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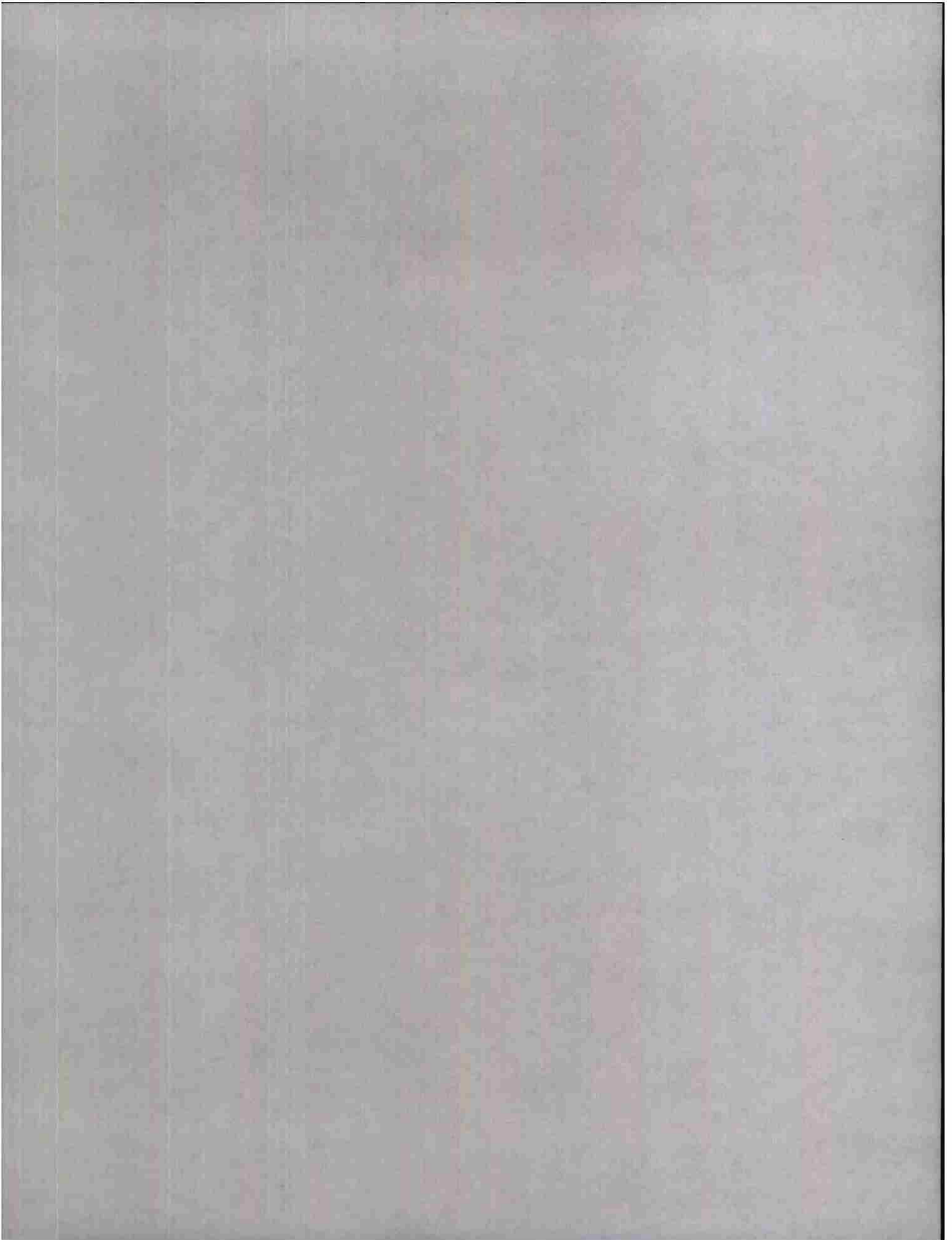
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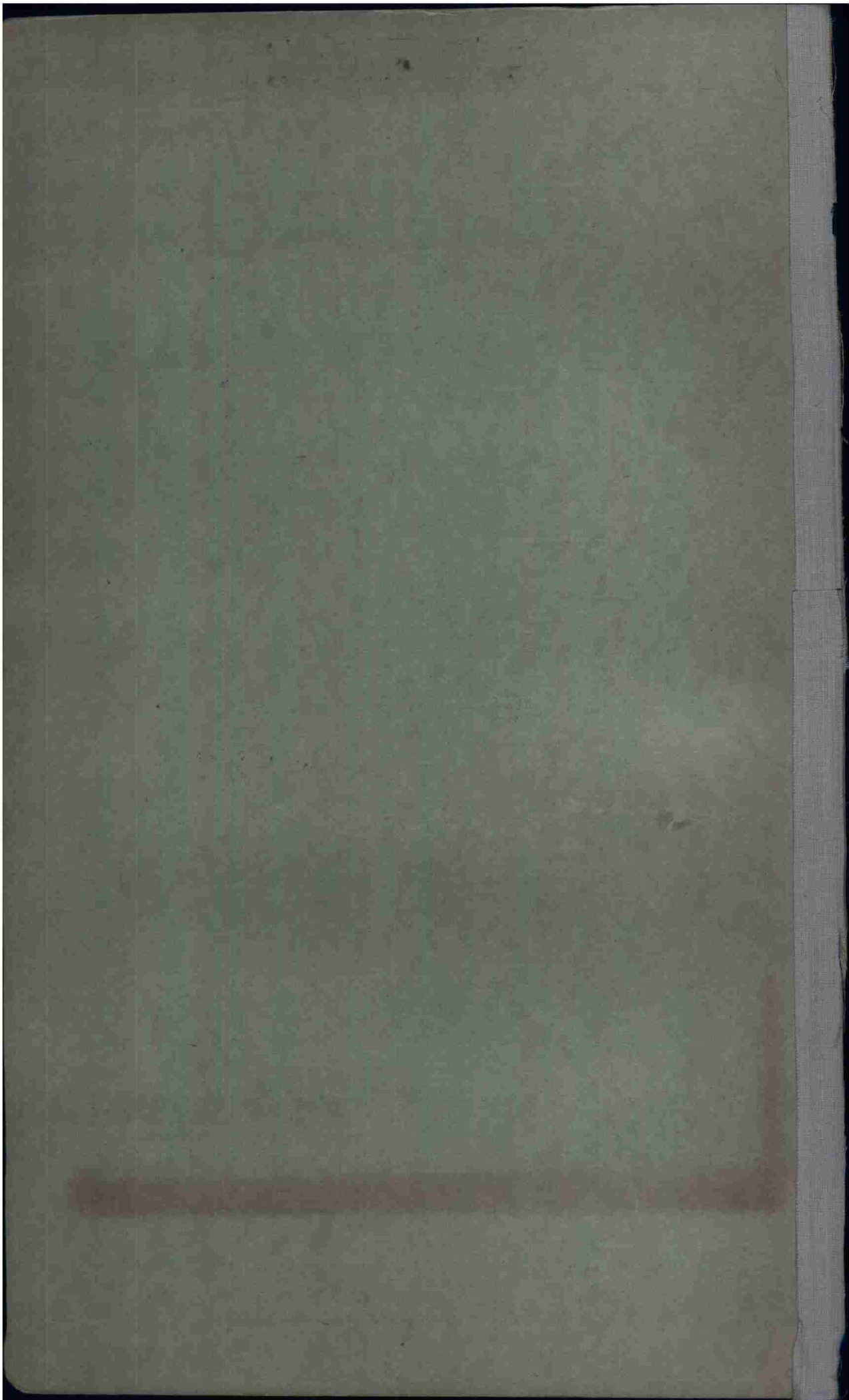
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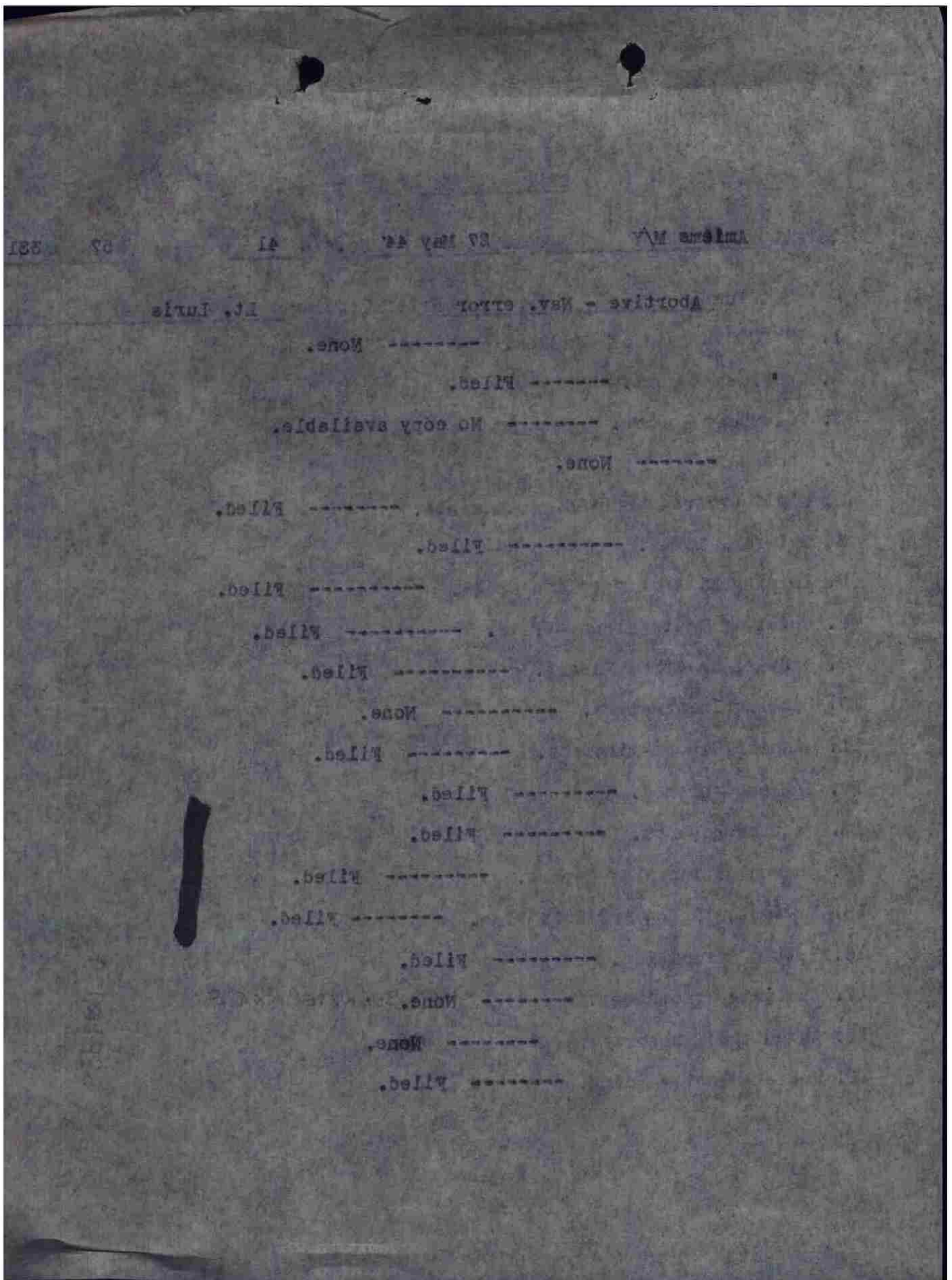
GENERAL INDEX

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Target Amiens M/Y Date 27 May 44 No. A/G 41 Mission 52 PO 331Status Abortive - Nav. error Brief Officer Lt. Luria

1. IX BC Synopsis of Mission. ----- None.
2. OpsFlash Report. ----- Filed.
3. Telephone Report. ----- No copy available.
4. Photos ----- None.
5. Field Orders, Annex's, Amendments. ----- Filed.
6. Briefing Notes. ----- Filed.
7. Loading List of Airplane Crews. ----- Filed.
8. Chart of Route Flown - Flak. ----- Filed.
9. Operations Oprep Report. ----- Filed.
10. Bombing Information. ----- None.
11. Mission Report-Aircraft. ----- Filed.
12. E/X encountered. ----- Filed.
13. Weather Reports. ----- Filed.
14. Communication "YS" Report. ----- Filed.
15. Navigator's Log & Flight Plan. ----- Filed.
16. Battle Casualties. ----- Filed.
17. Analysis of Gunnery. ----- None. See OPRP, PAR E.
18. Ammunition Expenditure. ----- None.
19. Recapitulation Forms. ----- Filed.

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HEADQUARTERS
97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L)APO 140 U.S. ARMY
29 May 1944A-2 Comments on Grew observations of Mission to Amiens Ville M/T,
P.O. 53-331, 27 May 44.400th Bomb Group (L)

1. Two observations are reported: 1. "of three zigzag columns of smoke or vapor trails reaching to 16,000 ft. about 2 miles SE of Touffleville" and, 2. "near Dieppe, two columns of white smoke rising to 15,000 ft.". Group expresses opinion as to possibility of these smoke columns caused by shot down plane, or rocket. In neither case was formation near the smoke columns.

2. "Flooded area S of and adjacent to Etretat, about 8 miles sq. Similar to a lake." There is some low ground here which might be subject to flooding, but also Tac Far shows gun positions S of Etretat. Suggest further observations in confirmation.

3. "One lone A-20 A/C followed one mile from formation while somewhere in France. Plane appeared to have no markings on tail. Unable to pinpoint as to time or place." See observations of 410th BG Par. 5 below.

410th Bomb Group (L)

1. Large number of silver objects in water off le Treport, observed as possibly floating mines. These are believed to be aluminum sea-markers, used by A/C to indicate a location. When the containers strike the water powdered aluminum spreads and remains on the surface.

2. 18 and 4 gun emplacement in field of newly dug ditches at Villers 40 deg 54' N - 01 deg 47' E. At Villersay, near Oisemont there is a 6 gun position under construction.

3. One mile S of Monchy-sur-Eu, 2 very large silver objects, believed to be too large for planes, although one observer saw silver planes on ground in this area. Data at hand does not identify objects. No A/D listed in this vicinity.

4. 1/2 mile SW of Ailly-sur-Moye, 3 large light colored towers or tanks. No data at hand to identify.

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5. One grey-brown T/E A/C followed formation out to French coast, staying 1/2 mile back, turned right and flew up French coast, at 6,000 ft. Apparently same A/C seen by 409th BG, Par. 3 above.

6. B-25, silver, seen in water at 50 deg 10' N 01 deg 15' E. It is possible that this ship dropped the sea-markers as it left coast at Le Trapport, and hit the water 7 to 8 miles off shore, at point indicated.

418th Bomb Group.

1. B/E on ground at St. Victor. From route flown, believed to be St. Victor 1' Abange, near which there are 4 occupied gun positions.

2. "Camp consisting of round top huts in ten groups of 5 or 6 in area at point 5 miles NW of Fomerie." noted by Mission Summary of IX BG. Three hot men items omitted, in the interest of brevity.

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OICOG OILAI V YAA YAA 5/27 "OP"
 FROM 416TH BOMB GP (L) 271640B

TO IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN: A-2
 97TH COMBATWING ATTN: A-2



CONFIDENTIAL BT

M663D OPSFLASH NO 52 FOR 27 MAY 1944

- A. (I) AMIENS M/Y
 (II) NO ATTACK
- B. (I) 416TH BG
 (II) 41 A-20'S (INCLUDES 3 WINDOW A/C)
 (III) NO ATTACK
 (IV) NO ATTACK- NAVIGATIONAL ERROR
 ABANDONED MISSION
- C. (I) 1203
 (II) NO ATTACK
 (III) 1517
- D. (I) 7 A/C CAT. A
 3 A/C CAT AC
 (II) 0-0-0
 (III) NIL
- E. NO ATTACK
- F. (I) (A) NIL
 (B) NIL
 (II) (A) DID NOT REACH TARGET AREA.
 (B) WEAK INACCURATE 2 MILES SW OF ST. SAENO
 WEAK ACCURATE 4 MILES SE OF POIX
 MODERATE INACCURATE 6 MILES SE OF NAUTCHATEL
 MODERATE ACCURATE AT FORMEIRE
- G. AT 1350 HOURS , HELLO OBJECT SIGHTED IN POSITION
 50 DEG 45' N 01 DEG 00' E (PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS HOT NEWS)
 ONE A-20 SEEN TO SPIN IN AND CRASH AT FORMERIE, NO PARACHUTES SEEN.
 ONE B-26 SEEN ON GROUND APPARENT CRASH LANDING
 FIVE MILES NORTH OF FRESNAY.
 X B.B. ON GROUND AT ST. VICTOR .
 CAMP CONSISTING OF ROUND TOP HUTS IN GROUPS OF 5 OR 6 10
 GROUPS IN AREA AT POINT 5 MILES NW OF FORMERIE.
- H. (I) DID NOT REACH TARGET AREA.
 (II) 1/10 SCATTERED CLOUDS, TOPS 7,000 FEET.
 VISIBILITY OVER ENEMY TERRITORY 10-20 MILES.
- I. NO ATTACK
 4 X 500 GP. JESTTISONED ON CHANNEL
 148 X 500 GP . RETURNED
- J. NO ATTACK.

BT 271640B

CC UNDER G. WA 1530 HOURS YELLOW

EJ AR K

OICOG R.....

OILAI R.....271728B CES AR

OICOG R.....271725B RPG AR



OICOG OIYAA OIHAK OIGOF V OILAI OILAI 01/27 OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMBARDMENT WING 27/0900B M-144-E
 TO COMBOMCON IX
 409TH BOMB GROUP
 410TH BOMB GROUP
 416TH BOMB GROUP

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
 SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: MAJOR CLARENCE S. TOWLES JR.

97TH COMBAT BOMB. WING
 A P O 140
 27 MAY 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 53-331

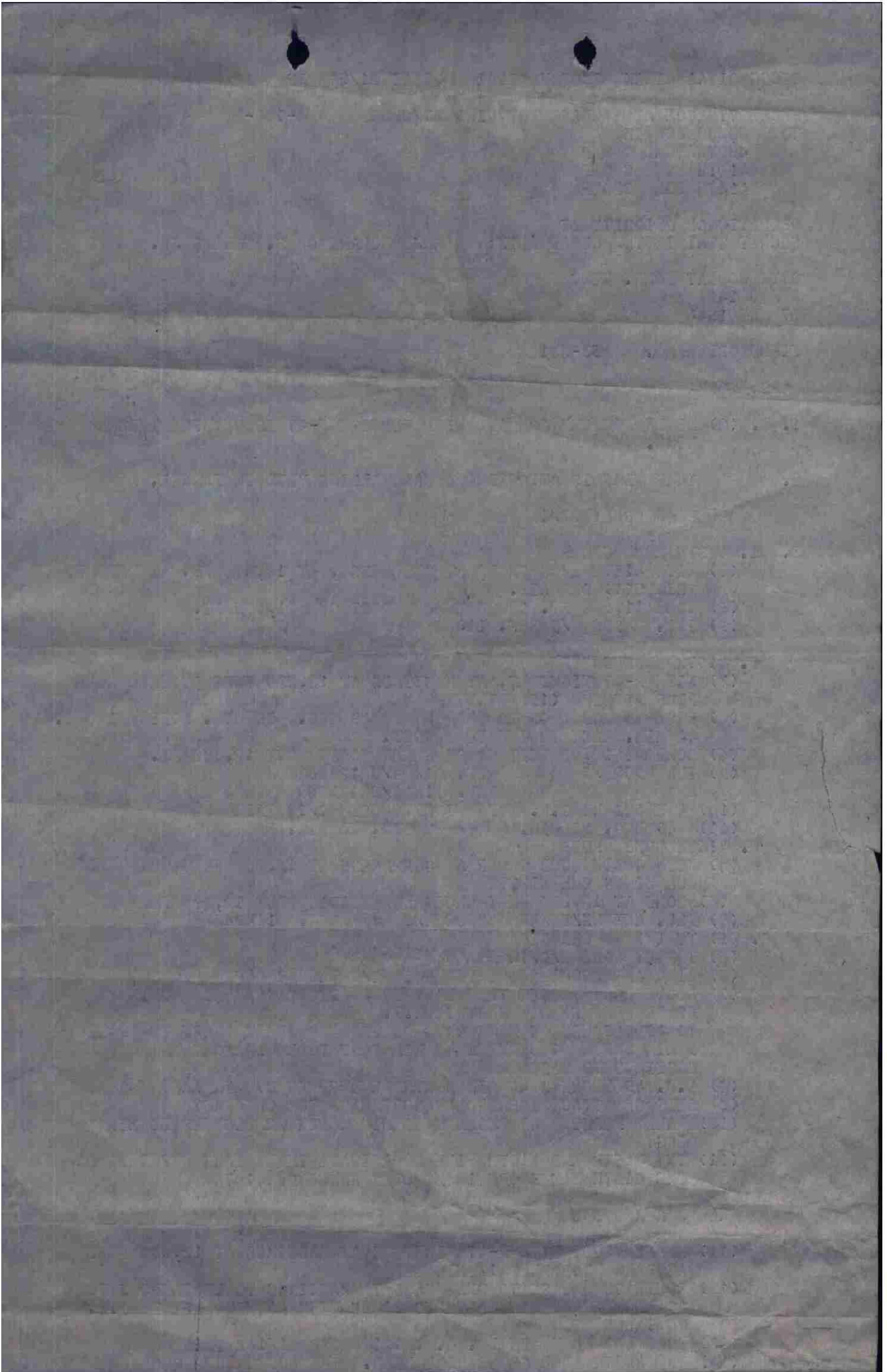
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1. B. (2) NINTH FIGHTER COMMAND WILL FURNISH P-47 ESCORT FOR THIS WING.
2. THIS WING IS ATTACKING A MARSHALLING YARD IN FRANCE.
 ZERO HOUR: 27/1300B
3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP
 - (3) WITH 416TH BOMB GROUP AT SHEERNESS, AT 10,000 FT. AT ZERO HOUR MINUS(1) ONE MIN.
 - (6) BOMB 11,500 FT. CROSS ENEMY COAST OUT 11,500 FT.
 - (9) ILL. 4902 E/5 REF. 114063
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP
 - (3) WITH P-47 FIGHTERS, AT HASTINGS AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES
 - (4) BASE TO HASTINGS TO TREPORT TO 49 DEG. 39 MIN. NORTH 01 DEG. 44 MIN. EAST TO I P TO TARGET.
 - (6) BOMB AT 12,00 FEET CROSS ENEMY COAST OUT 12,000 FT.
 - (9) ILL 4902E/5 REF. 18 A/C 120064
 REF. 18 A/C 104065
 - (10) 4 X 500 LB G.P. FUSED INST. NOSE 1/10 TAIL
 - (11) 49 DEG. 55 MIN. NORTH 02 DEG. 33 MIN. EAST
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP
 - (3) WITH 409TH BOMB GROUP AT SHEERNESS AT 10,000 FEET, AT ZERO HOUR MINUS ONE MINUTE
 - (6) BOMB AT 12,000 FEET CROSS ENEMY COAST OUT 12,000 FEET
 - (9) ILL. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ 40902 E/5 REF. 114063
- X. (1) TO (4) NO CHANGE
 - (5) TARGET 4902 E/C/14 - AMIENS MY
 - (6) AIRCRAFT REQUIRED 2 BOXES 18 A/C EACH GROUP
 - (7) ROUTE BACK TARGET TURN LEFT TO 49 DEGREES 58 MIN NORTH 02 DEGREES 22 MIN EAST TO R.P.
 TO 49 DEGREES 46 MIN NORTH 02 DEGREES 28 MIN EAST TO 49 DEGREE 39 MIN NORTH 01 DEGREES 43 MIN EAST TO LE TREPORT TO HASTINGS TO BASE
 - (8) I.P. 49 DEGREES 44 MIN NORTH 02 DEGREES 07 MIN EAST
 - (9) AXIS OF ATTACK GENERALLY SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST
 - (10) RALLY POINT 49 DEGREES 55 MIN NORTH 02 DEGREES 33 MIN EAST
 - (11) THE 416TH AND 410TH WILL COORDINATE THEIR TAKE OFF TIME SO THE 410TH TAKES OFF 15 MINUTES AHEAD OF 410TH

PARA 3 A AND 3 C

- (11) RENDEZVOUS WITH P-47 FIGHTERS AT HASTINGS AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 10 MINUTES
- (12) ROUTE OUT BASE TO SHEERNESS TO HASTINGS TO LE TREPORT TO 49 DEGREES 39 MIN NORTH TO 01 DEGREES 44 MIN EAST TO I.P. TO TARGET
- (13) BOMB LOAD 4 X 500 LB. G.P. 1/10 NOSE 1/100 TAIL
- (14) THE 409TH BOMB GROUP WILL LEAD. THE 409TH BOMB GROUP WILL



LEAVE SILENCE ON COURSE TO HASTINGS AT ZERO HOUR MINUS
ONE MINUTE

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP:

- (2) TID WAY
- (3) ANKLE
- (9) 32/32
- (10) 132/132

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP:

- (2) WIDE WATER
- (3) UMBRIDGE
- (9) 34/34
- (10) 134/134

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP:

- (2) KIT NOSE
- (3) ANKLE
- (9) 32/32
- (10) 132/132

X. GENERAL INFORMATION:

- (2) W. MALLING D/D
- (3) NORMAL
- (10) B T A V / B T A V
- (11) BOX LEADERS WILL REPORT TO COMMAND CONTROL ON CHANNEL "C" WHEN LEAVING TARGET AREA.

COCBTWIG 97

BT 27/0900B

BBBBBBBBBB

AR AR

JMB / RRR

OILAI / OICOG R.....27/0947B

HAS KKKK

OILAI / OIHAK R.....27/0947B

EB KKK

OILAI / OIGOF R.....

I / OIYAA R..... 27/0947B

WN KKK

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SOME OF THE MSG APPEARS TO BE GARBLED
TO WHAT D
TIC GOF TIC

COULD U RESENT TO ME TOTO

RPT 4 X (11)

KKK DO U MEAN PARA 5 X PAL OR 3 X

SORRY E 3 X

HLD READ AS FOLLOWS

(11) THE 416TH AND 410TH WILL COORDINATE THEIR TAKE OFF TIME SO
THE 410TH TAKES OFF 15 MINUTES AHEAD OF 410TH

CC : TO ALL STATIONS

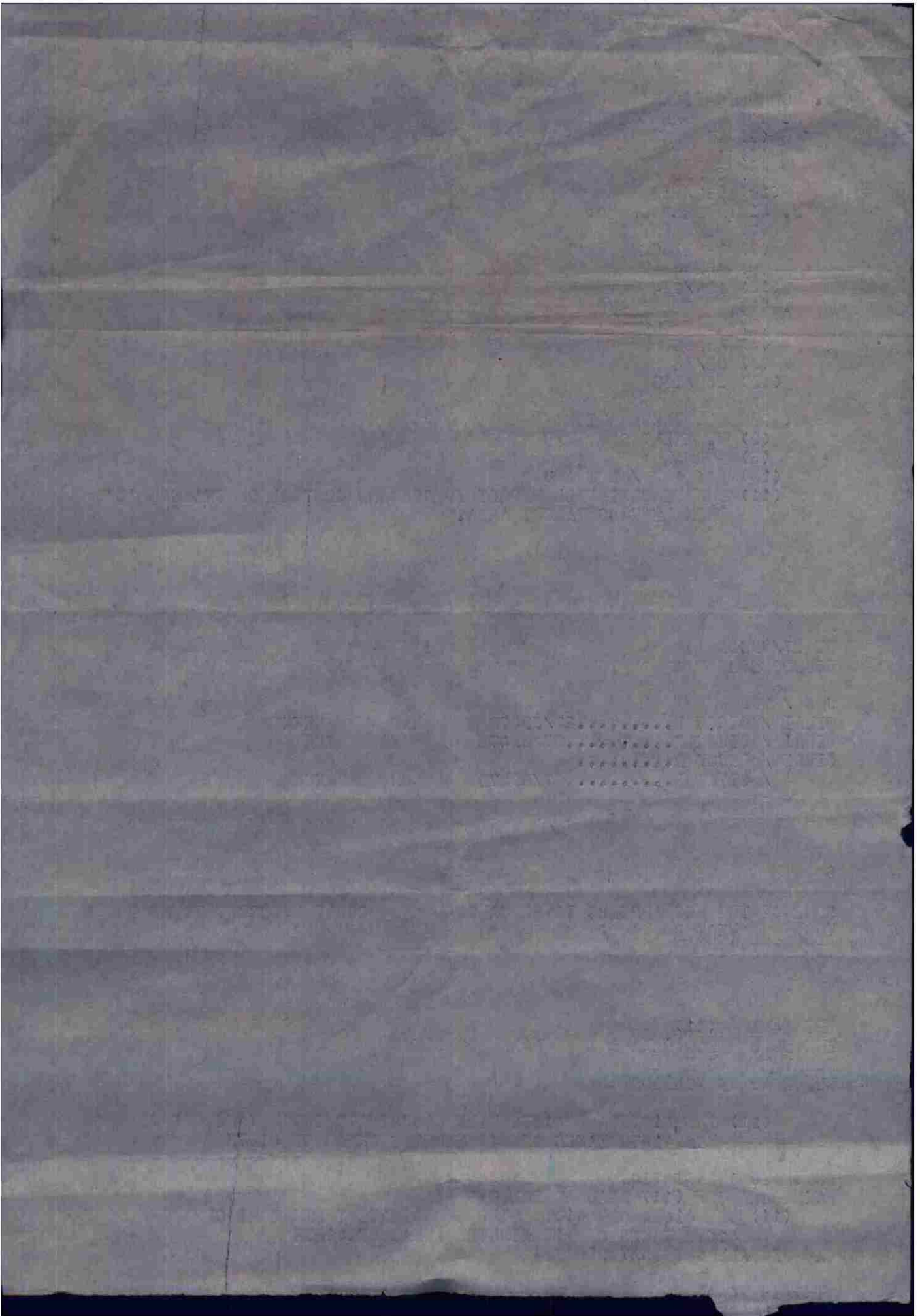
MAKE PARA 3 X (11) READ AS FOLLOWS PLS

(11) THE 416TH AND 410TH WILL COORDINATE THEIR TAKE OFF TIME SO THE
416TH TAKES OFF 15 MINUTES AHEAD OF 410TH

OK DID ALL GET THAT PLS

THI IS YAA T B

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OICOG OIYAA OIHAK OIGOF V OILAI LAI 3/27 "OP"

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 27/1025B M-146 E
TO COMBOMCOM IX
409TH BOMB GROUP
416TH BOMB GROUP
410TH BOMB GROUP

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
APO 140
27 MAY 44

ANNEX NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 53-331

3. B (10) SHOULD READ 4 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED INST NOSE 1/40 TAIL

RPT::: 3. B (10) SHOULD READ 4 X 500 G.P. LB. FUSED INST NOSE 1/40 TAIL

COCTBWIG 97

BT 27/1025B

JMB /RRR AR

OICOG RAMMMM.....27/1034B FIG AR

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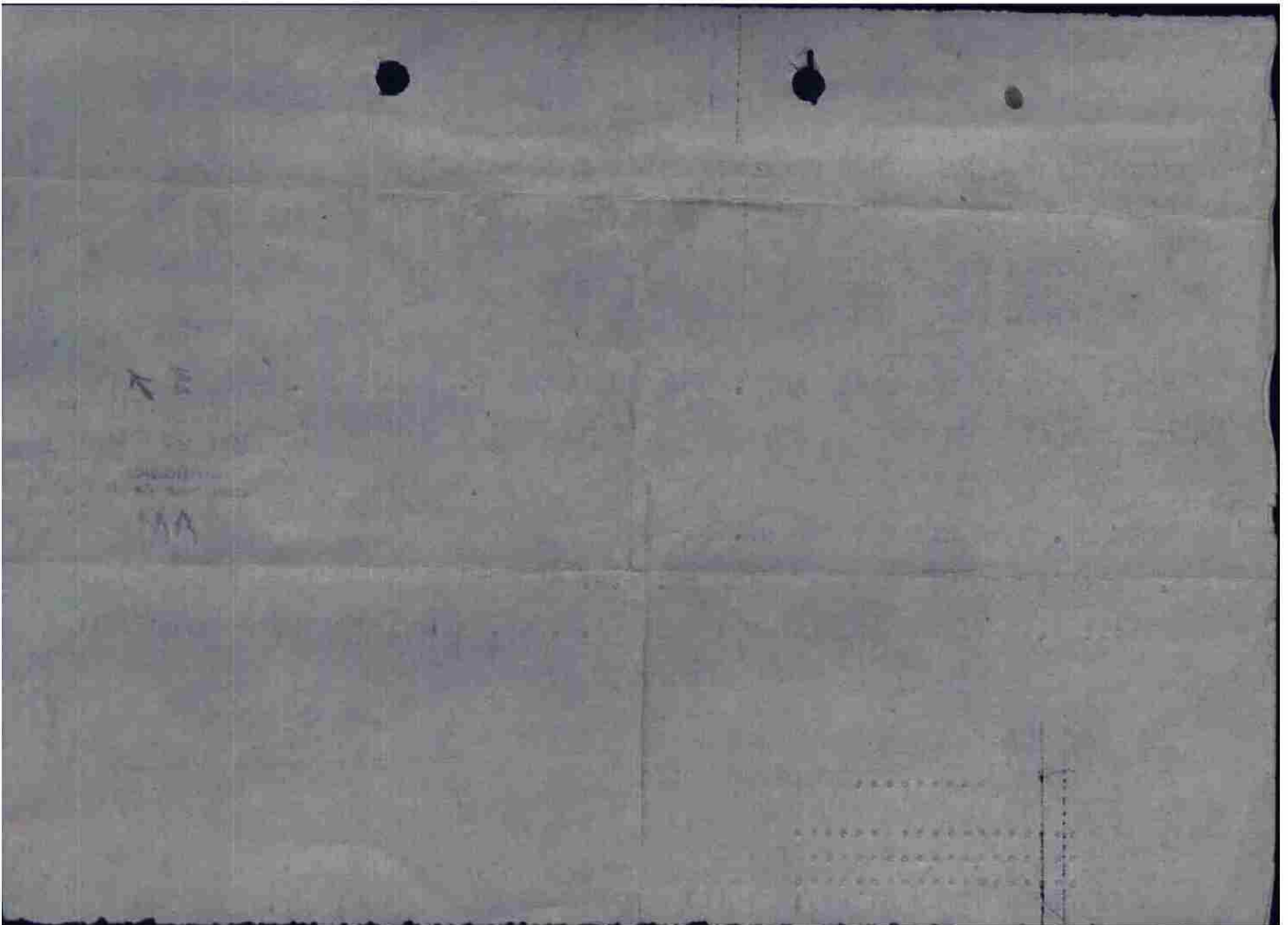
OIYAA R.....7.....27/1034B WN AR

OIHAK 4.....27/1034B WS AR

OIGOF R.....27/10304 B WCS AR

ALL STATIONS STAND BY FOR ONE (1) N MOE MORE OK





OICOG OIYAA OIHAK OIGOF V OILAI LAI 4/27 OP
 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 27/1040B M-147-E

TO COMBOMCOM IX
 409TH BOMB GROUP
 410TH BOMB GROUP
 416TH BOMB GROUP



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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 APO 140
 17 MAY 44

ANNEX NO.2 TO FIELD ORDE NO. 53-331

3 C (9) SHOULD NOW READ ILL. 4902 E/5
 REF. 18 A/C 120064
 REF. 18 A/C 104065

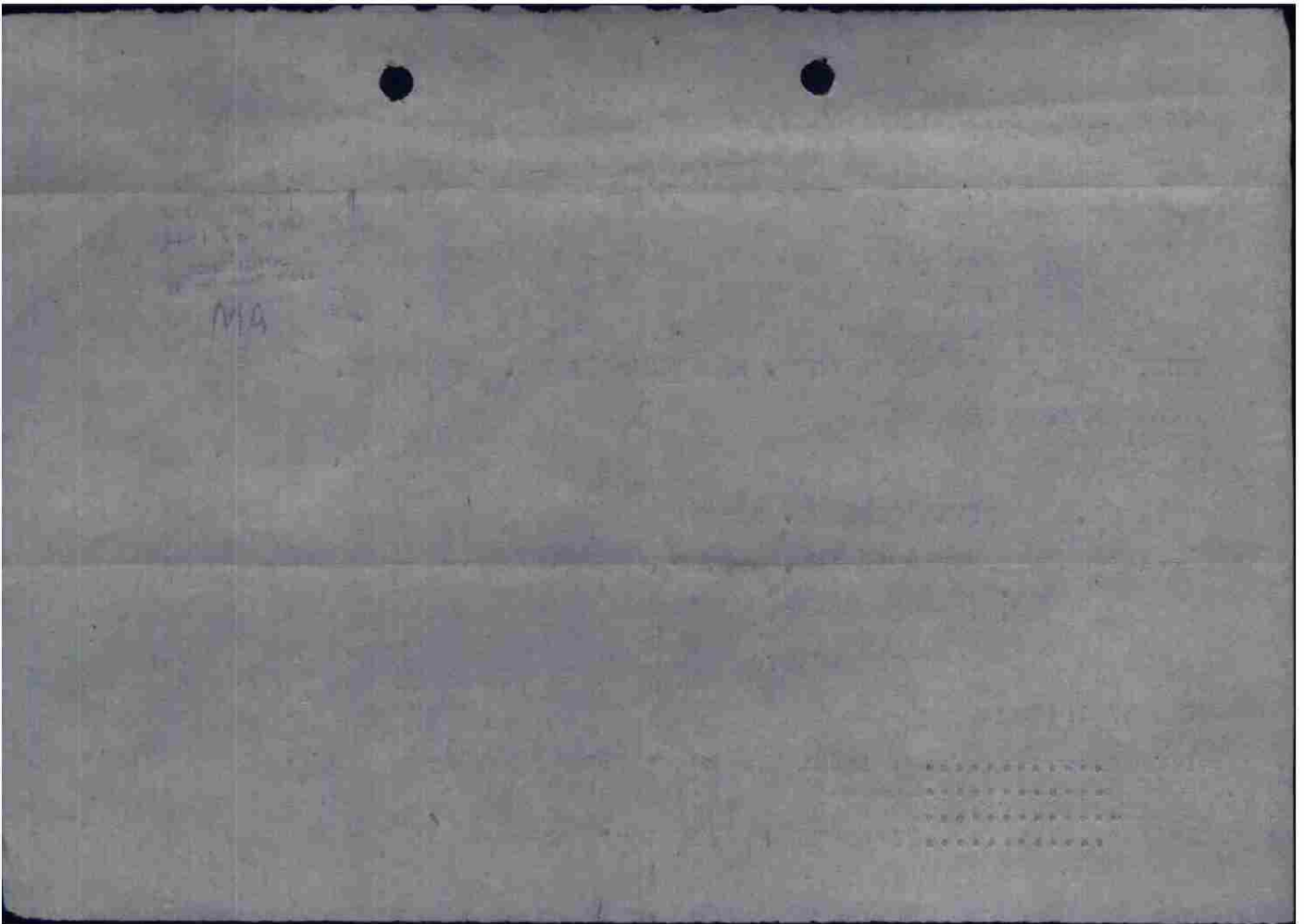
COCTEWIG 97

BT 27/1040B

RRR AR

OICOG R.....	27/1042B	HW	AR
OIGOF R.....	27/1042B	WCS	AR
OIYAAR.....	27/1042B	WN	AR
OIHAK R.....	27/1042B	IDR	AR

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OICOG OIHAK OIGOF OIYAA OILAI 5/27 OP
 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 27/1040B M-148-E
 TO COMBOMCOM IX
 409TH COBOMGP
 410TH COBOMGP
 416TH COBOMGP

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 A P O 140
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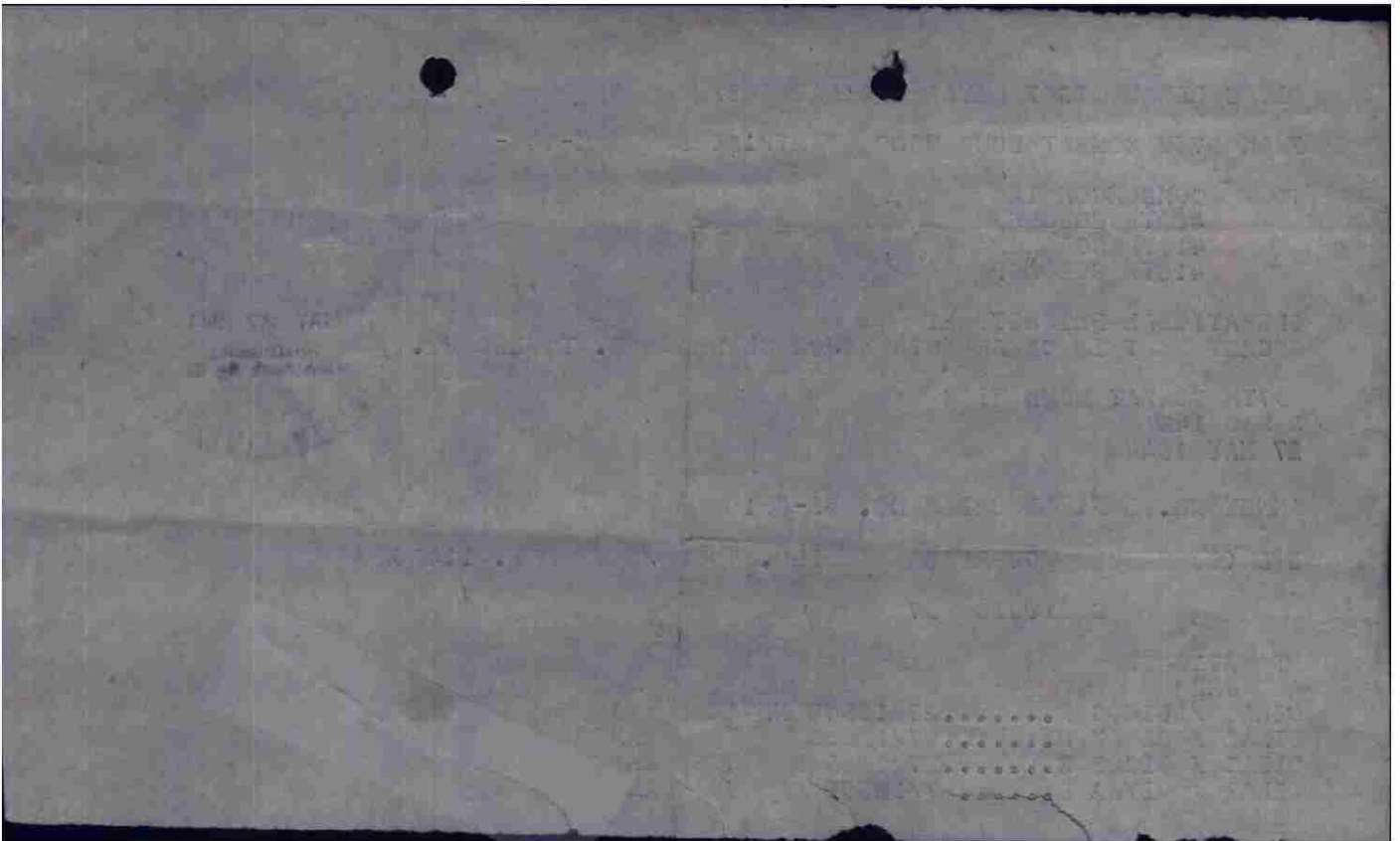
ANNEX NO. 3 FIELD ORDER NO. 53-331

3 B (S) SHOULD NOW READ ILL. 4902E/5 REF. 114063

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BT 271040B
 AR JMB
 OILAI / OICOG R.....27/1054B NN AR
 OILAI / OIHAK R.....27/1055B WS AR
 OILAI / OIGOF R.....27/1055B WCS AR
 OILAI / OIYAA R.....27/1055B WN AR
 WIM





OICOG OIHAK OIYAA OIGOF V OILAI 1/26 "OP"

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 27/0900B M-144-E 1176
 TO COMBOMCOM IX
 409TH BOMB GROUP
 410TH BOMB GROUP
 416TH BOMB GROUP

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 APO 140
 27 MAY 44

INTELLIGENCE ANNEX TO FIELD ORDER NO.53-331

- A. TARGET: THIS M/Y IS ON MAIN LINES WHICH CONVERGE FROM LILLE, VALENCIENNES AND THE PAS DE CALAIS AREA IT IS AN EXTREME IMPORTANT CONTROL AND DISTRIBUTING POINT FOR TRAFFIC HEADED SOUTH TO PARIS, TO ROUEN, ETC. TARGET LIES WITHIN THE LIMES OF THE CITY AND IMMEDIATELY TO THE EAST OF THE CONGESTED AREA. THE SOMME RIVER, FLOWING FROM EAST TO WEST IS ABOUT 500 YARDS, TO THE NORTH OF THE M/Y WHICH PARALLELS THE RIVER. WHILE ILL. 4902 E/5, ONLY, SHOULD BE USED FOR REFERENCE POINTS, AN EXCELLENT VIEW SURROUNDING TERRITORY WILL BE FOUND IN ILL. S 1696/3 OF TARGET FOLDER Z446 OTHER DATA IN THIS TARGET FOLDER SHOULD NOT BE USED, BEING A DIFFERENT TARGET. ELEVATION OF TARGET IS 30 METERS (ABOUT 100 FEET).

B. THE SITUATION: GROUPS HAVE LATEST INFORMATION

- C. OBSERVATIONS: (1) REPORTED TO BE ONE OR MORE BALLONS AT LE TREPORT, ALSO AT POIX, ELEVATIONS UNKNOWN.
 (2) MILITARY CAMP WITH CONCRETE EMPLACEMENTS AT 49 DEG 51 MIN. NORTH 01 DEG. 37 MIN. EAST
 (3) POSSIBLE COASTAL FLOODED AREAS.
 (4) ROAD AND RAIL ACTIVITIES, ESPECIALLY IN M/Y

COCTBWIG 97

BT 27/0900B

JMB/ RRR

AR

OICOG R.....27/1005B GIF AR

OIYAA 4.....27/1005B WN AR



Amenis M/Y
 BRIEFING NOTES 416TH BOMB GP (L) F.O. 53-331
 TARGET: 4902E/C/14 BRIEFING: ^{Per 100-6} 1050 HRS DATE: 5/27 OFFICER: *Curia*

1. TARGET INFO:

Amenis - M/Y and locomotive depot

Window

IP - Ponty

RP - 15 mis SW - Sommer

Longear is 2 1/2 mis SE of Amenis

Axis SW to NE

2. FLAK: AT LANDFALL: ^{APRIL} Le Treport (XHI) En and woods SE of EU (XXHI) ^{MAR} Camaches } XX
 ROUTE IN: *Rg course Tondinsires + Neufchâtel (XXHA)* ^{Blangy} } XX
Granville area ^{XXHA} *Neufchâtel d'eu* } A
 TARGET: XXHA - (Panzel)
 AVOID Montdidier
 ROUTE OUT: Forges (XXHA)
 MOBILE UNITS:

3. FIGHTERS:

30 F/B at ROYE 20 S/E Cornuilles 55 F/E FB
35 S/E at Lille 15 W of " 55 Paris area

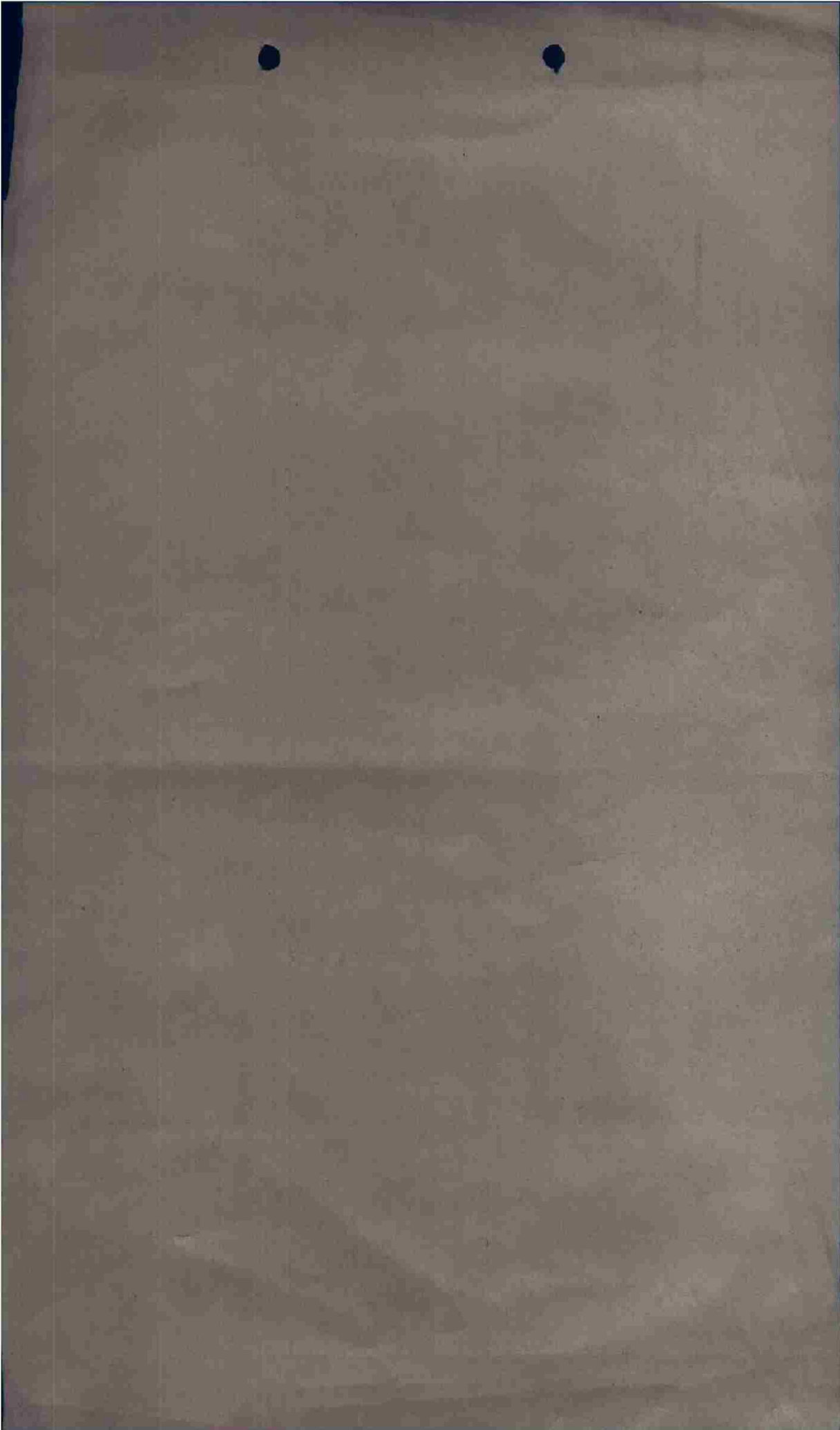
4. LANDFALL TIDES:

5. DUMMIES, DECOYS, CAMOUFLAGE, ETC:

6. GROUND SITUATION & BOMB LINE:

7. MISC:

P 47 - (1200 Zers) Hastings
409 will lead (Sheerness)



MISSION NO. 57

LOADING LIST

27 MAY 1944

BOX 1
FLIGHT 1

1. A/C # 450 "S"
MAJOR M.W. CAMPBELL
LT. W.H. PALIN
S/S A.E. BERGERON
S/S H.E. KELTON

2. A/C # 0125 "M"
LT. A.E. OSBORNE
LT. W. FORMA
S/S E.E. KELLY
S/S W.H. COE

3. A/C # 717 "N"
LT. W.C. SIGGS
S/S R.W. NICKS
S/S N. RADLICH

4. A/C # 0206 "F"
LT. P.F.E. MACMANUS
S/S R.W. RICE
SGT. C.E. YOUNG

5. A/C # 189 "P"
LT. E.J. RENTH
S/S O.D. LANAVE
S/S F.M. CITY

6. A/C # 181 "A"
LT. W.H. LAND
S/S S.F. ALDEN
S/S R.L. BALLINGER

FLIGHT 11

1. A/C # 0210 "Q"
LT. R.F. SHAEFER
S/S H. PERKINS
SGT. S.P. NEWELL

2. A/C # 9194 "C"
LT. L.G. PEED
SGT. R.F. CHUSTZ
S/S C.L. HIBBS

3. A/C # 701 "H"
LT. E.B. DOWNING
S/S E.S. DICKENSON
SGT. K.E. HORNBECK

4. A/C # 0226 "E"
LT. G.F. BARTMUS
S/S J.R. ORR
S/S F.L. FLACKS

5. A/C # 907 "O"
LT. A.P. NIKAS
SGT. G.W. SCOTT
SGT. H.W. SMITH

6. A/C # 745 "I"
LT. R.D. LESHER
S/S H.R. HEDRICK
S/S A.J. ANTANAITIS

FLIGHT 111

1. A/C # 951 "P-1"
LT. F.W. DEMAND
S/S C.W. MIDDLETON
SGT. R.J. TROYER

2. A/C # 219 "D"
LT. H.D. ANDREWS
S/S G.M. COOK
S/S E.R. WERLEY

3. A/C # 363 "L"
LT. R.D. PERKINS
S/S V.N. SHERRY
S/S R.H. LINNEMAN

4. A/C # 714 "N-1"
LT. J.D. ADAMS
SGT. A.J. ZEIKUS
S/S P.L. CLEARMAN

5. A/C # 925 "G"
LT. J.H. MILLER
SGT. R.G. SCHROM
SGT. J. GALENDER

6. A/C # 393 "K"
LT. R.C. MOREHOUSE
SGT. L.A. ZYGIEL
SGT. A.J. BURGESS

SPARE

A/C # 983 "J"
LT. H.E. HEWES
S/S J.F. KASPER
S/S H.E. BOYER

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BOX 11
FLIGHT 1

MAY 1944

1. 442 D
CAPT R A CLARK
LT C W JONES
SGT H G ROGER
SGT J E VAN DUYNE

2. 645 R
LT L A MARZOLF
LT R J BASHETT
S/S H E WELLEN
S/S L G KUTZER

3. 900 Q
LT R L BYHLNER
T/S W J KELLY
S/S W G FERGUSON

4. 0148 H
LT E E DEMON
S/S M ROSENSTEIN
S/S H O CARNY

5. 376 O
LT H V SHAINBERG
S/S G L COFFEY
S/S G F COPE

6. 840 V
LT J H SMITH
S/S VAFIADIS
S/S R C HOFFMAN

FLIGHT 11

1. 455 T
CAPT G R JACKSON
LT AA MALBY
S/S MC CLARY
S/S DIKAPOLI

4. 0211 C-1
LT W J GREENE
S/S J A OCHABA
S/S W F COLBERT

2. 227 F
MAJ W J MING
S/S R F STOBERT
S/S F P GLYNN

5. 207 B
LT J C SEWELL
SGT S R ZAKLIKIEWICZ
SGT J L JOHNSON

3. 689 I
LT P G ATKINSON
SGT J O STAFFORD
S/S P F GLYNN

6. 380 H
LT R H SMITH
S/S STOCKMANN, P.A.
SGT MAHONEY, R.J.

FLIGHT 111

1. 200 A
LT R S RUDISILL
S/S R K RILEY
S/S A J BOHANO

4. 224 E
LT R A MONROE
S/S W L KIDD
S/S S RISEO

2. 750 M
LT W B OSTRANDER
S/S J E WILSON
S/S I BINNEY

5. 317 D
LT D T SOMMERS
S/S E L GRIFFIN
S/S C W MAZIASZ

3. 892 L
CAPT Z R MOORE
S/S O D EVANS
S/S T A PALMER

6. 209 K
LT R B HALL
SGT D S BLACKFORD
S/S R F EUTSLER

SPARE

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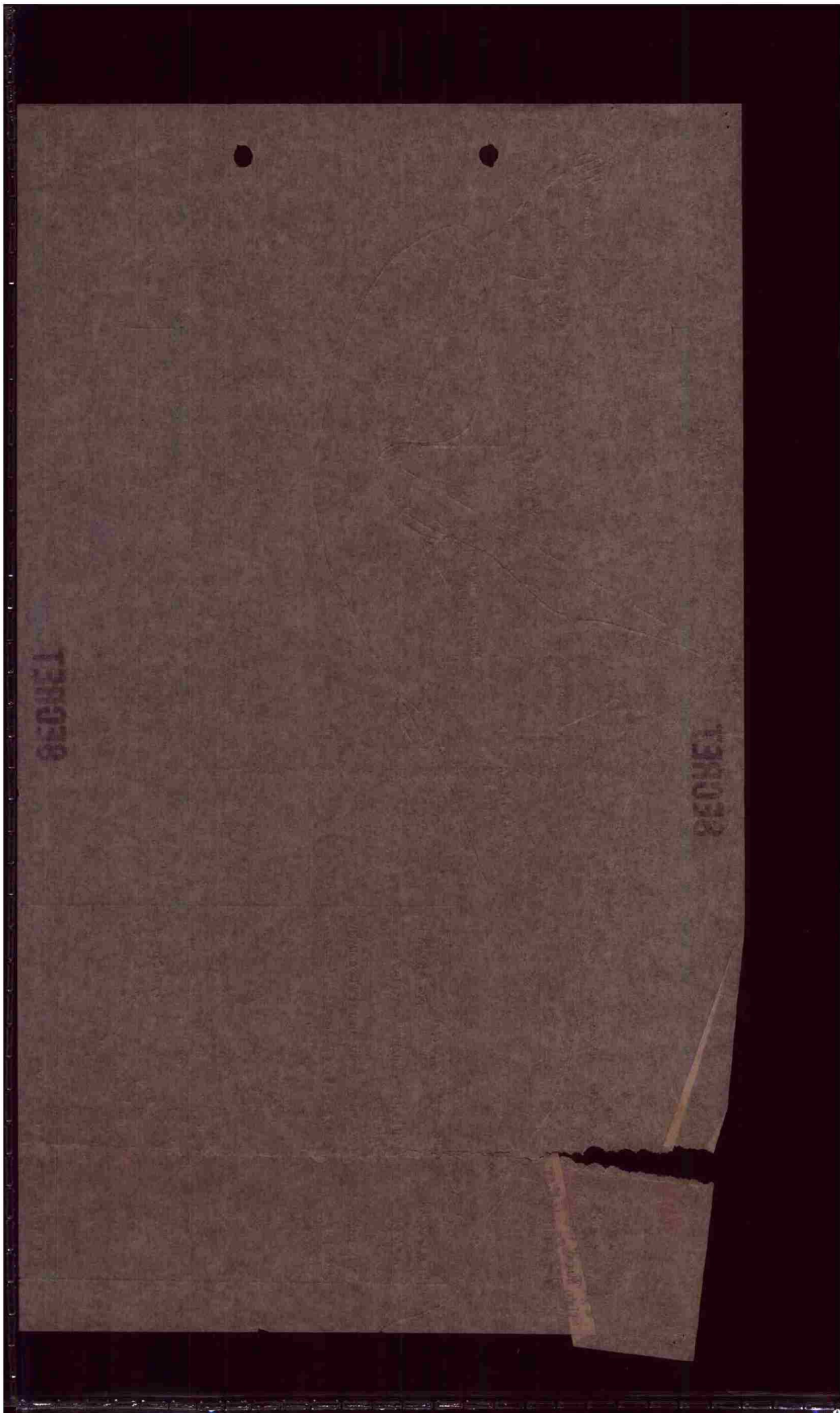
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1. A/C # 452 "T"
CAPTAIN G.M. McNULTY
LT. F.H. BURSIEL
S/S H.E. WHITE
S/S R.F. ADDLEMAN

2. A/C # 937 "B"
LT. A.R. DURANTE
S/S H.T. BEST
S/S I.R. DEGUISTI

3. A/C # 0194 "A"
LT. S.B. RITCHIE
S/S E.A. ANDERSON
S/S A.W. NEWKIRK





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

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 A UTM: GO 366 170
 DATE : 28 May 1944
 INIT : *SS*

AFO 140, U.S. Army.
 28 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Gpcep A, USAAF Form 34 A.

TO : Commanding General, Ninth Air Force, AFO 696, U.S. Army.
 Attention 26th Statistical Control Unit.

Gpcep A Number 57 for 24 hours ending sunset 27 May 1944.

Mission Number 57.

IX Bomber Command Field Order Number 531.

A. Formation consisted of two boxes, 19 ships each box, with the last 3 ships of each flight and 3 ships preceding formation dispensing window. Time of take off was 1203. Target - Amiens M/T. No attempt was made to attack target due to navigational error. Visibility was 10 to 20 miles over enemy territory. Anti-aircraft fire was moderate accurate H/F at Fournire and moderate inaccurate H/F 6 miles southeast of Neufchâtel. 2 ships receiving category AC damage and 7 ships receiving category A damage. No enemy aircraft encountered. Planes landed at 1517.

B. (i) 35 A-200's and 6 A-203's
 (ii) None
 (iii) 35 A-200's and 6 A-203's - due to navigational error.
 (iv) None
 (v) None
 (vi) None
 (vii) 2 A-200's category AC - flash
 6 A-200's category A - flash
 1 A-203 category A - flash
 (viii) 35 A-200's and 6 A-203's

C. (i) None
 (ii) None

D. (i) A-200's 101:50
 A-203's 15:55
 (ii) None

E. (i) A-200's 110,250 x 50 cal.
 A-203's 12,600 x 50 cal.
 (ii) A-200's 840 x 50 cal. (testing)
 A-203's 145 x 50 cal. (testing)
 (iii) None

F. (i) A-200's 132 x 500 lb G.P. 1/10 N 1/40 T
 A-203's 20 x 500 lb G.P. 1/10 N 1/40 T
 A-200's 200 boxes window
 A-203's 10 boxes window

Gregg A, USAAF Form 34A.

(Cont'd.)

- (11) A-200's 200 boxes window
- A-203's 10 boxes window
- (111) A-200 4 x 500 lb G.F.
- (17) None
- A-200's 128 x 500 lb G.F. returned to base
- A-203's 20 x 500 lb G.F. returned to base

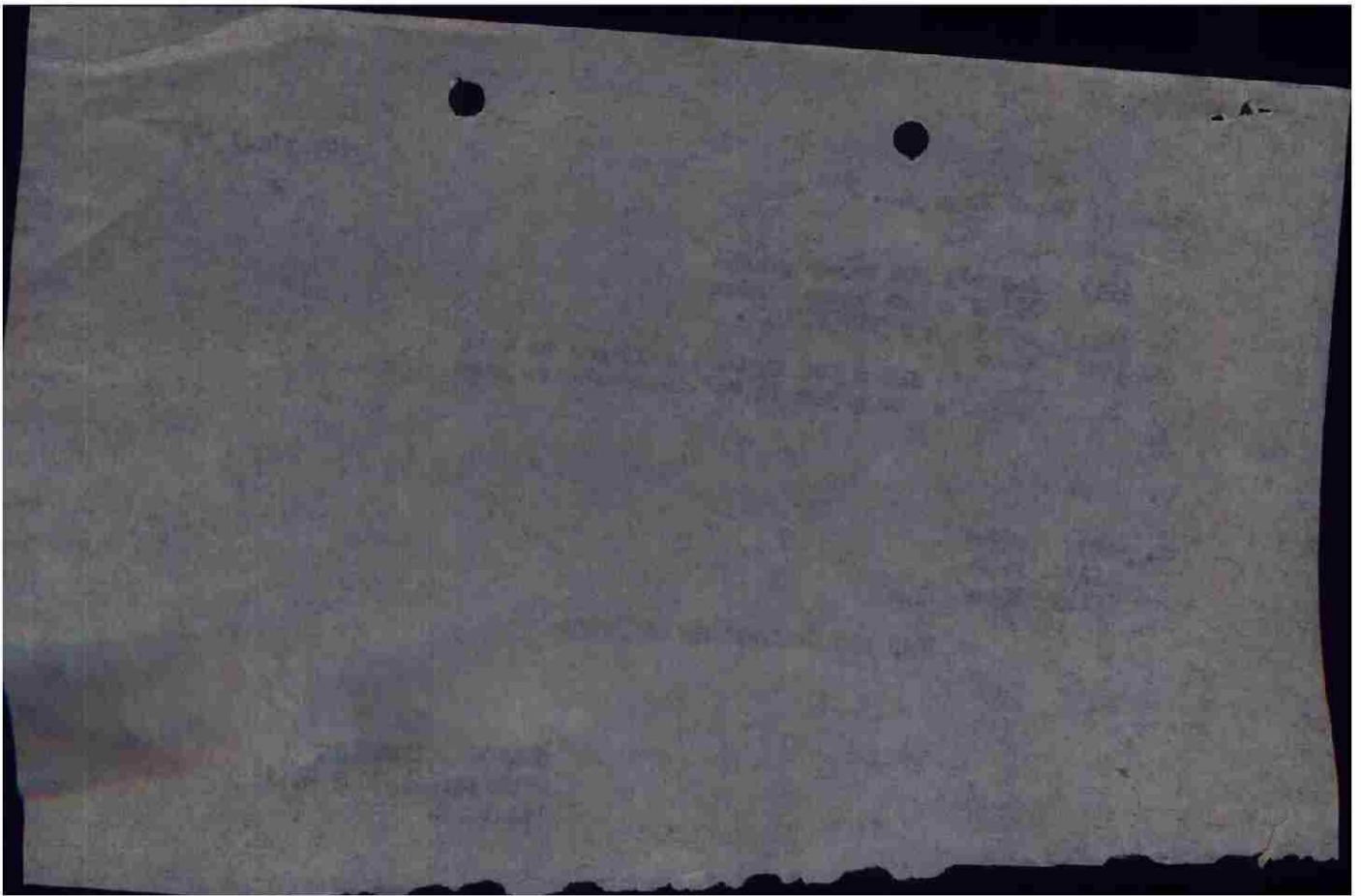
G. None

- H. (1) None
- (11) None
- (111) None

For the Commanding Officers:

GEORGE SCHENKEL,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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28 May 1944
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HEADQUARTERS
418TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (D)
Office of the Commanding Officer

Ref-1

AFG 140, U.S. Army,
28 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Mission Report--Aircraft.

TO: Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, AFG 140, U.S. Army.
(Attn: Maintenance Branch)

PART I

- (1) 27 May 1944--1205--Amiens BT
- (2) S9 (41 alerted)
- (3) 0

PART II

None

PART III (1)

None

PART III (2)

None

PART III (3)

61 aircraft returned, no attack, navigational error.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHMIDT,
Captain, Air Corps,
adjutant.

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

APC 140
27 May 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report

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

BASE AT TAKEOFF: 2/10 to 3/10 cumulus at 3,000 feet.
Visibility 5 miles.

ROUTE OUT: 2/10 to 3/10 cumulus at 3,000 feet over
England becoming nil over channel and
continent. Visibility 6 to 8 miles.

TARGET: 1/10 medium cloud at 7,000 feet. Visibility
15 miles.

ROUTE BACK: Similar to route out except haze layer to
3,000 feet over south England restricting
visibility to 2 to 3 miles.

BASE ON RETURN: 7/10 cirrostratus above 20,000 feet.
Visibility 7 miles.

WINDS: As forecast.

TIME OVER TARGET: 1345

Weather did not affect bombing.

ROBERT D. GRIFFITH
2nd Lt. Air Corps.

1 Incl.
2 Route Forecast Forms

WETHERFIELD
WLB BOND GROUP (A)*Justel*TAKE OFF - 1200
RETURN - 1450

OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST

DATE 27 MAY 1944
PERIOD 1200 - 1600

HQ SOS USARP 9-43/90M/1522

	A BASE TO TARGET	B TARGET	C TARGET TO BASE	D
WEATHER	1 PARTLY CLOUDY WITH HAZE	PARTLY CLOUDY	PARTLY CLOUDY WITH HAZE	
CLOUDS	2 3/10 - 4/10 HIGH CIRRUS ABOVE 20,000 FT. MILDRED CLOUD 4/10 - 6/10 STRATOCUMULUS BASE 1500 - 2000 FT. TOPS 5,000 FT TO 3,500 FT INCREASING TO 5/10 - 7/10 BASE 1000 - 1500 FT OVER S. ENGLAND, CHANNEL AND ENEMY COAST OFFSHORE IRELAND. NIL TO 3/10 IN TARGET AREA.	3/10 - 4/10 HIGH CIRRUS ABOVE 20,000 FT NIL TO 3/10 LOW CLOUD BASE 3000 FT TOPS 4000 FT	SAME AS ROUTE OUT EXCEPT 4/10 - 6/10 SMALL CUMULUS OVER ENGLAND BASE 2,300 FT TOPS 4,500 FT	
ICING	3 FREEZING LEVEL: 10,500 FT 10,000' NIL	SAME	SAME	
VISIBILITY	4 3-6 MILES DECREASING 2-3 MILES IN LONDON AREA 10-15 MILES OVER S. ENGLAND CHANNEL AND CONTINENT	10-15 MILE IN SIGHT HAZE.	5-10 MILE	
HEIGHT	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY
SURFACE	250 BASE 10	220 TARGET 7		
5,000 FT	250 25	240 23		
10,000 FT	240 30	230 28		
12,000 FT	240 32	230 28		
15,000 FT	240 35	230 32		
FT				
FT				

BASE ALTIMETER SETTING 30.38 TARGET SURFACE TEMP. +18°C TARGET MEAN TEMP. +9°C
TEMP. AT 14,000 FT. -2°C TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT) -332

AIRCRAFT REPORT

		BASE TO COAST	OVER CHANNEL OR SEA	OVER CONTINENT & TARGET
TIME				
POSITION				
ALTITUDE				
CLOUD BELOW AIRCRAFT	AMOUNTS AND TYPE			
	HEIGHT OF BASE AND TOP			
CLOUD ABOVE AIRCRAFT	AMOUNTS AND TYPE			
	HEIGHT OF BASE AND TOP			
VISIBILITY				
TEMPERATURE				
WINDS				
REMARKS: AS WEATHER ENCOUNTERED, FRONTAL POSITIONS, ETC.		CLOUD TYPES AND ABBREVIATIONS LOW CLOUDS = ST-STRATUS SC-STRATOCUMULUS MIDDLE CLOUDS = AS-ALTOSTRATUS AC-ALTOCUMULUS HIGH CLOUDS = CI-CIRRUS CS-CIRROSTRATUS CLOUDS OF VERTICAL EXTENT = CU-CUMULUS CB-CUMULONIMBUS FRONTS - COLD FRONT WARM FRONT		

NOTE: AT LEAST ONE COMPLETE
OBSERVATION SHOULD BE ENTERED
IN EACH COLUMN. THE OTHER
SIDE OF THIS CARD HELPED YOU -
WON'T YOU GIVE THE NEXT
FELLOW A BREAK!

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

TO: COMBAT WING 97 ATT: COM O

FROM: COBOMGR 416

A. YS - 54

B. 27 MAY 1944

C. 41 A/C

D. 668 - O - CHANNEL A TRANSMITTER OUT. - RETURNED AND CHECKED OK.
670 - P - VHF WENT OUT OVER FRANCE, REPLACED FUSE AND CHECKED OK.
671 - N - LEFT MAG, LEFT ENGINE CAUSED NOISE IN VHF - REPORTED
TO ENGINEERING.

E. NO FACILITIES USED EXCEPT LOCAL AIRDROME CONTROL.

F. RADIO SATISFACTORY.

MACE COBOMGR 416

OFFICIAL:

Daniel J. Nolan
DANIEL J. NOLAN
1ST LT., AIR CORPS,
COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER.

Thomp. Zeph + 18
M. F. + 9
P. J. - 332

2000 ft above highest level
1670 over channel at Chocoma.
" " " " " "
Boulder Road - on stone.
1670 north of bridge over channel
Liggett Road in front.

Box #	Opstl	Date	T/O	Target	Alt.	Box Lead.	T/O	15 min.
I	52	27 May	53-231	AIRTEL m/y		Maj. Campbell	TOT	
							L/D	
A/C	No.	Person	Fail to Bomb	ATT	Bomb Disp.	A/C Dam.	E/A	Pers.
				P S O P S T F R	M D A A C B E	D P B	K W M	
1	450				H			Campbell 450
2	0125				H			Siebs 717
3	717				H			Osborne 0125
4	0206				H			MacManus 0206
5	189				H	X		Land 181
6	181				H	X		Renth 189
1	0210				H	X		
2	919				H	X		
3	701				H	X		
4	0226				H			
5	907				H	X		
6	745				H	X		
1	951				H	X		Demand 951
2	219				H			Shaefer 0210
3	363				H			Perkins 362
4	714				H			Andrews 219
5	925				H			Downing 701
6	393				H			Pec 919
7	983				H	X		Adams 714
					H			Bartm 0228
					H			Morehouse 393
					H			Miller 925
					H			Leshner 745
					H			Nik 907
					H			Hewes 983

Box #	Opaf1	Date	F/O	Target	Alt.	Box Lead.	T/O	15 min.
II	52	27 May	53-331	ATTENS m/y		Capt. Clark	TOT	
							L/D	
A/C	No.	Fail to Bomb	ATT	Bomb Disp	A/C Dam.	E/A	Pers.	
		Reason	P S O P S J F R	M D A A C B E	D P D	K W M		
1	542			✓	✓ X			Clark 442
2	675			✓				Rehlmer 900
3	900			✓				Merzolf 645
4	0148			✓				Dennun 0148
5	326			✓				Smith 840
6	890			✓				Shainberg 376
7	455			✓				McNulty 452
8	223			✓				Ritchie 0194
9	689			✓				Durante 927
10	020			✓				Jackson 455
11	207			✓				Rudisill 200
12	390			✓				Ostrander 750
13	200			✓				Atkinson 689
14	750			✓				Moore 882
15	892			✓				McNulty 452
16	224			✓				Jackson 455
17	217			✓				Atkinson 689
18	209			✓				Ostrander 750
19	961			✓				Moore 882
20	892			✓				McNulty 452
21	209			✓				Jackson 455
22	961			✓				Atkinson 689
23	892			✓				Ostrander 750
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25	961			✓				McNulty 452
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27	209			✓				Atkinson 689
28	961			✓				Ostrander 750
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