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FILE No.....



ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

June 2nd, 1945.

Mr. J.L. Hammond,
32 Winkworth Road,
Banstead,
Surrey, England.

Dear Mr. Hammond:

Further to my cable of June 1st, I am now in a position to give you a few more details of the flight in which your son was declared missing.


Your son was on a routine cross country flight which commenced at 0900 hours on the morning of June 1st, the duration of the flight being four hours. The aircraft failed to return after this period of time and, although an extensive search is being carried out, to date no trace of either the aircraft or the members of the crew has been found.

I regret very much having to write you of this dreadful incident, but I do not think you should build up your hopes too highly concerning the safety of your son.

I am enclosing a list of the other members of the crew, and the address of their next of kin, as I feel that perhaps you would like to write them.

Again may I extend my sincerest sympathy, and that of the entire personnel of this Station, in your great anxiety.

Sincerely yours,


(D.J. Williams) W/C,
Officer Commanding,
RCAF Station, Abbotsford, B.C.

ack. 17.6.45

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