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C O N F I D E N T I A L

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION 107
303RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO 557 - US ARMY

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to **RESTRICTED**
by E. A. BRADUNAS, Lt. Col., AG
by F. B. BUNCH, Capt., AO

M I S S I N G A I R C R E W R E P O R T

1. ORGANIZATION: Location Molesworth, England ; Command or Air Force 8th A.F.
Group 303rd ; Squadron 427th ; Detachment _____
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Molesworth, Eng. ; Course See Attached Chart
Intended Destination Wiesbaden, Germany. ; Type of mission Bombardment
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
No low or middle clouds. 2/10ths clouds at 25,000. 25 to ground visibility 10-15 miles in haze.
4. GIVE: (a) Date 15 August 1944 ; Time 1145-1205 ; and Location 50°00'N-06°30'W.
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
() Specify whether () Last sighted; () Last contacted by Radio;
() Forced down; () Seen to Crash; or (X) Information not Available.
5. 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
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17G ; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-102452-U X
7. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97 ; AAF Serial Number (a) SN012845
(b) SN-006541 ; (c) SN-013956 ; (d) SN-C15801
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number) (a) _____
(b) 731500 HLM ; (c) 638221 Frig Corp (d) 72695 SFD-GM ; (e) 972625 Frig Corp
(f) 7204 SFD-GM ; (g) 972255 Frig Corp (h) 811281 Frig Corp ; (i) 647887 Frig Corp
(j) 647775 Frig Corp (k) 646300 Frig Corp (l) 638280 Frig Corp ; (m) 649112 Frig Corp
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty _____
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: *Crew 9 ; Passengers 0 ; Total 9
(Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars:
(Name in Full)

Crew Position	Last Name First	Rank	Serial Number
1. Pilot	<u>COOK, HARRY S.</u>	<u>1st Lt.</u>	<u>0-1574402</u> ✓
2. Co-Pilot	<u>MASON, FREDERICK H.</u> POW	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-820791</u> RTD
3. Navigator	<u>EDGE, RALPH E.</u> POW	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-710829</u> RTD
4. Bombardier	<u>WARMUTE, WERNER G.</u> POW	<u>2nd Lt.</u>	<u>0-754941</u> RTD
5. Top Turret Gunner	<u>SLIGHT, JOSEPH L.</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>17016271</u> ✓
6. Radio Gunner	<u>HOWELL, FORREST W.</u> POW	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>15097331</u> RTD
7. Ball Turret Gunner	<u>EAGLEHOUSE, ROBERT F.</u> POW	<u>Sgt.</u>	<u>33871407</u> RTD
8. Waist Gunner	<u>JOYCE, JESS (MMI)</u>	<u>S/Sgt.</u>	<u>37660786</u> ✓
9. Tail Gunner	<u>SHALLEY, JOHN L.</u> POW	<u>Sgt.</u>	<u>20920927</u> RTD
10.			
11.			

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

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted by	Check Only One Column		
				Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing

1. No definite information.
2. _____
3. _____

12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used X ; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____ ; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) No Additional Information.
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN. See Attached Chart.
14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT. See Attached Summary.
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE _____

Date of Report 19 August 1944.

Jesse M. Barrett
(Signature of Preparing Officer)

JESSE M. BARRETT,
Major, AC,

C O N F I D E N T I A L Group S-2.

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SUMMARY OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF MISSING AIR CREWS
ON MISSION 15 AUGUST 1944.

All eyewitness descriptions pertaining to the missing aircraft are being consolidated and the following circumstances surrounding the loss of these aircraft are summarized below:

1. Attached is a formation diagram showing the position of all aircraft in the Low Group. Also shown are the missing aircraft as well as aircraft that returned to base.

2. Due to the position in the Combat Wing, namely, Low Group position, there were few observations by crew members in the Lead and High Group positions pertaining to the missing aircraft.

3. Statements vary as to the number of chutes seen. The greatest number of chutes observed by any one crew was fifteen (15). Other reports by returning crews stated the number of chutes seen as being 1, 4, 6, 8 and 9.

4. Incomplete reports by crew members makes it difficult to determine the condition of many of the lost aircraft. Some were reported as exploding in air, others observed going down in flames. The aircraft flying in #2 position (Charnick, A/C #42-97085), was reported as having 4 engines on fire. Two chutes were observed coming from this aircraft.

Aircraft flying in #3 position (Goss, A/C #42-31183), was reported as straggling and the first to be attacked by E/A. This aircraft was reported as going down in flames. No chutes were reported coming from this aircraft.

The lead aircraft (Stein-Litman, A/C #43-37838), was observed going down in flames. No chutes reported as having been seen.

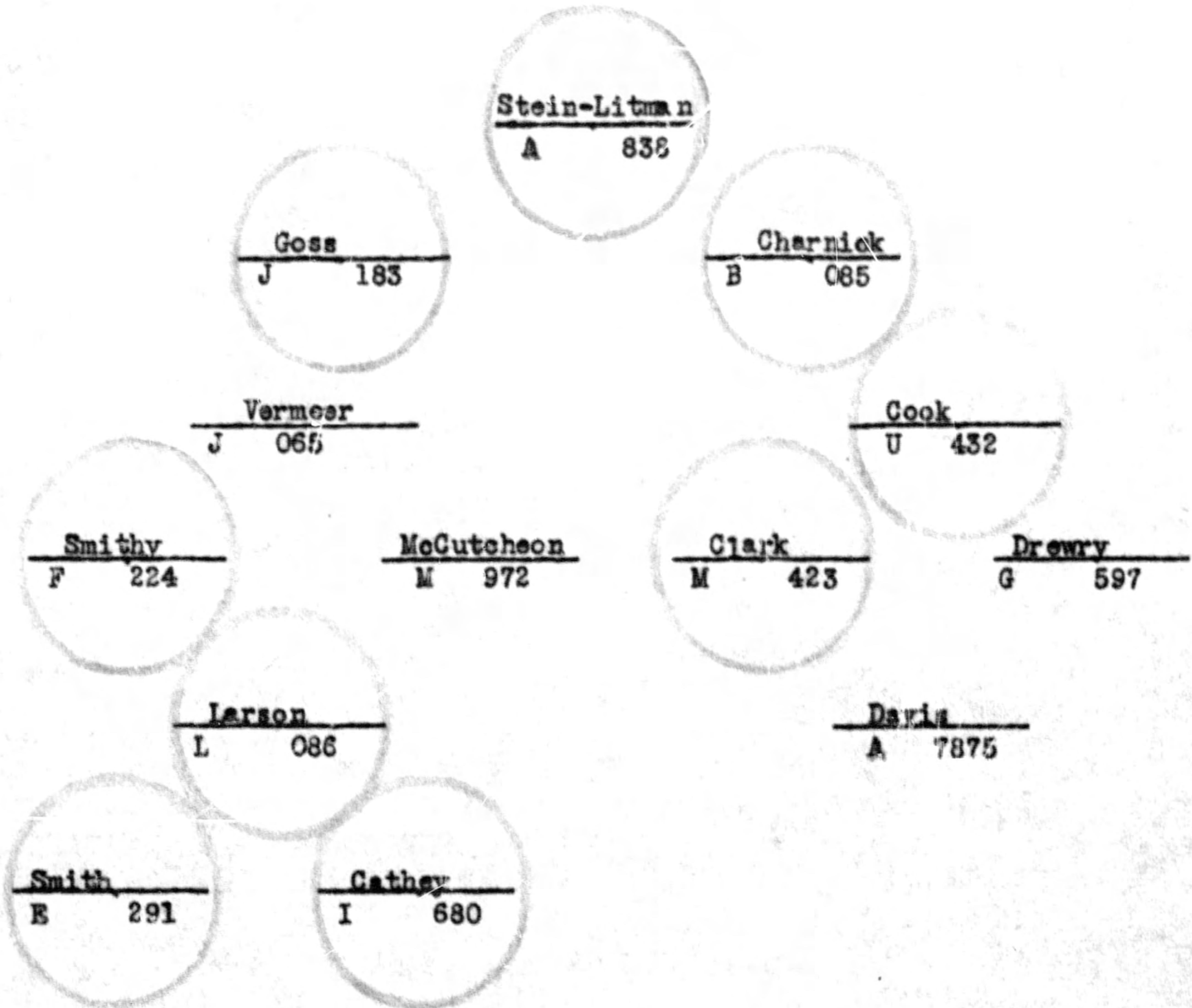
5. Reinterrogation of the four crews that returned as well as selected crew members from the Lead and High Groups did not result in any additional data as to the missing crews.

Jess M. Barrett
JESS M. BARRETT,
Major, AC,
Group S-2.

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FORMATION OF LOW GROUP - MISSING AIR CREW
REPORT FOR 15 AUGUST 1944



○ - Lost Aircraft.

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HEADQUARTERS

MIDLAND ARMY AIR FIELD
MIDLAND TEXAS

SUBJECT: Interrogation of Former Prisoners of War

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D. C.
Attn: Personal Affairs Branch, Room 4315 Munitions Building.

1. In compliance with TWX AFPPS 3909, 28 Sep 45, the following information is submitted:

a. Name of casualty Joyce

b. Rank T/sgt c. Crew Position W. Gunner

d. Date last seen 15 Aug 44 Place last seen over and near Pilsburg Germany

f. Circumstances of loss of aircraft Shot up by Fw 190s

Ship blew up

g. Known information (eye witness only)

Crew members in the waist saw him bail out
That is the last they or we saw of him

h. Hearsay information (all other information about above named casualty, with estimate of reliability)

(Note: Reverse side may be used if more space is needed in giving any information requested above.)

Werner H. Wassmuth 1st Lt
Rank and name of reporter

0-754441 303 Bomb Sq 422 Bomb Sqd
ASN 8th A.F. Unit

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1. In compliance with TWX AFPPS 3909, 28 Sep 45, the following information is submitted:

- a. Name of casualty JOE Slight
b. Rank S/sgt c. Brew Position Engineer
d. Date last seen 15 Aug 44 Place last seen over + near Bitburg, Ger.
f. Circumstances of loss of aircraft Shot up by FW 190s

Ship blow up

g. Known information (eye witness only)

pilot.
He was still in the ship with the

h. Hearsay information (all other information about above named casualty, with estimate of reliability)

War Dept has reported him dead.

(Note: Reverse side may be used if more space is needed in giving any information requested above.)

Werner H. Warmuth 1st Lt
Rank and name of reporter

0754441 303 Bomb Gp 427 Bomb Sq
ASN 8th A.F. Unit

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1. In compliance with TWX AFPPS 3909, 28 Sep 45, the following information is submitted:

- a. Name of casualty HARRY S. COOK
- b. Rank 1ST LT c. Crew Position Pilot
- d. Date last seen Aug 15, 1944 place last seen over and near Bitburg, Ger.
- f. Circumstances of loss of aircraft Shot up by FW 190

Ship blew up

g. Known information (eye witness only)

I was the last to leave the ship. It blew up shortly after I jumped. The pilot was still in the ship.

h. Hearsay information (all other information about above named casualty, with estimate of reliability)

War Dept has reported him dead.

(Note: Reverse side may be used if more space is needed in giving any information requested above.)

Werner S. Warmuth 1st Lt
Rank and name of reporter

0-754941 303 Bomb Gp 427 Bomb
ASN Unit Sqd
8th A.F

Identification tag

1. Waglehouse ^{hair} R. F. 33671407 T 43 0

Gertrude Waglehouse - RT. 2 Box 2 - Latrobe, Penn.

One identification card - One intracit personal pass - One meals and
billets card - One piece of paper.

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DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT
WAS SHOT DOWN 25 Aug. 1944

CASUALTY NO. KU 925 A

PLACE OF CRASH Bieburg near Trier

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT Fortress

REPORTING OFFICE Trier

NAME	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	CAPT'D		PLACE OF INTERNMENT
			WOUNDED	DEAD	

WARWUTH, Werner Gerhardt	2/Lt.	0-754941	captured	Dulag-Luft
MAGLEHOUSE, Robert Frank America	Sgt.	33672407	"	"

REMARKS:

Dulag-Luft, 25 Sep. 1944 No.

map
8438

Date: 15 Aug 44
Place: Bitburg/near Trier
Type of
craft: Fortness

Rank: Name:

KU 925 a

2nd Lt. WARMUTH, Werner Gerhard : 0-754941
Sgt. EAGLEHOUSE, Robert Frank : 33671407
- JACKSON,

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2nd Lt. Fredrick . . . Mason

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EAGLEHOUSE, ROBERT F.	33671407	POW	7 OCT 44	281160
HOWELL, FORREST W.	15097131	POW	27 SEP 44	271108
MASON, FREDERICK H.	08200791	POW	27 SEP 44	271108
PAGE, RALPH E.	0710629	POW	28 SEP 44	273113
SMALLEY, JOHN L.	20920927	RMC	21 JAN 45	ETC 051
WARMUTH, WERNER G.	0754941	POW	5 OCT 44	280112

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Mason, Frederick H.

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ETO Shipment 051

RMC, 21 Jan 45

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT
Form No. 89
Approved Feb. 16, 1940

WAR DEPARTMENT
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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(Station) (Date)

Receipt for Funds--Proceeds of Sale of Property--Deceased Soldiers

RECEIVED of

the sum of dollars and cents.

These funds pertain to the property of

Rank, Co., Reg't, deceased, as follows:

CREDIT: MR 218920 P. E. D. S. F. Y. Cash in soldier's possession..... \$.....

..... Cash from sale of effects
(Name) (Date of death)

TOTAL \$.....

Which sum I have passed to the credit of the United States, and hold myself accountable therefor.

\$.....

.....
Finance Department.

DUPLICATE.--To be retained by the officer making the deposit (AR 600-550)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: Cook, Harry S. 77201
 Rank: 1st Lt
 Serial number: O-1574402
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: Pilot

File 8438

Did he bail out? No Knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? No KnowledgeLast contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Flak at12 o'clock CAN'T MISS IT (I Believe it was 20 mm's)Was he injured? No KnowledgeWhere was he when last seen? CockpitAny hearsay information: NONE

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: BelievedKilled By enemy Fighters + went down
with the shipTotal number of missions of above crew member: 17 I BelieveDates and destinations if possible: For got

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **Slight, Joseph L.** File # **8438**
 Rank: **S/Sgt**
 Serial number: **17016271**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~2nd Pilot (Fighter)~~: **Top Turret Gunner**

Did he bail out? No Knowledge

Where? _____

If not, why not? No Knowledge

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: They're
COMING IN

Was he injured? No Knowledge

Where was he when last seen? Top turret

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: SAME AS
LT COOKS THE PILOT

Total number of missions of above crew member: 17

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member:

Joyce, Jess (MEX)

File 9438

Rank:

S/SGT

Serial number:

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Position: Crew (Bomber) or

Pilot (Fighter):

Pilot Gunner

Did he bail out? Yes

Where? IN THE VICINITY OF BITTBURG

If not, why not? _____

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Oxygen check Prior to Attack

Was he injured? No Knowledge

Where was he when last seen? IN WAIST

Any hearsay information: _____

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: All I know is that when I went through the waist to bail out he was gone

Total number of missions of above crew member: _____

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Robert F. Edgelmose Rank S/Sgt Serial No. 33671407
2. Organization 303 Gp Commander _____ Rank _____ Sqn CO _____ Rank _____
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month Aug. day 15 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, Air Drome, target, Wiesbaden Ger, target
time, No Knowledge, altitude, No Knowledge route scheduled, No Knowledge
route flown No Knowledge
5. Where were you when you left formation? IN THE BALL TURRET
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". No Knowledge
I PASSED OUT 3 TIMES FROM LOSS OF BLOOD
AND OXYGEN BEFORE I GOT OUT OF THE PLANE
REST WERE GONE WHEN I GOT OUT OF BALL TURRET
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? No Knowledge Passed out
AGAIN
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) No Knowledge
11. Where were they in aircraft? _____
12. What was their condition? _____
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? _____

14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. _____

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

Being that I was in the Ball turret and
wounded I'm sorry that I can't give you
any more information My position got hit
with one of the first shells and knocked
my turret out of commission I got hit with
two 20 mm's in my right leg. I didn't hear
the bail out bell but the pilot rang it
Some of the crew told me after I got back in
of I hands

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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Name of crew member:

Jayce, Jess (M1)

File 8433

Rank:

Serial number:

Position: Crew (Bomber) or Pilot (Fighter):

~~374976~~ Pilot

Did he bail out? Yes

Where? Near Bittburg, Germany

If not, why not? -----

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: -----

I opened the door for this man to bail out. Apparently uninjured.

Was he injured? I think not

Where was he when last seen? In the aircraft, just before bail out

Any hearsay information: May have been one of the flyers who ^{was} ~~were~~-murdered
in this area

Source: Fellow PW's in a German Prison Camp FORREST W. HOWELL

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: -----

Same as Above

Total number of missions of above crew member: Unknown

Dates and destinations if possible: -----

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name Forrest W. Howell Rank T/Sgt. Serial No. 15097131
2. Organization 303rd Gp Commander Rank --- Canon CO --- Rank Lt. Col.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month August day 15 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, 17th, target, _____, target time, _____, altitude, _____ route scheduled, _____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? Approx. 15 min. from target, enroute base
6. Did you bail out? yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? yes
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge".
Lt. Mason, co-pilot, suffered brain concussion; tail gunner lost leg and was repatriated in January 1945; Lt. Warmuth, bombardier, had leg injuries; Lt. Page, navigator, lost some teeth due to civilian action; S/Sgt. Eaglehouse wounded severely in leg. Living officers bailed out up front; others of us out back.
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? Unknown
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires)
Lt. Cook? S/Sgt. Joseph L. Slight
11. Where were they in aircraft? Up Front
12. What was their condition? UNKNOWN
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above?
Met all men above in prison camp, except Lt. Page
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. _____

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **Cook, Harry S.** File 8438
 Rank: **1st Lt**
 Serial number: **O-1574402**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: **Pilot**

Did he bail out? Doubtful

Where? -----

If not, why not? Believed he may have been too severely injured

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: -----

Oxygen Check about ten minutes before fighter attack

Was he injured? ?

Where was he when last seen? -----

Any hearsay information: -----

no

Source: -----

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: -----

It is believed Lt. Cook went down with plane. He may have remained at
 the controls to enable others of us to clear ship.

Total number of missions of above crew member: 17

Dates and destinations if possible: -----

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **Flight, Joseph L.**
Rank: **S/Sgt**
Serial number: **17016271**
Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: **Top Turret Gunner**

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Did he bail out? Unknown

Where? -----

If not, why not? -----

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: oxygen check

Was he injured? Perhaps

Where was he when last seen? -----

Any hearsay information: no

Source: _____

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: _____

None

Total number of missions of above crew member: 17

Dates and destinations if possible: _____

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name MYLES ROSS NIELSEN Rank 2ND LT. Serial No. 0-824546
2. Organization ^{363RD FIGHTER GR} 390TH FIGHTER SQDN. Gp Commander COL. TIPTON Rank COL. Sqd CO MORRISON Rank CAPT.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month AUGUST day 26 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, PATROL, target, STRAFFING TRUCKS target
time, 2000, altitude, 1000' route scheduled, _____
_____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? HODENG - HODENGER, FRANCE
6. Did you bail out? NO
7. Did other members of crew bail out? NO CREW
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". NO CREW
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? HODENG - HODENGER, FRANCE
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) NO CREW
11. Where were they in aircraft? _____
12. What was their condition? _____
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? NO CREW
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. NO KNOWLEDGE

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: Cook, Harry S.
 Rank: 1st Lt
 Serial number: 0-1574402
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: Pilot

File 8438Did he bail out? UnknownWhere? —If not, why not? —Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: ~~He~~ I mentioned
1. Cook For 3rd time to Hurry up and leave the shipWas he injured? NoWhere was he when last seen? sitting in the Pilots seat using interphoneAny hearsay information: NoSource: —Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: Werner Warmuth,
Bombardier of Cooks Crew was the last known to bail out
of front of plane. He has remarked that plane
explodedTotal number of missions of above crew member: 17Dates and destinations if possible: Unknown

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **Slight, Joseph L.** File **8438**
 Rank: **S/Sgt**
 Serial number: **17016271**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~: **Top Turret Gunner**

Did he bail out? Unknown

Where? —

If not, why not? —

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: Slight was getting out of top turret presumably to Bail out

Was he injured? No

Where was he when last seen? Standing behind Pilot and Co-Pilots Seat

Any hearsay information: No

Source: —

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: Werner Warmuth Bombardier of the Crew was the last known to bail out of front of plane. He has remarked that plane exploded

Total number of missions of above crew member: 17

Dates and destinations if possible: Unknown

INDIVIDUAL CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of crew member: **Joyce, Jess (NMI)** File # **8498**
 Rank: **S/Sgt**
 Serial number: **3746766**
 Position: Crew (Bomber) ~~or Pilot (Fighter)~~: **Waist Gunner**

Did he bail out? Unknown

Where? —

If not, why not? —

Last contact or conversation just prior to or at time of loss of plane: —

None

Was he injured? Unknown

Where was he when last seen? Bailing out of waist. Seen by Gunners of crew

Any hearsay information: I believe he was seen to be the first to leave the plane by crew members; Eaglehouse and Howell

Source: Conversation with crew members after the incident

Any explanation of his fate based in part or wholly on supposition: None

Total number of missions of above crew member: Unknown

Dates and destinations if possible: —

CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your name FREDERICK H. MASON Rank 1/Lt Serial No. 0-820791
2. Organization 303 Bomb Gp Commander _____ Rank Col. Sqn CO Snyder Rank Lt. Col.
(full name) (full name)
3. What year 1944 month August day 15 did you go down?
4. What was the mission, 15, target, Weiss Baden, target time, 11:30 AM (Approx) altitude, 25,000 route scheduled, 2
_____, route flown _____
5. Where were you when you left formation? ?
6. Did you bail out? Yes
7. Did other members of crew bail out? Yes
8. Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". No Knowledge
9. Where did your aircraft strike the ground? No Knowledge
10. What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) No Knowledge
11. Where were they in aircraft? _____
12. What was their condition? _____
13. When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? Pilot was sitting in Co-Pilot's seat speaking over interphone. He was not injured. Pilot was Harry S. Cook. Engineer was getting out of top turret. He was not injured. Engineer was Joseph Slight.
14. Please give any similar information on personnel of any other crew of which you have knowledge. Indicate source of information. No Knowledge

(Any additional information may be written on the back)

**Meldung über den Abschluß eines
US-amerikanischen Flugzeuges**

Downing No.
Abschuß-Nr. KU 925 A

*Rpt. Concerning the Downing
of US-American Aircraft*
Date of Down

Abschußtag und Zeit: 15.8.44
Place of Downing
Abschußort: Bitburg b. Trier
Type of Aircraft
Flugzeugtyp: Fortress
Reporting Station
Meldende Dienststelle: Trier

Besatzung: Crew

Last Name + First Name Name und Vornamen: Geburtstag und -ort: <i>Date of Birth & Place</i>	Dienst- grad <i>Rank</i>	Erk.- Marke: <i>Serial No</i>	<i>Capit</i> gef.: verw.: tot: <i>yes</i>	Verbleib: <i>Results</i> welches Lager Art d. Verwundung Grablage
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WARMUTH	Werner Gerhardt	2.Lt.	0-754941	<i>Capit</i> gef. Dulag-Luft
BAGLEHOUSE	Robert Frank America	Sgt.	33671407	gef. Dulag-Luft

Bemerkungen: 8438

DULAG-LUFT, den 25.9.44 Wo.

TRACK CHART

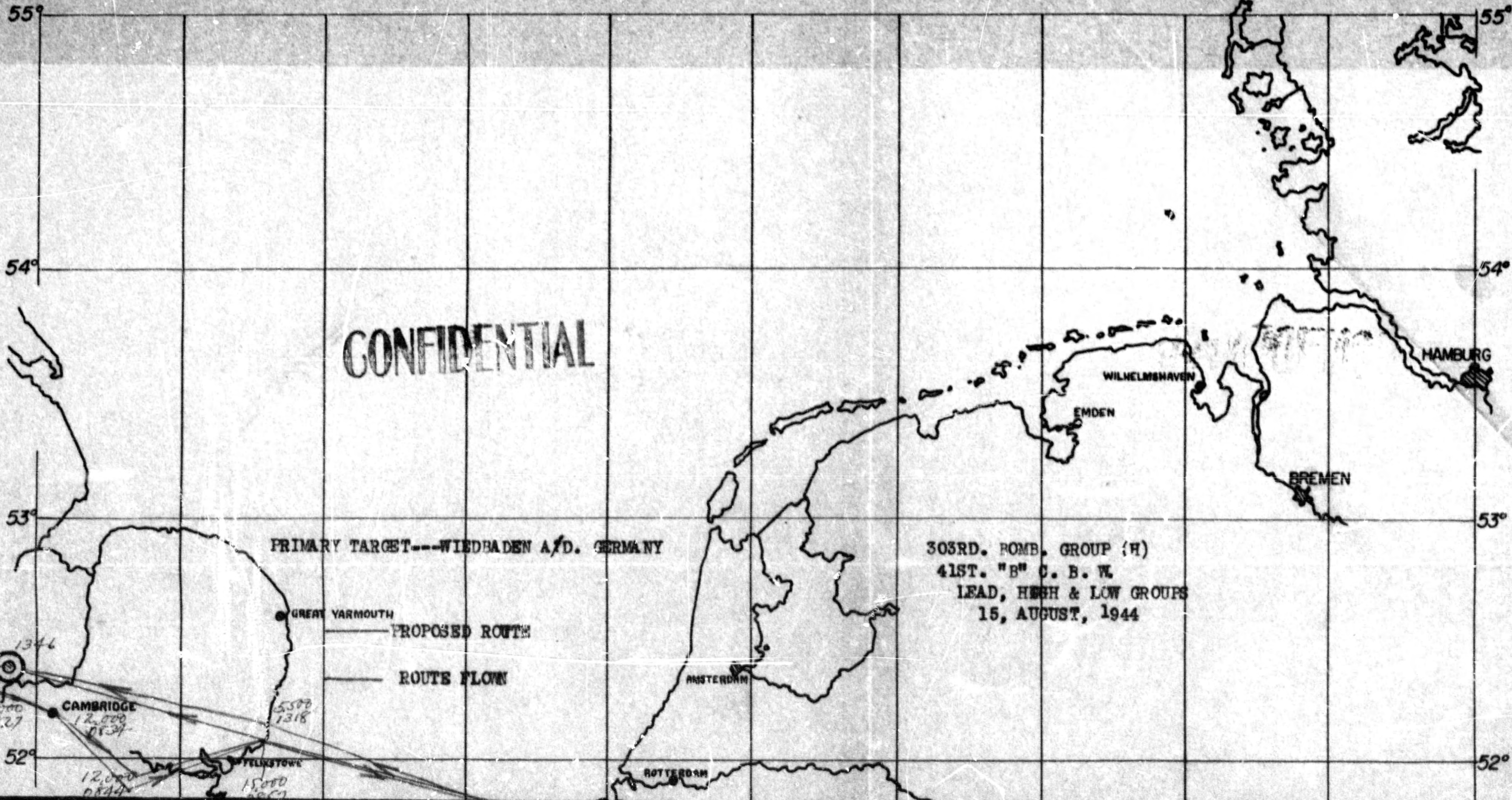
TARGET

Date _____

Route followed by _____

Primary	_____
Secondary	_____
Last Resort	_____

_____	"	"	"	_____
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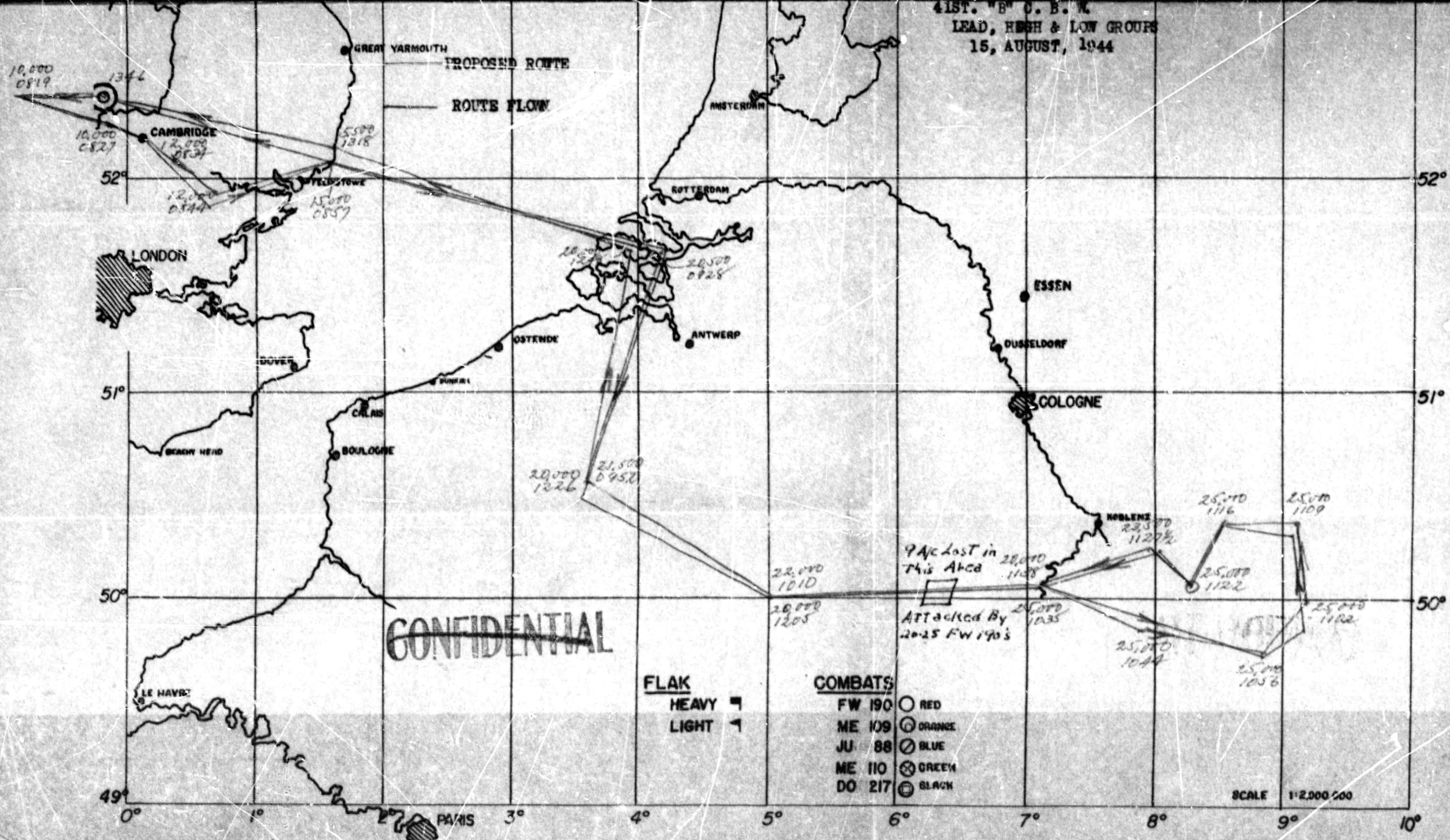
PRIMARY TARGET---WIEDBADEN A/D. GERMANY

303RD. BOMB. GROUP (H)
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15, AUGUST, 1944

GREAT YARMOUTH
PROPOSED ROUTE
ROUTES FLOW





10,000 0819
1344
10,000 0827
12,000 0834
12,000 0844
15,000 0851
15,000 1318
15,000 1318

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FLAK
 HEAVY 
 LIGHT 

COMBATS:
 FW 190  RED
 ME 109  ORANGE
 JU 88  BLUE
 ME 110  GREEN
 DO 217  BLACK

SCALE 1:2,000,000