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				UP	DOWN		
3rd/4th April	HALIFAX II W.7017	P/O G. J. Vallanceau P/O D. G. G. G. G. Sgt. Douglas, K. W. Sgt. Hart, K. E. Sgt. Burns, A. Sgt. Cook, J. E. Sgt. Stanley, R. E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. R-8 Gunner Rear Gunner	19.50	00.44	Successful. Target ESHM with 2 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 40 x 50-lb. and 650 x 4-lb. incendiaries. No cloud, very clear visibility. Target identified by markers. Bombed on red markers. Bursts seen. Heavy flak in target area, working in conjunction with about 500 S/W in hazy area lines to north-west and north-east. Several flak holes in aircraft. High flares visible in target area from coast on return journey.	A-306
3rd April	HALIFAX II DE.672	P/O W. J. Payne P/O D. I. Black P/O G. L. Bush Sgt. Chambers, D.E.G. Sgt. Stewart, H.M. Sgt. Hall, R.M. Sgt. Gray, J.D.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	19.55	00.51	Unsuccessful. Target ESHM with same bomb load as for Aircraft W.7017 above. Furthest point reached 53 03'N 02 27'W at 15,000 feet. The starboard inner engine failed at this point so Captain decided to return to base. Bombs ditched.	A-307
3rd April	HALIFAX II DE.669	Sgt. Johnson, P.E. Sgt. Hobbs, R.G. Sgt. Ross, R.E. Sgt. Humphreys, G. Sgt. Sherrill, R. Sgt. Shannon, J.E. Sgt. Bellis, L.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	19.52	-	This aircraft set out to attack ESHM, but was intercepted by a night fighter and sustained extensive damage to fuselage and rear turret. The Bomb Aimer, Second Gunner and Rear Gunner were seriously injured. Evacuee action was successful and the Captain made for the nearest home base, jettisoning his bomb load in the sea. The aircraft was successfully landed at R.A.F. Station, GLENNHALL without sustaining further damage to the machine or injury to the crew. The three injured airmen were admitted to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital.	
3rd/4th April	HALIFAX II DE.323	Sgt. Morris, J.A. Sgt. Goddard, K.E. P/O A. E. Hickey Sgt. Ames, R.J. Sgt. Turner, L.H. Sgt. Ireland, R.J. Sgt. Hay, D.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner	19.52	00.30	Successful. Target ESHM with same bomb load as for Aircraft W.7017 above. No cloud over ESHM. Visibility excellent. Target identified by markers. Results of own bombing not observed. Attack very concentrated. Bombs seen exploding amidst fire, the glow of which was visible 150 miles away.	A-309
3rd April	HALIFAX II DE.617	P/O P. D. Boyd P/O G. V. Lacey Sgt. Langley, G.B. Sgt. Bennett, L.H. Sgt. Hall, G.H. P/O R. E. McDonald Sgt. Agar, G.V.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	19.52	-	This aircraft set out to attack ESHM with bomb load as for Aircraft W.7017 above. Nothing further was heard from it after take-off, and its failure to return is presumed to be due to enemy action.	A-310
4th/5th April	HALIFAX II SUMMIT W.7017	P/Sgt. Mitchell, J.E. P/Lt. A.L. Pennington P/Sgt. Galt, P.H. P/Sgt. Martin, H.M. Sgt. Cook, L.W. Sgt. Cook, R.J. Sgt. Pennington, F.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.01	02.24	Successful. Target ESHM with 2 x 1,000-lb. G.P., 50 x 4-lb. and 50 x 50-lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud. Bombs hit on red marker through cloud. No results seen at all. Glow under clouds may have been yellow markers.	A-311

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4th April 9th	HALIFAX II HR.323	P/Lt. J.D. Snider Sgt. Pope, E.E. Sgt. Burns, A.E.A. P/Sgt. Pearty, R.A. Sgt. Johnson, J.H. P/Sgt. Watkins, R.A. P/Sgt. Goodridge, W.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.02	03.15	Successful. Target KIM with 2 x 1,000-lb. G.F., 540 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. Target attacked from 19,000 feet at 23.30 hours. 10/10ths cloud. Red glow seen through cloud in twilight. No results observed. Flak moderate. Searchlights ineffective.	A-312
4th April	HALIFAX II W.1271	Sgt. Green, A.E. P/O B. Cartney Sgt. Brockway, A.J. Sgt. Harrison, R.A. Sgt. Dunn, F.A. Sgt. Tharrian, J.G. Sgt. Godling, G.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.03	23.40	Unsuccessful. Target KIM with same bomb load as for Aircraft HR.323 above. Returned early. Farthest point reached 54, 53°N 03 30°E. 2nd gunner became in- conscious so Captain decided to return to base. Bomb Jettisoned fused.	A-313
8th/9th April	HALIFAX II HR.659	P/O P.G. Woodin P/O P.Campbell P/O R.H. Shields Sgt. Wignallworth, H. Sgt. Nevins, G.E. Sgt. Poole, E. Sgt. Playley, D.C.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.38	02.58	Successful. Target DUISBURG with 1 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 1 x 1,000-lb. H.L.B., 540 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good above 10/10ths cloud. Bombed on E.E.A. from red marker flares. No results observed. An un- successful trip.	A-314
8th/9th April	HALIFAX II HR.672	P/O R.E. MacIntosh P/O E.V. Harold Sgt. Hancock, R.J.G. Sgt. Davison, R.H. Sgt. McMillan, E.H. P/O H.L. Robb Sgt. Lewis, R.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.44	03.13	Successful. Target DUISBURG with 2 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 540 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud. Two white glows seen in cloud, thought to be steady flares. No results observed. Apart from the lighting up of the aircraft from the explosions of heavy flak, nothing at all was seen.	A-315
8th/9th April	HALIFAX II HR.661	P/O W.H. Keeble P/O R.S. Blair P/O A.S. Vindell Sgt. Gibson, G.G. Sgt. Ritchie, R.E. Sgt. Morrison, R.H. Sgt. Longe, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.43	03.48	Successful. Target DUISBURG with 1 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 1 x 1,000-lb. H.L.B., 540 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud. Bombed on E.E.A., no results observed. Went down from 10,000 feet to 12,000 feet clear the target area. No clear patches. No flares or target markers seen. Fog and snow encountered in cloud and difficulty experienced in gaining height again.	A-316
8th/9th April	HALIFAX II HR.325	P/Sgt. Bell, R.A.H. P/Sgt. White, W.L. P/Sgt. Williston, R.C. Sgt. Arsenau, J.B. Sgt. Taylor, R.B. Sgt. Graham, J.F. P/Sgt. Allan, G.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.42	03.06	Successful. Target DUISBURG with 1 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 1 x 1,000-lb. H.L.B., 540 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud. Red glow seen through cloud at E.E.A. Bombed on E.E.A. from what were believed to be track flares No results seen. F.F.F. ineffective. Heavy concentrated and predicted flak encountered. (Loney)	A-317

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28th/29th April	HALIFAX II W.1274	1/Capt. R. H. A. Clark 2/Sgt. Williams, R. H. 3/Sgt. L. G. Jones 4/Sgt. A. G. Jones Sgt. Lee, W. Sgt. Cook, R. J. 7/Sgt. Stewart, J. A. L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P. A. G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.43	02.34	Successful. Target WIMBORNE with 1 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 1 x 1,000-lb. H.H.B., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. Visibility nil. 10/10ths cloud. Nothing seen except searchlights and flash. No flames or markers seen, and possibility of hitting WIMBORNE considered small. Bombed on R.T.A. from top of 10/10ths cloud.	A-318
28th/29th April	HALIFAX II W.796	1/Sgt. Goddard, R. G. 2/Sgt. Johnson, R. 3/Sgt. Thomas, R. H. Sgt. Dunn, K. I. E. Sgt. Jay, W. H. Sgt. Williams, J. J. 7/Sgt. Pauliner, G. S.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P. A. G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.51	03.21	Successful. Target WIMBORNE with one bomb load as for aircraft W.1274 above. 10/10ths cloud. Visibility good above 20,000 feet. Red glow, believed to be markers, seen through cloud on R.T.A. Bombed on R.T.A., no results observed.	A-319
28th April	HALIFAX II W.327	Sgt. Harris, J. E. Sgt. Goddard, R. H. 7/O A. H. Mowbray Sgt. Jones, R. J. Sgt. Thomas, L. E. Sgt. Williams, J. J. Sgt. Jay, R. G.	Captain <i>D/O</i> Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P. A. G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.47	-	Unsuccessful. This aircraft took off to attack WIMBORNE with 2 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. Nothing was heard from the aircraft after take-off and its failure to return is presumed to be due to enemy action.	A-320
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II W.7017	7/O G. J. Williamson 7/O R. Goddard Sgt. Douglas, R. H. Sgt. Hart, K. S. Sgt. James, A. Sgt. Cook, J. L. Sgt. Stanley, F. E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P. A. G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.45	07.21	Successful. Target WIMBORNE with 2 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good above 10/10ths cloud. No F.F.F. flames seen over target. Bombed on concentration of glow. No results observed.	A-321
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II W.312	7/O R. L. Johnson 7/Sgt. Goddard, J. H. 7/O R. H. Jay Sgt. Goddard, R. H. Sgt. Sebastian, G. J. Sgt. Jay, R. 7/Sgt. Smith, R. G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P. A. G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.32	07.06	Successful. Target WIMBORNE with one bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Visibility good above 10/10ths cloud at 6/8,000 feet. Target identified by markers and flames. Bombed by glow of red fire in bushlight. No results observed.	A-322
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II W.364	7/O R. H. Harris 7/O R. H. Mowbray 7/O A. H. Mowbray Sgt. Gibson, G. S. Sgt. Nathan, R. S. 7/Sgt. Pauliner, G. S. Sgt. Long, J. A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P. A. G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.34	07.12	Successful. Target WIMBORNE with one bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. 10/10ths cloud. Target identified by flames as turning point to target. No F.F.F. flames seen. Bombed on concentration of glow. No results observed.	A-323

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10th/11th April	HALIFAX II DE.672	W/O L.F. Ainsworth Sgt. Simpson, J.A. Sgt. Gibson, J.A. Sgt. Leggett, R.A. Sgt. Moore, R. Sgt. Omond, R. Sgt. Elms, R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.42	06.34	Successful. Target BRANKFURT with 2 x 1,000-lb. B.D., 240 x 1-lb. and 25 x 50-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good over cloud base but 10/10ths below. Target identified by glow of red fires seen through cloud. Bombed on red glow. No results observed.	A-324
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II JN. 829	W/O P.G. Weston W/O P. Campbell W/O R.L. Shields Sgt. Wiglesworth, R. Sgt. Novick, G.V. Sgt. Poole, R. Sgt. Tidy, R.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.40	07.13	Successful. Target BRANKFURT with same bomb load as for aircraft DE.672 above. 10/10ths cloud. Target identified by 2,2,7. flames. Bombed on red flames in hazeight. No results observed.	A-325
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II DE.616	W/O G.L. Harbottle W/O K.V. Harold Sgt. Hancock, R.J.G. Sgt. Harrison, R.E. Sgt. Mitchell, R.S. W/O H.L. Noble Sgt. Lamb, A.J.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.37	06.35	Successful. Target BRANKFURT with same bomb load as for aircraft DE.672 above. 10/10ths cloud. Target identified by splinters. Red markers in hazeight. No results observed. Moderate easterly Flak encountered. Searchlights ineffective.	A-326
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II DE.609	W/O W.J. Dyson W/O R.L. Nich W/O G.L. Nich Sgt. Chubb, R.E.S. Sgt. Stewart, R.M. Sgt. Hall, R.L. Sgt. Gray, J.D.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.44	07.26	Successful. Target BRANKFURT with same bomb load as for aircraft DE.672 above. 10/10ths cloud. Aircraft spent 20 minutes over target area but no sky or ground markers were seen. Bombed in centre of defences.	A-327
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II W.1271	W/O A.D. Clark W/Ogt. Williams, R.S. W/O L.G. Dunlop Sgt. Jackson, F. Sgt. Lee, T. Sgt. Mack, R.S. W/Ogt. Smart, J.A.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.33	07.19	Successful. Target BRANKFURT with same bomb load as for aircraft DE.672 above. 10/10ths cloud. Bombed on B.T.A. No results observed and no flames seen.	A-328
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II W.323	W/O Hamilton, G.A. Sgt. Klein, R.J. W/O R. Sawyer Sgt. Adams, W.H.B. Sgt. Howell, R.S. W/O A.R. Wilson Sgt. Dean, R.S.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O p.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.38	07.43	Successful. Target BRANKFURT with same bomb load as for aircraft DE.672 above. 10/10ths cloud. Target identified by track flames. No sky or ground markers seen. Bombed on well lit area. No results observed.	A-329

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10th/11th April	HALIFAX II DE.709	F/O R.F. Hinks F/O J.E. Hart F/Sgt. Tomblin, R.E. Sgt. Tomlin, G. Sgt. Brown, R. Sgt. Morrison, R.E. F/Sgt. Bell, G.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.36	07.51	Successful. Target BRANFURT with 2 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. Fair visibility above 10/10ths cloud. P.F.P. markers not seen. Bombed on glow of flames. No results observed. A few flak holes in the wings.	A-330
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II JB.862	F/Sgt. Goddard, R.G. F/Sgt. Johnson, R. F/Sgt. Shuman, R.M. Sgt. Dunn, E.L.J. Sgt. Joy, W.M. Sgt. McEneaney, J.J. Sgt. Hopkins, R.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.44	06.57	Successful. Target BRANFURT with same bomb load as for aircraft DE.709 above. 10/10ths cloud. No track flames seen at all over target area and only one white flame seen the whole time. Results of bombing not observed.	A-331
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II DE.629	Sgt. Green, A.S. F/O B. Garvey Sgt. Brodsky, A.J. Sgt. Burrows, R.A. Sgt. Dunn, E.A. Sgt. Doe, K.M. Sgt. Goding, G.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.46	07.23	Successful. Target BRANFURT with same bomb load as for aircraft DE.709 above. 10/10ths cloud. Target identified by green P.F.P. flames. Red flames in bomb-sight. No results observed. No searchlights and but little scattered flak.	A-332
10th/11th April	HALIFAX II DE.754	F/Sgt. Bell, R.A.H. F/Sgt. White, W.L. F/Sgt. Williamson, R.O. Sgt. Aronson, J.B. Sgt. Taylor, W.B. Sgt. Graham, J.J. F/Sgt. Aitken, G.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.35	07.10	Successful. Target BRANFURT with same bomb load as for aircraft DE.709 above. 10/10ths cloud. Bombed on red orange glow through cloud. Glow of bomb bursts seen.	A-333
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II JB.912	F/O T.R. Jackson F/Sgt. Guelton, J.M. F/O J.R. Fry Sgt. Stoddell, T.M. Sgt. Sebastian, G.J. Sgt. Jupp, R. F/O R.F.E. Smith	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.37	06.57	Successful. Target BRANFURT with 1 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 1 x 1,000-lb. M.L.B., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. Bright ground haze, no cloud. Target identified by markers and visually by ground detail. Ground markers in bomb-sight but results observed by base. Many searchlight fires over town, all burning well. Dense black smoke to west of aiming point.	A-334
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II JB.861	F/O W.H. Kiddle F/O R.S. Reid F/O A.H. Winchill Sgt. Coburn, G.S. Sgt. Kitchin, R.E. Sgt. Olinde, W. Sgt. Lonsge, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.34	05.45	Successful. Target BRANFURT with same bomb load as for aircraft JB.912 above. No cloud from French coast on, but slight haze over target, which was identified by markers. Green markers in bomb-sight and bursts seen. When aircraft left, small fires had merged into one large one, and a dense pall of smoke lay over the city. Fires were concentrated and in the area where the marker flames were dropped.	A-335

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14th/15th April	HALIFAX II DE-672	P/O J.D. Dickson P/O A.L. Farnell Sgt. Harris, A.G. Sgt. Houghton, H.W. Sgt. Allan, J.C. P/O R.J. Wagner Sgt. Weeks, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.29	05.00	Successful. Target STUTTGART with 1 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 1 x 1,000-lb. H.L.B., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. No cloud, but smoke and haze over target, which was identified by markers and visually by the RIVER NECKAR. Green marker in bushlight. Bombs seen to burst to left of very big fire. Two good fires were blazing, one about the marshalling yards and the other to the south-west near the siding point.	A-336
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II JA-859	P/O P.G. Weston P/O P. Campbell P/O R.K. Shields Sgt. Sigsworth, H. Sgt. Revis, G.W. Sgt. Poole, E. Sgt. Taylor, R.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.35	04.44	Successful. Target STUTTGART with same bomb load as for aircraft DE-672 above. Bushlight markers over target. Target identified by markers. Visibility good but haze over target. Identified by markers and fires. Bombed on markers. Many fires and several bomb bursts seen. Intense light flash over target but inaccurate.	A-337
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II JA-900	P/O R.F. Heats P/O J.L. Hart P/Sgt. Youngblood, S.E. Sgt. Tompkins, G. Sgt. Dupont, E. Sgt. Morrison, S.R. P/Sgt. Dell, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.32	05.55	Successful. Target STUTTGART with same bomb load as for aircraft DE-672 above. No cloud, but smoke over target. Target identified by markers and visually by RIVER NECKAR. Incendiaries seen to hit ground. A very successful attack. Four to five miles square of raging fires with bombs bursting in the middle. Glow visible 70 miles away.	A-338
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II DE-548	P/Sgt. Gray, H.R. P/Sgt. Hancock, G.O. P/O V.J. McFieal Sgt. Lov, G.H. Sgt. Wilby, G. P/Sgt. Brandt, H.S. Sgt. Batten, W.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.34	05.29	Successful. Target STUTTGART with same bomb load as for aircraft DE-672 above. Visibility good. Ground detail seen. Target identified by fires and markers. Bombed markers in fires. 30-40 big red fires seen, well concentrated. Best results ever seen by this crew.	A-339
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II W-1271	S/Ldr. D.W.S. Clark P/Sgt. Williams, R.F. P/O H.A. Doman Sgt. Jackson, F. Sgt. Lee, W. Sgt. Dox, E.H. P/Sgt. Street, J.A.L. P/O A.H. Quaid	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	21.25	05.15	Successful. Target STUTTGART with same bomb load as for aircraft DE-672 above. No cloud but dense smoke over target. Green markers in bushlight. No results observed. One large fire and several smaller ones seen. A very good trip.	A-340
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II DE-689	P/O McMillan, G.A. P/O R.W. Lowry P/O H. Weaver Sgt. Allison, W.H.B. Sgt. Howell, E.J. P/O A.R. Wallace Sgt. Dees, H.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.36	04.53	Successful. Target STUTTGART with 2 x 1,000-lb. T.D., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. Visibility very good apart from haze. Bombed on markers. Incendiaries seen to hit ground. Difficult to gain accurate impression of results owing to smoke and haze, but the town seemed to be well alight.	A-341

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14th/15th April.	HALIFAX II DH-323	F/O G.J. Vallance F/O R. Gumbur Sgt. Douglas, H.W. Sgt. Hart, K.R. Sgt. James, A. Sgt. Peck, J.L. Sgt. Stanley, F.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.33	00.53	Unsuccessful. Target STUTTGART with 2 x 1,000-lb. E.D., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. Aircraft returned early as Wireless Operator was taken ill. Furthest point reached 51 23'N 00 00'W. Bomb load jettisoned.	A-342
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II DH.798	F/O G.E. Macintosh F/O K.V. Harrold Sgt. Hancock, E.J.G. Sgt. Davison, H.E. Sgt. Ingholland, E.G. Sgt. Lennie, A.J. F/O W.L. Noble	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.27	05.19	Successful. Target STUTTGART with same bomb load as for aircraft DH.323 above. Visibility clear, slight haze. RIVER BREAK seen. Green markers in bombight. Incendiaries seen to burst. Many heavy explosions seen.	A-343
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II DH.662	F/Sgt. Goddard, R.G. F/Sgt. Johnson, R. F/Sgt. Sherman, H.H. Sgt. Down, K.L.F. Sgt. Jay, H.B. Sgt. McEwen, J.J. Sgt. Rock, R.F.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.50	01.04	Unsuccessful. Target STUTTGART with 1 x 1,000-lb. E.D., 1 x 1,000-lb. M.L.B., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incende. Air speed indicator was 11/8 and aircraft returned early. Furthest point reached 50 37'N 00 50'W. Bomb load jettisoned.	A-344
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II DH-794	F/Sgt. Bell, R.A.H. F/Sgt. White, W.L. F/Sgt. Williston, R.G. Sgt. Aronson, J.B. Sgt. Taylor, W.B. Sgt. Graham, J.F. F/Sgt. Alton, G.H. F/O J.W.R. Tyler	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	21.26	05.12	Successful. Target STUTTGART with 1 x 1,000-lb. E.D., 1 x 1,000-lb. M.L.B., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incende. Good visibility. Bomb marks in target area. Bombed on green markers. Target area was a mass of flames.	A-345
14th/15th April	HALIFAX II DH.629	Sgt. Green, A.H. F/O D. Garbay Sgt. Brockway, A.S. Sgt. Harrison, H.A. Sgt. Dunn, F.A. Sgt. Mount, B. Sgt. Goding, G.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O P.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.30	04.44	Unsuccessful. Target STUTTGART with 2 x 1,000-lb. E.D., 50 x 4-lb. and 56 x 30-lb. incendiaries. Aircraft was attacked by fighters at 01.08 hours. Believed that a glycol leak was sustained in the port inner engine and bomb load was jettisoned north of target at 01.26 hours, height 17,000 feet, position 48 23'N 09 18'W. <i>(a couple of miles east of town of Marbach & only 10 miles N.E. of Stuttgart.)</i>	A-346

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16th/17th April	HALIFAX II JB.932	W/O McMillan, G.A. P/O R.W. Lowry P/O R. Brewer Sgt. Allison, W.R.D. Sgt. Howell, W.J. P/O A.H. Wallace Sgt. Ross, H.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer Engineer/Op.-A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.48	06.57	Successful. Target FIREN with 1 x 2,000-lb. H.C., 2 x 1,000-lb. G.P. fused T.B.C. 25. 2 HBC (50 x 4); 20x 'X' Type. 2 HBC (8 x 30). Visibility good. Target identified visually. Buildings and roads clearly seen. Works in bombight. Bursts noticed. Clouds of smoke and explosions and incendiaries burning all over target area. No bombs seen on bomb.	A-359
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II HB.323	P/O K.H. Keadie P/O K.S. Hair P/O A.S. Winstall Sgt. Coburn, G.E. Sgt. Kirthan, R.E. Sgt. Harut, G.A. Sgt. Lesage, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.-A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.16	07.02	Successful. Target FIREN with some bomb load as for aircraft JB.932 above. High cloud and some haze over target. Identified by river and harbors. Aiming point in bombight and bursts seen. Much flak and many searchlights encountered in HANSHEN area but little at target.	A-360
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II DT.798	P/O G.H. MacIntosh P/O K.V. Harold Sgt. Hancock, R.J.G. Sgt. Davidson, R.E. Sgt. Melholland, L.H. Sgt. Lennie, A.J. P/O K.L. Noble	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.-A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.54	05.38	Successful. Target FIREN with some bomb load as for aircraft JB.932 above. Visibility good but some haze. River seen. Target identified and bombed by bursts. Fires growing in intensity seen 100 miles away on return journey. A large concentration of aircraft seen. Aircraft landed at HANSHEN.	A-361

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16th/17th April	HALIFAX II W.7017	P/O G.J. Vallanceourt P/O B. Grimshaw Sgt. Douglas, H.W. Sgt. Morrison, A.E. Sgt. Jaynes, A. Sgt. Peck, J.L. Sgt. Stanley F.T.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.49	06.51	Successful. Target FILSH with 1 x 2,000-lb. H.C., 2 x 1,000-lb. H.C. fused T.D.O. 003, 2 500 (50 x 4); 200 'X' type. 2 500 (8 x 30). Visibility good. High cloud. Target identified by river and markers. Bombed on white flames and concentration of fires. Gun bursts not seen but Air Gunner saw several large explosions. Heavy smoke and large fires over target area. One large explosion seen to rise to 15,000 feet. P.F.F. right on the target. On way home MANNHEIM seen to be a smoking mass of flames.	A-347
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II JB.912	P/O E.E. Jackson P/Sgt. Carlton, J.M. P/O J.R. Fry Sgt. Oswald, E.H. Sgt. Sebastian, G.J. Sgt. Day, E. Sgt. Gorda, E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.54	06.38	Successful. Target FILSH with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Visibility good, cloud thinning out near target. Mass over target. Woods and fires identified. A-348 Bombed on markers and bombs seen burst near markers. Heavy fires and much dense smoke seen.	A-348
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II JB.864	P/Sgt. Palmer, J. Sgt. Walsh, H.W. P/O E. Brown Sgt. Steady, R. Sgt. Rimmett, W.A. Sgt. Hattala, R.E.L. Sgt. Gearing, A.J.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.57	06.46	Successful. Target FILSH with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Visibility moderate, some smoke haze. Target identified by river and markers. Bombed on markers from 8,000 feet. Bursts seen. Many fires and much dense smoke seen.	A-349
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II BT-672	P/O J.D. Dickson P/Lt. A.L. Parrnell Sgt. Harris, A.G. Sgt. Bright, T.J. Sgt. Allen, J.G. P/O R.J. Rogers Sgt. Weeks, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.46	06.42	Successful. Target FILSH with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Target identified by markers and ground detail. Bombed marks from 8,000 feet. Bombs disappeared in smoke of large fires. Many large explosions seen. Heavy pall of black smoke over target area.	A-350
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II JB.900	P/O E.F. Heints P/O E.L. Hart P/Sgt. Younglist, R.E. Sgt. Hopkins, G. Sgt. Rogers, R. Sgt. Morrison, E.E. P/Sgt. Dell, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.56	07.20	Successful. Target FILSH with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Visibility very good except for smoke over target, which was identified by river, markers and buildings. Bombed on markers from 10,000 feet and one bomb seen to burst near. Most of target covered with a pall of smoke with glowing fires beneath.	A-351
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II JB.859	P/O E.S. Haddon P/O P. Campbell P/O R.H. Shields Sgt. Wigmore, H. Sgt. Norris, G.W. Sgt. Poole, S. Sgt. Flyday, D.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.00	06.34	Successful. Target FILSH with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Visibility good. Target identified by markers. Marks seen and in daylight and buildings seen to be hit. Other bursts also seen. P.F.F. work excellent.	A-352

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16th/17th April	HALIFAX II JB. 929	C/Ldr. D.H. Kenney Sgt. Womers, W.F. Sgt. Doolan, W. P/O W.G. Edes Sgt. Goodson, G.M. Sgt. Root, R.J. Sgt. Watkins, W.G. Sgt. Westerman, J.F.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	20.59	06.53	Successful. Target FLESH with 1 x 2,000-lb. H.C., 2 x 1,000-lb. G.F. fused T.N.C.025; 2 HHS (50 x 4); 20% 'X' Type. 2 HHS (8 x 30). No cloud. Visibility good apart from haze or smoke over target, which was identified and bombed visually. Bombs seen to burst in centre of fires. One huge fire in centre of target and many others in target area.	A-353	
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II DF. 616	P/O W.J. Boyce P/O R.L. Black P/O G.L. Buck Sgt. Chambers, D.M.G. Sgt. Stewart, D.M. Sgt. Hall, R.M. Sgt. Gray, J.B.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner		21.01	Successful. Target FLESH with some bomb load as for aircraft JB. 929 above. No cloud but haze and smoke over target. Identified by markers and markers. Smoke in bombight but bursts not seen. Many good fires burning well. Aircraft landed at R.A.F. COLSHEE.	A-354	
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II JB. 952	P/Sgt. Goddard, R.G. P/Sgt. Johnson, R. P/Sgt. Sherman, R.M. Sgt. Deane, E.L.J. Sgt. Joy, W.H. Sgt. McKenzie, J.J. Sgt. Clarke, G.F. P/O G.W. Elliott	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot		20.52	07.11	Successful. Target FLESH with some bomb load as for aircraft JB. 929 above. Visibility good, little cloud. Target identified and bombed by flares and fires. Bombs seen to burst at edge of fires. Many bursts seen in target area.	A-355
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II DF. 794	P/Sgt. Bell, R.A.H. P/Sgt. White, W.H. P/Sgt. Williston, E.C. Sgt. Armeson, J.D. Sgt. Taylor, V.B. Sgt. Graham, J.F. P/Sgt. Aitken, G.H. P/O J.W.E. Taylor	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot		20.50		Successful. Target FLESH with some bomb load as for aircraft JB. 929 above. Visibility good. Target successfully identified and bombed. Bomb bursts and incendiary strikes seen. Aircraft landed at RAF COLSHEE.	A-356
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II DF. 609	P/Sgt. Gray, M.F. P/Sgt. Hancock, G.O. P/O W.J. McNeill Sgt. Low, G.H. Sgt. Wilby, G. P/Sgt. Brundiff, M.G. P/O G.H. Gray	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner		21.05	00.31	Unsuccessful. Target FLESH with some bomb load as for aircraft JB. 929 above. Turned back from 50 S/N 01 20° E as three guns in rear turret were W/S. Bombs jettisoned live from 14,000 feet at 20.53 hours.	A-357
16th/17th April	HALIFAX II W. 1274	C/Ldr. R.V.S. Clark P/Sgt. Williams, R.J. P/O I.G. Dunson Sgt. Jackson, F. Sgt. Lee, V. P/Sgt. Thompson, J.M. P/Sgt. Brunet, J.A.L. P/O A.N. Quille	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot		20.53	07.06	Successful. Target FLESH with some bomb load as for aircraft JB. 929 above. Ground detail seen from over target, which was identified by markers and flares. Fire near markers in bombight. One burst seen in fire. Heavy flock on way out.	A-358

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20th/21st April	HALIFAX II W. 7017	P/O G.L. Vallance P/O D. S. Hughes Sgt. Douglas, H.V. Sgt. Morrison, A.S. Sgt. Jaynes, A. Sgt. Peak, J.L. Sgt. Stanley, F.V.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.S. Flight Eng. Tail Gunner Rear Gunner	21.19	05.29	Successful. Target SEITZIN with 1 x 1,000-lb. G.F. (8 x 50). Visibility good. No cloud. Slight haze. ground detail visible. Target identified and bombed on T.L. markers. No bursts seen. One large fire seen near end of railway, and numbers of fires all round along bank. Green T.L. markers dead on target, which was plainly visible.	A-360
20th April	HALIFAX II W. 912	P/O T.L. Jackson P/Sgt. Curton, J.M. P/O J.H. Day Sgt. Grunhall, E.H. Sgt. Sebastian, G.F. Sgt. Day, R. P/Sgt. Watkins, D.A. Sgt. Westman, J.F.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.S. Flight Eng. Tail Gunner Rear Gunner Tail Pilot	21.14	-	This aircraft took off to attack SEITZIN with the same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Nothing was heard from the aircraft after take-off, and its failure to return is presumed to be due to enemy action.	A-363
20th/21st April	HALIFAX II W. 061	P/Sgt. Palmer, J. P/O Walsh, H.H. P/O E. Brown Sgt. Woody, R. Sgt. Bennett, W.A. Sgt. Balle, R.E.L. Sgt. Gearing, A.J.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.S. Flight Eng. Tail Gunner Rear Gunner	21.24	05.36	Successful. Target SEITZIN with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Visibility good. Target identified visually, and by flares and markers. Bombs seen to burst in column of concentration of green markers. Most heavy but little of it seemed to be working with searchlights. Fires could be seen 100 miles away on return journey.	A-361
20th/21st April	HALIFAX II W. 678	P/O J.D. Dickson P/O E.R. Richardson Sgt. Harris, A.G. Sgt. Bright, T.S. Sgt. Allen, J.G. P/O R.S. Wagner Sgt. Weeks, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.S. Flight Eng. Tail Gunner Rear Gunner	21.12	05.18	Successful. Target SEITZIN with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Visibility good. Bright moonlight. Slight haze. River, bay and ground detail seen. Bombed on green T.L. markers. By keeping on track aircraft avoided greater part of flak. Light flak round SEITZIN. Victory 'V' flashes seen along route.	A-365
20th/21st April	HALIFAX II W. 959	P/O H.L. Brown P/O D.L. Black P/O G.L. Cook Sgt. Chubb, R.E.S. Sgt. Stewart, R.H. Sgt. Hill, R.H. Sgt. Gray, J.S.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.S. Flight Eng. Tail Gunner Rear Gunner	21.8	05.2	Successful. Target SEITZIN with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Visibility good. Bright moon. No cloud, slight haze. Target identified and bombed by green T.L. markers. No results observed. A well concentrated attack.	A-366
20th/21st April	HALIFAX II W. 959	P/O W.M. Kettle P/O R.S. Reid P/O A.S. Winchill Sgt. Gibson, G.V. Sgt. Kitchen, R.S. Sgt. Hunt, G.A. Sgt. Long, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.S. Flight Eng. Tail Gunner Rear Gunner	21.17	22.22	Successful. Target SEITZIN with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Returned early from SE-478 01.50Z as account of near target being W/B - engine failed then off. Bombs jettisoned late at 21.55 hours at 54,300 ft 01.55Z.	

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20th/21st April	HALIFAX II JB-900	P/O R.F. Heints P/O J.E. Hart P/Sgt. Tompkins, R.H. Sgt. Hopkins, G. Sgt. Brown, R. Sgt. Morrison, R.E. P/Sgt. Bell, G.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.20	06.17	Successful. Target SEVEN with 1 x 1,000-lb. H.B.B., 1 x 500-lb. H.G.; 4 HBU (50 x 4); 5 HBU (8 x 30). Visibility good apart from slight haze. Brightness, no cloud. Target identified by markers and river pin-pointed. Incendiaries seen to burst between green markers. Several explosions and good red fires seen. Factory chimney seemed enveloped in flame.	A-368
20th/21st April	HALIFAX II BB-323	P/Lt. R.V.E. Clark P/Sgt. Williams, R.J. P/O L.G. Dunlop Sgt. Jackson, F. Sgt. Lee, V. Sgt. Thompson, J.H. P/Sgt. Brunet, J.A.L. Sgt. Goutlee, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	21.11	05.31	Successful. Target SEVEN with same bomb load as for aircraft JB-900 above. Very good visibility. Target identified and bombed by T.I. markers. No results observed. As aircraft left the town was seen to be liberally sprinkled with incendiaries. Half a dozen fires started by the time the aircraft left the target.	A-369
20th/21st April	HALIFAX II DE-794	P/O A.H. Quicke P/O L.E. Appinall P/O G.E. Graham P/Sgt. Mitchell, F. Sgt. Martin, L.F. P/O R.G. Gray P/O R.P. Smith	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.18	06.18	Successful. Target SEVEN with same bomb load as for aircraft JB-900 above. Visibility 10 miles clear generally. Bombed on green markers. One large explosion seen as target was left. Little flak encountered on course. Defense over target scattered. BOMBING appeared to be in flames as aircraft passed over.	A-370
20th/21st April	HALIFAX II DE-616	P/O L.F. Ainsworth Sgt. Gibson, A. Sgt. Gilman, J.E. Sgt. Logan, R.A. Sgt. Brown, R. Sgt. Glavin, W. Sgt. Mount, B.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.25	06.29	Successful. Target SEVEN with 1 x 1,000-lb. H.B.F. H.B.G.025; 1 x 500-lb. H.G.; 4 HBU (50 x 4); 5 HBU (8 x 30). Bombed target on green markers. Large concentrations of fires and many bomb bursts seen. Fires visible from 100 miles on return journey. Flak mostly light and scattered. Searchlights very few and ineffective.	A-371
20th/21st April	HALIFAX II DE-609	P/O J.W.E. Tyler Sgt. Cook, V.E. Sgt. McKee, V.A.E. Sgt. Nelson, A.E. Sgt. Brown, R.G. Sgt. Midley, H.G. Sgt. Somers, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.16	06.15	Successful. Target SEVEN with same bomb load as for aircraft DE-616 above. Good visibility. Brightness, no cloud. Target identified by green markers, and ground detail recognized. Incendiaries seen to explode. Bombs seen to burst in built-up area. Several explosions seen and numerous red fires appeared to be spreading. Flak reported to be very effective. Loaded at AHEAD.	A-372
20th/21st April	HALIFAX II JB-923	Sgt. Buckwell, W.E. P/O R.V. Lowry P/Sgt. Gavellet-Chapman Sgt. Ruggan, W.J.E. Sgt. Hillebrand, B. Sgt. Burton, A.E. Sgt. Bondard, V.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.12	06.15	Successful. Target SEVEN with same bomb load as for aircraft DE-616 above. Visibility good. Ground detail seen. Bombs over target. Target identified visually and by markers. Green markers in bombight. Results not seen owing to terrific flak. Bombs well alight in a fairly large area.	A-373

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20th/21st April	HALIFAX II DR. 798	F/Lt. J.D. Snider Sgt. Pope, R.E. Sgt. Brown, A.W.A. W/Sgt. Duvall, R.E. Sgt. Johnson, R.E. Sgt. Austin, R.E. F/Sgt. Goodridge, W.	Captain Navigator Bomb aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.15	05.09	Successful. Target <u>SHREVE</u> with 1 x 1,000-lb. G.F. E.D.C. 025; 1 x 500-lb. M.G.; 4 M80 (30 x 4); 3 M80 (8 x 30). Visibility clear but smoke over target area. Bombed on green markers. Target was well on fire with a great deal of black smoke clouds billowing up.	A-374
26th/27th April	HALIFAX II W. 7017	F/O G.J. Vallinoncourt F/O B. Giesinger Sgt. Douglas, M.W. Sgt. Harrison, A.E. Sgt. Payne, A. Sgt. Post, J.L. Sgt. Stanley, R.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.38	05.38	Successful. Target <u>DUNBURN</u> with 2 x 1,000-lb. G.F. E.D.C. 025; 15 M80 50's filled with 30-lb. Visibility good over target, which was identified by 2.I. markers. Bombed in centre of green markers. P.P.F. markers were concentrated and fires from incendiaries had taken hold. Many large bursts seen. Area well 'blinded'.	A-375
26th/27th April	HALIFAX II JR. 661	F/Sgt. Palmer, J. Sgt. Walsh, R.W. F/O T. Brown Sgt. Woody, E. Sgt. Simmonds, V.A. Sgt. Estelle, R.E.L. Sgt. Goering, A.J.	Captain Navigator Bomb aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.47	05.19	Successful. Target <u>DUNBURN</u> with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Clear visibility. Target identified by red and green 2.I. flares. Bombed on 2.I. which were in bombight. Target appeared to be well carpeted with incendiaries, mostly starting.	A-376
26/27th April	HALIFAX II DR. 672	F/O J.H. Dickson F/O R.H. Hutchinson Sgt. Harris, A.C. Sgt. Bright, T.J. Sgt. Allen, A.C. F/O R.J. Wagner Sgt. Weeks, J.A. Sgt. Austin, A.W.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	00.26	05.04	Successful. Target <u>DUNBURN</u> with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Target identified by green 2.I. markers. Bombed in centre of green markers. <u>Always</u> was over the target early but scattered fires were beginning to spread.	A-377
26th/27th April	HALIFAX II JR. 900	Sgt. Harrison, F.E. Sgt. Ledford, V.E. Sgt. Ford, R.J.A. Sgt. Emery, R.W. Sgt. Foster, V.J. Sgt. Duff, J.C. Sgt. Morgan, E.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.41	06.08	Successful. Target <u>DUNBURN</u> with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Good visibility. Target identified by ground detail. Green 2.I. markers well concentrated. Large fires in immediate area of town started by P.P.F.	A-378
26th/27th April	HALIFAX II JR. 376	F/O G.E. MacIntosh F/O K.V. Harrold Sgt. Hancock, R.J.G. Sgt. Davison, R.E. Sgt. Irving, G.H. Sgt. Lewis, A.J. F/O W.L. Noble	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.36	05.45	Successful. Target <u>DUNBURN</u> with same bomb load as for aircraft W.7017 above. Aircraft returned early as <u>area</u> was B/G. Bomb load jettisoned.	A-379

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26th/27th April	HALIFAX II JB-659	Sgt. Johnson, F.R. Sgt. McLeod, R.R. Sgt. Forts, E.W. Sgt. Humphreys, S. Sgt. Thornhill, R. Sgt. Skelton, D.J. Sgt. Armstrong, E.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.44	05.11	Successful. Target DUISBURG with 2 x 1,000-lb. G.P. E.D. 0-023; 15 HEC 90s filled with 30-lb. Visibility good. Target identified by red and green ground markers. Bombed on red markers. Very large concentration of small fires seen. Target was well ringed with searchlights operating in ones of from 6 to 20 lights. Light and heavy flak encountered.	A-360
26th/27th April	HALIFAX II JB-929	S/Ldr. D.H. Kenny Sgt. Wether, G.J. Sgt. Dodlan, W. P/O W.C. Rice Sgt. Goodman, G.M. Sgt. Rock, R.J. P/Sgt. Retkin, W.G. P/Sgt. Neely, R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	00.29	05.25	Successful. Target DUISBURG with same bomb load as for aircraft JB-659 above. Visibility good. Target identified by scattered E.L. markers. Bombed between red and green markers. Aircraft was early on target but fires appeared to be taking hold and spreading. P.F.F. were good, and as aircraft left, attack on target area was increasing. Defences on west and north side of town.	A-361
26th/27th April	HALIFAX II JB-629	Sgt. Smallwood, G.E. Sgt. Corley, W. P/Sgt. O'Connor, J.M. Sgt. Adams, S. Sgt. Allen, J.A.L. Sgt. Murphy, L.J. Sgt. Gourde, E.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.45	06.00	Successful. Target DUISBURG with same bomb load as for aircraft JB-659 above. Visibility clear. Target identified by red and green markers. Bombed on central concentration of green markers. Glow of fires visible from a long distance away. Numerous explosions seen. One big red fire in the centre of the target.	A-362
26th/27th April	HALIFAX II JB-923	P/O McMillan, G.A. Sgt. Pops, E.R. P/O H. Brewer Sgt. Allison, W.H.B. Sgt. Howell, W.J. P/O A.R. Wallace Sgt. Ross, H.G. Sgt. Adams, G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	00.40	05.31	Successful. Target DUISBURG with same bomb load as for aircraft JB-659 above. Target identified by ground markers. Bombed on red markers. Several good fires were burning to the east of the red markers. Heavy scattered flak.	A-363
26th/27th April	HALIFAX II JB-323	P/Sgt. Gray, M.F. P/Sgt. Hancock, G.O. P/O W.F. McEneaney Sgt. Low, G.H. Sgt. Wilby, G. P/Sgt. Brunkiff, H.S. P/O R. Bushing Sgt. Gouglas, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	00.31	05.09	Successful. Target DUISBURG with bomb load as above. No cloud visibility excellent. Target identified by red and green E.L. markers.	A-364
26th/27th April	HALIFAX II JB-862	Sgt. Green, A.S. P/O R. Garbery Sgt. Rowberry, A.J. Sgt. Harrison, M.A. Sgt. Dunn, F.A. Sgt. Purcell, J.A. Sgt. Gowing, G.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	01.04	05.35	Successful. Target DUISBURG with same bomb load as for aircraft above. Target identified by red and green markers. Bombed on green. Fires well concentrated in target area. Fairly heavy flak encountered near DUISBURG.	A-365

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26th/27th April	HALIFAX II JB.965	S/Ldr. J.D. Pattison P/O G.H. Parker P/Sgt. McLean, O.D. P/O A.P. Smith Sgt. Hall, D.G. P/Lt. R.L. Kenyon Sgt. Clarke, G.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.25	05.47	Successful. Target DUNBRO with 2 x 1,000-lb. G.P. bombs; 13 250-500 filled with 30-lb. Visibility good. Target identified by yellow, red and green markers. Many bomb bursts seen. Bursts very well concentrated.	A-386
26th/27th April	HALIFAX II DE.794	P/Sgt. Bell, R.A.E. P/Sgt. White, W.L. P/Sgt. Williston, R.D. Sgt. Aronson, J.D. Sgt. Taylor, W.E. Sgt. Graham, J.F. P/Sgt. Allen, G.H. P/O G.W. Elliott	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	00.27	05.44	Successful. Target DUNBRO with one bomb load as above. Target identified by ground markers. Bombed on red markers. Many bomb bursts seen, although aircraft was early on the target. Red appeared to be concentrated.	A-387
27th/28th April	HALIFAX II DE.794	P/Sgt. Bell, R.A.E. P/Sgt. White, W.L. P/Sgt. Williston, R.D. Sgt. Aronson, J.D. Sgt. Taylor, W.E. Sgt. Graham, J.F. P/Sgt. Allen, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	01.17	05.46	Unsuccessful. Target missing. Visibility poor, very low cloud. Flew at 2,500 feet over HORN SEA but unable to locate target area.	A-388
27th/28th April	HALIFAX II JB.939	P/O McMillan, G.A. Sgt. Simpson, A. P/O E. Shaver Sgt. Allen, W.E.H. Sgt. Howell, W.L. P/O A.R. Wallace Sgt. Dean, H.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	01.21	05.27	Unsuccessful. Mining operations. 10/10ths cloud. Flew over HORN SEA at 2,000 feet. Feet down to 400 feet over the Islands but unable to pin-point target.	A-389
27th/28th April	HALIFAX II DE.798	P/Lt. J.D. Snider Sgt. Pope, R.E. Sgt. Jones, A.W.A. P/Sgt. Parry, H.G. Sgt. Johnson, J.B. Sgt. Austin, R.E. P/Sgt. Goodridge, W. Sgt. Adams, G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	01.19	05.36	Successful. Mining operation. Very poor visibility. Target area identified by GEE fix from gathering area a distance of 20 miles. Flew over HORN SEA at an average of 2,000 feet.	A-390
27th/28th April	HALIFAX II DE.672	P/O J.D. Dickson P/O E.H. Hutchinson Sgt. Davis, A.G. Sgt. Bright, T.J. Sgt. Allen, J.G. P/O R.J. Wagner Sgt. Teasdale, J.A. P/Sgt. Kelly, R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	01.16	05.25	Unsuccessful. Mining operation. 10/10ths cloud. Flew over HORN SEA at 2,500 feet. Bits of island seen but not sufficient for identification, although flying at only 700 feet.	A-391

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27th/28th April	HALIFAX II JB.859	F/O G.E. MacIntosh F/O K.V. Harfield Sgt. Hancock, R.J.G. Sgt. Davison, R.E. Sgt. Allan, J.A.L. Sgt. Leslie, A.J. F/O W.L. Folke	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	01.20	05.25	Unsuccessful. Mining operation. 10/10ths cloud. Unable to pin-point or to obtain satisfactory GSE fix. No land seen.	A-392
27th/28th April	HALIFAX II W.7817	F/O G.J. Villeneuve Sgt. Douglas, H.W. Sgt. Harrison, A.R. Sgt. Payne, A. Sgt. Cook, J.L. Sgt. Spurlay, R.I.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	01.24	05.42	Unsuccessful. Mining operation. Visibility poor. Very dark with much cloud. Unable to obtain pin-point and GSE failed out 10 minutes too soon. Flew at 2,000 feet all the way to the INCH COAST.	A-393
27th/28th April	HALIFAX II JB.861	F/Sgt. Palmer, J. Sgt. Walsh, H.W. F/O E. Brown Sgt. Wood, E. Sgt. Hibbins, E. Sgt. Rattelle, R.E.L. Sgt. George, A.J. Sgt. Austin, A.H.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	01.18	05.13	Unsuccessful. Mining operation. 10/10ths cloud base below 100 feet. Unable to obtain pin-point. GSE failed out. No ground detail seen.	A-394
27th/28th April	HALIFAX II JB.929	Sgt. Harrison, R.G. Sgt. Lockwood, W.H. Sgt. Ford, R.A.A. Sgt. Emery, R.W. Sgt. Porter, V.J. Sgt. Duff, J.O. Sgt. Morgan, R.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	01.31	05.08	Successful. Mining operation. Visibility practically nil. 5/10ths to 10/10ths cloud layers. Vegetables planted by GSE fix about 10 miles from previous GSE fix.	A-395
27th/28th April	HALIFAX II JB.862	Sgt. Green, A.E. F/O B. Gortney Sgt. Brooking, A.J. Sgt. Morrison, M.A. Sgt. Dain, F.A. Sgt. Glaise, V. Sgt. Seeling, G.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	01.30	05.08	Successful. Mining operation. Visibility poor. Flew at 3,000 feet. Vegetables planted on GSE fix. Parachute seen to open.	A-396
27th/28th April	HALIFAX II JB.900	F/O E.F. Helms F/O E.E. Hart F/Sgt. Youngblood, S.R. Sgt. Tompkins, G.V. Sgt. James, E. Sgt. Morrison, S.R. F/Sgt. Bell, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	01.22	05.19	Successful. 10/10ths cloud. Vegetables planted on GSE fix. Parachute NOT seen.	A-397

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28th/29th April	HALIFAX II 3B-259	Sgt. Johnson, P.S. Sgt. Hensell, R.S. Sgt. Peate, T.W. Sgt. Humphreys, G. Sgt. Thornhill, R. Sgt. Shute, R.J. Sgt. Armstrong, R.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.44	03.44	Unsuccessful. Mining operation. Visibility very poor. Heavy CGM was ineffective at north of 52° cloud and showers throughout the trip. Very dark. Searched for more than half an hour but unable to pinpoint DARTON coast.	A-398
28th/29th April	HALIFAX II 3B-323	S/Sgt. Gray, R.F. S/Sgt. Hancock, C.O. S/O W.J. HAZELTON Sgt. Low, G.H. Sgt. Wilby, G. S/Sgt. Brewster, M.S. S/O R. Harding	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.48	04.10	Successful. Mining operation. Patchy cloud streets, through breaks in which visibility was good. Vegetables planted on pinpoint from Cape, and on S.E. side of the side run. Parachutes seen to open at 3 second intervals. Crossed NORTH SEA at 1,300 feet. 8/10ths cloud up to 8,000 feet. Aircraft landed at GROPE.	A-399
28th/29th April	HALIFAX II 3B-609	W/O R. H. Fleming S/O G. J. Fisher S/Sgt. Holmes, G.D. S/O L. E. BIRD Sgt. Hall, R.G. Sgt. Ross, R.G. Sgt. Clarke, G.F. Sgt. Adams, G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	20.41	03.36	Successful. Mining operation. Visibility at DARTON 20 miles but locally clear at DARTON after passing through thick 10/10ths cloud. Planted by R.F.A. on 3 minutes run from east tip of DARTON. Parachutes seen to open. Aircraft landed at GROPE.	A-400
28th/29th April	HALIFAX II 3B-749	S/Ldr. R.H. Kenney Sgt. Potter, G.J. Sgt. Doonan, W. S/O W.G. HIGGS Sgt. Goodham, G.H. Sgt. Cook, R.J. Sgt. Dutton, H.C.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.40	01.45	Unsuccessful. Mining operation. Weather conditions poor. Moderate icing. No visibility for last 2 hours of trip. Turned back from 57 04'N 07 00'W. 10/10ths cloud at 800 feet. Aircraft landed at GROPE.	A-401
28th/29th April	HALIFAX II 3B-862	S/O G.W. Elliott S/O R.E. Kennedy S/O H.H. MERRILL Sgt. Sandfield, A.H. Sgt. Hennessey, G.D. Sgt. Kirkwood, G.V. Sgt. Parrot, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.46	04.00	Unsuccessful. Mining operation. This aircraft successfully located the target area but owing to being hit by light flak at 2500 ft. parachutes were put out of action and bomb doors would not open. Missed in mine from light flak. Vegetables brought back. Aircraft landed at EAST GROPE.	A-402
28th/29th April	HALIFAX II 3B-798	Sgt. Douglas, G.H. S/O W.G. HIGGS Sgt. Hennessey, G.D. Sgt. Hynes, W.E. Sgt. Booth, R.A. Sgt. Child, P.S. Sgt. Benson, W.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.48	03.16	Successful. Mining operation. 3/10ths streets, base 1,200 feet, visibility variable. Vegetables planted on visual pin-point on SEAN. Aircraft landed at GROPE.	A-403

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28th/29th April	HALIFAX II V.789	P/O A.H. Gaultie P/O L.H. Agdnall S.H. Graham P/Sgt. Mitchell, F. Sgt. Martin, L.E. P/O K.G. Gray P/O H.F. Smith	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.45	03.38	Successful. Mining operation. Weather clear. Vegetation started by pin-point on the BEAM and thence to garden. Foundation seem to open. Aircraft landed at RAF MOU. A-404	
28th April	HALIFAX II JB.929	Sgt. Hamilton, G.E. Sgt. Gaskoy, W. P/Sgt. O'Connor, J. Sgt. Anker, G. Sgt. Allan, J.A.L. Sgt. Murphy, L.J. Sgt. Gourde, R.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	20.42		Nothing was heard from this aircraft after it took off on mining operations, and its failure to return is presumed to be due to enemy action. Missing A-405	
6th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II JB.861	P/Sgt. Palmer, J. Sgt. Walsh, H.W. P/O E. Brown Sgt. Wooly, E. Sgt. Bismuth, H.A. Sgt. Bettle, R.L. Sgt. Gearing, A.F.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.17	04.25	Successful. Target BEAM with 2 x 1,000-lb. H.G.E.B.O.045; 7 250 (50 x 4); 6 250 (50 x 30); 10/10ths cloud at 20,000 feet, clear above. Made run on red flare and bombed on H.T.A. because flares had disappeared. A few incendiary flares seen under clouds but clouds mainly lit up by searchlights. Distance heavy flak. A-406	
10th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II JB.900	P/O R.F. Roberts P/O J.H. Hart P/Sgt. Youngblood, K.E. Sgt. Tompkins, G.V. Sgt. Dupson, R. Sgt. Morrison, R.R. P/Sgt. Doll, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.48	05.39	Successful. Target BEAM with same bomb load as for aircraft JB.861 above. Visibility clear above 10/10ths cloud. Target identified and bombed by flares. Own results not seen. Red glow seen reflected in cloud. A-407	
10th Apr/ 2nd May	HALIFAX II JB.929	P/O J.D. Dickson P/O R.B. Hutchinson Sgt. Harris, A.G. Sgt. Wright, K.J. Sgt. Allen, J.G. P/O R.J. Wagner Sgt. Weeks, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.48	04.48	Successful. Target BEAM with same bomb load as for aircraft JB.861 above. 8/10ths to 9/10ths cloud, visibility moderate. Target identified and bombed by flares. Red and white glow seen reflected in cloud. Attack was extremely scattered. A-408	
10th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II JB.689	P/O J.R. Sanders Sgt. Pope, R.B. Sgt. Brown, A.W.R. P/O A.G. Adams Sgt. Johnson, J.E. Sgt. Bennett, R.E. Sgt. Austin, R.E. P/O H.E. Tommish	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	23.51	05.40	Successful. Target BEAM with same bomb load as for aircraft JB.861 above. Weather cloudy. No gaps over target but none seen on aircraft left. Target identified and bombed by flares. Results not observed. Light or incendiaries seen under clouds. A-409	

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30th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II BB-323	P/Sgt. Gray, H.F. P/Sgt. Hancock, G.O. P/O E.H. McLeod Sgt. Dow, G.H. Sgt. Wilby, G. P/Sgt. Hunter, M.B. P/O R. Harding	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.50	03.36	Unsuccessful. Target ESEW with 2 x 1,000-lb. H.O.T. D.O. 0.025; 7-800 (90 x 4); 6-800 (8 x 30). Returned early at 02.05 hours from 52 53'N 03 30'E because rear turret was O/S. Bombs jettisoned alive.	A-410
30th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II BB-965	P/Lt. J.D. Pattison P/O G.H. Parker P/Sgt. Wilson, G.D. P/O A.E. Smith Sgt. Hall, D.G. Sgt. Mills, J.A. Sgt. Clarke, G.F.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.47	05.49	Successful. Target ESEW with same bomb load as for aircraft BB-323 above. Visibility poor. 10/10ths cloud. Target identified and bombed by markers. No results observed. Slight glow reflected in cloud.	A-411
30th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II W-7847	P/O C.J. Vallancourt P/O D. Giesche Sgt. Douglas, H.W. Sgt. Morrison, A.H. Sgt. Jaynes, A. Sgt. Cook, J.L. Sgt. Stanley, P.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.24	03.03	Unsuccessful. Target ESEW with same bomb load as for aircraft BB-323 above. Turned back at 01.47 hours from 53 33'N 04 43'E owing to icing at 22,000 feet which caused speed to fall off. Bomb load jettisoned safe.	A-412
30th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II DE-794	P/Sgt. Bell, R.A.H. P/Sgt. White, V.L. Sgt. Adams, J.K. Sgt. Arneson, J.D. Sgt. Taylor, W.R. Sgt. Graham, J.F. P/Sgt. Stevens, G.K.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.14	05.30	Successful. Target ESEW with same bomb load as for aircraft BB-323 above. 10/10ths cloud with visibility fair above. Target identified and bombed by markers. No results observed. Heavy and accurate flak in barrage form encountered.	A-413
30th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II BB-829	Sgt. Johnson, P.S. Sgt. Metcalf, R.S. Sgt. Poole, T.W. Sgt. Humphreys, S. Sgt. Thornhill, R. Sgt. Shitto, D.F. Sgt. Armstrong, E.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.23	05.23	Successful. Target ESEW with same bomb load as for aircraft BB-323 above. 10/10ths cloud at 47,000 feet, clear above. Made run from flare at turning point and bombed on R.T.A. Release point flares seen as aircraft turned away. Own results not observed. Ring of red seen under cloud. Too much cloud to judge whether operation was a success.	A-414
30th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II BB-376	P/O W.H. Kiddie P/O R.S. Hair P/O A.S. Winkill Sgt. Gibson, G.S. Sgt. Richards, R.R. Sgt. Hurst, G.A. Sgt. George, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.20	02.55	Unsuccessful. Target ESEW with same bomb load as for aircraft BB-323 above. Turned back at 01.54 hours from 53 25'N 02 45'E because starboard outer engine failed. Bombs jettisoned safe. Cloud at 16,000 feet. Lost 2,000 feet in 2 minutes.	A-415

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30th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II DH-616	Sgt. Harrison, R.S. Sgt. Loftus, W.H. Sgt. Ford, R.J.A. Sgt. Huby, R.V. Sgt. Huby, R. Sgt. Duff, J.G. Sgt. Morgan, R.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.21	05.16	Unsuccessful. Target ESHM with 2 x 1,000-lb. bombs (2 x 500; 2 x 500) 7-200 (2 x 50); 6-200 (2 x 50). Turned back from 51° 30'N 00 15'W at 02.59 hours because air speed indicator went W/E. Bomb loads jettisoned live. Aircraft late through climbing at low air speed.	A-416
30th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II X-7669	S/O G.S. Elliott P/O R.H. Kennedy P/O R.H. Kennedy Sgt. Goodfield, G. Sgt. Mackie, W.R. Sgt. McIntosh, R.V. Sgt. Poole, S.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.54	03.43	Unsuccessful. Target ESHM with same bomb load as for aircraft DH-616 above. Turned back at 01.44 hours from 53° 40'N 01 30'W because of very poor weather conditions. Load jettisoned safe.	A-417
30th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II DH-629	Sgt. McIntosh, J. S/O G.S.H. Harvey Sgt. Kenny, R.H. Sgt. Brown, A.R. Sgt. Mitchell, R.H. Sgt. Child, F.S. Sgt. Doe, L.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.58	03.21	Unsuccessful. Target ESHM with same bomb load as for aircraft DH-616 above. Turned back at 01.41 hours from 53 37'N 00 30'W as Captain was unable to gain height. Bomb load jettisoned safe.	A-418
30th Apr/ 1st May	HALIFAX II DH-791	P/O Hamilton, G.A. P/O R.G. Huxley P/O R. Brown Sgt. Allen, V.H.R. Sgt. Howell, K.J. P/O A.R. Wallace Sgt. Ross, H.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	00.15	05.53	Successful. Target ESHM with same bomb load as for aircraft DH-616 above. 10/10ths cloud at 15,000-ft. Target identified and bombed by cluster. No results observed. Note restriction seen in cloud.	A-419

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