Date	18 December 1942	Service No.	Rank	Name	Duty	
Type of Aircraft	Wellington IC	Aus. 404053	(~~Plt. Sgt.~~) Plt. Off.	Couper, F.A.	Pilot	Esbjerg
Serial No.	DV892		F/C ~~Plt. Off.~~	Williams, J	Crew	MIA
Squadron	No. 1474 Flight R.A.F.		P/C ~~Flt. Sgt.~~	McLellan, S.C	and	MIA
Code Letters	: D	NZ	Flt. Sgt.	McKenna, L.E.F.	special	MIA
Base	Gransden Lodge		Flt. Sgt.	Taylor, A	equipment	MIA
Mission	(Test Flight) Cooperating		Plt. Off.	Ackerly ~~Ackarley,~~ P.R.	opera-	MIA
Target	(Hopton area) Bombing		Plt. Off.	Pickles, W.T.	tors.	England

Special Remarks: Left 1421 hrs.

T/c Birbrook. Reported down in sea off Great Yarmouth, Norfolk. On 16 Feb 1943 the body of P/c Couper, CAAF was found on a beach on the W coast of Denmark. P/c Pickles was recovered from the water at 5216 N/0149 E

Wellington IC, DV892 lost at sea. Last seen off Yarmouth. Body of Plt. Off. Pickles picked up next day by boat 7 miles SE of Lowestoft.

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