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APPENDIX "D"

ST EVAL NR NIL IMMEDIATE SECRET NOT WT  
PASS TO SELF GR NIL

ADDRESSED TO :- 10 GROUP  
FROM :- ST EVAL FIGHTER SECTOR

FIGHTER COMMAND INTELLIGENCE COMBAT REPORT

(A) UI  
(B) 9, II  
(C) 12/1/41  
(D) "A" FLIGHT 263 SQUADIZCN  
(E) ONE  
(F) JU.88  
(G) 1020  
(H) 40 MILES S. W OF THE LIZARD  
(J) 4500 FEET  
(K) ONE DAMAGED  
(L) NIL  
(M) NIL  
(N) (I) N.A.  
(N) (II) N.A.  
(R) PURPLE I AND 2, 263 SQUADRON WERE DETAILED TO RAID 106, WHICH HOWEVER TURNED S. W. NEAR GUERNSEY AND NEVER CAME WITHIN RANGE. ON THEIR WAY DOWN TO THE LIZARD, THEY WERE DETAILED TO RAID 107, WHICH CAME FROM THE S. W. TOWARDS LANDS END THEY WERE TOLD TO VECTOR 170 DEGREES AND CLIMB TO 10,000 FEET IN THIS PROCESS  
PURPLE 2 LOST TOUCH WITH PURPLE 1 AND PURPLE 1 WENT ON HIS COURSE ALONE.

40 MILES S. W. OF THE SCILLIES AT 10,000 FEET HE SIGHTED JU.88 WHICH WAS GOING W. AT 4500 FEET JUST ABOVE A LAYER OF CLOUD. PURPLE 1 IMMEDIATELY WENT INTO THE SUN AND DIVED TO THE ATTACK. HE APPROACHED E/A FROM THE FRONT QUARTER AND AS THE ATTACKED DEVELOPED INTO A FULL BEAM, HE OPENED FIRE AND GAVE A FOUR SECOND BURST. THE REAR GUNNER OF THE E/A OPENED FIRE SIMULTANEOUSLY BUT STOPPED ALMOST IMMEDIATELY. PURPLE 1 SAW HIS SHELLS HIT THE TOP OF FUSELAGE ABOUT 2/3 RDS OF THE WAY UP THE FUSELAGE AND A MINOR EXPLOSION ENSUED. UNFORTUNATELY PURPLE 1'S VIEW WAS THEN OBSCURED BY SMOKE FROM HIS CANNONS AND HE WAS NOT ABLE TO OBSERVE THE FULL EXTENT OF THE DAMAGE INFLICTED ON E/A. HE ALLOWED 2 1/2 FULL RINGS DEFLECTION WHEN DELIVERING BEAM ATTACK.

E/A WENT INTO A SPIRAL DIVE INTO CLOUD WHICH WAS 10/10 THS AND THOUGH PURPLE I SEARCHED BELOW AND ABOVE CLOUD HE DID NOT SEE E/A AGAIN.

E/A TOOK NO EVASIVE ACTION UNTIL HE WAS ABOUT 350 YARDS FROM IT AND THE ATTACK MUST BE CONSIDERED IN THE NATURE OF A SURPRISE.

THE JU.88 HAD NORMAL MARKINGS. NO CNE GUNS WERE CARRIED . THE R/T WAS GOOD AND THE PILOT WAS IMPRESSED BY THE SUCCESS OF THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN CONTROLLER ST EVAL ( DONEGAL 1 ) AND SUB CONTROLLER DRYTREE (DONEGAL 2).

THE ENGAGEMENT IS NOTABLE AS BEING THE FIRST INTERCEPTION BY 263 SQUADRON ON WHIRLWINDS. THE PILOT HAD NO DIFFICULTY IN OVERHAULING E/A WHO WAS ESTIMATED TO BE TRAVELLING AT 300 M.P.H.

PURPLE I --- P/O STEIN 1 - 4 SECS . 300 YARDS  
ROUNDS FIRED ---- 111 (CANNON)  
1 JUNKERS 88 DAMAGED I STOPPAGE

T. T. O. ST EVAL 0942  
T. O. L. ST EVAL 1107  
T. O. O. 1945

G. KRIKORIAN F/O  
INTELLIGENCE OFFICER 234 SQUADRON.  
FOR INTELLIGENCE OFFICER 263 SQUADRON.

CHK V BB -  
ST EVAL R 2006 WJJ VA --  
Wb (DONEGAL 2) ----DRYTREE  
CHK VA  
NOTED WJJ VA.