

HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN AIR TRANSPORT SERVICE
Office of the Commanding General
APO 633 U.S. ARMY

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Wiesbaden, Germany
" December 1946

Subject: Missing Aircraft, B-17G, Number 43-39339

To: Chief, Flying Safety Services, Langley Field, Virginia
Commanding General, United States Air Forces in Europe, APO 633,
US Army

1 The attached "Missing Aircraft" file is forwarded to your Headquarters in compliance with AAF Regulation Number 62-14..

2 This Headquarters has assumed the responsibility of compiling the official report concerning this missing aircraft because the flight commander, pilot and co-pilot, were assigned to headquarters European Air Transport Services.

3 I personally have read the attached report.

4 I concur in the report. The aircraft is missing. The cause is unknown. All crew members were sufficiently experienced to preclude the probability that an accident occurred due to the inexperience of the aircrew personnel.

5 This headquarters is continuing to place emphasis on adherence to a flight plan filed prior to flight departure. Emphasis is also placed on the need for continual radio checks with ground stations, made by the radio operator, on continuous wave frequencies. Night cross country flights have been discontinued by European Air Transport Service.

Signed Lucas V. Beau
Brigadier General USA
Commanding

11 Encls:

- Incl 1 - AAF Form 14
- Incl 2 - AAF Form 23
- Incl 3 - AAF Form 23A, Naples to Istres
- Incl 4 - AAF Form 23A, Istres to Bovingdon
- Incl 5a. - Request News TWX
- Incl 5b. - Request News TWX
- Incl 5c. - Request News TWX
- Incl 5d. - Request News TWX
- Incl 6 - Search Instigation Order TWX to Capodichino
- Incl 7 - Search Instigation Order TWX to Istres
- Incl 8 - Search Instigation Order TWX to Orly
- Incl 9 - Search abandonment order TWX to Orly, Istres, Capodichino
- Incl 10 - Search area map
- Incl 11 - EATS Op. Form 15-3A (Flight Plan)