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Summary of Evidence in the case of B 85682 Pte Hancock W. 85 Bridge Coy RCASC a soldier of the Canadian Army Overseas.

The Officer commanding directs that all evidence be taken under oath.

First Witness: C 32548 Cpl Prefase A M 85 Cdn Bridge Coy RCASC having been duly sworn states.

I am C 32548 Cpl Prefase A M of "2" platoon 85 Cdn Bridge Coy RCASC. On the 3 Dec 1944, I was guard commander. At 2230 hrs I called the platoon roll. Pte. Hancock did not answer his name. I marked him absent on the tatoo report along with certain other names and turned it into Coy orderly room. On subsequent occasions when I called roll, Pte Hancock still failed to answer his name. I did not see him again until 5 Jan 1944, when he was in custody. On the evening 3 Dec 1944 at 2230 A hrs. when I took the tatoo roll call I noticed that motor cycle No CC 5262474 was missing from the platoon lines. On the morning of Dec 4, 1944 I made a desperate effort and could not find the said motorcycle, I immediately reported