

FINAL REPORT ON AREA RELINQUISHED FROM

EXPLORATION LICENCE NO. 860

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1. INTRODUCTION.

Exploration Licence No.860 held by Peko Mines Ltd., was granted on March 16th, 1973. It covered an area of 12.95 sg.kms and its south-east corner was situated 32 kms on a true bearing of 310 degrees from Tennant Creek. Under Section 38B Subsection (11) of the Mining Ordinance 1939-1972, at least half of the area held must be relinquished after the second year of tenure. Consequently, renewal has been applied for on the southern half only as from March 16th, 1975.

Access to the Exploration Licence is via a bitumen road from Tennant Creek to the Warrego Mine of Peko Mines Ltd., . The location, access and boundaries of the Exploration Licence and the area to be relinquished are indicated in Fig.1.

An aeromagnetic survey which covered the area to be relinquished was carried out by the Bureau of Mineral Resources in 1967. No further airborne survey was undertaken. Exploration consisted of regional geological mapping in conjunction with reconnaissance ground magnetics using the vehicle magnetomet navigator over the areas of interest delineated from the aeromagnetics.

One prospect has been covered by reconnaissance traverses using the vehicle magnetometer-navigator and has been covered by a survey grid. Leases have been applied for. The remainder of the area to be relinquished is considered to have little potential.

2. TENURE

The following Mineral Leases have been applied for within the area to be relinquished.

No.	<u>Name</u>	Area (ha)	<u>Leasee</u>
ML 901E	Explorer 119 No.1	. 15	Peko Mines Limited
ML 902E	Explorer 119 No.2	15	21 61 15

3. REGIONAL GEOLOGY.

Detailed geological mapping of the Exploration Licence was carried out at a scale of 1:12,000. The mapping was accomplished by plotting the geology directly onto aerial photographs and transferring information subsequently to a series of controlled base sheets (see Fig.2).

3.1 Stratigraphy

The Warramunga Group was subdivided as follows:(Dunnett & Harding, 1967)

Carraman Formation
Bernborough Formation
Whippet Sandstone
Monument Beds.

The rocks within the area to be relinquished are categorised as part of the Carraman Formation A further subsivision was recognised in the area.

- 1. Upper Carraman Member
- 2. Middle Carraman Member

The Upper Carraman Member has been folded into a broad synclinal structure known as the Great Western Syncline, and covers most of the area to be relinquished. Sediments of the Middle Carraman Member cover the remainder.

Upper Carraman Member

The Upper Carraman Member consists of interbedded greywacke, siltstone, shale, hematite shale, chert and cherty sediments. It is differentiated from the Middle Carraman Member in that it contains chert and cherty sediments and has no disseminated hematite or magnetite. The boundary between the Upper and Middle Carraman Member is defined by the appearance of the first chert out-crops (see Fig.2)

Middle Carraman Member

The Middle Carraman Member consists predominantly of grey-wacke, siltstone, minor shale, including hematite shales and a broadly conformable quartz-feldspar porphyry band which cuts the sediments towards the top of the Member.

The Middle Carraman Member sediments characteristically contain an average of 5% magnetite and hematite. This is either disseminated through the sediment as small octohedra or concentrated at the base of the sediment bed in slightly larger aggregates. The magnetite and hematite tends to decrease towards the top of the unit.

3.2 STRUCTURE.

The structure of the sediments within the area to be relinquished is dominated by one major fold. The Great Western Syncline which plunges to the west at approximately 20° and is an isoclinal type of fold.

The cleavage strikes predominantly east-west and the dip varies from 75° to the north and 75° to the south.

The cleavage is axial plane cleavage which was formed while the sediments were still undergoing diagenesis, and were comparatively mobile. This is evident by the considerable number of dewatering structures observed in the cleavage planes.

4. REGIONAL GEOPHYSICS.

The Bureau of Mineral Resources have carried out a low level aeromagnetic survey over the area to be relinquished. This survey (Fig. 4) was considered sufficient to determine areas on which to commence ground geophysical surveys. The area therefore was not reflown.

Analysis of the aeromagnetic results indicated, within the area to be relinquished, one anomaly which warranted further investigation.

The anomaly is located at the intersection of latitude $19^{\circ}25'30"$ and longitude $133^{\circ}56'20"$. It has been entitled Explorer 119. Five reconnaissance traverses using the vehicle magnetometer-navigator were carried out over the anomaly area (For Chart Records see Figs. 5,6,7,8 & 9).

5 PROSPECT EVALUATION.

5.1 EXPLORER 119.

5.1.1 Location.

Explorer 119 Prospect is located 2.8 kms north-northeast of the Peko-Wallsend Metals Limited Tennant Creek Smelter at the intersection of latitude 19⁰25'50" and longitude 133⁰56'05". Access to the prospect is via a bush track from the Smelter which is situated on a bitumen road from Tennant Creek to Warrego Mine of Peko Mines Limited.

5.1.2 Tenure.

Two mineral leases have been applied for by Peko Mines Limited. Details are as follows:-

	<u>10.</u>	<u>Area</u>	Name		
ML	901E	15ha	Explorer	119	No.1
ML	902E	15ha	Explorer	119	No.2

5.1.3 Grid Survey.

The Explorer 93 Grid line 2400mE was extended from 1700mN to 4000mN. A sub-baseline was constructed from 2250mE; 3800mN to 2500mE; 3800mN.

Traverses were surveyed in at:-

2250mE	from	3600mN	to	4000mN
2300mE	11	3600mN	11	4000mN
2350mE	ii	3600mN	11	4000mN
2400mN	11	3600mN	17	4000mN
2450mN	11	3600mN	27	4000mN
2500mN	13	3600mN	11	4000mN

5.1.4 Geology.

Outcrop in the immediate vicinity of the prospect is very sparse. Greywacke and siltstone with a little chert and hematite shale outcrop to the north.

5.1.5 Geophysics.

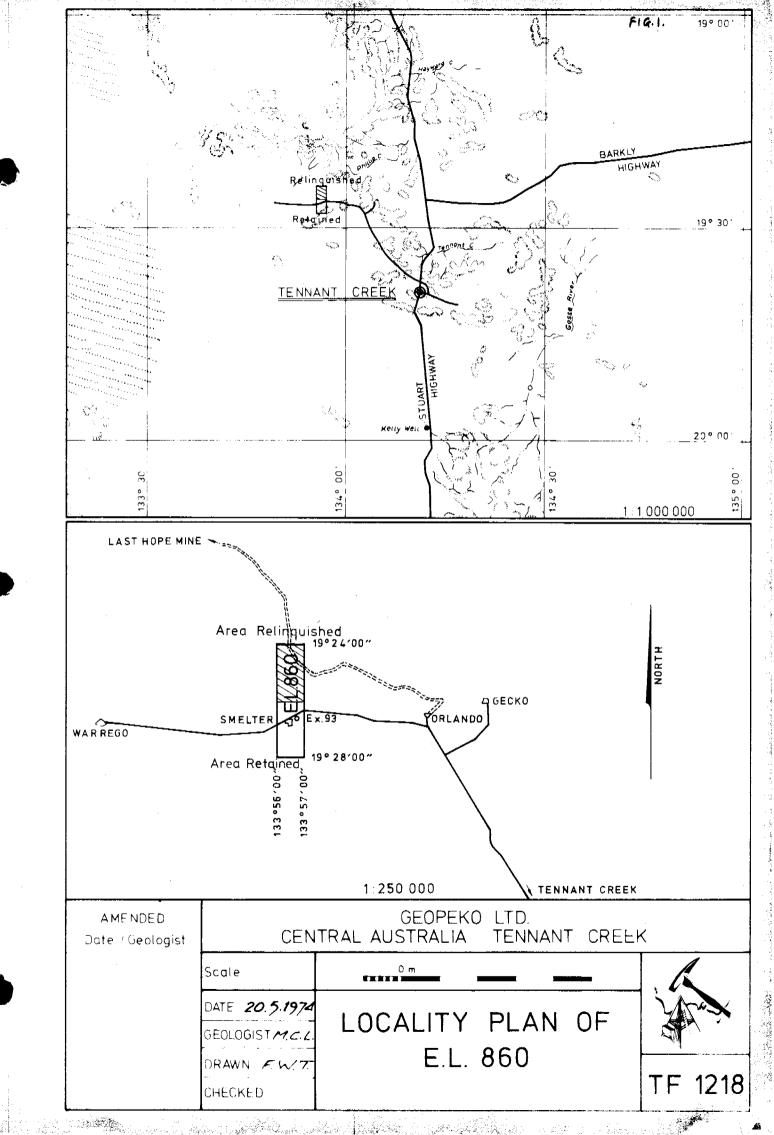
Five vehicle magnetometer-navigator traverses were done over the prospect (For Chart Records see Figs.5,6 7, 8 & 9).

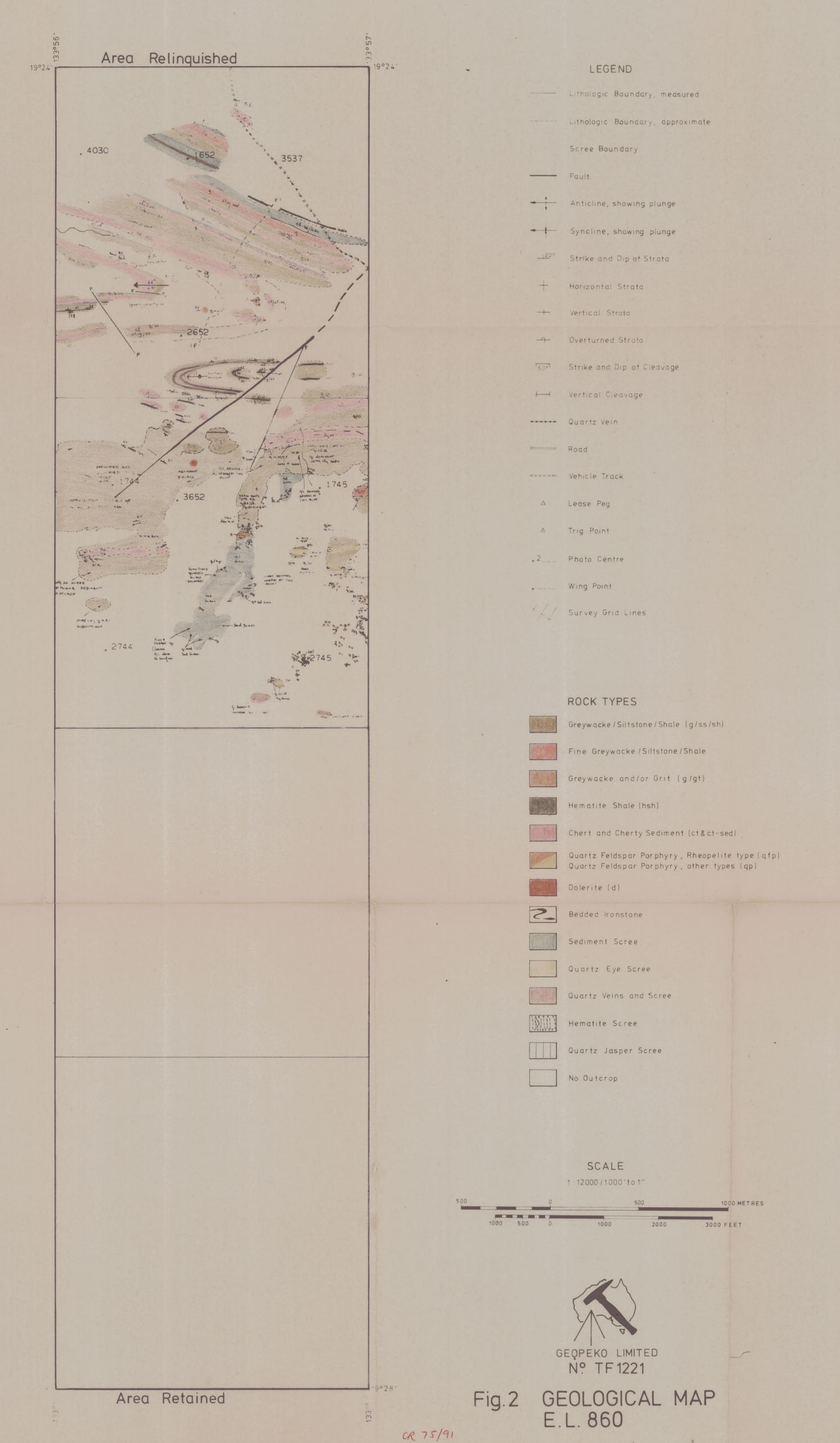
6. EXPENDITURE.

The expenditure incurred on the area relinquished from the Exploration Licence cannot be determined from the cost analysis system used. However, the expenditure incurred on the Exploration Licence has been documented fully in Annual Reports submitted previously.

The total expenditure to date is as follows:-

7/3/1973 - 5/3/1974 \$31,176:00 6/3/1974 - 18/3/1975 \$42,536:00 \$73,712:00





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CARRAMAN FORMATION 19°24'00 Area Relinquished UPPER CARRAMAN MEMBER QUARTZ FELDSPAR PORPHYRY MIDDLE CARRAMAN MEMBER LITHOLOGICAL BOUNDARY BEDDING TREND SYNCLINAL AXIS FAULT 19°28′00″ Area Retained

Fig.3

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SCALE

PLAN Nº TF 1248



Area Relinquished from EL860
SIMPLIFIED STRUCTURE

Area Relinquished LEGEND Survey Grid ___ Vehicle Magnetometer Traverse Magnetic Contours Magnetic 'low' .2___ Photo Centre Wing Point Trig. Point Lease Peg Lease Boundary SURVEY INDEX SCALE 1: 12000 / 1000 r to 1" 3000 FEET GEOPEKO LIMITED Nº TF 1223 133.05. AEROMAGNETICS E.L. 860 Fig.4 Area Retained

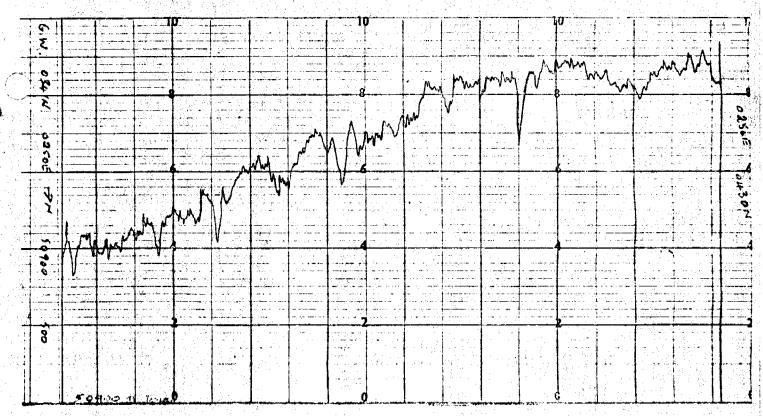
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Figure 5.

Vehicle Magnetometer Chart Record 1a.

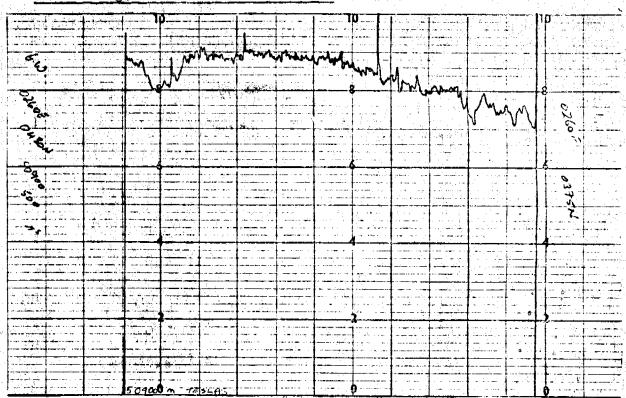


Horizontal Scale: Vertical Scale: 1cm approx. 50m

1 cm =

50m TESLAS

Wehicle Magnetometer Chart Record 1b.



Horizontal Scale: Vertical Scale:

1cm approx. 40m

1 cm =

50m TESLAS

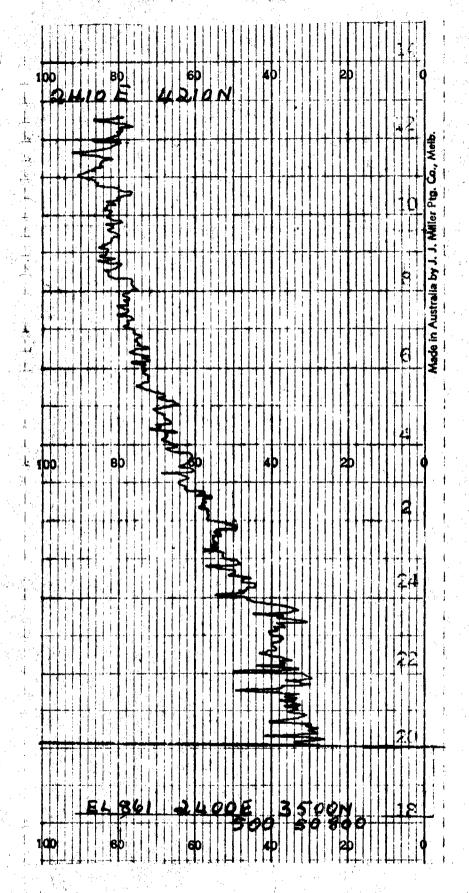


Fig. 7. VEHICLE MAGNETOMETER CHART RECORD 1c from 2400mE 3500mN to 2410mE 4210mN referred Great Western Regional Grid Horizontal scale 1cm=50m approx
Vertical scale 1cm=50n TESLAS

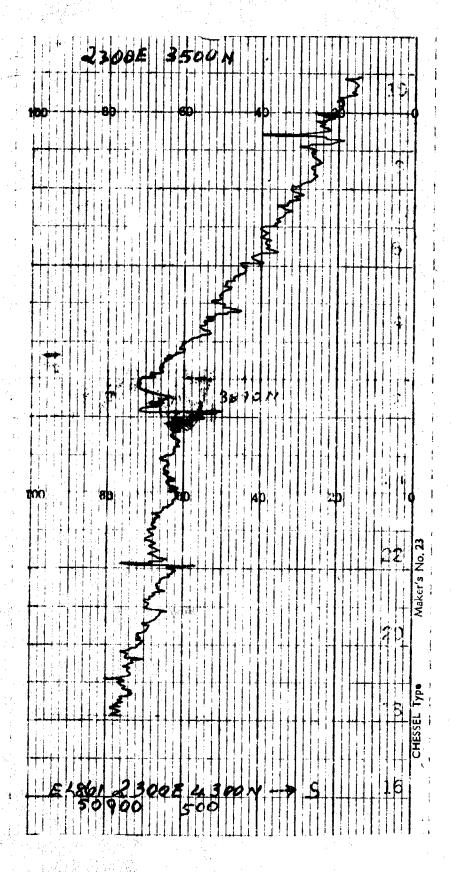


Fig. 8 VEHICLE MAGNETOMETER CHART RECORD 1d from 2300mE 4300mN to 2300mE 3500mN referred to Great Western Regional Grid Horizontal scale 1cm=50m approx Vertical scale 1cm=50m TESLAS

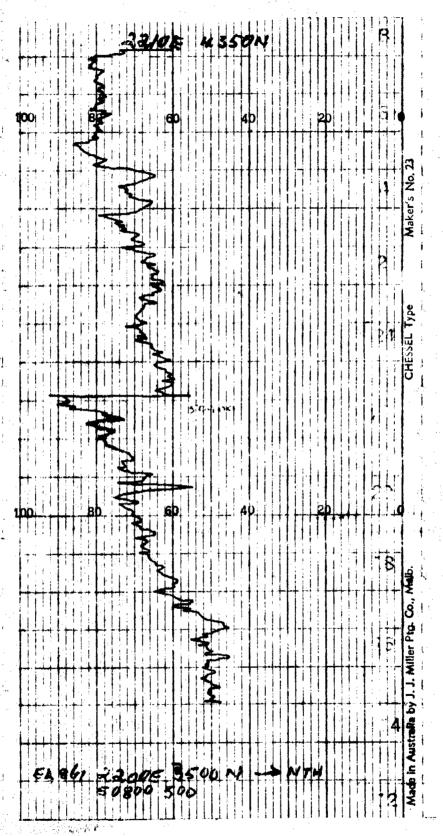


Fig. 9 VEHICLE MAGNETOMETER CHART RECORD 1e
from 2200mE 3500mN to 2210mE 4350mN
referred to Great Western Regional Grid
Horizontal scale 1cm=50m approx
Vertical scale 1cm=50n TESLAS