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BOX I
FLIGHT I

499 C
LT COL D L WILLETTS
LT P G ROYALTY
LT R C MUIR
SGT J W ROSE

4. 315 B
LT A RZMISZEWSKI
S/S F DIORIO

2. 400 X
CAPT R E GREENLEY
LT R J BARNETT
S/S J H BIGNES

5. 326 W
LT W H AMES
S/S C F HUBB

3. 239 N
LT F W HENDERSON
S/S G THOMPSON

6. 232 F
P/O H J WILSON
SGT V S STYFENSKI

FLIGHT II

1. 505 Z
MAJOR R F PRICE
LT W FORNA
LT R W HARVEST
S/S O KEVIN

4. 535 W
LT J W WRIGHT
S/S P J PROFITA

2. 978 O
LT W W ANNIN
SGT J C PATTER

5. 905 U
LT R H LONG
SGT G J MCCARHY

3. 391 O
LT R A HESSELL
SGT J L SPENCE

6. 989 X
LT J W BIRVING
S/S H I GOOCH

FLIGHT III

1. 503 X
LT R J HOCKEY
LT R L KIRK
S/S S P CAMPBELL

4. 9315 F
LT T S MERRITT
S/S R J GATTE

2. 321 V
LT S H SHELLEY
SGT F M TRAPP

5. 337 O
LT J A COCKE
S/S W S JACKSON

3. 215 R
LT J H WARREN
S/S S M TURPIN

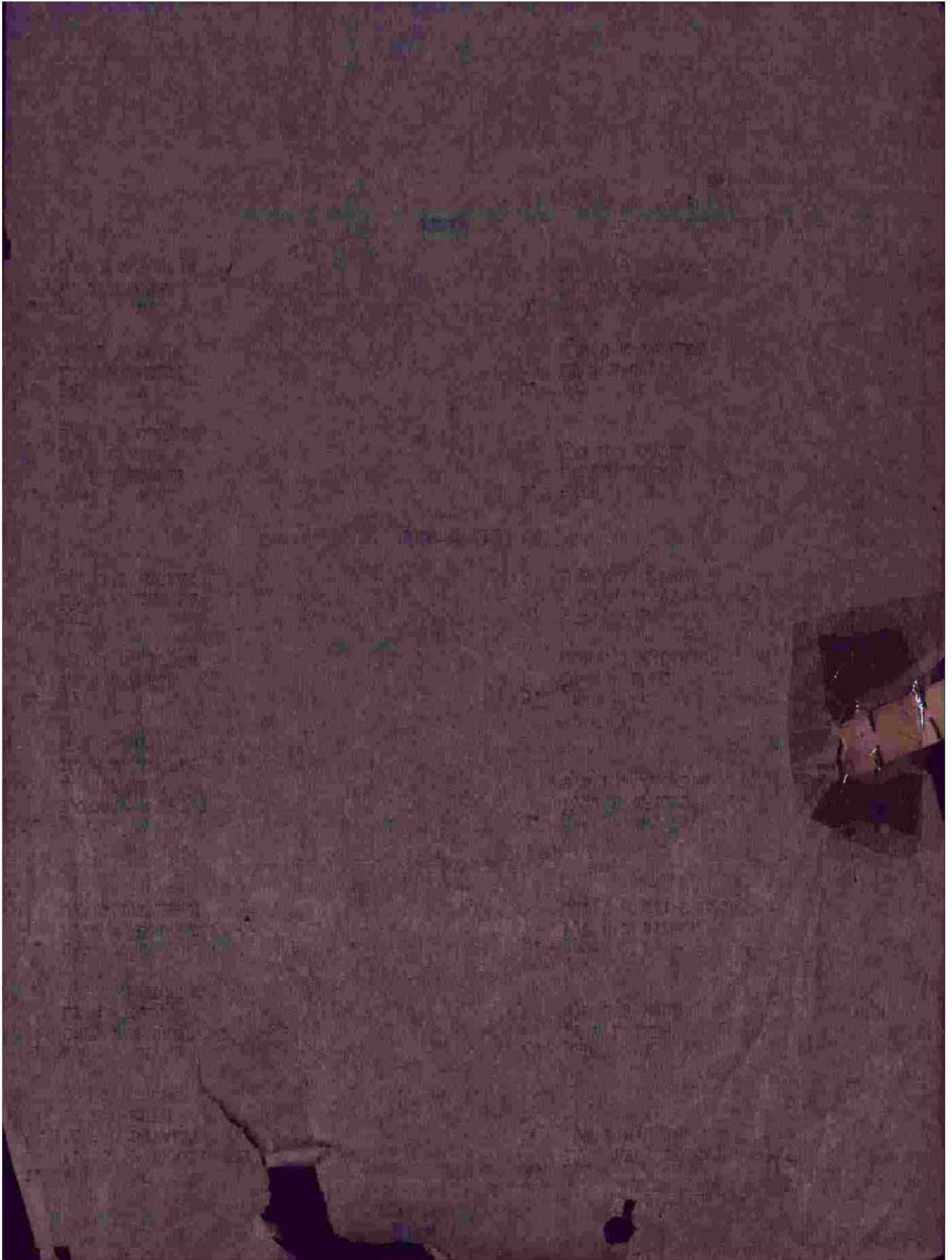
6. 307 N
LT R S POWERS
SGT C B HONEY

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MISSION NO. 200
BOX I
8 February 1945



MISSION NO. 200

LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

8 FEBRUARY 1945

43-22
1. 498 R
CAPT H F PAIR
LT J L COHUM
S/S R W CHEUVRONT

43-22
2. 523 N
CAPT D F SHEA
LT O R KOCH
S/S F R URBANCIC

43-22
3. 356 C
LT H M VAN NOORDEN
S/S R I STEFFEY

43-22
1. 492 E
CAPT D A HULSE
LT R CONTE
S/S W W DONNELLY
LT. A. E. EDMAN

43-22
2. 292 H
LT J A WILLARD
SGT C V HINKER

43-22
3. 306 X
LT E C MARTIN
LT J W BRITT
SGT L B DRAFT

43-22
1. 521 N
LT COL J G NAPIER
LT D L MOORE
LT H J McQUADE
S/S R W CARSTENS

43-22
2. 244 I
LT R W VAN ROBE
SGT W H MENGHAM

43-22
3. 229 B
LT C N ANDERSON
SGT J H DEATHERAGE

41-39
4. 208 L
LT J C GARY
PVT A E SCHOEM

43-22
5. 352 J
LT J W WRIGHT
SGT V F GROSS

41-39
6. 249 F
LT J B COCKE
SGT R D REDDING

FLIGHT II

43-22
4. 381 Q
CAPT R L BEHLER
S/S W S McGAUGHY

43-22
5. 344 C
LT C E WEINERT
SGT R DUBI

43-22
6. ~~LT R K JOHNSON~~
SGT H E BRANDT

FLIGHT III

43-22
4. 330 P
LT J F SMITH
S/S G E REITER

41-39
5. 222 S
LT C H STEED, JR.
SGT C E TRANCHINA

41-39
6. 205 M
LT E R HAYTER
S/S R P BASFORD

EXTRA FLIGHT

43-22
1. 505 Y
LT C S STANLEY
F/O J H BLOUNT
SGT J C EDENBURN

41-39
2. 188 R
LT G J PARKHURST
SGT F NEWMAN

43-22
3. 321 V
LT J K COLQUITT
S/S C M MOHR

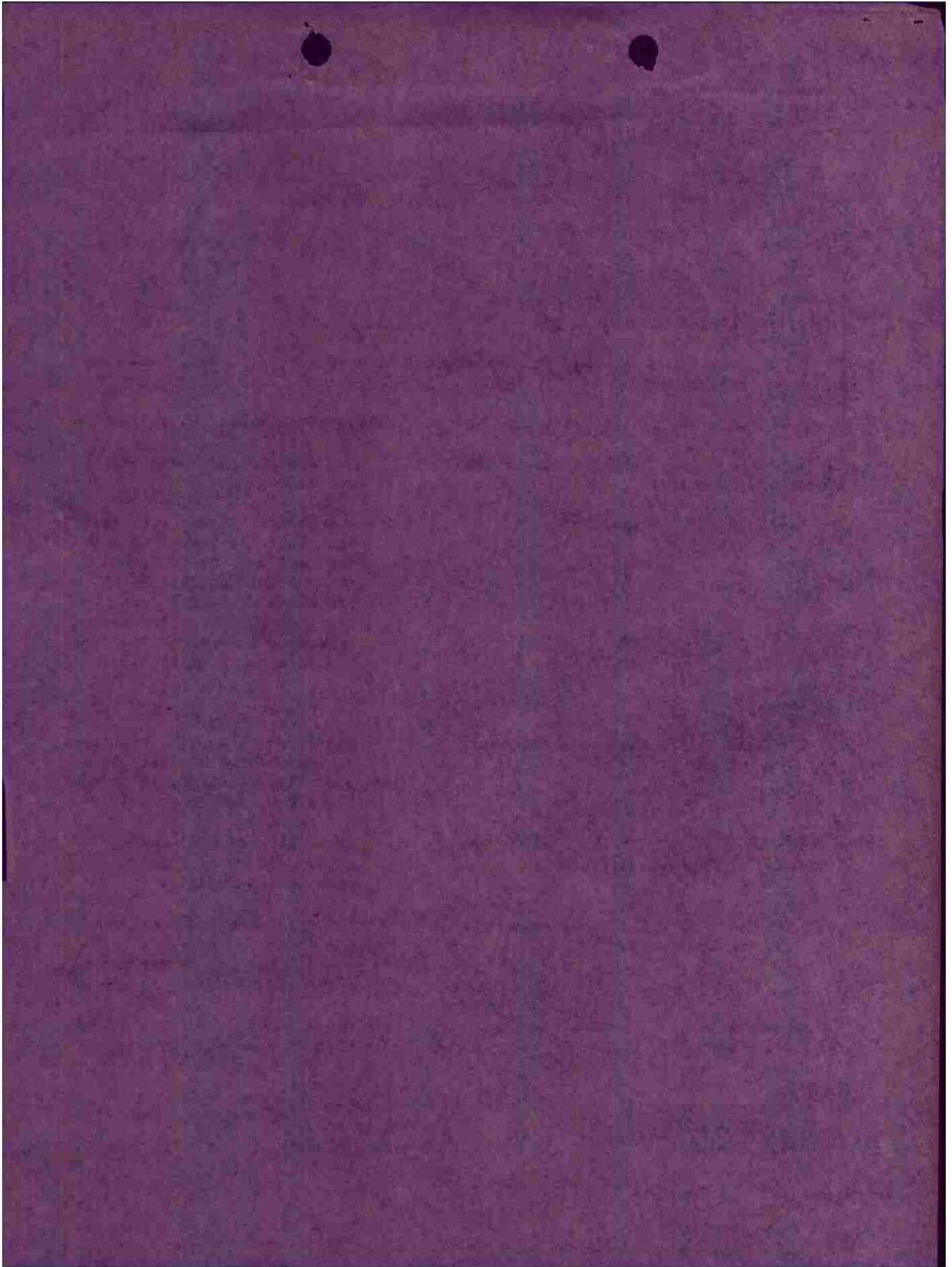
41-39
4. 213 A
LT T D MCCREARY
S/S W E LEMMONS

41-39
5. 274 S
LT E B DRUM
SGT J R SCHWARTZKOPF

41-39
6. 223 B
LT L J PRUCHA
S/S S L REBELLI

SPARE
300 K
LT. W. R. JOHNSON
SGT. E. M. HALLIS

*Original aircraft
not used from
previous aircraft
due to damage
to fuselage*



VI. Cont'd

5 - 3:10 - 650
 6 - 3:10 - 650
 7 - 3:05 - 600
 8 - 3:05 - 700
 9 - 3:05 - 625
 10 - 3:05 - 925
 11 - 3:00 - 640
 12 - 3:05 - 660
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 14 - 3:10 - 575
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 16 - 3:10 - 675
 17 - 3:10 - 725
 18 - 3:20 - 700

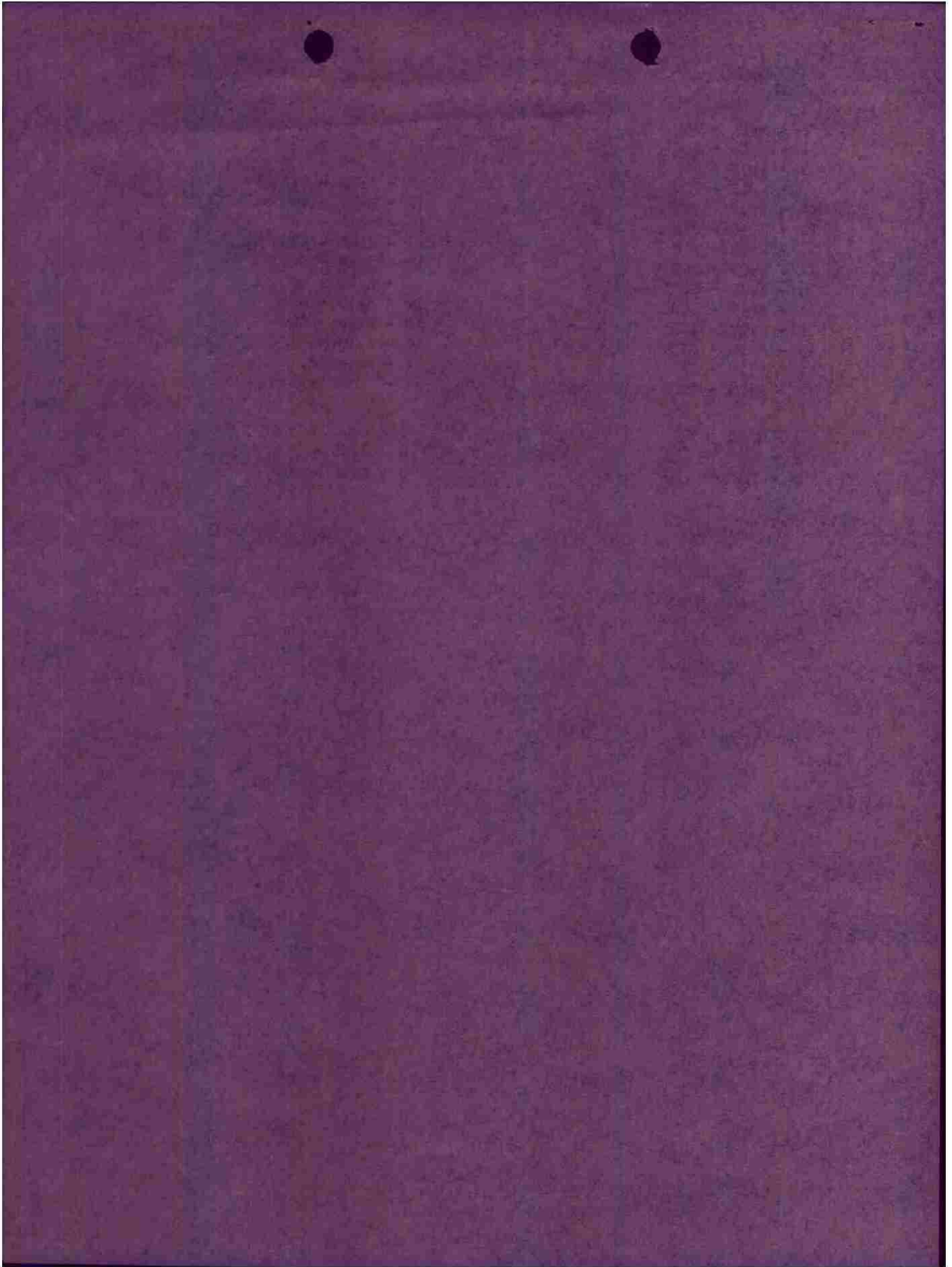
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 6 - 3:20 - 750
 7 - 3:00 - 550
 8 - 3:00 - 445
 9 - 3:00 - 540
 10 - 3:00 - 580
 11 - 3:00 - 420
 12 - 2:55 - 660
 13 - 3:10 - 560
 14 - 3:10 - 595
 15 - 2:55 - 600
 16 - 3:10 - 575
 17 - Crashed.
 18 - Not airborne.

1 - 3:05 - 600
 2 - 3:05 - 650
 3 - 3:05 - 725

4 - 3:05 - 700
 5 - 3:05 - 600
 9 - 3:05 - 725

VII. None.

WILBROCK R. AYLESWORTH,
 Colonel, Air Corps,
 Commanding.



POST MISSION REPORTMISSION NO. 200DATE 8 Feb. 19451. NUMBER OF MEN WOUNDED: None

2. BOMBING MALFUNCTIONS:

Winn - no bombs dropped.
 Van Pelt - no bombs dropped.
 1 Van Pelt - one bomb returned

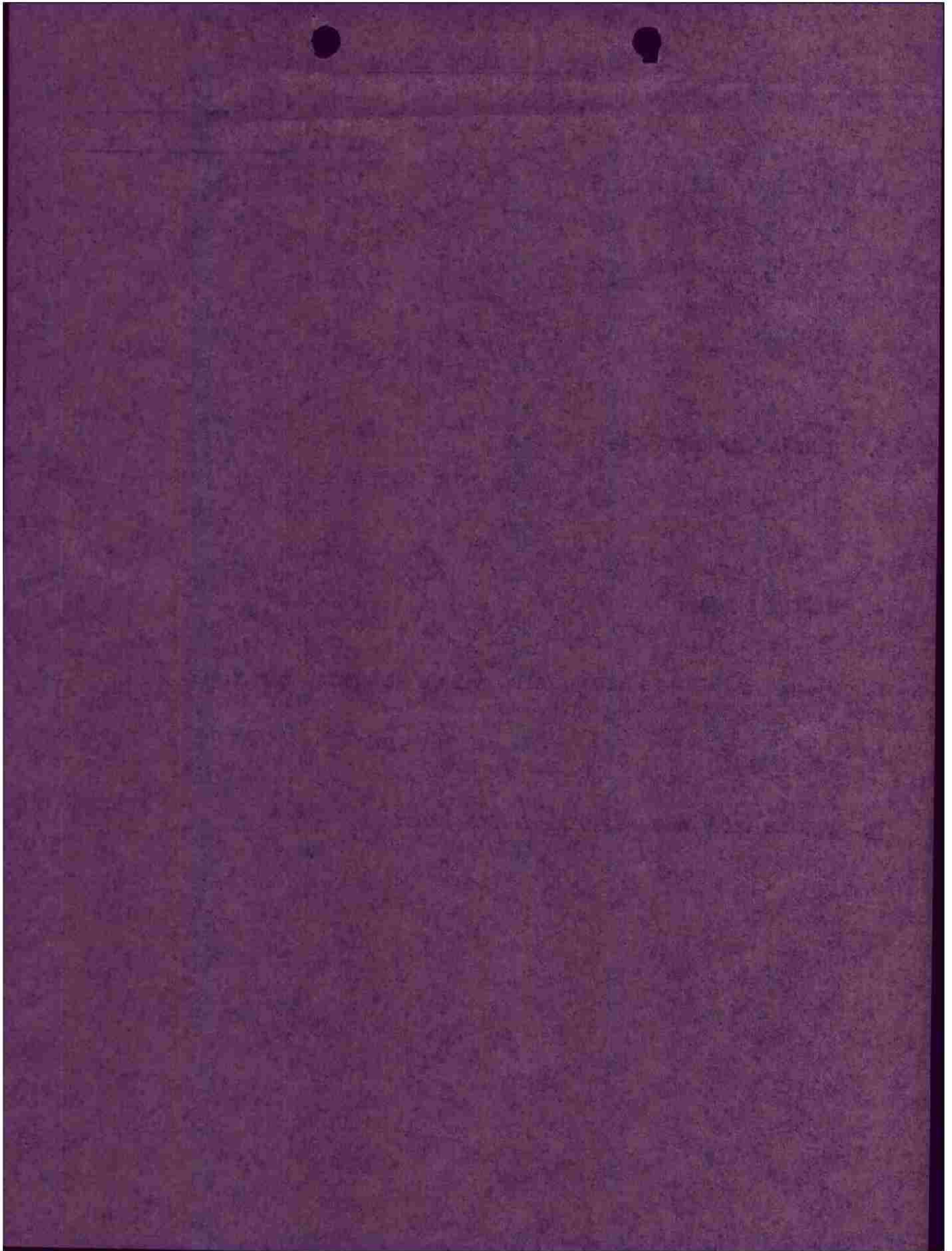
3. CAMERA MALFUNCTIONS: None4. BATTLE DAMAGE: None

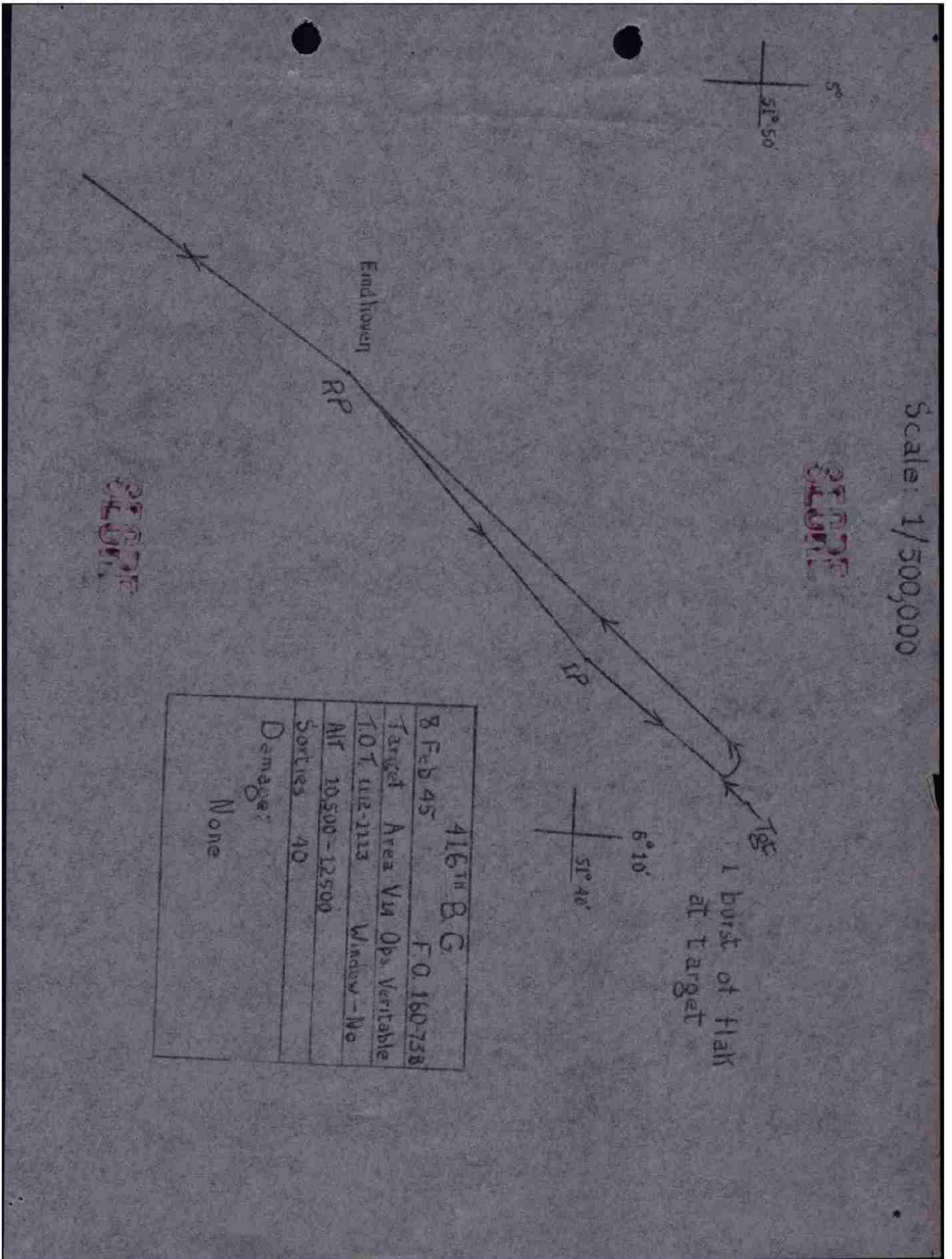
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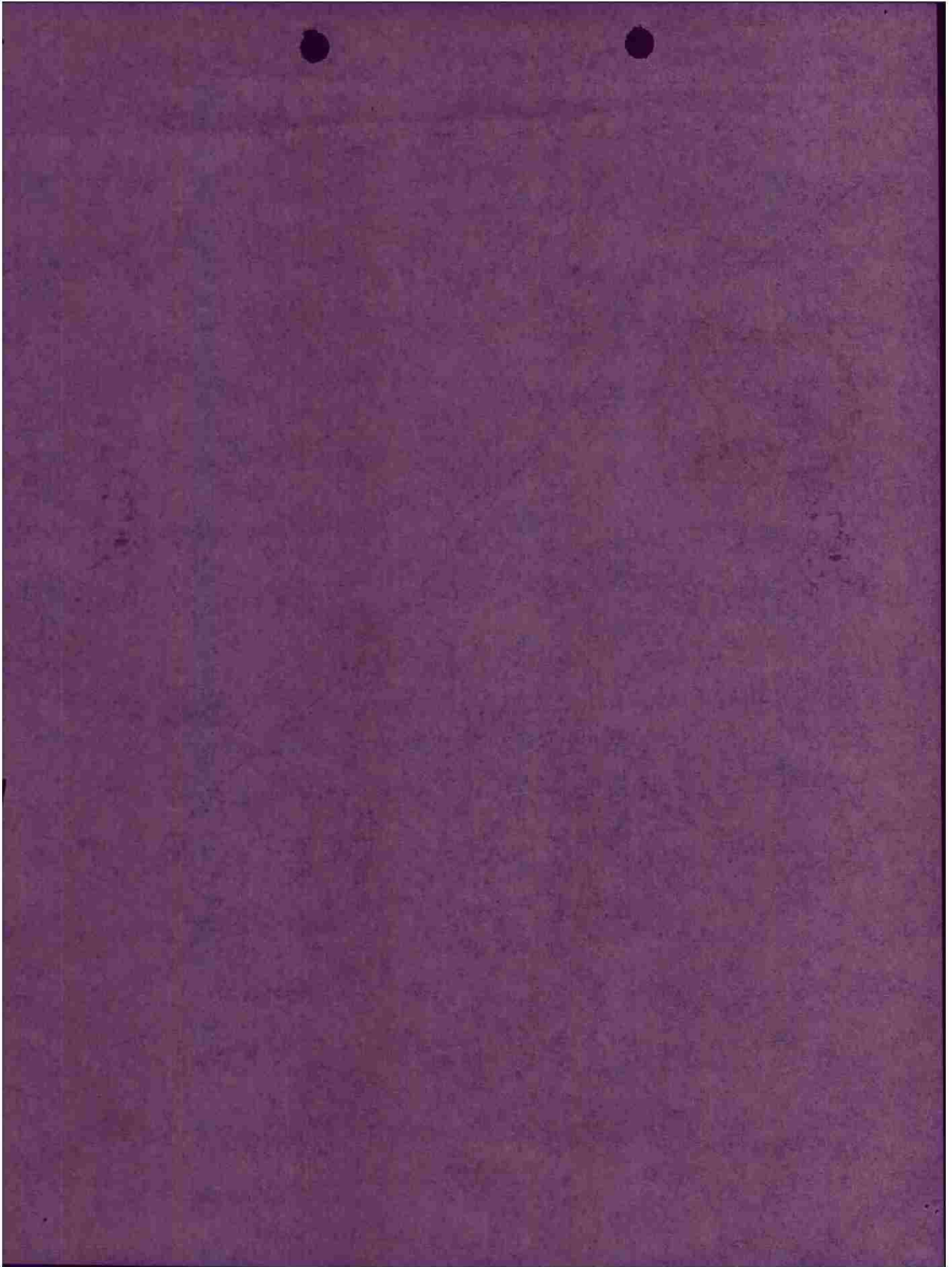
490 - Presently - engine cutting out, not airborne
 305 - Hayden Prop bent from preceding aircraft
 then aboard, into prop, not airborne

6. PLANES LOST OR LANDING AWAY FROM BASE:

222 - 1 tied - 1 crashed near Tuller
 St. George



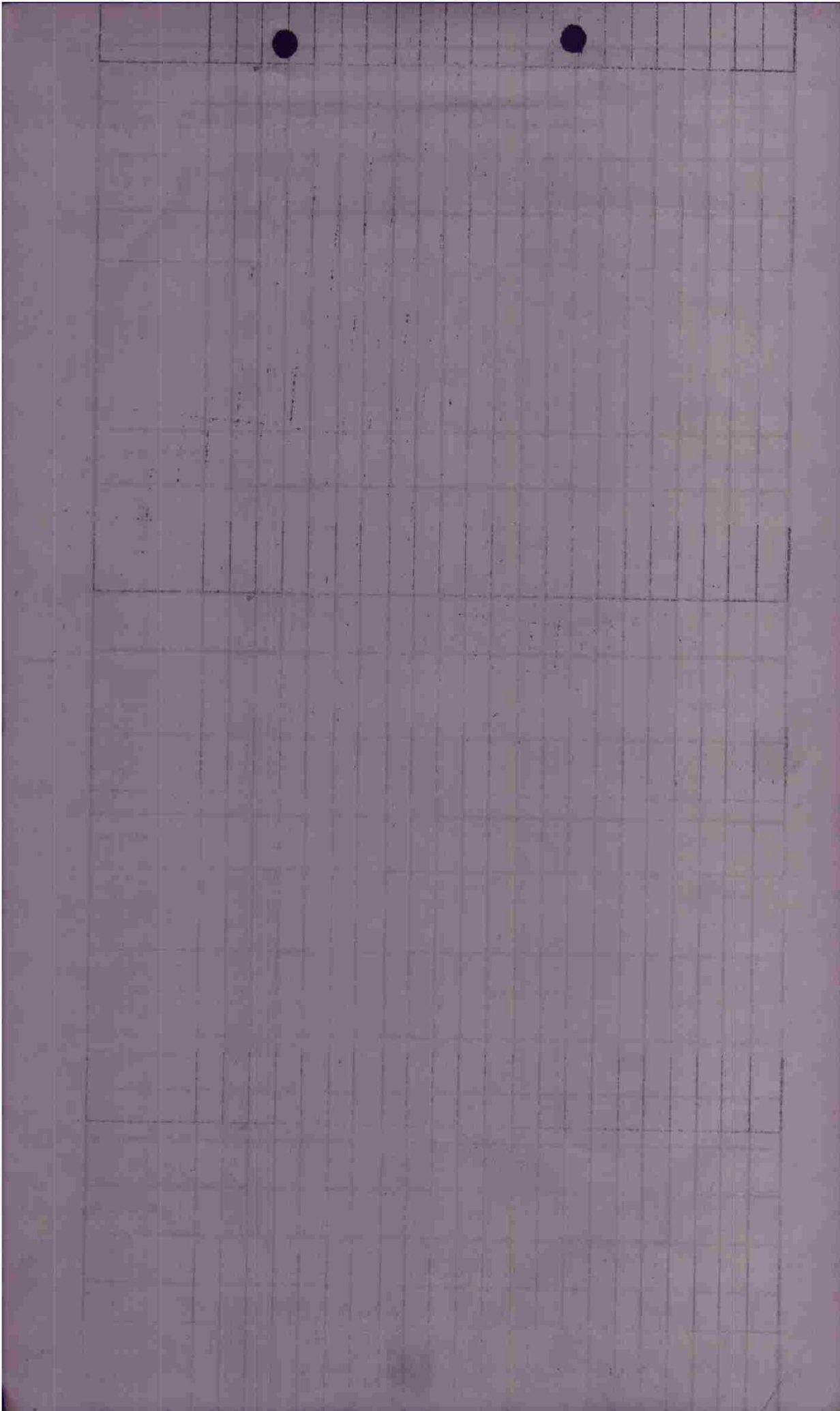


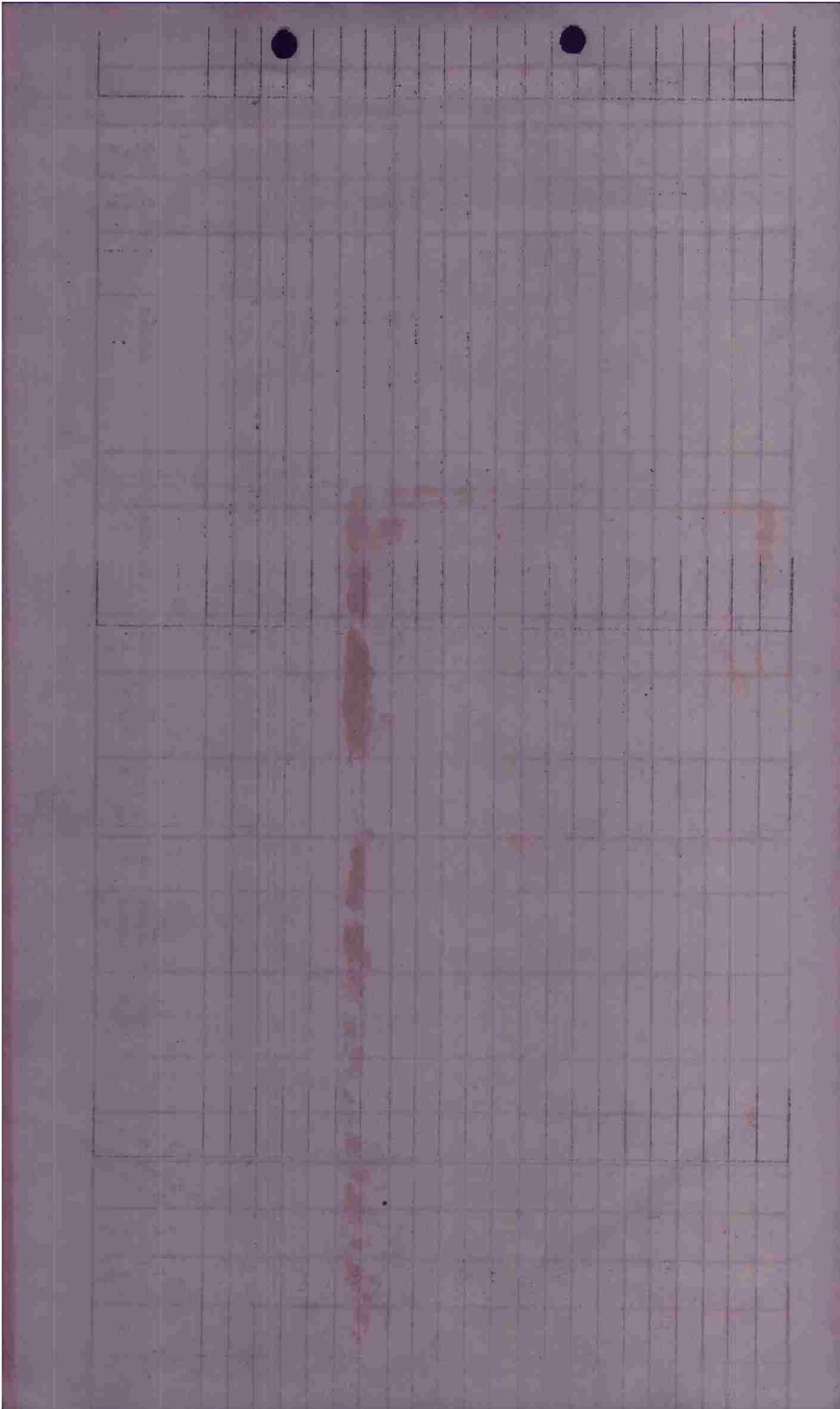


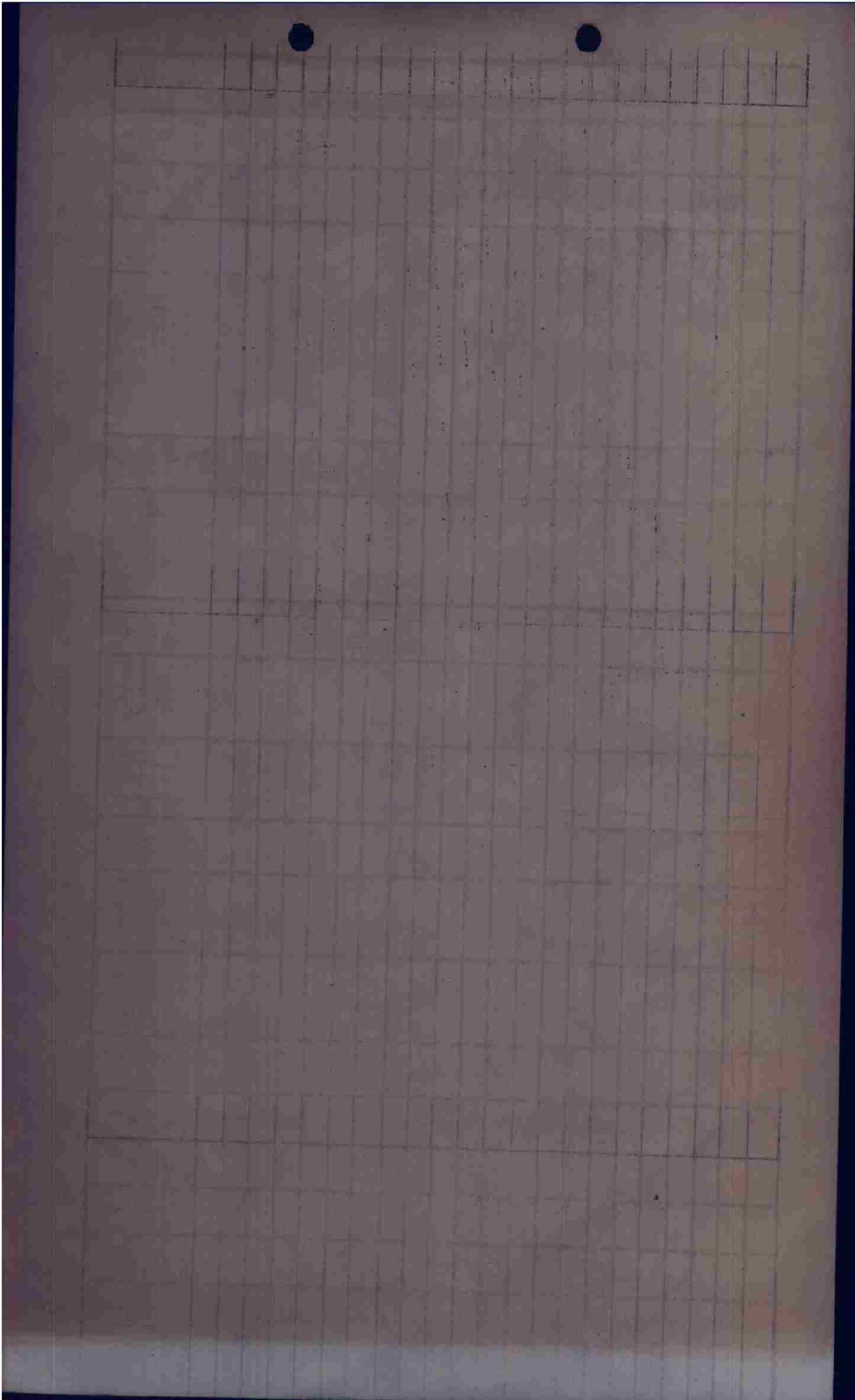
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D	X	490	Greenley		Hot Landing												
D	N	239	Henderson			0950										1258	3:10
D	B	313	Kempinski			0950										1258	3:10
D	W	326	Smith			0951										1259	3:10
D	P	332	Wilson			0951										1259	3:05
R	Z	508	Price			0947										1250	3:05
R	O	398	Ramin			0947										1250	3:05
R	C	331	Luce			0947										1251	3:05
R	W	335	Wright			0947										1251	3:00
R	K	305	Jorg			0951										1252	3:05
R	X	389	Belina			0949										1204	3:15
C	X	503	Rosney			0952										1301	3:10
C	V	321	Helberg			0952										1300	3:10
C	R	215	Warden			0953										1300	3:10
C	F	9315	Mauitt			0953										1300	3:10
C	O	337	Cook			0954										1300	3:10
C	N	307	Bowser			0954										1312	3:20







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 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 08/0335A
 TO COMBOMDIV NINE
 COBOMGR'S 409, 410, 416.

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

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 08 FEBRUARY 1945

FIELD ORDER NO 160-738 97CBW F-70-E

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMBLINE
 (2) 2ND T.A.F. WILL FURNISH AREA COVER FOR THE 409 AND 416 GROUPS.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY.

ZERO HOUR PLAN "A" 08/1030A
 ZERO HOUR PLAN "B" 08/1030A

PLAN "A" VISUAL

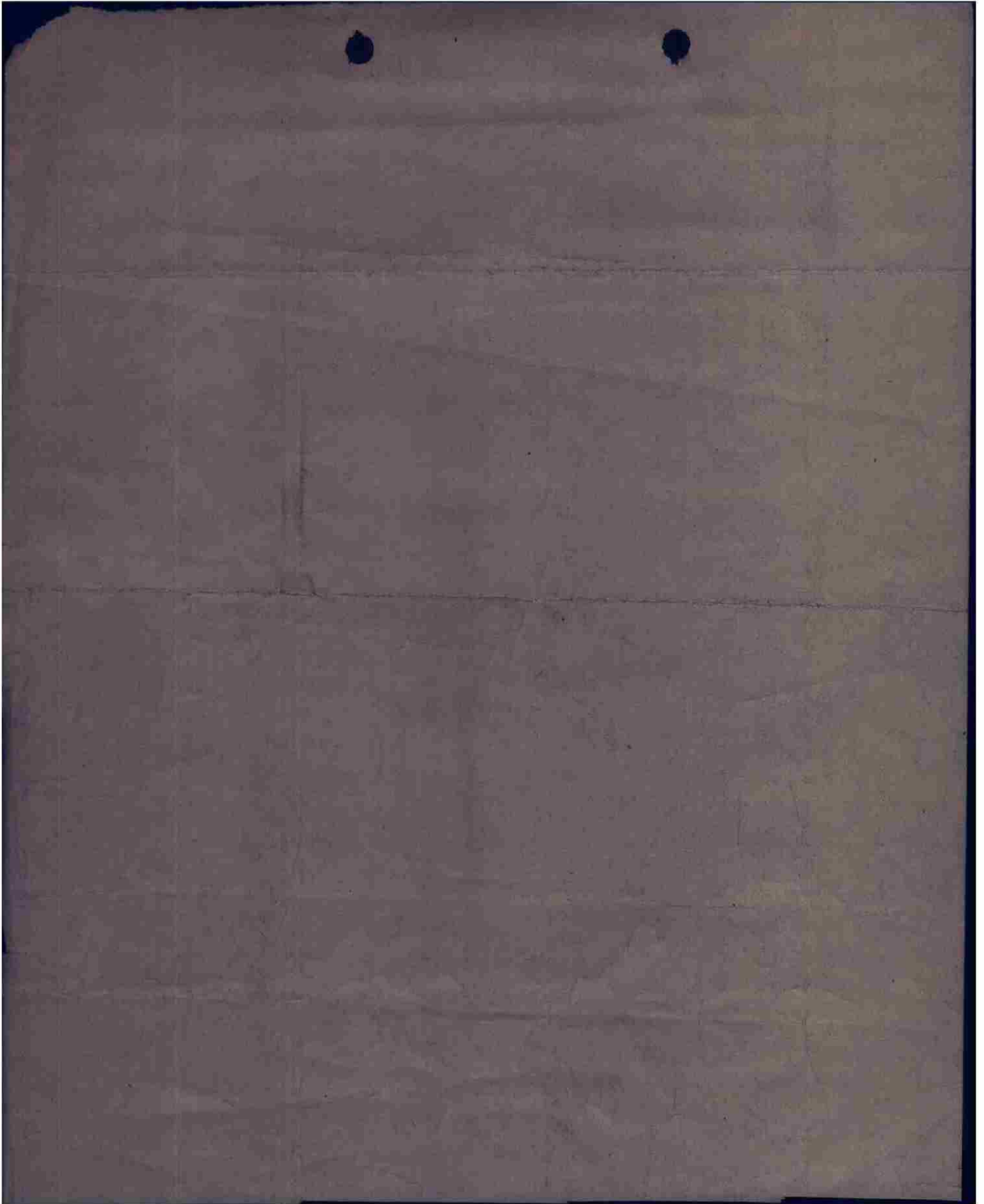
3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP
 - (9) M.P.I. MAP SERIES GSGS 4414 SHEET 4202
 ONE BOX ON GRID COORD 84005435
 ONE BOX ON GRID COORD 83755485
 - (12) T.O.T. ZERO PLUS 60 MIN.
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP
 - (1) GREVENBROICH MARSHALLING YARD (F-191780)
 - (2) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
 - (4) BASE TO 5032N 0514E TO I.P. TO TARGET.
 - (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE.
 - (6) BOMB AT 12,000 FT. OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 6,500 FEET.
 - (7) 5103N 0616E
 - (8) WSW TO ENE
 - (9) M.P.I. MAP SERIES GSGS 4414 SHEET 4905
 2 FLIGHTS ON THE FOLLOWING GRID COORDINATES:
 19027774, 19027795 AND 19157817
 ONE FLIGHT ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID COORDINATES:
 19057785, 19127805, AND 19227827.
 - (10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/40 SEC TAIL
 - (11) 5058N 0607E
 - (12) T.O.T. ZERO PLUS 20 MIN.
 - (13) FRIENDLY ARTILLERY FIRE WILL ATTEMPT TO NEUTRALIZE ENEMY FLAK POSITIONS WITHIN RANGE.
 - (14) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET GROUP WILL BOMB PRIMARY TARGET ON "GEE". IF GEE FAILS PRIMARY WILL BE BOMBED ON E.T.A.

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C. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (9) M.P.I. MAP SERIES GSGS 4414 SHEET 4202
 ONE BOX ON GRID COORD 84005435
 ONE BOX ON GRID COORD 83795485
 (12) T.O.T. ZERO PLUS 50 MIN.

X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE

- FOR THE 409TH AND 416TH GROUPS
 (5) AREA V-14 OF OPERATIONS "VERITABLE".
 (6) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY BOXES OF 12 A/C.
 (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO 5126N 0528E TO I.P. TO TARGET.
 (8) ROUTE BACK TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE.
 (9) ALTITUDE: BOMB AT 12,000 FT. OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO
 BUT NOT BELOW 5,000 FT.
 (10) I.P. 5142N 0554E
 (11) AXIS OF ATTACK. GENERALLY SW TO NE
 (12) BOMB LOAD: 20 X 260 LB. M-81 FRAGS FUSED INSTANTANEOUS
 NOSE ONLY.
 (13) R.P. 5126N 0528E
 (14) FORMATION WILL SPREAD LATERALLY 75 YARDS BETWEEN FLIGHTS
 WHEN BOMBING.
 (15) IN THE EVENT THE PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE ATTACKED AN ALTER-
 NATE TARGET 10 MILES OR MORE FROM THE BOMBLINE IN ENEMY
 HELD TERRITORY WILL BE ATTACKED.
 (16) BOMB BAY DOORS WILL NOT BE OPENED UNTIL TROOP LINE HAS
 BEEN CROSSED.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

PLAN "A"

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP:

- (2) BESTMAN
 (4,5) SWEEPSTAKES

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP:

- (2) COFFEE
 (4) SWEEPSTAKES

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP:

- (2) MANGO
 (4,5) SWEEPSTAKES

X. GENERAL INFORMATION:

- (12) COFFEE LEADER WILL CALL MADRUSH ON C/C 15 MIN. PRIOR TO
 REACHING TROOP LINE AND REPORT WHETHER ON SCHEDULE, OR HOW
 MUCH BEHIND OR AHEAD. HE WILL ALSO REPORT COMPLETIONS OF
 OPS TO MADRUSH WHEN LEAVING TARGET.

PLAN "B" (TO FOLLOW)

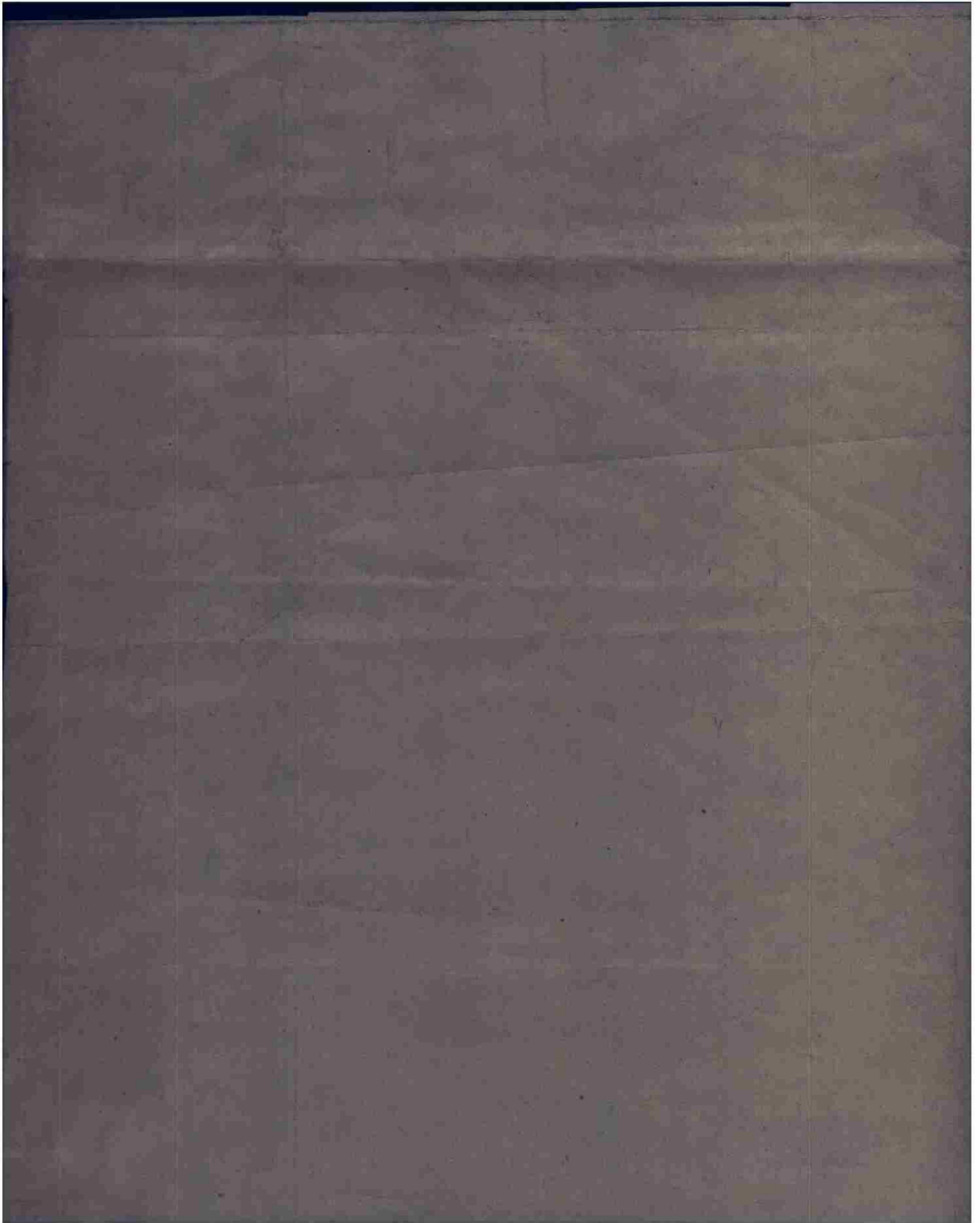
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 OIJPO R.....08/0422A SH AR
 OIJKI R.....08/0522A RSS AR

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OIITA OIJES OIJKI OIJPO OIJJF V OIJE A OIJE A 04/00 OP OP
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FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 08/0425A
TO : COMBOMDIV NINE
409TH, 410TH, AND 416TH BOMB GROUPS
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQDN.

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

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 140
08 FEBRUARY 1945

F-71-E

FIELD ORDER NO. 160-73E

MAPS: NORMAL

PLAN "B" PATHFINDER

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP:

- (9) MPI: MAP SERIES GSGS 4414 SHEET 4202
ONE BOX ON GRID. COORD 84005435
" " " " " 83755485 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS
VISUAL AND BY BOXES.
P P F MPI GRID. COORD. 84605535. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 150
FEET.

- (12) 1ST BOX ZERO PLUS 40
--- AT 5157N 0526E (PATHFINDER IP)
2ND BOX ZERO PLUS 50

3. B. 410TH BOMB GROUP:

- (1) GREVENGROICH MARSHALLING YARD (F-191720)
(2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C WITH 1 P P F A/C
(3) WITH P P F A/C OVER THE FIELD
(4) BASE TO 5042N 0511E TO 5112N 0544E TO TARGET
(5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO 5057N 0508E TO 5032N 0513E TO BASE
(6) BOMB AT 13,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL
WILL BE 6,500 FEET.
(9) MPI: MAP SERIES GSGS 4414 SHEET 4905. 2 FLIGHTS ON EACH OF
OF THE FOLLOWING GRID. COORDS. 19027774, 19087795 AND
19157817. ONE FLIGHT ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID. COORDS.
19057785, 19127805 AND 19207827 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS
VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS. ONE BOX ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID.
COORDS. 19057785 AND 19157817 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL
AND BY BOXES. P P F MPI GRID. COORD. 19107800.

(10) 6 X 500 LB. GP FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/40 SEC. TAIL.

(12) TOT: ZERO PLUS 140 MIN.

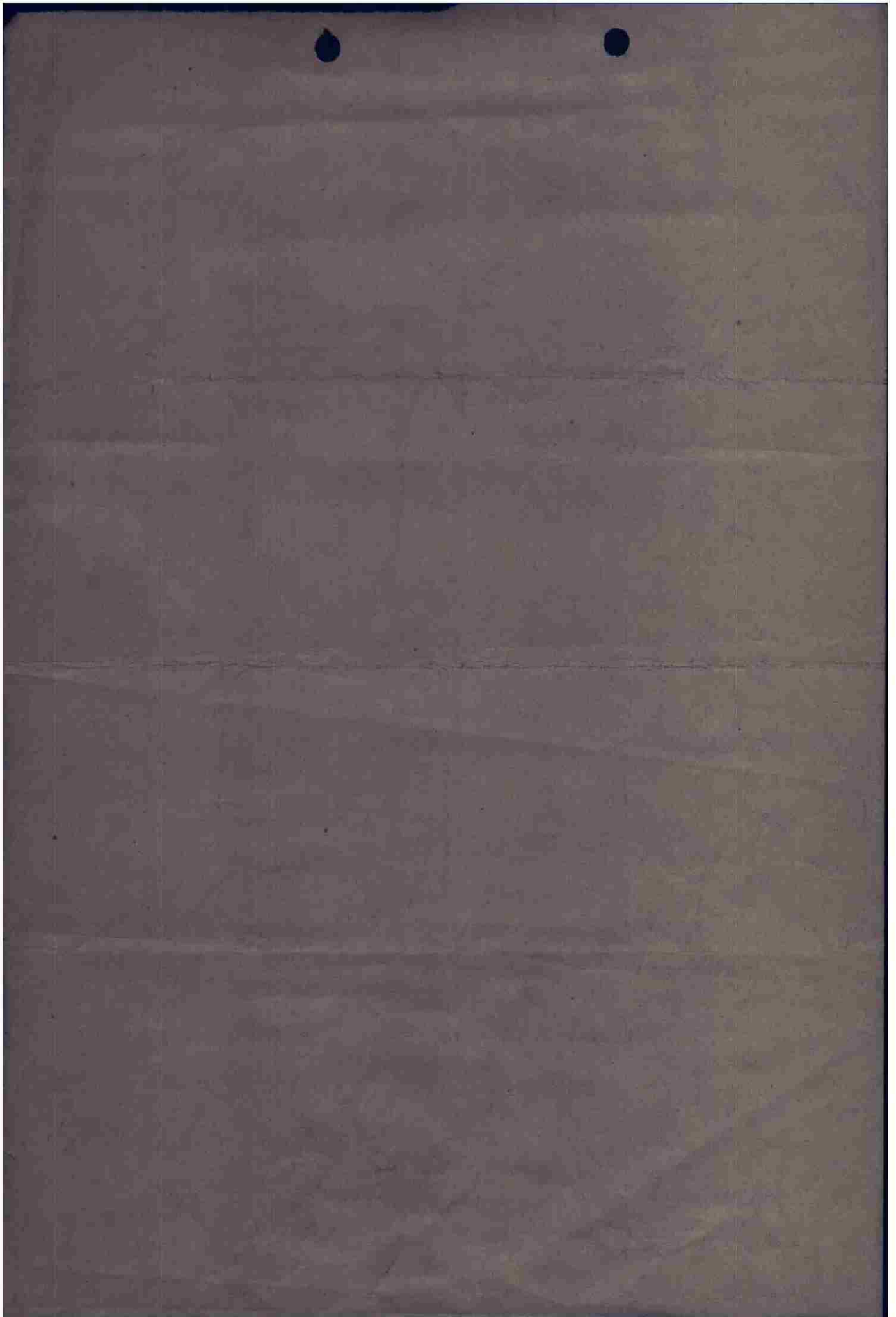
(13) IF VUSUAL CONDITIONS IXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET BOMBING WILL BE
BY VISUAL MEANS THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE
RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-20 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO
WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE P P F A/C OF NOT. IF BOMBING
VISUALLY, GROUPS WILL BOMB BY FLIGHTS IF WEATHER PERMITS
AND WILL USE 5103N 0618E AS A VISUAL I P IF BOMBING BY
FLIGHTS IS IMPOSSIBLE BUT A SMALL BREAK IN THE CLOUDS PERMITS
BOMBING BY BOXES OF 18 A/C GROUP MAY CONTINUE ON P P F ROUTE
TO TARGET OR RETURN TO 5103N 0618E TO BOMB VISUALLY. IF
10/10 CLOUD COVER OBSCURES THE TARGET, GROUP WILL BOMB THE
PRIMARY TARGET IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY.

A. P P F

B. GROUP "CEE"

C. TARGET E T A

(14) FRIENDLY ARTILLERY FIRE WILL ATTEMPT TO NEUTRALIZE ENERY FLAK
POSITIONS WITHIN RANGE.



- (9) M.P.I. MAP SERIES EGCS 4414 SHEET 4202
 ONE BOX ON GRID COORD 84005435
 ONE BOX ON GRID COORD 83755485 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY BOXES.
 P.P.F. M.P.I. GRID COORD 84135505
 INTERVALOMETER SETTING 150 FT.
- (12) 1ST BOX ZERO PLUS 20 MIN AT 5157N 0526E (PATHFINDER I.P.)
 2ND BOX ZERO PLUS 30 MIN AT 5157N 0526E (PATHFINDER I.P.)

X (1) - (4) NO CHANGE

- (5) TARGET: AREA V-14 OF OPERATIONS VERITABLE
- (6) A/C REQUIRED: 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C WITH 2 P.P.F. A/C.
- (7) RENDEZVOUS WITH P.P.F. A/C OVER THE FIELD.
- (8) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO 5142N 0518E TO 5157N 0526E TO TARGET.
- (9) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN RIGHT TO 5126N 0528E TO BASE.
- (10) ALTITUDE : ALL BOXES BOMB AT 12,500 FT.
- (11) BOMB LOAD: 20 X 200 LB M-51 FRACS FUSED INSTANTANEOUS NOSE ONLY.
- (12) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-26 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE P P F A/C OR NOT. I P FOR VISUAL BOMBING 5142N 0554E.
- (13) IN THE EVENT THE PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE ATTACKED BY VISUAL MEANS AND P.P.F. EQUIPMENT FAILS AN ALTERNATE TARGET 10 MILES OR MORE FROM THE BOMBLINE IN ENEMY HELD TERRITORY WILL BE ATTACKED.
- (14) BOMB BAY DOORS WILL NOT BE OPENED UNTIL AFTER CROSSING TROOP LINE ON THE APPROACH TO THE TARGET.

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS (PLAN "B")

- A. 409TH BOMB GROUP:
 (2) CIRCLE (1ST BOX)
 SKIPPER (2ND BOX)
 (4,5) SWEEPSTAKE
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP:
 (2) COFFEE
 (4) SWEEPSTAKES
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP:
 (2) MANGO (1ST BOX)
 BESTMAN (2ND BOX)
 (4,5) SWEEPSTAKES

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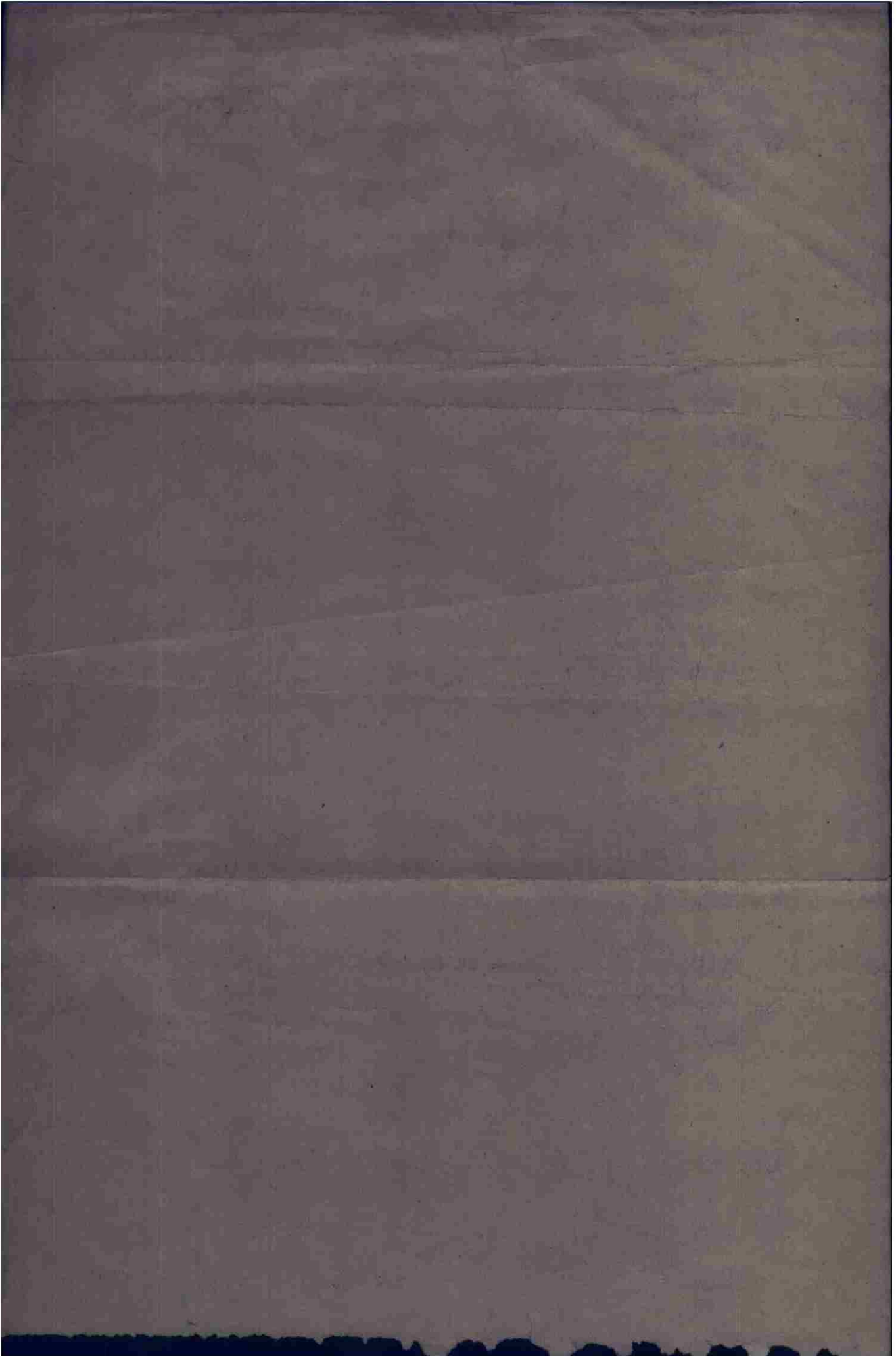
- (11) IF PLAN "B" IN EFFECT: AS MANGO, BESTMAN, CIRCLE AND SKIPPER LEADERS REACH P F F IP THEY WILL EACH GIVE SWEEPSTAKES THE FOLLOWING CALL ON CHANNEL B/B REPEAT B/B (IX B.D. CONTROL CHANNEL) "HELLO SWEEPSTAKES THIS IS (FORMATION C/S). NOW AT WAITING POINT." SWEEPSTAKES WILL ANSWER "THIS IS SWEEPSTAKES STANDING BY." ONE MILE BEFORE TROOP LINE IS CROSSED SWEEPSTAKES WILL CALL FORMATION "(FORMATION C/S) THIS IS SWEEPSTAKES ALL CLEAR (FORMATION C/S) ALL CLEAR (FORMATION C/S)" IF NO CONTACT IS MAKE PROCEED AS NORMAL.
- (12) COFFEE LEADER WILL CALL MADRUSH ON C/C 15 MIN. PRIOR TO REACHING TROOP LINE AND REPORT WHETHER ON SCHEDULE, OR HOW MUCH BEHIND OR AHEAD. HE WILL ALSO REPORT COMPLETIONS OF OPS TO MADRUSH WHEN LEAVING TARGET.

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BT 06/0425A
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OIITA R 08/0518A ME AR
 OIJES R 08/0518A JB AR
 OIJKI R 08/0520A RSS AR
 OIJPO R 08/0520A CB AR

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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) 08/0850A
TO COMBOMDIV NINE
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQD.
409TH COBOMGP
410TH COBOMGP
416TH COBOMGP

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 140
08 FEBRUARY 1945

ANNEX NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 160-738 F-73-E

ADD TO PARA. 3. A. (9) ON PLAN "A" INTERVALOMETER SETTING 350 FEET

ADD TO PARA. 3. C. (9) ON PLAN "A" INTERVALOMETER SETTING 350 FEET

DELETE PARA. 3. X. (16) ON PLAN "A"

PLAN "A" IN EFFECT FOR THE 409 AND 416 GROUPS.
CANCEL PLAN "B" FOR THE 409 AND 416 GROUPS.

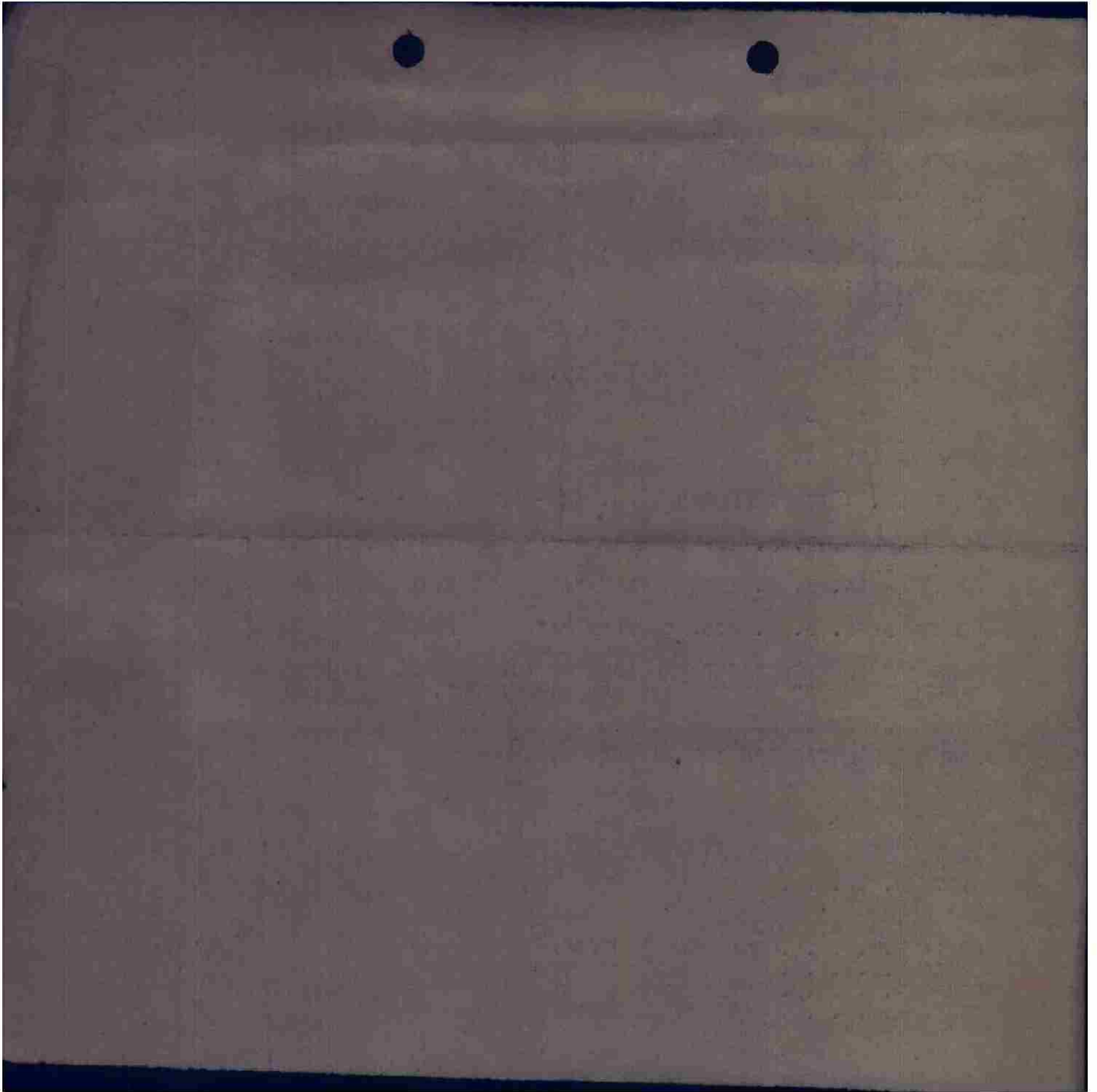
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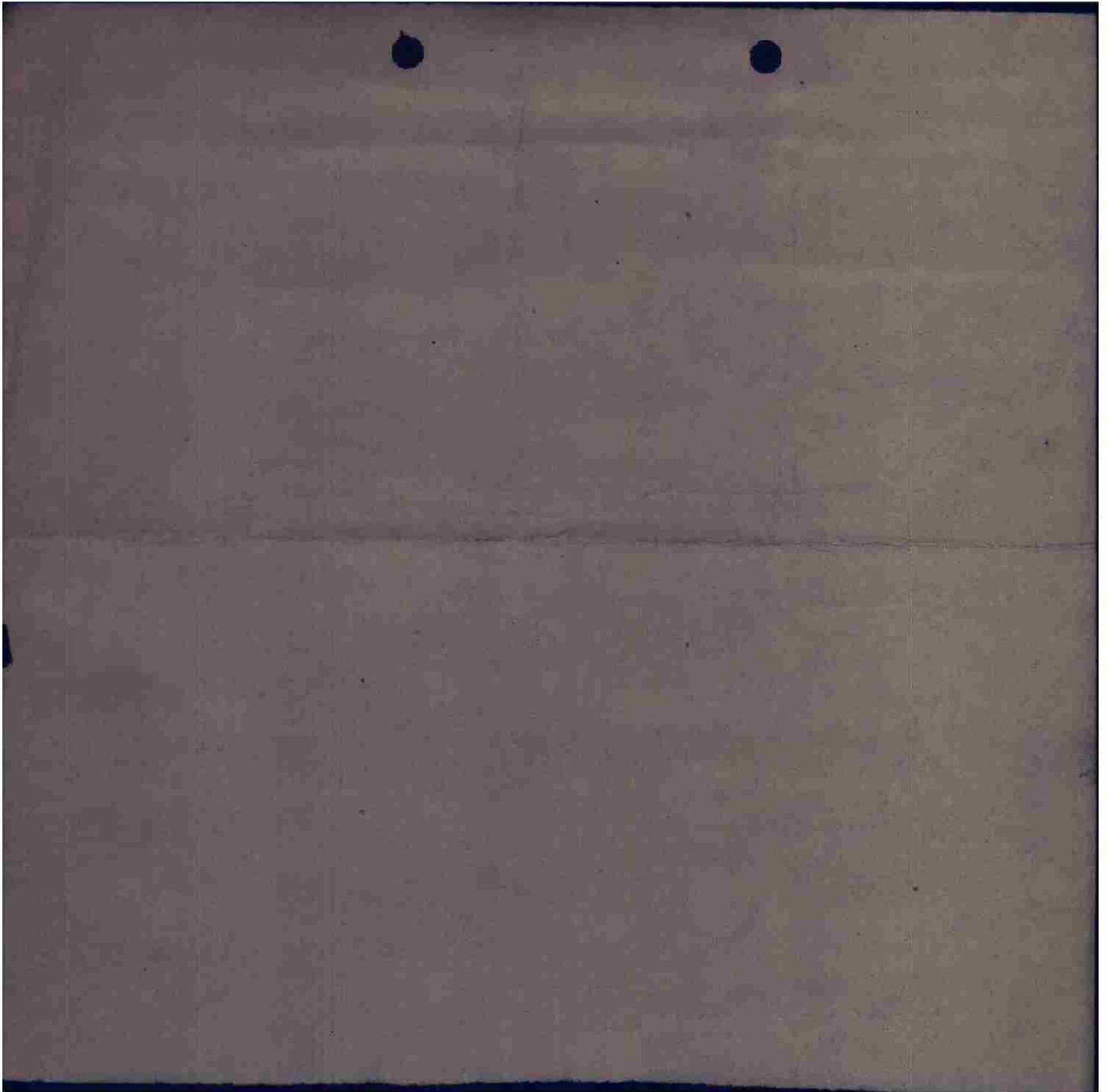
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CONFIDENTIAL 416BG F-131-D OPSFLASH FOR 8 FEBRUARY 45.

- A. 416TH BOMB GP.
 B. AREA V-14 OF OPERATIONS VERITABLE.
 C. 40 A-26'S.
 D. 39 A-26'S ATTACKED AREA IN VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES E 920620.
 E. 2 A-26'S FAILED TO BOMB. PILOTS CLAIM MECHANICAL MALFUNCTIONS.
 RESULTS OF INSPECTION OF BOMB RELEASE MECHANISMS NOT YET ASCERTAINED.
 1 A-26 UNACCOUNTED FOR. *CRASHED IN VICINITY INSIDE. CAUSE AS YET UNKNOWN.*
 FRIENDLY TERRITORY REPORTING FUEL SHORTAGE. *PILOT KILLED, GUNNER SERIOUSLY INJURED. PRESUMED TO HAVE BOMBED.*
 F. 739 X 260 FRAG BOMBS IN VICINITY OF E 920620.
 41 X 260 FRAG BOMBS RETURNED.
 20 X 260 FRAG BOMBS UNACCOUNTED FOR.
 G. FOUR FLIGHTS OF BOX ONE DROPPED ON GEE FIX (C 38 D49.5) OF FORMATION LEADER IN VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES E 920620 ON MAGNETIC HEADING OF 50 DEGREES.
 THREE FLIGHTS OF BOX TWO DROPPED ON ETA (1115) APPROXIMATELY 8 SECONDS AFTER BOMBS OF BOX ONE WENT AWAY. GEE BOX WAS NOT OPERATING PROPERLY FOR GEE RUN BY BOX TWO WHICH WAS IN TRAIL OF BOX ONE.
 H. ONE (1) A-26 UNACCOUNTED FOR (A/C NR 222).
 I. TWO (2) CREW MEMBERS OF A/C 222 UNACCOUNTED FOR.
 J. TARGET: ONE (1) BURST OF HFF ON BOMB RUN. ELSEWHERE, NIL.
 K. NIL
 L. 10,500 - 12,500.
 M. 1112 - 1113.
 X. FORMATION LEADER CALLED SWEEPSTAKES TWO (2) MINUTES BEFORE REACHING IP BUT COULD NOT MAKE CONTACT. NOT BRIEFED TO DO SO.

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 EJ BBB (P) K
 ITA R.....08/1700A EG K
 JEA R.....08/1700A LEG KK



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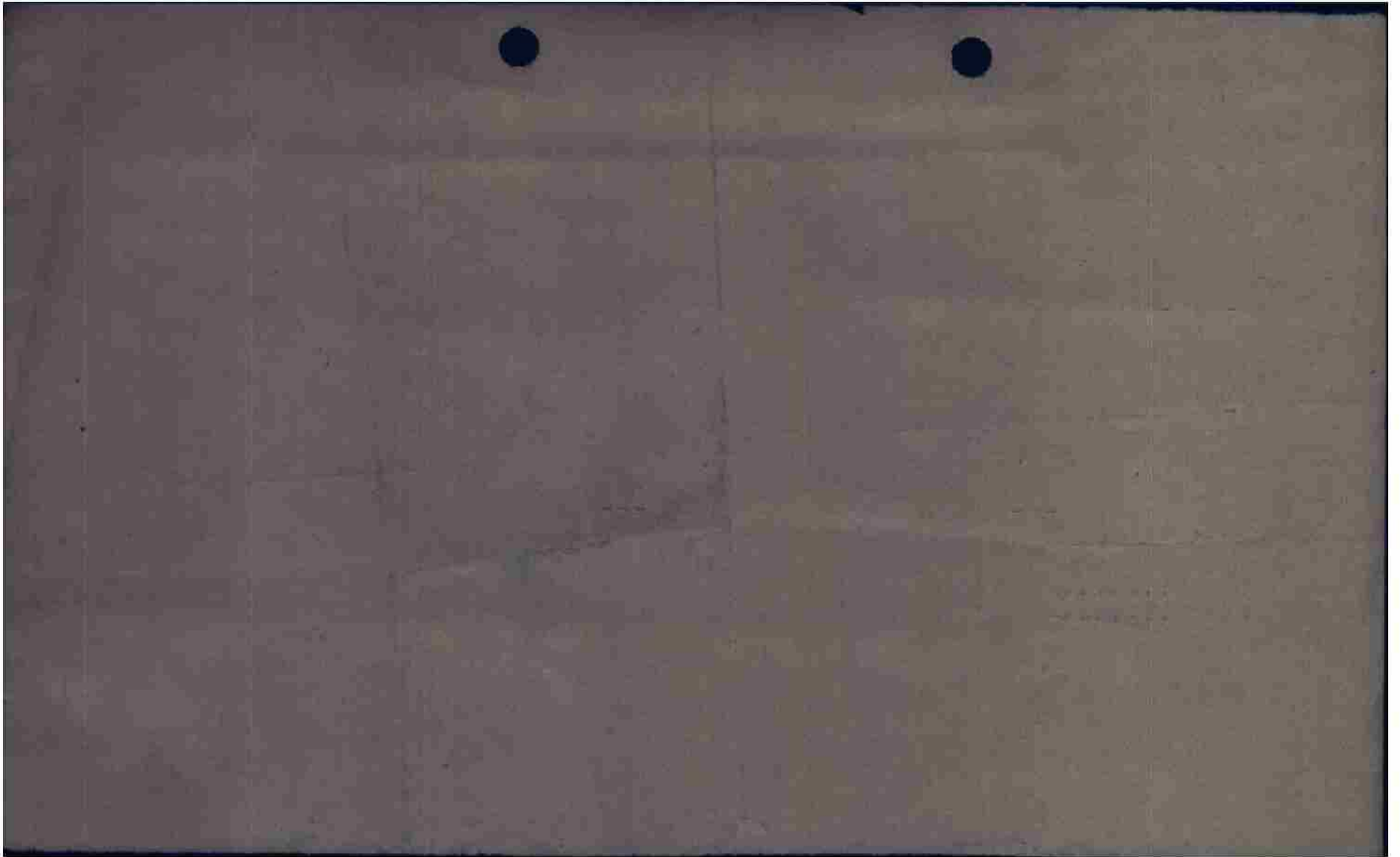
AMMENDMENT TO OPSFLASH FOR 8 FEBRUARY 1945

A-26 222 PREVIOUSLY UNACCOUNTED FOR, KNOWN TO HAVE CRASHED IN VICINITY OF S1020. CAUSE AS YET UNKNOWN. PILOT KILLED GUNNER SERIOUSLY INJURED PRESUMED TO HAVE BOMBED.

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CONFIDENTIAL 416BG F-129-J

- A - YS - 28
- B - 8 FEBRUARY 1945 (0914-1224)
- C - R - ROGER REPORTED OPS COMPLETED TO DIVISION HEADQUARTERS.
G - GEORGE COULD NOT ESTABLISH CONTACT EXCEPT WHEN NEAR DIVISION HEADQUARTERS. IT IS BELIEVED VOLUME HAD BEEN TURNED LOW WHILE ON CHANNEL "A" AND WAS NOT INCREASED ON CHANNEL "B".
- D - R - ROGER CONTACTED FIGHTER GROUND CONTROL CENEXXX CENTER ,
G - GEORGE COULD NOT ESTABLISH CONTACT.
- E - NONE
- F - NONE
- G - NONE
- H - NONE
- I - NONE
- J - NONE
- K - ALL PILOTS EXPERIENCED INTERFERENCE ON VHF ON CHANNEL "A". THIS INTERFERENCE WAS EXPERIENCED ON TRETURN FLIGHT ONLY. PLANES ARE BEING CHECKED FOR A PLANE BELIEVED TO BE EMITTING A CARRIER.

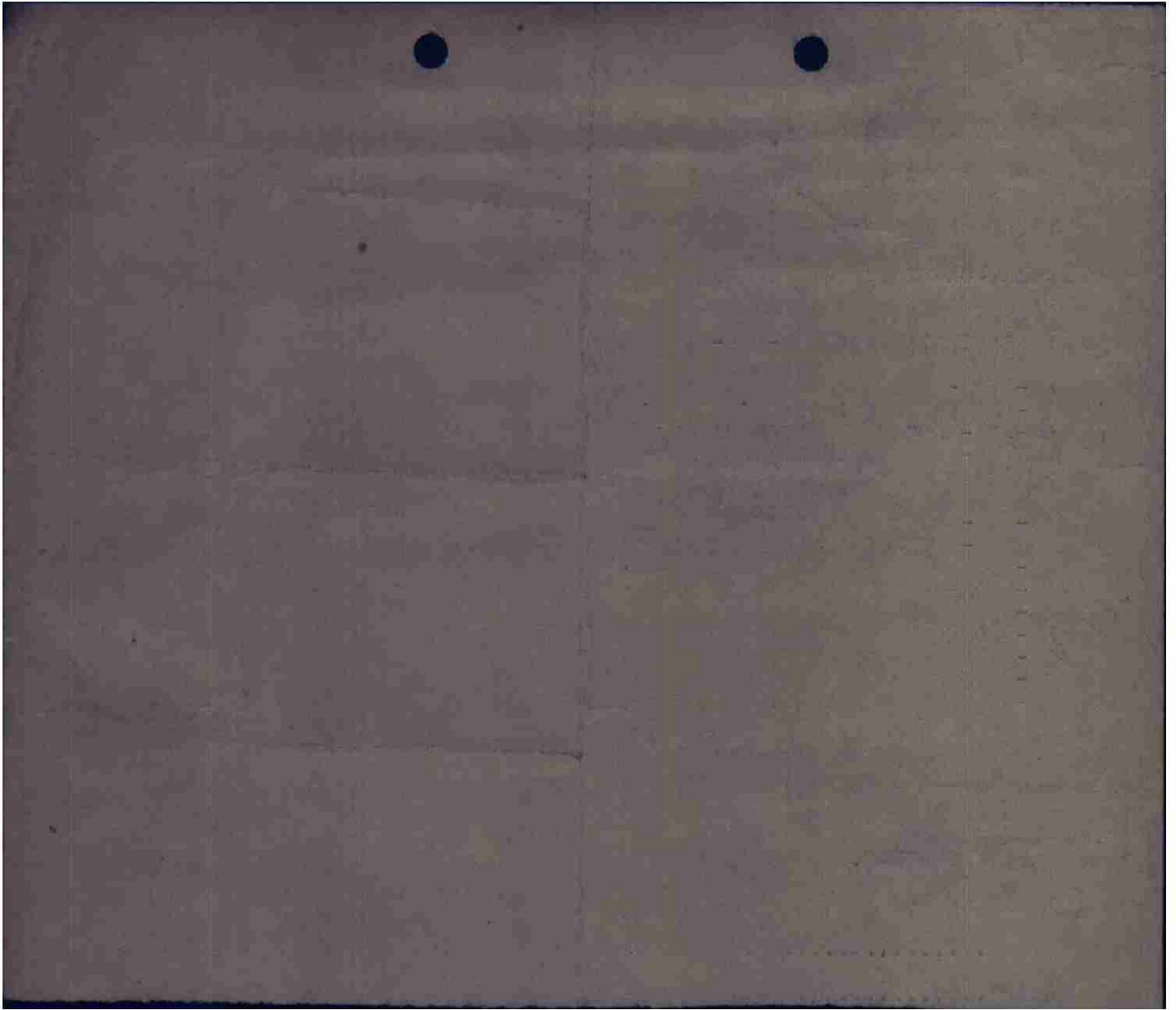
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BT 081500A
CC: WA UNDER K. TO BE EMITTING

EJ AR K

ITA R.....08/1723A EG B OP T JEA

JEA R.....08/1723E LCB KKK



ITA JEA V JKI JKI 9/05 OP OP
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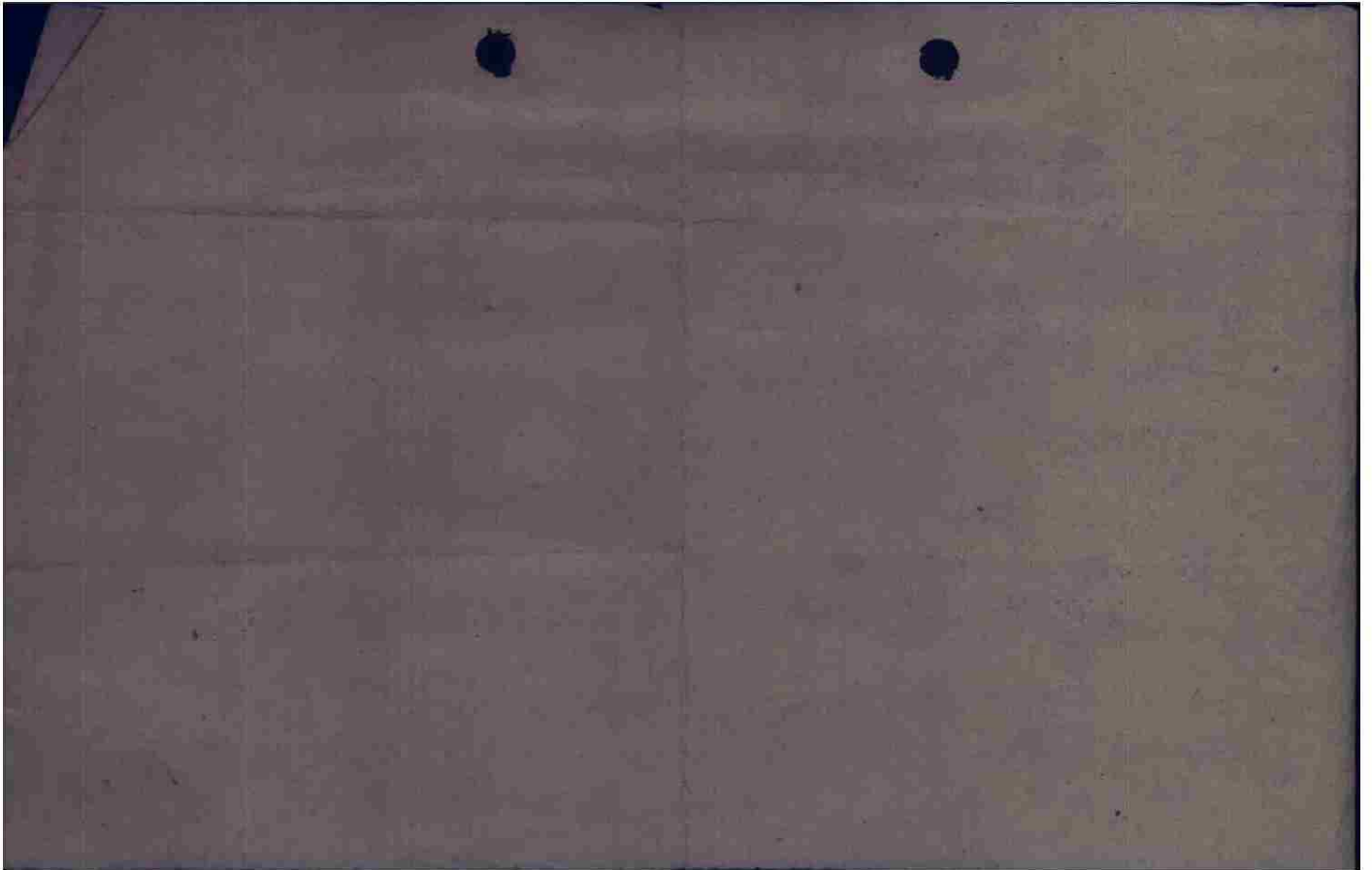
B. AREA V-14 OF OPERATIONS VERITABLE
J. NO STRIKE PHOTOS - DUE TO CLOUD COVER.

BT 081515A
EJ B TO IAXXX ITA ALONE

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