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FAR EAST COMMUNIQUE

G.H.Q., Singapore  
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Our artillery again engaged enemy transport in the JOHORE BAHRU area, as well as enemy observation posts and gun positions, which were silenced.

There has been some enemy shelling in the north of the island with negligible results.

Air reports show much enemy movement southwards in JOHORE.

Enemy aircraft have continued to make high level and low dive bomb and machine-gun attacks on the island, causing comparatively little damage or casualties.

Shipping in the harbour was also attacked. An oil tanker at the naval base, which was set on fire two days ago by enemy bombing, is still burning.

Hurricane fighters of the R.A.F. intercepted a large formation of enemy aircraft over SINGAPORE this morning. One enemy aircraft was destroyed, one probably destroyed, and one damaged by our aircraft.

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