

HEADQUARTERS 306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Office of the Intelligence Officer  
United States Forces

24 February, 1944

SUBJECT: Intelligence Narrative  
Mission: Schweinfurt, 24 February, 1944

TO : Commanding Officer, 306th Bombardment Group (H)

1. Narrative

21 A/C of the 306th Group took off at 0850 hours. This group was the lead group of the 40th Combat Wing leading the 1st Division. The formation crossed the coast at Great Yarmouth at 1045, slightly ahead of schedule, thereafter probably due to wind, in spite of essing and 150 air speed. The Enemy Coast was crossed at 1130 hours, target was reached at 1335 (time of second run over target), back across enemy coast at 1459 hours, back to Clacton at 1517 hours, base at 1549 hours.

306th Group led entire effort to target, then circled to make second bomb run. Possibly up to three combat wings passed ahead at this point and preceded group on course home.

2. Fighter opposition and Fighter Support

P-47's were met as briefed at coast and mission proceeded without event until near Lingen about noon. B-24's flying even on right as briefed. At this point escort disappeared. Group was ahead of schedule in spite of air speed of 150. Leader contacted fighters twice and received word they would cut him off. At 1212, thirty yellow-nosed 109's made for our formation. They jumped us coming head on from one and two o'clock en masse abreast, swooping through formation. Each two Me 109's seemed to have a specific B-17 in formation as target, the attack being especially concentrated on lead planes in an effort to disrupt leadership and scatter formation, 306th losing leaders of high and low squadrons. Low squadron unable to reform, remaining planes flying with lead and high squadrons. Low group also hard hit. Attacks repeated, tapering off as individual E/A attacked stragglers. No escort in sight. B-24's in trouble on right. Officer tail gunner reports however friendly A/C picking up and handling E/A in combat wings behind. Lead Combat Wing gradually shook free from battle and went on to target being unescorted for an hour. At 1312 P-51's appeared overlapped P-38's which in turn overlapped P-47's. Spitfires at Brussels. No rocket attacks. No twin engined E/A. No trouble whatever on way out, not an enemy plane in sight. Total of 50 to 60 E/A seen. We claim 6-C-4-0. Some of P-38's were all silver.

3. A.A. Gun Firs.

No flak was experienced along the route at any point except target, a tribute to exact and expert navigation. Over target flak was moderate, quite accurate and tracking. We lost no A/C to flak. With two runs over target, of the 18 A/C which returned to base, 15 were damaged by flak, nine seriously.

4. Bombing

On first run at target, Bombardier could not see M.P.I. in spite of navigator pointing it out, until too late to release. Leader thereupon swung around for a second run. This means that 300th was not first to bomb. One of our A/C 539-0 flying with high group of our combat wing including 305th planes carried a camera. Pictures from this A/C which bombed at 1326 show high group first to bomb and show four direct hits on M.P.I. on that part of long building toward town. 300th made second run on heading of 230° mag dropping at 1335. Pictures show entire target area covered with smoke from bomb bursts. Crews also report M.P.I. of 1st Combat Wing and 94th as well hit. Big cloud of smoke reported where B-24's bombed.

Nickels

50 bundles of U.S. G-26's were dropped as formation circled for second run on target. Parcels opened well and wind spread leaflets over entire town of Schweinfurt.

5. Weather

The weather was excellent with some slight haze.

6. Observations

Smoke screen over the target was only partially effective. On route going in a convoy of 18 ships seen heading north out of Zuider Zee. A large quantity of small boats was observed at 1502 hours at 51° 10'N, 02° 27'E. A large black circle was observed on the ground near Brussels. It had a triangle within its west side. Apex of this triangle pointed to a large black dot in center of circle.

7. Aircraft Returning Early

Our A/C #827, Pilot Weiter, turned back at 1133 hours at 52° 35'N, 05° 02'E, because he was unable to keep up with the formation. Brought back 12 x 500.

8. A/C in Distress Due to E/A Attacks

Our A/C #139-L, at 1218 hours, pilot Garrett was hit by the second fighter attack on course northwest of Osnabruck; #2 engine was on fire. 10 chutes.

1228 hours, our A/C #074-Q, pilot Page, 10 miles northeast of Osnabruck. #2 engine was on fire and #1 engine was feathered, wing tip clipped off. 5 chutes out.

Other A/C in Distress Due to E/A Attacks.

1200 hours, B-24, exploded. 1 chute.

1212 hours, B-17 down. 1 chute.

1218 hours, B-24, spiralling down under control. 4 chutes.

1224 hours, B-17 down under control, then went into spin and fell apart. No chutes.

1232 hours, B-24 down in spin and then broke up. 4 chutes.

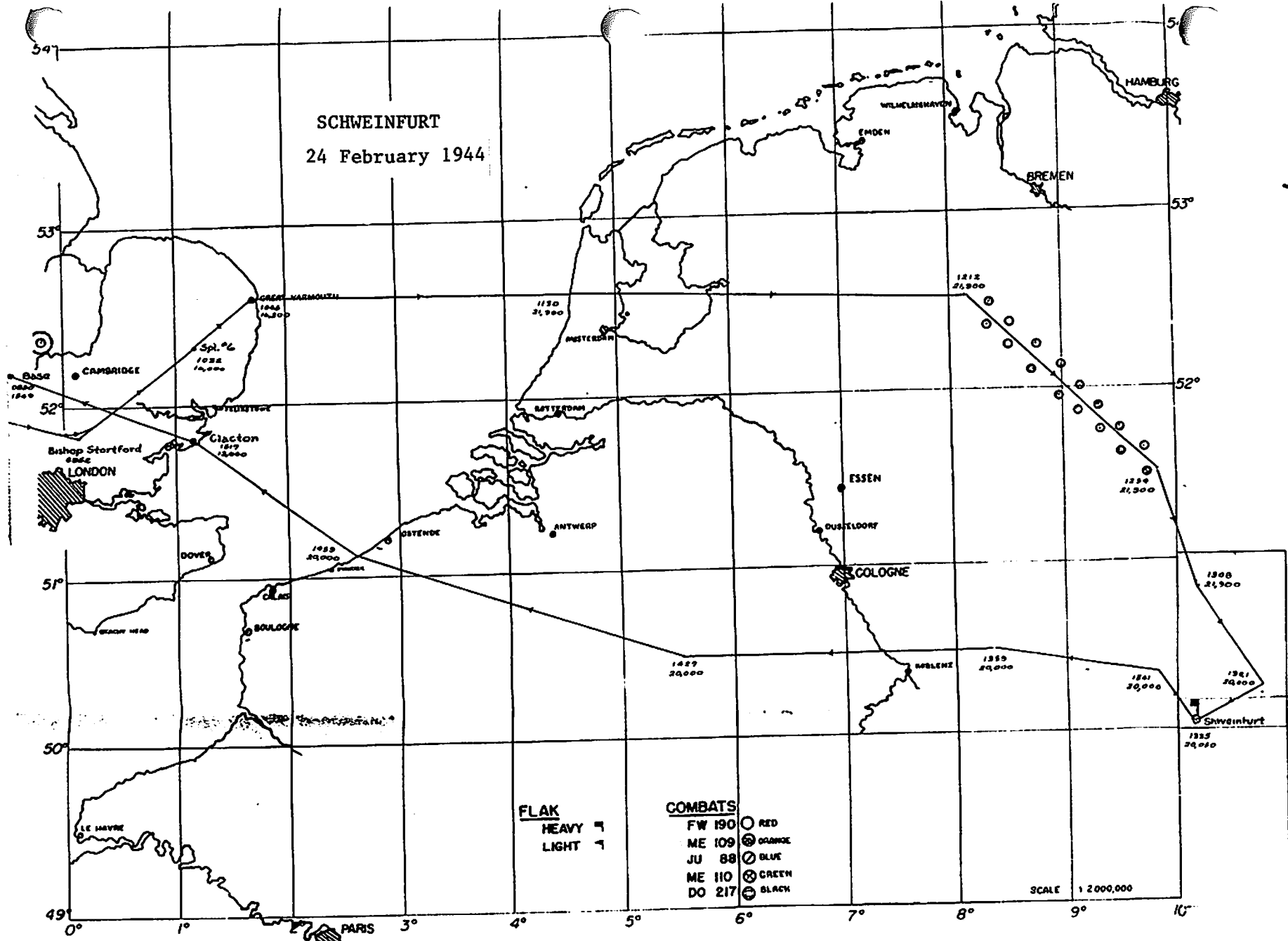
1352 hours, 2 B-17's down in distance, no chutes.

A/C in Distress from flak

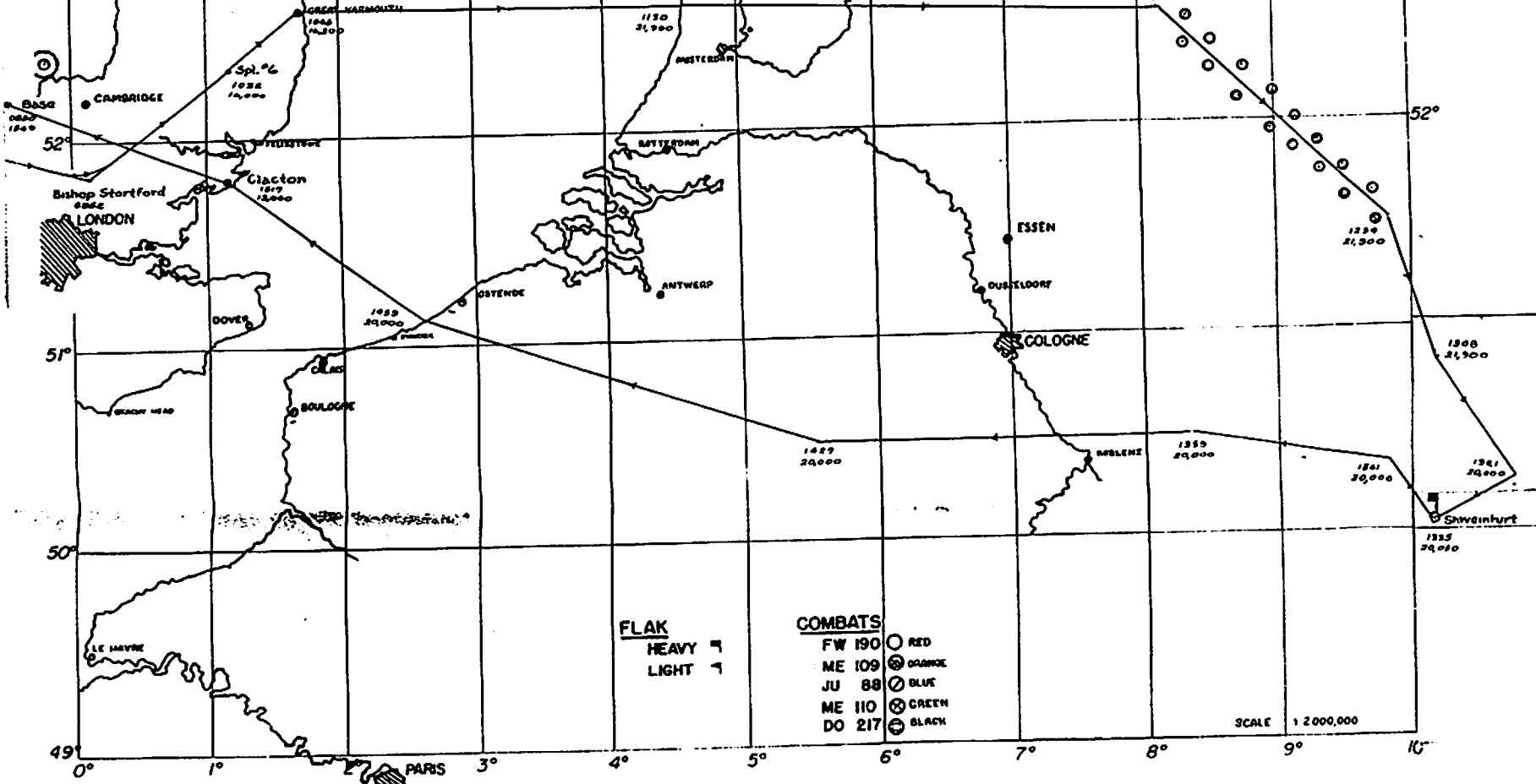
1402 hours, B-17 going down under control 15 miles east of Rhine. Six chutes out.

1440 hours, B-17 spiralling down northeast of Koblenz. 10 chutes.

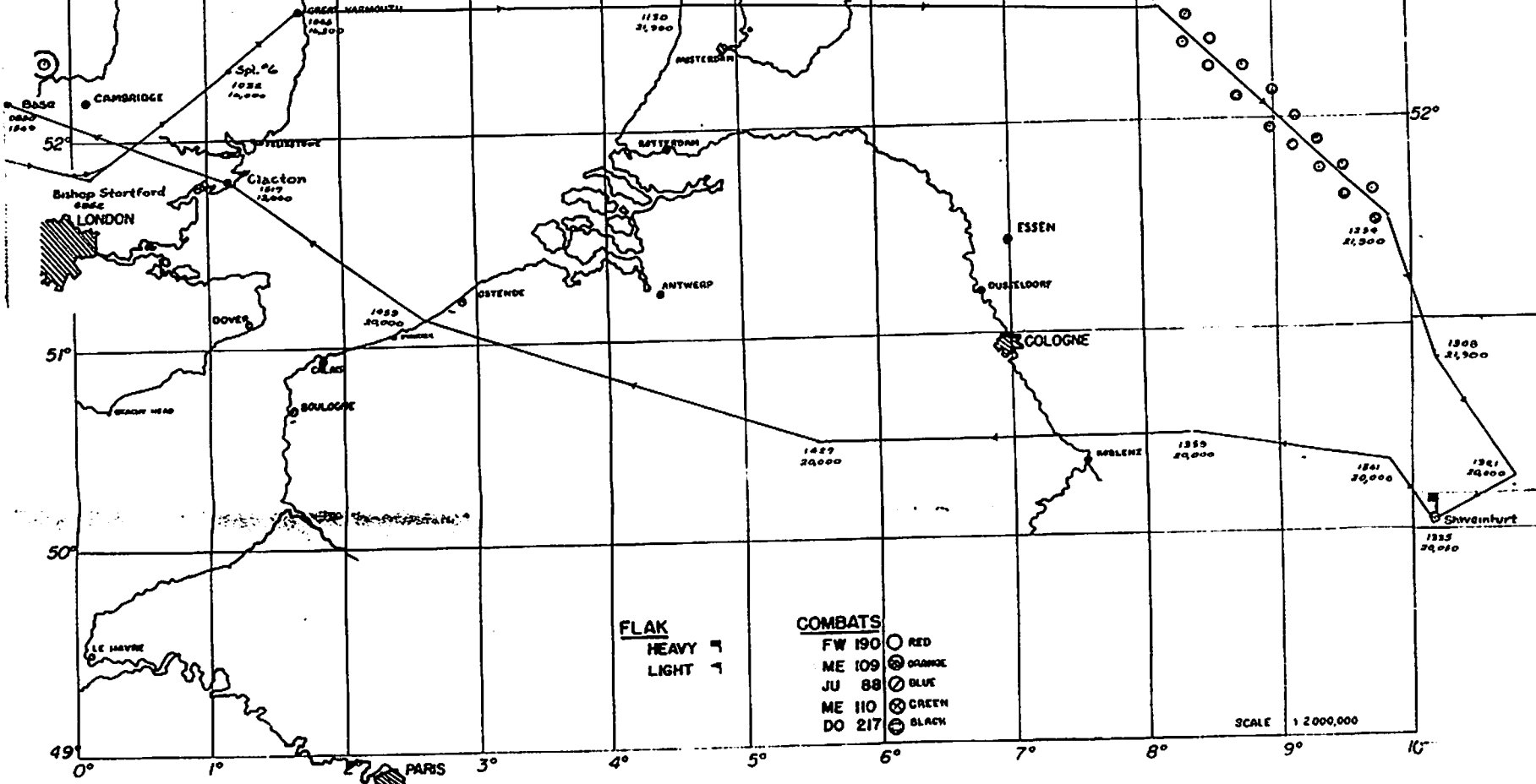
JOHN A. BAIRNSFATHER,  
Major, AC,  
Group S-2.



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FORMATION FOR 24 FEBRUARY, 1944

CAPER

JEP

PFI

Raper  
Greeding

KIET

Carrett\*  
139-L

Kielt\*  
369-M

Page\*  
074-Q

Sutton  
431-F

Carlson  
~~196-O~~  
776-F

Gassler\*  
454-B

Rutherford Brewer  
728-S 042-P

Oliver\*  
539-O

Reeder  
245-K

Smith  
006-G

Smith\*  
445-G

Hardin  
939-A

Clark  
019-Q

Tripp  
700-U

Mack  
768-V

Somerville-NICKEL?  
469-K

Welter  
827-G

Jacobs  
008-V

\* denotes camera in ship

AIRCRAFT COMBAT MISSION RE.

24 February, 1944.

(DATE)

SQDN.	TYPE A/C	SERIAL NO.	FLAK	20MM	.303	50CAL FIRE	50CAL SHELL CASES	17 MM	DAYS EST IN-OP
<u>367th</u>	G	42-38074	MISSING IN ACTION						
"	G	42-38042	SLI	0	0	0	0	0	
"	F	42-30728	SLI	0	0	0	0	0	
"	G	42-31445	SLI	0	0	0	0	0	
"	G	42-31469	SER	0	0	0	0	0	
"	G	42-38008	SLI	0	0	0	0	0	
<u>368th</u>	G	42-31563	NOT DAMAGED						
"	G	42-31454	SER	0	0	0	0	0	
"	G	42-40006	SLI	0	0	0	0	0	
"	G	42-31245	SER	0	0	0	0	0	
"	G	42-31700	SER	0	0	0	0	0	
"	G	42-39776	SER	0	0	0	0	0	
<u>369th</u>	G	42-31568	NOT DAMAGED						
"	G	42-31768	SER	0	0	0	0	0	
"	G	42-38019	SER	0	0	0	0	SER	
"	F	42-30939	SER	0	0	0	0	0	
"	G	42-39827	ABORTED: COULD NOT KEEP UP WITH FORMATION						
<u>425rd</u>	G	42-31189	MISSING IN ACTION						
"	F	42-30431	SER	0	0	SER	0	0	
"	G	42-32539	SLI	0	0	0	0	0	

TOTAL DAMAGED	SEVERE	SLIGHT	FLAK	20MM	.303	50cal Fire	50cal Shell Cases	17 MM
15	9	6	15	0	0	1	0	1
* MISSING	ABORTIONS							
2	1							

INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON 1367 368 1368 1369 A/C Number 558 Letter M Date 24 Feb. 1944

Bomb Load 11 X 500 # 1 Smoke Bomb  
12 X 500 H.E. Incand.

Position in Formation

X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed 1549

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

① T.G. saw 4 chutes cut no  
A/c (the smoke) right after  
1st attack

② B-17 2800 on fire dropped down  
below below the 1st  
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③ 240° on 1st run  
Smith? or A/c in his position  
hit 2. Cracked at 1st run

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- Lt. Col Raper Pilot ✓
- 1st Lt. G. W. Greending Co-P ✓
- Major Cheney Nav. ✓
- 1st Lt. D. R. Logan Bomb. ✓
- T/Sgt. H. E. Gorcayca Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. J. F. Dunten Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. M. J. Saj Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. A. A. Becker R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. T. A. Donlon L. Waist ✓
- 1st Lt. C. R. Thompson Tail G. ✓

TARGET ATTACHED: 1st run  
Primary Time: 13:35  
Alternate: Height: 21000

Last Report Heading: 240  
(circle)

Duration-Bomb Run: 30 sec.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own-Bombs: I go ahead hit 500 ft. to left  
believe at least part

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered-on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy, moderate, or slight)	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
I used to heavy tracking very acc both runs						

Draw observations about Flak:

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74505

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

30 - to 40 almost all 109's  
a few 190's

(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

12<sup>th</sup> - 47 Rendezvous O.K.

(Location and length of fight)

Group ahead of time missed 2nd Rendezvous  
10 mi. off 47's  
52 35 N - 072 5 E 12:12

E/a made couple passes got our A/c

then no Escort for about 1 hr.  
(Tactics of E/A)

then 51's about 13:12

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

First in bunch then 2's + 3's

then occasional for 30

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

~~DESTROYED~~

~~PROBABLY~~

~~DAMAGED~~

(Fill out immediately  
separate CLAIM FORM for  
each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

B-24 shot  
one fighter fire - straight down  
2 others in flames

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

1 Huge burst 15 min. before  
target (5 or 6 times Flak size) streak of

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A. black E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

smoke straight  
to group's alt tho' behind

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

just before 1. P.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

slight

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

Smoke bomb  
hit jammer's  
slip nose -  
they couldn't see  
for a bit -

S-2 OFFICER

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UNCLASSIFIED PER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12356, Section 3.3, 245005  
By RLB/JAC  
Date 1/8/01  
NARA

ADDITIONAL INTERROGATION FORM FOR GROUP AND SQUADRON LEAD AIRCRAFT

(check one)  
GROUP LEADER \_\_\_\_\_  
HIGH SQUADRON LEADER \_\_\_\_\_  
LOW SQUADRON LEADER \_\_\_\_\_  
PLANE WITH OTHER GROUP \_\_\_\_\_  
(Indicate Group and Group Identification),  
SINGLE AIRCRAFT \_\_\_\_\_

1. Time and Place of crossing English Coast 10:45 Great Yarmouth  
Enemy coast 11:30 (at briefed point)

2. Was Course as Briefed? \_\_\_\_\_  
If not, describe course in detail on course all way

Enemy Coast out 14:59  
Eng " Clacton 15:17  
3. Time and Place of crossing Enemy Coast \_\_\_\_\_

4. Time over Target \_\_\_\_\_  
Altitude over Target \_\_\_\_\_  
Position of Group on Bomb Run \_\_\_\_\_  
Magnetic Heading of Bomb Run \_\_\_\_\_  
Duration Bomb Run \_\_\_\_\_

Circled left  
after 1st run.  
to pick up M.P.1  
recorid run

5. Time of Landing at Base 15:49  
If landed away from base before return state where and why \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ TIME \_\_\_\_\_ Ser2 OFFICER Wald

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By RIB/JAC MABA Date 1/8/91

Low Sq.  
broke up  
+ 2 A/c  
pulled  
behind  
Lead  
rest of  
trip





INTERROGATION FORM

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SQUADRON ~~368~~ 368 ~~369~~ 369 X A/C Number: 454 Letter B Date Feb. 24, 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~Ends:~~

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850	Time Landed								
		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Details:		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

*B-17 - 1118 hrs 1792 feet down engine on fire counted 7chutes, think all got out.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

- 1st Lt. J. Gassler Pilot ✓
- Major Chalfant Co-P ✓
- 1st Lt. W. T. Hughes Nav. ✓
- 1st Lt. H. L. Haraston Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. D. L. Mills Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. A. S. Cieri Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. D. E. Gollaher Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. D. S. Mings R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. T. V. Lenoski L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. R. W. Grothe Tail G. ✓

*B-74 about 1128 hrs on fire going down in spin under control of chutes.*

*B-17 about 1145 hrs in spin to right had right wing shot off, two chutes.*

TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1335  
 Alternate Height: 22,000  
 Last Report--Heading: 270 mag  
 (circle)  
 Duration-Bomb Run: *Made second pass about 1/2 minute*

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: All Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 7

Other Bombing: *Good on A.P.*

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number boxes dropped  
 Number boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No? *Yes*

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

*As briefed*

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) *Clear*

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
1335	Target	11,000	Heavy	Black (white high)	Tracking	Accurate

Crew observations about flak: *Two ground rockets through B-17 formation on left. Blue and grey and red burst.*

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 RLB/BAC  
 MABA Date 1/18/99  
 One chute going down on target

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

5 to 6 5/2 mostly F10-19's  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

Between Coeover and Summer Lake, - 1201-1223 hrs  
(Location and length of fight)

attacks head on from above passing underneath formation

(Tactics of E/A)

F10-19's Black & White, white primer

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PROBABLY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DAMAGED	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good, closer coming back P47' 38' 47"  
and splits on last leg

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) none

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

#2 engine out by flak over target  
flat tire and hydraulic system

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

W. J. Glass

FILE COMPLETED

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MABA Date 1/18/44  
RIB BAC

1354-50240 859 E, Min B17 no chutes  
at 179 ltr alt R  
1359-1 B17 - 50249 N 0838 E, 10 chutes opened + ship; 500 flw for 5  
12 hours under control.

**INTERROGATION FORM**

SQUADRON 369X 368 2269XX429XX4/C Number 36006 Letter G Date Feb. 24, 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Inznslx

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed 1539

			X		
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
Details:

1214-5233 N 07 98 E - B17 2 chutes, no chutes  
1217-1 B17

1219-9 B17 2 chutes out of one; 3 out of each  
friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. C. W. Smith Pilot ✓
- 1st Lt. M. P. Brown Co-P ✓
- 1st Lt. D. McCauley Nav. ✓
- 1st Lt. H. F. Allen Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. V. R. Marcotte Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. C. A. Heuser HEUSER Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. T. W. Stillson Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. D. S. Courson R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. R. C. Granger L. Waist ✓

No flak till we were over the city, then  
just bursts right on the button + burst  
out of 2 engines (managed to feather it).  
we merged off to left of formation  
falling behind + dropped individually at

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Alternate Time: 1330

Alternate Height: 22,000

Last Report - Heading: 305°  
(circle)

Hit salvo of bombs are genuine  
to drop southwest of marshalling yard

S/Sgt. T. W. Stillson Tail G.  
S/Sgt. R. B. Trumble ✓

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: ALL Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOEING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Bursts SW of marshalling yard.

Other Bombing: Wall of a lot of bombs one target after we dropped. Any Nickols: Yes No  
Number Boxes dropped  
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No?)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

Came up into K in a triangle + returned with them, joining them at 1340. Rem br briefed.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Clear all the way.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intensity, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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1st Lt. P. stillson  
burst on way out: 1437 - 20 bursts, bright.

Crew observations about Flak:

1229 - 5225 N 0840 E - bright.

INTERROGATION FORM

6

SQUADRON 367 368 369 370 371 A/C Number: 245 Letter K Date Feb. 24, 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. Incand.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed 1548

	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

*1218 - 3 photos out of B17. left wing on fire. Staff under control; then they lost control again. Another B17 blew up.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. W. D. Reeder Pilot ✓

1st Lt. A. D. Maynes Co-P ✓

F/O. H. W. Brage Nav. ✓

S/Sgt. W. D. Jackson Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. J. Alvarez Radio ✓

S/Sgt. H. J. Hurbud Top T ✓

S/Sgt. D. Burger Ball T ✓

S/Sgt. Bastain R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. J. E. Ruckey L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. C. O. Wilson Tail G. ✓

*1344 (approx) B17 in formation blew down, followed by two fighters, recovered control at 70,000, still with us.*

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1336

Alternate Height: 21,600

Last Report Heading: 315° mag (circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BCBS dropped on target: all Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

*Own Bombs: Dropped on emergency release 30 seconds late. Just about as we were turning to right. Also handle being up a few dropped with cables.*

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes \_\_\_  
Number boxes dropped \_\_\_  
Number Boxes returned \_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No? (circle)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>13</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>moderate</u>	<u>accurate</u>			

Crew observations about Flak:

*Good route for flak.*

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RUB BAC  
MARA Date 1/8/91

INTERROGATION FORM

7

SQUADRON <sup>368th</sup> 367X 368 369 A/C Number <sup>700</sup> 409 Letter U Date Feb. 24, 1944

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ~~Incand.~~

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed N49

	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

2. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
Details:

1236 - B-24 crashed & burned just west of Summer Lake & chute

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1220 - 2 - B-17 going down  
1218 - B-17 - one out of engine - probably ~~Harriet~~ - #2 engine on fire - 1 chute opened - several delayed jumps.

- 1st Lt. R. D. Tripp Pilot ✓
- 1st Lt. R. C. McDaniel Co-P ✓
- 1st Lt. F. E. Tingle Nav. ✓
- 1st Lt. J. H. Laughlin Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. R. J. Manski Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. S. L. Lesnioski Top T ✓
- Sgt. E. Goldbarst Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. C. L. Hum Tail G ✓
- S/Sgt. P. A. Lee L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. C. J. Predko Tail G ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1335  
Alternate Height: 21600  
Last Report Heading: 220  
(circle)  
Duration Bomb Run: 30 minutes  
50 seconds  
(made two runs)

S/Sgt. P. A. Lee L. Waist ✓  
Sgt. C. J. Predko Tail G ✓

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 121500 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing: good

Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number boxes dropped  
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) clear at target - light fog haze

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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8. Gotten - obs.  
Target - accurate tracking moderate, black  
Target - zig-zag blue smoke trails from ground  
Crew observations about Flak:  
Just before fighter attack - ball of fire with large black smoke above it - settling very slowly - looked like black cloud.

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1303 hrs B-17 on the deck - still following formation 40 minutes before target. (Eisenach)

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

21 E/A.  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)  
1234 hrs. (attacks started at Lingen)  
E/A 1211 hrs. - 25 E/A attack - no escort at this time  
(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLY	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

good except area where attacks came  
Spits from Brussels out

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, late smoke screen at target)

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

trans receiver - oxygen shot out  
17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER Murphy TIME COMPLETED \_\_\_\_\_

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INTERROGATION FORM

8

SQUADRON 367-##### A/C-Number: 074 Letter Q Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. #####

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

			X		
	X		X	X	(X)
X	X		X		X X
	X		X	X	X
X	X				X X
	X				X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. L.E. Page Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. T.P. Kenny Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. J.E. Feeley Nav. ✓

1st Lt. H.B. Holt Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. J.R. Merson Radio ✓

T/Sgt. E.E. Harbour Top T ✓

S/Sgt. G.A. Morehead Ball T ✓

S/Sgt. B.E. Ball R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. R.L. Whiteside L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. T.D. Dixon Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time:

Alternate Height:

Last Resort Heading:  
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

Other Bombing:

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak:

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INTERROGATION FORM

9

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number: 042 Letter P Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. #####

Position in Formation

Time Took off <u>0850</u>	Time Landed <u>1005</u>	X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X
1. <u>HOT NEWS</u> to be phoned in? Yes No		X	X	X	X
Details:		X	X	X	X
		X			X

12:16- B17-group behind wing - shot off - no chutes observed. CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress.  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details) 2nd Lt. F.D. Brewer Pilot ✓

Page - 2 chutes seen, #2 engine smoking 2nd Lt. D.L. Speelman Co-P ✓  
Last seen falling back 2nd Lt. H.M. Palmer Nav. ✓

B17-L - crew out - 12:17  
B17-B - #2 eng feathered 13:44 - under control falling back  
S/Sgt. O.O. Dobbs Bomb ✓  
S/Sgt. A.C. Manning Radio ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:  
S/Sgt. H.W. Karol Top T ✓  
S/Sgt. C.R. Harlow Ball T ✓

Primary Time: 13:34  
Alternate Height: 22 300

Last Report Heading: 240  
(circle)  
Duration Bomb Run: 30-40 sec.  
Sgt. E. Weed Waist ✓  
Sgt. O.A. Shafer Waist ✓  
Sgt. L.P. Thomas Tail G. ✓

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: made 2 runs - target fairly clear on second run - hits were not observed.

Other Bombing: Target ahead (?) hit by groups ahead  
5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No?)  
Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number boxes dropped  
Number Boxes returned

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: Good (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. target - good

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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target mod-int close, all good minor damage this A/C

Crew observations about Flak: rocket flak at target burst level ahead, some behind

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

*Me 109  
FW 190*

*15-20*  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

*12:17 until 12:28*  
(Location and length of fight)

*made two attacks at formation to rt. head-on.  
direct attack this A/C head-on - out of the sun.*

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PROBABLY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DAMAGED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(Fill out immediately  
separate CLAIM FORM for  
each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

*In - good until just before ETA hit.  
Out - good - P51 P38/P47 - and even Spit.*

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads; railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations;

*Smoke screen - target - not effective*

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

*B17's - by ETA*

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

*minor - flak*

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

*Ball 11 - jammed / had to crank-up bomb bay doors.*

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

*R Skalak Capt*

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INTERCOMMUNICATION FORM

10

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number 728 Letter S Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 h.E. #####

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850	Time Landed				
		X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

Page hit by fighters (before target) went down in flames 5 chute - near Cambouch.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. B.H. Rutherford Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. W.B. Butterfield Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. J.C. Fowler Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. M.J. Northway Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. T.P. Piechowski Radio ✓

T/Sgt. R.G. Rockwell Top T ✓

Sgt. J.R. Hadix Ball T ✓

S/Sgt. J.M. Moloney R. Waist ✓

Sgt. A.G. Damon L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. H.E. Masle Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1335  
Alternate Height: 21,900  
Last Resort Heading: 230 (circle)  
Duration Bomb Run: 40-50"

3. Number of BOBS dropped on target: Jetisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Damm good bombing

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number boxes dropped  
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

With group.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) good

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target: moderate - very accurate, tracking.

Crew observations about Flak:

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INTERCOMMUNICATION FORM

11

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BY RLB/BAC

SQUADRON 367 ##### w/C Number: 445 Letter G Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 h.E. #####

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0854 Time Landed 1553

		X			
	X	X	X		X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: 074 - 1215 hours - 15 mi. E. Liege.

#3 eng. smoking - down under control  
no chutes

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

- 1st Lt. C.O. Smith Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. B.H. Peters Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. N.H. Weiner Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. D.L. Claytor Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. W.A. Lindsey Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. C.E. Weller Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. S.G. Downs Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. W.C. Maddox R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. J.W. Byrd L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. W.W. Winans Tail G. ✓

1220 - one out of high sp. } no  
1223 - another group - eng. smoking. } chutes

1230 - B-24 down - flames. no chutes. another group. } no  
1402 - 15 mi. E. Rhine L. - B-17 - 6 chutes. under control. } chutes  
going down.

TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1334 1/2

Alternate Height: 22,250

Last Report Heading: 214°  
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run: 4 min.

2nd run on target.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: ALL Detonated: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 1st run over - smoke & fire: turn one target untouched.

Other Bombing: smoke

Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

as briefed. Ford nav.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Haze - open most of way.  
Fighter con trails.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy, intense, moderate or slight)	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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<u>1335</u>	<u>target</u>	<u>22,250</u>	<u>Heavy</u>	<u>Black + Red</u>	<u>Trail in smoke</u>	<u>yes</u>
					<u>Parachute</u>	
					<u>Red balls of fire -</u>	
					<u>Streamers</u>	

Crew observations about Flak:

1429 Liege 20600 Lt. Right No

1440 Brussels - saw ship go down couldn't identify

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1215 - 15 20<sup>min</sup> E. Lingens - 30 ME 109 - FW 190 - west

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

The formation broke up. Three or four passed lot at 1226.

(Location and length of fight)

Inclined 6 o'clock. Host prevented fighters at once.

(Tactics of E/A)

Yellow nose & fuselage ME-

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

Silver & black FW

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
DAMAGED	_____
FILL out immediately separate claim form for each claim.	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

347' until 1215 & then none until 1226; then 51' & 38' on briefed.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

Smoke screen over target. Not very effective.

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) 7 hits

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

Compass & fuel gauge blank - Nav. page.

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

Broshanes

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1711

BY RLB/JHC  
DATE 1/18/41  
MARA  
ORDER 12356, Section 3.3, 245005

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By RLB/JFC  
Date 1/8/41

INTERROGATION FORM

12

SQUADRON 367 ~~BARBARA~~ A/C Number: 469 Letter K Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 h.E. #####

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

		X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:  
① One engine second fighter attack but don't see what happened. Believed to be friendly A/C in any kind of distress. (Give position, time, altitude, etc.)  
② "L" # flying in lead. #2 engine on fire. saw 1 chum station another flying toward ground. Flaming jet engine & ship hit ground.  
1 B17 group on sight got shot down Feb. 14/29 hrs.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. R.J. Somerville Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. E.W. Magee Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. J.M. Carella Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. J.D. Welch Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. O.W. Cooper Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. A.E. Jones Twp T ✓
- S/Sgt. C.H. Gillespie Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. J.D. Puskar R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. E.H. Moser L. Waist ✓
- Sgt. SZYMANSKI, Peter Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: Nichols  
1331.  
Alternate Height:  
Last Resort Heading:  
(circle)  
Duration Bomb Run:

Common of Ships (circle) by water  
p heading North out of Twicken zone  
1000  
on route Coasting in

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)  
Own Bombs: Dropped up middle of town a mile or two on circle  
before 2nd bomb run. Went out well. 5 to 6 shells hit up  
Other Bombing: but we parked them out.  
Any Nickels: Yes lbs  
Number boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No?)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUMPHRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE: (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height, of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)  
as

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) - Beautiful No on track except above where fighter were.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
<u>0836.0</u>	<u>there was</u>	<u>flak</u>	<u>all the way down the Bay</u>	<u>&amp; at target.</u>		

Crew observations about Flak:

not

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

50-75

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

all S/E F.W. mostly

(Types)

most - minutes of intense attacks. Dropped off when we turned south.  
might have protected Berlin.

(Location and length of fight)

Attacks in gaps. -- all based on 8 about.

Started about 20.

(Tactics of E/A)

2 ME 109s silver except black wing tips.

One grey 109s. White tips on center of round window.  
(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

Groups in Column

(Our defensive action)

CLAIMS	
DESTROYED	_____
DAMAGED	_____
FILL out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Think first 4 7s got jammed. That caused gaps.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

1 engine cable jammed out. #1 SW  
two jammed out. fuel tank #3.  
#1 & #2 engine cuts off. No lagged

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

over target all 4 engines ran.

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

Enemy may be target.

S-2 OFFICER

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By RLB/JAC  
Date 1/8/91  
NARA

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 AT RLB/BAC  
 NARA Date 1/18/91

*No contract  
 w/turn off target*

INTERCOMBATION FORM

13

SQUADRON 367 ~~#####~~ A/C Number: 768 Letter V Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 h.E. ~~#####~~ Position in Formation  
 Time Took off 0850 Time Landed 1552 1/2

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

*Details Amabuck Page #3 on  
 1228-10 miles NE ~~target~~ - fire #1 featured - 2 chutes - left wing  
 blew off.*

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. A.W. Mack Pilot

*1234-B-17 going own under control  
 then went into spin and fell  
 apart - no chutes.*

2nd Lt. F.M. McCullagh Co-P

*1232-B-24 down in spin - broke up  
 4 chutes.*

2nd Lt. G.G. Eyer Nav

2nd Lt. H.R. Legowski Bomb

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1334 3/4  
 Alternate Height: 22000  
 Last Resort Heading: 241°  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run:  
30 seconds

T/Sgt. P.J. Marquez Radio

S/Sgt. C.H. Raymond Top T

S/Sgt. L.A. Glasscock Ball T

S/Sgt. C. Walters R. Waist

S/Sgt. O.J. Graham L. Waist

Sgt. H.J. Karpinski Tail G.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12 x 500 Detonated: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING (for this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes  
 Number boxes dropped: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number boxes returned: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

*Clear all the way - slight haze*

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, moderate or slight)	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
	<u>target</u>	<u>med. hight</u>	<u>fairly accurate</u>	<u>tracking</u>		

Crew observations about Flak:



10. ENEMY POSITION CIRCUMSTANCES:

30-35 E/A

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

109  
(Type)

Attack started near Enaimch - duration 30 minutes  
(Location and length of fight)

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	
DAMAGED	
Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.	

**11. FIGHTER SUPPORT**

**12. OBSERVATIONS:** Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations, *three windows out from just after I.P. 1323 hrs - as briefed*  
*We were ahead of time - (prob why we lacked fighter cover)*

**13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C:** (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

**14. INJURIES TO CREW:** (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

**15. DAMAGE TO A/C:** (Briefly)

*#2 engine hit by shot*

**16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:**

**17. CREW COMMENTS:** (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER Murtha

TIME COMPLETED

UNCLASSIFIED PER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12356, Section 3.3, BY RLB/JHC MARA Date 11/8/91 745005

SQUADRON 367 ##### A/C Number 008 Letter V Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. ##### Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850	Time Landed _____	X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X
		X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
Details:

1312-8-17 going down - fighters -  
1318-2B-17 going down under control, then exploded  
2 chutes out of both.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

- 1st Lt. D.L. Jacobs Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. W.J. Pitblado Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. P.V. Osburn Nav ✓
- 2nd Lt. E.L. Bratrud Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. M. Schofield ✓ Radio
- T/Sgt. A.S. Cruft ✓ Top T
- S/Sgt. C.G. Smith ✓ Ball T
- S/Sgt. G.W. Holland ✓ R. Waist
- S/Sgt. K.E. Hoffman ✓ L. Waist
- S/Sgt. D.F. Offord ✓ Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time: 1334 1/2  
Alternate Height: 21,700  
Last Report Heading: 225  
(circle)  
Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: In the middle of Kugel Fischer

Other Bombing: good concentration in the  
slab - covered with smoke  
5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken? Yes? No? Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number boxes dropped  
Number Boxes returned

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

With group

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) fine - CAVU

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. slight haze - slight interference

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target - moderate to considerable - all accurate - tracking

Crew observations about Flak: smoke screen, apparently late starting, ineffective

White stream from ground up - about 2 or 3 mi. SSW of Schweinfurt

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Mar 1074  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

Started about 20 minutes  
Caused in waves of about 20 at a time - based on attacks - just about  
(Location and length of fight)  
30 minutes inside coast on way in. After the fighters escort came  
back, everything was OK

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLY	_____
DAMAGED	_____
(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)	

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT Very good support for about 20 minute burst

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

slight flak - maybe 30 cal. to

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

Chaff comes out of chute & hangs on sight of LW gun.

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Hogg

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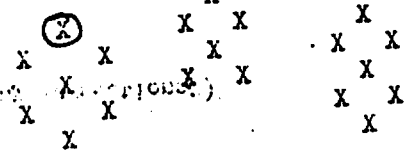
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INTERROGATION FORM

SQUADRON #423 A/C Number 139 Letter L Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E.

Position in Formation



Time Took off 0850 Time Landed

1. CHOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

2. Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. N.L. Garrett Pilot

1st Lt. R.N. Muri Co-P

1st Lt. J. Elgin Nav.

1st Lt. R.J. Shurilla Bomb

T/Sgt. A.E. Dilts Radio

T/Sgt. J. Vanciguerra Top T

S/Sgt. J.A. Glenn Ball T

S/Sgt. W.J. Carroll R. Naist

S/Sgt. A.A. Weed L. Waist

S/Sgt. L.L. Yater Tail G.

3. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: Alternate Height: Last Report Heading: (circle) Duration Bomb Run:

4. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

5. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No Number Boxes dropped Number Boxes returned

6. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken? Yes? No?

7. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

8. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

9. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

10. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

(Crew observations about Flak)

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IDENTIFICATION FORM

16

SQUADRON ##### A/C Number: 776 Letter F Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 h.E. #####

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed 1605

		X			
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

1211 - B17 - #1392 engine hit 2/4  
glided down - 7 chutes out then A/C exploded  
1211 - 2 B17's behind going down on fire and out of control

CR: Give rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

2nd Lt. R.P. Carlson Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. K. Yass Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. S. Sescia Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. R.D. Beres Bomb ✓

S/Sgt. P. Breurman Radi. ✓

S/Sgt. W.H. Morgan Top T ✓

Sgt. N.A. Orlando Ball T ✓

Sgt. A.J. Mariani R. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. C.W. Kester L. Waist ✓

Sgt. AC, Blum Tail G ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1334

Alternate Height: 21,200

Last Resort Heading: Companion out.

Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: All Detonated: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 7

2 bombs missed and kicked out  
few fragments later.

Other Bombing: Missed to left of our A/C hit.

any Nicks: Yes No  
Number boxes dropped  
Number boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

Day perfect navigation

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Clear

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
1334	Target	21,200	Heavy	Black/White	Accurate	Tracking

Grew observations about Flak:

Traced rockets burst behind and level our formation, left smoke trail burst green color.

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2 engines B17 going down on fire spinning 20 chutes

1352 saw 2 B17's going straight down in distance saw no chutes, 1359 B17 NE of Collets, engine down inside under control, about 10 chutes.

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

10660 1/2 mostly the 109's  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen) (Types)

1210 to 1255 E/A would line up about 100 crest and  
(Location and length of fight)

head on from about <sup>from out of line</sup> passing underneath formation.

(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

Confident  
Burt

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	1
PROBABLY	
DAMAGED	

Fill out immediately  
separate CLAIM FORM for  
each claim.

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Spotty, from about 1105 to 1200 there  
was no escort. Saw P-51 at target

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (list any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, waterways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

Smoke screen at target did not cover our A/P.

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

None

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly) Fleck holes and 20mm holes

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES: Chin cover and flex pins out.

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? Any suggestions?)

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All in that by attack.

INTERCOMMUNICATION FORM

17

SQUADRON ##### 423. A/C Number 131 Letter F Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 h.E. I####.

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

		X	X	X	X
(A)	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details: #2 eng on fire. Saw 4. 1219 hrs. 30 minutes after Cr. 11 minutes after. 1817 with 5 chutes - in fire. all out of fuel. 1817 with 5 chutes - in fire.

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

- 1st Lt. C.J. Sutton Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. F.L. McIntyre Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. H. Green Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. J.H. Weeman, Jr. Bomb ✓
- S/Sgt. E.A. Kiley Radio ✓
- S/Sgt. W. Harper Top T ✓
- Sgt. E.D. Creamer, Jr. Ball T ✓
- Sgt. E.E. Burroughs R. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. D.D. Leo L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. J.C. Steinwachs, Jr. Tail-G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1335  
Alternate: Height: 21340  
Last Resort Heading: 220 7M  
Duration Bomb Run: 2 runs. + on road  
some holes in or under ms.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all 12 x 500 Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 1 hit center of plane. Lots of smoke.

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number boxes dropped  
Number Boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? (No)

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

As brief.

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) Good.

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or light.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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1335 - 1st hit. Accurate on altitude. Moderate to intense. 1st hit from burst over tail. Almost as big as plane. Smoke burst seemed to hang in air and shrouded stuff like copper wire or thin foil.

Crew observations about Flak:

10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

30-40 made 15+ passes.

109s. All single.

(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

(Types)

1219. Along ball in fight about.

(Location and length of fight)

Head on in formation.

(Facts of E/A)

ME 109 yellow nose white wing + swastika under wing.

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S

DESTROYED \_\_\_\_\_

RECOVERED \_\_\_\_\_

DAMAGED \_\_\_\_\_

(Fill out immediately separate CLAIM FORM for each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good to 1219. Good after 1225. Fight in middle. Good on my out 42s, 57s, 39, + 42s.

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airbases, ports, waterways; roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

14. INJURIES TO CREW: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME)

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

none. Crews Harper. Knocked oxygen system out in fighter attack.

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

17. CREW COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

*[Signature]*

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INTERROGATION FORM

18

SQUADRON ~~#####~~ 423 A/C Number: 539 Letter O Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 h.E. #####

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time landed 1547

		X			
X		X	X		X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
Details:

at target with another group led by CREW: Give Rank and Initials

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress: (Give position, time, altitude, full details)

1st Lt. C.D. Oliver Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. D. Ebert Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. A.P. Baltunas Nav. ✓

1st Lt. M. Borysoff Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. J.A. Atchley ✓ Radio

T/Sgt. K.N. Feltner ✓ Top T

S/Sgt. J.P. Early ✓ Ball T

S/Sgt. J.E. Walker ✓ R. Waist

S/Sgt. H.C. Turner ✓ L. Waist

S/Sgt. M.J. Knapp ✓ Tail G.

GARRET - 12:18 (near 53°28'N) went down by fighters 6 men seen to lead only 1 chute observed to open. 12:18 - B17's - 4 down - one may have gotten back 4 chutes off out of

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 13:26

Alternate Height: 22700

Last Report Heading: 215 MAG

Duration Bomb Run:

with another group. Bombed another group's primary

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target ALL Jettisoned: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: Bombed target E (ILLUSTR. 4(A)7/a) Hit well - target & R.R.

Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No Number boxes dropped Number boxes returned

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE and RESULTS: about 27 exp. (check for diff. target A/C bombing of)

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

Good

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home. Clear - slight haze plus poor smoke screen.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target: mod. alt. fair - acc. fair no damage.

Crew observations about Flak: 2-6,7 rockets at target slightly above one rocket just after 1.4. with very big large burst - brown smoke

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10. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

18-20  
(Estimated total number of E/A seen)

FW190  
ME109  
ME210 (one) - higher  
(Types)

12:13 until 12:28  
(Location and length of fight)

head on attacks, persistent - no rockets  
all 20mm - made two passes, few  
attacks at 9 o'clock to 10 - also head-on.  
(Tactics of E/A)

(Color, markings, etc. of E/A)

(Our defensive action)

C L A I M S	
DESTROYED	_____
PROBABLY	_____
DAMAGED	_____

(Fill out immediately  
separate CLAIM FORM for  
each claim.)

11. FIGHTER SUPPORT

In - poor, Out very good  
↳ left just before 1st E/A attack

12. OBSERVATIONS: Give TIME, PLACE, HEIGHT (List any observations of military importance such as balloons, decoys, dummies, camouflage, smoke screens, enemy signals; activity at airdromes, ports, water-ways, roads, railroad yards; concentrations of vehicles, troops, vessels; landmarks, new enemy installations,

Near Brussels - large circle black with  
Δ in one side w/ ● E/A pt. to a large dot in middle

13. INCIDENTS TO FRIENDLY A/C: (If one of our A/C lost, state whether by A.A., E/A Action, Accident or Undetermined Cause)

all by 20mm.

14. INJURIES TO CRE: (Give name, position in A/C, type of injury, how received, PLACE and TIME.)

15.

15. DAMAGE TO A/C: (Briefly)

20mm holes thru wing tip, one thru tail

16. TECHNICAL FAILURES:

#2 eng went out - 13:36

17. CRE COMMENTS: (Any unusual incidents? any suggestions?)

S-2 OFFICER

R Skalak Capt USAF

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INTERCOMMISSION FORM

19

SQUADRON ##### 423 A/C Number: 019 Letter O Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. #####

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_



CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:  
 1 B17. #2 engine on fire 1213 hrs. 2 chits.  
 1017. 22 mins later ship from high sq.  
 got into tip knocked off & went spinning down.  
 Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
 Give position, time, altitude, type  
 1 B17 (at 1400) 1400, 2 chits on night.  
 P38s near horizon here.

- 1st Lt. R.F. Clark Pilot ✓
- 2nd Lt. N.D. Munn Co-P ✓
- 2nd Lt. J.J. Valenti Nav. ✓
- 2nd Lt. J.F. Huistra Bomb ✓
- T/Sgt. C.W. Hamby Radio ✓
- T/Sgt. S.H. Zych Top T ✓
- S/Sgt. E.N. Dillinger Ball T ✓
- S/Sgt. W. Schmidt R. Waist ✓
- Sgt. N. Minniti L. Waist ✓
- S/Sgt. M.C. Crow Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1333Z  
 Alternate Height: 21500  
 Last Report Heading: 226  
 (circle)  
 Duration Bomb Run: 200 mins.

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: 12500 Missed: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

Hits contain in area of A.P.  
 West was hit.

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No  
 Number Boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOLAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission)

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Hits by flak at target. bursts quite a bit of it  
 [Great huge fire - from burst - w by several burst formation as we went through  
 Crew observations about Flak: \_\_\_\_\_

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INTERCOMMUNICATION FORM

20

SQUADRON ##### 423 A/C Number: 939 Letter A Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 H.E. #####

Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

			X	
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No

Details:

Search caught fire from first fighter attack. Went down on AFEE. 10 chutes - 52.37N, 0436E. chut 113-

CREW: Give Rank and Initials

1210. B-17 - 2 chutes

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:

1200. B-24 - 1 chute  
drive position, time, altitude, full (chute then details)  
exploded

1st Lt. N.W. Hardin Pilot ✓

2nd Lt. R.T. Knowles Co-P ✓

2nd Lt. A. Perline Nav. ✓

2nd Lt. L.F. Barrows, Jr. Bomb ✓

T/Sgt. W.W. May Radio ✓

T/Sgt. E.B. Jackson Top T ✓

S/Sgt. R.E. Moulis Ball T ✓

Sgt. L.T. Jenks R. Waist ✓

Sgt. J.L. Dilley L. Waist ✓

S/Sgt. C.T. Schroeder Tail G. ✓

2. TARGET ATTACKED:

Primary Time: 1334 1/2

Alternate Height: 21,800

Last Resort Heading: 226°  
(circle)

Duration Bomb Run:

2 runs - about a minute

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: all Detonated: Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs:

Kingfisher well covered - long bldg in middle

Other Bombing:

Any Nickels: Yes No

Number boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_

Number boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

With group

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) slight haze on ground good visibility at target

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location of Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy
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Target - accurate - moderate - tracking

Crew observations about Flak: bombs began started late

rocket flak in target area - white trail

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SQUADRON##### 423 A/C Number: 827 Letter G Date 24/2/44

Bomb Load 12 x 500 h.E. ##### Position in Formation

Time Took off 0850 Time Landed \_\_\_\_\_

1. HOT NEWS to be phoned in? Yes No  
Details:

		X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
		X	X	X

CREW: Give rank and initials DISP.

Friendly A/C in any kind of distress:  
(Give position, time, altitude, full details)

- 2nd Lt. R.A. Walter Pilot
- 2nd Lt. T.L. Leedy Co-P
- 2nd Lt. E.R. West Nav.
- 2nd Lt. J.T. Hallock Bomb
- S/Sgt. J.V. Posten Radio
- S/Sgt. G.J. Peterson Top G
- Sgt. C.M. Comstock, Jr. Ball T
- Sgt. I.L. McCoppin R. Waist
- Sgt. A.F. Klepper L. Waist
- Sgt. C.D. Metz Tail G.

2. TARGET ATTACHED:

Primary Time:  
Alternate Height:  
Last Report Heading:  
(circle)  
Duration Bomb Run:

3. Number of BOMBS dropped on target: Jettisoned: all Returned: Abortive:

4. Observed RESULTS OF BOMBING: (For this plane or others)

Own Bombs: 5 depth charges + bombs  
5233N, 0420E crew reports oil slick. No planes in vicinity that could have dropped them.  
Other Bombing: Any Nickels: Yes No  
Number boxes dropped \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Boxes returned \_\_\_\_\_

5. Any PHOTOGRAPHS taken: Yes? No?

6. GROUND TARGETS ATTACHED BY GUNFIRE AND RESULTS:

7. ROUTE (If different than ordered) (If ABORTIVE give time, place, height of turn; reason for returning early, and Disposition of bombs.)

8. WEATHER: (If it affected mission) 1-2/10 - excellent

9. FLAK: Encountered on way out, at target and on way home.

Time	Place	Height of A/C	Type (light, heavy), intense, moderate or slight.	Color of Bursts	Location Bursts in relation to A/C	Accuracy

Crew observations about Flak:

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*Couldn't keep up with formation pulling about 42 x 2350 rpm. 1A3-1148 Using too much gas + too much power. 1133-5235, 05026*

COMBAT FORM

Group 306th

Date 24 February, 1944

Squadron 423rd

Place where attacked N. of Osnabruck.

A/C No: 939

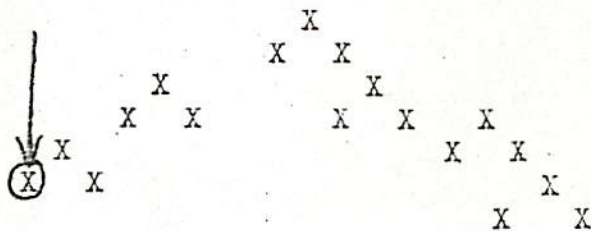
Time about 1220 Height 21,000

1. Story of the attack:- 2 FV 190's coming from 12 o'clock high, attacking this A/C. Top Turret fired at one at 700 yards until he closed to about 100 yards. E/A caught fire and started down, then exploded.

**DESTROYED**  
A-2 I.B.W.

(Include above how E/A attacked; how close he came; where he was hit; how much he was damaged; and how he looked and acted going away)

2. Diagram of attack:



On Diagram, show.

- a. which of our A/C was attacked;
- b. Direction of E/A attack;
- c. Sun position.

Data on Combat

- a. our heading about 148°
- b. visibility good
- c. type of E/A FV 190
- d. level of attack;

From high above 12 O'clock  
level        O'clock  
(Check below        O'clock  
One) very low        O'clock

3. Our Gun Positions Firing on E/A.

Names T/Sgt. E. B. Jackson.

Positions Top Turret.

4. If E/A was Shot Down or Damaged:

Corroborated by S/Sgt. R.E. Harris.

Position in A/C Ball Turret.

Other A/C firing at the same time? No.

5. Comments of the interrogator: Destroyed.

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