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PITTMAN, JOHN CHARLES

422807

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

OFFICERS AND AIRCREW.

The following Biographical details are requested for use at
R.A.A.F. Overseas Headquarters, LONDON,-

Surname..... PITTMAN Number..... Aus 422807

Christian Names..... John Charles

Air Force Rank and Posting..... P/O Navigator

Degrees, Decorations, etc..... NA D.F.C.

Present Appointment and Location..... R.A.A.F. P.R.C. BOURKE

Date of Birth..... 27/12/21 Place..... KEMPSEY NSW AUSTRALIA

Educated..... Leaving Certificate

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Date of Entering Service..... 12/11/41

Previous Service Experience..... NA

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Places of Training in R.A.A.F. BRADFIELD PARK NSW (No 2 ITS)

5 AOS. WINNIPEG

Civilian Career and Activities..... Bank Clerk, Commonwealth Bank of Australia

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Clubs, Recreations, etc.....

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Fathers name..... Stuart PITTMAN

Wifes Name..... NA

Children..... NA

Home address..... 24 Pacific St. Bronte # Sydney NSW AUSTRALIA

Signature..... [Signature]

Date..... 19/1/43

Date Embarked Australia..... 6/9/42

Destination..... UNITED KINGDOM

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The following biographical details are required for R.A.A.F. Historical Records, Overseas Headquarters. These forms are to be filled in and returned to the Officer Commanding Repatriation Disposal Section, No.11 (R.A.A.F.) F.D.R.C.

NAME (in full) JOHN CHARLES PITTMAN NUMBER 9422807
 RANK AND MUSTERING FLN Navigator DECORATIONS DFC
 # 94FU.1 # 5A05.61 ~~#~~
 NUMBER I.T.S. COURSE 28 O.T.U. - A.P.U. OTU.62
 DATE LEFT AUSTRALIA } 7.9.42
 CANADA } 1.3.43 DATE OF ARRIVAL U.K. 17.3.43 (left U.K. 10.10.43 for N. Africa)
 S.E. AFRICA) } NA 2.12.44 (and Italy)
 SQUADRONS 150 -
 AIRCRAFT FLOWN Wellington, III, IV, V & P-51
 COMMAND & TYPE OF ACTIVITY CMF(MAAF) - Night Bombing
 OPERATIONS OR TRAINING WITH AMERICAN PERSONNEL, SQUADRONS, OR AIRCRAFT NA

DETAILS OF OPERATIONS - with dates: to be given as fully as possible under the following applicable headings:-

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| (a) Number Operational Hours | (b) Number Operational Sorties, Day-night |
| (c) Targets attacked | (d) Attacks on enemy surface vessels - type, size, etc. |
| (e) Attacks on enemy submarines | (f) Outstanding sorties or incidents |
| (f) Combats with enemy aircraft | (g) Personnel in Photographic Reconnaissance Unit, Transport Command, etc., should give a brief report of their work. |
| (h) Other Australians in crews | |

- (a) 212
 (b) 37 Night
 (c) Marshalling yards, Post Installations, Aircraft factories, Towns, Factories, Oil Storage, Depots, Airfields, Troop concentrations in Italy, the Balkans, Austria and Germany.
 (d) NA
 (e) NA
 (f) Nil
 (g) Nil
 (h) NA
 (i) NA

DATE 30.4.45 SIGNATURE Pittman J.C.
 (Use other side, or attach extra sheets, if necessary).

Copy of Citation of Award of Distinguished Flying Cross. Non-Immediate Award.
Flying Officer John Charles PITTMAN (Aus. 422807) - No. 150 Squadron. Signed 10-10-44

This officer has flown on many operational sorties. His excellent navigational ability has enabled his pilot, on many occasions, to find and attack the target in adverse weather. On one occasion, in April, 1944, despite appalling weather, Flying Officer Pittman navigated his aircraft to an important target at Varese, where his captain was able to make a successful low level attack. In addition an excellent photograph was obtained. The success achieved on this and other sorties has been largely owing to Flying Officer Pittman's skilful navigation.

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