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HEADQUARTERS  
EUROPEAN AIR TRANSPORT SERVICE  
Office of the Commanding General  
APO 633 US Army

O/JFB/mh

Wiesbaden, Germany

3735  
SUBJECT: Missing Aircraft, B-17G, Number 43-39338.

2 DEC 1946

TO : Chief, Flying Safety Service, 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 Service.

3. I have personally 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 also is 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.

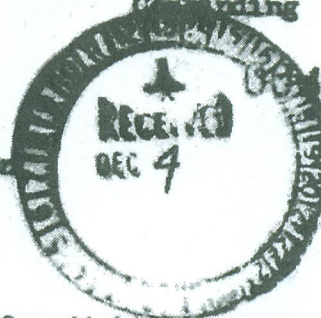
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Brigadier General, USA  
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- ✓ Incl 1 - AAF Form 14
- ✓ Incl 2 - AAF Form 23
- ✓ Incl 3 - AAF Form 23A, Naples to Istres
- ✓ Incl 4 - AAF Form 23A, Istres to Bovington
- ✓ Incl 5 a. - Request News TWX
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- ✓ Incl 6 - Search Investigation Order TWX to Capodichino
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- ✓ Incl 8 - Search Investigation Order TWX to Orly
- ✓ Incl 9 - Search Abandonment Order TWX to Orly, Istres, Capodichino
- ✓ Incl 10 - Search Area Map
- ✓ Incl 11 - DAIS Op. Form 15-3A (Flight Plan)



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