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MISSION NO. 272

LOADING LIST

15 APRIL 1945

BOX I
FLIGHT I

43-22
1. 640 N
Capt. H.M. Evans
Lt. T.M. McCartney
S/S O.L. Skeens
*Returned Empty
Lost hydraulic
fluid.*

43-22
2. 498 R
Lt. L.J. Fruchs
Lt. F.A. Reeves
S/S L.C. Ferguson
550
3:40

41-39
3. 259 H
Lt. J.K. Colquhitt
S/S G.M. Mohr
560
3:45

43-22
4. 389 X
Lt. L.R. Cannon
S/S L.V. Metzler
3:45

41-39
5. 274 S
Lt. W.H. Roberts
S/S A.R. Hood
550
3:45

41-39
6. 325 L
Lt. L.R. Zeimet
Sgt F.L. Sereno
560
3:40

FLIGHT II

41-39
1. 398 Q
Lt. M. Brrotaborn
Lt. M.P. Wilbur
S/S P.R. Lynch
580
3:40

43-22
2. 330 P
Lt. W. Musgrove
Cpl B.R. Wilson
570
3:40

41-39
3. 232 N
Lt. S.H. Shaley
S/S D.V. Paladino
590
3:40

43-22
4. 3315 L
Lt. E.G. Bishop
S/S O. Stroud
660
3:40

43-22
5. 394 G
Lt. J.F. Stankowski
Sgt A.H. Kimball
600
3:40

41-39
6. 205 M
Lt. A.G. Hanson
Cpl R.R. Howler
630
3:40

FLIGHT III

43-22
1. 501 W
Lt. W.R. Heink
Lt. A.E. Rosengquist
S/S C.J. Thompson
550
3:35

43-22
2. 383 V
Lt. R.S. Bower
S/S A.A. Gienciosi
565
3:35

41-39
3. 286 D
Lt. J.F. Wallace
Sgt R. Plant
570
3:35

41-39
4. 416 O
Lt. R.B. Singletary
S/S F.G. Wiggins
700
3:35

41-39
5. 564 V
Lt. W.D. Chitty
Sgt D.J. Duxro
530
3:35

41-39
6. 223 E
Lt. J.V. O'Brien
Sgt H.T. Wright
Sgt P.A. Mirabelle
650
3:35

41-39 SPARE

41-39
a 335 W
Lt. E.G. Dunn
S/S W. W. Donnelley
S/S C.J. Kruger
550
3:35

CAMERA SHIP

43-22
490 X
Lt. D.L. Withington
S/S R.J. Johnson
T/S E.A. Childs
W/O C.B. Scheneman
560
3:10

MISSION NO. 272 - BOX I
15 APRIL 1945



MISSION NO. 272

LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

15 APRIL 1945

13-22
1. 484 C
Capt. C.S. Stanley
F/O J.H. Blount
Lt. H.R. Myrold
S/S C.B. Collier

435
3:20

13-22
2. 492 E
Lt. W.W. Annin
Lt. R.L. Martin
S/S J.L. Panker

550
3:20

41-39
3. 188 R
Lt. T.D. McGready
S/S P.J. Profita

470
3:20

FLIGHT II

13-22
1. 609 N
Major H.L. Sommers
Lt. J. Kupits
Sgt K. Meath

425
3:20

41-39
2. 263 G
Capt. J.M. Shepard
Sgt J.J. McGuire

470
3:25

13-22
3. 354 S
Lt. C.E. Weinert
Sgt R.D. Francis

500
3:25

FLIGHT III

13-22
1. 497 E
Capt. L.J. Sutton
Lt. J.V. Reed
S/S D.C. Gilliam

445
3:25

13-22
2. 326 W
Lt. J.W. Spires
S/S L.E. Davis

475
3:25

41-39
3. 297 T
Lt. A.J.P. Winn
S/S G.G. Stephenson

520
3:25

41-39 SPARE

41-39
4. 360 L
Lt. J.R. Wright
~~Sgt J.R. Wright~~
S/S D.C. Simon

13-22
4. 378 O
Lt. F.W. Harris
S/S O.W. Merritt

530
3:20

41-39
5. 293 F
Lt. G.J. Parkhurst
Sgt C.J. Kaminski

535
3:20

41-39
6. 264 I
Lt. R.H. Long
S/S C.J. McCarthy

555
3:20

13-22
4. 381 Q
Lt. M.W. DuBose
S/S C.W. Veazey
Sgt D.R. Haenan

575
3:25

41-39
5. 314 H
Lt. D.E. Smith
S/S S.J. Kirik
Lt. J.W. Britt

580
3:25

41-39
6. 338 O
Lt. A.W. Danner
S/S R.H. Gillespie

525
3:25

13-22
4. 313 B
Lt. A. Remiszewski
S/S F. Di Orio

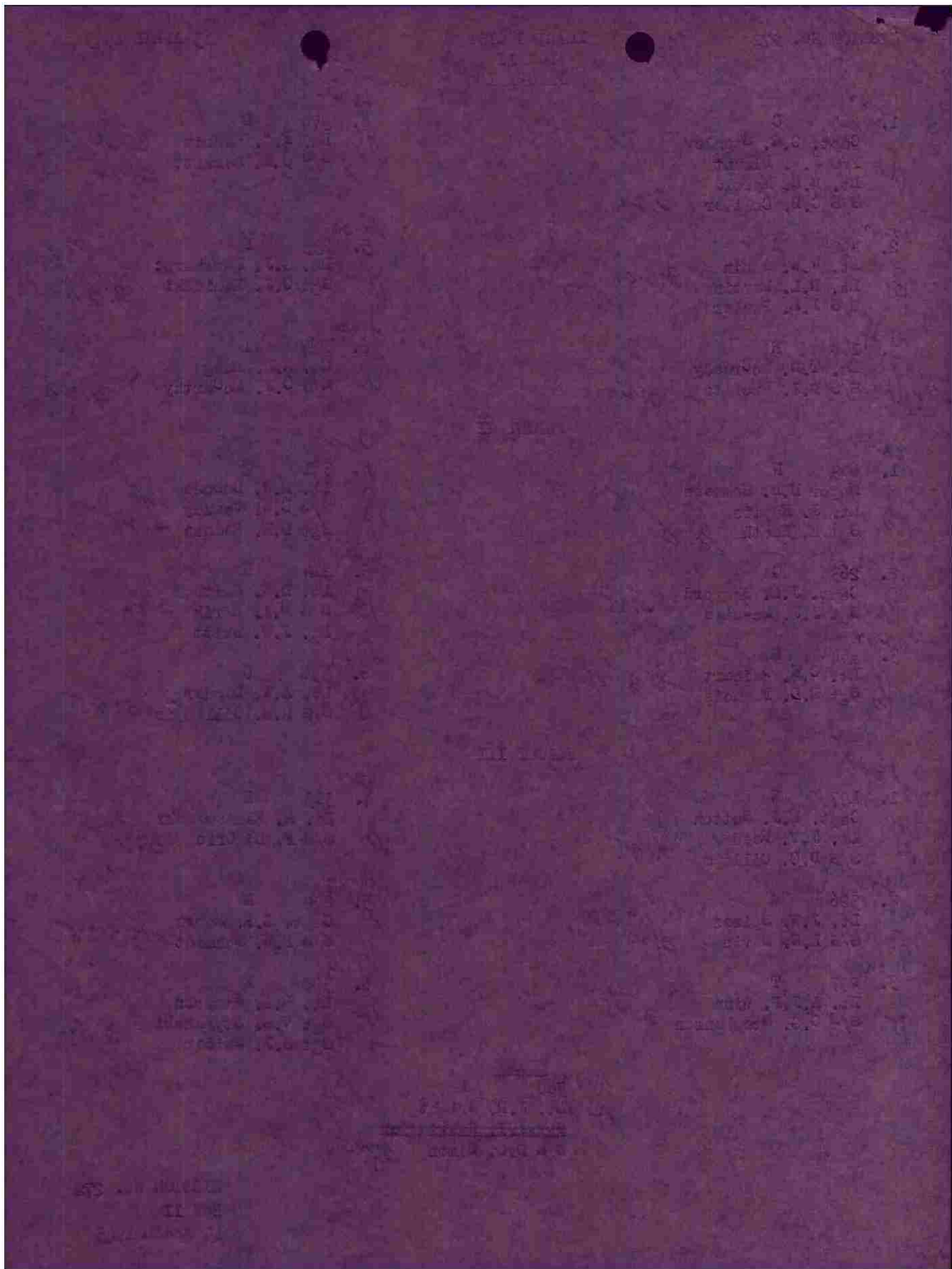
475
3:25

41-39
5. 209 M
Capt. Z.R. Moore
S/S K.W. Schmidt

575
3:25

41-39
6. 300 K
Lt. R.L. Simpson
Sgt V.S. Stypenski
Sgt S.J. Snider

575
3:50MISSION NO. 272
BOX II
15 APRIL 1945



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 AUTH: CO, A-62
 17 Apr 48
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HEADQUARTERS
 415TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
 Office of the Commanding Officer

AFG 140, U. S. Army,
 17 April 1948.

SUBJECT: Mission Report.

TO : Commanding General, 9th Bombardment Division (M), AFG 140, U. S. Army.
 (Attn: A-4)

I. 10 April 1948, T.O. 1300, Uls N/Y, W.O. 254-043.

II. None.

III. None.

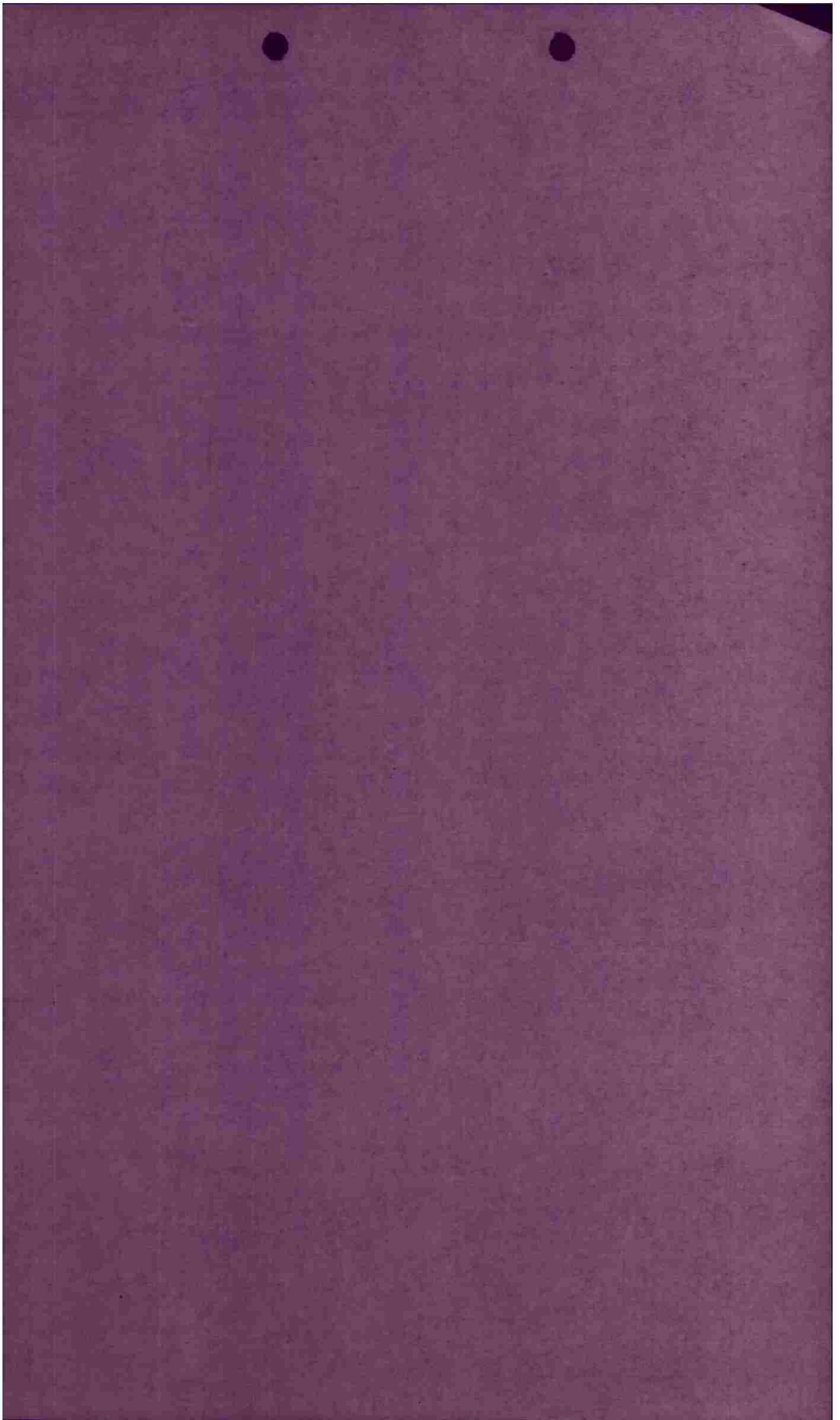
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V. None.

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4 - 3:20 - 520	4 - 3:45 - 550
5 - 3:20 - 535	5 - 3:40 - 535
6 - 3:20 - 555	6 - 3:35 - 550
7 - 3:25 - 525	7 - 3:40 - 520
8 - 3:25 - 470	8 - 3:40 - 720
9 - 3:25 - 530	9 - 3:40 - 590
10 - 3:25 - 575	10 - 3:40 - 600
11 - 3:25 - 590	11 - 3:40 - 600
12 - 3:25 - 585	12 - 3:40 - 630
13 - 3:25 - 495	13 - 3:35 - 550
14 - 3:25 - 475	14 - 3:35 - 565
15 - 3:25 - 520	15 - 3:35 - 570
16 - 3:25 - 475	16 - 3:35 - 700
17 - 3:25 - 525	17 - 3:35 - 570
18 - 3:50 - 575	18 - 3:35 - 630
19 - 3:25 - 525	19 - 3:10 - 420

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THEODORE E. AYLEMONT,
 Colonel, Air Corps,
 Commanding.

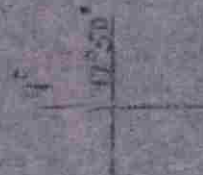


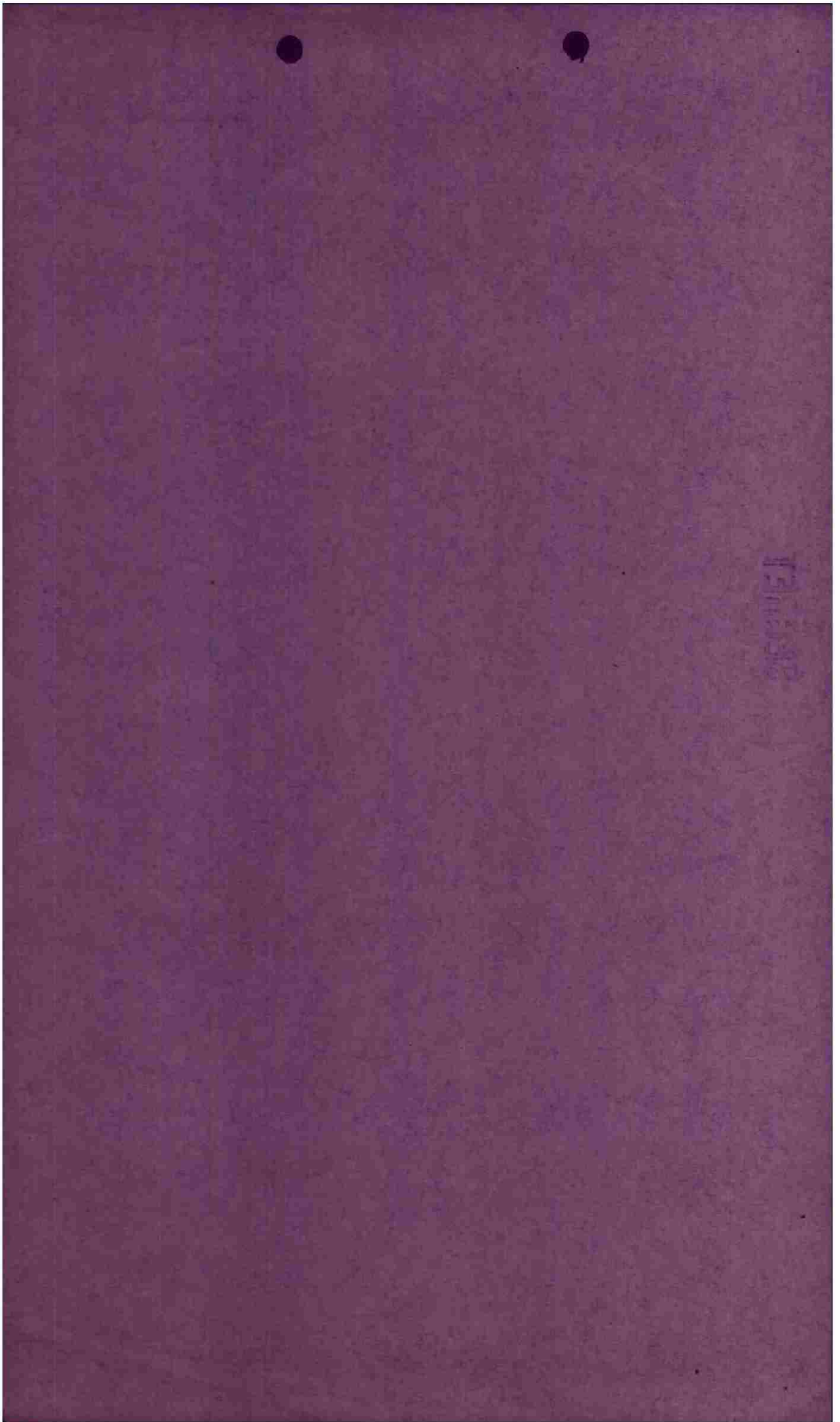
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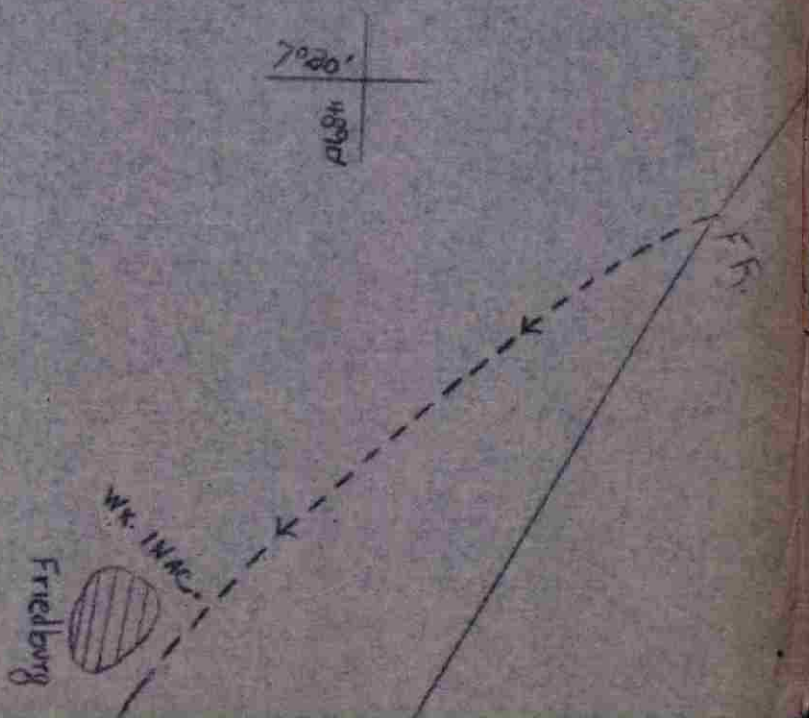
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TARGET III	11Y	
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ALT. 10000	-1000	
T.O.T. 11:50		
No Battle Damage		
Visibility 10000		
Expenditure 10000		
Weather 10000		

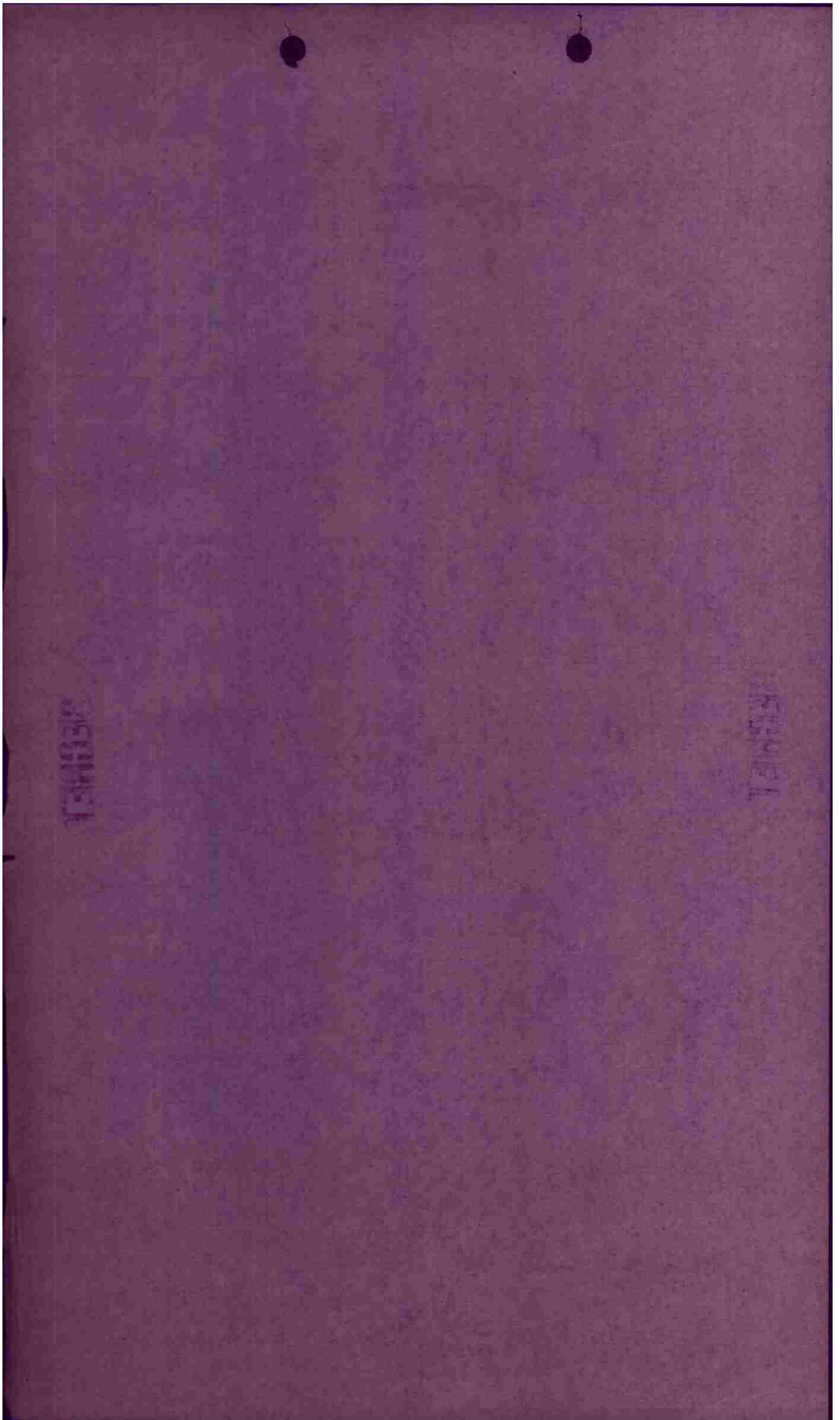




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FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 9TH BOMB DIVISION (M)
97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L)
1ST PARACHUTE SQUADRON PROVISIONAL

416BG P _____

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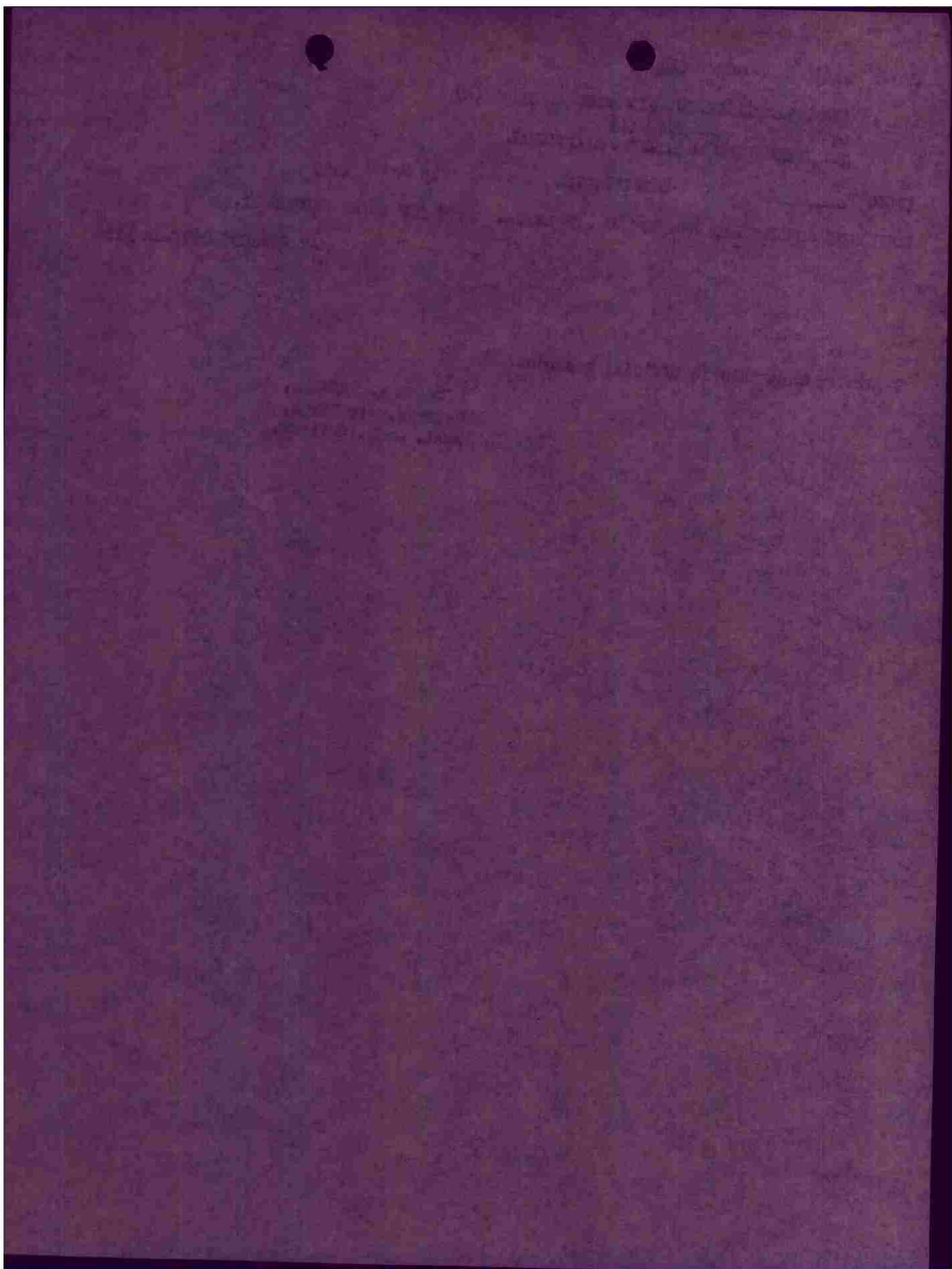
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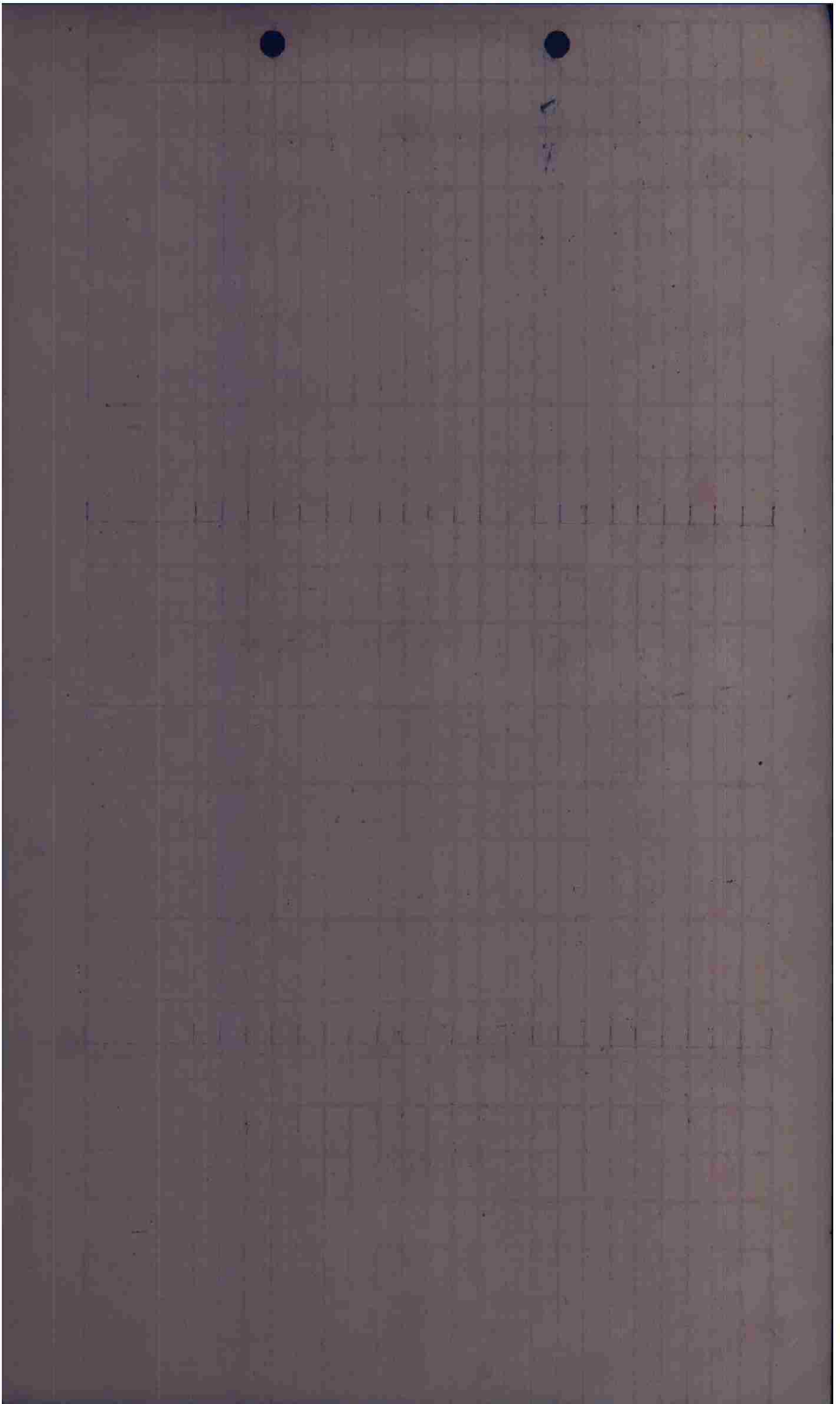
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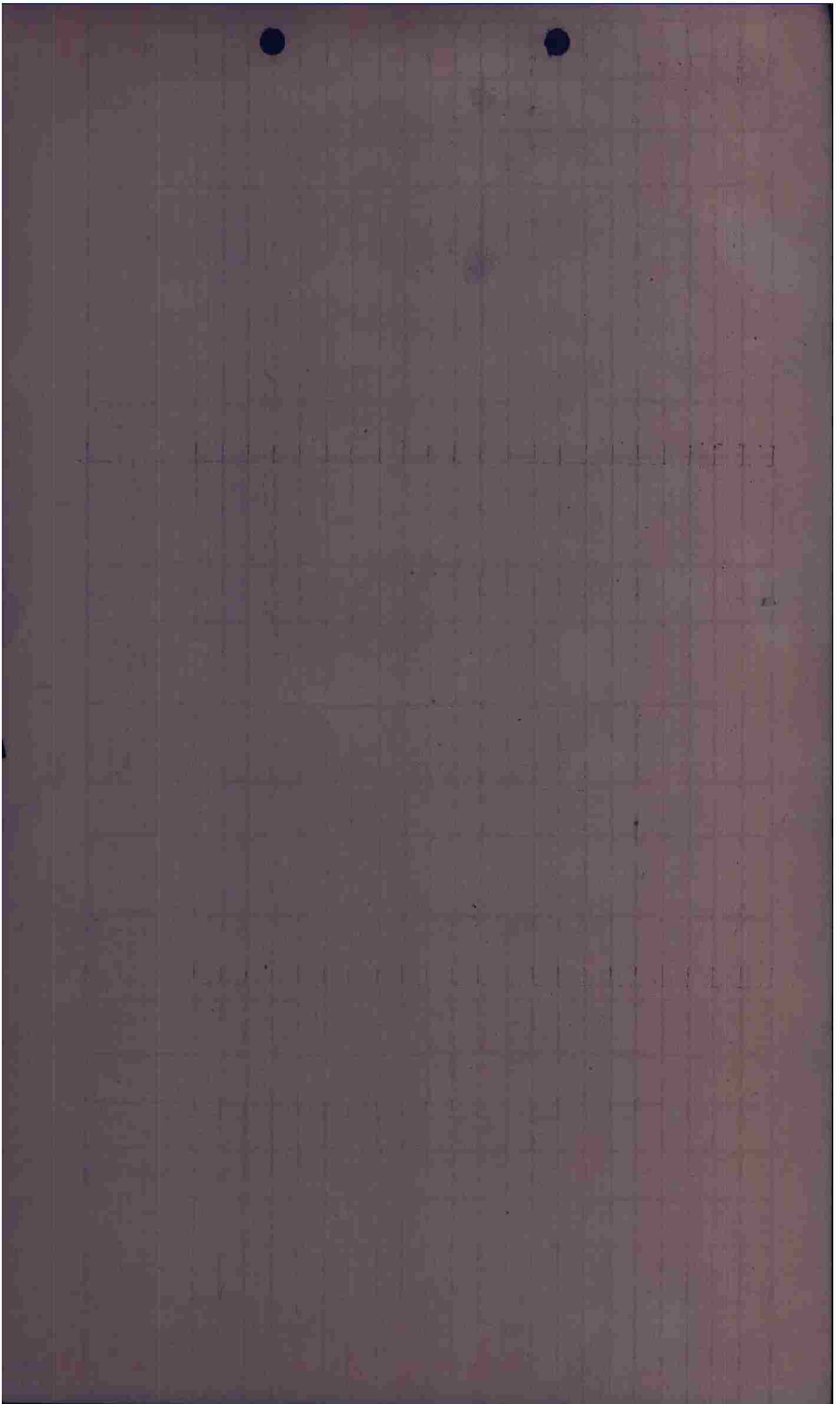
RICHARD V. WHEELER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Asst. Opns. Officer.



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15 April 1945														
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A	N	640	Evans			1300	1327	3:40	early		last high. finish.			
B	R	498	Fincher			1300	1640	3:40						
	H	259	Talquist			1300	1644	3:45						
	X	319	Chenoweth			1300	1647	3:45				*		
A	S	274	Ketula			1301	1647	3:45						
A	L	325	Quinn			1301	1641	3:40						
C	Q	398	Emmott			1301	1638	3:40						
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C	L	235	Brooks			1302	1639	3:40				*		
C	B	334	Stankowski			1302	1640	3:40						
C	M	205	Monahan			1302	1640	3:40						
C	M	501	Heinrich			1303	1635	3:35						
	V	352	Bauer			1311	1644	3:35						
	R	288	Wallace			1303	1635	3:35						
C	O	416	Ingelstang			1303	1636	3:35				*		
C	V	564	Chilly			1303	1636	3:35				*		
C	B	223	O'Brien			1304	1636	3:35						
A	M	335	Brown			1304	1637	3:35						
D	X	490	Stoughton			Camera	1310	1617	3:10					
			Ship											



15 April 1945



ITA JES JKI JPO JJF V JEA

JEA 08/15

OP - OP

S-2
S-3
S16

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING

15/0930B

TO : IX BOMB DIV.

409TH BOMB GROUP.

410TH BOMB GROUP.

416TH BOMB GROUP.

1ST PATHFINDER SQDN. (PROV)

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT

SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: COL. MC AFEE

97CBW P-127-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING

A P O 140

15 APRIL 1945

ANNEX NO. 1 TO F.O. NO. 254-832

CANCEL PLAN "A" AND PLAN "C".

PLAN "B" IN EFFECT WITH ZERO HOUR -- 15/1300B --

IN PLAN "B" CHANGE PARA. 5. X. (7) TO READ:

(7) BASE TO V-7875 TO W-3742 TO W-6225 TO X-1238 TO TARGET.

CONCBTWIG 97

BT 15/0930B

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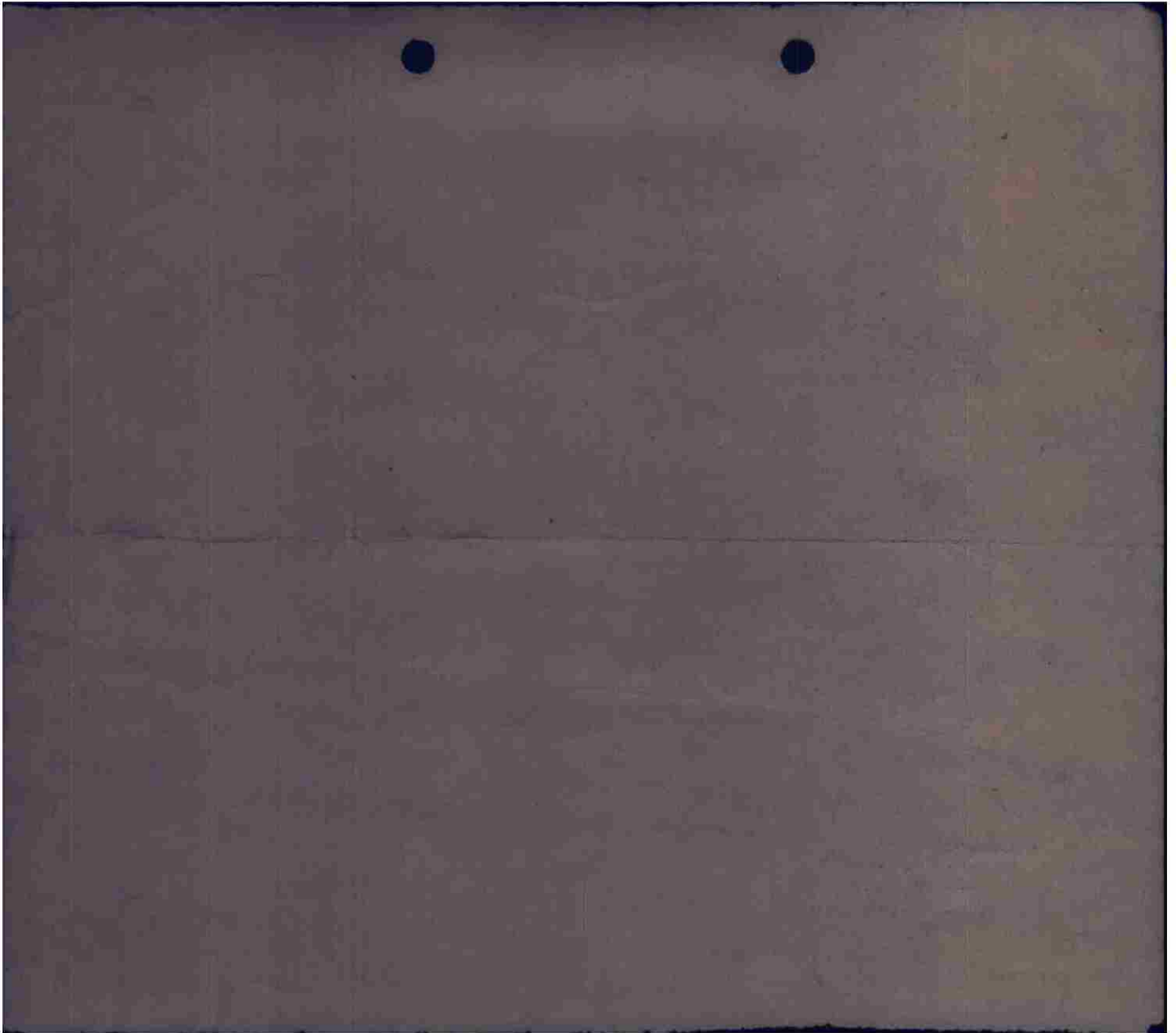
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UKI R.....15/0945B FD AR

JES RA.....15/0945B JJH AR

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ITA JES JKI V JEA JEA 83/12 OP OP

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 15/8133B
TO : COMBOMDIV NINE
COROMGPS 489, 416

BT

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SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: COL. MC AFEE
INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 FIELD ORDER NO. 254-852

PLAN "A" VISUAL

1. TARGET: KEMPTON ORDNANCE DEPOT AT WK-949876. GN-5846. THE 489TH ON ILLUSTRATION 3(K)71/2, WILL COVER AREA BOUNDED BY 832847 - 839838 - 862821 - 852856. THE 416TH WILL COVER BUILDINGS 17-24 WITH BOX 1, AND BUILDINGS 9-16 WITH BOX 2. SEE INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 253-850 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

PLAN "B" PPT

PLAN "C" VISUAL

1. TARGET: ZEREST (TOWN OF) D-988838. THIS TOWN IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 18 MILES EAST OF THE ADVANCING 83RD INFANTRY DIVISION. THIS IS A GROUND REQUEST TARGET.
2. MAP COVERAGE:
CGCS 4416 SHEET P-6

PHOTO COVERAGE:
ILLUSTRATION NO. 3/AIR/139/1
GU 4882.
186036 PRINT NO. 7814, 7815
3. PLOTTED FLAK POSITIONS ON ROUTE TO TARGET IN QUESTION AT PRESENT TIME DUE TO THE ADVANCE OF THE 83RD INF.
4. CURRENT BOMBLINE AT NEAREST POINT IS APPROXIMATELY A 1/2 MILES N W OF TARGET.

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BT 15/8133B

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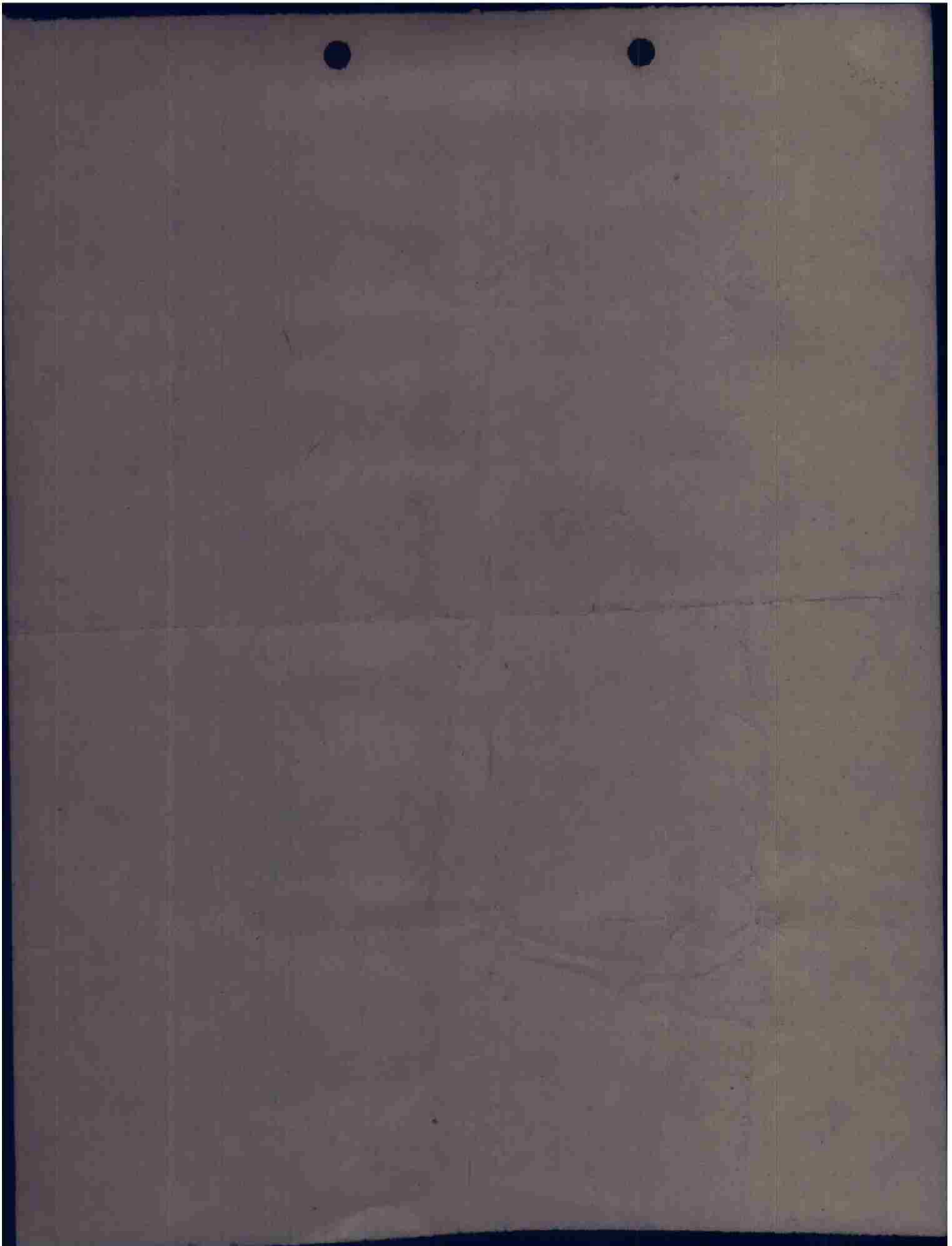
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ITA R

JES R 15/8255B DC AR

JKI R 15/8255BHR AR

ITA PLS T B F R
15/8255B CJD AR



ITA JES JKI JPO V JEA JEA 01/15 (INFO-INFO)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 15/0035B
TO : COMBOMB DIV NINE
COBOMEPS 409, 410, 416

BT

ADV. INFO COPY OF COMMUNICATIONS OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

PLAN "A"

- A. 409TH BOMB GROUP: (945076)
(2) BLIZZARD
(3) SHOWDOWN
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP: (883879)
(2) SKIPPER
(3) PALLMALL
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP: (945076)
(2) MUSKRAT
(3) GAYLIFE

PLAN "B"

- A. 409TH BOMB GROUP: (988830)
(2) BLIZZARD
(3) SHOWDOWN
(4) SWEEPSTAKES
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP: (883879)
(2) SKIPPER
(3) PALLMALL
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP: (988830)
(2) MUSKRAT
(3) GAYLIFE
(4) SWEEPSTAKES

PLAN "C"

- (A) 409TH BOMB GROUP: (988830)
(2) BLIZZARD
(3) SHOWDOWN
(4) SWEEPSTAKES
- (B) 416TH BOMB GROUP: (988830)
(2) MUSKRAT
(3) GAYLIFE
(4) SWEEPSTAKES

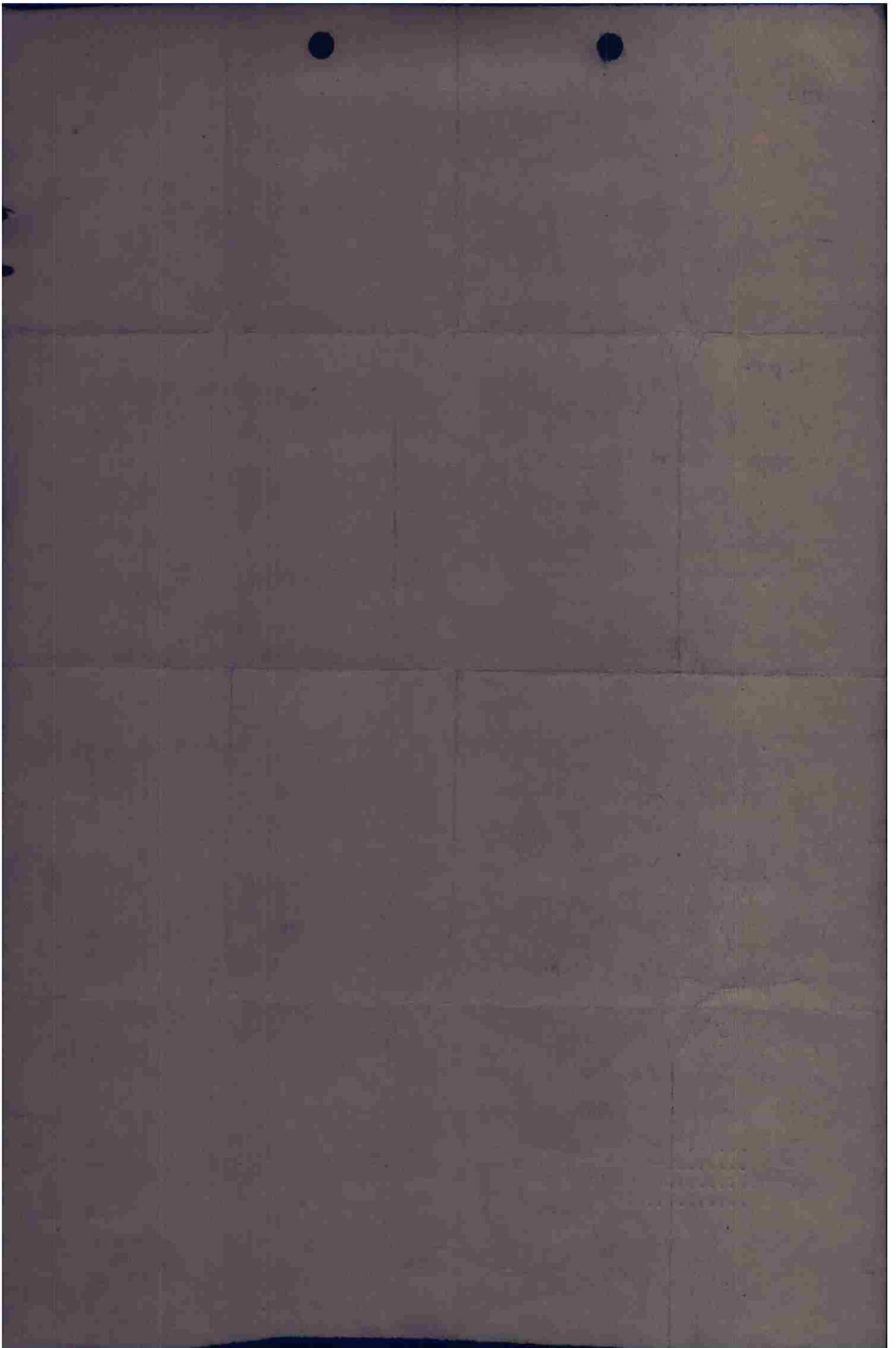
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BT 15/0035B

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ITA R	 15/0103B	HAS	AR
JES R	 15/0103B	JGN	AR
JKI R	 15/0103B	DM	U AR
JPO R	 15/0115B	HJS	AR



JEA ITA V JKI JKI 1515 OP OP
FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP(L) 15/1350B
TO CG, 9TH BOMB DIV.
CG, 97TH COMBAT WING (L)
BT
SECRET 416 BG P-262-D

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REF. ILL. NO. G(D) (VI) 125/G
M.O.I.'S IN THE EVENT VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT
PRIMARY TARGET. ... ONE FLIGHT ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING REFERENCES:

00900220
00750299
00750410
00000430
00250553
00000682

IN THE EVENT BOMBING IS BY BOXES VISUAL EX REF. POINTS WILL BE:

00750299
00750410

SECONDARY TARGET WILL BE LAUPHEIM. IF FOR ANY REASON OTHER

THAN FAILURE TO MAKE FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO BOMB THE
PRIMARY TARGET THE M/V AT LAUPHEIM (25961) WILL BE ATTACKED.

IN THE EVENT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS IS NOT EFFECTED THE M/V
AT HASLACH (W-2563) WILL BE ATTACKED.

M.D. SHEPIDAN
CPAT, AC.

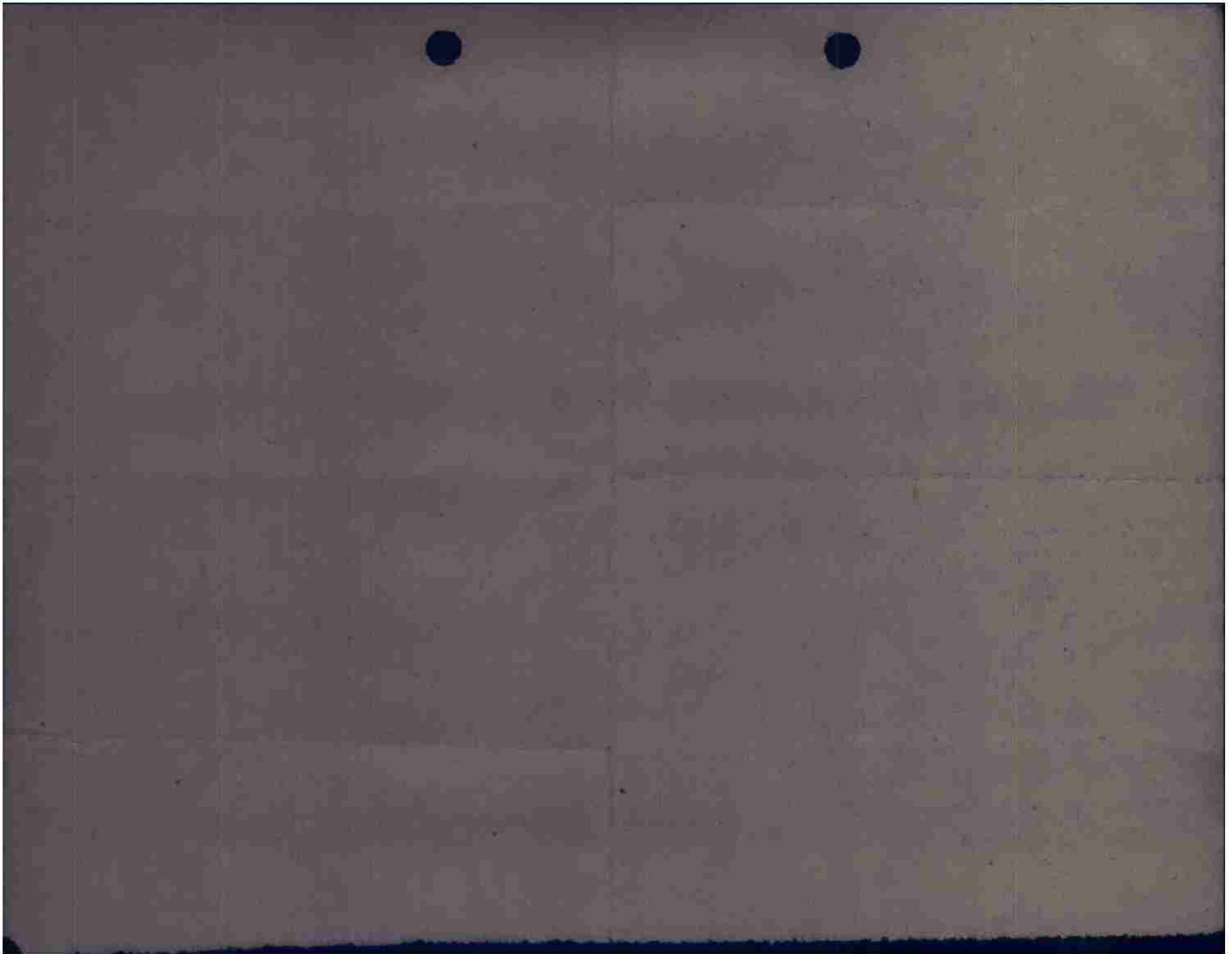
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EN BDB TO ITA ONLY
AS

CC/ FIRST WORD SECOND LINE OF MESSAGE SHOULD READ:

M.P.I.'S RPT M.P.I.'S

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ITA R. 151400B SK K

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ITA JEA V JKI JK123/15 OP - OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GP (L) 15/1715B
TO CG, 9TH BOMB DIV. (M) ATT, A-2
CG, 97TH COMBA WING " "

BT

SECRET 416BG P-270-D OPFLASH FOR 15 APRIL 1945:

- A. 416TH BOMB GP.
- B. ULM MARSHALLING YARD (X-655209)
- C. 38 A-26'S
- D. 38 A-26'S ON PRIMARY TARGET (PATHFINDER LEAD)
- E. NIL
- F. 228 X 500 M76 ON PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED (W 10-10 CLOUD AT TARGET)
- H. NIL
- I. NIL
- J. WEAK INACCURATE HFF AT FRIEBURG (W-220332)
- K. NIL
- L. 13,000 (BOX I)
- 12,500 (BOX II)
- M. 1450 (BOX I)
- 1450 1/2 (2 BOX II)
- X. GOOD LEAD BY BOTH PATHFINDERS.

CAPT SHERIDAN

BT 15/1715B

JF BBB

ITA R.....15/1040B CLEV KKK

JEA R.....15/1540B LCB KK

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June 0300 4/16/45
JEA JKI V ITA JJF 18/15 OP OP
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FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV 15/2055B
TO : CG, IX BOMB DIVISION
CG, 97TH COMBAT WING
CO, 416TH BOMB GROUP
SECRET QXX BT

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1ST PPF SQ PROV P-137-E
PPF PILOT : VOORHIES

DATE : 15 APRIL 1945

TIME : PM

*S-2
S-3*

A. FORMATION

1. CLASSIFICATION
2. REMARKS

--- (NOT AVAILABLE, A/C DIVERTED) ---

B. WINDOW SHIPS

1. CLASSIFICATION
2. REMARKS

C. NAVIGATION

1. CLASSIFICATION
2. REMARKS

D. INTERPLANE COMMUNICATIONS :

E. BRIEFING :

F. MISCELLANEOUS REMARKS :

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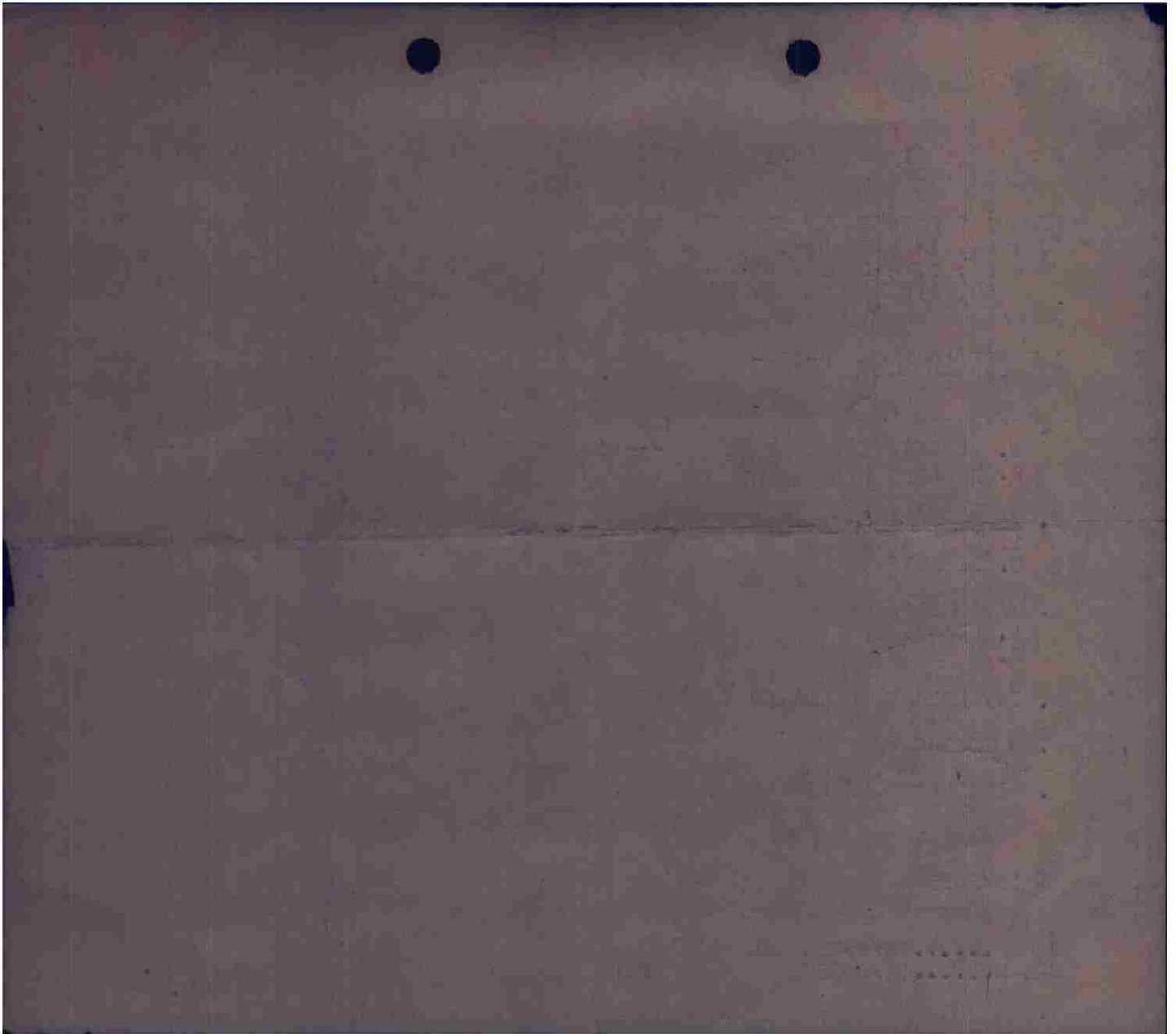
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FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ. PROV. 15/1745B
 TO CG, IX BOMBARDMENT DIVISION
 CG, 97TH COMBAT WING
 CG, 98TH COMBAT WING
 CG, 99TH COMBAT WING
 CO'S 394TH, 397TH, 410TH, 409TH, 416TH, 391ST, 322ND
 BOMB GROUPS

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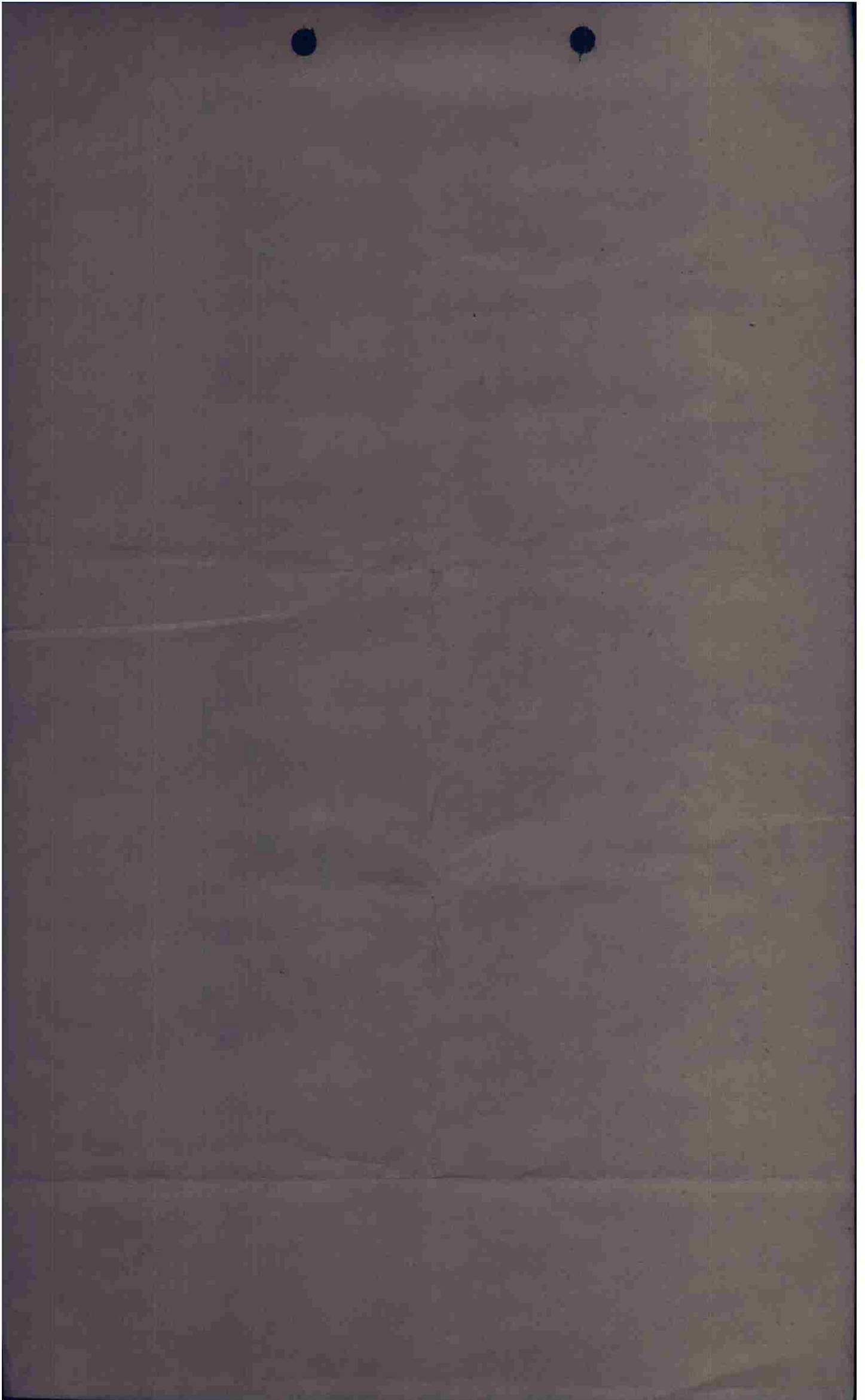
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A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 394TH BOMB GROUP.
 B. GUNZBURG M/Y WX 83008780
 C. 2 B-26'S
 D. 1 B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
 1 B-26 CASUAL ON GEE. EQUIPMENT FAILURE. ICHENHAUSEN WX 095776
 E. NONE
 F. 4 X 500 GP PRIMARY.
 4 X 500 GP CASUAL.
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S ON BOTH.
 H. THRU K. NONE.
 L. 13,200 PRIMARY.
 13,777 12,300 CASUAL
 M. 1300 PRIMARY
 1301 CASUAL
 REMARKS: GROUP FORMATION AND WINDOW SHIPS GOOD.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 410TH BOMB GROU.
 B. GUNZBURG M/Y WE 83008780
 C. 2 B-26'S
 D. 1 B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
 1 B-26 ON CASUAL, EQUIPMENT FAILURE. GEISINGEN UW 682249 NORDEN.
 E. NONE
 F. 4 X 500 GP PRIMARY.
 4 X 500 GP CASUAL.
 G. UNOBSERVED PRIMARY.
 CASUAL. BOMB FELL 2 MILES NORTH OF TUON IN FIELDS.
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 13,000 PRIMARY
 12,500 CASUAL
 M. 1334 PRIMARY.
 1331 CASUAL
 REMARKS: GROUP FORMATION AND WINDOW SHIPS GOOD.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 391ST BOMB GROUP.
 B. ULM M/Y WX 65088065
 C. 2 B-26'S
 D. 1 B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
 1 B-26 PRIMARY ON ETA. EQUIPMENT FAILURE.
 E. NONE
 F. 8 X 500 GP PRIMARY.
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 13,500 12,500 PRIMARY.
 M. 1350 - 1350 1/2 PRIMARY
 REMARKS: GROUP FORMATION EXCELLENT. NO WINDOW SHIPS SEEN.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 397TH BOMB GROUP.
 B. GUNZBURG M/Y WX 83008780
 C. 2 B-26'S
 D. 1 B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
 1 B-26 GROUP SECONDARY ON ETA. GROUP LEADING. EQUIPMENT FAILURE.
 E. NONE
 F. 4 X 500 GP PRIMARY.
 4 X 500 GP SECONDARY.
 G. UNOBSERVED PRIMARY.
 SECONDARY. HITS OBSERVED IN WOODED AREA.
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 13,000 PRIMARY.
 13,500 SECONDARY.
 M. 1317 1/2 PRIMARY



REMARKS: GROUP FORMATION GOOD. WINDOW SHIPS POOR. XX ESCORT GOOD.
SWISS BORDER WELL MARKED WITH COLORED PANELS.

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 322ND BOMB GROUP.
- B. ULM M/Y WX 65628888
- C. 2 B-26'S
- D. 2 B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
- E. NONE
- F. 3 X 500 GP PRIMARY.
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
- H. THRU K. NONE.
- L. 13,500 - 12,500 PRIMARY.
- M. 1401 - 1402 PRIMARY.

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD. NO WINDOW SHIPS SEEN.

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 416TH BOMB GROUP
- B. ULM M/Y N WX 66588100
- C. 2 B-26'S
- D. 1 B-26 PRIMARY ON SECOND BOX. EQUIPMENT FAILURE.
1 B-26 UNREPORTED. LANDED AT A-68.
- E. NONE.
- F. 4 X 500 GP PRIMARY.
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
- H. THRU K. NONE.
- L. 12,500 PRIMARY.
- M. 1450 PRIMARY.

REMARKS: GROUP FORMATION EXCELLENT. GROUP WINDOW SHIP NOT SEEN.

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 409TH BG

- B. ULM M/Y WX 65428888
- C. 2 B-26'S
- D. TWO B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
- E. NONE
- F. 3 X 500 GP PRIMARY.
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10
- H. THRU K. NONE.
- L. 13,000 AND 12,500 PRIMARY.
- M. 1432 AND 1433 1/2 PRIMARY.

REMARKS: GROUP FORMATION GOOD. WINDOW SHIP GOOD.

--- COMPILED BY:
CAPTAIN GEORGE H. YARNALL. ---

CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ. PROV.

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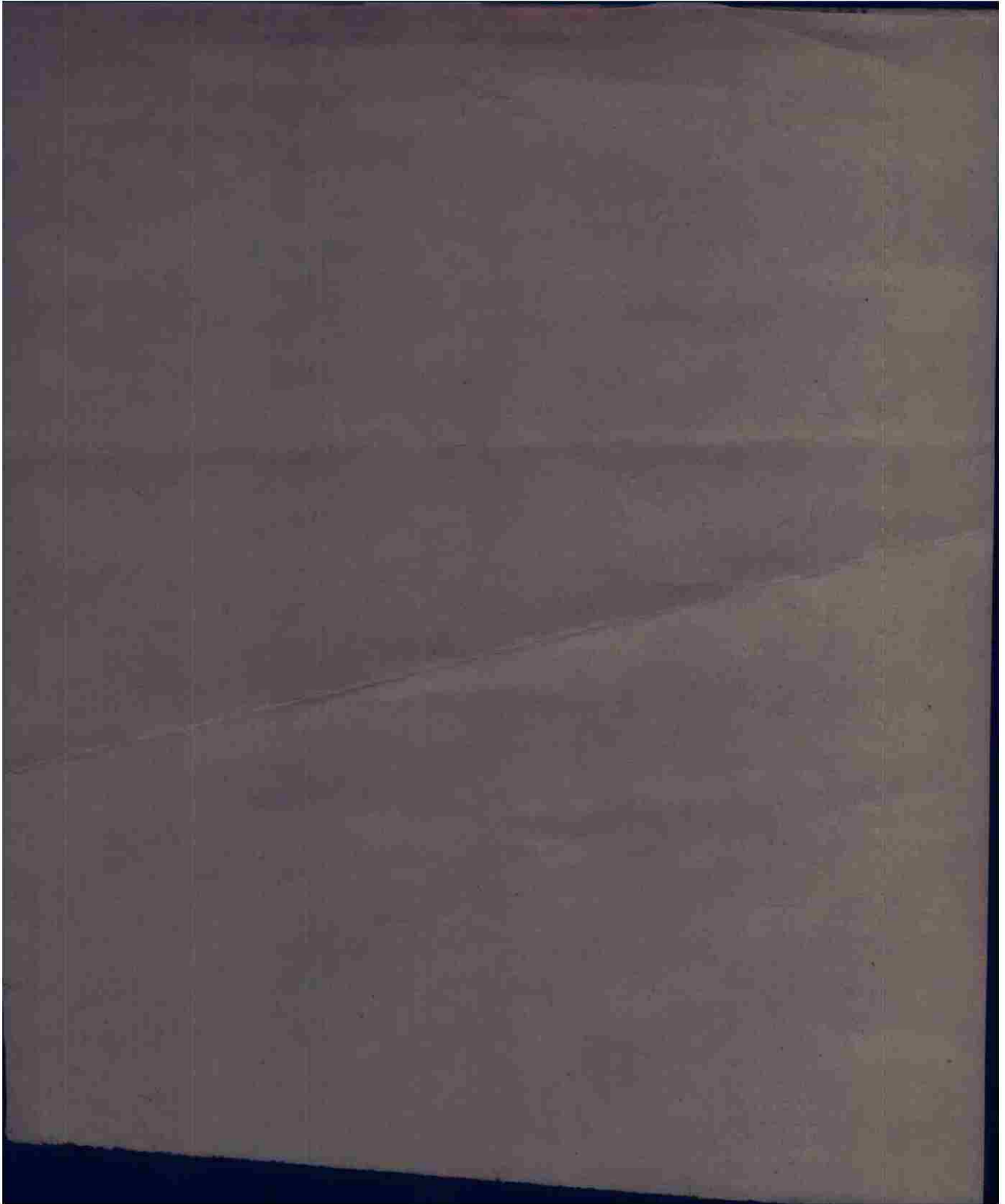
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FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 15/0355B
TO : COMBONDIV NINE
COBOMGP 409, 410, 416
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQDN.

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SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: COL. MC AFEE

FIELD ORDER NO. 254-832

MAPS NORMAL

1. E. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMBLINE.
(2) 19 TAC WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 410 GROUP ON PLAN "A" AND "B". 8 AF WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 409 AND 416 ON PLAN "A". 9 TAC WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 409 AND 416 GROUPS ON PLAN "B" AND "C".

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY.

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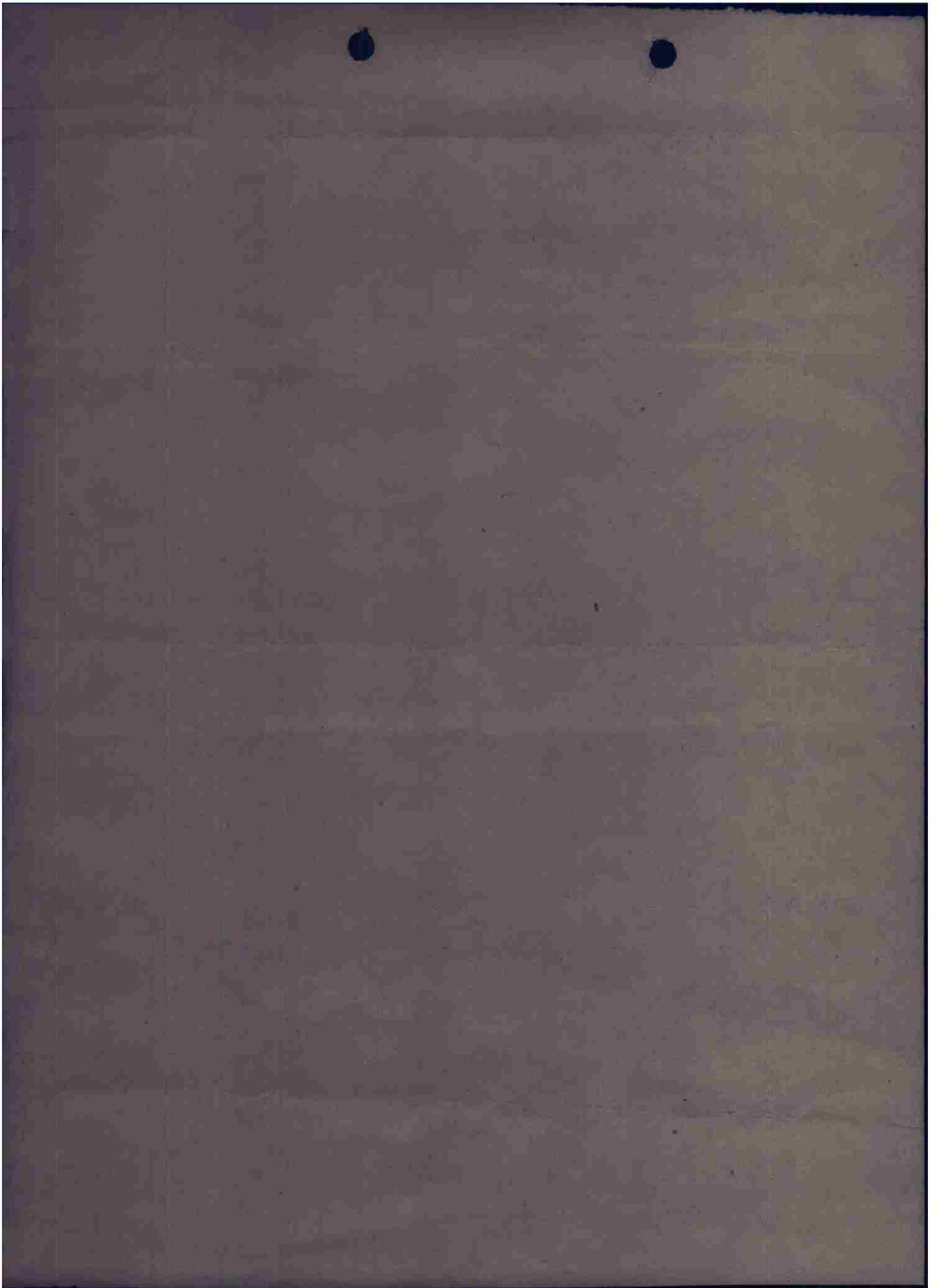
PLAN "A" VISUAL

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP:

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT V-7878 AT 8,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS JET MIN. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE GREEN FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
- (9) MPI: ILL. 3(K)71/2 COVER AREA BOUNDED BY REF.: 032047, 039030, 062021 AND 052036. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 100 FEET.

3. B. 410TH BOMB GROUP:

- (1) GUNZBURG M/Y (X-833879)
- (2) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT V-7878 AT 8,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 105 MIN. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
- (4) BASE TO V-7878 TO U-3748 TO W-6825 TO X-3052 TO IP TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO RP TO X-7562 AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
- (6) BOMB AT 9,000 FEET OR BELOW THE CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 4,000 FEET ABOVE THE TERRAIN. DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
- (7) X-7562.
- (8) GEN. S W TO N E.
- (9) MPI: ILL. 3/AIR/209/1 COVER M/Y FROM 106072 TO 120077.
- (10) 6 X 500 LB. GP. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
- (11) Y-0000.
- (12) GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY.
(A) PRIMARY VISUALLY.
(B) ALTERNATE VISUALLY.
(C) PRIMARY GEE.
(D) ALTERNATE GEE
(E) ALTERNATE E.T.A. ONLY IF ALTERNATE TARGET X-5961 IS SELECTED.



U-8831
U-2563
X-4811
X-4112
X-5961.

THE M/Y AT THESE POINTS WILL BE ATTACKED.

3. C. 416TH BOMB GROUP:

- (2) WITH FIGHTERS AT V-7878 AT 8,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 60 MIN.
FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
(9) MPI: ILL. 3(K)71/2
1ST BOX COVER BUILDINGS 17 THROUGH 24 INCLUSIVE.
2ND " " " " " " 16 " "
INTERVALOMETER SETTING 100 FEET.

X. 1 - 3 NO CHANGE

- (4) EMERGENCY FIELDS: Y-1, Y-2, A-26, Y-59, Y-54, Y-46.

FOR THE 409 AND 416 GROUPS

- (5) TARGET: KEMPTEN ORDNANCE DEPOT (X-945076)
(6) A/C REQUIRED: MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
(7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO V-7878 TO W-3748 TO W-6823 TO X-3821 TO
IP TO TARGET.
(8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO RP AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
(9) ALTITUDE: BOMB AT 9,000 FEET OR BELOW THE CLOUD BASE DOWN
TO BUT NOT BELOW 4,000 FEET ABOVE THE TERRAIN.
DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
(10) IP: X-5801.
(11) AXIS OF ATTACK: GEN. W S W TO E N E.
(12) BOMB LOAD: 6 X 500 LB. M-76 INCENDIARY FUSED INST. NOSE,
NON-DELAY TAIL.
(13) RP: X-3821.
(14) GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
(A) PRIMARY VISUALLY.
(B) ALTERNATE VISUALLY.
(C) ALTERNATE GEE
(D) ALTERNATE E.T.A. ONLY IF ALTERNATE TARGET, X-5961 IS
SELECTED.
(15) GROUPS MAY SELECT ANY OF THE ALTERNATE TARGETS LISTED BELOW:
U-8031
U-2565
X-4811
X-4112
X-5961. THE M/Y AT THESE POINTS WILL BE ATTACKED.
(16) EXTREME CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISED DUE TO P/W CAMP 3 MILES
SOUTH OF PRIMARY TARGET AND DUE TO PROXIMITY OF SWISS
BORDER.

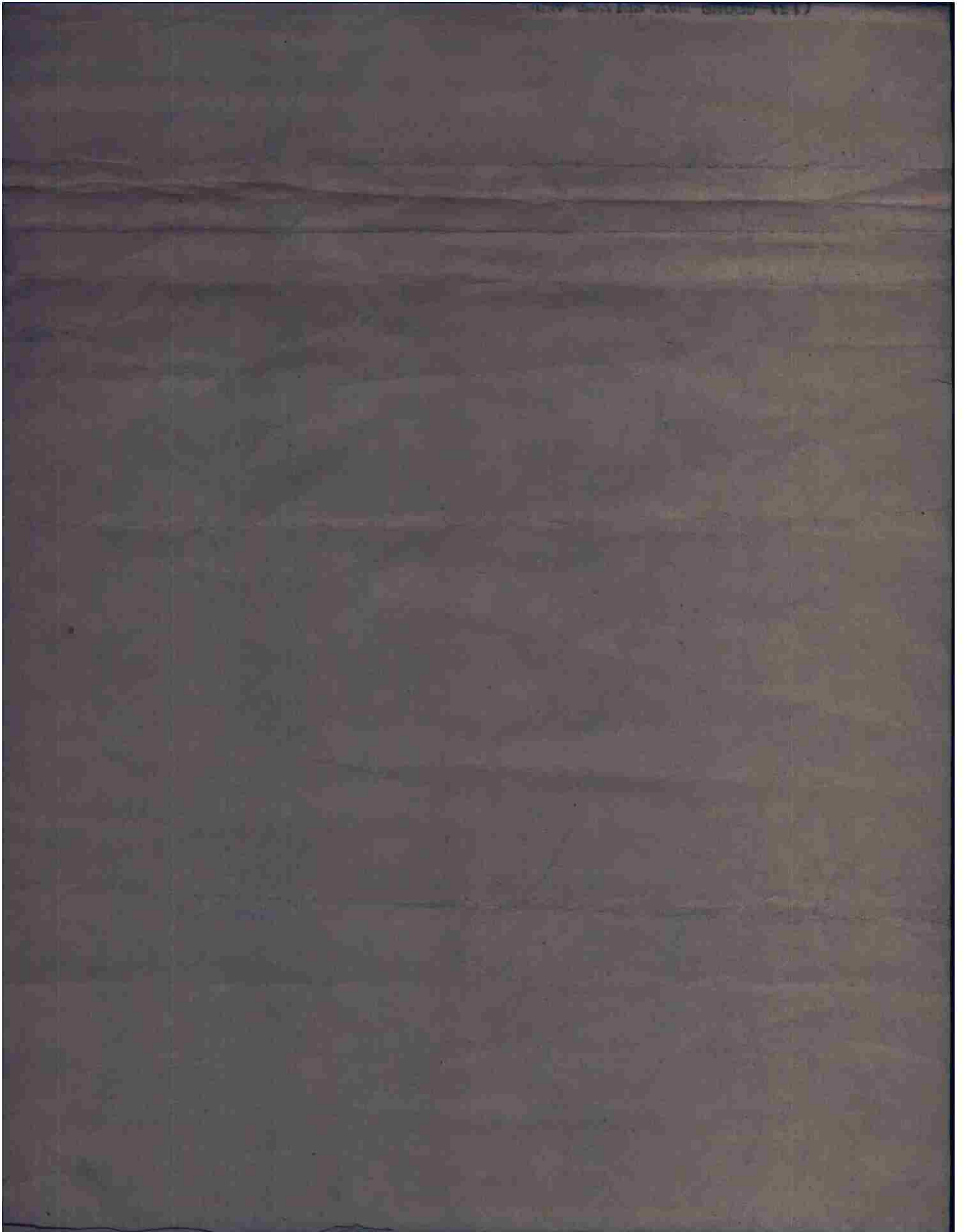
PLAN "B" PATHFINDER

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP:

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT V-7878 AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 55 MIN.
FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE RED FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
WITH PPF A/C OVER THE FIELD.
(9) MPI: ILL. 6(D)(VI)125/6 COVER AREA BOUNDED BY REF.: 024046,
024037, 051051, 051060 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS
VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. PPF MPI: GRID. COORD.:
65428380. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 100 FEET.
(12) TOT: ZERO PLUS 90 MIN.

3. B. 416TH BOMB GROUP:

- (1) GUNZBURG M/Y (X-883879)
(2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 2 PPF A/C.
(3) WITH FIGHTERS AT V-7878 AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 55 MIN.



- FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS WITH PPF A/C OVER THE FIELD.
- (4) BASE TO V-7878 TO U-3748 TO V-6825 TO X-3868 TO TARGET.
 - (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO V-6886 TO X-7562 TO X-3868 AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
 - (6) BOMB AT: 1ST BOX 13,500 FEET.
2ND BOX 12,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL WILL BE 4,000 FEET ABOVE THE TERRAIN.
DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
 - (9) MPI: ILL. 3/AIN/229/1 COVER N/V FROM REF.: 183872 TO 123877 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES.
PPF MPI: GRID. COORD.: 88388788.
 - (10) 6 X 500 LB. GP. FUSED 1/18 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
 - (12) TOT: ZERO PLUS 30 MIN.
 - (13) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET, BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-28 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE PPF A/C OR NOT. IF BOMBING IS VISUAL, GROUP WILL BOMB BY (A) FLIGHTS (B) BOXES AND WILL USE X-7562 AS A VISUAL IP. IF CLOUD COVER OBSCURES PRIMARY TARGET AND PPF EQUIPMENT FAILS GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
(A) ALTERNATE VISUALLY.
(B) PRIMARY GEE.
(C) ALTERNATE GEE.
(D) ALTERNATE E.T.A. ONLY IF ALTERNATE TARGET X-3961 IS SELECTED.
 - (14) GROUP MAY SELECT ANY OF THE ALTERNATE TARGETS LISTED BELOW:
U-3831
U-2569
X-4811
X-4112
X-5961. THE N/V AT THESE POINTS WILL BE ATTACKED.

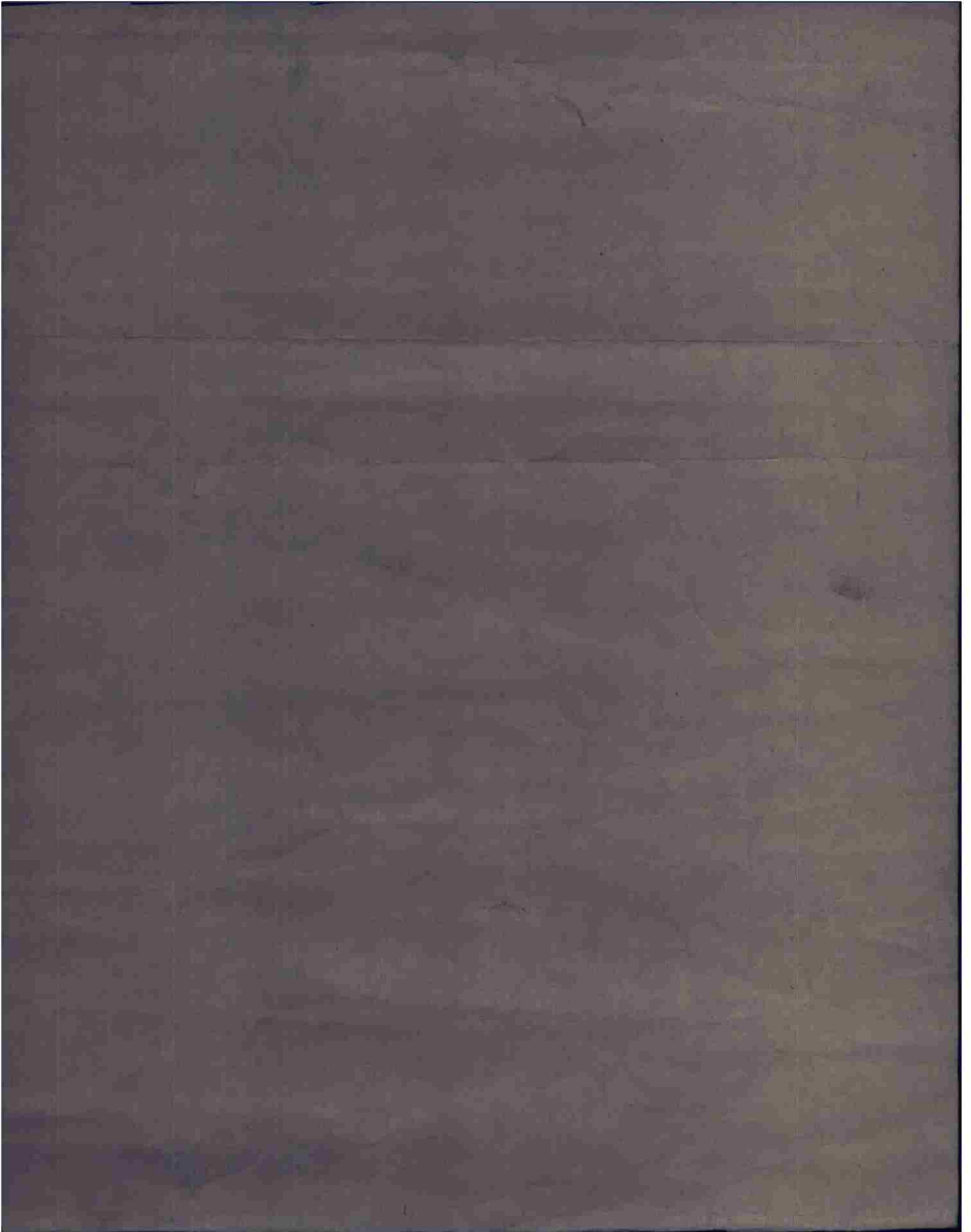
3. C. 416TH BOMB GROUP:

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT V-7678 AT 10,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 70 MIN. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE GREEN FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS WITH PPF A/C OVER THE FIELD.
 - (9) MPI: ILL. 6(D)(VI)125/6 COVER AREA BOUNDED BY REF.: 883855, 885815, 891819, 891853, 124856, 183861 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. PPF MPI: GRID. COORD.: 66588136. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 100 FEET.
 - (12) TOT: ZERO PLUS 125 MIN.
- X. 1 - 3 NO CHANGE.
- (A) EMERGENCY FIELDS: Y-1, Y-2, A-96, Y-59, Y-54, Y-46.

FOR THE 489 AND 416 GROUPS

- (5) TARGET: ULM N/V (X-655899)
- (6) A/C REQUIRED: 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 2 PPF A/C.
- (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO V-7878 TO U-3748 TO V-6825 TO X-1258 TO TARGET.
3748
- (8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN RIGHT TO X-5961 TO V-6825 AND RETRACE TO BASE.
- (9) ALTITUDE: BOMB AT: 1ST BOX 13,500 FEET.
2ND BOX 12,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL WILL BE 4,000 FEET ABOVE THE GROUND. DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
- (10) BOMB LOAD: 6 X 500 LB. B-76 INCENDIARY FUSED INST. NOSE, NON-DELAY TAIL.

ALL 4 TO 60000 CALIBRATION ERROR AT DESTROYED TARGET BOMBING WILL BE



VISUAL GROUP WILL BOMB BY (A) FLIGHTS (B) BOXES AND WILL USE X-4367 AS A VISUAL IP. IF VISUAL CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET AND PPF EQUIPMENT FAILS GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
 (A) ALTERNATE VISUALLY.
 (B) PRIMARY GROUP SEE.
 (C) ALTERNATE GROUP SEE.
 (D) ALTERNATE E.T.A. ONLY IF ALTERNATE TARGET X-5961 IS SELECTED.

- (12) GROUPS MAY SELECT ANY OF THE ALTERNATE TARGETS LISTED BELOW:
 U-8031
 U-2565
 X-4311
 X-4112
 X-5961. THE WAY AT THESE POINTS WILL BE ATTACKED.

PLAN "C" VISUAL

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP:

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT C-8322 AT 9,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 45 MIN.
 FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLAMES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
 (9) IPI: ILL. 3/411/159/1 COVER BUILT UP AREA BOUNDED BY REF.:
 814032, 830039, 830025, 816027. INTERVALOMETER SETTING
 125 FEET.

3. C. 416TH BOMB GROUP:

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT C-8322 AT 9,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 60 MIN.
 FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLAMES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
 (9) IPI: ILL. 3/411/159/1 COVER BUILT UP AREA BOUNDED BY REF.:
 816027, 830025, 827017, 816021. INTERVALOMETER SETTING
 100 FEET.

X. 1 - 3 NO CHANGE.

- (4) EMERGENCY FIELDS: Y-1, Y-2, A-96, Y-50, Y-54, Y-46.
 (5) TARGET: ZEROST COMMUNICATIONS CENTER (D-988530)
 (6) A/C REQUIRED: MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
 (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO C-8322 TO D-4496 TO IP TO TARGET.
 (8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO IP TO D-3902 AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
 (9) ALTITUDE: BOMB AT 12,000 FEET OR BELOW THE CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 7,000 FEET ABOVE THE TERRAIN. DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
 (10) IP: D-7179.
 (11) AXIS OF ATTACK: GEN. W TO E.
 (12) BOMB LOAD: Y X 500 LB. B-78 INCENDIARY FUSED INST. NOSE, NON-DELAY TAIL.
 (13) IP: D-7179.
 (14) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET GROUPS RETURN BOMBS TO BASE.

4. NO CHANGE.

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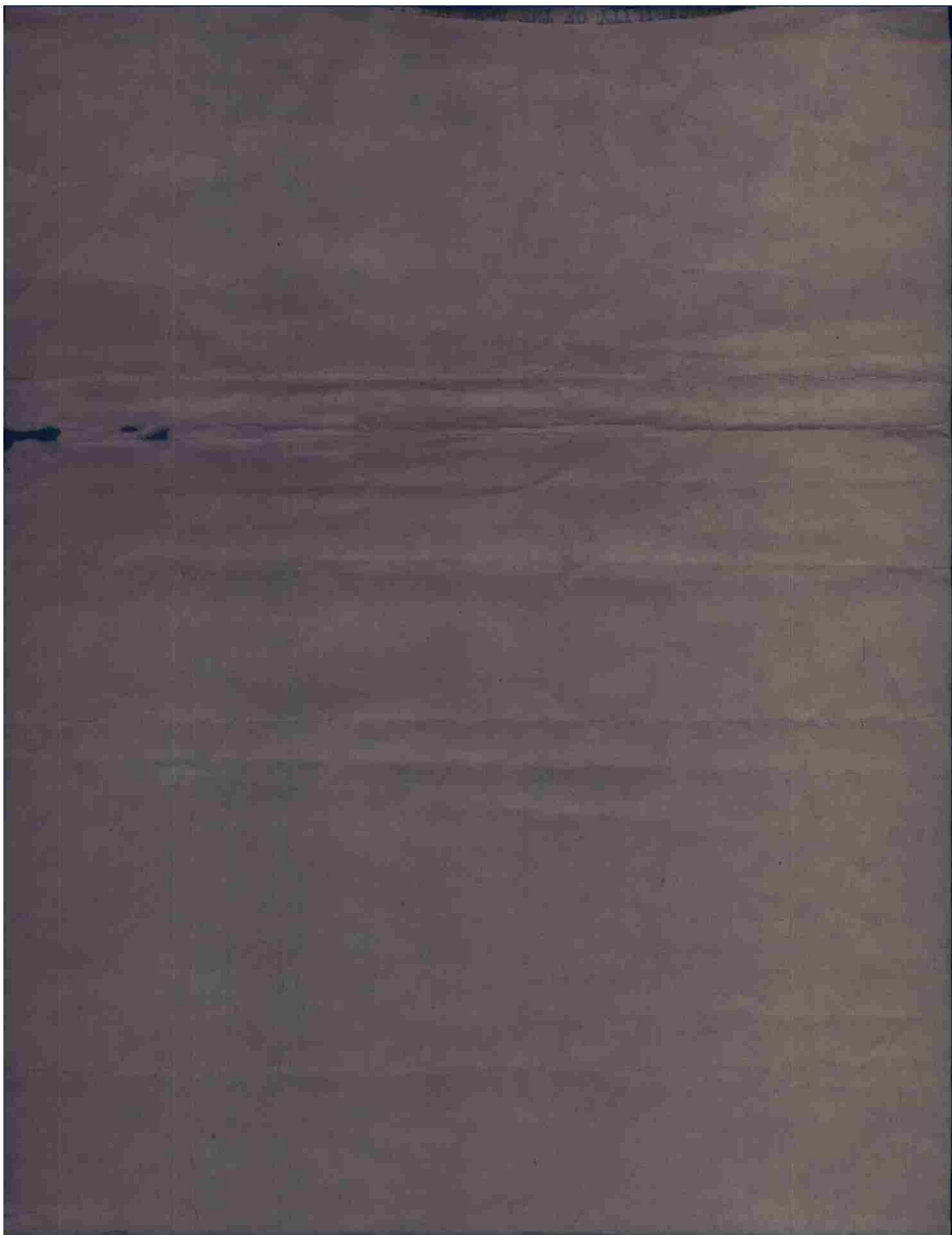
PLAN "A"

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP: (945076)

- (2) BLIZZARD
 (3) SHUTDOWN

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP: (883879)

- (2) SKIPPER
 (3) BALLMALL



C. 416TH BOMB GROUP: (945876)
(2) MUSKAT
(3) GAYLIFE

PLAN "B"

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP: (988832)
(2) BLIZZARD
(3) SHODOWN
(4) SWEEPSTAKES

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP: (883879)
(2) SKIPPER
(3) PALLMALL

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP: (988832)
(2) MUSKAT
(3) GAYLIFE
(4) SWEEPSTAKES

PLAN "C"

(A) 409TH BOMB GROUP: (988832)
(2) BLIZZARD
(3) SHODOWN
(4) SWEEPSTAKES

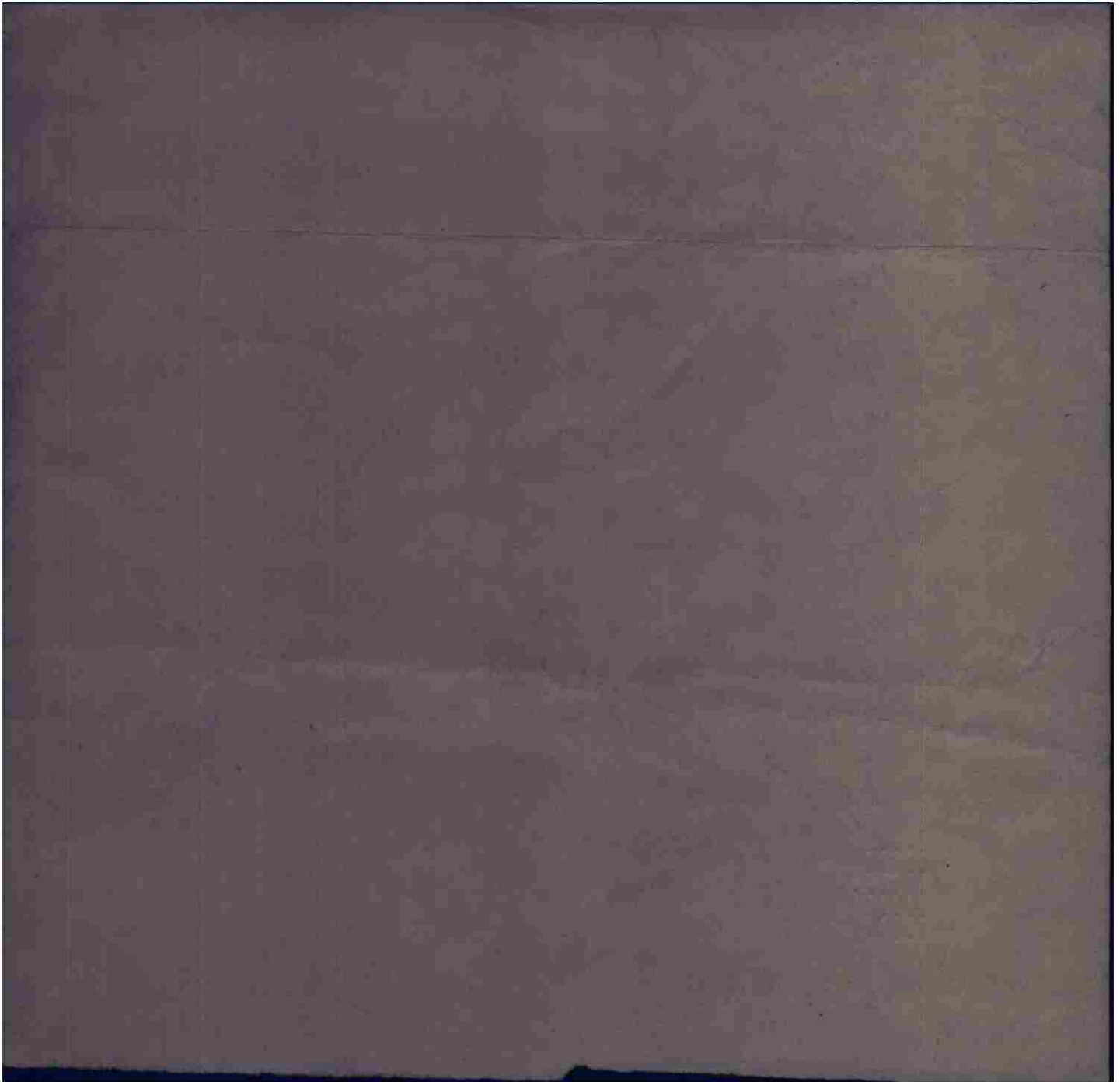
(B) 416TH BOMB GROUP: (988832)
(2) MUSKAT
(3) GAYLIFE
(4) SWEEPSTAKES

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UNDER PLAN C VISUAL X. (12) SHOULD READ
(12) BOMB LOAD: 6 X 500 NOT Y X 500
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