A3 1046		UK
19 JA 42		A3 423		
31 JA 42		A2 1658		UK
? JA 42		A3 582	1002 Docks Op Coy RE MEF	UK
3 FE 42		A2 96		
5 FE 42	14 MR 42	A5 522		UK
7 FE 42		A5 398		UK
10 FE 42	11 FE 42	R9 21		
15 FE 42		A2 1974		
? FE 42	18 OC 42	A5 2291		UK
8 MR 42		A5 697	1 APC Btn	India
10 MR 42	15 MR 42	A5 256		
15 MR 42		A5 830		
23 MR 42		R10 287		
27 MR 42		A5 1141		
29 MR 42	20 JL 42	A5 2238		
5 MA 42		A5 602		
5 MA 42		A5 1504	100 Docks CPC Coy	SA
18 MA 42		A5 781		
20 MA 42		A5 1391		
7 JL 42		R10 260		
10 JL 42		A5 863		
16 JL 42	3 AU 42	R10 992		UK
17 JL 42		R10 554		UK
18 JL 42	16 SE 42	R10 669		UK
30 JL 42	18 OC 42	A5 2291		
7 AU 42	16 AU 42	R10 781		
8 AU 42	25 SE 42	A5 2216		
10 AU 42		A5 642	1 Coy Sigs BD	
16 AU 42	24 SE 42	R10 335		UK/Cairo
23 AU 42		R10 348		
? AU 42		R10 701		
26 AU 42		A5 1367		
27 AU 42			bs 2 x 1d Australian adhesives & Australian censors	

EPP No 72 continued

2 SE 42	23 NO 42		Postage Realised	India
5 SE 42		A5 4895		India
12 SE 42		R10 130	To Br POW Bureau	Cairo
14 SE 42		A5 4463		
17 SE 42		A5 2216		
17 SE 42	29 OC 42	A5 511		
19 SE 42		A5 1354	Green Honour	UK
19 SE 42		A5 1604		
25 SE 42		R10 994		UK
8 OC 42		R10 848		
42		A5 21		

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28 FE 43		A5 604	?	UK
28 FE 43		A5 26		UK
3 MR 43		A5 6482		SA
25 ?? 44		R11 233		UK

EPP No 73 Type I

Five periods of use with UDF Forces

1 Possibly SA APO 17

21 MA 41	7 SE 41	SAIA 150	ADAMS 1st SA Div HQ	SA
26 MA 41	29 AU 41	SAIA 180		
26 MA 41	15 JU 41	SAIB 364	Captured Italian Postal Stationery	
2 JL 41	25 SE 41	SAIB 319	SA Engineers Crest	SA
14 JL 41		SAIB 340		SA
31 JL 41		SAIA 139		SA
31 JL 41		SAIA 280		SA
16 AU 41		SAIA 42	Captured Italian Postal Stationery	SA
16 SE 41		SAIA 133	SA & NZ adh	SA
28 SE 41		SAIA 102		SA
3 OC 41		SAIB 330		SA
8 OC 41		A3 726		SA
11 OC 41		SAIA 90		SA
8 NO 41		SAIA 220		SA

EPP No 73 continued

## 2 Possibly SA APO 8

28 DE 41	3 MR 42	SAIA 116		SA
3 JA 42		A3 1071		SA
4 JA 42	23 JA 42	A3 1072		SA
10 JA 42		A3 1073		SA
2 FE 42		A5 938		Cairo
9 MR 42		A5 1717	Sigs 5 SA Inf Bde UDF	UK

## 3

30 JU 42		A5 294	S Rhodesian adh	S Rhodesia
OC 42		R11 134	No 1 Fighter Sqdn SAAF	SA
11 NO 42		R11 759		SA
NO 42		A5 116		

## 4 Possibly SA APO 32

29 MR 43	10 MA 43		SA adh	
3 MA 43	13 JL 43	A5 1633	R & T Depot Admin HQ UDF	SA
3 JU 43		A5 6564	Reg SA APO 32	SA
17 JU 43		A5 1479	69/23 Fld Regt (V) SAA	SA
23 JU 43		A5 1730		SA
2 JL 43		A5 1676		SA
13 JL 43		A5 983		SA

## 5 Possibly SA APO 32

21 AP 44		A5 1086		SA
1 MA 44		A6 8764		SA
4 SE 44		A6 9219		SA
12 SE 44		A6 4894		SA
24 OC 44	24 JA 45	A6 5962		SA
25 NO 44	16 DE 44	A6 9517		SA
28 FE 45		A6 5039	SA MC Wing Admin (HQ) Rear	SA

EPP No 74 Type I

Four periods of use

## 1 Possibly w. desert

4 JU 41	23 SE 41	A3 31	"In the field no stamps"	UK
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EPP No 74 continued

10 SE 41		A3 190		Alexandria
8 NO 41				SA

## 2 Mixed use

30 JU 42				India
20 JL 42		A5 239		UK
3 AU 42		R10 992		Cairo
6 AU 42		A5 4689		UK
15 AU 42		A5 4837		Ind
20 AU 42		A5 1403		UK
23 SE 42	1 AP 43	A5 227		
16 OC 42	12 MA 43	A5 657	DDW (s) GHQ Cairo bs 2-3 days later	Cairo

## 3

26 JA 43		R11 73	GB adh	SA
20 AP 43			3d GB AMLC	

## 4 Late Use

20 MR 45		A6 1717		
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EPP No 75 Type I

## 1

23 JU 41	22 DE 41	A3 365		UK
9 JL 41		A2 2590	149 Anti Tank Regt RA MEF	
24 JL 41		A2 2436		Cairo
28 JL 41	1 SE 41	A2 382	261 Batt 94 HAA RA MEF	UK
1 SE 41		A3 ?	149 Anti Tank Regt RA MEF	
19 MR 42			OHMS	

## 2

4 AU 42		A5 4540		UK
5 AU 42		A5 4577		UK
9 AU 42		A5 4697		UK

EPP No 75 continued

21 AU 42		A5 4627	red OAS	UK
13 OC 42		A5 4644	AL "Xmas Greetings"	UK
24 DE 42	8 MR 43	A5 2056		UK
4 MR 43		A5 2058		
16 AP 43			OHMS	2 NZ EF

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27 AU 43		A5 767		
20 SE 43		A5 5010		
26 SE 43		R11 617		UK
28 SE 43		A5 301	143 Tank Transporter Coy RASC	UK
13 NO 43		N1		"Alex"
12 DE 43	12 FE 44		OHMS	Cairo
24 DE 43		A5 5722		

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3 JU 44		A6 912		UK
12 JU 44		A6 5790	261 Batt/94 HAA RA	
10 OC 44		A6 5677	bs 8 L of C/RCS Amyria	UK
13 OC 44	31 DE 44	A6 6653		
25 NO 44		A6 8323	"Xmas AL Postage Free"	UK
25 NO 44		A6 7451	CMP HQ 16 Area MEF	
25 NO 44		R11 190 )	10d GB adh	
		16 )		
		13 )		

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1 JU 45	16 JU 45	A6 9743		UK
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EPP No 76 Type II

1 Mixed Use, possibly Alexandria

6 AU 41		A3 640		UK
2 NO 41		R9 235		
4 NO 41	24 NO 41	SAIA 228	Moascar	SA
10 NO 41	14 NO 41	A3 868	52m Egyptian adhesives	USA
12 NO 41		A3 695	10d GB adh	India
20 NO 41		A3 638		



EPP No 76 continued

6 DE 41		R9 172	Air HQ RAF "Western Desert"	UK
7 DE 41		R9 83		
23 JA 42		A3 404		UK
10 FE 42		R9 216	HQ 269 Wing RAF	
11 FE 42		R9 237		
27 FE 42		R9 75	red OAS	UK
4 MR 42		R10 244	80 Sqdn RAF	Alexandria
7 MR 42	19 MR 42	R10 695		UK
9 MR 42		R10 449	53 RSU RAF	
15 MR 42		R10 252	55 Sqdn RAF	
19 MR 42		R10 158	Written in Spanish	Alexandria
10 AP 42		R10 745	234 Wing RAF Maaten Bagush	UK
24 MA 42			1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d GB adhesive	
2 NO 42			"Official Mail Certified Official"	UK
2				
15 MR 43		A5 ?		UK
15 AP 43		A5 824		UK
3				
10 FE 47			RAC	
5 MR 47			RAC	
15 MR 47			285 Coy RASC MELF	UK

234 Wing came under 201 (Naval Co-op) Group at Alexandria in order of Battle 11/11/41 until next order of Battle 27/10/42 when it came under Air HQ Egypt.

EPP No 77 Type II

## 1 Possibly Alexandria

? NO 41		A3 801		NZ
8 JA 42		A3 669	ms "local" bs Alexandria arr	"Alex"
10 FE 42		R9 274		
12 FE 42	2 MR 42		Official Mail	India
21 FE 42	22 FE 42	A2 382	261 Batt 94 HAA RA	
22 FE 42		A5 283	"In the field" bs 24 FE 42	"Alex"

EPP No 77 continued

2 MR 42	20 AP 42	A5 1349		USA
22 MR 42				SA
MR 42		A5 1909		UK

British FPO/138

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5 NO 42			51 st Recce Regt	
21 NO 42		A5 5561	AMLC	SA
? FE 43	? MR 43			SA
? ? 43		A5 330		UK
28 JU 43		A5 1479		SA

EPP No 78 Type II

## 1 Possibly SAA

1 OC 41		A3 719		UK
11 NO 41	18 NO 41	A3 488		UK
19 NO 41	- DE 41		SA adh	SA
- NO 41		SAIA 246	SA EC	SA

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11 JL 42	6 AU 42	A5 456		UK
2 OC 42		A5 4830		UK
22 OC 42		A5 244	OHMS	Alexandria
NO 42				SA

## 3 Possibly SAAF

7 OC 43		R11 628		
11 OC 43	8 NO 43	R11 828		UK
4 44	9 MR 44	R11 615		SA
7 FE 44		A5 7184		UK
13 FE 44		R11 698		Natal
23 AP 44		A5 976		SA

## 4 Late Use

21 SE 45

EPP No 79 Type I

## 1 South African Army UDF

17 JL 41		SAIA 69		SA
2 OC 41		SAIA 229		SA
4 OC 41	30 OC 41	SAIA 217		SA
6 OC 41		SAIA 234	SA adh	SA
3 NO 41		SAIA 248		SA
10 NO 41	7 JA 42	SAIA 233		SA
12 NO 41		SAIA 218		SA
28 NO 41	31 DE 41	SAIB 341	No 5 SA RES MT Coy UDF	SA
1 DE 41		SAIA 214		SA
24 DE 41		SAIA 220		SA
24 DE 41		SAIA 103	15 Mobile Bath Unit	SA

## 2 Mixed Army Use

16 AU 42	20 MA 43	A5 855	CSDIC GHQ MEF	UK
17 SE 42	29 MA 43	A5 1390		
17 SE 42	18 SE 42		Postage Realised OHMS	India
5 NO 42	6 MR 43	A5 655	OCTU R Corps Sigs BD	
9 NO 42	22 MA 43	A5 4732	blue Written in German	Palestine
27 FE 43	10 MR 43	A5 994		MEF
9 MR 43		A5 503		
13 MR 43		A5 646		
2 JU 43	5 JU 43	A5 642	No 1 Coy R Corps Sigs BD	UK
11 JU 43		A5 1907	10d GB Air Mail	UK

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20 OC 44		A6 1487		MEF
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EPP No 80 Type II

## 1 Possibly 63 General Hospital

	42	A3 859		
24 FE 41				
10 JL 42		A5 379	Honour envelope 1/8d SA adh	UK
11 AU 42		A5 4660		
19 AU 42	17 SE 42	A5 640	BD RA Helmeih	UK
20 AU 42	22 OC 42	A5 379		
20 AU 42		A5 643	OHMS	Alexandria

EPP No 80 continued

20 AU 42		A5 767		
20 AU 42		A5 1403	OHMS	Alexandria
22 AU 42		A5 980	40 Btn RTR/63 Gen Hosp	UK
25 AU 42		A5 4518		UK
8 SE 42		A5 ?	7 CW Coy RE	UK
12 SE 42	11 OC 42			
1 OC 42		A5 649		
6 OC 42			BDRA Helmeih	
12 OC 42		A5 1305		
13 OC 42	5 SE 43	A5 6482	BDRA Helmeih	UK
	OC 42	A5 4724		
22 NO 42	11 DE 42	A5 26	1 Regt RHA/63 Gen Hosp	UK
11 DE 42		A5 523		
12 FE 43	17 FE 43	A5 6431		SA
20 OC 43		A5 319		UK
? ? 43		R11 80		

## 2 Late Use b S. Africans and an Air Force

22 MR 44		A5 6777		SA
29 MR 44		A5 6917	SA adh	SA
17 AP 44		A5 6738		
25 JU 44	29 NO 45	R12 322		

EPP No 81 Type II

## 1 Army

3 FE 42	19 FE 42	A5 1388		India/UK
	FE 42	A5 798	EBW RE MEF	UK
20 FE 42		A5 291		

## 2 Free French

1 AP 42	21 JA 43	French	Poste Aux Armies French FPO	Faggeleh
30 AP 43		and	Poste Aux Armies BP M5	Faggeleh
- OC 43		Egyptian	Poste Aux Armies French FPO	
- JA 44		Civilian	Poste Aux Armies BP M5	
3 FE 44			Free French	

Note MP M5 in May 43 was off HT 10 w. of SFAX between Sousse Area of Hergla. EPP date stamp possibly applied as a mark in transit.

EPP No 82 Type II

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FE 42		A5 2081	NZ adh	UK
2 Principally Air Force				
14 SE 42	9 OC 42	R10 95		
21 SE 42		A5 282		
23 SE 42	? NO 42	A5 1657		
23 SE 42		R10 317	☒ 92 mills Air Mail	S America
24 SE 42	8 OC 42	R10 141	SA 1 METS RAF	SA
24 SE 42	3 NO 42	A5 2186		UK
25 SE 42		R10 882	Free OAS	UK
27 SE 42		R10 317		UK
4 OC 42		A5 585	?	India
18 OC 42		R11 36		"Alex"
19 OC 42		R11 223		SA
24 OC 42		R11 221	AMLC	UK
3 NO 42		A5 2045	3d GB AMLC "Xmas Greetings"	UK
6 NO 42		R11 24	205 Group HQ RAF	UK
7 NO 42		A5 598		SA
9 NO 42		R11 182	☒ 100 mills Air Mail	S America
21 NO 42		R11 843		
26 NO 42		A5 2294		UK
28 NO 42			GB adhesives	
4 DE 42		A5 1410		Cairo

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18 MR 44 (bs)			from EPP No 33 (17 MR 44)	SA
15 NO 44		A5 4878	1/- GB Air OAS	UK
			☒ Same correspondence	

EPP No 83 Type II

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4 JA 42		SAIB 314	SA SC	SA
17 JA 42		SAIB 357		SA
22 JA 42				
18 FE 42	9 AP 42	A5 118		SA/UK
6 MR 42		SAIB 171		

EPP No 83 continued

MR 42		A5 190	HQ Cairo	
10 JU 42		A5 1216	SA adh	SA
16 SE 42		A5 769		
		A5 104	9d Aust adh	Australia
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10 JA 44	22 JA 44	A5 6529	SA adh	SA

EPP No 84 Type II

1 South African. Possibly SA APO No 36 w. desert

OC 41		SAIA 27		
17 NO 41		SAIA 65	6th SA Armd Regt	
NO 41		A2 928		
6 DE 41		A2 1578		"Alex"

2 Possibly Alexandria

28 JA 42	20 AU 43	A5 522		UK
8 FE 42		A5 4840		
3 MR 42	6 AP 42	A5 2236		UK
23 MR 42	10 AP 43	A5 1141	13 Gen Hospital (1st Regt RHA)	UK
31 MR 42		A5 856		
22 AP 42	19 MA 42	A5 974		
12 MA 42	12 AU 42		Postage Realised Tel-el-Kebir India	
12 JL 42		A5 1141	55 mills Egypt adh	USA
17 JL 42		R10 137		
29 JL 42	20 AU 42	A5 5303	DCFC "OAS"	UK
9 AU 42		A5 285		
12 AU 42		A5 776		
12 AU 42		A5 995		
15 AU 42		A5 5497		
10 SE 42		R10 623		
10 SE 42	24 SE 42	R10 591	Tel-el-Kebir	
15 SE 42	? ? 43	A5 691		UK
16 SE 42		R10 816	?	
24 SE 42		N1	HMS NILE Naval Base	
26 OC 42		A5 6176		UK
21 NO 42		A5 612		UK
23 NO 42		A5 697		Palestine
4 DE 42	7 JU 43	A5 4311		Egypt/UK
9 DE 42		A5 113		UK

EPP No 84 continued

15 DE 42		A5 1728		SA
23 DE 42		A5 274	HQ 285 Coy RASC MEF	UK
27 DE 42		A5 5542		
8 FE 43		A5 4902		
12 FE 43	8 MA 43	A5 4935		UK
21 FE 43		A5 4840		Paiforce
29 AP 43		A5 1391		
6 MA 43	8 MA 43	R11 613	Tel-el-Kebir	
8 MA 43		A5 8683		UK
13 MA 43		R11 673		
17 AU 43		A5 995		Kenya
25 AP 44				Palestine

EPP No 85 Type II

## 1 Army

8 DE 41		A3 771		Alexandria
7 JA 42		A2 1776		UK
7 AU 42		A5 959		UK
30 NO 42		A5 1345		UK

## 2 22 General Hospital

8 MA 43	13 MA 43	A5 3499	22 Gen <sup>l</sup> Hosp MEF	UK
MA 43				India

## 3 RAF

26 FE 44		R11 889		UK
20 AP 44	21 NO 44	R11 709		UK

EPP No 86 Type II

## 1 Army

5 NO 41		A3 359		UK
7 DE 41		A3 700		Alexandria
14 MR 42		A5 2258		Cairo

EPP No 86 continued

17 MR 42		A5 619		
17 AU 42	25 SE 42	A5 2039		UK
20 SE 42		A5 2088		UK
6 AU 43		A5 1796	No 2 RE BD Wk/shops MEF	UK
2 RAF HQ Cairo APO S 241				
12 JA 44	25 MA 44	R11 709	No 1 (ME) Check & Conversion Unit RAF	
29 JA 44	3 AP 44	R11 2	HQ RAF MEF APO 241	UK
4 FE 44	28 MA 44	R11 751	HQ FAF MEF Cairo	UK
5 FE 44	1 OC 44	R11 886	No 10 Staging Post Cairo W	UK
7 FE 44	30 MR 44	R11 420		
11 FE 44	20 MR 44	R11 246		
12 FE 44	5 JL 44	R11 889	AMWD RAF Heliopolis MEF	UK
14 FE 44	18 JL 44	R11 791	TME RAF/MEF	
27 MR 44	14 JU 44	R11 635		
19 AP 44		R11 23	206 Group HQ MEF	
6 MA 44	11 JU 44	R11 789	No 5 (ME) ARC	UK
29 JU 44			RAF	
11 AU 44		R12 20		
2 OC 44		R12 318		
23 OC 44	15 FE 45	R12 322		
7 NO 44		A6 1717	173 mills Egypt adh Pan American Clipper	USA
15 NO 44	14 JU 45	R12 73		
NO 44	DE 44	R12 241	ME Sigs School RAF	
3 JA 45		R12 307		
26 FE 45				

## 3 Late Use

29 JA 46			Movement Control Suez	UK
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EPP No 87 Type II

## 1 New Zealand Base PO Cairo

1 MA 41	- AU 42		NZ Base PO Cairo	
16 JL 41			NZ/YMCA envelope	NZ
20 SE 41		A2 1479		NS
16 SE 41	1 DE 41	A3 867	mss "In the field"	Sidi Gaber
20 AP 42		A5 800	?	Australia



EPP No 87 continued

8 JL 42		A5 1972		NZ
20 JL 42	5 DE 42	A5 54	Chief Paymaster 2 NZEF	NZ
SE 42	AU 43		NZ FPO 1 HQ Maadi Camp	
9 AU 42	9 OC 42	SAIA 171		NZ
18 OC 42	? ? 43	A5 803		NZ
6 NO 42	12 JL 43	A5 1432		NZ
8 NO 42	12 JL 43	A5 1386	NZ Patriotic Fund envelope	NZ
15 NO 42	? FE 43	A5 431	NZ YMCA envelope	NZ
6 MA 43			NZ adhesives	
			replaced by normal d/s	

EPP No 88 Type II

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11 DE 41

SA adhesives

2 RAF HQ Cairo APO S 241

18 JU 42	22 SE 42	R10 748	Command Bomb Disposal	
			Office HQ RAF	UK
19 JU 42		R10 641	HQ RAF	
4 AU 42	23 SE 42	R10 388		UK
26 DC 42	6 JA 44	R11 245	101 MU RAF MEF	UK
13 NO 42	31 MR 44	R11 86	Helwan	
30 NO 42			No 1 (ME) ARU RAF Helwan	
1 DE 42		R11 674		UK
11 FE 43	26 FE 43	R11 348	Sidi Bishr	
1 MR 43	24 MR 43	R11 514	ME Sigs School RAF	
3 AP 43	26 AP 44	R11 589	HQ RAF APO S 241	
11 FE 44		R11 664		UK
20 OC 44		R12 281	426 MSU RAF Christmas AML	UK
25 OC 44		R12 51	101 MU RAF MEF	UK
30 NO 44		R12 241	ME Sigs School RAF	UK
26 MR 45		R12 218		UK
9 JL 45		A6 5438		UK

3 Late Use Canal Zone

2 FE 46	7 FE 46		Movement Control (Jagger)	
			Suez	UK
7 FE 46			Sidi Bishr	
7 NO 46			Br FPO 132 (No 1 Mil	
			Collection Centre)	

EPP No 89 Type II

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1 OC 41		A3 531		
3 OC 41		A3 336		
15 OC 41			bs Cairo 15 OC 41 Alexandria	
			16 OC 41	Alexandria

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1 MA 42	28 MA 42	A5 339		UK
26 JL 42		A5 1979		
1 NO 42		A5 1413		SA
28 NO 42		A5 627		UK

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1 AP 43	3 MA 43	A5 6544	HQ BDRA off Helmeih	UK
5 MA 43		A5 1320		
16 MA 43		A5 6482	32 Heavy Regt RA	SA
20 JL 43	24 AU 43	A5 1773	DDQMG/GHQ PO	India
25 JL 43		A5 179	No 2 BD RE Wk/shps	
28 AU 43		A5 4786		Alexandria
11 SE 43	28 SE 43	A5 1388		UK
23 OC 43		A5 358		
26 OC 43		A5 6462		
31 OC 43	5 NO 43	A5 5155		UK
- NO 43	24 MR 44	A5 5130	No 7 Sqdn RAC Schools/MEF	UK
11 DE 43		A5 1814	?	UK
3 JA 44		A5 628		
8 JA 44		A5 767	No 2 BD RE Wh Shps	UK
13 JA 44		A5 330		
26 JA 44		A5 1146	SA	
28 JA 44		A5 4841		
2 FE 44		A5 2069		
9 FE 44		A5 5063	HQ 93 Sub Area RASC	
11 FE 44		A5 488		
15 FE 44	28 FE 44	A5 4752	359 W/S Coy 533 BW MEF	
12 MR 44		A5 1775	152 LOT Camp RASC Abbassia	UK
16 MR 44		A5 6243	Written in Greek	Alexandria
24 MR 44	3 AP 44	A5 528		UK
23 AP 44		A5 587		UK
2 JU 44		A6 550	?	UK
15 JU 44		A6 8999		UK
23 JL 44		A6 6566		UK
24 JL 44		A6 8091		
8 AU 44		A6 1440	No 2 BD RE Wk shop	UK
15 OC 44		A6 1464		
27 OC 44		A6 1474		UK
27 OC 44		A6 9512	281 Coy (Stn Mtce) RASC	

EPP No 89 continued

7 NO 44	A6 1870	Christmas Air Letter	UK
18 NO 44	A6 8703		
22 NO 44	A6 7356		UK
? ? 44	A6 5791	Jewish Services Club	UK
?	A6 8704		

## 4 Late Use

1 MA 45	AML HQ Greece C/o GHQ/MEF
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EPP No 90 Type II

## 1 South African Forces

22 NO 41	SAIA 217		SA
25 NO 41			
11 DE 41	R10 274		UK
21 DE 41	A2 2274		UK

## 2 Possibly Alexandria

11 FE 44	A5 1375		UK
22 JA 44	A5 2255		
30 JA 44	31 MR 44	MP No 5 BOD RAOC	UK
JA 44	9 AP 44	2 Base Wk/shops REME	
7 FE 44	A5 1875		Cairo
3 AP 44	A5 8719		
25 AP 44	15 AP 44	A5 2236	
	A5 7141	To be delivered by Civil Post Office	Alex
20 MA 44	18 MR 45	A6 5649	UK
		2 Base Wk/shops REME 523 Armd Bde Coy RASC CMF	
7 JU 44	A6 5002		
18 JU 44	21 AU 44	A6 49	UK
21 AU 44	SE 44	77 Sub area DADPL Tel-el-Kebir	
5 SE 44	A5 2054	"5" of date inverted	UK
26 OC 44	A5 2084		UK
8 NO 44	A6 1493		
8 NO 44	4 JL 45	A6 5984	UK
2 DE 44	A5 926		SA
23 JA 44	A6 8827		UK
25 JA 44	A6 3254		UK
5 MR 45	2 MA 45	R12 322	UK
9 MR 45	30 MA 45	A6 6619	
5 AP 45	8 MA 45	A6 9703	MP No 5 BOD RAOC "Mizpah"
3 MA 45	A6 6533	2 Base Wk/shops REME	
26 MA 45	A6 5202	2 Base Wk/shops REME	

EPP No 91 Type II

## 1 Possibly Alexandria or w. desert

21 NO 41		A3 860		UK
12 DE 41		A3 479	"In the Field"	Alexandria
2 JA 42		A3 746		UK
AP 42		A5 720		UK
12 AU 42		A5 262		UK

EPP No 92 Type Not verified

## 1 New Zealand General Hospital

2 MR 42		A5 249	No 2 or 3 NZ General Hospital	UK
2 MR 42	14 MR 42		Same correspondence	NZ
13 MR 42		A5 249		NZ

EPP No 93 Type II

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16 SE 41		A2 1005		UK
23 NO 41		A3 502	16 Coy (Dw) RAOC/MEF	UK
12 DE 41		A3 17		
17 DE 41	16 JA 42	A3 251		UK
14 JA 42		A3 458		UK
17 FE 42		A5 2001		
24 FE 42		A5 1875		

## 2 South African Forces, possibly SA APO 40 - Cairo

10 JU 42	1 FE 43		SA adhesives	
14 NO 42			25 Road Const Coy SA EC	
20 NO 42	11 MR 44	A5 1225	5 SA Gen Hospital	SA
5 MR 43	5 AP 43	A5 1224	HQ Coy R & T Batt SA Base UDF	SA
15 JA 43		A5 410	10d SA adh	SA

## 3 Late Use

13 JA 45			GB adh	
4 AP 45		A6 5682	First day of Free Air Mail Service in Egypt	UK

EPP No 93 continued

4 JU 45		A6 5 82		Zimalek
7 JA 46				Palestine
26 JA 46			RAF Cairo West	
28 JA 46	20 FE 46		5 Coy 3 GHQ Sigs MEF	
	JA 46		FPO 655 ? Abbassia	UK
6 FE 46	24 AP 46		AML	UK
27 FE 46			ROABA REME	
4 AP 46			Written on Board Ship	
6 MA 46			ME Equipment & Disposal Park	SA
			UDF Helwan	
10 MA 46			620 Sqdn RAF	
15 MA 46			from an LAC	UK
21 JU 46			GHQ Cairo	UK
			Br FPO 655 Abbassia	

EPP No 94 Type II

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11 OC 41			10d GB adh	
22 OC 41			HQ RAF ME OHMS	Aboukir
27 OC 41		A3 319		UK

2 New Zealand

- JU 42	- AU 42		NZ FPO 6 relief usage	Cairo
12 NO 42	22 NO 42		10d NZ adh's	Natal/S Rhodesia
27 NO 42			10d NZ adh's	UK
1 DE 42	5 DE 42		10d GB adhs	UK
24 JA 43	11 JU 43	A5 2081		NZ

EPP No 95 Type II

1 Mixed Army Use

26 NO 41				
1 DE 41		A3 1714		

EPP No 95 continued

11 DE 41					
2 ?? 41		A3	188		
2 South African					
17 MA 42				SA adh	
22 MA 42	22 NO 42	A5	1158	SA adh	UK/SA
4 JL 42		A5	1093		SA
11 JL 42		A5	1285		SA
21 JL 42		A5	521		SA
6 SE 42		A5	820	GB AMLC	SA
17 SE 42	22 SE 42	A5	1195	1 SA Divn	SA
27 SE 42	1 FE 43			SA adh	SA
20 FE 43	21 FE 43	A5	1608	Free OAS	SA
22 FE 43		A5	1765		SA
26 FE 43		A5	896		UK

EPP No 96 Type II

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3 NO 41		A2	1967		"Alex"
12 JA 42	16 JA 42	A3	443		UK
11 FE 42		EA5B	278		

## 2 GHQ Cairo

8 SE 42	18 NO 43	A5	6464		UK/Malta
30 DE 42	24 NO 44	A5	4977	(Civil Affairs) C4 GHQ Cairo	UK
17 JU 43	30 DE 43	A5	1403	SA adh	UK
22 JL 43	21 MR 44	A5	6268		
4 SE 43		A5	855		S Rhodesia
23 SE 43		A5	6481	AMLC GHQ Cairo	UK
26 SE 43		A5	1896		
30 SE 43		A5	190		
12 OC 43					
11 NO 43		A5	368		
15 JA 44		A5	1605		
18 JA 44		A5	2162		
1 FE 44	20 MR 44	A5	6655		
2 FE 44	2 MR 44	A5	1695	3 GHQ Sigs	
8 FE 44		A5	1977	OAS	USA
8 MR 44	12 AP 44	A5	5343	AML RASC HQ Greece	UK
15 MR 44				Chief Military Press Censor	UK

EPP No 96 continued

19 MR 44		A5 5348	? Greece	
24 AP 44			RASC G (SD) MEF	
13 MA 44	3 JL 44	A6 6331	RASC/SMC/GHQ/MEF	UK
27 MA 44	24 JU 44	A6 4872	Greece	UK
30 MA 44	30 MR 45	A6 5047	ATS Sigs Coy AG 3 (B) GHQ Cairo	UK
30 JU 44		A6 7918		SA
1 JL 44		A6 4872	RASC HQ Greece	UK
1 NO 44	12 JL 45	R12 46		UK
5 JA 45		A6 8344	HQ Force 133 MEF	UK
16 AP 45		A6 9534		
28 AP 45		A6 8099	To Jewish Chronicle High Wycombe	UK
21 MA 45		A6 6331	No 1 Sigs Coy GHQ	UK
30 MA 45		A6 9504		
11 JU 45	27 JU 45	A6 4685	ACC (2 Coy) GHQ	UK
3 JL 45		R12 169		UK
25 SE 45		A7 4764	Q (AE) 1 GHQ MEF	UK
29 SE 45			mss "from RAF"	UK

EPP No 97 Type II

## 1 Mixed Use

9 NO 41			bs to EPP No 76 GHQ	
9 NO 41		R9 163		UK
12 NO 41		A1 469		UK
17 NO 41		A4 22		UK
21 NO 41	7 MR 42		DCFC only	
- DE 41		A2 1228		
5 JA 42			Indian Forces	UK
7 JA 42			35/12 LAA Regt Iraq	UK
29 JA 42		R9 31		
31 JA 42		R10 94	RAF Habbaniyah	
7 FE 42	11 FE 42	U2 278		SA/Bulawayo MEF
7 MR 42			5m Palms Sudan	
? MR 42				
8 JU 42		AMI 142		UK
15 JU 42		E	bs Ind FPO/90 12 JU 42 (Asmira Eritrea)	
16 JU 42			Free OAS	UK
1 JL 42		A5 1216	DMR	
7 OC 42		A5 5880		UK
5 NO 42		A5 5581		
26 NO 42		A5 5743	Free OAS	UK

EPP No 97 continued

2

21 DE 43 A5 598

## 3 Mixed Use

13 JU 44 ? SE 44 A6 7943

26 JL 44 5 SE 44 R11 986 OAS

31 JL 44

19 OC 44 N1

12 NO 44 21 NO 44 A6 8181

UK  
SA  
Alexandria /  
SA

## 4 South African

3 AP 45

4 JU 45

22 AU 45

30 OC 45

A6 8177

A6 9549

SA adh

27 Sqdn SAAF

SA

EPP No 98 Type II

## 1 Army W. Desert

27 SE 42 25 OC 42 A5 4868 6 Btn DLI (50 Div) S. of  
Alamein

27 SE 42 25 OC 42 151 Inf Bde

UK

## 2 Cairo

18 AU 43

23 AU 43 14 FE 44 A5 698

6 SE 43 A5 842

17 SE 43 A5 1512

27 SE 43 A5 1572

18 OC 43 21 DE 43 A5 598

24 OC 43 21 DE 43 R11 238

1 NO 43 A5 1203

19 NO 43 31 DE 43 A5 16

3 DE 43 A5 4557

16 DE 43 A5 6537

21 DE 43 13 JL 44 R11 469

28 FE 44 A5 1789

OHMS

500 S B0 Sec RC Sigs  
To HMS "Challenger"

TPS Sigs GHQ MEF

Bennu Camp Mena FPO 267

127/37 LAA Regt

☒  
To A HQ Eastern Med, MEF  
Cairo

Cairo

UK

UK

UK

Palestine

UK

UK

8 AP 44 A5 1207

17 JL 44 A6 8577

2 SE 44 A6 8773

UK

UK

UK



EPP No 98 continued

7 SE 44		R11 756		UK
30 OC 44	4 DE 44	R12 96	☒	UK
30 OC 44		A6 9856	ms "from Pyramids"	UK

☒ same correspondence

EPP No 99 Type II

## 1 South African

21 OC 41	17 JA 42	A3 708		UK
21 OC 41		SAIB 309		SA
17 DE 41		SAIA 21	bs Cairo 21 DE 41	Alexandria
13 FE 42		A5 1176		SA
3 MR 42		A5 2190		UK
24 MR 42		SAIB 357		SA

## 2 Army

14 JU 42		A5 1854		
11 JL 42	12 DE 42	A5 254	3rd Coldstream Guards	Cairo
17 SE 42		A5 2138	"To be delivered by Civil Post Office"	Cairo
21 OC 42		A5 2021		Kenya
29 OC 42		A5 5103		SA

## 3 SA No 5 General Hospital - possibly SA APO 40 Helmeih

12 JL 43	2 OC 43	A5 1224	SAMC No 5 SA Gen Hosp	SA
10 SE 43	22 MR 44	A5 5188		SA
8 FE 44	18 MR 44	SAIA 247		SA
5 OC 44			SA adhesives	

## 4 Late Use

26 MR 45		A6 ?		SA
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EPP No 100 Type II

## 1 UDF possibly Cairo

1 NO 41	18 NO 41	SAIA 233	UDF APO	SA
13 NO 41	20 NO 41	SAIA 238		SA
	DE 41	SAIA 237		SA
30 JA 42	5 MR 42	SAIA 230		SA
4 FE 42		A5 1515	BD RAC MEF	SA
4 FE 42		A5 847		SA
16 FE 42		A5 1262	UDF APO	SA
18 FE 42		SAIB 316		Cairo
	FE 42	A5 547		SA
6 MR 42	10 AP 42	A5 1201	DMR	SA
18 SE 42		SAIB 346		Base PO SA

EPP No 101 Type II

## 1 S. African Forces

3 MR 42	9 JU 42	A5 720		SA
16 MR 42		A5 1705		SA
13 MA 42	14 MA 42	SAIA 232	2 SA Div (Salvage Unit TSC	SA
19 MA 42		SAIA 103	15th Mobile Bath Unit	SA
28 MA 42	12 JU 42	A5 967		Cairo
6 JU 42		A5 2277		SA
9 JU 42		A5 1355		SA

EPP No 102 Type II

## 1 Army - possibly a port

7 NO 41				UK
13 NO 41	23 JA 42	A3 331	☒	UK
10 DE 41		A2 1196	70th Div Ord W/shops RASC	
27 DE 41		A3 391	"Honour"	UK
8 JA 42	9 JA 42	A3 505	RM 88 Force Overt C/o GPO London	
15 JA 42		A5 1362		
2 FE 42		A5 479		UK
22 FE 42	16 MR 42	A5 622		UK
23 FE 42	8 AP 42	A5 1951	☒	UK

☒ same correspondence

EPP No 102 continued

10 MR 42	12 MR 42	A5 504		
13 MR 42		A5 1812		Egypt
16 MR 42		A5 408	RM 96 Force Overt C/o GPO London	Palestine
16 MR 42		A5 1529		
21 MR 42		A5 1375		
7 AP 42		A5 208		UK
15 JU 42	24 NO 42	A5 664		Alexandria
12 NO 42		A5 1889	8 as Indian adh	India
-	-	A5 1380		UK
3 JA 43		A5 408	recd 7 AP 43 date dash - dot	UK
13 FE 43				

EPP No 103 Type II

12 DE 41		A3 185	10m Egypt adh bs Cairo (14 DE 41)	"Alex"
31 DE 41		A3 1035	Helmeih Hosp	"Alex"
11 FE 42	24 AU 42	A5 649		UK
15 MA 42		A5 649	Indian FPO No 41	Basra
20 MA 42	23 MA 42	A5 960		UK
26 MA 42	9 ? 42	A5 950	OH/BDRA/MEF	
28 MA 42				India
10 JU 42	15 JU 42	A5 379		MEF
19 JU 42			Almaja	
18 SE 42		A5 159	92m Air	Canada
24 NO 42		A5 4666		UK
3 JA 43				
10 JA 43		A5 4598		
15 FE 43		A5 1007		
1 JU 43		A5 4518		
11 SE 43			Kanatra	
3 NO 43		A5 1668	ms says "Canal Zone"	
7 NO 43		A5 294		UK
11 JL 44		A5 2211		
		A5 1380		

EPP No 104 Type II

## 1 South African Forces

30 SE 41		A3 630		
15 OC 41	17 NO 41	A3 680		SA
1 JA 42	19 JA 42	A3 1050		SA
26 JA 42				
19 MR 42	10 OC 42	A5 1224	SAEC/OC 1 SA Div UDF	SA
27 MA 42		A5 1984		SA
28 MA 42	JU 42	A5 1224	5th SA Gen Hosp	SA
21 OC 42	9 MR 43	A5 6539		SA
15 MR 43	30 DE 43	A5 6608	Technical Services Corps	SA
21 MR 41	24 AU 43	A5 6278	20 SA Field Amb	SA
3 MA 43		A5 6465		SA
6 MA 43		A5 6289		Cairo
10 MA 43		A5 6372		SA
23 MA 43		A5 6681		SA
27 MA 43	6 DE 43	A5 6670		SA
29 MA 43		A5 6645	69 Fld/23 Fld Reft (v) SAA	SA
1 JU 43	23 DE 43	A5 6317	2 Sqdn Pretoria Regt RAOC	SA
1 JU 43		A5 6372		SA
17 JU 43	5 AU 43	A5 6299	14/18 Bty 1/6 Fld Regt UDF	SA
20 JL 43		A5 6620	19 SA Fld Amb SAMC	SA
19 AU 43	15 MR 44	A5 6238	56 LAA Bty/12 LAA Regt UDF	SA
26 AU 43	28 JA 44	A5 6661	14 Armd Div 2 line Transport	SA
1 SE 43		A5 6226		SA
22 SE 43	2 44	A5 6529		SA
22 SE 43	22 JA 44	A5 6689	2 Sqdn NMR (v)	SA
6 OC 43	7 OC 43	A5 6698	C Sqdn 1 RNC	SA
12 NO 43	23 FE 44	A5 6390	4/25 Batt 1/11 Anti Tank Regt (v) SAA	SA
15 NO 43	18 NO 44	A5 6542		SA
23 NO 43		A5 4711	Sp Sqdn 1 RNC	SA
28 DE 43		A5 6356		
30 DE 43		A5 6203		
5 JA 44		A5 6436		
11 FE 44	29 FE 44	A5 6264		
11 MR 44		A5 6403		
15 AP 44			SA adh	

## 2 Late Use

1 OC 45			GB adh	
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EPP No 105 Type

1 Army

22 AU 42

A5 4838

The Gordon Highlanders  
153 Inf Bde

23 NO 42

DE 43

A5 5761

UK

5 JL 43

1 NO 43

Original Lists

SA

2 Late Use

26 OC 46

RAF MEF

UK

EPP No 106 Type II

1 Army

17 FE 42

A5 849

Cairo

2 Late Use

17 OC 46

5 NO 46

RAF MEF

6 NO 46

mess HQ Cairo Dist MELF

22 NO 46

Hirings and Disposal HQ Cairo

4 DE 46

EPP No 107 Type not verified

12 JU 42

SA adhesive

EPP No 108 No Record

EPP No 109 Type IV

## Army

4 AU 43			Free OAS	UK
14 AU 43				
16 AU 43	24 AU 43			Eire
23 AU 43		A5 230		UK
3 DE 43	5 DE 43		382 POW Camp	

EPP No 110 Type IV

10 JU 44	A6 5448	160/54 HAA Regt RA		
			This entry could be EPP No 140 ?	

EPP No 111 Type IV

1				
15 NO 42			GB adhesives	
6 DE 42		A5 429		"Alex"
11 DE 42	14 DE 42	A5 589		UK
2				
11 JU 43		A5 6268	GB adh	UK
2 OC 43		R11 898		
26 OC 43		R11 103	RAF Shandur	UK
29 OC 43		A5 1516		UK
29 OC 43		A5 6273		UK

EPP No 112 Type IV

1				
5 JA 44	A6 1287	63 Gen Hospital (6 x 1/2d SA adh)		UK
31 JA 44	R11 152			
31 JA 44	R11 412			"Alex"
2 FE 44	R11 103	RAF Shandur		UK
9 FE 44	R11 898			
5 FE 44	A5 4901	?		

EPP No 112 continued

2

7 NO 44		A6 6339	Cairo	UK
17 NO 44		A6 6902		UK
2 DE 44	17 DE 44	A6 8157		
4 DE 44			A Troop B Batt BDRA/MEF	
23 JA 45		A6 396		UK
JA 45		A6 8217		"Alex"

EPP No 113 Type IV

1

1 MR 43			"Alexandria"	
15 JU 43		A5 45		Beyrouth
22 JU 43				UK
? DE 43				

2

5 MA 44		A6 1217	306 Searchlight Batt RA	UK
10 MA 44		R11 912		
24 MA 44		R11 32	219 Group RAF	UK
25 MA 44		A6 9712		UK
28 MA 44		R11 11		
28 MA 44		A6 7610		UK
30 MA 44		A6 5511		
30 MA 44		A6 6158		
3 JU 44		R11 76		
8 JU 44		A6 8712		UK

EPP No 114 Type IV

1

4 MA 42		R10 89		
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2 Mixed Use Alexandria

15 JA 43	3 MR 43	A5 2291		
19 JA 43		R11 255		
5 FE 43		N1	HMS "Phoenix" Shore Base Alexandria	UK
8 FE 43		R11 233		
23 FE 43			SA adhesives	

EPP No 115 Type IV

31 OC 41			Telegram (Unlikely date)	Gaza
12 JU 43	A5	86	To Greek Hosp Hadra (Alex)	
19 JU 43	A5	1104		UK
21 JU 43	A5	6558	3 Malaria Fld Lab	UK
29 JU 43	R11	60	RAF Teheran	
30 JL 43	R11	60	3 as India AMLC Certified Official Command Paymaster	Ireland

EPP No 116 Type IV

23 JU 43 bs			From UK/	
1 JL 43 bs			To Movement Control 17 Area	
30 JL 43			OHMS Certified Official/	Alexandria
7 SE 43			Command Pay master In Egypt	Cairo

EPP No 117 Type IV

26 AU 46			OAS BS DO (E) GHQ	UK
2 SE 46			HQ RAF S 241	
4 SE 46				
3 SE 46			HQ RAF MELF OAS Air	Seletar Singapore

EPP No 118 Type IV

1				
27 AU 43		A5	627	UK
23 SE 43	28 SE 43	A5	230	India
25 SE 43		A5	6558	India
26 SE 43		A5	9	UK
5 OC 43			GB adh 15 Gen Hospital	
5 OC 43		A5	5791	UK
OC 43			Kas el Nil	
2 RAF				
6 JU 44	28 JU 44	R11	615	RAF Marine Craft Unit Port Said
19 NO 44		A6	5533	SA UK



EPP No 118 continued

17 JA 4	15 MA 45	A6 1609		India/UK
24 FE 45		R12 220 )		Alexandria
		R12 20 )		
6 MA 45		A6 1609		USA
18 SE 45	6 DE 45			
3 Late Use				
8 MR 47			AML Port Said	UK

EPP No 119 No RecordEPP No 120 Type IV

One period of recorded use - possibly SA APO 29

7 FE 44	2 MR 44	N1	SA adhesives	SA
17 FE 44	27 FE 44	A5 2118		SA
2 AP 44		A5 5677	1 Coy 8 L of C RCS	

Note: The Naval correspondence follows that shown with EPP No 77.

EPP No 121 Type IV

1				
3 OC 42		R10 148		
29 NO 42		A5 2197		UK
2				
13 JA 44 bs		A5 3687	FPO 531 (6 JA 44)	
26 JA 44	27 JA 44		SA adhesives	SA
3 Late Use				
27 DE 4?	10 AP 45	A6 1287	Cairo	UK
2 JA 45		R12 175		UK
17 FE 45	3 AP 45	R12 113	No 2 RAF Instruction School	
			El Gedida	UK
19 FE 45		A6 8217	"F" Troop C Batt BDRA	UK

EPP No 121 continued

1 MR 45	6 AP 45	R12 151	HQ RAF APO 8200	
17 MR 45	11 JU 45	A6 443	1st Depot RA BDRA	
23 AP 45	11 JU 45	R12 136	Heliopolis	
11 MA 45		R12 315		UK
21 MA 45		A6 3019	?	
23 MA 45		R12 274		
6 JU 45		R12 273		UK
9 JU 45		R12 129		

EPP No 122 No RecordEPP No 123 Type IV

## 1 W. Desert

22 NO 42	25 NO 42	A5 1649	923 Coy RASC/9 Armd Bde	
			Mersa Matruh area	
23 NO 42		A5 744	Mixed franking	SA
26 NO 42		A5 1260		UK
27 NO 42	29 NO 42		225/57 Fld Regt RA	
19 DE 42	3 MR 43	R11 76	29 SOR RAF	UK
29 DE 42		A5 1300		
8 JA 43		A5 1428		
9 JA 43		A5 508		
10 JA 43		A5 4900		
30 JA 43		A5 6570	3 ARH Mersa Matruh	
5 FE 43	12 FE 43	A5 784		UK
14 FE 43		R11 183		
17 FE 43			NZ adh	
24 FE 43		A5 4681		
6 MR 43		A5 4793		
11 MR 43	12 MR 43	A5 4355		UK
28 MR 43		A5 4322		
10 AP 43		R11 225	225 GH adh	UK
21 AP 43		R11 197		
1 MA 43		A5 5833		
8 MA 43		A5 ?		

EPP No 124 Type IV

1

14 MR 43				
27 NO 43			AMLC	UK
1 DE 43		A5 1004		UK
3 DE 43		A5 6273		UK
10 DE 43		A5 448		UK
19 DE 43		R11 497		
23 DE 43		A5 583		UK
23 DE 43		A5 1593		UK

2 Late Use

14 MR 45				
12 JU 45	25 JU 45	A6 847		
13 JU 45		R12 136		UK
20 JU 45	12 JL 45	A6 8217	B Bat RA BD	
20 JU 45		R12 129	5 Ferry Unit Cairo West	
21 JU 45		A6 9513		
6 JL 45		R12 189		
30 JL 45		R12 315		UK
30 JL 45		A6 5439		UK

EPP No 125 No RecordEPP No 126 No RecordEPP No 127 No RecordEPP No 128 No RecordEPP No 129 Type IV

1

29 JL 43		A5 926		
4 DE 43		A5 6354	GB adh	UK
6 DE 43			OHMS	UK
28 DE 43	29 DE 43	A5 382		
28 DE 43		A5 6536		
28 DE 43	30 DE 43	A5 2001	3 Camp 2 BD Wk/shops REME	
29 DE 43		A5 882		UK
30 DE 43		A5 4562	Free OAS	UK
30 DE 43		A5 6719		

EPP No 129 continued

## 2 Various periods of later use

SE 44		R11	76		
8 FE 45				Priv 10d GB adh	
JA 46	7 SE 46			FPO/532 - Mil Collecting Centre Sidi Bishr	
29 AU 46				To R Sussex Regt	UK
1 DE 46					
24 MR 47				156 Transit Camp Port Said	
11 MA 47				1 MCC Sidi Bishr	UK

EPP No 130 Type IV

1					
25 FE 42		A5	120	SA adh	N Transvaal
2					
11 DE 44		A6	7790	GB adh	Ceylon
3 Late Use					
16 SE 46				HQ RAF MELF	Malaya

EPP No 131 Type IV

1					
28 JU 43		A5	2139		
20 SE 43	22 AP 44	A5	6482	BD RA MEF	
20 OC 43	30 JA 44	A5	26		UK
10 NO 43		A5	1954		India
17 NO 43				Paiforce	India
18 NO 43	8 FE 44	A5	6431	B Batt BD RA	
30 NO 43		A5	6587		UK
1 DE 43		A5	325		
7 DE 43	8 FE 44	A5	6431	63 Gen Hospital	
31 DE 43	31 JA 44	A5	6544		
5 JA 44	24 FE 44	A5	1870	Medical Store GHQ	
15 JA 44		A5	6544	22m Egypt adh	USA
27 JA 44		A5	6500		UK
13 FE 44	18 AP 44	A5	6665	63 Gen Hospital	UK

EPP No 131 continued

13 FE 44		A5 6665	5 TME RAF	
1 MR 44	5 AP 44	A5 3898		
7 MR 44		A5 6241	? BDRA	UK
30 AP 44		A6 3019		Cairo
19 JU 44	27 JU 44	A6 8217		
7 JL 44		A6 443	B Batt BD RA	
13 AU 44	25 SE 44	A6 8157		UK
10 NO 44			OHMS	UK
8 FE 44	5 OC 44		SA adhesives	

EPP No 132 Type IV

1

10 FE 43	14 FE 43		piece	
18 MA 43			date 18 MA 34	
5 JU 43	23 SE 43	A5 1320		Ceylon
5 JU 43	10 OC 43	A5 26	General Hospital nr Cairo	UK
3 JL 43	26 SE 43	A5 6431		
5 JL 43	20 SE 43	A5 6482	BDRA	
9 AU 43	19 AU 43	A5 6544	BDRA	
14 AU 43	5 SE 43	A5 1870		
23 AU 43		A5 6587	ME School of Artillery RA OCTU	
3 SE 43		A5 4975		
12 SE 43		A5 879	9d Platy	Australia
13 SE 43		A5 320		
16 SE 43		A5 879	9th Gen Hospital	UK

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12 DE 44		A6 6517	77 Coy RASC BPT	UK
18 DE 44		R12 77		UK
10 JA 44		A6 5212		UK
10 JA 44		R12 171		UK
11 JA 44		R12 142	RAF - Abu Sueir	UK
? ? 44		R12 196		

EPP No 133 Type not verified

22 FE 44			Reported but not confirmed	
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EPP No 134 Type IV

11 JU 43		A5 1223	Free OAS	UK
15 JU 43		R11 183		Alexandria
28 JU 43		A5 ?		UK
12 JL 43		R11 76		
25 JL 43		A5 508	"In Greek"	

EPP No 135 Type not verified

29 MA 43		R11 183	"In Greek"	Alexandria
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EPP No 136 No RecordEPP No 137 Type IV

## 1 South African Forces

12 JL 43		A5 6385		
13 JL 43	10 AU 43	A5 6299	14/18 Bty 1/6 Field Regt	SA
11 AU 43	18 AU 43	A5 6436		SA
13 AU 43		A5 6203		SA
5 DE 43		A5 6496		SA
6 DE 43	9 DE 43	A5 6645	7/23 Medium Regt (v) SAA	SA
	DE 43	A5 6317	HQ Pretoria Regt	SA
	DE 43	A5 6689	2 Sqdn NMR (v)	SA

## 2

5 NO 44	6 NO 44	A6 6158		UK
6 NO 44	10 MR 44	A6 9572	No 3 General Hospital	UK
9 MR 45		A6 5638		UK

EPP No 138 Type IV

## 1 South African Forces

7 MA 43		A5 6520		
8 MA 43		A5 2171	6 Armd Div Rear Depot UDF	SA

EPP No 138 continued

13 JL 43	29 NO 43	A5 6299	1/6 Fld Regt SAA UDF	SA
13 JL 43	12 NO 43	A5 6403		
18 JL 43	16 NO 43	A5 6689	HQ Sqdn Pretoria Regt	SA
6 SE 43		A5 6259		
11 OC 43		A5 6542		
12 OC 43	10 DE 43	A5 6529		
13 OC 43		A5 6645	7/23 Medium Regt (v) SAA	
18 OC 43		A5 2		
28 OC 43		A5 6605	Technical Services Corps	SA
6 NO 43		A5 6698		
12 NO 43		A5 6317	40 Pretoria Regt	
15 NO 43	31 NO 43	A5 6278	20 SA Field Amb UDF	
22 NO 43	20 DE 43	A5 6390		
		A5 6250	No 2 Sqdn HM RA UDF	
29 NO 43		A5 6299	Christmas LC SA	UK
26 NO 43			Movement Control 17 Area MEF	

EPP No 139 Type IV

18 JU 43		A5 1203		UK
25 JL 43		A5 598	GHQ R Sigs	
19 OC 43			SA adhesives	SA

EPP No 140 Type IV

10 JU 43		A5 1370		MEF
13 JU 43		A5 51	Free OAS	UK
26 JU 43		A5 4133	160/54 HAA Reg RA	UK
18 AP 44		A5 4430	160/54 HAA Regt RA	UK
☒ 17 AP 44			160/54 HAA/Regt RA	

☒ Could this be EPP No 110) ?

EPP No 141 Type IV

1				
9 JU 43	10 AU 43	A5 974		UK
27 JU 43		A5 2001	REME 2 Base Wkshops	UK
7 JL 43		R11 789		

EPP No 141 continued

15 AU 43		A5 112		UK
26 JL 43		A5 2054		MEF
29 JL 43		A5 382		Alex

## 2 Late Use

29 MA 45		A6 44		UK
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EPP No 142 Type IV

1

23 JU 43		A5 4951		UK
JL 43	11 AU 43	A5 1802	306 S/L Det 27 S/L Regt RA	UK
22 JL 43		A5 745	Free OAS	Egypt
27 JL 43		R11 160		Egypt
9 AU 43		A5 480		
26 AU 43		A5 1274		UK
3 SE 43		R11 828		UK
9 SE 43		A5 1868		UK

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11 DE 44		A6 6909		UK
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EPP No 143 Type IV

7 JU 43	11 DE 43	R11 85		UK
9 JU 43	12 JL 43	R11 2		UK/MEF
11 JU 43		R11 751		
12 JU 43	26 JU 43	R11 181	Telecommunications RAF MEF	
14 JU 43		R11 791	195 LAA Bty RA	
22 JU 43		R11 266		
7 JL 43		R11 789		
8 JL 43		R11 80		
10 JL 43		R11 250		
22 JL 43		R11 ?		



EPP No 144 Type IV

6 AP 42			Original list	
7 JU 43		A5 6464		UK
29 JU 43		A5 375	550 Coy RASC MEF	
JU 43		A5 1403	SA adh	UK
5 JL 43	6 SE 43	A5 190		SA/UK

EPP No 145 Type IV

7 JU 43		A5 2009	3 LAA Bty/1LAA Regt RA	Scotland
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EPP No 146 Type IV

1 JU 43			3d GB adhesive	
2 JU 43			RA/MEF	UK
14 JU 43		R11 87		UK
17 JU 43		R11 943	2/6 Air	UK

EPP No 147 No RecordEPP No 148 Type IV

9 JU 43	25 JU 43	A5 1388	A Sqdn PAG/UDF	SA/UK
13 JU 43		A5 1148		Cairo
14 JU 43		A5 1410		Cairo
14 JU 43		A5 1814		Egypt
21 JU 43		A5 4793		UK
30 JU 43		A5 1796		

"Late Use"

30 AU 46	9 OC 46			UK
24 SE 46			Army Sigs School	

EPP No 149 Type IV

26 JA 43			160/54 HAA Regt RA	
12 JU 43		A5 6526	Belgian Unit	Alexandria
19 JU 43		A5 6622		N Ireland
- AP 44			Alexandria	

EPP No 150 No RecordEPP No 151 Type IV

1				
2 JU 43		R11 277		UK
3 JL 43		A5 2139		UK
2				
29 MA 44	2 OC 44	A6 9572		UK
3 AU 44	8 OC 44	A6 1620	225 Camp Staff	
10 AU 44		A6 6602	282 Batt 73 (MED) Reg RA	UK
11 AU 44			2 Base w/shops	
9 SE 44		R11 502		
5 OC 44		A6 9589		UK

EPP No 152 Type IV

16 JU 43	28 MR 44	A5 657		UK
24 NO 43		A5 5451		
28 DE 43		A5 1817		
27 JA 44		A5 20	Military Mission presided over by General Stone GHQ/BTE/Cairo	Alexandria

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28 JA 43	13 AU 43		GB adhesives	
10 OC 43		R10 154	9d Plat	Australia

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3 SE 44		A6 9572		UK
15 OC 44		R11 48	9d Platy	Australia
26 JA 45	31 JA 45	NI		
2 FE 45	3 FE 45		NZ adhs	
10 FE 45	24 FE 45	A6 7451	202 Provost Coy CMP 16 Area	UK
14 FE 45		A6 6927		India

EPP No 154 Type IV

1 GHQ Cairo

1 JU 43	18 OC 43	A5 642	Royal Sig School BD	UK
5 JL 43	3 AP 44	A5 503	No 2 Coy 3 GHQ Digs	
1 NO 43			ME OCTU	
21 DE 43	12 FE 44	A5 1390		UK
22 JA 44	14 FE 44	A5 994	Personnel Selection Pool GHQ	UK
			Southern MEF	
22 FE 44		A5 1832		
1 MR 44		A5 738		UK
26 MR 44		A5 5202	(Inverted date)	
6 MA 44		A6 7800	1 Coy 56 (Lon) Div Sigs/MEF	UK
9 MA 44		A6 8794		
19 MA 44			3 GHQ Sigs/GHQ Cairo	
19 MA 44		A6	No 2 Coy 3 GHQ Sigs	
17 MA 44		A6 217	C/o Mov N TN GHQ Cairo	UK

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9 JU 43		A5 1391	Free OAS	UK
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EPP machine cancellation with wavy lines

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6 JL 42 (bs)			EPP No 17 (4 JL 42)	
7 JL 42		DFFC	Free OAS	SA
7 JL 42 (bs)			(day of date missing)	Alexandria
8 JL 42		A5 398		UK
8 JL 42	5 OC 42	A5 159		Canada
9 JL 42			EPP No 17	
15 JL 42		A5 1478		
16 JL 42	13 DE 42	A5 254	EPP No 99	
19 JL 42		A5 16	1st A & SH (in Citadel Cairo)	UK
31 JL 42		A5 32	Free OAS	UK
JL 42		A5 221	15P Lib adh	Ismalia
12 AU 42		NI		UK
14 AU 42		A5 429		UK
18 AU 42		A6 5497	"42" missing in date line	UK
19 AU 42		A5 3132		UK
19 AU 42		A5 3087		UK
19 AU 42		A5 1164		UK
19 AU 42		A5 5731		UK
20 AU 42		A5 3183		UK
24 AU 42	15 FE 43	A5 230		UK
28 AU 42		A5 22	6m Egypt adh	Egypt
29 AU 42		A5 174		
7 SE 42		A5 3155		UK
8 SE 42		A5 589		UK
10 SE 42	12 SE 42	A5 3349		UK
11 SE 42		A5 5684		UK
24 SE 42		A5 657	EPP No 74	
2 OC 42		A5 197		Cairo
2 OC 42		A5 1338	10d GB adh	UK
9 NO 42	2 FE 42	A5 1895		UK
14 NO 42		A5 887	SA adh	SA
18 NO 42		A5 786		UK
19 NO 42		R11 128	100m Egypt adhs	USA
25 NO 42		R11 60	8 as Indian adhs	UK
26 NO 42		A5 580	Free OAS	UK
17 DE 42		A5 1239	1/- SA adh	SA
29 DE 42		A5 4946	bs Sidi Bager 31 DE 42	Ramleh
29 DE 42		R11 216		UK
31 DE 42			OHMS to 253/64 Fld Regt RA	Paiforce
5 JA 42		A5 1105	A Sqdn 74 Armd Bde MEF	UK
20 JA 43		A5 2297		UK
22 JA 43		A5 752	From Bahrain Staging Post	
			C/o 4 FCU/RAF	UK
2 FE 43		A5 1895	15 Gen Hospital	
11 FE 43		DCFC	6m Egypt adh	Egypt
1 MR 43		AF 1211	SA adh	SA

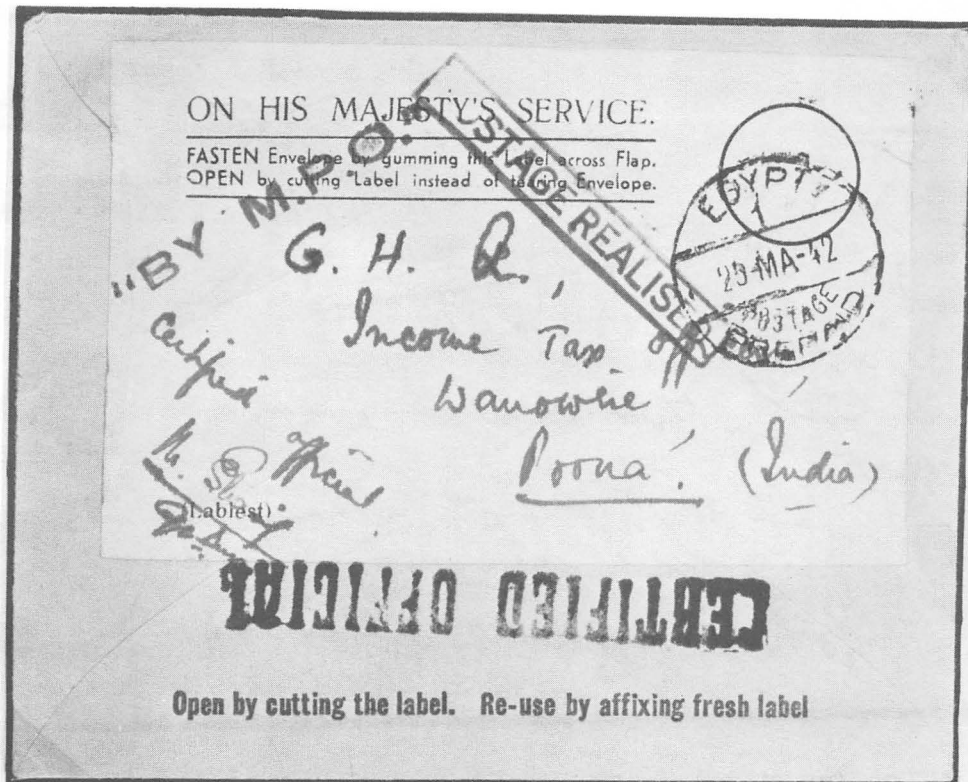
EPP Machine - Slogan "It Pays to Lend"

With normal dies			10 MR 43		
Missing Circle variety			27 MR 44	5 JU 44	
With one enlarged die			14 JU 44	15 SE 45	
10 MR 43			(bs) FPO 197		
12 MR 43		A5 4851			UK
18 MR 43		A5 1837	DDOSP/MEF		UK
22 MR 43		A5 323			Egypt
3 AP 43	3 JA 44	A5 230	3 CLY GHQ MEF		UK
	9 NO 44	A5 230	MI 12 GHQ		UK
23 AP 43		A5 9			
30 JU 43		A5 1887	10d GB adh		UK
25 JL 43	28 JL 43	A5 6722	bs BAPO 4		UK
25 JL 43		A5 6786	bs EPP 89		
28 JL 43		A5 3441			
13 AU 43	4 SE 43		DCFC GB adhs		SA
23 AU 43		A5 5786	bs EPP 89		Egypt
25 AU 43		A5 4242	from FPO 656 - date dies in slogan cancellation inverted		
28 AU 43		A5 4788	bs EPP 89		Alexandria
31 AU 43		A5 2045	from FPO 656		
5 SE 43		A5 2883			UK
30 OC 43		A5 279	from Capt in Greek Forces		Alexandria
3 NO 43		A5 1403	Army Christmas Card 1943		UK
20 NO 43	10 MA 44	R11 2	RAF HQ APO S 241		UK
5 DE 43		A5 230	Inverted date		
24 DE 43		R11 197	from FPO 33		
29 DE 43		A5 4977	(bs) from EPP		
4 JA 44			from FPO 139		
4 JA 44		A5 548	(bs) from Ind FPO 9 (29 DE 43) & EPP 29 (2 JA 44)		
6 JA 44			(bs) from FPO 299		Eire
6 JA 44	21 MR 44	R11 187	from Paiforce		UK
16 JA 44		R11 187	R Sigs RAF Station Maisira		UK
6 MR 44		A6 6200			UK
27 MR 44		R11 864			USA
2 AP 44		A5 9608			Alexandria
2 AP 44		R11 31	bs FPO 188		Alexandria
14 AP 44		A5 3700	(bs) FPO 594 (11 AP 44) BAPO4		
17 AP 44	17 MA 44	A6 44			UK
25 AP 44			bs BAPO4 (25 AP 44) bs Teharan to		MEF
6 MA 44	4 AU 44	R11 183	FPO 142 Written in Greek		Alexandria
10 MA 44	14 JU 44	A6 1588	FPO 142 BAPO 4 bs		
16 MA 44		A6 1376			Alexandria
26 MA 44	14 JU 44	A6 4685	bs FPO 309		
27 MA 44		NI			Cairo
4 JU 44		A6 5047	92 mills Egypt adhs		UK

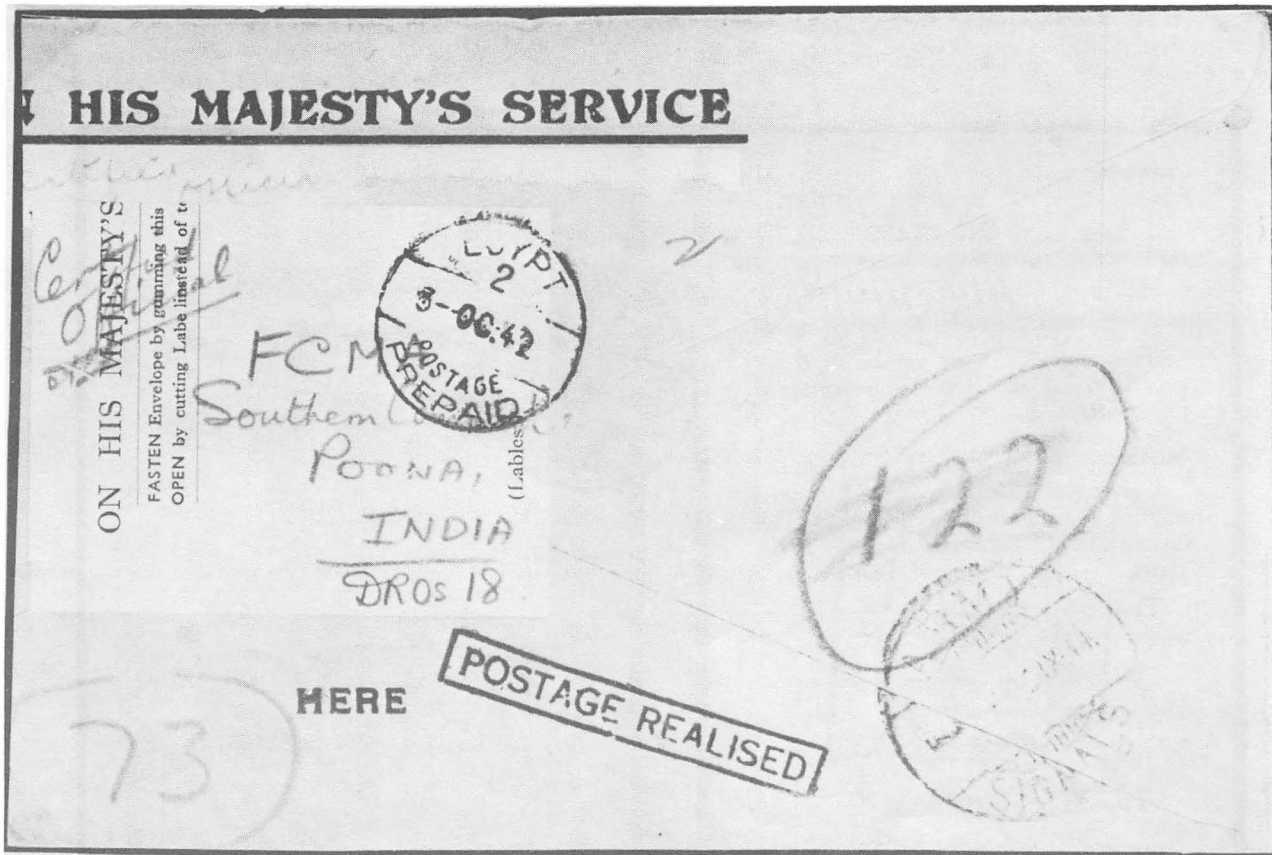
EPP Machine - Slogan continued

24 JU 44		A6 6559	(bs) FPO 142 bs BAPO 4	
6 AU 44		A6 5243	(bs) FPO 160 bs BAPO 4	
15 AU 44		A6 1212	Ind FPO 88 (12 AU 44)	
16 AU 44			RAF Posting 5 SEAC 8 as	
			Ind adh	Cairo
18 AU 44		A6 543	(bs) FPO 160 Written in Greek	
9 SE 44		A6 4783		Egypt
6 NO 44		A6 4377		UK
15 NO 44	20 DE 44	A6 5293	(bs) FPO 190 BAPO 4 (bs)	
16 NO 44		A6 954		
17 NO 44	7 FE 45	A6 1799	FPO 731 BAPO 4 (bs)	Alexandria
			` written in Greek	
17 NO 44			FPO 145	
17 NO 44		R12 20	FPO 385	Gold Coast
15 DE 44			FPO 572	
30 DE 44		A6 6793	OAS written in Greek	
23 AP 45	25 AP 45		FPO 783 written in Greek	
8 JL 45	4 AU 45	R12 20 )	bs EPP 34 and BAPO 4	
		R12 173 )		
12 SE 45		R12 20 )	bs EPP 34 and BAPO 4	
		R12 17 )		
12 SE 45			EPP 45 (bs)	
5 OC 43		R8 223 )	Unit censor type and number	
18 ?? 43		R8 293 )	are associated with RAF HQ	
			Malta.	

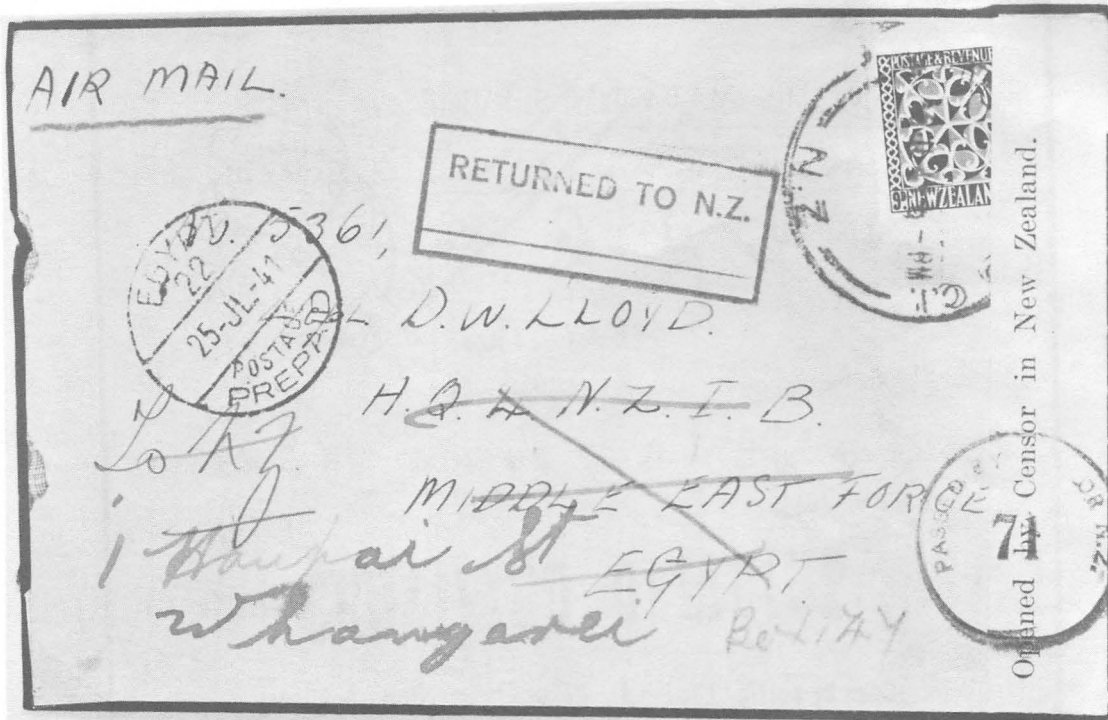
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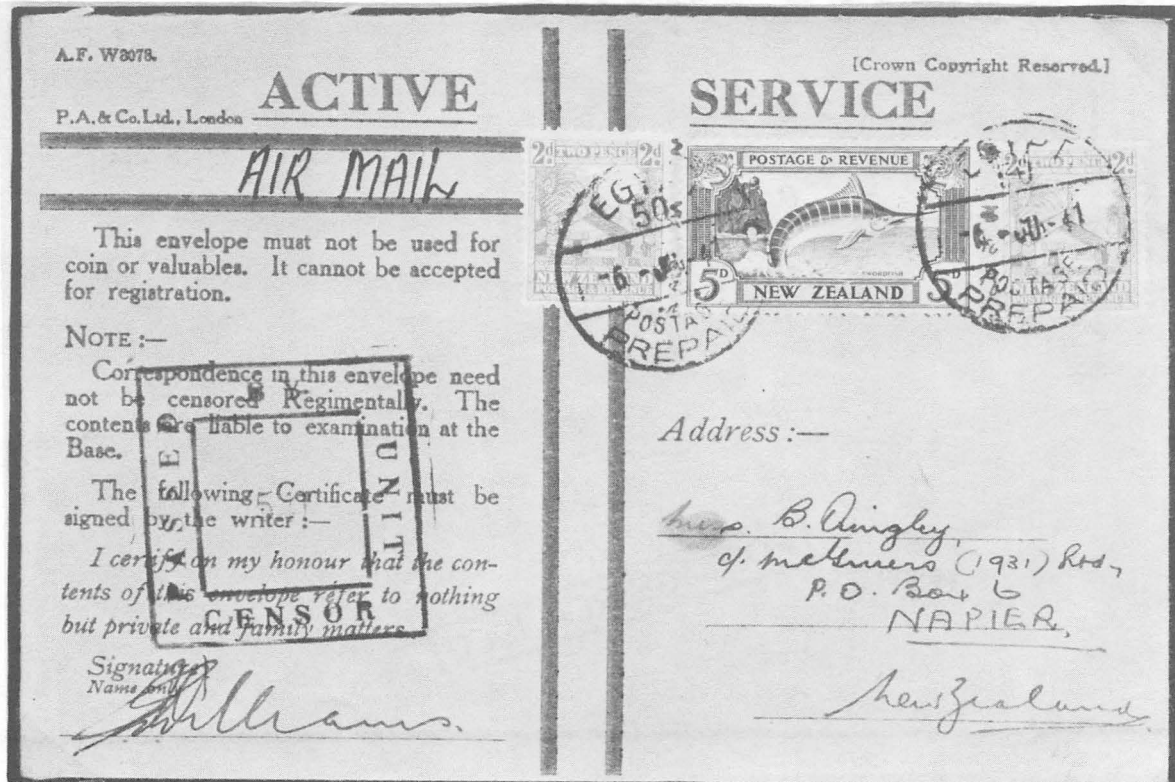
1. EPP No. 1 (29 MA 42) Use by Indian Troops. Second usage with directional markings 'By MPO', boxed 'POSTAGE REALISED', 'CERTIFIED OFFICIAL' addressed Income Tax Office POONA India.



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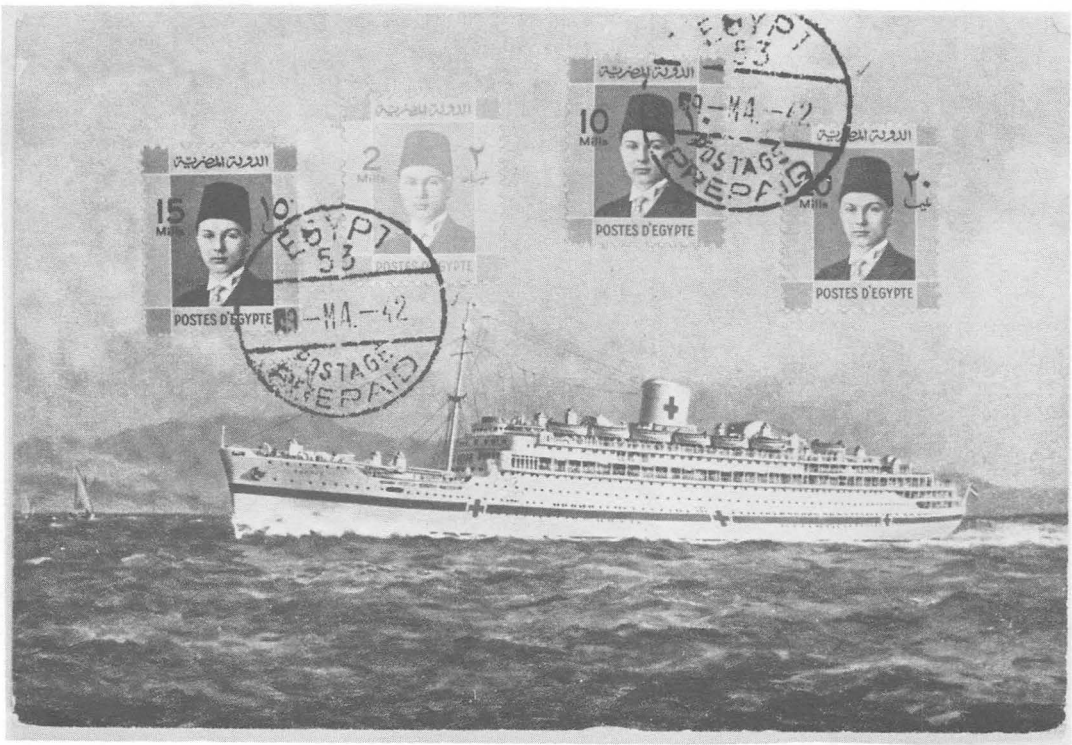


- 3. EPP No. 22 (25 JL 41). Censored letter to N.Z. serviceman and returned to home country, with boxed 'RETURNED TO NZ' and EPP No. 22 (NZ/FPO/2) New Zealand General Hospital, Helwan.



- 4. EPP No. 50 (6 JU 41) N.Z. Base P.O. Cairo. Green Honour envelope with 9d. Air Mail Letter rate to New Zealand.

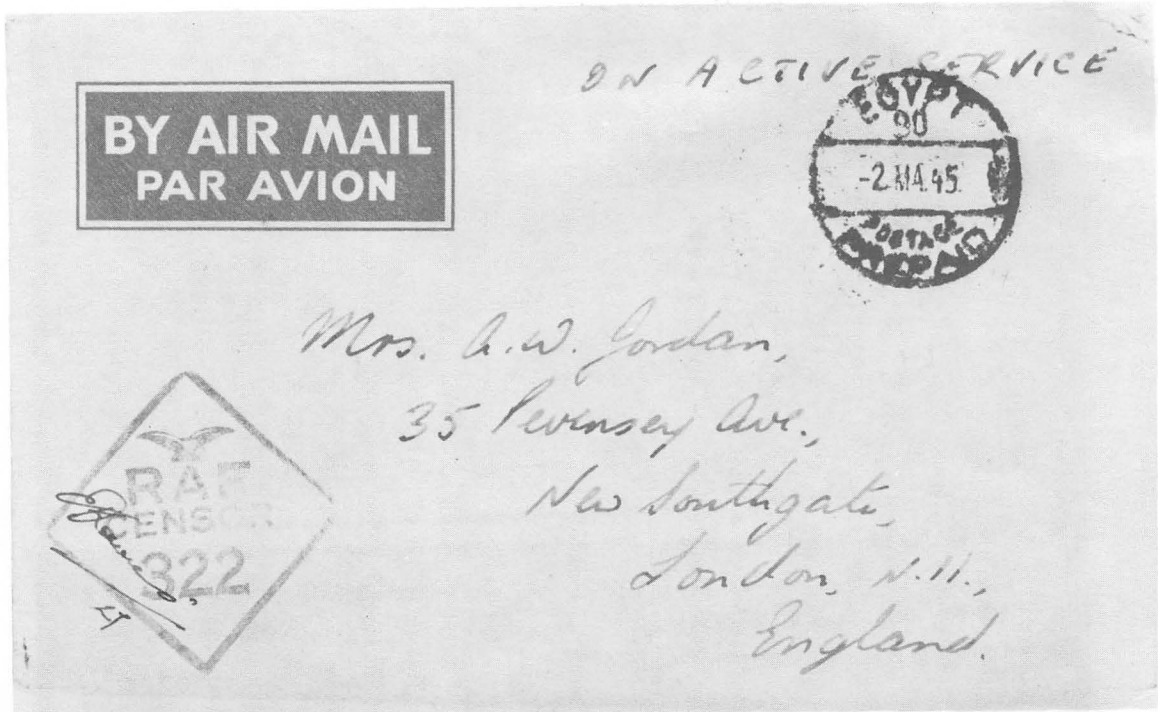




5. EPP No. 53 19 MA 42 SA APO 28, Port Tewfik.  
 Pictorial Post Card of 'Oranje' First Netherlands Indies Hospital  
 ship (D. Kirk collection).



6. EPP No. 40 17 SE 41. Censored envelope with Indian Official  
 adhesives.



7. EPP No. 90 (2 MA 45). Possibly Alexandria late use datestamp becoming worn. O.A.S. Air Mail postage free.

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