Date	Writer	Wrote About
5/29	B	Morneau
		Zeigler
		Rafula
		Frost
		Carothers
6/28	B	Rogers

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REW OF AIRCRAFT #42-3131

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION 107
303RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO 634 - US ARMY

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MISSING AIR CREW REPO[illegible]

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in tr[illegible] Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time aircraft is officially reported missing.

ORGANIZATION: Location Molesworth ; Command or Air Force VIII A.F.
Group 303rd Bomb Gp (H) ; Squadron 427th ; Detachment ------

SPECIFY: Point of Departure Molesworth ; Course See chart attached
Intended Destination Oschersleben, Germany ; Type of Mission Bombardment

WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
Low cloud west of 08°00'E. Clear- Visibility unlimited in target area.

GIVE: (a) Date 11 Jan 44 Time 1110-1259 and location See chart of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether ( ) Last Sighted; ( ) Last contacted by Radio; ( ) Forced down; ( ) Seen to Crash; or (X) Information not Available.

AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) (X) Enemy Aircraft; ( ) Enemy Anti-Aircraft; ( ) Other Circumstances as follows A/C is believed to have gone down during the heavy fighter attack which took place between Dummer Lake and Minden, between 1110 hours and 1125 hours.

AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17F ; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-3131

ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97 A.A.F. Serial Number (a) 41-56644
(b) 43-58212 ; (c) 43-56021 ; (d) 43-57775

INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
(a) SEE ; (b) ATTACHED SHEET (c) ; (d)
(e) ; (f) ; (g) ; (h)

THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty X
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty

NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 ; Passengers 0 ; Total 10
(Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars; If more than 10 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form).

	Crew Position		Name in Full (Last name first)	Rank	Serial Number
KIA	1.	Pilot Died	CAROTHERS, JOHN W.	2nd Lt.	O-678160
KIA	2.	Co-Pilot MIA	FROST, CHARLES E.	2nd Lt.	O-745343
EVS	3.	Navigator & L.N.G. POW	LINNEHAN, ARTHUR (NMI)	2nd Lt.	O-738861
EVS	4.	Bombardier & R.N.G. POW	BARRISCALE, HOWARD W.	2nd Lt.	O-744228
EVS	5.	Engineer & Top Tur. Gun POW	SCOTT, HARVEY E.	S/Sgt.	34385388
KIA	6.	Ass't Eng. & L.W.Gunner MIA	ROGERS, WILEY A.	T/Sgt.	17057261
KIA	7.	Radio Operator & R.G. MIA	RAJCULA, GEORGE S.	S/Sgt.	31144067
KIA	8.	Ass't Rad. Oper. &R.W.G. MIA	MORNEAU, FRANCIS J.	Sgt.	31174758
KIA	9.	Ball Turret Gunner MIA	PEAVY, ROBERT T.	Sgt.	14141953
KIA	10.	Tail Gunner MIA	ZIEGLER, ROLAND R.	Sgt.	15324244

IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

			Check Only One Column			
Name in Full (Last name first)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted By Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1.		----	---			
2.						
3.						

2. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used --- ; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash -- ; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) ---
3. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN. See Chart attached
4. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT. ----
5. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE. ----

**NOTE: 2nd Lt. H.W. Barriscale in place of 2nd Lt. R.W. Meagher as listed on previous report.

Date of Report 13 January 1944

(Signature of Preparing Officer)
JESSE M. BARRETT, Major, A.C.,
Group S-2.

Kw-694 Jan. 11, 1944 Fortress

Barricale, Howard William, 2nd Lt. born Jan. 23, 1917
Ident. Tag: 0-744 228
Taken prisoner

Timmerman, Arthur, 2nd Lt.
Ident. Tag: 0-738 861
Taken prisoner

Scott, Harvey Eugene, S/Sgt. born Oct. 19, 1920
Ident. Tag: 34 385-388
Taken prisoner

Carothers, John, 2nd Lt.
(Dead)

Frost, Charles E. 2nd Lt.
(Dead)

Rajula, Harvey George, S/Sgt.
(Dead)

Rogers, Wiley E. T/Sgt.
(Dead)

Moreau, Francis, Sgt.
Ident. Tag: 31 174 758
(Dead)

Grave 28

Ziegler, Roland Sgt.
Ident. Tag: 15-324 244
(Dead)
Grave 29

The dead were buried on
Jan. 12, 1944 in Briamara Cemetary-Fl. H. Ichnan

FORM 1A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

PLACE: Headquarters of Army Airbase Achmer, near Osnabrueck

DATE: 11 January 1944

NAME AND FIRST NAME OF PRISONER: Harvey E. S C O T T
A S No. 34385388 T 42 - 45

YEAR OF BIRTH: 19 October 1920

Residence:
Route 4, Greenwood
B C.

RANK: S/Sgt.

PLACE AND DATE OF CAPTURE: On 11 January 1944, between 11,00 and 12,00 O'clock in the Vicinity of Convent Cesde.

PARTICULARS CONCERNING CAPTURE:-
(CRASHED? EMERGENCY LANDING? SHOT DOWN?) Shot down by Fighter near the Convent Cesde on 11 January 1944 at 11,10

TYPE OF CRAFT Boeing B-17

REMARKS: Distributed to:

Headquarters of Luftgau XI

Sign. C O.
Lt. Col.

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REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

PLACE: Headquarters of Army Airbase Achmer, near Osnabruck

DATE: 11 January 1944

NAME AND FIRST NAME OF PRISONER: Howard W. B A R R I C A L E
A S No. 0-744288 T 45 Residence: Ky City, 556 W. 191 St.

YEAR OF BIRTH: 28 January 1917

RANK: 2 nd. Lt.

PLACE AND DATE OF CAPTURE: On 11 January 1944, between 11.00 and 12.00 O'clock in the Vicinity of the Convent Cesede

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PARTICULARS CONCERNING CAPTURE:-
(CRASHED? EMERGENCY LANDING? SHOT DOWN?) Downed by Fighter near the Convent Cesede on 11 January 1944 at 11.10

TYPE OF CRAFT Boeing B-17

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Headquarters of Luftgau XI

Sign: C O
Lt. Colonel

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FORM 1A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

PLACE: Headquarters of Army Airbase Achmer, near Osnabrueck

DATE: 11 January 1944

NAME AND FIRST NAME OF PRISONER: Robert, T E R R I A N
A S NO. 15530536 T 43

Residence:
Marysville (Ind.)
502 West Market St.

YEAR OF BIRTH: 12 July 1923

RANK: S/Sgt.

PLACE AND DATE OF CAPTURE: on 11 January 1944 between 11,00 and 12,00 in the Vicinity of Convent Cenede

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PARTICULARS CONCERNING CAPTURE:-
(CRASHED? EMERGENCY LANDING? SHOT DOWN?) Downed by Fighter near the Convent Cenede on 11 January 1944 at 11,10 O'clock

TYPE OF CRAFT Boeing B-17

REMARKS: Distributed to:

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Sign: C O
Lt. Colonel.

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FORM 1A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

PLACE: Headquarters of Army Airfield Achmer, near Osnabrueck

DATE: 11 January 1944

NAME AND FIRST NAME OF PRISONER: Berndes S T E A T E N
A Sno. 6662350

Residence:
Science Still
Kentucky

YEAR OF BIRTH: 26 April 1916

RANK: S/Sgt.

PLACE AND DATE OF CAPTURE: On 11 January 1944, between 11,00 and 12,00 in the Vicinity of Convent [illegible]

PARTICULARS CONCERNING CAPTURE:-
(CRASHED? EMERGENCY LANDING? SHOT DOWN?) Downed by Fighter near the Convent Oesede on 11 January 1944 at 11,10 O'clock

TYPE OF CRAFT Boeing B-17

REMARKS: Distributed to:

Headquarters of Luftgau XI

Sign: C O
Lt. Colonel

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FORM IA

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

PLACE: Headquarters of Army Airbase Achmer, near Osnabrueck

DATE: 11 January 1944

NAME AND FIRST NAME OF PRISONER: Charles E. D U G A N
A S No. 13132559

Residence:
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania
7340 Sesque Hanna St.

YEAR OF BIRTH: 5 March 1924

RANK: S/Sgt.

PLACE AND DATE OF CAPTURE: On 11 January 1944, between 11,00 and 12,00 in the Vicinity of Convent Oesede

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PARTICULARS CONCERNING CAPTURE:-
(CRASHED? EMERGENCY LANDING? SHOT DOWN?) Shot down by Fighter near the convent Oesede on 11 January 1944 at 11,10 Oclock

TYPE OF CRAFT Boeing B-17

REMARKS: Distributed to:

Headquarters of Luftgau XI

Sign: G O
Lt. Colonel

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FORM 4A

REPORT ON CAPTURE OF MEMBERS OF ENEMY AIR FORCES

PLACE: Headquarters of the Army Airbase Achmer, near Osnabrueck

DATE: 11 January 1944

NAME AND FIRST NAME OF PRISONER: Arthur, L I N N E H A N
A S No. O-738861

Residence: Wolli/o (Calif.) 15 Armada St.

YEAR OF BIRTH: 3 June 1919

RANK: Officer.

PLACE AND DATE OF CAPTURE: On 11 January 1944 between 11,00 and 12,00 in the Vicinity of Convent Osseds

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PARTICULARS CONCERNING CAPTURE:-
(CRASHED? EMERGENCY LANDING? SHOT DOWN?) Downed by Nazzic Fighter near Convent Osseds on 11 January 1944 at 11,10

TYPE OF CRAFT Boeing B-17

REMARKS:

Distributed to:

Headquarters of Luftgau XI

Sign: C O
Lt. Colonel

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FORM #1

REPORT ON CAPTURED AIRCRAFT

POST: Headquarters of Army Airbase Achmer

LOCATION: Achmer

DATE: 11 January 1944

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 11 January 1944 at 12.10 O'clock

PLACE OF CRASH (NEAREST TOWN): Monastery Oesede, MapGrit HR-15

KIND OF CAPTURE (FLAK, HUNTER, NIGHT HUNTER, EMERGENCY LANDING): By Fighter

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Boeing B-17

MARKINGS OF CRAFT (LETTERS, FRONT OR REAR OF INSIGN: Not identifiable

ADMITTANCE NO: Not identifiable

EQUIPMENT: destroyed

F.T. FREQUENCIES:

CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT: 100% destroyed by crash, fire and bomb explosion.

DELIVERED TO DISTRIBUTOR (DULOG -LUFT, ETC.): Headquarters of Luftgau XI

Disposition of Crew: 4 Prisoners of War, 6 members killed in crash.
2 other Prisoners of War captured in the Vicinity
(Aircraft unknown; - Deceased by the Army
Airbase of Achmer.)

Reported by: Cpl. Munster on 11 January 1944 at 16,35

Received by: Cpl. Mensler, Headquarters of Army Airbase 9/XI
Delmenhorst.

Sgns. Cpl. Munster

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3) On 11 January 1944, around 1110 downing of aBoeing B 17 , by fighter, at monastery Oesede, coördinates : H R 1 5 , insignia and admission number cannot be learned.-
Damage : 100 per cent.- Crew members: 10, Of these dead : 6. Sgt. F.J. Norneau, ASN 31174758, Sgt. Roland Ziegler, ASN 15324244, T/Sgt. Rob. Wileyn, S/Sgt. Georges Rajula, Lt.John W. Carothers, Lt. Charles Frost. 4 prisoners: S/Sgt. Harvey, E. Scott, ASN 34385388.- 2nd Lt. Howard W Barriesle, ASN 0-744228.- S/Sgt. Robert Yerrian, ASN 15330356.- 2nd Lt. Arthur Linnehan, ASN 0-738861.- Two more prisoners , of which it could not be found out to what plane they belong, were captured on point of crash:S/Sgt. Berndes Steaton, ASN 6662350— S/Sgt. Charles E. Dugan, ASN 13132359.-

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Boeing B 17. downed 11 Jan. 1944, at monastery Oesende.

ZIMMER, Roland R. Rank: Sgt. ASN: 13324244 ? 42 - 43

Dead

Base commander of
Achmer near Osnabrück

A.V. 4/24/44

Personal Casualty Report No. 14 - Period: 12/23/43 to 1/24/44 - Distribution: As usual.

a. Shooting down of a Boeing B 17 at Klooster-Oesede. Buried on 1/12/44 at 8.30

1. Sgt. MONTREAU F.J. 31174758 killed in action/ KIA Buried - Grave No. 2 (Lisi 118053) FRANCIS J.

2. Sgt. ZINSMEIR Roland R. 15382244 " - KIA Buried - Grave No. 52

3. T/Sgt. WILSKA Robert ROGERS, WILEY A. 17057261 " - KIA

4. S/Sgt. RAJULA George RAJCULA S. 31174067 " - KIA

5. Lt. CARPENTERS John W. 0698160 " - KIA

6. Lt. FROST Charles E. 0745343 " - KIA

The 4 dead men were buried in Grave No. 30 and 31. Names were established by statements of prisoners. Parts of bodies sent to Lüneburg.

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INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnished below Make. Type, and Serial Number)

590862	MSM	473279	SAC
471101	SAC	473610	SAC
472904	SAC	473643	SAC
473325	SAC	473385	SAC
472905	SAC	365641	FCGM
473336	SAC	365625	FCGM
471288	SAC		

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Second Lieutenant John W. Carothers	Mrs. Jean F. Carothers, (Wife) 1302 East 11th Avenue, Denver, Colorado.
Second Lieutenant Charles E. Frost	Mr. Charles H. Frost, (Father) 402 North Foster Avenue, Lansing, Michigan.
Second Lieutenant Arthur Linnehan ✓	Mrs. Barbara D. Linnehan, (Wife) 15 Alameda Street, Vallejo, California.
Second Lieutenant Howard W. Barriscale ✓	Mrs. Margaret Barriscale, (Mother) 556 West 191st Street, New York, New York.
Staff Sergeant Harvey E. Scott ✓	Mrs. Essie P. Scott, (Mother) Route Number Four, Greenwood, South Carolina.
Technical Sergeant Wiley A. Rogers	Mrs. Lillian L. Rogers (Wife) C/O Hunts Grocery, Wellington, Kansas.
Staff Sergeant George S. Rajcula	Mr. Steve Rajcula, (Father) Rural Free Delivery Number 44, Brookfield, Connecticut.
Sergeant Francis J. Morneau	Mrs. Florence Morneau, (Mother) North Broadway, Salem Depot, New Hampshire.
Sergeant Robert T. Peavy	Mrs. Gracie Ruth Peavy, (Mother) 1320 Northview Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia.
Sergeant Roland R. Ziegler	Mrs. Barbara Irene Ziegler,(Mother) 145 South Linden Avenue, Alliance, Ohio.

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TRACK CHART

TARGET

Primary _____

Secondary _____

Last Resort _____

DATE _____

Route followed by _____

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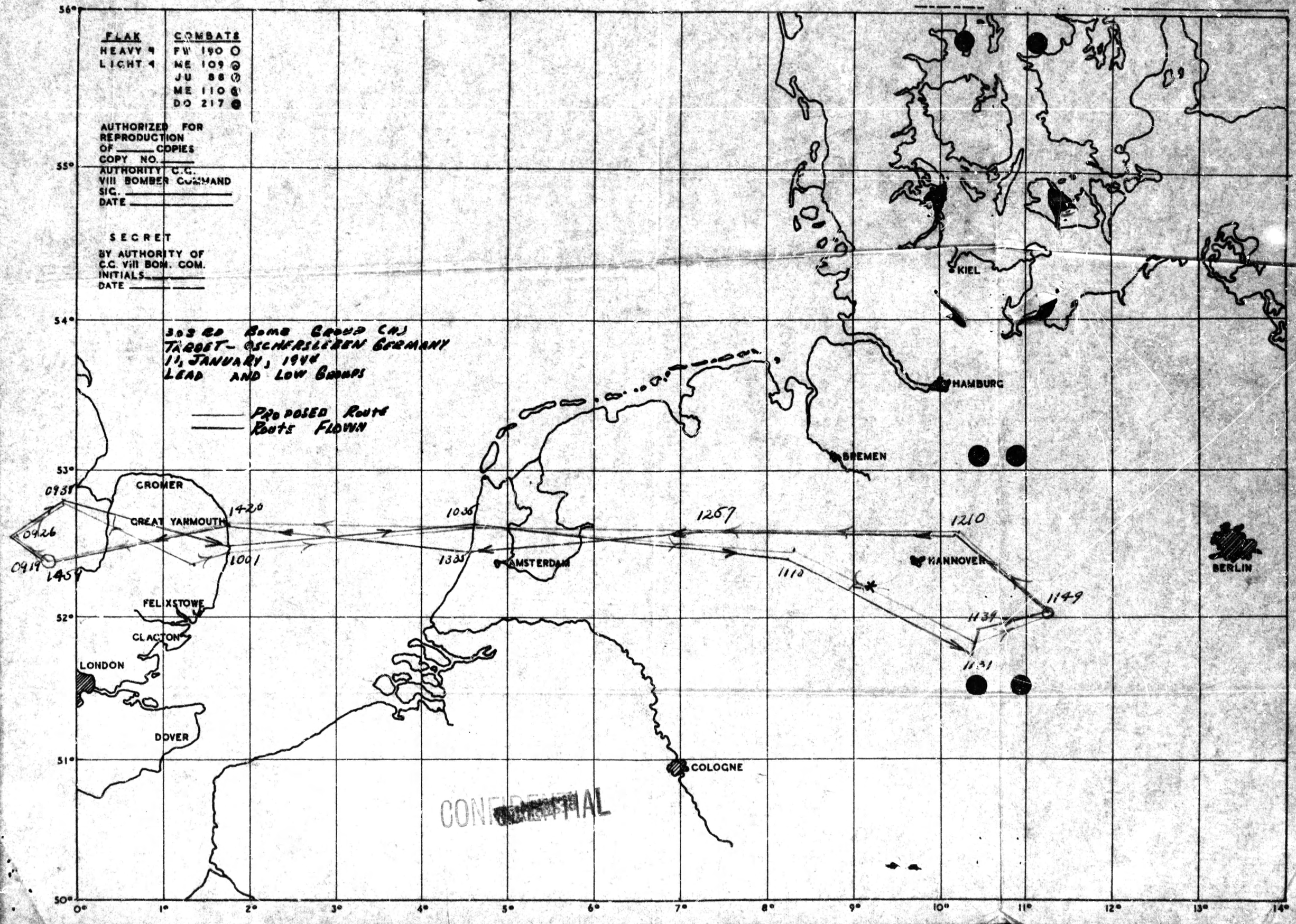

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VIII BOMBER COMMAND – PROPOSED OVERALL PLAN

TRACK CHART

TARGET

Primary _____

Secondary _____

Lost Resort _____

DATE _____

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_____ Route followed by _____

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FLAK	COMBATS
HEAVY ↑	FW 190 ○
LIGHT ↓	ME 109 ⊖
	JU 88 ⊘
	ME 110 ⊗
	DO 217 ●

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303 RD BOMB GROUP (H)

TARGET – OSCHERSLEBEN GERMANY

11, JANUARY, 1944

LEAD AND LOW GROUPS

_____ PROPOSED ROUTE

_____ ROUTE FLOWN

KIEL

HAMBURG

BREMEN

CROMER

GREAT YARMOUTH

0931

0926

0919

1420

1001

1457

1036

1335

AMSTERDAM

1257

1210

HANNOVER

BERLIN

1118

1145

1139

1131

FELIXSTOWE

CLACTON

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