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T-(OIITA PASS TO OIJJF)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 09/0120A D-64-E
TO : COMBOMBIV. NINE
409TH BOMB GROUP (INFO)
410TH BOMB GROUP
416TH BOMB GROUP
1ST PATHFINDER PROV. SQ.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: LT. COL. MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
APO 140
09 DEC. 1944.

FIELD ORDER NO. 85-662

MAPS: NORMAL:

1. B. (1) TROOPS WILL BE 3,500 YARDS FROM TARGET.
(2) 19TH T.A.C. WILL PROVIDE AREA COVER FOR THIS WING.
2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY.

PLAN "A" - ZERO HOUR: INDEFINITE
PLAN "B" - ZERO HOUR: 09/1000A

PLAN "A"

3. A. 410TH BOMB GROUP
(12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR PLUS 20 MINUTES.
- B. 416TH BOMB GROUP
(12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR PLUS 30 MINUTES.
- X. (1)-(4) NO CHANGE.
(5) TARGET - SAARWELLINGEN DEFENDED VILLAGE
(6) A/C REQ - 36 A/C BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6.
(7) ROUTE OUT - BASE TO 4922N 0610E TO I.P. TO TARGET.
(8) ROUTE BACK - TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. TO BASE.
(9) ALTITUDE - BOMB AT 12,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE, DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 6,000 FEET. DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
(10) I.P. - 4914N 0634E
(11) AXIS OF ATTACK - GEN. SW TO NE
(12) M.P..I. - MAP: G.S.G.S. 414, SHEET 6606. ONE FLIGHT ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID COORDINATES: 32228471, 32238448, 32398427, 32798479, 32708450, 32688430.
(13) BOMBS - 6 X 500 G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/40 SEC. TAIL.
(416TH GROUP : MINIMUM INTERVALOMETER SETTING)
(14) R.P. - 4914N 0634E
(15) NO ALTERNATE TARGETS WILL BE ATTACK.

PLAN "B"

3. A. 410TH BOMB GROUP
(12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR PLUS 25 MINUTES.
- B. 416TH BOMB GROUP
(12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 40 MINUTES.

- X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE
 (5) TARGET - SAARWELLINGEN DEFENDED VILLAGE
 (6) A/C REQ - 1ST BOX : 15 A/C, 2ND BOX : 18 A/C WITH ONE PPF A/C.
 (7) RENDEZVOUS - WITH PPF A/C OVER FIELD
 (8) ROUTE OUT - BASE TO 4940N 0612E TO TARGET
 (9) ROUTE BACK - TARGET TURN RIGHT TO BASE.
 (10) ALTITUDE - BOMB AT 13,000 FEET. IN EVENT OF VISUAL BOMBING, MINIMUM ALTITUDE IS 6,000 FEET.
 (11) AXIS OF ATTACK - GEN NW TO SE.
 (12) M.P.I. - MAP G.S.G.S. 4414, SHEET NO.6606 (PPF A/C M.P.I'S : 410TH GROUP - GRID COORD. 323845. 416TH GROUP - GRID. COORD 327846) IN THE EVENT OF VISUAL BOMBING ONE BOX WILL BOMB EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID. COORD.32258441 AND 32658446.
 (13) BOMBS - 6 X 500 G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/40 SEC. TAIL. (416TH GROUP : MINIMUM INTERVALOMETER SETTING)
 (14) BOMBING WILL BE ON P.P.F. A/C EXCEPT IN CASE OF EQUIPMENT FAILURE IF IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE A SECOND RUN FOR VISUAL BOMBING, GROUP WILL RETURN TO 4914N 0634E TO BEGIN RUN.
 (15) NO ALTERNATE TARGETS WILL BE ATTACK.
 (16) SECOND BOX WILL FLY BELOW AND TO THE SIGHT OF FIRST BOX.

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS

PLAN "A" AND "B"

A. 410TH BOMB GROUP

- (2) GREYGOOSE
 (3) PALLMALL
 (4) RIPSAP

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (2) COURAGE
 (3) PALLMALL
 (4) RIPSAP

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 09/0120A

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CC PLAN "A" X. (12) M.P.I. - MAP: G.S.G.S. 4414 RPT 4414

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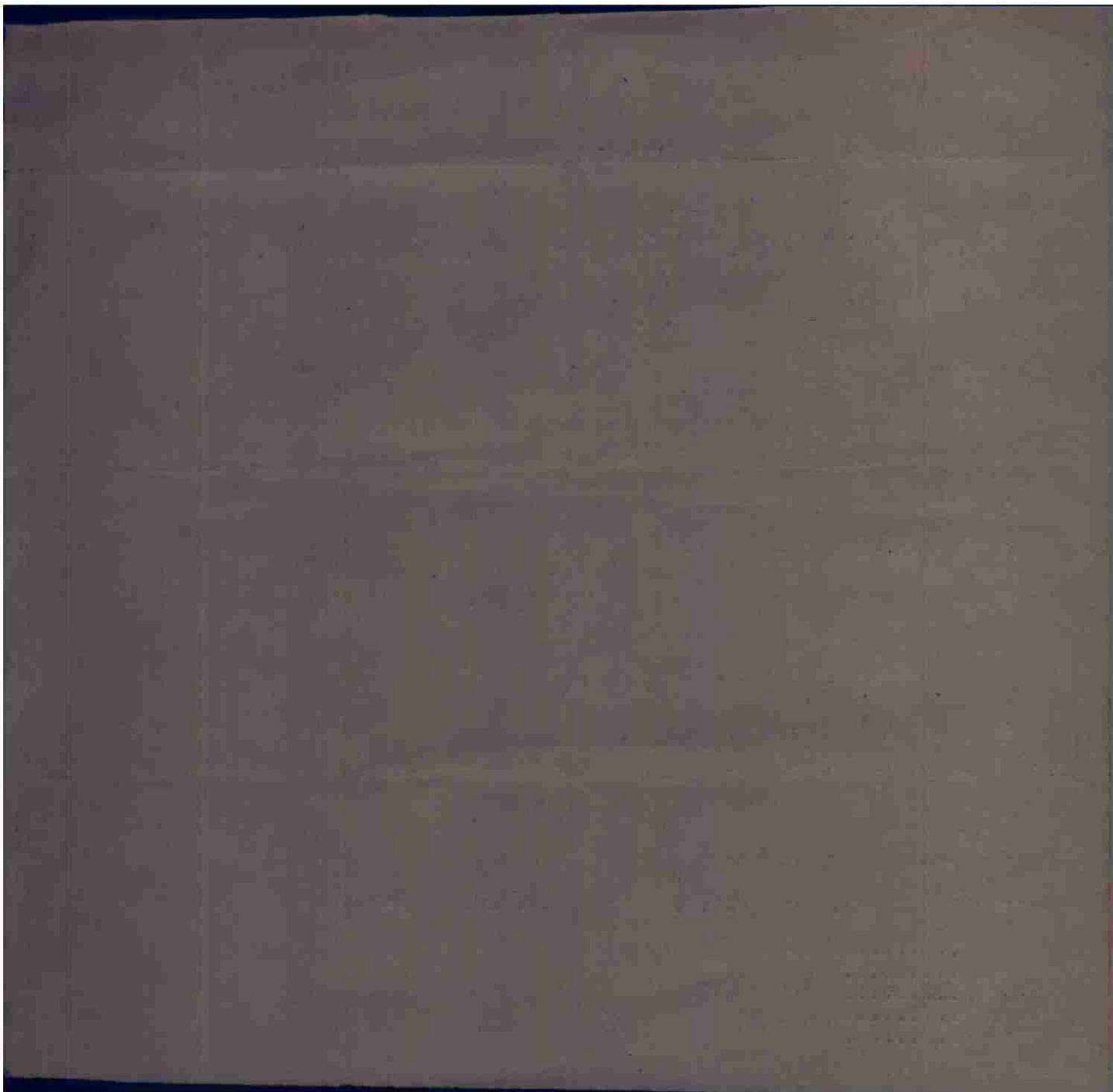
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 09/0845A D-65-E
TO COMBOMDIV IX
COBOMGP 409TH (INFO)
COBOMGP 410TH
COBOMGP 416TH
1ST PATHFINDER SQDN (PROV)

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT

SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: LT. COL. MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O - 140
09 DECEMBER 1944.

ANNEX NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 85-662.

PLAN "B" IS IN EFFECT, CANCEL PLAN "A".

COMCBTWIC 97

BT 09/0845A
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OIITA R.1.. . . . 09/0955A DEG AR

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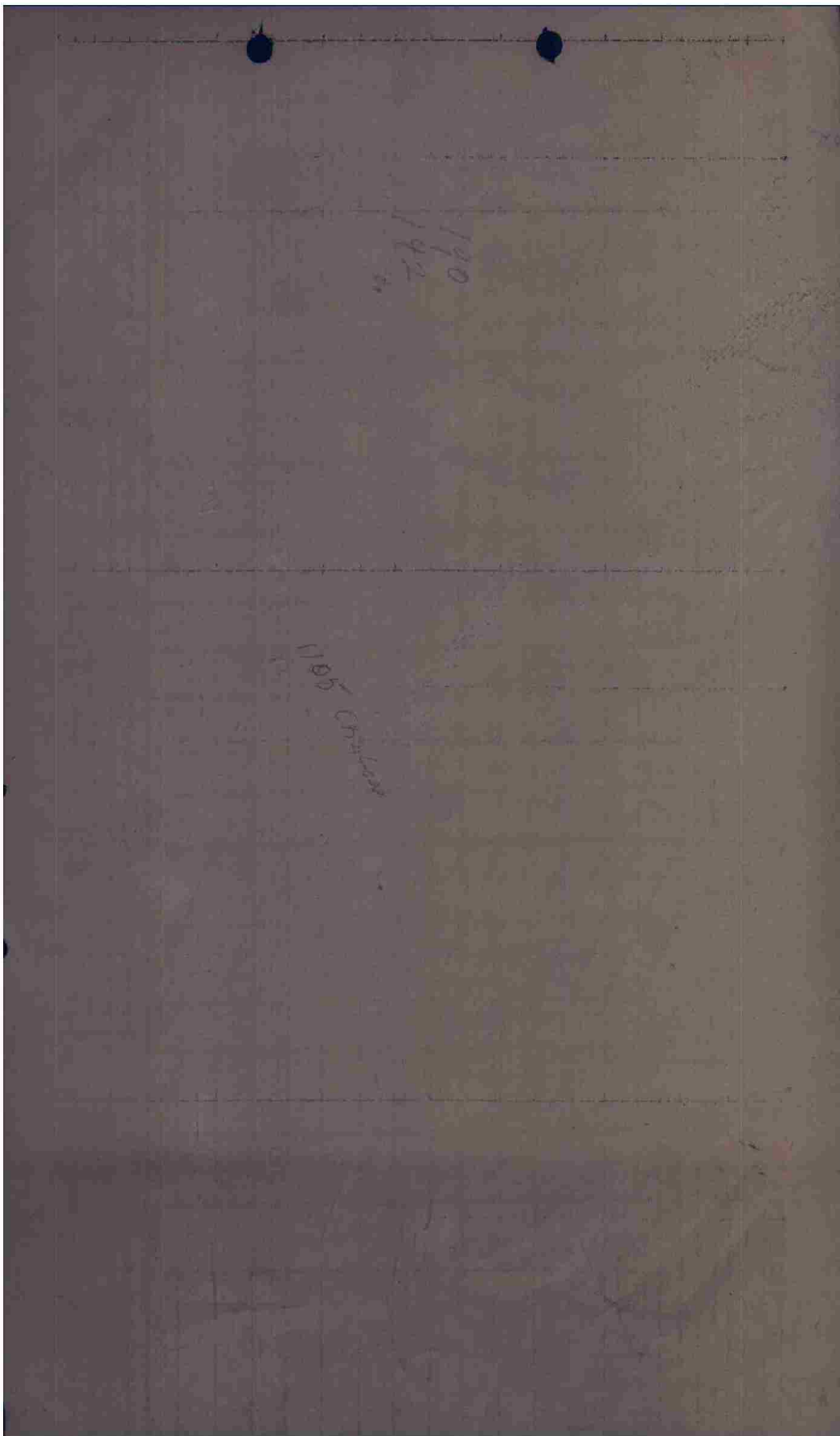
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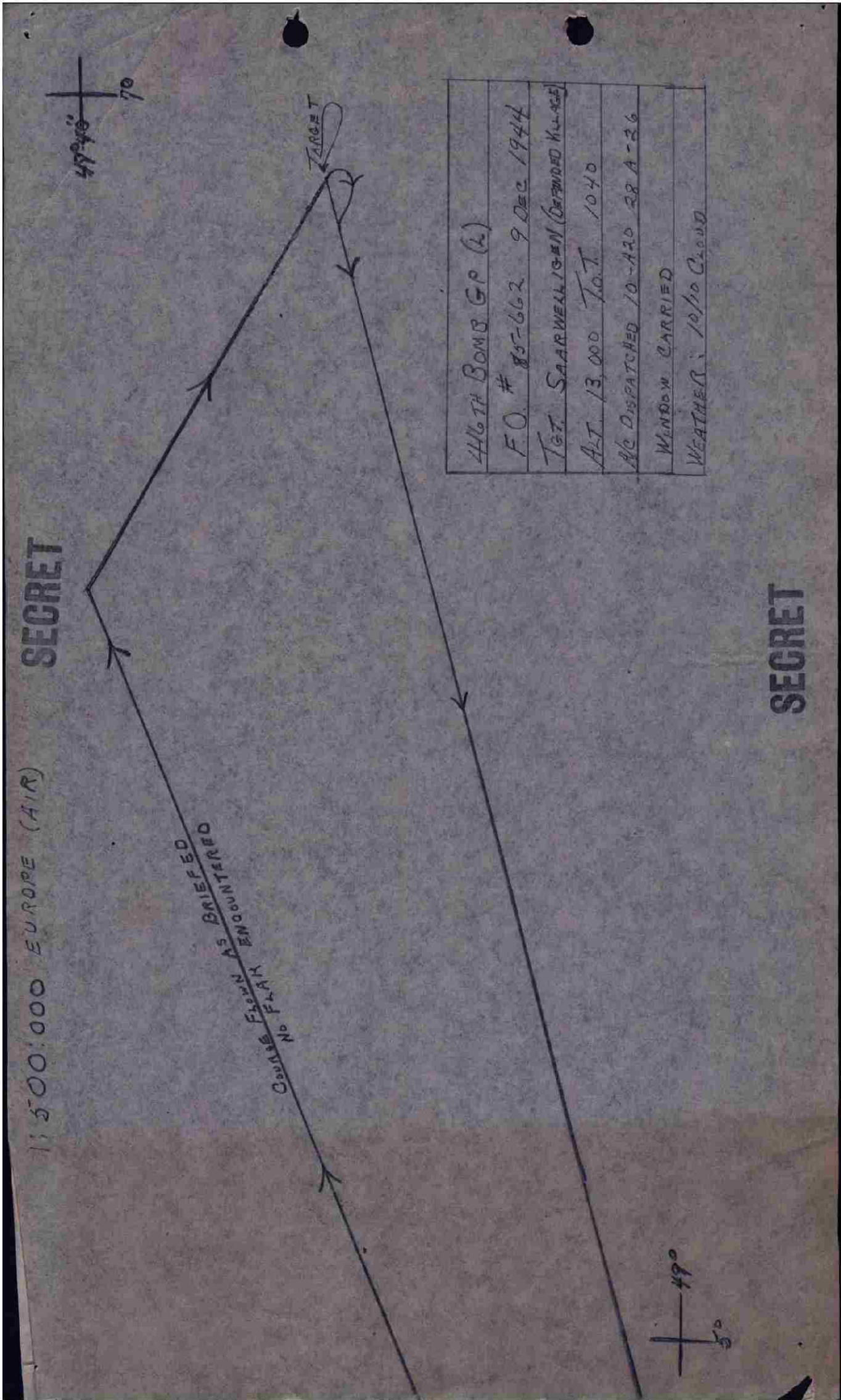
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FLIGHT RECORD





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HEADQUARTERS 416TH BOMB GROUP
Office of the Operations Officer
APO 140, U.S. Army

Date 7 December 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation of Group Box Leaders on PFF Lead.

TO : CO, 1st. Pathfinder Squadron Prov., APO 140, U.S. Army.

DATE OF MISSION 9 Dec 44 PFF PILOT 1st Lt. McAlvin

GROUP BOX LEADER 1st. Col. R.L. Willette.

1. Was PFF lead entirely satisfactory? If not, why not?

Not entirely. Lead aircraft did not hold constant speed on climb.
Was climbing much too slow, and when called by box leader, increased
speed too rapidly.

2. Opinion of evasive action taken. None taken.

3. Comment on PFF Navigation. Satisfactory

4. Suggestions. Lead pilots be briefed to make all changes of airspeed
gradually, and to use caution that airspeed does not drop so low as
to give the formation difficulty.

(OVER)

2ND. BOX

PPF PILOT

None

GP. BOX LEADER

Captain L.A. Harrell

1. Was PPF lead entirely satisfactory? If not, why not? _____

2. Opinion of evasive action taken. _____

3. Comment on PPF Navigation. _____

4. Suggestions. _____

STEWART W. STANLEY, Captain, U.S.
Asst Operations Officer

416th Bomb. Group.

1ST LT JAMES H BOVEN

P-51 A/C # OSP

355 Fighter Sq. 357 Fighter Sq.
 STA. F 122 Stephemorden
 on escort with B-17 formation

~~Ret~~ landed at A-55 due to
 engine trouble. Bad plugs.

~~OSP~~ OSP returned to base after
 { seeing OSP land at 1229

Returned from SELESTAT (27,500
 began cutting out).

up to then no E/A

1400

9 XII 44

SAL

Tp to 9 BC

1410

PILOT Smith A/C# 339 BGR FLIGHT POS 5
CASUALTIES: _____
BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST OT JST RET A A-C E
FLAK: _____

E/A: me

OBSERVATIONS: _____

Shirley

Interrogator

PILOT HAROLD A/C# 1614 BOX WIN FLIGHT WS POS 1
 CASUALTIES: _____
 BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST OT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: hit A-C E
 FLAK: _____

E/A: hit

OBSERVATIONS:

at BL - solid cloud - formation went into cloud. alt sp out. wanted Jack to take over. Couldnt get info on box location. Formation cluttered up in cloud. Solid at 1P.

Made turn at alt. 1P.
 Uncle might have put ship near BL. check formation log for time - DD (1033.)

Sheridan
 Interrogator

CONFIDENTIAL

PILOT MERCHANT A/C# 560-X BOX WIND FLIGHT POS 2

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAK: _____

*ms Fortie
turned back at
Henry*

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: _____

At 1090 still on course

Interrogator

PILOT JACKSON A/C# 444-J BOXWIND FLIGHT POS 3
 CASUALTIES: _____
 BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
 FLAK: _____

*No further
 turned back
 at Henry*

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: _____

*13,000- layu - at 1020 Hrs.
 Weather - leading an Sp out - wanted
 Jack to take formation -
 did not.*

*May not have made run,
 don't know where turn was
 made.*

Interrogator

CONFIDENTIAL

INSTR. FORM

PILOT: Moore A/C# 250 LOK FLIGHT POS POS

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET 6 BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAM: _____

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS:

*Defunct bomb. - with form to IP
when closed separated them into
flights. Returned with 3 other ships.
Air Sp. 'iced up.*

MBS,

PILOT ROBERTSON A/C# 301-0 BOX 1 FLIGHT 3 POS 2
 CASUALTIES: _____
 BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET 500 BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
 FLAK: _____

No flak

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: _____

10/10

Perkin

Interrogator

C O N F I D E N T I A L

INTERP. FORM

PILOT SMITH A/C# 271-R BOX 1 FLIGHT 2 POS 3

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAK: Nil

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: _____

Shaw
Interrogator

None

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PILOT MORTON A/C# 178 BOX 1 FLIGHT 1 POS 2
CASUALTIES: _____
BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: 1 A-C E
FLAK: _____

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: _____

SP. 1033
TGT. 1040 1/2

B. W. Zenger

PILOT JENKINS A/C# 210-J BOX 1 FLIGHT 1 POS 3
CASUALTIES: _____
BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET 300 BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
FLAK: _____

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: _____

No camera

Parker

FLAK:

E/A:

OBSERVATIONS:

Started to ice - 13.500

Lucia
Interrogator

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INTERV. FORM

PILOT MARTIN A/C# 252-D BOX 1 FLIGHT 2 POS 6

CASUALTIES: nil

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
nil

FLAK: _____

nil

E/A: nil

OBSERVATIONS: _____

10/10

Saw Hachley lag and peel off to left at IP.
Nothing appeared wrong with engines.
Did not see Hachley in echelon over field
on return.

Rusia
 Interrogator

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INTELL. FORM

PILOT GREENE A/C# 242-Q BOX 1 FLIGHT 2 POS 4

CASUALTIES: nil

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
nil

FLAK: _____

nil

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: Dropped ~~lower~~ though Peck did not
Dropped because everybody else dropped

#5 (Hachley) lagging. Last seen for sure on
bomb run. On way back 1 A/C lagging but
Hachley not in formation over field.

Ruma

Interrogator

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PILOT STEBBINS A/C# 024-E-1 BOX 1 FLIGHT 3 POS 1

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAK: _____

E/A: 1

OBSERVATIONS: _____

Stebbins

Interrogator

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PILOT WILKES A/C# 106 BOX 1 FLIGHT 1 POS 1

CASUALTIES: nil

BOMB DISPOSITION: (3) (1) BATTLE DAMAGE: nil

FLAK: nil

nil ? Check because
1 indicator light
still on

E/A: nil

OBSERVATIONS: Dont know who else dropped.

10/10 from Chalons - Snowstorm.
GEE^{tot} OUT

TOT 1040^{hr}
alt 13800
circlis 140° Mag.

Course as briefed

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5/5

Luxia

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PILOT VAN ROPE A/C# 233-F BOX FLIGHT 3 POS 5
CASUALTIES:
BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET LET (6) BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
FLAK:

Heads didn't drop.

E/A:

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10

Ruvia

Interpreter

CONFIDENTIAL

PILOT VANMETER A/C# 296-D-1 BOX 1 FLIGHT 3 POS 6

CASUALTIES: nil

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET 6 BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E nil

FLAK: Reader didn't drop
£

E/A: nil

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10

Interrogator

PILOT NAPIER A/C# 292-H BOX 1 FLIGHT 3 POS 4
 CASUALTIES: _____
 BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
 FLAK: nil -

E/A: nil -

OBSERVATIONS:

Turned back when formation
went into overcast -
Did not bomb -

L. S. Rogers
 Interrogator

CONFIDENTIAL

PILOT PECK A/C# 076-9 BOX 1 LIGHT 2 POS 1

CASUALTIES: X

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET 4 BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAK: X

E/A: X

OBSERVATIONS: X

B. W. Zeezin
Interrogator

CONFIDENTIAL

PILOT HACKLEY A/C# 244-I BOX 1 FLIGHT 2 POS 5

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST OT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAK: _____

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: _____

Handwritten notes:
- *See on Bombing*
- *Amman Test box*
- *Box 1 not used here*
- *Handled at A50*

Interrogator

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

BOMB DISPOSITION: 6 0 0 0 0 BATTLE DAMAGE: WIP.

FLAK: _____

Wie

E/A: _____

10. OBSERVATIONS:

Shushin
Interrogator

PILOT Tolson A/C# 15A BOX 2 FLIGHT 1 POS 4
CASUALTIES: nil
BOMB DISPOSITION: (PT) ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
FLAK: nil

E/A: nil

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10

Rusia
Interrogator

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PILOT Bombardier A/C# 324 BOX 2 LIGHT 1 POS 3

CASUALTIES: nil

BOMB DISPOSITION: I PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: nil

FLAK: nil

E/A: nil

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10

Licoria
Interrogator

CONFIDENTIAL

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PILOT Mazalt A/C# 185 BOX 2 FLIGHT 1 POS 1

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET 500 BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAK: None

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10

TOT 1041

No camera

Perkins
Interrogator

CONFIDENTIAL

PILOT Mr. [unclear] A/C# 290 BOX 2 FLIGHT 2 POS 3

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET 370 BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAK: No flak

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10

No camera

[Signature]
Interpreter

FLAK:

Interrogator

CONFIDENTIAL

INVEST. FORM

PILOT Talman A/C# 307 BOX 2 FLIGHT 2 POS 4

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: BT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAK: _____

nil

E/A: _____

nil

OBSERVATIONS: _____

Slinder
Interrogator

CONFIDENTIAL

PILOT Anderson A/C# 081 BCX 1 FLIGHT 1 POS 2

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAX: _____

Nil

E/A: Nil

OBSERVATIONS: _____

Shicker

Interrogator

PILOT Evans A/C# 302 BOX 2 FLIGHT 2 POS 4
CASUALTIES: _____
BOMB DISPOSITION: 6 BT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
FLAK: Nil

E/A: Nil

OBSERVATIONS: _____

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Guide
Interrogator

E/A:

OBSERVATIONS:

Shelton

FLAK:

OBSERVATIONS:

Interrogator

CONFIDENTIAL

REF. FORM

PILOT Leonard A/C# 217 BOX 2 FLIGHT 2 POS 2

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CF JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAK: X

E/A: X

OBSERVATIONS: X

E. W. Zeigler
Inspector

CONFIDENTIAL

PILOT MAS CONANT A/C# 102 BOX 2 FLIGHT 3 POS 1

CASUALTIES: nil

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST GT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
nil

FLAK: nil

E/A: nil

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10

[Signature]

CONFIDENTIAL

PILOT Stanley A/C# 173 BOX 2 FLIGHT 2 POS 1

CASUALTIES: _____

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E

FLAK: _____

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS: _____

T.O.T.

1042

None

Shindan
Interrogator

PILOT A/C# BOX FLIGHT POS
CASUALTIES:
BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET A A-C E
FLAK:

E/A:

OBSERVATIONS:

MAZ
Interrogator

PILOT Moore, J. A/C# 237 BOX 5 FLIGHT 1 POS 6
 CASUALTIES: _____
 BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET RET 6 BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E
 FLAK: _____

E/A: _____

OBSERVATIONS:

lost form in cloud abt 1 P
 would have or left out. Came
 home with Capt. Moore.

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 Interrogator

PILOT Tutt A/C# 209 BOX 2 LIGHT 1 POS 5

CASUALTIES: nil

BOMB DISPOSITION: PT ST CT JET ~~JET~~ BATTLE DAMAGE: A A-C E nil

FLAK: Radar didn't drop

nil

E/A: nil

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10

Luia
Interrogator

Box #	OpsFl	Date	F/O	Target	Alt.	Box Leader	T/O	15 min.
I		9 Dec 44	85	Swearington (Defended Village)			TOT	
			662				L/D	
A/C	Fail to Bomb	ATT	Bomb Disp	A/C Dam	E/A	Pers.		
Pos No.	Reason	F S O	F S J F R	M D A A C B E D P D K V M				
1 106		4	4					WILKETS 106E
2 178		4	4					JOHNEN MORETON 210-J 178A
3 210		6	6					PECK 076-Q
1 076		0	0	4				SMITH TRIPP 271-A 241-F
2 241		6	6					
3 271		6	6					
4 242		6	6					
5 244								
6 252		6	6					STEBBINS 024-E1
1 034		4	4					GREENE 242-0
2 301		6	6					DUBOSE ROBERTSON MARTIN HACKLEY 300-0 301-0 252-0 244-T
3 300		6	6	6				
4 292		0	0	6				HAPIER 292-H
5 233				6				
6 296				6				
614	WINDOWS							WILKETS 296
060	"							JOHNEN MORETON 210-J 178A
444	"							PECK 076-Q
284								SMITH TRIPP 271-A 241-F
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TOTALS FOR MISSION

B.

(2) No. a/c off by type: _____

A-20G's _____

A-20J's (obtained from Opns) _____

(3) No. of a/c failing to bomb _____ explain each failure.

Recall due to weather _____

Personnel _____

Mechanical _____

Other Reasons _____

(4) No. a/c bombing. _____

Primary. _____

Secondary. _____

Other. _____

(Obtained from recaps.)

C.

(1) Time up _____

T.O.T. _____

(Obtained from Tower).

Time Down _____

D.

(1) No. a/c _____

Missing _____

Destroyed _____

Damaged _____

(cat. B/C)

Damaged _____

(cat. A)

(3) No. Crew _____ Killed _____ Wounded _____ Missing _____

(Obtained from Recaps).

E. Results of Bombing. (Obtained from Group Bombardier).

	No.	Type	
I. Bombs on Primary	_____	X	_____
Bombs on Secondary	_____	X	_____
Bombs on Other	_____	X	_____
Bombs Returned	_____	X	_____
Bombs Jettisoned	_____	X	_____
(Obtained from Recaps)			Where _____

(The NCO in charge should fill this out immediately finishing taking the recaps and hand to the Officer making up the Ops Report).

Box #	CpsFl	Date	F/O	Target	Alt.	Box Leader
IV						
A/C	Fall to Bomb	ATT	Bomb Disp	A/C Dam	E/A	Pers.
Fos No.	Reason	F S O	F S J T R	D A A C B E D F D K W M		
185		4	4			
081		4				
326		6	6			
284		6	6			
209		0	0	6		
237		0	0	6		
173			3	1		
214			6			
290		6	6			
302		6	6			
269		6	6			
219		6	6			
212			6			
217			6			
315			6			
307			6			
227		1	6			
223		6	6			
250						

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307 - 302

212 - 212

237 - 237

219 - 219

217 - 217

315 - 315

227 - 227

223 - 223

250 - 250

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TOTALS FOR MISSION

B.

- (2) No. a/c off by type: _____
 A-20G's _____ A-20J's (obtained from Opns) _____
- (3) No. of a/c failing to bomb _____ explain each failure.
 Recall due to weather _____
 Personnel _____
 Mechanical _____
 Other Reasons _____
- (4) No. a/c bombing. _____
 Primary. _____
 Secondary. _____
 Other. _____
 (Obtained from recaps.) _____

C.

- (1) Time up _____
 T.O.T. _____ (Obtained from Tower).
 Time Down _____

D.

- (1) No. a/c _____
 Missing _____
 Destroyed _____
 Damaged _____ (cat. B/C)
 Damaged _____ (cat. A)
- (3) No. Crew _____ Killed _____ Wounded _____ Missing _____
 (Obtained from Recaps).

E. Results of Bombing. (Obtained from Group Bombardier).

	No.	Type
I. Bombs on Primary	X	
Bombs on Secondary	X	
Bombs on Other	X	
Bombs Returned	X	
Bombs Jettished	X	
(Obtained from Recaps)		Where _____

(The NCO in charge should fill this out immediately finishing taking the recaps and hand to the Officer making up the Ops Report).

JEA ITA V JKI JKI 03/09 OP-OP
T - ITA PASS TO JJF

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 09/1350A
TO CG, 9TH BOMB DIV. ATTN: A-2.
CG, 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2
1ST PATHFINDER PROV. SQ.
CONFIDENTIAL BT

416TH BG D-132-D

OPSFLASH FOR 10 DECEMBER 1944.

P.R.C.

- A. 416TH BG
- B. SAARWELLINGEN
- C. 10 A-20'S AND 28 A-26'S
- D. 27 A/C ATTACKED PRIMARY. THIS OPFLASH DOES NOT COVER PFF A/C
- E. 7 A/C FAILED TO BOMB DUE TO WEATHER. LOST FORMATION IN OVERCAST.
3 A/C CARRIED WINDOW ONLY
BOMBS OF 1 A/C UNACCOUNTED FOR.
- F. 149 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY
41 X 500 GP RETURNED
- G. UNOBSERVED. BOMBING WAS BY PFF TECHNIQUE.
- H. 1 A/C (NR. 242-Q) UNACCOUNTED FOR. THIS A/C LAST SEEN LAGGING
FORMATION ON BOMB RUN. NO APPARENT ENGINE TROUBLE.
- I. 2 CREW MEMBERS UNACCOUNTED FOR.
- J. NIL
- K. NIL
- L. 13,800
- M. 1040

AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416

09/1350A
AR. BBBB TO ITA

R.....09/1412A LCB KK
R.....09/1412A AT KKKK

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USAAF FORM 34A

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AUTH: CO STA 2-55

DATE:

INIT:

HEADQUARTERS
416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

TO:

From: 416th Bombardment Group (L), APO 140, U.S. Army.

Ref: Oprep A No. 250 for 24 hrs. ending midnight 2 December 1944
Mission or Operation No. 148 97th CGR FO 2 85-652

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target Marcellingen (Defended Village)
Place of take-off Station A-33
Place of landing Station A-33
Take-off time 0912 Landing time 1245
Time over target 1040 Bombing altitude 15,000
Nature of mission Bombing Other None
Weather 10/10's over target area.
Results Observed
Enemy opposition None

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched A-20's and B's - 9
A-20's - 8
2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission.
A-20's and B's - 9 Marcellingen, Defended Village
A-20's - 8 Marcellingen, Defended Village
3. Abortive due to:
 - (1) Weather: 6 - A-20's - 3 - A-20's
 - (2) Personnel: None
 - (3) Mechanical: None
 - (4) Other: None
4. Missing (i.e. cause and place unknown) None
5. Destroyed - before reaching target None
giving cause where known
6. Destroyed - over or after leaving None
target giving cause where known
7. Damaged (give category & cause) None
8. Sorties A-20's and B's - 6
A-20's - 5

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D. Total operational flying hours

a. Day (Sunrise to sunset)

A-20's and F's 19:00
A-26's 23:15

b. Night (Sunset to sunrise)

None

E. Ammunition by calibre:

a. Total carried into air

A-20's and F's 13,300 x .50 Caliber
A-26's 43,800 x .50 Caliber

b. Expended on operations

None

c. Lost on wrecked or missing a/c

F. Bombs, flares, etc. used:

a. Total carried into air:

A-20's and F's - 20 x 500 lb's Fused 1/100 1/40
A-26's 170 x 500 lb's Fused 1/10 1/40

b. Expended on operations:

A-20's and F's - 20 x 500 lb's

(List targets separately)

A-26's 120 x 500 lb's

c. Jettisoned

None

d. Lost or wrecked on
missing a/c

None

e. Total Returned

A-20's and F's - 2
A-26's - 12

G. Own Personnel Casualties:

Type of Casualty	Pilot	Co-pilot	Nav	Bomb	R.Gun	E.Gun	T.Gun
Killed in Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing in Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seriously Wounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slightly Wounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

H. Enemy aircraft by type or description (tentative claims):-

a. Destroyed

None

b. Prob. Des

None

c. Damaged

None

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHENKELIN,
Capt in, Air Corps.
Adjutant.

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FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ 091500A
 TO CG NINTH BOMB DIV
 CG 97TH BOMB WING
 CG 98TH BOMB WING
 CG 99TH BOMB WING
 CO EWWND BOMB GP
 CO 323RD BOMB GP
 CO 344TH BOMB GP
 CO 386TH BOMB GP
 387TH BOMB GP
 CO 391ST BOMB GP
 CO 394TH BOMB GP
 CO 397TH BOMB GP
 CO 410TH BOMB GP
 CO 416TH BOMB GP

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

1ST PATHFINDER SQ D0102D OPSFLASH REPORT

A. THREE EIGHT SIX
 B. BAUMHOLDER BARRACKS AREA
 C. 2 B 26
 D. NIL
 E. 2 B26 EATHER
 F. 8 X 500 RETURNED
 G. NONE
 H. NONE
 I. NONE
 J. NONE
 K. NONE
 L. NONE
 M. 1130 21 MILES NORTH ST VITH
 COMMENT: LATE ON RUN DUE TO DETOUR AROUND WEATHER

A. THREE TWO THREE
 B. AULENBACH
 C. 2 B 26
 D. 1 B 26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
 E. 1 B 26 EQUIPMENT FAILURE
 F. 4 X 500 PRIMARY 4 X 500 RETURNED
 G. UNOBSERVED
 H. NONE
 I. NONE
 J. NONE
 K. NONE
 L. 14,400 AND 13,120
 M. 1107 AND 1120

COMMENT BOX ONE PFF DROPPED ON EQUIPMENT, BUT DID NOT OBSERVE
 GROUP TO DROP. BOX TWO PFF WAS KEYED OFF, AND THOUGH
 FOLLOWING BOX ONE COULD NOT SEE THEIR DROP AND THUS
 WITHHELD THEIR ATTACK. GROUP SHIPS OF THIS BOX ALSO
 FAILED TO DROP. WINDOW SHIPS APPROX 500-700 FT ABOVE
 AND BEHIND PFF A/C

A. FOUR TENTH
 B. SAARWELLINGEN DEF VIL
 C. ONE B 26
 D. NONE
 E. ONE B 26 EQUIPMENT AND WEATHER
 F. 4 X 500 RETURNED
 G. NONE
 H. NONE
 I. NONE
 J. NONE
 K. NONE
 L. 11/500
 M. 1027

OBSERVATIONS: TWO WING BOMBS REPUTED DROPPED IN FRIENDLY
 TERRITORY FCOM HIGH FLIGHT, 2ND BOX

- A. THREE FOUR FOUR
- B. BAUMHOLDER BARRACKS AREA
- C. ONE B 26
- D. ONE B 26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 ON PRIMARY
- G. UNOB
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 12, 500
- M. 1121

COMMENT: GROUP DID A GOOD JOB OF FORMATION THROUGH CLOUD-FOLLOWING ERRATIC COURSE AND AIRSPEED WHICH WAS NECESSARY DUE TO WEATHER. GROUP REL ONE BOMB WHEN BOMBAY DOORS OPENED OVER MERZIG

- A. THREE NONE SEVEN
- B. LOSHEIM DEF VIL
- C. ONE B 26
- D. ONE B 26 PRIMARY ON EQUIP
- E. NONE
- K. 4 X 500 ON PRIMARY
- G. UNOB
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 14, 500
- M. 0957

COMMENT GOOD GROUP FORMATION TIGHT FORMATION AT BOMBS AWAY

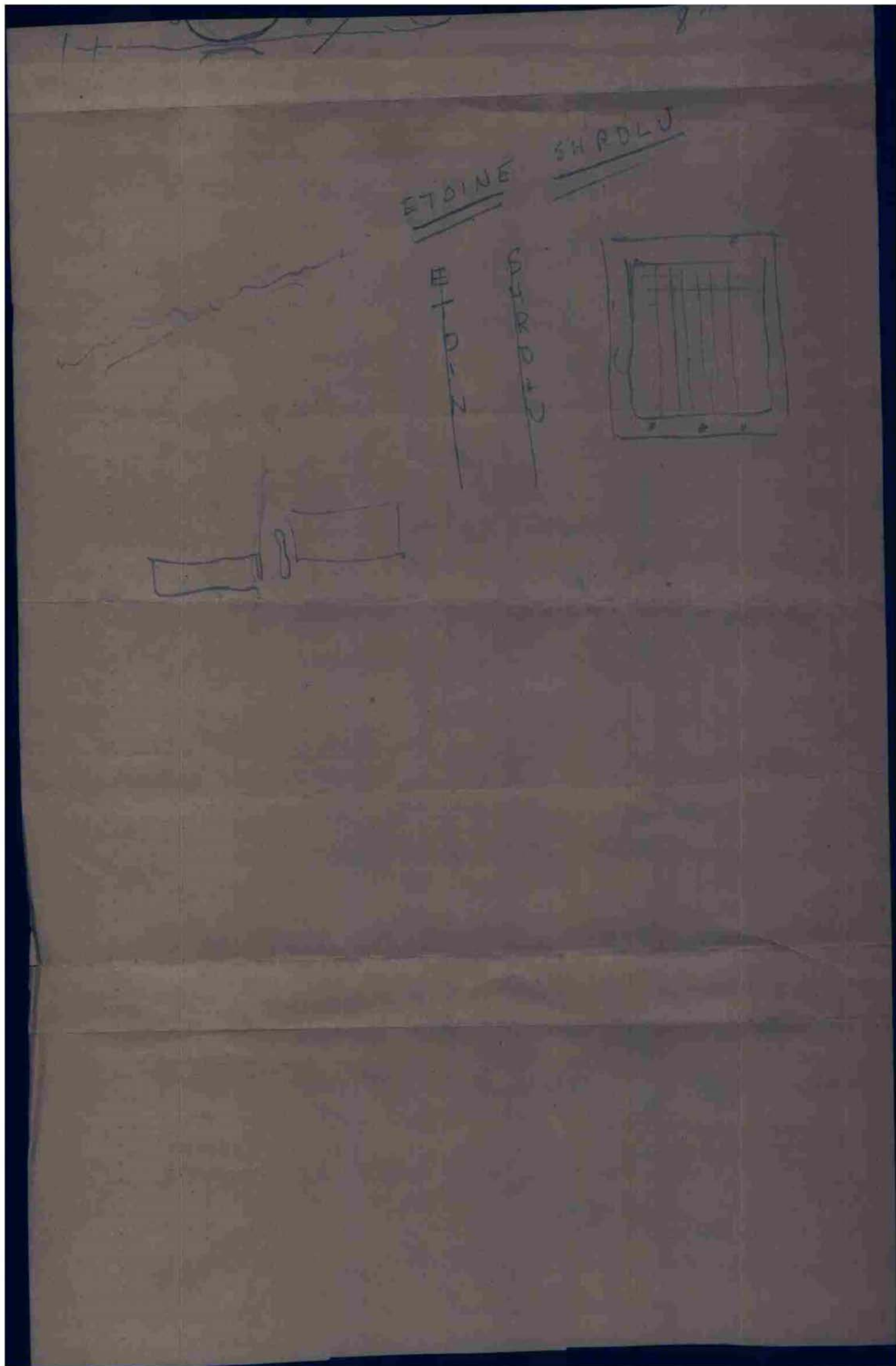
- A. FOUR SIXTEEN
- B. SAARWELLINGEN DEF VIL
- C. ONE B 26
- D. ONE B 26 PRIMARY ON EQUIP
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 ON PRIMARY
- G. UNOB
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 13, 910
- M. 1040

COMMENT GROUP DID GOOD JOB FORMING

- A. THREE TWO SECOND
- B. SAARWELLINGEN DEF VIL
- C. ONE B 26
- D. NONE
- E. ONE B 26 EX WEATHER
- F. 4 X 500 RETURNED
- G. NONE
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. NONE
- M. TURNED BACK AT 1026 30 MILES SHORT OF BOMB LINE

- A. THREE NINE FOUR
- B. OBERTHAT DEF VIL
- C. ONE B 26
- D. ONE B 26 PRIMARY ONE EQUIP
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 PRIMARY
- G. UNOB
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 13, 500
- M. 1005

COMMENT BOMBED WITH ONLY TEN A/C



A. THREE EIGHT SEVEN
 B. LE BAC DEF VIL
 C. ONE B 26
 D. ONE B 26 PRIMARY ON EQUIP
 E. NONE
 F. 4 X 500 ON PRIMAGY
 G. UNOB
 H. NONE
 I. NONE
 J. WEAK INACC HFF MERZIG AREA
 K. NONE
 L. WNW 12,900
 M. 1019

COMMENT: GROUP DID VERY WELL TO STAY ALONG WITH PFF DISPIE BAD WEATHER CONDITIONS

A. THREE NINE ONE
 B. BAUMHOLDER BARRACKS AREA
 C. ONE B 26
 D. ONE B 26 PRIMARY ON EQUIP
 E. NONE
 F. 4 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY
 G. UNOB
 H. NONE
 I. NONE
 J. NONE
 K. NONE
 L. 13,700
 M. 1130

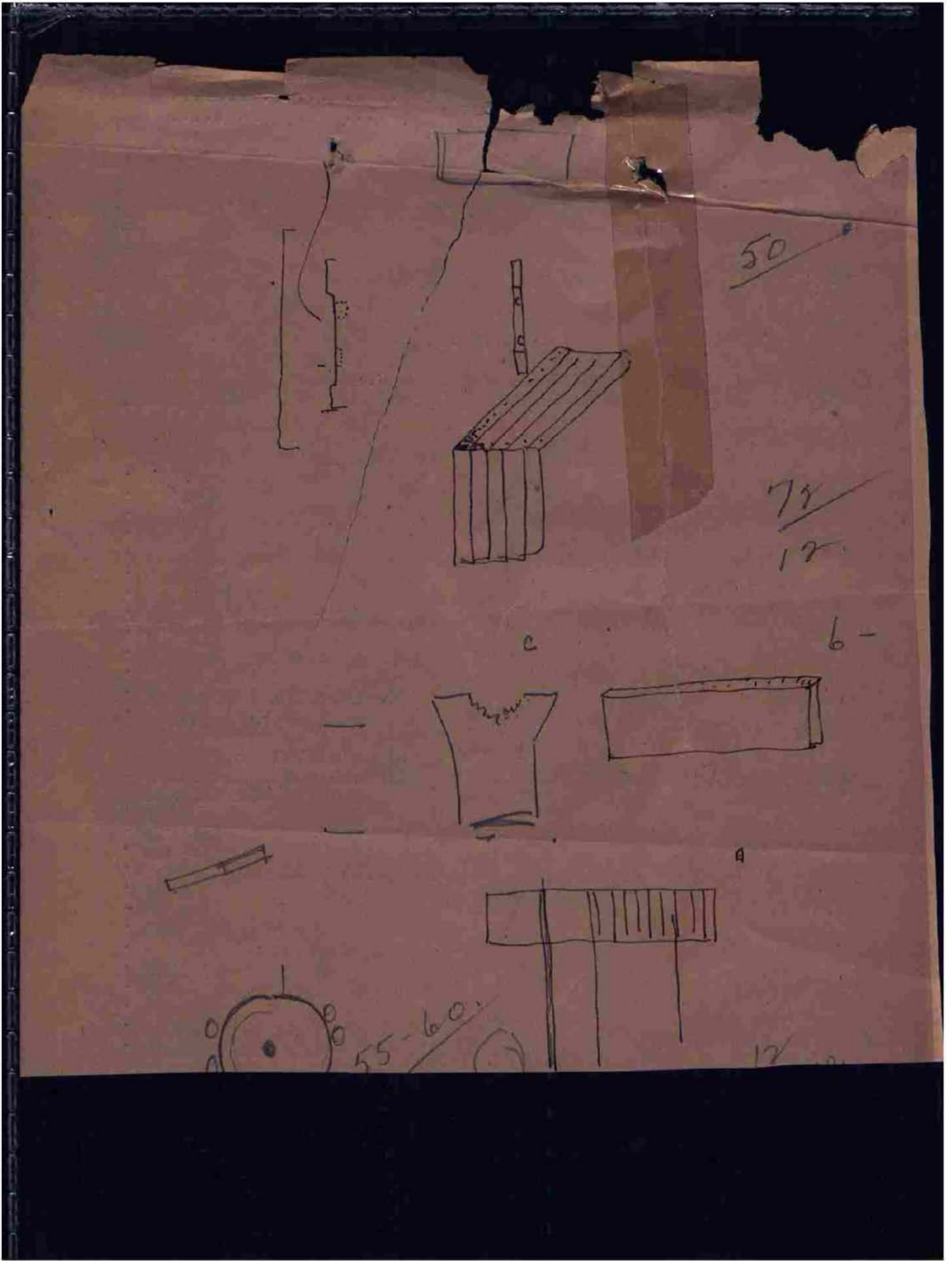
COMMENTS: WEATHER VERY BAD. GROUP DESERVES COMMENDATION FOR FOLLOWING

GENERAL COMMENTS: PFF SHIPS CAN ASSURE CLOSER ADHERENCE TO BRIEFED TOT'S IF GROUPS WILL MAKE SURE TO GIVE OVER LEAD IN AMPLE TIME FOR PFK SHIPS TO KILL OR MAKE UP TIME AS DICTATED BY CONDITIONS EXTANT.

CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ

BT 1500/09
 AS
 CC 1ST PARAGRAPH E. 2 B 26 WEATHER
 AL AR
 AS
 SS (RELAY)
 JKI R.....09:23:00 09/1805A
 JPO R.....09/1805A

WJF B
 KKK B
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 03/2200A
TO COMBOMDIV NINE
416TH BOMB GROUP
416TH BOMB GROUP
OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT

ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER

ADVANCED INFORMATION COPY OF SIGNALS OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 416TH BOMB GROUP: (PLAN "A" AND "B")
(2) MANGO
(3) BULLSEYE
(4) ROSELEE

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP: (PLAN "A")
(2) BESTMAN
(3) JUDITH
(4) RIPSAN

X. GENERAL INFORMATION:

(11) BOX LEADERS WILL REPORT TO F.G.C. 2 MINUTES PRIOR TO I.P.

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BT 03/2200A

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OIJKI R.....03/2214A UJF AR
OIJPO R.....03/2214A DVB AR