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26th January, 1966.

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"Lorraine",
Le Bigard,
Forest,
Guernsey, C.I.

Dear Mr. King,

Thank you for your kind words on my Lancaster book.

Regarding your crash in Sweden, I think you could tell me more about that than I can tell you and would be most interested in further details of your crash in Sweden. As far as your squadron was concerned you were just reported as 'failed to return' with no further detail, nor is there any apparent record that the report of your crash through diplomatic channels from Sweden reached your squadron.

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At least I can help you on the actual aircraft and crew. You were piloting IM594, one of 14 Lancasters of No.75(NZ) Squadron to attack Stettin on the night of 29/30 August 44, and took off at 21.15 hrs. on the 29th. The crew, of which you were Captain, comprised:-

Flight Sergeant I. Fitzgerald	Air Bomber (from New Zealand)
" " W. Watson	Navigator " " "
Sergeant C. Hill	WOP/AG
" J. Callan	Flight Engineer
" D. Moon	Mid-upper Gunner
" D. Causly	Rear Gunner

The rest of your squadron, who all returned, reported considerable night fighter activity on the outward journey and one crew claimed a night fighter as shot down.

Yours sincerely,

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Bruce Robertson
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