

## May 1945: Form 541

357 Squadron

Aircraft type and No.	Crew	Duty	Time up	Time Down	Remarks
Lib VI 'W'	F/L. G. Smith	Outward 1 Character Ferret Kumiry? 1733N 9614E Second 1913N 9659E	30 2023	01 0624	Successful on Outward 1. Unsuccessful on Character Ferret 26 – A/C over primary D.Z. at 0033 hrs where reception of T of fires and torch flashing "K" was recognised. 6 agents and 5 packages were dropped in 4 runs from 500' A.G.L., and all were seen to land in target area. Crew reported large number of M.T. going E & S along roads in area of Second D. Z. S/C Base 0243 hrs. Weather en route – good – at D.Z. clear Cu in valleys – at 2nd. D.Z. Cu built up on hills and filling in valleys – vis on both D.Z.s – 8-10 mls.
	F/S. R. F. Taylor		Jessore		
	W/O. C. S. Smith				
	F/S. J. Tate				
	W/O. L. J. Powell				
	W/O. H. H. Smith				
	F/S. W. Parry				
	Sgt. Mackie				
	Can J45345 P/O. W. O. McDougald				
Lib VI 'O'	Can J4115 F/L. Lamb	Outward 1 1733N 9614E Bazaar? Hippo 18? 1938N 9545E	30 2020	01 0505	Successful – A/C reached primary D.Z. at 2358 hrs where correct reception was seen consisting of 'T' of fires and torch flashing K.A. 6 agents and 6 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 10,000' ADL. and all were seen to fall on D.Z. A/C over second DZ at 0031 hrs where correct reception was recognised, consisting of 'T' of fires and flashing "O". 8 containers were dropped in 1 run from 1200' A.S.L. and were seen to fall on D.Z. S/C Base. Weather en route – 8-10/10ths AS. base 12000' – 2/10 ST. 0144 hrs. At Outward – cloud 2/10ths above Bu????/Hippo – Closing down 10/10ths AS. vis 15-20 mls.
	J39528 F/O. H. J. McFadyen		Jessore		
	J45168 F/O. D. A. Blad				
	P/O. T Poulton				
	J46064 F/O. S. V. Hillis				
	F/O. R. W. Birch				
	R160539 F/S. Bechthold				
	Sgt. R. P. C. Smith				
	J42510 F/O. D. Heller				
Lib VI 'P'	F/L. J. A. Powell	?????? Cotton 1	30 1915	01 0445	Unsuccessful. Weather bad over whole rout, heavy intermittent cloud, then solid over hills. Flew to D.Z. cloud formation from safety height up to 20000'. Crew reported cloud above and below, StR. & CuNim deteriorating forced early return, storms were encountered over whole track Captain decided to abandon sortie S/C Base 0001 hrs.
	F/O. Gane		Jessore		
	P/O. C. C. Hood				
	F/S. Rosendorf				
	F/S. F. Osbon				
	F/S. E. Wenham				
	F/S. Mardle				
	F/S. Netherway				
	Sgt. Williams				
Dak IV 'K'	Can.J12694 F/L. J. G. Blinkhorn	W?????? 2 P????ng? 1728N 9608E	30 1825?	01 0416	Successful – A/C over D.Z at 2306 on primary and 23.45 hrs on secondary. Primary D.Z. recognised by natural feature, and correct reception of a 'T' of
	Can.J45823 P/O. G. Mackey		Jessore		

	Can.J46787 P/O. F. B. Spence	Secondary 1703N 9541E			fires – 5 fires around perimeter of field. 13 agents 4 containers and 5 packages were dropped in 5 runs for 700' A.G.L. and dropped in target area. Crew report there are no local snags at D.Z. S/C Base 0005 hrs. Weather en route – ACu & AS from coast to Irrawaddy. At D.Z. – 5/10ths AC – vis 5-10 mls.
	Can.R270537 Sgt. A. Q. Dahlin				
Lib VI 'V'	Can.J23405 F/O. A. B. Coy	Carpenter Trombone 10 0202N 10402E	30 1352	01 1054	Successful – A/C made run in on target from coastal pin point and identified D.Z. from correct reception of T of fires and flashing K on Aldis, time over D.Z. 0102 hrs. 3 containers and 3 packages were dropped in 1 run from 550' ASL and all landed in D.Z. Good all weather D.Z. approachable from any direction. 215° was found to be very good. S/C Base 0109 hrs. Weather en route – Scattered heavy Cu. with ??en & storms over most of route. – At D.Z. clear good vis.
	Can.J44466 P/O. R. E. Jorgensen		Cox's Bazaar		
	Can.J45828 P/O. O. S. N. Campbell				
	Can.J44948 P/O. G. McGregor				
	Can.J46770 P/O. C. M. Stearns				
	Can.J46765 P/O. I. A. Palumbo				
	Can.R154825 Sgt, O. Despres				
Lib VI 'Z'	W/Cdr. L. M. Hodges	Carpenter Trombone 7 0146N 10345E	30 1350	01 1030	Successful – A/C over D.Z. at 0035 hrs, where correct reception of 'T' of fires and flashing "K" was recognised. 4 containers and 2 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 8?50' A.S.L. Containers were seen on D.Z. but packages had slightly undershot. Good D.Z. but seemed as though it would be affected by low stratus. S/C Base 0055 hrs. Weather en route - ??ays? of 7/10ths. low SCu – 8/10ths AS and scattered storms. At D.Z. Clear good vis.
	Can C1480? S/L. O. H. Simms		Cox's Bazaar		
	Aus.413286 F/O. H. Seale				
	F/S. E. Stephenson				
	F/L. L. G. A. Reed				
	F/O. A. A. Morley				
	Aus.418600 F/O. K. Buchanan				
	F/S. W. Farish				
Dak IV 'L'	F/O. C. H. Egerton- Eves	Heavy Lynx 8 2048N 9859E	01 500	01 1419	Unsuccessful – no reception. A/C was over DZ area at 0928 hrs but no reception was seen. Area was definitely recognised as all details of rivers & streams were seen. Sortie was abandoned & A/C S/C Base at 1057 hrs. DZ is good. OK for moonlight drops. Weather en route – 10/10 AS – 14000' – 7-8/10 SCu 5000'. At DZ – 10/10 AS 6-8/10 Cu base 3- 4000'.
	Can.J27477 F/O. W. B. Arnold		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/S. J. Biggin				
	Sgt. J. Hatton				
	Sgt. A. F. Calder				
Dak IV 'B'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Heavy Wolf 13 2151N 9942E	01 0450	01 1050	Unsuccessful. Weather. A/C reached posn 2230N 9430E at 0820 hrs but was forced to return to base due to the cold front after trying for 57 mins to get above,
	F/S. R. M. Herdman		Jessore		

	F/S. R. A. Hunt				below, or around with no success. S/C Base 0820 hrs.
	F/S. R. B. Guest				
	F/S. D. C. Oram				
Dak IV 'F'	F/O. Buckingham	Character Otter 53 1846N 9704E	01 0340	01 1100	Unsuccessful – Weather. A/C reached Akyab then flew out to sea for 20 miles, then due E to Myitche. ???ing front still impossible to get over or through so sortie was abandoned & A/C S/C for Hathazaka to re-fuel.
	F/O. Hinxman		Jessore	Hathaza ka	
	F/O. Rodrigues				
	W/O. Rose				
	F/S. Dampier				
Dak IV 'H'	P/O. Sharpe	Character Otter 67 1846N 9704E	01 0345	01 1130	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 0825 hrs & correct reception of T of ground panels & flashing of 'W' was recognised. 6 containers & 80 packages were free dropped in 8 runs from 100' AGL & all fell on DZ. S/C Base 0848 hrs. Weather en route – 8/10 SC off Akyab & 6/10 low Sc over Irrawaddy. Over DZ – 2/10 Cu Base 7000'.
	P/O. Flynn		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	P/O. Staines				
	F/S. Selves				
Dak IV 'G'	Can.J10354 F/L. B. G. Hewson	Character Otter 57 1858N 9707E	01 0440	01 1350	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 0927 hrs & correct reception of 'U' of panels & T of fires was seen 9 agents, 2 containers & 9 packages were dropped in 6 runs & agents were seen standing on DZ after drop. DZ is in a valley between 2 ridges & would not be easy to find in cloud. T.O.T. should be earlier or late afternoon. S/C Base 0950 hrs. Weather en route – Alto St mainly at 12000'. At DZ – 4/10 Cu 4000' & High Alt. St. at 12000'.
	Can.J45944 P/O. J. R. Tarzwell		Jessore		
	Can.J46764 P/O. R. Pomazon				
	Can.R276694 Sgt. E. Wiseman				
	Can.R281616 Sgt. McCartney				
Dak IV 'M'	S/Ldr. T. P. O'Brien	Character Otter 68 1846N 9704E	01 0415	01 1707	Successful – A/C reached DZ at 1058 hrs & correct reception of 'T' of panels was seen. 6 containers & 80 packages were free dropped in 12 runs & all fell on DZ except 9 which fell to W. Crew report no re-fuelling facilities at Monywa. Weather en route 8/10 Cu. Storm near Akyab & Baronga Island. Over DZ 9/10 SCu – base 7200'
	W/O. J. H. Middleton		Jessore	Monywa	
	Sgt. R. T. Wright				
	Sgt. F. H. Burley				
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Dracula 1638N 9550E	01 0200	01 1110	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 0525 hrs & 120 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 1000-1500' ASL. At 0530 hrs over Yagyan L.A.A. was fired at A/C at 1500'. Also over 1631N 9552 E at 0540 hrs & 1628N 9548E at 0550 hrs. A/C was fired on by .5 or 20 mm cannon. A/C was not hit. A Mustang at 0605 hrs & a Mosquito
	P/O. A. W. Cumber		Cox's Bazaar	Jessore	
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves				
	Can.R281747 Sgt. O'Shaughnessy, T.				
	Can.J24042 F/O. W. H. Caron				

					at 0645 hrs joined A/C & Mosquito bombed & strafed villages as A/C was dropping on last run. S/C Base 0647 hrs. Weather en route – Thunderstorms over Bay. Cu & Cb to 15000'. Over DZ – 9/10 AISt – vis 30 miles.
Dak IV 'D'	F/O. Buckingham	Character Otter 68	02 0335	02 1040	Successful A/C reached DZ at 0800 hrs & correct reception of 'T' of panels & letter W was seen. 29 packages were dropped in 8 runs from 7200' ASL & all fell in area. At 0755 hrs Rebecca was picked up from 10 miles at 8000'. S/C Base 0815 hrs. Weather en route – Front from Ramree to S.E. & N.W. Rainstorms. Cloud down to 1000'. At DZ – Clear – 8/10 Cu tops 7000'. Valley mist.
	F/O. Hinxman	1846N 9704E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/O. Rodrigues				
	W/O. Rose				
	F/S. Dampier				
Dak IV 'H'	P/O. Sharpe	Character Otter 56	02 0345	02 1200	Successful.- A/C over D.Z. at 0822, when correct reception of T of panels & W was recognised. 15 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 300' A.G.L. and all landed in area. 15 packages were brought back to Base as cloud obscured D.Z. after sixth dropping run. 6 Dakotas with an escort of 4 Spitfires were also dropping on D.Z. S/C Base 0915 hrs. Weather en route – 8-10/10ths Scu – bae 2-5000'. 10/10ths AS as well. At DZ – 7/10 Cu & St tops 8000' – base 5000' – increasing to 10/10ths in ¼ hrs.
	P/O. Flynn	1846N 9704E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	P/O. Staines				
	F/S. Selves				
Dak IV 'J'	W/O. F. F. Bush	Character Walrus	02 0340	02 1210	Successful – A/C was over D.Z. at 0834 hrs, where correct reception of Δ of panels and letter "N" was recognised, also Rebecca which was coding wrong letter. 4 containers and 33 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 600' A.G.L. and all landed on D.Z. Weather en route 10/10ths Acu base 10,000' and Cb down to ground level in places At D.Z. clear. S/C Base 0900.
	W/O. V. Lineham	1920N 9657E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/O. J. Williamson				
	F/S. G. Fordyce				
Dak IV 'A'	F/O. W. Kindred	Character Mongoose 33	02 0523	02 1413	Successful. A/C over DZ at 1047 hrs, where correct reception of "T" of fires & F & T of torches was recognised, also red very cartridges were being thrown into fire. 4 containers and 33 packages were dropped in 8 runs form 900' A.G.L. and
	F/O. K. C. Williams	1800N 9701E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/O. G. Dove				
	Sgt. Green				

					except for first run which slightly undershot, all landed in D.Z. Good D.Z. S/C Base 1116 hrs. Weather en route fair. At DZ. 10/10ths overcast vis. 2-3 mls.
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Carpenter Walrus (White) 6 1920N 9714E	02 0345	02 1155	Successful. A/C was over DZ at 0904 hrs. D.Z. was recognised by correct reception of $\Delta$ of panels & letter N. 4 containers & 33 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 400' A.G.L. All landed on D.Z. Very good D.Z. S/C Base 0925 hrs. Weather en route – Overcast whole way At D.Z. overcast – 9/10ths Scu base 3800'.
	Can.J24042 F/O. W. H. Caron		Base	Cox's Bazaar	
	P/O. A. W. Cumber				
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves				
	Can.R281747 Sgt. O'Shaughnessy, T.				
Dak IV 'B'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Character Ferrret 28? 1858N 9707E	02 0335	02 1145	Successful – A/C over D.Z at 0832 hrs. Correct reception of letter U & A in panels was recognised, 6 containers & 10 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 100' A.G.L. results of drop could not be observed due to cloud obscuring DZ. Sortie was abandoned after third run & 21 packages were brought back to Base. S/C Base 0943 hrs. Weather en route 10/10ths ACu & AS at 10000' 8/10 SCu over Burma valleys to D.Z. At D.Z. 9-10/10ths SCu 3-6000' – 10/10 ACu.
	F/S. R. M. Herdman		Jessore	Akyab	
	F/S. R. A. Hunt				
	F/S. R. B. Guest				
Dak IV 'K'	Can.J12694 F/L. J. G. Blinkhorn	Carpenter Walrus ?? 1920N 9714E	02 0340	02 1300	Successful. A/C was over D.Z. at 0841 hrs. & correct reception of $\Delta$ of panels and letter N, with 4 smoke fires was identified. 3 agents & 4 containers & 19 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 4,400' A.S.L. & all landed in target area. Hills an ??????on i ?????? A/C onto target. S/C Base – 0906 hrs. Weather en route – SCu base 3000'. ????? storms E. of Barnner. ?? at D.Z. – clear – vis 6 mls.
	Can.J45823 P/O. G. Mackey		Jessore		
	Can.J46787 P/O. F. B. Spence				
	Can.R270537 Sgt. A. Q. Dahlin				
Lib VI 'W'	Aus.426330 W/O. F. V. Exelby	Character Otter (Blue) 1 1849N 9645E	02 1330	02 1855	Unsuccessful – Weather. Over Bay of Bengal 8/10 Cu base 2000' – vis 15 miles. Over Arakan Cu building up as A/c flew south. S. of 20N front building up & moving S. Cu gong through 10/10 SCu 15000' tops not known – vis nil. A/C flew as far S as 18°N with no success & S/C Base 1618 hrs from 1930N 9445E.
	Aus.430132 F/S. G. C. Thompson		Jessore		
	NZ.415285 W/O. J. H. Boundy				
	F/S. J. A. McArthur				
	F/S. L. C. Snell				
	F/S. T. Lockett				
	F/S. W. G. Robertson				
	F/S. J. Gorrie				

	F/S. R. C. Silly				
Lib VI 'C'	Can.J23275 F/O. W. J. Jackson	Siren 4?J 1309'11"N 9941'10"E	02 1656	03 0655	Successful. A/C made DR run from Meelonng river to DZ & was over DZ at 0000 hrs where 'T' of fires & 3 'M's flashed by the ground party was seen through the fog. 9 containers & 3 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 500 AGL but results could not be seen owing to fog. DZ is in valley with 2000' hill at north end & if briefed run (030°) was flown A/C would fly straight into hill. S/C Base 0029. Weather en route – Bad 10/10 Cu tops 8000' base ground. Over DZ – Ground fog & ASt 12,000' – vis 10 miles.
	Can.J44392 P/O. E. Mercer				
	Can.J45134 P/O. G. F. McKelvie				
	Can.J45192 P/O. A. E. Duff				
	Can.J46053 P/O. A. G. Diggins				
	Can.J45340 P/O. J. L. Beirnes				
	Can.R266024 Sgt. Bale				
	Can.R28124 Sgt. P. F. Astle				
	Can.R77617 Sgt. T. Patterson				
Dak IV 'O'	F/O. W. Kindred	Heavy Lynx 8 2048N 9859E	03 1310	03 2335	Unsuccessful – weather over DZ. A/C made DR run from 2100N 9843E & was over DZ at 1756 hrs. But area was obscured by cloud. Obtained glimpses of fires which appeared to be dying out. No strips or panels. S/C Base 1806. 22 packs of nickels were dropped on 2100°N 9823E – 1736 hrs 9000'. Weather en route 9-10/10 ACu & AS over hills base 12000'. Over DZ – 10/10 cloud base 507000. Heavy rain vis 1-2 miles.
	F/O. K. C. Williams		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/O. G. H. Lawrence				
	F/O. S. G. Dove				
	Sgt. J. A. Green				
Lib VI 'N'	Can.J6644 S/L. T. H. Lee	Sken? 4 2?3°09'10"N 99°43'10"E	02 1700	03 0715	Successful. D.R. run was made for R. Makion Meelching 25 mls from D.Z. A/C reached D.Z. at 2352 hrs. where correct reception of T of fires & flashing K were identified. 10 containers & 3 packages were dropped in 1 run from 600' A.G.L. No results could be observed as D.Z. was covered in ground fog. S/C Base 0008 hrs. Weather en route – fair At D.Z. ground fog. vis 1,000 yrs.
	Can.J44365 F/O. A. G. Houghan		Jessore		
	Can.J16004 F/L. J. Alverston				
	Can.J45070 F/O. H. Walling				
	Can.J44180 F/O. J. Tyson				
	Can.J49494 F/O. W. Parslow				
	Can.R.187174 W/O. E. P. Zimmerman				
	Sgt. T. H. Goodman				
	Sgt. T. W. Alder				
Dak IV 'M'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Heavy Wolf 16	03 1305	03 2155	Successful – D.Z. easily recognisable as it is a disused airstrip on bend of river

	P/O. A. W. Cumber	2151N 0042E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	near Ma?neyang – A/c was over D.Z. at 1812 hrs but had to circle for 5 mins, while reception committee put out ground signals consisting of T of strips & smoke fire. 4 containers & 33 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 3300' A.S.L. and all landed in area. Excellent D.Z. suitable for night dropping. 9 pkts of nickels dropped on posn. 22.00N 9903E at 1753 hrs and 8 pkts of nickels on posn. 2159N 9907E at 1755 hrs and 3 pkts of nickels on posn 2155N 9920E at 1758 hrs. S/C base 1836 hrs. Weather en route – 10/10 ths AS & Cu base 7000' scattered rainstorms. At DZ – Similar weather over DZ. vis 10-15 mls.
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves				
	Can.R281747 Sgt. T. O'Shaughnessy				
Lib VI 'Q'	Can.J23405 F/O. A. B. Coy	Nutshell Tiger 2 1725N 9754E	03 2257	04 0950	Unsuccessful – Weather Heavy thick cloud prevented ground being seen over DZ. After leaving target area descended to 1000' over Gulf of Martaban & found very heavy rain – vis. practically nil. Sortie abandoned & A/C S/C Base 0430 hrs.
	Can.J44466 P/O. R. E. Jorgensen		Jessore		
	Can.J45828 P/O. O. S. N. Campbell				
	Can.J44948 P/O. G. McGregor				
	Can.J46770 P/O. C. M. Stearns				
	Can.J46765 P/O. I. A. Palumbo				
	Can.R214096 Sgt. M. McDonald				
	Can.R284575 Sgt. A. Noble.				
	Can.R154825 Sgt, O. Despres				
Dak IV 'J'	W/O. F. F. Bush	Dilwyn Bear 4 2057N 973?3E	03 1330	03 2115	Unsuccessful – no reception. Four DR runs were made to check posn of DZ & area was thoroughly searched but no reception was seen. It should be noted that A/C was 1 hr. 22 mins. after briefed T.O.T. at posn 2108N 9730E a village was seen on fire. DZ is in good area suitable for Moonlight. S/C Base 1753 hrs. Weather en route – clear – beyond Mandalay 10/10 Cu on hills. At DZ – 1/10 low Cu on ground – 10/10 Cu on hills.
	W/O. V. Lineham		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/O. J. Williamson				
	F/S. G. Fordyce				
	Sgt. I. C. Watson				
Lib VI 'Z'	F/L. G. Smith	Carpenter Trombone 6 0202N 10402E	03 1447	04 03?05	Uncompleted. Recalled to base. A/C reached posn. 0900N 9800E endeavouring to find break in weather when signal received recalling A/C at
	F/S. R. F. Taylor		Cox's Bazaar	Jessore	

	W/O. C. S. Smith				2146hrs.
	F/S. J. Tate				Weather en route – Front from 18°N to 14°N with one break. 10/10 Cb As 400' to 1500' from 13°N. Heavy lightening storms causing flashes from ???ng G?ks? heavy rain.
	Sgt. Mackie				
	W/O. H. H. Smith				
	F/S. W. Parry				
	W/O. L. J. Powell				
	Can J45345 P/O. W. O. McDougald				
Dak IV '?'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Heavy Wolf 13 2151N 9942E	03 1310	03 2100	Successful. Made DR. run from posn. 2202N, 9845E. 60 mls from DZ and mapread onto target despite heavy rainfall. A/C over DZ. at 1820 hrs. Reception of T of fires and 1 smoke fire was identified & 4 containers 105? packages were dropped in 4 runs from 800' A.G.L. & landed on D.Z. 24 pkts of nickels were dropped on posn. 2205N 9800E, 2203N 9823E, & 2202N 9836E at 1730 hrs, 1737 hrs, & 1740 hrs. respectively. S/C Myineyan 1844 hrs. Weather en route – 5/10ths. Cu At DZ – vis 10 mls 10/10ths ACu & St base 9000' – Rain.
	F/S. R. M. Herdman		Jessore	Myineyan	
	F/S. R. A. Hunt				
	F/S. R. B. Guest				
	F/S. D. C. Oram				
Lib VI 'V'	Can J4115 F/L. Lamb	Carpenter Trombone 6 0202N 10402E	05 1540	06 1650	Unsuccessful weather. Weather en route was 10/10ths Cu & some Cb. base 1200' tops 6000'. A/c flew for 11 hrs in 10/10ths cloud seeing nothing South of Narconsam Islands. Captain suggest that to meet with any success these drops should be made during moon period. Sortie was abandoned at 2315 hrs and crew set coarse Base at 2317 hrs from posn 0510N 9730E.
	J39528 F/O. H. J. McFadyen		Cox's Bazaar		
	J45168 F/O. D. A. Blad				
	J42510 F/O. D. Heller				
	J46064 F/O. S. V. Hillis				
	P/O. J. Poulton				
	P/O. R. W. Birch				
	R160539 F/S. D. D. Bechthold				
	Sgt. R. P. C. Smith				
Dak IV 'O'	F/O. W. Kindred	Character Otter 14 1858N 9707E	06 0350	06 1315	Successful. A/C made DR run from R. Salween & reached DZ at 0750 hrs where correct reception of U & A in panels was recognised. 10 agents, 4 containers, & 14 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 700' AGL & all fell on D.Z. DZ is good for daylight drops. A/C S/C Base 0844 hrs. Weather en route – good – vis 5-6 miles. At DZ – 10/10 SCu 5-8000' – vis 5-6 miles.
	F/O. K. C. Williams		Jessore		
	F/O. G. H. Lawrence				
	F/O. S. G. Dove				
	Sgt. J. A. Green				
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Character Otter 75	06 0400	06 1230	Successful – A/C reached DZ at 0759 hrs & correct reception of 'U' & 'A' in panels
	P/O. A. W. Cumber		Jessore		



	F/O. Haines	1858N 9707E			was recognised. 9 agents, 4 containers, & 14 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 4650' to 4800' ASL & all fell in area. DZ is good & suitable for moon drops but tricky in bad weather. A/C S/C Base 0827 hrs. Weather en route – 3/10 Cu over most of route. at DZ – 3-7/10 cloud – base 5000' – vis 10-15 miles.
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves				
	Can.R281747 Sgt. O'Shaugnessy, T.				
Dak IV 'J'	W/Cdr. L. M. Hodges	Character Hyena 64	06 0330	06 0920	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 0719 hrs & correct reception of sanco?? & L in panels was recognised. 10 agents, 4? containers, & 14 packages were dropped in 6 runs – 3400' ASL & all but 2 packages fell in area. DZ is very good. Good for Daks in moonlight. S/C Base 0733 hrs. Weather en route – fair 2/10 SCu Base 4000' – vis 20 miles. At DZ – Clear – vis 15 miles.
	Aus.413286 F/O. H. Seale	1820N 9707E	Jessore	Meiktila	
	F/Lt. L. G. A. Reed				
	F/O. A. A. Morley				
	Aus.418600 F/O. K. Buchanan				
	F/S. W. Farish				
Dak IV 'D'	Can.J10354 F/L. B. G. Hewson	Character Otter 72	06 0400	06 1235	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 0747 hrs & correct reception of U & A in panels was recognised. 10 agents 4 containers, & 14 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 4700' ASL & all fell in Area. DZ is good for moonlight drops A/C S/C Base 0818 hrs. Weather en route – 2-5/10 SCu – vis 5-8 miles. Over DZ – 7/10 cu base 5000' – vis 5 miles.
	Can.J45944 P/O. J. R. Tarzwell	1858N 9707E	Jessore		
	Can.J46764 P/O. R. Pomazon				
	P/O. R. D. Butler				
	Can.R276694 Sgt. E. Wiseman				
	Can.R281616 Sgt. McCartney				
Lib VI 'Q?'	F/L. G. Smith	Character Ferret 31	06 0433	06 1230	Successful. A/C made DR run from R. Salween & reached DZ at 0800 hrs & correct reception of U & A of panels was seen. Dakotas were dropping when A/C arrived. 11 containers & 5 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 4600'AGL. DZ is bad, 8000' hill at N end of valley making N to S the only approach. S/C Base 0829 hrs. Weather en route – cloud over Arakan 4-6/10St 2-9000' Over DZ- 4-6/10 cloud in valleys.
	F/S. R. F. Taylor		Jessore		
	W/O. C. S. Smith				
	W/O. L. J. Powell				
	F/S. W. Parry				
	F/S. J. Tate				
	Sgt. Mackie				
	Can.R77617 Sgt. T. Patterson				
	Can J45345 P/O. W. O. McDougald				
	Can.J45340 P/O. J. L. Beirnes				
Lib VI 'W'	Can.J22963 F/L. J. A. King	Character Mongoose? (Blue) 8?	06 0430	06 1340	Unsuccessful – Weather. A/C made DR run from R Sittang to target area but ground could not be seen through cloud. Sortie abandoned & A/c S/C Base at
	Can.J44512 P/O. K. M. Addson	1733N			

	Can.J45967 P/O. W. E. Stevens	9909E			0982 hrs. 16 packs of nickels were dropped on posn. 1719N 9701E at 0850 hrs from 6000'. Weather en route – low cloud – vis 10 miles. Over DZ – 10/10 SCu base 1000' tops 6000' 9/10SCu layers on hills Vis poor.
	Can.J45844 P/O. D. R. Jordan				
	Can.R256795 Sgt. R. B. Tingley				
	Can.R267113 Sgt. R. O. K. Saunders				
	Can.J45936 P/O. H. F. Wagner				
	Can.J45035 P/O. R. W. Sanderson				
	Can.R116324 Sgt. J. E. Johnson				
Lib VI 'Z'	Can J21779 F/O. A. F. Timmermans	Carpenter Walrus (Red)	06 0445	06 1330	Successful. A/C over D.Z. at 0920 hrs. where correct reception of Δ of panels & letter N & three smoke fires was identified. 11 containers & 5 packages dropped in 6 runs form 500' A.S.L. & all landed in D.Z. area. D.Z. has no local snags. S/C Base 0945 hrs. Weather en route – 6-8/10ths Nel? Clus? base 2500'. At D.Z. – 6-8/10ths down to hilltops – vis 10-15 mls.
	Can R217478 Sgt. D. Dellis	6 1930N 9657E	Jessore		
	Can J47344 P/O. J. J. P. Perron				
	Can J47321 P/O. W. Reeve				
	Can J47871 P/O. W. P. McLeod				
	Can J47869 P/O. G. Faulkner				
	Can R287823 Sgt. A. F. Nenton				
	Can R279733 Sgt. H. Andrews				
	Can R278843 Sgt. A. Geisbrecht				
Dak IV 'B?'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Carpenter Otter 73	06 0418	06 1210?	Successful. A/C was over D.Z. at 0755 hrs, where correct reception of letters U & A & T in panels, with 1 smoke fire was identified. 9 agents, 4 containers and 15 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 600' A.G.L. Results of drop obscured by patches of low cloud. S/C Base 0858 hrs. Weather en route – 5- 6/10ths Scu over hills 9-1010ths Scu in valleys with 1-200' clearance between cloud & ridges which made location very difficult. At D.Z. 9/10ths Scu Base 4500'.
	F/S. R. M. Herdman	1858N 9707E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/S. R. A. Hunt				
	F/S. R. B. Guest				
	F/S. A. F. Calder				
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Lib VI 'X'	CanC147?0 S/Ldr. O.H. Sims	Character Walrus (Red)	06 0442	06 1316	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 0905 hrs & correct reception of Δ & N in panels was recognised. 11 containers & 5 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 4000' ASL & all fell in area. DZ is good. 10 packs of nickels were dropped on
	Can R195421 Sgt. W. A. Grey	5 1920N 9714E	Jessore		
	Can C4270 S/Ldr E. D. Wilson				

	F/S. D. J. Honkins				Loiraw at 0932 hrs – 9000'. A/C S/c Base 0935 hrs. Weather en route – Clear, with SCu. At DZ – Low cloud forming. 6/10 3-500' above DZ.
	Can J48181 P/O. P Draper				
	Can J47457 P/O. J.M. Flanagan				
	Can J48177 P/O. Fitzmaurice				
	Can J47374 P/O. C. M. Hercus				
	Sgt. Flynn				
Dak IV 'K'	W/O. E. A. Wheelhouse	Character Hyena 65	06 0335	06 1135	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 0800 hrs & correct reception of cross & L of panels was recognised. 9 agents, 4 containers & 13 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 4-700' AGL. One agent believed to have drifted in trees & one container was not observed during drop. Rebecca was picked up 40 miles from DZ at 10,000' but no contact was made. Weather en route – 3/10 SCu, tops 9000' over Chans. Over DZ – Clear, no cloud – vis. 6 miles.
	Can J46521 P/O. R. Sinclair	1820N 9709E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar.	
	F/O. R. D. Lister				
	Can R170450 W/O. V. R. Woodland				
	Sgt. R. I. Wellings				
Dak IV 'A'	S/Ldr. T. P. O'Brien	Nutshell Antelope 5	06 0822	06 1408	Successful. DZ was reached at 0944 hrs & correct reception of 'T' of panels was recognised. 4 agents, 6 containers & 13 packages were dropped in 7 runs – 3-500' ASL. 10 packs of nickels were dropped on posn 1725N 9744E – 1004 hrs. Weather en route – 8-10/10 SCu mainly over Chins. At DZ – 10/10 800' base – vis. 4 miles.
	W/O. J. H. Middleton	1725N 9754E	Jessore		
	Sgt. R. T. Wright				
	Sgt. F. H. Burley				
	Sgt. A. A. Osmaston				
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Lib VI 'N'	F/O. A. G. Finwick	Bazaar 211	06 0730	06 2036	Unsuccessful – Weather, 8/10ths. Cu over route which thickened to 10/10ths. over Shan States, & on reaching D.Z. it had descended to 10/10ths down to ground level, so Captain decided to abandon sortie. S/c Base 1307 hrs. 16 pkts of nickels were dropped on Borikhane at 1340 hrs. from 11,000'.
	F/S. Steel	1849N	Jessore		
	F/S. Whale	10359E			
	F/O. McStea				
	W/O. Graham				
	F/S. Jolley				
	Sgt. Attwood				
	Sgt. Ayton				
	Sgt. Simonite				
Dak IV 'Z'	F/O. C. Egerton-Eves	Holder 1832N	06 0055	06 1018	Successful – pinpointed on river in target area which runs N to E into Irrawaddy. Leader of party was satisfied with identification, and so blind drop of 8 agents & 7 packages was made in 4 runs from 750' A.G.L. at 0529 hrs. All landed on D.Z. 24 pkts of nickels were dropped on posn. 1830N 9531E from 5000' and
	Can.J27477 F/O. W. B. Arnold	9454E			
	F/O. Housey				
	F/O. Brooks				
	W/O. C. G. Longbottom				

	F/S. J. Biggin				from this posn along Prone Rangoon railway from 0601 hrs to 0610 hrs. S/C Base 0545 hrs. Weather en route – 5/10 Cu. At D.Z. – clear.
Dak IV 'L'	F/O. C. Egerton-Eves	Character Otter 78	09 0347	09 1347	Successful – A/C over Otter D.Z. at 0517 hrs where correct reception of T & W of strips was recognized – 22 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 350' A.G.L. & all landed in area, difficult D.Z. when cross wind is blowing. A/C over Panda D.Z. at 0942 hrs where correct reception of T of strips & smoke fires was ??fled 6 containers & 11 packages dropped from 350' A.G.L. in 5 runs. all <sup>1</sup>
	Can.J27477 F/O. W. B. Arnold	1846N 9704E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/S. J. Biggin	Nation Panda 6			
	W/O. C. G. Longbottom	1842N 9555E			
	Can R215107 Sgt. A. E. Giles				
Lib VI 'S'	F/L. J. A. Powell	Pontoon Piano 6	06 0820	07 0010	Unsuccessful – weather. Good weather until front was met at Brothers Island. A/C attempted to get above or below without success so sortie was abandoned & A/c S/c Base 1528 hrs posn. 0655N 9941E.
	F/O. Gane	0446N	Cox's Bazaar	Jessore	
	P/O. C. C. Hood	10156E			
	F/S. Rosendorf				
	F/S. E. Wenham				
	F/S. F. Osbon				
	F/S. Mardle				
	F/S. Netherway				
	Sgt. Williams				
Lib VI 'P'	Can.J23405 F/O. A. B. Coy	Pontoon Piano 7	06 0806	07 0316	Successful DZ was reached at 1630 hrs & correct reception – 'T' of strips, 3 smoke fires & flashing 'K' was recognised & 3 agents, 5 containers & 5 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 10-1200' ASL & all but one package fell in area. This landed in next field. DZ is good if no cloud, would be tricky at night. Many roads bridges were down to N of DZ. Weather en route – Cu & heavy rain. Over DZ – 1/10 above A/C – vis 20 miles.
	Can.J44466 P/O. R. E. Jorgensen	0446N 10156E	Cox's Bazaar	Jessore	
	Can.J45828 P/O. O. S. N. Campbell				
	Can.J44948 P/O. G. McGregor				
	Can.J46770 P/O. C. M. Stearns				
	Can.J46765 P/O. I. A. Palumbo				
	Can.R214096 Sgt. McDonald				
	Can.R284575 Sgt. A. Noble.				
	Can.R154825 Sgt. O. Despres				
Dak IV 'K'	F/O. R. R. Housby	Character Otter 49	09 0405	09 1223	Successful DZ was reached at 0840 hrs & reception of 'T' of panels was recognised. 6 containers & 60 packages were dropped in 7 runs – 65-7500' AS & all but 4 packages fell on DZ. DZ was difficult for accurate dropping owing t low
	P/O. R. D. Butler	1846N 9704E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Aus 434910 Sgt. O. S. Wright				

<sup>1</sup> Last two lines of this entry are "cut off" on microfilm due to binding of the original record.

	Can R283336 Sgt. J. Shalla				Cu. Weather en route – Layer of SCu with break over plains. Over DZ – 10/10 Cb down to hill tops.
Lib VI 'K'	F/L. J. A. Powell	Character Ferret 24 1905N 9858E	08 1251	08 2105	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 1720 hrs 1858N 9707E after an hours search & recognised reception of A of panels & smoke fires. Reception could not be seen sooner because of cloud. 11 containers & 5 packages were dropped in one run from 5400' ASL & fell in right hand corner of DZ. Bad DZ (not briefed DZ). Very high hills to SW & NW & A/C had to drop in 30° bank. After drop A/C had to fly 290° between hills. S/C Base 1822 hrs. A/C was left at Cox's – nose wheel u/s. Weather en route – 4-5/10 Cu base 4- 500' – vis 10-20 mls. Over DZ – 7-10/10 Cu base 1000'. Vis 5 miles.
	F/O. Gane		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	P/O. C. C. Hood				
	F/S. M. Rosendorf				
	F/S. E. Wenham				
	F/S. Netherway				
	F/S. F. Osbon				
	F/S. Mardle				
	Sgt. Williams				
Lib VI 'V'	Can J21779 F/O. A. F. Timmermans	Bazaar 220 2142N 10412E	09 0730	09 2130	Unsuccessful – no reception. Two DR runs were made to DZ & 1 ½ hrs from 1320 hrs was spent searching area which was definitely recognised by land marks. No reception was seen & A/C S/c Base at 1527 hrs. 10 packs of nickels were dropped in posn. 2150N 9938E at 1140 hrs. – 10,000'. Weather en route – 10/10 St. tops 18000', base on hills. Over DZ – 6-8/10 St base on hills – vis 6 miles.
	Can R217478 Sgt. D. Dellis		Jessore		
	Can J47344 P/O. J. J. P. Perron				
	Can J47321 P/O. W. Reeve				
	Can J47871 P/O. W. P. McLeod				
	Can J47869 P/O. G. Faulkner				
	Can R287823 Sgt. A. F. Nenton				
	Can R279733 Sgt. H. R. Andrews				
	Can R278843 Sgt. A. Geisbrecht				
Dak IV 'E'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Heavy Lynx 8 2043N 9839E	09 1230	09 1915	Successful – A/C over D.Z. at 0934 hrs. where correct reception of 'T' of panels & 1 smoke fire was identified. 4 containers & 36 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 800' AGL & fell in area. Small D.Z. good only for fair weather. 20 pkts of nickels were dropped on posns. (8)
	F/S. R. M. Herdman		Bhamo	Jessore	
	F/S. R. B. Guest				
	F/S. R. A. Hunt				
	F/S. A. F. Calder				

					2059N 9732E, (6) 2053N 9734E & (6) 2055N 9739E, at 0845, 0850 & 0855 respectively from 8000'. S/C Base 1030 hrs. Weather en route – fair – scattered showers. At D.Z. 10/10ths Cu clearing to 5/10ths at Base – 5/10 op?
Lib VI 'R'	W/Cdr. L. M. Hodges	Nation Jack????	09 0535	09 1250	Successful – A/C arrived over D.Z. No. 3. at 0800 hrs where T of panels was identified as correct reception, 1 container & 5 packages were dropped in 1 run from 500' AGL & landed in area. A/C arrived over No. 2 D.Z. at 0905 hrs where correct reception of T of panels was identified & 2 containers & 10 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 600' A.G.L. & all landed in area. A/C arrived over No. 1. D.Z. at 0925 hrs. where correct reception of 'X' of panels was identified & 1 container & 3 packages were dropped in 1 run from 200' A.G.L. & fell on D.Z. All 3 DZ's are good for both day and moon drops although No 1 D.Z. is on the small side. 23 pkts of nickels dropped on posn 1754N 9542E Sitkwin from 100' at 0930 hrs. S/C Base 0936 hrs. Weather en route 3/10 SCu base 1000' at D.Z. good.
	F/O. A. A. Morley	1753N	Jessore		
	Aus.413286 F/O. H. Seale	9502E 1517N			
	F/S. E. Stephenson	983?0E			
	F/L. L. G. A. Reed	Zebra Rhino			
	Aus.418600 F/O. K. Buchanan	2009N 9452E			
	F/O. Ritchie				
	Sgt. A. E. Bird				
	F/S. W. Farish				
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Character	09 0356	09 1216	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 0907 hrs & correct reception of 'U' & 'A' in panels was recognised & 11 agents, 4 containers & 7 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 650-800' AGL & all fell in area. DZ is good, has been used before. S/C Base 0830 hrs. Weather en route – Fair – Cu building up over Shans. Over DZ – 9/10 Cu 5-15000' – vis 10 miles.
	P/O. A. W. Cumber	Otter 80	Jessore		
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves	1858N			
	Can.R281747 Sgt. T. O'Shaugnessy,	9707E			
Dak IV 'D'	Can.J10354 F/L. B. G. Hewson	Character Hyena 6?7	09 0402	09 1255	Successful. DZ was reached at 0835 hrs & correct reception of 'X' & 'L' of panels was recognised. 6 containers & 35 packages were dropped in 6 runs & all landed on DZ. Weather en route – 8/10 Cu throughout. At DZ – Overcast 7-9/10 Cu 7-15000' – Vis 8 miles.
	Can.J45944 P/O. J. R. Tarzwell	1820N 9707E	Jessore		
	Can.J46764 P/O. R. Pomazon				
	Can.R276694 Sgt. E. Wiseman				
	Can.R270837 Sgt. A. G. Dahlin				

Dak IV 'M'	W/O. E. A. Wheelhouse	Character Walrus 56 1920N 9657E	09 0355	09 1220	Successful. DZ was reached at 0856 hrs & reception of Δ & N in white strips was recognised. 2 agents, 6 containers & 20 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 5-800' AGL. One agent may have landed among trees. Clear weather is essential for correct dropping A/C S/C Base 0915 hrs. Weather en route – Scattered Cu. Over DZ – 8-9/10 cloud surrounding DZ at 5000' Vis 5 miles.
	Can J46521 P/O. R. Sinclair		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Can R170451 W/O. V. R. Woodland				
	Sgt. R. I. Wellings				
	F/O. Lister				
Dak IV 'J'	Sgt. A. S. Osmaston	Character Otter 70 1846N 9704E	09 0407	09 1135	Successful – Flew from pinpoint on R. Sittang to DZ A/C reached D.Z. at 0810 hrs where correct reception of 'T' & 'W' of strips was identified. 3 containers & 276 packages were dropped in 8 runs from 300' A.G.L. & were all thought to have landed in D.Z. area. D.Z. is only good for clear weather. S/C Base 0900 hrs. Weather en route – good At DZ. – 9/10ths AC? – at 7-12,000' – Vis 5 mls.
	F/O. B. A. Haynes		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Aus.436597 E. A. Hanlan				
	Sgt Hatton				
	R215107 Sgt. A. E. Giles				
Lib VI 'U'	Can.J23405 F/O. A. B. Coy	Candle Chifton 8 1702N 10417E	09 1118	10 0052	Successful – A/C arrived over D.Z at 1654 hrs, where correct reception of 'V' of panels and smoke fires was identified. 11 Containers & 6 packages dropped in 1 run from 800' A.G.L. & all fell in D.Z. area. DZ is suitable for moonlight drops. S/C Base 1759 hrs. 16 pkts of nickels were dropped on 1827N 10219E from 1600' at 1852 hrs. At 1357 hrs crew flew over an aerodrome at posn. 2103N 9652E. near Loitooone, which was deserted. Both Kutena? strips still cantered?. At 1404 hrs. 2053N 9731E crew observed S of Loizem? fairly large camp with new buildings & roads under construction. At 1411 hrs 2044N 9744E observed aerodrome with two airstrips with orderly pattern of slit trenches both on & off runways. Crew ???sed landing ground 25 mls from Sakoil Nakurin bearing 199° in centre of area. Weather en route Cu building up heavy rain. At. D.Z. – clear – vis. 15 mls.
	Can.J44466 P/O. R. E. Jorgensen		Jessore		
	Can.J45828 P/O. O. S. N. Campbell				
	Can.J44948 P/O. G. McGregor				
	Can.J46770 P/O. C. M. Stearne				
	Can.R214096 Sgt. McDonald				
	Can.R154825 Sgt, O. Despres				
	Can.J46765 P/O. I. A. Palumbo				
	Can.R284575 Sgt. A. Noble.				
	S/L. Lodge				
Lib VI 'P'	F/L. G. Smith	Beacon Bugle 0425N 10144E	09 0728	10 0305	Successful. A/C made DR run from 0415N 10155E & reached target at 1738 hrs & 'C' type reception with white parachutes by centre fire was recognised. 7 containers & 7 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 400' AGL &
	F/S. R. F. Taylor		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	W/O. C. S. Smith				
	F/S. J. Tate				
	W/O. L. J. Powell				
	Sgt. Mackie				

	Can.J45340 P/O. J. L. Beirnes				all fell in area. The DZ is fair, best run 250° a reciprocal, small hills to N & S. At 0422N 10045E a concrete runway was seen N/S 1800 yds. No activity noted. Rebecca was picked up from 7 miles but was not coding. Weather en route – Scattered Cu over sea & deteriorating. Over DZ – Good – Cloud & storms surrounding area.
	Can.J48177 Fitzmaurice				
	Can J45348 P/O. W. O. McDougald				
	Can.R77617 Sgt. T. Patterson				
Dak IV 'O'	F/O. W. Kindred	Passage 1 1706N	09 1150	09 2100	Successful. DZ was reached at 1709 hrs & correct reception of 'T' of panels & smoke fires was seen. 10 agents & 8 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 5-800 AGL. 3 agents fell in shallow water 70 yds from head of 'T', all safe. S/C Base 1734 hrs. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on 1656N 9723E – 1730 hrs. Weather en route – 3-4/10 Cu base 2000' tops 4-5000'. Over DZ – Clear – no cloud – vis 5-6 miles.
	F/O. K. C. Williams	9725E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/O. S. G. Dove				
	F/O. G. H. Lawrence				
	Sgt. J. A. Green				
Lib VI 'W'	Can.J22963 F/L. J. A. King	Neronion?? Cotton 1 1711N	09 1225	10 1025	Successful – A/C identified pin point at 1712N, 10002E and made DR run onto D.Z. & reached D.Z. at 1742 hrs. where correct reception of 'T' of panels & smoke fires was identified, where 2 agents, 2 containers & 9 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 800' A.G.L. & all landed in area. 13 pkts of nickels were dropped on Sacaeyi at 1550-1555 hrs from 5000'. S/C Base 1752 hrs. Weather en route Scattered cloud. At D.Z. Good Vis 10-15 mls.
	Can.J44512 P/O. K. M. Oddson	1711N 9953E	Jessore	Digri	
	Can.J45967 P/O. W. E. Stevens				
	Can.J45844 P/O. D. R. Jordan				
	Can.R267113 Sgt. R. O. K. Saunders				
	Can.J45035 P/O. R. W. Sanderson				
	Can.R256795 Sgt. R. B. Tingley				
	Can.J45936 P/O. H. F. Wagner				
	Can.R116324 Sgt. J. E. Johnson				
Dak IV <sup>2</sup>	Can.J10354 F/L. B. G. Henson	Character Mongoose 1752N	12 0556	12 1450	Successful – A/C arrived over Mongoose D.Z. at 0859 hrs. where correct reception of 'H' & 'X' of panels was identified – 4 containers & 16 packages were dropped in 4 runs from 650' A.G.L. & all fell on D.Z. A/C arrived over Leveret D.Z. at 1008? hrs where correct reception of 'X' of panels & smoke fires was identified. 13 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 600' A.G.L. & all fell on D.Z. area. Both
	Can.J185924 F/O. J. R. Tarzwell	9717E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Can.J467462? F/O. R. Pomajon?	Leveretz? 1923N			
	Can.R2705?37 Sgt. A. Q. Dan?lin	9629E			
	Can.R276694 Sgt. E. Wiseman				

<sup>2</sup> Code not given in record.



					D.Z's are good for moonlight drops. S/C Base 1019 hrs. Weather en route – 5/10ths scattered Cu Base 6000' at Mongoose – 3/10ths Cu Base 5000' at Leveret – 3/10ths Cu Base 5000'
Dak IV 'K'	Sgt. A. S. Osmaston	Character Mongoose (Blue) 3 1733N 9709E	12 0517	12 1424	Unsuccessful – no reception. A/c made DR run from 1735N 9653E on to DZ area at 1018 hrs. Thorough search of area was made but no reception seen so sortie was abandoned & A/C S/C Base at 1110 hrs. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on Mokpalin at 1116 – 1000'. Weather en route – Fair – scattered Cu. Over DZ – 3-5/10 Cu 3-7000' – vis 10 miles.
	F/O. B. A. Haynes		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Sgt Hatton				
	Aus.436597 E. A. Hanlan				
	R215107 Sgt. R?. E. Giles				
Dak IV 'O'	F/O. W. Kindred	Nutshell Antelope 9 1652N 9805E	12 1305	12 2100	Successful DZ was reached at 1655 hrs & correct reception of 'T' & 'K' in panels was recognised 6 containers & 33 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 550' AGL. First drop landed 300 yds 040° from 'T'. Rest on DZ. DZ is suitable for day or moonlight drops. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on posns 1710N 9705E, 1713N 9715E & 1703N 9718E 1628-1648 hrs. – 5000'. Weather en route – Mainly fine 7-8/10, base 4-10,000' up to 20,000'. Over DZ – Overcast 9-10/10 Cu – vis 3-4 miles.
	F/O. K. C. Williams		Cox's Bazaar		
	F/O. S. G. Dove				
	F/O. G. H. Lawrence				
	Sgt. J. A. Green				
Dak IV 'B'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Nutshell Antelope 8 1652N 9805E	12 1305	12 2310	Successful DZ was reached at 1705 hrs & reception of 'T' & 'K' in panels & 2 or 3 small fires was recognised. 6 containers & 33 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 350' AGL. 24 packs of nickels were dropped in posn. 1705N 9718E, 1654N 9737E, 1653N 9738E, 1650N 9745E from 3-5000' at 1640-1654 hrs. S/C Base – 1728 hrs. Weather en route – 6-8/10 Cu Base 3500' Over DZ – 10/10 Cu base 2000' – vis. 5-10 miles.
	F/S. R. M. Herdman		Cox's Bazaar	Jessore	
	F/S. R. A. Hunt				
	F/S. R. B. Guest				
	F/S. A. F. Calder				
Dak IV 'H'	S/L. T. P. O'Brien	Nutshell Thir? 4 1725N 9754E	12 0305	12 1215	Successful. A/C over D.Z. at 0826 hrs, where correct reception of T of strips & smoke fires was identified. 6 containers & 35 packages were dropped in 9 runs from 400' A.S.L. & all landed in area. D.Z. is only good for Dakota night drops. 20
	W/O. G. Middleton		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Sgt. R. T. Wright				
	Sgt. F. Burley				

					pkts. of nickels were dropped on Yanbaing Kamamung (1722N 9740E) from 5000' at 0845 hrs. S/C Base 0945 hrs. Weather en route – Good. At DZ. Clear.
Dak IV 'M'	W/O. E. A. Wheelhouse	Character Ferret 23	12 0350	12 1050	Successful. A/C was over D.Z. at 0832 hrs. where correct reception of 'U' & 'A' of white strips was identified. 4 containers & 33 packages were dropped in 9 runs from 400' A.G.L. & all fell on D.Z. S/C Base – 15 pkts of nickels dropped S of Taunguplaw? at 0749 hrs from 5000'. Weather en route – Scattered ACu. At DZ. clear – vis 10 mls.
	Can.J46521 P/O. R. Sinclair	1903N 9658E	Jessore	Meiktila	
	F/O. H. Lister				
	Can.R170450 W/O. V. R. Woodland				
	Sgt. R. Wellings				
Lib VI 'X'	Can.J23405 F/O. A. B. Coy	Character Ferret 27?	12 0421	12 1457	Successful. D.R. run was made from R. Salween onto D.Z. which was reached at 0851 hrs, and correct reception of U & A in strips was identified. 11 containers & 5 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 1000' A.G.L. and dropped rather haphazardly as it was rather a high drop. 16 pkts of nickels were dropped in area E. of Pegu from 7500'. S/C Base 0902 hrs. Weather en route – Good. At D.Z. – Patches of Cu – 4-6000' – 2-3/10 Cb Vis 10 mls.
	Can.J44466 P/O. R. E. Jorgensen	1903N 9658E	Jessore		
	Can.J45828 P/O. O. S. N. Campbell				
	Can.J46765 P/O. I. A. Palumbo				
	Can.J46770 P/O. C. M. Stearns				
	Can.J44948 P/O. G. McGregor				
	Can.R284575 Sgt. A. Noble.				
	Can.R154825 Sgt. O. Despres				
	Can.R214096 Sgt. McDonald				
Lib VI 'U'	W/Cdr. L. M. Hodges	Nation Giraffe 4	12 1200	12 2140	Successful. DZ & reception were found 5 miles S.W. of briefed posn. at 1615 hrs. Reception was T of white parachutes & fire at head of 'T'. 11 containers & 6 packages were dropped in 4 runs & all fell in ???? of 'T' – hgt 450'-750' ASL. 23 packs of nickels were dropped on Theinzeik (1704N 9719E) at 1735 hrs from 2000'. A/C S/C Base at 1738 hrs. Weather en route – 3/10 Cu at 3000' Over DZ – 2/10 Cu at 3000' – Vis 12 miles.
	Aus.413286 F/O. H. Seale	1708N 9728E	Jessore		
	F/O. A. A. Morley				
	F/S. E. Stephenson				
	F/L. L. G. A. Reed				
	Aus.418600 F/O. K. Buchanan				
	F/O. Ritchie				
	Sgt. A. E. Bird				
	F/S. W. Farish				
Dak IV 'J'	F/O. R. R. Housby	Character Ferret 30	12 0350	12 1123	Successful DR run was made from 1852N 9630E on to DZ at 0808 hrs & correct reception of T & J in panels & smoke fires was recognised. 4 containers
	P/O. R. D. Butler	1858N 9707E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Aus 434910 Sgt. O. S. Wright				

	Can R283336 Sgt. E. Shalla				& 33 packages were dropped in 8 runs from 600' AGL & all fell within the area. DZ is fair for daylight drops but ground ?unds are very variable making accurate dropping difficult. S/C Base 0845 hrs. Weather en route – good – light cloud E of R. Sittang. At DZ – Good – no cloud – vis. 15 miles.
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis P/O. A. W. Cumber Sgt. A. F. Reeves Sgt. Kent Can.R281747 Sgt. O'Shaughnessy, T.	Character Hyena (Red) 2? 1819N 9652E	12 0400 Jessore	12 1325	Successful. On second DR run from R. Sittang DZ was seen & reception of 'T' & 'Y' in panels recognised. 4 containers & 33 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 4-500' AGL & all fell in area. DZ is good & suitable for moon drops. A/C S/C Base at 0932 hrs.
Lib VI 'Z??'	CanC1490 S/Ldr. O.H. Sims Can R195421 Sgt. W. A. Grey Can C4277 S/Ldr E. D. Wilson F/S. D. J. Howkins Can J48181 P/O. P Draper Can J47457 P/O. J. M. Flanagan Can J48177 P/O. Fitzmaurice Can J47374 P/O. G. M. Hercus Sgt. King	Pirate Banjo 1 0409N 10118E (agent) 0411N 10122E (stores)	12 0729 <sup>3</sup>	13 0346	Successful. First DZ was reached at 1710 hrs & reception of 'T' of white parachutes recognised. 5 agents were dropped in one run from 800' ASL. DZ considered by captain to be suitable for even non-moon drops. Best run being from W to E at 1000'. Second DZ was reached at 1727 hrs & 'C' type reception seen. 4 containers & 2 packages were dropped in one run from ?500' ASL. DZ not suitable fro night drop. At 1630 hrs from 100' 2 unidentified A/C were seen flying NE at 4000'. S/C Base 1732 hrs. Weather en route – 4-6/10 Cu base 15-1800' tops 4-8000'. At DZ – (1) Clear – no cloud – vis 15-20 miles. (2) 3-4/10 St. base 12-1500' – vis 5-6 miles.
Lib VI 'V'	F/L. G. Smith F/S. R. F. Taylor W/O. C. S. Smith F/S. J. Tate W/O. C. J. Powell Can.R77617 F/S. Patterson F/S. W. Parry Can J25368 P/O. W. O. McDougald	Sleeve 1712N 10408E	12 1133 Jessore	13 0036	Successful. A/C over D.Z. at 1731 hrs. D.Z. easily recognised by its natural features, it has ridge of hills 10-12 mls W. of D.Z. Reception consisting of T of smoke fires & L of white panels & red flashing letter was identified. 2 agents 4 containers & 12 packages were dropped in 4 runs from 600' A.S.L. & all landed in area. S/C Base 1759 hrs. 16 pkts of nickels dropped on posn 1710N 10404E

<sup>3</sup> Base not given in record.

					at 1757 hrs. from 6-7000'. At 1804 hrs at 7000' 2-3 mile on port beam crew sighted on unidentified T/E A/C at 1000' heading S. approx. 15 mls N. of D.Z. Light coloured & not camouflaged. Believed transport type. Sighted in area 1730N 10410E. Weather en route – 5/10ths Cu 4-5000' isolated Thunderstorms. At D.Z. Clear – vis 10 mls.
Lib VI 'V'	Can J21779 F/O. A. F. Timmermans	Pontoon Piano 6	12 0700	13 0345	Successful. A/C was over D.Z. at 1730 hrs. and correct reception of T of white strips and Δ of smoke fires was identified. 3 agents 4 containers & 5 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 700' & 400' A.S.L. & all fell slightly W of reception. S/C Base 1202 hrs. Weather en route – Fairly good. At D.Z. – Cloud vis 8 mls.
	Can R217478 Sgt. D. Dellis	0426N 10156E	Jessore	Akyab	
	Can J47344 P/O. J. J. P. Perron				
	Can J47321 P/O. W. Reeve				
	Can J47871 P/O. W. P. McLeod				
	Can J47869 P/O. G. Faulkner				
	Can R278843 Sgt. Geisbrecht				
	Can R287823 Sgt. A. F. Nenton				
Dak IV 'B'	Can.J10354 F/L. B. G. Hewson	Character Mongoose 33	14 1015	14 1920	Brave Successful. Mongoose Unsuccessful. Weather. A/c arrived in Mongoose area at 1445 hrs to find very heavy Cb & base at 2800'. Unable to get within 3 miles of DZ & left area at 1500 hrs. At Brave DZ reception of T of fires was seen & 1 agent, 1 container & 9 packages were dropped in 4 runs from 5-6000' AGL & all fell in area. S/C Base 1522 hrs. Weather en route – Fair – 8/10 Cu base 8000' – vis 8 miles. At DZs (1) Heavy Cb rainstorms impossible to get in. (2) Fair – as per route.
	Can.J45944 P/O. J. R. Tarzwell	1737N 9721E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Can.J46764 P/O. R. Pomazon	Brave 1729N 9617E			
	Can.R270837 Sgt. A. G. Dahlin				
	Can.R276694 Sgt. E. Wiseman				
Lib VI 'N'	F/L. J. A. Powell <sup>4</sup>	Character	15 0505	15 1450	Successful. A/C made DR run from R. Salween & was over target at 0910 but reception of 'N' of panels & smoke fires was not laid out until 0925 hrs. 11 containers & 5 packages were dropped in one run from 1000' AGL & all landed in area. DZ is fair, but wide circuit is needed as valley cannot be turned in & A/C has to fly round the back of surrounding hills.
	F/O. Gane	Walrus	Jessore		
	P/O. C. C. Hood	(Skunk) 1			
	F/S. M. Rosendorf	1913N			
	F/S. E. Wenham	9711E			
	F/S. F. Osbon				
	F/S. Mardle				
	F/S. Netherway				
	Sgt. Williams				

<sup>4</sup> For this entry the record spells the name "Ponell", believed in error.

					16 packs of nickels were dropped on Banlake at 0953 hrs. – 6500'. At 0920 hrs near Kamphe an unidentified twin engined A/C (possibly a Dinah) was seen heading S.E. at ground level. This may have been reason for reception not being laid out on time & being taken up after drops. Weather en route – Front over N of Bay – fair over land. At DZ – Good 6-8/10 ACu – slight rain – vis 15 miles.
Dak IV 'K'	Sgt. A. S. Osmaston	Character Otter 8?2	15 0453	15 1244	Successful. DZ was reached at 0937 hrs & reception of T of strips was recognised. 4 containers & 60 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 2-500' AGL & all fell on DZ. DZ is good. A/C S/C Base at 0955 hrs. Weather en route – 10/10 Cb 1-1500' up to 20,000' with rainstorms. At DZ – Clear 2-3/10 low St on hills – vis. 15 miles.
	F/O. B. A. Haynes	1846N 9704E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Aus.436597 E. A. Hanlan				
	Sgt. J. Hatton				
Dak IV 'O'	F/O. W. Kindred	Heavy Calf 7 2101N	15 0800	15 1235	Successful. DZ was reached at 1013 hrs with the aid of map reading & reception of 'T' of panels & smoke fires was recognised. 6 containers & 33 packages were dropped in 8 runs from 4300' ASL. One package on 2nd run fell 300 yds from DZ but remainder fell on area. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on Kengtong at 1055 hrs – 3,000'. S/C Base 1102 hrs. Weather en route – Fair – overcast ACu at 12,000'. Good over DZ – nil cloud – vis 15 miles.
	F/O. K. C. Williams	9934E	Monyna	Meiktila	
	F/O. G. H. Lawrence				
	F/O. S. G. Dove				
	Sgt. J. A. Green				
Dak IV 'J'	W/Cdr. L. M. Hodges	Character Otter (Blue) 6	15 0510	15 1150	Successful. Map read onto DZ & had to search for reception which was eventually found at 0904 hrs. Reception was T & B of panels. 6 containers <sup>5</sup> were dropped in 7 runs from 1500' AGL & all fell in area. 14 packs of nickels were dropped in posn 1854N 9648E at 1045 hrs & DZ is very bad approx 150 x 200 yds surrounded by jungle & high ground & should not be used again. A/C S/C Base 1050 hrs. Weather en route – storms over sea but cloud cleared over Burma during day. At DZ – Fair – light cloud – vis 10 miles.
	Aus.413286 F/O. H. Seale	1850N 9655E	Jessore	Meiktila	
	F/S. E. Stephenson				
	F/L. L. G. A. Reed				
	F/O. A. A. Morley				
	F/S. W. Farish				

<sup>5</sup> No packages are mentioned in record, but in 7 runs more than 6 containers should have been dropped but this was a very bad DZ.

Dak IV 'L'	F/O. R. R. Housby	Character Otter 83 1846N 9704E	15 0450	15 1245	Successful. A/C was over DZ at 0943 hrs & correct reception of 'T' of panels was recognised. 4 containers & 87 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 700' AGL. The 4 containers fell off as result of ???sh being loose. Between DZ & Toungoo, 24 packs of nickels were dropped on Mawchi at 1008 hrs – 6500'. S/C Base 1010 hrs. Weather en route – Bad all the way. Cloud lifting over land. At DZ – Good – nil cloud – vis 10 miles.
	P/O. R. D. Butler		Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Aus 434910 Sgt. O. S. Wright				
	Can R283336 Sgt. E. Shalla				
	Sgt. Charchuk				
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Character Ferret 29 1903N 9658E	15 0500	15 1355	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 0938 hrs & correct reception of 'U' & 'R' in panels was recognised. 4 containers & 64 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 30-3700' ASL & all fell on DZ. DZ is quite good, but very narrow valley for free drops when A/C is low. 24 packs of nickels were dropped in posns 1902'30"N 9644E, 1903N 9643E, 1904N 9641E at 1010 hrs. A/C S/C Base at 1011 hrs. Weather en route – Showers – 10/10 Cb 150' – tops unknown. Over sea – AS 12,000 overcast over land. At DZ – Good. 1/10 SCu at 8000' – vis 10 miles.
	P/O. A. W. Cumber		Jessore		
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves				
	Can.R281747 Sgt. T. O'Shaughnessy				
Lib VI 'P'	F/L. G. Smith	Funnel Oboe 3 0420N 10122E	15 0725	16 0350	Successful. DZ was reached at 1709 hrs & 'C' type reception was recognised. 7 containers & 5 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 3200' ASL & all fell on DZ. DZ is fair for day drops only, is on side of steep valley on W side & runs of 110° or reciprocal only are possible. Small boat observed on E coast of Preparis Island. Weather en route – Front near Preparis & S of Brothers Island. At DZ – Rain – 10/10 Cu at 4-5000' – vis 5 miles.
	F/S. R. F. Taylor		Jessore		
	W/O. C. S. Smith				
	F/S. J. Tate				
	W/O. L. J. Powell				
	Sgt. Mackie				
	Can.J45340 P/O. J. L. Beirnes				
	Can.J48177 Fitzmaurice				
	Can J45348 P/O. W. O. McDougald				
Lib VI 'U'	Can J21779 F/O. A. F. Timmermans	Cutter 1859N 9840E	15 1130	16 0020	Successful. A/C was over DZ at 1659 hrs but reception did not appear to be lit until 1804 hrs. Reception was T of 5 fires & flashing letter 'I'. 4 containers & 9 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 500' AGL & all fell in area although possibly slightly overshot. One container parachute failed to open correctly. 14 packs of nickels were dropped on Myitia & Twaystchang at 1732 & 1842 hrs. A/C S/C Base at 1828 hrs. Weather en route – Fair over sea. Front
	Can R217478 Sgt. D. Dellis		Jessore		
	Can J47344 P/O. J. J. P. Perron				
	Can J47321 P/O. W. Reeve				
	Can J47871 P/O. W. P. McLeod				
	Can J47869 P/O. G. Faulkner				

	Can R287823 Sgt. A. F. Nenton				in vicinity of Rangoon. At DZ – Clear – 8/10 Cu on hill tops – vis 10 miles.
	Can R279733 Sgt. H. R. Andrews				
	Can R278843 Sgt. Geisbrecht				
Lib VI 'E'	Can.J22963 F/L. J. A. King	Chirwsors? 0447N	15 0725	16 0356	Successful. A/C reached DZ at 1658 hrs & correct reception of 'T' of panels & Δ of fires was recognised. 7 containers & 5 packages were dropped in one run from 1100' ASL & all fell on DZ. DZ would be unsuitable for moonlight drops as valley is too short for Libs to turn in easily. S/C Base 1705 hrs. Weather en route – Fronts on 16°N & S of Brothers Island. At DZ – good with scattered high Cu – vis 10 miles.
	Can.J44512 P/O. K. M. Oddson	10155E	Jessore		
	Can.J45967 P/O. W. E. Stevens				
	Can.J45035 P/O. R. W. Sanderson				
	Can.J45936 P/O. H. F. Wagner				
	Can.J45844 P/O. D. K. Jordan				
	Can.R256795 Sgt. R. B. Tingley				
	Can.R267113 Sgt. R. Saunders				
	Can.R116324 Sgt. J. E. Johnson				
Dak IV 'K'	S/L. T. P. O'Brien	Character Ferret 43	16 1340	16 2110	Successful. As weather was closing in DZ(ii) was visited first & 2 packages were dropped from 7140' & 7250' ASL in 2 runs. DZ(i) was reached at 1823 hrs & reception of 'T' of panels & letter 'W' recognised. 20 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 5000' ASL. Owing to A/C having to make quick runs 5 packages fell over a cliff to E of DZ. DZ(i) (1858N 9707E) is no good for non moon drops as DZ is in a valley 1500' below ridge. Drops possible in good moon. A/C S/C Base 1832 hrs 24 packs of nickels were dropped 10 miles E of Toungoo at 1730 hrs. Weather en route – Vis 20-30 miles over Bay, over land 3 miles. ASt at 12,000' – Storms – Cu at varying hgts. At DZ – ASt tops unknown base 8000' – vis 5 miles.
	W/O. J. F. Middleton	1858N 9707E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/S. R. T. Wright	Character			
	Sgt. F. H. Burley	Otter 82			
		1846N 9704E			
Dak IV 'H'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Character Mongoose	15 0510	15 1440	Successful. DZ was reached at 1050 hrs & correct reception of 'U' of panels was recognised. 4 containers & 80 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 3400' AGL. DZ is fair, on top of a low hill. There seems to be better areas in surrounding fields. 24 packs of nickels were dropped
	F/S. R. M. Herdman	(Blue) 3 1733N	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	F/S. R. B. Guest	9709E			
	F/S. A. E. Calder				
	Sgt. Kent				

					in posn 1714N 9705E at 1047 hrs. 2000'. S/C Base 1110 hrs. A/C damaged port wingtip at Cox's & returned to base after being repaired by an R&SU. Weather en route – Heavy Cu & Cb over N.W. Burma. 5/10SCu over the central plain. At. DZ – 9-10/10 Cu 4-10,000' vis 5-10 miles.
Lib VI 'R'	F/L. A. G. Fennick	Character	18 0600	18 1515	Successful. Reception of dirty brown strips was found 1 ½ miles S of briefed posn at 1017 hrs. Reception was difficult to see against the earth. 11 containers & 6 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 750' AGL & overshot DZ slightly. DZ is good when weather favourable, situated on a hillock in the centre of a valley. 13 packs of nickels were dropped on posn 1757N 9545E at 0946 hrs 6000'. S/C Base 1055 hrs. Weather en route – Over & undercast – front at 20° At DZ – St in valleys – overcast – vis 10 miles.
	Aus429674 F/S. K. J. Steele	Mongoose	Jessore		
	F/S. G. C. Whale	1717N			
	F/O. W? N. McStee	9709E			
	Aus413853 W/O. D. I. Graham				
	Aus436522 F/S. D. C. Jolley				
	Sgt. W. F. Ayton				
	Sgt. F. Simmonite				
	Sgt. J. C. Attwood				
Dak IV 'O'	F/O. W. Kindred	Heavy Calf 6	18 0420	18 1200	Successful. Surrounding area of DZ was searched & reception of 'T' of panels & smoke fire eventually found at posn. 2101N 9934E. 6 containers & 33 packages were dropped in 8 runs from 500' AGL. 2 packages overshot & 2 undershot, may be difficult to recover as DZ is situated in a clearing on top of a hillock & packages which miss DZ will go down the side of the hill or into the jungle. DZ is good & suitable for moonlight drops but accurate dropping is essential. 24 packs of nickels were dropped in posn. 2116N 9843 E at 0915 – 9000'. A/C S/C Base 1010 hrs. Weather en route – Over & undercast – 10/10 Scu over Chins & cloud over most of route. At DZ – Fair – Cu overcast – vis 10 mls under cloud.
	F/O. K. C. Williams	2106N	Jessore	Meiktila	
	F/O. G. H. Lawrence	9937E			
	W/O. R. Daghish				
	Sgt. J. A. Green				
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Character	18 0500	18 1345	Successful. DR run was made from R. Sittang but storms prevented A/C reaching DZ. DZ was reached at 1137 hrs by DR run from R. Salween & reception of 'Z' of panels was recognised. 4 containers & 30 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 500' AGL & all fell
	P/O. A. W. Cumber	Mongoose	Jessore	Meiktila	
	CanR170451 W/O. V. R. Woodland	(Red) 4			
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves	1737N			
	Can.R281747 Sgt. T. O'Shaugnessy,	9728E			



					on DZ. DZ is good. Rebecca was picked up at 0730 hrs – 7000' – 15 miles (Akyab). 24 packs of nickels were dropped on posn. 1804N 9609E at 0925 hrs – 6000'. S/C Base 1150 hrs. Weather en route – Overcast & 8/10 undercast. At DZ – cloud all round – was 5 miles out of cloud.
Dak IV 'J'	Can.J10354 F/L. B. G. Hewson	Character Walrus 57	18 0415	18 1215	Successful. DZ was reached at 0855 & correct reception of Δ of strips & letter 'A' was seen. 4 containers & 70 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 7-1000' AGL & all fell in area. DZ is in steep valley with down draughts its? making low runs very hazardous, & if high runs are made accurate dropping is almost impossible. 24 packs of nickels were dropped in posn. 1835N 9555E at 0805 hrs – 6000'. A/C S/C Base at 0910 hrs. Weather en route – 10/10 Overcast & front near Akyab. At DZ – 8/10 Cu at 4-11,000' – vis 10 miles.
	Can.J45944 F/O. J. R. Tarzwell	1916N 9710E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Can.J46764 F/O. R. Pomazon				
	Can.R276694 Sgt. E. Wiseman				
	Can.R281616 Sgt. McCartney				
Dak IV 'K'	Sgt. A. S. Osmaston	Character Ferret 42	18 0356	18 0935	Unsuccessful – weather. A/C reached 20°N but weather became impassable, so flew N up the coast attempted to fly inland. As this used up a considerable proportion of fuel carried sortie was abandoned at 0915 hrs. Weather – 9/10 St 7 10/10 ACu 500' up – vis 3 miles.
	F/O. B. A. Haynes	1903N 9658E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	
	Aus.436597 E. A. Hanlan				
	R215107 Sgt. A. E. Giles				
	Sgt J. Hatton				
Dak IV 'M'	F/O. R. R. Housby	Dilwyn Bear 4	18 0411	18 1135	Successful. First DR run from R. Sittang had to be abandoned owing to cloud. Another run was made from 2130N 9819E & by map reading along a river DZ was reached at 0910 hrs & reception of 'T' of panels recognised. 6 containers & 33 packages were dropped in 8 runs – 500' AGL. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on Laikha – 1012 hrs – 10,000'. Rebecca was picked up 40 miles Keistila? – 10,000' at 1012 hrs. S/C Base 1015 hrs. Weather en route – over & undercast At DZ – Fair – vis 10 miles.
	Can J46521 P/O. R. Sinclair	2122N 9805E	Jessore	Meiktila	
	Aus 434916 Sgt. O. S. Wright				
	Can R283336 Sgt. E. Shalla				
	Can R27226 Sgt. F. Charchuk				
Lib VI 'P'	Can.J22963 F/L. J. A. King	Cairngorm?	18 0720	19 0230	Successful. DZ was reached at 1707 hrs & correct reception of Δ of fires. T of panels, and letter 'K' was recognised. 4 agents, 5 containers, & 4 packages were
	F/O. K. E. Roberts	0447N 10156E	Jessore	Cox's Bazaar	

	Can.J44512 P/O. K. M. Oddson				dropped in 3 runs from 10-1100' ASL & all fell on DZ. One container parachute failed to open. DZ is in bowl amongst hills. Would not be very suitable for moon drops, except for crews who know area. Weather en route – Fair – occasional slight fronts. At DZ – ASt 10,000', 9/10 & 2/10 Cu at 5000' – vis 10 miles.	
	Can.J45967 P/O. W. E. Stevens					
	Can.J45844 P/O. D. K. Jordan					
	Can.R267113 Sgt. R. Saunders					
	Can.J45936 P/O. H. F. Wagner					
	Can.R116324 Sgt. J. E. Johnson					
	Can.R256795 Sgt. R. B. Tingley					
	Can.J45035 P/O. R. W. Sanderson					
Dak IV 'B'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Nation Chimp 5 (i) 1832N 9624E Passage 2 (ii) 1702N 9732E	18 1225	18 2055	Successful. DZ (i) was reached at 1501 hrs. & correct reception of 'T' of panels & smoke fires was recognised. 4 containers & 15 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 7-800' ASL. DZ (ii) was reached at 1657 hrs & reception of cross of panels and smoke fires recognised. 20 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 400' ASL. both DZ's are very good & suitable for night drops by Dakota or Libs. 24 packs of nickels were dropped between 1902N 9505e & 1913N 9436E – 1840-48 hrs. – 4000'. A/C S/C Base at 1705 hrs. In posn 1905N 9510 E at 1830 hrs 5,000', gunfire was seen & shortly afterwards a convoy of 10-12 trucks seen stationary on road heading South. Weather en route – 9-10/10 ASt at 9-10,000'. Cb cloud over Shans 5-10 miles E of DZ. At DZs – (1) Clear (2) One slight shower – 3/10 Cu & 10/10 AS above A/C.	
	F/S. R. M. Herdman		Cox's Bazaar			
	F/S. R. A. Hunt					
	F/S. R. B. Guest					
	F/S. D. C. Oram					
	F/S. A. F. Calder					
Lib VI 'Z'	Can.J23405 F/O. A. B. Coy	Carpenter Trombone 6 0203N 10401E	18 0942	19 0606	Successful. A/C made DR run from Jason Bay to DZ at 1942 hrs & saw personnel on ground preparing reception of 'T' of torches & flashing 'K'. A/C returned to DZ at 1953 hrs & 3 containers & 3 packages were dropped in one run from 400' AGL & all fell on area. At 0100 hrs 3 searchlights were seen over Singapore area. At 2122 hrs – 0300N 10120E two fires were seen which may have been oil fires. A/C S/C Base 2001 hrs. Weather en route – Good, except for front building up between Rangoon & Akyab.	
	F/O. A. F. Coker		Cox's Bazaar			
	Can.J44466 F/O. R. E. Jorgensen					
	Can.J45828 P/O. O. S. N. Campbell					
	Can.J44948 P/O. G. McGregor					
	Can.J46770 F/O. C. M. Stearns					
	Can.J46765 P/O. I. A. Palumbo					
	Can.R284575 Sgt. A. Noble.					

					At DZ – Fine – nil cloud – slight haze – vis. 12 miles.
Lib VI 'N'	F/L. J. A. Powell	Carpenter Trombone 8 0203N 10401E	18 0940	19 0642	Successful. DR run was made from Jason Bay to DZ at 2001 hrs where reception of 'T' of torches & flashing 'K' was recognised. 4 containers & 1 package was dropped in one run from 800' AGL & fell to E of DZ, probably in neighbouring trees. At posn 0150N 10240E a large red fire was seen. Two search lights were seen S of Jason Bay. A/C was diverted to Akyab & Rebecca was picked up at 0600 hrs 24 miles from Akyab – 1,000' Weather en route – Medium cloud. At DZ – Good with storms to N – vis 10 miles.
	F/O. Gane		Cox's	Akyab	
	P/O. C. C. Hood		Bazaar		
	F/S. M. Rosendorf				
	F/S. E. Wenham				
	F/S. F. Osbon				
	F/S. Mardle				
	Sgt. Williams				
Dak IV 'O'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Hyena 70 1857N 9642E Hyena 71 1828N 9650E	20 0400	21 1235	Successful A/C made DR run from R. Sittang & was over 2nd DZ at 0812 hrs where reception of 'X' & 'Y' in strips & 'T' of smoke fires was recognised. 4 containers & 19 packages were dropped in 4 runs from 2-600' AGL. One package dropped & floated in a stream running through DZ. A/C S/C for primary DZ & was over at 0837 hrs where reception as above (no fires) was seen. 2 containers & 10 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 2-550' AGL. Both DZ's are good & suitable for drops in clear moonlight. 24 packs of nickels were dropped in posn. 1844N 9645E – 0848 – 4000'. S/C Base 0850. Weather en route – Undercast in Irrawaddy valley which developed into Cu during day. At DZ – 10/10SCu 500' base over Character area & generally with gaps over DZ used. – vis 5-10 miles.
	P/O. A. W. Cumber		Jessore		
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves				
	Can.R281767 Sgt. T. O'Shaugnessy,				
	CanR170451 W/O. V. R. Woodland				
<sup>6</sup>	F/L. A. G. Fennick	Character Mongoose 36 1800N 9703E	20 0601	20 1431	Successful. A/C was over DZ at 1017 hrs & reception of 'T' of panels, figure I, Roman IV, & letter 'F' was seen. 11 containers & 5 packages were dropped in one run from 900' ASL & majority landed in belt of trees in middle of DZ. DZ is excellent & suitable for moonlight drops by Libs. 14 packs of nickels were dropped in posn 1804N 9609E at 1054 hrs – 10,500'. S/C Base 1030 hrs. Weather en route – 6/10 Cu & isolated
	Aus429674 F/S. K. J. Steele		Jessore		
	F/S. G. C. Whale				
	F/O. W? N. McStee				
	Aus413853 W/O. D. I. Graham				
	Aus436522 F/S. D. C. Jolley				
	F/S. W. F. Ayton				
	F/S. F. Simmonite				

<sup>6</sup> Aircraft details not given in record, but would have been a Liberator.

	F/S. J. C. Attwood				Cb on return route. At DZ – 5/10 Cu base 2500'. Clear below, good vis.
Dak IV 'H'	Can.J10354 F/L. B. G. Hewson	Character Otter 85	20 0400	20 1255	Unsuccessful – weather. 10/10 undercast Cu 4-10,000' covered all the hills & valleys in DZ area. High cloud 2/10 As at 15,000' – vis 12 miles between layers of cloud. A/C made various runs in attempts to get under cloud base but with no success. Sortie was abandoned at 1037 hrs. Rebecca was picked up at 4-5 miles from DZ but was not suitable for homing onto. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on Manchi at 0841 hrs – 7000'. A/C landed at Akyab owing to fuel shortage caused by the long time spent over DZ area.
	Can.J45944 F/O. J. R. Tarzwell	1846N 9704E	Jessore	Akyab	
	Can.J46764 F/O. R. Pomazon				
	Can.R276694 Sgt. E. Wiseman				
	Can.R281616 Sgt. McCartney				
Dak IV 'M'	F/O. R. R. Housby	Character Hyena 72	20 0405	20 1210	Successful. A/C was over DZ at 1003 hrs & reception of 'X' of strips letter 'G' at side & several bonfires was seen. 6 containers & 29 packages were dropped in 8 runs from 2150-2500' ASL & all fell on DZ. DZ is not considered good for night drops as it is in the bottom of a valley with peaks on all sides. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on Kyaukhnyat at 1023 hrs. Weather en route – 10/10 – base 2,000' over S. Burma, clear to S & E.
	Can J46521 P/O. R. Sinclair	1817N 9725E	Jessore	Magne	
	Aus 434916 Sgt. O. S. Wright				
	Can R283336 Sgt. E. Shalla				
	Can R27226 Sgt. F. Charchuk				
Lib VI 'P'	W/Cdr. L. M. Hodges	Candle Chiffon 9	20 1110	21 0020	Successful. A/C made DR run from 1710N 10242E on to target area where reception of 'V' of panels & Δ of fires was found approx 1 mile W of briefed posn. 11 containers & 6 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 700' AGL & all landed in area. Two package parachutes tangled & landed very heavily. DZ is clearing in scrub with no real local snags. 8 packs of nickels were dropped in posn 1710N 10242E at 1732 hrs – 2000'. After the drop A/C made a DR run to the
	F/O. A. A. Morley	1704N 10409E	Jessore		
	Aus.413286 F/O. H. Seale	(Recce Area) 163°2'30"N 10352'30"E			
	F/L. L. G. A. Reed				
	Aus.418600 F/O. K. Buchanan				
	F/O. Ritchie				
	F/S. W. Farish				
	F/S. E. Stephenson				
	Sgt. A. E. Bird				

					Recce area, arriving there at 1758 hrs. The area is approx 60 x 400 yds with a cleared area at each end, running NW/SE. the approach is good & clear, but the strip is not yet completed, & as the surrounding area is flooded, the strip may be liable to inundation. A road runs N/S cutting the N.W. corner of the strip, & on the other Northern corner there is a camp. approx 11 MT were seen moving along the road, travelling S, & some bodies were seen in the camp area. There are low hills due E & W of the strip which should not cause any trouble in the approach. A/C S/C Base 1800 hrs.
Dak IV 'N'	S/Ldr. T. P. O'Brien	Character Mongoose 37, 38, 39 (i) 1727N 9725E (ii) 1727N 9709E (iii) 1702N 9732E	22 0450	22 1350	Successful. Map read onto Mongoose 38 DZ & found reception of 'U' of panels at 1010 hrs. 2 containers & 13 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 350' AGL. Mongoose 37 DZ was seen at 1039 hrs – reception Z & D in panels - & 4 containers & 7 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 200' AGL. DZ No3 (Mongoose 39) was reached at 1102 hrs & reception of X of panels & smoke fires recognised. One package was dropped from 200' AGL. All landed on DZ's. Rebecca was picked up at 5000' – 25 miles (Akyab), & again at 400' – 15 miles (Kaukpyn). 24 packs of nickels were dropped on Tanbington at 1200 hrs – 4000'. S/C Base 1200 hrs. Weather en route General overcast over Burma. At DZ's – Cu, base 12,000' 9-10/10. – vis 4 miles.
	F/O. Stevens		Jessore	Akyab	
	P/O. J. F. Middleton				
	F/S. R. T. Wright				
	F/S. F. H. Burley				
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Character Walrus 58 & 59 1920N 9657E & 1936N 9656E	22 0400	22 1220	Successful. Walrus 59 DZ was reached at 0906 hrs by means of Rebecca homing. If Rebecca had not been working satisfactorily it is improbable that operation could have been carried out. 25 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 5-600' AGL. Walrus 58 DZ was reached at 1000 hrs. with the aid of map reading & reception of Δ & N in panels with a 'T' of smoke fires was seen. 6 containers & 12 packages were dropped in 2 runs – 2-400' AGL. 20 packs of nickels were dropped in posn. 1857N 9654E at 0817 hrs. – 7000'. Weather en route 10/10 SCu & Cu up to 7,000'. At DZ – 10/10 undercast – vis 2-3 mls.
	F/O. A. W. Cumber		Jessore	Akyab	
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves				
	Can.R281767 Sgt. T. O'Shaughnessy,				

Dak IV 'K'	Can.J12694 F/L. J. G. Blinkhorn	Character Ferret 42 1903N 9658E	22 0408	22 1320	Successful – A/C reached D.Z. at 0834 hrs, where correct reception of U & A in panels was identified. 4 containers & 78 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 50'-750' A.G.L. & all landed in area. 24 pkts of nickels were dropped on posn. 1913N 9457E from 2500' at 0950 hrs. S/C Base 0848 hrs. An unidentified S/E high wing monoplane was seen 1500' below a/c, immediately leaflets had been dropped. Dakota went into cloud, altered course & S/C A/C was not seen again. Weather en route – 10/10ths Scu over valleys. at D.Z. Clear.
	Can.J45823 F/O. G. A. Mackey		Jessore		
	F/O. R. D. Lister				
	F/S. T. Laird				
	Can.R270837 Sgt. A. Q. Dahlin				
Dak IV 'J'	F/O. R. R. Housby	Character Otter 87 1848N 9704E Nation Reindeer (S?) 1842N 9523E	22 0430	22 1200	Successful – A/C mapread onto Otter D.Z. and arrived there at 0842 hrs, where correct reception of T of panels was identified. 4 containers and 28 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 7000' A.S.L. & all fell in area. A/C then mapread onto Reindeer D.Z. and arrived at 0940 hrs where 'T' of panels was identified. 2 containers & 31 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 2-500' A.G.L. & all landed in area. both DZ's are good. 24 pkts of nickels were dropped on posn 1904N 9641E. from 5000' at 1005 hrs. A/C S/C Base 1009 hrs. Weather en route – Cu at 2-14000' – 9/10ths over most of route. At D.Z.(1) – Cloud to E & S of Otter DZ vis 10 mls. (2) – Clear.
	F/O. R. D. Butler		Jessore	Akyab	
	F/O. J. Williamson				
	Can R283336 Sgt. E. Shalla				
Dak IV 'M'	P/O. E. A. Wheelhouse	Heavy Wolf 17 2151N 9942E	22 0400	22 1115	Successful. A/C made DR run from 2203N 9845E & was over DZ at 0847 hrs & reception of 'T' of panels & smoke fires was recognised. 6 containers & 39 packages were dropped in 8 runs from 350' AGL & all fell on area. DZ is landing strip with no local snags. The strip is about 1000 yds long with T in centre. 4 packs of nickels were dropped on Moygkha at 0925 – 10,000'. S/C Base 0930 hrs. Weather en route – 4/10 Cu 2,000' – 7/10 AS & ACu at 14,000'. At DZ – 9-10/10 SCu 5-10,000' – vis 10 miles.
	Can J46521 P/O. R. Sinclair		Jessore	Meiktila	
	Can R170450 W/O. V. R. Woodland				
	Sgt. R. I. Wellings				
Dak IV 'D'	Can.J10354 F/L. B. G. Hewson	Character Walrus	24 0650	24 1133	Successful. A/C made DR from 1912N 9721E & was over first DZ at 1059 hrs

	Can.J45944 F/O. J. R. Tarzwell	(White) 16 1920N 9714E Character Walrus (Red) 12 1936N 9656E	Jessore	Kaukpyu	where reception of Δ & 'N' of panels was seen 2 containers & 30 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 3500' ASL & all landed in area. The 2nd DZ was passed over without being seen, but Rebecca was suddenly switched on & A/C homed on that. Reception of square of panels & letter 'W' was seen & 4 containers were dropped in one run from 4700' ASL. 24 packs of nickels were dropped in posn. 1928N 9708E at 1118 hrs – 3000'. Met observation was carried out during flight. S/C Base 1140 hrs. Weather en route – Undercast & overcast. At DZ – 10/10 SCu at 5000' – vis 8 miles.
	Can.J46764 F/O. R. Pomazon				
	Can.R276694 Sgt. E. Wiseman				
	Can.R281616 Sgt. McCartney				
Lib VI 'R'	F/L. A. G. Fennick	Hebrides 14 0549N 10131E	22 0723	23 0055	Unsuccessful – weather. A/C reached a position about 15 miles from DZ at 1704 hrs & attempted approaches from 2 directions – down a valley & along a railway line – but found it impassable owing to the thick cloud, the base of which was very low. Sortie was abandoned & A/C S/C Base at 1715 hrs. In posn 0701N 10028 E – 1645 hrs – 2700' – approx 20 heavy laden trucks were sighted in a train moving N towards Haad Yan. Weather – S of Cheduba Island 6-8/10 Cb base 400'. At DZ – 10/10 Cu, Cb.
	Aus429674 F/S. K. J. Steele		Jessore	Akyab	
	F/S. G. C. Whale				
	F/O. W. N. McStea				
	Aus413853 W/O. D. I. Graham				
	Aus436522 F/S. D. C. Jolley				
	F/S. J. C. Attwood				
	F/S. F. Simmonite				
	F/S. W. F. Ayton				
Lib VI 'Z'	Can.J23405 F/O. A. B. Coy	Carpenter 15 03?02N 10402E	22 0950	23 0846	Successful. DR run was made from Jason & DZ was seen at 2100 hrs. – reception 'T' of fires & flashing K. 1 agent, 4 containers, & 1 package were dropped in 2 runs from 600-775' AGL & all fell on area. DZ is quite good, a clearing in trees with no snags on any approach runs. A lit up camp was sighted near Klum?ng Air field which was not itself illuminated. in any way. At 1950 hrs when flying at 500' A/C passed over approx. 6 vessels, which appeared to be oil tankers or landing barges, of Roepat Island. S/C Base 2115 hrs. Weather en route – Belt of very bad weather between 11°N & 15°N & find from there Southwards. At DZ – 2/10 Cu 2-3000' – slight haze – vis 10 – 15 miles.
	F/O. A. F. Coker		Chittago ng	Jessore	
	Can.J44466 F/O. R. E. Jorgensen				
	Can.J45828 P/O. O. S. N. Campbell				
	Can.J46765 P/O. I. A. Palumbo				
	Can.J46770 P/O. C. M. Stearns				
	Can.J44948 P/O. G. McGregor				
	Can.R284575 Sgt. A. Noble.				
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Dilwyn Squirrel 21	14 0825	24 1140	Successful. A/C made DR run from R. Salween & map read the last few miles.
	P/O. A. W. Cumber		Jessore	Akyab	

	Sgt. A. A. Reeves Can.R281747 Sgt. T. O'Shaughnessy F/S? H. Deen	2115N 9804E			DZ was reached at 0829 hrs & T of white parachutes, smoke fire, & Union Jack on flag pole were seen. 4 containers & 46 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 2950-3200' ASL & all fell on DZ. DZ is excellent, suitable for non moon drops. 23 packs of nickels were dropped on 2115N 9647E – 0726 hrs. – 8000'. Weather en route – 5-8/10 AS & SCu. Small build up. At DZ – 3-5/10 Cu at 5000' – vis 10-15 miles.
Dak IV 'M'	P/O. E. A. Wheelhouse Can J46521 P/O. R. Sinclair Can R170450 W/O. V. R. Woodland Sgt. R. I. Wellings	Character Ferret 43 1854N 9707E 46 1903N 9658E	24 0245 Jessore	24 1155 Akyab	Successful. A/C made DR run from R. Salween to DZ area, but it was only after dodging around cloud that reception of T & J in panels was seen at 0829 hrs. 14 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 4600' ASL & all fell in area. One parachute fell off a cylindrical package on second run. Second DZ was reached at 0910 hrs. & 'A' & 'U' in panels was seen. It appears those two DZ's have been mixed by force 136. 6 containers & 16 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 4100' ASL. DZ was half obscured by cloud so that load was dropped high & was scattered over DZ. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on 1855N 9648E – 0935 – 7000'. S/C Base 0935. Weather en route – AS & showers, clearing during day. At DZ – 9/10 SCu & Cy, base 3-4000' tops 75-8000' – vis 5 miles.
Dak IV 'H'	Sgt. A. S. Osmaston F/O. B. A. Haynes Aus.436597 E. A. Hanlan Can.R215107 Sgt. A. E. Giles	Character Otter 85 1856N 9704E	24 0401 Jessore	24 1243 Akyab	Unsuccessful – weather. A/C made DR run from R. Sitting & arrived over prominent hill in DZ area at 0814 hrs. which was partially visible through cloud. As it was thought St might clear a little later, A/C flew to posn. 1904N 9641E & dropped 24 packs of nickels, returning to



					DZ area at 0902 hrs. The DZ was seen at 0925 & 10 15 hrs but it was impossible to descend. Search height started at 7-9000' & ascended as cloud built up. No Rebecca was picked up over target area. 2 spitfires were seen in vicinity of DZ & remained with A/C about half an hour. A/C fired recognition signals & after the last of these had been fired, Spitfires cleared off. Rebecca equipment was switched on 40 miles from Akyab at 7,000' & strong signal was immediately picked up. Weather en rut – 8-9/10 undercast & 9/10 overcast.
Dak IV 'K'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Character Skunk 2 1918N 9711E	24 0653	24 1440	Successful. A/C was over DZ at 1130 hrs. & correct reception of Δ of panels & letter T was seen. 6 containers & 30 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 3000' ASL. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on 1911N 9720E at 1155 hrs – 3000'. S/C Akyab 1211 hrs. When airborne from Akyab A/C ran into CU Nim, and as Akyab had closed, landed at Cox's Bazaar. Weather en route – 5-7/10 St Cu & Cu base 2-3000'. 10/10 AS & Cu base 15,000'. At DZ – 9/10 Cu, base covering hills, tops 10-15,000' – vis. 15 miles.
	F/S. R. M. Herdman		Jessore	Akyab	
	F/S. R. A. Hunt				
	F/S. R. B. Guest				
	F/S. A. F. Calder				
Lib VI 'R'	F/O. K. E. Roberts	Character Mongoose 39 & 40 (i) 1729N 9725E (ii) 1817N 9725E	25 0555	25 1520	Successful 39. Unsuccessful 40 – no reception. DR run was made from R. Sittang to Mongoose 39 at 1006 hrs. Correct reception of 'Z' & 'D' of panels was seen & 8 containers & 4 packages were dropped in 4 runs from 500' ASL & all fell on DZ. DZ is good, suitable for moon drops. Second DZ area was reached at 1055 hrs & though area was thoroughly searched, no reception was seen. 24 packs of nickels were dropped along the Salween at 1030 – 1050 hrs – 6000'. Weather en route – Line squall over Pegu area. 10/10 overcast 12-15,000'. At DZ – SCu on hill tops – clear in valleys – vis. 10 miles.
	F/S. R. B. Swift		Jessore		
	P/O. E. F. Kirby				
	P/O. L. Samuel				
	Aus.434865 F/S. T. J. Pacey				
	Aus.426529 F/S. L. G. Richardson				
	Sgt. J. E. Sanders				
	Sgt. J. J. Reed				
Dak IV 'J'	Sgt. A. S. Osmaston	Character Walrus 60 1920N 9657E	28 0530	28 1350	Unsuccessful – No reception. A/C was over DZ at 1100 hrs. but no reception was seen. Area was recognised from natural features & map references. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on 1858N
	F/O. B. A. Haynes		Jessore	Kyauka?	
	Aus.436597 E. A. Hanlan				

	Sgt. Daly				9718E. S/C Base 1210 hrs.
	R215107 Sgt. A. E. Giles				Weather en route – Clear to coast – 8/10 Cu tops 10,000'.
					At DZ – 5-8/10 Cu, base 5000'.
Lib VI 'R'	Can.J22963 F/L. J. A. King	Bakterre? Muslin 6	25 2315	26 1205	Successful. A/c reached DZ area but found no reception. This was eventually found at 0525 hrs in posn. 1639N 10137E. Reception was 'T' of fires near a 'T' of panels, thought to be part of airfield equipment as it looked an old permanent installation. 2 agents, 8 containers, & 6 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 4-600' AGL & all fell round reception. The DZ is a landing strip heading 025°/205° with a clear space at N end, length app 800'. The area is clear & flat, but surrounding trees are high. The chief snag is that a very long DR run is necessary to reach target as there are no local pinpoints. The strip should be suitable for Daks but appears to be marshy. Several cart tracks were seen leading from strip to basha shelters in which a few small A/C could be seen. Thought to be aged bi-planes such as were to be seen in F.I.C. – 16 packs of nickels were dropped on 1804N 9652E at 0805 hrs. A/C S/C Base 0550 hrs. Weather en route – Cloud over hills but generally fine. At DZ – Very Good. AS 2/10 10,000' – vis 10 miles.
	Can.J44512 F/O. K. M. Oddson	1642N 10209E	Jessore		
	Can.J45967 F/O. W. E. Stevens				
	Can.J45844 F/O. D. R. Jordan				
	Can.J45936 F/O. H. F. Wagner				
	Can.J45035 F/O. R. W. Sanderson				
	Can.R256795 Sgt. R. B. Tingley				
Dak IV 'K'	Can.J10354 F/L. B. G. Hewson	Character Mongoose 41 & 42	26 0450	26 1220	Successful. A/C map read from posn 1747N 9640E on R. Salween & arrived over DZ at 0912 hrs. where correct reception of Z & X of panels was seen. 1 agent, 6 containers, & 31 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 600' AGL & all landed in area. DZ is good for non moon drops. S/C Base 1250 hrs. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on 1752N 9717E at 0949 hrs – 1500'. Weather en route – 10/10 Cu over sea – fair over land. At DZ – 2-3/10 Cu at 1500' – vis. 10 miles.
	Can.J45944 F/O. J. R. Tarzwell	1729N 9723?E	Jessore	Kaurpyu	
	Can.J46764 F/O. R. Pomazon				
	F/S. A. F. Calder				
	P/O. W. R. Paynter				
Lib VI 'S'	F/O. A. F. Coker	Character Otter 34	26 0436	26 1454	Unsuccessful – weather. A/C arrived at pin point on R. Salween & attempted DR runs to DZ area. The pin point was clear but the hills were covered by cloud. The peak near Otter DZ was visible but the
	Sgt. F. N. A.. Mellows	1846N 9704E	Jessore		
	P/O. D. E. Jack				
	P/O. R. Pryer	Character			

	Aus.432541 F/S. C. M? Millar	Ferret 44 1858N 9707E			actual DZs could not be seen at all. Rebecca was not working. Weather en route – 10/10 Cu 1-15,000' over sea 7/10 Cu built up over land.
	Aus.420276 W/O. J. K. Delaney				
	Sgt. P. C. Halliday				
	Sgt. A. P. Game				
Dak IV 'M'	P/O. E. A. Wheelhouse	Nutshell Tiger 6 1715N 9656E	26 0300	26 1100	Successful. A/C was over DZ at 0914 hrs where correct reception of 'T' of yellow panels & smoke fire was seen. 4 containers & 45 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 4-600' AGL & all landed on area. DZ is good but badly positioned, very near hills to NW & if moved 4 miles to S would be perfect. 24 packs of nickels dropped on 1719N 9739E – 0945 hrs – 5500'. Weather en route – Bad over sea. At DZ – 8-9/10 SCu 7-9000' – vis 15 miles.
	Can J46521 P/O. R. Sinclair		Jessore	Minglodon	
	F/S. R. B. Guest				
	Sgt. R. I. Wellings				
	F/O. McAskill				
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Character Otter 89, 90 (i) 1846N 9704E (ii) 1850N 9655E	26 0400	26 1300	Successful. A/C found first DZ cloud covered when first arrived so flew away to drop 24 packs of nickels on 1830N 9719E – 0815 hrs – 7500'. A/C then returned to DZ arriving at 0824 hrs, by this time cloud had broken up slightly & DZ was visible for limited periods. Some sort of parade appeared to be in progress all during drop, other personnel appeared to be waving flags etc, as A/C appeared overhead. Reception was 'T' of panels. 6 containers & 14 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 50'-450' AGL & all fell in area. A/C then map read to 2nd DZ & found correct reception of 'T' of panels & letter 'B' at 0903 hrs. 16 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 450' AGL. S/C Base 0912 hrs. Weather en route – Fair with heavy Cu over Bay of Bengal. At DZ – 9/10 Cu from 6-8500' – vis 2-3 miles.
	P/O. A. W. Cumber		Jessore		
	F/L. H. Deen				
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves				
	Can.R281747 Sgt. T. O'Shaughnessy				
Lib VI <sup>7</sup>	Can.J23405 F/O. A. B. Coy	Hebrides 13 0549N 10131E	26 0709	27 0249	Successful – A/C made DR from near Khota Bharu at posn. 0602N 10208E & arrived over DZ at 1656 hrs where large white 'T' of parachutes was seen. 7 containers & 11 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 600' AGL & all landed in area. DZ is very small & only E/W runs are possible, a low ridge to E of DZ
	Can.J44466 F/O. R. E. Jorgensen		Jessore	Chittagong	
	Can.J45828 P/O. O. S. N. Campbell				
	Can.J44948 F/O. G. McGregor				

<sup>7</sup> No code given in record.

	Can.J46770 F/O. C. M. Stearns				interferes with dropping run. At 1615 hrs 0633N 10118E approx 50 R/S sighted in Yala with a train of 11 trucks approaching the station from S.E. At 1720 hrs – 1800' – 0615N 10115E sighted smoke & what appeared to be some sort of industrial undertaking, near small town. Bridge near town was down? No details of building etc. noted. A/C S/C Base 1707 hrs. Weather en route. Good over sea – bad N of Akyab where I.T.F. is active. At DZ – 6/10 Cu Base 3,500' – vis 10 miles.
	Can.J46765 F/O. I. A. Palumbo				
	Can.R214096 Sgt. McDonald				
	Can.R284575 Sgt. A. Noble.				
Lib VI 'Z'	W/Cdr. L. M. Hodges	Carpenter 11 0145N	16 1200	27 0940	Successful. A/C was over DZ at 2212 hrs where correct reception of 'T' of fires & flashing 'K' was seen. 4 agents, 1 container, & 2 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 700' AGL & all fell on area. George went U/S soon after take off from Akyab, & at intervals during flight this was followed by rear turret, radio compass, & loran, all going U/S. A/C S/C Base 2222 hrs. Weather en route – Good over sea – except N of Akyab. At DZ – Good – vis 12 miles.
	F/L. A. G. Fennick	10345E	Akyab	Jessore	
	Aus.413826 F/O. H. Seale				
	F/L. L. G. A. Reed				
	F/O. A. A. Morley				
	Aus.418600 F/O. K. Buchanan				
	F/O. Ritchie				
	F/S. P. Stephenson				
	Sgt. A. E. Bird				
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Nation Panda	28 1420	28 2205	Successful. A/C arrived over 1st DZ at 1616 hrs where correct reception of 'T' of strips was seen. 6 containers & 23 packages were dropped in 5 runs from 450' AGL & all fell in area. A/C arrived at 2nd DZ at 1646 hrs where reception as above was seen. 9 packages were dropped in 3 runs from 250 AGL & all fell in area. Both DZ's are good. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on 1618N 9540E – 1653 hrs – 3/5000'. S/C Base 1657 hrs. Weather en route – 8/10 overcast over sea – fine over land. At DZ's – Clear – vis 50 miles.
	P/O. A. W. Cumber	10	Akyab	Jessore	
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves	1617N			
	Can.R281747 Sgt. O'Shaughnessy, T.	9524E			
	F/L. H. Deen	Nation Dog 4 1616N			
		9544E			
Dak IV 'B'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Character Hyena 73	28 1200	28 2045	Successful. A/C was 4 hrs late over DZ because of bad weather over coast & over Shans, tried to get through for 2 hours but failed, so landed at Ramree & refuelled. Arrived over 1st DZ at 1438 hrs where reception of 'X' & 'N' in panels was seen. 6 containers & 19 packages were
	F/S. R. M. Herdman	1824N 9717E	Ramree	Jessore	
	F/S. R. A. Hunt	Hyena 74			
	F/S. R. B. Guest	1820N			
	F/S. A. F. Calder	0707E			

					dropped in 3 runs from 3,000' ASL & all fell in area. A/C was briefed to drop 2 containers on DZ 2, but navigator pressed jettison switch by mistake & all six containers fell on first DZ. A/C arrived over 2nd DZ at 1500 hrs where reception of 'X' & 'L' in panels was seen. 23 packages were dropped in 4 runs from 2900' ASL & all fell on area. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on 1833N 9707e – 1515 hrs – 5000'. S/C Base 1539 hrs. Weather en route – Cu Nim to Arakan coast – later 6/10 base 4000'. At DZ's – 6/10 Cu – base covering hills – vis 5 miles.
Lib VI 'S'	Can.J22963 F/L. J. A. King	Avenge 2050N 10538E	28 1805	29 0623	Successful. A/C was over DZ at 2353 hrs where correct reception was seen. Area was easily identified by natural features. 3 agents & 1 package were dropped in one run from 650' AGL & all fell on area. DZ is very good with no snags. S/C Base 2358 hrs 16 packs of nickels dropped on 2116N 10516E at 0015 hrs – 7,000'. Weather en route – Scattered storms. At DZ – Clear – vis. 7 miles.
	Can.J44512 F/O. K. M. Oddson		Jesore		
	Can.J45967 F/O. W. E. Stevens				
	Can.J45936 F/O. H. F. Wagner				
	Can.J45844 F/O. D. R. Jordan				
	Can.J45035 F/O. R. W. Sanderson				
	Can.R267113 Sgt. R. O. K. Saunders				
	Can.R116324 Sgt. J. E. Johnson				
	Can.R256795 Sgt. R. B. Tingley				
Dak IV 'H'	S/Ldr. T. P. O'Brien	Nutshell Antelope 12 1623N 9758E	28 2110	29 0450	Successful. A/C was over DZ at 0031 hrs where 'T' of lights & flashing 'A' was seen. 6 agents, 2 containers, & 15 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 5,000' ASL & all fell on area. S/C Base 0052 hrs. 24 packs of nickels dropped on 1650N 9728E – 0109 hrs – 8,500'. Weather en route – 10/10 AS 14,000' – patches of Cu & CB. At DZ – 5/10 SCu base 3-4000' – vis 5 miles.
	P/O. Stevens		Akyab	Cox's Bazaar	
	W/O. G. Middleton				
	Sgt. R. T. Wright				
	Sgt. F. H. Burley				
Dak IV 'M'	F/O. R. R. Housby	Character Otter 15 1846N 9704E	30 0325	30 0945	Successful. A/C made DR run from R. Sittang & DZ was reached at 0754 hrs & correct reception of 'T' & 'N' in panels was seen. 6 containers, & 71 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 300' AGL & all fell on area. 24 packs of nickels dropped on 1904N 9641E – 0823 hrs. – 8,000'. S/C Base 0825 hrs.
	P/O. R. D. Butler		Jessore	Kyaukpy u	
	Aus 434910 Sgt. O. S. Wright				
	Can R283336 Sgt. E. Shalla				

	Can.R272261 Sgt. Charchuk				Weather en route – Fair – storms over Sunderbands. At DZ – Clear, but Cu building up. Vis 10 miles.
Dak IV 'B'	F/S. R. A. Jones	Character Mongoose (Blue) 6 1727N 9709E	30 0445	30 1235	Successful. A/C mapread 20 mls from R. Sittang onto DZ which was reached at 1001 hrs & correct reception of 'U' & 'R' in panels was seen. 4 containers & 30 packages were dropped in 6 runs from 300' AGL & all landed in area. The DZ is small & tree studded. 24 packs of nickels dropped on 1810N 9551E – 0909 hrs – 5000'. S/C Base 1020 hrs. Weather en route – Good. At DZ – Good – 5/10 AS 10,000' – vis 10-15 miles.
	F/S. R. M. Herdman		Jessore	Kyaukpyu	
	F/S. R. A. Hunt				
	F/S. R. B. Guest				
	F/S. A. F. Calder				
Dak IV 'F'	F/L. L. G. Lewis	Nation Tiger 3 1715N 9756E	30 0245	30 1050	Successful. Passed over Zebra DZ at 0815 hrs but no reception was seen, so flew on to Tiger DZ. Here weather was adverse so returned to Zebra DZ arriving at 0920? hrs & correct reception of 'T' of panels & smoke fires was seen. 5 containers & 13 packages were dropped in 4 runs from 1-500' AGL & all fell on area. A/C then flew to Rangoon to refuel & returned? to Tiger DZ arriving at 1250 hrs, & reception as per Zebra was seen. 1 container & 36 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 250-700' AGL & all landed in area. Both DZ's are excellent. 24 packs of nickels were dropped on 1721N 9738E – 0808 hrs. – 3500'. Weather en route – 6/10 Cu & scattered Cb. At DZ's – 10/10 Overcast, clearing to 6-8/10 Cu base 2-12,000'.
	P/O. A. W. Cumber	Nation Zebra 7 1807N 9541E	Jessore	Mingladon	
	Sgt. A. A. Reeves				
	Can.R281747 Sgt. T. O'Shaughnessy				
Dak IV 'J'	Sgt. A. S. Osmaston	Character Walrus (White) 17 1920N 9714E	30 0630	30 1400	Successful. A/C arrived over DZ at 1130 hrs & reception of Δ of panels & letter 'N' was seen. 4 containers & 65 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 3600' ASL & all fell on area. DZ is fair. 24 packs of nickels dropped on Mawchi – 1111hrs. – 7-9000'. Bridge over river at 1858N 9718E appears to be serviceable again. Weather en route 6/10 Cu 10-12,000' over most of route. At DZ – 6-8/10 Cu at 4,000' building up during drops.
	F/O. B. A. Haynes		Jessore	Kyaukpyu	
	Aus.436597 E. A. Hanlan				
	R215107 Sgt. A. E. Giles				
Dak IV 'D'	Can.J10354 F/L. B. G. Henson	Dilwyn Squirrel 23	30 0359	30 1219	Successful. A/C made DR run from 2111N 9813E (Small lake) onto DZ area

	Can.J459444 F/O. J. R. Tarznell	2115N 9804E	Jessore	Chittagong	& arrived at 0810 hrs. Correct reception of 'T' of panels & smoke fires were seen. 6 containers & 37 packages were dropped in 7 runs from 3-3500' ASL & all fell on DZ. A/C then S/C for leaflet posn – 2118N 9827E - & 24 packs were dropped from 5,000' – 0839 hrs & from there S/C for 2nd DZ arriving at 0900 hrs. Correct reception of 'T' of fires was seen, & 2 packages were dropped in one run from 2700' ASL. & both fell on area. Both DZ's are very good, & second is suitable for moon drops. Weather en route – Good – patches of Cu over sea & Chins. At DZ's – Good – 2/10 Cu.
	Can.J46764 F/O. R. Pomazon	Bloodhound 2124N			
	Can.R281616 Sgt. McCartney	9917E			
	Can.R270837 Sgt. A. Q. Damlin				
Lib VI 'S'	Can.J23405 F/O. A. B. Coy	Candle Chiffon 13 1704N	30 0045	30 1256	Successful. A/C made DR run from 1710N 10402E & arrived over target at 0546 hrs where correct reception of 'V' of panels & 'T' of smoke fires was seen. 4 agents, 8 containers & 9 packages were dropped in 4 runs from 4-700' AGL & all landed on area. DZ is very good but available maps are inaccurate & town & lake of Jakon, Lakon, do not appear to be correctly plotted, the town being nearer to the centre of the W side of lake. 2 packs of nickels dropped on DZ at request of leader of party. 6 packs dropped on towns in Siam along route. S/C Base 0621 hrs. Weather en route – Fair. At DZ. – Clear – vis. 10 miles.
	Can.J44466 F/O. R. E. Jorgensen	10409E	Jessore	Akyab	
	Can.J45828 P/O. O. S. N. Campbell				
	Can.J44948 F/O. G. McGregor				
	Can.J46770 F/O. C. M. Stearns				
	Can.J46765 F/O. I. A. Palumbo				
	Can.R214096 F/S. McDonald				
	Can.R284575 F/S. A. Noble.				
Lib VI 'Y'	F/L. A. G. Fenwick	Galvanic 1 0321N	30 1503	31 1103	Successful. A/C map read onto valley for which briefed but agents decided against it as valley was well wooded & clouded in mist, so they were dropped on 0328 ½ N 10147E. 4 agents, 2 containers & 7 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 900' AGL & all landed in area. DZ is suitable for moon drops. 16 packs of nickels dropped on Reang – 0008 hrs. – 6000'. Tented camp (about 16) near railway near DZ, exact posn not known. S/C Base 0001 hrs. Weather en route – 4-5/10 Cu base 6000 <sup>8</sup> tops 2,500'. At DZ – Good – patches of ST.
	Aus.419574 F/S. K. J. Steele	10137E	Akyab	Jessore	
	F/s G. C. Whale				
	Aus.413853 W.O. D. I. Graham				
	Aus.436522 F/S. D. C. Jolley				
	F/S. J. C. Attwood				
	F/S. F. Simmonite				
	F/O. W. N. McStea				
Lib VI 'R'	F/O. K. E. Roberts	Galvanic 2 0321N	30 1500	31 1000	Successful. Blind drop. A/C arrived over area at 2328 hrs. & 3 agents, 3
	F/S. R. B. Swift		Akyab	Jessore	

<sup>8</sup> Record says "6000" but if top was at 2,500', one number is incorrect.

	P/O. E. F. Kirby	10127E			containers, & 6 packages were dropped in 2 runs from 900' AGL. & all fell on area. DZ only good for moon & daylight drops because of hills in circuit & L. H. turn is necessary immediately after drop. One hill 2,000' one mile S.W. of DZ, & another 1,000' hill 2 miles to S. Railway parallel to run in. At 0825N 9221E – 2020 hrs. A/C 8,000' on course of 175°, searchlight seen 15 miles to port which searched 5 mins for A/C unsuccessfully, rotating on arc of 200°-300°. 20 packs of nickels dropped on 0320N 10135E – 2350 hrs. – 2,000'. S/C Base 2348 hrs. Weather en route – isolated storms, 7-10/10 Cu. At DZ – Ground mist in valley, 5/10 ASt – vis 10-20 miles.
	P/O. L. Samuel				
	Aus.426529 F/S. L. G. Richardson				
	Aus.434865 F/S. T. J. Pacey				
	Sgt. J. E. Sanders				
	F/O. Ritchie				
Lib VI 'V'	F/L. J. A. Powell	Carpenter 13 0146N 10345E	30 1043	30 1003 <sup>9</sup>	Unsuccessful – A/C landed a Akyab as planned to refuel, but whilst taxiing A.P.U. caught fire, but defect could not be put right in time for operation to go forward, so sortie was abandoned & A/C returned to Base.
	F/O. Gane		Jessore	Akyab	
	P/O. C. C. Hood				
	F/S. F. Osbon				
	F/S. Mardle				
	Sgt. Williams				
	F/S. M. Rosendorf				
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		Herewith known details of operation Gauntlett, which was carried out by a Dakota of this sqdn during May. As the captain & navigator were killed in the crash occurring? after the sortie had been completed, all times etc. are approximate having been supplied from memory by the two survivors of the crash. both these persons are on sick leave, of courses, & no further information can be obtained at present.			
Dak.	F/O. C. Egerton-Eves	Gauntlett	12 0700	1050	
	Can.J27477 F/O. W. B. Arnold		Jessore	Dinjan	
	W/O. G. C. Longbottom		1205	1550	
	F/S. J. Biggin		Dinjan	Kunming	Bowser Run.
			14 0630	0930	
			Kunming	Chikiang	
			1200	1530	
			Chikiang	Kunming	On loaded Jeep & trailer at Chikiang, together with stores, making a total weight of approx. 5500 lbs. Offloaded stores at Chianting & unloaded 6
			15 0725	1030	
			Kunming	Chikiang	
			16 0530	0830	

<sup>9</sup> This is the time (and day) given in the record. From the account of the flight, the day is correct, but one of the times must be in error.



