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Crew	Duty	Time Up	Time	Remarks
			Down	
				Night 1/2 July, 1944
W/O. Barr.		17.06	00.12	Detailed to attack Mandalay Marshalling Yards.
W/O. Murphy.	Failed to	Take off		For crews and full details see Sortie Report No. 81 and Oprep. 336 and Battle Order pages
F/O. Matthews.		17.03	23.50	1,2,3 & 4 in Appendix "A".
F/Lt. Higgins.		17.01	00.12	
F/Sgt. Carrol.		17.04	00.05	
S/Ldr. Blackburn.		17.28	00.16	
F/Lt. Alcorn.		17.08	23.56	
				Night 6/7 July, 1944.
S/I dr. Blackburn		23.10	06 30	Detailed to attacked Primary:- Maymyo Railway Station,
				Secondary Mandalay Marshalling Yards.
				For crews and full details see Sortie Report No. 82 and Oprep. 341 and Battle Order pages
				5, 6, 7 & 8 in Appendix "A".
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W/O. Buil.		23.12	00.50	
				Night 7/8 July, 1944.
W/O. Barr.		23.04	06.36	Detailed to attack Primary: Maymyo Railway Station,
S/Ldr. J.H. West.		23.01	02.31	Secondary Mandalay Marshalling Yards.
W/O. Murphy.	Failed to	Take off.		For crews and full details see Sortie Report No. 83 and Oprep <sup>1</sup> . 342 and Battle Order
F/Lt. Heynert.		23.12	07.20	pages 9, 10, 11 and 12 in Appendix "A".
F/Sgt. Carrol.		232.10	07.06	
S/Ldr. Blackburn.		23.03	06.31	
F/Lt. Alcorn.		23.06	07.35	
F/Lt. Robertson.		23.00	03.54	
F/Lt. Higgins.		23.08	07.15	
				Day 26th July, 1944.
W/O. Murphy.		06.21	13.11	Detailed to attack Primary – Mandalay Marshalling Yards.
				Secondary Ywataung Railway Yards.
F/O. Mathews.		06.23	12.46	For full details see Appendix "A" pages 13 – 16.
	Crew  W/O. Barr.  W/O. Murphy.  F/O. Matthews.  F/Lt. Higgins.  F/Sgt. Carrol.  S/Ldr. Blackburn.  F/Lt. Alcorn.  S/Lt. Higgins.  F/Lt. Higgins.  F/Lt. Higgins.  F/Lt. Hoynert.  F/Sgt. Carrol.  F/Sgt. Martel.  W/O. Murphy.  W/O. Barr.  S/Ldr. J.H. West.  W/O. Murphy.  F/Lt. Heynert.  F/Sgt. Carrol.  F/Lt. Heynert.  F/Sgt. Carrol.  S/Ldr. J.H. West.  W/O. Murphy.  F/Lt. Heynert.  F/Sgt. Carrol.  S/Ldr. Blackburn.  F/Lt. Alcorn.  F/Lt. Alcorn.  F/Lt. Alcorn.  F/Lt. Robertson.  F/Lt. Higgins.	Crew Duty  W/O. Barr.  W/O. Murphy. Failed to  F/O. Matthews.  F/Lt. Higgins.  F/Sgt. Carrol.  S/Ldr. Blackburn.  F/Lt. Higgins.  F/Lt. Higgins.  F/Lt. Higgins.  F/Lt. Higgins.  F/Lt. Heynert.  F/Sgt. Carrol.  F/Sgt. Martel.  W/O. Murphy.  W/O. Barr.  S/Ldr. J.H. West.  W/O. Murphy.  F/Lt. Heynert.  F/Sgt. Carrol.  S/Ldr. J.H. West.  W/O. Murphy.  F/Lt. Heynert.  F/Sgt. Carrol.  S/Ldr. Blackburn.  F/Lt. Heynert.  F/Sgt. Carrol.  S/Ldr. Blackburn.  F/Lt. Alcorn.  F/Lt. Alcorn.  F/Lt. Robertson.  F/Lt. Higgins.	Crew         Duty         Time Up           W/O. Barr.         17.06           W/O. Murphy.         Failed to         Take off           F/O. Matthews.         17.03         F/Lt. Higgins.         17.01           F/Sgt. Carrol.         17.04         S/Ldr. Blackburn.         17.08           F/Lt. Alcorn.         17.08         17.08           S/Ldr. Blackburn.         23.10         23.04           F/Lt. Higgins.         23.04         23.04           F/Lt. Heynert.         23.39         23.06           F/Sgt. Carrol.         23.06         23.06           W/O. Murphy.         23.15         23.12           W/O. Barr.         23.04         23.01           W/O. Murphy.         Failed to         Take off.           F/Lt. Heynert.         23.12         23.210           S/Ldr. Blackburn.         23.03         23.01           F/Lt. Alcorn.         23.06         23.00           F/Lt. Robertson.         23.00         23.00           F/Lt. Higgins.         23.08	Crew         Duty         Time Up Down         Time Down           W/O. Barr.         17.06         00.12           W/O. Murphy.         Failed to         Take off           F/O. Matthews.         17.03         23.50           F/Lt. Higgins.         17.01         00.12           F/Sgt. Carrol.         17.04         00.05           S/Ldr. Blackburn.         17.28         00.16           F/Lt. Alcorn.         17.08         23.56           S/Ldr. Blackburn.         23.10         06.30           F/Lt. Higgins.         23.04         06.30           F/Lt. Heynert.         23.39         07.07           F/Sgt. Carrol.         23.00         06.33           F/Sgt. Martel.         23.06         07.00           W/O. Murphy.         23.15         06.37           W/O. Barr.         23.04         06.36           S/Ldr. J.H. West.         23.01         02.31           W/O. Murphy.         Failed to         Take off.           F/Lt. Heynert.         23.12         07.20           F/Sgt. Carrol.         23.01         07.06           S/Ldr. Blackburn.         23.00         07.35           F/Lt. Robertson.         23.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This is typed "Aprel" in the original, but an obvious "typo" which has been corrected.

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Aircraft	Crew	Duty	Time Up	Time	Remarks
				Down	
"V"	S/Ldr. Blackburn.		06.17	13.04	
"Y"	F/Lt. Heynert.		06.24	14.03	
"Z"	F/Lt. Alcorn.		06.23	12.40	
Lib. VI.					Day 28th. July, 1944.
"A"	F/Lt. Barlow.		06.12	12.38	Detailed to attack opportunity targets using cloud cover along railway line Sagaing to
"C"	F/O. Mathews.		06.15	13.40	Indaw. This is the record number of aircraft 159 Squadron has ever sent on any one
"D"	W/O. Barr.		06.17	13.20	operation and considering the increased difficulties of serviceability during the Monsoon
"F"	F/Sgt. Martel.		06.07	13.31	the achievement was highly satisfactory.
"G"	Sgt. Bretherton.		06.10	13.44	For full details see Appendix "A" pages 17 – 20.
"H"	F/Lt. Robertson.		06.05	12.00	
"Q"	F/O. Richardson.		06.14	12.51	
"R"	F/Sgt. Carrol.		06.13	13.34	
"S"	F/Lt. Alcorn.		06.11	13.14	
"V"	S/Ldr. Blackburn DSO DFC		06.04	12.58	
"X"	F/Sgt. Ewington.		06.06	13.22	
"Y"	F/Lt. Heynert.		06.09	12.35	
"Z"	W/O. Crowley.	_	06.16	13.10	
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					Wing Commander Commanding
					No. 159 Squadron. R.A.F.