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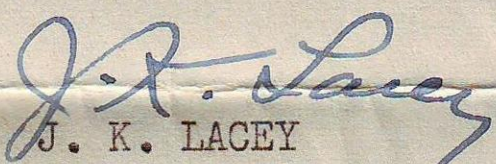
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SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : 2nd Lt Mark B Calnon, 546th Bombardment Squadron, 384th
Bombardment Group (H), AAF.

1. Although you failed to return from our last mission over enemy occupied Europe on October 9, 1943, I take great pleasure in being able to commend you for your meritorious achievement on that date. Your performance of duty on that important mission was superior. In spite of heavy fighter and flak opposition, you coolly accomplished your duties as Pilot. By your skillful airmanship and courage you enabled our Group and Wing to deal a vital blow to the enemy. It is thru such acts that we are able to continually press home our blows to the enemy and assures us of ultimate victory. The coolness, courage and skill displayed by you reflects great credit upon yourself, the 384th Bombardment Group (H), AAF, the Army Air Force and the Armed Forces of the United States.

2. Myself, as well as the whole 384th Bombardment Group (H), AAF, are proud of you for your gallant actions and we **sincerely** hope that you are safe and that we shall again be able to fly with you wing to wing.


J. K. LACEY
Colonel, Air Corps,
Commanding.