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FOLDER NO.3

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ASSIGN NO. 198

FLIGHT LIST

3 FEBRUARY 1945

BOX I
FLIGHT I

1. 085 T
Captain B.D. Stebbins
Lt. A.S. Calloway
S/Sgt. W.J. Brown
S/Sgt. J.J. McGuire

2. 178 L
Captain H.L. Summers
Lt. J. Kupita
S/Sgt. A.J. Burland
S/Sgt. K. Heath

3. 383 V
Lt. J.A. Willard
Sgt. C.V. Hinker

4. 238 M
Lt. M.W. DuBose
Sgt. D.L. Griffin

5. 252 D
Lt. R.E. Johnson
Sgt. H.E. Brandt

6. 371 R
Lt. C.E. Weinert
Sgt. R.D. Francis

FLIGHT II

1. 185 G
Captain R.E. Greenley
Lt. R.J. Bennett
S/Sgt. A.H. Hinson
S/Sgt. H.R. Davis

2. 250 A
Captain L.J. Sutton
S/Sgt. D.C. Gilliam

3. 356 O
Lt. E.M. Van Noorden
S/Sgt. G. Thompson

4. 222 S
Lt. A.E. Herman
Sgt. H.R. Miller

5. 332 P
Lt. J.P. Cooke
Sgt. R.D. Wadding

6. 300 K
F/O H.J. Wilson
Sgt. J. Ruskiewich

FLIGHT III

1. 073 J
Lt. R.J. Reaney
Lt. R.L. Kirk
T/Sgt. J.F. Goggin
S/Sgt. A. Teran

2. 321 V
Lt. M. Errotsberre
Sgt. E.A. Bowie

3. 394 G
Lt. J.R. Warren
S/Sgt. S.M. Turpin

4. 307 N
Lt. T.S. Merritt
Lt. R.S. Bower
Sgt. A.C. Basile

5. 337 O
Lt. A.R. Turman
Sgt. V.B. Haccio

6. 223 B
Lt. H. Fopeney
S/Sgt. W.E. Arnett

SPARE

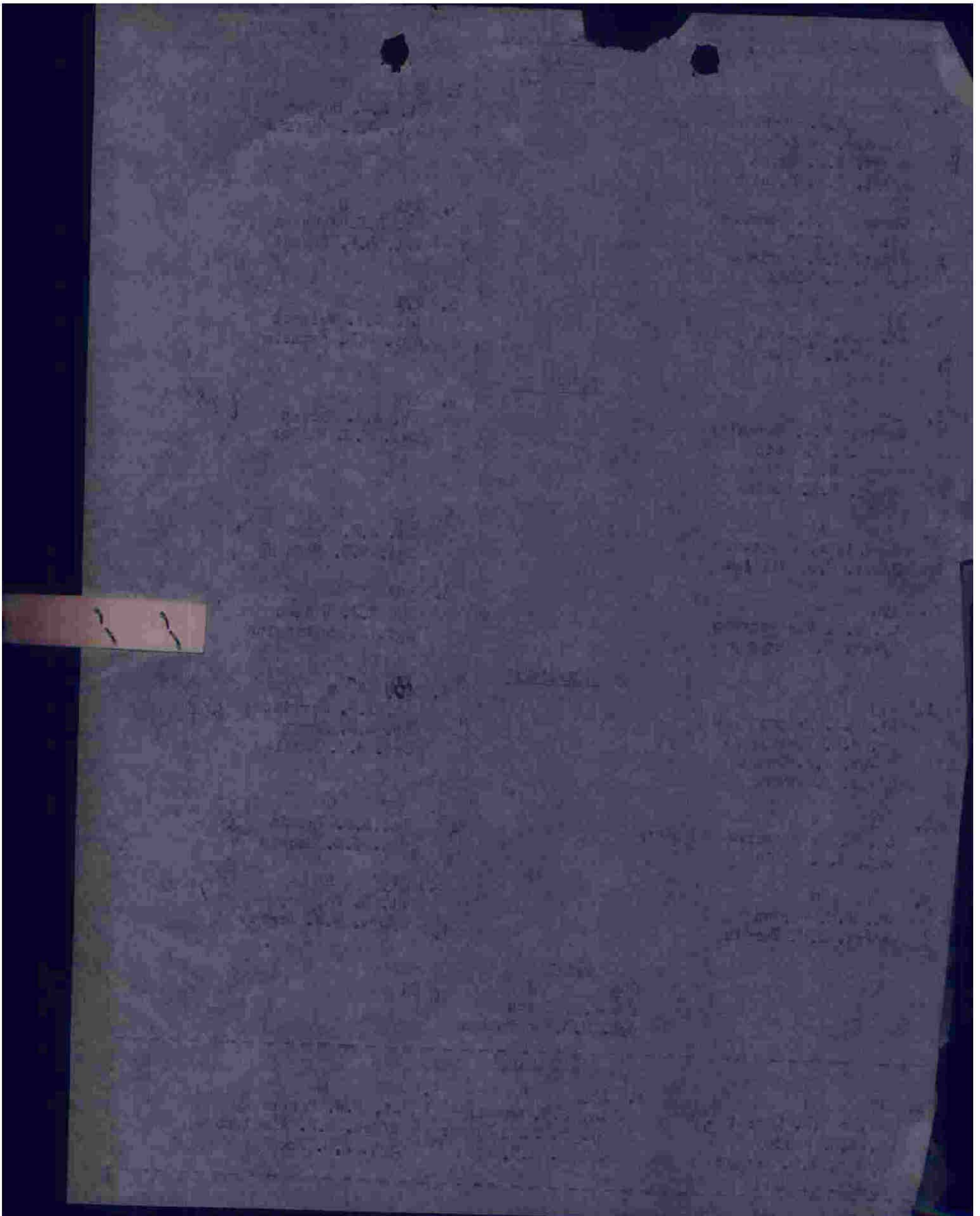
- 205 M
F/O J.A. Green
Sgt. R.R. Rorbakken

WINDOW

1. 173 W
Major H.F. Conant
Lt. A.H. Malthy
S/Sgt. L.C. Barger
S/Sgt. M. Hall

2. 439 V
Lt. J.C. Sewall
S/Sgt. J.A. Hummer
S/Sgt. M.E. Dias

3. 026 M
Lt. F.W. Harris
S/Sgt. R.P. Windisch
Sgt. A.R. Hood



SECRET

AUTH: CO, A-55

4 Feb 45

INITIAL:

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

R-M-1

AGO 140, U.S. Army,
4 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Mission Report.

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

I. 8 February 1945, T.O. 1335, Berg Gladbach Storage Building, P.O. 151-731.

II. None.

III. None.

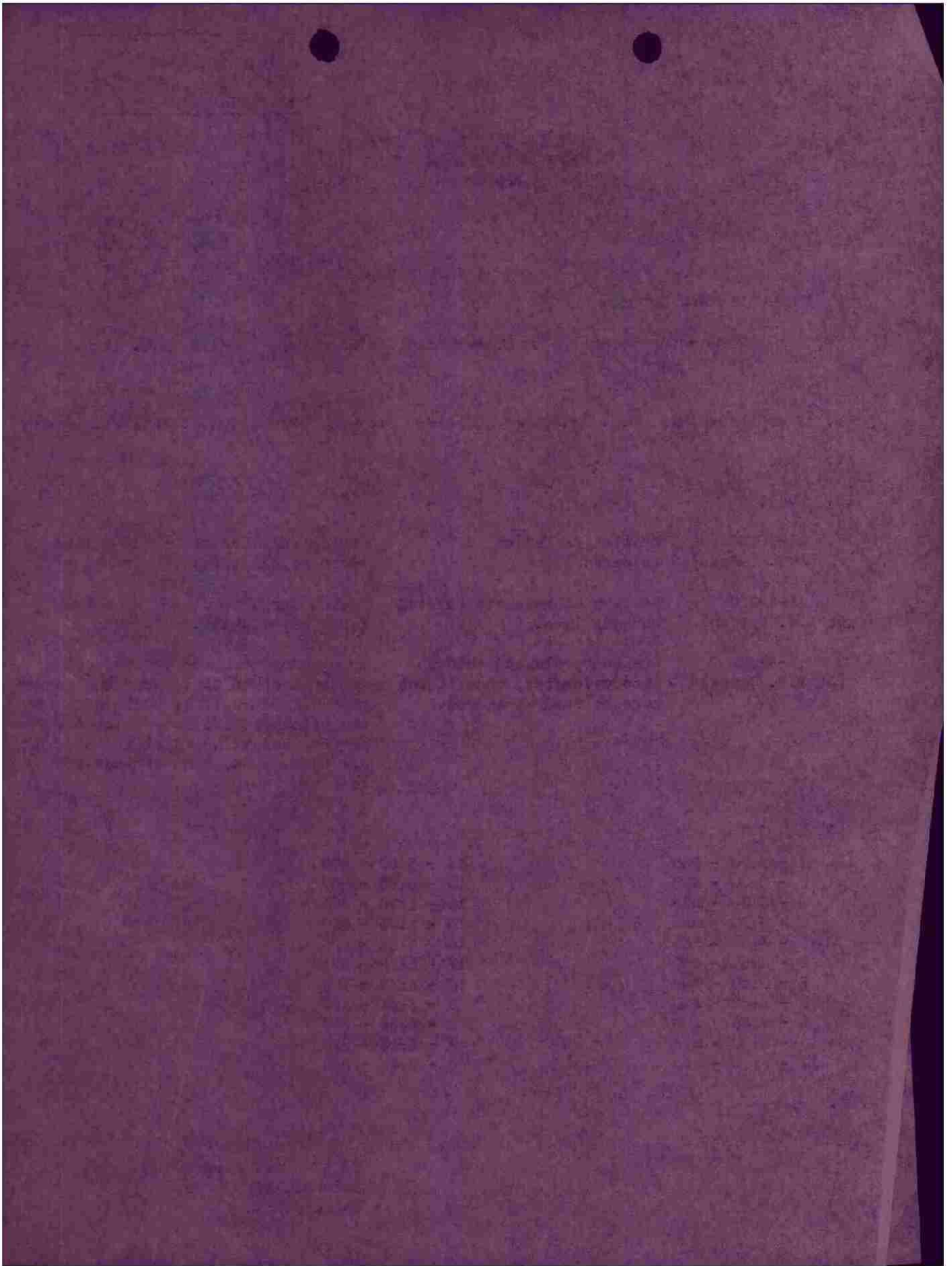
IV. 41-39238 (Lt M.W. DuRose)	Station 3A failed to release.	Mating surfaces on B-7 shackles corroded slightly.
41-39250 (Capt L.J. Sutton)	Station 4A released several seconds late.	Mating surfaces on B-7 shackles corroded slightly.
41-39382 (Lt J.B. Cooke)	One bomb released through intervalometer, other three were salvaged at target.	Intervalometer and bombing system ground checked O.K. From the nature of the failure it is believed that the pilot had the intervalometer set to "Select". Pilot released one bomb armed, then salvaged the remaining bombs.

V. None.

VI. 1 - 3:50 - 520	12 - 3:50 - 600
2 - 3:50 - 650	13 - 3:25 - 650
3 - 3:50 - 625	14 - 3:25 - 600
4 - 3:50 - 650	15 - 3:25 - 620
5 - 3:50 - 550	16 - 3:25 - 650
6 - 3:50 - 600	17 - 3:25 - 675
7 - 3:50 - 700	18 - 3:25 - 700
8 - 3:50 - 550	19 - 3:25 - 635
9 - 3:50 - 600	20 - 3:35 - 500
10 - 3:50 - 675	21 - 3:45 - 550
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VII. None.

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



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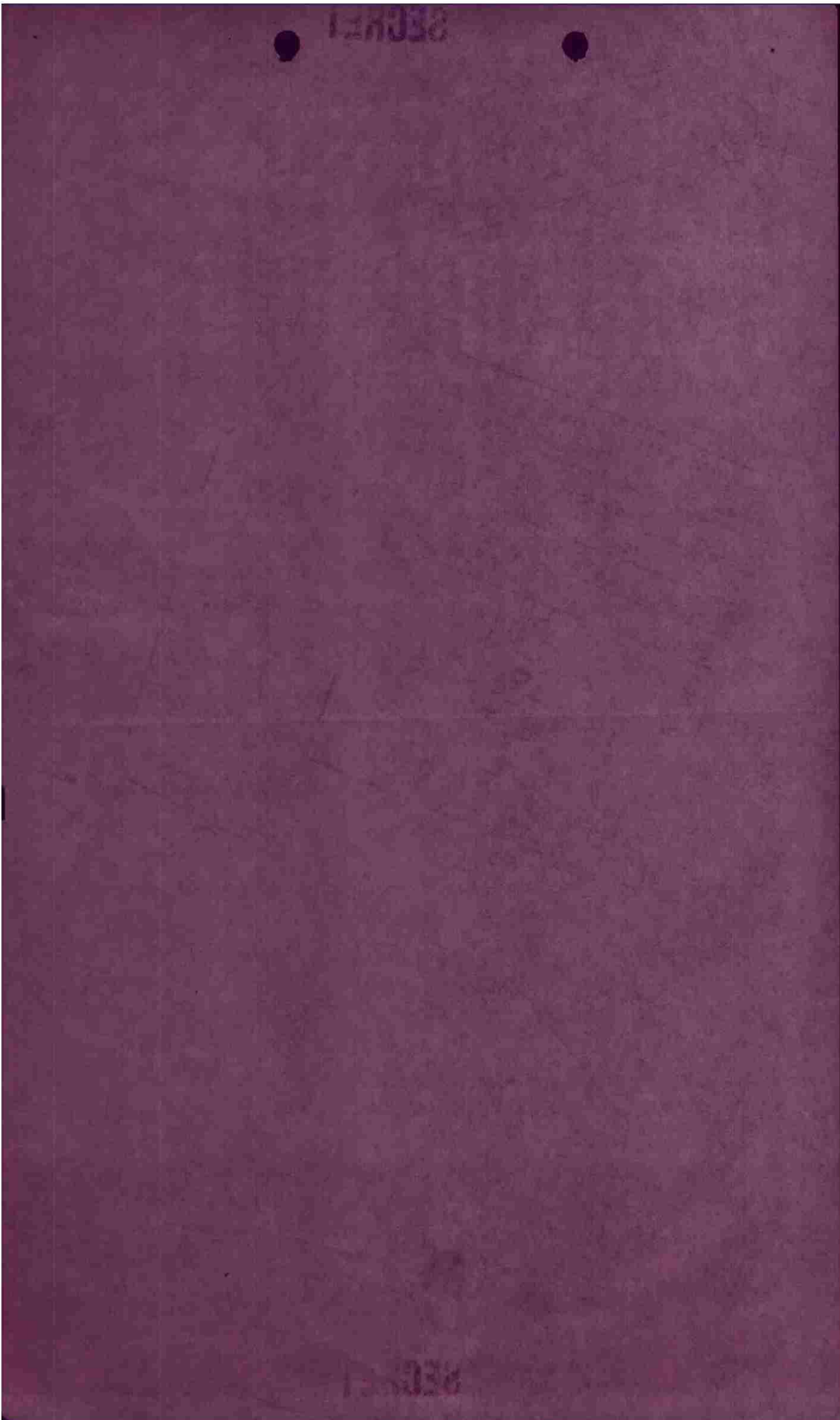
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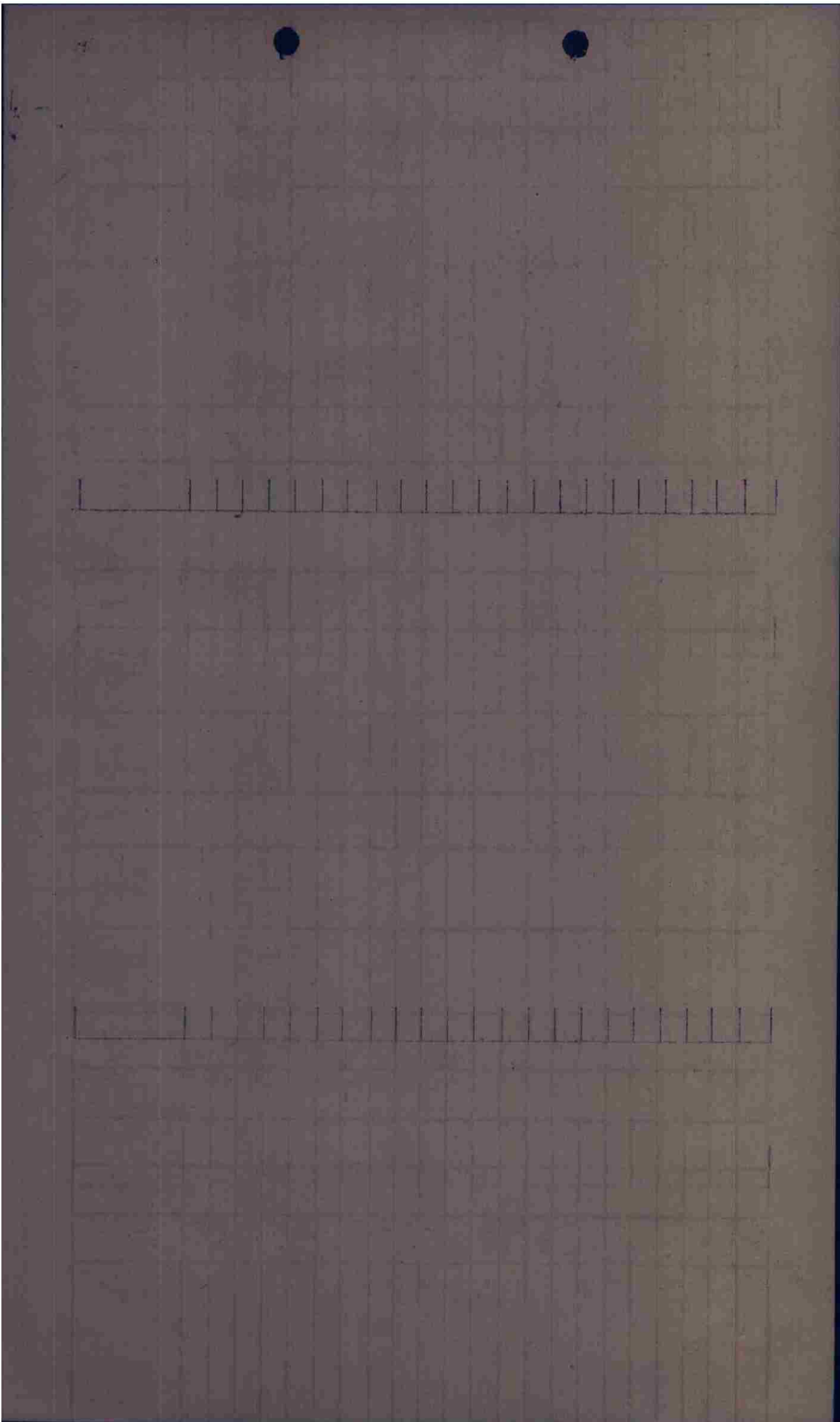
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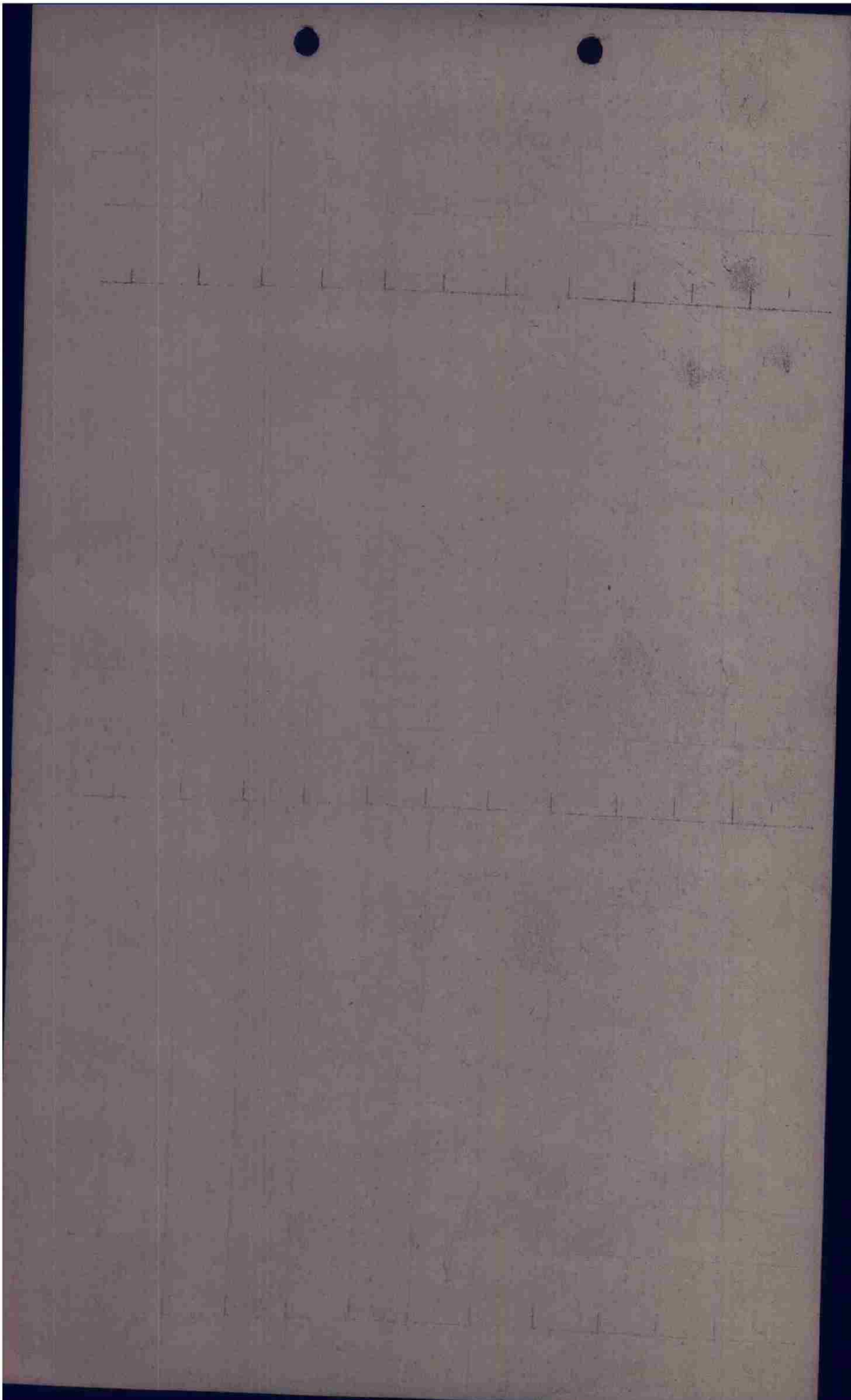
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D	A	250	Sutton														1727	3:50											
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William A. McNamee
Capt - 1st.



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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 03/0400A
 TO COMBOMDIV NINE
 COBOMGP 410
 COBOMGP 416
 COBOMGP 409
 1ST PROV PATHFINDER SQDN.

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

97 CBW F-24-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 APO 140
 3 FEBRUARY 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 151-731

MAPS NORMAL

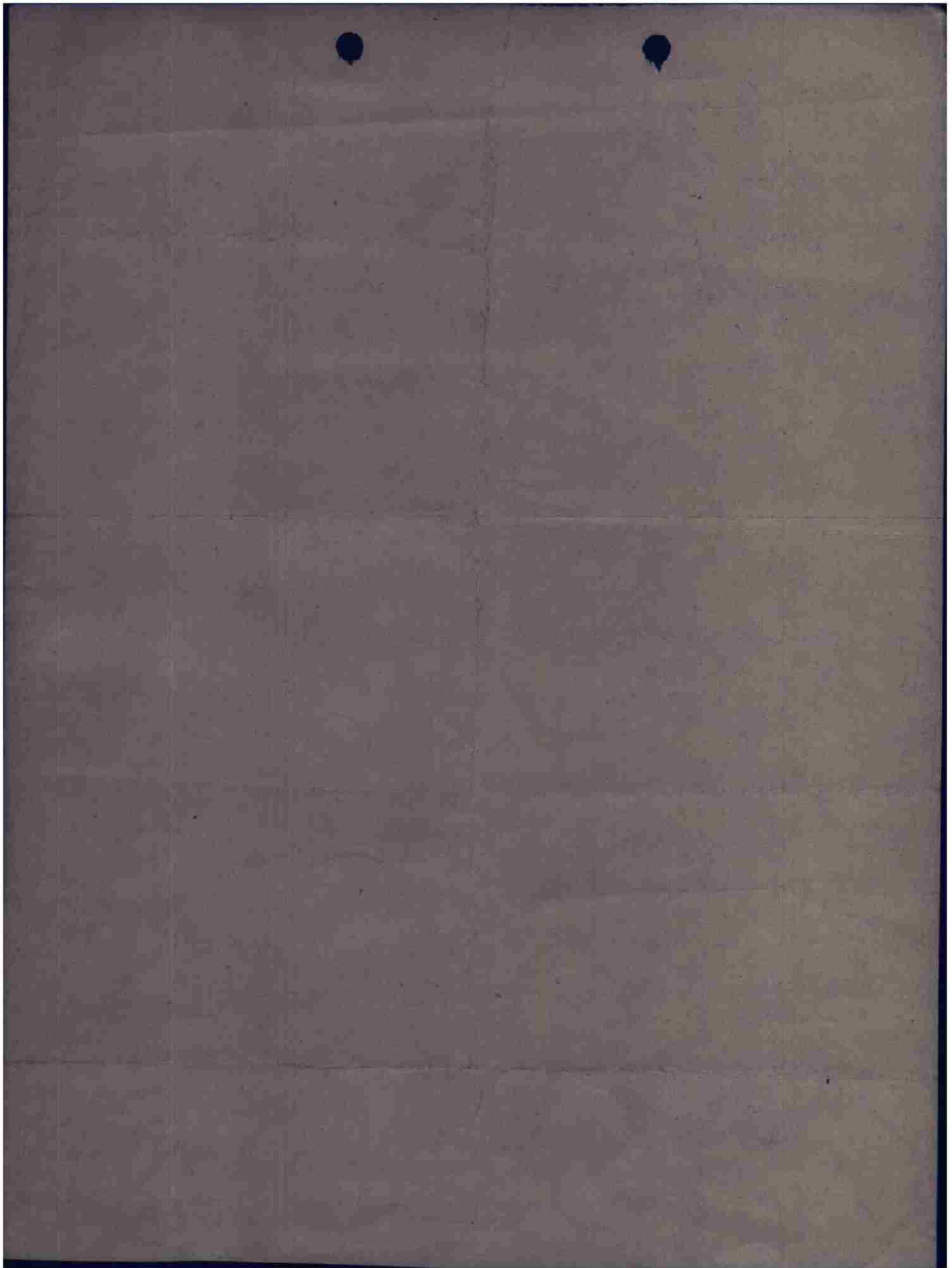
1. B. (1) REFER CURRENT BOMBLINE
 (2) 2ND TAF WILL PROVIDE AREA COVER FOR THE 410TH BOMB GROUP.
 9TH TAC WILL PROVIDE CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 409TH AND 416TH
 BOMB GROUP. 9TH TAC ESCORT WILL ALSO DIVE BOMB FLAK POSITIONS
 IN VICINITY OF TARGET 5 MINUTES BEFORE GROUPS BOMB.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY.

PLAN "A" - ZERO HOUR : 03/1030A
 PLAN "B" - ZERO HOUR : 03/1030A

PLAN "A"

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP
 (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 4920N 0600E AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS
 30 MINUTES.
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP
 (1) GLAADI-JUNKERATH RAIL SIDINGS (L-178947)
 (2) 36 A/C BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6.
 (3) BASE TO I.P. TO TARGET.
 (4) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. TO BASE
 (5) BOMB AT 12,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE, DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW
 5,000 FEET.
 (6) 5025N 0602E
 (7) GEN. WNW TO ESE.
 (8) M.P.I. - ILL. 5006E/5605. ONE FLIGHT ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING
 REFERENCES: 07350695, 07500685, 07650675, 07800660,
 07950650, 08100635.
 (9) 6 X 500 G.P. - FUSED : 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
 (10) 5025N 0602E
 (11) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR.
 (12) IN THE EVENT THE PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE ATTACKED, AN ALTER-
 NATE TARGET 10 MILES OR MORE FROM BOMBLINE IN ENEMY HELD TER-
 RITORY WILL BE BOBED.
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP
 (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 4920N 0600E AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR
 PLUS 40 MINUTES.



X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE

FOR 409TH AND 416TH BOMB GROUPS ONLY.

- (5) TARGET - BERG GLADBACH STORAGE BUILDINGS (F-563655)
- (6) A/C REQ - 36 A/C BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6.
- (7) ROUTE OUT - BASE TO F.R. TO 4941N 0653E TO 4939N 0653 E TO 5006N 0708E TO 5012N 0752E TO 5033N 0750E TO I.P. TO TARGET.
- (8) ROUTE BACK - TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
- (9) ALTITUDE - BOMB AT 12,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 5,000 FEET. DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER LEAVING TARGET.
- (10) I.P. - 5058N 0730E
- (11) AXIS OF ATTACK - GEN : E TO W
- (12) M.P.I. - MAP SERIES C.S.G.S. 4414, SHEET NO. 5002. THREE FLIGHTS ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID. COORDS: 5646555 AND 5720616.
- (13) BOMBS - 4 X 1000 G.P. - FUSED : 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
- (14) R.P. - 5058N 0730E
- (15) TWO B-26 GROUPS WILL USE THE SAME ROUTE TO ATTACK TARGETS IN THE SAME AREA. THEY WILL BE AT 10 MINUTE INTERVALS BEHIND THE 416TH BOMB GROUP. CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISED ON ROUTE OUT.
- (16) IF CLOUD COVER PREVENTS VISUAL BOMBING, GROUP WILL BOMB PRIMARY TARGET IN FOLLOWING PRIORITY.
 - A. GROUP "GEE"
 - B. TARGET E.T.A.
- (17) GROUP LEADERS WILL CALL THEIR FIGHTER ESCORT 5 MINUTES BEFORE ESTIMATED TIME OVER TARGET, AND TELL THE FIGHTERS TO PROCEED ON THEIR MISSION. THE FIGHTERS WILL THEN DIVE BOMB FLAK POSITIONS IN THE TARGET AREA. IF RADIO CONTACT CANNOT BE MADE GROUP LEADER SHOULD FIRE A GREEN FLARE AS A VISUAL SIGNAL FOR THE FIGHTERS TO PROCEED.

PLAN "B" - PATHFINDER

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 4937N 0608E AT 13,500 FEET AT ZERO HOUR MINUS 14 MINUTES. WITH PPF A/C OVER FIELD.
- (12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR PLUS 30 MINUTES.

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) GLAADT - JUNKERATH RAIL SIDINGS (L-178947)
- (2) 2 BOXES OF 12 A/C BOMBING WITH 1 PPF A/C
- (4) BASE TO 5015N 0455E TO 5029N 0539E TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO 5029N 0539E TO BASE.
- (6) BOMB AT 12,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE FOR VISUAL BOMBING WILL BE 5,000 FEET.
- (9) M.P.I. - ILL. 5006E/5605. ONE FLIGHT ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING REF. 07350695, 07500685, 07650675, 07800665, 07950650, 08100635 IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS. IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY BOXES, ONE BOX ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING REF. 07500685 AND 07950650.
- P.P.F. M.P.I. - GRID COORD 17719477.
- (10) 6 X 500 GP - FUSED: 1/10 SEC NOSE, 1/100 SEC TAIL.
- (12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR.
- (13) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET, BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-20 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CONTACT THE PPF A/C OR NOT. IF BOMBING VISUALLY, GROUP WILL BOMB BY FLIGHTS IF WEATHER PERMITS AND WILL USE 5025N 0602E AS A VISUAL I.P. IF BOMBING BY FLIGHTS IS IMPOSSIBLE BUT A SMALL BREAK IN THE CLOUDS PERMITS BOMBING BY BOXES OF 12 A/C, GROUP MAY CONTINUE ON PPF ROUTE TO TARGET OR RETURN TO 5025N 0602E TO BOMB VISUALLY. IF PPF EQUIPMENT FAILS AND PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE BOMBED VISUALLY, AN ALTERNATE TARGET 10 MILES OR MORE FROM BOMBLINE IN ENEMY HELD TERRITORY WILL BE BOMBED.



C. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 4937N 0608E AT 13,500 FEET AT ZERO HOUR MINUS 04 MINUTES. WITH PPF A/C OVER FIELD.
 (12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR PLUS 40 MINUTES.

X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE.

FOR 409TH AND 416TH GROUPS ONLY.

- (5) TARGET - BERG-GLADBACH STORAGE BUILDINGS (F-565655)
 (6) A/C REQ.: 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING WITH 1 PPF A/C.
 (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO F.R. TO 4941N 0653E TO 4959N 0653E TO 5006N 0708E TO 5012N 0752E TO 5033N 0750E TO 5048N 0737E TO TARGET.
 (8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN RIGHT TO 5048N 0737E AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE. DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER LEAVING TARGET.
 (9) BOMB AT 13,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE FOR VISUAL BOMBING IS 8,000 FEET.
 (10) M.P.I. - MAP SERIES GSGS 4414, SHEET NO. 5008.
 3 FLIGHTS ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID CORRDS:
 56446555 AND 57206616 IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS.
 IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY BOXES, ONE BOX ON EACH GRID
 COORD: 56446555 AND 57206616.
 PPF M.P.I. - GRID COORD: 56446555 (409TH PPF) AND
 57206616 (416TH PPF).
 (11) BOMBS - 4 X 1,000 G.P. - FUSED: 1/10 SEC NOSE, 1/100 SEC TAIL.
 INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
 (12) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET, BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-26 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE PPF A/C OR NOT. IF BOMBING VISUALLY, GROUPS WILL BOMB BY FLIGHTS IF WEATHER PERMITS, AND WILL USE 5058N 0730E AS A VISUAL I.P. IF BOMBING BY FLIGHTS IS IMPOSSIBLE BUT A SMALL BREAK IN THE CLOUDS PERMITS BOMBING BY BOXES OF 18 A/C, GROUP MAY CONTINUE ON PPF ROUTE TO TARGET OR RETURN TO 5058N 0730E TO BOMB VISUALLY. IF 1/10 CLOUD COVER OBSCURES THE TARGET, GROUP WILL BOMB THE PRIMARY TARGET IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
 A. P.P.F.
 B. GROUP "GEE"
 C. TARGET E.T.A.
 (13) TWO B-26 GROUPS WILL USE THE SAME ROUTE TO ATTACK TARGETS IN THE SAME AREA. THEY WILL BE AT 10 MINUTE INTERVALS BEHIND THE 416TH BOMB GROUP. CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISED ON ROUTE BACK AND DURING SECOND RUNS.
 (14) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST, GROUP LEADERS WILL CALL FIGHTERS TO DIVE-BOMB FLAK POSITIONS USING METHOD OUTLINED IN PLAN "A".

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (565655)

- (2) MANGO
 (3) JUDITH
 (4) SWEEPSTAKE

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP (178947)

- (2) CIRCLE
 (4,5) SWEEPSTAKE

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (565655)

- (2) BESTMAN
 (3) POKER
 (4) SWEEPSTAKE

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

- (11) CIRCLE LEADER CALL BLENDWELL ON "C" 15 MIN. PRIOR TO REACHING TROOP LINE AND REPORT IF ON TIME OR HOW MUCH EARLY OR LATE.

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BT 03/0400A

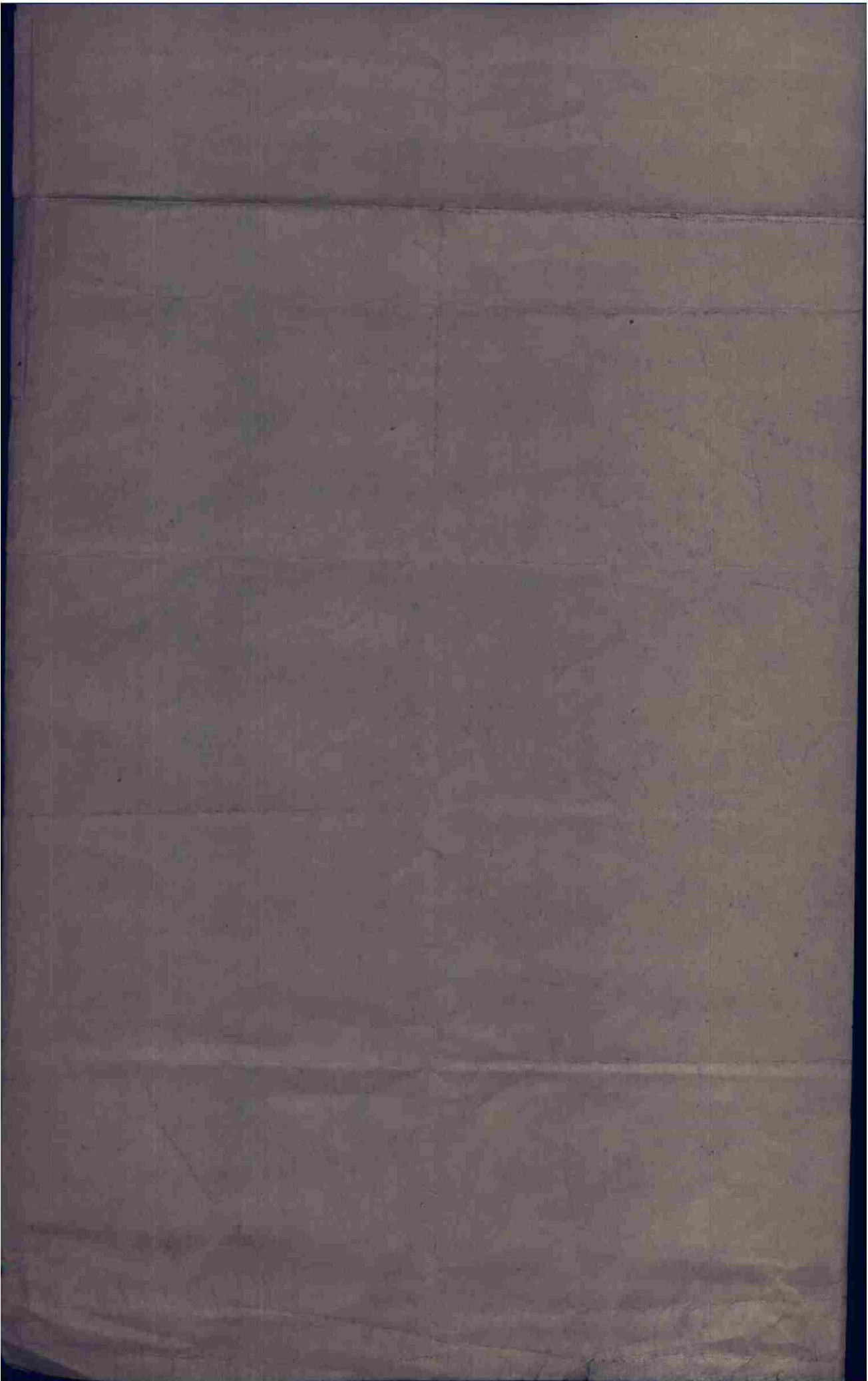
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OIJTA R...03/0525A HAS RA



OIITA OIJJF OIJKI OIJES OIJPO V OIJEA 7/03 OP OP
T (OIITA PASS TO OIJJF)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 03/0650A
TO COMBONDIV NINE
COBOMGP 410
COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 416
1ST PROV PATHFINDER SQDN.

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97 CBW F-025-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
APO 140
3 FEBRUARY 1945

ANNEX NO.1 TO FIELD ORDER NO.151-731

CANCEL PLAN "A", PLAN "B" IN EFFECT.

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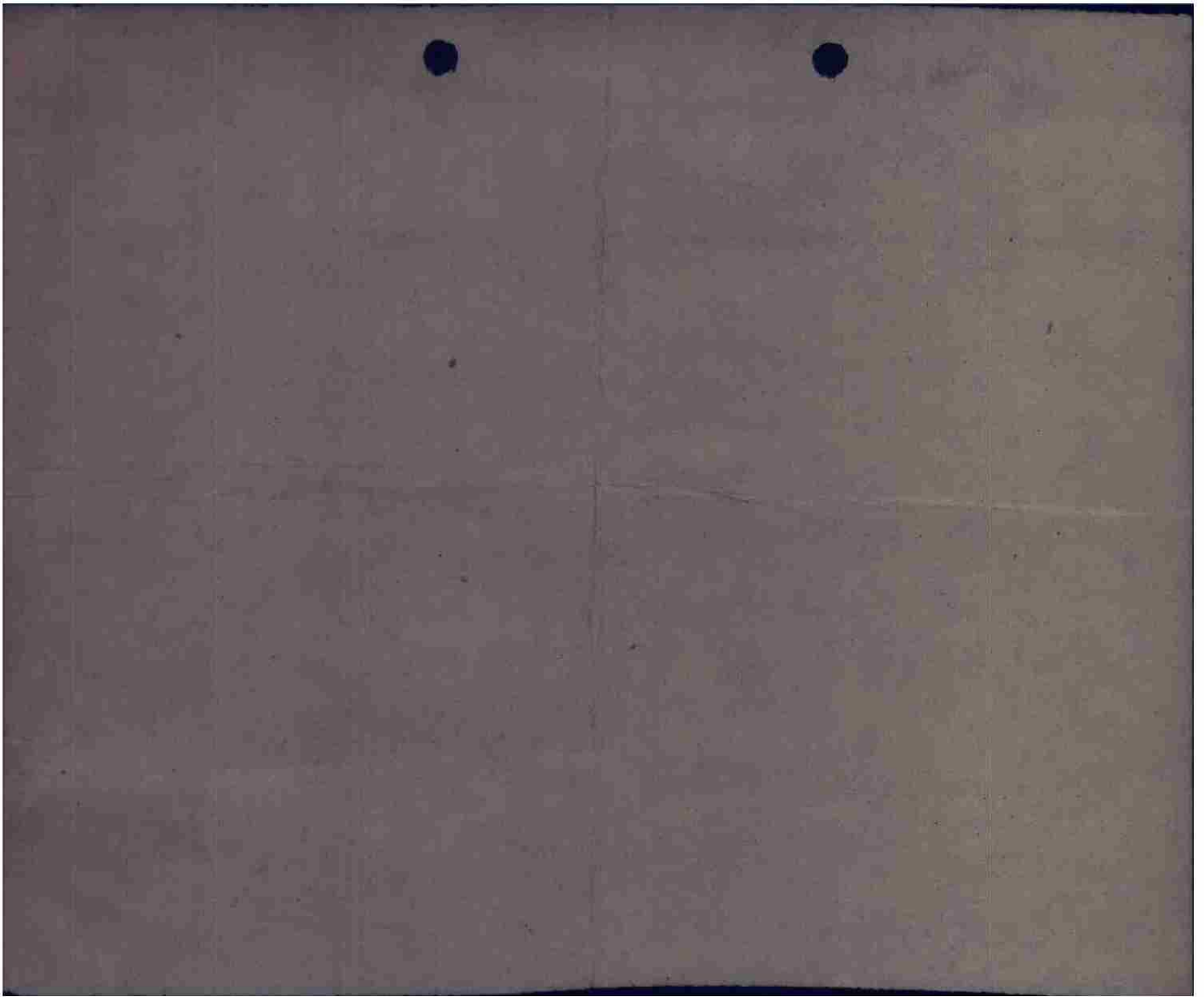
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OIITA OIJES OIJKI OIJPO OIJJF V OIJE A OIJE A 09/03 OP OP
T (OITTA PASS TO OIJJF)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 03/1335A
TO : COMBOMDIV NINE
409TH BOMB GRP
410TH BOMB GRP
416TH BOMB GRP
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQDN.

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

F-027-E

ANNEX NO. 2 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 151-731

CHANGE ZERO HOUR ON PLAN "B" TO READ: 03/1400A FOR THE 410TH GROUP ONLY.

CHANGE ZERO HOUR ON PLAN "B" TO READ: 03/1450A FOR THE 409TH AND 416TH GROUPS.

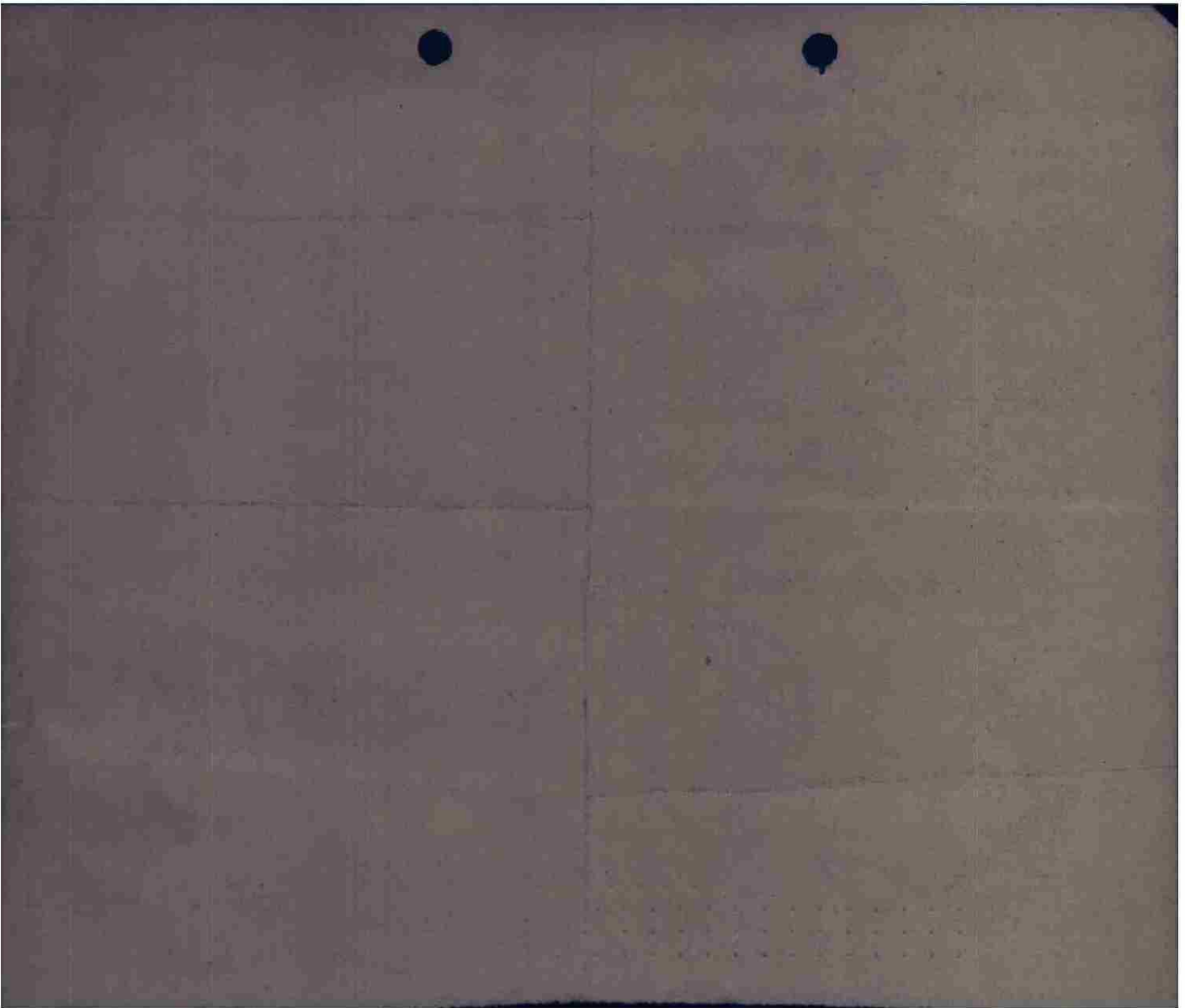
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 03/0235A
TO COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 416

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

97 CBW F-022-E BT

INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO.1 TO FIELD ORDER NO.151-731

- (1) TARGET : STORAGE BUILDINGS AT F-56446555 AND F-57206616
IN BERG GLADBACH JUST NE OF KOLN. FOR EXACT M.P.I., SEE FIELD ORDER.
- (2) BOTH TARGETS CONSIST OF BUILDINGS WHICH STORE SPARE PARTS AND HOUSE THE REPAIR OF SPARE PARTS AND SUB-ESSEMBLY PARTS. THESE PARTS ARE FOR M/T AND TANKS, BOTH OF FOREIGN AND GERMAN TYPES. THE AREA CONTAINS VITAL STORAGE FACILITIES AND IT IS BELIEVED TO BE THE ONLY ONE OF ITS KIND ON THE WESTERN FRONT. THIS IS A TOP PRIORITY TARGET AND ALL THREE WINGS OF THE NINTH BOMB DIVISION WILL WORK ON IT.
- (3) FLAK - FIGHTER BOMBS WILL DIVE BOMB FLAK POSITIONS IN THE AREA. SEE FIELD ORDER FOR DETAILS.
- (4) MAP COVERAGE
GSGS 4414 SHEET 5008

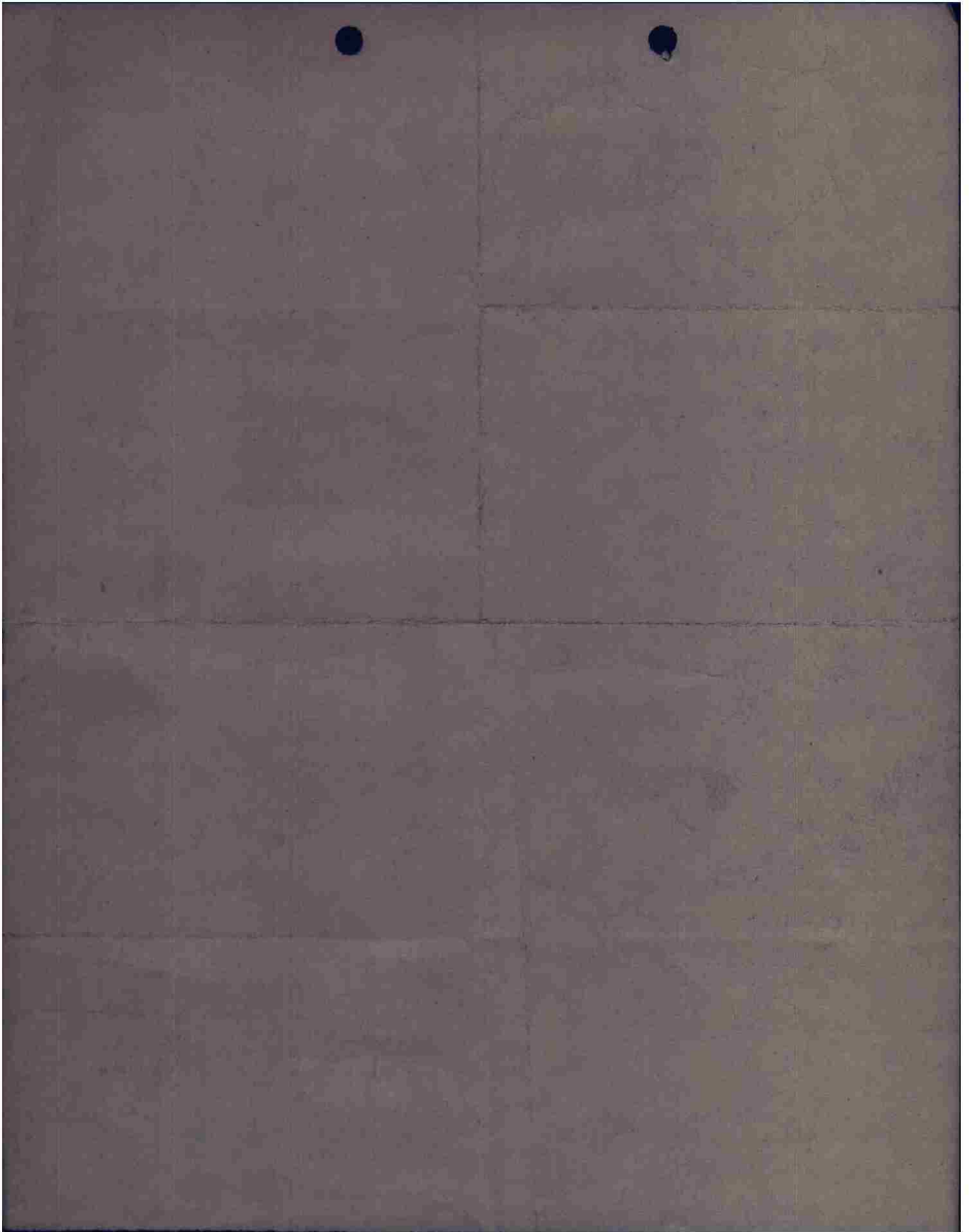
PHOTO COVERAGE
XXIX TAC/T-6 (NOT THE ANNOTATED AREAS) 5007E/5008
- (5) THE 409TH GROUP WILL BE THE FIRST GROUP IN THE BOMB DIVISION TO BOMB IN THIS AREA, FOLLOWED BY THE 416TH GROUP TEN MINUTES LATER. THEREAFTER, OTHER WINGS WILL ATTACK OTHER STORAGE BUILDINGS NEARBY.

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03/0235A BT

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OIJES R.....03/0300A	FR	AR
OIJKI R.....03/0300A	DM	AR



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FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP 03/1930A
TO CG, 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION, ATT A-2
CG, 97TH COMBAT WING, ATT A-2
BT

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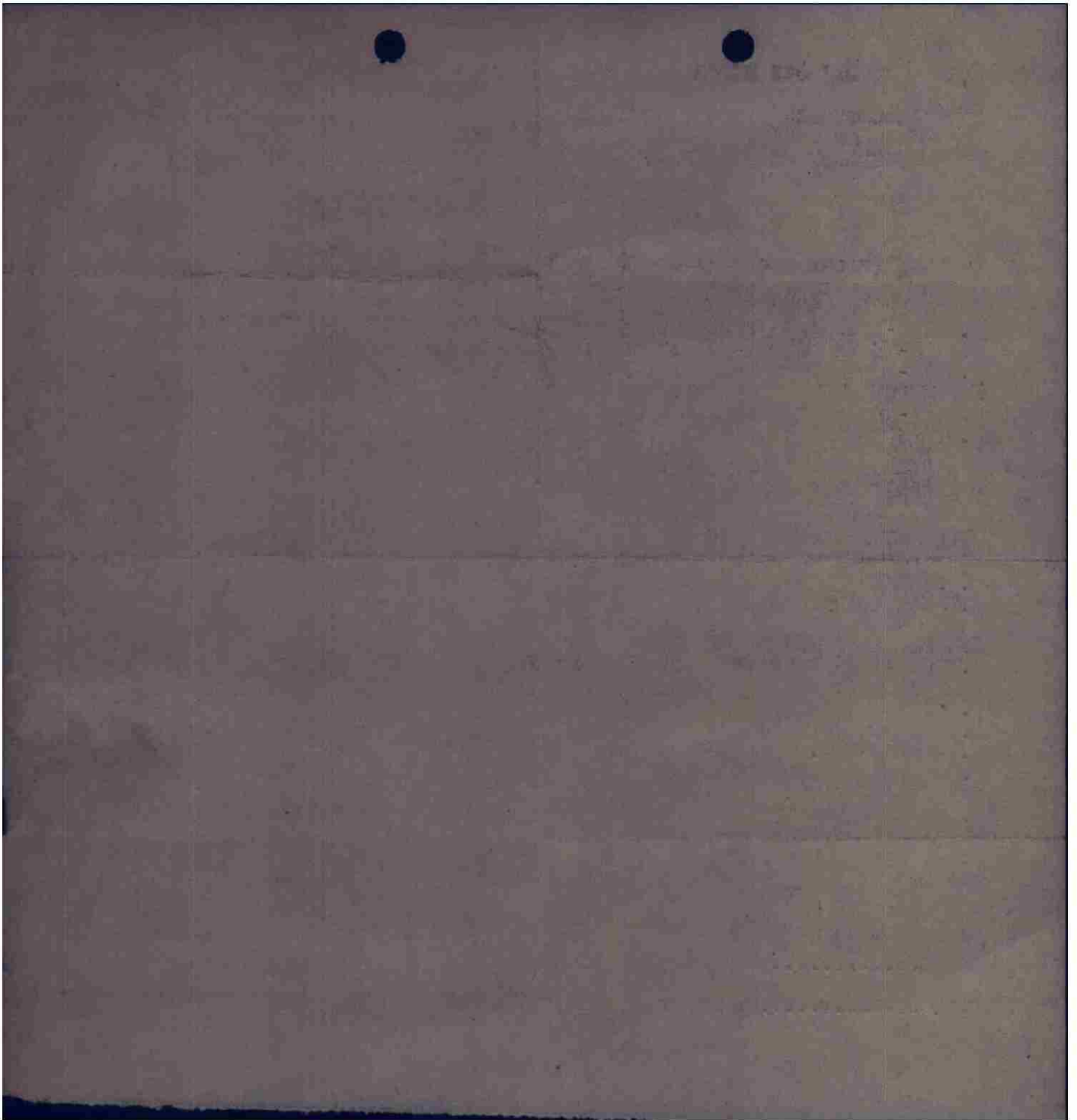
- A. 416TH BOMB GROUP
- B. BERG-GLADBACH STORAGE BUILDINGS (F-565655)
- C. 7 A-20S AND 15 A-26S (INCLUDING 3 A-20 A/C CARRYING WINDOW ONLY)
- D. 4 A-20S AND 15 A-26S (1 A-20 AND 6 A-26S TACKED ON TO 409TH TO BOMB AFTER LOSING OUR FORMATION IN ASCENT THROUGH OVERCAST)
- E. 3 A-20S (CARRIED WINDOW ONLY)
- F. 16 X 500 GP (BY A-20S) ON PRIMARY
36 X 1000GP (BY A-26S) ON PRIMARY
2 X 1000 GP (BY A-26S) FELL OUR. BOMBS HUNG UP AT TARGET BUT FELL ONTO BOMB DOORS AFTER THEY WERE CLOSED. ONE SHIP REOPENED DOORS IMMEDIATELY AND BOMB FELL JUST OFF TARGET. OTHER SHIP OPENED DOORS AT RP (ROSBACH - F912445), MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION OF SHACKLES.
- G. UNOBSERVED - BOMBED ON PPF
- H. 2 A-20S CAT "A" DAMAGE (FLAK)
2 A-26S CAT "A" DAMAGE (FLAK)
- I. NIL
- J. MODERATE ACCURATE HEAVY FLAK AT TARGET
WEAK INACCURATE HEAVY FLAK AT SAARBURG (L-245133)
- K. NIL
- L. 13,5000 (INDICATED)
- M. 1531 HOURS.
- N. LEADER CALLED SWEEPSTAKES 5 MINUTES BEFORE REACHING IP. CONTACT SATISFACTORY.
- Y. FLIGHT LEADERS OF GROUP THOUGHT LEADERSHIP OF PPF A/C EXCELLENT.

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BT 031930A
ANN BB (P)

ITA R.....032157A IC KKK

JEA R.....03/2158A LCB KKKKK
S



ITA JEA V JKI JKI 22/03 P P

FROM COBOMGR 416 03/1700A
TO COMBOMDIV NINE ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER
COMBOMVIC 97 (INFO)
BT

CONFIDENTIAL 416BG F-69-J

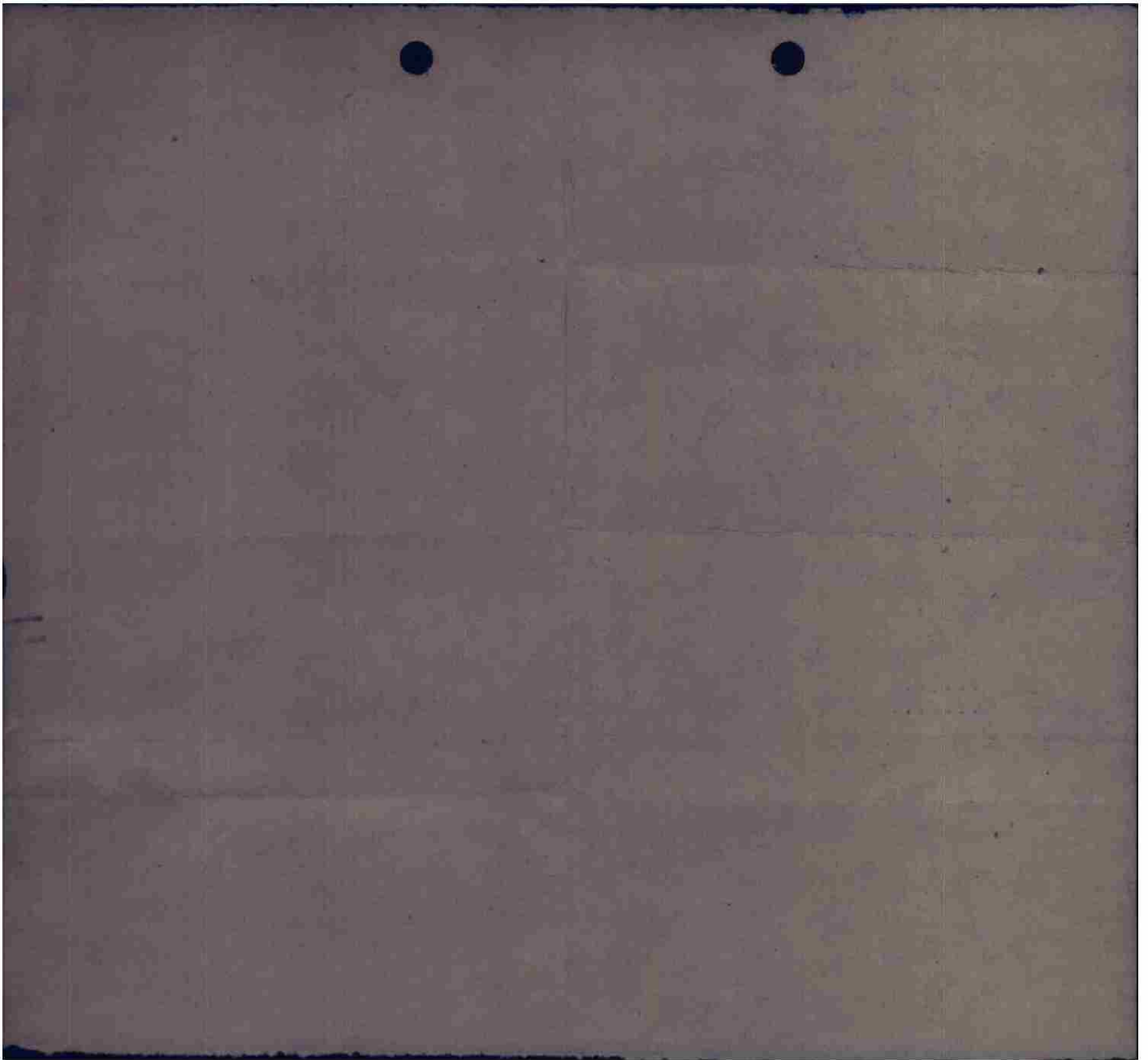
- A - Y3 - 27
- B - 3 FEBRUARY 1945 (1335-1700)
- C - J-JIG CALLED DIVISION HEADQUARTERS AFTER LEAVING TARGET AND REPORTED OPERATIONS COMPLETED.
- D - J-JIG CALLED FIGHTER GROUND CONTROL FOUR MINUTES BEFORE I.P. AND RECEIVED ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.
- E - NONE
- F - NONE
- G - NONE
- H - NONE
- I - NONE
- J - NONE
- K - NONE

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BT 031700A
ATTN: DD (OP)

ITA R.....032213A IC KKK
JEA R.....03/2213A LCB KKKK

ITA JEA V JI



ITA JEA V JKI JKI 23/03 OP OP
FROM 416TH BOMB GP. (L) P.I. 031915A
TO HQS. 9TH BOMB DIV. (M) ATT: A-2 P.I.
HQ. 97TH COMBAT WING ATT: STAFF DUTY OFFICER
BT

SECRET 416BG F-69-D0
B. BERG- GLADBACH
J. NO PHOTOS DUE TO CLOUD COVER.

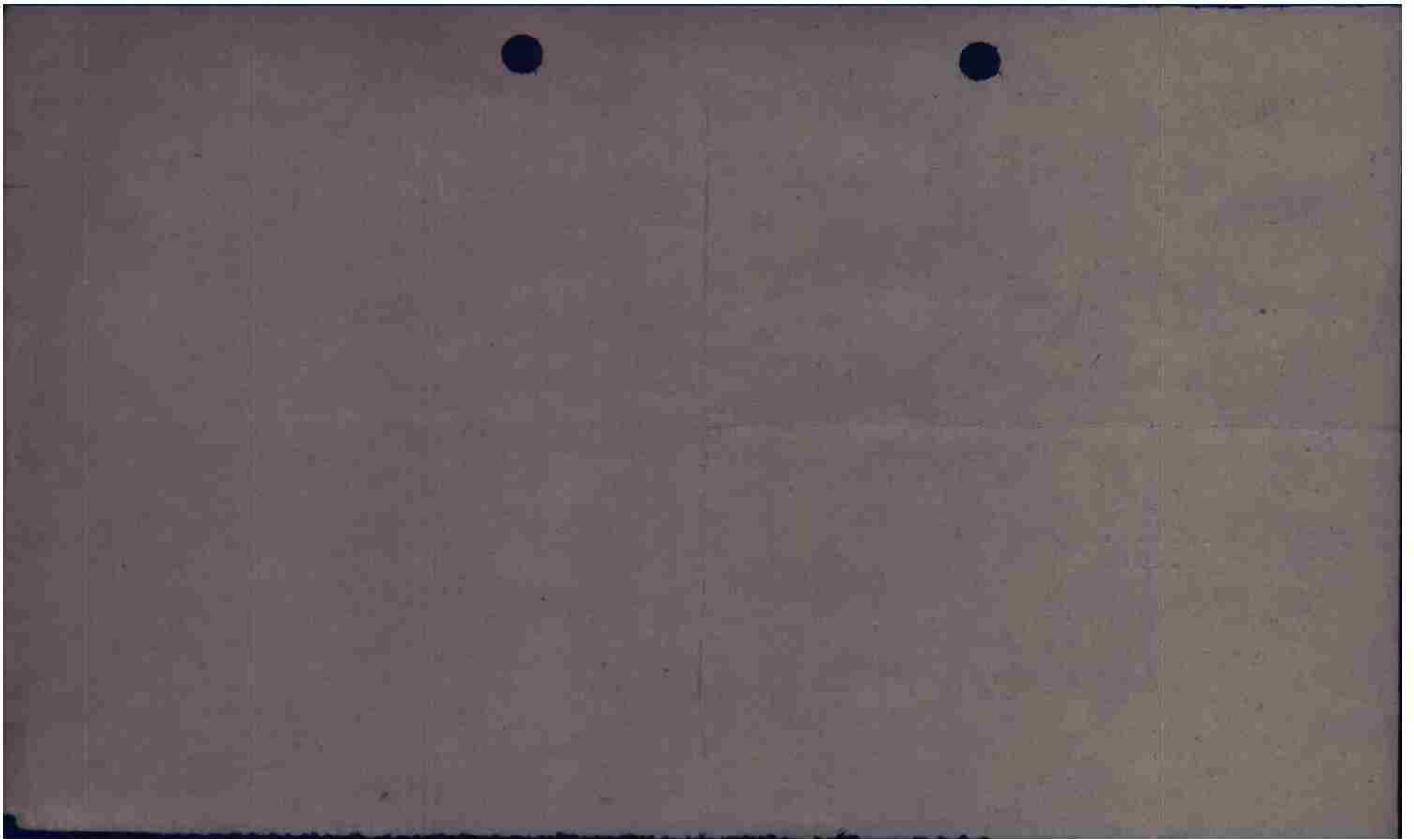
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BT 10 031915A
EJ BBB K(P)

ITA R.....032215A SB TIC
JEA R.....03/2218A LCB KKK

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ITA JEA V JKI JKI 24/03 P P
(ITA PASS TO JJF)

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 03/1900A
TO CO, 1ST PATHFINDER SQUADRON (PROV)
INFO COPY: CG, 97TH COMBAT BOMBARDMENT WING (L)
CG, 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M)

BT

CONFIDENTIAL 416BG F-67-E
REPORT ON PATHFINDER LEAD THIS DATE. PFF DID NOT PICK UP FORMATION
AT THIS FIELD ON ASSEMBLY BECAUSE HE FOLLOWED ONE OF THE GROUP FLIGHTS
WHO FAILED TO FIND THE GROUP FORMATION DUE TO BAD VISIBILITY.
HOWEVER PFF MET GROUP AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS. NAVIGATION WAS EXCELLENT.
TURN OFF TARGET WAS NOT STEEP ENOUGH. EVASIVE ACTION WAS NOT TAKEN ON
BOMB LINE OUT. PFF LEAD GENERALLY SATISFACTORY.

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BT 031900A
AMM BBB (P)

ITA R.....PZW09A HQV IKKK
JEA R.....03/2209A LCB KK

03/2209 (19)

ITA CAN TAKE OFF THE REPERF NOW PLS K

