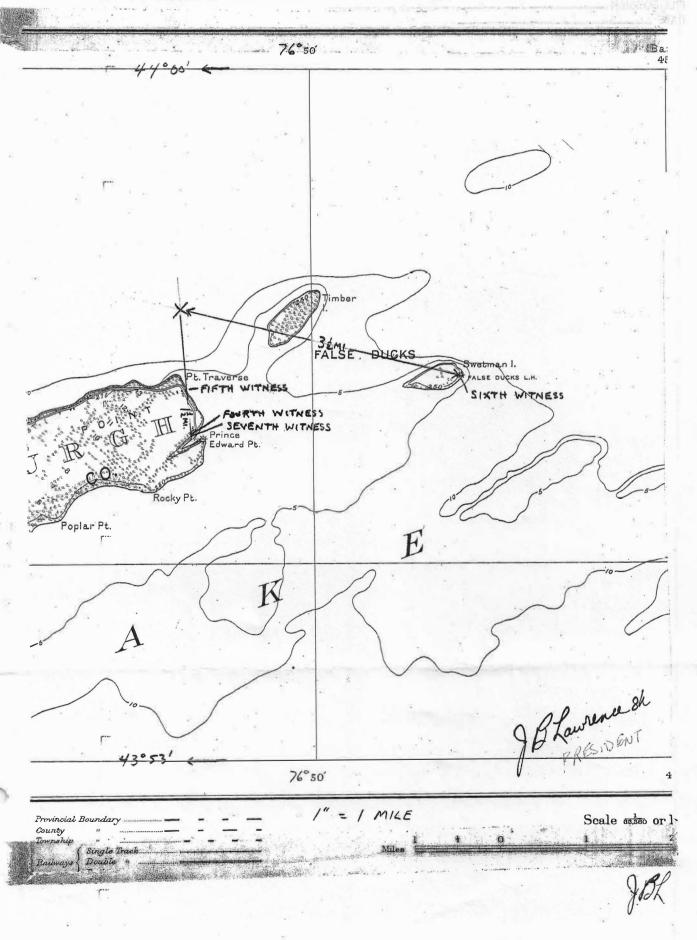
APPENDIX " A "

Map showing the approximate position at which Mustang 9555 entered the water, also the points from which the fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh witnesses observed the aircraft.



APPENDIX " B "

Certified true copies of Institute of Aviation Medicine message MED 285 dated 18 Jun and the correction thereto IAN message MED 291 dated 23 Jun.



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MED285 18JUN ATTN S/L LAWRENCE - REF TELECON OF TODAY F/O NEWMAN WAS TESTED AS TO "G" TOLERANCE IN DECEMBER 1949 AND IT WAS FOUND THAT HE HAD A BLACKOUT THRESHOLD OF .45G WHICH WAS CONSIDERED NORMAL. THIS UNIT HAS KEPT RECORDS OF NAMES OF PERSONNEL WHO HAVE BEEN INDOCTRINATED ON THE PHYSIOLOGY OF HIGH ALTITUDE FLYING AND PERUSAL OF OUR RECORDS INDICATES THAT THIS OFFICER DID NOT RECEIVE TRAINING.

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B LAWRENCE) S/L

President.

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10th July, 1951.

Air Member Ganadian Joint Staff 1700 Massachusetts Ave., N.W. Washington 6, D.C.

Attention: Wing Commander Lewis

MUSTANG AIRCRAFT - ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS

From information received by the Asronautical Research Laboratories, Australia, from the Structures Section of the Division of Mechanical Engineering, National Research Council, Canada, the Royal Canadian Air Force has experienced a Mustang accident similar to those experienced in Australia.

- The Aeronautical Research Laboratories have supplied some of the results of the investigations which they are carrying out on behalf of the Royal Australian Air Force into the cause of the accidents, (presumably direct to the National Research Council), and the Director of Technical Services RAAF has written privately to Group Captain G.C. Truscott, RCAF, premising to forward the results of the investigations currently being carried outby the RAAF.
- Part of the information promised by the Director of Technical Services, RAAF, namely a copy of the report on an investigation carried out in Japan as a result of accidents there, is forwarded herewith. At a later date a resume will be forwarded covering the results of the static and repeated loading tests of Mustang mainplanes of American and Australian manufacture, "V-g" results from instruments installed in aircraft being used in Pilot Gunnery Instructors' Courses, tailplane loads in flight, and the results of a critical examination of the wreckage of an aircraft which disintegrated during a dive bombing exercise.
- Current opinion as to the cause of these accidents which is backed by some evidence is that the primary failure occurs in the elevators or elevator trim tabs, and that this in turn induces failure in the mainplane structure. Action is being taken to bring the elevator and elevator trimetab systems into line, as far as is practicable, with the latest airworthiness requirements for this type of aircraft. Modifications are being developed for mass balancing the trim tabs, minimizing the back-lash in the trim tab control systems, and statically balancing the elevator. It was found that when the elevator skin was changed from fabric to metal no adjustment was made to the elevator mass balance. A prototype modification is in hand in which the additional mass balance weight is mounted on a quadrant at the centre line of the aircraft and moves through a lightening hole in the top skin of the fuselage tail cone.
- 5. It is requested that the enclosed report together with the above information be passed to Group Captain G.C. Truscott, O.B.F. Department of National Defence, RCAF Headquarters.

Sgd. G.F. Ell (G.F. Ell) for Group Captain Air Attache' ROWAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE DE J CPTK 17B

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MED291 23 JUN FOR S/L LAWRENCE(.) REF OUR SIGNAL MED285 17 JUN.

OUR SIGNAL RE F/O NEWMANS BLACKOUT THRESHOLD SHOULD HAVE READ 4.5 G AND NOT .45

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(JB LAWRENCE)S/L President

SCHEDULE OF TIME AND EXPENSE

STATION:

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(c) Time spent by Witnesses (Other Ranks) 9	54,00
(d) Time spent by Clerical Staff	1,5,00
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Other Ranks 6.00	
Clerical Staff5.00	

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