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Forthcoming Anniversaries

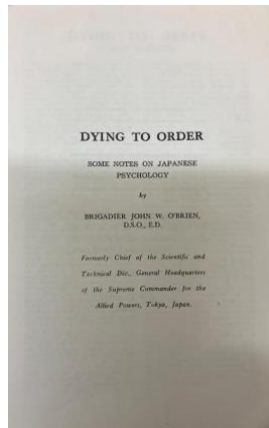
2 December 1914: First Australian military aircraft leaves for First World War
3 December 1853: Battle of Eureka Stockade – the last occasion when British troops quell a civil uprising in Australia
3 December 1914: 1st AIF lands in Egypt
5 December 1950: HMAS Bataan and Warramunga evacuate sick and wounded from Chinnampo, North Korea
7 December 1915: Evacuation of Anzac and Suola forces begins from Gallipoli
7 December 1941: Siege of Tobruk ends after 242 days at a cost of 3009 Australian casualties and 942 POWs. Japanese carrier planes attack Pearl Harbour, Guam, Philippines, Singapore and Kotu Bahr
8 December 1941: US and Great Britain declare war on Japan. Japanese invade Malaya & Hong Kong

RUSIV Defence Update

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A weekly e-newsletter relating to our security & defence

Dying to Order



This is a pamphlet written by Brigadier J.W. O'Brien, DSO, ED in 1952. He was nicknamed the 'boy brigadier' and among his distinguished achievements in the Second World War were the command of the 2/5th Field Regiment and the development of the Short 25-pounder gun. In 1946 he was appointed Leader of the Scientific Mission to Japan. Though many non-Americans found it difficult to work with MacArthur's headquarters, O'Brien had an excellent relationship there, principally because he had, it is said, saved MacArthur's son from drowning.

The leaflet examines the Japanese peoples' determination to defend their homeland.

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Defence

Exercise Keris Woomera - amphibious beach landing and assault: [\(F\)Defence](#)
Australia's new missile defence system will blow you away:

[\(F\)TalkingTactics](#)

Aussie navigation firm, MBDA team and test AUKUS' new tech-sharing muscles: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Recommended: 2024 the year in review: [\(F\)RUSINSW](#)

Army

Exercise Trident 2024: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Patrolling through adversity: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Army's new Landing Craft Heavy announced: [\(M\)Contact](#)

Navy

Japanese government authorises Mogami frigate sale to Australia:

[\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

Air Force

Flying with our Fiji partners: [\(F\)Defence](#)

ADF fly-over Sydney Harbour: [\(F\)RAAF](#)

Defence deploys P-8As for Operation Gateway: [\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

Indonesia

Understanding Prabowo's Natunas gambit with China: [\(M\)Lowy](#)

Philippines

Weak link or "frontline ally"? Where the Philippines will fit into Trump's rivalry with China: [\(M\)Lowy](#)

NATO

Dr Fitriani on subsea cable sabotage in the Baltic Sea: [\(M\)ASPI](#)

UK

GCAP vs carriers: analysing UK defence priorities: [\(M\)NavalTechnology](#)

US

Navy asking Congress for \$5.7B in emergency submarine funding: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Will Musk's 'Algorithm' reduce military inefficiency – or increase risk? [\(M\)DefenseOne](#)

Middle East

Israel's Trump delusion: why Netanyahu's ambition to remake the Middle East is unlikely to succeed: [\(M\)ForeignAffairs](#)

How Biden can salvage Middle East peace – and his legacy: [\(M\)ForeignAffairs](#)

Israel and Lebanon's Hezbollah agree to a ceasefire: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

Ukraine

Making the most of Ukraine's freedom to strike Russia: [\(M\)RUSI](#)

Russia

The West must stop protecting Russia from the consequences of its actions: [\(M\)RUSI](#)

Russia warns of response as Ukraine strikes with US missiles: [\(M\)Stars&Stripes](#)

UK intelligence chief accuses Russia of 'staggeringly reckless' sabotage campaign: [\(M\)Stars&Stripes](#)

China

Beijing's online influence operations along the India-China border: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

As China tries harder to collect data, we must try harder to protect data: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Military History

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9 Squadron operations in Vietnam with Bob "Rags" Redman:

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