

19088 - Lieut. R. T. Street

T. O. D.

Adv. Base - 2 N. Z. E. F.

M. E. F.

15 July '45

Dear Mum & Dad,

I was very pleased to receive mail from you some days ago: dated 24th June. Yesterday I had a letter from Edna, dated 26 June. She has the idea that I am on my way by now, but you will see by the address that I am still in Italy. In the army, you never know exactly when you will leave. We've been standing by here for 2 weeks now. First it is to be a certain date: then it is put off a couple of days & so on.

However, I'm pleased to say that unless the boiler bursts (as it did on about we were to go on some time ago) or the propeller shaft breaks (as it did on another boat we were to go on) we will be leaving here tomorrow. I've got all my gear packed up as we shall be up early. We don't know how long we shall be in Egypt, not whether we shall dock in