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TROOP CARRIER MISSION
INTERROGATION CHECK SHEET

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AUTH: CG, IX TCG
DATE: 31 Dec 44
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Hq, 440th Tr Carr GP
APO 133, U S Army
30 December 1944

A. GENERAL INFORMATION:

Name John H. Wesley Rank F/O ASN T-122405
Group 440th Sqn 96th Glider Serial Glider no and
Type CG4A/42-73535 FO No Serial LZ Or DZ
Take off time 1510 Time over Target 1715
Time and date returned to home station 2100 29 Dec 44

B. ENEMY ACTION ENROUTE TO TARGET:

1. Type of attack (Air, Naval, Flak): Flak
2. Enemy A/C Sighted; Where None
3. Enemy Naval Craft Sighted; Where None

C. ENEMY INFORMATION:

1. A/A Activity

- a. Amt of Fire: Intense Yes
- b. Accuracy: Accurate
- c. Type: Heavy 20mm Automatic Weapons Yes
Small Arms Yes What Calibre? 50 Incedd.

Location

2. Othe Weapons used by enemy enroute: Type None

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3. Any points not covered above:

D. DETAILS OF LANDING:

1. What approach did you take: 270
2. Obstacles in field: Two Barbed Wire fences. Ruts.
3. Enemy fire on landing: None
4. What kind of landing did you make? Wheel, 70mph, to south
5. Damage to Glider: Ripped wheel off from Hut.
6. Personnel Casualties: None
7. Damage to Loads: None
8. Reactions of A/B during flight, landing and unloading:
No Airborne
9. Number of gliders in field with you: 10
10. Precise location of field by coordinates:
11. Was "T" visible? No Give its location: $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to west.
12. Difficulties in Evacuation: None

E. SUGGESTIONS AND CRITICISMS OF PERSONAL EQUIPMENT:

1. Weapons: None
2. Other Equipment: No flak suits or parachutes and we were carrying gasoline.

F. SUGGESTIONS REGARDING GLIDER OPERATIONS AND TRAINING:

Suggest Engineering check gliders for frost and flyable conditions before take off.

G. SNAFUS:

1. Location of Target: Never saw it. Lead ship tow rope shot off close to LZ. Others out loose.

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SNAFUS: (Cont'd)

2. Communications: None

3. Lights and Signals: Unable to see signal from landing zone.

4. Other Operational Discrepancies: Was pulled over area where we received intense small arms fire. Area could have been avoided if the fighter planes G-2 had been asked to give information regarding area of ground fire.

5. Was pre flight preparations and briefing adequate? No
Suggestions? Glider operations Officer get on the ball

I. SUMMARY: In your own words write narrative of your part in the operation from time of take-off to time of return to your unit. Use reverse side of THIS SHEET IF NEEDED:

Routine flight until about 10 minutes from LZ. Received intense small arms fire and automatic weapons fire for several minutes. Got a green light from tow ship. Didn't see the LZ until we were within 100 feet of the ground. It was one half mile to our right. Made a good landing in a small field. Airborne ~~xxxxgliderxxxxxx~~ unloaded ~~and~~ gliders and took to the divisional CP. Evacuated next day.

Signature of Evacuee John H. Wesley

Rank F/O Sq 96th

Signature of Interrogator _____

Rank 1st Lt Section 96 52

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