ADJUTANT GENERAL,
ROYAL MARINES.

R.M. No. 3968/38.A.

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17th May, 1939.

M.N.B.D.O. Nucleus - Revision

The M.N.B.D.O. Nucleus has been revised and is now as shown in the Enclosure herete (not te Commandant, Portsmouth Division and Superintendent, School of Land Artillery).

2. This distribution provides for :-

A skeleton Air Defence Brigade Headquarters
One Signal Company on reduced establishment
One A/A Battery with all essential personnel to enable training te be carried out in peace
One Searchlight Company of two Searchlight Sections so organised and trained as to be able to expand to four sections at short notice
L.T.& W. Headquarters
Landing) Companies of sufficient strength to serve
Transport) the sub-units enumerated above
Workshop)
A nucleus of Fire control personnel for M.D. 6" batteries which will enable one battery to be embodied after gun detachments etc have been provided.

3. With regard to the Brigade Commander, this post will be filled normally by the Superintendent, School of Land Artillery. Similarly, the Superintending Clerk for A.D. Brigade Headquarters will be the Superintending Clerk, School of Land Artillery, no appointment being made in peace. The ether warrant officer for the A.D. Brigade Headquarters will be a Royal Marine Gunner.

4. Further instructions will be issued as to when the Divisional quotas are to be filled. Meanwhile additional ranks may be drafted, as they become available, in the order of priority shewn in Appendix "A".

5. In addition to the Royal Marine personnel detailed, the following R.N. officer and naval ratings are allowed for duty at Fort Cumberland:-

Chief Mechanical Officer (retired)
3 E.R.A. (incl. 1 pensioner)
4 E.A. (incl. 3 pensioners)
1 Leading Seaman (L.T.O.)
1 C.P.O. Telegraphist))
1 Leading Telegraphist) For W/T sets, loaned to Nucleus when required.
1 Telegraphist)

6. Appendix IVA, I.R.M.D. is now under revision. Consideration is being given to the grant of extra duty pay to Searchlight personnel.