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MIDDLE EAST AIR COMMUNIQUE

R.A.F., Headquarters,
Middle East,
23rd May, 1943.

During daylight on May 21, Royal Air Force long range fighters on an offensive sweep in the Aegean Sea destroyed a German seaplane and severely damaged an enemy sailing vessel. This ship was left drifting on rocks, discharging oil.

On the night of May 21/22 R.A.F. medium bombers attacked Messina. Direct hits were scored on the ferry control buildings, on the railway station, and amongst the railway yards. Fires were started among oil tanks and near the power station.

Objectives in southern Italy were also bombed.

From these and other operations one of our aircraft is missing.
