

March 1945: Form 541

358 Squadron

{Note: the pages in this transcription are in the order they were on the Kew microfilm – which are obvious not in date order – this will be corrected in a later draft}

Date	Aircraft type and No.	Crew	Duty	Time up	Time Down	Remarks
3.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH353 'D'	W/O. H. S. Martel Aus.421849	Capt.	2000	0840	(12.40) This aircraft encountered poor visibility throughout the journey. On the outward journey it found itself many miles south of track. As a result of this it was considered that fuel was insufficient to reach the DZ so the A/C turned back. On the return journey it also found itself South of track, but eventually reached Base with it's load intact.
		F/S. K. Steele, Aus.429674	2nd. P.			
		F/S. G. Whale 1324510	Nav.			
		F/O. W. McStea 163736	B/A			
		W/O. D. J. Graham Aus.413853	1.W/OP			
		F/S. D. C. Jolley Aus.436522	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. C. Attwood 1869269	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. F. Simmonite 18877199	Desp.			
		Sgt. W. F, Ayton 1091192	Rear.			
3.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH271 'C'	F/O. H. V. Smith Can.J.27671	Capt.	1710	1020	D.N.C.O. Fair weather was encountered en rout. At the DZ very hazy conditions were encountered. The aircraft circled the area for some time without waiting reception. Leaflets were dropped on South F.I.C. on the outward journey.
		F/S. B. Poole 1434100	2nd. P.			
		Sgt. J. H. Draper 18022340	B/A			
		F/S. P. R. Brenchly 1390490	Nav.			
		Sgt. R. S. Woods 1398294	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. W. A. Pugh 2206912	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. L. Ladd 653708	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. C. Copley 993351	Rear.			
		Sgt. L. Parsons 960606	Desp.			
3.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH394 'W'	F/L. H. H. Monks 120514	Capt.	1630	1030	D.C.O. The outward journey was without event. Good weather conditions were found. There was slight haze at the DZ, but the reception of motor car headlamps was easily located. The containers were dropped on the first run and packages on the
		Sgt. E. G. Goddard 15885900	2nd. P.			
		W/O. F. D. Phillips Aus.405603	Nav.			
		P/O. W. MacDonald 164293	B/A			

		F/S. G. M. Hill Aus.437419	1.W/OP			second. Leaflets were dropped on the Sisel Paen area from 4,000'. The A/C ten returned to Base without event.
		F/S. D. C. Morris, Aus.437437	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. V. Taylor 1896508	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. H. Miles 1811869	Rear.			
		Sgt. G. W. Mills 1892539	Desp.			
3.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	W/C. P. G. D. Farr 39936	Capt.	2000	1830	(12.30) Until about 40 miles from the target the aircraft experienced fine weather. The DZ was obscured by 10/10ths. low stratus cloud. If the E.T.A. DZ had been planned for dusk it is considered that the operation would have been successful. Leaflets were dropped N.E. of DZ from 7,000'. The A/C then set course for base which was reached with the load intact.
		F/O. J. C. Murray Can.J.27673	2nd. P.			
		F/O. E. P. Field 146307	Nav.			
		P/O. T. Kay 16409	B/A			
		F/S. J. E. B?ateman Aus.424944	1.W/OP			
		F/S. Ashby, A. F. Aus.424944	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. J. F. Peters 853933	A/G.			
		Sgt. S. Collins 1545131	A/G.			
		Sgt. A. M. Cosh 653388	A/G.			
		In the microfilmed record the following comes as page two, but perhaps should be page one?				
3/4 March 1945						
Route:	A/C: - 'K', 'C', 'W', 'D', 'N', 'A', 'Z'.					
	'K'	Base:- 2044N 9221E-1917N 9513E-1541N 10003E-1314N 10341E-1200N 10529E-DZ and return.				
	'C'	Base:- 2044N 9221E-1917N 9513E-1541N 10003E-1314N 10341E-1200N 10529E-DZ and return.				
	'W'	Base:- 2044N 9221E-1917N 9513E-1541N 10003E-1314N 10341E-1200N 10529E-DZ and return.				
	'D'	Base:-2302N 9038E-2304N 9408E-2111N 10037E- and return.				
	'N'	Base:-2300N 9522E-2203N 9845E-2200N 9844E-1915N 10543E-1918N 9846E-1950N 9506E-2117N 9204E-Base.				
	'A'	Base:-2300N 9422E-2203N-9845E-2120N 10512E-DZ-2120N 9840E-Base.				
	'Z'	Base:-2044N 9221E-1853N 9702E-1750N 10129E-1714N 10403E-1702N 10443E-DZ and return.				
Load:	A/C.	Leaflets.	Containers	Packages		
	'K'	12	7			
	'C'	12	7			
	'W'	14	7			

	'D'	12	11			
	'N'	12	11	7		
	'A'	12	11	7		
	'Z'	14	11	5		
Opposition:		Two aircraft reported sighting of unidentified E/A. No engagement took place in either case.				
3.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH392 'K'	F/L. M. R. Davison 50490	Capt.	1715	1145	(18.30) Poor visibility was experienced on the outward journey, and at the DZ there was both haze and CU. The aircraft found a reception of many disorganised lights on which chutes and containers had been dropped. This reception had the appearance of having been attacked. A/C then returned to last P.P. and carefully checked run in. A new DZ was found a few miles N. of the former DZ, the correct reception was given and aircraft dropped in one run. While circling first DZ an unidentified aircraft passed without attack. Leaflets were dropped over South F.I.C. on the return journey.
		F/S. D. R. Crammond 1458001	2nd. P.			
		F/O. T. Parham 161025	Nav.			
		F/O. A. N. Woods 164098	B/A			
		W/O. S. J. Webb 1307031	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. B. Pollock 1344598	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. Barber 1629944	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. W. F. Jacques 1597988	Desp.			
		W/O. G. White 1332279	Rear.			
2/3 March, 1945						
Route:	A/C:- 'K', 'G'					
	'K'	Base:-2245N 9443E-2230N 9508E-DZ and return.				
	'G'	Base:-1543N 9412E-1235N 9824E-1222N 9908E-DZ and return.				
Load:	A/C.	Containers	Packages			
	'K':-	11	--			
	'G':-	9	6			
Opposition:		Nil.				
	Liberator Mk.VI. KH392 'K'	S/L. S. A. Sharpe 45702	Capt.	2000	0540	(9.40). Good weather conditions existed on route. The target was somewhat hazy, but the load was dropped in one run. The target is considered a tricky one. The land is very rough producing many thermal currents. The aircraft returned to Base through good flying conditions.
		F/O. B. J. C. Edwards 157831	2nd. P.			
		F/S. C. F. Kirby 1391233	Nav.			
		W/O. R. H. Cross 1337426	B/A			
		W/O. J. A. Buchanan 1365057	1.W/OP			
		F/S. F. W. Noble Aus.437339	2.W/OP			
		W/O. J. W. Fayle 1357309	M.U.G.			

		W/O. E. W. Seymour 1300922	Rear.			
		Sgt. A. C. Fenbow 1672757	Desp.			
	Liberator Mk.VI. 215 'G'	W/O. J. H. Jones 527725	Capt.	1815	0845	(14.30). The weather was favourable with a slight haze at the DZ. The load was successfully dropped in one run. This Target too is considered a risky one, particularly if the weather is not good.
		F/S. G. Yeates Aus.437245	2nd. P.			
		F/S. H. C Murphy. 922489	Nav.			
		F/L. P. M. Williams 132806	B/A			
		Sgt. W. J. Donnelly 1820882	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. G Fletcher. 1589917	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. A. P. Lock 659147	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. A. J. Mansfield 2213867	Rear.			
Two aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. Both were on risky targets, but nevertheless, were successful.						
1/2 March, 1945						
Route:	A/C: - 'X', 'U', 'T', 'G', 'W'.					
	'X'	Base:- 1457N 9415E-0745N 9818E-0400N 9445E- DZ and return.				
	'U'	Base:- 2048N 9220E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
	'T'	Base:- 2048N 9220E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
	'G'	Base:- 2048N 9220E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
	'W'	Base:- 2048N 9220E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
Load:	A/C.	Leaflets.	Containers	Packages		
	'X'	--	7	6		
	'U'	--	7	5		
	'T'	--	11	5		
	'G'	--	11	5		
	'W'	--	11	--		
Opposition:	Nil.					
1.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH312 'X'	F/O. K. W. Jones 175022	Capt.	1330	1010	D.C.O. This Aircraft experienced good weather until reaching Pagoda Pt. After that there was a moderate amount of CU. On reaching the DZ area the railway line was followed until the actual target was recognised by Capt. Rentse who knew the area in peace time. There was no reception so the load was
		F/S. K. R. Jukes Aus.428573	2nd. P.			
		F/S. T. Batchelor 1316082	Nav.			
		Sgt. H. Dunn 1549512	B/A			
		P/O. L. J Talbot. 186538	1.W/OP			

		F/S. L. T. Dawson NZ.425654	2.W/OP			jettisoned 20 miles N.W. of Penang. The return journey was uneventful The time of journey was 20.39 hrs a Squadron record.
		W/O. E. W. Rozee 1338958	Rear.			
		W/O. E. A Richards. 1335958	M.U.G.			
1.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW242 'U'	W/O. R. M. Bullen, NZ.425880	Capt.	1915	0515	D.C.O. This difficult target was reached in good weather. The load was dropped in one run and the chutes were all seen to open. This target is considered safe only in good weather with good light. The aircraft returned to Base without incident.
		F/S. R. Woodcock 1623084	2nd. P.			
		W/O. C. L. Smith NZ.429213	Nav.			
		Sgt. R. H. Weldrake. 1684845	B/A			
		W/O. A. W. Thomas 1256009	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. D. P Tunnell, 1866334	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. J. H. Clarke 16273553	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. I. W. Wells. 1512309	Rear.			
1.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH350 'T'	F/S. W. R. Mills 1108628	Capt.	1910	0525	D.C.O. This difficult target was reached in good weather. The load was dropped in one run and the chutes were all seen to open. This target is considered safe only in good weather with good light. The aircraft returned to Base without incident.
		Sgt. L. C. Loveless 1604264	2nd. P.			
		W/O. S. E. Hencher Can.R.93615	Nav.			
		P/O. T. D. Taylor 163841	B/A			
		Sgt. G. B. Rowe 1795801	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. C. C. Young 1623858	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. D. S. Potter 1867623	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. J. F. Hawkins 1301823	Rear.			
1.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. 215 'G'	F/L. S. W. Bridges J.21223	Capt.	1905	0405	(9.00). This difficult target was reached in good weather. The load was dropped in one run and the chutes were all seen to open. This target is considered safe only in good weather with good light. The aircraft returned to Base without incident.
		F/S. G. E. Smith 1622770	2nd. P.			
		F/O. B. Luhter J.24562	Nav.			
		F/O. W. Mesher 164454	B/A			
		W/O. K. G. McLaughlin 1021724	1.W/OP			
		F/S. C. A. Luke Aus.430549	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. K. R. Banks 2221297	A/G.			

		W/O. W. C. McCaffrey 642539	M.U.G.			
		P/O. K. R. Goddison 56361	Rear.			
1.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH394 'W'	F/O. J. C. Murray Can.J.27678	Capt.	2020	0515	D.N.C.O. Landed Digri. This difficult target was reached in good weather. The aircraft could not get low enough for satisfactory dropping, so the load was not dropped. This target is considered safe only in good weather with good light. The aircraft returned to Base without incident.
		F/S. J. R. Larcombe Aus.436643	2nd. P.			
		P/O. T. Kay 164079	Nav.			
		F/O. E. R. Field 146307	B/A			
		F/S. J. E. Bateman Aus.424944	1.W/OP			
		F/S. A. F. Ashby Aus.424012 (R.A.A.F.)	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. A. M Cosh 653388	Desp.			
		Sgt. J. F. Peters 1853933	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. H. G. Frederick 1853345	Rear.			
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3.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH365 'N'	F/L. S. W. Bridges Can.J.21223	Capt.	2010	0930	(13.30). Throughout the journey the ground was almost covered with fog and haze. Owing to this pin pointing was difficult and a mistake was made. This took the A/C away from the target which was not reached. Leaflets were dropped at 02.46 on position 10450E 1850N from 10,000'. The balance of the load was returned to Base.
		F/S. G. E. Smith 1622770	2nd. P.			
		F/O. B. Luther Can.J.24562	Nav.			
		F/O. W. Mesher 164454	B/A			
		W/O. K. McLaughlin 1021724	1.W/OP			
		F/S. C. A. Luke Aus.430544	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. K. R. Banks 2221297	A/G.			
		W/O. W. C. McCaffrey 642539	M.U.G.			
		P/O. K. R. Godison 652211	Rear.			
3.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH397 'Z'	F/S. W. R. Mills 1108628	Capt.	1845	0835	D.C.O. Aircraft found good conditions throughout the operation. The DZ was located without difficulty and the load dropped in one run On the return journey leaflets and matches were dropped over Dua Aiakene.
		Sgt. L. C. Loveless 1604264	2nd. P.			
		P/O. T. D. Taylor 163541	B/A			

		W/O. S. E. Hencher Can.R.93615	Nav.			The aircraft reached Base without further event.
		Sgt. G. B. Rowe 1795801	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. C. C. Young 1623858	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. D. S. Potter 186723	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. J. F. Hawkins 1301823	Rear.			
		Sgt. J. Hulse 634691	Desp.			
Seven aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. Three were successful. One, although it reached the DZ area was prevented by low cloud from dropping. One made an unsuccessful search of the area for the reception. Two, because of weather, found themselves off track and did not reach the DZ.						
4/5 March, 1945						
Route:	A/C: - 'R', 'U', 'A', 'T'.					
	All Aircraft:-	Base-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
Load:	A/C.	Leaflets.	Containers	Packages		
	'R'	12	11	5		
	'U'	--	11	5		
	'A'	12	9	5		
	'T'	--	11	5		
Opposition:	Nil.					
4.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW287 'R'	W/O. W. Drummond 1133124	Capt.	2240	000	D.P.C.O. Slight cloud was encountered to and from the DZ. At the DZ area itself there was thick haze. A set of lights was located, but as it was not the correct reception the A/C brought it's load back to Base after dropping leaflets over position 1851N 9712E.
		F/S. K. W. Tunbridge Aus.434569	2nd. P.			
		F/S. F Flynn 1396358	Nav.			
		P/O. T. Winup 164104	B/A			
		F/S. C. J. Johnson Aus.427708	1.W/OP			
		F/S. J. K. Lyons Aus.436605	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. J. Salway 0932050	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. W. Copeland 1595442	Rear.			
4.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW242 'U'	W/O. R. M. Bullen, NZ.425880	Capt.	2230	0755	D.N.C.O. This aircraft definitely pin-pointed itself over the DZ., but could not locate any

		F/S. R. Woodcock 1623084	2nd. P.			reception. There was slight haze in the area. The aircraft returned to Base with it's load.
		W/O. C. L. Smith NZ.429213	Nav.			
		Sgt. R. H. Wel Drake. 1684845	B/A			
		W/O. A. W. Thomas ¹ 125009	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. D. P Tunnell, 1866334	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. J. H. Clarke 1627355	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. I. W. Wells. 1512309	Rear.			
4.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	W/O. J. H. Jones 527725	Capt.	2225	0640	Fair weather was experienced en route. At the DZ there was thick ground haze, but the reception was, nevertheless, located. After dropping the load in one run the A/C then returned to Base. This particular DZ was described as "suicide for dark Ops".
		F/S. G. Yeates Aus.437245	2nd. P.			
		F/L. P. Williams 132806	B/A			
		F/S. H. C Murphy. 922489	Nav.			
		Sgt. W. Donnelly 1820882	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. G Fletcher. 1589917	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. A. P. Lock 659147	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. A. J. Mansfield 2213867	Rear.			
4.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH350 'T'	F/O. K. W. Jones 175022	Capt.	2220	0650	D.C.O. Aircraft experienced fair conditions except at the DZ where it was hazy. As the A/C approached the lights were lighted and the load was dropped in 2 runs. All chutes were seen to open. Leaflets were dropped over Burma on the return journey.
		F/S. K. R. Jukes Aus.428573	2nd. P.			
		S/L. L. McConnell 81938	Obsr.			
		Sgt. H. Dunn 1549512	B/A			
		P/O. L. J Talbot. 186538	1.W/OP			
		F/S. H. T. Dawson NZ.425654	2.W/OP			
		W/O. E. A Richards. 1335958	M.U.G.			
		W/O. E. W. Rozee 1332037	Rear.			

¹ Record shows name as Rohmos, an obvious typing error.

	Four aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations on a target in Burma. Two were unsuccessful due to no or incorrect reception. The other two were successful. This target was considered only suitable for day or bright night drops.					
5/6 March, 1945						
Route:	A/C:- 'R'					
	Base:- 2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-1758N 10130E-1713N 10403E-DZ-1541N 10001E-Albuarda Reef-Base.					
Load.	12 Leaflets, 11 Containers.					
Opposition:	Nil.					
5.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW287 'R'	P/O. C. Hedley 56141	Capt.	2120	1125	D.N.C.O. Aircraft found 5/10ths. low cloud over the whole route. At the DZ there was a layer of Status reaching the ground. Several lights were seen through gaps in the cloud, but no correct reception. Leaflets were dropped over Makel Sakan. The balance of the load was returned to Base.
		F/S. W. H. E?lee 577626	2nd. Pilot			
		W/O. J. H. Perkins 1215501	Nav.			
		P/O. J. W Tubb. 188532	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. C. Chalmers 1152918	2.WOP			
		W/O. B. S. Pepper 631781	M.U.G.			
		W/O. W. Hendry 1132732	Rear.			
		Sgt. G. Maiden 1859343	Desp.			
		P/O. Mees, D. C. 164186	B/A			
	One aircraft was detailed for S.D. Operations, and was unsuccessful due to low cloud almost completely obscuring the target.					
9/10 March 1945						
Route:	A/C:- 'K', 'A'					
	'K'	Base:-2044N 9221E-9125N 9335E-DZ-1510N 9336E-2044N 9221E-Base.				
	'A'	Base:-2043N 9224E-1942N 9509E-1852N 9720E-DZ and return.				
Load:	A/C.	Containers	Packages			
	'K':-	11	4			
	'A':-	11	4			
Opposition:	Nil.					

9.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH392 'K'	F/O. M. R. Davison 54090	Capt.	1550	2205	(6.15). There was no cloud en route and the area of dropping was found without difficulty. A thorough search of the area was made, but no reception was located. The aircraft with it's load returned to Base.
		F/S. D. R. Crammond 1458001	2nd. P.			
		F/O. T. Parham 161025	Nav.			
		F/O. A. N. Woods 164098	B/A			
		W/O. S. J. Webb 1307031	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. B. Pollock 1344598	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. W. R. Jacques 1597988	Desp.			
		Sgt. G. Barber 1629944	M.U.G.			
		W/O. G. White 1332279	Rear.			
9.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	W/O. H. S. Martel Aus.421849	Capt.	1415	2245	(8.30). There was no cloud en route and the area of dropping was found without difficulty. A thorough search of the area was made, but no reception was located. The aircraft with it's load returned to Base.
		F/S. K. J. Steele, Aus.429674	2nd. P.			
		F/S. G. Whale 1324510	Nav.			
		F/O. W. McStea 163736	B/A			
		W/O. D. I. Graham Aus.413853	1.W/OP			
		F/S. D. C. Jolley Aus.436522	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. C. Attwood 186926	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. W. F, Ayton 1091192	Rear.			
Two aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. Both reached the area in Northern F.I.C., but were not successful in locating a reception.						
10th March, 1945						
Route:	A/C:- 'A'					
		Base:- 2044N 9220E-1853N 9720E-1840N 9721E-DZ and return.				
Load.	4 Packages.					
Opposition:		Nil.				

	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	F/L. S. W. Bridges J.21223	Capt.	1420	2300	(8.40). The target was reached in good weather and definitely pinpointed. Four fires were located, but as this was not the expected reception, the A/C returned with it's load to Base.
		F/S. C. E. Smith 1622770	2nd. P.			
		F/O. B. C. Luther Can.J.24562	Nav.			
		F/O. W. Mesher 164434	B/A			
		W/O. K. McLaughlin 1021724	1.W/OP			
		W/O. W. C. McCaffrey 642539	M.U.G.			
		F/S. C. A. Luke Aus.430549	2.W/OP			
		P/O. K. R. Godison 652211	Rear.			
		Sgt. K. R. Banks 2221297	Desp.			
One aircraft was detailed for S.D. Operations. The area was definitely reached, but the correct reception was not given.						
11/12 March 1945		{frame dark and hard to read – check next four entries against film)				
11.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	F/L. M. R. Davison 50490	Capt.	1520	2130	(6.10). Aircraft found conditions very good throughout the operation. No trouble was experienced in locating the reception although it was reported to be in a difficult location. The load was dropped in one run, a slight hang-up caused part of the load to overshoot, but it landed within 150 yds. of the centre of the target.
		F/S. D. R. Crammond 1458001	2nd. P.			
		F/O. T. Parham 161025	Nav.			
		F/O. A. N. Woods 164098	B/A			
		W/O. S. J. Webb 1307031	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. B. Pollock 1344598	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. Barber 1629944	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. W. F. Jacques 1597988	Desp.			
		W/O. G. White 1332279	Rear.			
11.5.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH28?7 '?'	W/O. R. M. Bullen, NZ.425880	Capt.	1055?	0035?	D.C.O. ????? cloud conditions were experienced? throughout the trip. The DZ was found

		F/S. R. Woodcock 1623084	2nd. P.			without difficulty and the load dropped in one run. The chutes of three? packages failed. The return journey was uneventful.
		W/O. C. L. Smith NZ.429213	Nav.			
		Sgt. R. H. Wel Drake. 1684845	B/A			
		W/O. A. W. Thomas 1256009	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. D. P Tunnell, 1866334	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. J. H. Clarke 1627355	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. I. W. Wells. 1512309	Rear.			
11.5.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH361?? 'H??'	F/O. K. W. Jones 175022	Capt.	1045	2320	D.C.O. Aircraft ??? good weather both on the outward and homeward? journey. At the DZ it was fine but hazy and the target was immediately located? and the load dropped in two runs. The chute of one? container and one packaged did not open.
		F/S. K. R. Jukes Aus.428573	2nd. P.			
		P/O. L. J Talbot. 186538	1.W/OP			
		F/S. H. Dawson NZ.425654	2.W/OP			
		W/O. E. A Richards. 1335958	M.U.G.			
		W/O. E. W. Rozee 1332037	Rear.			
		S/L. L. McConnell 81938	Obsr.			
		W?/O. J.	Nav.			
11.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH354? 'X?'	F/L. S. W. Bridges Can.J.21223	Capt.	1430	2310	(8.40). After an outward journey through fairly good weather the A/C found the DZ ????? but failed to locate the reception. The load was returned to Base.
		??	2nd. P.			
		F/O. B. Luther Can.J.24562	Nav.			
		F/O. W. Mesher 164454	B/A			
		W/O. R. C. Chalmers 1152918	1.W/OP			
		????	2.W/OP			
		F/S. W. H. E?lee 577626	M.U.G.?			
		Sgt. ??	A/G.			
		Sgt. K. R. Banks 2221297	A/G.			
6 Aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations, 4 were successful. 1 had engine failure and landed at Kunming. 1 was not given a reception.						
11/12		{this section should				

March, 1945		probably precede the previous section}					
Route:	A/C: - 'T', 'C', 'R', 'N', 'X', 'A'.						
	'T'	Base:- 2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2147N 10101E-2143N 10450E-DZ-Kunming.					
	'C'	Base:- 2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2147N 10101E-2143N 10450E-DZ and return.					
	'R'	Base:- 2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2147N 10101E-2143N 10450E-DZ and return.					
	'N'	Base:- 2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2147N 10101E-2143N 10450E-DZ and return.					
	'X'	Base:- 2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.					
	'A'	Base:- 2044N 9221E-1925N 9330E-DZ and return.					
Load:	A/C.	Leaflets.	Containers	Packages			
	'T'	--	11	6			
	'C'	--	11	6			
	'R'	--	11	6			
	'N'	--	11	6			
	'X'		--	4			
	'A'	--	11	4			
Opposition:	Nil.						
	Liberator Mk.VI. KH271 'C'	S/L. S. A. Sharpe 45712	Capt.	1030	2359	(13.30). Moderate cloud conditions were experienced throughout the trip. The DZ was found without difficulty and the load dropped in one run. The chute of on package failed. The return journey was uneventful.	
		F/O. B. J. C. Edwards 157851	2nd. P.				
		F/S. C. F. Kirby 1391233	Nav.				
		W/O. R. H. Cross 1337426	B/A				
		W/O. J. A. Buchanan 1365057	1.W/OP				
		F/S. F. W. Noble Aus.437539	2.W/OP				
		W/O. J. W. Fayle 1357309	A/G.				
		W/O. E. W. Seymour 1300922	A/G.				
		Sgt. A. C. Fenbow 1672757	Eng.				
	Liberator Mk.VI. EW174 'T'	W/O. H. S. Martell Aus.421849	Capt.	10.40	19.20	(8.40). The trip out was uneventful, some cloud was experienced East of the Salween. The DZ was covered with 10/10th Cu. and while looking for a gap in the cloud one engine failed. The aircraft then set course for a dumping ground, but could not climb over the hills. The load was jettisoned over position 2128N 10428E at	
		F/S. K. J. Steele, Aus.429647	2nd. P.				
		F/S. G. Whale 1324510	Nav.				
		F/O. W. McStea 163736	B/A				
		W/O. D. I. Graham Aus.413851	1.W/OP				

		F/S. D. C. Jolley Aus.436522	2.W/OP			1631 hrs. At 1715 as it was not considered that the ²
		Sgt. G. C. Attwood 1869269	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. W. F, Ayton 1091192	Rear.			
12th March, 1945		{again, probably out of order}				
12.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW188 'H?'	F/O. J. C. Murray Can.J.27678	Capt.	1010	2010	D.N.C.O ³ . Weather was fine until 96E where cloud began to develop. At 100E large CU. was encountered. However, The DZ was somewhat clearer and was located in large valley without trouble. Two runs were made and the load dropped. All were seen to land O.K. The Aircraft then returned to Base without further incident.
		F/S. J. R. Larcombe Aus.436643	2nd. P.			
		F/O. E. P. Field 146307	B/A			
		P/O. T. Kay 164079	Nav.			
		F/S. J. E. Bateman Aus.424944	1.W/OP			
		F/S. A. F. Ashby Aus.424012	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. J. F. Peters 1853933	⁴			
		Sgt. H. G. Fedrick 1853345	⁵			
		Sgt. A. M Cosh 653388	⁶			
	2 Aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations over Northern F.I.C. 1 was successful. The other, although it was pinpointed as over the area, did not receive a reception.					
12th. March, 1945						
Route:	A/C:- 'H?' and 'R'					
	'H?'	Base:-2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2148N 10105E-210?N 10432E-DZ & return.				
	'R'	Base:-2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2148N 10106E-2143N 10335E-Yen Yan-DZ- and return to Chittagong.				
Load:	A/C.	Containers	Packages			
	'H?'	11	6			
	'R'	11	6			

² The balance of the record is "cut off" on the microfilm copy.

³ Record say D.N.C.O., but from description, it should be D.C.O.

⁴ Duties not given in record.

⁵ Duties not given in record.

⁶ Duties not given in record.

Opposition:		Nil.					
12.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW287 'R'	W/O. W. R. Mills 1108628	Capt.	0950	2230	D.N.C.O. Aircraft found good conditions until some distance from the DZ where cloud was encountered. 15 miles from DZ the cloud was 10/10 down to 0 feet with tops to 4000'. The DZ was definitely pinpointed after a DR run from Van Yen, but no reception was found. The aircraft then set course for the Secondary but here again after pinpointing the area no reception was located. After this, course was set for Base. On account of low cloud at Base aircraft was diverted to Chittagong which was reached at 2230 hrs. On landing at Chittagong the aircraft damaged on of it's tyres and was grounded there until a new tyre was obtained.	
		Sgt. L. C. Loveless 1604264	2nd. P.				
		W/O. S. E. Hencher Can.R.93615	Nav.				
		P/O. T. D. Taylor 163841	B/A				
		Sgt. G. V. Rowe 1795301	1.W/OP				
		Sgt. C. C. Young 1623858	2.W/OP				
		Sgt. D. S. Potter 1867623	M.U.G.				
		Sgt. J. F. Hawkins 1301823	Rear.				
13th. March 1945							
Route:	A/C:- 'C', 'X', 'N', 'A'.						
	'C'	Base:-2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2147N 10106E-2132N 10350E-DZ & return.					
	'X;	Base:-2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2147N 10106E-2132N 10350E-DZ & return.					
	'N'	Base:-2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2147N 10106E-2132N 10350E-DZ & return.					
	'A'	Base:-2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2147N 10106E-2132N 10350E-DZ & return.					
Load:	A/C.	Containers	Leaflets	Packages			
	'C'	16	11	6			
	'X;	16	11	6			
	'N'	16	11	6			
	'A'	16	11	6			
Opposition:		Nil.					
13.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH312 'X'	P/O. C. H. Hedley 56141	Capt.	09.15	21.45	D.C.O. Stratus was found on the way to the DZ over the Chin Hills. Low Cloud was covering the Primary target around the tops of the Hills but the Secondary target was clear. One package fell out overt the primary target due to bumpy weather. The rest of the load was dropped at the Secondary target where all the chutes opened and the packages and	
		F/S. W. H. B?lee 577626	2nd. Pilot				
		W/O. J. H. Perkins	Nav.				
		P/O. D. C. Mees 164186	B/A				
		P/O. J. E Tubb. 188532	1.WOP				
		W/O. R. C. Chalmers 1152918	2.WOP				

		Sgt. G. Maiden 1880343	Desp.			container were seen to land within the area. Nickels were dropped on the return journey at Mkunxien from a height of 7000 feet.
		W/O. W. E. Hopkins 186294	Rear.			
		P/O. F. S. Edwards 185307	M.U.G.			
13.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH365 'N'	F/L. R. W. Robinson 51159	Capt.	0910	2145	D.C.O. Weather very bumpy on way out over the Chin Hills. The first DZ could not be located due to 8/10 cloud over the area although the Capt. flew around for fifty mins. The second DZ was located easily and the load was dropped precisely on markers and the aircraft made an uneventful return journey to Base.
		F/O. I. N. Wilson 164419	2nd. Pilot			
		P/O. W. H. Bull 165575	Nav.			
		Sgt. A. J. Sherwood 1583263	B/A			
		P/O. L. C. Bartlett 165606	1.WOP			
		Sgt. E. H. Andrews 1357596	2.WOP			
		Sgt. T. F. Clarke. 636459	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. A. Burling 1877098	Rear.			
		Sgt. R. Bell 1595905	Desp.			
13.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	W/C. P. G. D. Farr 39936	Capt.	0930	2050	(11.20). D.C.O. After take off clear weather was encountered until the latter part of the journey where it was poor. It was somewhat cleared at the target which was successfully located. The load was dropped in 1 run, one parachute was seen to only partially open, the others were O.K. The aircraft then returned to Base without further incident. The target is considered to be unsuitable for night drops unless previously visited by day.
		F/S. P. K. Banks 1603971	2nd. Pilot			
		F/L. P. L. Ryan 125641	Nav.			
		F/S. R. Jackman 967248	B/A			
		F/O. S. J. Brace 162856	1.WOP			
		Sgt. C. Thirkettle 1025625	2.WOP			
		Sgt. J. Stanley 1894296	A/G.			
		F/S. K. Wells 1890474	Eng.			
		F/L. P. J. Kydd 82745	A/G.			
13.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. 271 'C'	F/L. M. R. Davison 50490	Capt.	0920	2050	(11.30). The aircraft reached the DZ area in fine weather except for a few patches of CU cloud over the Chin Hills and the Arakan. The DZ was easily located in a long valley and the load was successfully dropped in
		F/S. D. R. Crammond 1458001	2nd. P.			
		F/O. T. Parham 161025	Nav.			

		F/O. A. N. Woods 164098	B/A			one run. Leaflets were dropped on various villages en route in Northern F.I.C. Except for severe bumpiness over the Arakan Hills the return journey was uneventful.
		W/O. S. J. Webb 164098 ⁷	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. B. Pollock 1344598	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. Barber 1629944	A/G.M.U.G.			
		Sgt. W. F. Jacques 1597988	A/G.Desp.			
		W/O. G. White 1332279	A/G.Rear.			
4 Aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. 2 were successful on Primary Target. 2 were successful on Secondary Target. A 100% day.						
14/15th March, 1945						
Route:	A/C:- 'X'	Base:-2246N 9126E-2269N 9422E-2147N 10106E-2120N 10511E-DZ & return.				
	'D'	Base:-2246N 9126E-2269N 9422E-2147N 10106E-2120N 10511E-DZ & return.				
Load.	Both Aircraft:- 11 Containers, 6 Packages. each.					
Opposition:	Nil.					
14.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH353 'D'	S/L. S. A. Sharpe 45712	Capt.	0930	0050	1520. Course was set for the DZ at 0930 route being carried out as briefed. On arriving over DZ area found 10/10 Cu. Set course due south over sea and broke cloud at 200' to low. Climbed again to 2000' and made a DR run from spot height of 2000' west of DZ. On E.T.A. found gap in clouds and positively identified DZ area with features etc. but no reception was seen. As Sortie was life or death and blind drop, at discretion of Capt. decided to make a blind drop at 1500'. Containers and packages were seen to land in clearing near native village where one fire was seen. Consider if reception party around that load would be collected. Set Course for Base and landed at Base at 15.15 hours.
		F/O. B. J. C. Edwards 157851	2nd. P.			
		W/O. C. F. Kirby 1391233	Nav.			
		W/O. R. H. Cross 1337406	B/A			
		W/O. J. A. Buchanan 1365057	1.W/OP			
		F/S. F. W. Noble Aus.437539	2.W/OP			
		W/O. J. W. Fayle 1357609	M.U.G.			
		W/O. E. W. Seymour 1300922	Rear.			
		F/S. R. C. Fenbow 1672757	F/Eng.			

⁷ Original record gives this service number, but is a repeat of the entry for F/O. Woods; Webb's service number is given elsewhere as 1307031

14.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH312 'X'	F/O. K. W. Jones 175022	Capt.	0925	0205	5/10ths. Stratus Cumulus encountered en route. There was 10/10ths overcast in the area and no pinpoint was obtained. The Capt. flew to the 2nd. DZ but darkness fell before he arrived and there was no reception. The load was dropped minus parachutes east of Wen Tung due to fuel shortage.
		F/S. K. R. Jukes Aus.428573	2nd. P.			
		S/L. L. C. McConnell	Nav.			
		P/O. L. J Talbot. 186538	1.W/OP			
		F/S. H. Dunn 1549512	B/A			
		F/S. H. J. Dawson NZ.425654	2.W/OP			
		W/O. E. A Richards. 13380958	M.U.G.			
		W/O. E. W. Rozee 1332037	Rear.			
2 Aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. 1 was unsuccessful in locating target because of 10/10th cloud at the DZ. The other dropped it's load under adverse weather conditions.						
15th March, 1945						
Route:	A/C:- 'N', 'G', 'C', 'H'.					
	'N'	Base:-2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2131N 10320E-DZ and return.				
	'C'	As 'N'				
	'G'	As 'N'				
	'H'	As 'N'				
Load:	A/C.	Leaflets	Containers	Packages		
	'N'	--	11	6		
	'C'	10	11	6		
	'G'	16	11	6		
	'H'	16	11	6		
Opposition:	Nil.					
15.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH365 'N'	F/L. N. H. Monks 120514	Capt.	0940	2040	(11.00). The weather was good until about 50 mile from the DZ where A/C encountered 10/10 CU. After circling down to a dropping height, two runs were made during which the load was dropped. The entire load was seen to land safely in the centre of the target. After climbing to a safety height the A/C set course for Base which was reached without further event.
		F/S. G. D. Goddard 1585900	2nd. P.			
		W/O. F. D. Phillips Aus.405603	Nav.			
		P/O. W. McDonald 164293	B/A			
		F/S. G. M. Hill Aus.437419	1.W/OP			
		F/S. D. C. Morris, Aus.457437	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. E. R. Taylor 1896508	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. E. W. Mills	Desp.			

		1892539				
		Sgt. H. Miles 1811869	Rear.			
15.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. ??124 'H'	W/O. H. S. Martell Aus.421849	Capt.	0930	2040	(1110) Aircraft encountered frontal conditions at 102E and experienced very bumpy conditions to the DZ. On arrival it was found that the DZ was covered with 10/10 cloud. Owing to the hilly nature of the area it was considered unwise to go down. The A/C after dropping leaflets over villages in Northern F.I.C. returned with it's load to Base.
		F/S. K. J. Steele, Aus.429647	2nd. P.			
		F/S. G. Whale 1324510	Nav.			
		F/O. W. McStea 163736	B/A			
		W/O. D. I. Graham Aus.413851	1.W/OP			
		F/S. D. C. Jolley Aus.436522	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. C. Attwood 1869269	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. W. F, Ayton 1091192	Rear.			
		Sgt. F. Simonite	Desp.			
15.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. "G" 215	F/L. S. W. Bridges Can.J.21223	Capt.	0930	2125	(1155) After 3 hrs. flying, A/C encountered CUNB. A cold front was encountered 1 hr. before the DZ. A/C descended to 6,500 but as the cloud was on the Hill tops at this height, extreme care was taken at all times. On arrival at the DZ area A/C reduced height to 3000' which was extremely hazardous in view of the 5000' hills which surround the DZ; these were covered with cloud. The load was dropped in 2 runs. The A/C then climbed to endeavour to get to tops of cloud but iced up at 13,000 ft. Height was then reduced to 8,000' where a clear patch was found and course was set for Base. This was the only A/C of the three detailed for this DZ to drop it's load.
		F/S. G. E. Smith 1622770	2nd. P.			
		F/O. B. C. Luther Can.J.24562	Nav.			
		F/O. W. Mesher 164454	B/A			
		W/O. K. McLaughlin 1021724	1.W/OP			
		F/S. C. A. Luke Aus.430549	2.W/OP			
		W/O. W. C. McCaffrey 642539	M.U.G.			
		P/O. K. R. Godison 65221	Rear.			
		Sgt. K. R. Banks 2221297	Desp.			
15.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. 'C' 271	F/L. M. R. Davison 50490	Capt.	0930	2050	(11.20) Fine conditions lasted until reaching 102.30E where frontal conditions were encountered. An attempt was made to penetrate the front but the violence of the storm made it unwise for the A/C to persevere.
		F/S. D. R. Crammond 1458001	2nd. P.			
		F/O. T. Parham 161025	Nav.			

		F/O. A. N. Woods 164098	B/A			The A/C then set a Northerly Course in an endeavour to bypass the front. This was also unsuccessful. A CUNB was encountered at one stage which made the A/C, although it was in a climbing attitude, loose height at the rate of 4000' per min., at the same time steeply banking. The two pilots were successful in rectifying. It was ⁸
		W/O. S. J. Webb 1307031	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. B. Pollock 1344098	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. G. Barber 1629944	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. W. F. Jacques 1597988	A/G.			
		W/O. G. White 1332279	A/G.			
4 aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations over Northern F.I.C. Owing to extreme active frontal conditions over the DZ area only one aircraft dropped it's load. ⁹						
17/18th March, 1945						
Route:	A/C:- 'T', 'H', 'D', 'C', 'K'.					
	'T'	Base-2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-DZ-2259N 9422E-Base.				
	'H';	Base-2240N 9221E-2027N 10012E-2002N 10213E-1821N 10357E-DZ-2024N 10213E-2027N 10012E-2044N 9221E-Base.				
	'D'	As 'H'				
	'C'	As 'H'				
	'K'	Base-2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-DZ-2259N 9422E-Base.				
Load:	A/C. 'T'	11 Containers	2 Packages			
	'H';	11 Containers	6 Packages			
	'D'	11 Containers	6 Packages			
	'C'	11 Containers	6 Packages			
	'K'	11 Containers	1 Package			
Opposition:	Nil.					
17.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. 124 'H'	F/L. S. W. Bridges J.21223	Capt.	0915	2215	(1300) A/C found conditions in area very hazy. An unsuccessful search for the reception was made so A/C dropped load one mile from DZ as briefed. The return journey was uneventful.
		F/S. G. E. Smith 1622770	2nd. P.			
		F/O. B. Luther J.24562	Nav.			
		F/O. W. Mesher 164454	B/A			
		W/O. K. McLaughlin 1021724	1.W/OP			

⁸ Balance of record is "cut off" on the microfilm.

⁹ However, the descriptions appear to show that two aircraft dropped their loads.

		F/S. C. A. Luke Aus.430539	2.W/OP			
		W/O. W. C. McCaffrey 642539	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. K. R. Banks 2221297	Desp.			
		P/O. K. P. Goodison 652211	Rear.			
17.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. 'C' 271	F/L. H. H. Monks 120514	Capt.	0915	2145	(12.30) Although rather hazy, the weather was fair until about 100 miles from the DZ when violent cloud was encountered. A/C then went beneath the cloud until 10 miles from DZ where the weather cleared. The load was dropped in 1 run, all overshoot slightly The return journey was somewhat clearer than the outward, although the haze was very thick over Burma.
		F/S. G. D. Goddard 1585900	2nd. P.			
		W/O. F. D. Phillips Aus.405603	Nav.			
		P/O. W. McDonald 164293	B/A			
		F/S. G. M. Hill Aus.437419	1.W/OP			
		F/S. D. G. Morris, Aus.457437	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. E. R. Taylor 1896508	A/G.			
		Sgt. E. W. Mills 1892539	A/G.			
		Sgt. H. Miles 1811869	A/G.			
17.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. '??' ???	P/O. C. H. Hedley 56141	Capt.	0920	2220	D.C.O. The Captain map read to the DZ area where the reception was found 2 miles N.E. of briefed position. The reception consisted of 1 fire and 2 white parallel strips. The load was dropped from an indicated height of 800' A.S.L. and the containers and packages were seen to drop near the area, all chutes opening. The aircraft made an uneventful return to Base.
		F/S. W. H. B?lee 577626	2nd. Pilot			
		W/O. J. H. Perkins	Nav.			
		P/O. D. C. Mees 164186	B/A			
		P/O. J. E Tubb. 188532	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. C. Chalmers 1152918	2.WOP			
		W/O. ? W. Hendry 1123732	M.U.G.			
		P/O. W. E. Hopkins 186294	Rear.			
		Sgt. Maiden, G. 1880343	Desp.			
17.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. 'X' ¹⁰	F/L. R. W. Robinson 51159	Capt.	1315	2020	The weather en route was good and the DZ was located after 1 DR run from the Salween. The reception consisted of a T of
		F/O. I. N. Wilson 164419	2nd. Pilot			

¹⁰ No serial number given.

		P/O. W. H. Bull 165575	Nav.			strips with a smoking fire 25 yds. from the head. A steep pull up was necessary on a West to East run using a left hand circuit due to range of hills. The parachutes all opened and the load was seen to drop in the area on top of other chutes which had jus been dropped by a Dakota. The aircraft returned to Base uneventfully.
		Sgt. A. J. Sherwood 1583263	B/A			
		P/O. L. C. Bartlett 165606	1.WOP			
		Sgt. E. Andrews 1357596	2.WOP			
		Sgt. T. F Clarke. 636459	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. A. Burling 1877098	Rear.			
		Sgt. R. Bell 1595905	Desp.			
		F/O. Halliday				
17.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. 'T' ¹¹	W/O. R. M. Bullen, NZ.425880	Capt.	1310	2115	D.C.O. Convistional Cumulas encountered en route. The DZ was located by a DR run from the River and consisted of white strip and a smoky fire. Weather over target was fair with 8/10 miles visibility. The load was seen to land 300 yds. N. of reception. Three containers landed heavily as parachutes did not open correctly. Nickels were dropped at Nan Dan on the return journey.
		Sgt. R. Woodcock 1623084	2nd. P.			
		F/S. C. L. Smith NZ.429213	Nav.			
		Sgt. R. H. Weldrake. 1684845	B/A			
		Sgt. Gaskin	1.W/OP			
		Sgt. I. W. Wells. 1512309	Rear.			
		Sgt. D. P Tunnell, 1866334	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. J. H. Clarke 1627355	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. W. T. Batterson 1301461	Desp.			
5 aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. All 5 were successful under very hazy conditions. A 100% effort.						
18/19th March, 1945						
Route.	A/C:- 'A'	Base-1454N 9342E-1052N 9754E-DZ and return.				
Load.	11 Containers, 6 Packages					
Opposition.	Nil.					
18.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	S/L. S. A. Sharpe 45712	Capt.	1000	0030	(1430) A/C airborne Base 1000. Weather en route excellent until 30 mins. from island DZ where slight alteration of course had to be made to avoid storm. Arrived
		F/O. B. J. C. Edwards 157851	2nd. P.			

¹¹ No serial number given.

		W/O. C. F. Kirby 1391233	Nav.			over DZ at approx. 1700 and identified cove where drop had to be made. Saw about 8 men on beach with rubber dinghy. Made experimental run but found it impossible to get down into cove, had to run across cove at 800'. Dropped one container on first run which fell in shallow water and was retrieved by men in rubber dinghy. Made two more runs at 900' and on 3rd run, parachutes were seen lying on beach. Some containers fell just inland, but should be accessible. On package chute failed to open. Return trip uneventful, weather excellent.
		W/O. R. H. Cross 1337426	B/A			
		W/O. J. A. Buchanan 1365057	1.W/OP			
		F/S. F. W. Noble Aus.437539	2.W/OP			
		W/O. J. W. Fayle 1357609	M.U.G.			
		W/O. E. W. Seymour 1300922	Rear.			
		F/S. R. C. Fenbow 1672757	Eng.			
One aircraft detailed for S.D. Operations, On an Island West of Malay Peninsula. Although the DZ proved somewhat difficult to approach the load was dropped successfully.						
Route:	A/C:- 'N', 'T', 'Q', 'K', 'H', 'L', 'D', 'C', 'O', 'U?', 'W', 'R'.					
	'R'	Base:-2259N 9423E-2203N 9845E-2148N 101065E-2132N 10350E-DZ-2148N 10106E-Base.				
	'N'	As 'R'				
	'K'	As 'R'				
	'T'	As 'R'				
	'Q'	Base-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ-2044N 9221E-Base.				
	'H'	As 'Q'				
	'L'	Base-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ-2044N 9221E-Digri.				
	'C?'	Base-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ-2044N 9221E-Cox's Bazaar.				
	'U'	As 'Q'				
	'W'	As 'Q'				
	'D'	Base-2044N 9221E-1955N 9502E-DZ-2044N 9221E-Base.				
	'O'	Base-2044N 9221E-1806N 9742E-DZ-2044N 9221E-Base.				
Load ¹² :	A/C.	Containers	Leaflets	Packages		
	'N'	11	15	6		
	'K'	11	16	6		
	'T'	11	12	6		
	'Q'	11	--	5		
	'H'	11	22	5		
	'L'	11	27	5		
	'D'	6	--	4		
	'C'	11	--	5		
	'O'	11	--	5		
	'U'	11	27	5		
	'W'	11	--	2		

¹² Load for 'R' not given in record.

Opposition:		Nil.				
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. 'O'	F/O. H. V. Smith Can.J.27671	Capt.	1715	0120	Apart from Valley Fog haze, good flying conditions were encountered throughout the trip. On arrival at the DZ the reception was waiting and the load dropped in one run. On the return journey leaflets were dropped over Burma.
		F/S. B. Pool 1434100	2nd. P.			
		F/S. P. R. Brenchley 1390490	Nav.			
		Sgt. J. H. Draper 1802370	B/A			
		Sgt. R. S. Woods 1398294	1.WOP			
		Sgt. W. J. Pickney 1805139	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. C. Copley 993351	Rear.			
		Sgt. W. A. Pugh 2206912	2.WOP			
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH395? 'W'	F/O. J. G. Murray Can.J.27678	Capt.	1725	1835 ¹³	D.N.C.O. A/C found weather fine with some traces of valley fog en route. The DZ was reached, but the Captain complained that he felt too ill to go down to drop. The Aircraft returned to Base with it's load.
		F/S. J. R. Larcombe Aus.436642	2nd. P.			
		F/O. E. P. Field 146307	Nav.			
		P/O. T. Kay 164079	A/B			
		F/S. J. F. Bateman Aus.424944	1.WOP			
		F/S. A. F. Ashby Aus.424012 (R.A.A.F.)	2.WOP			
		Sgt. A. M Cosh 653388	Eng.			
		Sgt. Peters, J. F. 1853922	A/G.			
		F/S. Colins				
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH367 'Q'	F/O. K. W. Jones 175022	Capt.	1715	0135	D.C.O. Weather en route was fair and ground haze was encountered at the target which was located by a DR run from the Salween. The reception was as briefed. A West to East run was used due to high ground to the North. On the first 2 runs the containers hung up due to the bomb doors being not completely open and leaving the electrical circuit unmade. The chutes were seen to open, but it
		F/S. K. R. Jukes Aus.428573	2nd. P.			
		S/L. L. C. McConnell 81938	Nav.			
		P/O. L. J Talbot. 186538	1.WOP			
		Sgt. H. Dunn 1549512	B/A			
		F/S. H. T. Dawson NZ.425654	2.W/OP			

¹³ This is the time given in the record, but from the description, it must be in error.

		W/O. E. W. Rozee 1332037	Rear.			was not observed where the load landed.
		W/O. E. A Richards. 1338958	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. McSherry 1797834	Desp.			
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW242 ¹⁴	P/O. C. H. Hedley 56141	Capt.	1730	0230	D.C.O. Weather fair en route with haze at the DZ which was located by a DR run from the Salween. The briefed reception was found and though the parachutes were seen to open it was not observed where the load landed. Nickels were dropped from 4,000 feet at Henzada on the return journey.
		F/S. W. H. Blee 57726	Eng ¹⁵ .			
		W/O. J. H. Perkins 1215501	Nav.			
		P/O. D. C. Mees 164186	B/A			
		P/O. J. E Tubb. 188532	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. C. Chalmers 1152918	2.WOP			
		W/O. W. Hendry 1123732	M.U.G.			
		P/O. W. E. Hopkins 186294	Rear.			
		Sgt. Maiden, G. 1880343	Desp.			
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW174 'T'	W/O. W. Drummond 1133124	Capt.	1845	0040	D.C.O. Good weather en route with strat. cu. near the DZ. The Captain decided to run out to sea to descend below cloud then pinpointed on the coast. The reception consisted of a Roman IV with 2 fires and the load was dropped on the area, all the chutes opening. No high ground locally facilitated the drop. Nickels were dropped from 6000' at Tien Yen on the return journey.
		F/S. K. W. Tunbridge Aus.434569	2nd. P.			
		F/S. F Flynn 1396358	Nav.			
		F/O. T. C. H. Winup 164104	B/A			
		F/S. C. J. Johnson Aus.427708	WOP.1			
		F/S. J. K. Lyons Aus.436605	WOP.2			
		Sgt. Salway 932050	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. Copeland 1595442	Desp.			
		Sgt. King 1190238	Rear.			
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH353 'D'	W/O. H. S. Martell Aus.421849	Capt.	1810	0045	(0635) A/C encountered good weather en route. The DZ was found by map reading from the Irrawaddy. After dropping the portion of the load as briefed on
		F/S. K. J. Steele, Aus.429674	2nd. P.			

¹⁴ Code not given in record.

¹⁵ In the record, "2nd.P" has been crossed out and "Eng." inserted after it.

		F/S. G. Whale 1324510	Nav.			the primary course was set for the secondary where the rest of the load was dropped. A/C then returned to Base.
		F/O. W. McStea 163736	B/A			
		W/O. D. I. Graham Aus.413853	1.WOP			
		F/S. D. C. Jolley Aus.436522	2.WOP			
		Sgt. W. F, Ayton 1091192	Rear.			
		Sgt. G. C. Attwood 1869269	M.U.G.			
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH392 'K'	F/O. M. R. Davison 54090	Capt.	0845	0030	(15.45) No trouble was experienced in reaching a point 100 miles from the DZ. Here Low strat cu. was encountered and as the DZ was near the waist line the aircraft proceeded out to sea to break cloud. The cloud was down to 25 when the cloud base had raised to 300'. The DZ was difficult to locate there being no reception at first. After making 6 circuits the aircraft received a reception and the load was dropped in one run, successfully. Owing to the surrounding hills the aircraft again went out to sea to climb. On the return journey severe frontal conditions were encountered but avoided by choosing a Southern route.
		F/S. D. R. Crammond 1458001	2nd. P.			
		F/O. T. Parham 161025	Nav.			
		F/O. A. N. Woods 164098	B/A			
		W/O. S. J. Webb 1307031	1.WOP			
		Sgt. G. B. Pollock 1344598	2.WOP			
		Sgt. W. F. Jacques 1597988	Desp.			
		W/O. G. White 1332279	Rear.			
		F/O. Hastings	Met. Off.			
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH365 'N'	W/O. Adams, D. P. N.Z.412165	Capt.	0955	2150	(11.55) Much haze was encountered for the first part of the trip. About 20 miles from the DZ a front was experienced. The A/C went around this and reached the DZ where no reception was found. A/C then made another run for pin point and found reception being lit as it approached. The load was dropped on position 2110N 10330E. After a good trip Base was reached at 2147 hrs.
		F/S. A. J. C. Pearce Aus.436273	2nd. Pilot			
		F/S. S. Simpson 1457926	Nav.			
		F/L. P. M. Williams	B/A			
		F/S. J. J. Costello Aus.421572	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. McMaster, Aus.432009	2.WOP			
		Sgt. M McGarry. 1880766	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. J. R. Rowe 1592155	Desp.			
		Sgt. G. Mathews 1862719	Rear.			

20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW287 'R'	W/O. W. R. Mills 1108628	Capt.	0955	2205	D.C.O. Cumulus and cumulonimbus was encountered at the DZ and due to the unstable air, visibility was good. A 'C' type reception was found as briefed and the load was dropped in the area. Although one package chute did not open the package was seen to be retrieved on the ground. 4 engine cut over the DZ at 2800' and the Capt. feathered and climbed to 6000' and restarted the engine, having dropped the load. Nickels were dropped at Phongoaly by way of a diversion on return.
		Sgt. L. C. Loveless 1604264	2nd. P.			
		W/O. S. E. Hencher Can.293615	Nav.			
		P/O. T. D. Taylor 163841	B/A			
		Sgt. Rowe, G. V. 1795801	WOP.1.			
		Sgt. Young, C. C. 1623858	WOP.2.			
		Sgt. Potter, D. S. 1867623	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. Hawkins, J. F. 1301823	Rear.			
		Sgt. Hulse 634691	Desp.			
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW124 'H'	F/L. H. H. Monks 120514	Capt.	16.45	0130	(8.45) After take-off aircraft encountered god conditions apart from thick haze over Burma which made map reading difficult. The aircraft found the reception waiting at the DZ. R/T was used between this and other A/C. Load was dropped but no results were observed. Leaflets were dropped on Pagoda Pt. on the return journey which was uneventful.
		F/S. G. D. Goddard 1585900	2nd. P.			
		W/O. F. D. Phillips Aus.405603	Nav.			
		P/O. W. McDonald 164293	B/A			
		F/S. G. M. Hill Aus.437419	1.WOP			
		F/S. C. D. Morris, Aus.437437	2.WOP			
		Sgt. E. R. Taylor 1896508	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. E. W. Mills 1892539	Desp.			
		Sgt. H. Miles 1811869	Rear.			
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH271 'C'	W/C. P. G. D. Farr 39936	Capt.	1630	2330	(0700) A/C after an uneventful journey reached the DZ. Dropping was made difficult by the presence of mist and conditions of poor visibility, coupled with a new moon. A successful run was made at 800'. On the return journey, 3 hrs from Base, No.1 engine failed and was feathered. This caused a slight fire which eventually burnt out. The loss of the engine necessitated to Cox's Bazaar. On arrival there the first attempt to land was unsuccessful owing
		F/S. P. K. Banks 1603971	2nd. Pilot			
		F/L. P. L. Ryan 125641	Nav.			
		F/S. R. Jackman 967248	B/A			
		F/O. S. J. Brace 162856	1.WOP			
		Sgt. C. Thirkettle 1025625	2.WOP			
		F/L. P. J. Kydd 82745	Rear.			

		Sgt. J. Stanley 1894296	M.U.G.			to the aircraft swinging. A successful overshoot was made on 3 engines and the aircraft landed at 2330.
		F/S. K. Wells 1890474	Desp.			
20.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EV925 'L'	W/O. J. Jones 527725	Capt.	1700	0510	(12.10). En route some stratus cloud was encountered. In places this amounted to 7/10 to 9/10. The weather was good although there was quite a thick haze at the DZ. On the first run all the load hung and immediately afterwards No. 2 engine partially failed, so A/c set course for Base without dropping it's load or the leaflets. Base was reached safely.
		F/O. F? G. Roe Can.J.24255	2nd. Pilot			
		P/O. ? ? Jorgensen Can.J.44390	Plt.			
		P/O. D/ H. MacDiarmid Can.J.45808	Nav.			
		P/O. G. P. Lord Can.J.43618	B/A			
		W/O. K. McLaughlin 10?21724	Wop.1.			
		Sgt. V. E. Trudel Aus.260781	WOP.			
		Sgt. W? H. Tracey Aus.266344	WOP.			
		P/O. K. ? Goodison 56361	Rear.			
		Sgt. J. Ka???l Aus.200188	A/G.			
		Sgt. G. M. Lund. Aus.285099	A/G.			
		Sgt. J. Kadynuik Aus.287435	A/G.			
12 Aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. 10 were successful. 1 was unsuccessful due to lack of confidence; in the part of the Captain. 1 was unsuccessful due to engine trouble.						
22/23 March, 1945						
Route:	A/C:- 'R'	Base-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
	'A'					
	'W'	Base-2239N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2148N 10106E-2132N 10350E-DZ and return.				
	'Q'	As 'W'				
	'K'	As 'W'				
	'D'	As 'W'				
	'O'	As 'W'				
	'H'	As 'W'				
	'L'	Base-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
	'X'	As 'L'				
	'U'	As 'L'				
	'Z'	Base-1452N 9342E-0810N 9818E-DZ and return.				
Load:	A/C.	Containers	Leaflets	Packages		
	'R'	11	15	5		

	'A'	8	17	7		
	'W'	11	1	6		
	'Q'	11	--	6		
	'K'	11	--	6		
	'D'	11	--	6		
	'O'	11	--	6		
	'H'	10	--	6		
	'L'	11	14	5		
	'X'	11	15	5		
	'Z'	7	--	2		
	'U'	11	5			
	Opposition:	Nil.				
22.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW242 ¹⁶ 'U'	F/O. H. V. Smith Can.J.27671	Capt.	1810	0225	D.C.O. Good weather was encountered en route with some valley fog. The DZ was located by a DR run from Salween. The chutes opened satisfactorily and the load was seen dropping towards the DZ. A right hand circuit was made due to DZ position on side of a hill. Other A/C were seen in the area. Nickels were dropped at 1851N 9144E on the return journey.
		F/S. B. Pool 1434100	2nd. P.			
		F/S. P. R. Brenchley 1390490	Nav.			
		Sgt. H. Draper 1802370	B/A			
		Sgt. R. S. Woods 1398294	1.WOP			
		Sgt. W. J. Pickney 1805139	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. C. Copley 993351	Rear.			
		Sgt. W. A. Pugh 2206912	2.WOP			
{next page very dark and hard to read on the scan, so next four crews in question and some names and information may be in error.}						
22.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW? ??? 'A?'	W/O. W. R. Mills 1108628	Capt.	1755?	???	D.C.O. Good weather was encountered on the way ??? and the DZ was ???by a DR? run from the ????. There was ??????????????
		Sgt. L. C. Loveless 1604264	2nd. P.			
		W/O. S. E. Hencher Can.293615	Nav.			
		P/O. T. D. Taylor 163841	B/A			
		Sgt. Rowe, G. V. 1795801	1.WOP			
		Sgt. Young, C. C. 1623858	2.WOP			
		Sgt. Potter, D. S.	M.U.G.			

¹⁶ Record says FW242, but this has been corrected in the transcription.

		1867623				
		Sgt. Hawkins, J. F. 1301823	Rear.			
		Sgt. Hulse 634691	Desp.			
22.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI.		Capt.			D.C.O. Good weather en route with hazy condition at the DZ???
			2nd. P.			The ????
			Nav.			
			B/A			
			WOP.1.			
			WOP.2.			
			M.U.G.			
			Rear.			
			Desp.			
22.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI.		Capt.			
			2nd. P.			
			Nav.			
			B/A			
			WOP.1.			
			WOP.2.			
			M.U.G.			
			Rear.			
			Desp.			
22.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI.	P/O. C. H. Hedley 56141	Capt.			
		F/S. W. H. Blee 57726				
this crew		W/O. J. H. Perkins 1215501	Nav.			
a real		W/O. R. C. Chalmers 1152918	WOP.1.			
guess		P/O. J. E Tubb. 188532	WOP.2.			
		Sgt. Maiden, G. 1880343	Desp?			
		??	?			
		last line of crew may be cut off				
22.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH36?? 'D?'	W/O. R. M. Bullen, NZ.425880	Capt.	1015	2235	(D.C.O.) Patches of Cu. on the way out. Although the Roman numerals were laid out no fires were seen on the first run. Reception was then transferred to a village. The load was then dropped to the West of the village. The run was difficult along a valley and impracticable at night. A small monoplane
		F/S. R. Woodcock 1623084	2nd. P.			
		W/O. C. L. Smith NZ.429213	Nav.			
		W/O. A. W. Thomas 1256009	W/OP			

		Sgt. R. H. Weldrake. 1684845	B/A			landed nearby during the run. The A/C made an uneventful return to Base.
		Sgt. Tunnell, D. P 1866334	W/OP.2			
		Sgt. J. H. Clarke 1627355	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. Wells. 1512309	Rear.			
		Sgt. W. Patterson				
22.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH353 '?'	W/O. H. S. Martel Aus.421849	Capt.	1000	2215	(12.15) This journey was carried out under good flying conditions. The DZ was located easily and the load dropped in 2 runs. Two of the containers chutes were seen to tangle with each other and the 2 containers landed 75 yds. West of Target. The rest of the load landed O.K. The journey back to Base was uneventful.
		F/S. K. J. Steele, Aus.429674	2nd. P.			
		F/S. G. Whale 1324510	Nav.			
		F/O. W. McStea 163736	B/A			
		W/O. D. I. Graham Aus.413853	1.W/OP			
		F/S. D. C. Jolley Aus.436522	2.W/OP			
		Sgt. W. F. Ayton 1091192	A/G.			
		Sgt. G. C. Attwood 1869269	A/G.			
22.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EV977 'L'	W/O. J. H. Jones 527725	Capt.	1800	0200	(8.00) A/C found slight haze en route. It was somewhat hazier at the DZ which was easily located. As the area was hilly, the Capt. did not have the confidence to go down and make a dropping run. One package fell out of the A/C over the DZ and landed a mile from the target. The rest of the load was brought back to Base.
		F/S. G. Yeates Aus.437245	2nd. P.			
		F/S. H. C Murphy. 922489	Nav.			
		F/L. P. M. Williams 132806	B/A			
		Sgt. W. J. Donnelly 1820882	1.WOP			
		Sgt. G Fletcher. 1589917	2.WOP			
		Sgt. A. P. Lock 659147	A/G.			
		Sgt. A. J. Mansfield 2213867	A/G.			
22.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. 253 'O'	F/L. H. H. Monks 120514	Capt.	1015	2220	(12.05) A/C experienced apart from thick haze good flying conditions on the journey. The DZ was located about 4 miles from the briefed position in a village situated in a narrow valley. The load was dropped in 1 run and it was seen to land on the target. A/C set course for
		Sgt. E. G. Goddard 1585900	2nd. P.			
		W/O. F. D. Phillips Aus.405603	Nav.			
		P/O. W. MacDonald 164293	B/A			

		F/S. G. M. Hill Aus.437419	1.WOP			Base at 1600 hrs. and landed at 2220 after an uneventful journey.
		F/S. D. G. Morris, Aus.437437	2.WOP			
		Sgt. E. ?. Taylor 1896508	A/G.			
		Sgt. H. Miles 1811869	A/G.			
		Sgt. E. W. Mills 1892539	Desp.			
22.3.45	Lib. VI. EW124 'H'	S/L. S. A. Sharpe 45712	Capt.	1010	2205	(11.55) Weather excellent until about one hour from DZ area, where 5/10 to 6/10 cloud at 8?000' – 9000' which eventually cleared over the DZ. Reception as briefed. Plenty of activity seen in native village, horses and troops and a truck. One run made and all chutes open. DZ in small valley, actually placed on the road. Load seen to fall just North of the Road. Return trip uneventful with weather hazy over the Chin Hills.
		F/O. B. J. C. Edwards 157851	2nd. P.			
		F/S. C. F. Kirby 1391235	Nav.			
		W/O. R. H. Cross 1337426	B/A			
		W/O. J. A. Buchanan 1365057	1.WOP			
		F/S. F. W. Noble Aus.437539	2.WOP			
		W/O. J. W. Fayle 1357609	A/G.			
		W/O. E. W. Seymour 1300922	A/G.			
		Sgt. A. C. Fenbow 1672757	Eng.			
22.3.45	Lib.VI. KH392 'K'	F/O. M. R. Davison 50490	Capt.	1215	2305	(1050). The DZ was reached in daylight after an uneventful journey. The DZ was found in a narrow valley surrounded by hills, so it was decided to drop the load in 1 fun. This was done successfully. Aircraft then returned to Base. The weather was excellent throughout.
		F/S. D. R. Crammond 1458001	2nd. P.			
		F/O. T. Parham 161025	Nav.			
		F/O. A. N. Woods 164098	B/A			
		W/O. S. J. Webb 1307031	1.WOP			
		Sgt. G. B. Pollock 1344598	2.WOP			
		Sgt. G. Barber 1629944	A/G.			
		Sgt. W. F. Jacques 1597985	A/G.			
		W/O. G. White 1332279				
22.3.45	Lib. VI. KH167 'A'	W/O. Adams, D. P. NZ.412165	Capt.	1845	0310	(8.25). Except for valley fog conditions were good en route. The DZ was found and a reception was awaiting the
		F/S. A. J. Pearce Aus.436273	2nd. Pilot			

		F/S. S. Simpson 1457916	Nav.			aircraft. The A/C made first run, but as it was too high and somewhat wide a drop was not made. The Rear Gunner reported that as the fires were extinguished. Three more runs were made, but the reception was not seen again. A/C returned to Base after dropping leaflets over Thayetnd?.
		Sgt. R. G. Stanton 1582233	B/A			
		F/S. J. J. Costello Aus.421572	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. McMaster, Aus.432009	2.WOP			
		Sgt. M McGarry. 1880766	A/G.			
		Sgt. J. R. Rowe 1592155	Desp.			
		Sgt. D. Mathews 1862719	A/G.			
12 aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. 10 were successful. 1 was unsuccessful in very hazy conditions. 1 did not drop because of lack of confidence on the part of the Captain.						
24/15th March, 1945						
Route:	'Z'	Crashed				
	'W'	Base-2044N 9221E-1855N 9720E-DZ and return.				
	'B'	As 'W'.				
	'K'	As 'W'.				
	'H'	As 'W'.				
	'X'	As 'W'.				
	'A'	As 'W'.				
	'Q'	As 'W'.				
	'U'	As 'W'.				
	'T'	As 'W'.				
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Containers	Packages		
	'Z'	--	8	11		
	'W'	12	11	5		
	'B'	16	11	5		
	'K'	16	11	5		
	'H'	--	11	5		
	'X'	20	11	5		
	'A'	15	11	5		
	'U'	16	11	5		
	'T'	16	11	5		
	'Q'	16	11	5		
Opposition:		Nil.				
24.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH394 'W'	W/O. W. Drummond 1133124	Capt.	1840	0310	D.C.O. No cloud was experienced en route. There was a ground haze at the DZ where visibility was limited to 3 miles. The briefed reception was found
		F/S. K. W. Tunbridge Aus.434564	2nd. P.			

		F/S. F Flynn 1396358	Nav.			and the load was dropped and the first run successfully. Nickels were dropped at 1851N 9636E on the return journey followed by an uneventful return to Base.
		F/O. T. C. H. Winup 164104	B/A			
		F/S. C. J. Johnson Aus.427708	1.WOP			
		F/S. J. K. Lyons Aus.436605	2.WOP			
		Sgt. Salway 932050	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. Copeland 1595442	Desp.			
		Sgt. King 1190238	Rear.			
24.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH397 'Z'	W/O. W. R. Mills 1108628	Capt.	0400	--	D.N.C.O. Crashed after take off. Aircraft destroyed, crew killed; course not known.
		Sgt. L. C. Loveless 1604264	2nd. P.			
		Sgt. J. E. Hawkins 1301823	Rear.			
		W/O. S. E. Hencher Can.R.93615	Nav.			
		Sgt. G. V. Rowe 1795801	WOP.1			
		P/O. T. D. Taylor 163841	B/A			
		Sgt. J. Hulse 634691	Desp.			
		Sgt. C. C. Young 1623858	WOP.2			
		Sgt. D. S. Potter 1867623	M.U.G.			
24.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH257 ¹⁷	F/O. H. V. Smith Can.J.27671	Capt.	1820	0210	D.C.O. Ground haze prevailed on the outward journey and at the DZ which was located by the topography of the terrain. The load hung up on the first run but was dropped successfully on a second attempt when all chutes opened and the load was seen to drop in the area. Nickels were dropped at 1935N 9522E on the return journey.
		F/S. B. Pool 1434100	2nd. P.			
		F/S. P. R. Brenchley 1390490	Nav.			
		Sgt. H. Draper 1802370	B/A			
		Sgt. R. S. Woods 1398294	1.WOP			
		Sgt. W. A. Pugh 2206912	2.WOP			
		Sgt. W. J. Pickney 1805219	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. C. Copley 993351	Rear.			

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24.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH312 'X'	F/O. K. W. Jones 175022	Capt.	1740	0145	D.C.O. Ground haze was experienced en route and at the target where visibility was about 4 miles. The DZ was recognised by the topography of the terrain and the briefed reception was discovered. The load was not seen to land but all containers and packages were dropped with the exception of 1 package which fell out of the aircraft about 18 miles from the DZ on a bearing of 060. A Vessel was seen at 2120N 9135E on a course of 360 at 281K. Nickels were dropped at 1920N 9550E on the return journey.
		F/S. K. R. Jukes Aus.428573	2nd. P.			
		S/L. L. C. McConnell 81938	Nav.			
		Sgt. H. Dunn 1549512	B/A			
		P/O. L. J Talbot. 186538	1.WOP			
		W/O. E. A Richards. 1338958	M.U.G.			
		W/O. F. W. Rozee 1332037	Rear.			
		Sgt. McSherry 1797834	Desp.			
24.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW174 ¹⁸	P/O. C. H. Hedley 56141	Capt.	1700	0105	D.C.O. There was a layer of thin Stratus over the Northern part of Bay of Bengal on the outward journey though it was fine except for ground haze at the DZ. The DZ was a plateau with a large hill to the N.W. and was as briefed with a flashing 'W'. The drop was successful, all containers and packages being seen to land in the area. Nickels were dropped at 1921N 9456E on the return journey.
		F/S. W. Lacombe Aus.436643	2nd.P.			
		W/O. J. H. Perkins 1215501	Nav.			
		P/O. D. C. Mees 164186	B/A			
		P/O. J. E Tubb. 188532	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. C. Chalmers 1152918	2.WOP			
		P/O. W. E. Hopkins 186294	Rear.			
		F/S. W. H. Blee 57726	F/E.			
		Sgt. Maiden, G. 1880343	Desp.			
		W/O. W. Hendry 1123732	M.U.G.			
24.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH367 'Q'	W/O. R. M. Bullen, NZ.425880	Capt.	1805	0300	D.C.O. There was a ground haze over the route on the way out. The DZ was located by the topography of the terrain and the briefed reception was waiting. The chutes all opened, but it was not seen where the load landed. Nickels were dropped on the return journey. No extraordinary occurrences were experienced.
		Sgt. R. Woodcock 1623084	2nd. P.			
		F/S. C. L. Smith NZ.429213	Nav.			
		Sgt. R. H. Weldrake. 1684845	B/A			
		W/O. A. W. Thomas 1256009	WOP.1.			
		Sgt. D. P Tunnell, 1866334	WOP.2.			

¹⁸ Code not given in record.

		Sgt. J. H. Clarke 1627355	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. Wells. 1512309	Rear.			
		Sgt. Patterson, W. 1301461	Desp.			
24.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 ¹⁹	S/L. S. A. Sharpe 45712	Capt.	1710	0105	(7.55) Weather en route O.K. but hazy over hills. DZ. reception as briefed. Made 2 runs 400' and 500' above DZ but could not see where chutes landed due to haze. Consider easy DZ to run over but DZ very small clearing and if undershoot and overshoot made load very difficult to obtain. Made both runs S.W. N.E. Return to Base uneventful. Landed 0150.
		F/O. ?. C. Edwards 157851	2nd. P.			
		F/S. C. F. Kirby 1391233	Nav.			
		W/O. R. H. Cross 1337426	B/A			
		W/O. J. A. Buchanan 1365057	1.WOP			
		F/S. F. W. Noble Aus.437539	2.WOP			
		W/O. J. W. Fayle 1357609	A/G.			
		W/O. E. W. Seymour 1300922	A/G.			
		Sgt. R. C. Fenbow 1672757	Eng.			
24.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH353 ²⁰	F/L. H. H. Monks 120514	Capt.	1727	0122	(7.55). Aircraft encountered thick haze up to 7,000' over Burma. At the DZ one run was made, all chutes were seen to open successfully. Aircraft then returned to Base after an uneventful trip.
		Sgt. G. D?. Goddard 1585900	2nd. P.			
		W/O. F. D. Phillips Aus.405603	Nav.			
		P/O. W. MacDonald 164293	B/A			
		F/S. C. M?. Hill Aus.437419	1.WOP			
		F/S. D. G. Morris, Aus.437437	2.WOP			
		Sgt. E. R. Taylor 1896508	A/G.			
		Sgt. E. W. Mills 1892539	Desp.			
		Sgt. H. Miles 1811869	A/G.			
24.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH393 ²¹	F/L. M. R. Davison 50490	Capt.	1815	0245	(8.30) A few minutes after take off A/C was forced to land to make engine cowling adjustment. This caused a delay of 30 mins. A/C then re-took off
		F/S. D. R. Crammond 1458001	2nd. P.			

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²⁰ Code not given in record.

²¹ Code not given in record.

		F/O. T. Parham 161025	Nav.			and without further incident reached the DZ. Reception was found poorly illuminated in a valley. A/C made 1 run and dropped although the load was not seen on the ground by A/C the reception flashed O.K. This DZ is considered unsuitable for night dropping owing to the close proximity of the Hills. A/C returned to Base.
		F/O. A. N. Woods 164098	B/A			
		W/O. S. J. Webb 1307031	1.WOP			
		Sgt. K. Holden Aus.430657	2.WOP			
		Sgt. G. Barber 1629944	A/G.			
		Sgt. W. F. Jacques 1597988	Desp.			
		W/O. G. White 1332279	A/G.			
24.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW124 ²²	W/O. H. S. Martell Aus.421849	Capt.	1830	0255	Aircraft carried out the operation in good flying conditions. A DR run was made from the Salween River and the DZ located. The load was successfully dropped in one run. Leaflets were dropped over Myas?ngaintiha on the return journey.
		F/S. K. J. Steele, Aus.429674	2nd. P.			
		F/S. G. Whale 1324510	Nav.			
		F/O. W. McStea 163736	B/A			
		F/S. D. C. Jolley Aus.436522	1.WOP			
		F/S. K. Holden Aus.430657	2.WOP			
		Sgt. F. Simmonite 1877199	A/G.			
		Sgt. G. C. Attwood 1869269	A/G.			
		Sgt. W. F, Ayton 1091192	A/G.			
10 aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. 9 took off and dropped successfully. 1 took off and crashed shortly afterwards.						
26/27 March, 1945						
Route:	A/C: 'E?'	Base-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-18?10N 10305E-DZ-Cox's Bazaar				
	'T'	Base-2259N 9422E-2104N 98?37E-DZ and return				
	'H?'	Base-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
	'N?'	Base-2259N 9422E-2104N 98?37E-DZ and return				
	'A'	Base-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
	'R'	As 'A'				
	'D'	As 'A'				
	'?'	As 'A'				
	'K'	Base-2044N 9221E-1810N 9730E-DZ and return.				
	'W'	Base-2044N 9221E-2017N 10008E-2003N 10213E-DZ and return.				

²² Code not given in record.

	'X'	As 'W'				
	'Q'	As 'W'				
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Containers	Packages		
	'L'	16	8	11		
	'T'	16	11	5		
	'H'	16	7	1		
	'N'	16	7	1		
	'A'	--	11	5		
	'R'	16	11	6		
	'D'	15	11	6		
	'?'	16	11	6		
	'K'	--	6	2		
	'W'	12	11	6		
	'X'	16	14	6		
	'Q'	16	11	6		
Opposition:		A/C 'W' reported in Yenang Yaung Area 3 bursts of H.A.A. fairly accurate. No hits, deflection inaccurate.				
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	W/C. P. G. D. Farr 39936	Capt.	1735	0210	(8.35) Aircraft reached a pinpoint on the Salween without difficulty. It then made a timed run to the DZ followed by a search. Apart from a possible line of three torches with one flashing nothing could be distinguished from the bush fires and other lights which covered the area. The A/C brought it's load back to Base.
		F/S. P. K. Banks 1603971	2nd. Pilot			
		F/L. P. L. Ryan 125641	Nav.			
		W/O. R. Jackman 967248	B/A			
		F/O. S. J. Brace 162856	1.WOP			
		Sgt. C. Thirkettle 1025625	2.WOP			
		Sgt. J. Stanley 1894296	A/G.			
		F/L. P. J. Kydd 82745	A/G.			
		F/S. K. Wells 1890474	F/E.			
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH312 'T'	P/O. C. H. Hedley 56141	Capt.	1035	0945	D.C.O. The weather was clear most of the way out with cloud around 99E. The DZ was located by a DR run from the Mekong and was obscured by 8/10 ths stratus cu. The drop was made more difficult because of the proximity of high terrain. One of the chutes tore in opening and it was not seen where the load landed. Nickels were dropped from 8,000' at 2025N 9607E on the return trip.
		F/S. W. Lacombe Aus.436643	2nd.P.			
		W/O. J. H. Perkins 1215501	Nav.			
		P/O. D. C. Mees 164186	B/A			
		P/O. J. E Tubb. 188532	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. C. Chalmers 1152915	2.WOP			

		W/O. W. Hendry 1123732	M.U.G.			
		F/S. W. H. Blee 57726	F/E.			
		Sgt. G. Maiden 1880343	Desp.			
		P/O. W. E. Hopkins 186294	Rear.			
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW242 ²³	W/O. R. M. Bullen, NZ.425880	Capt.	1710	0050	D.C.O. The weather was good on the way out but ground mist was encountered. The DZ was located by a DR run from the Salween and consisted of a rectangle of fires with flashing letter 'W' as briefed. The run was reasonably easy because of the good DZ and all chutes but one opened, they were not seen to land. Nickels were dropped at Yed?asme from 10,000' on return trip.
		Sgt. R. Woodcock 1623084	2nd. P.			
		F/S. C. L. Smith NZ.429213	Nav.			
		Sgt. R. H. Weldrake. 1684845	B/A			
		W/O. A. W. Thomas 1256009	WOP.1.			
		Sgt. D. P Tunnell, 1866334	WOP.2.			
		Sgt. J. H. Clarke 1627355	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. Wells. 1512209	Rear.			
		Sgt. W. Patterson 1301461	Desp.			
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.Vi. KH394 'W'	F/O. H. V. Smith Can.J.27671	Capt.	1035	2150	D.C.O. Good weather was experienced en route. While dropping leaflets at Yenang Yaung 3 bursts of H.A.A. were seen at the height of the A/C 200 yds. ahead. On the A/C arrival at the DZ the posn. was pin-pointed. Another A/C was seen dropping an agent as A/C made a run and dropped load ²⁴
		F/S. B. Pool 1434100	2nd. P.			
		F/S. P. R. Brenchley 1390490	Nav.			
		Sgt. J. H. Draper 1802370	B/A			
		Sgt. R. S. Woods 1398294	1.WOP			
		Sgt. W. A. Pugh 2206912	2.WOP			
		Sgt. W. Pickney 1805219	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. C. Copley ²⁵ 993351	Rear.			
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH392 'K'	F/L. M. R. Davison 54090	Capt.	1715	0435	(11.20) A/C after an uneventful journey reached DZ 30 mins. early. Although the area was

²³ Code not given in record.

²⁴ Balance of the 'description' is cut off on the microfilm.

²⁵ This line is cut off on the microfilm of the record, however there is some indication that the crew member was Copley.

		F/S. D. R. Crammond 1458001	2nd. P.			searched for 2 hours during which time various time runs were made from pinpoints no reception was seen. It has been stated at briefing that there was some doubt about the probability of reception on this target. The return journey was made with good flying conditions and load was returned to Base.
		F/O. T. Parham 161025	Nav.			
		F/O. A. N. Woods 164098	B/A			
		W/O. S. J. Webb 1307031	1.WOP			
		Sgt. G. B. Pollock 1344598	2.WOP			
		Sgt. G. Barber 1629944	A/G.			
		Sgt. W. F. Jacques 15977	Desp.			
		W/O. G. White 1332279	A/G.			
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW174 'T'	S/L. S. A. Sharpe 45712	Capt.	1315	2130	(8.15). Weather en rout was good. Very hazy over the DZ area. Made DR run from Mekong and found reception as briefed. DZ very small and badly positioned. Should have been moved East along valley to allow it to be seen other than when aircraft is directly overhead. One run made at approx. 3,500' and containers landed S of DZ where they should be easily accessible. Definitely not a suitable DZ for night drops. Return trip uneventful, landed 2130 hrs.
		F/O. B. J. C. Edwards 157851	2nd. P.			
		P/O. J. A. Buchanan 191893	1.WOP			
		P/O. R. H. Cross 191892	B/A			
		W/O. C. F. Kirby 1391233	Nav.			
		F/S. F. W. Noble Aus.437539	2.WOP			
		W/O. J. W. Fayle 1357609	M.U.G.			
		W/O. E. W. Seymour 1300922	Rear.			
		F/S. R. C. Fenbow 1672757	Desp.			
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW124 'H?'	F/L. H. H. Monks 120514	Capt.	1330	2210	(8.40) After experiencing thick haze over Burma A/C located DZ which was situated in a depression amongst hills. It is considered a difficult DZ. The load was dropped in one run, one container chute failed to open and one container opened on the way down. scattering it's contents. Base was reached without further event.
		F/S. D. G. Goddard 1585900	2nd. P.			
		W/O. F. D. Phillips Aus.405603	Nav.			
		P/O. W. McDonald 164293	B/A			
		F/S. G. M. Hill Aus.437419	1.WOP			
		F/S. D. G. Morris, Aus.437437	2.WOP			
		Sgt. E. R. Taylor 1896508	A/G.			
		Sgt. H. Miles 1811869	A/G.			

		Sgt. E. W. Mills 1892539	Desp.			
26.3.45	Liberator KH353 'D'	F/L. S. W. Bridges J.21223	Capt.	²⁶		(8.50) Although weather was fine on the way out it was most hazy in the DZ area. Because of this difficulty was experienced in locating the reception. One run was made and the load dropped successfully. The haze together with the hills made the target a difficult one A/C then returned to Base.
		F/S. G. E. Smith 1622770	2nd. P.			
		F/O. B. C. Luther Can.J.24562	Nav.			
		P/O. W. Mesher 164434	B/A			
		W/O. K. McLaughlin 1021724	1.WOP			
		F/S. C. A. Luke Aus.430549	2.WOP			
		W/O. W. C. McCaffrey 642539	A/G.			
		Sgt. K. R. Banks 2221297	Desp.			
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH367 'Q'	W/O. W. Drummond 1133124	Capt.	1045	18?10	D.C.O. Good weather experienced en rout as far as 1808?E when it became overcast. The DZ. situated on the side of a hill, was located by a DR run from a pinpoint on the Mekong. All containers and packages dropped on the area. Other A/C report having dropped on the side of the hill. On the return journey leaflets were dropped at Luang-Prabang.
		F/S. K. W. Tunbridge Aus.434564	2nd. P.			
		F/S. F Flynn 1396358	Nav.			
		F/O. T. C. H. Winup 164104	B/A			
		F/S. C. J. Johnson Aus.427708	WOP.1.			
		F/S. J. K. Lyons Aus.436605	WOP.2.			
		Sgt. Salway 932050	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. Copeland 1595442	Desp.			
		Sgt. King 1190238	Rear.			
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW26?7 'R??'	F/O. K. W. Jones 175022	Capt.	1735	0145	D.C.O. Weather out was fine with ground haze. The briefed reception was good, a rectangle of fires with a flashing 'W'. It was thought that the chutes opened but ground haze prevented them being seen to land. Nickels were dropped fro 9000 feet at Swan on the return journey.
		W/O. T. Batchelor 1316082	Nav.			
		F/S. K. R. Jukes Aus.428573	2nd. P.			
		Sgt. H. Dunn 1549512	B/A			
		P/O. L. J Talbot. 186538	W/OP			
		W/O. E. A Richards. 1335958	M.U.G.			

²⁶ Times not given in record.

		W/O. E. W. Rozee 1338958	Rear.			
		F/S. McSherry 1797834	Desp.			
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EV925 'L'	W/O. H. S. Martell Aus.421849	Capt.	0615	2110	(14.55) A/C experienced fine weather until 104E when it ran into 10/10 strat Cu. tops 6,000 bottom at ground level. It the went out to sea and broke cloud. On the trip from there to the DZ area it encountered hills in the cloud so deemed it unwise to proceed further. A/C then went out to sea, climbed and set course for Base. On the return journey leaflets were dropped over Khanek?. Because of engine trouble A/C landed at Cox's Bazaar.
		F/S. K. J. Steele, Aus.429674	2nd. P.			
		F/S. G. Whale 1324510	Nav.			
		F/O. W. McStea 163736	B/A			
		F/S. D. C. Jolley Aus.436522	1.WOP			
		Sgt. K. Holden Aus.430657	2.WOP			
		Sgt. F. Simmonite 1877199	A/G.			
		Sgt. W. F, Ayton 1091192	A/G.			
		Sgt. G. C. Attwood 1869269	A/G.			
26.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH365 'N'	W/O. Adams, D. P. NZ.412165	Capt.	1330	2335	(9.05) Weather throughout journey was good except for some Cu. encountered near the D.Z. At the DZ there was no cloud, but the haze made visibility about 1 ½ miles. The sun had just set which also did not aid from a vix. point of view. The reception was found and the load was dropped in one run. One package chute was seen t spill and the package landed 2-300 yards from the target. The trip back after dropping leaflets at 2117N 9552E was uneventful.
		F/S. A. J. C. Pearce Aus.436273	2nd. Pilot			
		F/S. S. Simpson 1457916	Nav.			
		Sgt. R. G. Stanton 1582233	B/A			
		F/S. J. J. Costello Aus.421572	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. McMaster, Aus.432009	2.WOP			
		Sgt. M McGarry. 1880766	A/G.			
		Sgt. J. R. Roe ²⁷ 1592155	Desp.			
		Sgt. D. Mathews 1862719	A/G.			
12 aircraft were detailed for S.D. operations. 9 were successful. 2 did not receive reception. 1 not successful due to weather .						
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²⁷ In previous entries spelt "Rowe".

28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH312 'X'	F/O. K. W. Jones 175022	Capt.	1330	2055	D.C.O. Haze was encountered on the way out. The DZ was a clearing among a clump of trees on a ridge as briefed and the reception consisted of a whit 'T' with a bell at the top and a smoky fire. The load over shot the DZ by 30 yds. and all chutes opened but one of which the static line broke. Mustangs were seen in the area apparently shooting up the DZ. No nickels were carried so the A/C returned to Base uneventfully.
		F/S. K. R. Jukes Aus.428573	2nd. P.			
		S/L. L. C. McConnell 81938	Nav.			
		F/S. H. T. Dawson NZ.425654	WOP.2			
		W/O. E. A Richards. 1338958	M.U.G.			
		W/O. E. W. Rozee 1332037	Rear.			
		F/S. H. Dunn 1549512	B/A			
		P/O. L. J Talbot. 186538	WOP.1			
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH367 'Q'	W/O. W. Drummond 1133124	Capt.	1855	0730	D.N.C.O. Heavy haze covered the ground during the outward journey Position was established at a tow East of the DZ twice but the DZ was not identified. Vis. was only 1 mile in the area and although the Capt. searched no reception was found. Nickels were dropped at Lampang from 8.600' on the return journey.
		F/S. K. W. Tunbridge Aus.434569	2nd. P.			
		F/S. F Flynn 1396358	Nav.			
		F/O. T. C. H. Winup 164104	B/A			
		F/S. C. J. Johnson Aus.427798	1.WOP			
		F/S. J. K. Lyons Aus.436605	2.WOP			
		Sgt. Salway 932050	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. King 1190238	Rear.			
		Sgt. Copeland 1595442	Desp.			
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH ²⁸ 'G'	F/L. R. W. Robinson 51159	Capt.	1735	0220?	D.C.O. Despite heavy ground haze the target was located on the side of a hill as a 'T' of lights with a flashing 'N?'. A hangup necessitated a second run when the load was successfully dropped. Nickels were dropped at Pyalo from 8000' on the return journey.
		F/O. I. N. Wilson 164419	2nd. Pilot			
		F/O. Fielding	Nav.			
		P/O. L. C. Bartlett 165606	1.WOP			
		Sgt. E. Andrews 1357596	2.WOP			
		Sgt. Sherwood 1583263	B/A			
		Sgt. Clarke. 636459	M.U.G.			

²⁸ Balance of serial number not given in record.

		Sgt. Burling 1877098	Rear.			
		Sgt. Bell 1595905	Desp.			
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW174 'P'	W/O. R. M. Bullen, NZ.425880	Capt.	0725	0230	D.C.O. Clear with Cu. on the way out. A DR run from Perak. After dropping a second run was made when parachutes were seen in the area and three in the trees 150 from the DZ. Nickels at Baline? from 6,000' on return.
		F/S. R. Woodcock 1623084	2nd. P.			
		W/O. C. L. Smith NZ.429213	Nav.			
		W/O. A. W. Thomas 1256009	1.WOP			
		F/O. W. H. Bull 165575	Nav.			
		Sgt. R. H. Weldrake. 1684845	B/A			
		Sgt. D. P Tunnell 1866334	2.WOP			
		Sgt. J. H. Clarke 1627355	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. Wells. 1512209	Rear.			
		Sgt. Patterson, W. 1301461	Desp.			
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Route:	A/C: 'X'	Base-2045N 9220E-1853N 9721E DZ and return.				
	'A'	Base-2259N 9422E-2203N 9845E-2147N 10106E-DZ and return.				
	'R'	As 'A'				
	'D'	Base-2040N 953?9E-2148N 10113E-DZ and return.				
	'G'	Base-2045N 9220E-1853N 9721E DZ and return.				
	'K'	As 'G'				
	'O'	As 'G'				
	'W'	As 'G'				
	'Q'	Base-1916N 9622E-1820N 9733E-DZ and return.				
	'N'	Base-1453N 9310E-0920N 9956E-0659N 1017 ²⁹ E DZ and return.				
	'T'	As 'N'				
	'H'	Base-1453N 654?2E-0920N 9956E-0610N 1021?5E-DZ and return.				
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Containers	Packages		
	'X'	12	11	6		
	'A'	16	11	6		
	'R'	16	11	6		
	'D'	16	11	6		
	'G'	16	11	5		
	'K'	16	11	5		
	'O'	12	11?	--		
	'W'	--	11	4		
	'Q'	16	11	6		
	'N'	12	7	4		

²⁹ Record says 1017E, an obvious error; probably should be 10107E.

	'T'	10	7	4		
	'H'	--	6	5		
	Opposition:	Nil.				
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI KH253 'Q?'	F/O. H. V. Smith Can.J.27671	Capt.	1815	0210	D.C.O. Although the visibility was good the A/C experienced difficulty in locating the DZ. After 20 mins. searching a reception was found. It was a weak white light. One successful run was made at 500' and the supplies were seen to land slightly to the left of the target. Because of the insufficient brilliance of the light A/C was forced to do it's circuit around the target on instruments. A/C the returned to Base ³⁰
		F/S. B. Pool 1434100	2nd. P.			
		F/S. P. R. Brenchley 1390490	Nav.			
		Sgt. J. H. Draper 1802370	B/A			
		Sgt. R. S. Woods 1398294	1.WOP			
		Sgt. W. A. Pugh 2206912	2.WOP			
		Sgt. W. J. Pickney 1805139	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. C. Copley 993351	Rear.			
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	S/L. S. A. Sharpe 45712	Capt.	1015	215?5	(1100 ³¹) Weather en route good. Hazy over the DZ area. DR run made from Dien Bien Phu and reception waiting as briefed. One run made and load landed between DZ and village about 200 yards Leaflets dropped on return trip in Ma???yo area from 10,000'. Two packages of load candled. arrive at Base 2108? hrs.
		F/O. B. J. C. Edwards 157851	2nd. P.			
		W/O. C. F. Kirby 1391233	Nav.			
		P/O. R. H. Cross 1337426 ³²	B/A			
		P/O. J. A. Buchanan 1365057	1.WOP			
		F/S. F. W. Noble Aus.437539	2.WOP			
		W/O. J. W. Fayle 1357609	A/G.			
		F/S. R. C. Fenbow 1672757	Eng.			
		W/O. E. W. Seymour 1300922	A/G.			
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH353 'D'	F/L. H. H. Monks 120514	Capt.	1035	2120	(1045) A/C experienced haze over Burma. Leaflets were dropped at Maym?yo on the outward journey from 9000'. The DZ was located in a narrow
		F/S. G. D. Goddard 1585900	2nd. P.			

³⁰ Balance of details cut off on microfilm copy of record.

³¹ As given in record but does not match 'Time up' and 'Time Down' entries.

³² Service numbers given for Cross and Buchanan in this entry are their old service numbers as NCO's, not Officers.

		W/O. F. D. Phillips Aus.405603	Nav.			valley and the load dropped. All chutes were seen to open, but because of the hilly nature of the terrain it was necessary to turn the A/C immediately so it was not observed where the supplies dropped. In this area the maps are ????? inaccurate in the height given. The return journey was uneventful.
		P/O. W. McDonald 164293	B/A			
		F/S. G. M. Hill Aus.437419	1.WOP			
		F/S. D. G. Morris, Aus.437437	2.WOP			
		Sgt. E. R. Taylor 1896508	A/G.			
		Sgt. H. Miles 1811869	A/G.			
		Sgt. E. W. Mills 1892539	Desp.			
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW287 '?'	F/S. E. V. Mathews 1604351	Capt.	1040	2250	D.N.C.O. There was heavy ground haze en route. The last definite pinpoint was on the Irrawaddy and no satisfactory pinpoint was made on the Mekong. When the Captain decided fuel position would permit no more searching and nothing had been seen despite a descent to 5,000' lowest safety level he set course to Maymyo where nickels were dropped from 10,000'
		Sgt. N. H? ?????cook 18?86403?	2nd. Pilot			
		F/S. H? EI?? 157723?5??	Nav.			
		Sgt. S. A. Simpson, 1673688	B/A			
		Sgt. D. S. Gaskin 605616	1.WOP			
		Sgt. J. N?????? 1680204	2.WOP			
		Sgt. Whitehouse 1567533	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. W. Wallace 1568323	Rear.			
		Sgt. J. J. Tracey 1685317	Desp.			
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. ³³	P/O. C. H. Hedley 56141	Capt.	1810	0205	D.C.O. Weather en route was fine but very hazy. The briefed DZ was located although the flashing letter was not entirely satisfactory. The load was dropped on the centre o f the DZ. and course was set for the nickeling zone. SWA where the leaflets were dropped form 10,000'. The A/C then made an uneventful return to Base. Nothing was seen due to ground haze.
		F/S. Lacombe Aus.436643	2nd.P.			
		W/O. Perkins, J. H. 1215501	Nav.			
		P/O. D. C. Mees 164186	B/A			
		P/O. J. E Tubb. 188532	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. C. Chalmers 1152918	2.WOP			
		F/S. W. H. Blee	F/E.			

³³ Neither serial number nor code given in record.

		577626				
		P/O. W. E. Hopkins 186294	Rear.			
		Sgt. G. Maiden 1880343	Desp.			
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH392 'K'	F/O. M. R. Davison 54090	Capt.	1725	0235	(9.10) Although poor visibility prevailed on the outward journey the weather was quite fine. Visibility in the DZ area was particularly poor being 1,000 yds or less in places. Timed runs were made for definite pinpoint on the Salween River but the reception was not located after 1 ½ hours search. The load was returned to Base.
		F/S. D. R. Crammond 1458001	2nd. P.			
		F/O. T. Parham 161025	Nav.			
		F/O. A. N. Woods 164098	B/A			
		W/O. S. J. Webb 1307031	1.WOP			
		Sgt. G. B. Pollock 1344598	2.WOP			
		Sgt. W. R. Jacques 1597988	Desp.			
		Sgt. G. Barber 1629944	A/G.			
		W/O. G. White 1332279	A/G.			
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW124 'H?'	F/L. S. W. Bridges J.21203	Capt.	0700	0230	
		F/S. G. E. Smith 1622770	2nd. P.			
		F/O. B. C. Luther Can.J.24562	Nav.			
		W/O. J. Batchelor 1316082	B/A			
		W/O. K. McLaughlin 1021724	1.WOP			
		F/S. C. A. Luke Aus.430549	2.WOP			
		W/O. W. C. McCaffrey 642539	A/G.			
		Sgr. M?????? 1826237?	A/G.			
		F/Sgt. A?? ?????69	A/G.			
28.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH365 'N?'	W/O. D. P Adams. NZ.412165	Capt.	0720	0245	(1925) The trip was uneventful to Properis? Island and then across to the Kra Peninsular lowering CB? was encountered ?? good? so the A/C went below it. 20 miles from the DZ thick cloud
		F/S. A. J. Pearce Aus.436273	2nd. P.			

		F/S. S. Simpson 1457916	Nav.			was banked up on the hills so the A/C went to the DZ via ?? village. As half the containers hung on the first run another run was necessary. The circuit was made round many of the 5,000' hills in the vicinity. After dropping the balance of the load leaflets were dropped over Pas?? M?as. On the return journey much Cu. and Cb. with lightning was encountered and many changes of course were necessary to avoid the conditions. At times the ³⁴
		Sgt. R. G. Stanton 1582233	B/A			
		P/O. Fielding?	Nav.			
		F/S. J. J. Costello Aus.421572	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. McMaster, Aus.432009	2.WOP			
		Sgt. M McGarry. 1880766	A/G.			
		Sgt. J. R. Rowe 1592155	Desp.			
		Sgt. D. Mathews 1862719	A/G.			
12 aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. 9 were successful. 2 failed to locate the DZ in bad weather. 1 claimed to be over the area, but did not receive reception.						
29/3/45						
Route:	A/C:- 'A', 'G', 'X'					
	'A'	Base:-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
	'G'	As 'A'				
	'X'	As 'A'				
Load:	A/C.	Containers	Packages			
	'A'	14	5			
	'G'	11	5			
	'X'	14	5			
Opposition:	Nil.					
29.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH312 'X'	F/O. K. W. Jones 175922	Capt.	17051	0220	D.C.O. Good weather en route but heavy ground haze. The DZ was almost completely obscured, but a pinpoint was found at the junction of the ???en and the Sittang from where a DR run was made. A 'T' of 5 lights with a flashing 'K?' was discovered as briefed and on arrival another Lib. was seen in the area which dropped first. The chutes opened successfully, but the load was not seen to land. The drop was difficult owing to prominent 5000' hills. A
		F/S. K. R. Jukes Aus.428573	2nd. P.			
		S/L. L. C. McConnell 81938	Nav.			
		Sgt. H. Dunn 1549512	B/A			
		P/O. L. J. M. Talbot. 186538	1.WOP			
		F/S. H. T. Dawson NZ.425654	2.WOP			
		W/O. E. A Richards. 1335958	M.U.G.			

³⁴ Balanced of details cut off on the microfilm copy of the record.

		W/O. E. W. Rozee 1332037	Rear.			bluish white flash was seen in front of the starboard wing accompanied by a load crack, but no jar was felt by the A/C. No ground action seen. This occurred miles N of DZ as the aircraft was leaving.
29.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	W/C. P. G. D. Farr 39936	Capt.	1735	0145	(0810) Fair weather was encountered en route. A pin point was found on the Salween and a DR run made to the DZ. No reception was found so the A/C searched unsuccessfully. Another run was made from the Salween and the reception was located. Load was dropped from rather a high dropping height. A/C returned to Base without further event.
		F/S. P. K. Banks 1603971	2nd. Pilot			
		F/L. P. L. Ryan 125641	Nav.			
		F/S. R. Jackman 967248	B/A			
		F/O. S. J. Brace 162856	WOP.1.			
		Sgt. C. Thirkettle 1025625	WOP.2.			
		Sgt. J. Stanley 1894296	A/G.			
		F/L. P. J. Kydd 82745	A/G.			
		F/S. K. Wells 1890474	Eng.			
29.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH258 'G'	W/O. H. S. Martell Aus.421849	Capt.	1815	0310	(8.55). After a journey through fine conditions aircraft located area of DZ in hazy conditions. A pin point was obtained in the Salween River and timed run was made without locating the reception. Aircraft checked up with A/C 'A' that it was in the area, but nevertheless, could not locate reception. Aircraft then returned to Base with it's load.
		F/S. K. J. Steele, Aus.429674	2nd. P.			
		F/S. G. Whale 1324510	Nav.			
		F/O. W. McStea 163736	B/A			
		F/S. D. C. Jolley Aus.436522	1.WOP			
		Sgt. K. Holden Aus.430657	2.WOP			
		Sgt. F. Simmonite 1877199	A/G.			
		Sgt. W. F. Ayton 1091192	A/G.			
		Sgt. G. C. Attwood 1869269	A/G.			
3 aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations in Central Burma. All were successful, although subsequent report indicate that as the loads were dropped from to great a height they were dispersed over a large area.						

30.3.45		{page probably out of order}				
30.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH253 'O'	F/O. H. V. Smith Can.J.27671	Capt.	1000	2225	D.N.C.O. Weather was fine en route with patches of Cu. base 7000'. The Capt. made a DR run on the secondary having found no reception at the primary, but this was covered by 10/10 St. Cu. The load was brought back to Base.
		F/S. Pool 1434100	2nd. P.			
		F/S. P. R. Brenchley 1390490	Nav.			
		Sgt. H. Draper 1802370	B/A			
		Sgt. R. S. Woods 1398294	1.WOP			
		Sgt. W. A. Pugh 2206912	2.WOP			
		Sgt. W. J. Pickney 1805139	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. C. Copley 993351	Rear.			
30.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW287 'R'	W/O. R. M. Bullen, NZ.425880	Capt.	1010	2300	D.C.O. The flight was bumpy on the way out with patches of Cu. cloud. No reception was found at the Primary, but there was a Roman IV and 2 white strips at the Secondary as briefed. The load was dropped in the field where the reception was laid out. Two aircraft and numerous people were waiting in the area. On return 5 pontoon bridges sighted 2002N 10213E.
		F/S. R. Woodcock 1623084	2nd. P.			
		W/O. C. L. Smith NZ.429213	Nav.			
		Sgt. R. H. Weldrake. 1684845	B/A			
		W/O. A. W. Thomas 1256009	1.WOP.			
		Sgt. D. P Tunnell 1866334	2.W/OP.			
		Sgt. J. H. Clarke 1627355	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. Wells. 1512309	Rear.			
		Sgt. W. Patterson				
30.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. EW174 'P'	P/O. C. H. Hedley 56141	Capt.	2000	0420	Clear weather en route with good haze. DZ on side of a ridge not as briefed, but the reception was as briefed with a flashing 'N?'. the load was seen landing for the DZ. One static line broke away. Nickels were dropped at Pyinmana from 8,000'.
		F/S. W. H. Blee 577626	F/E.			
		W/O. J. H. Perkins 1215501	Nav.			
		P/O. D. C. Mees 164186	B/A			
		P/O. J. E Tubb. 188532	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. C. Chalmers 1152918	2.WOP			
		W/O. W. Hendry 1123732	M.U.G.			

		P/O. W. E. Hopkins 186294	Rear.			
		Sgt. Maiden, G. 1880343	Desp.			
30.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH365 'N'	W/O. E. P. Adams NZ.412165	Capt.	1945	0845	(1300) Until the Irrawaddy Vis. was good, then 10/10 cloud above and below was encountered. No further land marks were seen until the DR position of the DZ was reached. Course was then set for the Mekong where the A/C broke cloud and proceeded to a lake in the DZ area. Several timed runs to the DZ were made without success. The A/C then climbed and after a very bumpy trip broke cloud on the coast of Burma. It was somewhat S of track and as fuel was becoming low course was set for Cox's Bazaar where A/C and it's load landed.
		F/O. A. J. Pearce Aus.436273	2nd. Pilot			
		F/S. S. Simpson 1457996	Nav.			
		F/S. J. J. Costello Aus.421572	1.WOP			
		W/O. R. McMaster, Aus.432009	2.WOP			
		Sgt. R. G. Stanton 1582233	B/A			
		Sgt. McGarry. 1880766	A/G.			
		Sgt. J. R. Roe ³⁵ 1592155	Desp.			
		Sgt. D. Mathews 1862719	Rear.			
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Route:	A/C: 'O'	Base-2203?N 9845?E-2132N 10350E-DZ and return.				
	'R'	Base-2203N 9845E-2148N 10106E-DZ and return.				
	'A'	Base-2044N 9221E-1853N 9720E-DZ and return.				
	'X'	Base-1950N 9745E-1750N 10129E-DZ and return.				
	'P'	Base-2015N 9684?E-DZ and return.				
	'D'	Base-1950N 9745E-DZ-2048N 9620E-Base.				
	'G'	Base-1852N 9721E-DZ-1925N 9734E-2048N 9620E-Base.				
	'M'	Base-1950N 9745E-1750N 10129E-1714N 10403E-DZ and return.				
Load	A/C.	Leaflets	Containers	Packages		
	'O'	--	11	6		
	'R'	--	11	6		
	'A'	--	14	5		
	'X'	--	11	6		
	'P'	16	7	5		
	'D'	15	14	5		
	'G'	16	11	5		
	'M'	16	11	6		
Opposition:		Nil.				

³⁵ Other entries spell this name Rowe.

30.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH?312 'X'	W/O. W. Drummond 1133124	Capt.	1815	0635	D.C.O. The ground haze made map reading difficult en route. Location of DZ was aggravated by natural features. However, the briefed reception was found, and the load dropped in the area. The height of the DZ was considered to be 1000' A.S.C. The A/C made an uneventful return to Base.
		F/S. K. W. Tunbridge Aus.434569	2nd. P.			
		F/S. F Flynn 1396358	Nav.			
		F/O. T. C. H. Winup 164104	B/A			
		F/S. C. J. Johnson Aus.427708	1.WOP			
		F/S. J. K. Lyons Aus.436605	2.WOP			
		Sgt. Salway 932050 Sgt. King 1190238	M.U.G. Rear.			
30.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH367 'Q'	F/L. R. W. Robinson 51159	Capt.			Did not take off. Mag drop of 200 due to plugs.
		F/O. R. A. Carter? Aus.28286?	2nd. Pilot			
		P/O. W. H. Bull 165575	Nav.			
		P/O. L. C. Bartlett 165606	1.WOP			
		Sgt. A. J. Sherwood 1583263	B/A			
		Sgt. E. M?. Andrews 1357596	2.WOP			
		Sgt. T. F. Clarke. 636459	M.U.G.			
		Sgt. A. Burling 1877098	Rear.			
		Sgt. R?. Bell 1595905	Desp.			
30.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH258 'G'	F/L. S. W. Bridges J.21223	Capt.	1940	0500	(9.20) A/C after an uneventful journey outward found very thick haze in the DZ area. This with the hilly nature of the country called for extreme care. The DZ was circled several times to not the positions of the hills and their heights. after one dummy run the load was dropped successfully. The A/C then proceeded to the Meiktilla area where pintails were dropped. Leaflets were also dropped in Central Burma after which the A/C returned to Base. The Navn. throughout the journey was excellent.
		F/S. C. E. Smith 1622770	2nd. P.			
		F/O. B. C. Luther Can.J.24562	Nav.			
		P/O. T. Kay	B/A			
		W/O. K. McLaughlin 1021724	1.W/OP			
		F/S. C. A. Luke Aus.430549	2.W/OP			
		W/O. W. C. McCaffrey 642539	A/G.			

		Sgt. McGowan 1826237	A/G.			
		P/O. G. R. Godison 56361	.			
30.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH167 'A'	S/L. S. A. Sharpe 45712	Capt.	1316	2115	(8.00) Weather good, slight haze over the DZ area. DR. run made from the Salween and DZ definitely identified as briefed. DZ is cleared area 100 X 600 yards in woods, on a ridge. Two runs made at 200' and 300'. First run beginning of stick on DZ, but 3 containers overshot. 2nd run all containers on DZ area. All load should be contained. Return to Base uneventful. Leaflets dropped on Toungoo – Rangoon Railway area.
		F/O. B. J. C. Edwards 157851	2nd. P.			
		F/S. C. F. Kirby 1391233	Nav.			
		W/O. R. H. Cross 1337426	B/A			
		W/O. J. A. Buchanan 1635057	1.WOP			
		F/S. F. W. Noble Aus.437539	2.WOP			
		W/O. J. W. Fayle 1357609	A/G.			
		W/O. E. W. Seymour 1300922	A/G.			
		Sgt. A. C. Fenbow 1672757	F/E.			
30.3.45	Liberator Mk.VI. KH353 'D'	F/L. H. H. Monks 120514	Capt.	1945	0445	(9.00) A/C took off at 1945 hrs. and apart from haze over Burma experienced good weather. Over the DZ there was some haze reducing the vis. to 5 miles. The reception was recognised as briefed. The load was dropped in one run and all chutes were seen to open. Pintails were dropped over Central Burma on the return journey. Leaflets were also dropped 1945N 9613E.
		F/S. G. D. Goddard 1585900	2nd. P.			
		W/O. F. D. Phillips Aus.405603	Nav.			
		P/O. W. McDonald 164293	B/A			
		F/S. G. M. Hill Aus.457419	1.W/OP			
		F/S. D. C. Morris, Aus.437437	2.W/OP			
		³⁶				
	9 aircraft were detailed for S.D. Operations. 1 did not take off due to Spark Plug trouble. 4 did not receive reception. 4 were successful.					

³⁶ Record lists no A/G's on this operation.