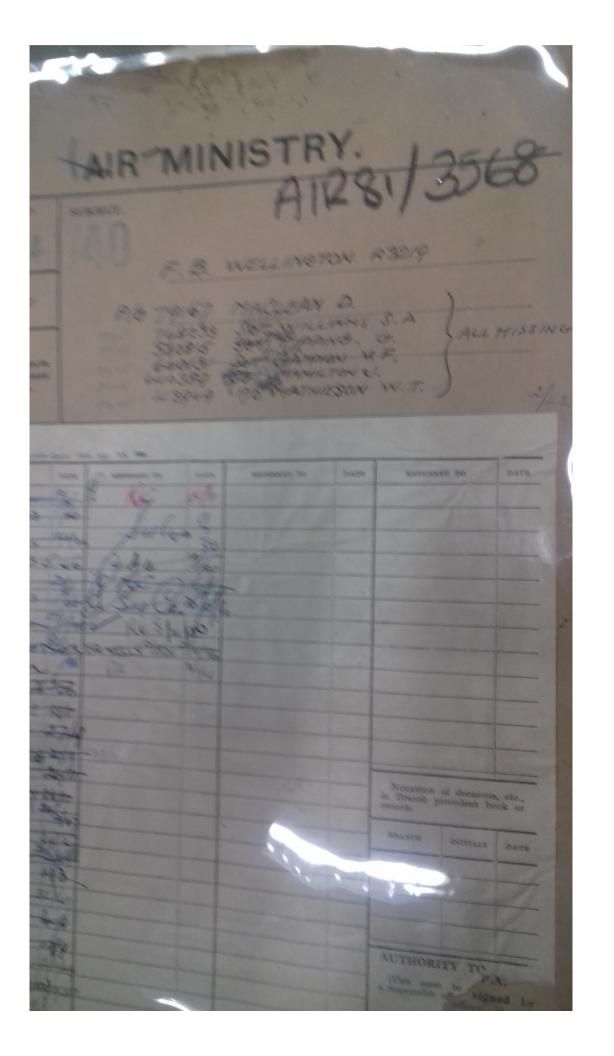
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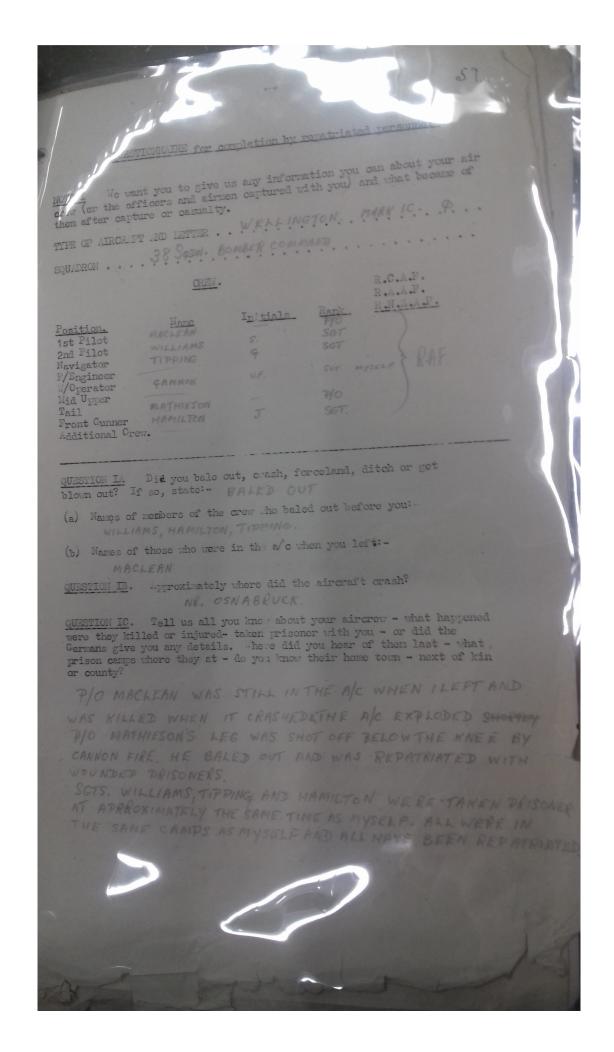
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The above is a complete summary of any information I possess which night assist in the investigations concerning Plo. D. Maclean.

Yours Haith Jully Getald Hipping



WELL. We went you to give us any information you can about your air cross (at the difficure and airman captured with you) and what became of their after capture or casualty. If you are not stre of mones, a prisoner-of-war list can be obtained on application to the Orderly Room in order to refresh your memory as to the individual details. When you have answered the questions, Monage give this sheet to the Ordarly Room.

MOTS.2. Information given in this report will be passed on to the next-of-kin only at the Air Ministry's discretion. Mevertheless details of a very secret nature such as identity or exact location of siders are not required, but only such general recents which may enable the Air Ministry Casually Franci to assess the mobile fate of the other occupants.

MUE.J. In every case be sure to state if the information you give her seen learnt, not by your observation, but through my other person, e.g. the entry or local inhabitants etc.

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(b) Names of those who were in the ./C when you left.

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morthy 10. Give as many particulars as you possibly can regarding the case, or probable fate of the other sembers of your eir-crow or air force personal who were cartured with you. Other their masse, and, if possible their service number, mart of kin, accress, home town or county.

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CUESTION 2. Have you any information of any Royal Air Force, Dominion, Colonial or Allied air force personnel other than those already mentioned?, Give, if possible, the particulars called for in 1C.

NOTE.4. The Air Ministry Casualty Branch is anxious to get to know details of any prisoners-of-war who have not come back. Please write down as many names as you can remember of those who have tried to escape or have died since the camps were evacuated, or whether shot or accidentally killed Any information of this nature which you can supply will help to piece together details and eventually report to the next-of-kin of those who have not come back.

NOTE.5. A little later on you may be asked to attend for interview to emplify the information you have given above.

Name and Initials	WILLIAMS S.A.	
Rank	W/o	
Service No		
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Date of Capture	30/9/40,	

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The Officer in Charge, Missing Research & Enquiry Service, Royal Air Force, Search Duronn P/W and D.P. Divnes Allied Control Commission for Germany, BENDE, B.A.O.R. (British Elecent)

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Wellington aircraft R. 3219 was reported missing on 1-10-40 as a result of an operational flight against an unincom target.

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Madam,

I am directed to refer to a letter from this Department dated the 4th October, 1940, and to inform you that it is regretted that no further news has been received of your son, Pilot Officer Donald Maclean, since he was reported missing on the 1st October, 1940.

The aircraft took off on an operational flight at approximately 7.p.m. on the 1st October, 1940, and failed to return to the base. Information has been received from the International Red Cross, Geneva, transmitting official German information, that the other members of the crew are prisoners of war in Germany, but nothing has so far been heard of your son.

I am to add an expression of the Department's sincere sympathy with you in your great anxiety, and to assure you that should any further news be received it will be immediately communicated to you.

Cary & Records.

I am, Madam,

Your obedient Servant.

Mrs. Maclean, The Spinney,

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Officer Commanding, No. 38 Squadron.

To:

Officer Commanding, R.A.F. Station, Marham.

Date:

2nd October, 1940.

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Missing Aircraft - Wellington R. 3219.

Further to this unit signal F.B.A.93 dated 1st October, 1940, Wellington aircraft 10 No.R.3219, Pilot Officer D. MacLean, Captain set off with full war crew, a petrol load of 750 gallons and a bomb load of nine 250 lb. N.D.T., one Small Bomb Container with sixty 4 lb. incendiary bombs and one 5.5 flare. They left base at 1904 hours for target A.77 and since that time nothing definite has been heard of them.

A Whitley aircraft reported that at 2140 hours 52° 55' N. 7° 50' E. an unidentified aircraft was caught in searchlight beams, followed by direct hits from tracer bullets. The aircraft was seen to fall in flames and explode and it is believed that 3 or 4 parachutes descended. The position of the aircraft, it is thought, would correspond with that of R.3219.

(Sgd) W.P.J. THOMSON,

Wing Commander, Commanding, No. 38 Squadron, R.A.F.

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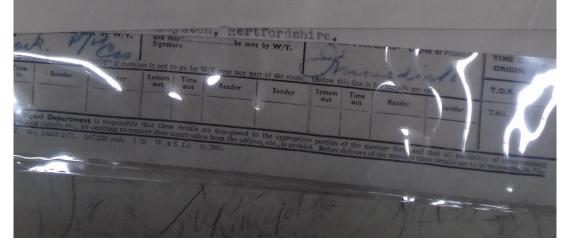
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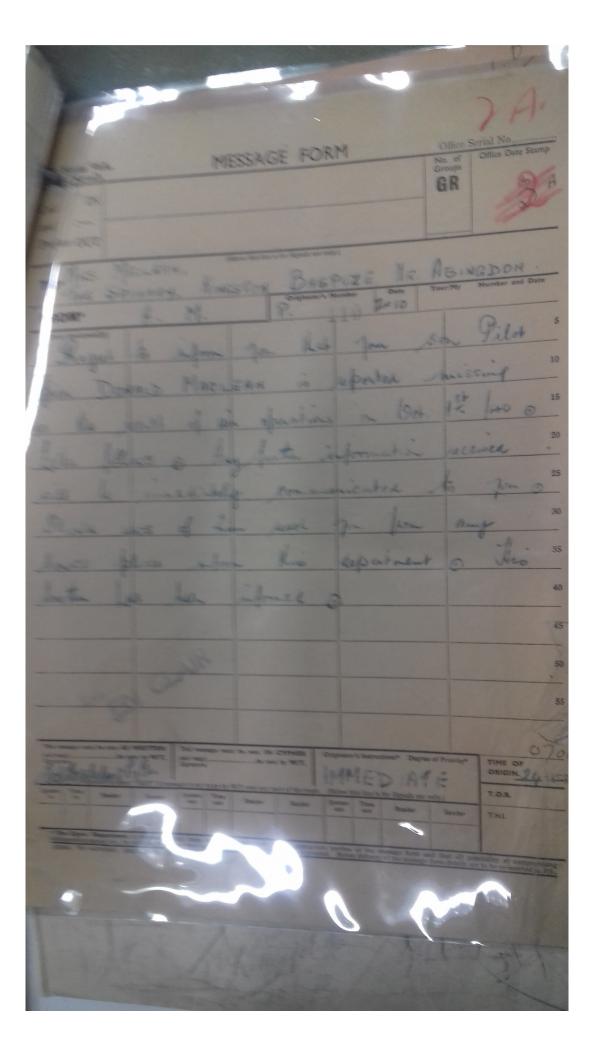
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