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1. 22/23 Mar 44 Frankfurt (F/O Moroney) KIA

22.3.44 Some training was carried out in the morning and 14 Lancasters were detailed for operations tonight. Frankfurt was the target and the attack opened on time at 21.45. A fair concentration was achieved, timing was good, and marking was well maintained. Large fires were seen around aiming point and fires quickly extended with smoke rising to 10,000' and fires were visible 200 miles away. There was slight H/F, searchlights numerous but ineffective. Enemy fighter activity below normal. P/O Cooper and crew failed to return, no news having since been received. F/O Moroney and crew also failed to return, the last message heard was at 20.38 hours, position given as 53.21N 03.45E baling out.

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JB731F F/O W.P.Moroney, Sgt F.W.Colter, F/O M.Jenkins, F/Sgt G.S.Davies, Sgt D.Duchmann, F/Sgt J.Bell, Sgt A.C.Mills. Up 1845. 6 x 2000lb. At 2038 hours an SOS received, no fix. At 2039 hours message received from "Pulham", position 53.21N 03.45S – baling out. No further news – missing.