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OP TELIC 2 – IN THEATRE TRAINING

Reference:

A. LWC/HQ 19 Mech Bde trg meeting 30 Apr 03.

1. I raised the subject of in-theatre training during the above conference. Col Tanner in particular was keen to know what our small arms training requirements would be and it is obvious that we will need training assistance from those in theatre. This letter details our requirements for in-theatre training so that the Brigade can seek resources and assistance in time.

2. We should get 10 days of acclimatisation before being expected to relieve those already deployed. Allowing 4-5 days for sedentary tasks and admin, I anticipate a 4 day training window. In this time we need to achieve the following, for which we will need external assistance:

a. Op Shooting. Ranges, ammunition and (ideally) range staff required for:

- All personnel check zero all small arms (Rifle, GPMG, L96, 9mm pistol)
- Rifle Coys convert to *minimi*
- Rifle Coys convert to USGL and RLEM
- F&M. All personnel through pairs and fire team F&M
- SAXON comds to conduct DESA mount GPMG shoot
- Recce Pl to shoot Scimitar 30mm and L37

b. Recce Pl Training. Conversion to diesel CVRT (some basic famil will have been conducted in the UK to allow us to drive the vehicles on our arrival).

c. UXO/Foreign Weapons Trg. Must be provided from an in-theatre source.

d. UOR Famil Trg. We have instructors but will need both UOR and NBC kit (MCAD).

e. PO Trg. Again, we have instructors but need the in-theatre equipment.

f. Hot Weather Survival Trg. Although we are doing theory training here we must give the troops survival training in theatre in the appropriate conditions. An in-theatre instructor is required.

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g. Cultural Trg. We will have conducted some basic self-help language and orientation training in the UK. We will need local expertise on arrival.

3. We will also conduct the following training which will not require external assistance:

a. Driving Trg. A simple X country driving famil package (all vehicles).

b. HF Trg. Self help using in-theatre frequencies.

4. I suspect that the other Bns/Regts will need to do a similar package. You are requested to include the above requirements in your staffing of this to HQ 1 (UK) Div and the LWC.

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