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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
3/4th MAY, 1945	All Lancaster Mk. I A/C.	OPERATION NO. 201 - MINING MATTHEW - MINE	LOAD -			Each A/C. carried 6 x 1,500 lb. mines.	App. 74
3/4th MAY, 1945	"P" PR.597	CAPT P/O MORRIS & CREW	J.90555	2034	0224	This A/C. was in circuit over base after take-off when the operation was called off. Kept flying until enough petrol was used up to make safe landing weight. Landed safely at base with full mine load.	A.2161
3/4th MAY, 1945	"O" RA.573	CAPT P/O MITCHELL & CREW	J.35941	2035	0152	This A/C. was in circuit over base after take-off when the operation was called off. Kept flying until enough petrol was used up to make safe landing weight. Landed safely at base with full mine load.	A.2162
3/4th MAY, 1945	"P" NG.456	CAPT P/O BURGESS & CREW	J.37209	2028	0112	This A/C. was in circuit over base after take-off when the operation was called off. Kept flying until enough petrol was used up to make safe landing weight. Landed safely at base with full mine load.	A.2163
3/4th MAY, 1945	"Q" NG.277	CAPT P/O STUART & CREW	J.35648	2030	0127	This A/C. was in circuit over base after take-off when the operation was called off. Kept flying until enough petrol was used up to make safe landing weight. Landed safely at base with full mine load.	A.2164
3/4th MAY, 1945	"L" NG.484	CAPT P/O TAYLOR & CREW	J.27844	2036	0106	This A/C. was in circuit over base after take-off when the operation was called off. Kept flying until enough petrol was used up to make safe landing weight. Landed safely at base with full mine load.	A.2165
3/4th MAY, 1945	"N" NK.587	CAPT P/O MOIR & CREW	J.27003	2031	0033	This A/C. was in circuit over base after take-off when the operation was called off. Kept flying until enough petrol was used up to make safe landing weight. Landed safely at base with full mine load.	A.2166
3/4th MAY, 1945	"R" NG.400	CAPT P/O THOMAS & CREW	J.17975	2029	0159	This A/C. was in circuit over base after take-off when the operation was called off. Kept flying until enough petrol was used up to make safe landing weight. Landed safely at base with full mine load.	A.2167
3/4th MAY, 1945	"X" NG.281	CAPT P/O MULLIN & CREW	J.35317	2033	0227	This A/C. was in circuit over base after take-off when the operation was called off. Kept flying until enough petrol was used up to make safe landing weight. Landed safely at base with full mine load.	A.2168

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8th May, 1945	<u>FLYING ORDER NO.202 - TO BRUSSELS - EXODUS PRISONERS OF WAR</u> <u>All Lancaster Mk.I A/C.</u>						App. 75
	"F" PB.897	CAPT F/O MORRISON & CREW	J.42966			This A/C took off from base at 13.10 hrs and landed at Brussels at 15.16 hrs. Loaded 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them back safely to R.A.F. Station, Wing. One soldier was air sick but not serious. Take-off time from Brussels was 16.10 hrs and arrived at Wing at 17.36 hrs. Took off for base at 17.55 hrs and landed safely at 18.51 hrs.	A.2169
8th May, 1945	"E" NG.461	CAPT F/O MITCHELL & CREW	J.35941			This A/C took off from base at 12.52 hrs and landed at Brussels at 14.55 hrs. Took off at 15.44 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.00 hrs at R.A.F. Station Wing. Took off again for base at 17.19 hrs and landed safely at 18.07 hrs.	A.2170
8th May, 1945	"G" NG.277	CAPT F/L STURM & CREW	J.35648			This A/C took off from base at 12.43 hrs and landed at Brussels at 14.48 hrs. Took off at 15.34 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 16.51 hrs at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 17.07 hrs and landed safely at 17.52 hrs.	A.2171
8th May, 1945	"L" NG.484	CAPT F/L BROWN & CREW	J.37209			This A/C took off from base at 12.47 hrs and landed at Brussels at 14.53 hrs. Took off at 15.47 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.01 hrs at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 17.23 hrs and landed safely at 18.19 hrs.	A.2172
8th May, 1945	"J" NG.446	CAPT F/O REYNOLDS & CREW	J.35869			This A/C took off from base at 12.54 hrs and landed at Brussels at 14.46 hrs. Took off at 15.54 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.05 hrs at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 17.25 hrs and landed safely at 18.12 hrs.	A.2173
8th May, 1945	"K" RA.504	CAPT P/O COGINS DFM & CREW	J.94528			This A/C took off from base at 13.06 hrs and landed at Brussels at 15.11 hrs. Took off at 16.20 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.30 hrs at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 17.45 hrs. and landed safely at 18.34 hrs.	A.2174

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				Up	Down		
8th MAY, 1945.	"O" NG.279	CAPT F/L MACDONALD & CREW.	J.29040			This A/C took off from base at 13.05 hrs. and landed at Brussels at 15.15 hrs. Took off at 16.04 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.17 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 17.29 hrs. and landed safely at 18.17 hrs.	A.2175
8th MAY, 1945.	"X" NG.281	CAPT F/L MOIR & CREW.	J.27003			This A/C took off from base at 13.35 hrs. and landed at Brussels at 15.34 hrs. Took off at 16.30 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.53 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 18.12 hrs. and landed safely at 19.03 hrs.	A.2176
8th MAY, 1945.	"Q" NG.348	CAPT S/L LUNDEEN RFC & CREW.	J.17061			This A/C took off from base at 12.42 hrs. and landed at Brussels at 14.57 hrs. Tire went flat on landing and A/C had to stay there for servicing.	A.2177
8th MAY, 1945	"R" NG.400	CAPT F/L THOMAS RFC & CREW.	J.7975			This A/C took off from base at 12.57 hrs. and landed at Brussels at 15.00 hrs. Took off at 15.57 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.16 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 17.28 hrs. and landed safely at 19.03 hrs.	A.2178
8th MAY, 1945	"U" NG.280	CAPT F/O CHURCH & CREW.	J.89816			This A/C took off from base at 12.59 hrs. and landed at Brussels at 15.05 hrs. Took off at 16.01 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.15 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 17.27 hrs. and landed safely at 18.21 hrs.	A.2179
8th MAY, 1945	"W" PA.326	CAPT F/O EDMERSON & CREW.	J.92191			This A/C took off from base at 13.09 hrs. and landed at Brussels at 15.11 hrs. Took off at 16.27 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.50 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 18.10 hrs. and landed safely at 20.50 hrs.	A.2180
8th MAY, 1945.	"K" PA.324	CAPT F/O KEARNS & CREW.	J.18591			This A/C which was detailed as the servicing A/C took off 10.24 hrs. and landed at 12.19 hrs. at Brussels. As A/C "Q" NG.348 piloted by S/L Cdr. J.17061 S/L C.F. Lundeen RFC had a flat tire on landing (listed above - Folio No. A.2177) this A/C was then detailed to make the return journey. At 18.34 hrs. S/L Lundeen and Crew with 24 released Prisoners of War took off and brought them down safely at 19.42 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 20.05 hrs. and landed safely at 20.50 hrs.	A.2181

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				Up	Down		
9th May, 1945	FLYING ORDER NO. 203 - TO JUVINCOURT - ENROUTE PRISONERS OF WAR All Lancaster Mark I A/C.						App. 76
	"F" PB.897	CAPT F/O MURRISON & CREW.	J.42966			This A/C took off from base at 10.29 hrs. and landed at Juvincoourt at 13.02 hrs. Took off at 15.06 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 16.41 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 16.58 hrs. and landed safely at 17.50 hrs.	A.2182
9th May, 1945	"H" NG.451	CAPT F/O MITCHELL & CREW.	J.35941			This A/C took off from base at 10.30 hrs. and landed at Juvincoourt at 13.03 hrs. Took off at 14.13 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 15.51 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 15.58 hrs. and landed safely at 17.06 hrs.	A.2183
9th May, 1945	"G" NG.277	CAPT F/L STUART & CREW.	J.35648			This A/C took off from base at 10.27 hrs. and landed at Juvincoourt at 13.01 hrs. Took off at 13.55 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 15.21 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 15.34 hrs. and landed safely at 16.20 hrs.	A.2184
9th May, 1945	"A" RP.148	CAPT F/L BRACKETT & CREW.	J.37209			This A/C took off from base at 10.11 hrs. and landed at Juvincoourt at 13.10 hrs. Took off at 14.29 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 16.25 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 16.48 hrs. and landed safely at 17.10 hrs.	A.2185
9th May, 1945	"J" NG.446	CAPT F/O REYNOLDS & CREW.	J.35869			This A/C took off from base at 10.33 hrs. and landed at Juvincoourt at 13.00 hrs. Took off at 15.11 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 16.41 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 16.59 hrs. and landed safely at 17.40 hrs.	A.2186
9th May, 1945	"L" NG.484	CAPT F/O COLENS DPM	J.94528			This A/C took off from base at 10.26 hrs. and landed at Juvincoourt at 13.05 hrs. Took off at 14.11 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 15.55 hrs. at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 16.19 hrs. and landed safely at 17.09 hrs.	A.2187

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9th MAY, 1945	"C" NG.279	CAPT F/L MACDONALD & CREW	J.29040			This A/C took off from base at 10.32 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 13.10 hrs. Took off at 14.06 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 15.27 hrs at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 15.52 hrs and landed safely at 16.30 hrs.	A.2188
9th MAY, 1945	"I" NG.347	CAPT F/L MOIR & CREW	J.27003			This A/C took off from base at 10.28 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 13.09 hrs. Took off at 14.15 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 16.24 hrs at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 16.44 hrs and landed safely at 17.34 hrs.	A.2189
9th MAY, 1945	"X" NG.458	CAPT F/L THOMAS DFC & CREW	J.7975			This A/C took off from base at 10.45 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 13.09 hrs. Took off at 14.10 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 15.45 hrs at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 16.14 hrs and landed safely at 17.08 hrs.	A.2190
9th MAY, 1945	"I" ME.458	CAPT F/O CHURCH & CREW	J.89816			This A/C took off from base at 10.34 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 13.12 hrs. Took off at 14.18 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 16.04 hrs at R.A.F. Station, Wing. Took off again for base at 16.36 hrs and landed safely at 17.28 hrs.	A.2191
9th MAY, 1945	"W" PA.326	CAPT F/O EDMERSON & CREW	J.92101			This A/C took off from base at 10.36 hrs but on landing at Juvinocourt low wires were hit and when A/C touched down at 13.14 hrs it was decided that due to possible damage it would not be safe to ferry passengers back. The A/C took off again at 15.50 hrs and landed at R.A.F. Manston at 14.30 hrs. The A/C was then given a complete inspection and it was found there was no serious damage. It took off from Manston at 18.02 hrs and landed at base at 19.19 hrs.	A.2192
10th MAY, 1945	FLYING ORDER NO. 204 - TO JUVINOCOURT - EXODUS PRISONERS OF WAR. All Lancaster Mark I A/C						App. 77
	"A" HP.148	CAPT F/O MANN & CREW	J.43008			This A/C took off from base at 12.52 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 15.13 hrs. Took off at 17.36 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 19.00 hrs at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 19.54 hrs and landed safely at 20.44 hrs. One passenger was air sick.	A.2193

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10th MAY, 1945	"B" PB.897	CAPT F/O MORRISON & CREW	J.42966			This A/C took off from base at 12.48 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 15.13 hrs. Took off at 17.34 hrs with 19 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 19.06 hrs at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 20.04 hrs and landed safely at 20.59 hrs.	A.2194
10th MAY, 1945	"B" NG.451	CAPT F/O MITCHELL & CREW	J.45941			This A/C took off from base at 12.49 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 15.10 hrs. Took off at 16.10 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.40 hrs at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 18.18 hrs and landed safely at 19.12 hrs.	A.2195
10th MAY, 1945	"C" NG.277	CAPT F/L SQUIRE & CREW	J.35648			This A/C took off from base at 12.40 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 15.04 hrs. Took off at 15.49 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.18 hrs at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 17.31 and landed safely at 18.18 hrs.	A.2196
10th MAY, 1945	"H" PA.286	CAPT F/L BECHOTT & CREW	J.37209			This A/C took off from base at 12.46 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 15.04 hrs. Took off at 15.58 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.25 hrs at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 17.50 hrs and landed safely at 18.41 hrs.	A.2197
10th MAY, 1945	"J" NG.446	CAPT F/O REYNOLDS & CREW	J.35869			This A/C took off from base at 12.46 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 15.09 hrs. Took off at 16.00 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.22 hrs at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 17.36 hrs and landed safely at 18.34 hrs.	A.2198
10th MAY, 1945	"K" PA.324	CAPT S/L LUNDEN DFC & CREW	J.17061			This A/C took off from base at 12.39 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 15.06 hrs. Took off at 15.59 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.28 hrs at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 18.03 hrs and landed safely at 18.59 hrs.	A.2199
10th MAY, 1945	"L" NG.484	CAPT F/L TAYLOR & CREW	J.27844			This A/C took off from base at 12.49 hrs and landed at Juvinocourt at 15.30 hrs. Took off at 16.49 hrs with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 18.25 hrs at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 18.58 hrs and landed safely at 19.47 hrs.	A.2200



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10th MAY, 1945	"M" RA.504	CAPT F/O OGDEN, W.J. & CREW.	DPM J.94528			This A/C took off from base at 12.45 hrs. and landed at Juvincourt at 15.12 hrs. Took off at 16.47 hrs. with 25 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 18.32 hrs. at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 18.56 hrs. and landed safely at 19.45 hrs.	A.2201
10th MAY, 1945	"O" NG.279	CAPT F/L MACDONALD & CREW.	J.29040			This A/C took off from base at 12.43 hrs. and landed at Juvincourt at 15.07 hrs. Took off at 18.54 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 20.23 hrs. at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 20.54 hrs. and landed safely at 21.44 hrs.	A.2202
10th MAY, 1945	"P" NG.347	CAPT F/L MOIR & CREW.	J.27003			This A/C took off from base at 12.42 hrs. and landed at Juvincourt at 15.19 hrs. Took off at 16.04 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 17.29 hrs. at R.A.F. Westcott. One passenger was air sick on the trip but not seriously. Took off again for base at 18.16 hrs. and landed safely at 19.03 hrs.	A.2203
10th MAY, 1945	"R" NG.400	CAPT F/L THOMAS DFC & CREW.	J.7975			This A/C took off from base at 12.41 hrs. and landed at Juvincourt at 15.09 hrs. Took off at 16.36 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 18.12 hrs. at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 18.49 hrs. and landed safely at 19.37 hrs.	A.2204
10th MAY, 1945	"S" RA.512	CAPT F/O NEARNS & CREW.	J.18591			This A/C took off from base at 12.42 1/2 hrs. and landed at Juvincourt at 16.00 hrs. Took off at 18.15 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 19.35 hrs. at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 20.05 hrs. and landed safely at 20.57 hrs.	A.2205
10th MAY, 1945	"T" NG.458	CAPT F/L SKENE & CREW.	J.19075			This A/C took off from base at 12.44 hrs. and landed at Juvincourt at 15.24 hrs. Took off at 16.40 hrs. with 24 released Prisoners of War and brought them down safely at 18.10 hrs. at R.A.F. Westcott. Took off again for base at 18.52 hrs. and landed safely at 19.43 hrs.	A.2206

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