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MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This Report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an air crew member is officially reported missing.

- ORGANIZATION: Location, by Name AAF Sta 111; Command or Air Force 8th
 Group 306th Bomb; Squadron 368th Bomb; ~~Attachment~~
- SPECIFY: Place of Departure Thurleigh, Eng Course as prescribed
 Target or Intended Destination Pilsenkirchen Type of Mission Heavy Bomb
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
Low Clouds with dense haze
- GIVE: (a) Day 26 Month 11 Year 1954; Time 1434; and Location Near Target
 of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
 (b) Specify whether aircraft was last sighted (X); Last contacted by radio (); Forced down (); Seen to Crash (); or Information not Available ()
- AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) Enemy Aircraft (); Enemy Anti-Aircraft (X); Other Circumstances as Follows: _____

- AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series B-17-G; AAF Serial Number 42-97946 ✓
- NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, if any Hard To Get
- ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R-1820-97; AAF Serial Number (a) SW-014634; (b) 014677; (c) 014704; (d) 014706
- * INSTALLED WEAPONS (furnish below make, type and Serial Number);
 (a) KH-6843972; (b) KH-6843921; (c) S-7231713; (d) S-1192943;
 (e) S-1192821; (f) KH-6843922; (g) B-1308693; (h) B-1308926;
 (i) S-1136009; (j) HS-1138625; (k) B-1308725; (l) B-1308932;
 (m) _____; (n) _____; (o) _____; (p) _____

- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty
 or (b) ~~Non-Battle Casualty~~
- NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 9; Passengers 0; Total 9
 (Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Current Status
1. Pilot	Allen, Dean C.	1st Lt	0-759675	Pilot <u>MIA RTD</u>
2. Co-Pilot	Rapp, Charles U. Jr.	1st Lt	0-705426	Pilot <u>MIA</u>
3. Navigator	Evans, Charles H. Jr.	2nd Lt	0-716290	Navigator <u>MIA</u>
4. Nose Gunner	Vlahos, Michael L.	1st Lt	0-703540	Bombardier <u>MIA</u>
5. Top Turret Gnr	Purkey, Harvey J. Jr.	T/Sgt	16113858	Aer Eng Gnr. <u>MIA</u>
6. Radio Operator	Newsbigle, Robert B.	T/Sgt	33355040	Radio Opr. <u>MIA</u>
7. Ball Turret Gnr	LeVeque, Eugene W.	S/Sgt	39135725	Armorer Gnr. <u>MIA</u>
8. Waist Gunner	Huebottler, Richard C.	S/Sgt	19129898	Aer Eng Gnr. <u>MIA</u>
9. Tail Gunner	Carey, James R.	S/Sgt	19076562	Armorer Gnr. <u>MIA</u>
10.				
11.				

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

Check Only One Column

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Forced Landing
1. <u>Murphy, Eugene J.</u>	<u>1st Lt</u>	<u>0147009</u>				
2.						
3.						

13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used Yes; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash ; or (c) Any other reason (Specify)
14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN OR HEARD FROM.
15. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT None

Date of Report 28 August 1944

J. A. LaMotta
(Signature of Preparing Officer)
J. A. LaMOTTA,
Captain, CWS,
Asst. Adjutant.

17. REMARKS OR EYEWITNESS STATEMENTS:

See Attached S-2 report

