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Name (Print) *Christian Christ* Signed *Christian Christ*
Rank *1st Lt* A.S.N. *0-157957* Dated *14/9/44* Place *London*
Unit *4th Pz Div 3rd Bn* Witness *Robert D. Henry Capt MC*

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WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington

AG 383.6 (31 Jul 43) OB-S-B-M

KLS/el-2B-939 Pentagon

6 August 1943

SUBJECT: Amended Instructions Concerning Publicity in Connection with Escaped Prisoners of War, to Include Evaders of Capture in Enemy or Enemy-Occupied Territory and Internees in Neutral Countries.

TO: The Commanding Generals,
Army Ground Forces;
Army Air Forces;
The Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area;
The Commanding Generals,
Theaters of Operations;
Defense Commands;
Departments;
Base Commands;
The Commanding Officers,
Base Commands;
Director, Bureau of Public Relations.

1. Publication or communication to any unauthorized persons of experiences of escape or evasion from enemy-occupied territory, internment in a neutral country, or release from internment not only FURNISHES USEFUL INFORMATION TO THE ENEMY but also JEOPARDIZES FUTURE ESCAPES, EVASIONS AND RELEASES.

2. Personnel will not, unless authorized by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, publish in any form whatever or communicate either directly, or indirectly, to the press, radio or an unauthorized person any account of escape or evasion of capture from enemy or enemy-occupied territory, or internment in a neutral country either before or after repatriation. They will be held strictly responsible for all statements contained in communications to friends which may subsequently be published in the press or otherwise.

3. Evaders, escapees, or internees shall not be interrogated on the circumstances of their experiences in escape, evasion or internment except by the agency designated by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, or the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations. In allied or neutral countries, American Military Attaches are authorized to interrogate on escape, evasion and internment matters.

4. Should the services of escaped prisoners of war, evaders, or internees be deemed necessary for lecturing and briefing, such services will be under the direct supervision of the agency designated by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, War Department General Staff, or the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations.

5. Commanding Officers will be responsible for instructing all evaders, escapees, and internees in the provisions of this directive which supersedes letter, AG 383.6 (5 Nov 42) OB-S-B-M, 7 November 1942, subject: Instructions concerning Publicity in Connection with Escaped Prisoners of War and other previous instructions on this subject.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ J.A. ULIO
J.A. ULIO
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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(See Reverse Side)

Boiled out on Aug 28 - nr Montedore, sprained ankle. Hid in woods. Hard case. In water under ledge of river. 2 farmers came for him. Magnis only had been searching (6 hrs) To house - contacted magnis.

Miller in village just outside Reignac (prob. LA Touille) overnt 28-29. 2 families in house. Grandmother, 2 elderly men, 4 chil (1 blind boy ab 22) 1 woman ^{abt} 35.

morning - magnis took to chateau formerly occupied by Eng man (abt 5 mis. NE of Reignac). ~~of~~ there 3 or 4 days. Ldr - Acordac. Stkg & resistance group in Reignac. Lt Col Fuller, ^{US} Marines & FFI came for conference. Tied to take it easy.

3 Sept - Taken to Bordeaux - reported to Fr. delegate of 13th Star Office there till 10 Sept. to Biarritz - flew on 14 Sept. UK - 14 Sept. 63 Brook St.

SECRET

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

No., Rank, Name:-

095952 2nd Lt Christ, Christian

Unit:-

401 FTR SQDN 370 GRP.

Suggestions for improvement of escape equipment and training come largely from those who make use of them. Your report and comments will help others to evade capture or to escape.

1. AIDS BOX

- a. Did you use your aids box? YES
- b. If not, why?
- c. If you used it, state briefly the circumstances in which you used each item, for example, "While hiding in woods for two nights".

Horlicks tablets. NOT USED

Chocolate ^{caramel} or Peanut Bar. WHILE HIDING FOR 7 HRS.

Milk (tube). not used

Benzadrine tablets (fatigue).

Halazone tablets (water purifier).

Matches. LIGHT CIGARETTES

Adhesive tape.

Chewing gum.

Water bottle.

Compass.

Sewing kit.

- d. Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory? NO
- e. How did you finally dispose of the box? GAVE TO HELLERS
- f. Can you suggest any way in which the contents of the aids box might be changed to make it of greater use, bearing in mind that the size of it cannot be larger?

NO

2. PURSE

- a. Did you carry a purse? YES
State color of stripes and letters. RED BFD
If NOT, State why not.
- b. Did you use the purse?

YES

(over)

c. If so, which of the following items in the purse did you use?

Maps. Which ones? *Not used*

Compass, *✓*

File (hacksaw). *not used*

Foreign currency. State countries and amounts. *1300 Fr SOME BELGIAN*

How did you spend the money? *LIVING NECESSITIES*

d. How did you dispose of:-

Maps.

Compass.

File (hacksaw).

Surplus currency. *NONE*

3. Were you issued any extra compasses or further aids to evasion?

YES

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

a. Did you carry passport-size photographs? *YES*

If so, how many? *9*

b. Did you use them? *NO*

5. LECTURES

a. Were you lectured on evasion and escape? *YES*

State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM. *GOX HILL APRIL 44*

b. Did you find the lectures of value? *?*

c. Do you have any suggestions to make which, from your experience, you feel will help other evaders and escapers?

HIDE YOUR CHUTE

Told not to associate with MAQUIS. WRONG.

SECRET - AMERICAN
MOST SECRET - BRITISH

APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

List all military information which you observed or were told while evading. Give fullest possible details. (Airfields, troop encampments, coastal and interior defenses, AA batteries, radar installations, troop movements, results of allied bombing, location of enemy factories and ammunition dumps, enemy and civilian morale, etc., etc.,.....).

10,000 FERRIES BETWEEN
GIRONDE RIVER + SEA

TOP SECRET

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EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
P/W and X Detachment
Military Intelligence Service

APPENDIX C, TECH. SHEET

1. Did you jump or crash land? *JUMPED*
2. What was the town or village nearest to which you jumped or crash landed? *MONTENDRE*
3. How long was it before you got help? *6 HOURS*
4. List the people who helped you and the location (city, town, or village) in which you were with them, including addresses where possible. After the name or description of each person with whom you stayed give the approximate dates between which you were with him.

A MILLER + FAMILY *NEAR MONTENDRE*
AUG - 28 + AUG 29 *(LA Touille)*
A RESISTANT GROUP *NEAR REIGNAC*
AUG 29 - SEPT 1
ETAT-MAJOR Aristide *(Frenchman -*
Gr. repres. of *BORDEAUX*
Star office
SEPT 1 - SEPT 10
BRITISH CONSUL *BIARRITZ*
SEPT 10 - SEPT 13

5. List other American and British evaders whom you saw during your evasion and state where you saw them.

2 AMER. GUARDS *BIARRITZ*
SGT. NICHOLSON *BORDEAUX*
SGT. SMITH *BORDEAUX*

2051
2d Lt Christian CHRIST
O-757952
401 Ftr Sqdn, 370 Ftr Gp

14 Sept 44

*bailed out
ON 28 AUG AND*
I ~~sprained my ankle when I landed near MONTENDRE~~ *I had sprained my
ANKLE upon landing* so hid in the
woods. I ~~lay xxxxxxxx partially~~
submerged in water on a ledge over a river. Cars passed on the nearby
road and I heard searchers. Six hours later I ~~was~~ revealed myself to
2 Frenchmen, who told me that there had been no Germans in the vicinity
and the search had been conducted by Maquis.

I was taken to the home of the millor in a small village just
outside REIGNAC (~~This night xxxxxxxx~~) and remained there
overnight. Two families shared the house. There were 2 elderly men,
an elderly woman, 1 woman about 35, and 4 children, ~~xxxxxx~~
~~having xxxxxxxx~~ One, a boy of about 22, had been
blinded by an explosion. This village may have been LA TOUILLE, but I
am not certain.

In the morning, the Maquis took me to a chateau about 5 miles
NE of REIGNAC. This chateau had formerly been occupied by an Englishman.
I was there 3 or 4 days with a resistance group. GEORGE, the leader
of the group, was visited by Lt Col FULLER of the US Marines. I talked
to Col FULLER and was told to take it easy and wait for our troops.

On 3 Sept I was taken to BORDEAUX where I reported to the French
delegate of the British War Office. I remained there until 10 Sept,
when I went to BIARRITZ. I was flown to the UK on 14 Sept and reported
to 63 Brook St.

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Name (Print) CHRISTIAN...CHRIST Signed Christian Christ
 Rank 2nd Lt. A.S.N. O-257952 Dated 9/12/44 Place Buenitz
 Unit 401st Tr Sqn 370 Grp Witness Robert M. Brandin
American Vice Consul

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
P/W and X Detachment
Military Intelligence Service

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL
EVADING OR ESCAPING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

Christ. Christian 2424 0-957952
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)
15 (No. of missions)
401 (Squadron) 370 (Group)

TARGET: Bordeaux to Nantes
& RETURN to Base

Date mission in action: 8-28-44

Date arrived in UK: 13/9/44

MEMBERS OF CREW: (Please list names next to positions)

Indicate what
happened to each man
and how you know.

PILOT

Christian Christ

EVADDED

CO-PILOT

NAVIGATOR

BOMBARDIER

RADIO OPERATOR

TOP TURRET GUNNER

BALL TURRET GUNNER

WAIST GUNNER

WAIST GUNNER

TAIL GUNNER

Decorations:

AIR MEDAL

Date of Birth:

DEC-24-22

Private Address:

2910 N. KEATING CHICAGO

Length of Service:

27 MOS

Job as Civilian:

LEATHER INSPECTOR

From what field did you take off? Take off time.

A-19 1600 HRS

Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed?

YES

Were you wounded? Give details.

SPRAINED ANKLE - CUT WRIST

Did you pay your guides? If so, how much?

No

Do you speak FRENCH?

SPANISH?

GERMAN?

ITALIAN?

OTHER LANGUAGE?

Did you have identity papers?

No

(over)

Have you been questioned before on your escape or evasion? If so, where and by whom?

NO

Have you given any one a written report on your experiences. Where and When?

NO

Did you report on your operations? If so, where and to whom?

NO

Did you sign a security certificate warning you against talking about your escape or evasion? If so, Where and When?

YES 63 BRook 14/9/44

Date of arrival in Spain:

Date of arrival at Gibraltar:

Place and date of departure for UK. By sea or air.

AIR - NORTHAMPTON

List names of American or British personnel believed to have been arrested by Germans.

DON'T KNOW ANY

List names of American or British personnel believed to be evading.

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REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

Christ. Christian 2nd Lt 0-757952

SEPT 14-44

(Name)

(Rank)

(ASN)

(Date)

401 FTR. Spon 370 GRP

(Unit)

MEMBERS OF CREW

PRESENT
OFFICIAL STATUS

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TOP TURRET GUNNER
BALL TURRET GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
TAIL GUNNER

Date, time and approximate location of plane crash or landing.

AUG 28-44

1700

MONTENDRE

Nature and extent of damage to plane when source bailed out. Was it on fire, etc?

LEFT ENGINE BURNING

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?

2000

Were any of the crew injured or killed before the plane crashed?

No

What members of the crew bailed out? Did their parachutes open?

PILOT

YES

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?

YES

Did source see any other members of the crew dead or alive after reaching the ground?

ONLY MEMBER PILOT

Did he receive any information from others as to whether any other members of the crew were dead or alive? If so, give details furnished by his informant and whether the other crew members were identified by name or otherwise.

Did source examine the wreckage of the plane? If so, what was its condition?

DESTROYED

If the plane crashed in water how far was the plane from land and by what means was source rescued and what life rafts, wreckage, etc., remained on the surface that would have assisted other personnel to keep afloat.

What is source's opinion as to the fate of the other crew members and his reason for his opinion?