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Situation of the Canadian Military Forces Overseas, Spring 1944.

Growth of the Canadian Army Overseas, October 1943 - May 1944.

- 1. This Report deals with the growth and development of the Canadian Army Overseas since the preparation of Report No. 110 of 20 Dec 43. The tables attached as appendices are in part a continuation of those submitted with No. 110.
- 2. During the period under review progress has been made in bringing the Canadian Army into line with British War Establishments.
- Increased by the balance of 5 Cdn Armd Div (5,501 all ranks) and 1 Corps Basic Troops (2,473 all ranks), and under existing arrangements, two months' reinforcements (11,613 all ranks) are maintained or en route there at all times. Thus the strength of the Canadian Element of the Allied Armies in Italy has increased from 58,709 (cf. Report No. 110, Appx "B") to 75,559 as shown in Appendix "B" attached hereto. The Canadian Element, 21 Army Group, took shape in the United Kingdom and at the time of writing is in great part in action in France. A revised table of composition of the Canadian Army Overseas was promulgated as a Secret Order (Overseas R.O. 4607 of 15 May 44) and an abridged index to the Order is attached as Appendix "E" hereto, so that an estimate may be formed regarding the manner in which the Canadian Army has been divided.

INCREASE IN NUMERICAL STRENGTH

- 4. The strength of the Canadian Army during the period October 1943 May 1944 may be examined in Appendix "A", showing the total strength at intervals of one month.
- It will be observed that the strength of the Canadian Army has been remarkably static during the period October 1943 April 1944. The large increase in May was due to the arrival in that month of three General Hospitals and a large draft of reinforcements. A further increase may be expected in June, due to the despatch overseas of the 15th Canadian Infantry Brigade with a strength of 2,640 all ranks, and also two General Hospitals (cf. Appendix "C").

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6. The discrepancy of figures in Appendices "A" and "B" - one of the causes of which was elucidated in Report No. 110, para 5 and is further clarified upon reference to F.S.P.B. Pamphlet No. 13, Pt. II, page 9, para 2(a) and page 12, para 3(a) - has been considerably reduced, Appendix "A" showing a total of 251,312 and Appendix "B" 250,125. Appendix "A", taken from returns compiled in connection with Manpower Control Statistics, more accurately reflects the strength of the Canadian Army Overseas.

7. The whole question of manpower ceiling and other aspects of manpower policy is under review and it is felt that no useful purpose would be served by reference to the subject in the present Report. It will be dealt with at a later date.

REORGANIZATION OF THE CANADIAN ARMY OVERSEAS.

The disbandment of 3 Cdn Army Tk Bde, promulgated in Adm Order No. 163 of 19 Nov 43, was forecast in Report No. 110, paras 12-15. From the evidence available it would appear that the refusal to approve of General McNaughton's recommendation for the retention of this Brigade was prompted by a fear that reinforcements could not be provided for the formations and units then existing. National Defence Headquarters directed that the surplus armoured regiments "are to be allocated to reinforcements unless and until adequate reinforcements for armoured corps are in sight" (C.M.H.Q. file 1/Cdn Army/1/2: Cable C.G.S. 38, DEFENSOR to CANMILITRY, 15 Jan 43). Then, in a memorandum by D.A.G., C.M.H.Q., dated 3 Aug 43, it was stated "Personnel of these three regiments are absolutely required to alleviate the large deficiencies in Armoured Regiment personnel of the C.A.C." (C.M.H.Q. file 1/Org CAC/1). And finally, Brigadier Rutherford, Commanding "E" Group, C.R.U., stated in a speech to the units affected, on the occasion of their disbandment: "There are too many units and not enough reinforcements in the Canadian Army. It is necessary that we must have fewer units and these units must be up to strength with adequate reinforcements" (ibid.: Speech to 20, 23 and 26 Cdn Tk Regts, 31 Jul 43).

9. The reorganization of the Canadian Army Overseas to bring it in line with British War Establishments, combined with the projected participation of the Canadians in two theatres, made it necessary to provide for a substantial Contingency Reserve. On 6 Jan 44 a meeting of the Canadian Army Planning Committee was held to review this question. Broadly speaking there were two ways of providing such a Reserve:-

- (a) By the elimination of certain of the less important units, or,
- (b) By the replacement of Canadian Units by British Units.

In connection with alternative (a), the Committee at first cast speculative eyes upon the three Canadian Engineer Bat-

talions of which there were no counterpart in British Army organization. These battalions were part of the Canadian Element of 21 Army Group and the War Office did not take kindly to their proposed withdrawal (C.M.H.Q. file 1/Cdn Army/1/4: Letter C.M.H.Q. to War Office, 2 Feb 44).

- 10. The Committee then focussed its attention upon 32 Recce Regt (R.M.R.), which was surplus to the Order of Battle. It was eventually decided to allot the unit a role as First Cdn Def Coy in which they could retain their identity (Adm Order No. 79, 8 May 44). This unit had an enviable record in the last war, had come overseas in the first Convoy of 1 Cdn Div in this war and had served successively as a machine gun battalion and reconnaissance regiment. Because of this record the Canadian Army Planning Committee had given much consideration to retaining the representation of the R.M.R. within the active units of the Canadian Army Overseas. While the future employment of the unit was still under examination a delegation of Westmount citizens visited the Minister in Ottawa to ask for the retention of the Regiment in the Order of Battle because it was the only representation of the Community in the Army (C.M.H.Q file 1/Cdn Army/1/4: Cable G.S. 177, DEFENSOR to CANMILITRY, 17 Mar 44).
- 11. Having regard to alternative (b) the replacement of Canadian units by British units as the air situation had greatly improved, it was thought the British should have a surplus of Anti-Aircraft units which might replace similar Canadian units in Army Troops of 21 Army Group. It was therefore decided to disband 1 Cdn A.A. Bde, with the exception of 2 Cdn H.A.A. Regt. This resulted in the disappearance from the Canadian Order of Battle of H.Q., 1 Cdn A.A. Bde, 7 Cdn L.A.A. Regt and 11 L.A.A. Regt (Overseas R.O. 4421), together with their ancillary sub-units, e.g., Bde Sig Sec., Regt Sig Dets, Regt Pls and Wksps.
- 12. A further proposal made by the Committee was that two General Transport Companies, R.C.A.S.C. (not yet formed) should be supplied by the British. The War Office stated they were unable to provide these units and as the G.O.C.-in-C., 21 Army Group (General Montgomery), considered them very important, it was necessary for Canada to include them in the Canadian Order of Battle (C.M.H.Q. file 1/Cdn Army/1/4: Cable G.S. 530, CANMILITRY to DEFENSOR, 19 Feb 44).

ABSORPTION OF N.C.O. REINFORCEMENTS FROM CANADA

13. During the period under review the question of the despatch overseas of general service personnel holding confirmed non-commissioned rank as well as officers in the rank of captain, came to the fore. It was agreed that the overseas authorities would accept the following ranks in the proportions shown:

Captains 1 to 8 Lieuts.

W.O. I To be despatched only in special cases.

W.O. II 1 to 500 Ptes.

S/Sgts 1 to 300 Ptes.

Sgts 1 to 200 Ptes.

Cpls 1 to 30 Ptes.

(C.M.H.Q. file 1/Manpower/2: Memo A.G. to S.O., C.M.H.Q., 22 Oct 45).

- 14. On 12 Apr 44, OTTAWA cabled C.M.H.Q. (A.G. 314) for comments on a proposal that W.Os. and N.C.Os. in trained soldier units who were willing to revert in rank to proceed overseas be permitted to retain rank until taken on strength overseas, thus wearing rank badges during transit. This was agreed to, providing the documents of each individual contained a certificate of willingness to revert. The question of expanding this policy came under consideration by a suggestion from N.D.H.Q. (C.M.H.Q. file 1/Manpower/2/2: Cable A.G. 337, DEFENSOR to CANMILITRY, 28 Apr 44), that W.Os. and N.C.Os, should take down their rank badges on arrival overseas but continue to draw pay of their substantive rank indefinitely (This was the procedure followed in the last war.)
- 15. The view taken at C.M.H.Q. was that if a W.O. or N.C.O. was fit to be paid the emoluments of his rank he should carry its duties and responsibilities in other words, he should retain his rank badges and it was proposed to authorize N.C.O. increments to field units which would enable the absorption of N.C.Os. from Reinforcement Units, thus making provision of vacancies in Reinforcement Units for an equal number of N.C.Os. from Canada. This move was limited for the time being to Sergeants and Corporals in the following numbers:-

	Sgts	Cpls
C.A.C.	20	
R.C.E.	20	
R.C.A.S.C.	50	100
R.C.A.M.C.		20
R.C.O.C.	60	60
R.C.E.M.E.	150	100
	300	280

(1bid.: Cable A. 3823, CANMILITRY to DEFENSOR, 6 May 44).

It is proposed to review the situation periodically with the intention of absorbing further numbers from Canada.

REORGANIZATION OF REINFORCEMENT UNITS

During the period under review Reinforcement Units were reorganized as shown in Appendix "P" attached hereto. The regrouping, which took effect from 20 May 44, involved the disbandment of H.Q. "G" Group, No. 4 C.A.R.U., No. 5 C.I.R.U. and No. 7 C.I.R.U.

13TH CANADIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE AND FORMED BATTALIONS.

- A suggestion was received from OTTAWA towards the end of March 1944 that there might be a good prospect of a large proportion of N.R.M.A. personnel in the four infantry battalions of 13th Canadian Infantry Brigade, recently returned from KISKA, volunteering for overseas service if they were despatched from Canada as formed units (C.M.H.Q. file 1/Cdn Army/1/4: Cable A.G. 290, DEFENSOR to CANMILITRY, 28 Mar 44). C.M.H.Q. considered they would be very acceptable as immediate reinforcements to the infantry pool and provide a substantial increase in the number of infantry reinforcements available in the United Kingdom. The offer was therefore accepted and a request made that Brigade Headquarters accompany the four battalions, namely the Winnipeg Grenadiers, Rocky Mountain Rangers, Canadian Fusiliers and Le Regiment de Hull. The Battalions arrived in the United Kingdom on 10 Jun 44 (cf. Appendix "C").
- 18. The battalions are to be immediately placed on current war establishments (Cdn II/233/3). The Brigade organization is to be kept intact. The Brigade's immediate role is to supply reinforcement personnel to theatres of war; consideration is being given to keeping it intact on some permanent establishment and developing it along the lines of a collective training brigade. Personnel would require training in Plat, mine laying and lifting, and 6-pdr guns. Personnel taken from the brigade, as reinforcements, would be replaced by Canadian Infantry Reinforcement Units (C.M.H.Q. file 1/Cdn Army/1/5).
- 19. A cable from OTTAWA following this decision stated that a conference of District Officers Commanding had discussed the recruiting problem and possible conversion of N.R.M.A. personnel to volunteer status. While trained N.R.M.A. soldiers in units represent a quick reinforcement asset, the desire on the part of all ranks is to remain together, thus making it difficult to obtain individual volunteers. It was the considered opinion of the D.Os.C. that "large groups of N.R.M.A. personnel would volunteer for overseas service if permitted to go as units". The cable continued, "Would therefore appreciate your concurrence in principle earliest possible despatch of additional reinforcements in formed infantry battalions on same basis as agreed for 13th Infantry Brigade. The number of units available for despatch will depend on numbers of N.R.M.A. prepared to volunteer under this policy and on the number of units that can be released from operational duties" (ibid.: Cable G.S. 249, DHFENSOR to CANMILITRY, 16 Apr 44).
- 20. The first unit authorized to proceed overseas under these arrangements after 13 Cdn Inf Bde will be Le Regiment de Montmagny (1bid.: Cable G.S.D. 627, DEFENSOR to CANMILITRY, 3 Jun 44).

patched, including Units and Reinforcements, comes to a monthly

average of 4,140 for the period. It is interesting to observe that

In modern war, the reinforcement and manpower problem is further complicated by the fact that large numbers of
men must be competent tradesmen or specialists in addition to
being trained soldiers. The fact that a man is a trained
soldier does not qualify him to fill a vacancy as a Fitter or
as a Mechanic in a unit; therefore the situation may arise where,
despite the presence of reinforcement personnel they could not

replace casualties because of lack of trades qualifications.

22. It was found at 31 Mar 44 that the following situation existed with respect to tradesmen:-

Surplus Tradesm	Duty personnel en desmen specialists	10,204 6,617 263
		17,084
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(C.M.H.Q. file 1/Conf Plans/1/2: Minutes, Cdn Army Planning Committee, 9 May 44).

Thus there was a total potential for reallocation and remustering of 17,084 (plus arrivals from Canada since 31 Mar 44) to meet a deficiency of 10,741.

- 23. On 9 May 44, the Canadian Army Planning Committee appointed a Sub-Committee to take up the whole question of tradesmen's requirements. The task set this Committee was to:-
 - (a) reallocate tradesmen to units.
 - (b) upgrade tradesmen. (e.g. Driver Mechanics to Driver Mechanics, A.F.V.; Fitters to Fitters, A.F.V.)
 - (c) train potential tradesmen, taking advantage of both British and Canadian Schools.

The Sub-Committee recommended that an officer and small staff be appointed to A.G. Branch, C.M.H.Q., and charged with the control of the whole process of selection remustering and reallocation of tradesmen. This was approved by Chief of Staff 30 May 44 (ibid.: Approved minutes Canadian Army Planning Committee, 9 May 44).

DESPATCH OF TROOPS OVERSEAS.

- 24. The general nature of the new arrivals during the period under review is reflected in Appendix "C". Apart from five Canadian General Hospitals (Nos. 4, 19, 20, 21 and 22) and the Units composing the 13th Canadian Infantry Brigade they have all been reinforcements. The total of other ranks despatched, including Units and Reinforcements, comes to a monthly average of 4,140 for the period. It is interesting to observe that the sailings include no less than 432 Nursing Sisters.
- 25. Attention is drawn to the number of junior officers sent overseas for absorption into British Army Units, 452 in all. The circumstances under which they have been despatched will be found in files at National Defence Headquarters. It is hoped to deal with the question of these "Canloan" officers in a subsequent separate Report.

RETURN OF PERSONNEL TO CANADA.

26. The policy outlined in Report No. 110, para 23, has been continued, namely to send back to Canada only unemployable personnel. Soldiers in "C" Category are utilized to the fullest possible extent in static units overseas.

NOTES ON SEA TRANSPORT.

- 27. A list of transport sailings is attached as Appendix "D". It will be observed that the large transports "Queen Elizabeth" and "Queen Mary" which figured so prominently in Appendix "D" of Report No. 110 were not used for Canadian troops during the period under review.
- 28. In addition to the phrase "A.T." (Atlantic Transit), there has been introduced the designation "A.E.B." indicating "Atlantic Eastbound Berth sailing". Gaps in sailing numbers indicate no Canadian personnel were aboard the vessels not listed.
- 29. All sailings during the period proceeded without mishap.
- 30. This Report was drafted by Major W. Boss, C.M.S.C.

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STRENGTHS, CANADIAN ARMY OVERSEAS

at monthly intervals, August 43 - May 44. Extracted from Manpower Control, Canadian Army Overseas, prepared by A.G. Statistics, C.M.H.Q. Includes Women's Services (Nursing Sisters and C.W.A.C.).

Date	U.K.	(all ranks)	(all ranks)
31 Aug 43 31 Sep 43	188,440	30,227	218,667 237,568
31 Oct 43 30 Nov 43	206,744	30,972 69,154	237,716 236,959
31 Dec 43 31 Jan 44	173,859	68,550 68,732	242,409 243,725
29 Feb 44 31 Mar 44	168,077	75,146 75,824	243,223
30 Apr 44 31 May 44	171,444	74,445	245,889 251,312

Total strength Canadian Army Overseas Oct 43 - May 44, broken down to show Officers and Other Ranks.

Date	Officers	Other Ranks	TOTAL
31 Oct 43	16,175	221,541	237,716
30 Nov 43	16, 323	220,636	236,959
31 Dec 43	16,852	225,557	242,409
31 Jan 44	17,288	226,437	243,725
28 Feb 44	17,809	226,414	243,223
31 Mar 44	17,745	224,830	242,575
30 Apr 44	18,017	227,872	245,889
31 May 44	18,643	232,669	251,312

APPENDIX "B"

STRENGTH BY FORMATIONS as at 31 May 43

Prepared for the War Office by A.G. Statistics, C.M.H.Q. (C.M.H.Q. file 22/Strengths/2/2).

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2 Cdn Corps Tps (Basic)	509	7831	16		-
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" One Armd Div	18	529			
4 Cdn Armd Div	784	14242	*		
2 Cdn Armd Bde	185	3526			
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3 Cdn Inf Div	978	17717	77		-
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Reinforcements	3171	27380	20	4 100	
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"Q" List.	127	170	-		2
21 Army Group	417	4469	192	1	8
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X List. (Hosp Det & Courses)	671	7817			20
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G.H.Q. & L of C Tps.	420	3659	326		4
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X LIST (JUBILEE) 115 officers, 1827 other ranks not included in this strength state.

TROOP BAILINGS FROM CANADA 31 oct 43 - 31 May 44.

Hote. The figures here given for the Total Canadian Army personnel of troop sailings from Canada derive from Records, Nominal Rolls and M.F.M. 33, checked against Movement Control Ledgers, and may be considered reliable.

The basis of computation is the same as that adopted for Reports Nos 85 and 110.
Only Canadian Army personnel are included, though many other groups, and in particular Air Force personnel, travel in troop convoys from Canada.

It should again be stated that while these troop sailings carry the great majority of Caradian troops arriving in the United Kingdom, parties of military personnel continue to arrive by independent sailings, or by air. In this Report no account is taken of these means of transport, although personnel arriving by these means are of course included in total strengths given for the Caradian Army Overseas.

TROOPS SAILING FROM CANADA

Condensed Information Extracted from M.F.M. 33 and Movement Control Ledgers

Sailing		No. of Ships	Date of Disembarkation	Total Cdn Army All Ranks	General Nature of Composition
A.E.B.	155	1	39 Nov 43	91.	Reinforcement Officers mainly Ordnance, Engrs & Chaplains
A.T.	76	1	1 Dec 43	4437	Reinforcements 464 Offrs, 3,973 O.Rs.
A.T.	81	1	21 Dec 43	2815	Reinforcements 200 Offrs, 2,618 O.Rs.
A.T.	814	1	3 Jan 44	2343	Reinforcements 225 Offrs, 2,118 O.Rs.
-		1	5 Jan 44	59	Reinforcements 59 Offra
A.E.B.	161	1	22 Jan 44	143	Reinforcements 143 Offrs, 103 of whom are N/S
A.E.B.	162	1	8 Feb 44	130	Reinforcements 130 Offrs, 44 of whom are M/S
A.E.B.	165	1	20 Feb 44	99	Reinforcements 48 Offrs, 51 O.Rs.
A.E.B.	166	1	20 Feb 44	77	Reinforcements 77 Offrs
A.T.	92	1	24 Feb 44	3209	Reinforcements 328 Offrs, 2,881 O.Rs.
A.T.	97A	1	14 Har 44	1317	Reinforcements 165 Offrs, 1,152 O.Rs.
A.E.B.	170	1	6 Apr 44	82	Reinforcements 82 Offrs
A.E.B.	171	1	7 Apr 44	67	Reinforcements 67 Offrs
A.E.B.	169	2	8 Apr 44	77	Reinforcements 77 Offrs
A.T.	103	1/	2 Apr 44	1016	Reinforcements 51 Offrs, 965 O.Rs.
A.T.	104A	1	8 Apr 44	609	Reinforcements 82 Offrs (52 of whom on loan to Br Army) 527 O.Rs.

Sailing	5	No. of Ships	Date of Disembarkation	Total Cdn Army All Renks	General Nature of Composition
A.T.	104B	1	11 Apr 44	1809	Reinforcements 94 Offrs (57 of whom on loan to Br Army 1,715 0.Rs.
A.E.B.	173	1	23 Apr 44	94	Reinforcements 94 Offrs (93 of whom on loan to Br Army
A.T.	103A	1	19 Apr 44	2040	Reinforcements 53 Offre,1,987 O.Rs.
A.T.	112	1	8 May 44	63.64	Reinforcements 599 Offrs,5,765 O.Rs.
A.T.	115	1	11 Hay 44	1192	No.4 Cdn Gen Hosp 21 Offrs 57 N/S 151 ORs. No.19 Cdn Gen Hosp 18 " 65 " 151 " No.20 Cdn Gen Hosp 34 " 88 " 234 " On Loan Br Army 250 " — 131 "
A.T.	118	1	2 Jun 44	2640	Winnipeg Gren 38 " 534 " Canadian Fus 36 " 520 " Rocky Mtn R. 59 " 604 " Regt de Hull 37 " 437 " Reinforcements 5 " 390 "
A.T.	116	1	10 Jun 44	1755	Nos. 21 & 22 Cdn Gen Hosp and Elements 13 Cdn Inf Bde 86 Offrs, 84 N/S and 1,585 O.Rs.

APPENDIX "D"

TRANSPORTS

A.E.B.	155	"BAYANO"
A.T.	76	"MAURETANIA"
A.T.	81	"HAURETANIA"
A.T.	ALS.	"MAURETANIA"
A.E.B.	161	"CAVINA"
A.E.B.	162	"BEAVERHILL"
A.E.B.	165	"BAYANO"
A.E.B.	166	"ARIGUANI"
A.T.	92	"ILE DE FRANCE"
A.T.	97A	"ANDES"
A.E.B.	169	"ARIGUANI"
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A.T.	103	"NIEUW AMSTERDAM"
A.T.	104A	"ANDES"
A.T.	104B	"PASTEUR"
A.E.B.	173	"CAVINA"
A.T.	103A	"EMPRESS OF SCOTLAND"
A.T.	112	"ILE DE FRANCE"
A.T.	115	"EMPRESS OF SCOTLAND"
A.T.	116	"ANDES"
A.T.	118	"EMPRESS OF SCOTLAND"

The above information was obtained from Strength Returns on Disembarkation (M.F.M. 33) at Records Office and Ledgers at Movement Control.

APPENDIK "E"

COMPOSITION OF CANADIAN ARMY OVERSEAS Abridged Index to Overseas R.O. 4607 of 15 May 44

(A) CANADIAN ELEMENT, ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Pt I 1 Cdn Inf Div 5 Cdn Armd Div 1 Cdn Armd Bde

Pt II 1 Cdn Corps Tps

Pt III First Cdn Army Tps (Elements of Armd Corps,

Pt IV G.H.Q. Tps and L. of C. Tps

Pt V C.M.H.Q. Units (1 Cdn Research Lab & No.11 Det

Pt VI Special Units. (1 Cdn Mission Staff)

(B) CANADIAN ELEMENT, 21 ARMY GROUP.

Pt VII 2 Cdn Inf Div 3 Cdn Inf Div 4 Cdn Armd Div 2 Cdn Armd Bdo

Pt VIII 2 Con Corps Tps

Pt IX First Cdn Army Tps (incl H.Q. First Cdn Army)

Pt X G.H.Q. and L of C Tps

Pt XI C.M.H.Q. Units. (No entries - blank)

Pt XII Special Units. (1 Cdn Para Bn)

(C) CANADIAN TROOPS, UNITED KINGDOM

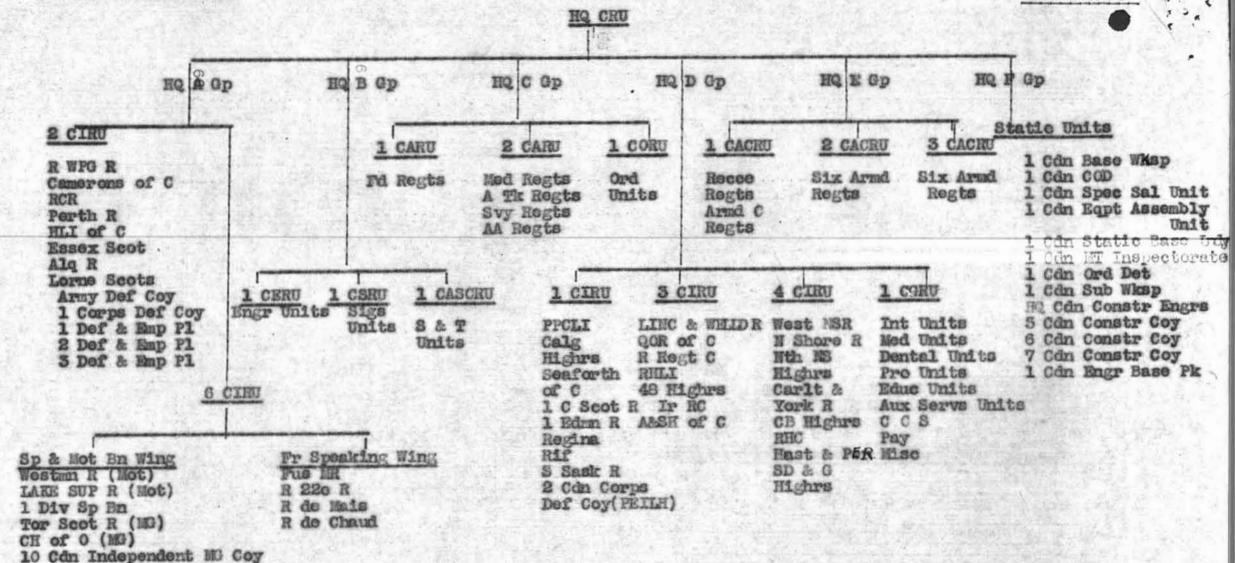
Pt XIII C.M.H.Q. Units (V.G.C., C.W.A.C., Static Hosps, etc)
Cdn Reinforcement Units
Cdn Forestry Corps

(D) CANADIAN UNITS AND INCHEMENTS FORMED ON TEMP BASIS

Pt XIV Temporary Cdn units. (Training increments, standard increments, etc.)

11 Inf Bde Sp Gp

APPENDIX "F"



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