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29 LDIL V LZSR NOT W/T SECRET IMMEDIATE GRPS ---

TO NACAF

FROM 600 SQUADRON

A1267 24/4 ---

COMPOSITE COMBAT REPORT . 600 SQUADRON . 1 BEAUFIGHTER VI

MK IV A 1 4 CANNON 6 M/G'S .

PILOT - F/O R BASTOW N/RAD - P/O C R ~~SMITH~~ C R GEORGE

TOOK OFF PADDINGTON 1945 LANDED PADDINGTON 2130/23

SCRAMBLED FOR MIXTURE (898 AMES) . GIVEN EASTERLY

VECTORS ON TO E/A TRAVELLING EAST SAID TO BE AT 14000 FEET THEN

10000 FEET AND DOING 300 MPH . BEAU GRADUALLY OVERTOOK

DOING A SHALLOW DIVE AT 320 I A S MOMENTARY CONTACT OBTAINED ON

E/A CROSSING STARBOARD TO PORT AT 10000 FEET RANGE . AFTER

ANOTHER VECTOR FROM MIXTURE AND DECREASE HEIGHT TO 7000 FEET

ANOTHER CONTACT WAS OBTAINED AT MAXIMUM RANGE ON E/A AHEAD

SLIGHTLY TO STARBOARD AT SAME HEIGHT . BEAU CLOSED IN RAPIDLY

BEHIND . AT 4000 FEET THROTTLED RIGHT BACK AND LOWERED UNDERCARRIAGE

CONTINUED TO CLOSE IN SLOWLY RAISED UNDERCARRIAGE AND AT 2000 FEET

OBTAINED VISUAL OF JU88 EXHAUSTS ~~500 FEET ABOVE AND 5 DEG TO STARBOARD~~ <sup>DEG</sup>

500 FEET ABOVE AND 5 DEG TO STARBOARD . CLOSED IN TO 250 YARDS

SLIGHTLY BENEATH AND DEAD ASTERN IDENTIFYING E/A AS JU88 .

TWO SECOND BURST FIRED FROM DEAD ASTERN RESULTED IN STRIKES ~~ALONG FUSELAGE~~

ALONG FUSELAGE . E/A THEN MADE GENTLE TURN TO PORT .

BEAU FIRED ANOTHER 2 SECOND BURST WITH 15 DEG DEFLECTION .

NO STRIKES SEEN . FROM 100 YARDS DEAD ASTERN ANOTHER 2<sup>ND</sup> SEC

BURST WAS FIRED . FUSELAGE AND STARBOARD ENGINE BURST INTO

FLAMES . LARGE PIECE FELL OFF ~~TAIL-PLANE~~ . BEAU OVERSHOT AND

SAW E/A SPIRAL DOWN STILL BURNING . BEAU FOLLOWED

TO 3000 FEET . SAW E/A HIT GROUND AND CONTINUE BURNING .

~~NO~~ RETURN FIRE HAD BEEN EXPERIENCED . COMBAT TOOK

PLACE AT 6000 FEET AT 2010 HRS 23/4 . COMBAT COMMENCED 6

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CHASES TOOK PLACE IN MEDJEZ-EL-BAB AREA .

WEATHER - CLEAR - DARK HAZE BELOW .

NO MOON BUT STILL AFTERGLOW IN THE WEST .

ROUNDS FIRED - 60 PER CANNON 115 PER M/G

NO STOPPAGES

CL8. - 1 JU88 DESTROYED

TOO --- TH1 13000

