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1. 2. 3. 4.	ORCANIZATION: Location AAF Sta. F-368 Command or Air Force VIII F.C. Group 20th Fighter Gp. : Station 55th F Sq.; Lasehment SPECIFY: Point of Departure AAF Sta. F-368 ; Course 100° Intended Pastination Schwienfurt ; Appe of Lission Schwer Escort WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY TIPE OF ASH OR IN N Last EPORTID: CAVU GIVE: (a) Date 24/1/44 ; Time 1400 ; and Location Schluthern. Gerof last known whereabouts of missing strengt. (b) Specify whether () Last Sighted; (x) Last contacted by Madio; () Forced Down; () Seen to Grash; or () Information not Available. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IN BELLINGD TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A MESUIT OF: (Check
	only one () Enumy Aircraft; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; () Other Circumstances as follows Causa of failure to return is unknown
7. 8. 9. 10.	AJRCRAFT Type, Nodel and Series P_38J-10-16; A.M.F. Serial Number 12-67 ENGINES: Type, Model and Series V_1710-91; A.M.F. Serial Number 12-95 (b) V-1710-89; (c) 42-31380; (d) INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number) (a) M/G Cal 50 Sav(b) L.L. 746986; (c) U.L.928687; (d) U.R. 930370 (e) I.R. 928445; (f) 2000 Int. Harv. (c) 118805; (h) THE PERSONS LISTED BELLY THAT EXPERTIFY AS: (a) the Casualty A or (b) Non-Battle Casualty NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOURD / EACH TT: Crew 1; Persongers C; Total 1 (Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If makes than 10 persons were aboard circumft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attack original to this form). Crew Position Name in Full (Last Name First) Rank Serial Number to Piloty SHIRING, OTTO ALVIN DE D 2nd Lt. 0-75373)
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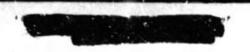
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55TH FIGHTER SQUADROW, 20TH FIGHTER GROUP ARMY AIR FORCES STATION F-368 A.P.O. #637, U. S. ARMY

DH1/E-2

25 February 1944.

CERTIFICATE

- 1. I certify that I, Donald H. McAuley, Captain, Air Corps, had contacted Otto A. Quiring, 2nd Lt., Air Corps, in P-38J-10-LO, 742-67878 by radio over enemy territory on 24 February 1944, et approximately 1400 hours at which time his airplane left our formation and joined up with the bombers.
- 2. I was beyond Schweinfurt, on the return trip, at 27,000 feet, going Morthwest. Lt. Quiring called on the radio and said that he was down to 30 gallons of gasoline in each reserve tank, plus his main tanks, and wanted to know what to do. "Denton" answared and said for the ship that was low on gasoline to join the bombers. Towntalk Leader said "Did you get that, Thue two?" "Blue two, Lt. Quiring, replied that he understood. Then I called and told him to be sure to identify himself to the bombers before joining them. He replied "Roger" to my call. I locked back to Blue Flight and saw a single airplane going down towards the box of B-24's. 1st Lt. W. B. Taylor, leader of Blue Flight, reported seeing Lt. Quiring leave Blue Flight, and join a high box of B-17's. The B-24's wore apparently part of the first Air Task Force and the B-17's were a part of the last Combat Wing of the Second Air Task Force.
 - 5. The weather at the time of my last contact with the airplane was CAVU.

DOWALD H. NC AUER, Captain, Air Corps, Operations Officer.

