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CONFIDENTIALHEADQUARTERS 35TH FIGHTER GROUP
APO 926

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17 November 1944

SUBJECT: Missing Aircraft Report.

TO: Commanding Officer, 342nd Service Squadron, APO 926.

1. Request the inclosed "Missing Aircraft Report" on P-38 type airplane (Air Corps serial number unknown), which is considered missing. Be completed and forwarded to the appropriate commander as specified in Far Eastern Air Force Regulation No. 35-45, 21 June 1944.

2. 1st Lt. William H. Fridman, 0745501, piloting aircraft, failed to reach this base, after departing your station 1430/I, 8 November 1944. Every effort was made by Fighter Control Sector, this base, to guide pilot in after receiving homing signal from him at 1730, but to no avail. An anti-aircraft position picked up pilots's emergency call at 1848, at which time it was approximated that aircraft was twenty-five (25) miles northwest of Morotai. Last contact was established at 1925 by a "Beaver Blue" flight of the 35th Fighter Group.

3. All information available, including reports on rescue attempts, is inclosed.

4. Request acknowledgment of receipt by indorsement hereon.

For the Group Commander:

Charles F. Purcell, Jr.
CHARLES PURCELL, JR.
Captain, Air Corps
Assistant Adjutant

5 Incls:

- Incl 1. Missing Aircraft Report. (in quad)
- Incl 2. Sketch Map - Morotai Area. (in trip)
- Incl 3. Statement Capt Murphy. (in trip)
- Incl 4. Statement Capt Schrieber. (in trip)
- Incl 5. Statement Lt Johnson. (in trip)

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