Strength and Embarkation Dates of the South African Field Force Mobilised by Special Army Order of 7 October 1899

Cavalry: 6th Dragoon Guards 10th Hussars 12th Lancers 1st Dragoons 2nd Dragoons 6th Dragoons Household Cavalry 13th Hussars Total 4,586 Embarked Between 22/10/1899 and 4/12/1899 Arrived between 16/11/1899 and 29/12/1899 Mounted Infantry: 8 companies Total 1,163 Embarked between 22/10/1899 and 24/10/1899 Arrived between 16/11/1899 and 18/11/1899 Horse Artillery: R Battery O Battery G Battery P Battery Total 901 Embarked between 24/10/1899 and 30/10/1899 Arrived between 18/11/1899 and 25/11/1899 Field Artillery: 7th Battery 14th Battery 66th Battery 63rd Battery 64th Battery 73rd Battery 74th Battery 77th Battery 79th Battery 4th Battery 38th Battery 78th Battery Total 2,921 Embarked betwen 23/10/1899 and 15/10/1899 Arrived between 13/11/1899 and 10/12/1899 Field Howitzer: 37th Battery 61st Battery 65th Battery Total 702

Embarked between 11/11/1899 and 15/11/1899 Arrived between 4/12/1899 and 9/12/1899 Infantry: 3/Grenadier Guards 1/Coldstream Guards 2/Coldstream Guards 1/Scots Guards 2/Royal Highlanders 1/Highland Light Infantry 2/Seaforth Highlanders 1/Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders 2/West Surrey 2/Devonshire 2/West Yorkshire 2/East Surrey 2/Scottish Rifles 3/KRRC 1/Durham Light Infantry 1/Rifle Brigade 1/Royal Scots 2/Northumberland Fusiliers 2/Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry 1/Inniskilling Fusiliers 2/Irish Rifles 1/Connaught Rangers 1/Dublin Fusiliers 2/Royal Fusiliers 2/Scots Fusiliers 1/Welsh Fusiliers 2/Irish Fusiliers 2/Shropshire Light Infantry 2/Somerset Light Infantry 1/Welsh regiment 2/Northamptonshire 1/Gordon Highlanders Total 31,386 Embarked between 20/10/1899 and 10/11/1899 Arrived between 9/11/1899 and 1/12/1899 Grand Total 47,081 including support troops Royal Commission on the South African War, 1903, App. 5

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