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P.O.W. REPORT.

1. NUMBER. VX14981. RANK (ACTG) Pte. NATIONALITY Australian.  
(WC)  
(TEMP)

SURNAME Butterly. CHRISTIAN NAMES Edward Roy.

UNIT 2/32. Bttn. A.I.F. DATE AND PLACE OF CAPTURE 17th July 1942. El Alamein.  
Egypt.

DATE AND PLACE OF FINAL ESCAPE 9.9.43. Benone, nr. Formigliana. Vercelli. DATE OF ARRIVAL IN SWITZERLAND 7th Oct. 1943.

2. BRIEF CIRCUMSTANCES OF CAPTURE

In attack on Ruweisat ridge support failed to come up .  
 Surrounded by tanks and armoured cars.

3. WHERE IMPRISONED

CAMP NO AND PLACE	PERIOD		HOW EMPLOYED
	FROM	TO	
Benghazi.	17.7.42.	18.10.42.	Farm work. -30-
Bari. PG.75.	19.10.42.	24.11.42.	
Udine. PG.57.	24.11.42.	25.4.43.	
PG.106/21. Collobiano. <del>Murano</del>	25.4.43.	8.8.43.	
Benone. 106/7.	8.8.43.	9.9.43.	

ATTEMPTED ESCAPES

WHERE FROM	DATE	BRIEF DETAILS
Benone. 106/7.	9.9.43.	The Italians left the camp .

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5. DETAILS OF FINAL ESCAPE and SUBSEQUENT JOURNEY UNTIL TAKEN OVER BY ORGANISATION
- (Names and addresses of helpers must be entered on Appendix A and not mentioned in this report)
- (Escape plans and other information which would jeopardise security or identification of organisation or helpers must be entered in Appendix C and not mentioned in this report)

After leaving camp stayed in a barn near camp with about 17 men, most of whom had malaria. (name of owner unknown). Left there about 30.9.43 for Switzerland without maps or guide in small groups.

Route . Buronzo - Monte Cerchio - Scopello - Rimasco.

Arrived Rimasco . 5.10.43. where met a guide.

DATE..... 12.7.44.

PLACE..... Adelboden.

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 INTERROGATING OFFICER

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7. ESCAPE INFORMATION.

To include : (a) Last part of journey to Switzerland which is not mentioned in main report.  
(b) Information of organisation.  
(c) Escape plans in or outside camps during capitulation (This will only be given by Camp Leaders and the senior officer or M.C.O. present in areas from each camp)

a). Left Rimasco about 06.00 hrs on 6.9.43 with 20 others and one guide (name unknown). Arrived Ceppo Morelli at 21.00 hrs. Left at 05.00 hrs 7.9.43. Entered Switzerland at 15.00 hrs at Monte Moro pass.

b). No information about organisation.