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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

A. 29TH FIGHTER GROUP MAJOR FRANKLIN LEADING.

B. 53-P-38'S (17-55) (18-77) (18-79) HP 1200 DOWN 1405.

C. 3

D. V111 F.C: F.O. 299 JACKPOT.

E. THRU . NIL.

I. L/F 1306, DENHELDER, 20,000 FEET. SOLID OVERCAST 14,000 - 24,000
FEET FORCED GROUP TO RETURN HOME FROM THIS POINT. UNIDENTIFIED P-38
SEEN TO CRASH INTO NORTH SEA OFF DUTCH COAST 1311.
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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

15 APRIL, 1944
JACKPOT - AREA #1
FIELD ORDER #299

- A. 55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON - COL. RAU LEADING
- B. 18 - UP 1200; 17 - DOWN 1405
- C. 1
- D. JACKPOT - FIELD ORDER #299
- E. THRU H. NIL
- I. L/F 1306. TURNED BACK DUE TO WEATHER. SAW P-38 SPIN
IN OUT OF OVERCAST AT MID-CHANNEL. SMOKE WAS POURING
FROM PLANE. JUST BEFORE THE PLANE HIT THE WATER A
FLASH OF FLAME SHOT FROM FUSELAGE.

THOSE FLYING IN TODAY'S MISSION WERE:

RAU, RIEMENSNIER, BUIE, PIERSON, SCRUTCHFIELD,
LOEHNERT, BAKER, SHULTZ, SERROS, CONNOR, FORD,
CRUICKSHANK, TAYLOR, WATSON, MILES KLINK, MALCHOW,
BOELE.

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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT April 15, 1944

- A. 77th Fighter Squadron, 20th Fighter Group, Capt. Gustke leading.
- B. 17 up at 1208. Down at 1405.
- C. Nil.
- D. Jackpot, Field Order No. 299.
- E. Nil.
- F. Nil.
- G. Nil.
- H. Nil.
- I. Turned back at Den Helder at 1306 at 15,000 feet. Solid overcast from 14,000 to above 22,000 feet which is altitude attained in trying to climb over it. Big boat seen off Den Helder in North Sea heading north. Saw P-38 going in mid-channel and two flights circle over spot but only saw oil slick, no chute or dingy. This was at 1311. Two P-47s and about 6 P-51s seen returning.
- J. Nil.

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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

15 April 1944

- A. 79th Fighter Squadron Maj. Franklin leading
- B. 20 P-38s (2 relays) Up: 1200 Down: 1400
- C. ~~NII~~ 2 P-~~38s~~ 38s
- D. Jackpot - F. O. #299
- E. Nil
- F. Nil
- G. Nil
- H. 0-0-0

I. Couldn't make landfall due to weather. Flew through one layer of clouds with a top of 2,000 ft. ~~xxx~~, flew up ~~X~~ to 24,000 ft and couldn't break through. Let down to 8,000 ft. and there were 4 layers below this. Flew on course and was on time going in at prescribed place flew up towards Frisian Islands but still couldn't make landfall.

Misc: P-38 seen to crash in channel at approx. 1323. Sighted coming down with left side of ~~ix~~ plane on fire. Last sighted hitting water and exploding. No chute sighted.

ORVILLE E. MINTON,
1st Lieut., A. C.,
Asst. S-2.

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TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 299

DATE 15 April 1944.

(Not to be teletyped)	(Not to be teletyped)
a. Designation of Unit	20th Fighter Group/
b. Time of Landing	1405.
c. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed <input type="radio"/> Probable <input type="radio"/> Damaged <input type="radio"/>
e. Brief description of Mission	L/F. 1306, Den Helder, 20,000 Feet. Solid over cast 14,000 - 24,000 feet. Forced group to return home from this poing. An unidentified P-38 seen to crash into North Sea off Dutch Coast 1311....
f. Weather - Battle damage	

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TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 299

DATE 15 April 1944.

(Not to be teletyped)	(Not to be teletyped)
a. Designation of Unit	<u>55th Fighter Squadron.</u>
b. Time of Landing	<u>1405.</u>
c. Aircraft NYR (State if believed Lost)	<u>NIL</u>
d. Estimated Claims	<u>Destroyed 0 Probable 0 Damaged 0</u>
e. Brief description of Mission	<u>L/F 1306 turned back due to weather 24,000 feet in overcast. Lower Saw *P-38 spin into North Sea, smoking - flame....</u>
f. Weather - Battle damage	

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TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 299

DATE 15 April 1944.

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a. Designation of Unit	77th Fighter Squadron.
b. Time of Landing	1405.
c. Aircraft NVR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed <input type="checkbox"/> Probable <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged <input type="checkbox"/>
e. Brief description of Mission	

P-38 seen to

Turned back Den Helder 1306, 15,000 feet. Solid overcast 14000-22,000 feet. Big boat seen heading N. splash into N. Sea 1311. Saw P-51's and 47's returning.

f. Weather - Battle damage

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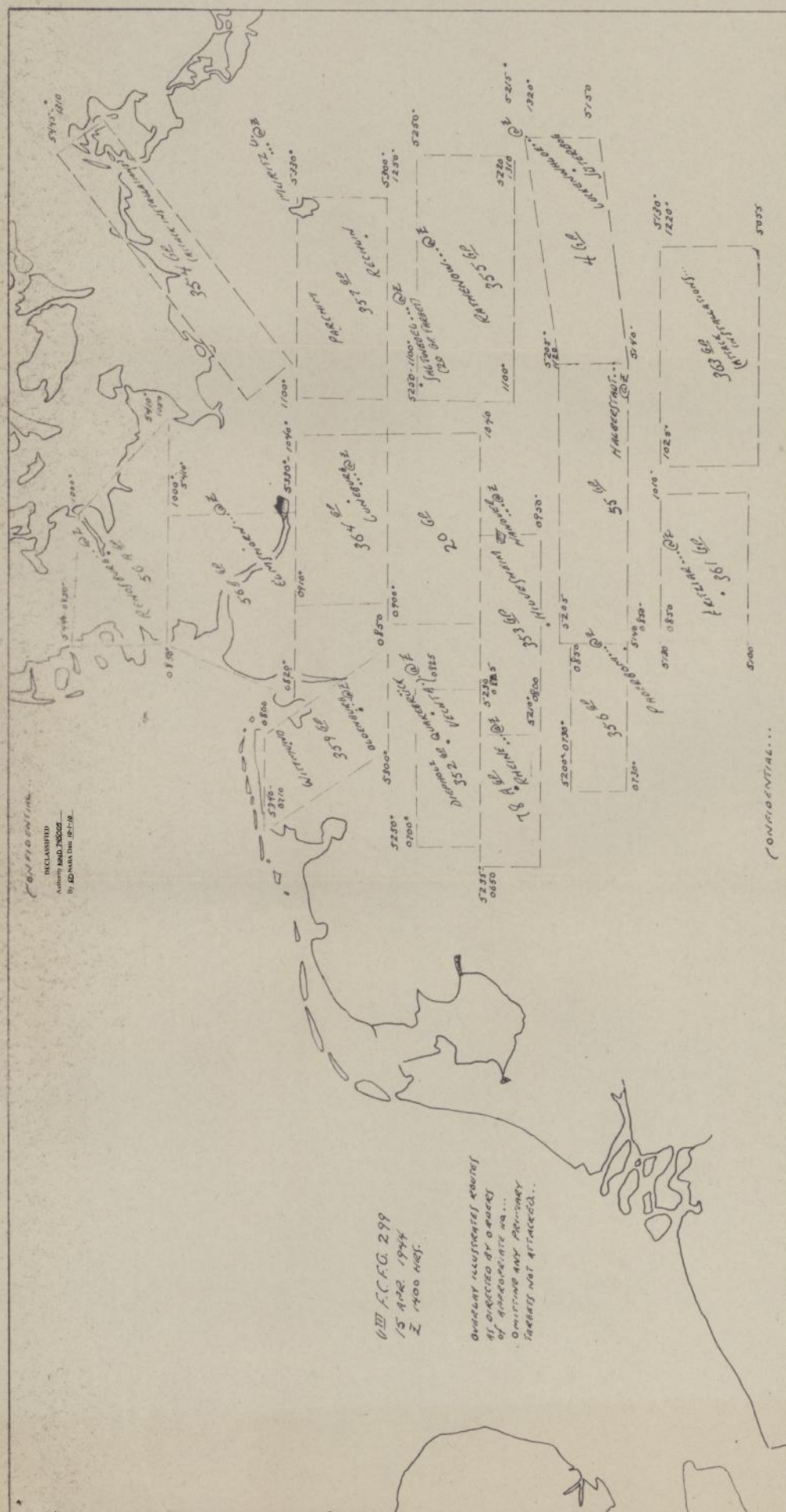
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a. Designation of Unit	79th Fighter Squadron.
b. Time of Landing	1405 1400
c. Aircraft MYR (State if believed Lost)	NIL (Myers' flight not yet down)
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed 0 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	Saw P-38 going down in Mid-Channel - hit water and exploded on way back, 1323. West Dutch Coast turned north toward Frisian turned 1306. Up to 24,000 feet. Down to 8,000 solid....
f. Weather - Battle Damage	

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