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PART I.

GENERAL QUESTIONNAIRE FOR BRITISH/AMERICAN EX-PRISONERS OF WAR.

1. No. 5989920 RANK PVT SURNAME O'BRIEN

CHRISTIAN NAMES WILLIAM ARTHUR

DECORATIONS AFRICAN STAR and 8.

2. SHIP (R.N., U.S.N. or MERCHANT NAVY)

UNIT (ARMY) 11th BATT. Parachute Regt

SQUADRON (R.A.F. or A.A.F.)

3. DIVISION (ARMY), COMMAND (R.A.F. or A.A.F.) 1st AIRBORNE DIV

4. DATE OF BIRTH 28-1-21.

5. DATE OF ENLISTMENT 2-9-39

6. CIVILIAN TRADE OR PROFESSION

MERCHANT NAVY.

(OR EXAMINATIONS PASSED WHILE P/W)

7. PRIVATE ADDRESS 18 NORTH ROAD, WALTHAM CROSS

HERTFORDSHIRE ENGLAND

8. PLACE AND DATE OF ORIGINAL CAPTURE 26-9-44

9. WERE YOU WOUNDED WHEN CAPTURED? YES.

10. MAIN CAMPS OR HOSPITALS IN WHICH IMPRISONED.

Camp No.	Location	From	Till
XII A. L. L. L.	LIMBURG	1-10-44	21-10-44
IV D Stalag	MULBERG	25-10-44	2-11-44

11. WERE YOU IN A WORKING CAMP?

Location	From	Till	Nature of Work
MULBERG	3-11-44	12-11-44	Sugar Factory
MERSER. BURG	13-11-44	21-1-45	bleaching Bomb Debris
WITTENBURG HOST.	22-1-45	26-4-45	

12. DID YOU SUFFER FROM ANY SERIOUS ILLNESSES WHILE A P/W?

Nature of Illness

Cause

Duration

(b) DID YOU RECEIVE ADEQUATE MEDICAL TREATMENT?

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1. No. 5989720 RANK PUT SURNAME O'BRIENCHRISTIAN NAMES WILLIAM ARTHUR

2. LECTURES before Capture :

- (a) Were you lectured in your unit on how to behave in the event of capture?
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- (State where, when and by whom).

IN PALESTINE, 1942, COMMANDING OFFICER.

- (b) Were you lectured on escape and evasion? (State where, when and by whom).

IN PALESTINE 1942 COMMANDING OFFICER

3. INTERROGATION after capture :

Were you specially interrogated by the enemy? (State where, when and methods employed by enemy).

NO.

4. ESCAPES attempted :

Did you make any attempted or partly successful escapes? (Give details of each attempt separately, stating where, when, method employed, names of your companions, where and when recaptured and by whom. Were you physically fit? What happened to your companions?)

I escaped 3 weeks before liberation. the germans were marching us and I hid in the woods until the Americans came. No companions

5. SABOTAGE :

Did you do any sabotage or destruction of enemy factory plant, war material, communications, etc., when employed on working-parties or during escape? (Give details, places and dates.)

6. COLLABORATION with enemy :

Do you know of any British or American personnel who collaborated with the enemy or in any way helped the enemy against other Allied Prisoners of War? (Give details, names of person(s) concerned, camp(s), dates and nature of collaboration or help given to enemy).

7. WAR CRIMES :

If you have any information or evidence of bad treatment by the enemy to yourself or to others, or knowledge of any enemy violation of Geneva Convention you should ask for a copy of "Form Q" on which to make your statement.

(NOTE : Form Q is a separate form inviting information on "War Crimes" and describes the kinds of offences coming under this title.)

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8. Have you any other matter of any kind you wish to bring to notice?

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SECURITY UNDERTAKING.

I fully realise that all information relating to the matters covered by the questions in Part II. are of a highly secret and official nature.

I have had explained to me and fully understand that under Defence Regulations or U.S.A.R. 380-5 I am forbidden to publish or communicate any information concerning these matters.

Date 17-5-45

Signature W O'Brien