

January 1945: Form 541

357 Squadron

Aircraft type and No.	Crew	Duty	Time up	Time Down	Remarks
Lib. VI W	F/L H. Cast	Polka 2?1	011850	020750	This sortie was successful. Reception lights consisted of 3 fires in the form of an "L" & three torches flashing "J". 9 containers & 4 packages were dropped at 0032 hrs in one run. All the chutes opened correctly. The a/c upon leaving the target flew East for 30 miles and N for 40 miles & then s/c for Base at 0105 hrs. Weather was good.
	F/O E. T. Hatley		Jessore		
	W/O E. Williams				
	F/S H. R. Harvey				
	F/S F J Keenan				
	F/S H J Cox				
	F/S W. Farish				
	F/S K N Heilbron				
Lib III X	P/O F. C. Cooke	Polka 31	011845	020745	This operation was successful. Reception lights were good & a torch was seen flashing "K". 9 containers & 1 package wt 3102 lbs were dropped for Polka in the Savannaknet area. The a/c arrived over the target at 0031 hrs & upon leaving flew North & then East for deception purposes.
	W/O C L Anderson		Jessore		
	F/L G. Cashmore				
	P/O J H Newberry				
	P/O J W Pearce				
	W/O W Robertson				
	F/S J B. Nelson				
	F/S J. F. Bryde?n				
Liberator VI R	W/O T. O. Elliott	Polka 32	011915	020830	This operation was successful. The a/c arrived over the target at 0058 hrs & saw signals 5 miles north of briefed D.Z. consisting of lights in a cone. A/C then flew on to actual DZ where reception was waiting. Drop was made at 0103 hrs consisting of 9 containers & 1 package at 3140 lbs. All the chutes opened correctly – Weather was fair.
	F/S H. R. Simons		Jessore		
	P/O F. S. Quinn				
	F/S R. W. Skipper				
	F/S W. P. Criddle				
	F/S K. J. Duffy				
	Sgt. J. G. Woodthorpe				
	Sgt W. B. Rickards				
Liberator VI Q	W/O W. G. Petley	Polka 24	011925	020832	This operation was also successful. Crew found excellent reception over the target at 0235 hrs & the drop was made in one run. 9 containers & 8 packages wt. 3408 lbs being released. All parachutes were observed to open & a/c set course for Base upon diversionary tactics.
	F/S E. P. Martindale		Jessore		
	F/S E. P. Lowther				
	F/S W. N. Kendall				
	F/S W. J. Burgin				
	F/s A. F. Bird				
	Sgt F. Cavin				
	Sgt. G. E. Hillier				

Liberator VI Z	F/O J. Churchill	Polka 22	011908	020858	This operation was successful. A/C arrived over the DZ at 0103 hrs but no reception lights were seen so the pilot circled the DZ & at 0125 hrs & a light was seen flashing "K", Consequently the drop was made consisting of 9 containers & 2 packages wt. 3306 lbs. All the chutes opened correctly & later were seen on the ground. Diversionary tactics were carried out immediately after the drop.
	W/O J. A. Taylor		Jessore		
	F/O D. H. Hulme				
	W/O W. Houg?h				
	W/O W. E. N. Smail				
	F/S W. G. Ward				
	F/S D. R. Weber				
	F/S A. D. Harris				
	Sgt. H. D. V. Gould				
Dakota IV "K"	P/O J. R. Dodwell	Binge	012210	020650	Operation was successful. The weather was bad on the outward journey & 6 to 10/10 Scu was encountered however the dropping area was reached at 0200 hrs but the ground appeared to be very rough & so the alternative target was selected & the drop was made at 0220 hrs. The agents landed & formed a straight line & acted as reception committee for the packages to be dropped. In all 7 agents & 11 packages were dropped.
	F/S D. J. Howkins		Jessore		
	W/O R. Rigg				
	W/O P. Lindley				
	Sgt. I. V. Lloyd				
Dakota IV "O"	F/O F. Barlogie	Heavy	011430	020655	This sortie was unsuccessful as low cloud was encountered in the valley where the DZ was situated & thus the DZ could not be located. Aircraft was over the target at 0125 hrs. The 35 packages were brought back.
	F/O J. S. Cooper		Jessore		
	W/O J. Begg				
	F/S W. Richmond				
Dakota IV "K"	W/O T. A. Couister		022115	030615	The sortie was successful. Good weather was encountered throughout & on arrival at the DZ a good reception was seen. One agent & 35 packages were dropped in 6 runs at 0040 hrs.
	F/S L. Elliot		Chittagong	Jessore	
	F/S W. M. McCormack				
	Sgt. G. Thompson				
Liberator VI "S"	S/L K. P. Jones	Brillig	022002	030815	Sortie was successful. "Q" type reception with torch flashing "Q" was seen over DZ. & 4 containers & 7 packages were dropped in one run at 0203 hrs. All the chutes were seen to open & were seen on the ground after the drop. One parachute was seen in the water but in Captain's opinion could easily be recovered by ground forces.
	F/O J. Gardner		Jessore		
	F/L K. G. Booth				
	W/O W. B. Patton				
	W/O H. Edwards				
	W/O Q? Duyvejonck				
	W/O L. B. Laney				
	F/S A. D. Harris				
	F/S T. Williams				

D.C.4 ¹ "N"	W/O E. Wheglhouse	Brain	022128	030400	This operation was successful. Aircraft arrived over the DZ at 0005 hrs & reception was seen so the 4 agents & 4 packages were dropped for "Brain" in the Mogaung area. All the chutes were seen to open & after the first run a torch was seen flashing from the ground. Weather was fair but hazy.
	F/O W. H. Caron		Jessore		
	Sgt. R. J. Wellings?				
	W/O W. F. Learwood				
	F/S G. C. Longbottom				
Lib VI "P"	P/O F. C. Cooke	Polka 37	042200	050945	This operation was unsuccessful. The aircraft arrived over the DZ. at 0250 hrs but it was not until 0414 hrs that the DZ was identified. As no reception was seen however the 9 containers were not dropped & the a/c returned to Base via Bhamo.
	W/O C. R. Andrson		Jessore		
	F/L G. Cashmore				
	P/O J. H. Newberry				
	F/L Lamb				
	P/O F. W. Pearce				
	P/O D. A. Blad				
	W/O W. V. Robertson				
	F/S T. B. Nelson				
	F/S F. J. Bryden				
Lib VI "L"(or R?)	W/O T. O. Elliott	Polka 38	042210	051025	This operation was unsuccessful. The a/c arrived over the target at 0319 hrs but low cloud was encountered which prevented the dropping of 9 containers for "Polka 38". At 0112 hrs in posn 2228N 9521E, 11 M.T. vehicles were sighted travelling North. The DZ was left at 0355 hrs.
	F/S M. R. Simons		Jessore		
	P/O F. S. Quinn				
	F/S R. W. Skipper				
	F/S W. P. Criddle				
	F/S K. J. Duffy				
	Sgt J. Woodthorpe				
	Sgt W. J. Rickards				
Liberator VI "Z"	F/O J. Churchill	Desert	042130	050930	This operation was also unsuccessful owing to 10/10 ths cloud coverage over the DZ. The aircraft was on the target at 0223 hrs but 10/10 ths cloud coverage of the ground prevented reception being seen. Hill tops however showed through the clouds & the navigators are sure that they were over the correct place but no drop was made. At 0445 hrs a very large fire was seen in Posn 2100N 10101E (Mong Sing)
	W/O J. A. Taylor		Jessore		
	F/O D. H. Hulme				
	W/O W. Hough				
	W/O W. E. N. Smail				
	F/S D. R. Webber				
	F/S W. G. Ward				
	Sgt H. D. V. Gould				
Dakota IV "J"	P/O W. Kindred	Rendez- vous 2B	050120	050730	This operation was successful. The a/c arrived on the target at 0344 hrs & a "T" of fires was found waiting there with lights flashing "K" alongside. Two runs were made
	P/O K. C. H. Williams		Jessore		

1 As in the form 540, it calls this aircraft a DC4, but it is more probable that it was a DC3 (Dakota).

	F/S R. Dagleilh				& 7 packaged were dropped. As the result of the green release light in a/c not functioning correctly the first stick overshoot by approx. 1200 yds. At 0356 hrs the a/c set course for Honywa where leaflets were dropped at 0425 hrs in 2 runs. Weather throughout was good.
	F/S G. Daly				
Liberator VI "S"	S/L K. P. Jones	Manual 4	050200	050630	This operation was successful. The weather was good & the a/c arrived over the target at 0406 hrs. & found a "T" of lights & a flashing light a waiting them. 2 runs were made at 600 ft to drop 8 containers and 8 packages for Manual in the Kalledon area. All the chutes opened correctly but the static line on the first package did not break & the package hung under the a/c. It finally fell about 1000 yds N. of the DZ. After the 2nd run the a/c set course Mynbyao & at 0428 hrs straffed the village from 800 feet.
	F/O J. W. Gardiner		Jessore		
	F/L K. G. Booth				
	W/O B. F. Payton				
	W/O H. Edwards				
	W/O C. Duvyejonck				
	W/O C. B. Laney				
	F/S J. Williams				
Lib VI "P"	F/O J. Churchill	Manual 3	080245	080745	The operation was successful. The weather was good & the moonlight showed up the ground detail clearly. The a/c arrived over the DZ. at 0440 hrs & found a good reception of a "T" of lights of unusual brightness & 9 containers & 3 packages were dropped in one run. Whilst over the DZ a searchlight was seen approx 3 miles to the South on the river bend apparently searching the river surface. A launch was seen in the beam of the searchlight 2 two red pyrotechnics were fired from the vessel. The aircraft left the DZ & flew South to Baranoa Island as a diversion; then set course for Base at 0515 hrs.
	W/O J. A. Taylor		Jessore		
	F/O D. H. Hulme				
	W/O W. Hough				
	W/O W. G. Murray				
	W/O W. E? N. Smail				
	F/S D. R. Webber				
	Sgt H. D. V. Gould				
Liberator VI P	W/O W. G? Petley	Manual 3	080235	080710	This operation was successful. The a/c arrived over the target in good weather at 0442 hours & found a very good reception:- a "T" of fires & a flashing light. 12 containers were dropped for "Manual 3" in the Myohaung area in one run. All the chutes opened correctly. A searchlight was sighted approx. 3 miles from the DZ on the river bank apparently searching the river surface. After leaving the target area the a/c flew N & then W. setting course for Base at 0512 hours.
	F/S E. P. Martindale		Jessore		
	F/S E. P. Lowther				
	P/O M. V. Douse?				
	P/O D. A. Blad				
	F/S C. W. Buroin				
	F/S A. F. Bird				
	Sgt. F. Canvin				
	Sgt. G. E. Hillier				
Dakota IV "O"	P/O T. A. Collister	Rendez-vous 2c	100905	101440	This operation was successful. The a/c arrived over the target at 1136 hrs & found ground signals waiting. 3 runs were made & the drop consisted of 8 packages wt. 811 lbs. The last package overshoot slightly but all the others were in the target area & the sortie was considered very successful.
	F/S L. Elliott		Jessore		
	F/S W. M. McCormack				

	F/S G. Thompson				
Dakota IV F	F/S F. F. Bush	Barge III	100900	101800	This operation was successful. The aircraft arrived over the target at 1121 hrs & found ground signals waiting. 102 packages & 1 container weight 3000 lbs. were dropped for Barge III. & all were seen to drop in the target area. The weather was good throughout the trip.
	W/O V. Lineham		Jessore		
	F/S J. WilliamCon				
	F/S G. Ford?vce				
	Sgt I. C. Watson				
Liberator VI "P"	W/O W. G. Petley	Binge	101505	102150	This operation was unsuccessful. The aircraft arrived over the target area at 1807 hours & searched the entire area thoroughly. 5 runs were made up & down the river at heights varying from 4 to 6000' but no reception could be seen. The ground detail could be clearly seen throughout the search. At 1835 hrs the DZ was left & a/c set course for Base with the 7 packages it had been detailed to drop.
	F/S E. P. Martindale		Jessore		
	P/O D. A. Blad				
	PF/S E. P. Lowther				
	F/S C. W. Burg?in				
	F/S A. F. Bird				
	Sgt. F. Canvin				
	Sgt. G. E. Hillier				
	F/L Lamb				
Liberator VI (a/c letter cut off on scan?)	F/O J. Churchill	Bittern II	111415	112125	This operation was successful. 4 Containers & 8 packages were dropped for "Bittern II" in the Monghawn area. The dropping run was made at 1724 hours after the DZ had been identified by a good "T" of fires. All the parachutes were seen to open O.K. But the wind made them drift towards the S.E. of the area & some may have landed up to ½ a mile from the D.Z. It was however considered that the ground party could see where the parachutes were falling & would be able to recover the supplies fairly easily. The D.Z. is not well placed were the comments of the captain & the load had to be released from 1000' because of the difficult terrain. The a/c set course for Base at 1730 hrs.
	W/O J. A. Taylor		Jessore		
	F/L Alverston Can.J.16004				
	F/O D. H. Hulme				
	F/L T. H. Lee Can.J.6644				
	W/O W? E. N. Smaile				
	F/S D. R. Webber Sgt H. D. V. Gould				
Dakota IV F	F/S F. F. Bush	Barge IV	110905	111735	This operation was successful The aircraft arrived over the D.Z. at 1130 & found ground signals as pre arranged. In 5 runs 63 packages also leaflets & all chutes opened.
	W/O W. Lineham		Jessore		
	F/S G. Fordyse?				
	Sgt. I. C. Watson				
Lib VI P	F/L Lamb Can.J.4115	Binge	111456	112150	This operation was successful weather was good & aircraft arrived over the target at 1749 hrs. But no reception could be seen a/c was then flown to next river south & finally a light was seen flashing the letter "B" just as the a/c was about to abandon the search. At 1836 hrs a dropping run was made of 7 packages and after acknowledgement of a
	F/O H? J. McFadyen Can.J.39528		Jessore		
	P/O D. A. Blad Can.J.347?68				
	P/O S. V. Hillis Can.J.46064				

	P/O D. H. Heller Can.J.42510				successful drop from ground the aircraft s/c Base via Foul Island at 1840 hrs.
	W/O F. J. Keenan N.Z.421063				
	Sgt. R. P. Smith				
	P/O J. Poulton				
	F/L Butters				
Lib VI "W"	F/L N. Cast	Binge	141425	142145	This operation was successful. Weather was good & A/C arrived over the D.Z. at 1732 hours. But it was not until 1812 hours that the ground signals were seen largely because of the position of fires in a river bed which could only be seen from directly ahead. After four circuits necessitated by the extremely difficult position of the D.Z. the dropping run was made at 1820 hrs. consisting of 7 packages wt. 850 lbs. All chutes were observed to open & were afterwards seen on the ground with a 3rd in a nearby tree. At 1658 in pos. 1845N 1932E two vessels were seen heading North. They were approx 75 feet long & both were wooden. This was retained?? to Group upon return.
	F/O E. T. Mailey Aus423804		Jessore		
	W/O E. Williams Aus410?102				
	W/O N. R. Harvey				
	W/O F. J. Keenan N.Z.421053				
	F/S M. J. Cox Aus.428?020				
	F/S W. Farish F/S K. N. Heilbron				
D.C. IV "N"	F/L P. W. Bowles Aus.14407	Ferry for "Heavy"	150400	152035	Ferry was successful. The aircraft landed at Myitkina at 0730 & was airborne again at 0930 hrs. At 1135 hours in posn 100°50'N 2158E over Kiulungkiank village. Flew due W along valley until Mengse was identified then N to landing strip 1155' landed Mengse from SW to NE. Strip has a rolled sand surface & very soft in places & is definitely US in bad weather. At 1205 took aboard 8 passengers & at 1420 landed Myitkina. 1515 airborne & 1945 landed Dum Dum & disembarked passengers. Landed Base at 2035 hrs.
	F/S F. W. Giles		Jessore		
	W/O J. H. Middleton				
	Sgt D. C. Oram				
D.C. IV "N"	P/O J. S. Hunter	Ferry for "Broke"	210635	211725	The aircraft landed at Dum Dum at 0710 & took on board 2000 lbs of stores & 2 army officers. At 1107 landed at Katha & unloaded stores & took on board 4 Burmese & 150 lbs of kit. At 1615 landed at Alipore & unloaded same & returned to Base. Weather was good & flight was successful & uneventful throughout.
	P/O G. W. Gullin		Jessore		
	F/S G. A. Ripley				
	Sgt Mowbray				
	Sgt R. I. Wellings				
Lib VI "Q"	W/O F. V. E. Exelby Aus.426830	Bottom	211753	220005	This operation was successful. D.Z. was finally found at 2045 hrs with reception of a "T" of lights & a flashing torch. The D.Z. was in a bad position as it could only be seen from directly above. 11 containers & 1 package wt. 3166 lbs were dropped in one run at 2054 hours & all chutes were seen to open correctly. On the return journey
	F/S G. C. Thompson AUS.430132		Jessore		
	W/O J.H. Boundry N.Z.415285				
	F/S J. A. McArthur				
	Sgt W. G. Robertson				

	Sgt R. C. Shey				Pakokko was strafed & leaflets were dropped on Pagan. One object was seen on the road near Pakokko & was thought to be a bullock cart. M.G. fire was seen from about 12 enemy positions but neither a/c or personnel were injured.
	Sgt L. C. Snell				
	Sgt T. E. Lockett				
	Sgt J. Gorrie				
Dakota IV "N"	F/S F. E. Bush	Future II	221810	230130	This operation was unsuccessful. A/C arrived over the target at 2136 hrs. No reception lights were seen although the crew were sure that they were over the right area. Many dummy runs were made but the weather was bad over the target with 10/10ths cloud so the 12 men & 11 packages were brought back to Base.
	W/O V. Lineham		Jessore		
	F/O J. Williamson				
	F/S G. Fordyce				
	Sgt I. C. Watson				
Dakota IV "O"	S/L T. P. O'Brien	Label	221747	230135	This operation was successful. The a/c arrived on the target at 2124 hrs & blind drop was made of 24 men & 7 packages between 2152 hrs & 2213 hrs. The DZ was sighted at 2150 hrs & after 1st dropping run torches were seen on the ground. All parachutes were seen to open correctly.
	F/O R. Carter		Jessore		
	W/O N. L. Woolsey				
	Sgt Busby				
	Army Despatcher				
DC.4. "D"	F/L P? W. Bowles	Future I	221730	230120	This operation was successful. 11 men & 11 packages were dropped in 5 runs between 2103 & 2126 hrs. It was a blind drop so there was no reception but torches were flashed after the 1st run. Weather was fair over the target. Nickels were dropped at 2150 hrs in Posn. 2215N 9625E from 5000 feet. Ground firing was seen from the Maymyo area.
	W/O J. H. Middleton		Jessore		
	F/S G. A. Ripley				
	F/S F. W. Giles				
	Sgt D. C. Oram				
Lib VI "Q"	W/O W. G. Petley	Desert VI	221600	230445	This operation was successful. A/C arrived over the target area at 2245 hrs & found "e" type reception of flares waiting with a light flashing "M". 5 men 6 containers & 3 packages were dropped in 4 runs. All chutes opened correctly. At 2210 hrs in approx. posn 1745N 104°35E, 50 plus M.T. vehicles were sighted moving North towards tin mine marked on map. Weather was good throughout the flight.
	F/S E. P. Martindale		Jessore	Chittagon	
	F/S F. P? Lowther		232645	230750	
	F/S W. N. Kendall		Chittagon	Jessore	
	F/S C. W. Buroin				
	F/S A. F. Bird				
	Sgt A. Kidd				
	Sgt G. E. Hillier				
	Sgt F. Canvin				
Liberator VI "U"	P/O F. C. Cooke	Desert VII	221720	230520	This operation was successful. The a/c arrived over the target at 2246 hrs. Reception was seen & also "M" flashing. 5 men & 11 containers were dropped in two runs from 650 ft. Weather was fair & all chutes were seen to open correctly.
	W/O C. R. Anderson		Jessore		
	F/L G. Cashmore				
	P/O J. H. Newberry				
	Sgt J. Hatton				
	P/O F. W. Pearce				
	W/O J. F. Bryden				

	W/O W. V. Robertson				
	F/S J. B. Nelson				
Liberator VI "X"	W/O F. V. Exelay	Desert 10	221637	230108	This operation was unsuccessful due to icing & extremely bad weather conditions. The intention was to drop 5 containers & 4 packages for "Desert 10" but as weather was adverse the Captain decided to turn back at 2020 hrs when in Posn. 2027N 100°16E. Yellowish red flashes were observed coming from the Mandalay area at 2210 hrs.
	F/S G. C. Thompson		Jessore		
	W/O T? N. Boundy				
	Sgt. T. A. McArthur				
	Sgt W. G. Robertson				
	Sgt L. C. Snell				
	Sgt J. Gorrie				
	Sgt T. E. Lockett				
	Sgt R. C. Silly				
Liberator VI "V"	F/O J. Churchill	Desert 1	221610	230340	This operation was unsuccessful due to low cloud over the DZ. The intention was to drop 5 men, 5 containers & 4 packages but although the crew considered that they were over the target area, no pinpoints could be obtained owing to the low cloud. The weather throughout the rest of the flight was generally fair. Several large bush fires were seen S of Mandalay. No. 1 engine torched over the target area & may account for the light seen by another a/c and reported elsewhere.
	W/O J. A. Taylor		Jessore		
	F/O D. H. Hulme				
	W/O W. Hough				
	F/S J. Williams				
	W/O W. G. Murray				
	W/O W. E. N. Smail				
	Sgt H. D. V. Gould				
Lib. VI "Y"	W/O L. W. Bain	Desert III	221630	230425	This operation was unsuccessful owing to visibility being nil over the target area due to 10/10 ths cloud. The only lights observed in the area being bush fires & no form of signal whatsoever was seen so after 4 minutes in the target area the Captain decided to return to Base & the 8 containers & 4 packages which comprised the load were brought back.
	F/S M. R. Simons		Jessore		
	P/O F. C?? Cutler				
	F/S R. W. Skipper				
	F/S K. J. Duffy				
	Sgt P. V. Lloyd				
	Sgt W. J. B. Rickards				
	Sgt J. G. Woodthorpe				
Liberator VI "W"	F/L Lamb	Desert IV	221609	230353	This operation was successful. The aircraft was on the target at 2133 hrs & commenced a search for the reception committee. This was sighted at 2140 hrs – a "e" type of lights & a letter being flashed. 12 containers & 2 packages were dropped in one run at 400' & all the chutes opened correctly. The weather was fair & visibility was approx. 4 miles.
	F/O H. J. McFadyen		Jessore		
	P/O D. A. Blad				
	P/O J. Poulton				
	P/O D. H. Heller				
	F?/O S. V. Hillis				
	F/S W. Farish				
	Sgt. R. P. G. Smith				
	Sgt D. D. Bac?nthold				
Dakota IV "H?"	P/O T. A. Collister	Ramrose	221840	230205	This operation was unsuccessful. A/C arrived over the target at 2200 hrs but only trees were seen below & there was no clearing or
	Sgt C. R. Tn?orne		Jessore		

	F/S L. Elliot				possible DZ so the a/c continued on to Minbo & at 2255 hrs dropped leaflets. At 2306 hrs at Pronbyn more leaflets were dropped & then a/c set course for Base. The load of 5 men 1 container & 4 packages were brought back. The Squadron commander commented that the a/c was probably over the wrong pinpoint as the visibility was bad.
	F/S W. M. McCormack				
	F/S B? Thompson				
Lib VI P	W/O S. H. Seed	Bazaar VI	221600	230734	This operation was unsuccessful. The a/c arrived North of the D.Z. at 2107 hrs & obtained a rough pin point on a mountain visible through the cloud tops & then flew South for a few moments but could not see the ground features for another pin pointing due to 10/10 ths cloud. A/C then returned to Base. The weather was very bad with visibility down to 1 mile. The intention was to drop 12 containers & 2 packages for Bazaar VI.
	Sgt W. J. V. Surrage		Jessore		
	P/O N. V. Dous?e				
	Sgt B. Elstub				
	Sgt W. E. Luck				
	Sgt R. C. H. Harrell				
	Sgt W. Knowles				
	Sgt A. Archibald				
	Sgt J. Archer				
Lib VI R	F/L T. H. Lee	Polka 33	221600	230235	This operation was unsuccessful due to 10/10 ths cloud over the D.Z. The intention was to drop 9 containers & 4 packages for "Polka 33". Another aircraft was sighted over the target area & appeared to have landing lights on.
	P/O A. G. Houbnan		Jessore		
	F/L Alverstow				
	P/O J. Walling				
	P/O W. Parslow				
	P/O N? J. Tyson				
	Sgt E. Zimmerman				
	Sgt J. H. Goodman				
	Sgt T. W. Alder				
Dakota IV N	S/L T. P. O'Brien	Ramrose	231709	240010	This sortie was successful. The a/c arrived over the target at 2111 hrs & 4 runs were made. After the 1st run torches were seen flashing from the ground but actual numbers could not be distinguished. 5 men 1 container & 4 packages were dropped. The weather was generally good & leaflets were dropped on the return flight.
	F/O R. C?arter		Jessore		
	W/O W. L. Woolsey				
	Sgt F. N. Burley				
	F/O B. Gibson				
Liberator VI "Z"	F/L Lamb	Judson	250910	252250	This operation was unsuccessful. The captain was briefed to land at Myithina & at 1205 hrs he landed there & picked up load & also American conducting Officer. At 1750 took off Myithing for operation "Judson" but at 1955 hrs when in Posn. 2032N 9450E No. 2 engine failed & captain abandoned sortie & set course for Chittagong. Aircraft landed at Jessore at 2250 hours. The weather was generally good throughout the whole journey.
	F/O H. J. McFadyen		Jessore		
	P/O D. A. Blad				
	P/O J. Poulton				
	P/O S. V. Hillis				
	P/O D. H. Heller				
	Sgt R. R. Smith				
	Sgt D. D. Bechtnow				
Liberator VI V	F/O J. Churchill	Carpelitor ?	241104	250859	This operation was successful. The a/c left Base at 1104 hrs & was over the target at 2155 hrs. Upon arrival one fire was seen burning on the DZ. but others were quickly lit
	W/O J. A. Taylor		Jessore	Chittagong	

	F/O D. H. Hulme				&"K" was flashed by torch. The DZ was in a very awkward position being surrounded by high trees & was only visible from directly above. 5 packages were dropped in one run & all chutes were seen to open correctly. At 2210 hrs from 1500 feet leaflets were dropped on Mersing. Weather was good in the whole but it was rather overcast over the target. At 2053 hrs an airfield was sighted at Telok Daton (not Merib Airfield) apparently under construction. The strip was approx. 2000 yds long & lights were flashed irregularly over the area as if work was in progress. A second airfield was sighted under construction at 2135 hrs in Posn 0220N 103°03E (Labis?) where runway appeared very wide, wide enough for 2 Libs side by side. The Squadron Commander commented that this was the longest sortie yet attempted & that crew put up an admirably fair show on this operation.
	W/O W. Houbn				
	W/O W. G. Murray				
	W/O W. F. W. Smaill				
	F/S? D. R. Wabber?				
	Sgt H. D. V. Gould				
Liberator VI "P"	F/O F. C. Cooke	Hebrides	241130	250600	This operation was a success. The aircraft arrived over the target area at 2030 hrs in good weather & 4 containers & 6 packages wt. 1665 lbs were dropped in one run. All parachutes were observed to open but it is thought that some packages may have fallen into the river owing to the position of the D.Z. being so close to the river ledge.
	F/O C. R. Anderson N.Z.431459		Jessore		
	F/L G. Cashmore Aus.9183				
	P/O J. H. Newberry				
	P/O F. W. Pearce				
	W/O W. V. Robertson				
	F/S J. F. Bryden				
	F/S J. B. Kelson				
Dakota IV "D"	P/O W. Kindred	Bruce	241840	250210	This operation was successful. The target area was in a very difficult position but a good reception of a "T" of fires was displayed. At 2230 hrs the load of 10 containers wt. 1100 lbs was dropped & all parachutes were observed to open & develop normally. On the return journey 4 M.T. vehicles were seen on the Lashio road.
	P/O K. C. H. Williame?		Jessore		
	P/O G. H. Lawrence				
	F/S R. Dagllish				
	Sgt J. A. Green				
Liberator VI "X"	W/O R. W. Bain Aus.408361	Evidence 24	241145	250725	The operation was a success. The weather throughout the whole trip was fairly good & the a/c arrived over the target at 2106 hrs & a blind drop of 8 men & 5 containers was made. The parachutes opened correctly and after the first run torches were seen flashing from the ground & the containers were then dropped.
	F/S M. R. Simons Aus.419749		Jessore		
	P/O F. C. Cutler Aus.424296				
	F/S R? W? Skipper				
	F/S W. P. Criddle Aus.437502				
	F/S K. J. Duffy				

	Aus.436352				
	Sgt J. C. Woodthorpe				
	Sgt. W. J. Rickards				
	Sgt P. V. Lloyd				
Dakota IV "K"	F/S F. F. Bush	Barge	250905	251625	This operation was successful. The aircraft arrived over the target at Kani & commenced searching for the reception. At 1142 hrs the reception signal was seen on a sand bank, the letters A. X. K. together with the word "T" had been formed on the ground. 6 runs were made at 1148 & the chutes on the containers were observed to open. Of the 109 packages dropped 3 containers that appeared to be flour and ???terial burst but dropped on the D.Z. AT 1255 a/c landed at Ye-O & picked up one person & landed at Base at 1625 hrs.
	W/O V. Lineham		Jessore		
	F/O J. Williamson				
	F/S G. Fordyce				
	Sgt J. C. Hatson				
Dakota IV H	P/O T. S. Hunter	Br?ag Ferry	220755	250515	This operation was a success. The a/c left Jessore at 0755 hrs & the Captain was briefed to land at Dinjan to take on 400 galls of petrol to ferry to Kunming. At 1200 hrs the a/c left Dinjan for Kunming which was reached at 1540 hrs. The petrol was successfully ferried & the journey was uneventful. At 1130 hrs on the 23rd the a/c left Kunming with 7 passengers & 3780 lbs of freight. At 1610 landed at Kanchow where freight & passengers were unloaded. 1725 hrs the a/c left Kanchow with 7 passengers & 500 lbs of kit for Kunming where it landed at 2330 hrs. At 1340 hrs on the 24th the aircraft left Kunming to return to Base but landed at Dinjan at 1755 hrs & stayed overnight. At 0155 hrs on the 25th the aircraft left Dinjan & landed at base at 0515 hours. This ferrying sortie was uneventful throughout & the weather over Chinese territory was generally good.
	P/O G. N. Gellan		Jessore		
	Sgt Mowbray				
	Sgt R. I? Wellings				
Dakota IV "O"	F/L F. Barlogle?	By?rolar Hippo I	251755	260155	This operation was successful. The a/c arrived on the target at 2122 hours & after the area had been identified as correct a blind drop was made. 16 men & 8 packages were dropped in 7 runs & all chutes were seen to open correctly. At 2210 hrs on the return journey nickels were dropped on Pyokkwe. Weather was generally good.
	F/O J. S. Cooper		Jessore		
	W/O J. Begg				
	F/S W. Richmond				
	Sgt A. R. Littlewood				
Dakota IV "L"	F/O C. Egerton-Eves	Label Rat II	251754	260213	This operation was unsuccessful. The aircraft arrived over the target area at 2158 hrs & searched for 40 minutes but no reception as prearranged was seen & no drop was made. The 16 packages weight 1718 lbs were
	Sgt R. A. Jones		Jessore		
	F/O W. B. Arnold				
	F/S J. Biggin?				

	F/S T. Nathavel Sgt T. Laird				brought back. Between the hours of 2232 & 2257 leaflets were dropped in the area from Taungdwingy to Kyaukpadaung from 500 feet. Weather was good throughout the whole sortie.
Lib VI "R"	F/L T. H. Lee Can.J.6644	Desert I	251655	260405	This operation was successful. At 2140 hours the a/c arrived in the target area & a good pinpoint was obtained on a road in the locality & the reception lights were then seen. It was a rather rugged reception but "M" was seen flashing thus obviating the possibility of some being brush fires. 5 men 4 containers & 5 packages were dropped in one run at a height of 800'. The chutes were observed to open & develop fully.
	P/O A. G. Houghan CanJ.44365		Jessore		
	F/L Alverston Can.J.16004				
	P/O J. Welling				
	P/O H. J. L. Tyson CanJ.64150				
	P/O W. Y. Parslow CanJ.49494				
	Sgt. E. R. Zimmerman Can.R.157124				
	Sgt T. H. Goodman				
	Sgt T. W. Alder				
Lib VI "Y"	W/O S. H. Seed	Polka 33	251625	260418	This operation was unsuccessful. The a/c reached the target area at 2120 hours and covered the whole area three times but no reception committee was seen & the Captain decided to bring the 9 containers & 4 packages back. At 0035 hrs on the return journey in the Posn 2054N 9745E an aerodrome was seen the runway running N.W., there being also 12 buildings in the locality. Weather was good.
	Sgt W. J. Surrage		Jessore		
	P/O M. V. Douse				
	Sgt B. Elsta?b				
	Sgt R. C. Harrell				
	Sgt W. E. Luck				
	Sgt J. Archer				
	Sgt W. L. Knowles Sgt A. Archibald				
Lib VI W	W/Com L. M. Hodges	Polka 27	271613	280833	This sortie was successful. The a/c arrived over the target at 2335 hrs & found that the reception was awaiting them. The load of 1 man & 8 packages was dropped in 2 runs & with the exception of the parachute on the last package, all opened successfully. No diversion was carried out as the fuel transfer pump had become U.S. & the a/c endurance was thereby curtailed.
	F/L H. Cast		Jessore		
	W/O H. R. Harvey				
	W/O E. Williams				
	F/L L. G. A. Reed				
	W/O F. J. Kefnan				
	F/O A. A. Horley				
	F/S M. J. Cox				
	F/S K. N. Heilbron				
Lib VI U	W/O F. V. E. Exelry	Dilwyn Squirrel 6	251836	260222	This operation was successful. When the aircraft arrived over the target area at 2149 hrs a triangle of reception fires were waiting them also a torch flashing "R". 11 containers & 3 packages were dropped in one run. 1 package however fell out in the target area as it was being attached near the door ready for the drop. 8 packets of nickels were
	F/S G. C. Thompson		Jessore		
	W/O J. H. Boundy				
	Sgt J. A. McAryhur				
	Sgt R. C. Gilly				
	Sgt W. G. Robertson Sgt L. C. Snell				

	Sgt J. Gorrie				dropped on the return journey between Nsenw & Lashio & strafing was carried out on H?onygaw with no visible results.
	Sgt T. E. Lockett				
Lib VI W	F/L H. Cast	Dilwyn Honket 7	251825	260151	This operation was successfully carried out. The aircraft arrived over the target at 2135 hrs where there was a reception consisting of a Δ of fires & a torch flashing "H". 3 agents and 11 packages were dropped for "Dilwyn" "Manby?7" & all agents were seen to leave the a/c satisfactory & all chutes were seen to open & develop normally.
	W/Com L. M. Hodges		Jessore		
	W/O H. R. Harvey				
	W/O K? Williame?				
	F/L L. G. A. Reed				
	F/O A. A. Morley				
	W/O F. J. Keenan				
	F/S H. J. Cox				
	F/S K. N. Heilbrow				
	F/S W. Farish				
Dakota IV "D"	F/L. P. W. Bowles	Bullfinch	251720	260235	This operation was successful. One Mark V A container weight 150 lbs was dropped in one run at 2205 hrs. When the a/c reached the target area the prearranged reception was not seen but after the a/c had searched the area a torch flashed "T" & the conduction officer who accompanied the crew was satisfied & the drop was made. The chute on the container was observed to open & develop normally.
	W/O J. H. Middleton		Jessore		
	F/S F. W. Giles				
	Sgt R. A. Hunt				
	Sgt D. C. Oram				
Lib VI "Q"	W/O W. G. Petley	Beacon	251132	260625	The operation was successful. The a/c arrived over the target at 2118 hrs where a reception consisting of 3 bonfires & a torch flashing "K" was awaiting them. At 2131 hrs 4 runs were made & 5 men & 7 containers were dropped. All chutes on same being observed to open & develop correctly. Aft a/c left the target area 1 packet of nickels were dripped on Alor Star. At 1508 hrs when in posn. 1626N 9311E a large patch of yellowish stain was seen on the water & also some unidentified debris. The whole area seem too big for an a/c to distribute itself over. The information was passed on to Group upon return.
	F/S E. P. Martindale		Jessore		
	F/S F. P. Lowtner				
	F/S W. N. Kendall				
	F/S C. W. J. Buroin				
	F/S A? F. Bird				
	Sgt A. Kidd				
	Sgt G. E. Hillier				
	Sgt F. Canvin				
Dakota IV "F"	W/O P. A. Black	Manval House I	251859	260210	Operation was successful. A/C arrived over primary target but as no reception was seen, flew to secondary target & made drop in paddy field. 6 men 2 containers and 12 packages were dropped at 2234. The men had arranged to flash "K" if their drop was successful & then the containers were to be dropped. This was done & all chutes were observed to open successfully. Weather was generally good throughout the whole trip.
	F/O R. G. Stothers		Jessore		
	P/O K. B. Vounger?				
	F/S W. Allan				
	Sgt R. I. Wellings				

Dakota IV "J"	P/O F. A. Collister	Li??iqd?? I	251755	261215	This operation was successful. The a/c carrying 9 men & 5 packages wt 522? lbs arrived at this target at 2108 hrs & circled endeavouring to locate the actual D.Z which was identified at 2150 hrs & a blind drop consisting of 5 runs was made. The 1st man in the 2nd stick hesitated before making the jump & all 4 agents could have been dropped in one run had this not happened. All chutes opened & flashing lights were seen from ground after drop. Captain commented that briefing crews for operations laid on by independent organisations would be greatly facilitated if they could be coordinated & dealt with entirely by Force 136.
	F/S L. Elliott		Jessore		
	Sgt Hardman				
	F/S G. Thompson				
	F/S W. M. McCormack				
Liberator VI "W"	F/L Lamb CanJ.4115	Judson	261730	270055	This operation was successful. The a/c arrived on the target at 2044 hrs & at 2133 hrs when D.Z. was definitely identified, a blind drop of 2 men & 1 package was made. The dropping area is in a deep sided valley & it was impossible to get down below 1200 ft. for the drop. Flashes from the ground were seen after the drop. At 1936 hrs in posn. 2037N 9505E electric lights in clusters about 5 miles N of track went out as a/c passed. This operation a Judson was previously attempted by this crew on the 24.1.45 from Myithina but was abandoned owing to engine trouble.
	P/O H. J. McFadyen Can.J.39528		Jessore		
	P/O D. A. Blad Can.J.45168				
	P/O J. Poulton?				
	P/O S. V. Hillis CanJ46064				
	P/O D. H. Heller CanJ42510				
	Sgt R. G. Smith				
	Sgt D. D. Bechthold CanR160539				
Dakota IV "L"	F/O C. Ererton-Eves	Label Rat 2	261830	270230	This operation was unsuccessful as no reception was seen. The a/c arrived over the area at 2127 & despite an extensive search being made from definite pinpoints no reception lights were seen & the load consisting of 16 packages wt 1718 lbs was brought back. Leaflets were dropped on the return journey between Taungdwingyi & Kyaukpadaung at 2310 hrs from 400 ft. Weather was good for this operation.
	Sgt. R. A. Jones		Jessore		
	F/O W. B. Arnold Can.J.27477				
	F/S J. Biggin				
	F/S T. Nathaniel				
	Sgt T. Laird				
Liberator VI V	F/O J. Churchill	Desert V	261707	270522	This operation was successful. The aircraft arrived over the target area at 2205 hrs & in Posn 1820N 102°47E tow lights were seen but crew thought that this may have been a dummy or an incomplete signal put out by a ground party. At 2214 hours a "C" type reception was seen with "M" flashing. The light was dim & difficult to see as there were
	W/O J. A. Taylor		Jessore		
	F/O D. N. Hulme				
	W/O W. Hough				
	W/O W. G. Murray				
	W/O W. F. N. Smail				
	F/S D. R. Webber				

	Sgt. H. D. V. Gould				also about 15 torches being flashed at the a/c. The captain flew away from the DZ for deception purposes after the first run over & then returned & 5 men 8 containers & 4 packages were dropped in 2 runs at 700 feet. One container hung up thus preventing a Mark V A package from dropping but this was not observed until the a/c had left the area & it was then impossible to return. At 0117 hrs in Posn 2117N 9640E W/Op reported that the I.F.F. was being triggered. This continued for approx. 45 minutes & interference consisted of triggering for 8 seconds followed by a 70 second pause. This triggering affected the IFF through all ranges of frequency. The weather experienced during this sortie was fair.
Lib VI "U"	P/O F. C. Cooke	Desert VIII	261645	270425	This operation was successful. The a/c arrived on the target at 2129 hrs were a complete "C" type reception was awaiting it with letter "M" also being flashed by a torch. 5 men, 9 containers & 1 package were dropped in 2 runs at 1200 ft & all parachutes were seen to open & develop normally. The weather was fair & although there was a little cloud the moonlight penetrated same.
	W/O W. R. Anderson N.Z.421489		Jessore		
	F/L G. Cashmore Aus.9183				
	P/O J. H. Newberry				
	F/O F. W. Pearce				
	W/O J. F. Bryden				
	F/S J. B. Nelson				
	F/S W. G. Robertson				
	Sgt J. H?atton				
Lib VI "V"	W/O R. W. Bain Aus.408361	Dilywin Gazette III	261845	270220	This sortie was a success. 11 Containers wt 3443 lbs were dropped at 2146 hrs & all chutes were observed to open. The first reception lights were torches & the a triangle of fires were laid out & the letter "R" was flashed. On the return journey leaflets were dropped on the Hsenwi/Lashio road 20 M.T. vehicles were sighted moving South on the Monygin/Lashio road and were reported on return to Base. This operation was accomplished in very good weather.
	F/S M. R. Simons Aus.419749		Jessore		
	P/O F. C. Cutler Aus.424296				
	F/S R. W. Skipper				
	Sgt. W. P. Criddle Aus.437502				
	Sgt K. J. Duffy Aus.436452				
	Sgt P. V. Lloyd				
	Sgt. W. J. Rickards				
	Sgt J. G. Woodthorpe				
Lib VI "Y"	W/O S. H. Seed	Dilwyn Badger III	261854	270320	This operation was unsuccessful as no reception lights were seen in the target area. The intention was to drop 4 containers 6 packages for "Dilwyn Badger III" but as a/c approached target a triangle of fires was seen but these were extinguished as a/c
	Sgt H. J. Surrage		Jessore		
	P/O M. K. Douse				
	Sgt A. Kistur??				
	Sgt. R. C. H. Harrell				

	Sgt W. E. Luck				passed over. A search was made in this area but nothing was seen & the load was brought back.
	Sgt J. Archer				
	Sgt W. L. Knowles				
	Sgt A. Archibald				
Dakota IV "G"	P/O W. Kindred	Binge	261830	270330	This operation was unsuccessful. At 2210 hours the a/c arrived over the D.Z. But no reception lights were seen. The Navigator was confident that D.Z. was reached as he had pinpointed Prome before making D.R. run to the target. This was the 2nd night that no reception lights were seen evidently due to the fact that the D.Z. is in a very awkward place. 10 packages wt 1300 lbs were intended to be dropped to a reception committee.
	P/O K. C. H. Williams		Jessore		
	F/S R. Daghish				
	Sgt J. A. Green				
	P/O G. H. Lawrence				
Dakota IV "K"	P/O T. S. Hunter	Consequence	262015	270410	This operation was successful. At 2331 hrs the a/c arrived on the target. The D.Z. however, was very hard to see, as it was very small & also there was valley mist. After circling, the a/c D.Z. was identified & 1 run was made & the agent was dropped. The chute opened correctly & later he flashed a torch from the ground denoting that he had landed successfully. On the return journey at 0018 hrs two leaflet runs were made on Hgipaw. Weather was generally good throughout the trip.
	P/O G. N. Gillin		Jessore		
	F/S G. A. Ripley				
	Sgt Mowbray				
Lib VI "Q"	W/O F. V. Exelby Aus.426330	Bazaar 13	261635	270405	This operation was successful. The D.Z. was easily found & complete with reception as pre-arranged & with a torch flashing "M". At 2131 hrs two runs were made & 4 containers & 8 packages wt 2901 lbs were dropped. The rear gunner reported that all chutes opened & developed normally.
	F/S G. C. Thompson Aus.430132		Jessore		
	W/O J. H. Boudoy NZ.415285				
	Sgt J. A. McArthur				
	Sgt W. G. Robertson				
	Sgt R. C. Silly				
	Sgt L. E. Snell				
	Sgt J. Corrie				
	Sgt T. E. Lockett				
Lib VI "R"	F/L T. H. Lee CanJ.6644	Bazaar 12	261630	270435	This operation was a success. At 2120 hrs a/c arrived over the target area, but was before the time stated at briefing, so Captain flew away from area & returned at 2155 to find reception awaiting him. One dummy run was made as reception was obscured by trees. Two further runs were made at 2158 hrs & 4 containers & 8 packages wt. 2083 lbs were dropped & all chutes were seen to open. Weather was generally good
	P/O A. G. Houghan CanJ.44365		Jessore		
	F/L Alverston CanJ.16004				
	P/O W. G. Walling CanJ.45070				
	P/O H. J. L. Tyson CanJ.64160				

	P/O W. Y. Parslow CanJ.49494				throughout the operation.
	Sgt E. P. Zimmerman CanR.197124				
	Sgt T. H. Goodman				
	Sgt T. W. Alder				
Dakota IV "D"	F/L P. W. Bowles Aus.14407	Bandit	271900	280415	This operation was unsuccessful. A/C arrived on target at 2231 hrs & the area was definitely identified & thoroughly searched, but no reception was seen, so no drop was made. The intention was to drop 1 package wt. 150 lbs. Weather was very good for this operation.
	W/O J. H. Middleton		²		
	F/S F. W. Giles				
	Sgt D. C. Oram				
Dakota IV "L"	F/O C. Egerton- Eves	Binge	271854	280417	This operation was successful a/c arrived over target area at 2254 hrs & after circling found a reception of a "T" of fires & the letters "B.G." were flashed by torch from the ground. 10 containers wt. 1300 lbs were dropped in 2 runs from 600' & all packages were seen to open. The operation was combined with operation "Manual/Mouse".
	F/O W. B. Arnold J.27477		Jessore		
	F/S J. Biggin				
	F/S T. Nathaniel				
Lib VI "Y"	F/O J. Churchill	Candle (Chiffon I)	271740	280648	This operation was successful. When a/c arrived on target area at 2317 hrs. a "L" of fires was clearly seen with 2 marker bonfires 2 mls. to the S. "Q" was also flashed from the ground. 8 containers & 9 packages wt. 2018 lbs. were dropped in 3 runs & all chutes were observed to open & develop normally. A little difficulty was experienced as the dropping area was small & there was also considerable drift, but it is not thought that many chutes fell away from the D.Z. Good weather was experienced throughout the whole operation.
	F/O J. A. Taylor		Jessore		
	F/O D. H. Hulme				
	W/O W. Hough				
	W/O W. E. N. Smaile				
	F/S Bigg				
	Sgt A. Kidd				
	Sgt G. E. Hillier				
	Sgt F. Canvin				
Lib VI "Z"	F/L Lamb CanJ.4115	Heavy	271958	280358	This operation was a success. At 2303 hrs. a/c arrived over target area, where a reception consisting of a "T" of fires was awaiting them. 10 containers wt. 2636 lbs. were dropped in 1 run & the rear gunner reported that he observed all chutes open. On return flight, 2 bundles of leaflets were dropped on the Kentung Takaw Road.
	F/O M. J. McFadyen CanJ.39528		Jessore		
	P/O D. A. Blad CanJ.45168				
	P/O J. Poulton				
	P/O D. H. Hillier CanJ.42510				
	P/O A. A. Heller				
	Sgt R. P. G. Smith				
	Sgt D. D. Bechthold CanR.160539				

² Location not listed in record.

Dakota IV "K"	W/O P. A. Black Aus.415673	Dilwyn Squirrel IV	271840	280420	This operation was carried out successfully. 10 men & 8 packages were dropped at 2301 hrs. & all chutes attached to the men were seen to open correctly. The captain stated that there was a good reception of a Δ of fires on the D.Z. with a torch flashing letter "R".
	F/O R. G. Stothers CanJ.24346		Jessore		
	P/O K. N. Younger Aus.410782				
	F/S W. Allen				
	F/S G. A. Ripley				
Dakota IV "J"	F/S F. F. Bush	Dilwyn Squirrel 3	271900	280305	This operation was successful. The weather was good & a/c arrived over target at 2302 hrs., where an excellent reception consisting of a Δ of fires & the letter "R" flashed on a torch, was awaiting them. 10 men & 8 containers wt. 895 lbs. were dropped very satisfactorily & the chutes were observed to open. The captain landed at Chittagong on the return flight owing to shortage of fuel & eventually reached Base at 280540 hrs.
	W/O V. Lineham		Jessore	Chittagong	
	F/O J. Williamson				
	F/S G. Fordyce				
	Sgt I. C. Watson				
Dakota IV "N"	W/O J. W. Reid Aus421464	Dilwyn Squirrel V	271819	280400	This operation, also on "Dilwyn" was successful. At 2305 hrs. over the target area a Δ of fires was seen & also a torch flashing "R" from the ground, 28 packages wt 3357 lbs were dropped at 2331 hrs. & all chutes opened correctly. Weather experienced during this sortie was good & a/c returned to Base at 0400 hrs.
	W/O J. Hartley		Jessore		
	F/S J. Longhurst				
	Sgt J Calder				
Lib VI "U"	W/O S. H. Seed	Dilwyn Badger 3	271930	280310	This operation was successful. A/C arrived over target in good weather at 2248 hrs, where a reception consisting of a fire & 2 torches, also a torch flashing the letter "H", was seen awaiting them. 4 containers & 6 packages wt 2218 lbs. were dropped & chutes were observed to open by the rear gunner. Weather was generally good.
	Sgt W. J. Surrage		Jessore		
	P/O M. V. Douse				
	Sgt. B. Elstub				
	Sgt R. C. H. Harrell				
	Sgt W. E. Luck				
	Sgt J. Archer				
	Sgt W. L. Knowles				
	Sgt A. Archibald				
Dakota IV "O"	P/O W. Kindred	Bull-Finch	271826	280321	This operation was unsuccessful. A/C arrived over the target area but could see no reception lights & after searching from heights varying from 100' to 300' the captain decided to return to Base & the 1 Container wt. 150 lbs was brought back.
	P/O K. C. H. Williams		Jessore		
	P/O G. H. Lawrence				
	F/S R. DGLISH				
	Sgt J. A. Green				
Dakota IV "G"	W/O E. Wheelhouse	Nation Terrier	271825	280355	This operation was successful. The a/c arrived over target area at 2218 hrs. & no reception lights were seen, so the Captain decided to make a blind drop on the
	F/O W. H. Caron CanJ.24042		Jessore		

	W/O W. Learwood				secondary target at 2220 hrs in 2 runs, 3 men, 4 containers & 1 package wt. 1019 lbs were dropped. "K" was flashed from the ground after 1st run, denoting that the men had landed safely. After leaving the D.Z., another system of lights, believed to be "T" shaped were seen 15 mls. to the E. of Posn 1838N 9508E. The weather was generally good throughout the operation & cloud were nil.
	F/S G. C. Longbottom				
	Sgt R. I Wellings				
Dakota IV "M"	P/O T. A. Collister	Ramrose	271850	280210	This operation was successful. The a/c at 2200 hrs circled what was thought to be the correct area, but finally pin-pointed Myothen & surrounding villages, so D.R. run was made on to D.Z. 14 men & 14 packages were dropped in 5 runs & after the men landed, torches were flashed from the area. Two containers were not dropped as the party decided they were not needed. Both of these, however fell off over the Chin Hills on the flight back to Base. Weather was consistently good.
	F/S L. Elliott		Jessore		
	F/S W. M. McCormack				
	F/S G. Thompson				
Lib VI "Q"	W/O W. G. Petley Aus.421387	Bazaar 20	271835	280655	This operation was unsuccessful. At 2347 hrs. the a/c arrived over the DZ & although weather was good, no reception could be seen. The captain decided to abandon the sortie & the 5 containers & 7 packages wt 2409 lbs. were brought back to Base.
	F/S E. P. Martindale Aus.430461		Jessore		
	F/S F. P. Lowther				
	F/S W. N. Kendall				
	F/S A. F. Bird Aus.416294				
	F/S C. W. J. Burgin Aus.419028				
	Sgt A. Kidd				
	Sgt G. E. Hillier				
	Sgt F. Canvin				
Lib VI "X"	W/O F. V. Exelby Aus.426330	Bazaar 21	271835	280620	This operation was, also, unsuccessful. A/C arrived over target area at 2314 hrs. & the Navigators & crew were positive that D.Z. was reached, but no reception lights were seen & the 5 containers & 6 packages which comprised the load were brought back. At 2212 hrs in Posn. 2110N. 9735E. 7 or 8 M.T. vehicles were sighted moving in a Northerly direction.
	F/S G. C. Thompson Aus.430132		Jessore		
	W/O J. H. Boundy NZ.415285				
	Sgt. J. A. McArthur				
	Sgt W. G. Robertson				
	Sgt R. C. Silly				
	Sgt L. C. Snell				
	Sgt J. Gorrie				
	Sgt T. E. Lockett				
Dakota IV "K"	P/O T. S. Hunter	Manual Camel	281315	281825	This operation was successful. A/C arrived over target area at 1515 hrs & reception consisted of a flashing heliograph. 5 runs
	P/O G. N. Gillin		Jessore		

	F/S G. A. Ripley				were made at 500' & 4 containers & 8 packages were dropped. On the 2nd and 3rd runs the containers hung up, but were jettisoned & dropped in the area. The captain circled the D.Z. after the drop & saw the chutes on the ground & villagers were seen assisting the ground party to collect the stores. Good weather was experienced during this sortie.
	Sgt R. T. Wright				
	Sgt Mowbray				
Dakota IV "L"	F/O C. Egerton-Eves	Manual Mousse I	271854	280417	This operation was successful. A/C arrived over target at 0048 hrs. after having dropped supplies for operation "Binge", which was embodied with this operation. The D.Z. was identified by ground detail & a reception of 4 torches was seen about 4 miles S.E. of the briefed D.Z. The drop consisting of 1 container was made & the chute was observed to open correctly. Weather was generally good.
	F/O W. B. Arnold		³		
	F/S J. Biggin				
	F/S T. Nathaniel				
Dakota IV "F"	W/O P. A. Black Aus.415673	Bandit	281935	290225	This operation was unsuccessful. A/C arrived over target area at 2303 hrs. & made a thorough search from 8000', but no reception lights were located, so no drop was made & the 1 container wt. 100 lbs. was brought back. At 2217 hrs. straffing was seen being carried out in Posn. 2050N 9508E. Weather was generally good.
	F/O R. G. Stothers CanJ.24346		Jessore		
	Sgt R. A. Jones				
	P/O K. B. Younger Aus.410782				
	F/S W. Allan				
Dakota IV "D"	F/L P. W. Bowles Aus.14407	Future Bison 5	281950	290335	This operation was successful. A/C arrived over briefed target area at 2248 hrs. but no reception was seen, so a search was made of the whole area, & finally a Δ of fires was seen approx. 8 miles N. of the original position. At 2330 hrs. 9 packages wt. 1004 lbs. were dropped in 2 runs & all chutes were observed to open O.K. Captain commented that this D.Z. was in an excellent position. Weather was good throughout whole operation.
	W/O J. H. Middleton		Jessore		
	Sgt R. M. Herdman				
	F/S F. W. Giles				
	Sgt. D. C. Oram				
Dakota IV "O"	S/L T. P. O'Brien	Label Rat II	281944	290444	This operation was unsuccessful. A/C arrived to the W? of the target area & so returned to pin-point on the river & then made D.R. run on to D.Z. which was reached at 2049 hrs. There was, however, no reception, so the
	F/O R. Carter		Jessore		
	W/O W? L. Woolsey				
	Sgt. T. Laird				

³ Location not listed in record.

	Sgt F. H. Burley				captain circled & then returned to Base via Chittagong, owing to possible fuel shortage. Intention was to drop 16 packages wt 1718 lbs. On the return flight in Posn. 2040N 9422E straffing was sighted in progress with what appeared to be return fire from the ground.
Lib VI "R"	W/O R. W. Bain Aus.408361	Cairngorn	281250	290950	This operation was unsuccessful owing to low cloud obscuring the D.Z. There were, however, 2 torches flashing in the area, but after staying & circling from 2154 hrs to 2324 hrs. the Captain decided that the drop could not be made & the load comprising of 3 agents, 7 containers & 3 packages was brought back.
	F/S M. R. Simons Aus.419749		Jessore		
	P/O F. C. Cutler Aus.424296				
	F/S R. W. Skipper				
	Sgt P. U. Lloyd				
	F/S W. P. Criddle Aus.437502				
	F/S K. J? Duffy Aus.436452				
	Sgt W. J. Rickards				
	Sgt J. G. Woodthorpe				
Dakota IV "J"	W/O E. Wheelhouse	Blast	281925	290500	This operation was successful. A/C arrived over target area at 2330 hrs. & circled the 1st D.Z. twice but no reception could be seen, so flew back to the R. Salween & then flew due W. to the secondary D.Z. After circling, the dispatcher reported seeing the reception fires through the mist, so the dropping run was made. 1 container wt. 102 lbs. was dropped from 400', but owing to the very high wind it dropped approx. 350 yds S. of the D.Z. The chute was observed to open & was later seen on the ground.
	Sgt. C. R. Thorne		Jessore		
	F/O W. H. Caron CanJ.24042				
	W/O W. Learwood				
	F/S C. G. Longbottom				
	Sgt R. B. Guest				
Dakota IV "H?"	W/O J. W. Reid	Nation Elk I	281925	290400	The operation was a success. The D.Z. was easy to find & at 2325 hrs a blind drop was made consisting of 3 runs – 2 men, 2 containers & 2 packages being dropped. After 1st run torches were seen flashing from the ground which denoted that men had landed safely. Upon leaving the area, the a/c flew S. & whilst gaining height dropped leaflets. The weather was generally good, but there was a slight ground haze.
	W/O J. Hariley		Jessore		
	F/S J. Longhurst				
	Sgt R. A. Hunt				
	Sgt A. R. Littlewood				
Dakota IV "L"	P/O T. A. Collister Aus.421792	Nation Donkey III	281935	290440	This sortie was successful. A reception of fires with a torch flashing was found at D.Z. when a/c arrived. 1 men, 4 containers & 3 packages wt. 1544 lbs. were dropped in 4 runs at 2345 hrs. & all chutes were seen to
	F/S L. Elliot		Jessore		
	F/S W. M. McCormack				

	Sgt G. Thompson				open. The last container hung up for some unknown reason in the first run, but was later released successfully. At 0015 hrs. 8 bundles of nickels were dropped 10 miles W. of Pegu, from 8999'. Weather was good throughout & wind was slight.
Dakota IV "H?"	P/O W. Kindred	Liquid II	291947	300407	This operation was successful. A/C arrived on target at 2253 hrs. & reception consisting of fires & a torch flashing "T" was seen. 20 packages wt. 1813 lbs. were dropped in 5 runs & all chutes opened correctly. The letter "R" was flashed from D.Z. after the drop. On the return flight 4 packages of nickels were dropped on Sagaing.
	P/O K. C. H. Williams		Jessore		
	P/O G. H. Lawrence				
	F/S R. Daglish				
	P/O S. G. Dove				
	Sgt J. A. Green				
Lib VI "Z"	F/L Lamb CanJ.4115	Savanna	291823	300648	This operation was a success. A/C arrived in target area at 2325 hrs. & found a good reception of bonfires awaiting. "Q" was also flashed by torch. 3 men, 8 containers & 4 packages wt. 1791 lbs. were dropped in 2 runs & all chutes were observed to open. On the return flight 4 packets of nickels were dropped between Bhejabon, Phichit & Pitsawncoke. At 0320 hrs whilst flying at 11,500' & when in Posn. 2050N 9730E an unidentified a/c passed underneath the a/c & went away in an Easterly direction. Believed to be a high wing monoplane.
	F/O M. J. McFadyen CanJ.39528		Jessore		
	P/O D. A. Blad CanJ.45168				
	P/O J. Poulton				
	Sgt S. V. Hillis CanJ.46064 ⁴				
	F/S W. Farish				
	P/O D. H. Hillier CanJ.42510				
	Sgt R. P. G. Smith				
	Sgt D. D. Bechthold CanR.160539				
Lib VI "P"	W/O S. H. Seed	Heavy	292018	300435	This operation was successful. A/C arrived over D.Z. at 2346 hrs. where a reception consisting of 5 fires in the form of arrows was found to be awaiting. 7 containers & 4 packages wt. 4633 lbs. were dropped in one run & the rear gunner reported that all chutes opened and developed normally.
	Sgt W. J. Surrage		Jessore		
	P/O M. V. Douse				
	Sgt. B. Elstub				
	Sgt R. C. H. Harrell				
	Sgt W. E. Luck				
	Sgt W. L. Knowles				
	Sgt J. Archer				
	Sgt A. Archibald				
Dakota IV "D"	F/S F. F. Bush	Heavy	291915	300445	This operation was successful. A reception consisting of an arrow of fires was seen on the D.Z. when a/c arrived & at 2308 hrs., 12 packages wt. 4633 lbs. were dropped in 2 runs. After the drop "K" was flashed from the ground & a/c s/c Base.
	W/O V. Lineham		Jessore		
	F/O J. Willimson				
	Sgt G. Fordyce				
	Sgt I. C. Watson				

⁴ If Hillis was a Sgt., his service number should be CanR.

Lib VI "W"	F/O J. Churchill	Heavy	292012	300420	This operation was successful. A/C arrived over target at 2320 hrs. & the D.Z. was very easily distinguished by the arrow of fires that were placed as a reception. At 2327 hrs., 7 containers & 5 packages wt. 4633 lbs were dropped in 2 runs & all chutes opened correctly being observed by rear gunner. The flight was uneventful & weather experienced good.
	W/O J. A. Taylor		Jessore		
	W/Cdr Verity				
	F/O D. H. Hulme				
	W/O W. Hough				
	W/O W. G. Murray				
	W/O W. E. N. Smail				
	F/S D. R. Webber				
	Sgt H. D. V. Gould				
Lib VI "Q"	W/O W. G. Petley Aus.421387	Coupling	291900	300740	This operation was carried out successfully. A good reception consisting of a "T" of fires was seen on the D.Z. upon the a/c's arrival & 11 containers & 1 package wt. 3010 lbs were dropped in 2 runs. Upon completion of the drop, a torch was being flashed by the reception committee. On the return flight, when in Posn. 2051N 9610E a beacon was seen flashing a red light. Weather for this sortie was generally good.
	F/S E. P. Martindale Aus.430461		Jessore		
	F/S E. P. Lowther				
	F/S W. N. Kendall				
	F/S W. J. Burgin Aus.419028				
	F/S A. F. Bird Aus.426294				
	Sgt A. Kidd				
	Sgt G. E. Hillier				
	Sgt F. Canvin				
Lib VI "X"	W/O F. V. Exelby Aus.426330	Bazaar 21	291835	300605	This operation was successful. At 2339 target area was reached & the D.Z. easily identified, owing to there being a good reception of fires. A letter was also flashed on a torch. Two runs were made at 2341 hrs. 5 containers & 6 packages were dropped. In Posn 2048N 9700E at 0255 hrs, 6 rockets were seen to be fired from the ground, also a red pundit was seen flashing in the area. At 0305 hrs. whilst at 11000 an a/c believed to be an 'Oscar' came in from ahead & passed 100' below a/c.
	F/S G. C. Thompson Aus.430132		Jessore		
	W/O J. H. Boundy NZ.415285				
	Sgt. J. A. McArthur				
	Sgt R. C. Silly				
	Sgt L. C. Snell				
	Sgt J. Gorrie				
	Sgt T. E. Lockett				
Lib VI "Y"	F/L T. H. Lee CanJ.6644	Bazaar 20	291830	300535	The operation was successful. At 2328 hrs. target area was reached & there was a good reception consisting of fires & a torch flashing letter "M". At 2338 hrs 2 runs were made at 800' & 5 containers & 7 packages were dropped, the chutes of which were all seen to open. On the return flight, when in Posn. 2105N 9604E at 0230 hrs. a very concentrated fire was seen on the railway with violent explosions.
	P/O A. G. Houghan CanJ.44365		Jessore		
	F/L Alverston CanJ.16004				
	P/O H. G. Walling CanJ.45070				
	P/O W. Y. Parslow CanJ.49494				
	P/O H. J. L. Tyson CanJ.64160				
	Sgt E. P. Zimmerman CanR.197124				
	Sgt T. H. Goodman				

	Sgt T. W. Alder				
Dakota IV "H"	W/O E. Wheelhouse	Label Rat II	302005	310445	This operation was unsuccessful as no reception could be found in the target area. A/C made D.R. run from Posn. on Ingle Lake & searched area from 1500', but could not find reception lights. Intention was to drop 2 containers & 17 packages wt. 2530 lbs. Weather was fair throughout the whole sortie & on return flight, 8 packages of nickels were dropped in the Thazi area.
	F/O W. H. Caron CanJ.24042		Jessore		
	F/O R. Carter				
	W/O W. Learwood				
	F/S G. C. Longbottom				
Lib VI "W"	W/Cdr L. M. Hodges	Burglar Hippo III	302150	310430	This operation was carried out successfully. The target area was reached at 0022 hrs. & a reception consisting of 4 fires in a line & a torch flashing was seen on D.Z. which appeared to be very small. 7 containers & 3 packages wt. 3943 lbs. were dropped in 1 run & all chutes appeared to open correctly. At 0039 hrs, 8 Packages of nickels were dropped in Pyinama & Taungup areas. Good weather was experienced throughout whole sortie.
	F/O A. A. Morley		Jessore		
	W/O E. Williams Aus.4101202				
	W/O H. R. Harvey				
	F/L G. A. Reed				
	F/S W. Farish				
	W/O F. J. Keenan NZ.421063				
	F/S M. J. Cox Aus.428020				
	F/S K. H? Heilbron				
Lib VI ^p	P/O F. C. Cooke	Desert VIII	301826	310615	This operation was successful. A/C arrived on target at 2322 hrs. & immediately found a reception of fires awaiting. 11 Containers & 5 packages were dropped in 4 runs & all chutes were observed to open. Some packages of tyres stuck on the 3rd run & another run had to be made. The dispatcher remarked that the tyres only just clear the hatch & if they topple over they become wedged in the hatch. One dummy run was made as another a/c passed in front just as drop was to be made. Weather was good, but there was 3/10 to 5/10 Cu. at 5000'
	W/O C. R. Anderson NZ.431459		Jessore		
	P/O J. H. Newberry				
	F/L G. Cashmore Aus.9183				
	P/O F. W. Pearce				
	W/O J. F. Bryden				
	F/S J. B. Nelson				
	W/O W. G. Robertson				
	Sgt J. Hatton				
Dakota IV "O"	F/L P. W. Bowers	Bottom Ferry	311120	311730	This operation was successful. The captain was briefed to pick up 3 British Officers & 12 Asiatic?? O.Rs at Kan & transport them to Alipore. The flight was uneventful & the a/c landed on 1800 yds. airstrip at Kan & picked up the passengers at 1425 hrs & transported them to Alipore & returned to Base at 1920 hrs.
	W/O W. H. Middleton		Jessore		
	F/S R. Daghish				
	Sgt. D. C. Oram.				
Liberator VI "P"	W/O R. W. Bain Aus.408361	Bazaar 14	301830	310630	This operation was successful. At 2358 hrs. the target area was reached, visibility was good & the reception of fires on the DZ was soon found. "T" was also being flashed on a
	F/S M. R. Simons Aus.419749		Jessore		

⁵ No code letter given in record.

	P/O F. C. Cutler Aus.424296				torch by the reception committee. The rear gunner reported that parachutes were lying on the DZ. At 2355 hrs. 2 runs were made at 600 feet & 11 containers weight 3225 lbs. were dropped. One container hung up during the first run but was dropped during the second run. The weather was very good during the operation & the rear gunner was able to see all parachutes open & was able to see them later lying on the D.Z.
	F/S R. W. Skipper				
	F/S W. P. Criddle Aus.437502				
	F/S K. J. Duffy Aus.436452				
	Sgt P. V. Lloyd				
	Sgt J. G. Woodthorpe				
	Sgt W. J. B. Rickards				
Liberator VI "Q"	W/O W. G. Petley Aus.421387	Bazaar 25926	301825	310705	This operation was carried out successfully. At 2323 hrs the D.Z. was reached and a reception of fires was found with a torch flashing "V" to one side of the area. The drop was made in one run at 800 ft. & 11 containers & 6 packages all left the a/c successfully & the parachutes were observed by the rear gunner to open successfully. After the drop the aircraft few South down the valley away from the target area & then later set course for Base.
	F/S E. P. Martindale Aus.430461		Jessore		
	F/S E. P. Lowther				
	F/S W. N. Kendall				
	F/S W. J. Burgin Aus.419028				
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