

RHC

ILCO

SECRET

2 CDN DIV

2DS(G) 4-1-0-8
HQ 2 Cdn Div
16 Oct 42

Exercise SNODGRASS

Exercise Instructions

General

- 1 (a) 2 Cdn Div will carry out a signal exercise on 23 Oct 42.
- (b) The exercise will be known by the code word SNODGRASS and all orders, messages, R/T, and telephone conversations will begin and end with that word.

Objects of the Exercise

- 2 (a) To exercise all HQ in Signal Procedure.
- (b) To practise the collection and passing of information.

Tps taking part

3 All HQ down to and including Bn HQ and their equivalent: i.e.

<u>Div HQ</u>	<u>Bde HQ</u>	<u>Bn HQ</u>
As detailed	Brig	CO - STA WAGON + CARRIER - JEEP
	BN	Adjt OFFICE TRUCK
	IO	IO "1" TRUCK
	SC	Sigs Offr SIGS
	Sigs Offr	DRs 2
	LOs	
	DRs	

Conduct of the Exercise

- 4 (a) The period covered by the exercise deals with the course of a large scale raid on the South Coast of England which is quickly repulsed. At the outset tps are at "stand to" posns.
- (b) All HQ below Bn level will be represented by umpires i.e. Bn Comd or equivalent will act in dual role of Comd and umpire.
- (c) The exercise will commence at 0900 hrs at which time first information of enemy action will be given to forward HQ by umpires.
- (d) Comds will arrange to have all HQ at "Stand To" posns by 0845 hrs 23 Oct.
- (e) HQ required to move during the exercise by order or by necessity will in fact do so.
- (f) The exercise will terminate on the afternoon of 23 Oct 42.

Control & Umpire Organisation

- 5 (a) The Div Comd will direct the exercise.
- (b) Umpires will be detailed as set out in att Appx 'A'.
- (c) Units detailing umpires will also find their tpt.
- (d) Umpires and Orderlies will report to units and formations with which they are to work at 0800 hrs 23 Oct. Haversack lunches will be taken.

Conference

- 6 (a) Umpires Conference (to be attended by all umpires incl dual role umpires) at Div HQ (Conference Room) ~~1800~~ ⁰⁹³⁰ hrs 22 Oct 42.
- (b) Chief Umpires' post-exercise conference at Div HQ (Conference Room) 1900 hrs 23 Oct. This will be attended by senior umpires of formations and senior umpires of units not in formations. (These officers will hold their own conferences immediately after the finish of the exercise and bring any notes with them.)

(c) Directors post-exercise conference at time and place to be notified.

Neutral Comms

7 Neutral Wireless may not be available for umpires in which event they will use the existing line and civil telephone system and DRs when necessary.

W S Rutherford
(W S RUTHERFORD) Lt-Col
General Staff 2 Cdn Div

<u>Distribution</u>	<u>Copies</u>
4 Cdn Inf Bde	6 (incl 2 for umpires)
5 Cdn Inf Bde	6 (incl 2 for umpires)
6 Cdn Inf Bde	6 (incl 2 for umpires)
RCA	5 (incl 4 for umpires)
RCE	1
Sigs	2 (1 for umpire)
8 Cdn Recce Regt(14H)	1
Tor Scot R (MC)	1
1 Cdn Corps	2
Camp	1
War Diary	3
W.O. Umpires	2
Spares	6
TOTAL	42 copies

2 Cdn Div Exercise SNODGRASS

Appendix "A" Details of Umpires and Tpt

Serial	Detail	Officers		Transport		M/C Orderly	Remarks	
		To be detailed by	No.	Type	No.			
1	Div HQ Chief Umpire Asst to Chief Umpire RA Umpire RE Umpire Signals Umpire	Div HQ	1	Car	1	To be detailed by Sigs Sigs Own Unit Own Unit Own Unit	1 1 1) 1) 1)	
		Div HQ	1	Car	1			Col Pawle, H.
		CRA	1	5 cwt or m/c	1			Lt-Col Clayton, A.C
		CRE	1	5 cwt or m/c	1			Acting C.R.A.
		Div Sigs	1	5 cwt or m/c	1			& C.R.E.
2	4 Cdn Inf Bde Senior Umpire Asst Umpire RA Umpire	5 CIB	1	5 cwt or m/c	1	5 CIB 5 CIB 5 CIB 6 CIB	1	
		5 CIB	1	5 cwt or m/c	1			BR RMCHE
		LAA	1	5 cwt or m/c	1			
		6 CIB 2	3	5 cwt or m/c	3			
3	As for Serial 2 5 Cdn Inf Bde	LAA	1	5 cwt or m/c	1	4 CIB	1	
		4 CIB 2	3	5 cwt or m/c	3	3 Recce	1	
4	6 Cdn Inf Bde As for Serial	LAA	1	5 cwt or m/c	1	For Scot	1	
		4 CIB 2	3	5 cwt or m/c	3	Bn concerned	1	
5	8 Recce CO in dual capacity		1	Own Tpt				
6	For Scot CO in dual "		1	Own Tpt				
7	Inf Bns " "		9	Own Tpt				

X Names of these officers to be forwarded to Chief Umpire Div HQ by 0900 hrs 21 Oct.

RHE

2 CDN DIV

S E C R E T

Exercise SNODGRASS

2DS(G) 4-1-0-8
HQ 2 Cdn Div
19 Oct 42

Opening Narrative

About the middle of October it had become apparent that the Germans were preparing for some offensive action against Great Britain. Unsatisfactory reports had been received from agents as to tp movements in occupied France, but the R.A.F. had definite information of collections of invasion craft in the various Channel ports on the French coast.

At dusk on 22 Oct the R.A.F. reported much activity at both LE HAVRE and DIEPPE. This report was received at GHQ and Cdn Corps was at once ordered to "STAND TO".

A heavy fog developed during the night, and at 0400 hrs a British Motor Patrol Vessel reported bumping into a number of enemy craft some miles off the English Coast, making apparently for SHOREHAM and NEWHAVEN.

As day broke on 23 Oct the fog was still heavy about BOGNOR REGIS and LITTLEHAMPTON area, and the R.A.F. reported later that owing to bad visibility nothing could be seen in the Channel. However, at 0855 hrs the fog suddenly lifted sufficiently to disclose a number of enemy landing craft about half a mile from the shore making for PAGHAM, BOGNOR REGIS, MIDDLETON and LITTLEHAMPTON.

Bde H & will not move until reported

At this moment the exercise opens. *reported*

W.S. Rutherford for C

(W.S. RUTHERFORD) Lt-Col
General Staff 2 Cdn Div.

Distribution

Copies

4 Cdn Inf Bde	6 (incl 2 for umpires)
5 Cdn Inf Bde	6 (incl 2 for umpires)
6 Cdn Inf Bde	6 (incl 2 for umpires)
RCA	5 (incl 4 for umpires)
RCE	1
Sigs	2 (1 for umpire)
8 Cdn Recce Regt (14H)	1
Tor Scot R (MG)	1
1 Cdn Corps	2
Camp	1
War Diary	3
W.O. Umpires	2
Spares	6
	<hr/>
	42

II CO
III 2ic
IV 10
V Sigs O
VI Adj. T.

ORDERLY ROOM
OCT 20 1942
File No.
1st Bn. The Black Watch
(RHR) of Canada C.A.S.F.