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DATE : 19 JUN 54

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : SHERWOOD

ACTION: WH (PBS) (1-3)

INFO : DCI (4), D/DCI (5), DD/P (L) (6), SA/PC/DCI (7), WH (8)

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SHERWOOD (NR. ²⁹¹MISSING 1710Z 19 JUN 54
BEING SERVICED) (IN 19939)

OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE
PRECEDENCE

TO: (OPERATIONAL
IMMEDIATE) [3 SLINC

INFO: DIR

CITE: SHERWOOD

1. A. C-15.

B. 2323 (BF 8902) 2335 (BF 6906).

C. 0210.

D. BF 6906.

E. FLEW OVER BF 8902 AT 2325 LEFT AT 2331. NO SIGNALS ONE

LIGHT ONLY. SAW A LIGHT FLASHING JUST BEFORE REACHING BF 6906.
CONT ON COURSE TO DZ AND LIGHTS FROM TRUCK COME ON AT DZ POINT
DROPPED THREE BUNDLES THERE. ON PULL UP TO MAKE CIRCUIT ABOUT
500 YARDS FROM FIRST DROP SPOTTED THREE FIRES IN STRAIGHT LINE ON
EDGE OF RAVINE AND TWO MORE A LITTLE HIGHER ON RAVINE AND ONE ON
OPPOSITE SIDE OF RAVINE PLUS ONE FLASHING HAND LIGHT. REMAINING
NINE BUNDLES DROPPED ON THREE PASSES TO THREE LIGHTS IN LINE.
GUAT CITY LIGHTS ALL BLACKED OUT AT 2330. AFTER COMPLETION DROP-
PING AND NORTH OF GUAT CITY NOTICED TWO DIFFERENT CLUSTERS OF AA
FIRE ONE FROM SE CORNER ONE (LARGER AMOUNT) FROM NE CORNER.

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2. A. C-16.

B. 2332 (BG 7263).

C. 0225.

D. BG 7263.

E. APPROACHED DZ FROM SOUTH SE SAW ONE BLINKING FLASHLIGHT $3\frac{1}{4}$ MILES NORTH DZ AREA. AS APPROACHED DZ SAW ONE OTHER LIGHT POINTING NORTH. THIS WAS CLOSE TO BLINKING LIGHT AND SEEMED TO INDICATE WHERE TO DROP. MADE THREE CIRCUITS TO GET LOW ENOUGH IN VALLEY TO DROP. EACH TIME PASSED DZ AREA WHILE DESCENDING LIGHT BLINKED TOWARD A/C. STARTED DROPPING ON FOURTH CIRCUIT AND DROPPED THREE BUNDLES EACH TIME DURING NEXT FOUR PASSES. EACH TIME APPROACHING DROP AREA LIGHT WOULD FLASH GIVING SHIP SOMETHING TO LINE UP ON. MADE ONE MORE CIRCLE CLIMBING OUT OF VALLEY AND HEADED NNW APPROACHED GUAT CITY (BLACKED OUT) FROM SW HEADING NE. BRIGHT LIGHT FLASHED AT A/C FROM AIRPORT. A/C WAS AT 500 FEET AS CAME ACROSS EDGE OF CITY. STARTED DROPPING LEAFLETS JUST INSIDE CITY COULD SEE RR ON LEFT RUNNING THROUGH CITY. NOW AT 300 FEET HEADING TOWARD PALACE. TRACERS COMING AT A/C FROM PALACE AREA AND NORTH OF RR STATION. TURNED OUT OVER NE CORNER OF CITY. AA LOOKED LIKE LARGER CALIB THAN 20 MM. EST 37 OR 40 MM. PILOTS STATE FIRING LOOKED ACCURATE. PILOTS SAW LEAST FOUR TRACERS JUST AHEAD OF

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A/C. ONE SPOTTER CLIMBING IN DOME SAW SEVERAL TRACERS BEHIND
(20 OR 25 FEET) A/C. LEAFLET KICKER EST SAW AT LEAST SIX
TRACERS OUT OF REAR DOOR ABOUT 50 FEET OFF TAIL.

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