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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 aircraft is officially reported missing.

- **ORGANIZATION:** Location Molesworth ; Command or Air Force VIII A.F.  
 Group 303rd Bomb Gp (H) ; Squadron 427th ; Detachment ---
- **SPECIFY:** Point of Departure Molesworth ; Course See attached chart.  
 Intended Destination Kiel, Germany ; Type of Mission Bombardment
- **WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:**  
5-7/10's cloud, base 2000, tops 6-8,000 ft. Cloudy to overcast with some haze.
- **GIVE:** (a) Date Jan '44 Time 1330 ; and Location 54°04'N-06°38'E. Heading 278° Mag.  
 of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.  
 (b) Specify whether ( ) 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; ( ) Other Circumstances as follows Unknown

- **AIRCRAFT:** Type, Model and Series B-17 G ; A.A.F. Serial Number 42-31526
  - **ENGINES:** Type, Model and Series R-1820- ; A.A.F. Serial Number (a) 43-145807  
 (b) 43-145829 ; (c) 43-145771 ; (d) 43-145724
  - **INSTALLED WEAPONS** (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number) See statement attached.
- Nose (a) 649542 ; (b) 974243 ; (c) Others ; (d) Unknown  
 (e) \_\_\_\_\_ ; (f) \_\_\_\_\_ ; (g) \_\_\_\_\_ ; (h) \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Crew Position	Name in Full (Last name first)	Rank	Serial Number
K/A 1. Pilot	HUMPHREYS, FRED C.	1st Lt.	0-797129
K/A 2. Co-Pilot	CLEMENS, JAMES H.	2nd Lt.	0-682980
K/A 3. Navigator & Left Nose Gun	HLADIK, HARRY (NMI)	2nd Lt.	0-688440
K/A 4. Bombardier & Right " "	MIRE, BURNIS N.	2nd Lt.	0-731097
K/A 5. Engineer & Top Tur. Gun	JANISCH, FERD J.	T/Sgt.	36218953
K/A 6. Ass't Eng. & Tail Gunner	SPARKS, WILLIAM C.	S/Sgt.	16075081
K/A 7. Radio Operator & Red Gun	HOODS, ARTHUR H.	T/Sgt.	31152151
K/A 8. Ass't Radio Oper & R.N.G.	WADAK, EDWARD P.	S/Sgt.	35309221
K/A 9. Ball Turret Gunner	ROSS, MADISON H.	S/Sgt.	37253687
K/A 10. Ass't Radio Oper & L.N.G.	DARE, MELVIN M.	S/Sgt.	16085642

1. 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)	Serial Rank Number	Check Only One Column				
		Contacted By Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing	
1. MIRKIN, H.H.	S/Sgt. 32437266	X				
2. _____	_____					
3. _____	_____					

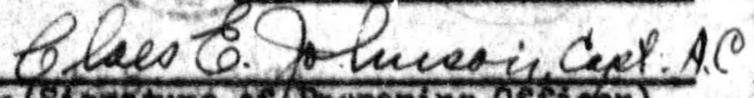
2. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used -- ; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash -- ; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) ---

3. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.

4. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

5. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Report 6 January 1944

  
 CLAES E. JOHNSON, (Signature of Preparing Officer)  
 Captain, AC,  
 Ass't S-2

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359TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)  
OFFICE OF THE ORDNANCE OFFICER  
A.P.O. # 634

K-A-1

6 January 1944

**SUBJECT:** Explanation for not recording Machine Gun numbers as installed on  
Plane No. V-42-31526.

**TO :** S-2 Officer, 303rd Bomb Gp. (H), S-2 Office, A P O 634, U. S. Army.

1. The above Plane was lost on a Combat Mission January 4, 1944. This unit did not have time to record the 13 Cal. .50 Machine Guns which were installed in the Ship during the two (2) days it was with the Squadron. The Ship was first assigned to the 359th Bomb Sq. (H) on January 1, 1944.

For the Commanding Officer:

*Archie J. Mc Guire*  
ARCHIE J. MC GUIRE  
1st Lt. A. C.,  
Ordnance Officer

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CASUALTY NO.  
U-3466

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

MACK 1682

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT  
WAS SHOT DOWN:

6 Oct 1944

PLACE OF CRASH:

body was washed ashore near Ameland

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT:

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REPORTING OFFICE:

Air Base Headquarters I(V)203/XI

CREW

MIA 4 Jan 44

SURNAME, AND  
FIRST NAME:

MADAK, Edward P.

~~POW 4 Jan 44~~

DATE OF BIRTH:

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KIA 4 Jan 44

RANK:

./. Staff

SERIAL NUMBER:

35309221

CAPTURED:

WOUNDED:

DEAD:

YES

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP:

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TYPE OF INJURY:

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GRAVE LOCATION:

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REMARKS:

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Dulag Luft, 12 Dec 1944 No.

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See Case  
7427

✓ AV 1419

From Post: Garrison HQ. Ameland

Casualty Report

No. 10, about enemies.

Covering the period between 13 Sep. and 4 Oct.

- Distribution:
1. Through channels to Army Information Office for War Casualties and POW's, Berlin N 30, Mohlenstaufenstr. 47/48
  2. Directly to Air Ministry, L.P. (A)3
  3. Through channels to Air Force HQ., self dependent Air Corps.
  4. Through channels to Airdrome 2/III, Section Ic
  5. Airbase HQ. Looswarden
  6. To the files

( On the inside of sheet )

No. 1 On 4 Oct. 1944, washed ashore on the Isle of Ameland, between km. 0/1

<u>Rank</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Name</u>
T/Sgt.	Edward P.	<u>Madak</u>

Identification tags: 75309221 <sup>OK</sup>

*MIA - 4 Jan 44  
KIA  
air corps*

Remarks: The interment was on 5 Oct. 44 on the general cemetery of Nos/Ameland.

Single grave No. 24

Row: 46

Further inscription on the identification tag: Ruth Madak

Strongsville/Ohio C.

Signed

Capt. ( Navy ) and Isle Commander

Ameland, 6 Oct. 1944

Garrison Hq. Analand

6 Oct. 1944

Report on Grave

No. 6071, of 31 Oct. 44, M.D.W.W. 24

Name of the dead: M. A. G. K. First Name: Edward F.

Rank: T/Sgt.

Date of death: On 4 Oct. 44 washed ashore on the Isle of Analand, between km. 0/1

Place of death: North Sea

Identification tag: 35309221

Nationality: North American, State Ohio

Cause of death: Aircraft crash

Place of interment: Isle of Analand District: Analand Community: Nes

Single grave No. 24

Row NO. 16

Remarks about the place of interment: General cemetery at the northern exit of the village Nes/ Analand. The row and the grave, being marked with Numbers and inscriptions, can be found easily without a sketch.

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( On the back of the page )

Remark by the Garrison-surgeon: 1st to 2nd degree of decomposition. The head is reduced to a skeleton, both hands are missing. Exterior injuries are not recognizable. Probable cause of death is drowning.

Dr. Soltendiek

1st Lt. (MD) (Navy)

VIII BOMBER COMMAND - PROPOSED OVERALL PLAN

TARGET

Priority  
Second  
Last

KIEL

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TRACK CHART  
DATE 4-JAN., 44

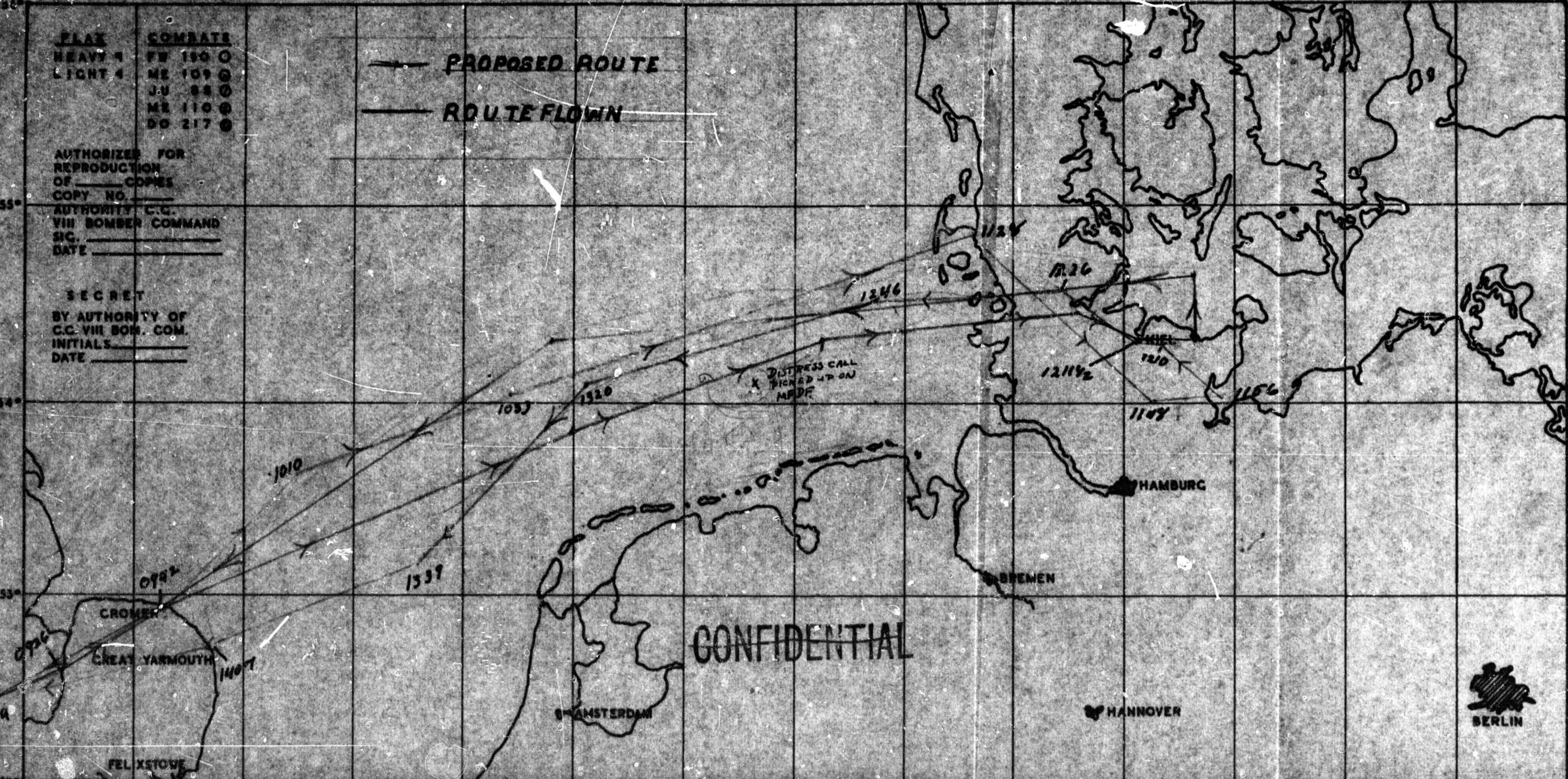
Route followed by 303rd Bomb Gp. (W)  
Lead + Low Gph.

FLAK COMBATS  
HEAVY 4 FW 150 O  
LIGHT 4 ME 109 O  
JU 88 O  
ME 110 O  
DO 217 O

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INITIALS \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

— PROPOSED ROUTE  
— ROUTE FLOWN



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