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## MISSTMG AIR CRETT RRPORT

IWPORTANT: This Report will be complad. in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the tipe an air, crew member is officiclly reported nissing:

1. ORGAUIZATION: 10cation; DY Nane. AAF Sti ; Cormand or Air Force 8 th
Group 306th; Squadron 367th;
2. SPECIFY: Plaç of Departurg Thurielghango Course As presoribed

Target or Intended Destinnition Berlin ; Iy?e of llission Heayy Bomb.
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VTSIBILITY HT TISE OF CRASH OR VEEN LAST FEPORTED:

Weather and visibility clear over target area.
4. GIVE: (a) Day 3 ifonth Feb Year 45; Tive 1109 ; and Location Over Berlin. of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whetier aircraft was iast sighted ( $\Sigma$ ) ; Last contacted by radio ( ) ; Forced down ( ) ; Seen to Crash () ; or Information not Avail-
5. SIRCRAFT WHS LOST, OR IS BGISNED TO HAVE' BENH LOST, AS A PESULT OF: (Check only one) bineny sircraft (); Enemy anti-zircraft (x) ; Other Circumstances as Follows:
6. AIRCRaFT: Type, wodel and Series B-17-G $\square$ ; AAF Serial llumber 43-38407
7. NICKNAM OF \&IRCRAFT, If AMy nono
8. EIGINES: Type, Hodel und Serios R-1820-97

Number (a) ST-025267; (b) SW-008233; (c) $\operatorname{SN}-025178$; (d) SN-025260
9. INSTALEED VEAPOIS (Furnish below hate, Type and Serial lumber);

- (a) p-413650:

(d) $\mathrm{F}-13738$;
(e) B-1313606; (f) B-1314849; (g) B-1314273:
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10. THE PERSONS LISTED BEOTH WLRE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualy $x$
11. NUABER OF PERSOWS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9 ; Passengers 0 ; Motal 9 (Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars: If nore tilan 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

Name in Full Serial Current



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Name in Full
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13. IF PERSOMNEL ARE BELIEVAD TO HLVE SURVIVED, HYSIER YES TO ONE OF TIE FOLLOWITG STATEHMTS: (a) Parachutes were used Ies; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash_; or (c) iny other reason (Specify)
14. ATLACH AKRIAL PHOTOGRAPI, WAT, CHRET, OR SKECCH, SHOHITG LPPROXILATE

15. LTTACH EYEAITHESS DESCRIPTIOIT OF CRASH, FONCED WEHDING, OR OTHER CIRCUNSTANCES PEPTAINIIG TO AISSIHG $\triangle$ IRCRaFT.
16. GIVE NLNE, RLNK AID SERILL NUIBM? OF OFFIGER II CHLRGE OF SESRCH, IF ANY, IHCLUDING DESCRIPTION LIND EXTENTT Hone
$\qquad$ Date of Report 7 February 1945


17. REWHRKS OR EYEHTHESS STATEABUTS: Asst. Ad jutant.
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3. GROUR 306 th Bomb En (ESQ 267 th Bomb S\%: $50.43=38407$ MISSION DATE $3 / 2 / 45$


1. Position of missing aircraft when last sighted or contacted:
(a) By coordinates $\qquad$ App $5231 N=1323$. $\qquad$ $\because 0$
(b) Approximate altitude $\qquad$ 26,500 feet $\qquad$
(c) Last noted heading $\qquad$ Went dorm in flames. $\qquad$
(d) If out of formation, approximate distance from formation $\qquad$ Below formation. rapidly losing altitude
2. Describe enemy opposition (intensity of 2 Ia, intensity and method of enemy fighter attack, etc., with particular reference to missing A/C) Intense, accurate, tracking flak from 4 minutes before bombs away lasting 8 minutes. No enemy aircraft encountered by this group.
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- 3, Description of extent of damage to missing aircraft (including fires, mplosions, etc): $\qquad$
Subject aircraft received direct flak hit in left wing. $\qquad$ Wing broke off and went down in flames.
R.) If aircraft mas out of control describe appearance:

Wing broke off and aircraft went down in flames.

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5. If distressed aircraft was out of formation was it. Inst seen. with escort? no If soy give distinguishing markings of fighter group if noted (Group number, color and or fighter aircraft numbers, nicknames, ito., ),
6. Nuliber of parachutes seen and description of jumps (approximato altitude, time between jumps, etc)

Twp or possibly four parachutes seen at approximately 20,000 feet.
7. Any other remarks not covered by above:

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