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Incl. 1 - Report No. 1583 describes a sample of soluble cutting oil.

Incl. 2 - Report No. 1591 describes a sample of K.I. Diesel Fuel.

Incl. 3 - Report No. 1592 describes samples of engine oil, engine coolant, and hydraulic fluid taken from a Ju. 88 shot down over Essex 24/3/44.

Incl. 4 - Report No. 1595 describes three samples of oil taken from a Ju. 88, and one sample each of hydraulic fluid and coolant.

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*A.L. 26. 1561*

Sample No. AIR 391

MINISTRY

K.L. DIESEL FUEL ex Mediterranean area

Analysis by The Petroleum Board, Vauxhall

Size of Sample .....	Approx.	4-gln. Jerrican
Specific Gravity .....		.870
Colour .....		1 - 1½ N.P.A.
Distillation - I.B.P. ....		211°C
Recovery at 250°C .....		12%
300°C .....		62½%
350°C .....		94%
F.B.P. ....		369°C
Total Recovery .....		98½%
Residue .....		1%
Flash Point, Closed .....		208°F
Viscosity, Redwood 1, @ 100°F .....		37"
Four Point .....		0°F
Cloud Point .....		16°F
Sulphur Content .....		0.08%
Conradson Carbon .....		Trace
Ash .....		Slight trace
Water .....		Nil
Nutralization Value (mg.KOH/gm.) .....		0.006
Diesel Index .....		47
Cetane Number .....		47
Sodiment .....		Nil
Aniline Point .....		65.8°C
Condition .....		Good - clear and bright
Phenols .....		0.002%

Hydrocarbon Analysis

Aromatics .....	19.5%
Paraffins .....	58.0%
Naphthenes .....	19.0%
Unsaturateds .....	3.5%

This is a diesel fuel of average ignition quality. It is probably of petroleum origin but may contain some synthetic material.

It would appear to be inaccurately designated as the tests are quite different from previous inspections of the K.L. fuel.

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Samples Nos. AIR 374 (Engine Oil), AIR 375 (Engine Coolant), and AIR 376 (Hydraulic Fluid) taken from Ju.88 shot down at Chigwell, Essex, 24.3.44.

Analyses by Shell Marketing Co., Ltd., Fulham

AIR 374 (Approximately 1 1/2 litres ENGINE OIL) - This sample was used engine oil, dark in appearance, containing some coarse sediment, and with 1% of diluent. After removal of the diluent and sediment the oil had the following characteristics:-

Table with 3 columns: Property, S.U., C.S.
Specific Gravity: 0.886
Viscosity at 100°F: 1145 S.U., 247.8 C.S.
Viscosity at 210°F: 100 S.U., 20.78 C.S.
Viscosity Index: 105
Pour Test: -10°F
Saponification Value (mg.KOH/gm.): 0.8
Sulphur Content: 0.25% wt.
Ramsbottom Coke No.: 0.38

The oil is therefore of the un-compounded high V.I. type generally met.

AIR 375 (Approximately 500 ml. ENGINE COOLANT) - Although described as an Engine Coolant this is likely to be a De-icing Fluid. It consists of:

Table with 2 columns: Component, Percentage
Ethyl Alcohol: 70% vol.
Water: 5% vol.
Ethylene Glycol: 25% vol.
plus 1% wt. of a lithium soap, probably lithium ricinoleate.

The lithium ricinoleate is probably intended to act as a corrosion inhibitor, lithium being selected as the base due to increased solubility of the soaps at low temperatures.

AIR 376 (Approximately 1 1/2 litres HYDRAULIC FLUID) - This is a Mineral Hydraulic Fluid of very low viscosity and containing approximately 4% of fatty oil. In appearance it is light red with strong green fluorescence. Its general characteristics are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Property, Value
Specific Gravity: 0.858
Flash Point (P.M.), Closed: 240°F
Flash Point (P.M.), Open: 255°F
Kinematic Viscosity @ 100°F: 4.85 C.S.
Kinematic Viscosity @ 210°F: 1.65 C.S.
Viscosity Index: 107
Pour Test: Flowing at -60°F
Neutralization Value (mg.KOH/gm.): 0.1
Saponification Value (mg.KOH/gm.): 8

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Samples Nos. AIR 378, AIR 379, AIR 380, AIR 381, AIR 384 (drawn by The Petroleum Board under instructions from R.A.F. 67 M.U., Taunton, April 1944.)

- AIR 378 - USED OIL from undamaged engine of Ju.88 A-4 Trop. PL.1214, Jumo 211 J-1, Eng.Nos.Port 4755, Starboard 1061302465, shot down at Bradwell Bay, Essex, 19.4.44. Tank from which sample taken undamaged.
- AIR 379 - UNUSED OIL from Port Wing (Reserve) of Ju.88 A-4 Trop. PL.1214, Jumo 211 J-1, Eng.Nos.Port 4755, Starboard 1061302465, shot down at Bradwell Bay, Essex, 19.4.44. Tank from which sample taken undamaged.
- AIR 380 - HYDRAULIC FLUID from Ju.88 A-4 Trop. ditto. ditto. Tank from which sample taken damaged.
- AIR 381 - COOLANT from Ju.88 A-4 Trop. ditto. ditto. Tank from which sample taken damaged.
- AIR 384 - ENGINE OIL ex Ju.88. (No further details received.)

Analyses by Shell Marketing Co., Ltd., Fulham

The Used Engine Oils (AIR 378 and AIR 384) are very similar in properties; their characteristics after removal of the diluent and sediment suggest that the oils are of the un-compounded, high V.I. type, probably solvent-extracted oils.

The Unused Engine Oil (AIR 379), although from the same aircraft as the Used oil (AIR 378), is of a different type. The oil contains a proportion of diluent apparently less volatile than a gasoline diluent and the diluent-free oil has a lower specific gravity, viscosity, coke number and pour point than those of the Used oil (AIR 378). The oil evidently contains no Bright Stock and its low specific gravity and other physical properties suggest the presence of synthetic lubricating oil.

AIR 380 is a light compounded Hydraulic Fluid similar to AIR 376, and AIR 381 (Engine Coolant), is an aqueous soluble oil emulsion containing approximately 4% vol. of oil, as judged from the small sample submitted (11 ml.).

	AIR 378	AIR 384	AIR 380
Size of Sample .....	2-glns.	2-glns.	3 qts.
Diluent (Gasoline) .....	2.0% vol.	1.7% vol.	-
Sediment insoluble in I.P.spirit	0.79% wt.	0.83% wt.	-
Ash (sulphated) .....	0.22% wt.	0.29% wt.	-
Nature of Ash .....	Chiefly lead sulphate, some iron compounds also present.		
<u>Tests on diluent- and sediment-free oils.</u>			
Appearance .....	Dark red oil, dark green bloom.	Dark red oil, dull green bloom.	Cloudy light red oil, strong apple-green fluorescence.
Specific Gravity .....	0.892	0.889	0.862
Viscosity:			
Kinematic @ 32°F (C.s.)	-	-	17.5
100°F "	246.2	283.5	4.90
140°F "	-	-	3.08
210°F "	21.16	21.90	1.65
Saybolt Universal @ 100°F (Secs.)	1137	1310	-
210°F "	102.4	105.6	-
Viscosity Index .....	107	101	103 (approx.)
Pour Point .....	-5°F	-5°F	Flows @ -85°F
Saponification Value (mg.KOH/gm.)	1.2	0.8	5.0
Sulphur .....	0.30% wt.	0.20% wt.	-
Ramsbottom Coke No. ....	0.37	0.32	-

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Samples Nos. AIR 378, AIR 379, AIR 380, AIR 381 and AIR 384 - Continued

Additional tests on AIR 380

Neutralization Value (mg.KOH/gm.)	0.1
Flash Point, P.M., Closed .....	190°F
Open .....	230°F

The oil was tested for the presence of polymers with negative results.

The relatively low closed flash point indicates that the sample contains a small quantity of a more volatile fraction possibly due to contamination.

AIR 379 (Approximately 1 quart) - This sample was examined originally as a normal unused oil, but the figures did not correspond with these for the used oil from the same aircraft. It was therefore examined further for diluent (gasoline fuel), when 5.2% vol. was recovered. The diluent distilled over at a slower rate than is normal for gasoline diluent and when the sample was examined by a modified diesel diluent method, with a bath temperature of 120°C, the diluent was equivalent to 6.8% vol. and was recovered at a faster rate than is normal for diesel diluent.

It appears, therefore, that the sample contains approximately 7% vol. of a "diluent" intermediate in properties between those of a gasoline and a diesel fuel diluent.

The properties of the sample before and after removal of diluent by the modified diesel diluent method are tabulated below:

	<u>AIR 379</u> <u>As received</u>	<u>AIR 379</u> <u>Diluent-free</u>
Appearance .....	Red oil with medium green bloom, containing fine sediment as received.	
Specific Gravity .....	0.876	0.879
Flash Point, P.M., Closed .....	130°F	-
Open .....	230°F	-
Fire .....	350°F	-
Viscosity:		
Kinematic .....		
@ 100°F (C.s.)	137.7	195.4
140°F "	49.4	66.3
210°F "	14.28	17.64
Redwood 1 .....	203	269
Saybolt Universal "	636	903
100°F "	74	88
210°F "		
Viscosity Index .....	109	105
Ash (sulphated) .....	0.01% wt.	-
Pour Point .....	-30°F	-20°F
Saponification Value (mg.KOH/gm.)	0.8	-
Sulphur .....	0.20% wt.	0.20% wt.
Ramsbottom Coke No. ....	0.16	0.17

AIR 381 - The total volume of the sample was 11 ml. The sample had the appearance of a white, soluble oil emulsion with a small supernatant layer of dirty curd. It was diluted with water, and no further separation of material occurred, confirming that the sample represented an aqueous emulsion. The entire sample was demulsified in a Babcock bottle, and yielded 0.45 ml. of separated oil. The concentration of the emulsion was, therefore, approx. 4% vol.

Oil emulsions were frequently used in Germany as coolants prewar but for I.C. engines in road vehicles usually to the extent of not more than 1%, the oil being added as an anti-corrosive. It was the first indication of its use in coolants for aero engines.

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