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GP-416-SU-OP-5
10 APR 1944
FOLDER NO. 2

MISSION REPORT

P.R.C.

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HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED SIXTEENTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

APO 140, U. S. Army,
11 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal of A-3 Bombing Information Reports.

TO : Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, APO 140, U. S. Army.

1. Transmitted herewith are the A-3 Bombing Information Reports on operational mission 10 April 1944, field order number 262, submitted in compliance with IX Bomber Command memorandum 15-90.

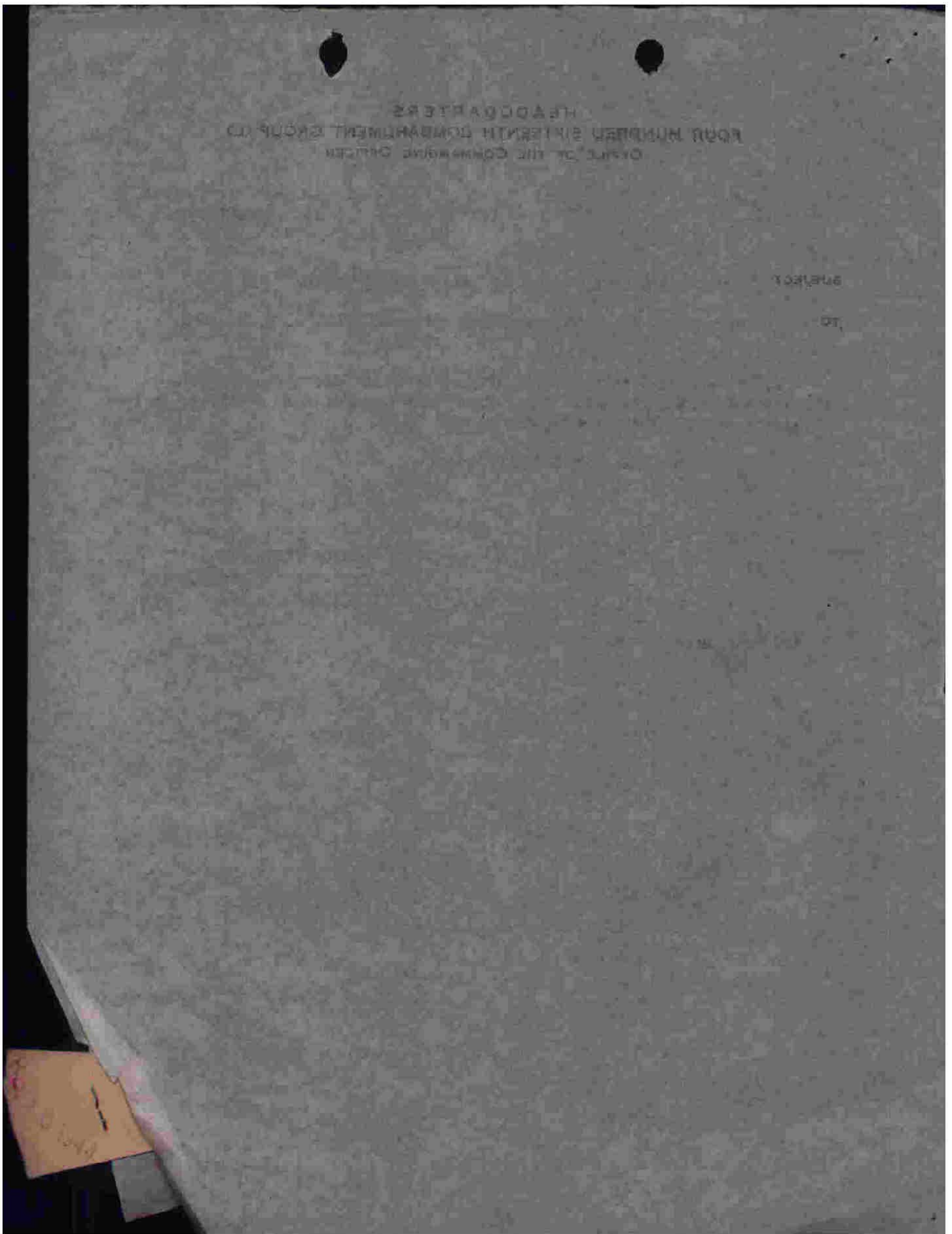
For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHWARTZ,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

1 Incl: Bombing Information Report (Box II)

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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

IX B.G. FIELD ORDER NO. 262BOX II GROUP 416 DATE 10 April 44 TARGET ATTACHED Langham1. Method of Sighting: Synchronized.2. Bombing approach: 340° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X _____4. Did entire box drop on lead bombardier? YES X _____ NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs; and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Synchronous. Target was aiming point, 20 mills trail was subtracted to take care of range.

5. Name of lead bombardier: 2nd Lt. V. H. Powell6. Name of lead pilot: Major William J. Hong7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 215 Ground Speed: 240 Altitude: 13,5009. Length of bomb run: 45 Sec: _____10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 X 500 lb FUSEDelay N1/10 T 1/1011. Total Bombs Dropped: 70

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES X NO _____. If "YES" state conditions and effect. Three clouds over target - had to wait for break.

(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES ____ NO X _____. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:

(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES ____ NO X _____. If answer is "YES", state to what extent Flak affected bombing or bomb run:

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?
No enemy aircraft.

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: Clouds obscured target area.

(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:
See Malfunction Report accompanying this report.

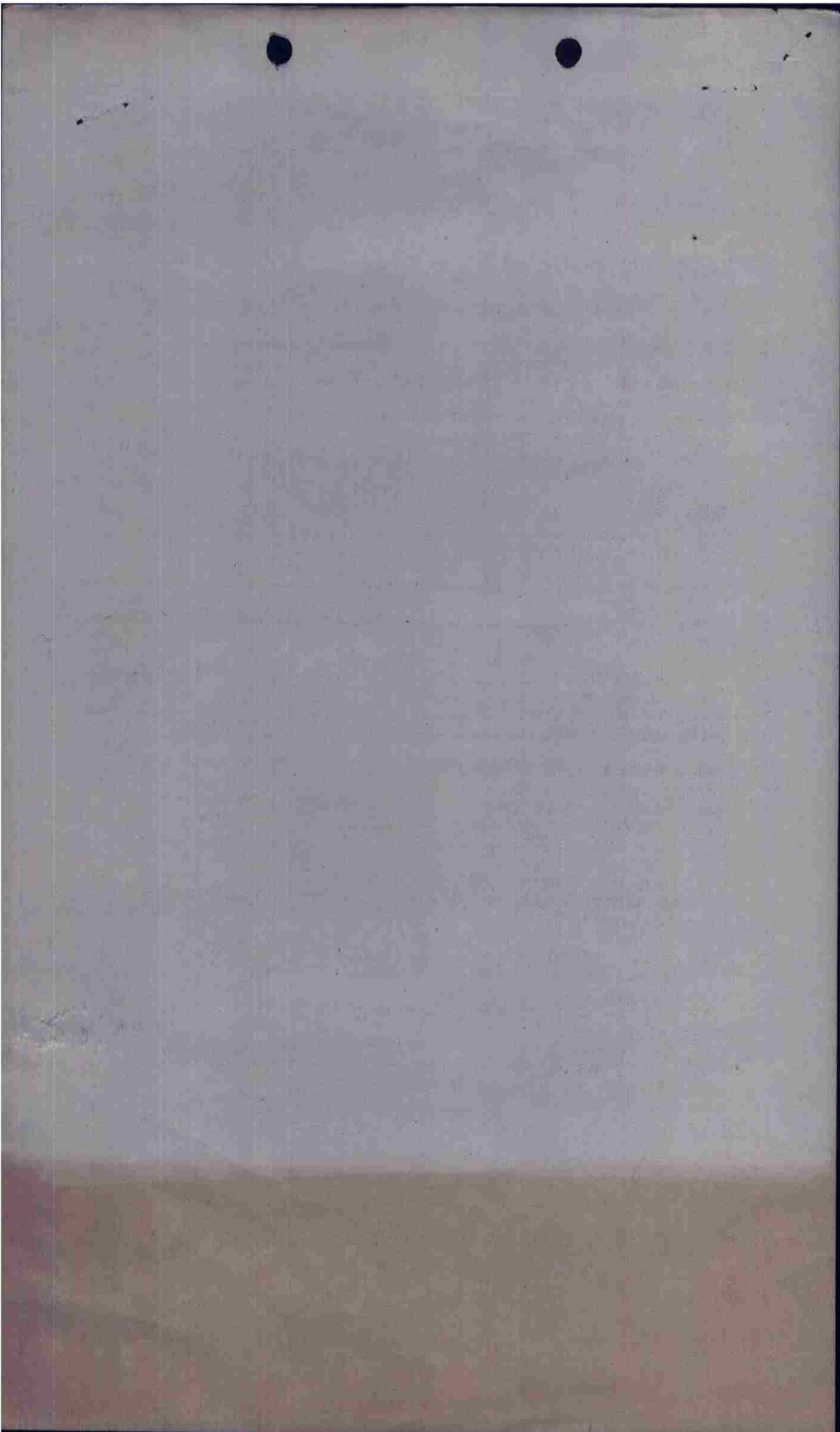
(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO ____

Results claimed: GOOD ____ FAIR X POOR ____ BAD MISS ____

NOTE: Since Box No. I did not drop any bombs no report is being submitted.

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**HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED SIXTEENTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER**

APO 140, U. S. Army,
11 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Lost, Damaged and Abortive Report.

TO: Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, APO 140, U. S. Army.

Target: Loughan.
Date: 10 April 1944.

IX Bomber Command Field Order No. 262.

1. Summary.

Group	Type	A/C	Abortive	Damaged	Lost	Attacked
	A/C	Dispatched	Wash	Other	A I C B E	Target
A16	A-200's	38	0	20	11	0
	B-1's					18

2. Lost.

None.

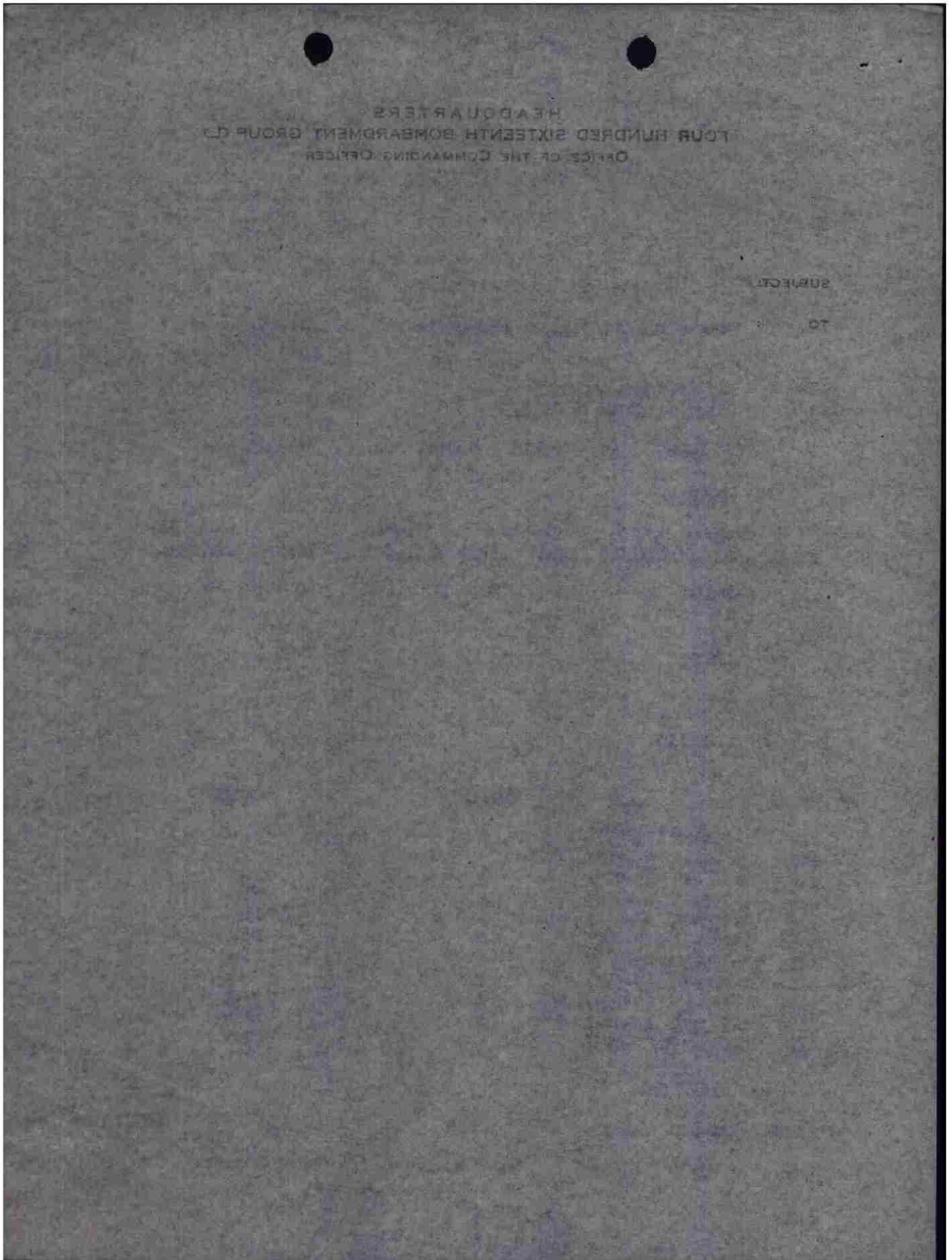
3. Damaged.

Group	Type	A/C	Category	Cause
	A/C	ACN		
A16	A-200-25	43-9376	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9383	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9181	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9189	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9492	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9225	A	Flak
A16	A-200-20	43-9673	A	Flak
A16	A-200-20	43-9724	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9597	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9941	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9951	A	Flak

4. Abortives.

Group	Type	A/C	Cause	Parachute	Sortie
	A/C	ACN			
A16	A-200-20	43-9717	Smoke coming up in- to cockpit.	Cause unknown.	No

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Lost, Damaged and Abortive Report.

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Group	Type	A/C	APR	CAUSE	REMARKS	REMARKS
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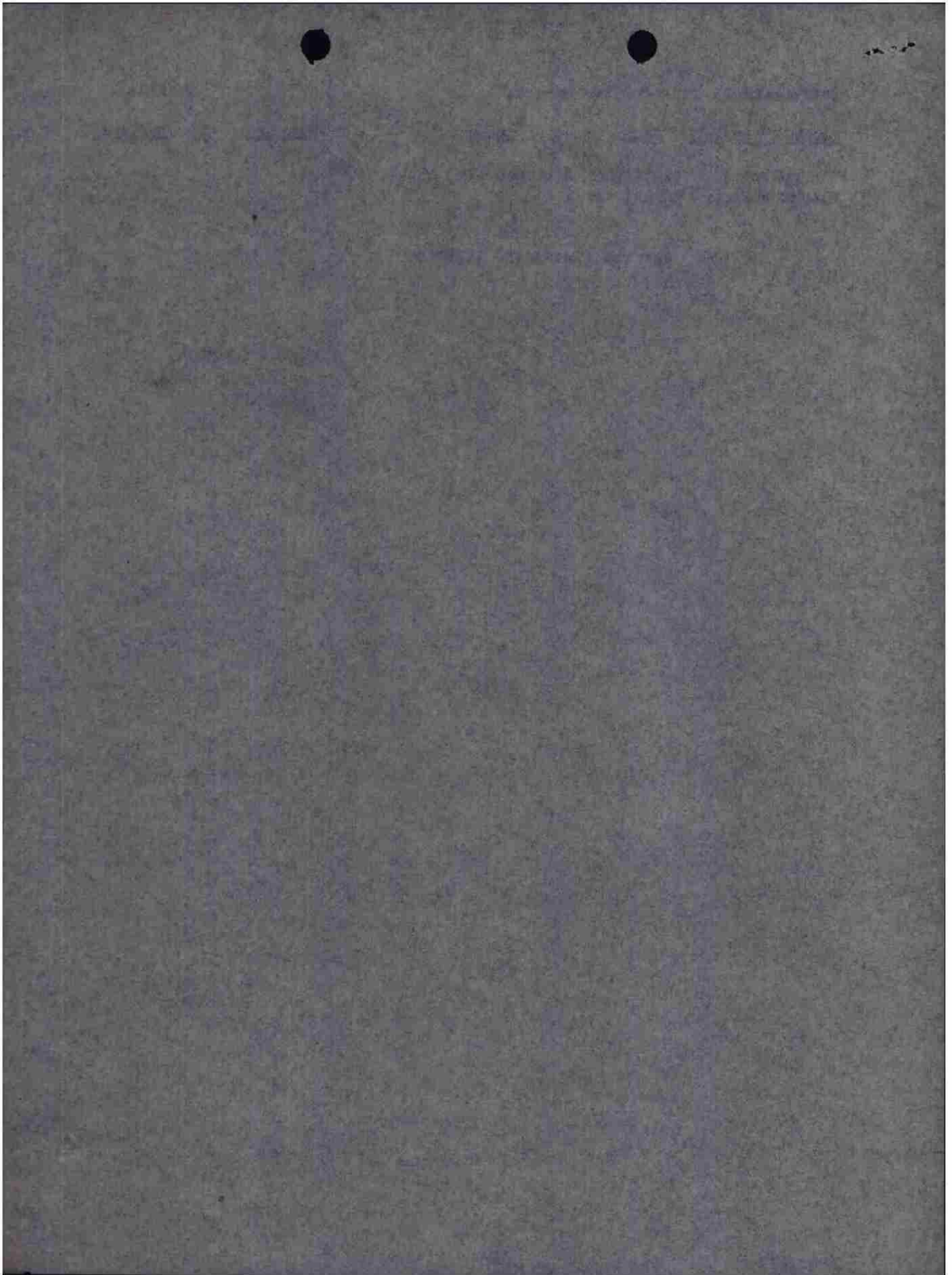
Box number 1 consisting of nineteen (19) ships abortive.
 Clouds obscured target area.

Yes

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE HORNSTEIN,
 Captain, Air Corps.
 Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED SIXTEENTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

APO 140, U. S. Army,
11 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Malfunctions of Aircraft Equipment.

TO : Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, APO 140, U. S. Army.

I. Summary of Aircraft Operations.

Date of Mission : 10 April 1944.
Number of Aircraft Scheduled : 36
Number of Aircraft Alerted : 38

II. Scheduled Aircraft failing to Reach Airborne.

None.

III. Malfunction of Airborne Aircraft Affecting Success of Mission.

Group	Type A/C	ACN	Cause	Remarks
416	A-200-25	43-9207	Indication that one R-52 unit failed to operate properly.	Right rear rack failed to release.
416	A-200-25	43-9387	Cause undetermined. All four racks checked release and found to operate properly.	No. 3 station failed to release.

IV. Malfunction of Airborne Aircraft Not Affecting Success of Mission.

Type A/C	ACN	Description	Cause
A-200-25	43-9211	Cramp in turret.	Amphidyne motors not properly compounded.
A-200-25	43-9360	Right turret gun booster motor failed.	Circuit shorted.

For the Commanding Officer:

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GEORGE SUMMERS,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

MISSION NO. 11

LOADING LIST
BOX 1
FLIGHT 1

10 APRIL 1944

1. 444 "J"
LT COL W W FARMER
LT A R HAND
LT N M LYTTLE
S/S J S OCHABA
CAPT. A. McCLELLAN
2. 195 "D"
COL H L MACE
T/S F H LARRONDE
S/S H A LEMPKA

4. 914 "X"
CAPT M T HUFF
LT C W JONES
S/S J B THOMPSON
SGT G F COPE

5. 390 "G-1"
LT R L BEHLMER
S/S W G FERGUSON
S/S W J KELLY

3. 379 "G"
LT J T SCHOUTEN
S/S H A FOSTER
S/S E W RUST

6. 743 "R"
LT N V SHAINBERG
S/S A E BERGERON
SGT H E KELTON

FLIGHT II

1. 376 "O"
MAJ M W CAMPBELL
S/S S F ALDEN
S/S R L BALLINGER

4. 181 "A"
LT H L SOMMERS
S/S O D LANAVE
S/S J F KASPER

2. 673 "I"
LT P DONTAS
S/S A L NIELSON
S/S W E FIELDS

5. 189 "p"
LT A W GULLION
S/S C L WEBB
S/S G L COFFEY

3. 211 "C"
LT R J MORTON
S/S C A NORTON
SGT F M CITTY

6. 941 "U"
LT T BOUKAMP
S/S R J COLOSIMO
S/S J S WING

FLIGHT III

1. 203 "A-1"
CAPT L F DUNN
S/S J R L TANNER
S/S W C RUSSELL

4. 951 "P-1"
LT F W DEMAND
S/S C W MIDDLETON
CPL R J TROYER

2. 937 "B"
LT R E GREENLEY
S/S J J RZEPKA
S/S H O WORDEN

5. 483 "V"
LT R V WHEELER
S/S J S BROWER
S/S E CORRIN

3. 714 "N"
LT W A MERCHANT
S/S C J HARP
S/S K P BROWN

6. 225 "G-2"
LT R D PERKINS
S/S V N SHERRY
S/S R H LINNEMAN

SPARE

- 217 "D-1"
LT J D ADAMS
SGT P L CLEARMAN
CPL A J ZEIKUS

NO. 12
10 APR 44

NO. 11 - MISSION

LOADING LIST
BOX 11
FLIGHT I

10 APR 44

1. 439 "J"
-MAJ W J MENG
-LT V H POWELL
S/S R F STOBERT
S/S F P GLYNN
2. 207 "B"
-LT F J HARROLD
S/S E L GRIFFIN
SGT D W STEPHENS

4. 892 "L"
-CAPT D A HULSE
S/S H E WHITE
S/S R F ADDLEMAN
5. 696 "G"
-LT E L JOHNSON
S/S W J DONAHUE
S/S M R BRAYN

3. 200 "A"
-LT R S RUDISILL
SGT T I WALSH
S/S R EUTSLER

6. 680 "R"
-LT H A MONROE
S/S W L KIDD
~~RISK~~ ~~S~~ S/S
~~ALLIED~~

FLIGHT II

1. 194 "C"
-CAPT W BATTERSBY
S/S V E MOLVER
S/S C M GRAY

4. 745 "I"
-LT R F SHAEFER
S/S E R JUDD
S/S F E BROWN

2. 893 "P"
-LT S B RITCHIE
S/S A W NEWKIRK
S/S E A ANDERSON

5. 360 "S"
-LT L G PEEDE
S/S C L HIBBS
S/S L M DAUGHERTY

3. 684 "K"
-LT R D POINDEXTER
S/S D H SIMPSON
T/S L G ROBBINS

6. 362 L-1
-LT M E KLEBOPFEL
S/S L R SHAW
S/S R W BURCH

FLIGHT III

1. 227 "F"
-CAPT R B PRENTISS
S/S B C SIEG
S/S J C BURKHALTER

4. 387 "H-1"
-LT W B OSTRANDER
S/S J E WILSON
S/S I BINNEY

2. 717 "N"
LT B H BRADFORD
S/S R W MACDONALD
S/S A A HILL

5. 750 "M"
-LT COL T R AYLESWORTH
S/S J W MORAN
S/S P B DRISKILL

3. 224 "E"
-LT R K CRUZE
S/S C F LOVE
S/S F L ADAIR

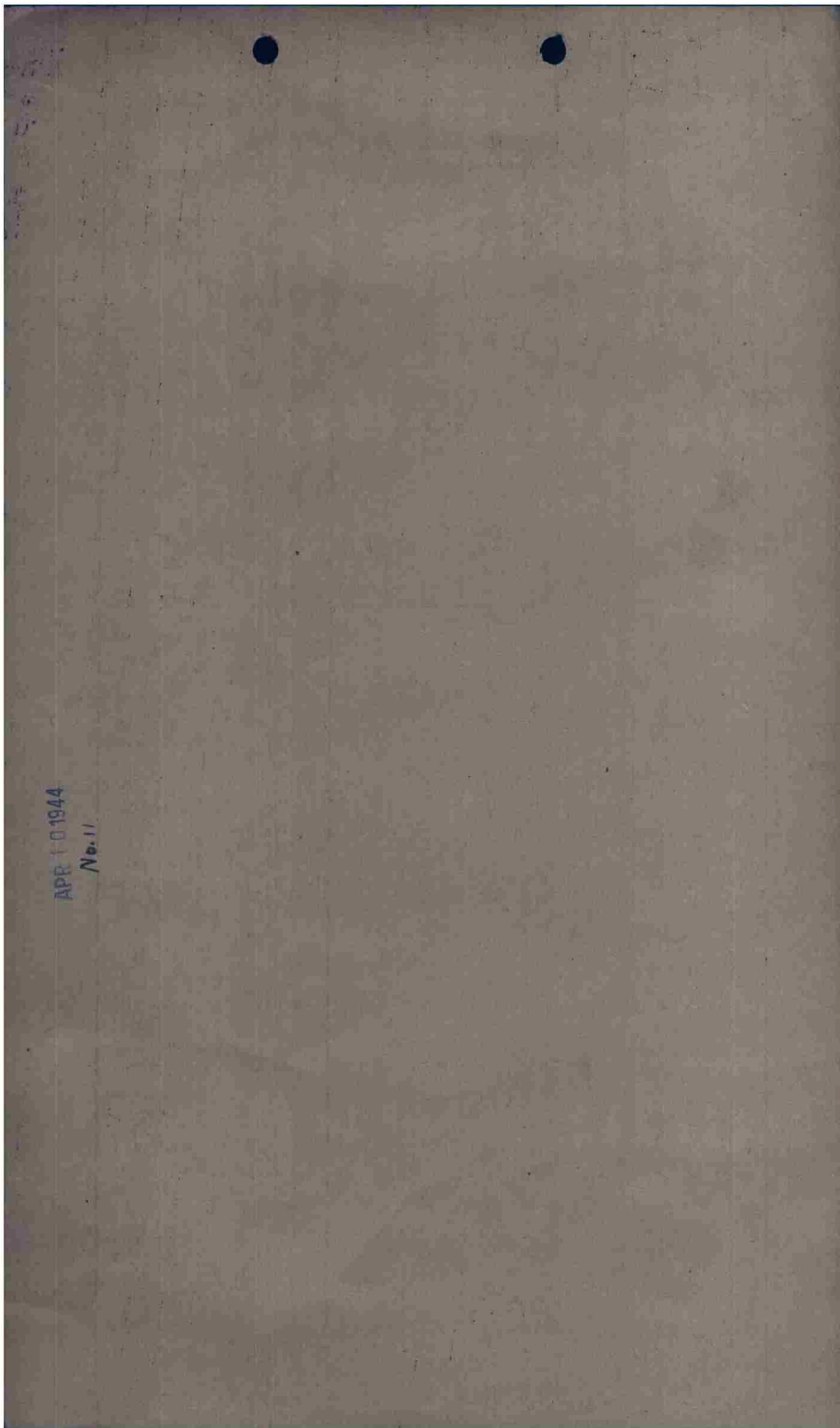
6. 689 "I-1"
-LT A W NORDSTROM
S/S J D GOSSETT
S/S R L MILLER

SPARE

- 707 "H"
-LT R E STOCKWELL
SGT G M COOK
S/S E R WERLEY

NO. 11/2
10 APR 44

MISSION NO. 14										Box I		776101 APR 10 1944		APR 10 1944		10 APRIL 1944	
A/C LTR	A/C NO.	SCDN.	PILOT	A R G E T	ATO	ENGLISH COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENGLISH COAST IN	A M E R A	FUEL	BOMB LOAD	E N D U R.	LAND TIME	REMARKS	
J	444	A	FARMER	1649	1740	14000 DUNGNESS	14000 BUCKSUNE	1757	14000 DUNGNESS	9000	He	725	4X1000	4	1915		
D	195	A	MACF	1650							C				1916		
G	379	A	SCHOOTEN	1650											1916		
X	914	O	HUFF	1650											1917		
G-1	390	B	BEHLMER	1651											1918		
R	743	B	SHAINBAGS	1651											1918		
O	376	B	COMBELL	1651											1920		
I	673	B	DONTAS	1652											1857		
C	211	B	MORTON	1653							C				1927		
A	181	B	SOMMERES	1653							C				1921		
P	189	B	GULLION	1653							C				1920		
U	941	B	BOOKAMP	1654											1922		
A-1	203	D	DUNN	1654											1924		
B	937	D	GREENLEY	1654											1856		
N	714	D	MERCHANT	1655											1925		
P1	951	D	DEMAND	1655											1926		
V	493	D	WHEELER	1655											1825		
3-2	225	D	PERKINS	1655											1927		
D	217	C	ADAMS	1701							C				1853		



Mission No. IV									
Box No. II									
APR 10 1944									
A/C NO.	PILOT	A R G E E	ATC	ENGLISH COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENGLISH COAST IN	C A M E R A
A/C NO.	PILOT	A R G E E	ATC	ENGLISH COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENGLISH COAST IN	FUEL
A/C NO.	PILOT	A R G E E	ATC	ENGLISH COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENGLISH COAST IN	BOMB LOAD
A/C NO.	PILOT	A R G E E	ATC	ENGLISH COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENGLISH COAST IN	U R F.
A/C NO.	PILOT	A R G E E	ATC	ENGLISH COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENGLISH COAST IN	LAND TIME
A/C NO.	PILOT	A R G E E	ATC	ENGLISH COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENGLISH COAST IN	REMARKS
A 139	C Meng			1740	1749	1757	1807	1817	
B 101	C Haxold			14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	9,000	
A 100	C Rudisill								
L 899	C Hulse								
G 696	C Johnson								
F 680	C Monroe								
C 194	A Battersby								
F 893	A Ritchie								
K 684	A Findexer								
F 143	A Shaefer								
S 360	A Feede								
L-1 369	A Kleopfel								
F 999	C Prentiss								
N 717	B Bradford								
E 994	C Cruze								
H-1 387	C Oskender								
M 750	C Ayresworth								
I-1 689	C Nordstrom								
H 707	D Stockwell								

APR 10 1944

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : 1X COMB COMBAND

TO: 97TH COMBAT WING

416 BG P _____ E

CONFIDENTIAL IN THE CLEAR

AUTH: LT COL WALTER W FARMER

"J" FORM

CLEARANCE F-3

10 APRIL 1944

PREPARED BY MAJOR JOHN G. NAPIER

A.

B. 1740

C. DUNGINESS

D. BOX I R/T SILVA ONE

668 . . . 3 . . . J D G

671 . . . 7 . . . X A-1 B N P-1 V C-2

669 . . . 8 . . . G-1 G O I R A P U

670 . . . 1 . . . (SPARE) D

GROUP LEADER . . . 668 . . . J

DEPUTY . . . 671 . . . X

BOX II R/T SILVA TWO

670 . . . 10 . . . J B A L R H-1 M I-1 G F

668 . . . 6 . . . O P K I S L-1

669 . . . 1 . . . N

670 . . . 1 . . . E

671 . . . 1 . . . (SPARE) H

SECOND BOX LEADER . . . 670 . . . J

DEPUTY . . . 670 . . . L

E. 14000

F. BURCK SUR MER

G. 1748

H. 18 MINUTES

J. BURCK SUR MER

K. DUNGENESE

L. 1817

M. 1. E.T.D. . . . 1709 . . . E.T.A. . . . 1834

2. 4 X 500 C.P.

3. 4 HOURS

4. BOX I . . . 23104

BOX II . . 23104

5. NONE

NACE COBOMER 416

I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

JOHN G. NAPIER,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Opns. Officer.

Am

HEADQUARTERS
416th BOMB GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE WEATHER OFFICER

APO 140
10 April 1944

SUBJECT: Operational forecast

TO : Group Operations

BASE AT TAKEOFF: .4 to .6 cumulus with bases at
2000 feet and tops to 6000 feet.
Visibility 4-6 miles

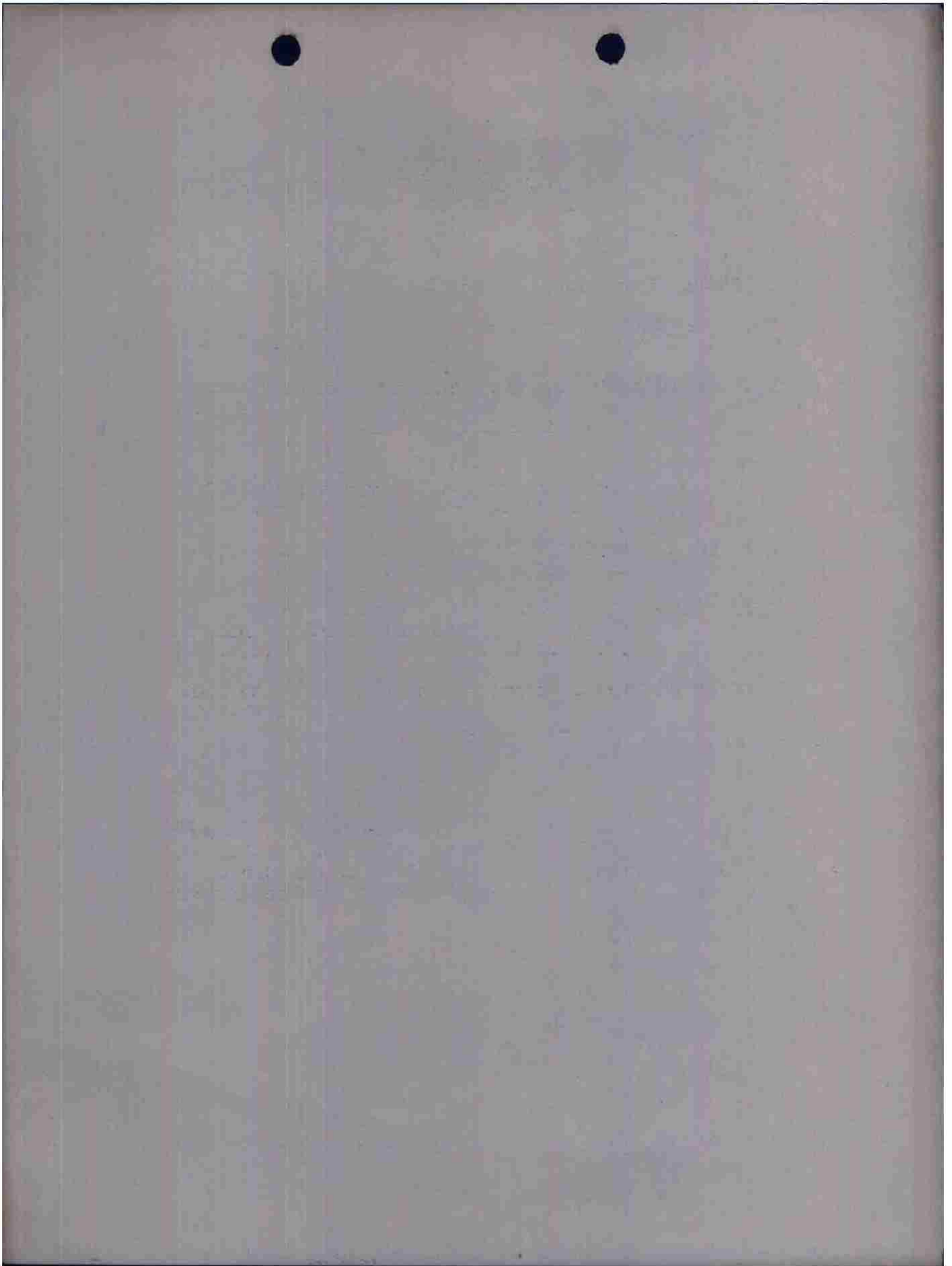
ROUTE OUT: Same as base conditions with low clouds
increasing to 5-7/10 over the channel
with .4 to .5 over the continent.

TARGET: .5 cumulus with tops to 6000 feet. Visi-
bility 6 miles or better.

ROUTE BACK: Similar to route out with cumulus
decreasing from London north to nil to
.3. .4 to .6 cirrus above 20,000.

BASE ON RETURN: .3 cumulus with bases 2000 to 2500
and tops to 6000 feet. Visibility
2-3 miles.

Walter D. Castle
Walter D. Castle
1st Lt. Air Corps
Staff Weather Officer



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HEADQUARTERS
416th BOMB GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE WEATHER OFFICER

APO
10 April 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report

TO : Group Operations

BASE AT TAKEOFF: .6 cumulus and stratocumulus at
3000 feet. Visibility 3 miles.

ROUTE OUT: .6 to .7 cumulus and stratocumulus
along route with bases lifting to
4000 feet and decreasing to .3 to .4
10 miles north of Dungenes. .3 to .4
over channel with .4 to .5 over the
continent with tops to 6000 feet.
Visibility 6-7 miles over channel and
continent.

TARGET: .4 to .5 cumulus with tops to 7000 feet.
Visibility 6-7 miles ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Time-1804

~~XXXXXX~~ ROUTE BACK: Similar to route out with
large breaks in cloud layer near
base.

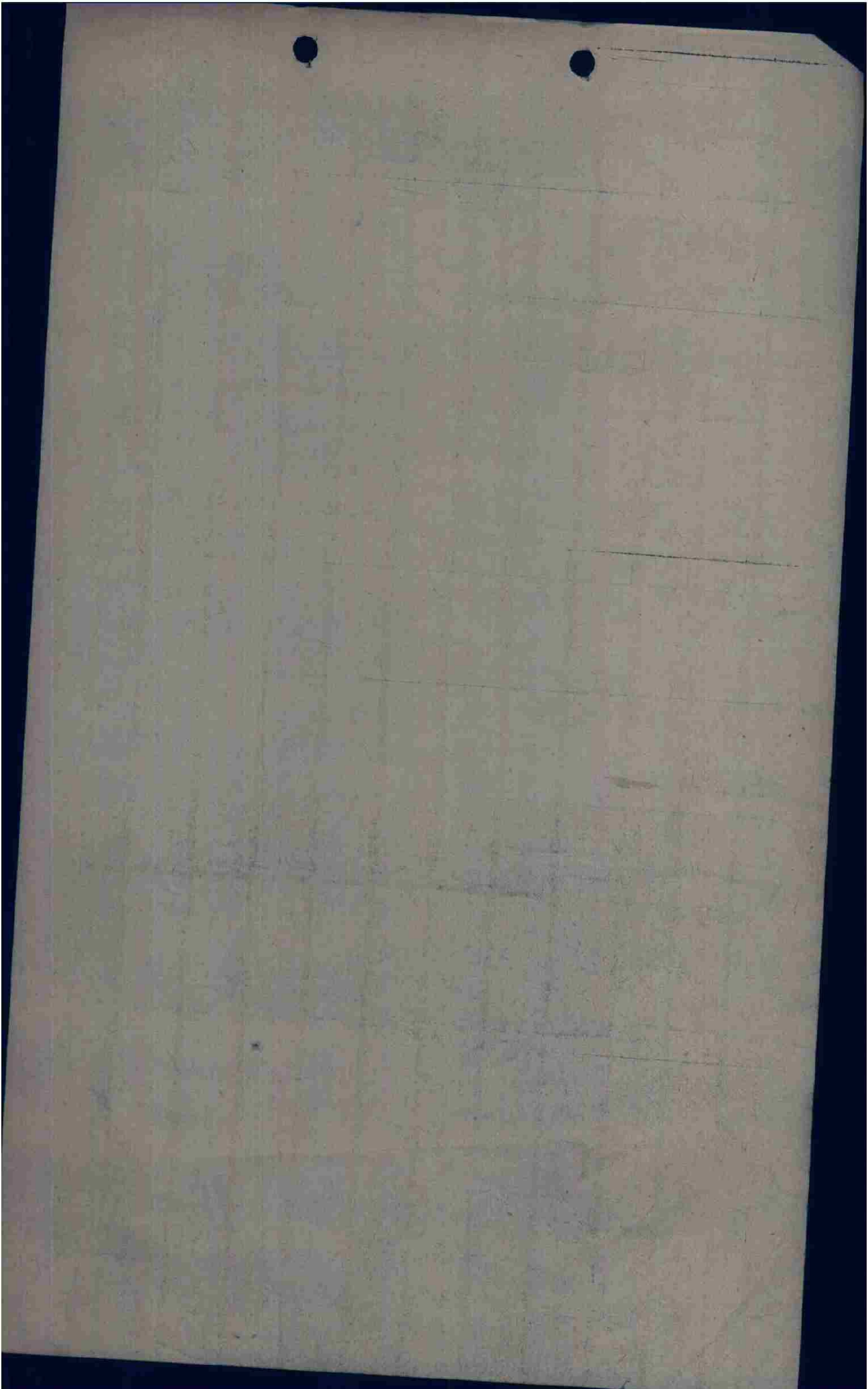
BASE ON RETURN: .5 cumulus and stratocumulus at
3000 feet. Visibility 3-4 miles.

WINDS: As forecast.

EFFECT OF WEATHER ON BOMBING: Patches of low clouds
directly over the target made three bomb runs
necessary.

Walter D. Castle
Walter D. Castle
1st Lt. Air Corps
Staff Weather Officer

William & M^{rs} Howard
Sept. 14. 8
Chambers & Spicer



97CBW V YAA YAA

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T - ADDRESSEE

FROM COBOMGR 416TH

10/2212B

TO CO 97TH COMBAT BOMBARDMENT WING ATTN: COM OFFICER

CONFIDENTIAL BT

P-209-J

A - YS - 12

B - 10 APRIL 1944 1643-1834

C - 668 (9) C D G I J K L-1 P S

669 (9) A G-1 C I N O P R U

670 (12) A B D E F G H-1 I-1 J L M R

671 (8) A-1 B G-2 H N P-1 X V

D - 670-J - TURRET INTERPHONE OUT, FAULTY BUTTON

670-B - VHF OUT, SHORT IN CONTROL BOX

668-J - VHF RECEIVER WEAK, SLIGHTLY DETUNED

E - NONE

F - NOT APPLICABLE

F - NOT APPLICABLE

H - NOT APPLICABLE

I - SATISFACTORY

J - NOT APPLICABLE

K - NONE

L - 668-J- REPORTED TO PARADE AFTER LEAVING TARGET.

M. 670-J- RECEIVED ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CALL FROM "PARADE"

N - NONE

O - GOOD RADIO PERFORMANCE.

MACE COBOMGR 416

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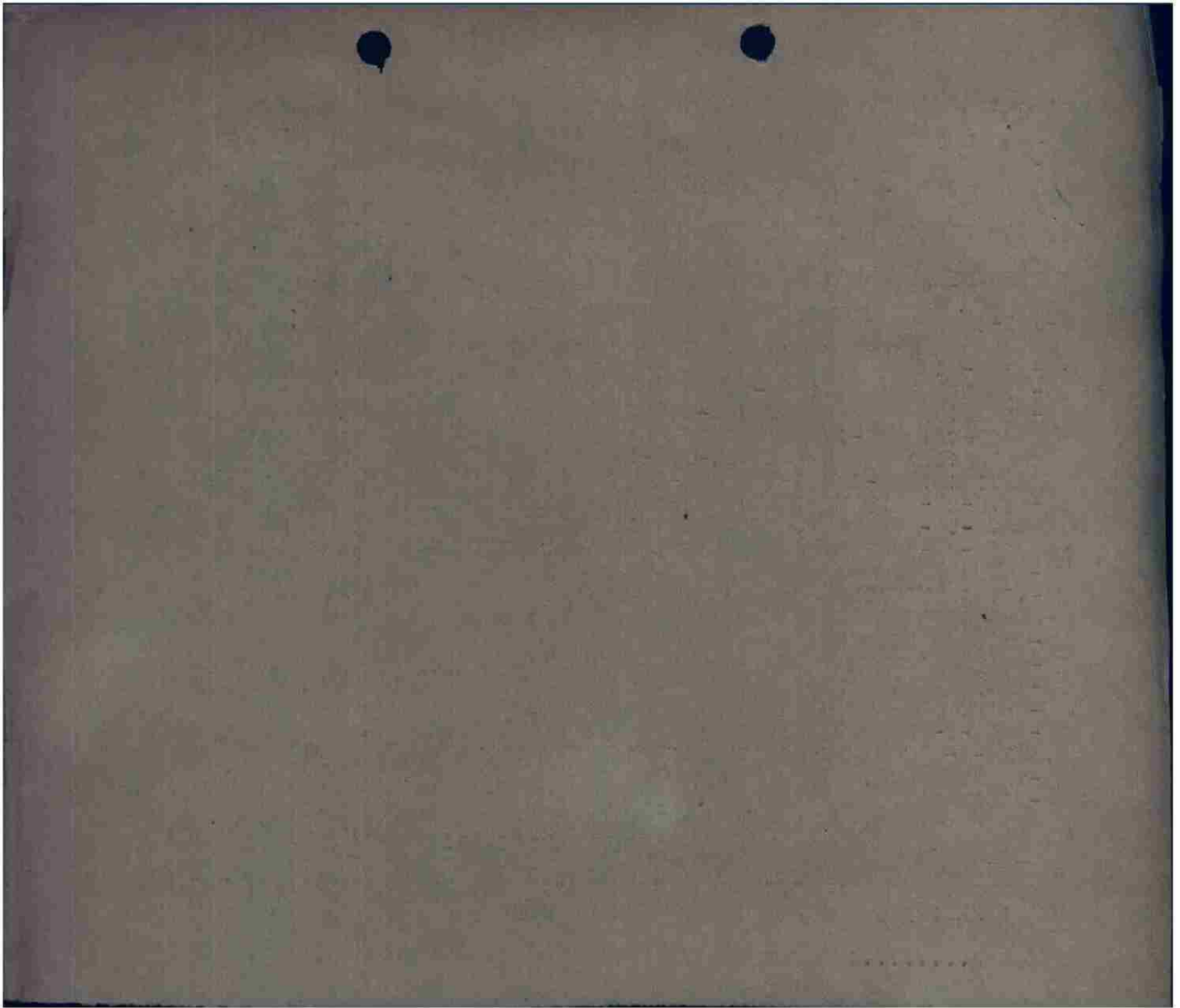
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97CBW R.....102230B AGA AR

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 T (UGI PASS TO ADV. HQ. 9TH FICOM)
 (OIUBA PASS TO OIMIB)
 FROM NINTH BOMBER COMMAND 101209B 9BC P2644E
 TO: COBOMGP 416
 COCBTWIG 97, 98, 99
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 COMFICOM 9
 COMASPTCOM 9
 SASO 11 GROUP RAF
 AOC-IN-C RAF

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY
 SECRET SENT IN CLEAR AUTH COL KILBORN

IX BOMBER COMMAND
 APO 140
 10 APRIL 1944

FIELD ORDER NUMBER 262

MAPS: NORMAL

B (2) 9TH FIGHTER COMMAND AND RAF 11 GROUP WILL FURNISH ESCORT AND
 SUPPORT. THIS COMMAND WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN NORTHERN
 FRANCE AND BELGIUM.

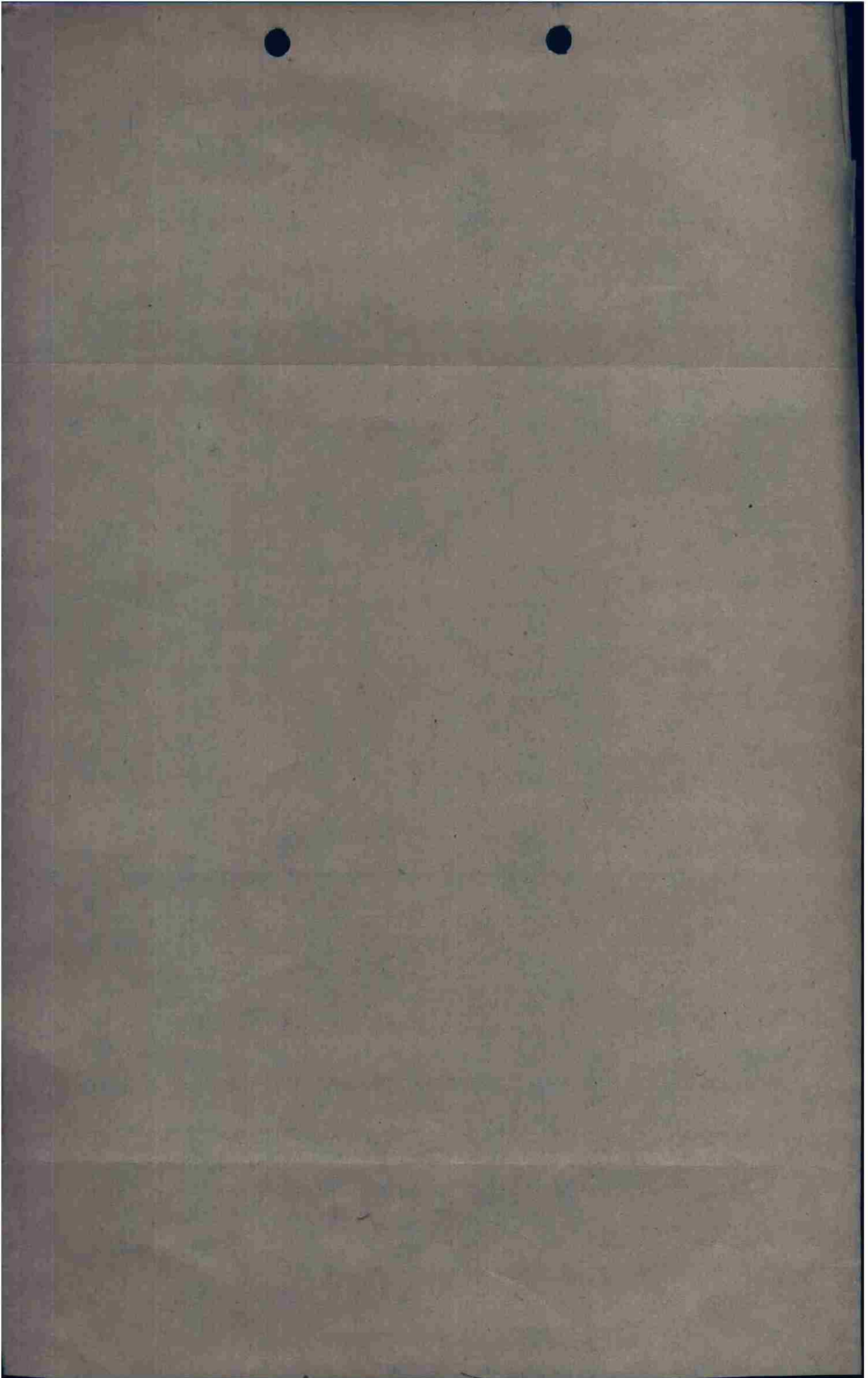
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3. A. 99TH COMBAT WING

- (1) ZB962 SECONDARY ZB918
- (2) 4 GROUPS NORMAL
- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 51 DEG 10 MIN NORTH - 02 DEG 30 MIN EAST
 AT ZERO HOUR (2 GROUPS) AND ZERO PLUS 20 (2 GROUPS)
- (4) BASE TO NORTH FORELAND TO FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS TO NIEUPORT
 TO 50 DEG 45 MIN NORTH - 03 DEG 51 MIN EAST TO
 50 DEG 18 MIN NORTH - 04 DEG 23 MIN EAST TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO 50 DEG 34 MIN NORTH - 04 DEG 41 MIN EAST
 TO 50 DEG 59 MIN NORTH 03 DEG 32 MIN EAST TO NIEUPORT TO
 NORTH FORELAND TO BASE.
- (8) GENERALLY SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST.
- (9) ILLUS. S5242/2
 REF 050035 2 GROUPS LOADED A X 1000 GP. FUSED
 1/10 NOSE AND 1/40 TAIL. ONE BOX M47A1
 REF 043034 1 GROUP AND ONE BOX LOADED 16 X 250 GP.
 FUSED 1/10 NOSE 1/40 TAIL

B. 98COMBAT WING:

- (1) ZB 892 2 GROUPS SECONDARY ZB 918 2 GROUPS Z 3004
 ONE GROUP.
- (2) THREE GROUPS NORMAL.
- (3) TWO GROUPS AT 51 DEG 10 MIN NORTH - 02 DEG 30 MIN EAST
 AT ZERO PLUS 40 MIN ONE GROUP AT DUNCENESS AT
 ZERO HOUR.
- (4) TWO GROUPS- BASE TO NORTH FORELAND TO FIGHTER
 RENDEZVOUS TO NIEUPORT TO 50 DEG 45 MIN NORTH - 03 DEG
 51 MIN EAST TO 50 DEG 18 MIN NORTH 04 DEG 23 MIN EAST TO
 TARGET.
 ONE GROUP - BASE TO DUNCENESS TO TOCQUEVILLE TO 49 DEG
 54 MIN NORTH - 01 DEG 58 MIN EAST TO TARGET.
- (5) TWO GROUPS- TARGET TURN LEFT TO 50 DEG 34 MIN NORTH,
 04 DEG 41 MIN EAST TO 50 DEG 59 MIN NORTH, 03 DEG 32 MIN
 EAST, TO NIEUPORT TO NORTH FORELAND TO BASE.
 ONE GROUP- TARGET TURN RIGHT TO 49 DEG 54 MIN NORTH,
 01 DEG 58 MIN EAST TO TOCQUEVILLE TO DUNCENESS TO BASE.



- (8) TWO GROUPS - GENERALLY SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST.
ONE GROUP- GENERALLY SOUTH TO NORTH.
(9) ILLUS. S 5242/2
REF. 043034 ONE GROUP AND ONE BOX - 14 X 250 GP. FUSED
1/10 NOSE. 1/40 TAIL.
REF. 030035 ONE BOX LOADED 147A1 (INCEND)
ILLUS. XI/A/37/4 REF. 012015 . ONE GROUP
LOADED 8 X 500 G.P. FUSED 1/10 NOSE 1/40 TAIL .

- (1) TARGET: (A) PRIMARY: Z 3104.
(2) RENDEZVOUS:
(A) WITH FIGHTERS AT DUNGENESS AT 14,000 FEET, AT ZERO HOUR
PLUS 10 MIN.
(3) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO DUNGENESS TO BERCK-SUR-MER TO 50 DEG
29 MIN NORTH - 02 DEG 12 MIN TO TARGET.
(4) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO 50 DEG 35 MIN NORTH -
02 DEG 10 MIN EAST TO BERCK-SUR-MER TO DUNGENESS
TO BASE.
(5) ALTITUDES: BOMB 14,000 FEET, CROSS ENEMY COAST OUT
14,000 FEET
(6) INITIAL POINT: 50 DEG 29 MIN NORTH- 02 DEG 12 MIN EAST.
(7) AXIS OF ATTACK: GENERALLY SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST.
(8) AIMING POINT: ILLUS. A/72/2 REF. 023024.
X. (1-4) NO CHANGE.
(5) 9TH A.F. (P-47'S) WILL FURNISH ESCORT FOR FIRST FORMATION
TO ZB 892 - 9TH A.F. (MUSTANGS) WILL ESCORT LAST TWO
FORMATIONS. - R.A.F. (SPITFIRES) WILL ESCORT FORMATION TO
Z3004.
PAR 3.C. - R.A.F. SPITFIRES WILL ESCORT 416 GROUP.
(6) H.P.I. FOR ZB 918 ILLUS. S.5268/2
REF. 127025.
REF. 096059.
REF. 065061.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. COMBAT WING: 99 TARGET NO ZB 892
(2) AESCOND, MUGWORT, ANATO, GOFAR.
(3) PENCIL, CHEMIST
(9) 1/1, 2/2, 3/3, 4/4
(10) 1/1, 2/2, 3/3, 4/4.
B. COMBAT WING: 98 TARGET NO ZB 892
(2) CUCKOO, QUAYSIDE.
(3) BOBBY.
(9) 5/5, 6/6.
(10) 5/5, 6/6.
C. COMBAT WING: 98 TARGET NO Z 3004.
(2) QUENTIN.
(9) 7/7.
(10) 7/7.
D. COMBAT WING: 97, AND 416 GROUP, TARGET NO Z 3104.
(2) SILVA.
(9) 8/8.
(10) 8/8.
X. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.
(2) HAWKINGE CHANNEL D/D
(8) EASTERN WYOMING SOUTHERN UTAH ENTIRE MISSION.
(10) WEATHER CODE: TVAB/TVAB

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CC INSERT ABOVE PARA 5. COMMUNICATIONS

PARA 4. NO CHANGE

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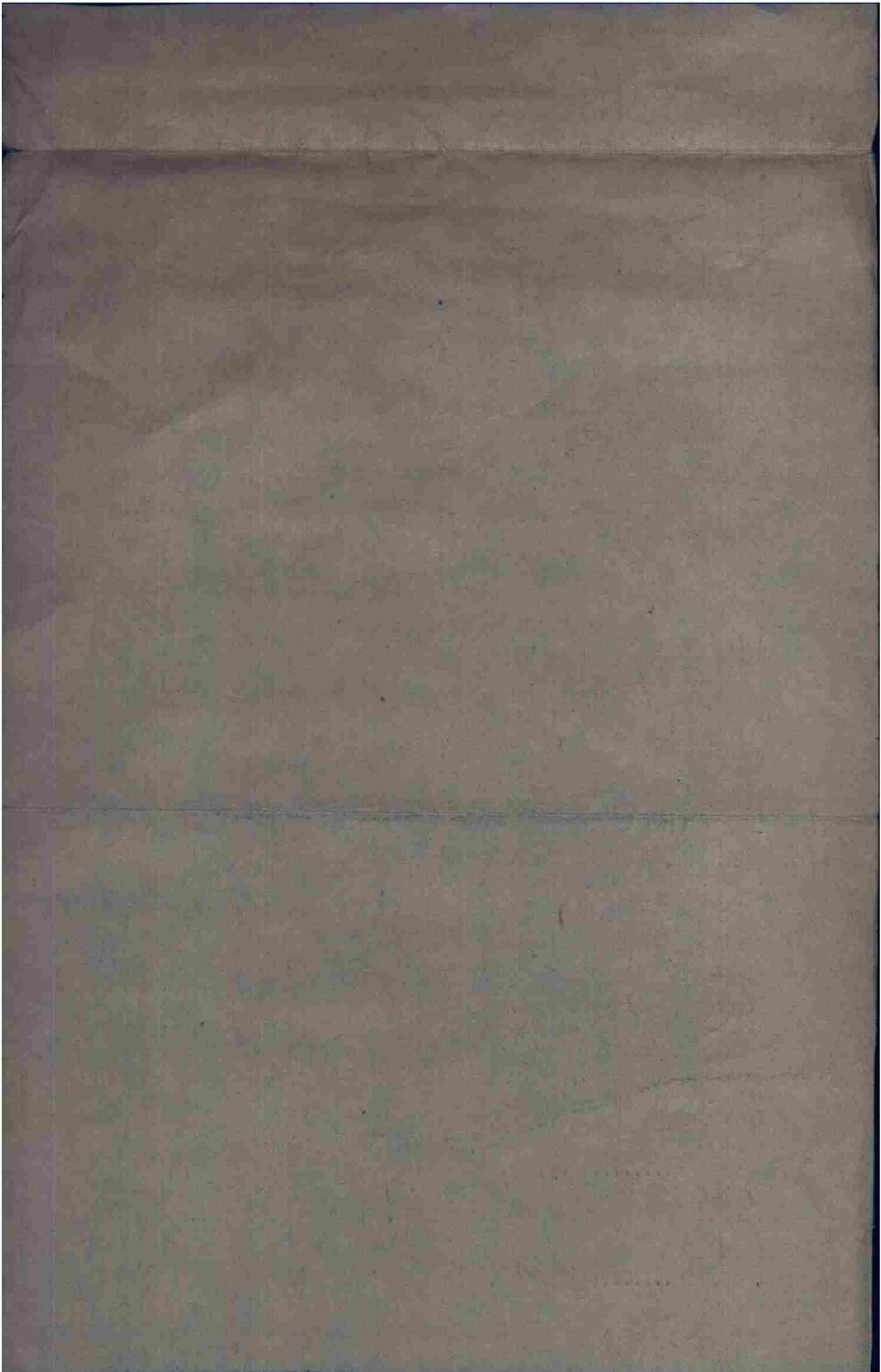
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T (OIUBA PASS TO OIMIB AND ADV HQ NINTH FIGHTER COMMAND)

FROM NINTH BOMBER COMMAND 101430B 9BC P-2647E

TO: COCOGP 416
COCBTWIG 97, 98, 99
COMAF 9
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SASO 11 GROUP RAF
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY
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IX BOMBER COMMAND
A P O 140.
10 APRIL 1944

ANNEX NO. 1 TO 9BC FIELD ORDER NUMBER 262.

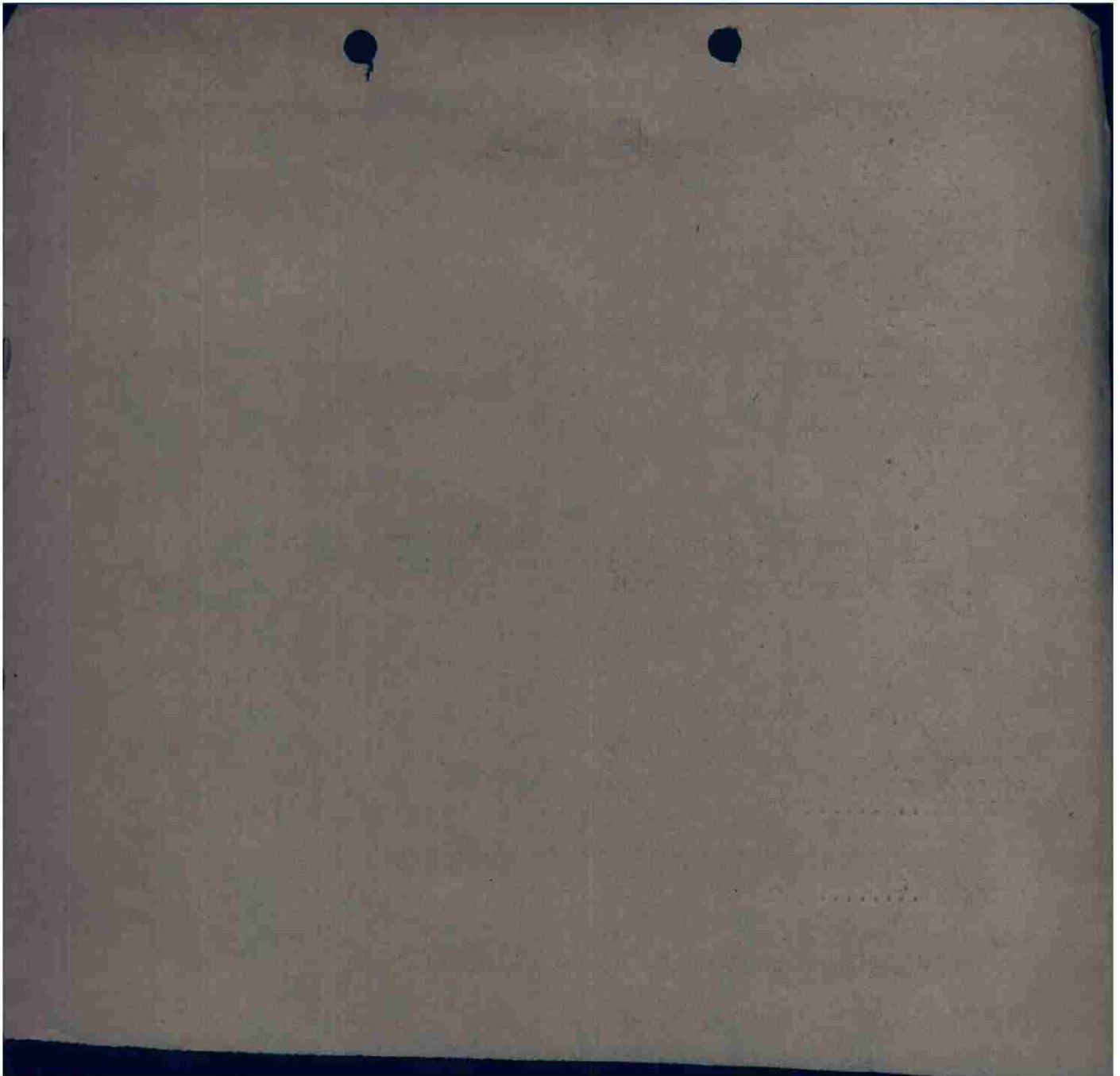
CHANGE PARAGRAPH 3 (A) (9) TO READ: ILLUSTRATION S5242/2 REFERENCE
050035 THREE GROUPS LOADED 4 X 1000 GP FUSED 1/10 NOSE AND 1/40
TAIL. ONE GROUP REFERENCE 043034 14 X 250 GP FUSED 1/10 NOSE
AND 1/40 TAIL.

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MWC AS
AR K
ALL STATIONS HOLD FOR R

OIYAA K WITH R
OICOG R10/1450B EJ BBB
AS PLS

97CBW K WITH R
OICOG R10/1455B JB AR



5. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. COMBAT WING: 99 TARGET NO ZB 892
(2) ABSCOND, MUGVORT, ANATO, GOFAR.
(3) PENCIL, CHEMIST
(9) 1/1, 2/2, 3/3, 4/4
(10) 1/1, 2/2, 3/3, 4/4.

- B. COMBAT WING: 98 TARGET NO ZB 892
(2) CUCKOO, QUAYSIDE.
(3) BOBBY.
(9) 5/5, 6/6.
(10) 5/5, 6/6.

- C. COMBAT WING: 96 TARGET NO Z 3094.
(2) QUENTIN.
(9) 7/7.
(10) 7/7.

- D. COMBAT WING: 97, AND 416 GROUP, TARGET NO Z 3104.
(2) SILVA.
(9) 8/8.
(10) 8/8.

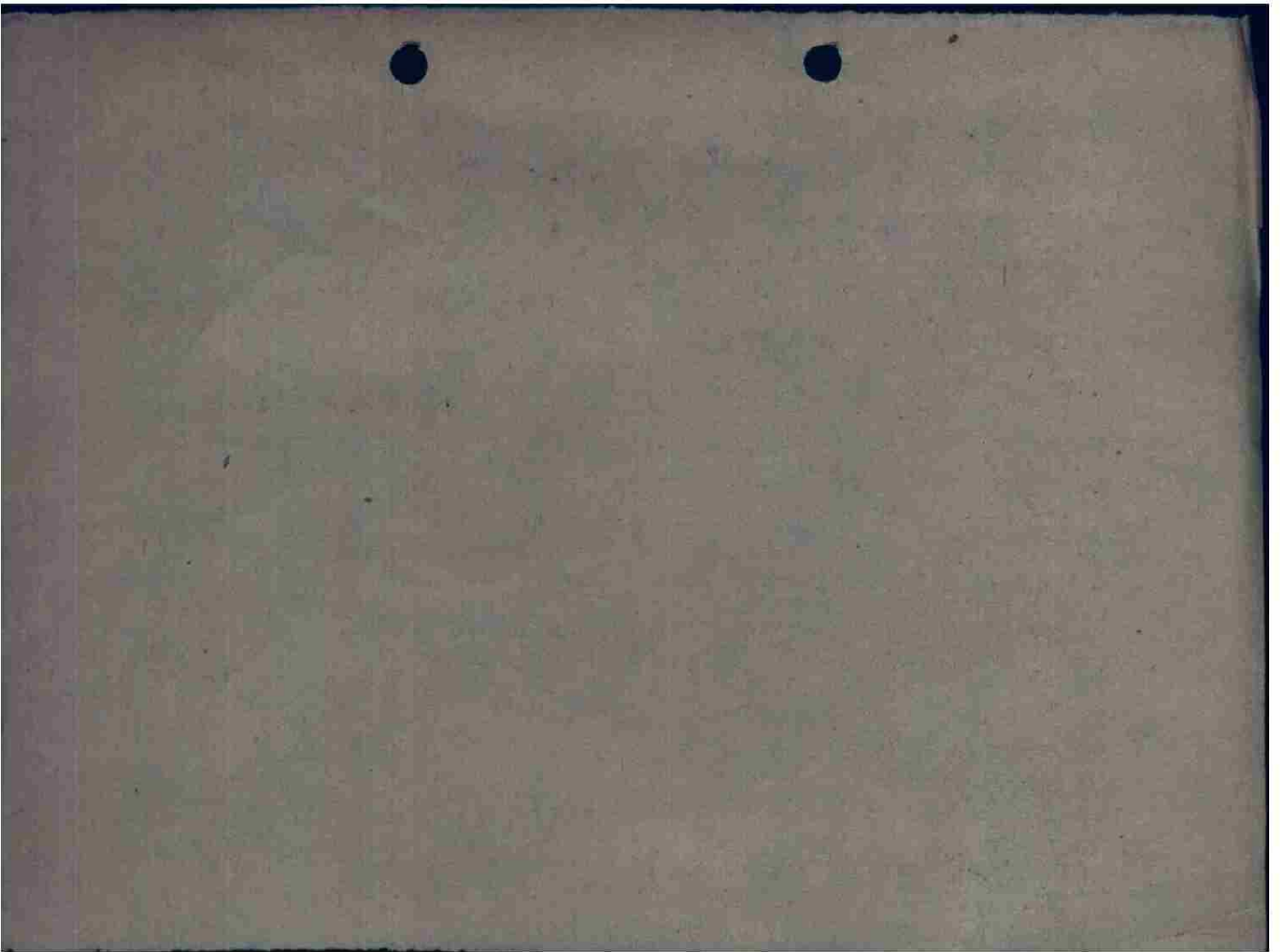
X. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.

- (2) HAWKINGE CHANNEL D/D
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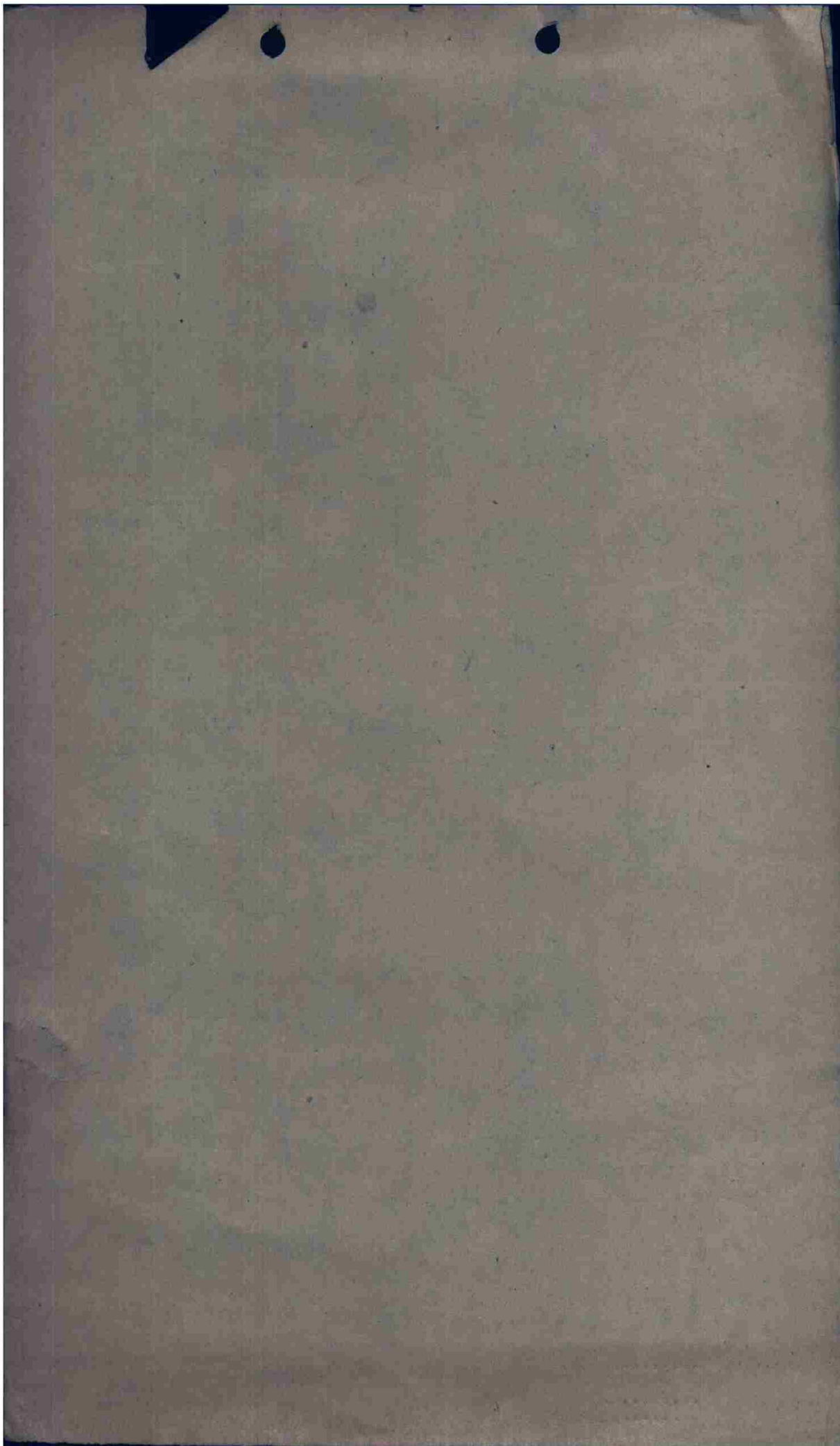
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HEADQUARTERS
416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
Office of the Operations Officer

AFPO 140, U.S. Army,
2 April 1944.

OPERATIONAL ORDER)

NUMBER 1)

1. In compliance with VCCG IX Bomber Command the following O and EM W/P W/D to AAF Station 164 and report to the Commanding Officer thereof for T/D. Upon completion of T/D, O and EM will return to proper Station.

A-20J-5 43-9444 ✓ 1st Lt. Arthur E. Osborne, AC, O-654403
(Flight Leader)
✓ 2nd Lt. Alfred H. Maltby, AC, O-747669 (B/N) ✓
S/Sgt Ernest E. Kelly, 38271192 (Gunner)
S/Sgt William H. Cox, 14178256 (Gunner)

A-20G-30 43-9684 ✓ 2nd Lt. Joseph P. Meagher, AC, O-749487 (Pilot) ✓
S/Sgt Elpidio A. Damico, 13110544, (Gunner)
S/Sgt Edward S. Dickenson, 13034047 (Gunner)

A-20G-25 43-9379 ✓ 2nd Lt. Robert D. Lasher, AC, O-684361 (Pilot) ✓
S/Sgt Adolfos J. Antanaitis, 21110809 (Gunner)
S/Sgt Harold R. Hedrick, 14165008 (Gunner)

2. In compliance with VCCG IX Bomber Command the following O and EM W/P W/D to AAF Station 162 and report to the Commanding Officer thereof for T/D. Upon completion of T/D, O and EM will return to proper Station.

A-20G-25 43-9226 ✓ 2nd Lt. Wilfred C. Siggs, AC, O-747986 (Pilot) ✓
S/Sgt Nathan (NMI) Radlich, 36309328 (Gunner)
Sgt Roger W. Nicks, 18127153 (Gunner)

A-20G-25 43-9202 ✓ 2nd Lt. Harry E. Hewes, AC, O-669722 (Pilot) ✓
S/Sgt Harold E. Boyer, 20506057 (Gunner)
S/Sgt Morton (NMI) Rosenstein, 12164906 (Gunner)

A-20J-5 43-9450 ✓ 1st Lt. Patrick E. F. MacManus, AC, O-671671
(Flight Leader)
✓ 2nd Lt. Robert J. McQuade, AC, O-749915 (B/N)
S/Sgt John L. Rogers, 19116554 (Gunner)
S/Sgt Harold L. Hatch, 13066543 (Gunner)

3. In compliance with VCCG IX Bomber Command the following O and EM W/P W/D to AAF Station 358 and report to the Commanding Officer thereof for T/D. Upon completion of T/D, O and EM will return to proper Station.

WILLIAM W. MILLER,
Major, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

PT-101440

WILLIAM E. BAKER,
Major, 4th Corps,
Operations Officer.

BY ORDER OF GOVERNMENT

203-10 43-9914 1st Lt. Everett W. Platter, AC, O-74886
2nd Lt. Robert J. Bassett, AC, O-749745 (P/Lt)
E/Sgt Keith L. Johnson, 16021559 (gunner)
E/Sgt Joseph T. Cason, 16028039 (gunner)
203-30 43-9498 1st Lt. Henry L. Cole, AC, O-660245
E/Sgt Franklin R. Chavira, 85512546 (gunner)
(Pilot)
E/Sgt Benjamin G. Rando, 86315285 (gunner)
203-30 43-9211 1st Lt. Robert H. Smith, AC, O-663197
(Pilot)
E/Sgt Victor W. Adams, 95070387 (gunner)
E/Sgt Arnold R. Schockham, 18047576 (gunner)

4. In compliance with AOC 14, Harbor Command the following C and EM W/D to the Station 485 and report to the Commanding Officer thereof for C/D. Upon completion of W/D, C and EM will return to proper station.

200-5 43-9455 Capt. Chester H. Jackson, AO, 0-736226
 (Right Leader)
 2nd Lt. Ralph (ML) Conne, AO, 0-749833 (B/H)
 S/Sgt C.D. Evans, 1213280 (Gunner)
 S/Sgt Albert J. Bondano, 9260653 (Gunner)
 200-30 43-9689 1st Lt. Daniel F. Shea, AO, 0-26111 (Pilot)
 S/Sgt Robert B. Ito, 2045078 (Gunner)
 Sgt Kenneth C. Iwak, 3562105 (Gunner)
 200-30 43-9689 1st Lt. Daniel F. Shea, AO, 0-26111 (Pilot)
 S/Sgt Joseph C. Swafford, 1212725 (Gunner)
 Sgt Patrick J. Olson, 3112516 (Gunner)
 S/Sgt Robert B. Ito, 2045078 (Pilot)

OICOG 97CBW V YAA YAA 35/10 OP

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FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 10/2320B

TO IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN: A2 DUTY OFFICER
97TH COMBAT WING ATTN : A2 DUTY OFFICER

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P-212-D

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY CONFIDENTIAL OP FLASH

A - 1- LE HAVRE - WINDOW
11- SAME

B - 1- 416
11 - 12- FLIGHTS OF 3 TO EACH OF FOUR B26 GPS.
111 - NONE
IV - 12 - DROPPED WINDOW

C - TIMES NOT NOTED BY CREWS - REACHED TARGET ABOUT 1/2 TO 1
MINUTE BEFORE EACH B26 OUTFIT. FLIGHT WITH 387 BOMB GP
DELAY IN T/O BY MECHANICAL DEX DIFFICULTIES. CAUGHT
FORMATION OVER CHANNEL

D - 1 - NIL
11 - NIL
111 - NIL

E - NO BOMBS CARRIED

F - 1-A. NIL
B. NIL
11-A. WEAK - INACCURATE- LOW AND ~~BEHIND~~, BEHIND, BKE BETWEEN
A26'S AND B26'
B. NIL

G.- NIL

H - 1. THEN HAZE BUT TARGET EASILY SEEN.
11. CLEAR

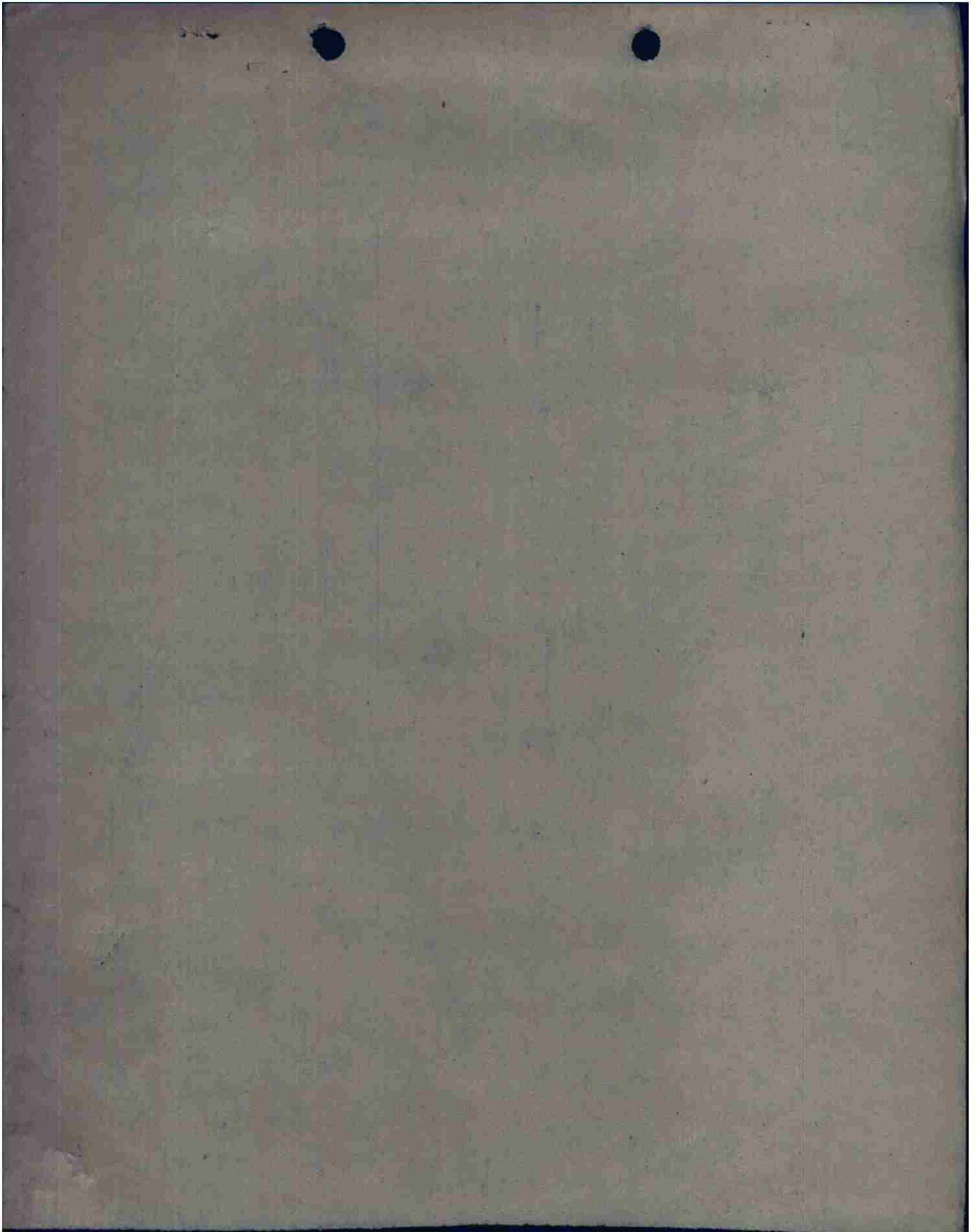
I - ALL ~~WIND~~ WINDOW DROPPED AS ORDERED.

HAZE COBOMGR 416

BT 10/2320B

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HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED SIXTEENTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

APC 140, U. S. Army.
11 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal of A-3 Bombing Information Reports.

TO : Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, APC 140, U. S. Army.

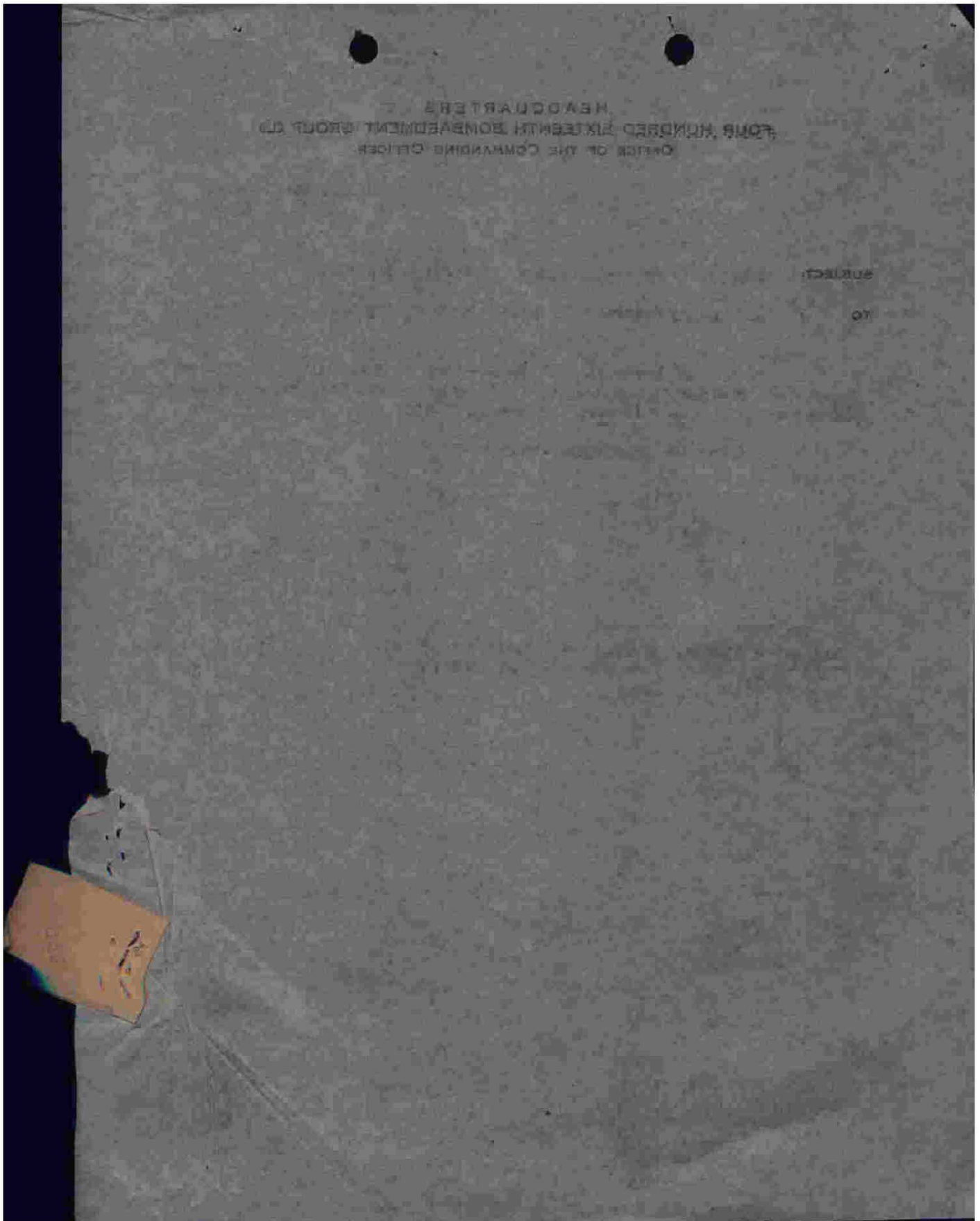
1. Transmitted herewith are the A-3 Bombing Information Reports on operational mission 10 April 1944, field order number 261, submitted in compliance with IX Bomber Command Memorandum 15-92.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHUMER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

2 Incls:
Incl #1 - Bombing Information Report (Box I)
Incl #2 - Bombing Information Report (Box II)

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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 261BOX I GROUP 416 DATE 10 April 44 TARGET ATTACKED Bois Des Eutruas1. Method of Sighting: Synchronized.2. Bombing approach: 45° Mg.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES X NO _____4. Did entire box drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs; and specify exact aiming point actually used;

Pre-set dropping angle used.

5. Name of lead bombardier: 2nd Lt. H. T. Arrington6. Name of lead pilot: Major David L. Willetts7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 215 Ground Speed: 295 Altitude: 14,0009. Length of bomb run: 40 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 X 500 lb FUSED DelayN 1/10T 1/4011. Total Bombs Dropped: 70

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES X NO _____. If "YES" state conditions and effect. Overcast from Tunbridge to target area.

(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES X NO _____. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing: Mistaken for other woods in area.

(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES X NO _____. If answer is "YES", state to what extent Flak affected bombing or bomb run: Flak was moderate and accurate on run.

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing? No enemy aircraft.

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: Unable to identify target

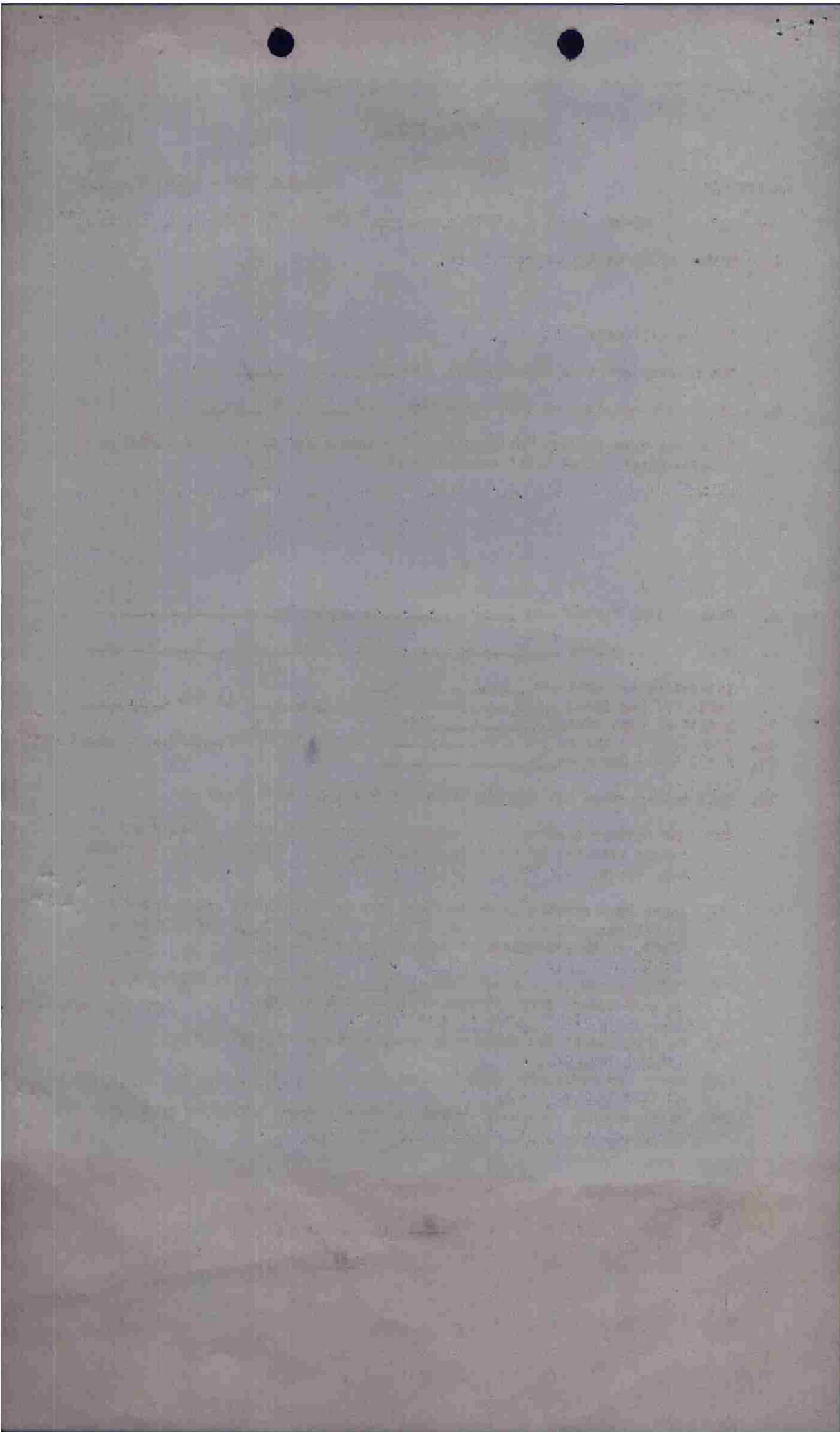
(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing: See Malfunction Report accompanying this report.

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO ____

Results claimed: GOOD _____ FAIR _____ POOR _____ BAD MISS X

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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 261BOX II GROUP 416 DATE 10 April 44 TARGET ATTACKED Bois Des Huitres1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set data.2. Bombing approach: 62° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire box drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO _____

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs; and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Pre-set dropping angle used. Bombing run too short for synchronous bombing.

5. Name of lead bombardier: 2nd Lt. W.H. Powell6. Name of lead pilot: Major William J. Mang7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 215 Ground Speed: 299 Altitude: 12,7009. Length of bomb run: 30 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 X 500 lb FUSED Delay N 1/10 T 1/4011. Total Bombs Dropped: 50

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES X NO _____. If "YES" state conditions and effect. Cloud bank over target area.

(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES X NO _____. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:

Identified wooded areas target.

(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES X NO _____. If answer is "YES", state to what extent Flak affected bombing or bomb run:

Flak was moderate and accurate on run.

(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?

No enemy aircraft.

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: Too short of run from break in clouds to identify target.

(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

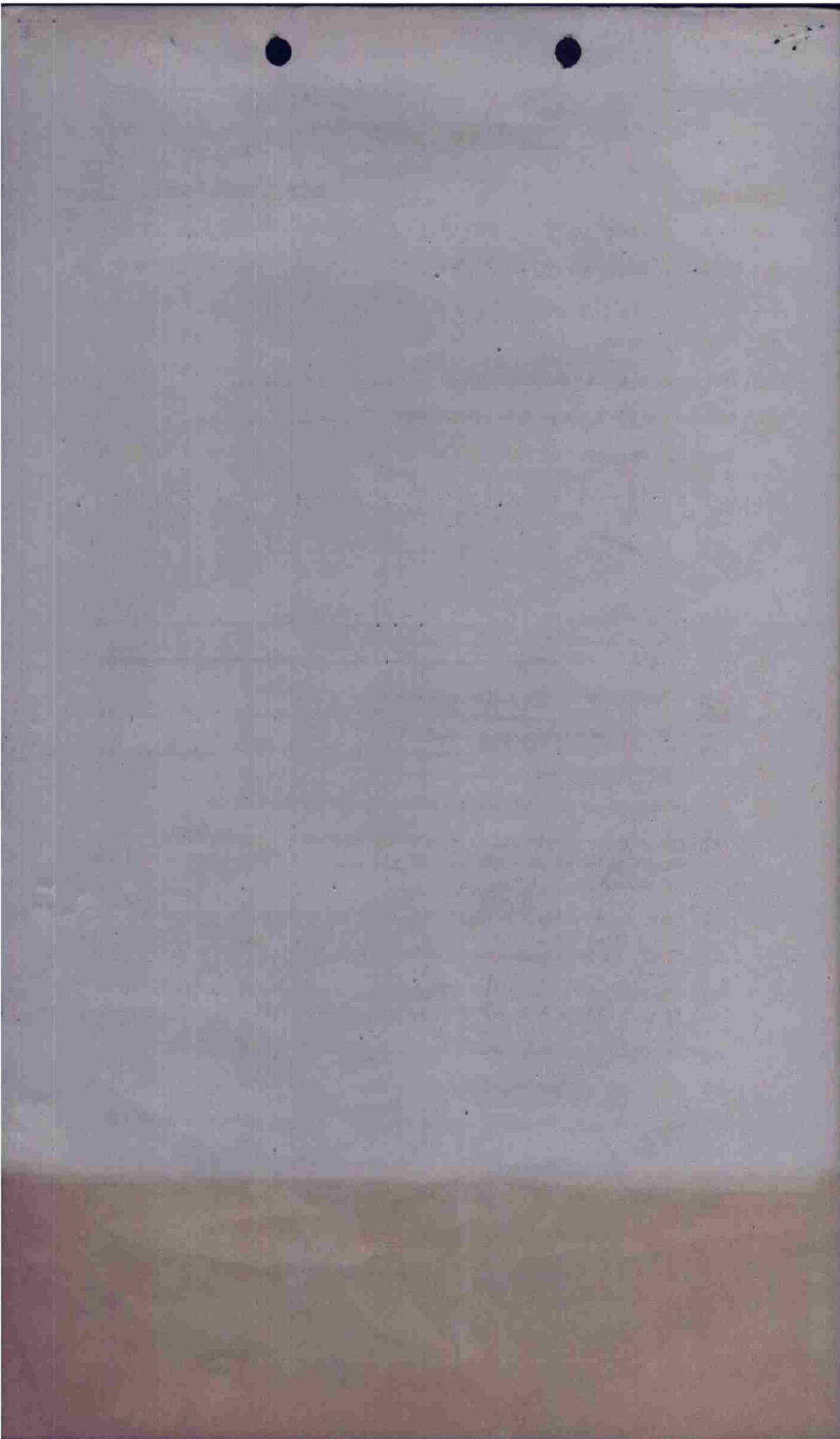
See Malfunction Report accompanying this report.

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES _____ NO X (Mistaken identity)

Results claimed: GOOD _____ FAIR _____ POOR _____ BAD MISS X

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**HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED SIXTEENTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER**

APO 140, U. S. Army,
11 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Lost, Damaged and Abortive Report.

TO : Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, APO 140, U. S. Army.

Target: Bois des Buttruss.
Date : 10 April 1944.

IX Bomber Command Field Order No. 261.

1. Summary.

Group	Type A/E	A/C Dispatched	Abortive		Damaged			Lost	Attacked Target
			Mech	Other	A	AC	B E		
416	A-200's & J's	38	1	6	29	6	2	2	31

2. Lost.

Group	Type A/E	ACN	Engine ACN	Available data as to cause.
416	A-200-30	43-9699	R-2600-23	Flak
416	A-200-35	43-9795	R-2600-23	Flak

3. Damaged.

Group	Type A/E	ACN	Category	Cause
416	A-200-25	43-9218	B	Flak
416	A-200-25	43-9370	B	Flak
416	A-200-25	43-9211	AC	Flak
416	A-200-25	43-9231	AC	Flak
416	A-200-25	43-9223	AC	Flak
416	A-200-30	43-9701	AC	Flak
416	A-200-25	43-9393	A	Flak
416	A-200-25	43-9219	A	Flak
416	A-200-25	43-9182	A	Flak
416	A-200-25	43-9287	A	Flak
416	A-200-25	43-9217	A	Flak
416	A-200-25	43-9224	A	Flak

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Lost, Damaged and Abortive Report.

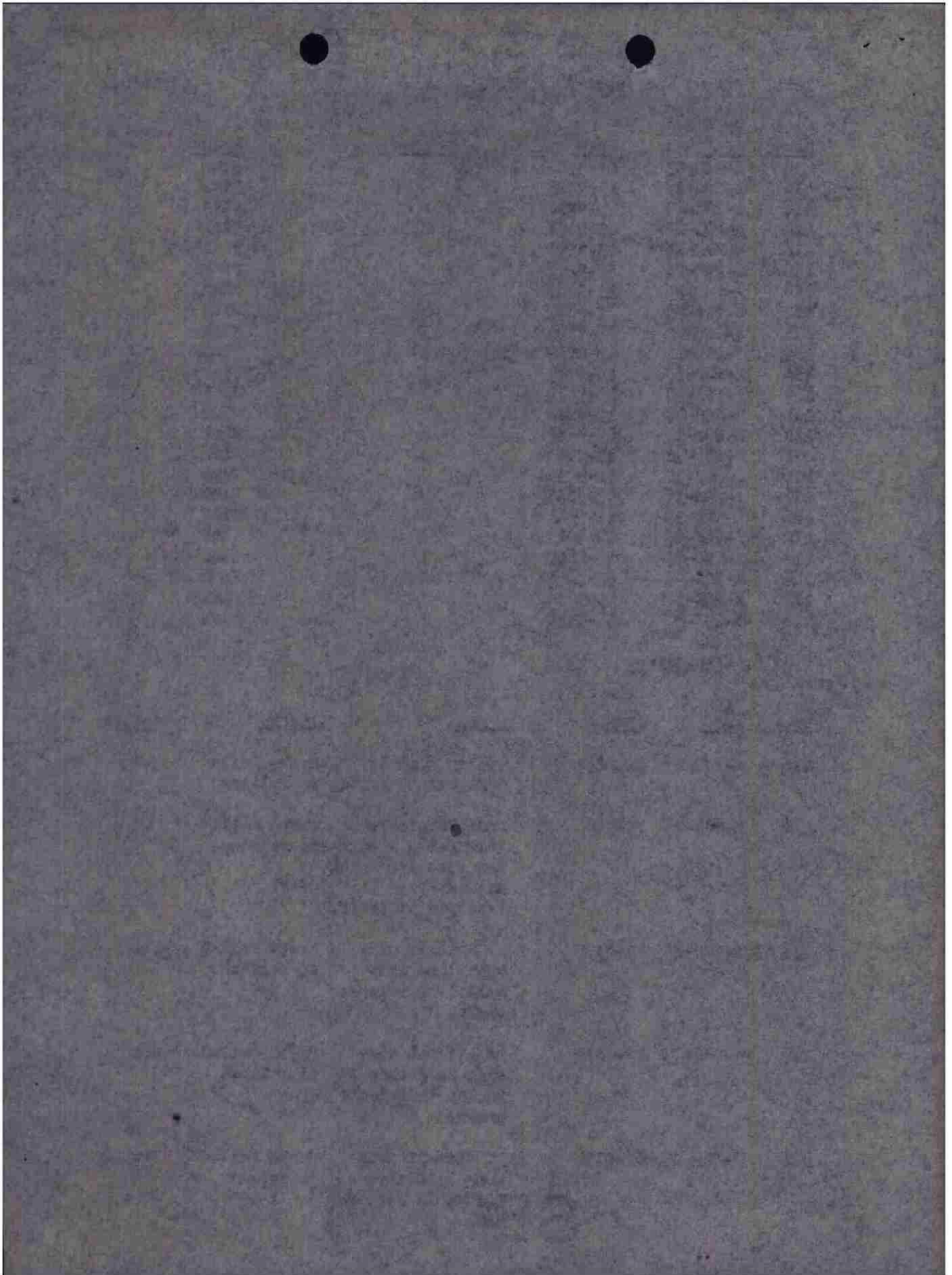
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Serial	Type	ACSN	Category	Cause
A16	A-200-25	43-9360	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9195	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9216	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9181	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9390	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9203	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9387	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9227	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9194	A	Flak
A16	A-200-25	43-9200	A	Flak
A16	A-200-30	43-9783	A	Flak
A16	A-200-30	43-9673	A	Flak
A16	A-200-30	43-9711	A	Flak
A16	A-200-30	43-9707	A	Flak
A16	A-200-30	43-9750	A	Flak
A16	A-200-30	43-9640	A	Flak
A16	A-200-35	43-9937	A	Flak
A16	A-200-35	43-9941	A	Flak
A16	A-200-35	43-9963	A	Flak
A16	A-200-35	43-9892	A	Flak
A16	A-200-35	43-9893	A	Flak
A16	A-200-5	43-9680	A	Flak
A16	A-200-5	43-9439	A	Flak

4. Abortive.

Serial	Type	ACSN	Cause	Remarks	Sortie
A16	A-200-25	43-9203	faulty bomb bay door safety switch	Bombs failed to release	Yes
A16	A-200-25	43-9360	Undetermined.	Bombs failed to release	Yes
A16	A-200-25	43-9195	No attempt made when lead ship failed to release bombs.	Bombs failed to release	Yes
A16	A-200-25	43-9216	No attempt made when lead ship failed to release bombs.	Bombs failed to release	Yes
A16	A-200-25	43-9194	No attempt made when lead ship failed to release bombs.	Bombs failed to release	Yes

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Lost, Damaged and Abortive Report.

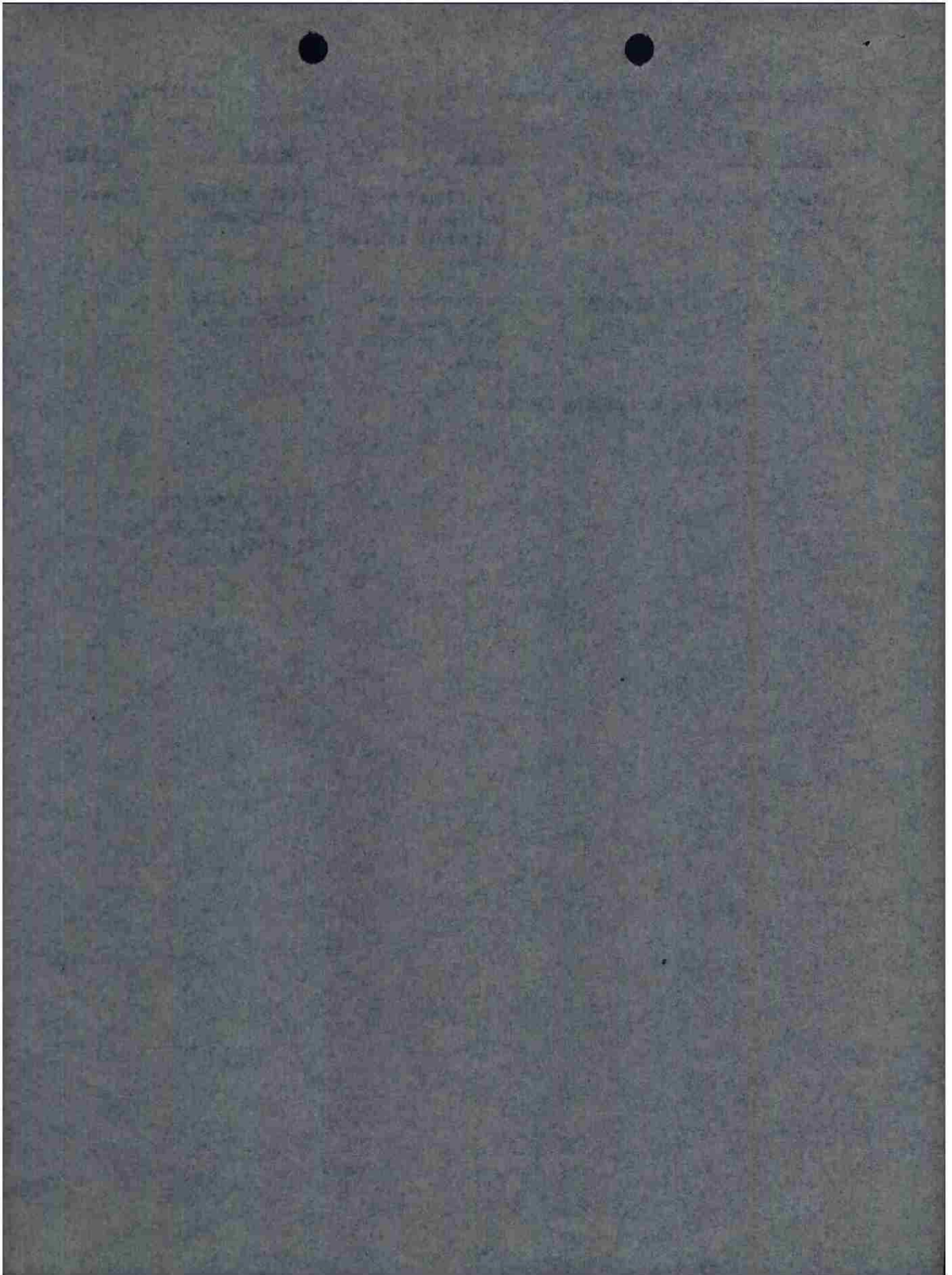
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	<u>Serial</u>	<u>Type</u> <u>A/R</u>	<u>AFSC</u>	<u>Remarks</u>	<u>Result</u>
G	416	A-200-30	43-9791	No attempt made when lead ship failed to release bombs.	Bombs failed to release. Yes.
✓	416	A-200-35	43-9893	No attempt made when lead ship failed to release bombs.	Bombs failed to release. Yes.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHWARTZ,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED SIXTEENTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

APO 140, U. S. ARMY,
11 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Malfunctions of Aircraft Equipment.

TO : Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, APO 140, U. S. Army.

I. Summary of Aircraft Operating.

Date of Mission : 10 April 1944.
Number of Aircraft Scheduled : 36
Number of Aircraft Alerted : 38

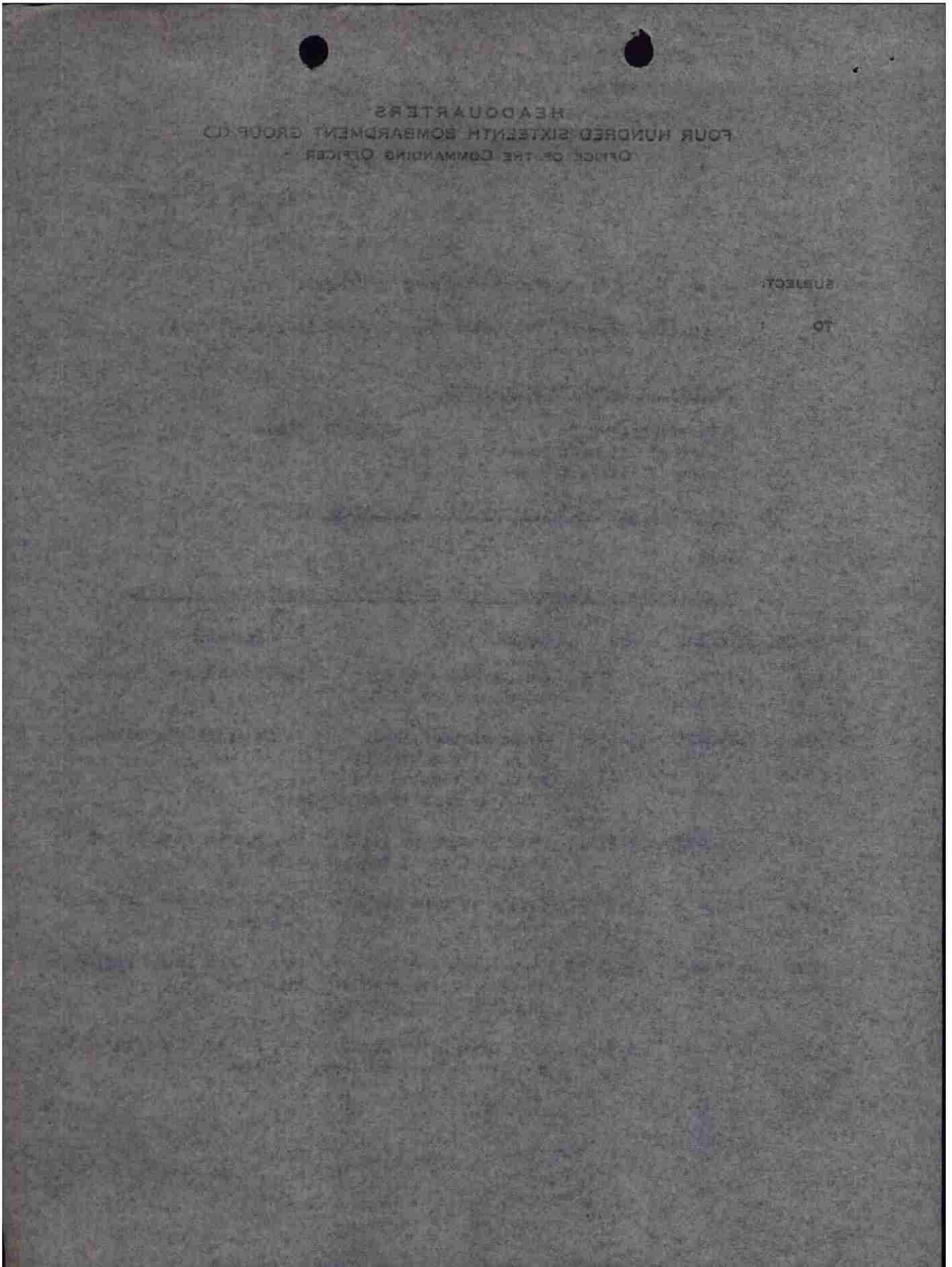
II. Scheduled Aircraft Returning to Parent Airbases.

None.

III. Malfunction of Airborne Aircraft Affecting Success of Mission.

Serial	Type	ACFT	Malfunction	Remarks
416	A-200-25	43-9123	Faulty bomb bay door safety switch	Bombs failed to release.
416	A-200-25	43-9360	Cause undetermined. Bomb racks & bombing circuits checked and found to operate properly.	Bombs failed to release.
416	A-200-25	43-9181	Bay braces too tight	No. 2 bomb rack failed to release.
416	A-200-25	43-9203	Faulty release mechanism.	No. 3 bomb rack failed to release.
416	A-200-25	43-9218	Cause undetermined due to fire hazard resulting from crash landing.	No. 2 bomb rack failed to release.
416	A-200-25	43-9610	Bay braces too tight	No. 4 bomb rack failed to release.

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Report of Malfunctions of Aircraft Equipment.

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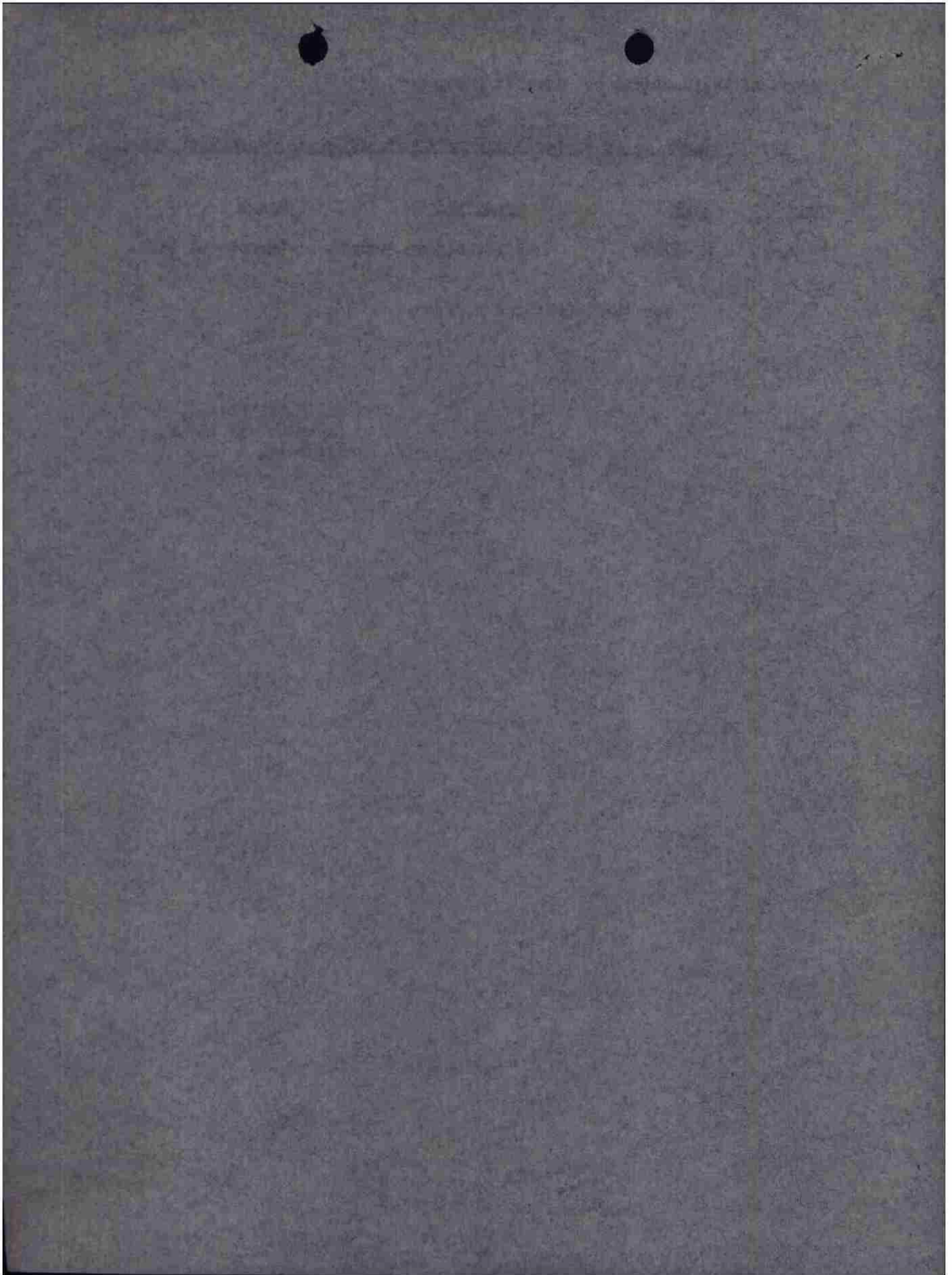
IV. Malfunction of Airborne Aircraft Not Affecting Success of Mission.

Type A/E	ACME	Description	Cause
A-200-30	40-9743	Sight out on turret.	Burned out bulb.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHMIDT,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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MISSION NO. 10

LOADING LIST

10 April 1944.

BOX 1

FLIGHT 1

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| <p>1. 640 "Z"
 Willetts, D. L. Major ✓
 Arrington, H. T. Lt.
 Royalty, P. G. Lt.
 Larrende, F. A. S/S
 Lempha, H. A. S/S</p> <p>2. 937 "B"
 DURANTE, A.R., LT. ✓
 BEST, H. T., S/S
 WILLIAMSON, R.R., S/S</p> <p>3. 699 "I"
 CRAMSIE, W.E., LT. ✓
 HENSHAW, C.R., S/S
 STEWARD, J., S/S</p> | <p>4. "218" "C"
 DUNN, L.F., CAPTAIN ✓
 WORDEN, H.O., S/S
 RZEPKA, J.J., S/S</p> <p>5. 393 "K"
 HIXON, S.M., LT. ✓
 FOSTER, H.A., S/S
 RUST, E.W., S/S</p> <p>6. 219 "D"
 ANDREWS, H. L., LT. ✓
 COOK, G.M., S/S
 WERLEY, F.E., S/S</p> |
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FLIGHT II

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| <p>1. 743 "R"
 CAMPBELL, M.W., MAJOR ✓
 ALDEN, S.F., S/S
 BALLINGER, R.L., S/S</p> <p>2. 673 "I-1"
 DONTAS, P., LT. ✓
 NIELSON, A. L., S/S
 FIELDS, W.E., S/S</p> <p>3. 370 "D-1"
 STREET, M.S., LT. ✓
 PRINDLE, C.A., S/S
 HUBER, A.J. S/S</p> | <p>4. 717 "N"
 MORTON, R. J. LT. ✓
 MORTON, C.Q., S/S
 CITY, F.M., S/S</p> <p>5. 211 "C-1"
 SHAINBERG, N.V., LT. ✓
 BRESNAK, J.D., S/S
 COPE, G.F., S/S</p> <p>6. 941 "U"
 MCDONALD, A.A., LT. ✓
 SHIELDS, J.J. S/S
 EPPS, E.E., S/S</p> |
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FLIGHT III

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| <p>1. 711 "M"
 MARZOLF, L.A., LT. ✓
 FEISTL, J.E., SGT
 KUTZER, L.G. S/S</p> <p>2. 221 "F"
 MERCHANT, W.A., LT. ✓
 HARP, C.J., S/S
 BROWN, K.P., S/S</p> <p>3. 707 "H"
 ZUBON, M., LT. ✓
 TANNER, J.R.L., S/S
 RUSSELL, W.C., S/S</p> | <p>4. 223 "F-1"
 PRENTISS, R.B., CAPTAIN ✓
 NEWELL, S.P., PVT.
 PERKINS, H., S/S</p> <p>5. 963 "N-1"
 HILL, L.E., LT. ✓
 NEWKIRK, A.W., S/S
 ANDERSON, E.A., SGT</p> <p>6. 102 "B-1"
 MIRACLE, R.V., LT. ✓
 SIEG, B.C., S/S
 BURKHALTER, J.C., S/S</p> |
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SPARE

- 895 "Q"
 RAINES, A.A., LT. ✓
 BENDER, G.J., S/S
 NIELSON, J. O., S/S

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BOX II
FLIGHT I

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| 1. 439 "J"
MENG, W.J., MAJOR
POWELL, V.H., LT.
STOBERT, R.E., S/S
GLYNN, F.R. S/S | 4. 892 "L"
HULSE, D.A., CAPTAIN
DINAPOLI, S.F., S/S
MCCLEARY, H.M., S/S |
| 2. 207 "BT"
HARROLD, F.J., LT.
GRIFFIN, E.L., S/S
STEPHENS, D.N., SGT | 5. 217 "D"
JOHNSON, E.L., LT.
DONAHUE, W.J., S/S
BRAYN, M.R., S/S |
| 3. 200 "A"
RUDISILL, R.S., LT.
CONOPASK, R.E., S/S
ALLRED, F.D., S/S | 6. 224 "E"
MONROE, H.A., LT.
KIDD, W.L., S/S
RISKO, S., S/S |

FLIGHT II

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| 1. 360 "S"
CONANT, H.F., CAPTAIN
MOLVER, V.E., S/S
ROBBINS, L.E., T/S | 4. 194 "C"
BATTERSBY, W., CAPTAIN
MCCREERY, J.E., S/S
YOST, C.H., S/S |
| 2. 195 "D-1"
DOWNING, W.E., LT.
LOVE, C.F., S/S
ADAIR, F.L., S/S | 5. 701 "H"
AYLESWORTH, T.A., LT. COL.
JUDD, E.R., S/S
FEJES, J.A., S/S |
| 3. 216 "E-1"
MEREDITH, R.G., LT.
SHAW, L.R., S/S
GRAY, C.M., S/S | 6. 893 "P"
BARTMUS, G.F., LT.
HIBBS, C.L., S/S
DAUGHERTY, L., S/S |

FLIGHT III

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| 1. 181 "A-1"
SOMMERS, H.L., LT.
LANAVE, O.D., S/S
KASPAR, J.F., S/S | 4. 750 "M"
OSTRANDER, W.B., LT.
WILSON, J.E., S/S
BINNEY, I., S/S |
| 2. 390 "G"
BEHLMER, W.G., LT.
KELLY, W.J., S/S
FERGUSON, W.G. S/S | 5. 387 "H-1"
MCGLOHN, C.L., LT.
MORAN, J.W., S/S
DRISKILL, P.B., SGT |
| 3. 203 "P-1"
GULLION, A.W., LT.
WEBB, C.L., S/S
COFFEY, G.L., S/S | 6. 227 "F"
NORDSTROM, A.W., LT.
GOSSETT, J.D., S/S
MILLER, R.D., S/S |

SPARE

- 680 "R-1"
 HILLERMAN, J.R., LT.
 OCHABA, J.A., S/S
 EUTSLER, R., S/S

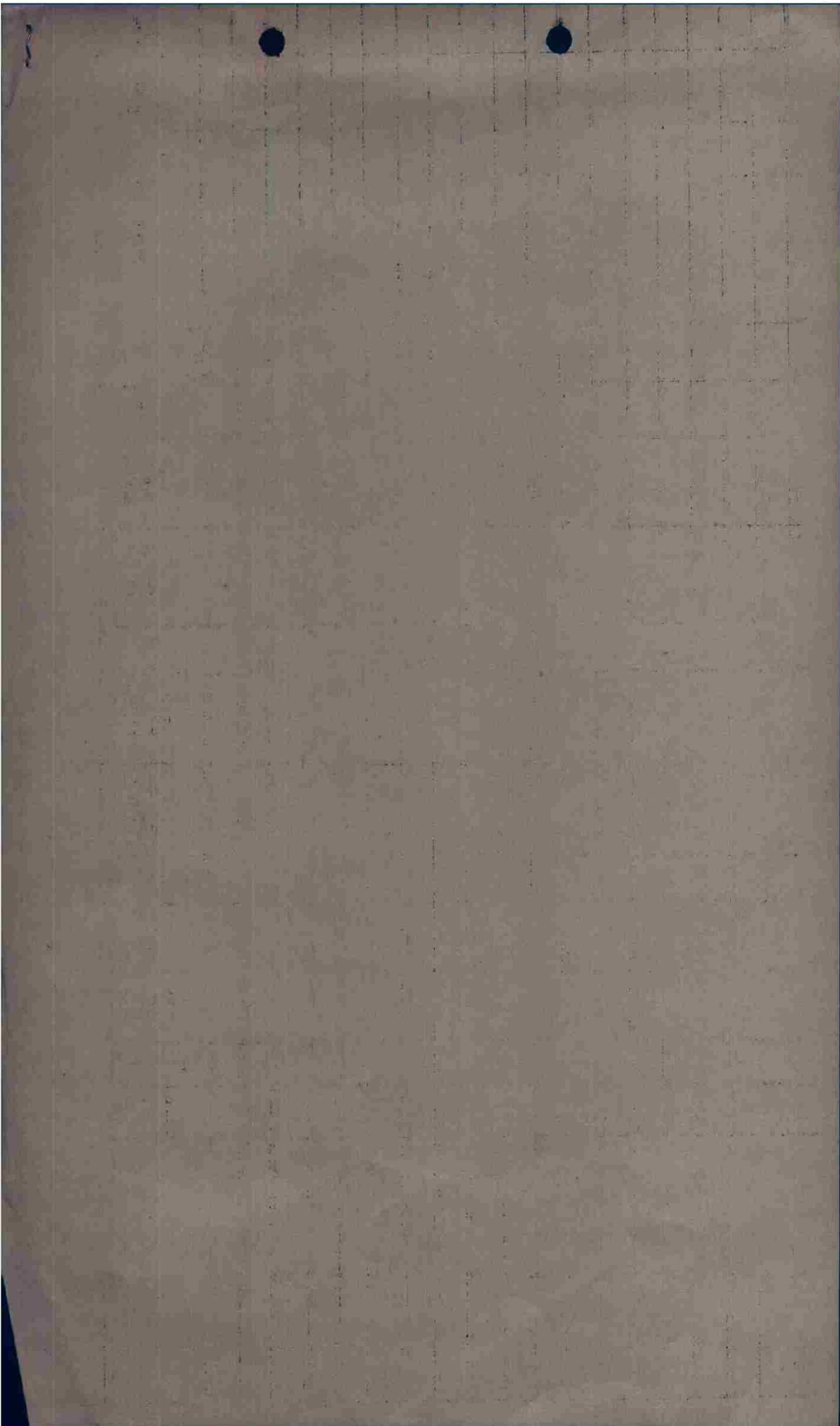
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Box I

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Z	640	H	WILLETT	B015 DES HURMES	0844	0930 DUNGENESS 1200	0933 LETOUBERT 1200	0947	0933 4 MI. NW HURMES 1200	1005 M. F. AND 1200	HC	735	41500GR	4	1051	
B	937	D	DURANTE		0845						C				1052	
Z	699	D	CARMISIE		0845										1052	
C	218	D	DUNN		0845										1049	
K	393	D	HIXON		0845										1053	
D	219	D	ANDREWS		0846										1053	
R	743	B	CAMPBELL		0846										1057	
E-1	673	B	DORTAS		0846						C				1058	
D-1	370	B	STREET		0847										1059	BONNEWELL BAY
N	717	B	MORTON		0847										1059	
C	211	B	SHAINBERG		0847										1046	
V	941	B	MCDONALD		0847										1058	
M	711	D	MARZOLF		0848										1059	
E	231	D	MERCHANT		0848						C				1059	
H	707	D	ZUGON		0848										1054	
E-1	223	H	PRETTISS		0849										1058	
N-1	963	H	HILL		0849										1051	
B-1	182	H	MIRACLE		0849										1100	
P	895	H	RAINES		0854										1100	

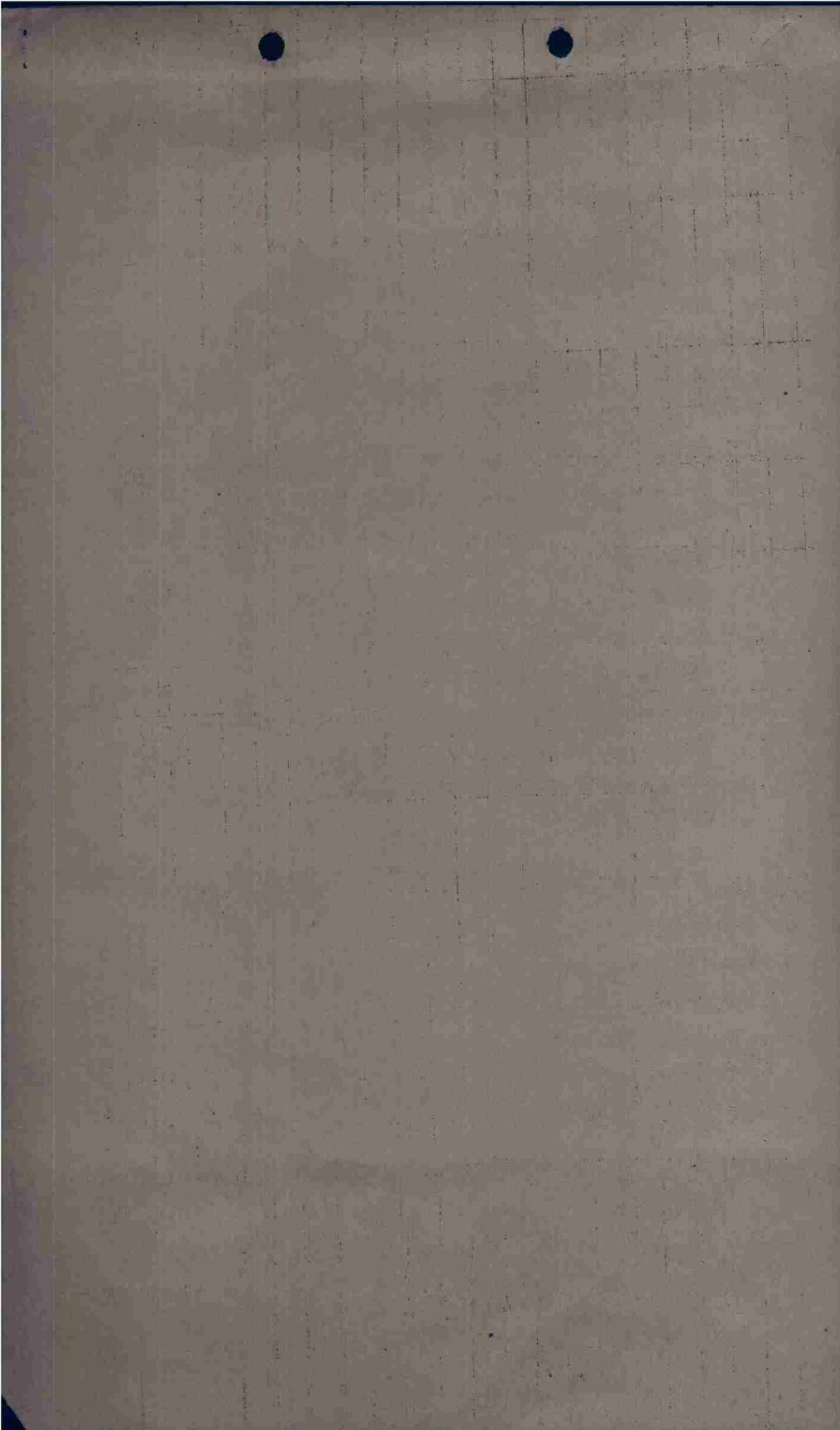


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Box II

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A/C LTR	A/C NO.	SECD.	PILOT	ATO	ENGLISH COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENGLISH COAST IN	A M E R A	FUEL	BOMB LOAD	D U R.	LAND TIME	REMARKS
J	439	C✓	MENG		0930 BUNGEESS 14,000	0937 LE TONGUET 14,000	0947	0935 4th. N. W. FUNGESS 14,000	1005 N. FORELARD 9,000	HQ	78.5	4550 K.P.	4	1102	
B	207	C✓	HAROLD							C				1103	
A	200	C✓	RUDISILL											1104	
L	892	C✓	HULSE											1104	
D	217	C✓	JOHNSON							C				1105	
E	234	C✓	MONROE											1105	
S	360	A✓	CONANT											1106	
D-1	195	A✓	DOWNING							C				1107	
E-1	216	A✓	MEREDITH											1107	
C	194	A✓	BATTERSBY											1108	
H	701	A✓	WESWORTH							C				1114	
P	293	A✓	BARTMUS											1100	
A-1	181	B✓	SOMMERS							C				1137	
G	390	B✓	BEHLMER											1115	
A-2	203	D✓	GULLION							C				1109	
M	750	C✓	OSTRANDER							C				1112	
A-1	357	C✓	McGLOTHLIN											1115	
E	227	C✓	NORDSTROM											1114	
A-1	650	C✓	HILLERMAN											1113	



OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FROM: 418TH BOMB GROUP (D)

TO: IX BOMBER COMMAND

TO: 87TH COMBAT WING

418 BG P _____ E

CONFIDENTIAL IN THE CLEAR

AUTH: LT. COL. WALTER W. FARMER

"J" FORM

CLEARANCE F-2

10 APRIL 1944

PREPARED BY MAJOR JOHN G. NAHER

A.

B. 0930

C. DUNGENESS

D. BOX I . . . R/T OAKCREST ONE

658 B Z F-1 N-1 S-1 (SPARE . . .)

671 B B I Q K L M P H

669 B R I-1 B-1 W C-1 U

GROUP LEADER 658 Z

DEPUTY 671 B

BOX II: . . . R/T OAKCREST TWO

668 B B D-1 E-1 G H P

670 B J A A L E E M R-1 F

669 B A-1 G ~~H-1~~ J-2

670 1 (SPARE . . . R-1)

SECOND BOX LEADER 670 J

DEPUTY 670 L

E. 14000

F. LE TOUQUET

G. 0938

H. 15 MINUTES

J. 4 MILES NORTHWEST FURNES

K. NORTH FOHLAND

L. 1006

M. 1. E.T.D. . . . 0905 E.T.A. 1021

2. 4 X 800 LB OF

3. 4 HOURS

4. BOX I . . . 23115

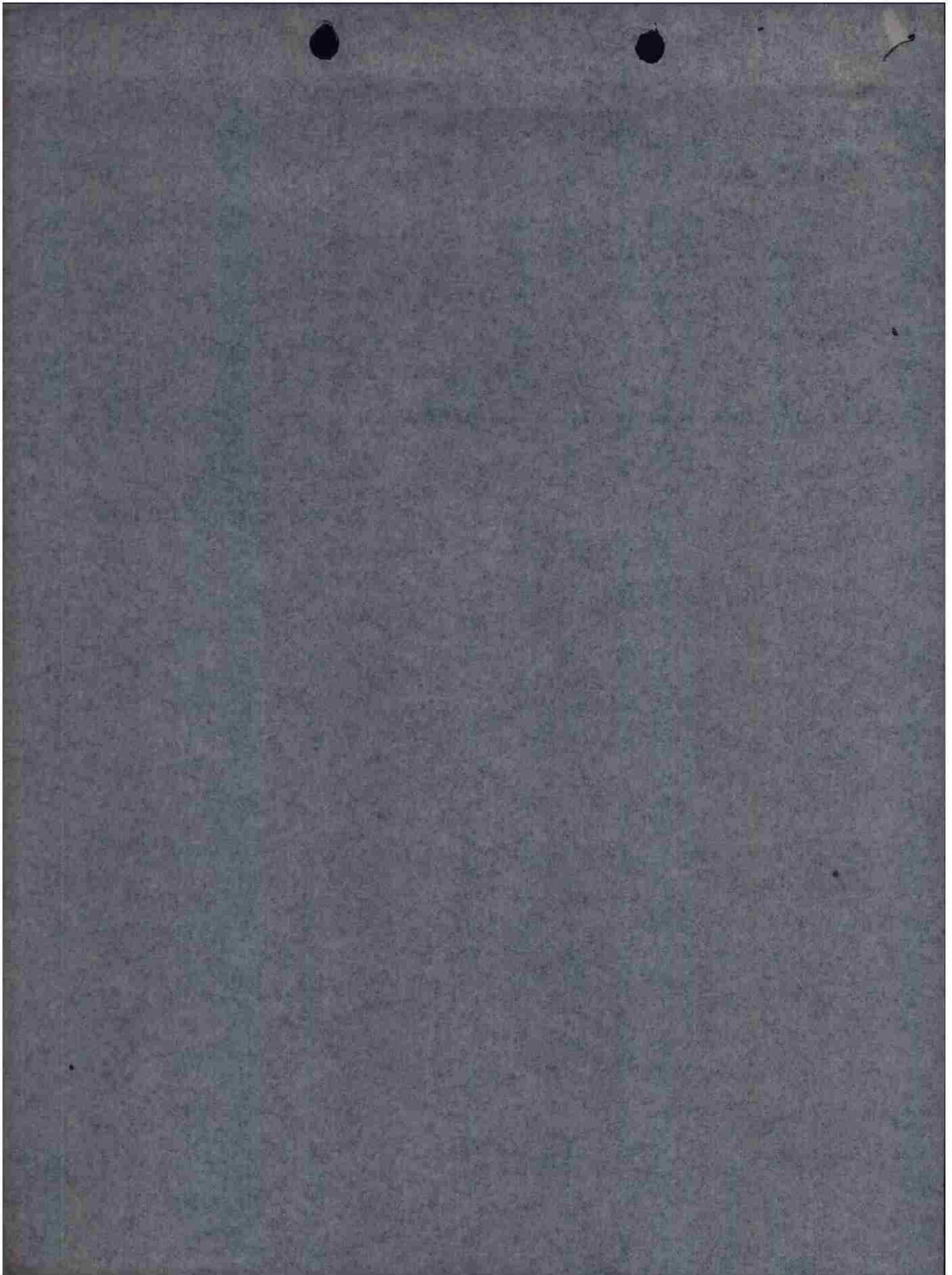
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5. NONE

NAME COSMGR 416

I certify that this is official business:

JOHN G. HAPLER,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Operations Officer



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HEADQUARTERS
416th BOMB GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE WEATHER OFFICER

APO 140
10 April 1944

SUBJECT: Operational Forecast

TO : Group Operations

BASE AT TAKEOFF: Nil to .3 low clouds with bases at
2500 feet and tops to 4-5000 feet.
No high or middle clouds. Visibility
1-2 miles in light fog and haze.

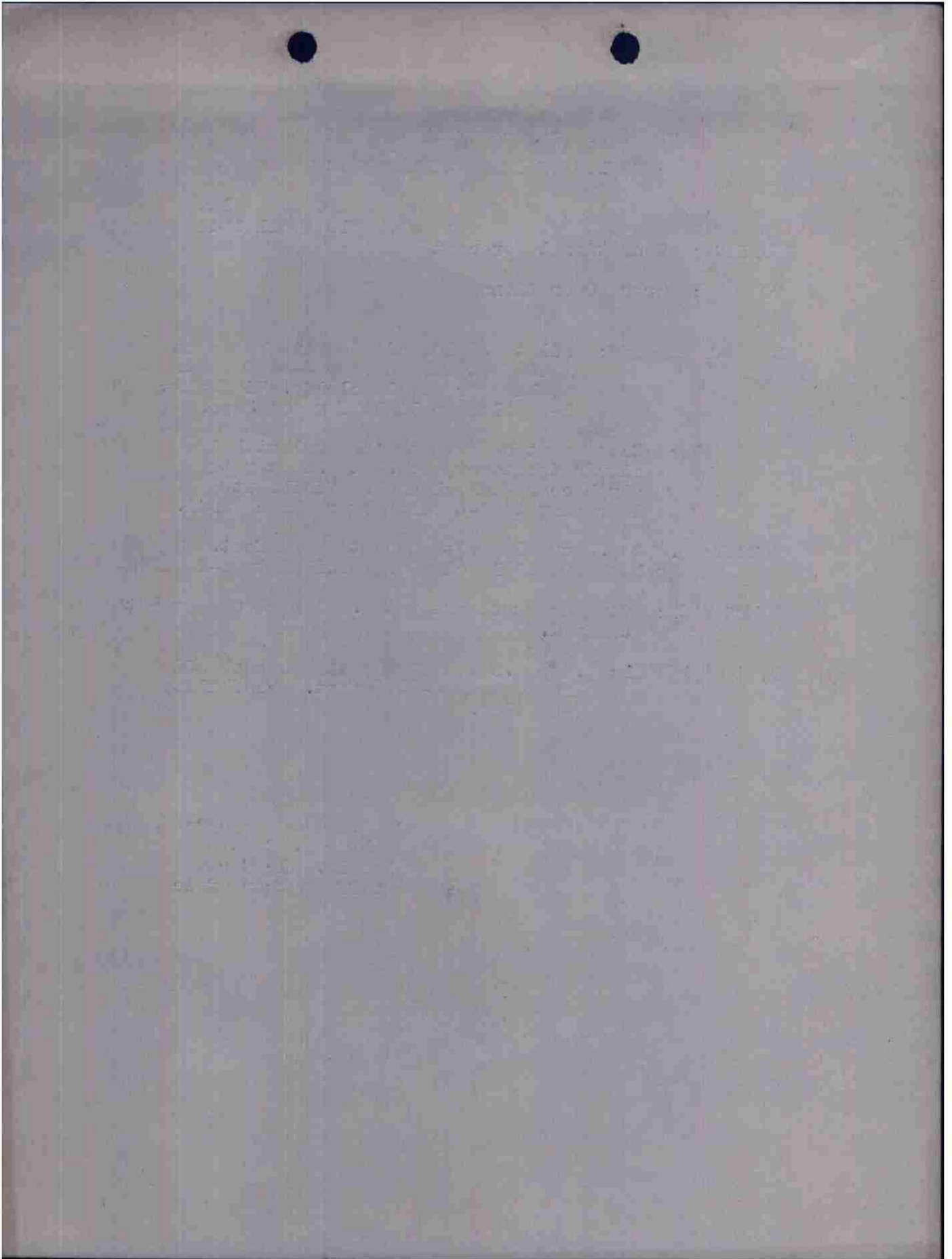
ROUTE OUT: Same as at base to the channel with low
clouds increasing to .3 to .5 over the
south coast and channel. Visibility
improving to 3-6 miles over the channel.

TARGET: .3 to .5 cumulus with tops to 4500 feet.
No high or middle clouds. Visibility 6-8 miles.

ROUTE BACK: Same as route out with .6 low clouds over the
channel.

BASE ON RETURN: .4 to .5 low clouds with bases 2500
and tops to 4-5000 feet. Visibility
3-6 miles.

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1st Lt. Air Corps
Staff Weather Officer



HEADQUARTERS
416th BOMB GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE WEATHER OFFICER

APC 140
10 April 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report

TO : Staff Weather Officer, Headquarters IX Bomber
Command, APC 140, U. S. Army.

BASE AT TAKEOFF: No clouds. Visibility 1-2 miles in
fog and haze.

ROUTE OUT: Light haze and fog layer over England with
solid overcast of low clouds just south of
London. Low clouds were solid over the
channel breaking at the French coast to
.3 to .5 over the Continent.

TARGET: Immediate target area was clear, but banks of
clouds were visible a short distance to the
southwest. Visibility 8-10 miles.

ROUTE BACK: Same as route out with overcast of low
clouds extending to the Thames and .4 to .5
low clouds on to base.

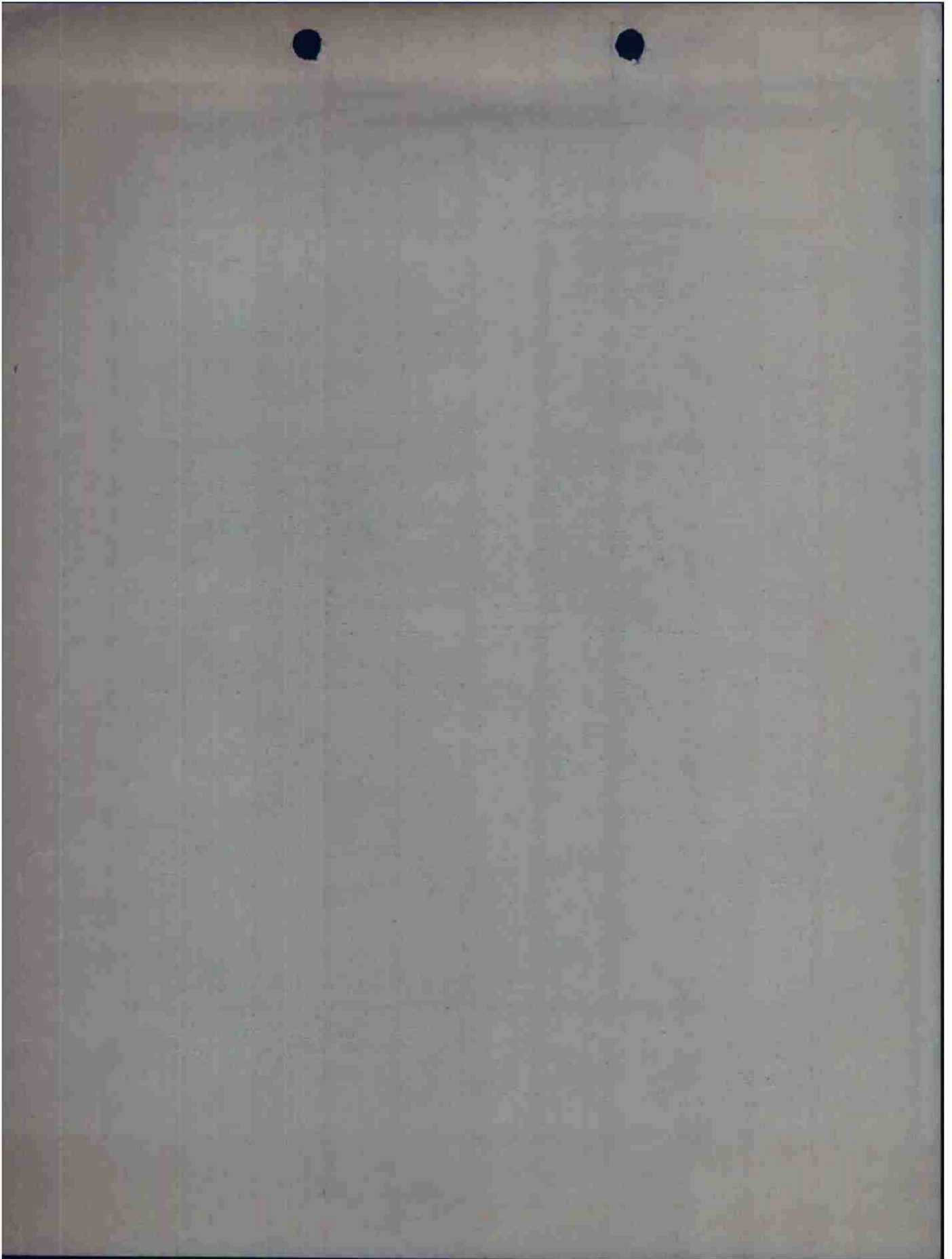
BASE ON RETURN: .3 to .4 cumulus at 1200 feet with tops
to 2000 feet. Visibility 3 miles.

WINDS: As forecast.

EFFECT OF WEATHER ON BOMBING: Weather did not effect
actual bombing, but made it difficult to locate landfall
and IP.

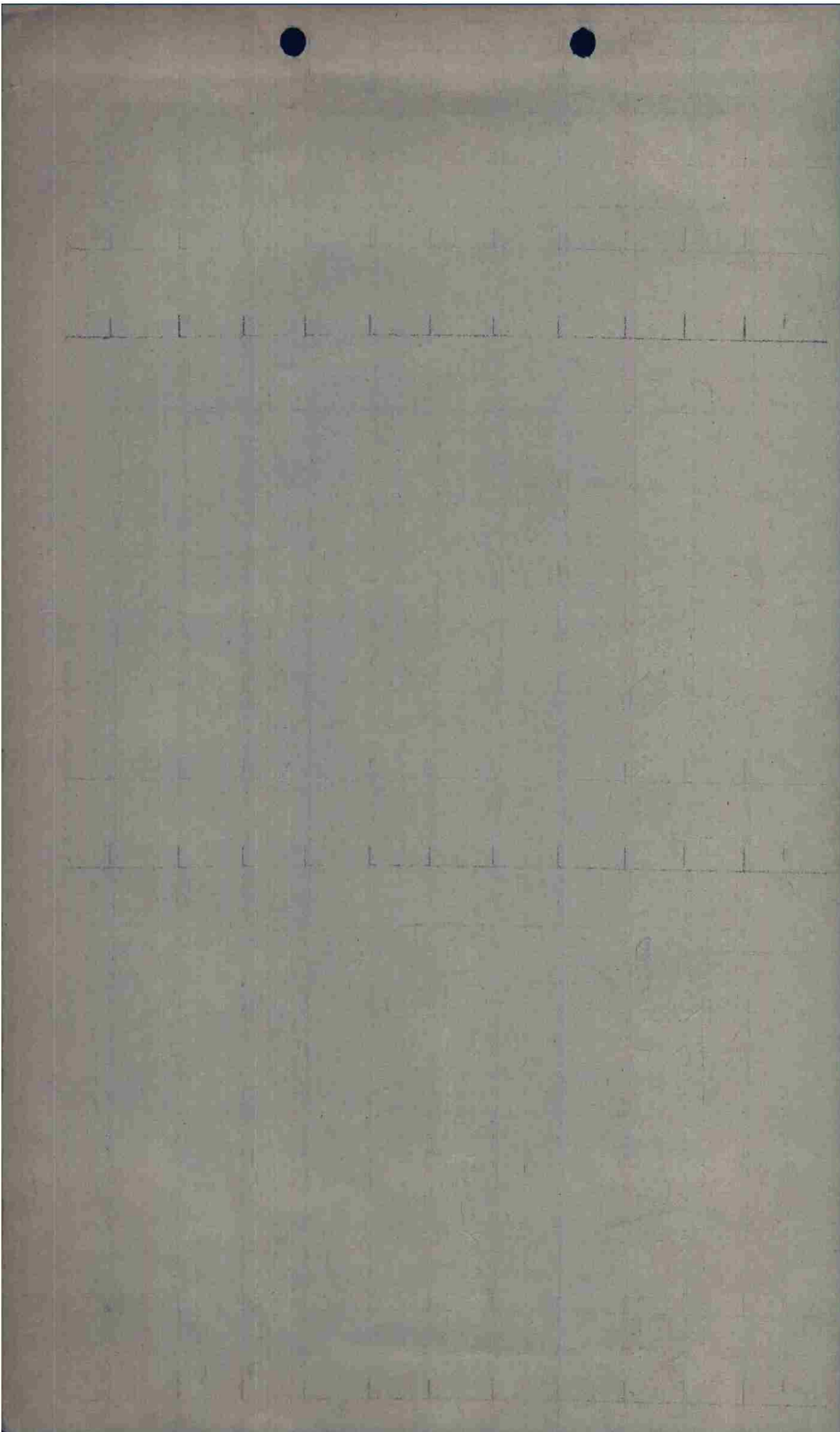
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2 Route Forecast Forms

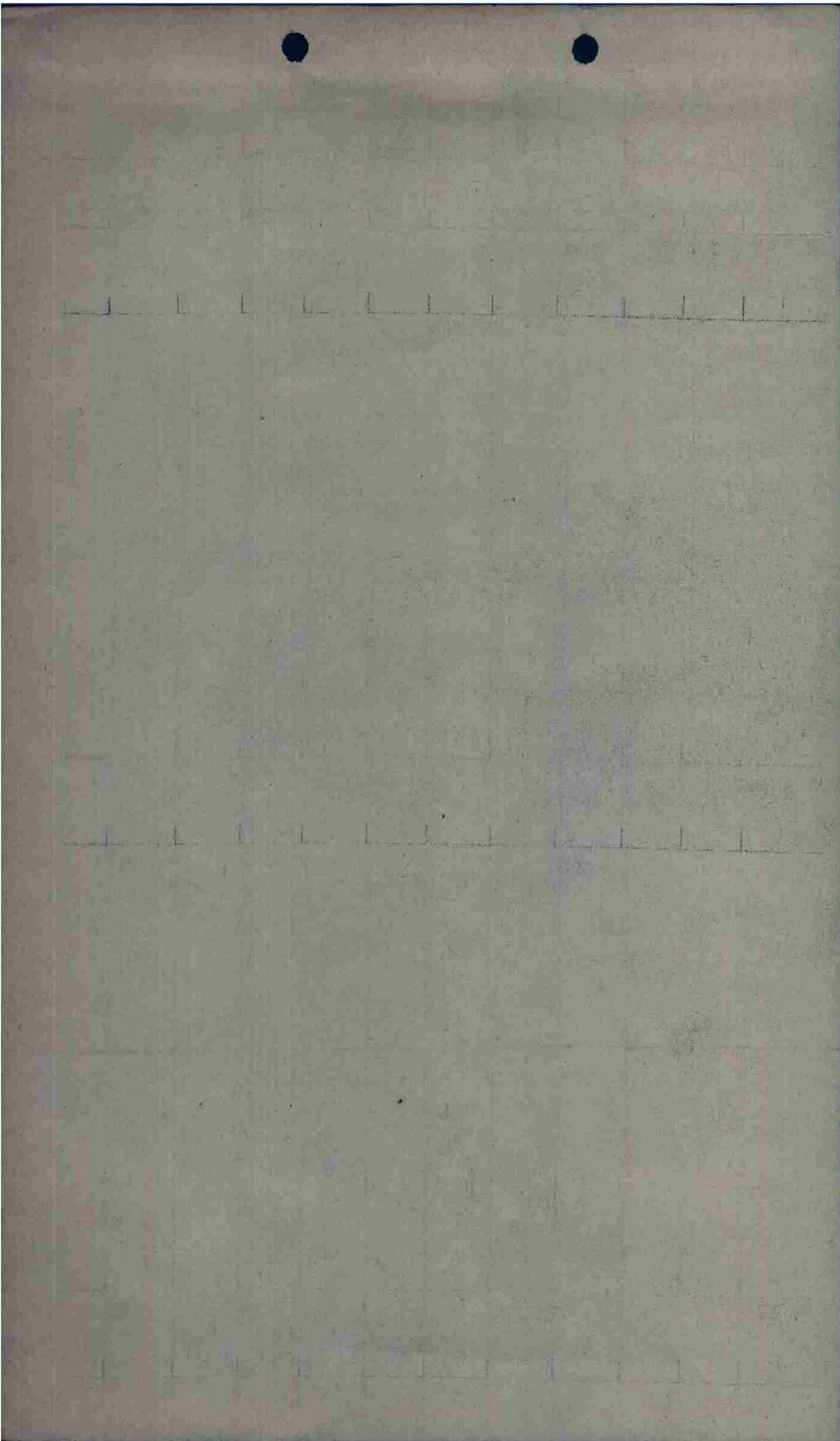


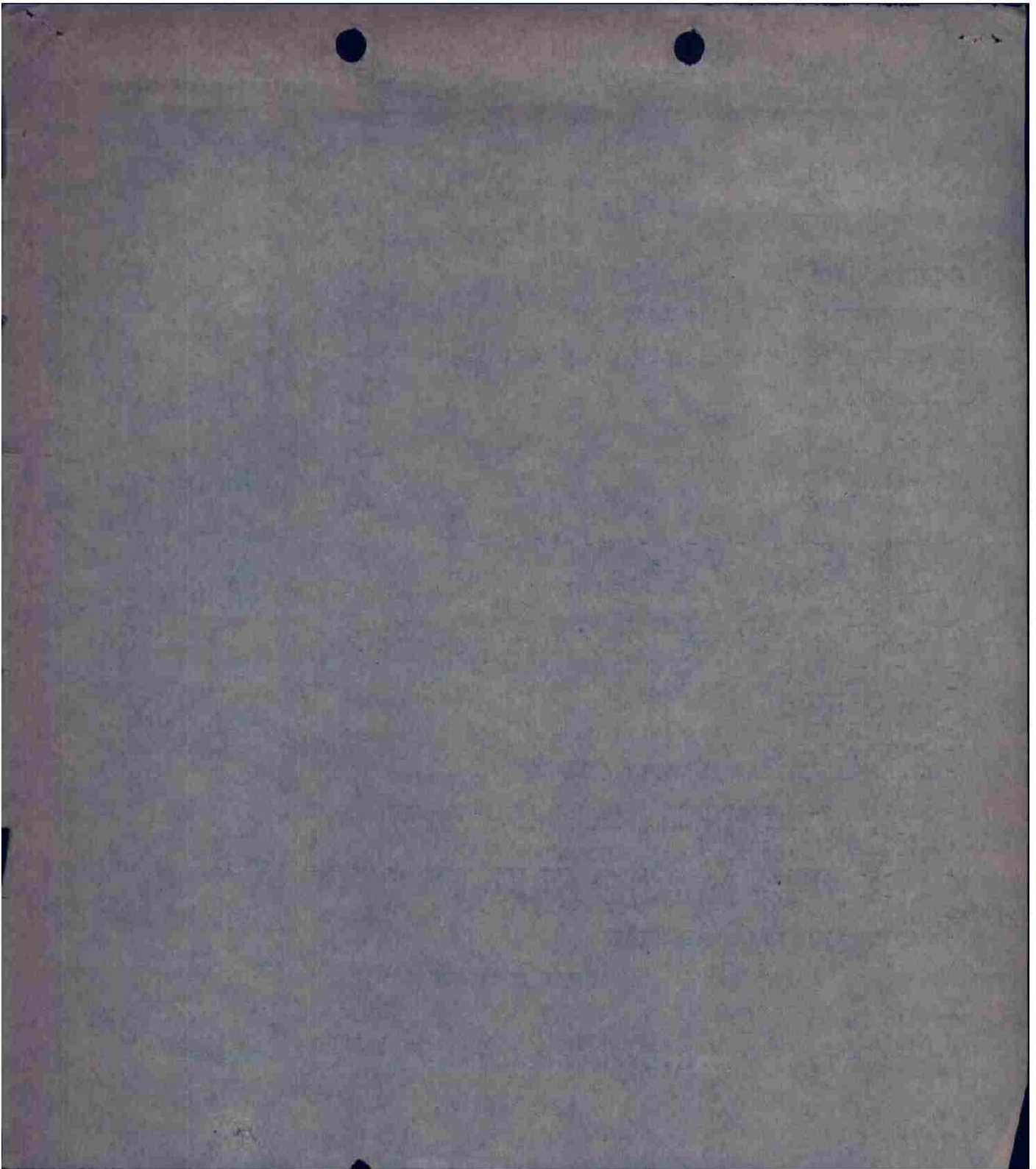
Mission 10
April 10 - 1944

SHIP IN	SQUADRON	PILOT and/or POW/DIVER	ENGINEER	REMARKS	CAUSES OF DEFICIENCIES
233	A	Prattis		Bomb failed to release.	Faulty bomb bay door safety switch.
963	A	Hill, Chubb		Two bombs failed to release.	Pilot failed to turn on the proper switches.
960	A	Conant?		Two attempts made to drop bombs. No release.	Bomb racks & bomb bay doors were checked and found to operate properly.
743	B	Campbell	Bergeson	Sight and on target	Bomb not built.
211	B	Shainberg	Cope	Three guns battle damage.	Gun mount hit by flak.
181	B	Hemmers		No. 2 bomb rack failed to release.	Faulty release mechanism , Survey done by sight causing delayed release.
203	D	Quethin		No. 3 bomb rack failed to release.	Faulty release mechanism.
218	D	Brown		No. 2 bomb rack failed to release.	Causes could not be determined due to fire and resulting from crash landing.
640	A	Willeke		No. 4 bomb failed to release over target.	Shaking & vibration in bomb bay caused bomb to become tightened away from its tray & resulting in delayed release on down after bombing run was completed.

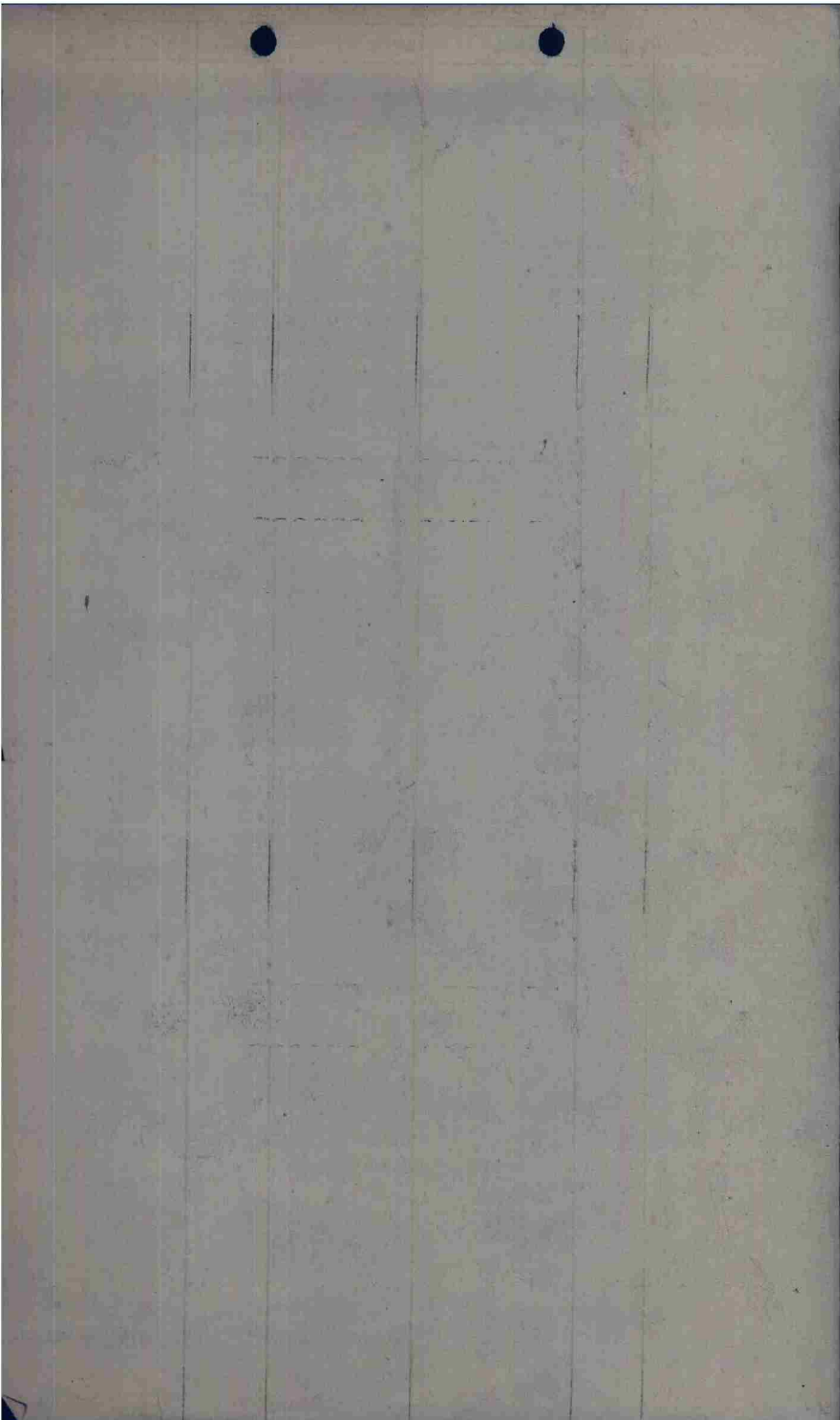


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MALFUNCTION REPORT					
PILOT	PLANE	ENGR.	ARMAMENT	COMMUN.	BATTLE DAMAGE
BOX I.					
WILLETS	O 640		IGNITION WIRE - POCKET		BOX SHOT UP
DURANTE	X 937		FLAT DAMAGE - MAGNETO R. ENGINE		
CRAMSIE	O 895		NOT BACK		
DUNN	O 218				
HIXON	O 393		CONTROL CABLES		
ANDREWS	O 219				Hydraulic Failure
CAMPBELL	X 743		FLAT DAMAGE		
DONTAS	X 673		FLAT DAMAGE - HOLE THROUGH WING		
STREET	O 370		LANDED BRADWELL BAY		
MORTON	X 217				
SHAINBERG	O 211		FLAT DAMAGE - EXTENSIVE		
McDONALD	X 941		FLAT DAMAGE		
MARZOLF	O 711		WATER COOLER - AILERON - ELEVATOR - TURBOPUMP		
MERCHANT	O 221		BATTLE DAMAGE - OUTBOARD GAS TANKS - TRIM TABS		
ZUBON	O 707		FLAT DAMAGE - ELEVATOR, AILERON (13 holes)		
PRENTISS	O 223		FLAT DAMAGE - HOLE IN FLAP AND LEADING EDGE		
HILL	O 963		20 FLAT HOLES - LEADING EDGE OF RIGHT WING		
MIRACLE	O 182		FLAT HOLE IN TAIL BETWEEN RUDDER-STAB.		
BAINES	O 699		NOT BACK		
BOX II.					
MENG	X 439		6 FLAT HOLES		
HAROLD	X 207		MINOR HOLES		
GRUENMACHER	592				
HULSE	X 200 892		FLAT HOLES		
JOHNSON	O 217		BATTLE DAMAGE - P. BRAKE - L. OUTBOARD T.		
MONROE	O 224		PROP CABLE SEVERED		
CONANT	X 360		1 HOLE - BOMBS WOULDN'T RELEASE		
DOWNING	X 195		HOLE IN PILOT'S WINDSHIELD - FLAT DAMAGE		
MEREDITH	O 216		L. AILERON		
STRACUSA	194				
AYLESWORTH	X 701				
BARTMUS	X 893		HOLE IN NOSE		
CLARK SOMMER	X 774 181		FLAT HOLE		
BEHLMEYER	X 743		390 FLAT HOLES		
GULLION	X 189		FLAT HOLES - NEW COWLING FOR RIGHT ENGINE		
OSTRANDER	X 750		WINDSHIELD SHATTERED		
McGLOHN	X 387		FLAT DAMAGE - 5 HOLES		
NORDSTROM	X 327		FLAT HOLES		
BATTERBY	X 194		FLAT HOLES		
HILLERMAN	X 680		DENT IN LEADING EDGE OF WING		
RUDISILL	X 200		FLAT HOLES		



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 GPB UVI V OICOG XQP OF
 T (OIUBA PASS TO OIMIB)
 (UGI PASS TO GPB AND ADV. HQ. 9TH FIGHTER COMMAND)
 (OIPNT PASS TO C.O.P.C.)

FROM NINTH BOMBEC COMMAND 10/0159E 9BC P-2638-E

TO: COBOMGP RQY
 COCBTWIG 97, 98, 99
 COMAF 9
 COMAF 8
 COMASPTCOM 90

CONFICOM 9

CONFICOM 8
 COFIWIG 67
 SASO 2 GROUP RAX
 SASO 11 GROUP RAF
 AOC-IN-C RAX

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY.
 SECRET SENT IN CLEAR AUTH. OF COL. KILBORN.

IX BOMBER COMMAND
 A P O 140
 10 APRIL 1944

F.O. 261

1. (B) (2) - SAF ALL ATTACKING ZB-863, ZB-902, ZB-101, - Z-181, Z-434B
 Z-3047, ZB-903, ZB-903K, Z-349. ZERO AT 0830 AT
 ENGLISH COAST.
2. THIS COMMAND WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN FRANCE.

100900E.

3. A. 99TH WING. PLAN "A"

- (1) 4900/J/126.
- (2) 4 GROUPS NORMAL.
- (3) 4 GROUPS AT 49 DEG 40 MIN NORTH 00 DEG 27 MIN WEST AT
 12000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR.
 2 GROUPS AT 49 DEG 40 MIN NORTH 00 DEG 27 MIN WEST AT
 12000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 20 MINS.

A. 99TH WING PLAN "B"

- (1) PRIMARY: ZB-892.
 SECONDARY: ZB-918.
- (2) 4 GROUPS NORMAL.
- (3) 2 GROUPS AT 51 DEG 00 MIN NORTH 02 DEG 30 MIN EAST AT
 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR.
 2 GROUPS AT 51 DEG 10 MIN NORTH 02 DEG 30 MIN EAST AT
 12,000 FZET AO ZERO PLUS 20.0

B. 98TH WING PLAN "A"

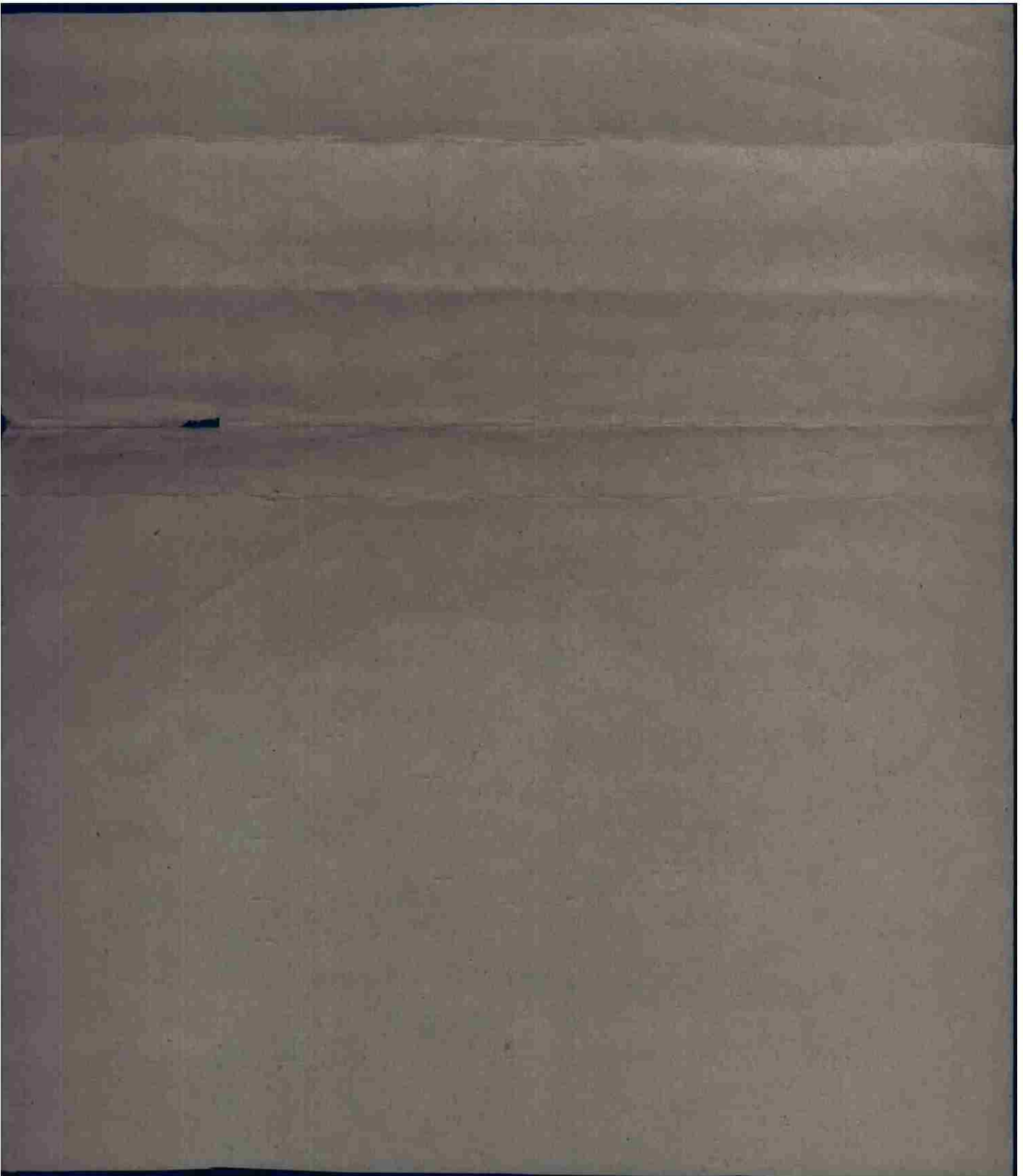
- (1) 4900/J/126.
- (2) 3 GROUPS NORMAL.
- (3) 2 GROUPS AT 49 DEG 40 MIN NORTH 00 DEG 27 MIN WEST AT
 12000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 40 MINS.
 Q GROUP AT 49 DEG 40 MIN NORTH 00 DEG 27 MIN WEST AT
 12000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 60 MINS.

B. 98TH WING PLAN "B"

SECONDARY ZB-918.
 (2) 3 GROUPS NORMAL.
 KEL 2 GROUPS AT 51 DEG 10 MIN NORTH 02 DEG 30 MIN EAST AT
 12000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS RP MIN.
 1 GROUP AT 51 DEG 10 MIN NORTH 02 DEG 30 MIN EAST AT
 12000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 60 MIN. 0

C. 416TH GROUP:

(1) TARGET: PRIMARY: Z-3115
 (2) RENDEZVOUS:
 (A) WITH FIGHTERS (SPITFIRES) AT DUNGENESS AT 14000 FEET
 AT ZERO PLUS 30 MINS.
 (3) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO DUNGENESS TO LE TOUQUET TO 4 MILES
 NORTH MONTREUIL TO 3 MILES SOUTH HUVQUELIERS TO
 3 MILES NORTH FRUGES TO TARGET.
 (4) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO 4 MILES NORTHWEST XURNES
 TO NORTH FORELAND TO BASE.
 (5) ALTITUDES: BOMB 14000 FEET, CROSS ENEMY COAST OUT
 14000 FEET.
 (6) INITIAL POINT: 3 MILES NORTH FRUGES.
 (7) AXIS OF ATTACK: GENERALLY SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST
 (8) AIMING POINT: ILLUSTRATION A773/1 -- REFERENCE 044004
 X. (1-4) NO CHANGE.
 TL ROUTE OUTC PLAN "A": BASE TO SELSEY BILL TO FIGHTER
 RENDEZVOUS (49 DEG 40 MIN NORTH 02 DEG 27
 MIN WEST) TO 49 DEG 24 MIN NORTH 03 DEG
 24 MIN WEST TO TARGET.
 (6) ROUTE BACK: PLAN "A"; TARGET TURN LEFT TO BEACHY HEAD
 TO BASE.
 (7) ROUTE OUT: PLAN "B": BASE TO NORTH FORELAND TO FIGHTER
 RENDEZVOUS TO NIEUPORT TO GRAMMONT TO
 50 DEG 03 MIN NORTH 04 DEG 38 MIN EAST TO
 50 DEG 18 MIN NORTH 05 DEG 08 MIN EAST TO
 TARGET.
 (8) ROUTE BACK: PLAN "B" : TARGET TURN LEFT TO GRAMMONT TO
 NIEUPORT TO NORTH FORELAND.
 (9) MIPC PLAN "A": FOR 98TH AND 99TH WING -- ILLUSTRATION
 4900/25/1 REFERENCE 024057
 PLAN "B" : FOR 99TH WING --
 ILLUSTRATION S-5242/1 REFERENCE 043034 -- 2 GROUPS
 ORMAL. N REFERENCE 050035 -- 2 GROUPS
 NORMAL.
 PLAN "B": FOR 98TH WING --
 ILLUSTRATION S-5242/1 REFERENCE 047035 -- 2 GROUPS
 NORMAL.
 REFERENCE 043034 -- GROUP
 NORMAL.
 (10) AXIS OF ATTACK: PLAN "A": FOR 98TH WING AND 99TH WING:
 AS BRIEFED.
 PLAN "B": FOR 99TH AND 98TH WINGS:
 GENERALLY SOUTHEAST TO NORTHWEST.
 (11) BOMB LOAD: 99TH AND 98TH WINGS: 4 X 1200 LB. G.P.
 COMPONENT "B" BOMBS FUSED 1/10 SEC NOSE AND 1/40 SEC.
 TAILM
 (12) P-47S OF IX FIGHTER COMMAND WILL ESCORT THE 99TH WING AND
 SPITFIRES OF 11 GROUP WILL ESCORT THE 98TH WING. ON
 PLAN "A".



ON PLAN B 99TH WING WILL BE ESCORTED BY F-47S AND
98TH WING WILL BE ESCORTED BY P-51S OF IX FIGHTER
COMMAND.

(13) A-20S WILL ACCOMPANY GROUPS ON PLAN "A" AS BRIEFED.

4. NO CHANGE.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

A. COMBAT WING: 99 TARGET NO 4900/J/126 (PLAN A)

(2) LADDER - RESUME - EASEL - SHERRY

(3) NIGHTBLUE - DANEROAD

(9) RECALL CODE WORD NUMBERS: 61/61 43/43

(10) VERIFICATION CODE BOX NUMBERS: 161/161 243/243

(11) A-20 A/C CALL SIGN: AERTEX-SHEPHERD

B. COMBAT WING: 98 TARGET NO 4900/J/126 (PLAN A)

(2) PENGUIN-EMBOSS-GLASSJAR

(9) RECALL CODE WORD NUMBERS: 82/82 100/100

(10) VERIFICATION CODE BOX NUMBERS: 182/182 100/100

(11) A-20 A/C CALL SIGN: HELPER-BAKEWELL

C. 416 GROUP TARGET NO Z-3115

(2) OAKCHEST

(9) RECALL CODE WORD NUMBERS: 31/31

(10) VERIFICATION CODE BOX NUMBERS: 231/231

D. COMBAT WING: 99TH TARGET NO ZB-892 (PLAN B)

(2) LADDER-RESUME-EASEL-SHERRY.

(3) NIGHTBLUE - DANEROAD.

(9) RECALL CODE WORD NUMBERS: 61/61 43/43

(10) VERIFICATION CODE BOX NUMBERS: 161/161 243/243.

E. COMBAT WING: 98TH TARGET NO. ZB-892 (PLAN B).

(2) PENGUIN-EMBOSS-GLASSJAR.

(3) KEEPFIT-CHEMIST.

(9) RECALL CODE WORD NUMBERS: 82/82 100/100.

(10) VERIFICATION CODE BOX NUMBERS: 182/182 100/100.

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(2) FRISTON CHANNEL D

BRADWELL BAY CHANNEL D

EARLS COLNE CHANNEL C

(8) EASTERN WYOMING SOUTHERN UTAH ENTIRE MISSION

(10) WEATHER CODE: TABV

(11) ALL A-20 "WINDOW" AIRPLANES WILL MONITOR CHANNEL CXC
FROM TIME OF TAKE-OFF TO RETURN TO BASE. THESE PLANES
WILL USE 6440 KC FOR AIRDROME CONTROL.

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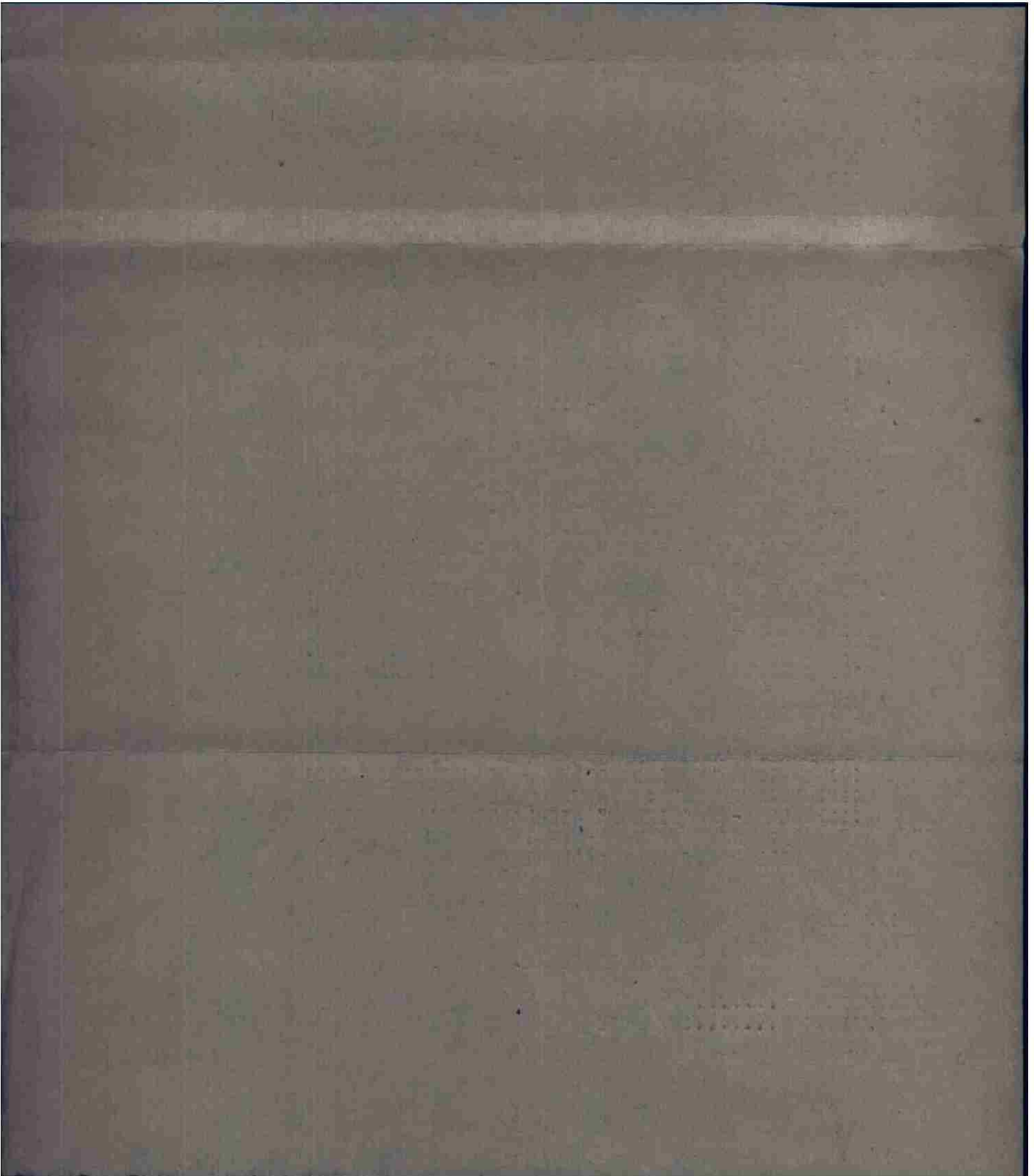
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B. COMMUNICATIONS:

A. COMBAT UING: 99 TARGET NO 4900/J/126 - 2304

(2) LADDER - RESUME - FASIL - SHERRY

(3) NIGHTBLUE - DANEROAD

(9) RECALL CODE WORD NUMBERS: 61/61 43/43

(10) VERIFICATION CODE BOX NUMBERS: 161/161 243/243

(11) A-20 A/C CALL SIGN: AERTER-SHEPHERD

B. COMBAT UING: 98 TARGET NO 4900/J/126 - 2304

(2) PENGUIN-EMBOSSE-GLASSJAN

(9) RECALL CODE WORD NUMBERS: 92/92 100/100

(10) VERIFICATION CODE BOX NUMBERS: 102/102 100/100

(11) A-20 A/C CALL SIGN: HELPER-DANEVELL

C. 416 GROUP TARGET NO 2-3115

(2) OAKCHEST

(9) RECALL CODE WORD NUMBERS: 31/31

(10) VERIFICATION CODE BOX NUMBERS: 231/231

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(2) FRISTON CHANNEL D

EARLS COLNE CHANNEL C

(8) SOUTHERN UTAH ENTIRE MISSION

(10) WEATHER CODE: TABV

(11) ALL A-20 "WINDOW" AIRPLANES WILL MONITOR CHANNEL C/C
FROM TIME OF TAKE-OFF TO RETURN TO BASE. THESE PLANES
WILL USE 6440 KC FOR AIRBORNE CONTROL.

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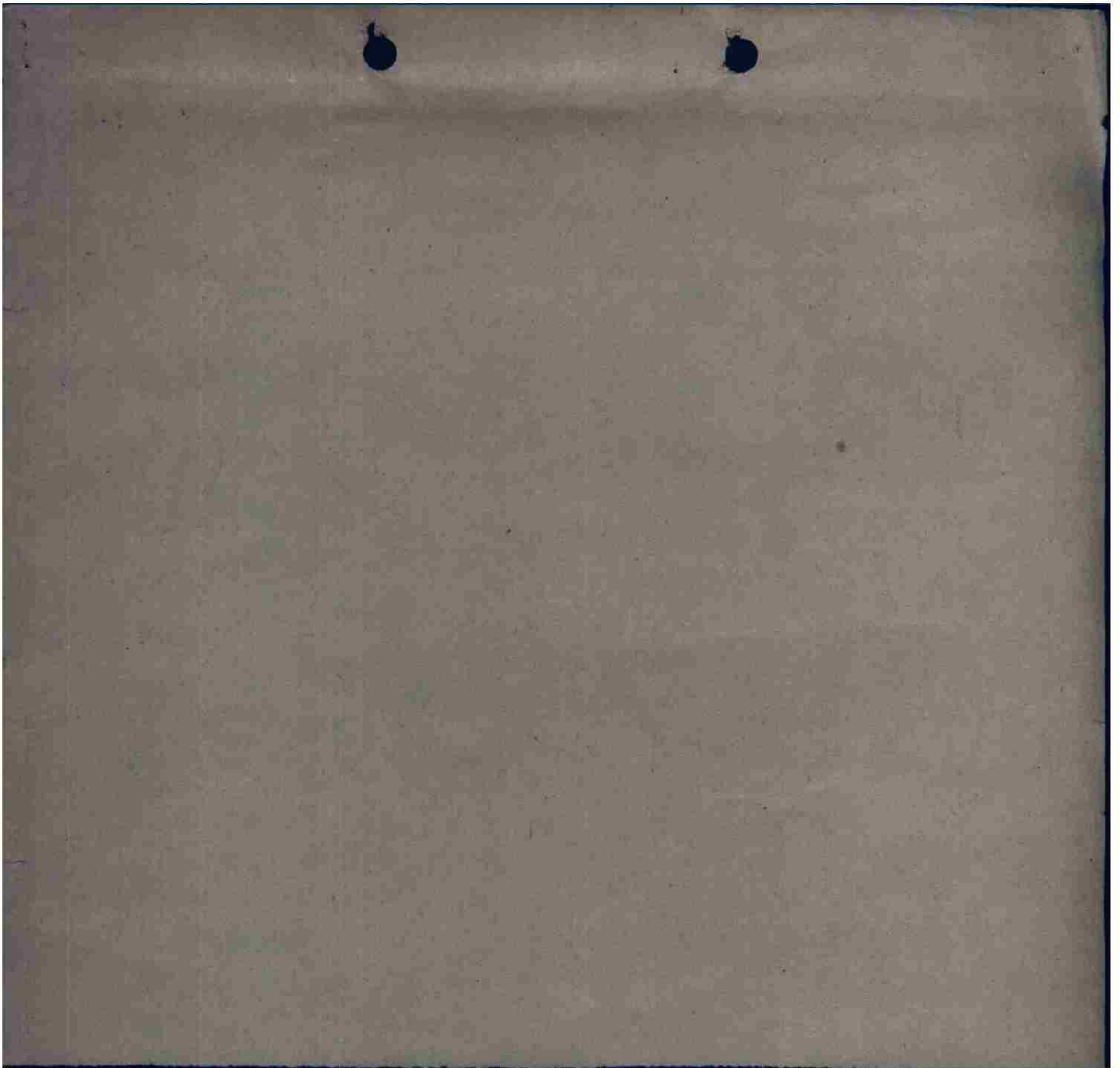
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PLAN "A"

1. TARGET: OPS 4900/J/126.

LE HAVRE IS ONE OF THE SEAPORTS FOR PARIS, AND NEXT TO MARSEILLES THE MOST IMPORTANT IN FRANCE. THESE HEAVY GUNS, OUR TARGETS, IF COMPLETELY INSTALLED, WOULD CONSTITUTE A FORMIDABLE DEFENSE FOR THIS STRATEGIC HARBOR.

THIS TARGET HAS BEEN GIVEN TO US AS FIRST OF ALL PRIORITIES. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION SEE INFORMATION SHEET DATED 1 APRIL 1944, AND AMENDMENT DATED 4 APRIL 1944.

2. SITUATION:

A. ENEMY.9

- (1) FLAK: GROUPS HAVE RECEIVED LATEST AMENDMENTS.
- (2) AIR.: REFER TO "THE G.A.F. ON THE WESTERN FRONT." NO. 4.
- (3) GROUND: ONE RESERVE INFANTRY DIVISION EQUIPPED WITH 15 20MM GUNS IS LOCATED IN THE LE HARVE AREA.
- (4) SEA: NO CONVOYS REPORTED IN THIS AREA.

IN LE HARVE AREA ACCORDING TO RECONNAISSANCE OF
6 APRIL 1944:-

	HEAVY AA GUNS	LT AA GUNS
ONE ELBING CLASS D/R DOCKED	3	3
ONE ST. NAZIRE CLASS E/V		4-6
ONE "M" CLASS M/S		3
FOUR E/R BOATS		12 (3 EACH)
TEN AUXILIARIES		40 (4 EACH)

B. FRIENDLY: REFER TO COMBAT WING F.O.

3. OBSERVATIONS: REQUEST OBSERVATIONS OF CONSTRUCTION AREAS, RAILWAY ACTIVITIES, ENEMY SHIPPING.

PLAN "B"

1. TARGET: ZB. 892

THIS IS AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT MARSHALLING YARD BECAUSE THERE ARE NO ALTERNATE FACILITIES THAT CAN BE USED IF THIS TARGET IS DESTROYED. IT IS A BUSY AND ACTIVE YARD ON THE MAIN LINE TO GERMANY WITH A LARGE LOCOMOTIVE DEPOT LOCATED THERE. IT IS BELIEVED TO BE ABLE TO CATCH FIFTY OR MORE LOCOMOTIVES HERE. ONE OF THE LARGEST ENGINE SHEDS IN BELGIUM IS ON THE LINE TO CHARLEROI, AND EXTENSIVE WORKSHOPS OCCUPY THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE TARGET AREA. THIS TARGET IS THE JUNCTION OF FIVE MAIN LINES FROM BRUSSELS, CHARLEROI AND MONS, LUXEMBURG, COLOGNE, AND LIEGE AND DINANT. IT IS USED QUITE FREQUENTLY FOR MILITARY TRAFFIC.

2. THE SITUATION:

A. ENEMY:

(1) FLAK: GROUPS HAVE RECEIVED LATEST AMENDMENTS.

(2) AIR: REFER TO "THE GERMAN AIR FORCE ON THE WESTERN FRONT" NR. 4.

(3) GROUND: THE ENEMY HAS ONE RESERVE INFANTRY DIVISION IN THE NIEUPORT/OSTEND AREA EQUIPPED WITH 15 20MM GUNS.

(4) SEA: NO CONVOYS REPORTED HERE.

B. FRIENDLY: REFER TO COMBAT WING F.O.

OBSERVATIONS: SAME AS PLAN "A".

1. TARGET: Z-3115 (FOR 416 BOMB GROUP)

2. THE SITUATION:

SAME AS PLAN "A" EXCEPT FOR THE FOLLOWING:

A.(3) GROUND: IN MONTREUIL AREA - ONE RESERVE INFANTRY DIVISION EQUIPPED WITH 15 20MM GUNS. ALSO ONE RESERVE INFANTRY DIVISION IN ST. OMER AREA.

IN DUNKIRK AREA - ONE G.A.F. DIVISION EQUIPPED WITH 18 20MM GUNS AND 8 88MM GUNS.

(4) SEA: NO CONVOYS REPORTED IN THIS AREA.

3. OBSERVATIONS: SAME AS PLAN "A".

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