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Missing Air Crew Report Cont'd.

12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used None; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash None; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) None
13. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE None

Date of Report 5 December 1943

Herbert E. Johnson, Jr.
(Signature of Preparing Officer)
HERBERT E. JOHNSON, Jr.
Major, Air Corps,
Commanding.

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(1) Certificate
(2) Map sketch
(3) Certificate

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On 29 November 1943 due to the number of planes lost on mission none could be positively identified as Lt. Hascall. However, in compilation of interrogations by Group Intelligence it is thought that Lt. Hascall may have gone down in the vicinity East of Aschendorf, Germany where the group was first bounced. Several ships were seen spinning down in this area. No definite knowledge as to identity of these but it is thought Lt. Hascall got that far along the route as nothing points to his being lost before this.

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FRANCIS W. BARKLEY,
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Intelligence Officer,
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1 December 1943

On November 29, 1943, I took off for a mission as a spare with Lt. Hascall on my wing, also a spare. We had instructions to join any squadron needing a spare. After many abortions we were the last spares in the group and I fell in on the wing of the second element in the 343rd Squadron. We were about midway over the channel with a solid overcast below at 25,000 feet. I did not see the opening in the 343rd Squadron when Lt. Hascall waved me over. I do not remember whose flight he joined, if any because I did not see any other abortions. My position then was on the front starboard flight and he was flying to the rear of the rear port flight. At that time his plane was functioning perfectly.

/s/ /t/ ROBERT L. FRAKES,
2nd Lt., Air Corps,
77th Fighter Squadron.

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