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Detachment reference No SIS/S/162/72	AHQ reference No	Originating detachment S Comd Sect SIS	Date despatched Det 17 Jul 72	Date received AHQ 25 JUL 1972
Crime classification COMMON ASSAULT	040	Date committed 15 Jul 72/ 16 Jul 72	Time committed Various	Place committed Army Apprentices School, Balcombe, Victoria
Investigator Sgt Z.J. STENGELIS	Complainant Army Apprentice School, BALCOMBE, Vic.		Date and time reported to Det 16 Jul 72 2250 hrs	
Particulars of offence				

On 16 Jul 72 a telephone message was received from 2174689 Lt G.S. POPPLETON, Duty Officer, Army Apprentices School, Balcombe that on 15 Jul 72 and 16 Jul 72 at various times the following Apprentices had been assaulted:

REDACTED
 REDACTED
 REDACTED
 CJC

All the assaults took place in the Army Apprentices School lines; Lt POPPLETON further stated that he was holding one of the assailants, REDACTED and believed the other assailant to be REDACTED, 3 Base Wksp, Broadmeadows.

Action taken

Inquiries were commenced, REDACTED interviewed and a statement under caution recorded.

It transpired that after a heavy session of drinking, both App REDACTED and REDACTED decided to go to Balcombe to settle some arguments with App REDACTED and CJC. It would appear that both members punched REDACTED around the face and stomach area. However, they could not locate CJC.

From initial inquiries it would appear that REDACTED and REDACTED were assaulted for no apparent reason.

Army Apprentice School contacted and REDACTED, REDACTED, REDACTED, REDACTED and CJC are available for interview.

Inquiries continue.

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