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LOADING LIST
BOX I
FLIGHT I

16 APRIL 1945

41-
1. 398 2
Capt. H.M. Evans ✓
Lt. T.M. McCartney ✓ 595
C Lt. H.E. Myrold ✓
S/S O.N. Merritt ✓

41-
2. 223 B
Lt. R.S. Bower ✓ 645
C S/S A.A. Cianciolo ✓

41-
3. 286 D
Lt. J.P. Wallace ✓ 600
C Sgt R. Plant ✓

FLIGHT II

43
1. 484 0
Lt. P.E. Parker ✓
A Lt. R.E. Shaft ✓ 675
S/S J.C. Edburn ✓

43
2. 505 Y
Lt. L.J. Frucha ✓ 775
A Lt. F.A. Reeves ✓
S/S L.C. Ferguson ✓

41
3. 264 I
Lt. T.D. McGready ✓ * 700
A S/S W.E. Lemonds ✓

FLIGHT III

43
1. 640 N
Lt. W.H. Lester ✓
A Lt. M.P. Schlefer ✓ 630
S/S C.L. Calabrese ✓

41
2. 274 S
Lt. L.E. Cannon ✓ 650
A Sgt J.I. Spence ✓

41
3. 259 H
Lt. J.K. Colquitt ✓ * 750
A S/S G.M. Mohr ✓

SPARE

41 271 R
Lt. D.E. Smith ✓ 640
S/S S.J. Kirik ✓

41
4. 416 0
C Lt. R.B. Singletary ✓ 625
S/S H.G. Wiggins ✓
S/S J.O. Ottaviano ✓

41
5. 212 K
C Lt. J.C. Curtis ✓ 700
Sgt O.R. Mulzet ✓

43
6. 2915 L
C Lt. A.G. Hanson ✓ 625
C Col R.R. Homler ✓ *

41
4. 335 W
C Lt. J.W. Wright ✓ 725
S/S P.J. Profitat ✓

41
5. 325 L
C Lt. A.V. Everts ✓ * 600
Sgt C.D. Fagan ✓

43
6. 385 D
C Lt. R.J. Lockner ✓ 680
S/S C.L. Skeens ✓

41
4. 305 U
C Lt. F.W. Harris ✓
S/S W.F. Piehrer ✓

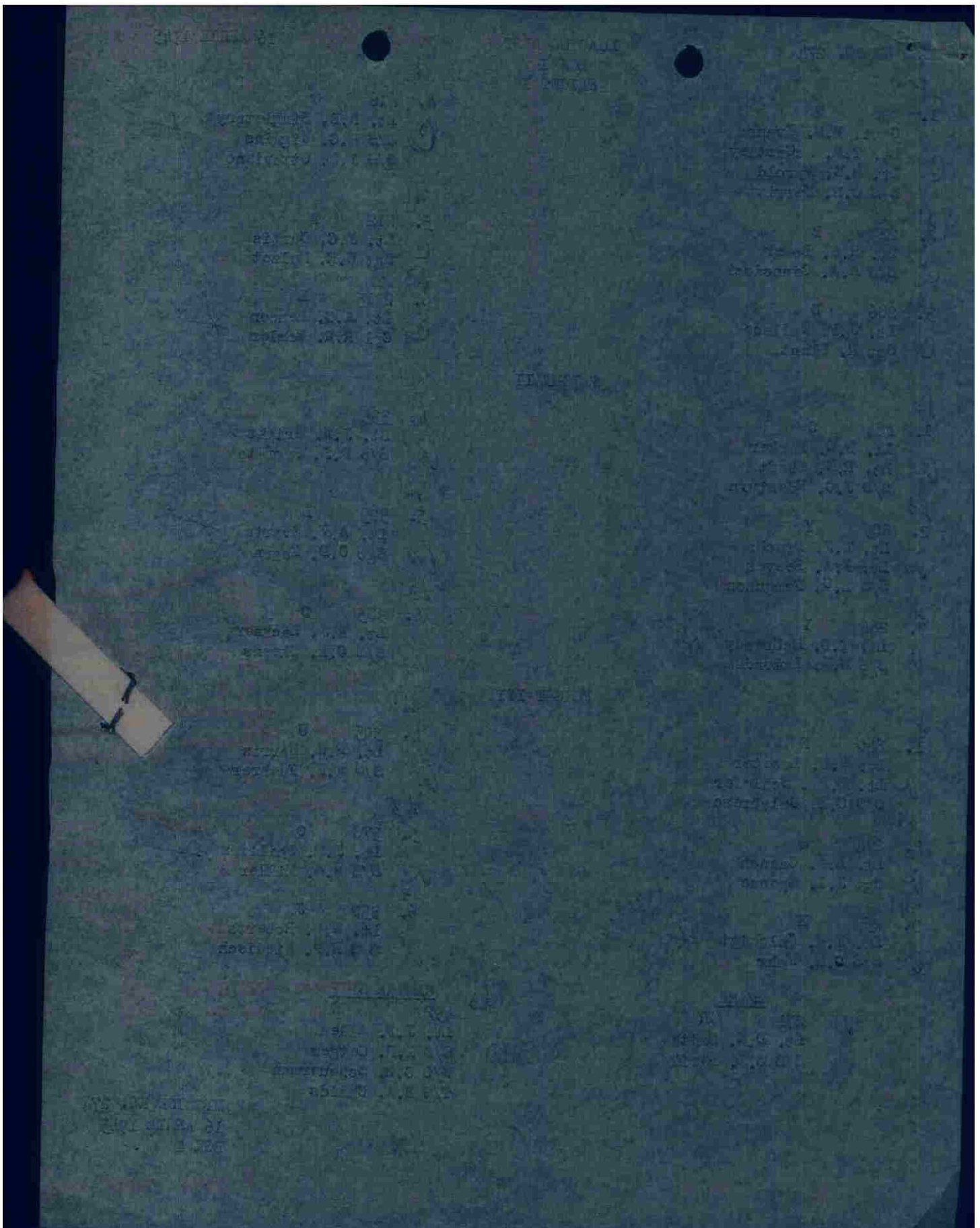
43
5. 378 0
C Lt. J.P. Phillips ✓ * 700
S/S W.A. Miller ✓

41
6. 352 J
C Lt. W.H. Roberts ✓ 685
S/S R.P. Windisch ✓

CAMERA SHIP

43 492 E
B Lt. J.F. Allen ✓ 685
S/S L.R. Getgen ✓
W/O C.B. Scheuerman
T/S E.A. Childs

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LOADING LIST

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BOX II

FLIGHT I

1. 501 W
 Lt. F.S. Brewster
 Lt. L.W. Dannis
 T/O F.J. Conley
 S/S W.O. Clark

4. 232 N
 Lt. W.E. Downing
 Sgt A.P. Sgroi
 Sgt P.A. Mirabella

2. 528 T
 Lt. P.P. Barausky
 Lt. W.L. Sheehan
 Cpl B.R. Wilson

5. 205 M
 Lt. E.G. Bishop
 S/S R.J. Perujo

3. 320 S
 Lt. G.H. Sheley
 S/S D.V. Paledino

6. 564 V
 Lt. J.V. O'Brien
 S/S F.H. Carey

FLIGHT II

1. 490 X
 Capt. R.J. Tutt
 Lt. L.A. Orr
 S/S D. Schwartzapal

4. 265 V
 Lt. A.J.P. Winn
 S/S W.G. Davis

2. 249 F
 Lt. T.E. Greeber
 S/S A.H. Miller

5. 297 T
 Capt. D.C. Nielsen
 S/S K.W. Schmidt

3. 209 M
 Lt. J.W. Spires
 S/S R.W. Messinger

6. 360 L
 Lt. D.L. Price
 S/S F.E. Barber
 S/S H.K. Miller

FLIGHT III

1. 609 N
 Major H.L. Scamers
 Lt. J. Kupita
 Capt. G.D. Murphy
 S/S K. Heath

4. 362 Y
 Lt. M.W. DuBose
 S/S A.A. Dalton
 Lt. J.W. Britt

2. 354 S
 Lt. R.H. Hackley
 S/S O.T. Hawk

5. 381
 Lt. C.E. Weinert
 Sgt R. Dubi

3. 252
 Lt. F.W. Wills
 S/S W.S. McGaughy

6. 263 G
 Lt. A.W. Dagner
 S/S R.H. Gillespie
 Sgt S.J. Snider

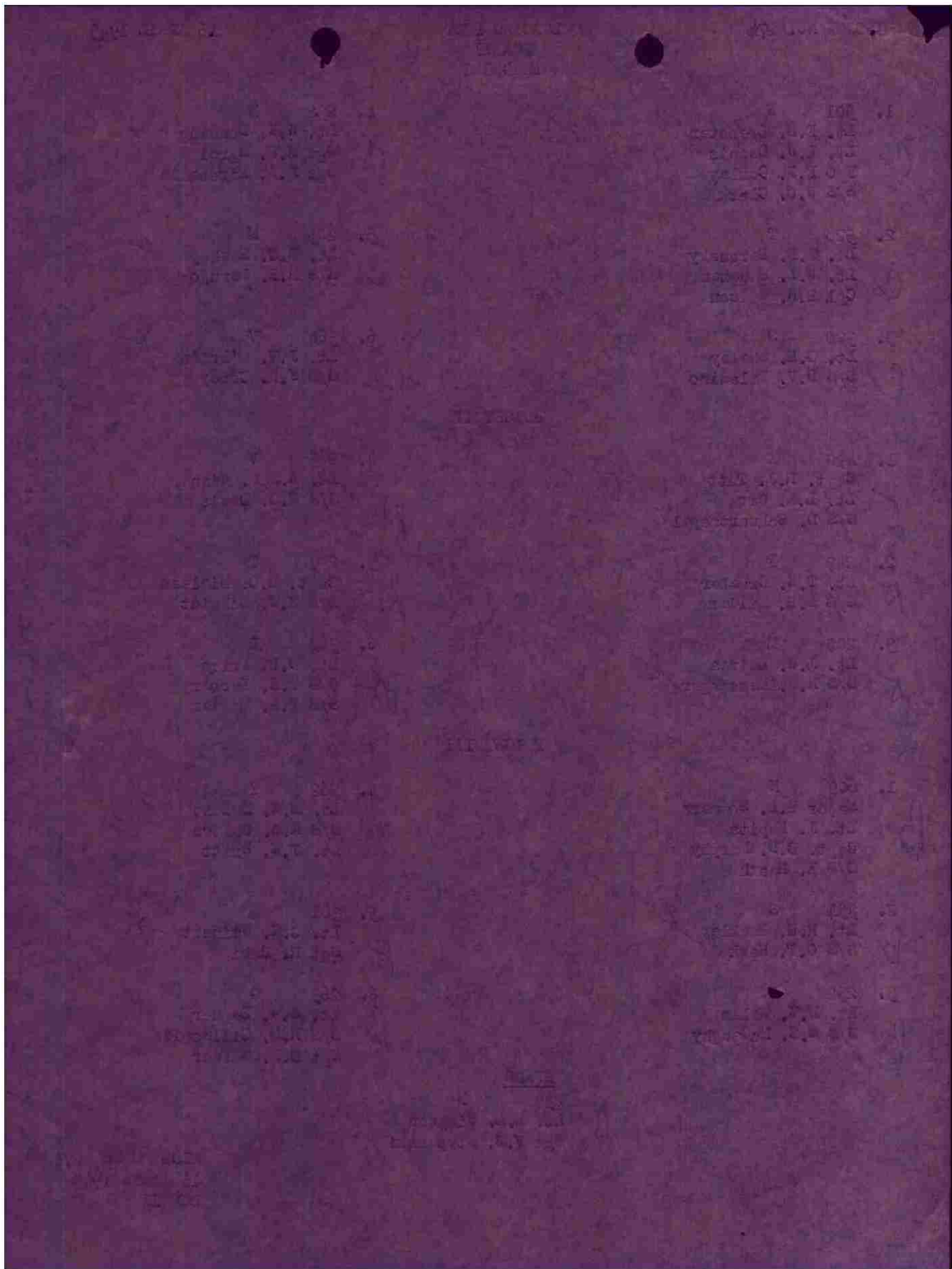
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239 N
 Lt. R.L. Simpson
 Sgt V.S. Stypenski

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16 APRIL 1945

BOX II



SECRET
 AUTH: CO, A-39
 18 Apr 45
 INITIAL:

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

U-4-1

APC 140, U.S. Army,
 18 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Mission Report.

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

I. 16 April 1945, T.O. 1723, Wittenburg M/Y, F.O. 256-354.

II. None.

III. None.

IV. None.

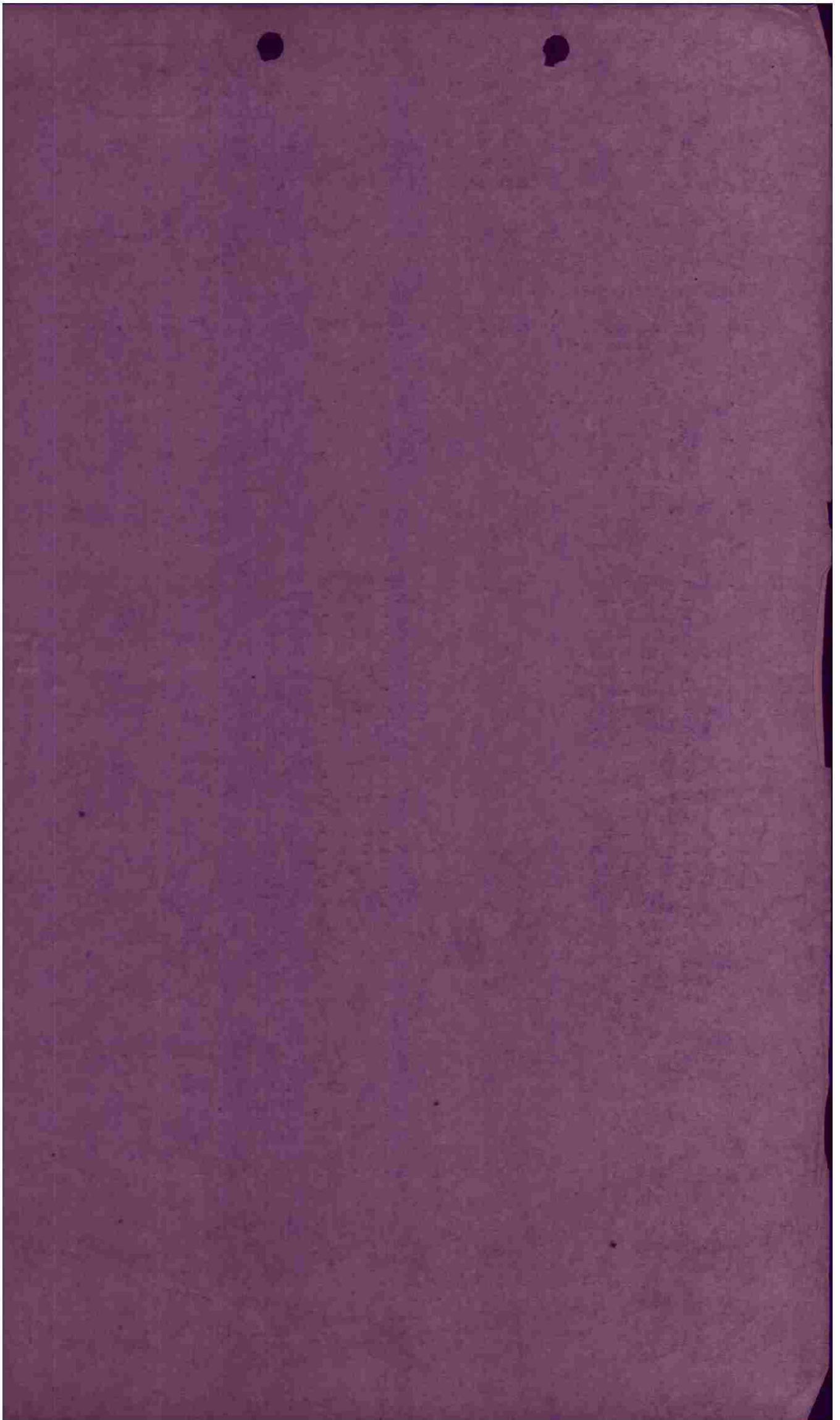
V. None.

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 2 - 4:25 - 645
 3 - 4:25 - 600
 4 - 4:25 - 675
 5 - 4:30 - 700
 6 - 4:30 - 625
 1 - 4:40 - 675
 2 - 4:40 - 725
 3 - 4:40 - 700
 4 - 4:40 - 725
 5 - 4:40 - 600
 6 - 4:40 - 680
 1 - 4:50 - 630
 2 - 4:50 - 650
 3 - 4:50 - 750
 4 - 4:50 - 675
 5 - 4:40 - 700
 6 - 4:50 - 685
 5 - 4:15 - 640
 Ex - 5:10 - 685

1 - 5:05 - 725
 2 - 5:05 - 730
 3 - 5:15 - 725
 4 - 5:10 - 750
 5 - 5:05 - 650
 6 - 5:05 - 750
 1 - 5:25 - 760
 2 - 5:10 - 700
 3 - 5:25 - 690
 4 - 5:25 - 825
 5 - 5:35 - 810
 6 - 5:20 - 750
 1 - 5:05 - 650
 2 - 4:40 - 675
 3 - 5:15 - 775
 4 - 5:05 - 775
 5 - 5:20 - 750
 6 - 5:15 - 840
 5 - 5:20 - 700

VII. Cat "A" - 2
 Cat "AG" - 0
 Cat "B" - 0
 Cat "E" - 0

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



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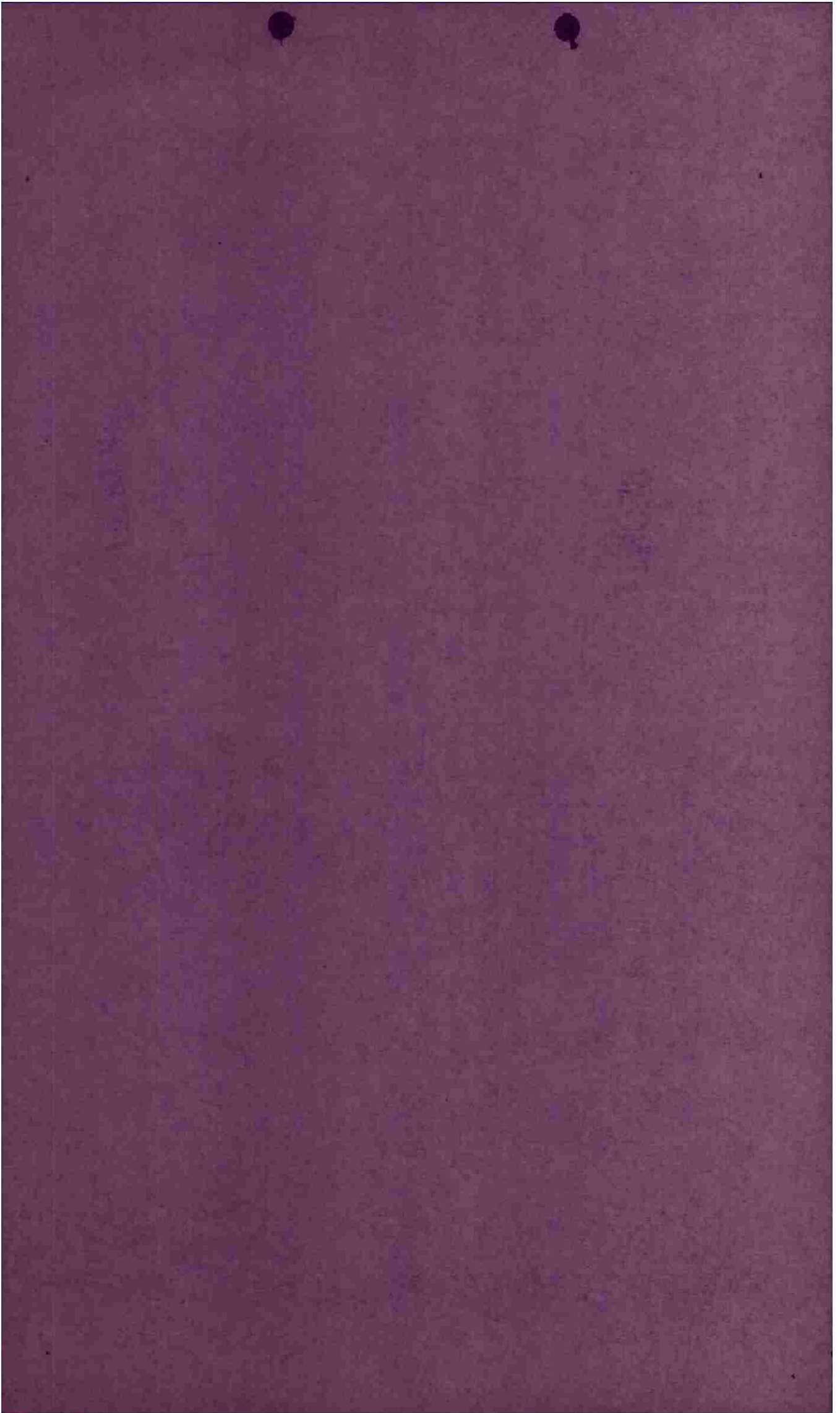
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416° Bomb Group (D)
EO: 256-854 1 April 45
Target: Wiltshire, NY
TOT: 1138-1131Z
Alt: 11,500-12,400
74k 31k/100lb incendiary
Damage: 2 Areas "A"
Notes: 1. Clouds smoke up
2. 100 feet





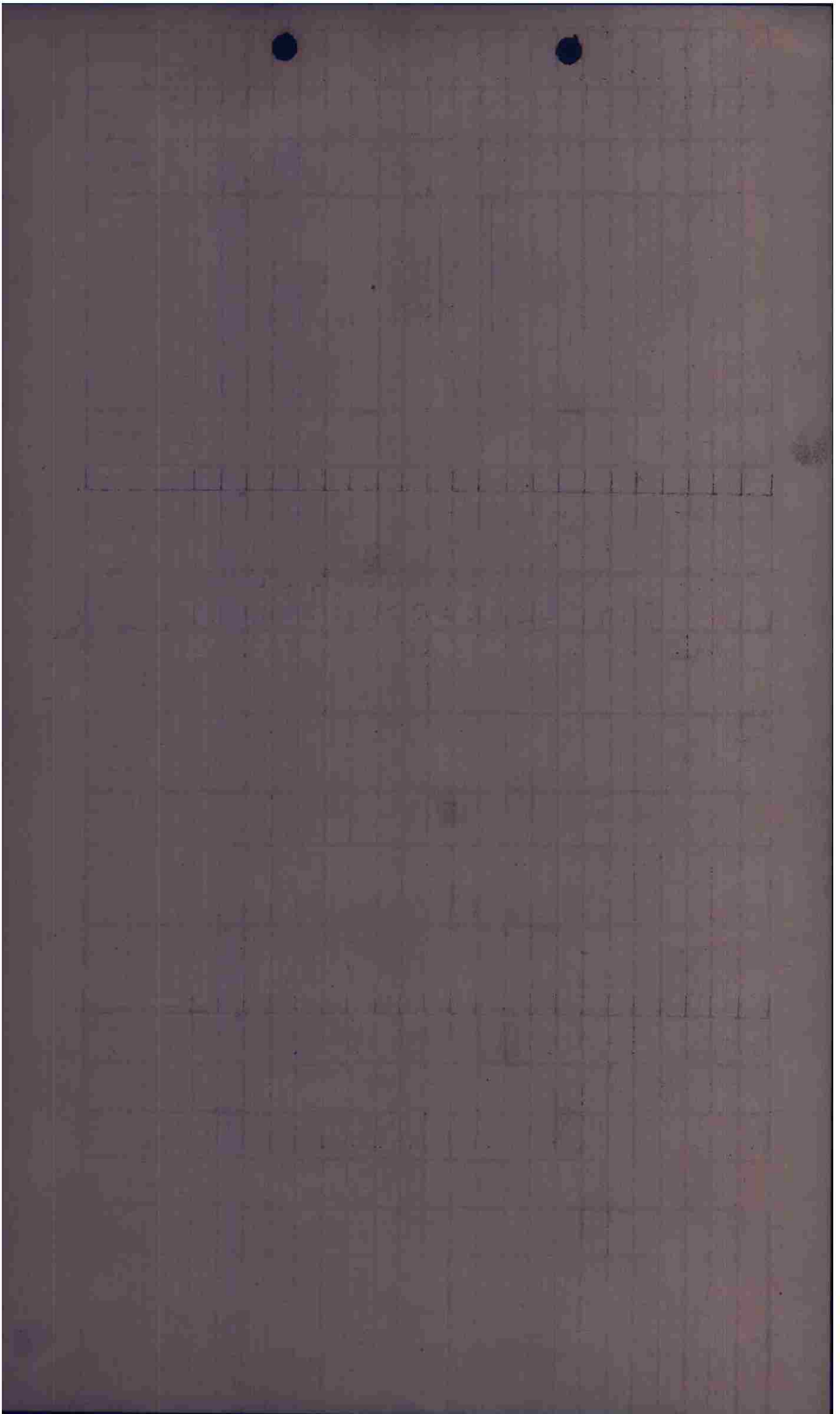
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Box I

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C	B	398	Eggers	8712		1717										2142	4:15
C	B	223	Davis			1718										42	4:25
C	D	286	Mace			1718										43	4:25
C	O	416	Shaghtary			1718										43	4:25
C	K	212	Curcio			1718										44	4:30
C	L	235	Heuon			1719										46	4:30
C	C	484	Logan			1719										55	4:40
C	Y	505	Bruckner			1719										53	4:40
C	F	264	McNeely			1719										52	4:40
C	W	335	McNeely			1720										57	4:40
C	L	315	Evans			1720										58	4:40
C	D	385	Heuon			1720										59	4:40
C	N	640	Robertson			1721										47	4:30
C	S	274	Gammont			1721										50	4:30
C	H	259	Caquitt			1721										51	4:30
C	U	305	Harbo			1721										50	4:30
C	O	378	Heuon			1722										2200	4:40
C	J	352	Robertson			1722										2150	4:30
C	R	271	Smith			1723										2139	4:15
			Robertson														

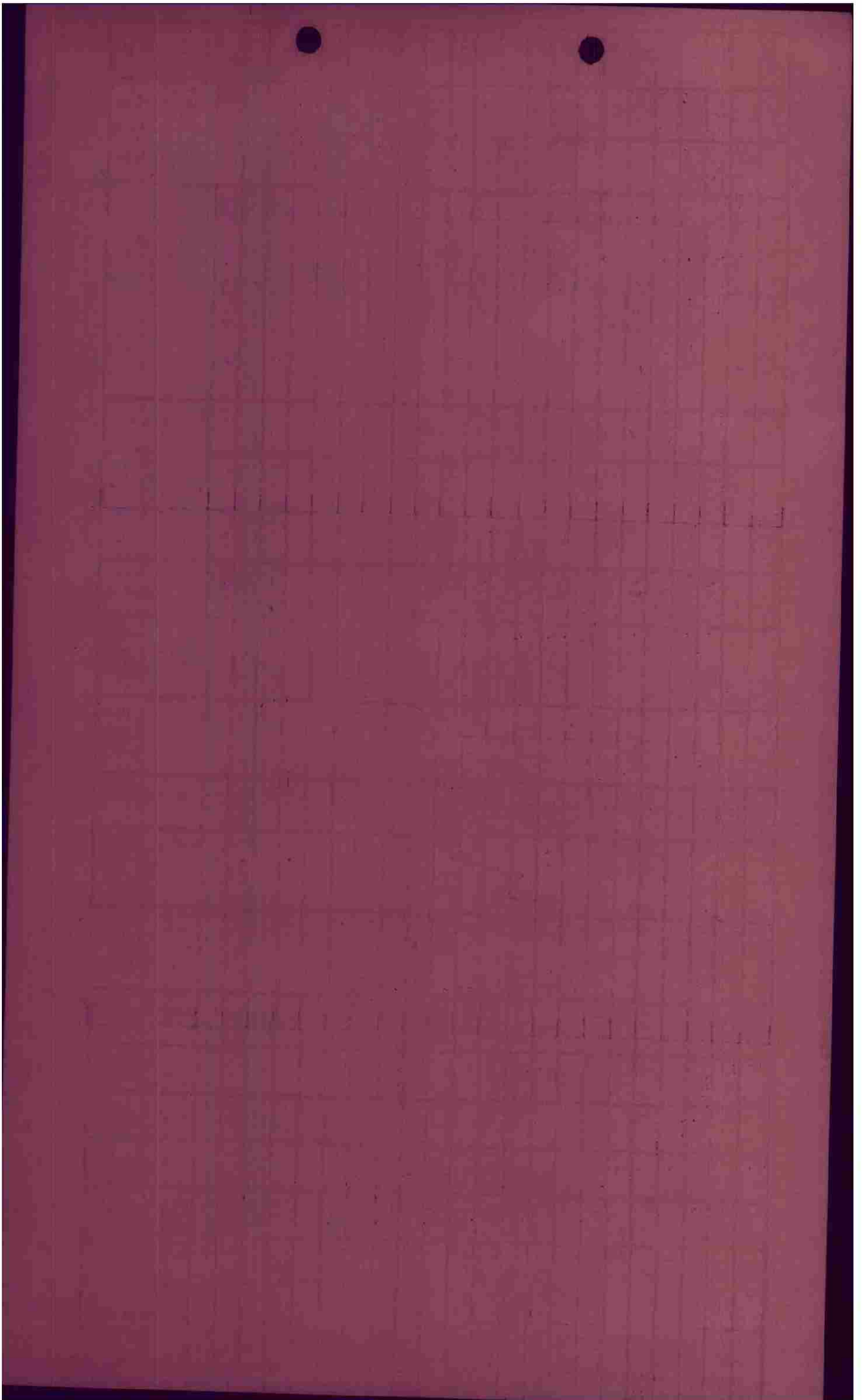


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C	W	501	<i>Demetrius</i>			1723										2225	5:05	
C	T	528	<i>Barney By</i>			1724										2226	5:05	
C	S	320	<i>Alvin</i>			1724										2239	5:15	
C	N	232	<i>Quentin</i>			1724										2234	5:10	
C	M	205	<i>Robert</i>			1725										2227	5:05	
C	V	564	<i>Carl</i>			1725										2228	5:05	
C	X	490	<i>Tyrt</i>			1725										2238	5:10	
C	F	249	<i>Gracie</i>			1725										2248	5:25	
C	M	209	<i>Alvin</i>			1726										2247	5:25	
C	V	265	<i>Alvin</i>			1726										2259	5:35	
C	T	297	<i>Richard</i>			1726										2245	5:20	
C	L	360	<i>Alvin</i>			1726										2230	5:05	
C	N	609	<i>Alvin</i>			1727										2205	4:40	
C	S	354	<i>Alvin</i>			1727										2241	5:15	
C	D	252	<i>Alvin</i>			1728										2230	5:05	
C	Y	362	<i>Alvin</i>			1728										2244	5:20	
C	G	381	<i>Alvin</i>			1728										2243	5:15	
C	G	263	<i>Alvin</i>			1729										2246	5:20	
C	N	239	<i>Alvin</i>			1729										2238	5:10	
C	E	492	<i>Alvin</i>			1729												

Box II

16 April 1945



ITA JES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 14/16 OP OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) 16/1305B
TO COMBOMDIV NINE
409TH COBOMGP
410TH COBOMGP (INFO)
416TH COBOMGP

BT
SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH. COL. MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L)
A P O 140
16 APRIL 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 256-854 97CEW P-136-E

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMB LINE
(2) 19 T.A.C. WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 409TH GROUP.
9 T.A.C. WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 416TH GROUP.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY

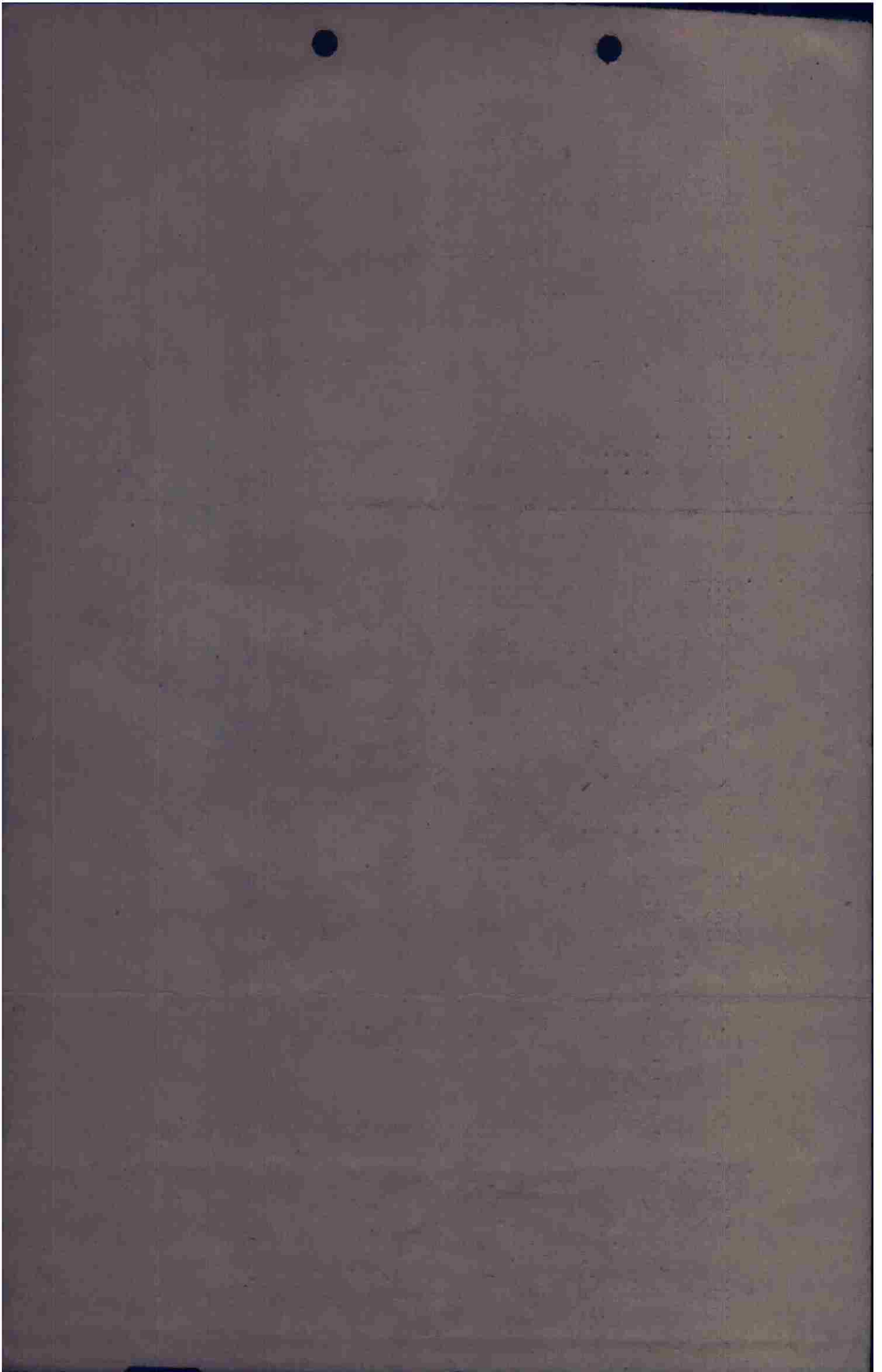
ZERO HOUR 16/1730B

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) KEMPTEN ORDNANCE DEPOT (X-945076)
- (2) 36 A/C BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT V-7878 AT 8,000 FEET. AT ZERO PLUS 50 MINUTES. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
- (4) BASE TO V-7878 TO W-3748 TO W-6825 TO X-4213 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. TO W-6825 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-7201
- (8) GENERALLY WESTSOUTHWEST TO EAST NORTHEAST
- (9) M.P.I. ILL. 3 (K) 71/2 COVER AREA BOUNDED BY REF. 032047, 039030, 062021 AND 052056. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 100 FEET.
- (10) 6 X 500 LB. M-17 INCENDIARY CLUSTER FUSED TO OPEN AT 5,000 FEET.
- (11) X-5722
- (12) GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY.
A. PRIMARY VISUALLY ONLY
B. ALTERNATE VISUALLY
C. ALTERNATE GEE
- (13) CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISED DURING BOMBING DUE TO P/W CAMP 3 MILES SOUTH OF PRIMARY TARGET.
- (14) GROUP MAY SELECT ANY OF THE ALTERNATE TARGETS LISTED BELOW
W-8031
W-2565
X-4011
X-4112
X-5961 M/Y AT THESE POINTS WILL BE ATTACKED.

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) WITTENBURG M/Y (RE-391743)
- (2) 36 A/C BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C
- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT G-0522 AT 8,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 60 MINUTES. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
- (4) BASE TO G-0522 TO D-6944 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
- (6) BOMB AT 11,500 FEET OR BELOW THE CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 7,000 FEET. DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING
- (7) E-3543
- (8) GENERALLY SOUTH TO NORTH



- (9) M.P.I. ILL. 6(D)(VI)18472
 1ST BOX COVER M/Y FROM REF. 029027 TO 012020
 2ND BOX COVER M/Y FROM REF. 053060 TO 029027
 INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
 (10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SECOND NOSE 1/100 SECOND TAIL
 (11) E-3543
 (12) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET, GROUP
 WILL RETURN BOMBS TO BASE.

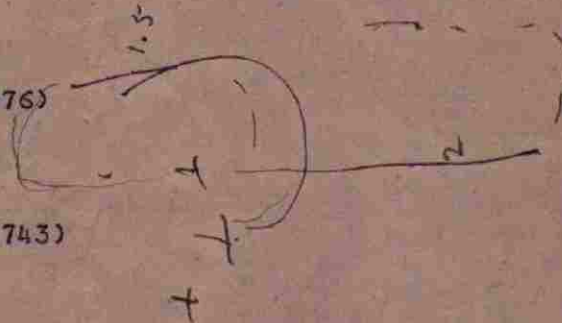
- X. (1) - (3) NO CHANGE
 (4) EMERGENCY FIELDS. Y-1, Y-2, Y-64, Y-73, Y-74, A-96, A-93.

4. NO CHANGE.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (945076)
 (2) GREYGOOSE
 (3) SHUTTER
 (4) BABY

- B. 416TH BOMB GROUP (391743)
 (2) COURAGE
 (3) CABMAN
 (4) SWEEPSTAKES



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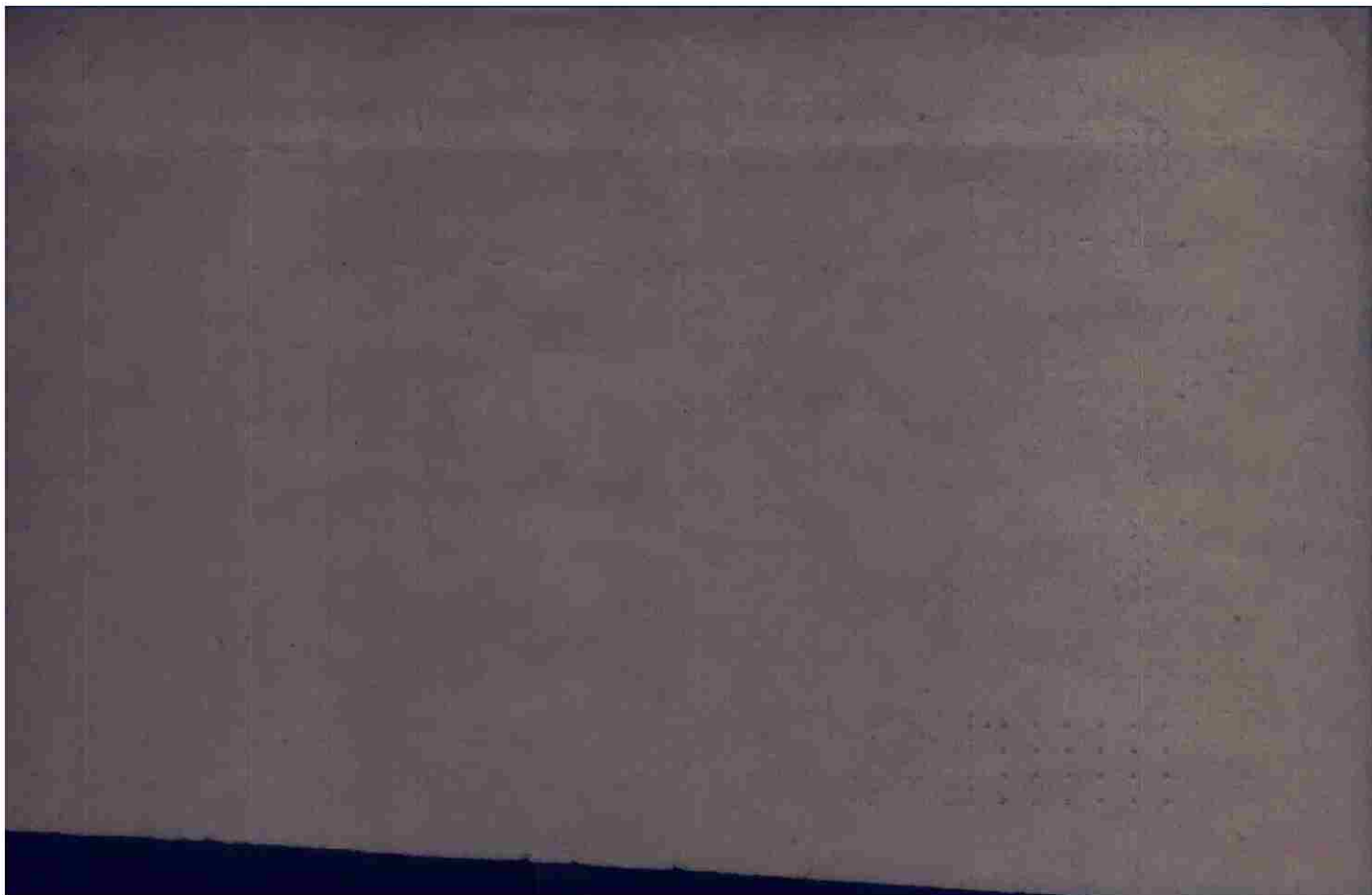
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AR JMB

ITA R.	161341B	DEG	AR
JES R.	16/1341B	JMB	AR
JPO R.	16/1341B	CEN	AR
JKI R.	16/1341B	WJF	AR

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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 16/1225B
TO COMBOMDIV IX
COBOMGP 416

BT

SECRET 97CBW P-134-E

INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 FIELD ORDER NO. 256-854

PLAN A VISUAL

1. TARGET: WITTENBURG M/Y (E-391743)

2. MAP COVERAGE:
GSGS 4416 SHEET V-5

PHOTO COVERAGE:
GH 5584
F-592
6(D)(VI)184/2

3. TARGET IS ON CURRENT BOMBLINE

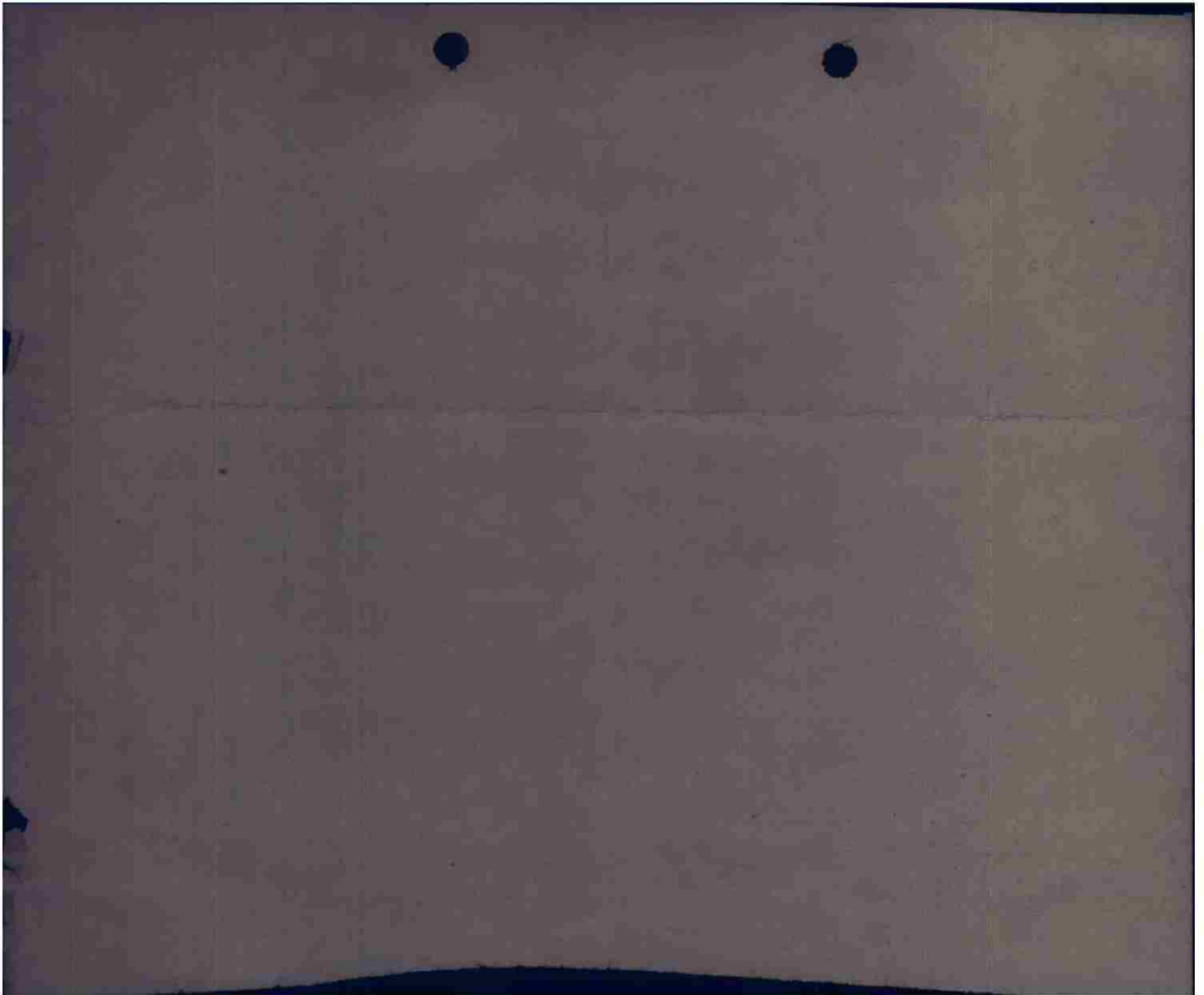
4. FLAK: SEE CURRENT PLOTTED POSITIONS

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LCB BBB ITA

ITA R.	161250B	SK	K
JKI R.	161250B	WJF	AR K

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JEA V JKI JKI 9/16 OP OP

FROM: 416TH BOMB GP (L) 16/1600B
TO : CG , 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) ATTN: A-2

BT

SECRET P-286-D (AFTERNOON MISSION)

1. THE MPI'S TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUALLY ARE:
ILLUSTRATION NO. F.592

- 127726
- 230606
- 225543
- 398223
- 403276
- 395355

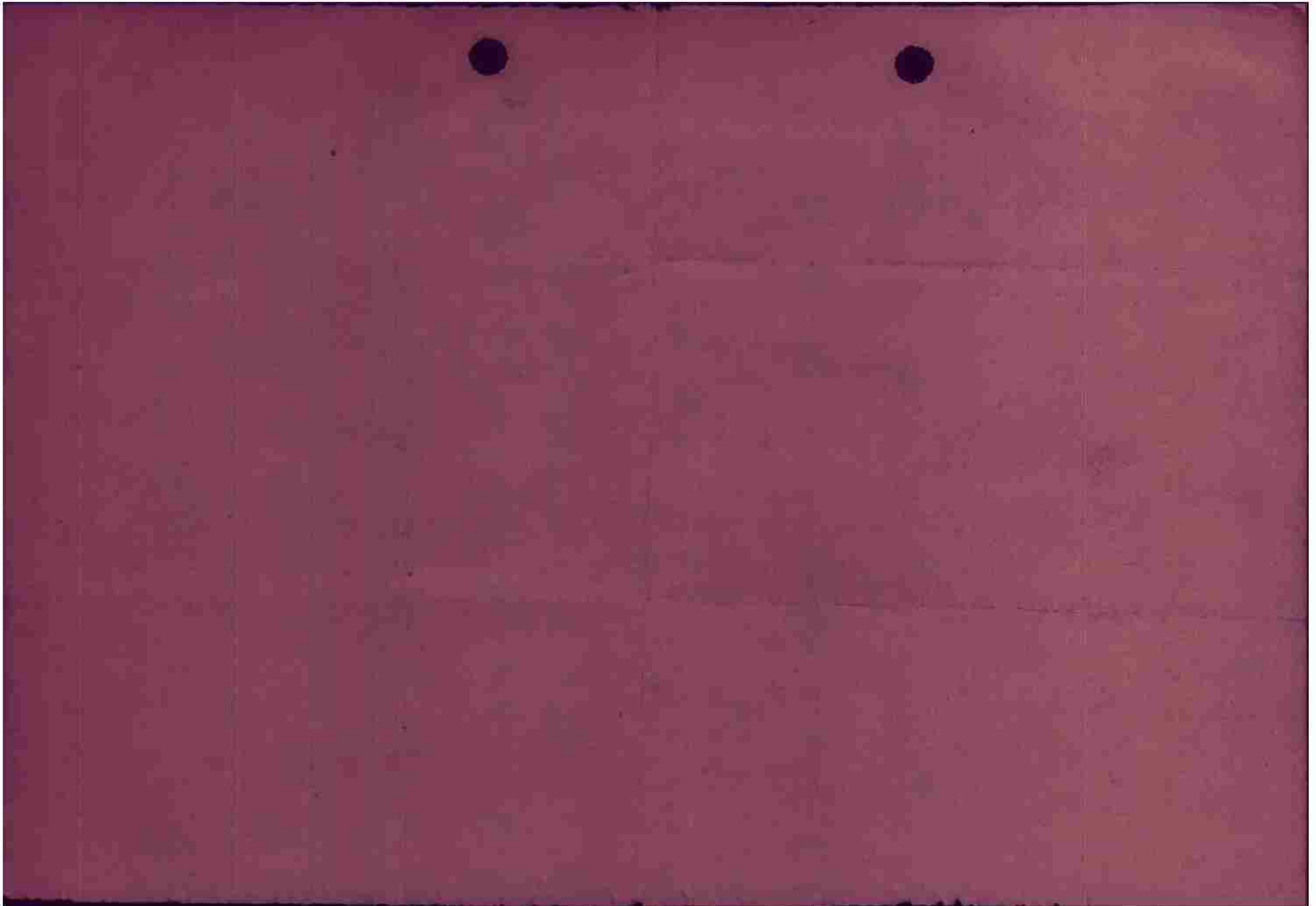
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BT 16/1600B
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ITA JEA V JKI JKI 02/17 OP OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 170010B
 TO CG, 9TH BOMB DIVISION, ATTN: A-2
 CG, 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2

BT

SECRET OPFLASH FOR 16TH APRIL 1945 416BG P-296-D.

- A. 416TH BOMB GP. - AFTERNOON MISSION.
- B. WITTENBURG N/Y (E-391743)
- C. 39 A-26'S
- D. 7 A-26'S ON PRIMARY TARGET.
- E. 32 A-26'S (NO ATTACK. COULD NOT SEE TARGET BECAUSE OF SMOKE AND COULD.)
- F. NEXXXXXX 42 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY TARGET.
192 X 500 GP RETURNED (NO ATTACK)
- G. EXCELLENT
- H. 2 A-26'S DAMAGED CAT. "A" (FLAK)
- I. NIL.
- J. MODERATE TO INTENSE ACCURATE AT TARGET AND IN TURN OFF.
- K. NIL.
- L. BOX I - FLIGHT A. 11,300 NO ATTACK.
B. 11,100 (ATTACK)
C. 11,300 (NO ATTACK)
BOX II FLIGHT- A. 10,900 (NO ATTACK)
B. 10,400 (NO ATTACK)
C. 10,700 (NO ATTACK)
- M. BOX I - FLIGHT A. 1938 BOX II - FLIGHT A- 1939
B. 1938 B- 1939 1/2
C. 1939 C- 1939 1/2
- X. LEADER INFORMED SWEEPSTAKES ON ENTERING TACTICAL AREA THAT FORMATION WAS ON COURSE AND TWO MINUTES LATE.
- Y. SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT COURSE ONTO TARGET ALLOWED SECOND FLIGHT TO SEE TARGET DESPITE EDXX CLOUDS AND SMOKE IN AREA.

M. B. SHERIDAN, CAPT. A/C.

---AMLESWORTH COBOMGR 416---

BT 170010B

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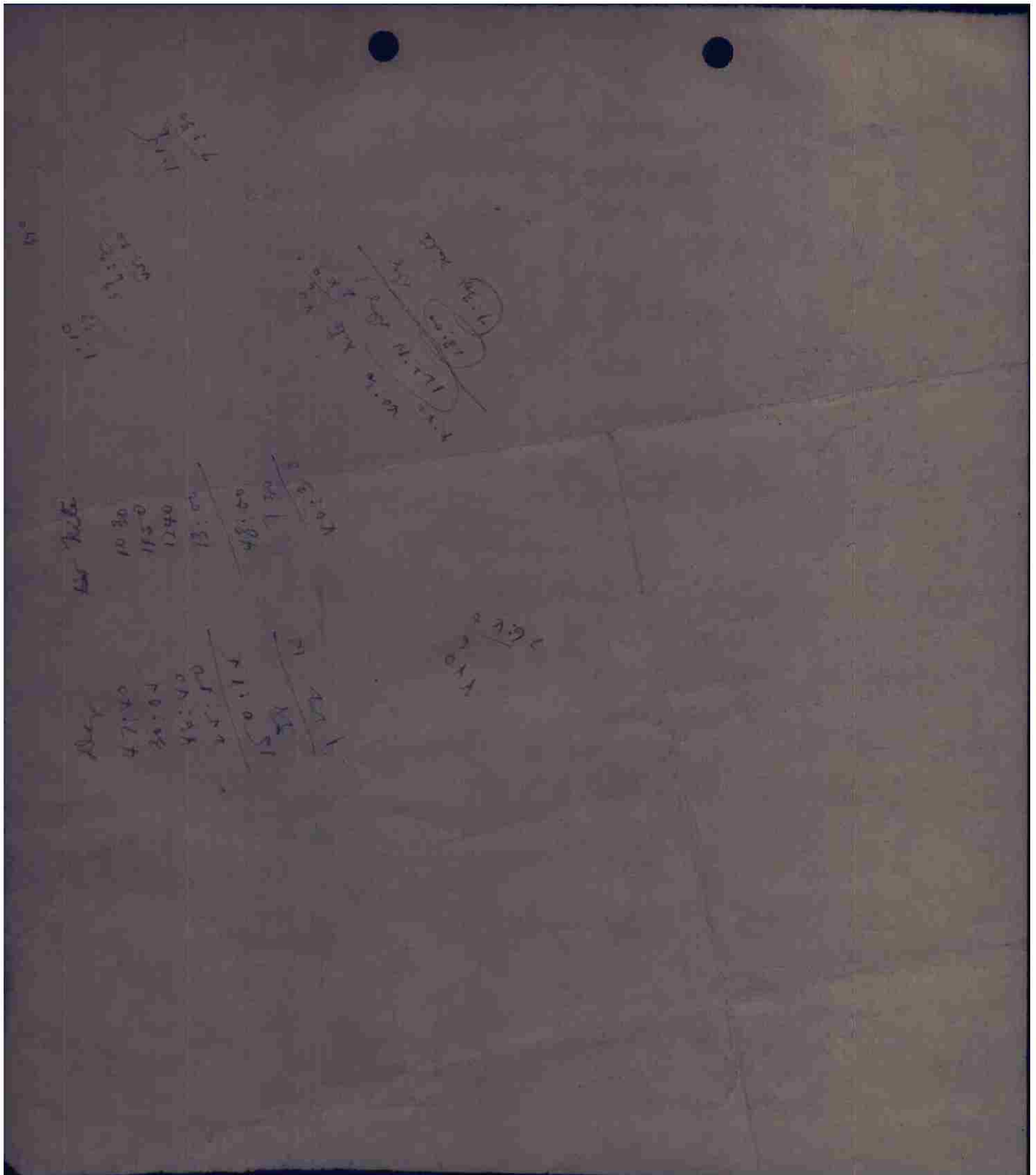
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FROM 41STH BOMB GROUP (L) 170010B
TO 9TH BOMB DIVISION (M) ATTN: A-2 P.I. OFFICER.
97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER.

BT
SECRET 416BG P-295-D

B. WITTENBURG M/Y
J. NO PHOTOS DUE TO CLOUDS AND HAZE OBSCURING TARGET.

BT 170010B
DM BBBB
JEA T.....17/0030B RL K
ITA R.....170034B IC K



ITA JEA V JKI JKI 17/16 P P

FROM COBOMGR 416 162100B
TO COMBOMDIV NINE ATTN: SIX SIGNAL OFFICER
COMCBTWIG 97 (INFO)

BT

CONFIDENTIAL 416BG P-293-J

- A. YS - 101
- B. 16 APRIL 1945 (1717-2132)
- C. W-WILLIAM REPORTED OPS ABANDONED TO PARADE
Q-QUEENIE UNABLE TO RECEIVE PARADE.
- D. Q-QUEENIE CONTACTED SWEEPSTAKES UPON ENTERING TACTICAL AREA.
- E. NONE
- F. NONE
- G. NONE
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE.

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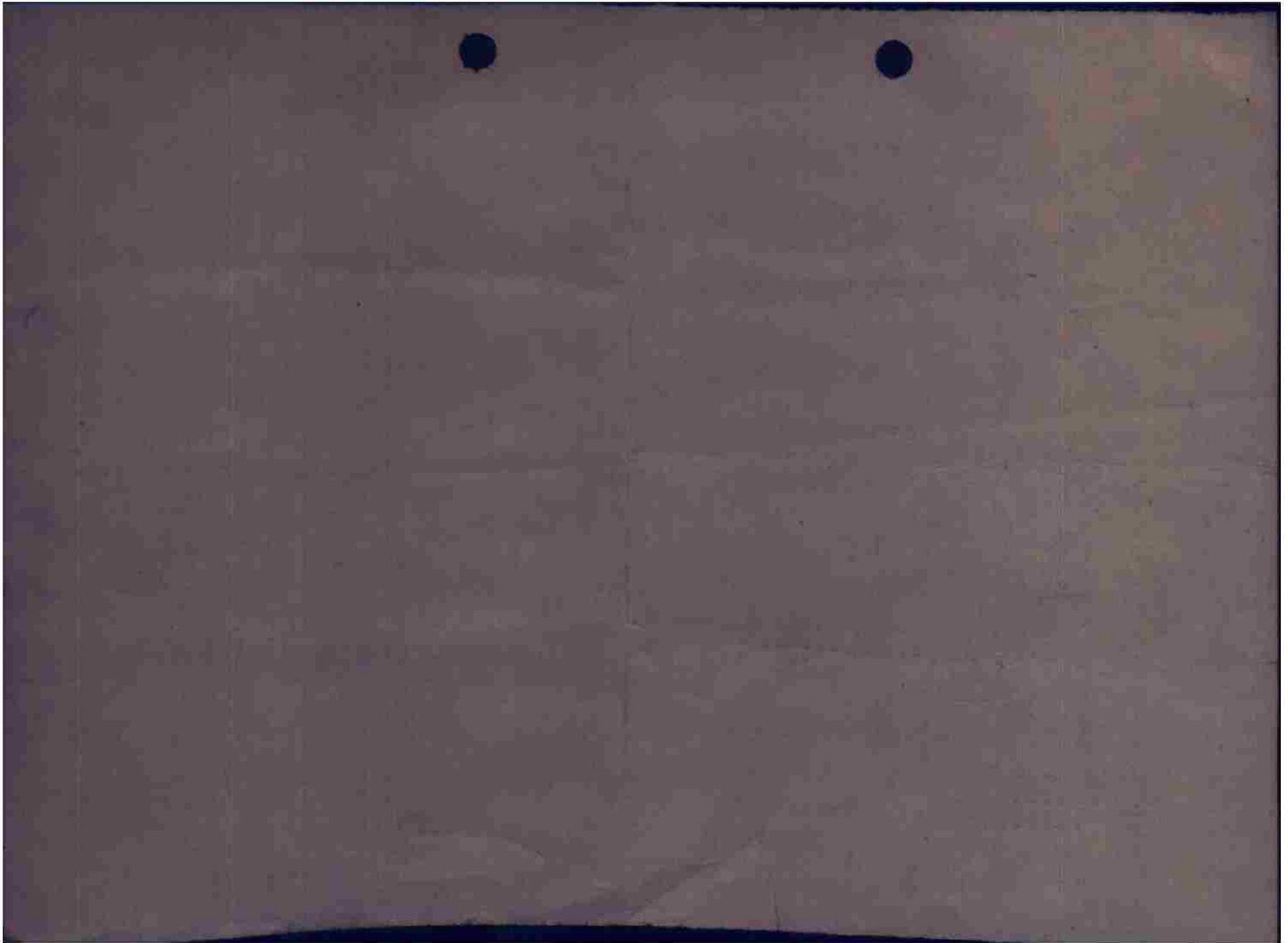
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