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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
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2.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 209 "A" P	CAN F/O J.D. BAIRD	J.45298	BOMBING	2204	Attacked primary. 5/10ths cloud with tops at 5,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target was identified by Red and Green T.I. Markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of concentration of Red T.I.'s at 1849 hours from 20,000 feet on a heading of 020 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Target was burning well and bomb bursts were observed around T.I.'s. Appeared to be good attack. Bomb load carried was 4 x 500 LB G.P.T.D., 025. 12 x 500 LB M.C.T.D., 025.	A.3947 B.1
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NR 769 "D" P	CAN F/O S.G. DEAN	J.36215	- do -	1442	Attacked primary. 5/10ths cloud with tops at 5,000 feet. Visibility was fair and the target identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of concentration of T.I. Red markers at 1850.9 hours from 20,000 feet on a heading of 160. Three large explosions seen when 15 miles homeward, orange red flames. Good attack. Target area well lit up. Bomb load carried was 15 x 500 LB G.P.T.D., 025.	A.3948 B.1
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NR 746 "B" P	CAN F/L B.T. PINCH	J.25226	- do -	1436	Attacked primary. Slight haze but good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red markers at 1849.7 hours from 20,000. Bombing was carried out on centre of concentration of T.I. Red markers at 1849.7 hours from 20,000 feet on a heading of 022 T with an I.A.S. of 155. No difficulties. Very satisfactory. Marking very good. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3948.	A.3949 B.1
2.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 199 "F" P	CAN F/O H.D. SOKOLOFF	J.25966	- do -	1440	Attacked primary. Cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red markers at 1849.7 hours from 20,000 feet on a heading of 025 T with an I.A.S. of 150. Good trip. Effective marking and bombing. Bomb load carried was 8 x 500 LB G.P.T.D., 025. 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D., 025.	A.3950 B.1
2.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 124 "H" P	CAN F/L T.J. SMITH	J.10553	- do -	1430	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Target identified by "GND" and River Rhine. Bombing was carried out on northerly cluster of Red T.I.'s originally cascading at 1842 hours at 1850 hours from 19,500 feet on a heading of 030 T with an I.A.S. of 155. T.I.'s were concentrated and bombing accurate. Very large explosion noted at 1858 hours. Many fires seen burning. Bomb load carried was 16 x 500 LB G.P.T.D., 025.	A.3951 B.1

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2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 796 "M" P	CAN F/L R. GALL	J.20725 BOMBING LUDTIGSHAVEN (Second wave)	1439	2217	Attacked primary. 7/10ths cloud with tops at 2,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by Red T.I.'s. Bombing was carried out on centre of concentration of Red T.I.'s at 1848.6 hours from 19,500 feet on a heading of 024 T with an I.A.S. of 150. Successful attack. Bomb load carried was 15 x 500 LB G.P.T.D..025.	A.3952 B.1
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 711 "O" P	CAN F/L R.H. FLEMING	J.21759 - do -	1441	2234	Attacked primary. Good visibility and the target was identified by T.I. Red markers. Bombing was carried out on T.I. Green markers at 1855 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 020 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Excellent attack. T.A. and sky well lighted by orange glow. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3952.	A.3953 B.1
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 754 "P" P	CAN F/L H.D. BRACKEN	J.14133 - do -	1444	2156	Attacked primary. 5/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by T.I. Red and "GMS". Bombing was carried out visually on Red T.I.'s at 1845.0 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 015 T with an I.A.S. of 155. T.I.'s very accurate. Large explosion noted. Many fires seen. Good attack. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3952.	A.3954 B.1
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 772 "Q" P	CAN F/O R.B. STEWART	J.89238 - do -	1443	2150	Attacked primary. 7/10ths cloud with good visibility. Target was identified visually by Red and Green T.I.'s. Bombing was carried out on Red T.I.'s at 1850.6 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 024 T with an I.A.S. of 150. Very good attack. A/C was damaged by flak at 1920 hours over the target while at 8,000 feet. Position of aircraft was 4936 N 0608 E. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3952.	A.3955 B.1
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 743 "K" P	CAN F/L R.D. MOWAT	J.27871 - do -	1452	2158	Attacked primary. 6/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Visibility good and the target identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of concentration of T.I. Red markers at 1851 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 020 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Marking was generally good. Bombing appeared S.E. Bomb load carried was 9 x 500 LB G.P.T.D..025; 6 x 500 LB M.C.T.D..025.	A.3956 B.1
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 777 "S" P	CAN S/L D.O. PETTIT	J.10627 - do -	1434	2232	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red markers. Bombing was carried out on T.I. Red markers at 1853.6 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 029 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Fires seen catching hold. Good attack. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3952.	A.3957 B.1

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2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 775 "R" CAN F	F/L D.M. SANDERSON J.29724	BOMBING LUDWIGSHAVEN (Second wave)	1448	2206	Attacked primary. Light cloud with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and "GREEN". Bombing was carried out to port of T.I.'s Red at 1854 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 030 T with an I.A.S. of 155. T.I.'s and bombing were both accurate. Good raid. Bomb load carried was 15 x 500 LB G.P.T.D., 025.	A.3958 B.1		
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 756 "T" F CAN F/O C.L. FITZ J.28633	- do -	- do -	1445	2157	Attacked primary. 5/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Visibility was good and target identified by Red and Green T.I.'s. Bombing was carried out on centre of concentration of T.I.'s at 1852.8 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 005 T with an I.A.S. of 150. Very good attack. A/C well concentrated over target. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.3958.	A.3959 B.1		
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 717 "W" F CAN F/L A. ROSSINHERY J.8377	- do -	- do -	1450	2201	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 2,000 feet. Visibility was good and target identified by Red and Green T.I.'s. Bombing was carried out on fires between two T.I.'s at 1849 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 031 T with an I.A.S. of 150. Very good attack. Large explosion noted at 1851 hours which lit up the whole sky in target area. Bomb load carried was 1 x 500 LB G.P.T.D., 025; 14 x 500 LB M.C.T.D., 025.	A.3960 B.1		
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 749 "I" F CAN F/O B.C. WALLACE J.35878	- do -	- do -	1453	2149	Attacked primary. 4/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Good visibility and the target was identified by T.I. Red markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of all T.I.'s at 1851.6 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 015 T with an I.A.S. of 150. Very good attack. Large explosion noted at 1847 hours. Many fires started. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3958.	A.3961 B.1		
2.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 798 "J" F CAN F/O R.M. WALLIS J.28593	- do -	- do -	1432	2151	Attacked primary. 2/10ths to 4/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Visibility was excellent and the target identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red markers at 1848.5 hours from 19,500 feet on a heading of 357 T with an I.A.S. of 150. Considered excellent attack. No difficulties. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.3958.	A.3962 B.1		
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 780 "C" F CAN F/L R. GAIL J.20725		BOMBING HAMBOVER (First wave)	1630	2239	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Target was identified by Red and Green flares. Bombing was carried out on centre of four flares at 1921.5 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 137 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Concentrated attack on flares. Explosions were seen in target area. Bomb load carried was 15 x 500 LB ANK 6, T.D., 025.	A.3963 B.2		

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5.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 209 "A" P	CAN. P/L A.F. SCHNEIDER	J.13449	BOMBING HANOVER (First wave)	1641	-	Nothing has been heard from this aircraft since take off. Operational Points trips and hours of these missing crew are listed hereunder.	A.3964																																			
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5.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 199 "P" P	CAN P/O J.D. BAIRD	J.45298	- do -	1633	2245	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Target was identified by flares with Red and Green stars. Bombing was carried out on Red flares at 1925 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 137 T with an I.A.S. of 155. W/S instructions to bomb flares were clearly heard. Glow on cloud over target showed a concentrated attack. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3964.	A.3965 B.2																																			
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 809 "G" P	CAN P/O G.D. DAUGHTERS	J.92736	- do -	1635	2226	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 10,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by sky marking flares at 1927 hours. Bombing was carried out on centre of cluster of four sky flares at 1927 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 137 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Good trip no difficulties. Target was well marked. No results of bombing observed. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.3964.	A.3966 B.2																																			
5.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 124 "H" P	CAN P/L W.J. SMITH	J.10553	- do -	1634	2248	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 10,000 feet. Visibility was very good and the target identified by sky flares. Bombing was carried out on sky flares at 1922:47 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 137 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Very good trip. Sky marking good. Attack appeared to be concentrated. Bombload carried was the same as on Sortie A.3964.	A.3967 B.2																																			
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 798 "J" P	CAN P/O S.C. DEAN	J.36215	- do -	1632	2232	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 9,000 feet. Visibility was fair and the target identified by sky marking flares. Bombing was carried out on centre of concentration of flares at 1921 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 160. No difficulties. Explosion seen at approximately 7 minutes after leaving target. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3964.	A.3968 B.2																																			
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 743 "K" P	CAN P/O D.M. WILKIE	J.16988	- do -	1638	2241	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Target identified by Red sky flares. Bombing was carried out on centre of flares at 1922 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 141 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Considered good attack. Bombing appeared well concentrated. Bomb load 6 x 500 LB G.W.T.D..025. 9 x 500 LB M.C.T.D..025.	A.3969 B.2																																			



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5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 796 "H" F CAN F/O G.L. FITZ J.28633		BOMBING HANNOVER (First wave)	1626	2220	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Target was identified by Red sky flares at 1921.7 hours. Bombing was carried out on centre of concentration of Red flares at 1921.7 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Considered good attack. Too early to observe results. Bomb load carried was 15 x 500 LB AGM 64 T.D. 025.	A.3970 B.2
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 711 "O" F CAN F/L R.H. FLEMING J.21759 - do -		- do -	1628	2238	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 10,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by Yellow and Red sky flares. Bombing was carried out on centre of Red flares at 1922.5 hours from 17,500 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 160. After leaving target glow on cloud was visible for 60 miles. Good attack. Markers well concentrated. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3970.	A.3971 B.2
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 754 "P" F CAN F/O R.B. STEWART J.89238 - do -		- do -	1640	2243	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 12,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by Yellow and Red flares. Bombing was carried out on Red flares at 1921.7 hours from 17,000 feet on a heading of 134 T with an I.A.S. of 160. On run up only results visible was bomb bursts. Good attack. No difficulties. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.3970.	A.3972 B.2
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 776 "R" F CAN F/L D.M. SANDERSON J.29724 - do -		- do -	1637	2215	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by Red flares. Bombing was carried out on Red flares with green stars at 1923.5 hours from 17,000 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 165. Reddish orange glow on cloud. Concentrated attack. Starboard outer engine stopped at 2028 hours. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3970.	A.3973 B.2
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 777 "B" F CAN F/O R.M. ARMITAGE J.35566 - do -		- do -	1636	2237	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Visibility fair and the target identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on sky marking flares at 1925 hours from 17,000 feet on a heading of 137 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Bombing appeared concentrated. Good glow seen on cloud. If marking was on the attack was O.K.. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3970.	A.3974 B.2
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 756 "T" F CAN F/O F.R. SHARP C.858 - do -		- do -	1650	2250	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Visibility good and target identified by Red flares. Bombing was carried out on centre of cluster of red flares at 1922 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Considered attack average in view of bombing on flares. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3970.	A.3975 B.2

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5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 749 "Y" P	CAN P/O B.C. WALLACE	J.35878	BOMBING HANOVER (First wave)	1639	2228	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by Green T.I. and Red flares. Bombing was carried out on Red flares at 1925.1 hours from 17,500 feet on a heading of 137 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Good attack. Unable to assess further due to cloud. Bomb load carried was 4 x 500 LB G.P.T.D.025; 11 x 500 LB M.C.T.D.025. A.3976 B.2
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 780 "C" P	CAN P/O R.M. ARMITAGE	J.35566	BOMBING HANAU (First wave)	1456	2201	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Visibility was poor and the target identified by T.I. Red markers. Bombing was carried out on Red flares with Green Stars at 1900.5 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 155. No difficulties. Difficult to assess results other than reddish glow on cloud. Bomb load carried was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.; 12 x No. 14 CP C. 6/10. A.3977 B.3
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 746 "E" P	CAN S/L H.J. REEVES	J.10644	- do -	1527	2218	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red markers and Red flares. Bombing was carried out on Red flares at 1903.5 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Glow of incense could be seen for 70 miles. Small red glow north of white area. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3976. A.3978 B.3
5.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 199 "F" P	CAN P/O H.D. SOKOLOFF	J.25966	- do -	1520	2214	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Visibility was fair and the target identified by Red T.I.'s and Red flares. Bombing was carried out on Red sky markers at 1903.4 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 140 T with an I.A.S. of 155. District glow on cloud visible for 40 miles on return. Flashes of bomb bursts observed. No difficulties. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.3976. A.3979 B.3
5.1.45	HALIFAX VII NR 809 "C" P	CAN P/O R.E. HUTCHINSON	J.25645	- do -	1522	2304	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 7,000 feet. Target was identified by Red flares with green stars and "GEE". Bombing was carried out on centre of cluster of 6 flares at 1909.0 hours from 19,500 feet on a heading of 134 T with an I.A.S. of 155. On run up saw white concentrated glow on cloud. Flares well concentrated. Good attack. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.3976. A.3980 B.3
5.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 12 "H" P	CAN P/O H.E. TUNIS	J.88131	- do -	1458	2208	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Target was identified by T.I. Red markers and sky marker flares. Bombing was carried out on centre of sky marker flares at 1903 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 137 T with an I.A.S. of 155. T.I.'s disappeared into cloud and bombed on flares. Nothing further seen except white glow on cloud. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.3976. A.3981 B.3

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6.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 743 "K" P CAN F/O E.A. HEAVEN	J.23082	BOMBING HARAU (First wave)	1455	2212	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 10,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by Red T.I.'s and sky-marking flares. Bombing was carried out on centre of two red flares with green stars at 1903 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 153 T with an I.A.S. of 155. No difficulties. Outside of flashes of bomb bursts no other results observed. Good attack. Bomb load carried was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.M.I., 12 x 50. 12 CP C. 6/10.	A.3982 B.3
6.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 748 "J" P F/O R.M. WALLIS P CAN.	J.28593	- do -	1500	2210	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Target was identified by T.I. Red markers and sky-markers. at 1907.4 hours. Bombing was carried out on near side of glow of T.I. Red markers at 1907.4 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 147 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Very bright above clouds indicating fires burning. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3982.	A.3983 B.3
6.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 754 "T" P CAN F/L D.M. SANDERSON	J.29724	- do -	1523	2220	Attacked primary. 9/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by T.I. Red markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I.'s at 1902 hours from 19,500 feet on a heading of 142 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Incendiary glow. One reddish orange explosion at 1906 hours. Good attack. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.3982.	A.3984 B.3
6.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 772 "Q" P CAN F/O J.D. BAIRD	J.45298	- do -	1508	2221	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 10,000 feet. Target identified by Red flares at 1903.3 hours. Bombing was carried out on one single flare with green stars at 1903.5 hours from 19,500 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Difficult to assess results due to clouds. Bomb load carried same as on Sortie A.3982.	A.3985 B.3
6.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 771 "O" P CAN F/L K.E. PARKHURST	J.13600	- do -	1511	2248	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 10,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by Red T.I.'s and Red sky-markers. Bombing was carried out on Red sky-markers at 1902 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Only result of attack visible was yellow glow on cloud which was visible for 80 miles on return. No difficulties. Bomb load same as Sortie A.3982.	A.3986 B.3
6.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 776 "R" P CAN F/L W.J. SMITH	J.10553	- do -	1548	2216	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Target was identified by T.I. Red flares and "MARK". Bombing was carried out on centre of cluster of flares at 1902 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Difficult to assess due to use of sky-marking. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3982.	A.3987 B.3

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6.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 749 "T" P	CAN F/O A.K. HEMEN J.92578	BOMBING <del>HANAU</del> (First wave) HANAU	1459	2224	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Visibility was fair and the target identified by T.I. Red markers and 3 sky flares. Bombing was carried out on sky markers at 1901 hours from 20,000 feet on a heading of 140 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Target area well aglow and bomb flashes seen. Bombing concentrated. Bombload carried was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.: 12 x NO. 14 CP G.6/10.	A.3988 B.3
6.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 756 "T" P	CAN F/O C.L. FITU J.28633	BOMBING HANAU (First wave)	1535	2244	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Target was identified by T.I. Red glow and sky flares. Bombing was carried out on sky flares at 1903.5 hours from 20,000 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Starboard inner engine cut over target. No difficulties. Four sky flares well concentrated. Target well aglow after bombing. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3988.	A.3989 B.3
6.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 712 "X" P	CAN F/O G.D. DAUGHTERS J.92736 - do -	- do -	1519	2235	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 6,000 feet. Target was identified by Red flares at 1905 hours. Bombing was carried out on centre of cluster of 5 flares at 1905 hours from 20,000 feet on a heading of 138 T with an I.A.S. of 155. On run up saw flares ignite. Large area of red glow on cloud. Good attack. If flares accurate. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3988.	A.3990 B.3
13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 780 "C" P	CAN F/L R. GALL J.20725	BOMBING SAARBRUCKEN (First wave)	1511	2305	Attacked primary. No cloud over the target which was identified by river and Red and Green T.I. Markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Markers at 1918.4 hours from 17,000 feet on a heading of 096 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Bombing was well concentrated and marking was very good. A grand trip in all respects. Bomb load carried was 8 x 250 LB G.P.T.I.: 8 x 500 LB G.T.D..025.	A.3991 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 769 "D" P	CAN F/O W.E. TUNIS J.08131 - do -	- do -	1534	2232	Attacked primary. Clear weather with slight haze over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on concentration of T.I. Red and Green markers at 1917.5 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 090 T with an I.A.S. of 155. No difficulties. Bombing was concentrated and numerous bomb burst seen among the markers. Bomb load carried was 8 x 250 G.P.T.I.: 1 x NO. 25. 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D..025.	A.3992 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 199 "F" P	CAN F/O H.D. SCHLOFF J.25966 - do -	- do -	1522	2306	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified visually by Red and Green T.I. Markers. Bombing was carried out on T.I. Red markers at 1916.9 hours from 17,000 feet on a heading of 100 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Whole attack good effort. Two large explosions noted. Very good marking. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.3991.	A.3993 B.4



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13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 809 "G" F CAN F/O	G.D. DAUGHTERS J.92576	BOMBING SAARBRUCKEN 1520 (First wave)		2256	Attacked primary. Some ground haze, fair visibility was fair and the target identified by T.I. Red markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of Red T.I.'s at 1917.5 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 106 T with an I.A.S. of 155. T.I.'s were well concentrated and a large puff of black smoke was observed at 1916.5 hours. Good attack. Bomb load was 8 x 250 LB G.P.T.I.; 6 x 250 LB M.C.T.D.; 025.	A.3994 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 124 "H" F CAN S/L H.J. REEVES	J.10644 - do -	- do -	1544	2225	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red markers at 1913.5 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 099 T with an I.A.S. of 160. On leaving T.A. bombs appeared to fall in T.A. area. Good attack. Bomb load carried was 8 x 250 LB G.P.T.I.; 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D.; 025; 1 x W3 25.	A.3995 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 798 "J" F CAN F/O R.M. WALLIS	J.26583 - do -	- do -	1513	2229	Attacked primary. Ground haze fair visibility, over the target which was identified by T.I. Red markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of all T.I. Red markers at 1916.1 hours from 17,000 feet on a heading of 121 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Very good attack. Bombing was accurate. Bomb load carried was 8 x 250 LB G.P.T.I.; 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D.; 025; 1 x W3 25.	A.3996 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 777 "K" F CAN F/O R.E. HUTCHINSON	J.25645 - do -	- do -	1538	2322	Attacked primary. Clear weather with slight haze. Visibility was good and the target identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on concentration of T.I. Red and Green markers, at 1916.9 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 101 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Good effort. Small fires started in centre of T.I. Green markers. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3996.	A.3997 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 772 "Q" F CAN F/O R.B. STEWART	J.89238 - do -	- do -	1535	2308	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red and Green at 1918.1 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 103 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Bombing appeared to be good. Marking excellent. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.3996.	A.3998 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 776 "R" F CAN F/L D.M. SANDERSON	J.29724 - do -	- do -	1539	2323	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on South side of all T.I. Green markers at 1917 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 099 T with an I.A.S. of 155. T.I.'s and bombing were very accurate. Good attack. One large explosion noted at 1918 hours. Bomb load same as Sortie A.3996.	A.3999 B.4

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13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 743 "X" P CAN F/O D.M. WILIE J.16984	BOMBING SAARBRUCKEN (First wave)		1557	2250	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of all Red T.I.'s at 1916.1 hours from 17,800 feet on a heading 101T with an I.A.S. of 160. T.I.'s were very well concentrated. Good concentration of bombing. Bombing load carried was 8 x 250 G.P.T.I.: 8 x 500 LB G.P.T.D..025; 1 x WG 25.	A.4000 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 116 "L" P CAN F/O R.M. ARMITAGE J.35566	- do -		1526	2237	Attacked primary. No cloud and good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of Red circled by Green markers at 1917.5 hours from 17,500 feet on a heading of 109 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Excellent marking. Bombing very well concentrated. Bomb bursts witnessed. Bomb load carried was 8 x 250 G.P.T.I.: 8 x 500 LB M.G.T.D..025; 1 x WG 25.	A.4001 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 796 "M" P CAN F/O E.A. HEAVEN J.23082	- do -		1534	2315	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of concentration of T.I. Green markers at 1917 hours from 17,500 feet on a heading of 110 T with an I.A.S. 160. Brought back 1 x 500 LB G.P.T.D..025 due to hang up over target. Concentrated attack. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.4000.	A.4002 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 777 "S" P CAN F/O C.L. FITZ J.28633	- do -		1538	2251	Attacked primary. Excellent visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Green markers at 1918 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 068 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Very successful effort. Tactics were good. Bomb load carried was the same as on A.4001.	A.4003 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 756 "T" P CAN F/O W.J. SMITH J.10583	- do -		1528	2239	Attacked primary. No cloud and visibility was good over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on concentration of Red and Green markers at 1917.5 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 101 T with an I.A.S. 155. Bombing was well concentrated as marking was very accurate. Bomb load carried was 8 x 250 G.P.T.I.: 8 x 500 LB M.G.T.D..025.	A.4004 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX "W" NF 717 "W" P CAN W/C F.R. SHARP C.858	- do -		1542	2257	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on Marksm concentration of T.I. Red and Green markers at 1918.4 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 100 T with an I.A.S. of 160. No difficulties. Bombing was well concentrated and marking excellent. Bomb load was the same as Sortie A.4004.	A.4005 B.4

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13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 712 "X" F CAN W/O A.K. BROWN	J.92578	BOMBING SAARBRUCKEN (First wave)	1540	2331	Attacked primary. No cloud with good visibility over the target which was identified by the river and T.I. Green and Red markers. Bombing was carried out on Horseshoe of Green markers at 1917.5 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 115 T with an I.A.S. of 155. An uneventful trip with the highlight on marking. Bombing was well concentrated. Bomb load carried was 8 x 250 LB G.P.T.I.: 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D. 025.	A.4006 B.4
13.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 749 "Y" F CAN F/O S.C. DEAN	J.36215 - do -		1541	2258	Attacked primary. No cloud with good visibility over the target which was identified by M.Tards and Red and Green T.I. markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of Red T.I. at 1917.5 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 085 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Bombs were bursting in a heavy mass of both Red and Green T.I. markers. Well executed and highly successful trip. Bomb load was the same as Sortie A.4006.	A.4007 B.4
14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 780 "Q" F CAN F/L R. GALL	J.20725	BOMBING DREVENBERG M/Y	1606	2235	Attacked primary. Ground haze. Visibility was good and the target identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red and Green markers at 1937.6 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 045 T with an I.A.S. of 155. No fires observed. Marking was well concentrated and should be good attack. Bomb load carried was 8 x 500 LB G.P.T.I.: 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D. 025.	A.4008 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 745 "W" F CAN S/L H.J. REEVES	J.10644 - do -		1544	2205	Attacked primary. Ground haze obscured target slightly. Visibility was fair and the target identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of all T.I. Red markers at 1934.5 hours from 17,000 feet on a heading of 060 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Starboard inner engine faulty at 1728 hours also starboard outer losing power, port inner oil pressure dropped also. Completed mission on one good engine and three partially faulty. Good attack. Bomb load carried was 8 x 250 LB G.P.T.I.: 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D. 025.	A.4009 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 199 "P" F CAN F/O H.D. SOLOOFF	J.25966 - do -		1625	2250	Attacked primary. Good visibility over the target. Slight ground haze. Target was identified by T.I. Green and Red markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of all Green T.I.'s at 1937.7 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 045 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Too many searchlights around Brussels and Liege. Well concentrated attack. Bombing accurate. Bomb load carried was the same as Sortie A.4009.	A.4010 B.5

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14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 809 "C" P CAN	P/O S.C. DEAN J.36215	BOMBING GREENBERGHOUGH M/Y	1556	2226	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red markers at 1935 hours from 17,500 feet on a heading of 055 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Marking was plentiful but narrow. Appeared to be good attack. Bomb load was 8 x 250 LB G.P.T.I.: 6 x 500 LB M.C.T.D..025.	A.4011 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX VIII NR 124 "H" P/O R.M. WILLES	J.38993	- do -	1557	2207	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of Red T.I.'s at 1935 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 060 T with an I.A.S. of 155. T.I.'s were accurate and plentiful and bombing was well concentrated. Bomb load carried was 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D..025.	A.4012 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 743 "K" P CAN P/O D.M. WILIE	J.16984	- do -	1600	2207	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red markers at 1935.5 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 057 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Good effort. Bomb load was 8 x 250 LB G.P.T.I.: 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D..025.	A.4013 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 116 "L" P CAN P/O R.M. ARMITAGE	J.35566	- do -	1559	2239	Attacked primary. No cloud, slight ground haze. Visibility was good and the target identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of Red T.I.'s at 1933 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 050 T with an I.A.S. of 155. T.I. Red markers were well grouped. Very difficult to keep to schedule. Bombed early. No results seen. Bomb load same as Sortie A.4012.	A.4014 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 796 "M" P CAN P/L E.A. HEAVEN	J.23082	- do -	1624	2244	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of all T.I. Red and Green markers at 1935.5 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 049 T with an I.A.S. of 155. No difficulties. Bomb load carried was the same as A.4013.	A.4015 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 711 "O" P CAN P/O R.E. HUTCHINSON	J.25645	- do -	1641	2254	Attacked primary. Clear weather but some haze. Visibility was good and the target identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red and Green markers at 1936 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 053 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Marking appeared accurate. Bombing was well concentrated. Bomb load was 8 x 250 LB G.P.T.I.: 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D..025.	A.4016 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 772 "Q" P CAN P/O R.B. STEWART	J.89236	- do -	1554	2234	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was accurate. Bombing was carried out on centre of all T.I.'s at 1936.2 hours from 17,500 feet on a heading of 059 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Three bombs had Navigation lights on to 0300 E. Bomb load carried was same as on Sortie A.4016.	A.4017 B.5



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14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 776 "R" CAN P F/L W.R. AUSTIN J.	8939	BOMBING GREENWICH M/Y	1553	2331	Attacked primary. Some ground haze, but good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers and checked by "GEE". Bombing was carried out on centre of glow of T.I. Red markers at 1935 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 090 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Smoke clouds seen on leaving target. Orbited so bombed later. Well concentrated attack. Bomb load carried was 8 x 250 LB G.P.I.: 8 x 500 LB M.C.T.D., 025.	A.4018 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 777 "B" CAN P F/O G.L. FITZ J.	28633	- do -	1635	2244	Attacked primary. Clear weather with slight haze over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red markers at 1937.3 hours from 17,000 feet on a heading of 098 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Bombing in and around markers. No difficulties. Bomb load carried was the same as A.4018.	A.4019 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 756 "T" P CAN P/L W.J. SMITH J.	10553	- do -	1601	2302	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of concentrated patch of T.I. Green markers at 1937.5 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 049 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Good attack. Bomb load carried was the same as on A.4018.	A.4020 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX III ME 495 "V" P CAN P/O G.D. DAUGHTERS J.	92736	- do -	1633	2215	Attacked primary. Clear weather with some slight haze. Target was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers at 1939 hours. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red markers at 1939 hours from 17,500 feet on a heading of 090 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Altimeter 1/2. Starboard outer engine up, five minutes before target and came home on three engines. Good attack. Well-marked. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.4018.	A.4021 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 717 "W" P CAN W/C F.R. SHARP C.	858	- do -	1632	2241	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers as well as visually. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red markers at 1937.9 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 052 T with an I.A.S. of 155. If T.I.'s were on it was a good attack. Marking was very good. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.4018.	A.4022 B.5
14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 712 "X" P CAN P/O A.K. BROWN J.	92578	- do -	1642	2255	Attacked primary. Clear weather with slight ground haze. Target was identified by T.I. Red markers. Bombing was carried out on T.I.'s at 1936.6 hours from 17,500 feet on a heading of 040 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Good heavy concentration. Bombs well on markers. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.4018.	A.4023 B.5

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14.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 749 "Y" P CAN F/O J.E. TUNIS J.105131	BOMBING GREYHOUND 1634 M/Y			2232	Attacked primary. No cloud with some slight ground haze. Visibility was good and the target identified by Red T.I.'s with "CEE" check. Bombing was carried out on T.I. Red markers at 1935.5 hours from 17,000 feet on a heading of 080 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Markers were well grouped. Bomb were seen bursting well in the markers. Bomb load carried was 8 x 250 LB G.P.T.I.: 8 x 500 LB G.P.T.D.025.	A.4024
16/17.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 714 "A" P CAN F/L E.J. SMITH J.10553	BOMBING MAGDEBURG (First wave)		1817	0104	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified visually and by T.I. Red and Green marked checked by H.2a.S.. Bombing was carried out on T.I. Red markers at 214.3 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 110 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Marking very satisfactory. Tactics and route well planned. Town was burning fiercely. Bomb load carried was 1 x 3000 LB H.C.N.I.: 12 x CP No. 14 MK. P C.6/10.	A.4025
16/17.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 757 "B" P CAN F/L E.T. FINCH J.25226	- do -		1830	0054	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility. Target was identified visually by Red and Green T.I.'s. Bombing was carried out on Red and Green T.I.'s at 2140.8 hours from 19,500 feet on a heading of 122 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Fires were burning well and considered a most successful attack. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.4025.	A.4026
16/17.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 780 "C" P CAN F/L R. GALL J.30725	- do -		1828	0057	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on concentration of general group of T.I.'s Red and Green at 2140.2 hours from 20,000 feet on a heading of 100 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Well marked and Bombing very concentrated. Conversation heard presumably between a Captain and Navigator giving courses, height and Air Speed on first leg out from English coast. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.4025.	A.4027
16/17.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 199 "F" P CAN F/O MID: SCHLOFF J.25966	- do -		1827	2147	Abandoned mission at 5425 N 0250 E at 1948 hours while at 1500 feet due to port outer engine being u/s. Jettisoned safe 1 x 2000 lb H.C.N.I.: 12 x CP No. 14 MK. P C.6/10 at a position 5420 N 0130 E at 2035 hours from 5,000 feet to lighten aircraft for safe landing. Returned to Base. Bomb load was the same as on Sortie A.4025.	A.4028
16/17.1.45	HALIFAX VII NP 809 "G" P CAN F/L A.E. MOWATT J.27871	- do -		1814	0108	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers as well as visually. M/B's instructions to bomb centre of concentration of T.I. Green markers were carried out at 2140.8 hours from 19,500 feet on a heading of 135 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Marking appeared scattered, but effective. Numerous explosions noted. Glow of fires could be seen for 100 miles on return. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.4025.	A.4029

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16/17.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 124 "H" P CAN F/O J.D. BAIRD J.45298		BOMBING MAGDEBURG (First wave)	1911	0118	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on M/B's instructions to bomb on a heading of 110 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Marking was concentrated and plentiful throughout the attack. Fires were going well. Bomb load carried was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.; 12 x 90 x 4 LB. Incenda.; 1 x 90 x 4 LB. Incenda.	A.4030 B.6
16/17.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 126 "L" P/O R.M. ARMITAGE J.35546		- do -	1823	0101	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers also with Red flares. Bombing was carried out on M/B's instructions to bomb centre of T.I. Red and Green markers at 214.5 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 125 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Illuminating flares plentiful throughout the attack. Bomb load carried was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.; 12 x 90 x 4 LB. Incenda.; 14 MK. 1 x 90 x 4 LB. Incenda.	A.4031 B.6
16/17.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 421 "H" P CAN F/O T.E. TUNIS J.88131		- do -	1824	0139	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. M/B's instructions to bomb concentration of T.I. Red and Green markers were carried out at 213.5 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 110 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Marking was very good. Tactics and route were good. Bomb load carried was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.; 11 x 90 x 4 LB. Incenda.; 1 x 90 x 4 LB. Incenda.	A.4032 B.6
16/17.1.45	HALIFAX VII NR 711 "Q" P CAN F/L H.D. BRACKEN J.34133		- do -	1822	0130	Attacked primary. Clear weather with good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red markers at 214.4 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 106 T with an I.A.S. of 165. Good fires, glow seen for over an hour on return trip. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.4031.	A.4033 B.6
16/17.1.45	HALIFAX VII NR 772 "Q" P CAN F/O A.K. BROWN J.92578		- do -	1829	0056	Attacked primary. Clear weather with some slight haze over the target, but good visibility which enabled the target to be identified visually. Bombing was carried out on centre of Red and Green T.I.'s at 214.2 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 090 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Bomb bursts seen along T.I.'s. Good attack. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.4031.	A.4034 B.6
16/17.1.45	HALIFAX VII NR 776 "H" P CAN F/O R.M. WALLIS J.26593		- do -	1826	0126	Attacked primary. Clear weather, good visibility over the target which was identified by T.I. Red and Green markers. Bombing was carried out on centre of T.I. Red at 214.5 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 110 T with I.A.S. of 160. Good attack. One combat on outward journey, ME 210 destroyed. (B.1) Bomb load same as A.4031. Fires seen for 50 miles.	A.4035 B.6

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28/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 714 "A" P CAN F/L R.H. FLEMING J.21759	- do -		1949	0252	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with slight haze over the target which was identified by T.L. Red and 8 marking flares. Visibility was good. Bombing was carried out on centre of four marking flares with yellow stars at 2336.2 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 177 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Tactico O.K. Bombing well in target area. Landed at Thurlough due to adverse weather conditions at home base. Bomb load carried was the same as on Sortie A.4036.	B.7																																	
28/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 880 "C" P CAN F/C R.H. EVANS J.8153	- do -		1957	0243	Attacked primary. 8/10ths cloud with thin cloud. Visibility good and the target identified by Red flares. Bombing was carried out on Red flares at 2335 hours from 20,000 feet on heading of 175 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Marking appeared late and bombing scattered. Bomb load carried was 1 x 2000 LB. H.C.N.I.: 10 x CP No. 14 C.6/10. 1 x 25 lbs landed at Thurlough due to adverse weather conditions at base.	A.4039 B.7																																	



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26/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 157 "B" P CAN P/L E.T. FINCH J.25226	BOMBING STUTTGART (ZUFFENHAUSEN) (third wave)		1922	0220	Attacked primary. 9/10ths cloud with tops at 10,000 feet. Visibility was poor and the target identified by Red flares with yellow stars. Bombing was carried out on centre of cluster of Red flares at 2335.1 hours from 20,000 feet on a heading of 167 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Markers were sufficient but scattered. Route and tactics O.K. Difficulties to none. Landed at Thirleigh due to weather conditions at home base. Bomb load was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.; 10 x CP No. 14 C.6/10.	A.4040 B.7
26/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 769 "D" P CAN P/O S.C. DEAN J.36215	- do -		1948	0319	Attacked primary. 9/10ths cloud with tops at 8,000 feet. Target identified by Red flares with yellow stars. Bombing was carried out on centre of three Red flares at 2337 hours from 20,000 feet on a heading of 177 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Saw incendiaries on ground and bomb flashes. Nothing further seen due to cloud. Appeared concentrated. Bomb load was same as A.4040. Returned to base.	A.4041 B.7
26/29.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 199 "F" P CAN P/O G.D. DAUGHTERS J.92736	- do -		2014	0237	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 10,000 feet. Bombing was carried out on centre of green flares at 2339 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 177 T with an I.A.S. of 155. Target well ablaze and glow of fires very visible on cloud. Bomb load carried was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.; 12 x CP No. 14 C.6/10. Landed at Molesworth due to adverse weather conditions at home base.	A.4042 B.7
26/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 809 "G" P CAN P/L E.A. HOWATT J.27871	- do -		1938	0250	Attacked primary. Some haze over the target and visibility was poor. Target identified by Red flares. Bombing was carried out on Red flares at 2337.2 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 210 T with an I.A.S. of 175. Photo flashes went over France when fusing bombs. Results unobserved. Landed at Thirleigh due to weather conditions. Bomb load same as A.4040.	A.4043 B.7
26/29.1.45	HALIFAX III NR 134 "H" P CAN P/O R.B. STEWART J.89236	- do -		1929	0245	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 12,000 feet. Target identified by Red flares with yellow stars. Bombing was carried out on two Red flares at 2335.3 hours from 19,000 feet on a heading of 175 T with an I.A.S. of 155. A few fires observed. Remained obscured by cloud. Bomb load was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.; 8 x CP No. 15 C.6/10. Landed at Thirleigh due to weather conditions.	A.4044 B.7
26/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 796 "M" P CAN P/L E.A. HEAVEN J.23082	- do -		1928	0234	Attacked primary. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 18,000 feet. Visibility good. Target identified by Red flares. Bombed on Red flares at 2335.5 hours from 18,500 feet on a heading of 177 T with an I.A.S. of 160. No results observed. Brought back 1 x CP No. 15 C.6/10 due to hang up. Diverted Thirleigh due to weather. Bomb load 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.; 7 x CP No. 15 C.6/10.	A.4045 B.7

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28/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 754 "T" P CAN F/L D.A. BROWN J.27218	BOMBING STUTTGART (ZUFFENHAUSEN) (third wave)	1952	0234		Attacked primary: 10/10ths cloud with tops at 10,000 feet. Visibility good. Target identified by Red flares. Bombing was carried out on fires and Red flares at 2338.2 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 178 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Scarcity of sky markers. Numerous incendiaries and many fires noted. Bomb load carried was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.: 10 x CP No. 14 C.6/10. Landed at Thurleigh due to weather conditions.	A.4046 B.7
28/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 776 "R" P CAN F/L D.A. ANDERSON J.29724 - do -		1940	0230		Attacked primary: 10/10ths cloud with tops at 5,000 feet. Visibility was good. Target identified by Red flares. Bombing was carried out on centre of fires at 2339 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 145 T with an I.A.S. of 160. P.F.W. markings scattered. Bombing seemed concentrated. Landed at Thurleigh due to weather conditions. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.4046.	A.4046 B.7
28/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 777 "S" P CAN F/O C.L. FITZ J.28533 - do -		1941	0240		Attacked primary: 5/10ths cloud with tops at 5,000 feet. Visibility good. Target identified by Red flares and yellow stars. Bombing was carried out on centre of Green T.I. at 2337 hours from 18,000 feet on a heading of 179 T with an I.A.S. of 160. Tactics good. Bombing appeared scattered. Bomb load same as on Sortie A.4046. Landed at Thurleigh due to adverse weather conditions at home base.	A.4046 B.7
28/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 778 "V" P CAN WO1 R.E. CRAVER R12305 - do -		1927	0238		Attacked primary: 10/10ths cloud with tops at 2,000 feet. Visibility was good and the target identified by Red flares. Bombing was carried out on centre of Green flares at 2338 hours from 19,500 feet on a heading of 177 T with an I.A.S. of 170. Tactics seemed good. Bombing appeared concentrated. Landed at Molesworth. Bomb load was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.: 12 x CP No. 11 C.6/10.	A.4049 B.7
28/29.1.45	HALIFAX VII NF 717 "W" P CAN F/L A. ROSS-MEHEUR J. 8377 - do -		1942	0245		Attacked primary: 10/10ths cloud with tops at 4,000 feet. Horizontal visibility was good. Target identified by Green flares with Red stars. Bombing was carried out on flash of bomb bursts and incendiaries at 2338 hours from 19,500 feet on a heading of 180 T with an I.A.S. of 160. No results observed. Marking appeared scattered. Landed at Thurleigh due to weather conditions at home base. Bomb load carried was 1 x 2000 LB H.C.N.I.: 10 x CP No. 14 C.6/10.	A.4050 B.7

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