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

REPORT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

GRAHAM, DONALD S. SGT. 36590221
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

SEPT. 27 1944
(Date)

(Unit)

MEMBERS OF CREW

PRESENT
OFFICIAL STATUS

PILOT
CO-PILOT
NAVIGATOR
BOMBARDIER
RADIO OPERATOR
TOP TURRET GUNNER
BALL TURRET GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER
TAIL GUNNER

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

JUNE 15 1944 Plane crashed near Bazar at 8 o'clock AM.

Nature and extent of damage to plane when source bailed out. Was it on fire, etc?
fire in no 4 engine, no 1 and no 2 engine cut out.

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?

20,000 ft.

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

none.

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

all bailed out safely

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?

all were safe

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?

The plane had burned

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?

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL
EVADING OR ESCAPING FROM ENEMY OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

TARGET:

GRAHAM, DONALD S. SGT. 36590221
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

Date mission in action: JUNE 15

ONE (No. of missions)

Date arrived in UK: SEPT. 26

534TH 381
(Squadron) (Group)

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

Indicate what happened to each man and how you know.

PILOT KELLEY CHARLES H. ? Saw him in France
CO-PILOT DISBROW, ROBERT SPAIN through F.F.I.
NAVIGATOR CHAMP FRANK SPAIN through F.F.I.
BOMBARDIER WILCZEK SIMON England
RADIO OPERATOR BROOKS, HAROLD Saw him in France
TOP TURRET GUNNER BRASHEAR CHARLES England
BALL TURRET GUNNER WORKMAN, RALPH ? Saw him in France
WAIST GUNNER
WAIST GUNNER CAMPBELL, ALFRED Spain through F.F.I.
TAIL GUNNER GRAHAM, DONALD England

Decorations:

Date of Birth: JULY 12, 1924

Private Address: 1752 McPHERSON ST

Length of Service: 18 MONTHS

Job as Civilian: STUDENT

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

381ST

4AM.

Were all secret papers and equipment destroyed? YES

Were you wounded? Give details.

NO

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

Do you speak FRENCH?

SPANISH?

GERMAN?

ITALIAN?

OTHER LANGUAGE?

NO

NO

NO

NO

NONE

Did you have identity papers?

NONE

(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?

no

Date of arrival in Spain: _____

Date of arrival at Gibraltar: _____

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

Biarritz SEPT. 26 air.

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

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

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APPENDIX C, TECH. SHEET

1. Did you jump or crash land? *Jump*
2. What was the town or village nearest to which you jumped or crash landed? *Near Bazar*
3. How long was it before you got help? *Immediately*
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.

I was with the F.F.I. and stayed in the woods most of the time. I do not know their names. The villages near were Brignols, Sos, Anceron, Eauze, Bordeaux, and Biarritz. He stayed at Brignols from June 15 to July 12 Sos July 12 - Aug 3 Anceron Aug 3 - Aug, 18 Eauze Aug 18 - Sept 12 Bordeaux Sept 12 to Sept 15 Biarritz Sept 15 to Sept. 26

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

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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.,.....)

*all military objects had been
destroyed.*

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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;
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.

1. Information about your escape or your evasion from capture *would be useful to the enemy* and a danger to your friends. It is therefore **SECRET**.

2. a You must therefore not disclose, except to the first Military Attache to whom you report, or to an officer designated by the Commanding General of the Theater of Operations, or by A. C. of S., G-2, W. D.

- (1) The names of those who helped you.
- (2) The method by which you escaped or evaded.
- (3) The route you followed.
- (4) Any other facts concerning your experience.

b You must be particularly on your guard with persons representing the press.

c You must give no account of your experiences in books, newspapers, periodicals or in broadcasts or in lectures.

d You must give no information to anyone, irrespective of nationality, in letters or in conversation, except as specifically directed in Par. 4.

e No lectures or reports are to be given to any unit without the permission of A. C. of S., G-2, W. D., or corresponding organization in the theater.

CERTIFICATE

I have read the above and certify that I will comply with it.

I understand that any information concerning my *escape or evasion* from capture is **SECRET** and must not be disclosed to anyone other than the agency designated by A. C. of S., G-2, War Department, the corresponding organization in overseas theaters of operations, or to the Military Attache in a neutral country to whom I first report. I understand that disclosure to anyone else will make me liable to disciplinary action.

Name (Print) GRAHAM, DONALD S.
Rank SGT A. S. N. 36590221
Unit 381st

Signed Donald Graham
Dated 9/27/44
Witness Asst. 2nd Lt. AOS

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APPENDIX "D" TO E AND E REPORT NO.

No., Rank, Name:-

Unit:-

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.

Chocolate or Peanut Bar.

Milk (tube).

Benzadrine tablets (fatigue). *Did not need to use any.*

Halazone tablets (water purifier). *used only when water was needed only one tablet.*

Matches.

Adhesive tape. *I used the tape for scratches and also to tape my dog tags together to prevent any noise.*

Chewing gum.

Water bottle. *used once only*

Compass.

Sewing kit. *very useful while hiking for holes in cloths and stockings*

d. Did any of the above items prove unsatisfactory?

e. How did you finally dispose of the box?

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?

*all were very useful
left it with the F.F.I.
none.*

2. PURSE

a. Did you carry a purse? *yes*
State color of stripes and letters. *red*
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? *the map of France*

Compass, *lost the compass*

File (hacksaw). *Did not use*

Foreign currency. State countries and amounts. *2,000 francs (French)*

How did you spend the money? *necessary items*

d. How did you dispose of:-

Maps. *I have the maps*

Compass. *lost*

File (hacksaw). *destroyed*

Surplus currency. *I kept the rest.*

3. Were you issued any extra compasses or further aids to evasion? *none*

4. PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS

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

If so, how many? *six*

b. Did you use them? *no*

5. LECTURES

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

State WHERE, WHEN and by WHOM. *In the States*

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

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

wear his uniform and keep it. you have a better chance, if captured.

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Sgt. Donald Graham

Our plane was hit by flak on the 15th June 1944. I bailed out and landed in a field N of Bazas (GIRONDE). A girl led me to a woods about 1 mile away where I met Sgt. Workman. We were then joined by Sgt. Brook and F/O Champ. A French boy brought members of the Maqui who took us to the Maqui Hq in a nearby village. We stayed in a barn. Sgt. Campbell was brought in in the afternoon. In the evening a Doctor came to look after the wounded, and we were then taken by bus, escorted Lucien Roche and 5 other members of the Grignols Maqui, to a house in Sillas (GIRONDE) where we had supper. We were then taken to the home of M. Meric, Sillas. Sgt. Brashears arrived on the 16th June. The following day Sgt. Wilczec, Lt. Kelly and Lt. Disbrow and from this point my story is the same as Sgt. Brashear's.

R. Sarant
2nd Lt, AUS