

159 Squadron
 Form 541
 October 7, 1945

Aircraft Type & No.	Captain	Time Up	Time Down	Dropping Zone.	Remarks
					October 7, 1945
"Q" KN812	F/O. Barlow.	05.43	15.09	DZ.3010	Apart from varying amounts of cloud met on route weather was good and all drops were made in perfect conditions, no a/c reporting failure.
"M" KL660	F/O. Marsh.	08.15	17.21	DZ.3010	
"J" KL674	F/L. Owens.	08.06	20.30	DZ.3010	In one instance a package fouled the a/c and was dropped slightly away from the scheduled dropping zone. Such an instance is rare and speaks well for the percentage success in the manual part of the actual dropping.
"C" KL678	F/O. Craig.	08.11	21.28	DZ.3010	
"D" KL668	F/O. Harris.	08.03	16.51	DZ.3010	
"Z" KL653	F/L. Dowding.	08.09	21.51	DZ.3010	
"T" KL661	F/O. Davies.	08.10	21.06	DZ.3010	
"V" KN762	F/O. Needham.	05.48	14.05	DZ.3010	
"F" KL688	F/O. Beavis.	07.55	16.53	DZ.3010	
"X" KL677	Sgt. Ricketts.	08.15	18.27	DZ.547	
"U" KN759	F/O. Clarke.	08.05	18.20	DZ.547	
"A" KL680	F/O. Abercrombie.	08.07	17.24	DZ.3010	

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					October 11, 1945
"T" KL661	F/O. Davies.	05.52	15.25	DZ.547	Another entirely successful operation, aided by good weather en route and perfect visibility over the respective dropping zones.
"U" KN759	P/O. Green.	06.07	17.02	DZ.547	
"M" KL660	F/L. Owens.	06.33	15.44	DZ.547	
"H" KN760	P/O. Lee.	06.17	15.30	DZ.547	
"C" KL653	F/O. Craig.	05.41	12.24	DZ.547	
"F" KL683	F/O. Whitcutt	05.44	15.46	DZ.547	
"Z" KL678	W/C. Bowes.	06.07	13.12	DZ.547	
"X" KL677	Sgt. Ricketts.	06.03	15.03	DZ.3010	
"B" KN766	F/O. Marsh.	06.00	14.51	DZ.3010	
"K" KL684	F/O. Beavis.	05.41	18.26	DZ.3010	

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October 14, 1945					
"K" KL684	S/L. Williams.	06.20	20.21	DZ.547	Apart from one a/c visiting Saigon all loads were dropped at Ubon A/F. Again excellent weather contributed to completely successful operations.
"C" KL653	F/O. Craig.	05.29	18.19	DZ.3010	
"D" KL684 ¹	F/O. Harris.	05.48	16.09	DZ.547	As reported from previous operations some of the reception personnel faced needless danger in endeavouring to collect packages before dropping was completed. It is known that at least one individual has been seriously injured in this way.
"F" KL683	F/O. Abercrombie.	05.30	15.20	DZ.547	
"Z" KL678	G/C. Cribb.	05.39	15.39	DZ.547	
"R" KL655	F/L. Bowen.	05.42	15.37	DZ.547	
"U" KN759	F/O. Clarke.	05.35	15.25	DZ.547	
"T" KL661	F/O. Davies.	05.24	14.46	DZ.547	
"M" KL660	F/O. Needham.	05.36	14.43	DZ.547	
"L" KN807	Sgt. Ricketts.	05.37	15.25	DZ.547	
"Q" KN812	P/O. Green.	05.14	19.16	DZ.547	
"V" KN762	F/O. Marsh.	05.27	15.27	DZ.547	

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October 17, 1945

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October 17, 1945					
"T" KL661	F/O. Davies.	04.46	16.06	DZ.3062	In good weather conditions all drops were successful.
"C" KL653	F/O. Craig.	05.17	19.19	DZ.547	The pilot of a/c "K" however experienced the utmost difficulty and considerable risk in accomplishing his duty. 1 hour and 34 minutes was spent in the area identifying the DZ, and in choosing the best, indeed the only, possible approach. Hills rise to 5000 ft. in the immediate vicinity, and only by climbing with maximum revs and full boost was it possible to avoid crashing. This lends substance to the contention that Liberator a/c are not suitable for certain of these drops, - that a more manoeuvrable type of a/c is called for.
"D" KD684 ²	F/O. Beavis.	05.25	19.35	DZ.547	
"R" KL655	F/O. Needham.	05.38	18.35	DZ.547	
"V" KN762	F/L. Bowen.	05.20	19.01	DZ.547	
"J" KL674	P/O. Lee.	04.42	14.05	DZ.948	
"K" KL684	F/L. Owens.	05.16	14.26	DZ.949	

¹ Record gives same serial number KL684 for both "K" and "C".

² Record gives serial as KD684, an obvious error.

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					October 28, 1945
"M" KL660	F/O. Davies.	06.07	18.07	DZ.950	All of these objectives were in hilly country, which made dropping at the scheduled height difficult. Two were successful, whilst a/c "C" returned a full load to base in view of complete lack of reception.
"C" KL653	F/L. Owens.	06.05	17.09	DZ.948	
"B" KN766	F/L. Atkins.	06.00	18.26	DZ.945	

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					October 29, 1945
"Q" KN812	P/O. Green.	06.07	18.23	DZ941	Bad weather was encountered en route, but conditions at the dropping facilitated a successful drop.
					October 31, 1945
"C" KL653	S/L. Williams.	06.21	15.05	DZ.923	Although making intensive searches a/c "D" and "T" were unable to discern any reception details. One of these a/c spent 47 minutes in the area, and the other close on two hours. Both loads were returned to base.
"D" KL668	F/O. Myles.	06.35	15.25	DZ.946	
"T" KL661	F/O. Clarke.	06.50	19.15	DZ.951	The remaining two sorties were carried out uneventfully.
"V" KN762	F/O. Needham.	13.20	19.50	DZ.943	