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B-24, 10 MIA

Date: 22 July 1944 | Rank Name U.S.A. 345 | No. MR 1610

Place: 30 km south of Vienna

Type: Liberator, 742 (H.B.) Sqd., 455 group, 304 wing

Base: SW. Cerignola

Target: Air-Base-H.Q. Vienna

				AAF.	
2	Lt.	RANDRAND, Samuel F, Jr	0571996	dead	
2	Lt.	LINK, Norman E, Jr	0820275	dead	PWD
2	Lt.	LUTENBERG, Arnold D	0716488	dead	
2	Lt.	WILSON, Marion H	0717124	dead	
	Sgt.	MORGAN, Cline M.	12077972	EUC	
	Sgt.	WHITE, Louis H	17078126	dead	
Pfc	Sgt.	KILLARE, Frank T, Sr	37288551	dead	
	Sgt.	KNIPPLE, James L	36479963	dead	PDD
	Sgt.	MERLINO, Stanley R.	32755690	dead	
	S./Sgt.	LINCO, George W	16036542	dead	

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AG 9. Aerial-Gunner Sheldon, Stanley A. Sgt. 32755630 Thelma Sheldon (Sister) 953 Trent Road, Camden, New Jersey.

10. Aerial Gunner Kilbane, Frank T. Sr. 37233551 Joseph J. Kilbane (Father) Pfc 4001 E 9th Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri K/A

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12.

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

NAME IN FULL	RANK	SERIAL NO	Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1. Arthur A. Miller	Sgt.	35052394			X	
2.						
3.						
4.						
5.						
6.						

12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
(X) Parachutes were used ( ) Persons seen walking away from scene of crash
( ) Any other reason (specify)

13. ATTACH, AS AN INCLOSURE TO THIS REPORT, EITHER AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH; MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.

14. ATTACH, AS INCLOSURES TO THIS REPORT, EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTIONS OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

15. ATTACH, AS AN INCLOSURE TO THIS REPORT, A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK, AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE: (if no search, so state giving reason) No search made, Plane was over Enemy Territory.

Date of this Report: 25 July 1944

(Signature of Preparing Officer)
JOHN F. DAVIS,
Capt. Air Corps,
Adjutant.

2 Incls:
Incl 1 - Statement by Miller (Sept)
Incl 2 - Sketch of Area (Sept)

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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time personnel are officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location San Giovanni Field Command or AF 15th AAF
Group 455th Bomb Group (H) Squadron 741st Bomb Squadron (H)

2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure San Giovanni Field Course Direct
Target Ploesti, Rumania Type of Mission Operational

3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
3/10 Cumulus at 4000 feet

4. GIVE: (a) Date 22 July 1944 Time 1410 Hours Location 42°40'N-19°52'E of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether: ( ) Last Sighted ( ) Last Contacted by Radio
( ) Forced Down (X) Seen to Crash; or
( ) Information not available.

5. 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: Mid-Air Collision

6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model & Series B-24-H AAF Serial No 42-95328

7. ENGINES: Type, Model & Series R-1830-43 AAF Serial No (a) CP-311632
(b) CP-311618 (c) CP-311734 (d) CP-311462

8. INSTALLED WEAPONS: (Furnish below Make, Type, and Serial Number) All Browning .50 Cal Machine Guns.
(a) 1183960 (b) 1184255
(c) 1184844 (d) 1184947
(e) 1186852 (f) 1186957
(g) 1187569 (h) 1187701
1184854 1185273

9. PERSONNEL LISTED BELOW REPORTED AS: (X) Battle Casualty ( ) Non-Battle Cas.

10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 10 Passengers 0 Total 10
(Starting with "Pilot" furnish the following particulars; if more than 12 persons were aboard list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach to this form)

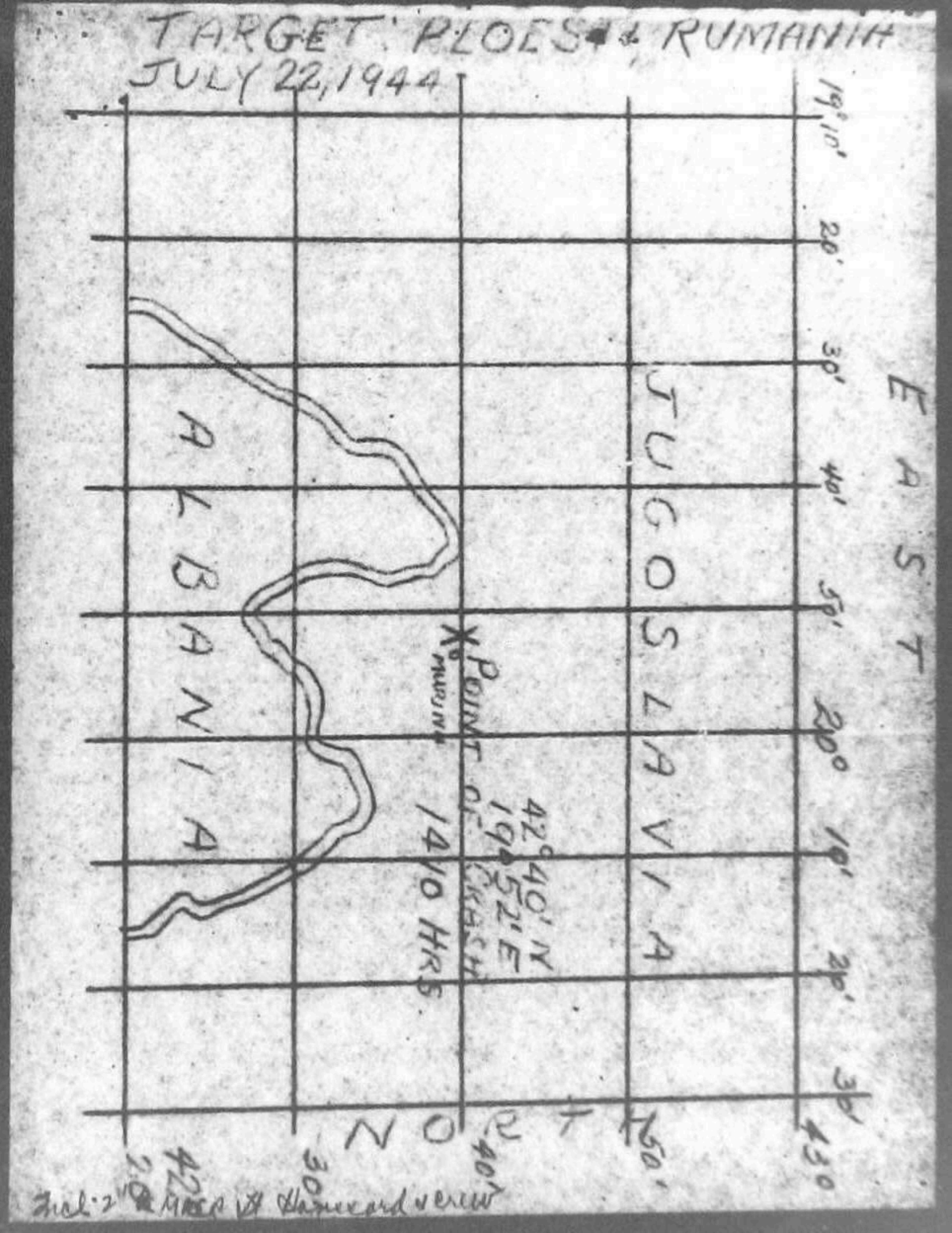
	CREW POSITION	NAME IN FULL (Last Name First)	RANK	SERIAL NO	NEXT OF KIN, RELATION—NAME AND ADDRESS	
1.	Pilot	HANSSARD, SAMUEL F. JR	2nd Lt.	O-571936	Mrs. Augusta M. Hanssard (Mother) 724 Battery Place, Chattanooga Tenn.	KIA
2.	Co-Pilot	LISK, NORMAN E. JR	2nd Lt.	O-820285	Norman E. Lisk (Father) 126 Ark-Mo Highway, N. Little Rock, Ark.	KIA
3.	Navigator	LUKENBERG, ARNOLD D.	2nd Lt.	O-715488	Ruth Lukenberg (Wife) 1310 Morris Ave. New York, New York	KIA
4.	Bombardier	WILSON, MARION A.	2nd Lt.	O-717224	Zella Wilson (Mother) 2533 Dickerson Rd. Nashville, Tenn.	RTD
5.	Radio-Op-Gunner	Hodson, Cline M.	Pfc.	12097972	Mrs. Clarice Hodson (Wife) RFD #1, Great Valley, New York	
6.	Engineer-Gunner	Vente, Louis H.	Sgt.	17098126	Ella V. Vente (Mother) Ponca, Nebraska	KIA
7.	Armorer-Gunner	Linco, George W.	S/Sgt.	16036548	Eleanor Dohrn, (Sister) 2500 W. Moffatt St. Chicago, Illinois.	KIA
8.	Armorer-Gunner	Knittle, J... L.	Sgt.	3647996...	...nittle (Mother) 739 2nd Lt. Rock ... Illinois.	KIA

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(Reverse Side)

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TARGET: PLOESTI, RUMANIA
JULY 22, 1944
19° 10'
20'
30'
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50'
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30'
40'
42° 40' N
1944 HRS
14 10 HRS
EAST
ALBANIA
YUGOSLAVIA
NORTH
Point of Origin
Incl: 2 Maps of Hazard area

2nd Lt Arnold D. Lunneborg

Mrs. Ruth E. Lunneborg, (Wife)
1110 Morris Avenue,
Bronx, New York.

2nd Lt Norman E. Lick, Jr.

Mrs. Mildred D. Lick, (Wife)
15 Langdon Avenue,
Watertown, Massachusetts.

Mr. Norman E. Lick, Manager, (Father)
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company,
423 Main Street, Room 417,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

2nd Lt Marion A. Wilson

Mrs. Zella P. Wilson, (Mother)
2313 Dickerson Road,
Nashville, Tennessee.

2nd Lt Samuel P. Emmanuel, Jr.

Mrs. Augusta E. Emmanuel, (Mother)
724 Rothery Place,
Chattanooga, Tennessee.

2/Lt George W. Linne

Mrs. Eleanor Rahm, (Sister)
2560 West Moffett,
Chicago, Illinois.

Sgt Stanley R. Sheldon

Mrs. Rita E. Sheldon, (Wife)
953 Trent Road,
Trenton, New Jersey.

Sgt James L. Rathle

Mrs. Margaret S. Rathle, (Wife)
739 Second Street,
Rock Island, Illinois.

Sgt Louis H. Weeks

Mr. Charles D. Weeks, (Father)
Post Office Box 83,
Penna, Nebraska.

Sgt Elias H. Nelson RTD

Mrs. Clarice M. Nelson, (Wife)
Grand Valley, New York.

Pfc Frank T. Kilborn, Jr.

Mrs. Mary A. Kilborn, (Wife)
3908 East Eighteen,
Kansas City, Missouri.

CASUALTY NO. [redacted] 1010

REPORT ON SHOT-DOWN AIRCRAFT

DATE AND TIME AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN: 22 July 1944

PLACE OF CRASH: 20 km south of Tirana

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: Liberator

REPORTING OFFICE: Air Base Kgs Tirana

CREW

SURNAME, AND FIRST NAME: [redacted] Glen H

DATE OF BIRTH: 28 June 1921

RANK: [redacted]

SERIAL NUMBER: [redacted]

CAPTURED: WOUNDED: [redacted] DEAD: [redacted]

DISTRIBUTION: WHICH CAMP: Stalag-Luft 4 TYPE OF INJURY:

GRAVE LOCATION:

REMARKS:

6-3334.AF(6)

Stalag-Luft 26 September 1944 We.

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741st Bombardment Squadron (H)
455th Bombardment Group (H)
APO 520 U. S. ARMY

25 June 1944

STATEMENT

About 1410 hours, I looked out the waist window in time to see the two planes crash in mid-air. Plane No. 328 was underneath the other plane and trying to evade the plane above. The top plane dropped suddenly on 328—breaking both planes in half. I saw three chutes emerge from one of the planes but was unable to see from which plane they emerged. I saw the planes crash and burn upon impact with the ground.

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Arthur A. Miller, 18.7079.
741st Bomb Squadron (H).

Encl 1 to MACR Lt Hancock & crew

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TO: CG, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D.C. (Att: Statistical Control Division).

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For the THEATER COMMANDER:

JACK K. ROBERTS,
1ST LT, AGD,
Asst. Adjutant General.

11 Incls: (as above).

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