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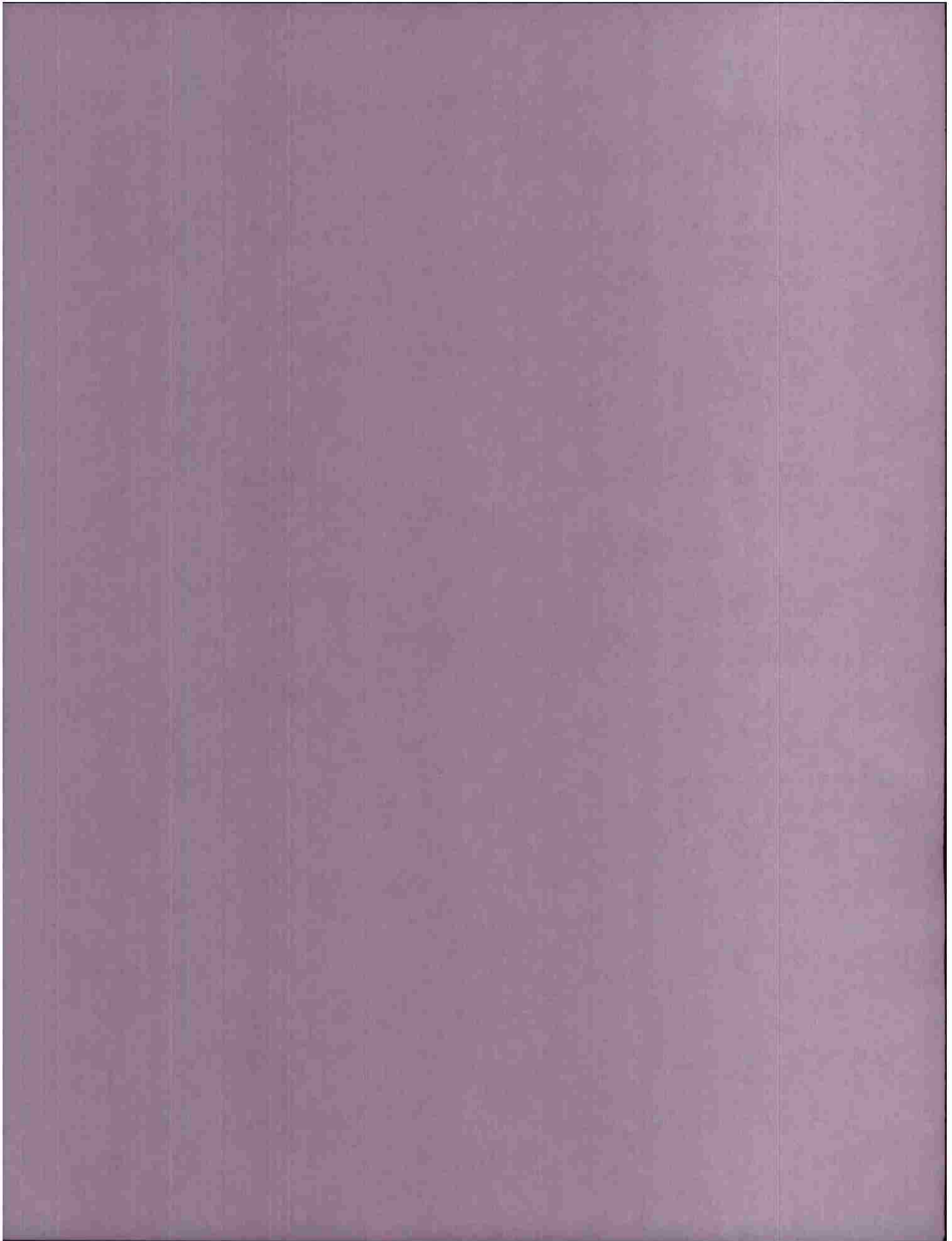
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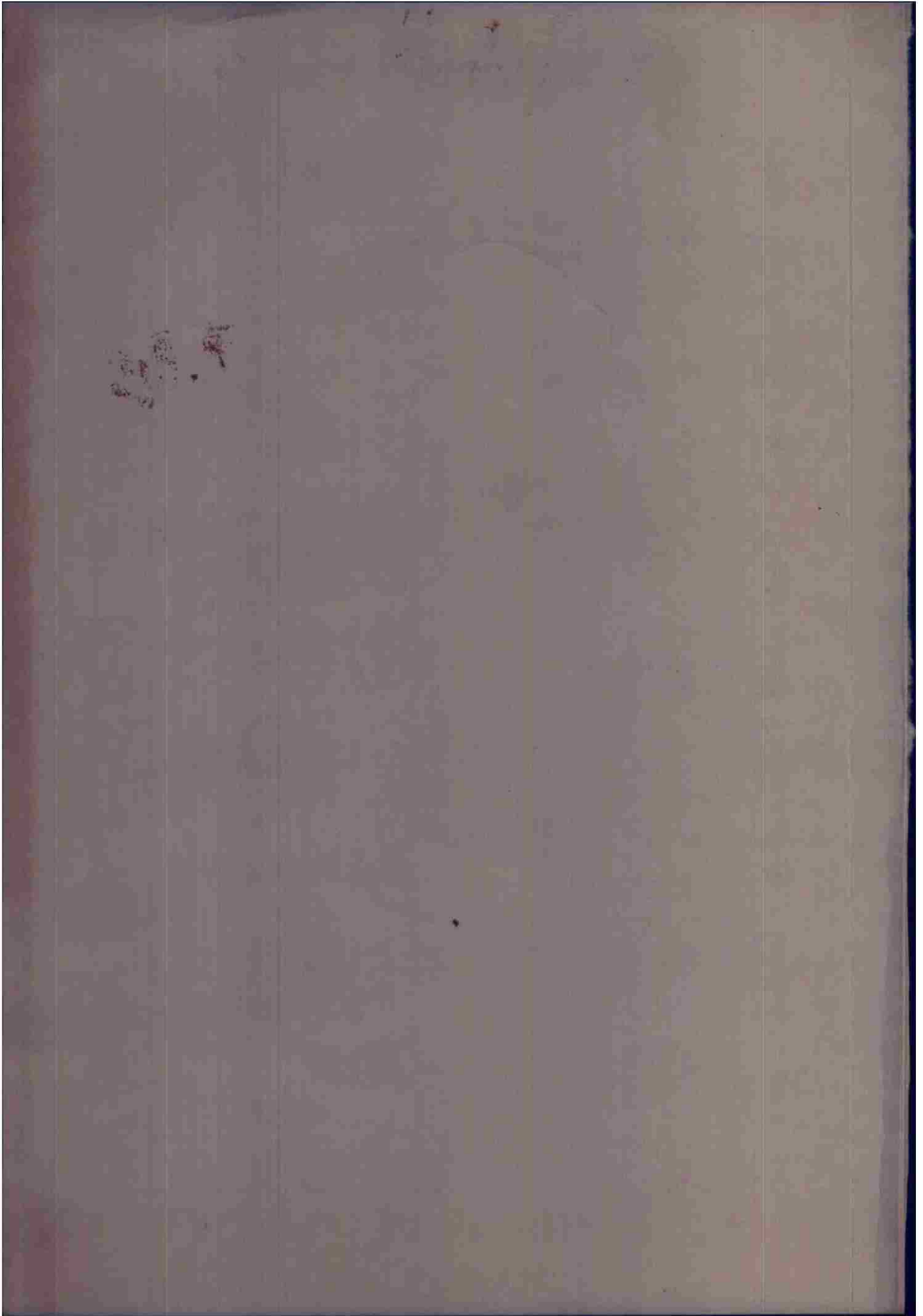
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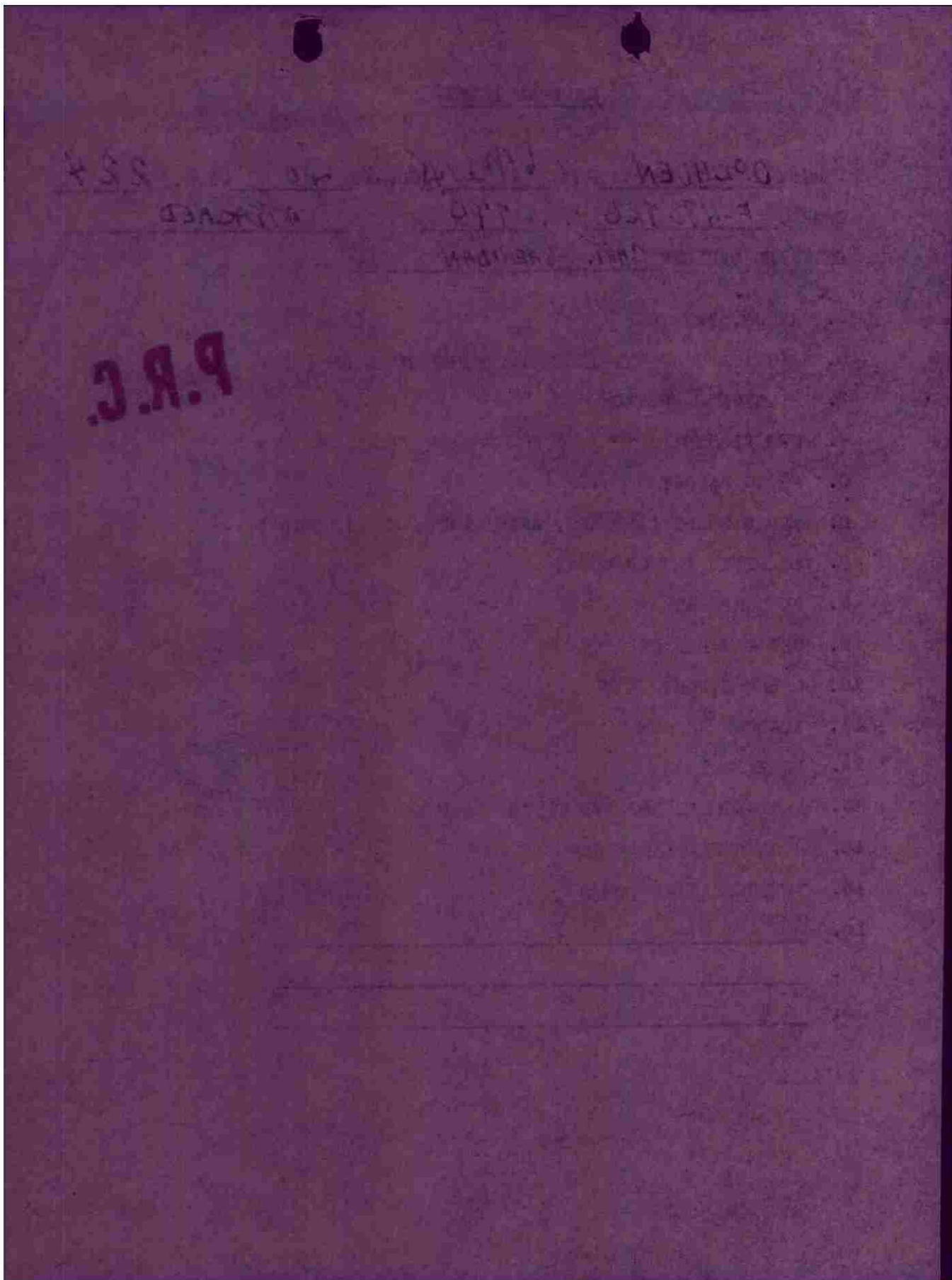
GENERAL INDEX

TARGET OPLADEN DATE 6 May 45 NO. A/C 40 MISS. # 224  
COORD. F-493 726 F.O. # 779 STATUS ATTACKED  
BRIEFING OFFICER CAPT. SHERIDAN

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*Mission Order*



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HEADQUARTERS  
9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M)

APO # 140  
7 March 1945

MISSION SUMMARY NO. 63

6 March 1945

Section I

Field Order 779

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>MISSION RESULTS</u>
397 BG	Siegburg (F-621445) Marshalling Yard	Box I - Undetermined (PTF) Box II - Undetermined (PTF GEL)
409 BG:	Recklinghausen (A-643334) Marshalling Yard	Undetermined (PTF)
394 BG	Recklinghausen (A-643334) Marshalling Yard	N.A.O. (GEL)
391 BG	Siegburg (F-620448) Storage Depot	Undetermined (PTF)
322 BG	Siegburg (F-620448) Storage Depot	Undetermined (PTF)
386 BG	Lenkerbeck (A-614408) Marshalling Yard	N.A.O. (PTFGEL)
410 BG	Opladen (F-493726) Marshalling Yard	Undetermined (PTF)
416 BG:	Opladen (Fp493726) Marshalling Yard	Undetermined (PTF)

- A -  
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S E C R E T

- B -

No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.  
Bombing by boxes on FFF lead from 13,000 - 13,500 feet.  
FFF called Ripaw on entering tactical area and obtained fix.  
No losses, damage, casualties.

391 BG: 35 a/c dispatched (including 2 FFF), 32 dropping 477 x 250 GP, 8 x 500 GP on and in vicinity of primary, 3 window a/c dropping 48 x 250 GP (Kirm I-690320) (GEB).

STICBURG (Storage Depot)

Box I - N.A.O. (GEB) Due to FFF equipment failure at primary target and group elected to bomb Bohum (A-630220). No photo coverage and Box II or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.  
Bombing by boxes on group lead (GEB) from 12,500 - 13,500 feet.

No call made for fix due to operation within TAF area.  
No losses, damage, casualties.  
4 a/c failed to bomb: 2, (including 1 FFF), mechanical; 2, weather.

394 BG: 35 a/c dispatched (including 1 FFF), 31 dropping 232 x 500 GP, 20 x 100 GP on OTHER.

No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.  
Bombing by boxes on FFF lead from 12,700 feet.  
No call made for fix due to operations within TAF area.

No losses, 2 a/c battle damaged, 3 crewmen missing from a/c referred to above as missing. This a/c was last seen in vicinity of its base, preparing to penetrate clouds prior to landing.  
4 a/c failed to bomb: 2, (including 1 FFF), mechanical; 2, weather.  
472 BG: 42 a/c dispatched (30 A-26, 11 A-20, 1 FFF), 39 (29 A-26, 9 A-20, 1 FFF) dropping 211 x 500 GP on primary. Bomb disposition unknown of one a/c (A-26) which is missing. 2 A-20 window a/c.

Recklinghausen M/Y

No photo cover or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.  
Bombing by boxes on FFF lead; Box I (Equipment), Box II (GEB); from 13,000 - 13,330 feet.  
FFF called Ripaw on entering tactical area and obtained desired fix.  
No losses, damage, casualties.  
1 a/c failed to bomb: weather.

397 BG: 37 a/c dispatched (including 2 FFF), 31 dropping 233 x 500 GP on primary. Bomb disposition unknown of a/c which landed at Kandweller. 3 window a/c, 1 spare.

Starburg M/Y

Seven groups attacked four marshaling yards and one storage depot. All results were UNDETERMINED. One group attacked OTHER target.

GROUP NARRATIVE

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SIEGEN (Storage Depot)

322 BG: 36 a/c dispatched (including 2 PFF), 31 dropping 227 x 500 IB, 8 x 500 GP on primary, 3 window a/c dropping 24 x 500 IB on window primary, Siegen (G-205530). 1 of above a/c jettisoned 4 x 500 IB at Nastatten, H-090775, after bombs hung up at primary. 1 a/c, due to engine trouble jettisoned 8 x 500 IB, safe, in open field immediately west of Souil (O-570035) (friendly territory).

1 a/c failed to bomb: mechanical.

No losses, damage, casualties.

PFF called Ripsaw on entering tactical area and obtained desired fix.

Bombing by boxes on PFF lead from 13,640 feet.

No photo cover or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

Lenkerbeck M/Y

386 BG: 34 a/c dispatched (23 A-26, 1 PFF), 28 (27 A-26, 1 PFF), dropping 162 x 500 Comp B, 4 x 500 GP on OTHER (Recklinghausen, A-635937) due to PFF equipment failure at primary, 4 dropping 24 x 500 Comp B on OTHER (Alstatte A-440930) (on ETA), 1 dropping 6 x 500 Comp B on OTHER (Lorch A-050615) on vector from Roselee.

1 a/c failed to bomb: weather.

No losses, 2 a/c battle damaged, no casualties

No call made for fix due to operation within TAF area.

Bombing by boxes on PFF lead (CEE) from 12,000 - 12,700 feet.

No photo cover or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

Onladen M/Y

410 BG: 39 a/c dispatched (35 A-20, 3 B-26-window a/c, 1 PFF), 35 (34 A-20, 1 PFF) dropping 202 x 500 GP on primary. 3 window a/c.

1 a/c failed to bomb: mechanical.

No losses, 1 a/c damaged, 1 Cat E resulting from nose wheel buckling after single engine landing at Charleroi, 1 Cat AC when it hit tree tops descending through the overcast. Detailed information is lacking on damage done to another a/c which crash-landed at O-658135, 10 miles NNW of Veuziers. Reason for crash-landing is undetermined.

2 a/c and 6 crewmen are missing. Both these a/c peeled out of formation in the clouds at 10,000 feet approximately 10 minutes after bombing.

PFF called Roselee on entering tactical area and obtained desired fix.

Bombing by boxes on PFF lead from 12,000 - 12,500 feet.

No photo cover or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.

- C -

S E C R E T

SECTION 1

- 2 -

2 crews of the second box reported 2-3 bursts of heavy flak on the second run at the target. This box also made a circuit of the city of Bonn while making the second run without encountering any flak. After the 2nd run had been made, the

A/C OVER ENEMY TERRITORY	286
A/C LOST TO FLAK	0
A/C BATTLE DAMAGED	7
% A/C BATTLE DAMAGED	1.4%
Stasbourg M/V	397 GP.
A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Battle Damaged	0
% A/C Battle Damaged	0

FLAK ANALYSIS ANNEX

416 BG: 9-10/10 alto-cumulus, tops 10000 feet. Visi-  
bility unlimited.

410 BG: 10/10 alto-cumulus, tops 11500 feet. Visi-  
bility excellent above cloud.

386 BG: 10/10 multi-layer clouds, tops 10-11000 ft.  
10/10 cirrus, base 18000 feet. Visibility  
unlimited aloft.

322 BG: 10/10 multi-layer clouds, tops 11000 feet.  
5/10 thin medium cloud, base 14-15000 feet.  
Visibility unlimited aloft.

391 BG: 10/10 multi-layer clouds, tops 11000 feet.  
Visibility unrestricted above clouds.

394 BG: 10/10 cloud, tops 10000 feet, 3/10 patchy  
cloud base 15000 feet. Visibility 10-15  
miles air to air.

409 BG: 10/10 alto-cumulus, tops 10000 feet.  
Visibility unlimited.

397 BG: 10/10 stratified cloud base estimated 2000  
feet, tops 11000 feet, cloud in sheets of  
stratus and stratocumulus. Visibility un-  
limited above cloud. Light rime ice in  
cloud.

Opfaden

Leckenbeck

Stasbourg

Necklinshausen

WEATHER: Strasbourg

OBSERVATIONS

GROUP	NO. A/C	CLASSIFICATION	REASON
394	1	Mechanical	Loss of power in left engine.
	1 (PF)	Mechanical	Equipment failure.
322	1	Mechanical	Right engine cutting out.
410	1 (A-20)	Mechanical	Runway prop.

FAILURES TO BOMB

SECTION 1

## S E C R E T

FF a/c of this box made a left turn off the target and again flew over the city of Bonn. The box then followed a SW course to friendly territory, passing over the following points: Rheinbach (F-445260), Schonau (F-410180), Tonderf (F-280085) Dahlem (L-155980) and Losheim (L-030965). This route was flown in 10/10 cloud and no breaks in the clouds at any point. No flak was encountered. Had any large breaks in the clouds been present it is probable that the formation would have encountered at least moderate accurate heavy flak as there are about 170 guns plotted along the route that would have been in range.

<u>Recklinghausen M/Y</u>	<u>409, 394 Gp.</u>
A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Battle Damaged	2
% A/C Battle Damaged	2.74%

Both groups reported weak inaccurate heavy flak at target. The 394 Gp. reported 5 bursts of red flak at Coesfeld and moderate inaccurate flak at Dortmund. The red bursts were probably signals to fighters that a/c were in the vicinity. However, no combat resulted.

<u>Siegburg Storage Depot</u>	<u>391, 322 Gp.</u>
A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Battle Damaged	0
% A/C Battle Damaged	0

The 391 Gp. encountered weak inaccurate heavy flak at the target and at Koblenz, Bonn and Remagen. The 322 Gp. encountered no flak. 10/10 cloud cover probably kept the gunners inactive.

<u>Lankenbeck M/Y</u>	<u>386 Gp.</u>
A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Battle Damaged	2
% A/C Battle Damaged	6.06%

Weak accurate heavy flak encountered at target. 10/10 cloud is probably responsible for the flak not being more intense.

<u>Opladen M/Y</u>	<u>410, 416 Gp.</u>
A/C Lost to Flak	0
A/C Battle Damaged	0
% A/C Battle Damaged	0

The 410 Gp. reported weak inaccurate heavy flak in target area. No flak was encountered by the 416 Gp. The artillery of the VII Corps fired counter flak fire on 3 gun positions for the 410 Gp. A total of 60 rounds were fired. For the 416 Gp. 88 rounds were fired on 7 gun positions. The positions not fired on while the 410 Gp. was over the target was probably the guns that were in action delivering weak inaccurate fire. The artillery probably were able to locate this position as they were firing and covered them for the 416 Gp.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT REACTION

T.O.T.'s: 1520 to 1631

No e/a encountered during mission.

There was no photo coverage of any of the attacks due to cloud cover over the targets. It was the 14th straight day of operations for the medium and light bombers.

299	Aircraft dispatched .....
286	Aircraft over enemy territory .....
0	Bomber losses .....
459	Bomb tonnage .....
3	Residential yards attacked .....
4	Communications centers attacked .....
1	Storage depots attacked .....

NINTH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION HEADQUARTERS, FRANCE, March 6 - Following are operational statistics for combined missions of B-26 Invaders, A-20 Havocs and A-26 Invaders of Ninth Bombardment Division Tuesday:

Only scattered flak was encountered and no enemy aircraft were seen. All of the bombers returned.

The Siegburg storage depot, a large area containing 45 buildings, was reported to be filled with supplies for defenses being strengthened in the Cologne area.

All of the railway yards were reported to be active previous to the attacks. Reconnaissance indicated that more than 2,000 rail wagons were in the Hecklinghausen yard and 1,000 in nearby centers. Others were believed to be jammed with freight and supplies intended for use in the defense of the Ruhr Valley.

Other forces of Invaders and Invaders flew over the cloud-hidden Ruhr Valley to bomb railway yards at Recklinghausen, Germany, and communications in the Ruhr town of Bochum. Recklinghausen, located approximately 12 miles northeast of Dortmund and nearby Bochum, are on important rail lines seven miles northeast of Dortmund.

The heaviest attack was on Siegburg, 16 miles southeast of Cologne, where a railway yard and a large supply depot were bombed by more than 100 Invaders. A second railway yard in the Cologne area at Oiden, nine miles north of the large Rhine city, was attacked by more than 70 Invaders and Havocs.

Approximately 275 B-26 Invaders, A-26 Invaders and A-20 Havocs participated in the 14th consecutive day of operations by Ninth Bombardment Division bombers. All of the bombing was carried out with the aid of instruments with unobserved results.

Late today, continuing their offensive against German attempts to mass troops and equipment for the defense of the Ruhr Valley. NINTH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION HEADQUARTERS, FRANCE, March 6 - Medium and light bombers attacked busy railway centers and a supply depot through dense clouds

PUBLIC RELATIONS  
FIVE SECTIONS

MISSION # 224- 6 March 1945.

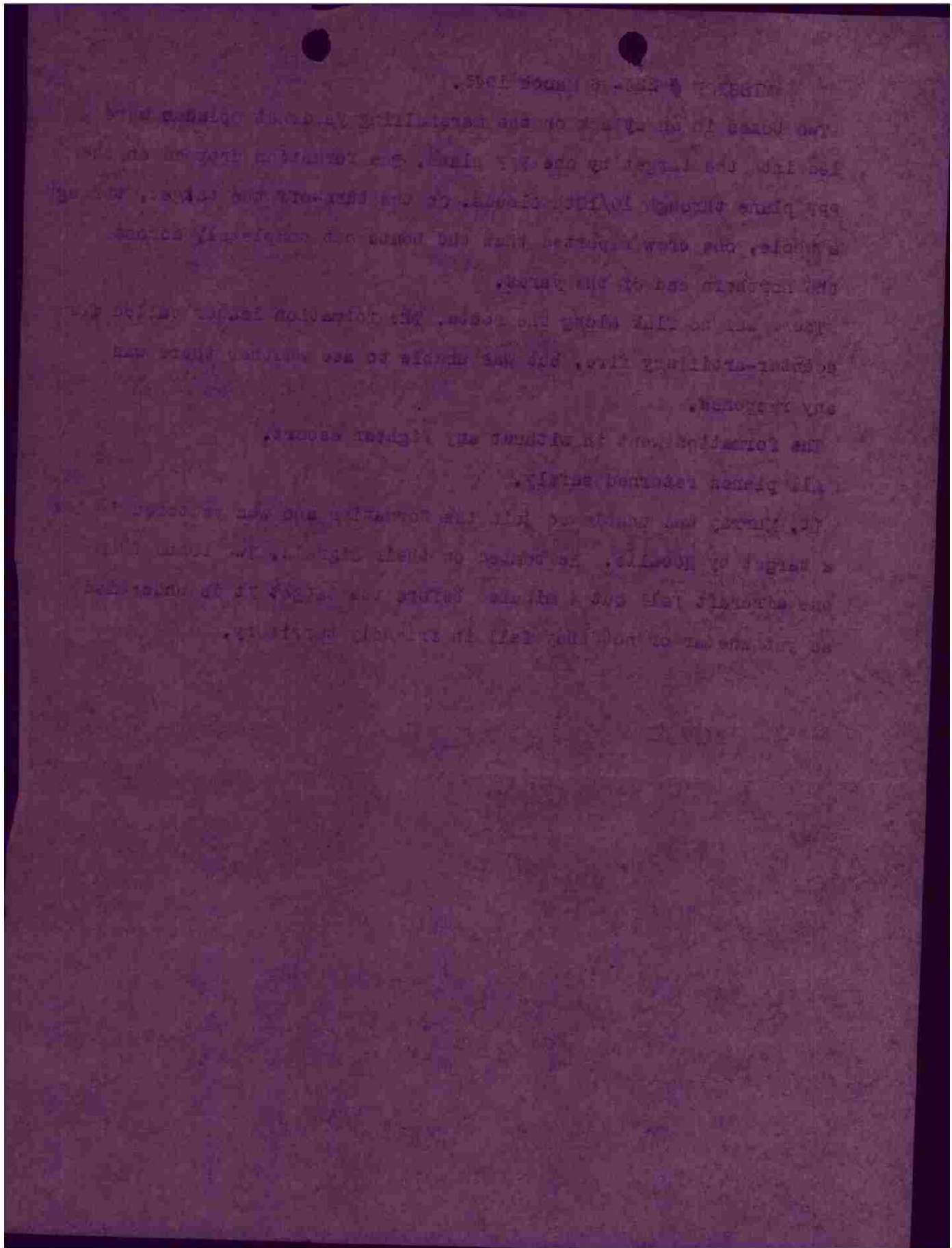
Two boxes in an attack on the marshalling yards at Opladen were led into the target by one PPF plane. The formation dropped on the PPF plane through 10/10th clouds. On the turn-off the target, through a hole, one crew reported that the bombs cut completely across the northern end of the yards.

There was no flak along the route. The formation leader called for counter-artillery fire, but was unable to see whether there was any response.

The formation went in without any fighter escort.

All planes returned safely.

It. Murray was unable to join the formation and was vectored in the a target by ~~Rosalee~~ <sup>ROSELEE.</sup> He bombed on their signals. Two bombs from one aircraft fell out 4 minutes before the target. It is undetermined as yet whether or not they fell in friendly territory.



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FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 06/1920A  
 TO CG 9TH BOMB DIVISION ATT: A-2  
 CG 97TH COMBAT WING ATT: A-2  
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416BG R-134-D  
 OPFLASH FOR 6MARCH 1945

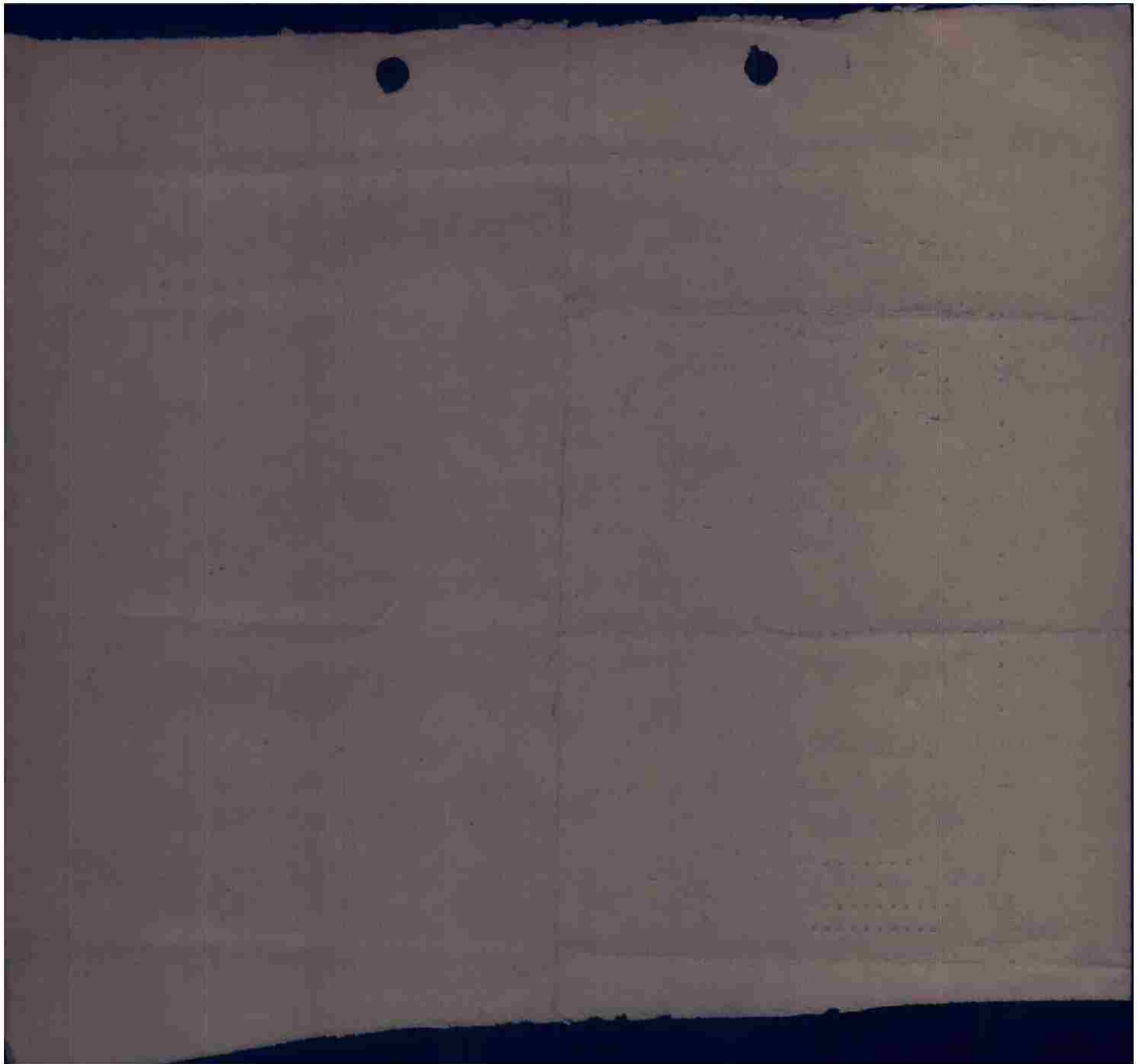
- A. 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)
- B. OPLADEN MARSHALLING YARD
- C. 40 A-26'S, INCLUDING 3 CARRYING WINDOW ONLY
- D. 36 A-26'S ON PRIMARY  
 1 A226 VECTORED TO TARGET BY ROSELEE
- E. 3 A-26'S CARRIED WINDOW ONLY
- F. 2 X 500 GP RETURNED (MECHANICAL) REASON AS YET UNDETERMINED  
 212 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY  
 6 X 500 ON TARGET DESIGNATED BY ROSELEE  
 2 X 500 FELL OUZ WHEN BOMB BAY DOORS OPENED AT 1612, BELIEVED  
 TO HAVE FALLEN AT (F-335840)
- G. EXCELLENT CONCENTRATION ACROSS NORTH SECTION OF M/Y (OBSERVED BY  
 BN.)
- H. NIL
- I. NIL
- J. NIL
- K. NIL
- L. 12400
- M. 1616

RADETSKY COBOMGR 416

BT 06/1920A  
 RSS BBB

JK JEA R.....  
 CC UNDER D. SECOND LINE 1 A-26 VECTORED TO TARGET BY ROSELEE  
 JEA R.....06/2036A CES KKKK  
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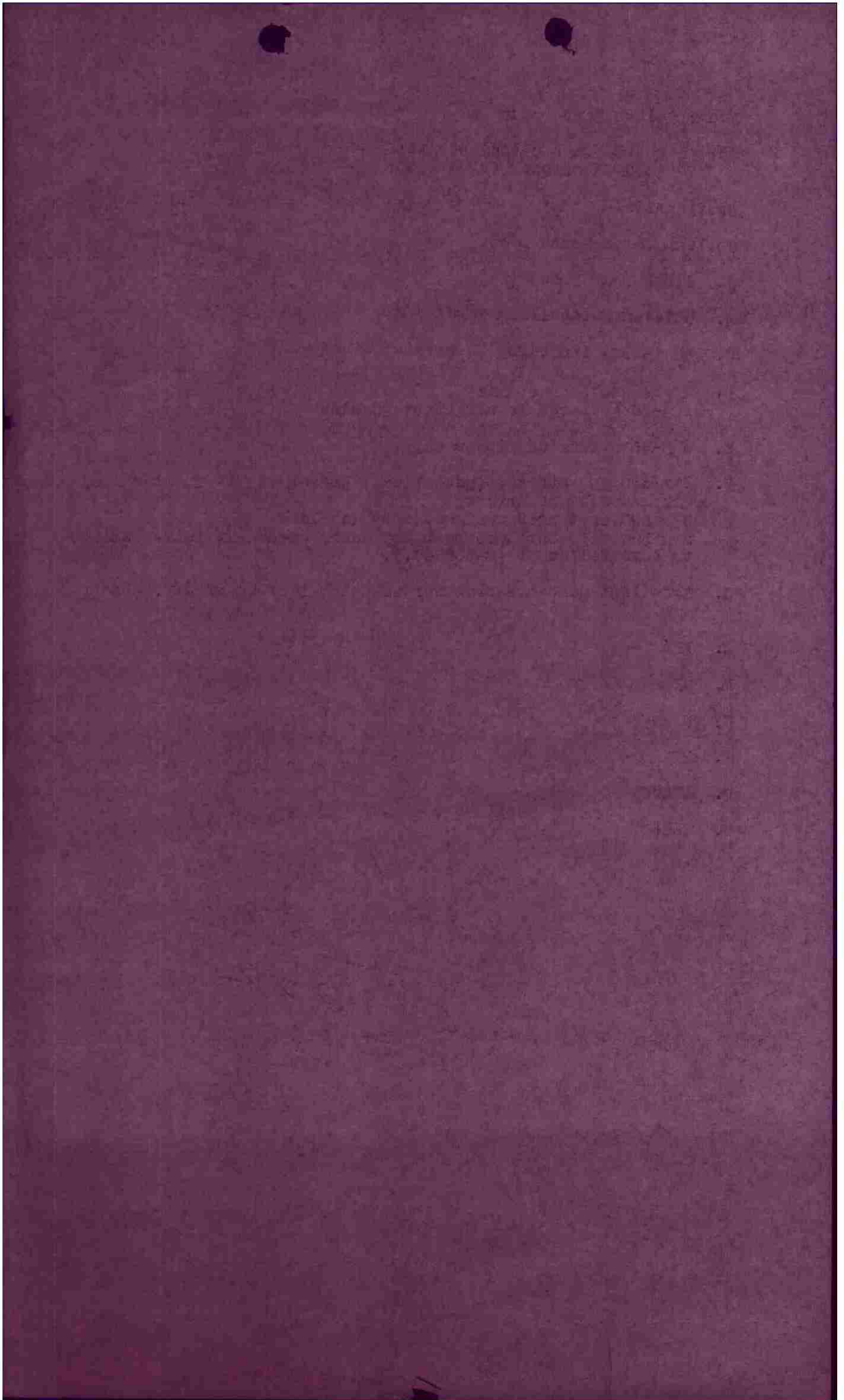
To: CG 9th Bomb Division Att: A-2  
CG 97th Combat Wing Att: A-2

Confidential

Opflash for 6 March 1945

- A. 416th Bomb Group (L)
- B. Opladen Marshalling Yard
- C. 40 A-26s, including 3 carrying window only
- D. # 36 A26's on primary  
1 S-26 vectored to target by Roselee
- E. 3 S-26's carried window only
- F. 2 x 500 GP returned (Mechanical) Reason as yet undetermined  
212 x 500 GP on Primary  
6 x 500 on target designated by Roselae  
2 x 500 fell out when bomb bay doors opened at 1612, believed to have fallen at (F-335840.).
- G. Excellent concentration across north section of M/Y. (observed by BN.)
- H. NIL
- I. NIL
- J. NIL
- K. NIL
- L. 12400
- M. 1616

*Handwritten:*  
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TO: CG 9<sup>th</sup> Bomb. Division, Att: A-2  
 CG 97<sup>th</sup> Combat wing Att: A-2

From: 416<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group  
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Ops flash for 6 March 1945

A. 416<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group

B. Opladen M/y (F-493744)

C. 40 A26s, (including 3 carrying window only.)

D. 36 A26s ON PRIMARY  
 1 A26 VECTORED TO TARGET BY ROSELEE

E. 3 A26s (CARRIED WINDOW ONLY)

F. 2x500 RETURNED (MECHANICAL) REASON AS YET UNDETERMINED  
 212 x500 ON PRIMARY  
 6 x500 ON TARGET DESIGNATED BY ROSELEE.

G. 2x500 FELL OUT WHEN TOMB REAR DOORS OPENED AT 1612.  
 EXCELLENT CONC. ACROSS NORTH SECTION OF  
 M/y. (OBSERVED BY BN) @

H. NIL

I. NIL

J. NIL

K. NIL

L. 12400

M. 1616

BELIEVED TO HAVE FALLEN  
 AT (F-335840)

(MECHANICAL)

Bombs dropped safe.



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FROM HQ 416 TH BOMB GROUP (L) 06/1800A  
TO HQ 9TH BOMB DIVISION ATT: A-2 P.I. OFFICER  
HQ 97TH COMBAT WING ATT: A-2 DUTY OFFICER  
SECRET BT

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*7/03/30*

416BG R-136-D  
FIRST PHASE S/A PHOTO REPORT

B. OPLADEN M/Y  
J. NO PHOTOS DUE TO CLOUD COVER

RADETSKY COBOMGR 416  
BT 06/2000A  
RSS BBB TO JEDM

JEA R.....06/2047A SS AR  
JEDM R.....06/2047A CLEV BBB TO BOTH PLS TIC JEA

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FROM 416TH BOMB GP. 06/1530A

TO C.G. 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING ATT: A-2

BT

SECRET 416BC R-127-D REFER TWX 97TH CBW F-229-E 26-2-45

PARAGRAPHS 1 & 3; MAP SERIES 4414 SHEET 4908

IF BY BOXES ONE EACH ON 49107420 AND 49127370; IF BY FLIGHTS  
TWO EACH ON 49127370 AND 49107420, ONE EACH ON 49067440 AND  
49147396.

PARAGRAPHS 2 & 4; WIPPERFURTH RR JUNCTION (F 76490031)

BT 1510A

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JEA R.....06/1530A RL AR

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FROM 416TH BOMB GP. 86/1530A

TO C.G. 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING ATT: A-2

BT

SECRET 416BG R-127-D REFER TWX 97TH CBW F-229-E 26-2-45

PARAGRAPHS 1 & 3; MAP SERIES 4414 SHEET 4988

IF BY BOXES ONE EACH ON 49187428 AND 49157378; IF BY FLIGHTS  
TWO EACH ON 49157378 AND 49187428, ONE EACH ON 49867448 AND  
49147396.

PARAGRAPHS 2 & 4; WIPPERFURTH RR JUNCTION (F 76498831)

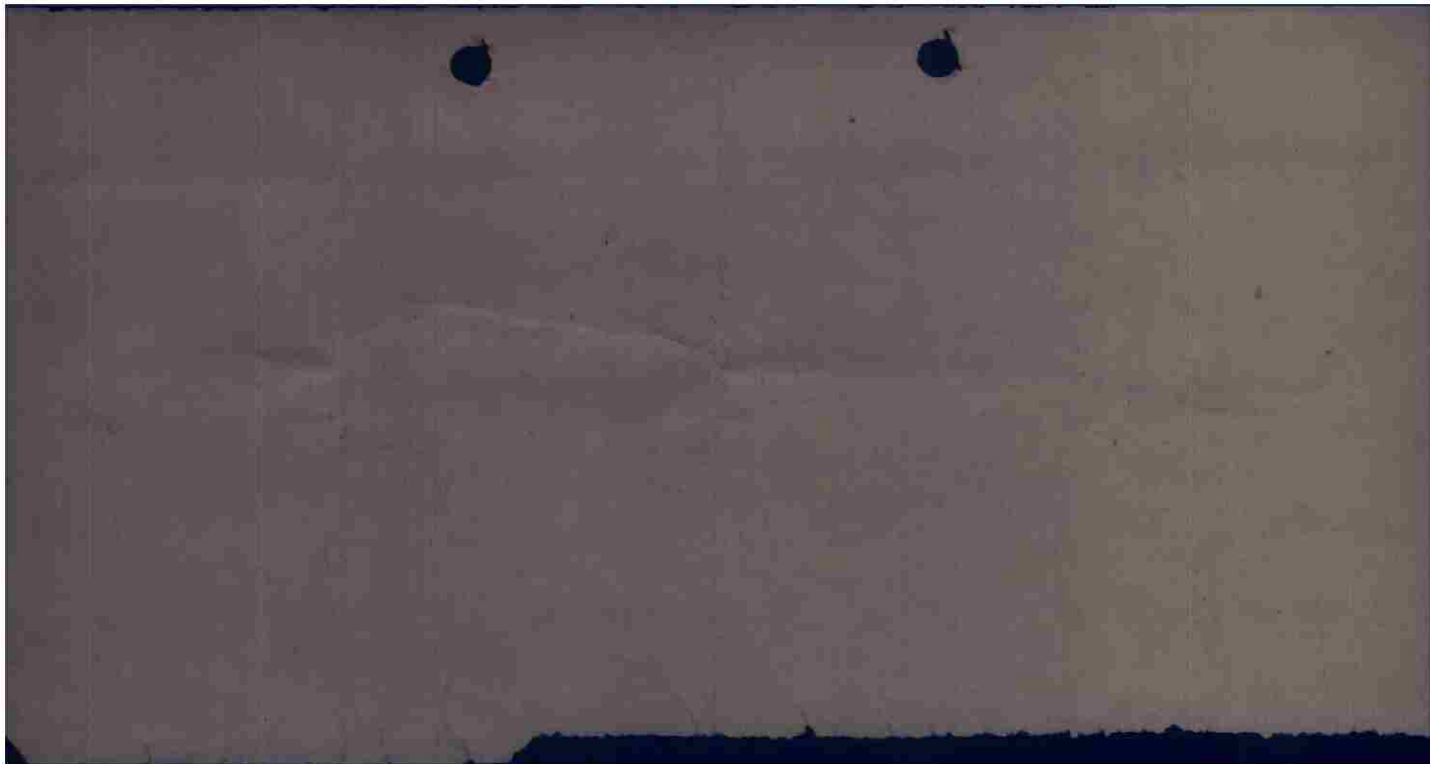
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WFG AR

JEA R.....86/1530A RL AR

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TO : COMBOMDIV IX  
409TH BOMB GROUP.  
410TH BOMB GROUP.  
416TH BOMB GROUP.  
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQDN.

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RECEIVED  
APR 11 1945  
INTELLIGENCE  
51st Air Command Group

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

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING  
APO 140  
06 MARCH 1945.

ANNEX NO. 3 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 193-779. R-64-E

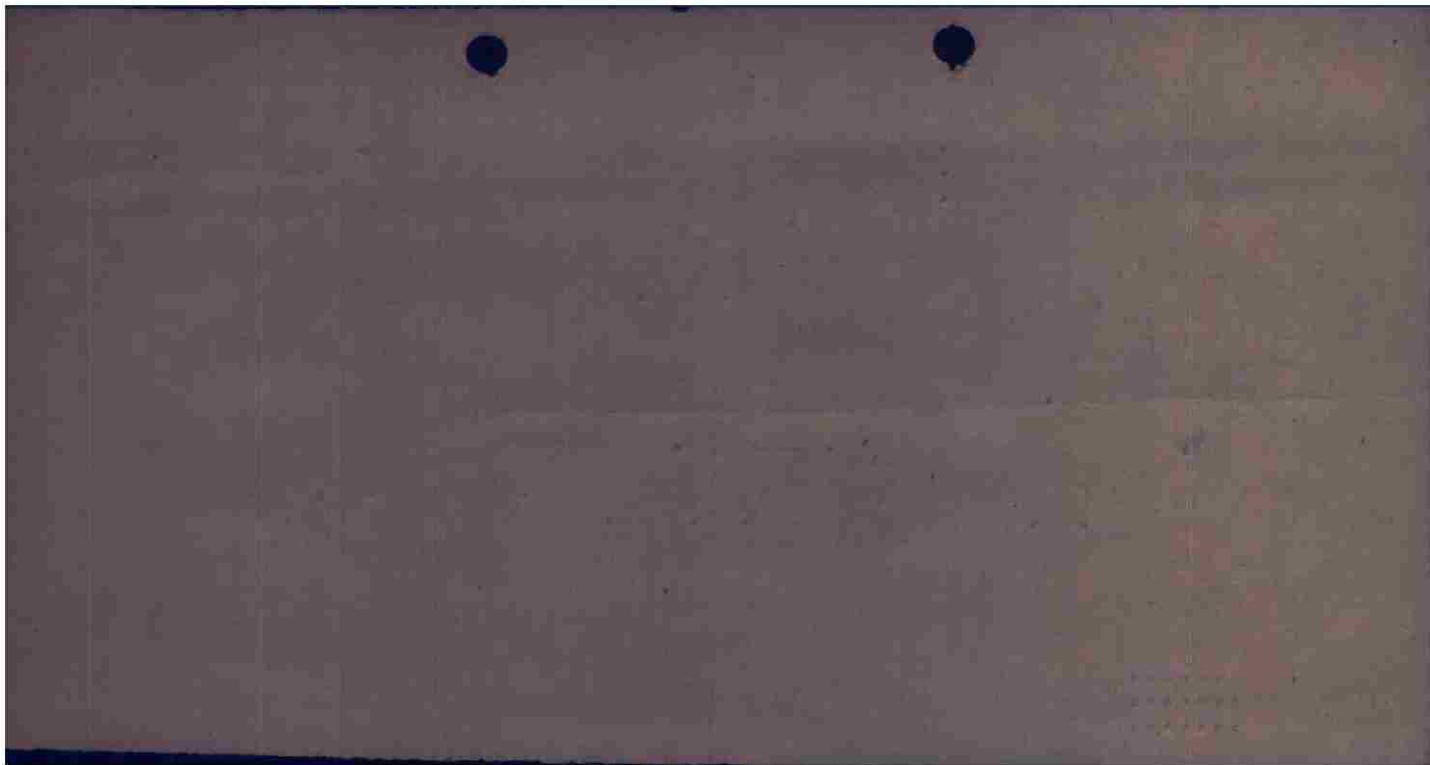
CHANGE PLAN "B" ZERO YOUR TO READ: 06/1500A ADD. PARA, 5. A. (3) THUNDER  
CANCEL PARA, 5. B. (3) AND PARA, 5. C. (3).

COMCBTWIC 97  
BT 06/1145A  
WCB BBB

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JPO R.....06/1212A CEN KKKK

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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L)  
TO COMBOMDIV NINE  
COBOMGP 409  
COBOMGP 410  
COBOMGP 416  
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQD.

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R-59-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L)  
A P O 142  
06 MARCH 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 193-779

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMBLINE  
(2) THE 2 T.A.F. WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 409TH BOMB GROUP,  
THE XIX T.A.C. WILL FURNISH AREA COVER FOR THE 410TH AND  
416TH BOMB GROUPS.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY

ZERO HOUR PLAN "A" 06/1100A  
ZERO HOUR PLAN "B" 06/1100A

PLAN "A"

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) RECKLINGHAUSEN M/Y A-642336
- (2) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6
- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT E-5522 AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS  
10 MINUTES.
- (4) BASE TO FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS TO E-9143 TO A-2353 TO A-5387  
TO A-6888 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE
- (6) BOMB 12,500 FEET OR BELOW CLOUDS DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 8,000  
FEET. LOSE 1,000 FEET AFTER RELEASING BOMBS.
- (7) A-7954
- (8) GENERALLY NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST
- (9) N.P.T. ILL. (C) (1) 14/4. COVER M/Y BETWEEN REF. 030056  
AND REF. 060057. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
- (10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SECOND NOSE 1/100 SECOND TAIL.
- (11) A-7954
- (12) IN THE EVENT PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE BOMBED BY VISUAL MEANS  
OR GEE, AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH IX BOMB. DIV.  
CIPHER F-576-E (2-9-45) WILL BE ATTACKED.
- (13) EXTREME CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISED THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS  
WITHIN 5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS WILL NOT BE SELECTED.
- (14) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES AT FIGHTER  
RENDEZVOUS POINT AND WILL DO AFTER THAT WHENEVER FIGHTER  
LEADER REQUEST THEM.

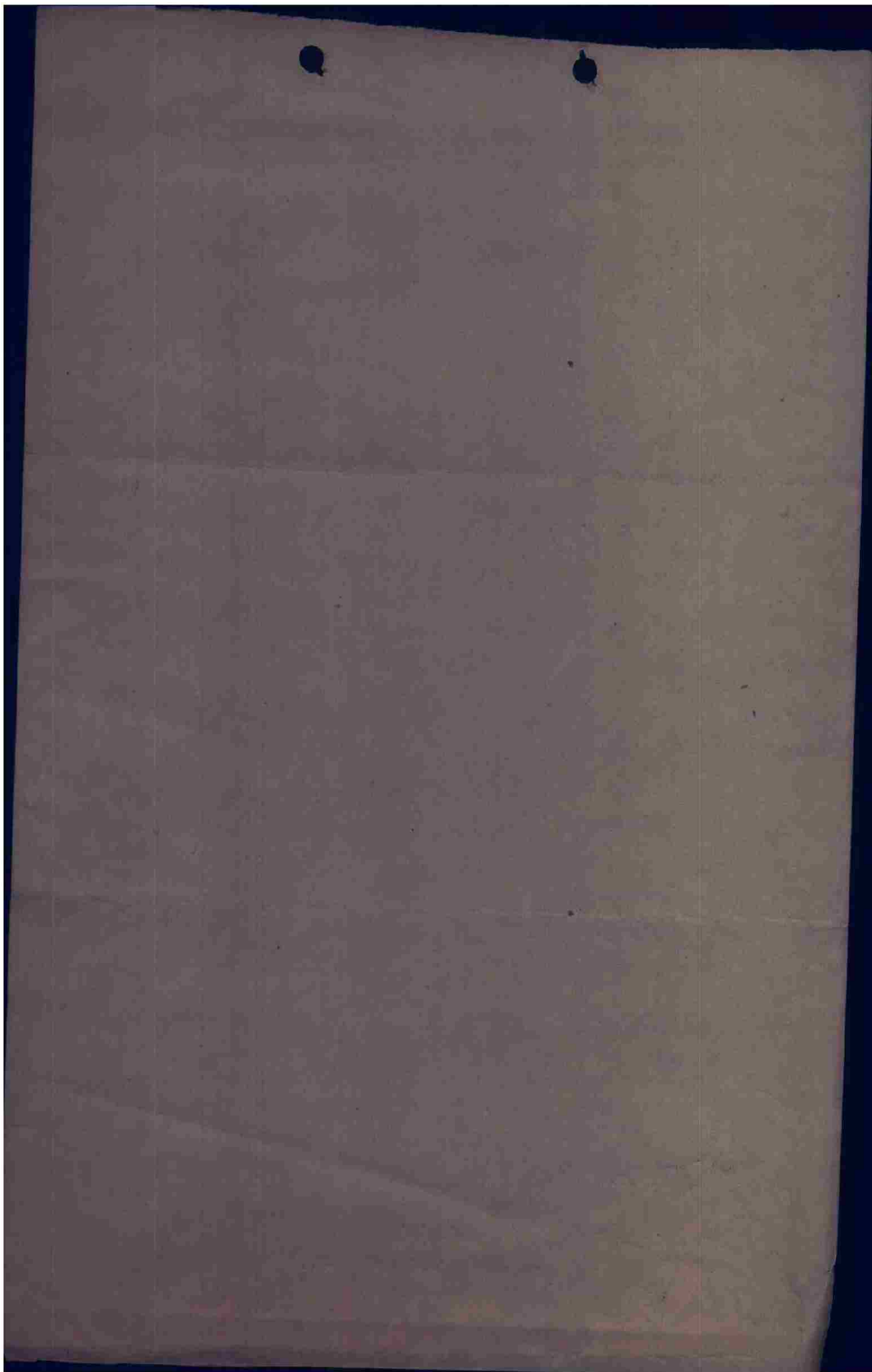
B. 410TH BOMB GROUP

- (10) 6 X 500 LB. GP. FUSED 1/10 SECOND NOSE 1/100 SECOND TAIL.
- (12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (10) 6 FLIGHTS 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SECOND NOSE 1/100  
SECOND TAIL.
- 3 FLIGHTS 4 X 1000 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SECOND NOSE 1/100  
SECOND TAIL.
- INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
- (12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 20 MINUTES.

7. (1) TO (4) NO CHANGE.



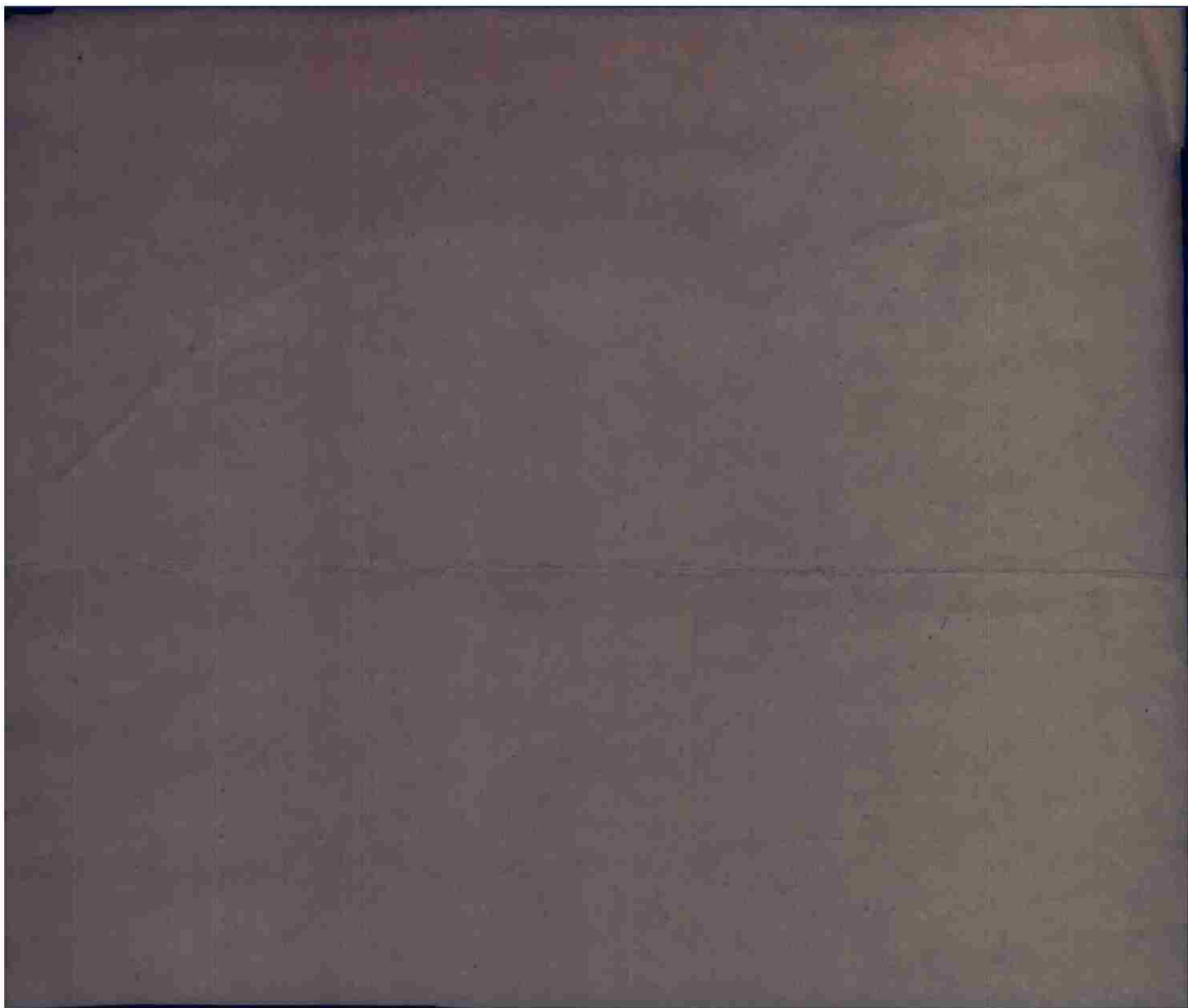
- (5) TARGET: OPLADEN M/V F-49374A
- (6) A/C REQUIRED: MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6.
- (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO K-8343 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
- (8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
- (9) ALTITUDES: BOMB 12,500 FEET OR BELOW CLOUDS DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 8,000 FEET. LOSE 1,000 FEET AFTER RELEASING BOMBS.
- (10) I.P. F-2674
- (11) AXIS OF ATTACK: GENERALLY WEST TO EAST
- (12) M.P.I. ILL. 64D)(1) 11/8 COVER M/V BETWEEN REF. 048068 AND REF. 051037
- (13) R.P. F-2674
- (14) PRIMARY TARGET WILL BE BOMBED BY VISUAL MEANS ONLY. IF PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE BOMBED VISUALLY AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH IX BOMB. DIV. CIPHER F-376-E (2-9-45) WILL BE ATTACKED.
- (15) EXTREME CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISED THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITHIN 5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS WILL NOT BE SELECTED.

## PLAN "B"

## 3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) RECKLINGHAUSEN M/V A-645336
- (2) 2 BOXES OF 16 A/C BOMBING ON ONE P.P.F. A/C
- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT E-3522 AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 06 MINUTES.
- (4) BASE TO FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS TO E-9143 TO A-2078 TO A-2393 TO A-5293 TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO A-7924 TO A-6880 TO A-2078 AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
- (6) BOMB 12,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE FOR VISUAL BOMBING 8,000 FEET.
- (9) M.P.I. ILL. 64D)(1) 14/4. COVER M/V BETWEEN REF. 030058 AND REF. 060057, TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES.  
P.P.F. M.P.I. GSGS 4414 SHEET NO. 4309. GRID. COORD. 64953355  
INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
- (10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SECOND NOSE 1/100 SECOND TAIL.
- (12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 40 MINUTES.
- (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-26 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO

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SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE P.P.F. A/C OR NOT.  
 IF BOMBING IS VISUAL GROUP WILL BOMB BY (A) FLIGHTS  
 (B) BOXES AND USE A-7954 AS A VISUAL I.P. IF VISUAL  
 CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST, GROUP WILL BOMB PRIMARY TARGET  
 IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY :

- (A) P.P.F.
  - (B) GROUP "GEE"
  - (14) AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH IX BOMB. DIV. CIPHER F-576-E (2-9-45) WILL BE ATTACKED.
  - (15) EXTREME CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISED THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITHIN 5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS WILL NOT BE SELECTED.
  - (16) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES AT FIGHTER RNDV. POINT AND WILL DO AFTER THAT WHENEVER FIGHTER LEADER REQUEST THEM.
- B. 416TH BOMB GROUP  
 (9) P.P.F. M.P.I. G.S.G.S. 4414 SHEET NO. 4908  
 GRID. COORD. 49107420  
 (12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 60 MIN.
3. C. 416TH BOMB GROUP  
 (9) P.P.F. M.P.I. G.S.G.S. 4414 SHEET NO 4908  
 GRID. COORD. 49157385. INTARVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.  
 (12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 80 MIN.
- X. (1) TO (4) NO CHANGE  
 FOR 409TH AND 416TH GROUPS ONLY.  
 (5) TARGET: OPLADEN M/V F-493744  
 (6) A/C REQ: 2 BOXES OF 15 BOMBING ON ONE PPF A/C  
 (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO E-5522 TO E-9905 TO TARGET  
 (8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN RIGHT TO F-2671 TO BASE  
 (9) ALTITUDES: BOMB 12,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE FOR VISUAL BOMBING 8000 FEET. LOSE 1000 FEET AFTER RELEASING BOMBS.  
 (10) M.P.I. ILL. 6(D) (1) 11/8 COVER M/V BETWEEN REF. 648000 AND REF 651037. TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES.  
 (11) 6X500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC NOSE 1/100 SEC TAIL.  
 (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-20 AND A-26 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE PPF A/C OR NOT. IF BOMBING IS VISUAL GROUPS WILL BOMB BY (A) FLIGHTS (B) BOXES AND USE F-2671 AS A VISUAL I.P. IF VISUAL CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST AND PPF EQUIPMENT FAILS GROUPS WILL ATTACK AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH IX BOMB. DIV. CIPHER F-576 E (2-9-45)  
 (13) EXTREME CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISED THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITHIN 5 MILES OF P/W. CAMPS WILL NOT BE SELECTED

A. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (645336)

- (2) TABLESPOON
- (4) ROSELEE

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP (493726)

- (2) PROCTOR
- (3) JUDITH
- (4) ROSELEE

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (495726)

- (2) CORNHILL
- (3) JUDITH
- (4) ROSELEE

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

- (11) PROCTOR AND CORNHILL LEADERS CALL STONEWALL ON "C" 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO REACHING TROOPLINE ADVISING HOW MUCH EARLY OR LATE. NOT NECESSARY TO CALL WHEN LEAVING TARGET AREA.

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BT 06/0028A

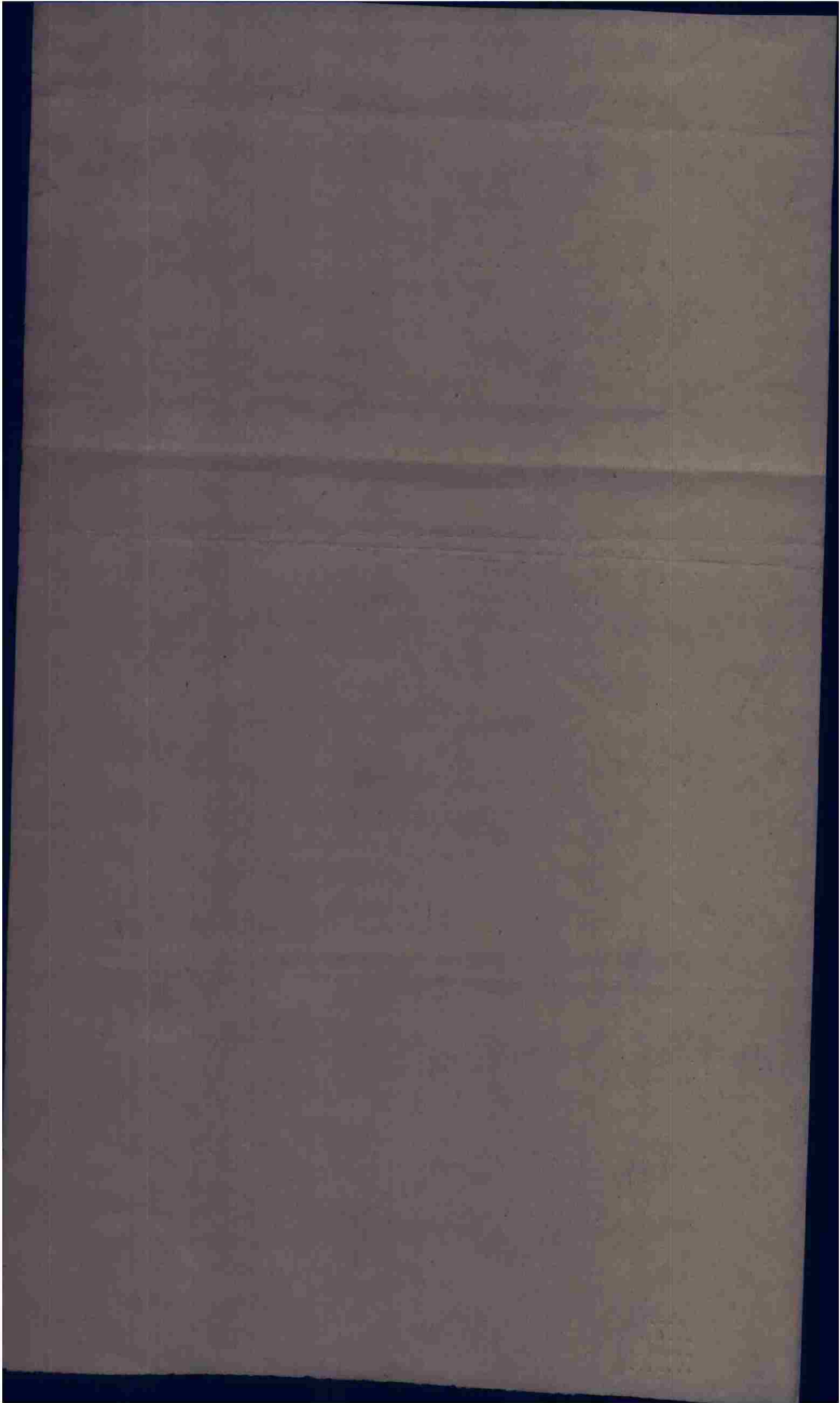
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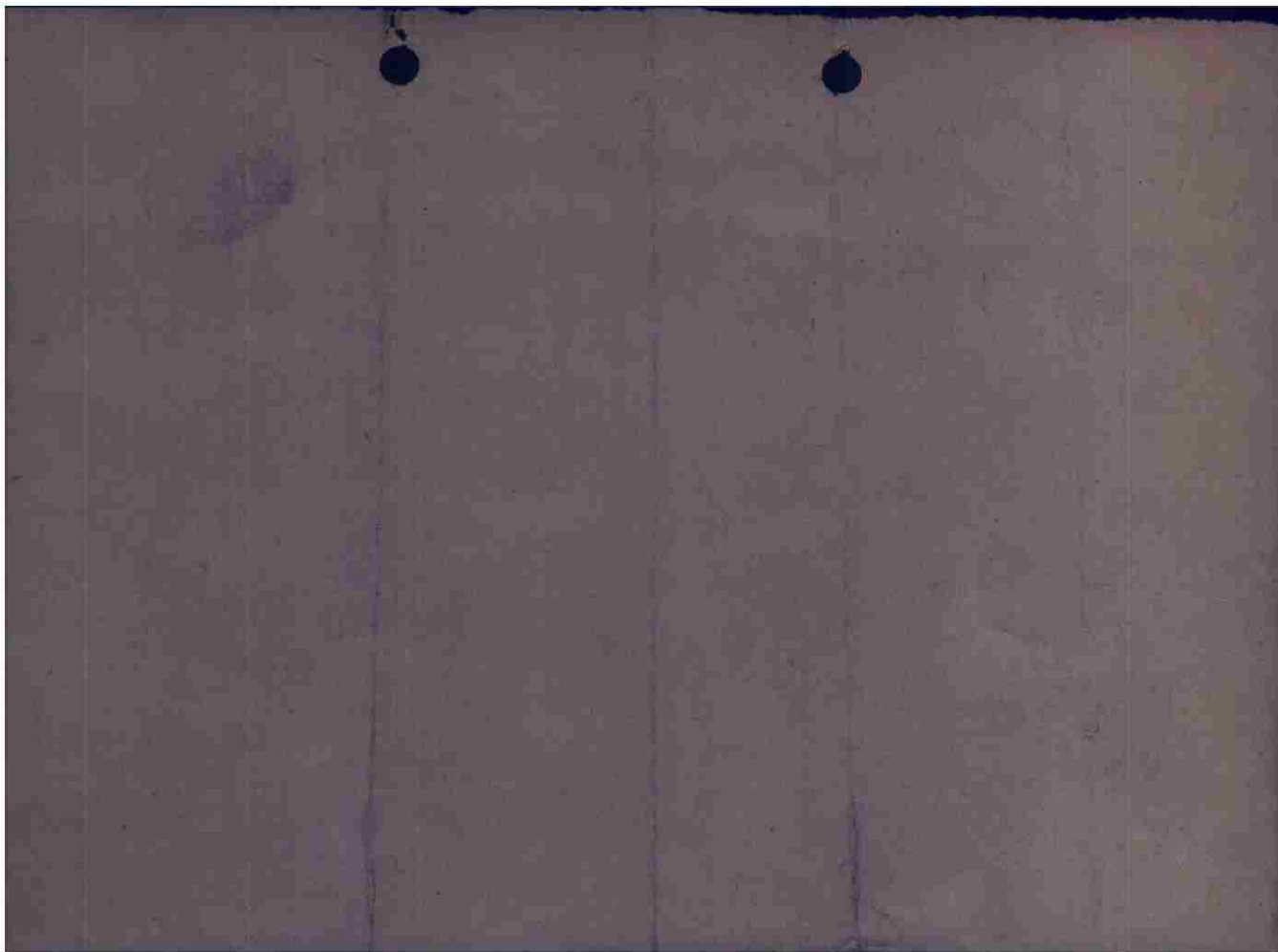
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each on diff ~~(49077436)~~ ~~(49107410)~~ ~~(49157370)~~

If bombing is visual by boxes, one box each on:  
(49107420) (49157370)

Alternate target to be bombed if primary cannot be  
bombed — WIPPERFURTH, <sup>MPI</sup> (F76492031)

If mission takes off - type up  
& send to Wing

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To: C. G. 97<sup>th</sup> ~~at~~ COMBAT BOMB WING.  
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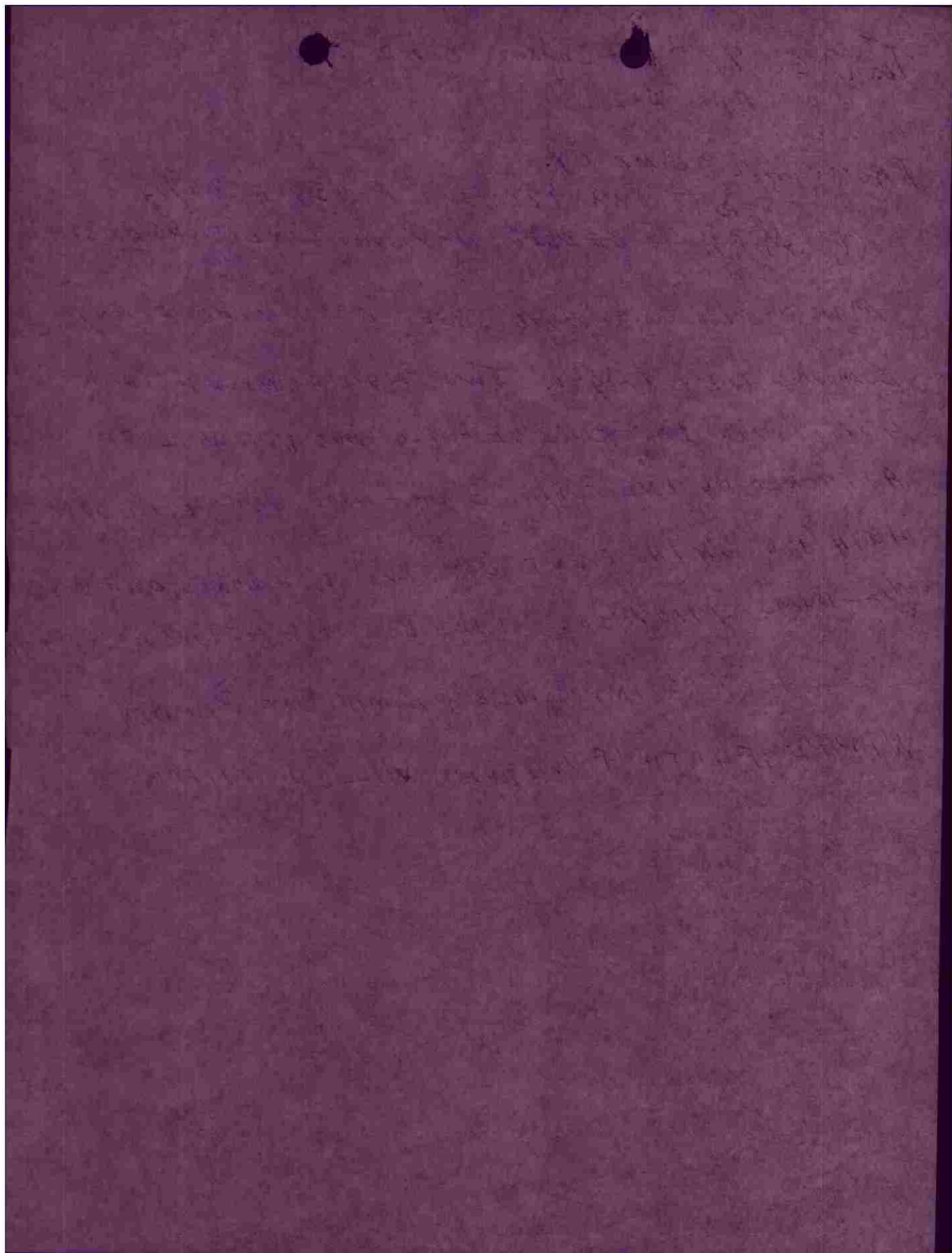
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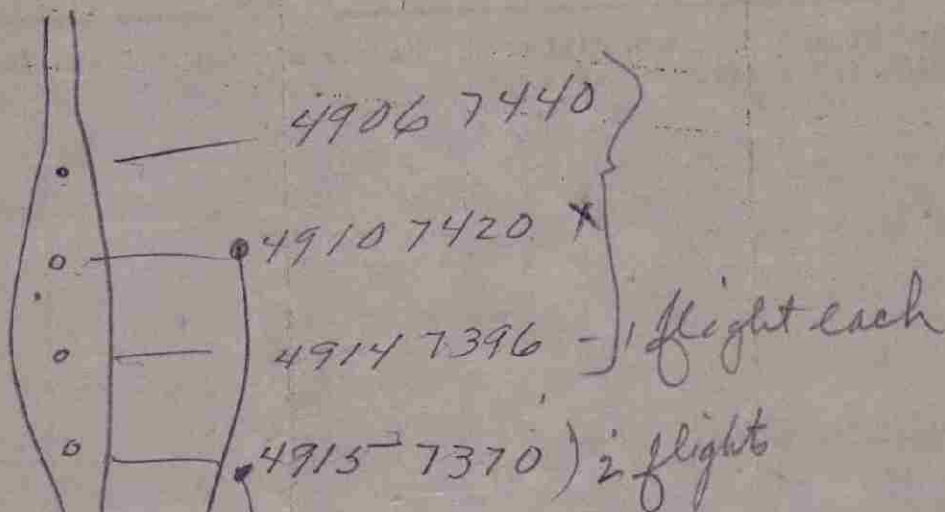
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(1) ~~M.P.I. TO BE USED IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST.~~

MAP SERIES C.S. 65 4416 SHEET R-1. IN THE EVENT BOMBING IS BY FLIGHTS TWO FLIGHTS WILL ATTACK 4915 7370; ~~ONE FL~~ THE FOLLOWING REF. WILL BE ATTACKED BY ONE FLIGHT EACH. - 4906 7440; 4910 7420; 4914 7396. IN THE EVENT BOMBING IS BY BOXES, ONE BOX WILL BOMB 4910 7420. OTHER BOX WILL ATTACK 4915 7370

IF IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO BOMB THE PRIMARY WIPPERFURTH (F 7649 8031) WILL BE ATTACK.





If By Boxes - 1 each at these

WIPPER FURTH. (F 76498031)

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

FORMATION DIAGRAM

1. COMMAND \_\_\_\_\_ 2. WING \_\_\_\_\_ 3. GROUP \_\_\_\_\_  
4. TARGET \_\_\_\_\_ 5. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Show formation flown giving the number of each A/C and indicate which A/C carried cameras.

PHOTO OFFICER \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Rank \_\_\_\_\_

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LOADING LIST  
BOX I  
FLIGHT I

6 MARCH 1945

- 1. 521 N  
Lt. Col. J.G. Napier  
Lt. D.L. Moore  
Lt. R.J. McQuade  
S/S R.P. Sharp, Jr.
- 2. 508 Z  
Lt. G.G. Nish  
Lt. R.E. Shaft  
S/S J.H. Roberts
- 3. 314 H  
Lt. E.C. Martin  
Sgt W.R. Summers, Jr.

- 4. 344 G  
Lt. D.O. Turner  
S/S M.R. Reyes
- 5. 381 G  
F/O F.W. Swap  
Sgt N. Meliniotis
- 6. 263 G  
Lt. A.W. Depner  
Sgt R.H. Gillispie

FLIGHT II

- 1. 498 R  
Capt. H.F. Fair  
Lt. J.L. Corum  
S/S H.S. Fessler
- 2. 313 B  
Capt. A.G. Sears  
M/Sgt J.J. Wells
- 3. 356 G-1  
Lt. J.W. Spires  
Sgt R.W. Messinger

- 4. 239 H-1  
Capt. S.M. Hixon  
Sgt K.W. Schmidt
- 5. 249 F  
Capt. L.G. Nielsen  
Capt. L.P. Randles  
Pvt E.R. Elliott
- 6. 237 D  
Lt. J.R. Wright  
Sgt R.D. Redding

FLIGHT III

- 1. 499 G-1  
Lt. J.A. Buskirk  
Lt. R.G. Hanna  
S/S G.H. Corbitt
- 2. 300 K  
Lt. W.R. Jokinen  
Sgt D.E. McNeillis
- 3. 419 Z-1  
Lt. D.L. Withington  
S/S L.D. McWhattan

- 4. 209 M  
Lt. T.J. Murray  
S/S O.E. Swank
- 5. 332 P  
Lt. T.E. Graeber  
Sgt A.H. Miller
- 6. 297 T  
Lt. J.H. Miller  
S/S R.J. Brown

SPARE

- 224 E  
Lt. J.A. Willard  
Sgt C.V. Hinker

WINDOW

- 2. 490 X  
Lt. J.J. Lackovich  
Lt. R.C. Muir  
S/S T. Connery  
Pvt M. Barry

- 2. 264 I  
Lt. E.B. Kreh  
S/S L.V. Metzler  
S/S E.L. Schafer

- 3. 205 M  
Lt. P.P. Barausky  
Pvt B.R. Wilson  
S/S M. Hall

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LOADING LIST  
BOX II  
FLIGHT I

6 MARCH 1945

1. 487 J  
Lt. E.L. Miller  
Lt. J.R. Conner  
S/S J.M. Pemberton  
Lt. G.G. Johnson
2. 501 W  
Lt. W.R. Heinke  
Lt. A.E. Rosenquist  
S/S G.B. Van Wert
3. 354 S  
Lt. C.E. Weinert  
Sgt R.D. Francis

4. 362 Y  
Lt. G.S. Jordan  
S/S K.F. Jensen
5. 271 R  
Lt. D.E. Smith  
Sgt S.J. Kirik
6. 244 I  
Capt. W.F. DuFault  
S/S K.E. Vorse

## FLIGHT II

1. 507 G  
Lt. D.B. Grunig  
Lt. B.O. Morris  
Sgt H.J. Nowosielski
2. 223 B  
Lt. E.G. Bishop  
Sgt L.W. Hudnutt
3. 215 R-1  
Lt. W.D. Chitty  
Sgt V.E. Raccio

4. 416 O  
Lt. M. Herrotabere  
Sgt T.R. Lynch
5. 307 N  
Lt. A.R. Turman  
S/S C.D. Harmon
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Lt. R. Ford  
Opl G.J. Thompson

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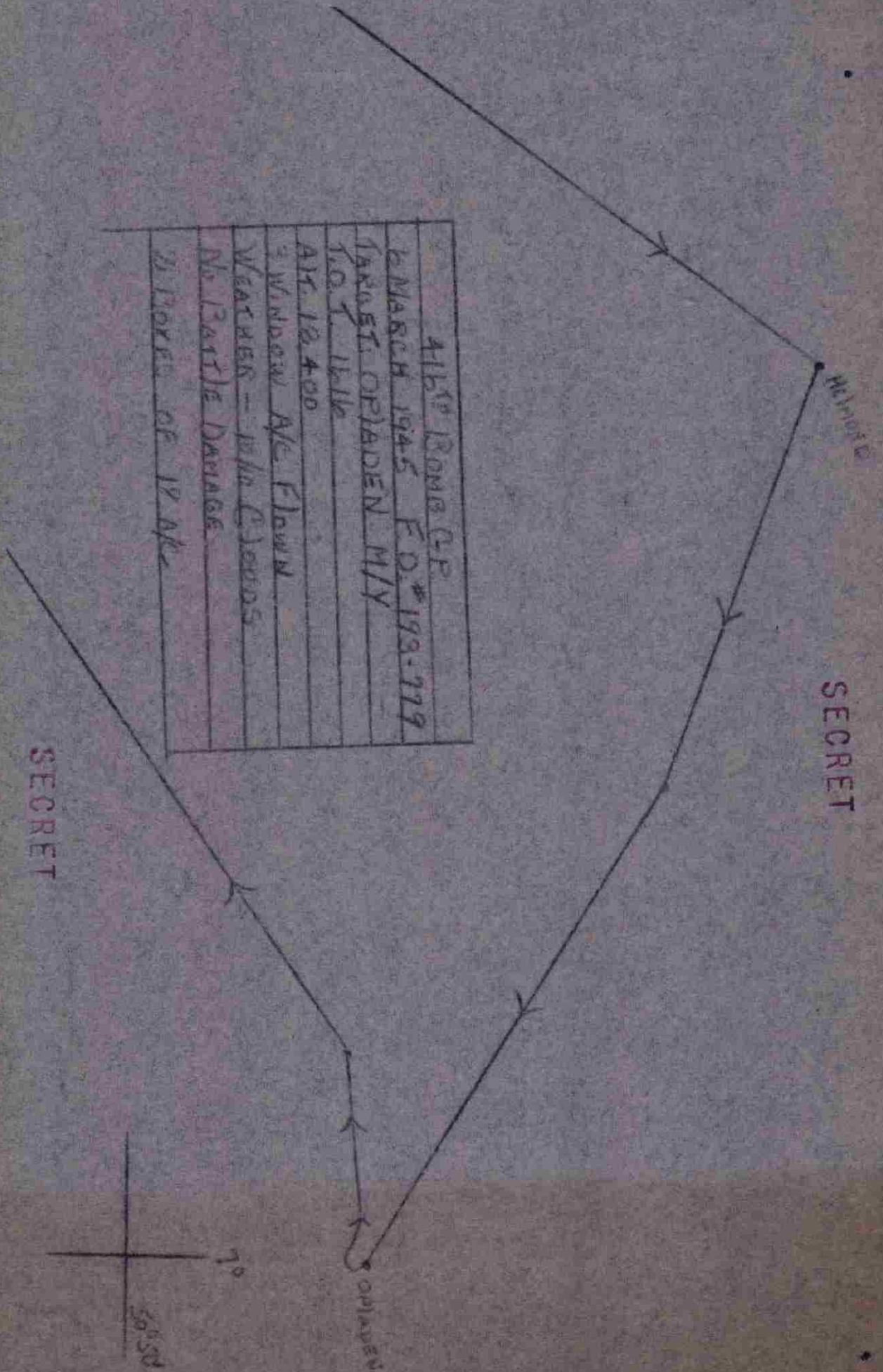
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S/S G.L. Steens
2. 385 D  
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Lt. W.L. Hale  
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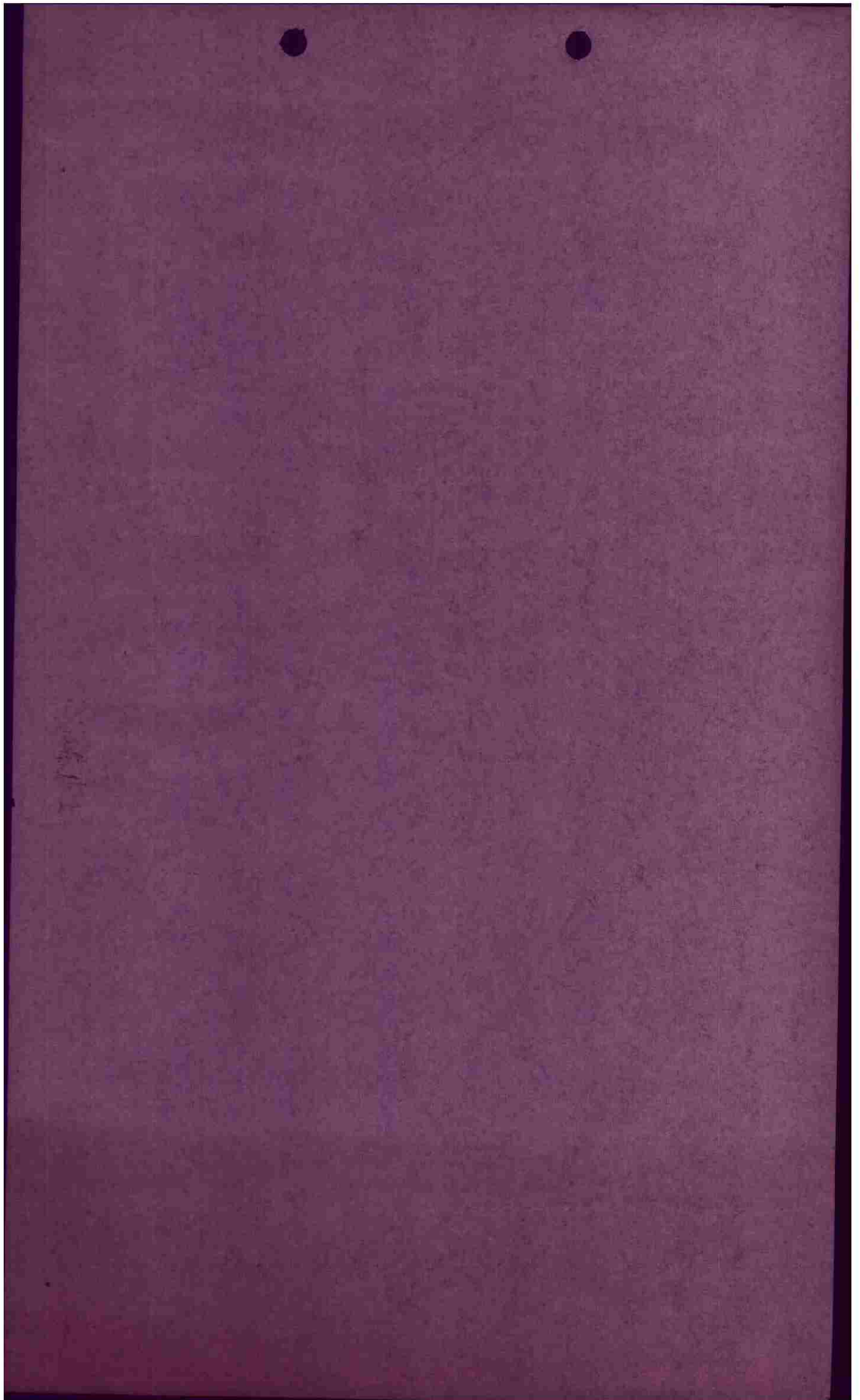
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S/S W.E. Lemonds
5. 274 S-1  
Lt. J.W. Blevins  
Sgt F. Gentry
6. 335 W-1  
Lt. L.R. Zeimet  
Opl R.K. Ray

SPARE

- 250 A-1  
Lt. G.M. Anderson  
Sgt J.A. Deatherage

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PRIORITY

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FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : G.O. 1ST PROVISIONAL PATHFINDER SQUADRON  
9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M)  
97TH COMBAT BOMBARDMENT WING (L)

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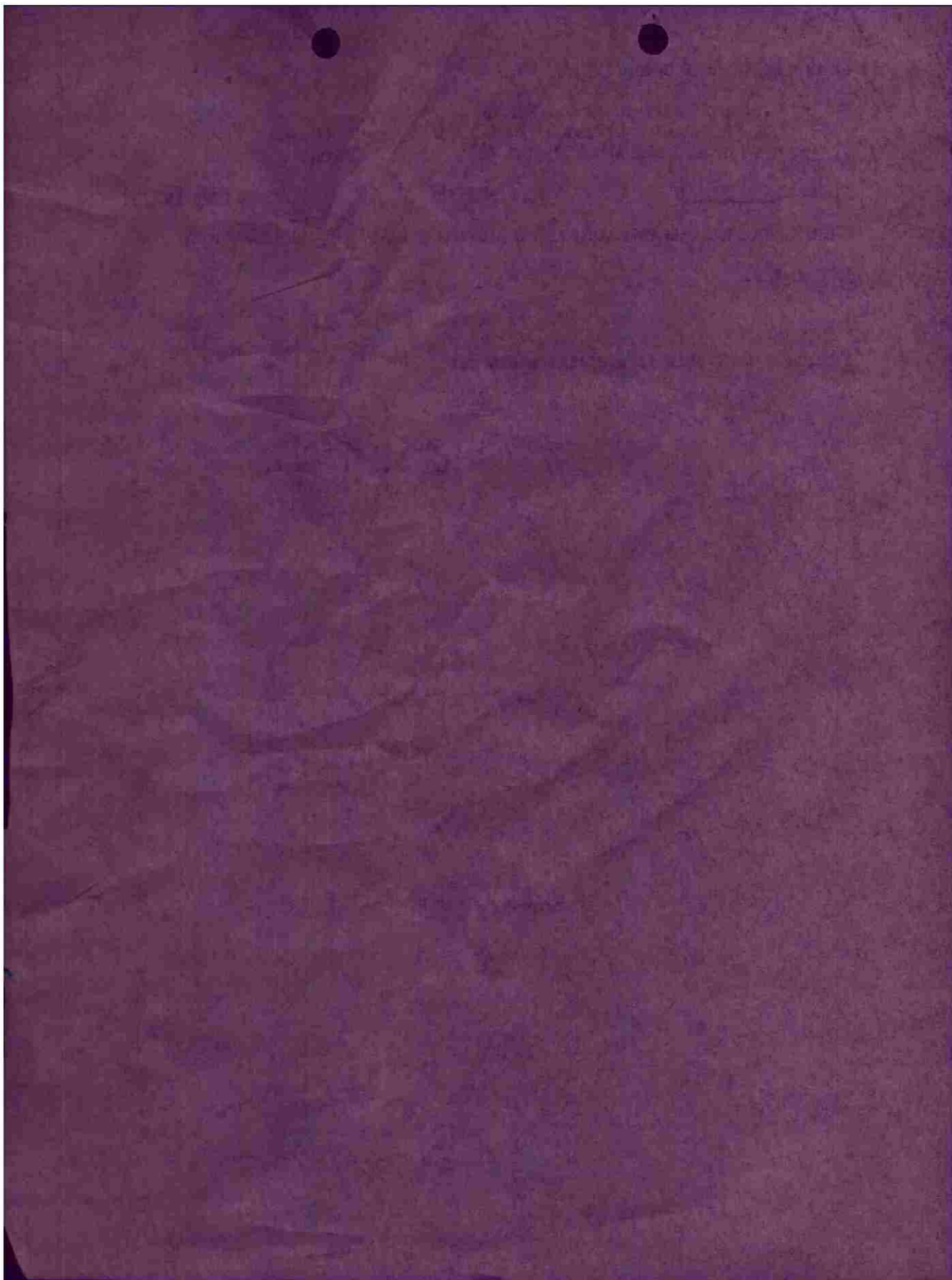
PATHFINDER LEAD FOR OPERATIONAL MISSION ON 6 MARCH 1945 SATISFACTORY

PERIOD END.

AYLESORTH COBOMGH 416

I certify that this is official business:

ELDON B. KREH,  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
3-3 Duty Officer



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HEADQUARTERS  
416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)  
OFFICE OF THE RADAR OFFICER

#224

APO 140, U. S. ARMY,  
6 MARCH, 1945

SUBJECT: REPORT OF OPERATIONAL USE OF WINDOW.

TO : RADAR COUNTERMEASURES OFFICER, HEADQUARTERS 9TH BOMBARDMENT  
DIVISION (M), APO 140, US ARMY.

1. RCM DISPENSING 52
2. 6 MARCH 1945
3. NO FLAK
4. 51° 3' N 6° 43' E
5. 51° 10' N 6° 58' E
6. 3
7. 87 BOXES TYPE 28(3)
8. 360° AT 50 MPH
9. 12,400 FT
10. TEN TENTHS
11. NONE
12. ~~X~~---
13. ---
14. ---
15. NO REMARKS.

CHARLES F. GUNDERSON  
1ST. LT., GAC,  
RADAR OFFICER

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*Recd  
4/22/66*

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FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV 06/1900A  
 TO : CG, IX BOMBER DIVISION ATT : A-2  
 CG, 97TH COMBAT WING  
 CG, 98TH COMBAT WING  
 CG, 99TH COMBAT WING  
 CO, 394TH BOMB GROUP  
 CO, 409TH BOMB GROUP  
 CO, 386TH BOMB GROUP  
 CO, 397TH BOMB GROUP  
 CO, 391ST BOMB GROUP  
 CO, 322ND BOMB GROUP  
 CO, 410TH BOMB GROUP  
 CO, 416TH BOMB GROUP

"BOOK MESSAGE"

SECRET QOX BT

1ST PPF SQ PROV R-153-D "OPS-FLASH"

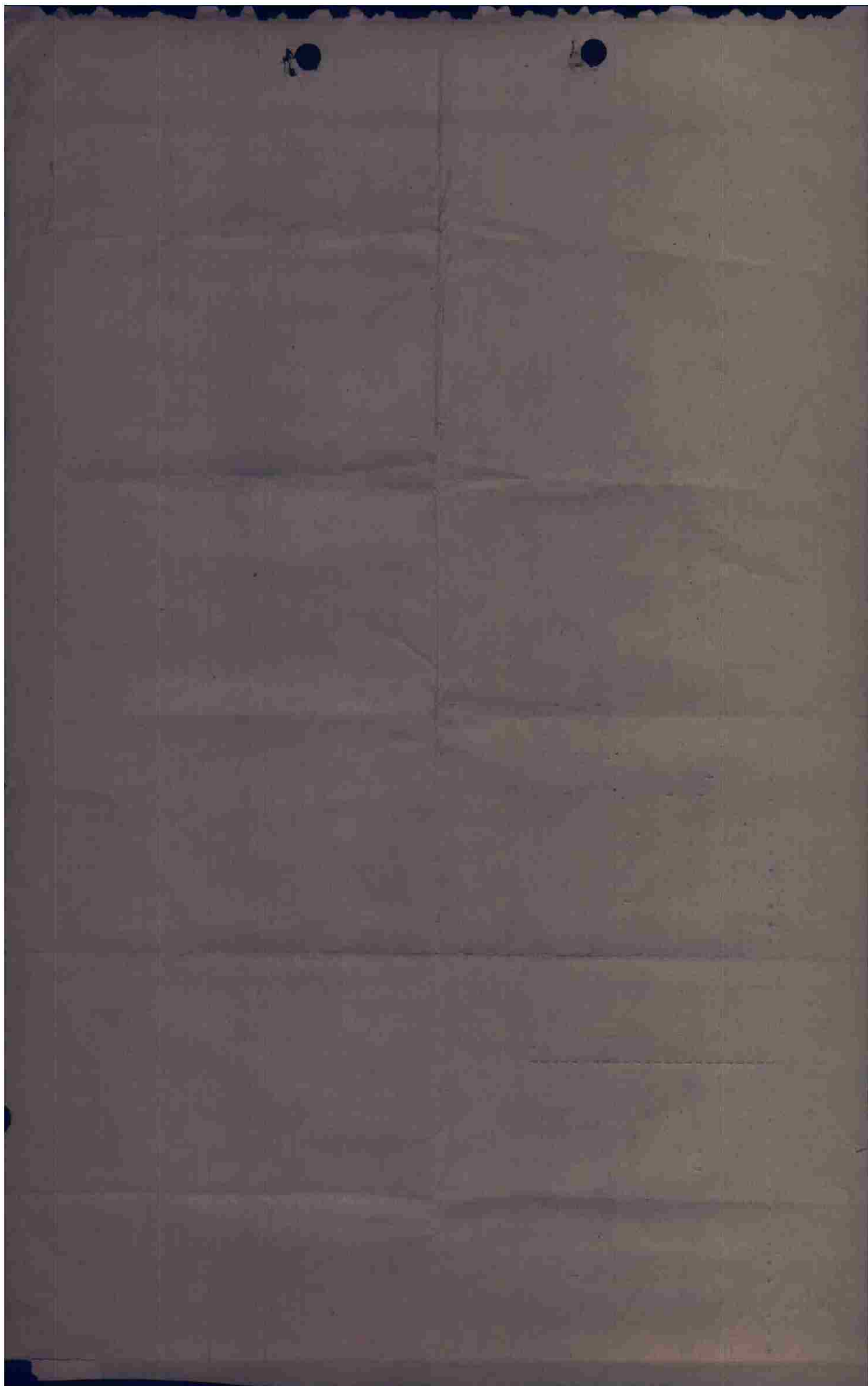
- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 410TH BG
- B. OPLADEN M/Y WF-491742
- C. ONEB-26
- D. ONE B-26- PRIMARY - EQUIPMENT
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 G.P. ON PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. KOLN AREA WF-580 600 MIHFF
- K. NONE
- L. 12500 PRIMARY
- M. 1558 1/2 PRIMARY

NOTE : GROUP FORMATION AND WINDOW SHIPS EXCELLENT.

ANNEX : PFF CALLED ROSALEE UPON ENTRY INTO TAC AREA AND RECEIVED FIX ONE MINUTE LATER.

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 409TH BG.
- B. RECKLINGHAUSEN M/Y RA-649 335
- C. ONE B-26
- D. ONE B-26 PRIMARY EQUIPMENT
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 GP'S ON PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED 9/10
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. MIHFF HALTERN RA - 623 500  
 WIHFF TARGET AREA
- K. NONE
- L. 12500 PRIMARY
- M. 1541 PRIMARY

NOTE : WINDOW SHIPS EXCELLENT. GROUP FORMATION GOOD.



- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 394TH GP.
- B. RECKLINGHAUSEN RA-646 335
- C. ONE B-26
- D. NONE
- E. ONE B-26 EQUIPMENT FAILURE.
- F. 4 X 500 GP'S RETURNED
- G. NIL
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. MIHFF IN TARGET AREA
- K. NONE
- L. 12500 PRIMARY
- M. 1520 PRIMARY

NOTE : PFF OFF COURSE - WAS "J" OFF ON SECOND RUN WHEN THEY PICKED UP SIGNALS. GROUP DROPPED ON SECOND RUN ON "G". TGT. UNKNOWN

ANNEX : NO CALL MADE TO FIGHTER CONTROL ENTIRE ROUTE IN SECOND TAF AREA.

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- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 416 GP.
- B. OPLLADEN M/Y. WF 491738.
- C. ONE B-26
- D. ONE B-26 ON PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
- E. NONE
- F. 4 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY.
- G. UNOBSERVED -- 10/10.
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 12320 PRIMARY
- M. 1616 PRIMARY

NOTE : GROUP FORMATION EXCELLENT.  
ANNEX : CALLED ROSALEE UPON ENTRY INTO TAC AREA, RECEIVING FIX TWO MINUTES LATER.

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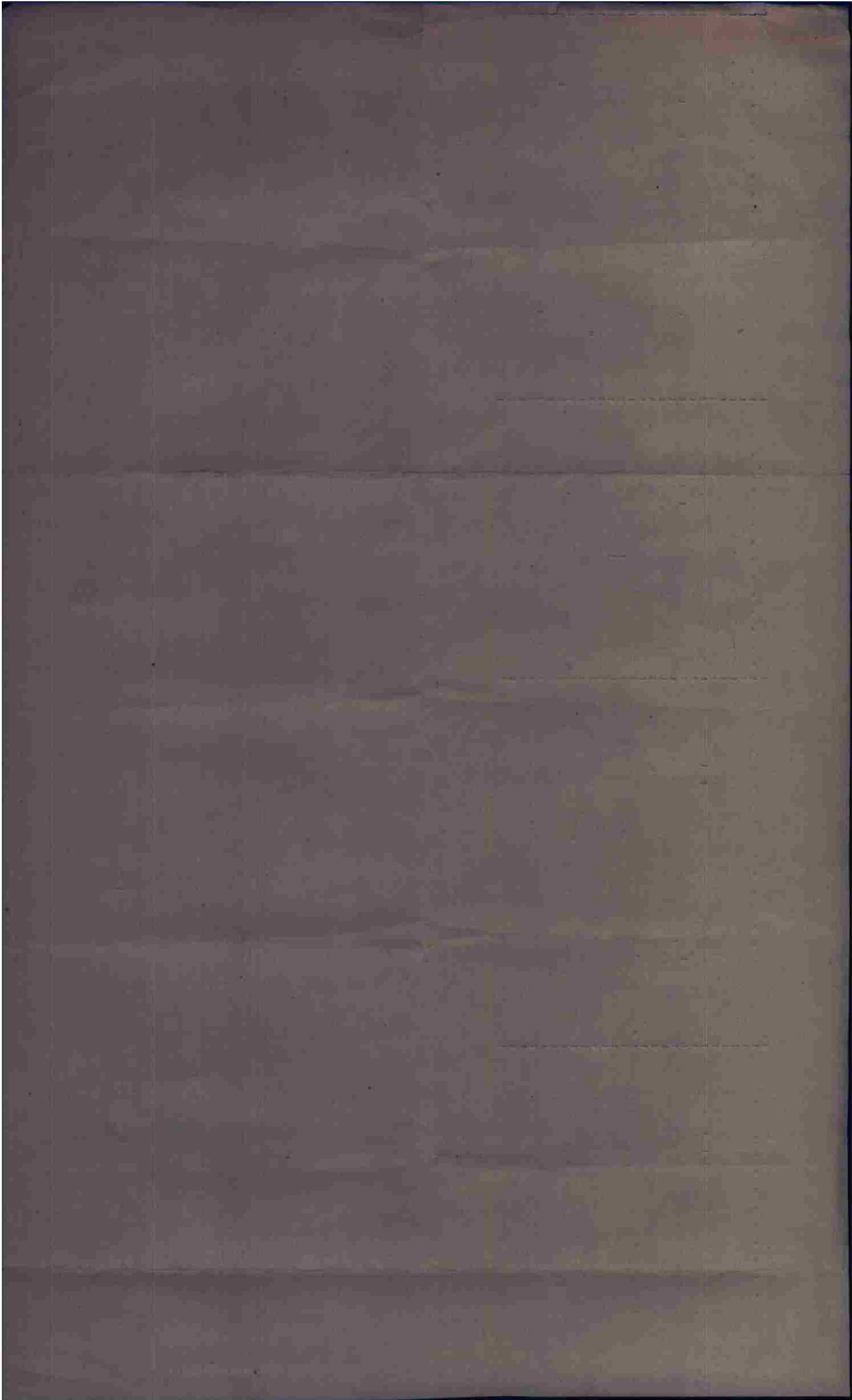
- A. FIRST PATHFINDERSQUADRON WITH THE 391 GROUP
- B. SIEGBURG STORAGE DEPOT WF 620448
- C. 2 B-26'S.
- D. 2 B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
- E. NONE
- F. 8 X 500 UPON PRIMARY.
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10.
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. WIGXXX WIHFF BONN WF 550376, WIHFF MONTABAUR, WG 070039, -  
WAHFF ENGERS WF 858026
- K. NONE
- L. 13500 - 13000 PRIMARY
- M. 1539 - 1545 PRIMARY

NOTE : FORMATION GROUP GOOD. WINDOW HIP POOR.  
ANNEX : RIPSAW CALLED UPON ENTRY INTO AREA RECEIVING FIX ONE MINUTE LATER.

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- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH 322 GROUP.
- B. SIEGBURG STORAGE DEPOT WF 620448
- C. 2 B-26'S
- D. 2 B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
- E. NONE
- F. 8 X 500 GP'S ON PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE
- L. 1355XXXX 13500 BOTH BOXES PRIMARY
- M. 1618, 1619. PRIMARY

NOTE : GROUP FORMATION EXCELLENT.  
ANNEX. CALLED RIPSAW UPON ENTRY INTO TAC AREA AND RECEIVED FIX THREE MINUTES LATER.



- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 386 GROUP
- B. LENKERBECK M/Y RA 613408
- C. 1 B-26
- D. 1 B-26 CASUAL ON GEE -- RECKLINGHAUSEN RA 635337
- E. 1 B-26 EQUIPMENT FAILURE
- F. 4 X 500 GP'S ON CAUSXXX CASUAL
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. MAHFF RECKLINGHAUSEN RA 635337
- K. NONE
- L. 13000 CASUAL
- M. 1620 1/2 CASUAL

NOTE : GROUP FORMATION GOOD, GROUP LEASXXX LEAD POOR -- VERY ERRACTIC.  
ANNEX. NO CALL MZXX MADE AS ENTIRE ROUTE WAS IN SECOND TAF AREA

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- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 397 GROUP
- B. SIEGBURG M/Y WF 621444
- C. 2 B-26'S
- D. 1 B-26 ON PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT, FIRST BOX  
1.B-26 ON PRIMARY ON GEE, NO RELEASE SIGNAL SECOND BOX.
- E. NONE
- F. 8 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. WAHFF COLOGNE AREA WF 502578
- K. NONE
- L. 13500, 1300 PRIMARY
- M. 15221/2, 1535 PRIMARY

NOTE : GROUP FORMATION GOOD  
ANNEX. CALLED RIPSAP AND RECEIVED FIX ONE MINUTE AFTER ENTERING TAC AREA.

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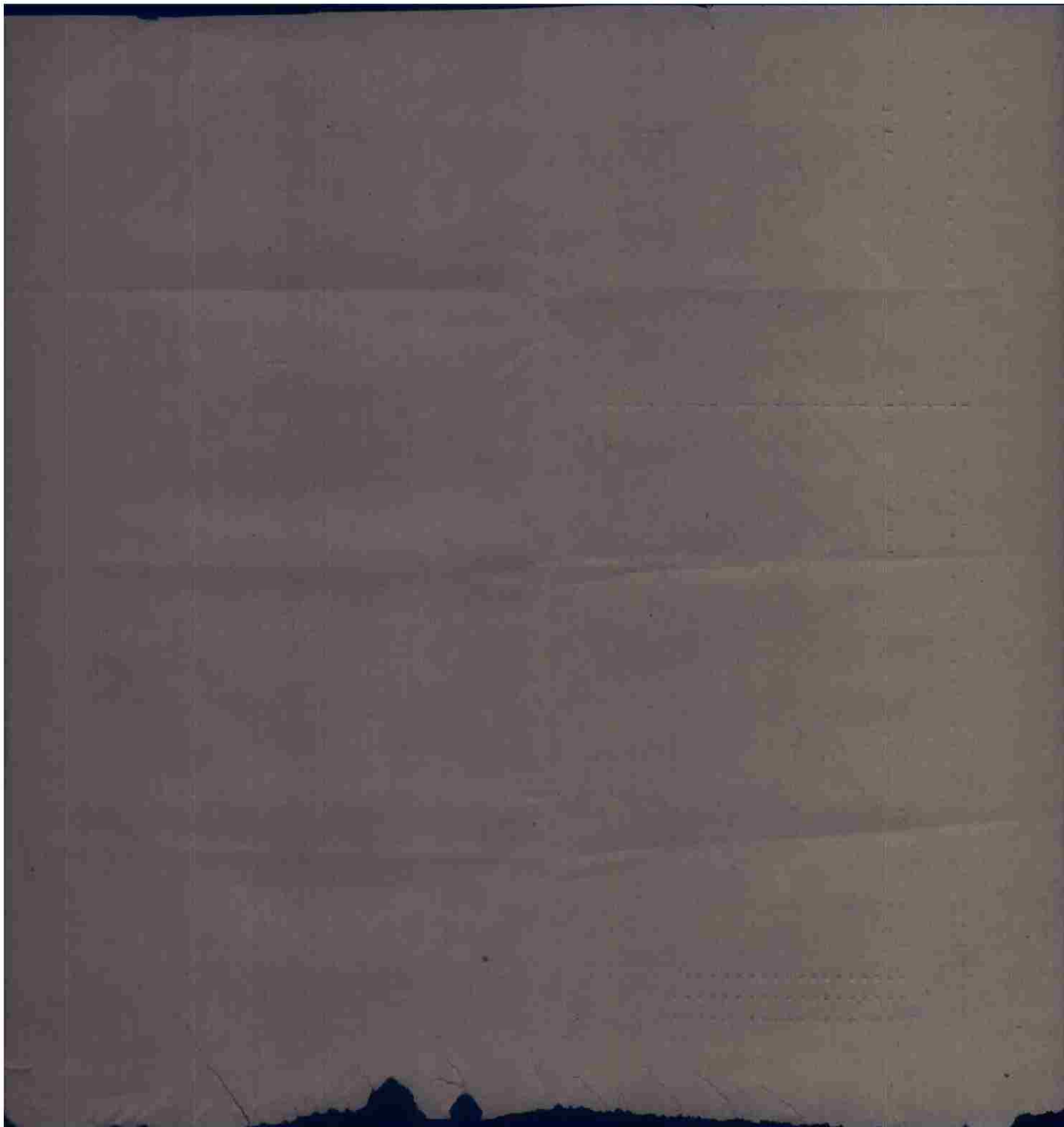
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THE TARGET IS THE MARSHALLING YARDS AT OPLADEN

OPLADEN  
*Briefing Notes*

TARGET IS ABOUT TWO AND THREE QUARTERS MILES NORTH EAST OF BOMBLINE WHICH IS THE RHINE RIVER. THE PURPOSE OF THE ATTACK IS TO DESTROY ANY SUPPLIES IN THIS YARD THUS PREVENTING THE USE OF MILITARY SUPPLIES, OR THE SHIPMENT OF VITAL MATERIAL TO OTHER PARTS OF GERMANY. THE YARDS CAN HOLD OVER 5,000 CARS AND IS ONE OF THE MAIN MARSHALLING POINTS FOR THE COLOGNE AREA. THERE ARE BALLOON BARRAGES REPORTED ALONG THE RHINE RIVER BETWEEN COLOGNE AND DUSSELDORF AT 10,000' AND PROBABLY ~~2000'~~ AT BRIDGES AND FERRY CROSSINGS. THE TARGET IS SITUATED 3 MILES N. E. OF THE RHINE AT THE LEVERKUSEN LOOP OF THE RIVER. THE SMALL OPLADEN WOOD, CUT BY THE N<sup>W</sup>S, COLOGNE-DUSSELDORF AUTOBAHN STANDS ~~APPROXIMATELY~~ APPROXIMATELY ONE MILE W. OF THE TARGET, WHICH IN TURN STANDS ON THE E. SIDE, AND IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THE MAIN RAILWAY ROUTE FROM COLOGNE TO DUSSELDORF. TO THE EAST OF THE TARGET IS THE LARGE RAILWAY WORKSHOPS AT OPLADEN.

THE MOST PROMINENT LANDMARKS IN THE VICINITY ARE THE RHINE RIVER TWO AND THREE QUARTERS MILES SOUTH WEST AND THE COLOGNE-DUSSELDORF AUTOBAHN ~~200'~~ 2,000 YARDS WEST OF THE TARGET.

ALL BOMBARDIERS READ AND INITIAL THIS.

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T (JEDM PASS JJF)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) 06/0050A  
TO COMBOMDIV NINE  
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQD.  
410TH BOMB GROUP  
416TH BOMB GROUP

BT

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INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 FIELD ORDER NO. 103-779

(1) TARGET: OPLADEN M/Y WF-493744 GH-384.  
PLAN "A" ILL. 6 (D) (I) 11/6 COVER AREA FROM 04S069  
TO 051037  
PLAN "B" PPF M.P.I. FOR 410 GRID COORDINATE WF49107420  
PPF M.P.I. FOR 416 GRID COORDINATE WF49137385  
THE 410TH WILL ATTACK TWENTY MINUTES BEFORE THE 416TH

(2) PHOTO COVERAGE

IX TAC D/521 GIVES DAMAGE ASSESSMENT AS OF FEB 9.

6 (D) (I) 11/6, 11/5, 11/3, 11/4, 11/2

5106E/12

4 (C) 3/2

2 (B) 11A/10

US 7 PH GP AA 736 PRINT 7022, 7023, 7024

MAP COVERAGE

GSGS 4414 SHEET 4908

GSGS 4416 SHEET R-1

(3) SEE INFORMATION SHEET UNDER GH-384 FOR DESCRIPTION OF TARGET.  
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WHICH IS THE RHINE RIVER. THE PURPOSE OF THE ATTACK IS TO DESTROY ANY  
SUPPLIES IN THIS YARD, THUS PREVENTING THE USE OF MILITARY SUPPLIES,  
OR THE SHIPMENT OF VITAL MATERIAL TO OTHER PARTS OF GERMANY. THERE  
WILL BE COUNTER BATTERY FIRE. SEE FLAK INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN NO. 588  
10 B/B AT 10,000 FEET ALONG RHINE BETWEEN COLOGNE AND DUSSELDORF, AND  
ALSO COMMENT AS TO B/B AT BRIDGES AND FERRY CROSSINGS.

COMBOWIG 97

BT 06/0050A

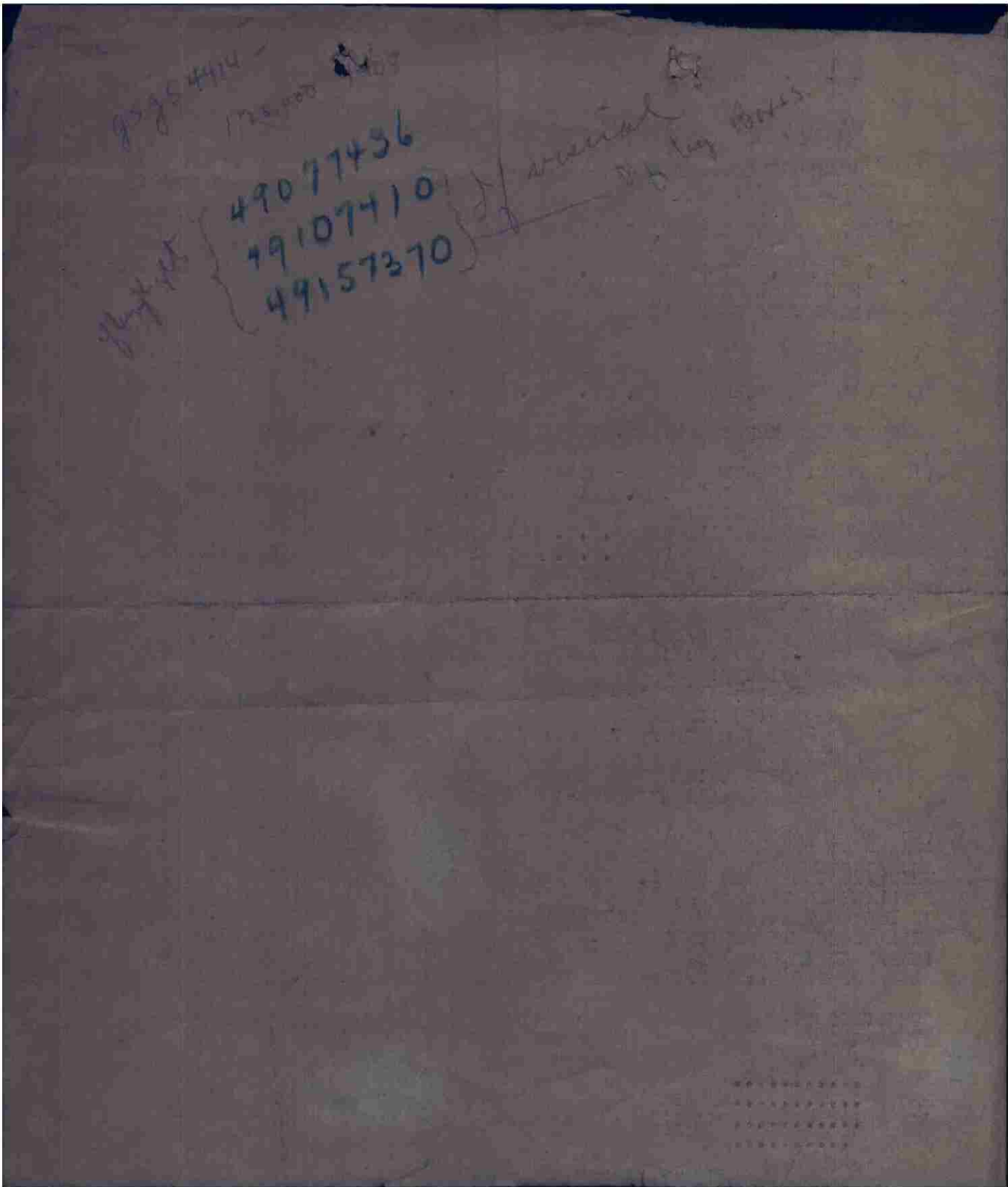
SH - AR

JES R .....

JEO R .....06/0115A HGP AR

JKF R .....06/0115A UJF AR

JEDM R .....06PQ0IA NEH AR K



JEDM JJF JES JPO JKI VJEA JEA 05/06 OP OP  
T (JEDM PASS TO JJF)

241  
Dist  
5-2  
5-3  
5-17

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) 06/0320A  
TO COMBOMDIV NINE  
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQD.  
409 COBOMGP  
410TH COBOMGP  
416TH COBOMGP

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT  
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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L)  
A F O 140  
05 MARCH 1945

ANNEX NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 193-779 R-61-E

IN PLAN "A" ADD PARA. 3. X. (16)  
FRIENDLY ARTILLERY WILL ATTEMPT TO NEUTRALIZE  
ENEMY FLAK BATTERIES WITHIN RANGE.

CHANGE PARA. 3. C. (10) TO READ:  
6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SECOND NOSE 1/100 SECOND TAIL  
INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.

IN PLAN "B" PARA. 3. X. SHOULD READ:  
"FOR 410TH AND 416TH GROUPS ONLY"

ADD TO PARA. 3. A. (6) LOSE 1,000 FEET AFTER RELEASING BOMBS.

ADD PARA. 3. X. (14) FRIENDLY ARTILLERY WILL ATTEMPT TO NEUTRALIZE  
ENEMY FLAK BATTERIES WITHIN RANGE.

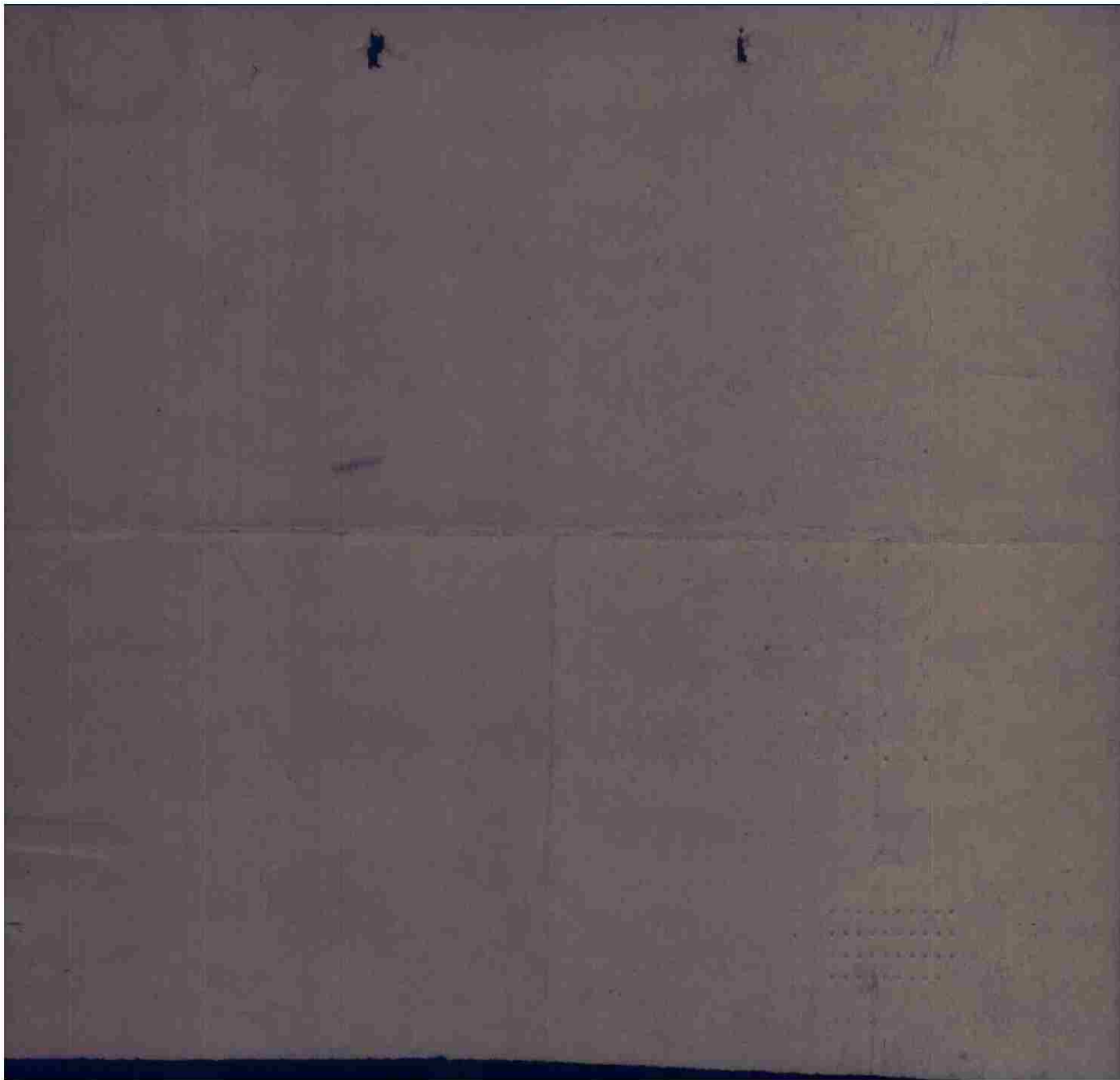
COMBOMDIV 97

BT 06/0320A

SH AR

JES R .....06/0340A FR AR  
JPO R .....06/0340A HP AR  
JKI R .....06/0340A UJT AR  
JEDM R .....06/0338AH HDD AR

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ONEPES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 01/6 (INFO)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) 06/0020A  
O COMBOMDIV NINE  
409TH COBOMGP  
410TH COBOMGP  
416TH COBOMGP

*Dist*  
S-2  
S-3  
217

BT

ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER

ADVANCED INFO COPY OF PARA. 5. COMMUNICATIONS OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (645336)  
(2) TABLESPOON  
(4) ROSELEE

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP (493726)  
(2) PROCTOR  
(3) JUDITH  
(4) ROSELEE

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (493726)  
(2) CORNHILL  
(3) JUDITH  
(4) ROSELEE

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

(11) PROCTOR AND CORNHILL LEADERS CALL STONEWALL ON "C"  
15 MINUTES PRIOR TO REACHING TROOPLINE ADVISING HOW MUCH  
EARLY OR LATE. NOT NECESSARY TO CALL WHEN LEAVING TARGET  
AREA.

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 06/0020A  
AR JMB

JEDM R..... 06/0030A SK I ARPK

JEDM TIC PLS FOR JFPO

JES R..... 06/0030A JMB AR  
JPO R..... 06/0030A HGP AR  
JKI R..... 06/0030A WJT AR  
TIC PLS

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

AUTH: CO STA-69  
DATE: 8 March 1945  
INIT: \_\_\_\_\_

TO: Commanding General, 9th Bombardment Division (M), APO 140, U.S. Army.  
Attn: Statistical Control.

From: 416th Bombardment Group (L), APO 140, U.S. Army.

Ref: Oprep A No. 337 for 24 hrs. ending midnight 6 March 1945  
Mission or Operation No. 204 97th CGP P.O. 193-719

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target Station 2/2  
Place of take-off Station 2-69  
Place of landing Station 2-69  
Take-off time 1415 Landing time 1810  
Time over target 1616 Bombing Altitude 12,400  
Nature of mission Bombing Other None  
Weather 10/10 cloud cover  
Results Unobserved due to cloud cover  
Enemy opposition None

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched 40 A-26's

2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission  
37 A-26's Station 2/2  
3 A-26's Window

3. Abortive due to:  
(1) Weather: None  
(2) Personnel: None  
(3) Mechanical: None  
(4) Other: None

4. Missing (i.e. cause and place unknown) None

5. Destroyed - Before reaching target None  
giving cause where known \_\_\_\_\_

6. Destroyed - over or after leaving None  
target giving cause where known \_\_\_\_\_

7. Damaged (give category & cause) None

8. Sorties 40 A-26's

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(over)

GEORGE SCHNEIDER  
Captain, Air Corps  
Adjutant

For the Commanding Officer:

- a. Destroyed
- b. Prop. Dam.
- c. Damaged

Group elements by type or description (to include status):

Type of	Pilot	Co-pilot	Nav	Bomb	H. Gun	H. Gun	W. Gun	Wounded
Destroyed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prop. Dam.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Damaged	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing in	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Killed in	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Destroyed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

G. Own Personnel Casualties:

- a. Total returned
- b. Lost or wrecked on missing a/c
- c. Detained
- d. Expended on operations (List targets separately)
- e. Total carried into air: bombs, flares, etc. used:
- f. Total carried into air
- g. Expended on operations
- h. Lost on wrecked or missing a/c
- i. Total carried into air
- j. Ammunition by caliber:
- k. Day (Summed to sunset)
- l. Night (Summed to sunrise)
- m. Total operational flying hours

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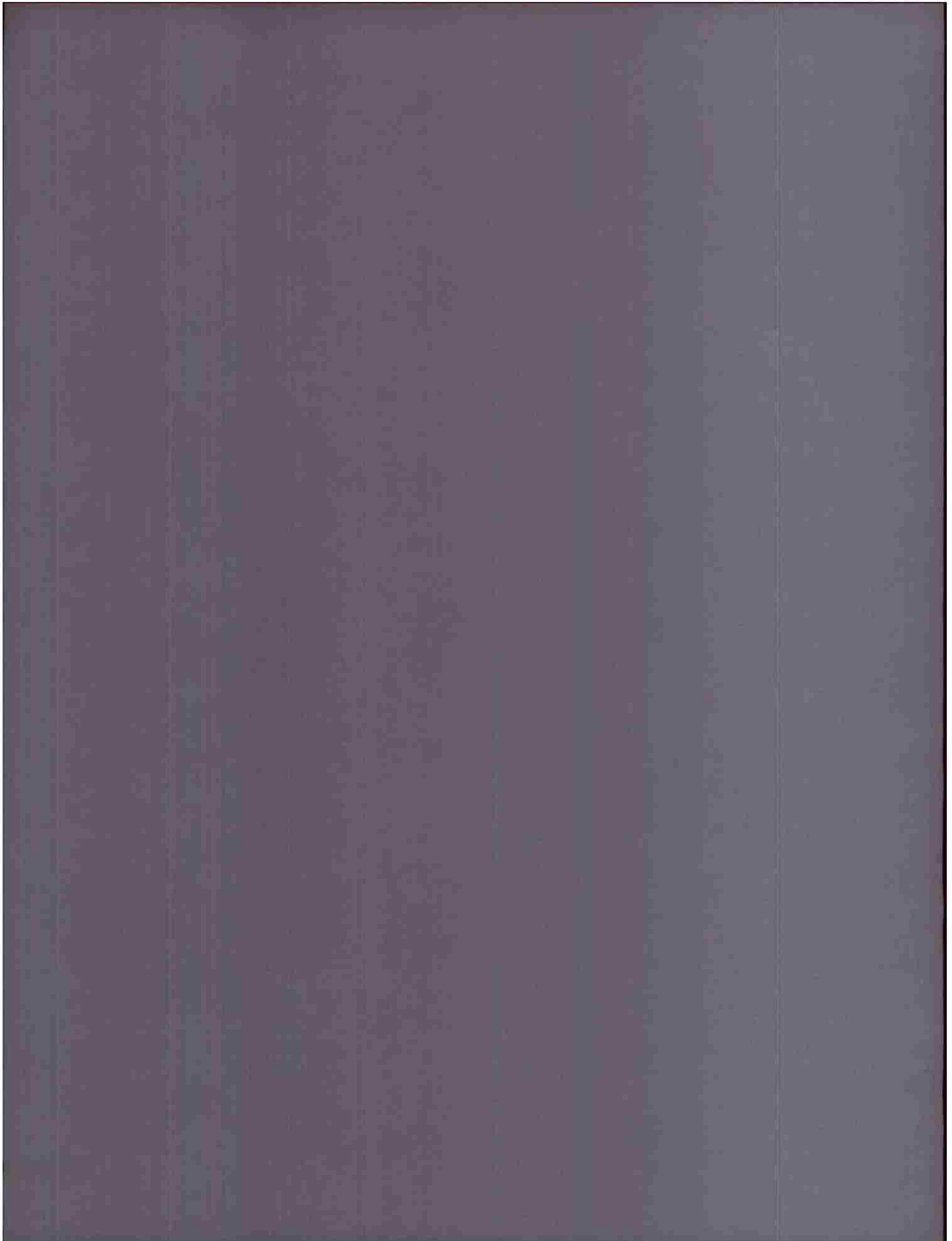
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FROM COBOMGR 416 06/1930A  
TO COMBOMDIV NINE ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER  
COMCBTWIG 97 (INFO)  
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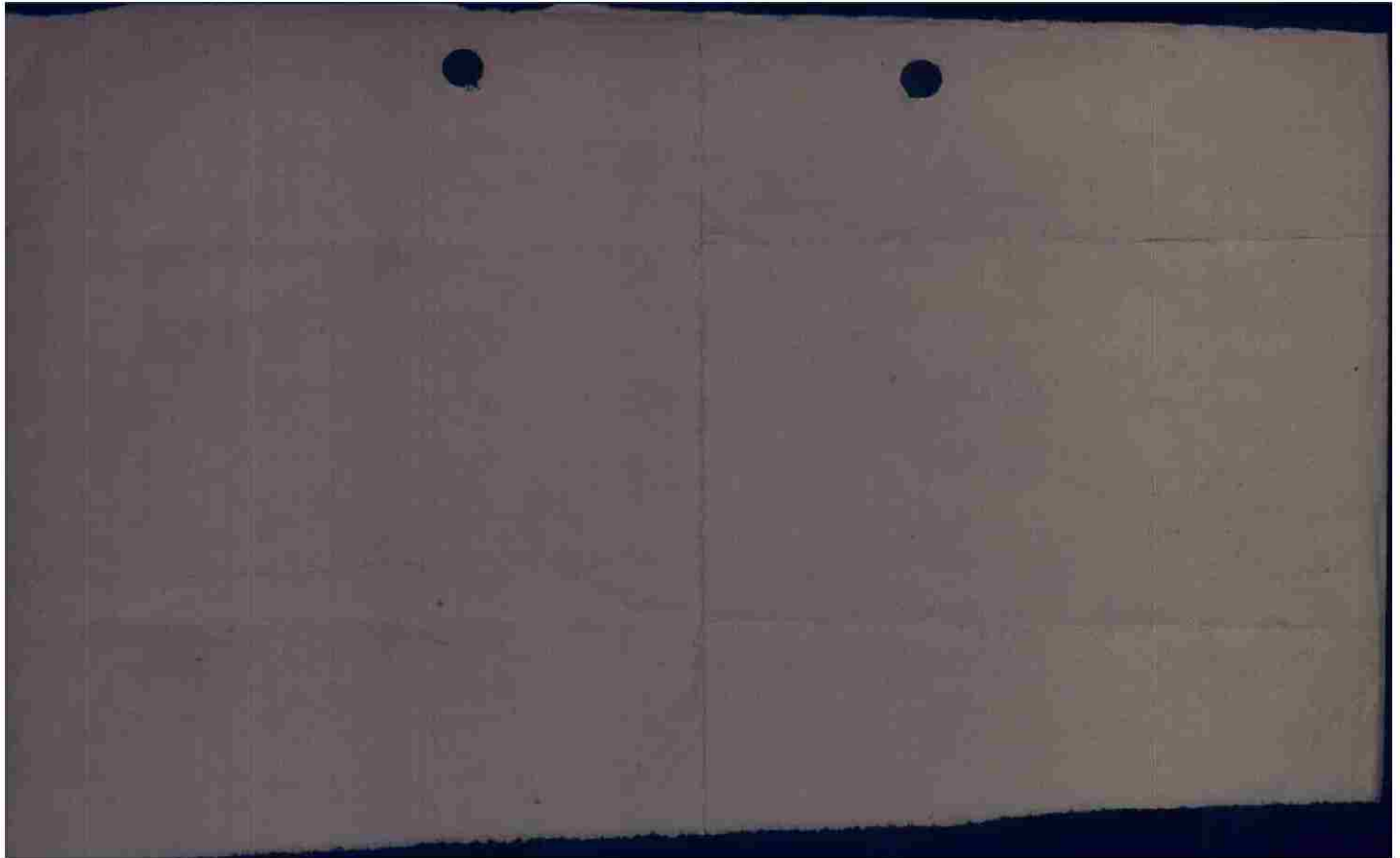
416BG R-135-J

- A - E VS - 52
- B - 6 MARCH 1945 (1431-1738)
- C - N-NAN AND J-JIG REPORTED OPS COMPLETED TO PARADE
- D - PPF MISSION
- EE- NONE
- F - NONE
- G - NONE
- H - NONE
- I - NONE
- J - NONE
- K - E-BAKER HEARD PPF REPOT AND HEKELIKE RECEIVED ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FROM STONEWALL PRIOR TO CROSSING TROOP LINE.  
M-MIKE WAS VECTORED TO A TARGET BY ROSELEE.

RADETSKY COBOMGR 416  
BT 06/1930A  
RSS BBB

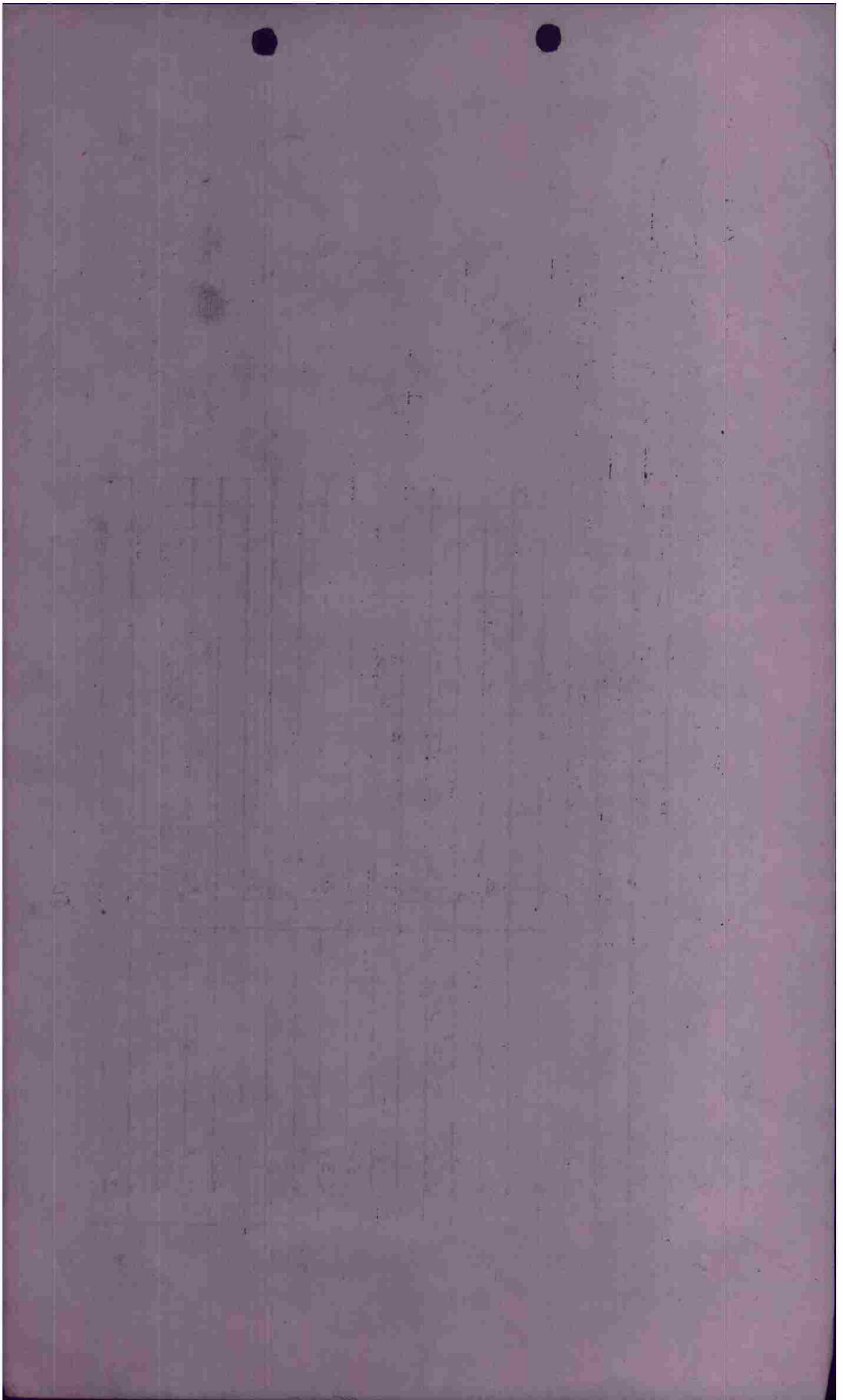
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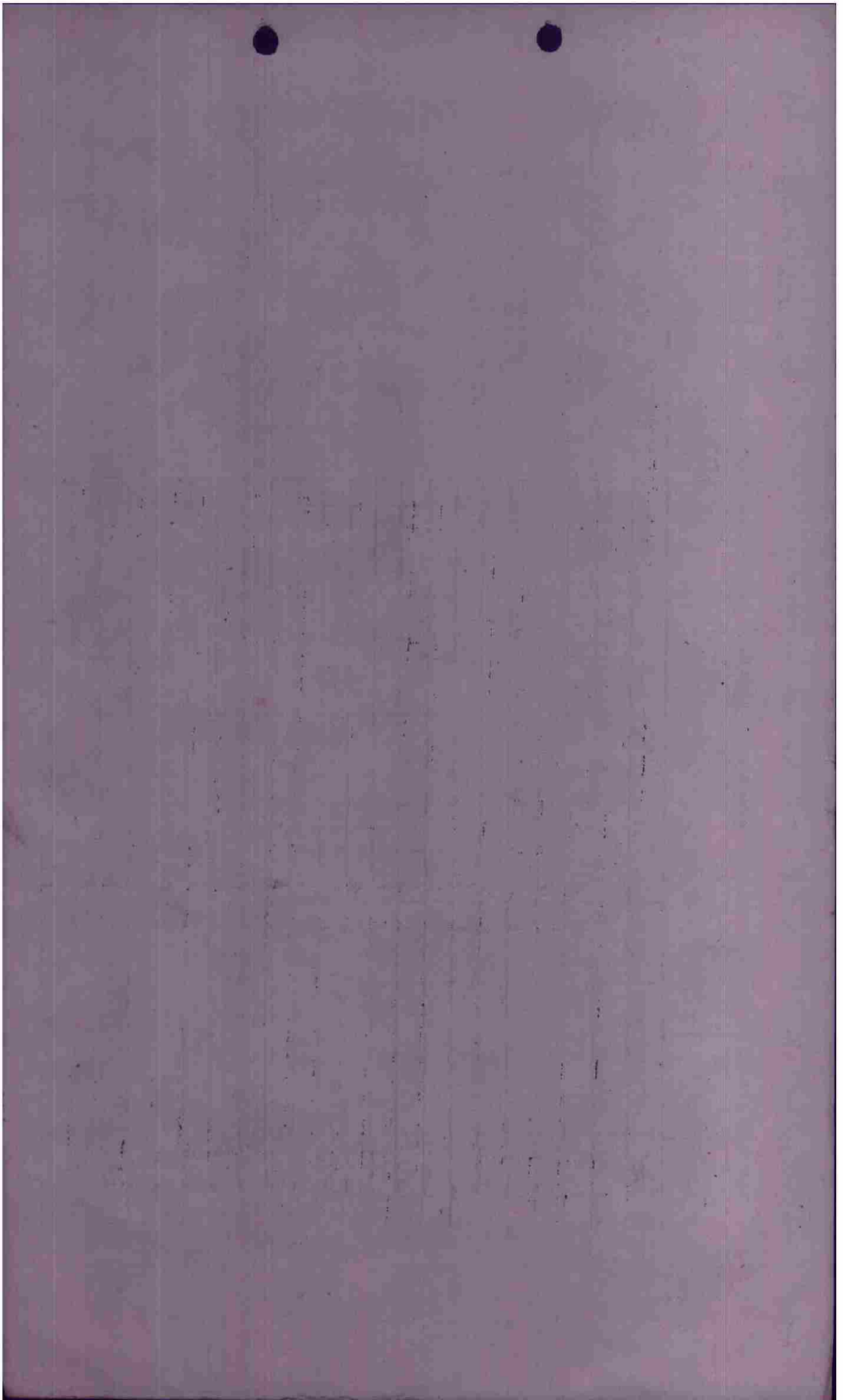


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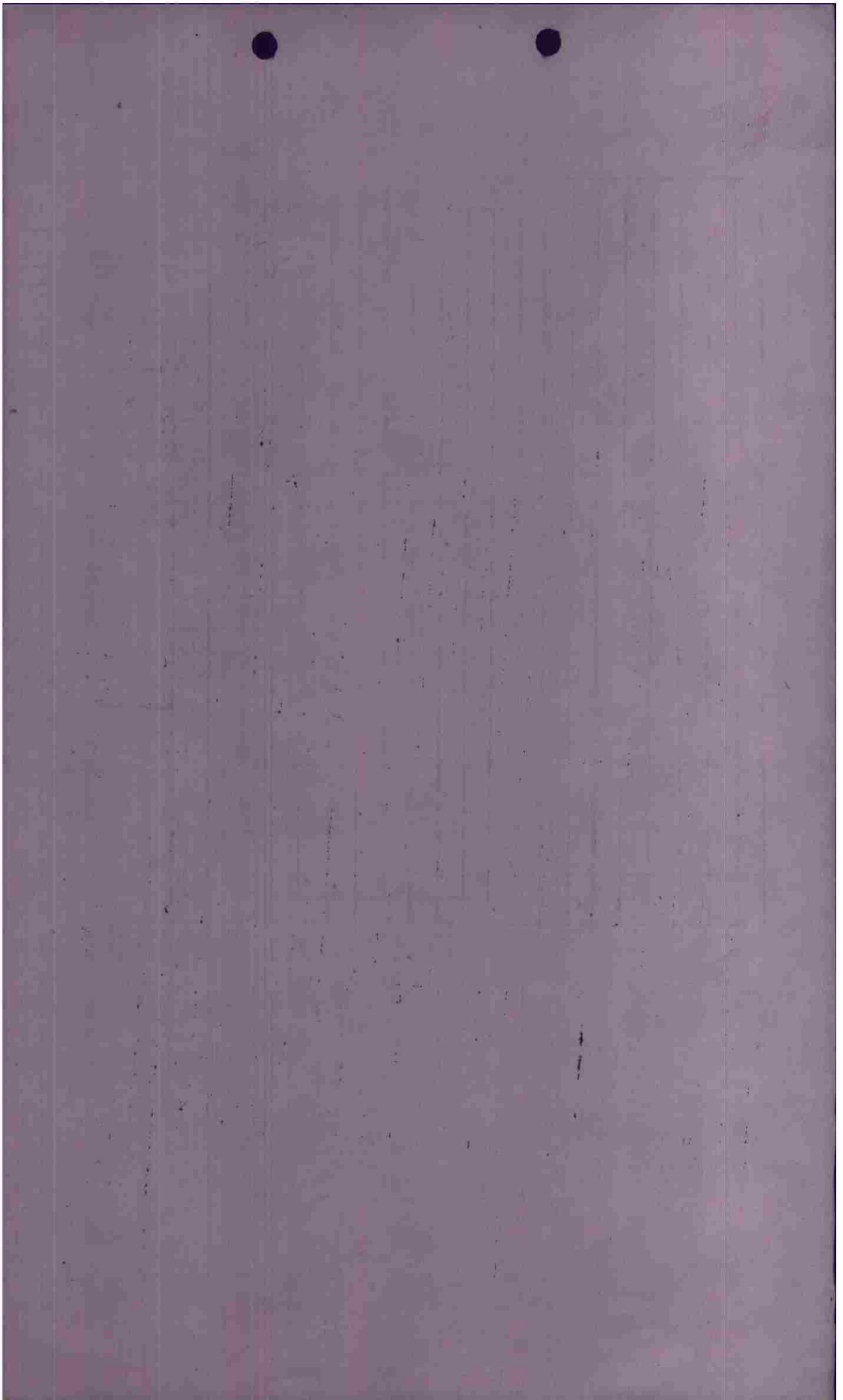


Box #	OpsFl	Date	F/O	Target	Alt.	Box Leader	T/O TOT L/D	15 min.
		4/3/43				LACKOWICH		
A/C	Reil to Bomb	ATT	Bomb Insp	A/C Dem	E/A	Pets.		
Pos. No.	Reason	T S O	P S J	M D A	B E D	P D K		
490								
364								
205								

P.M.

WINDOW

490  
LACKOWICH  
305  
BARANUSKY  
364  
KREH



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PILOT NAPIER W/O# 521 BOX I

CASUALTIES ✓ nil

BOMBS :	<u>6</u> X <u>500</u> ON <u>PPF</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	<u>X</u> RETURNED	<u>" "</u>	<u>"A-C"</u>	<u>"E"</u>
	<u>X</u> JETTISONED	<u>nil</u>		

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

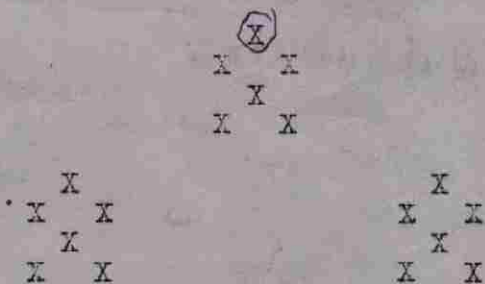
Count flak: - Don't whether got it - believe so -  
 Couldn't see because of 10/10. Called for it (Stone-  
 wall) 15 mins before front line, message -  
 "will be on time at target". No reply to  
 us - but heard stonewall talking to  
 somebody.

TOT 1616 1/2

alt. 12,400  
heading 125° mag.

Deviation  
 shifted to SW  
 of Dusseldorf

POSITION IN RELATION

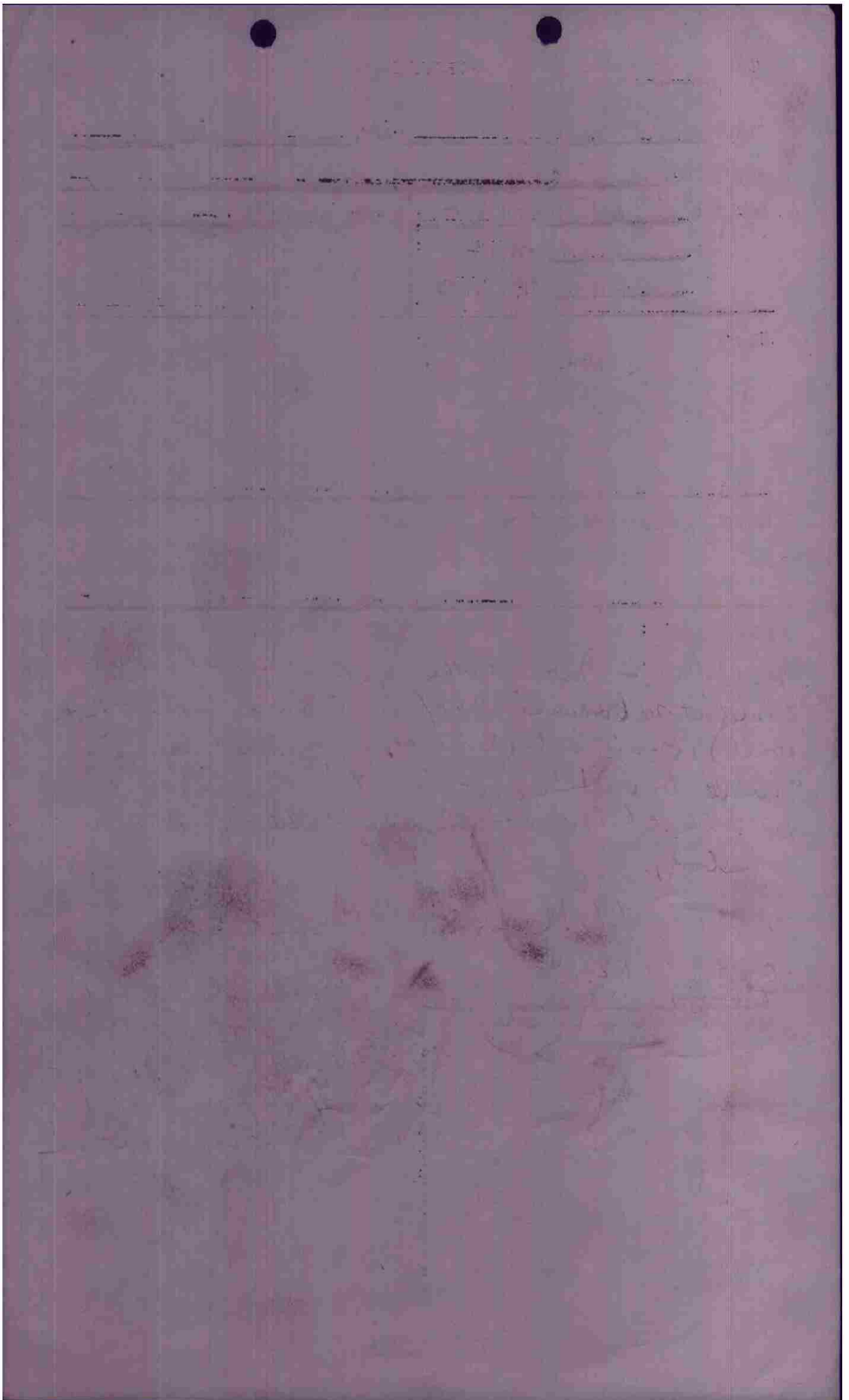


Hit well over Rhine -  
 believe from GEE fix  
 that it was right on

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PILOT MILLER A/C# 297 BOX I

CASUALTIES \_\_\_\_\_

BOMBS :	<u>6</u>	X	<u>500</u>	ON	<u>PT</u>	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:		:		:	
		X			RETURNED	:	"A"	:	"A-C"	:	"E"	:	
		X			JETTISONED	:		:		:		:	

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

*No observation*

POSITION IN FORMATION

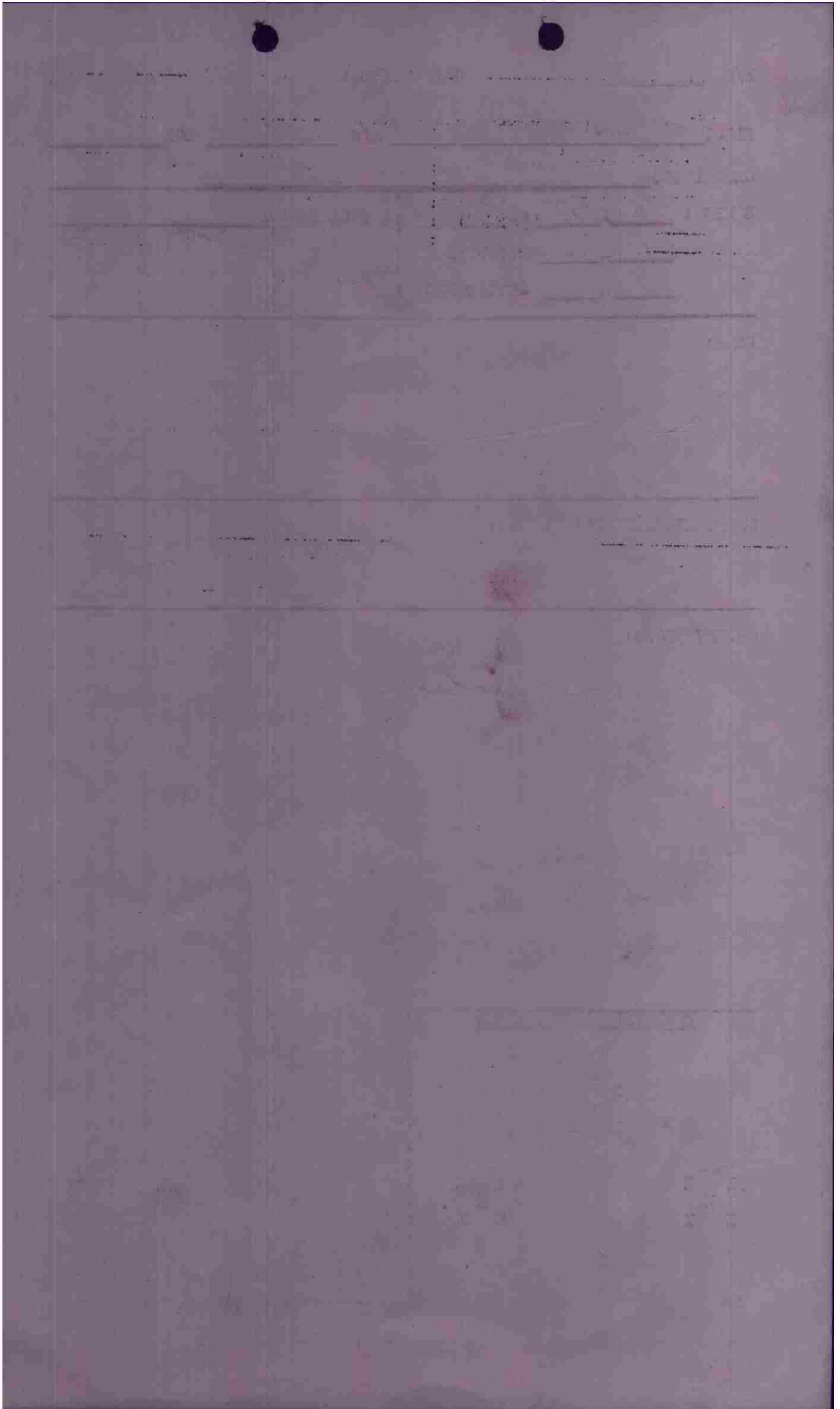
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     X X
      X
     X X
  (X) X X
     X X
     X X
  
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PILOT NIELSON A/C# 249 BOX I

CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS :	<u>6 X 500 LB</u>	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:	"A-C"	:	"E"
	<u>X</u> RETURNED	:		:		:	
	<u>X</u> JETTISONED	:	<u>nil</u>	:		:	

FLAK:

nil.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

18/10

POSITION IN FORMATION

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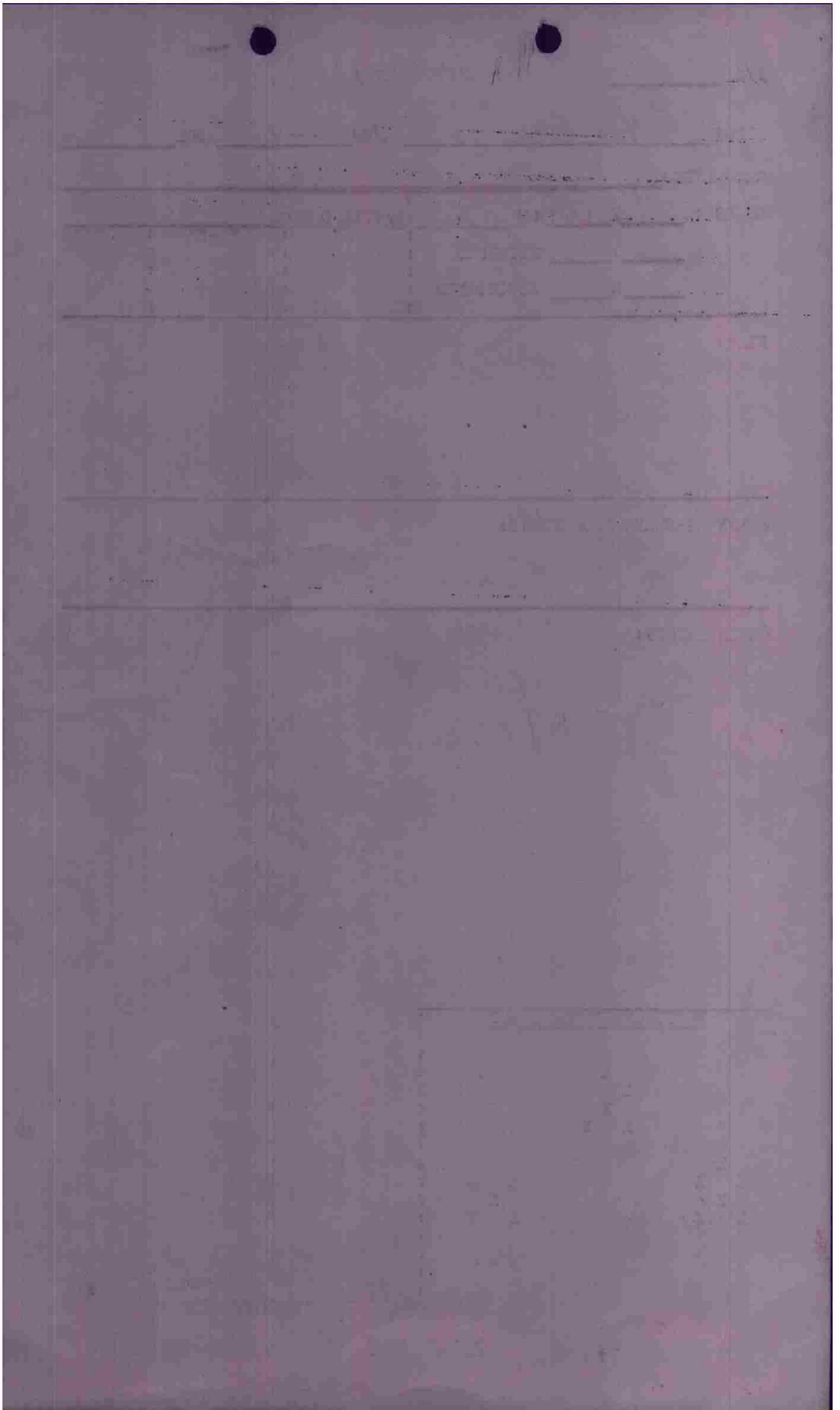
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     X X
      X
     X X
X   X   X
X   X   X
X   X   X

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PILOT BUSKIRK - A/C# 499 BOX I

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :		ON	PT	BATTLE DAMAGE	"A-C"	"E"
<u>6</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>ON</u>	<u>PT</u>		
	<u>X</u>		RETURNED			
	<u>X</u>		JETTISONED			

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

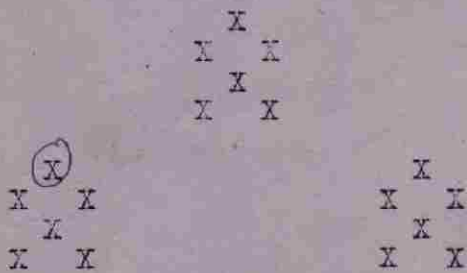
OBSERVATIONS:

*Did not see bomb hit  
Saw plane after turn off target -  
hole in clouds*

*Bombed 4 min early  
according to Bomb  
nav.*

*TOT - 1616  
alt - 12200  
Hd - 130  
AS - 200*

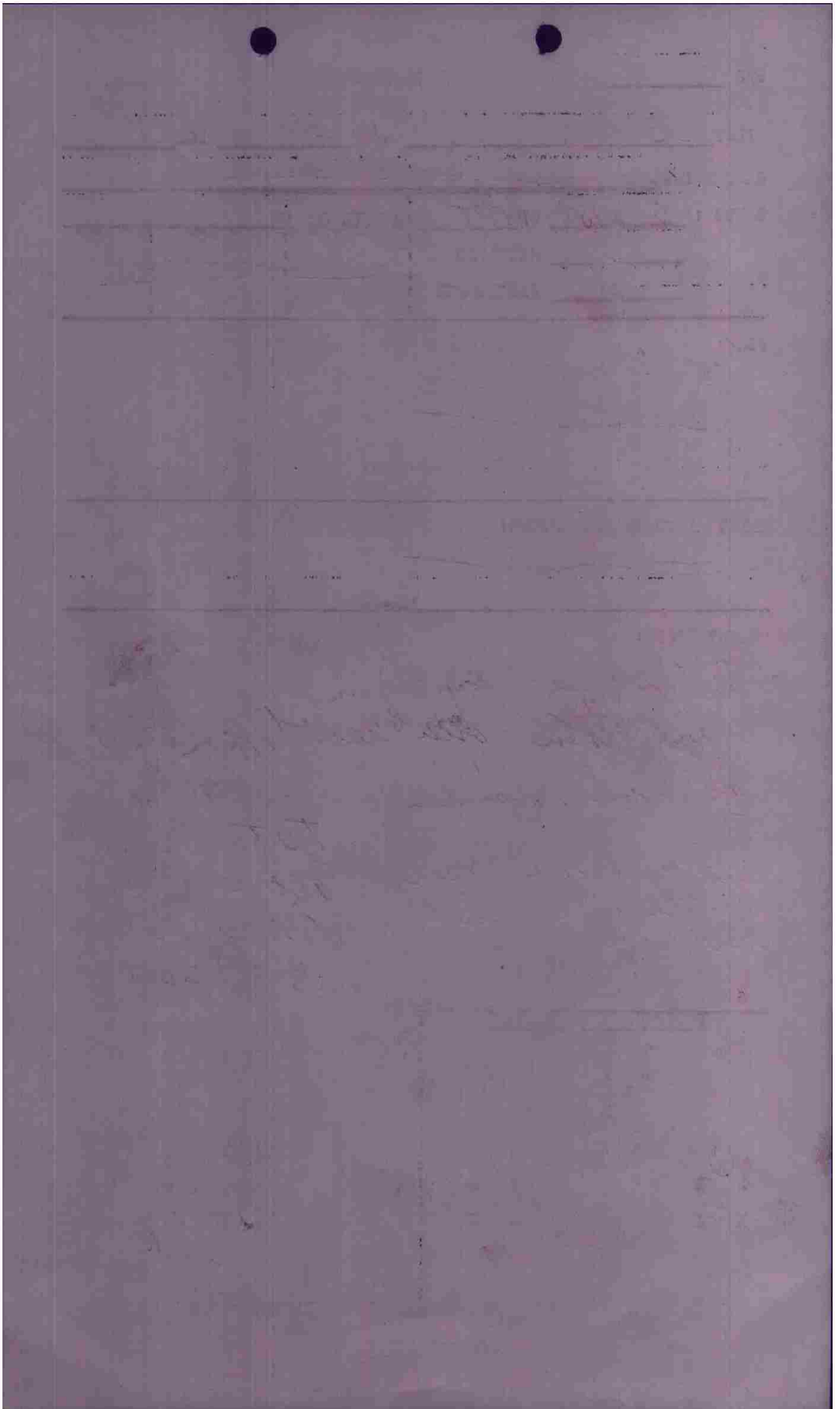
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PILOT MURRAY A/C# 209 BOX I

CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS :	X	VECTOR	BATTLE DAMAGE		
			"L"	"L-C"	"H"
	X	RETURNED			
	X	JETTISONED		<u>nil</u>	

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

Rosalee vectored this A/C in to a target about 15 minutes over bomb-line. Opened doors when told and dropped when told to. Bombed on individual run - ~~separate~~ separate. Saw no other A/C when bombing 10/10 at the target bombed on.

Lost formation on assembly - called Rosalee at about 1600 - Rosalee heading 90° - 100° - 10° - about 5 minutes each. They told me when I was over bomb-

POSITION IN FORMATION

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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
  
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      X
     X X
    (X)
     X X
  
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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
  
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line. Rosalee gave me 2 headings home - then I switched to Parade and DF'd home.

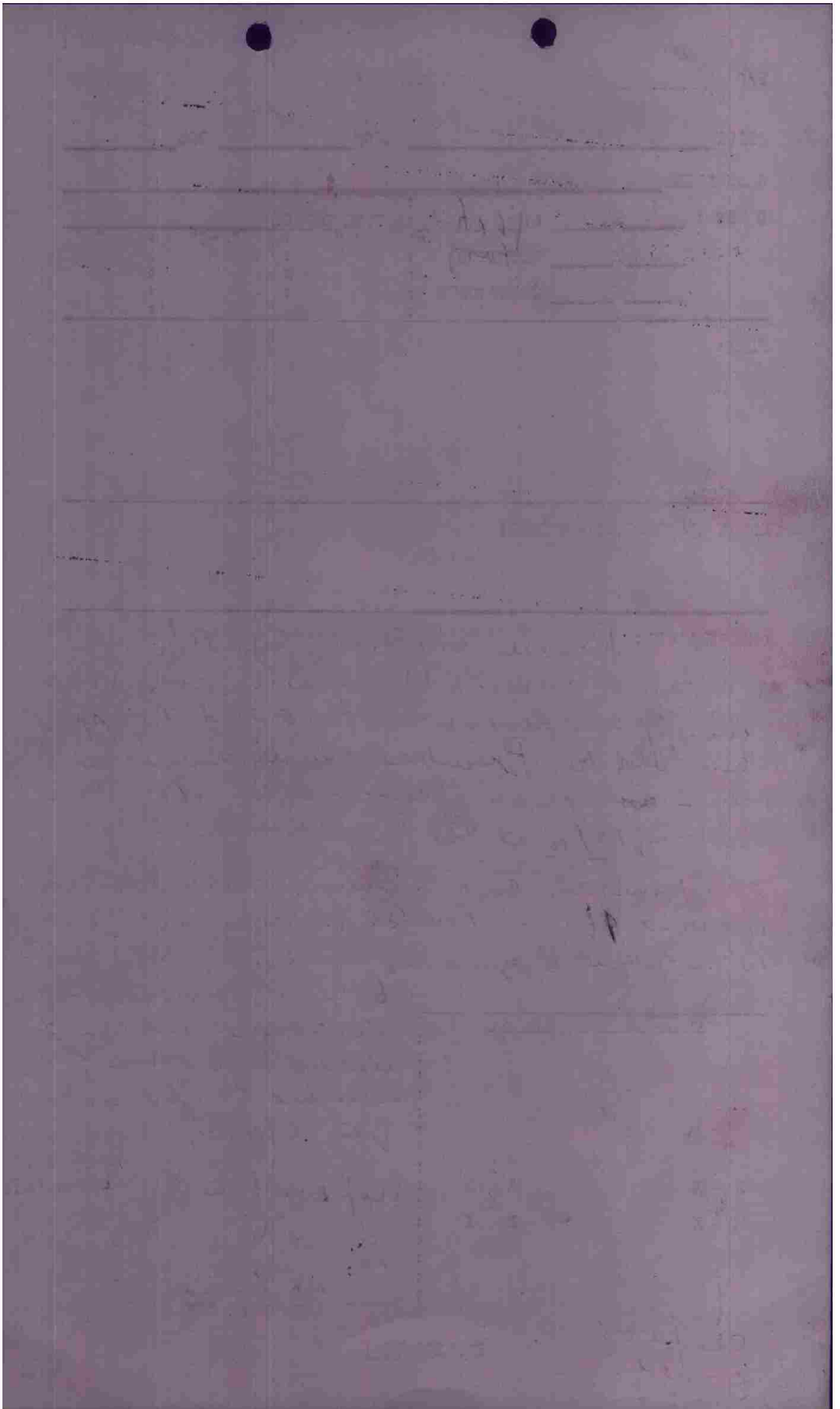
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Believe "N" was being vectored too.

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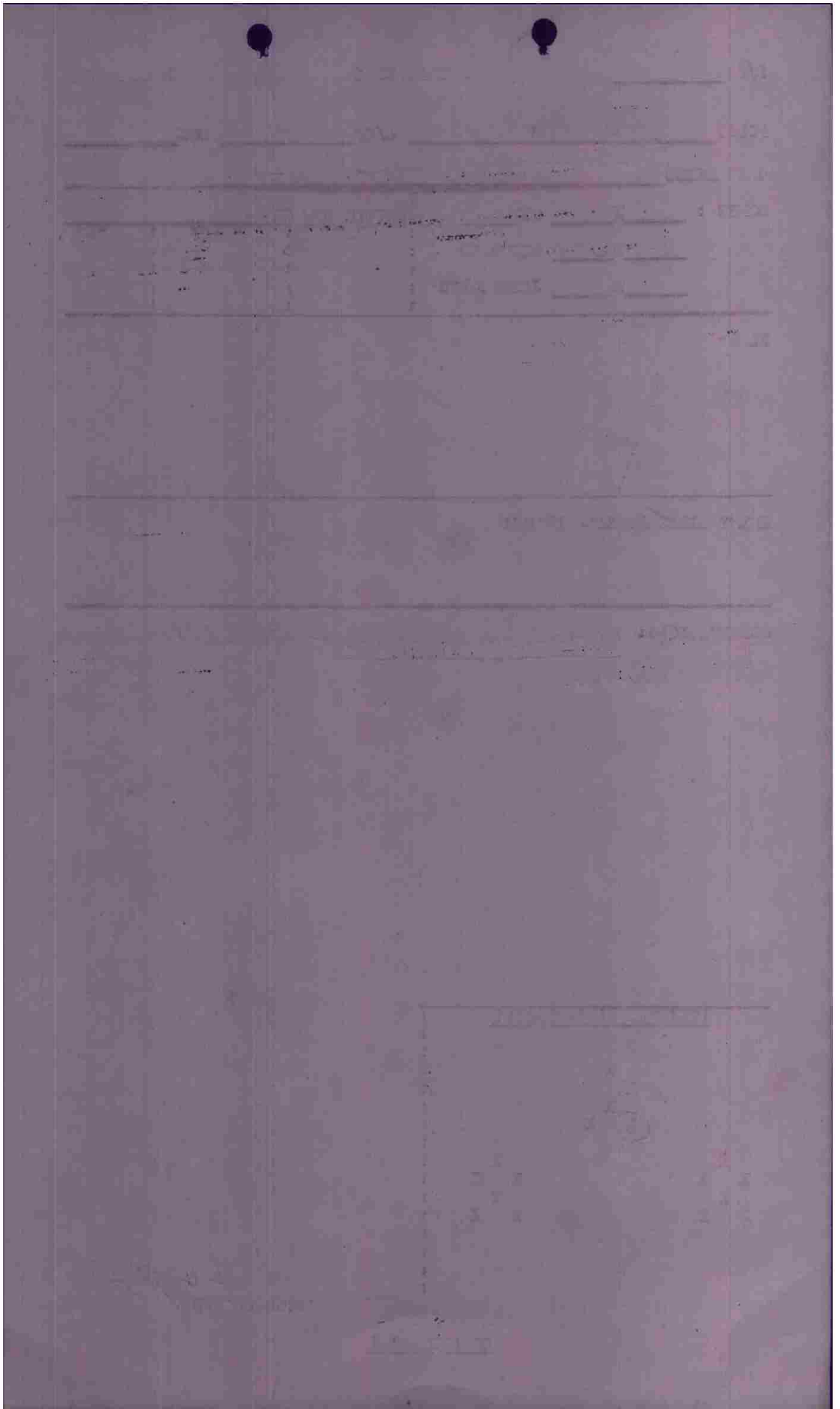
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See poop  
Did not bomb from this position

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PILOT WILLARD <sup>(SPARE)</sup> W/C# 224 BOX I

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	CN	RETURNED	JETTISONED	BATTLE DAMAGE		
				"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<u>X</u>	<u>500</u>					
<u>X</u>						
<u>X</u>						

FLAK:

*mi*

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

*mi*

OBSERVATIONS:

POSITION IN FORMATION

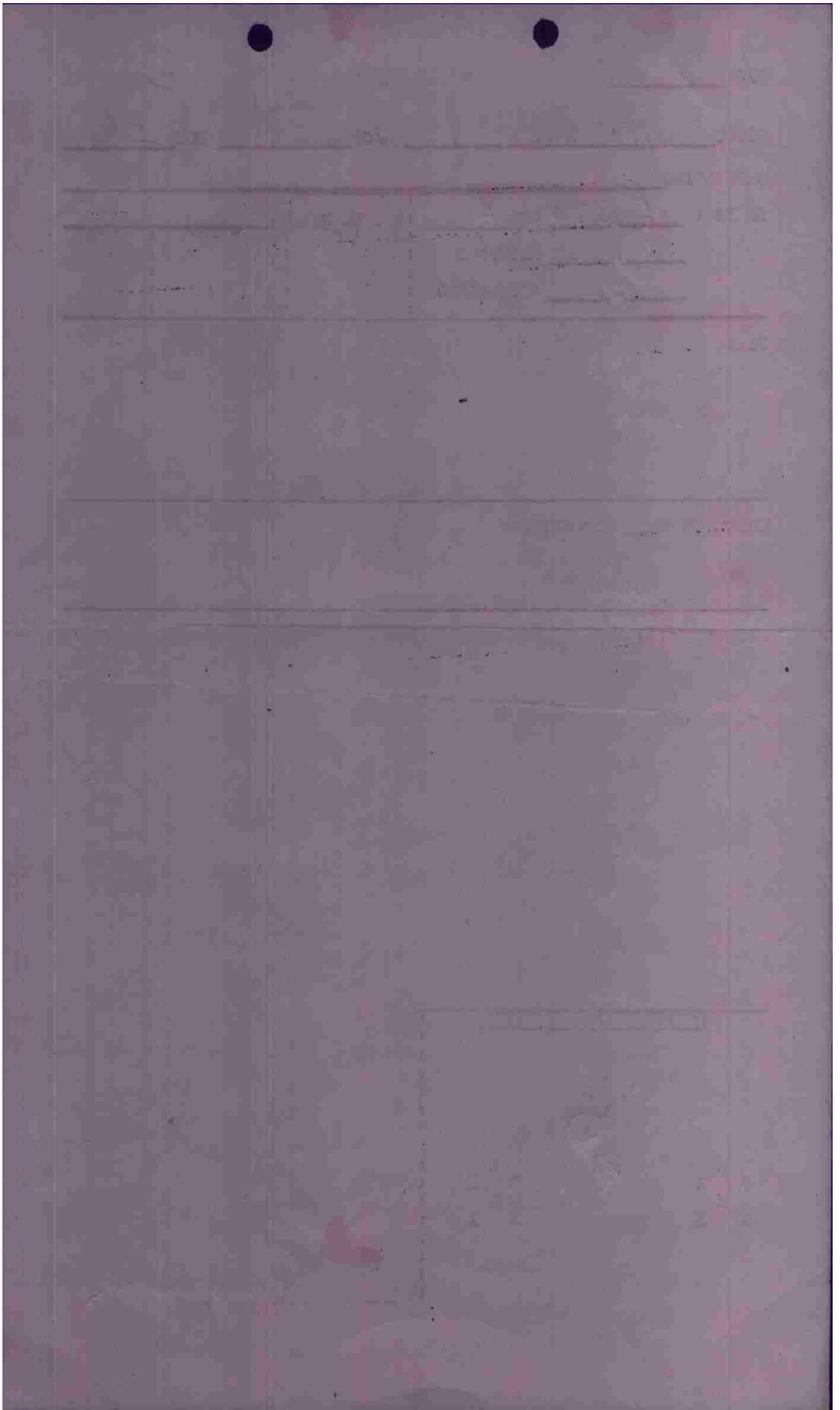
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      X
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X   X   X

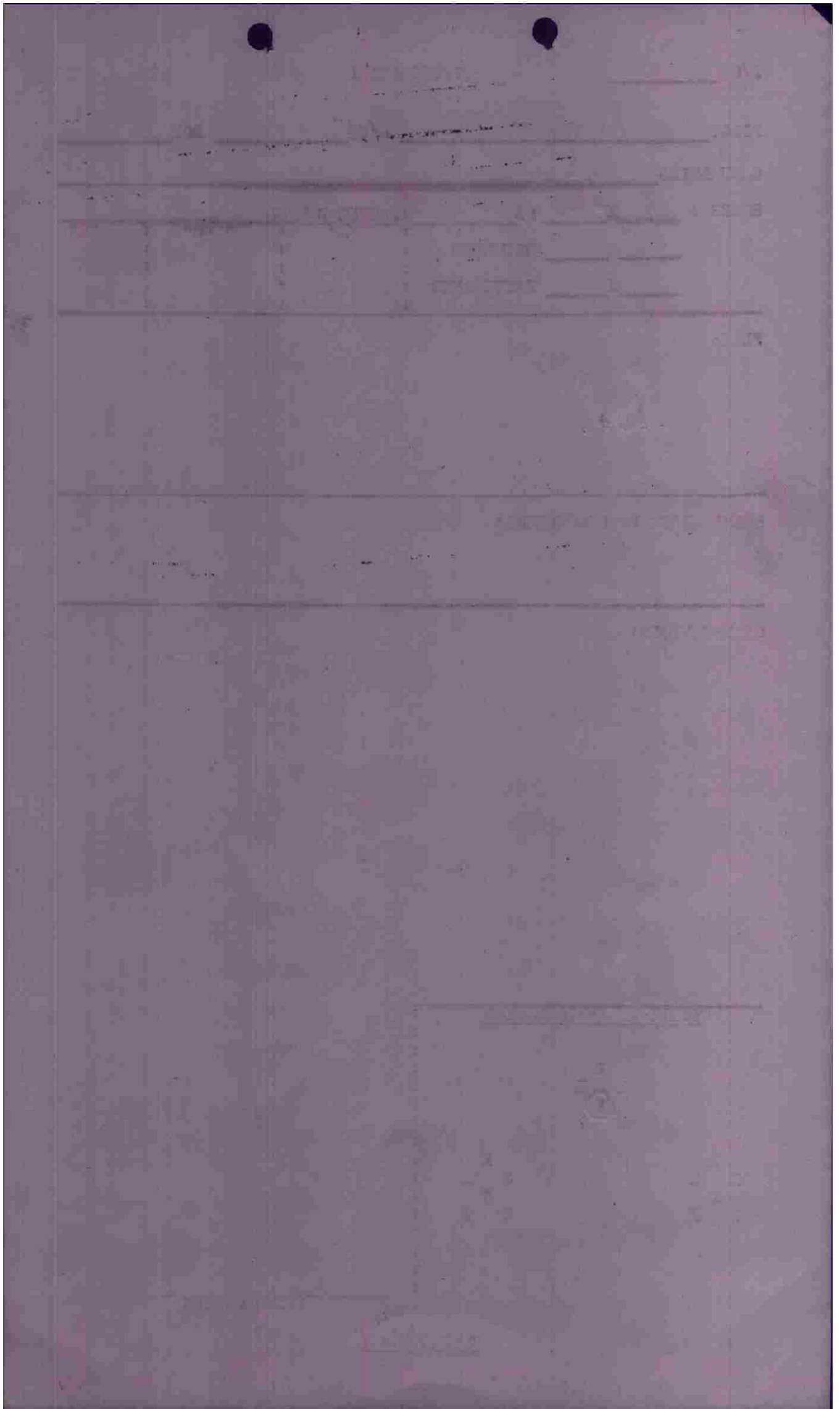
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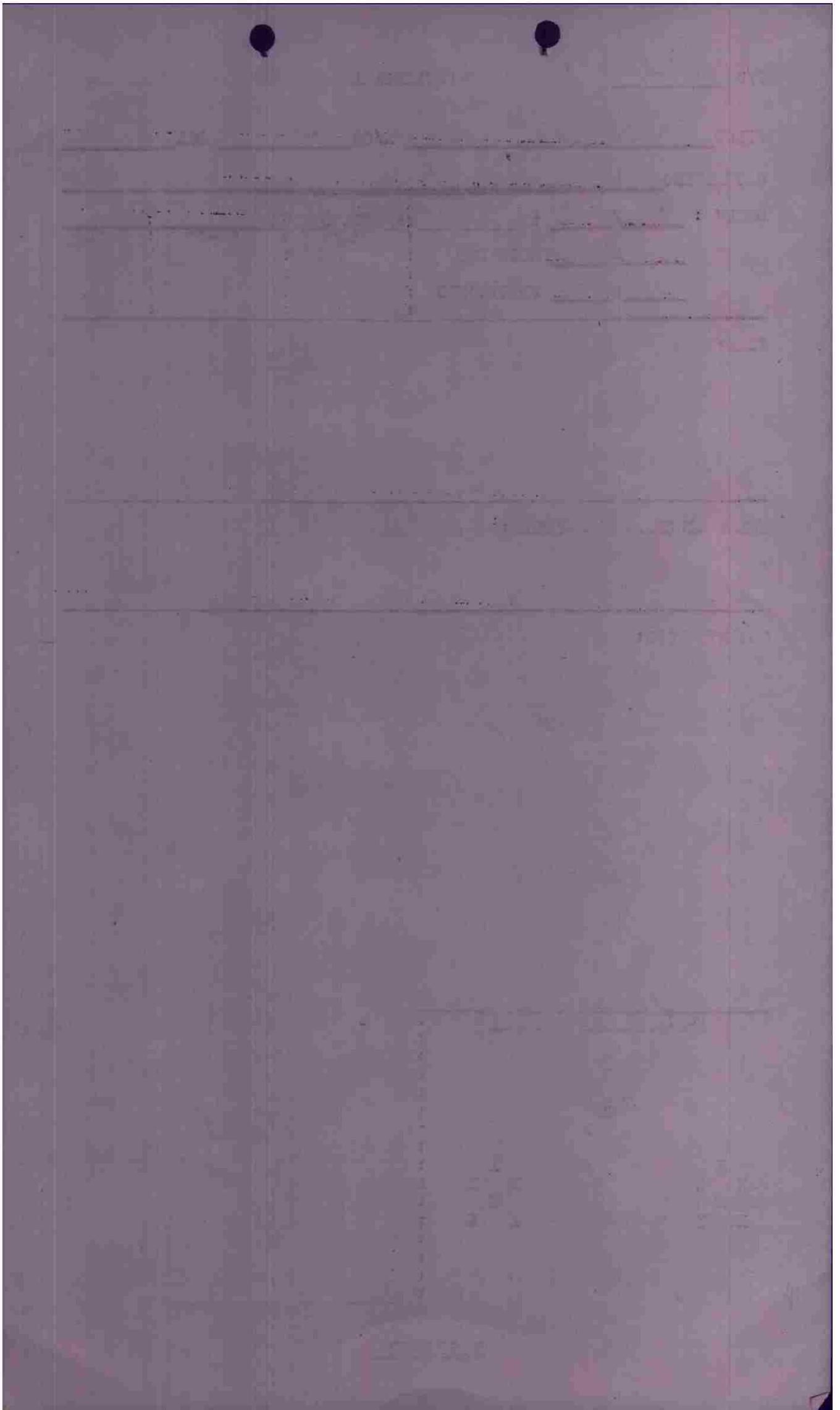
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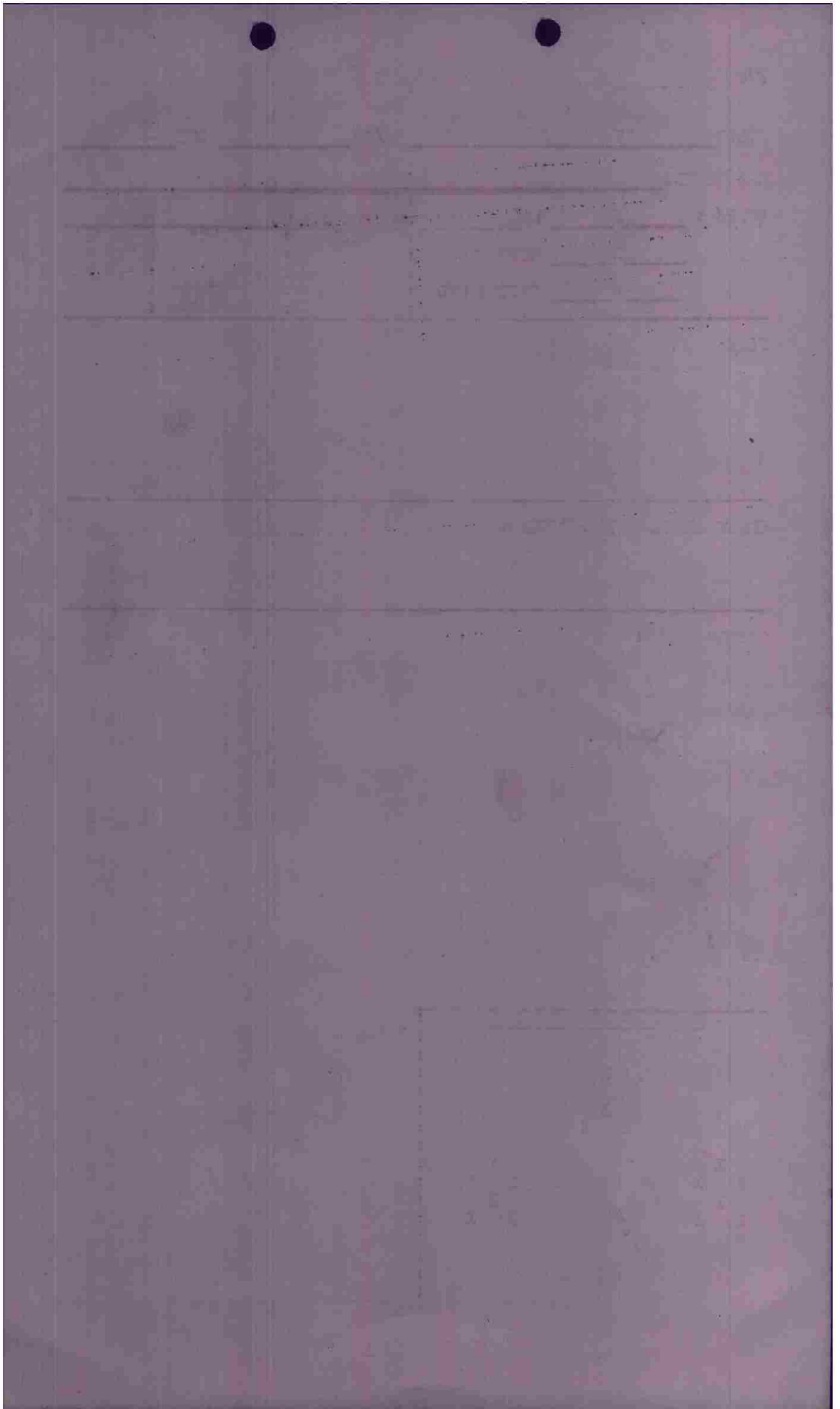




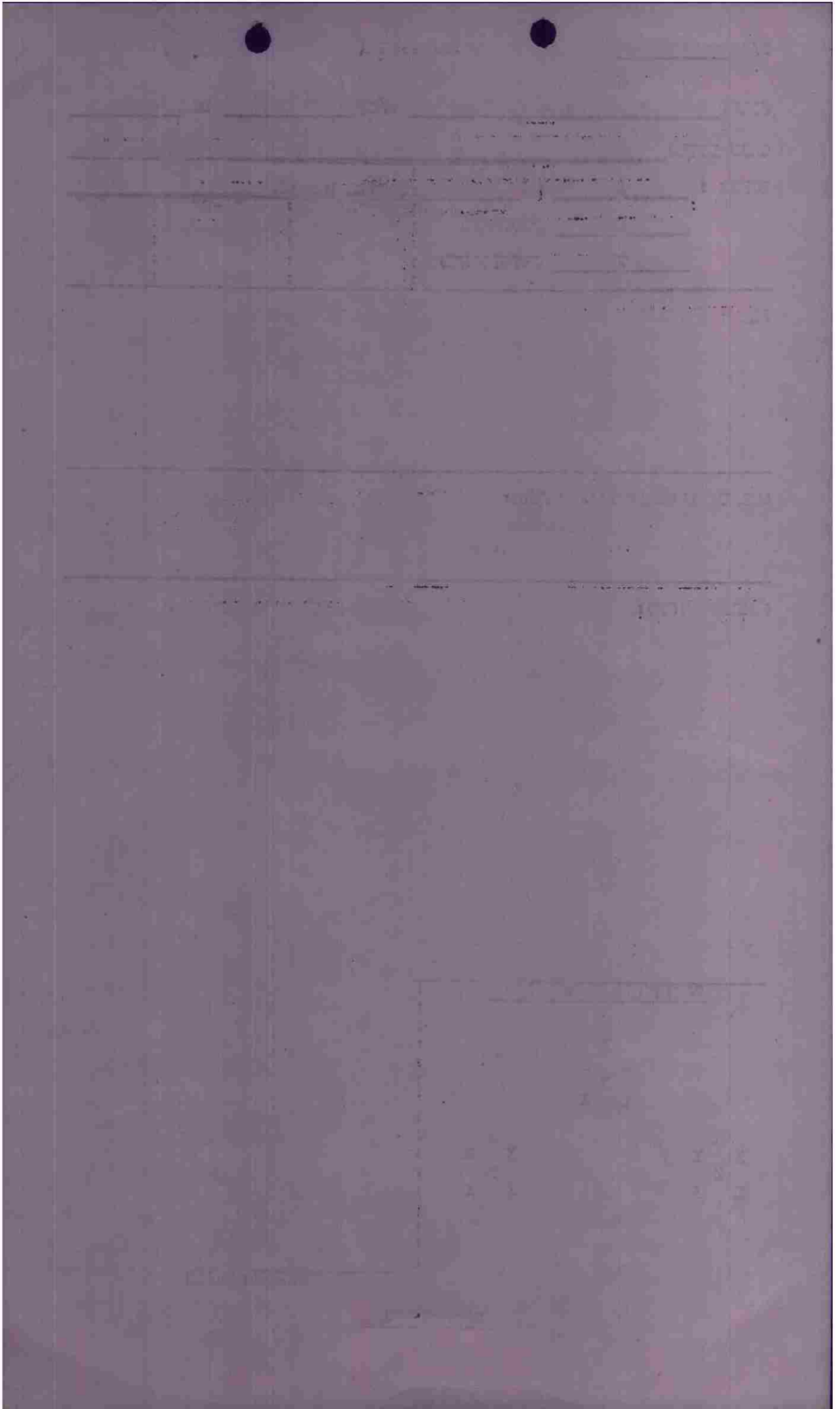




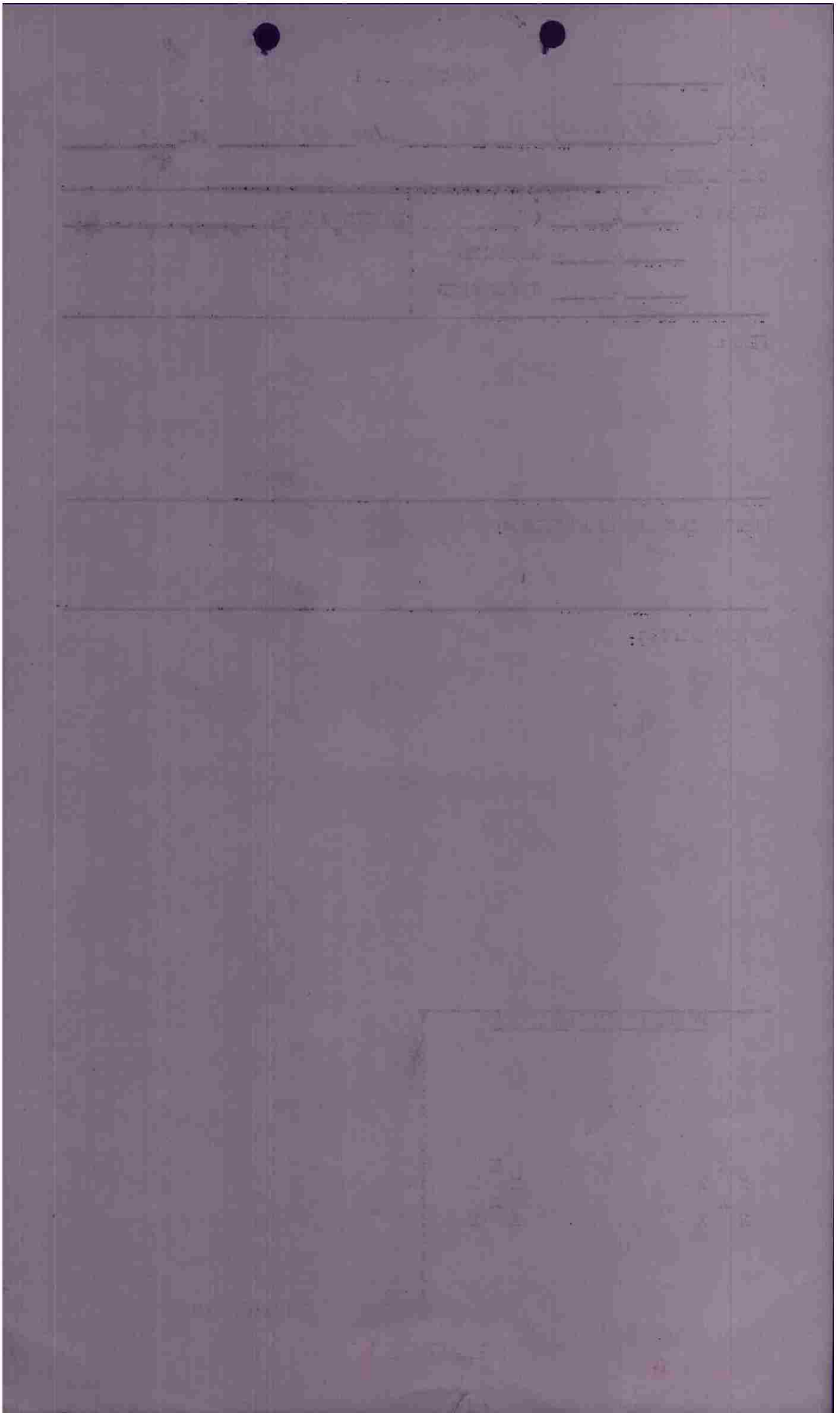












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PILOT MISH A/C# 508 BOX I

CASUALTIES \_\_\_\_\_

BOMBS :	<u>6</u> X <u>500</u> ON	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:		:		
	<u>X</u>	RETURNED	:	"A"	:	"A-C"	:	"E"
	<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	:		:		:	

FLAK:

*pit*

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

*TOT - 1616 1/2  
alt - 11,600*

POSITION IN FORMATION

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      X
     X X
    X X
   X  X

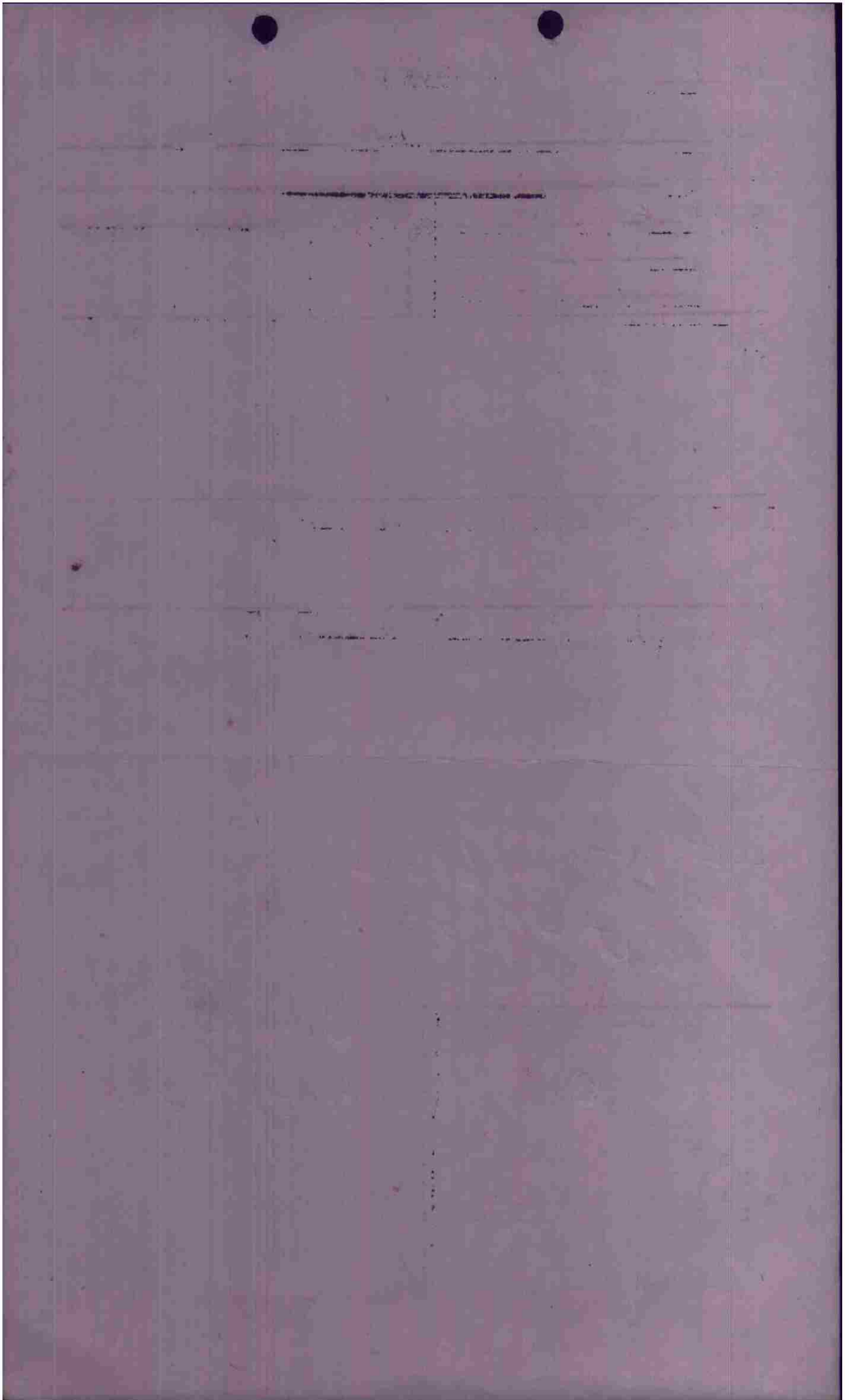
X  X
X  X
X  X

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*Smoke in  
target area*

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PILOT SWAP A/C# 381 BOX I

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>6</u> X <u>500</u> ON	:	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	<u>X</u> RETURNED	:	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	<u>X</u> JETTISONED	:			

FLAK:

*nil*

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

*nil*

OBSERVATIONS:

*10/10*

POSITION IN FORMATION

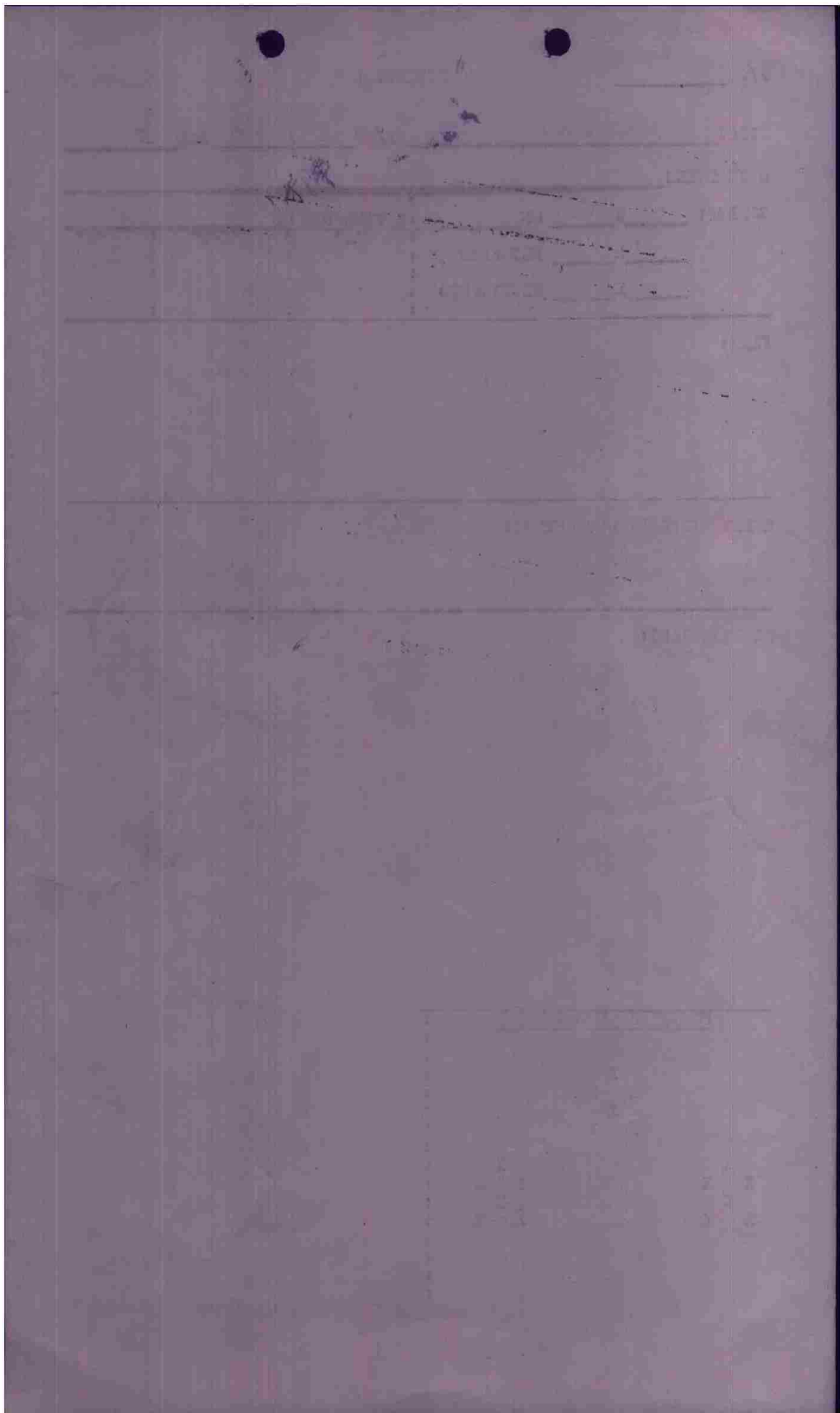
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      X
     X X
    (Y) X X
  X   X
 X   X
 X   X
  X   X
  X   X
  X   X
  
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PILOT GRAEBER A/C# 332 BOX I

CASUALTIES

*nil*

BOMBS :	<u>6</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>NO</u>	ON	BATTLE DAMAGE	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
		<u>X</u>		RETURNED	<i>nil</i>			
		<u>X</u>		JETTISONED				

FLAK:

*nil*

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

*nil*

OBSERVATIONS:

*10/10*

POSITION IN FORMATION

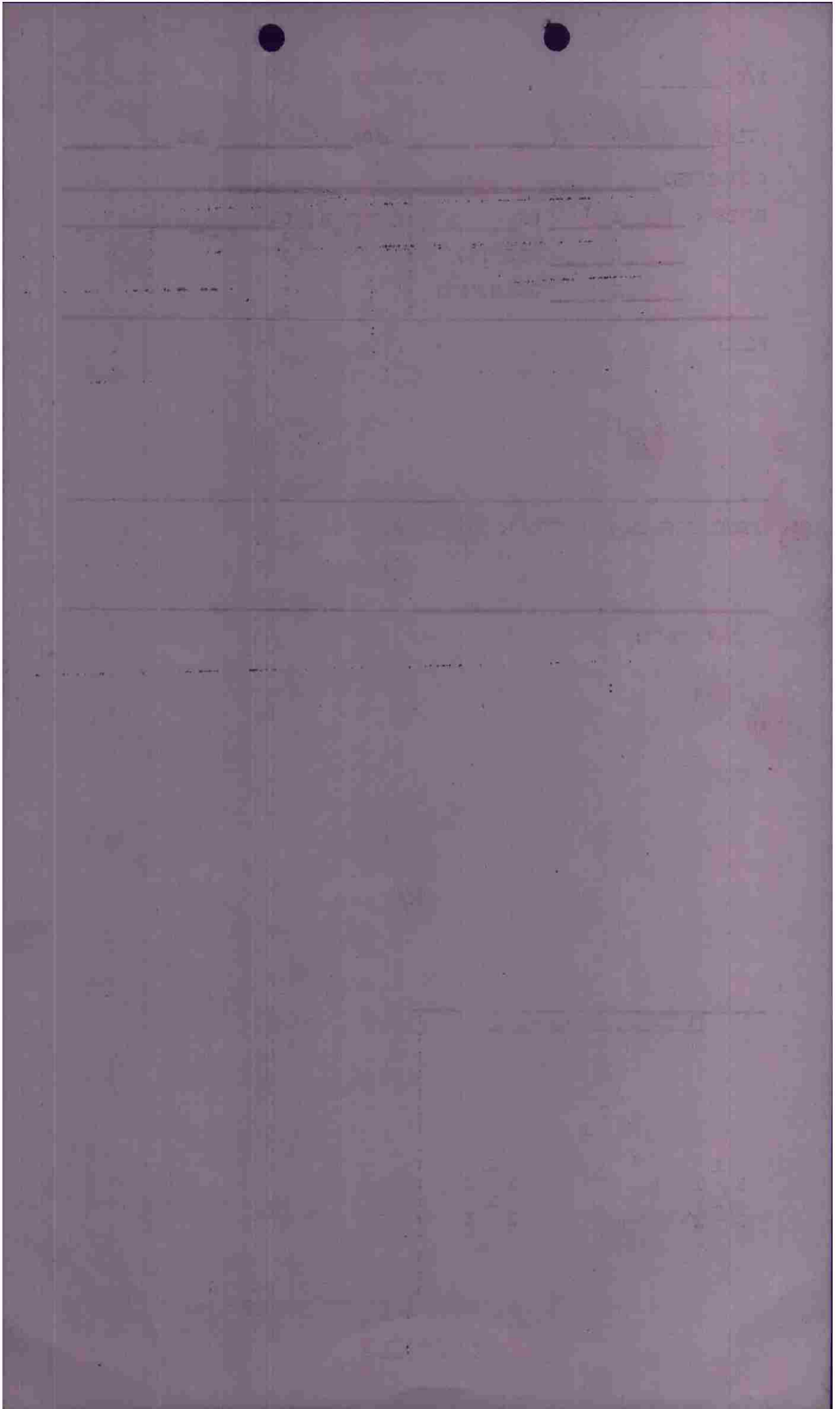
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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
X   X   X
 X  X   X
X   X   X

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PILOT HIXON A/C# 239 BOX I

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	ON	BATTLE DAMAGE	"A-C"	"E"
<u>6</u> X <u>500</u>	<u>P</u>			
<u>X</u>	RETURNED			
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

FLAK: hit

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

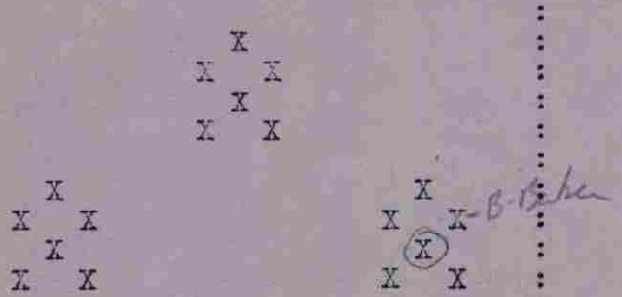
hit

OBSERVATIONS:

B-Baker dropped 2  
just as doors  
opened (1612)

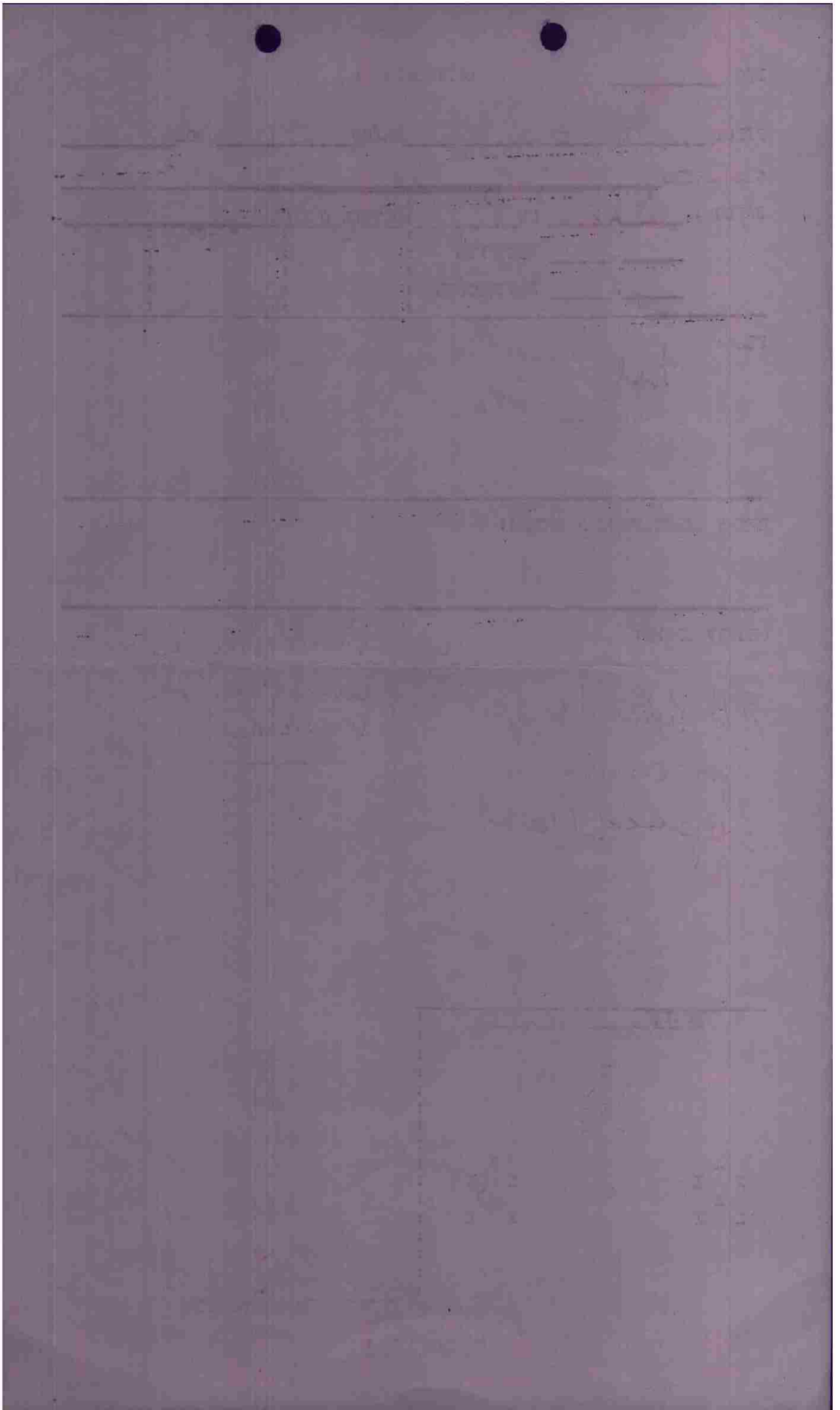
Small fire in target  
area - saw thru  
break near top.

POSITION IN FORMATION

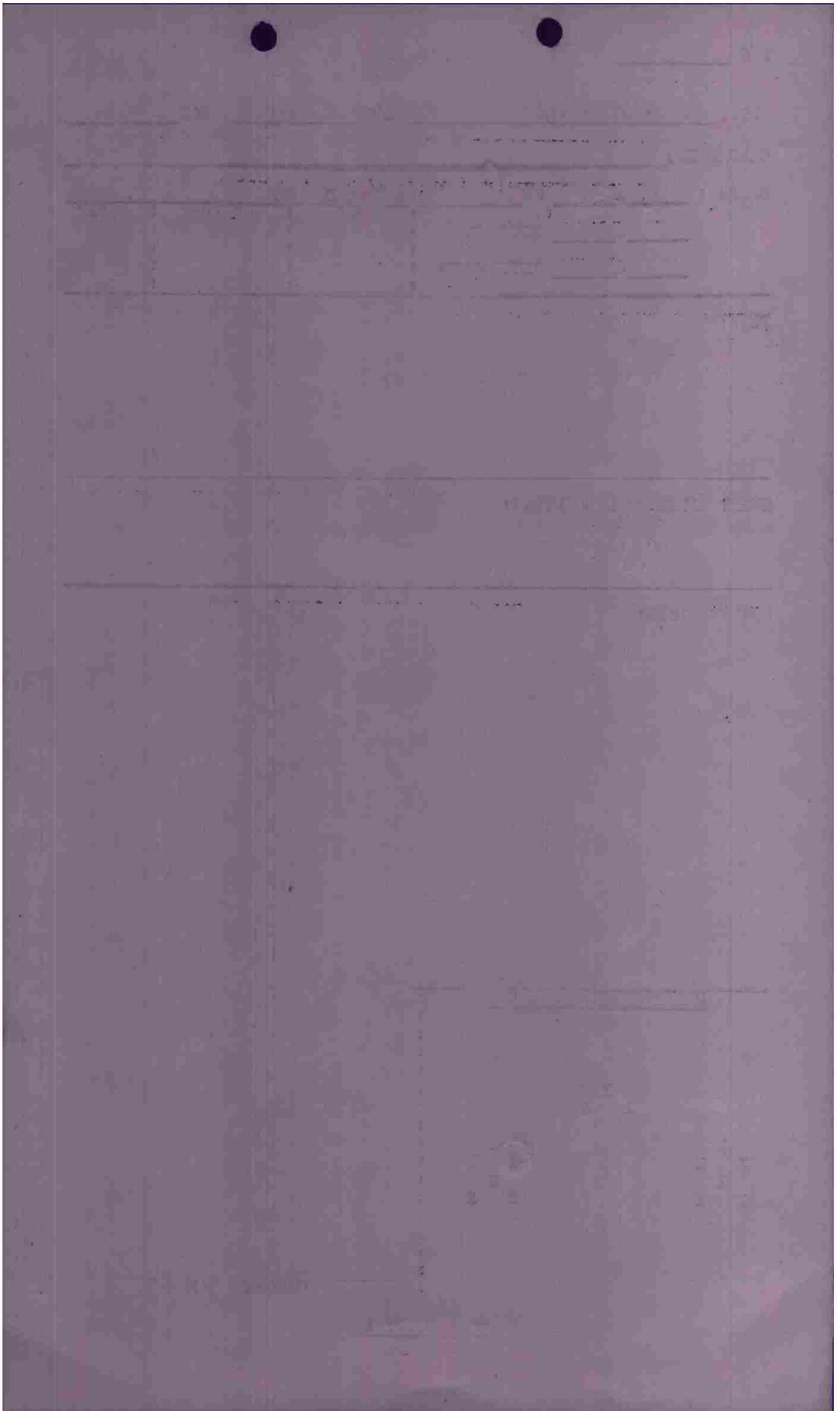


Sh...  
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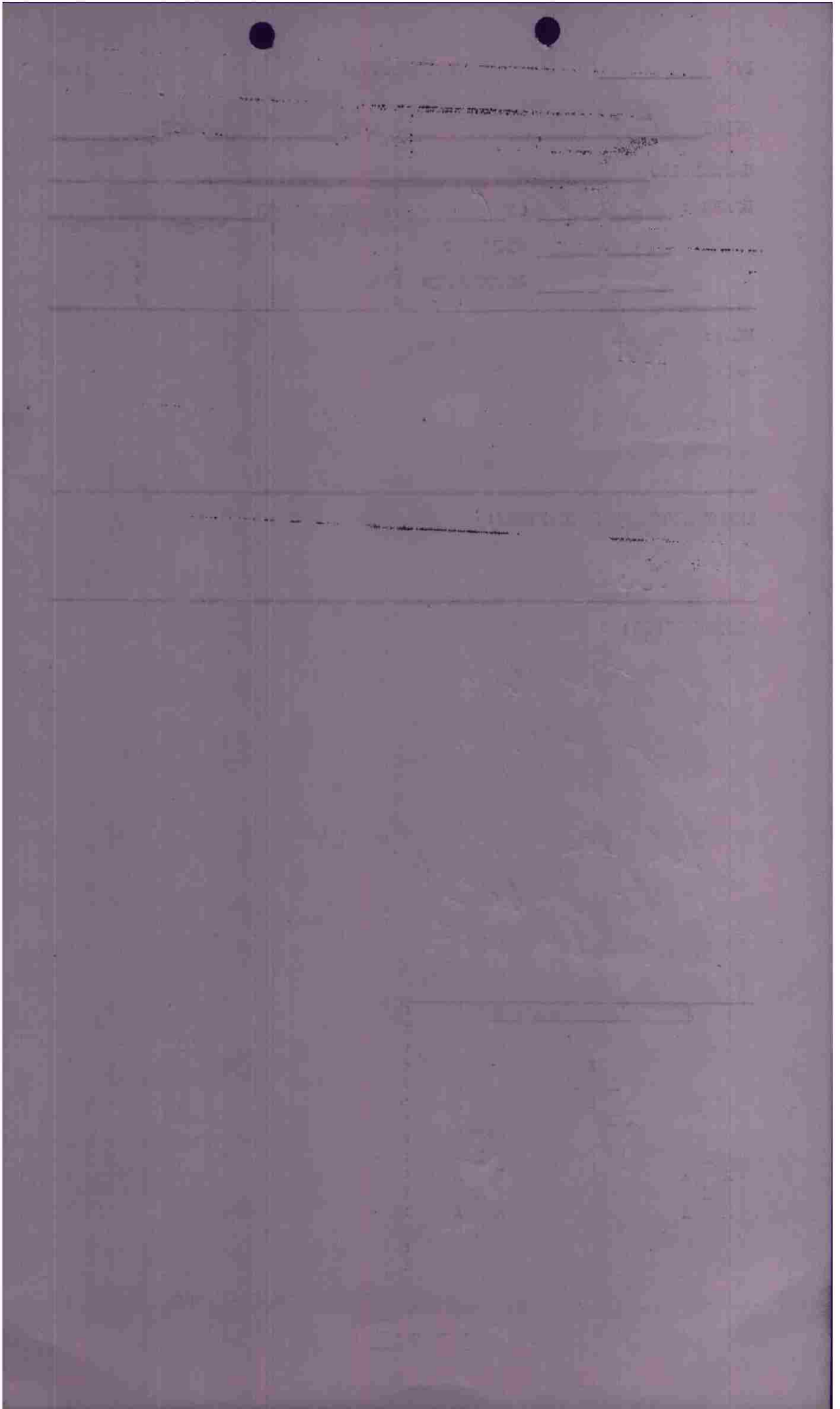
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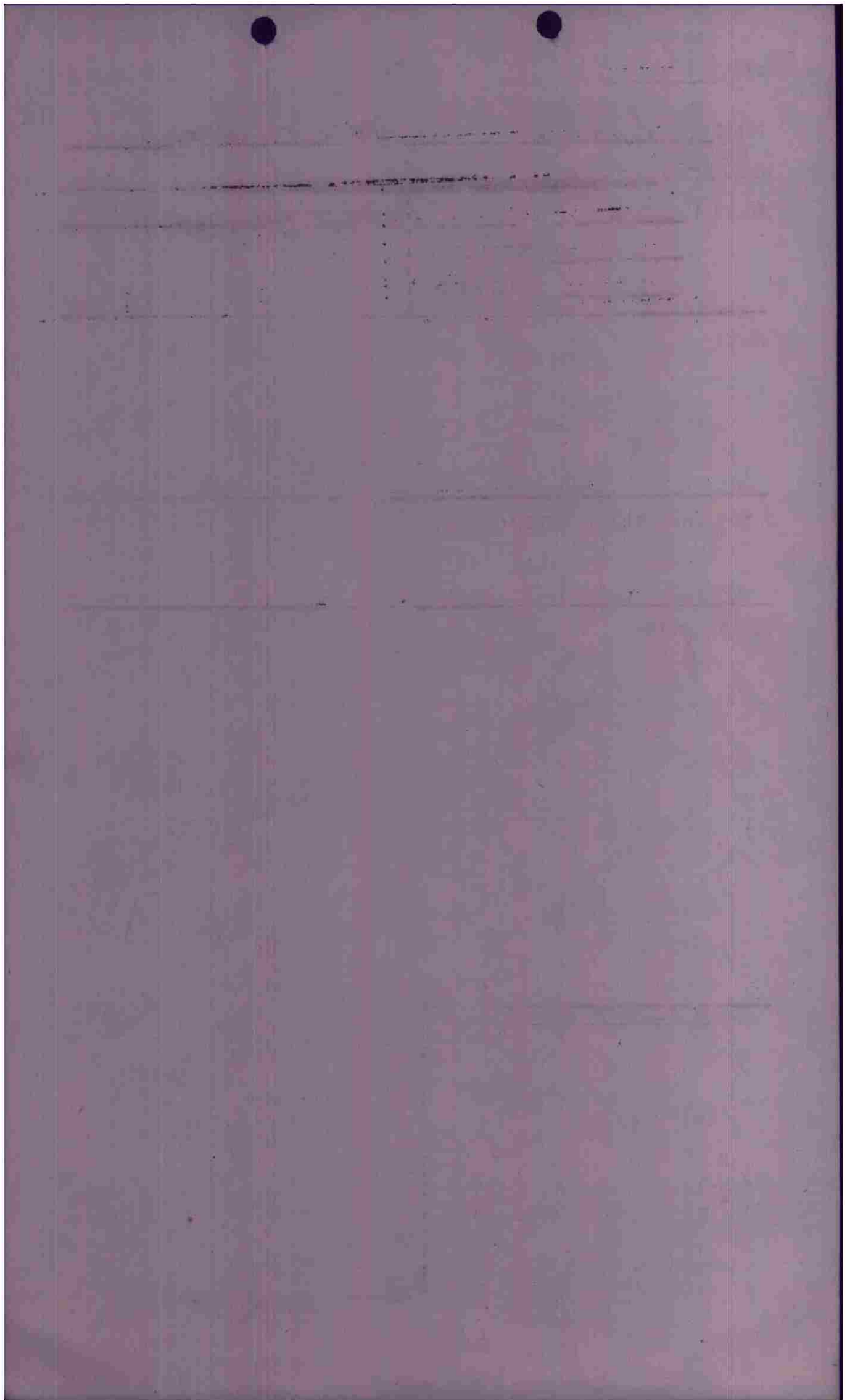




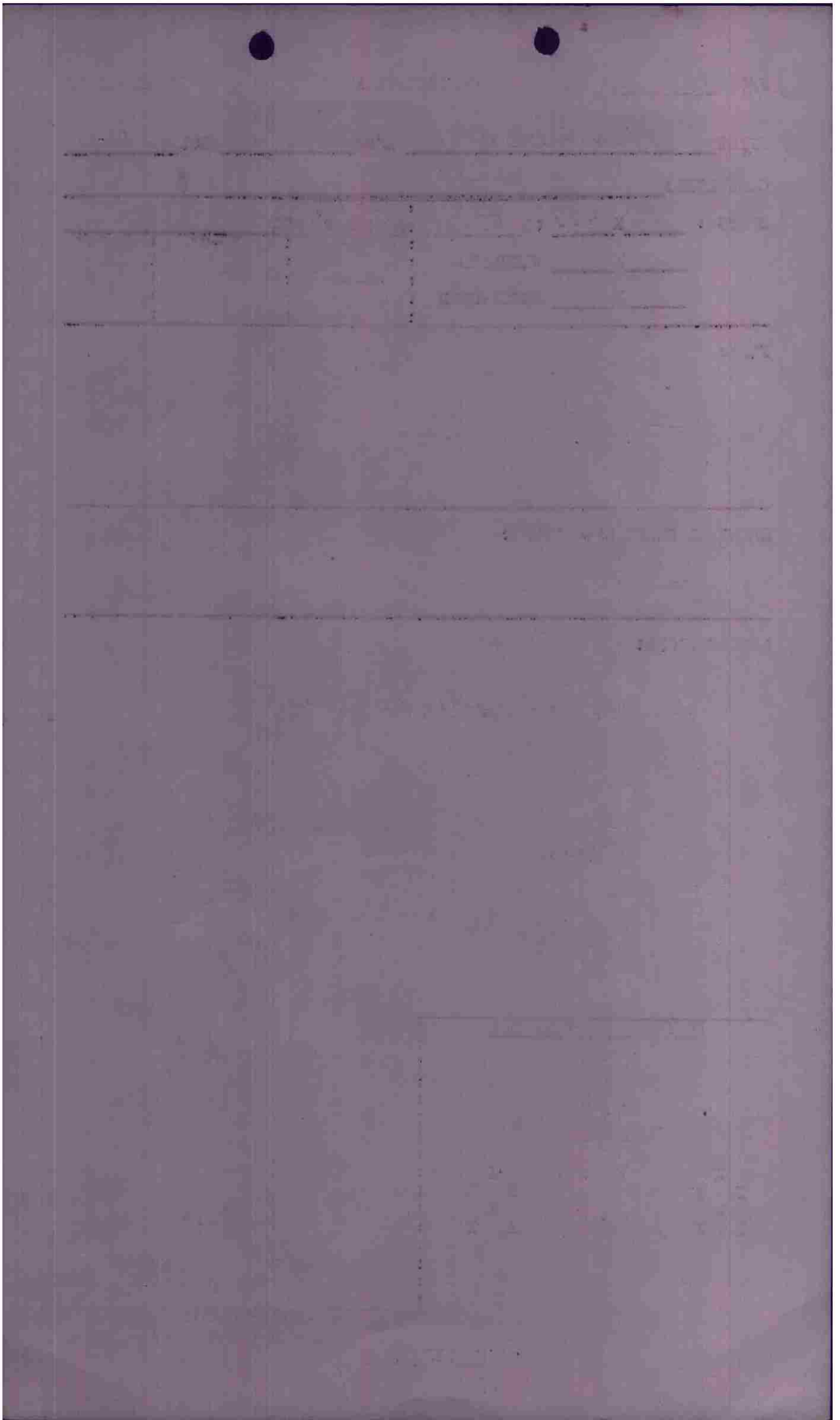












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PILOT GRONIG A/C# 507 BOX II-B

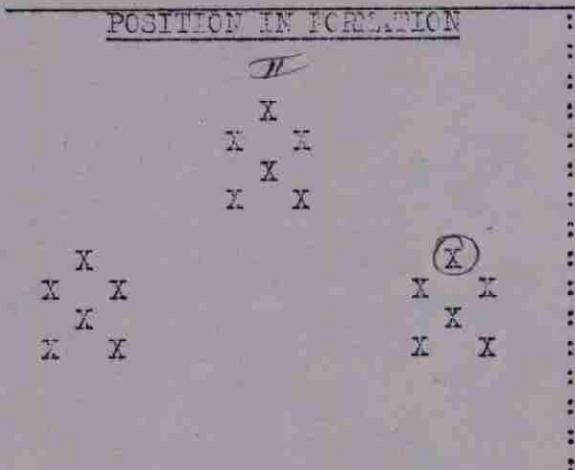
CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS :	<u>6x500</u>	ON <u>Primary</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE
	X	<u>PPF.</u> RETURNED	"A" : <u>nil</u> : "A-C" : "E"
	X	JETTISONED	: : : :

FLAK: nil

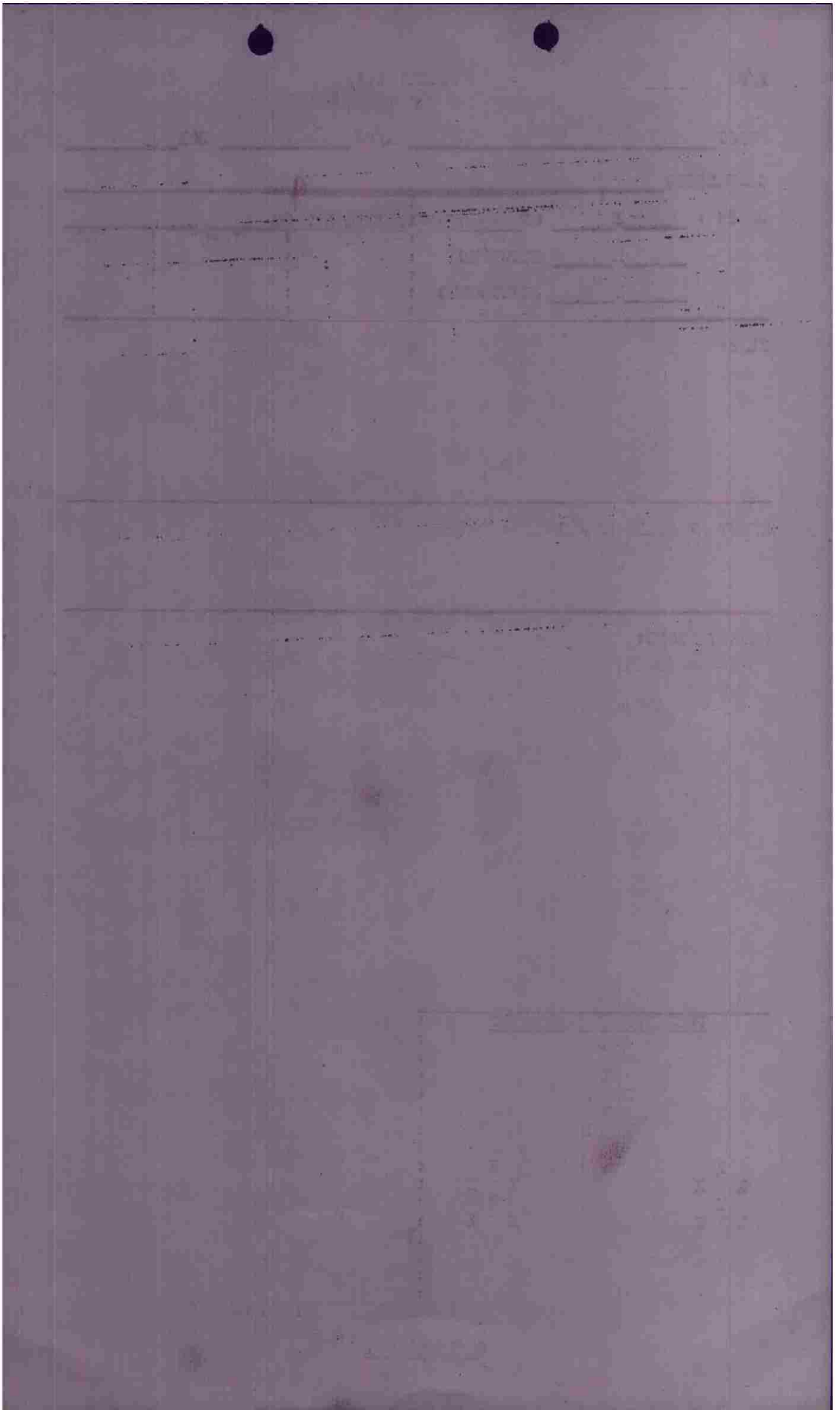
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: nil

OBSERVATIONS: 7.07.1616 - See fix at time of bombs away -  
were about 1/2 mile from top on course - Course  
alt 10,800 - heading 119° - air speed 210



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INTERR. FORM

PILOT HALE w/c# 325 BOX II-0

CASUALTIES nil

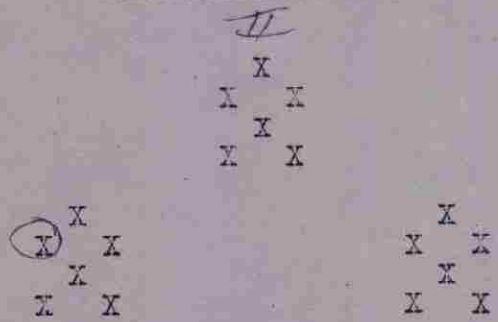
BOBS :	6 X 500 ON Primary	BATTLE DAMAGE		
		"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	RETURNED	:	:	:
X	JETTISONED	:	nil	:

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: nil

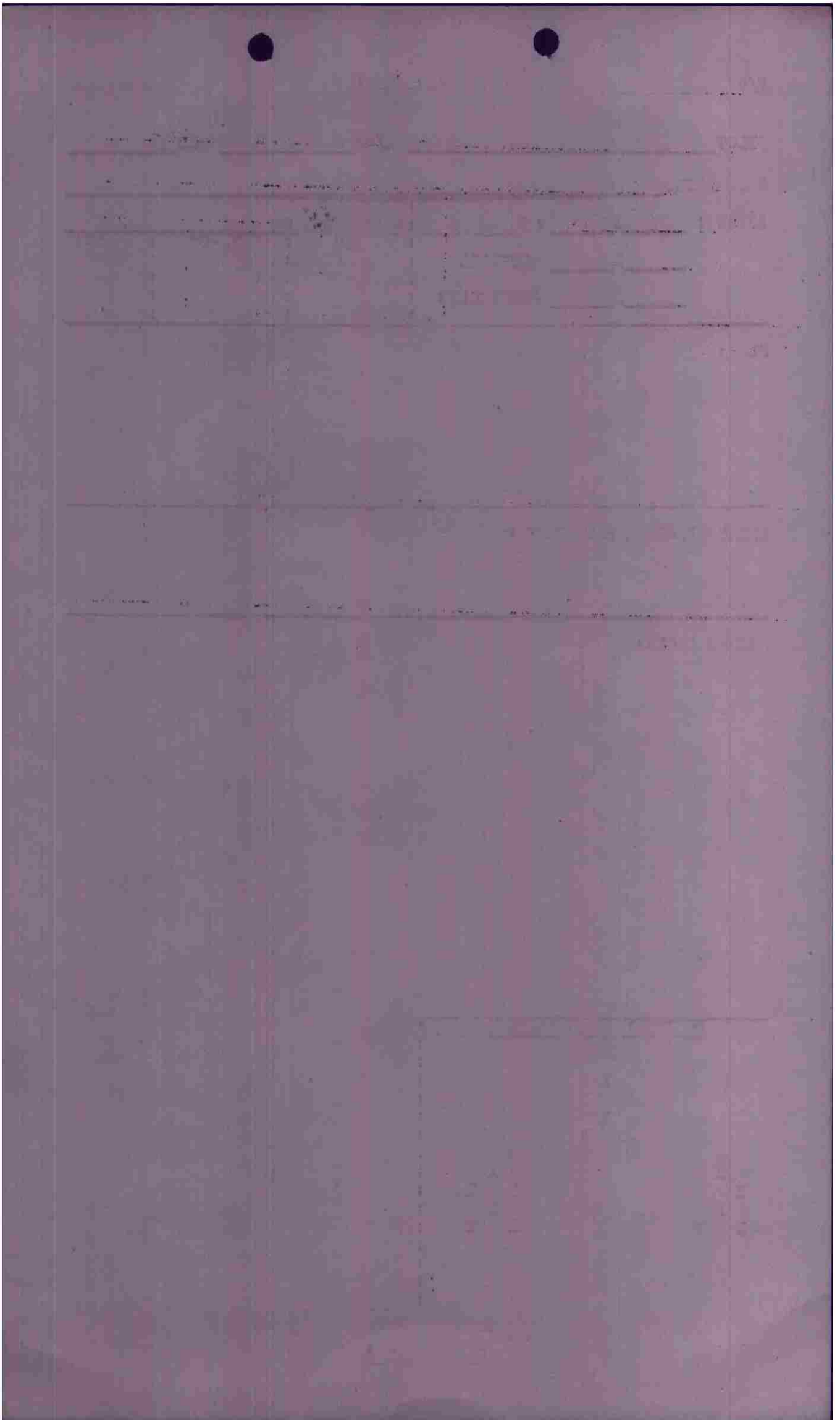
OBSERVATIONS: nil

POSITION IN FORMATION



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INTER. FORM

PILOT SMITH A/C# 271 BOX II-A

CASUALTIES \_\_\_\_\_

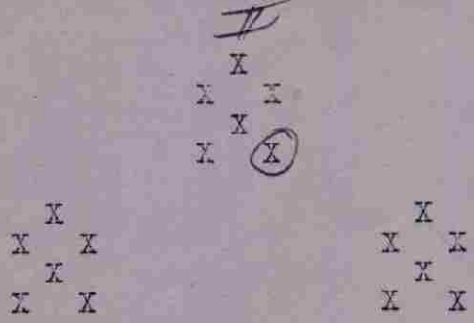
BOMBS :	<u>L-1500</u>	ON <u>Primary</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE			
	X	RETURNED	"A"	:	"I-C"	"E"
	X	JETTISONED		:		

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: nil

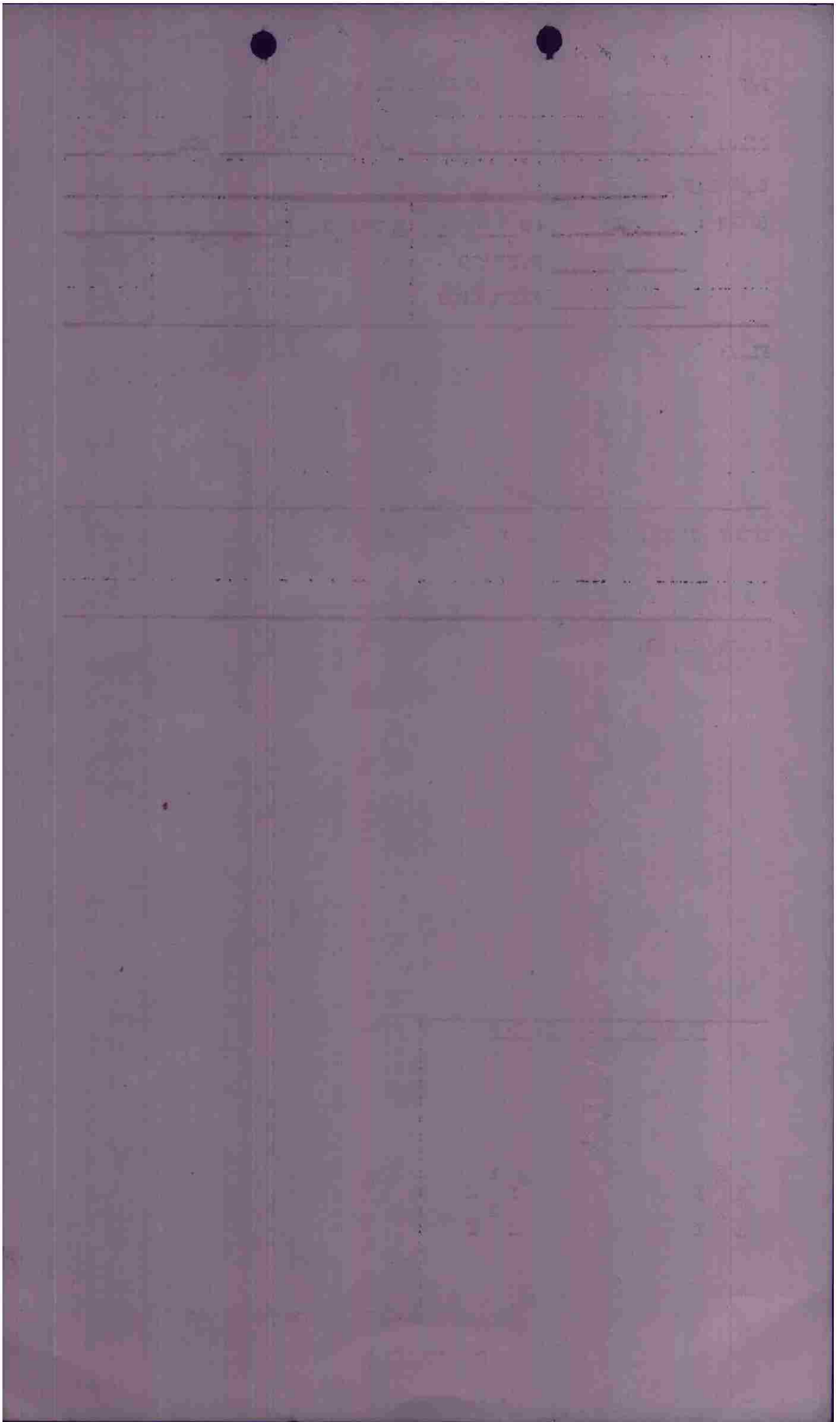
OBSERVATIONS: nil

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PILOT CHITTY A/C# 215 BOX II-8

CASUALTIES nil

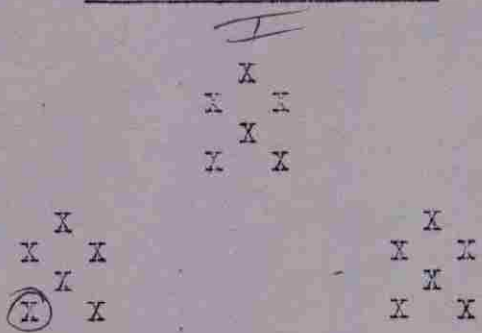
BOMBS :	6 X 500	ON	BATTLE DAMAGE		
			"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	X	RETURNED	:	:	:
	X	JETTISONED	:	:	:

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: nil

OBSERVATIONS: one plane in 2nd flight dropped slightly late - during turn off top. (Murray - probably)

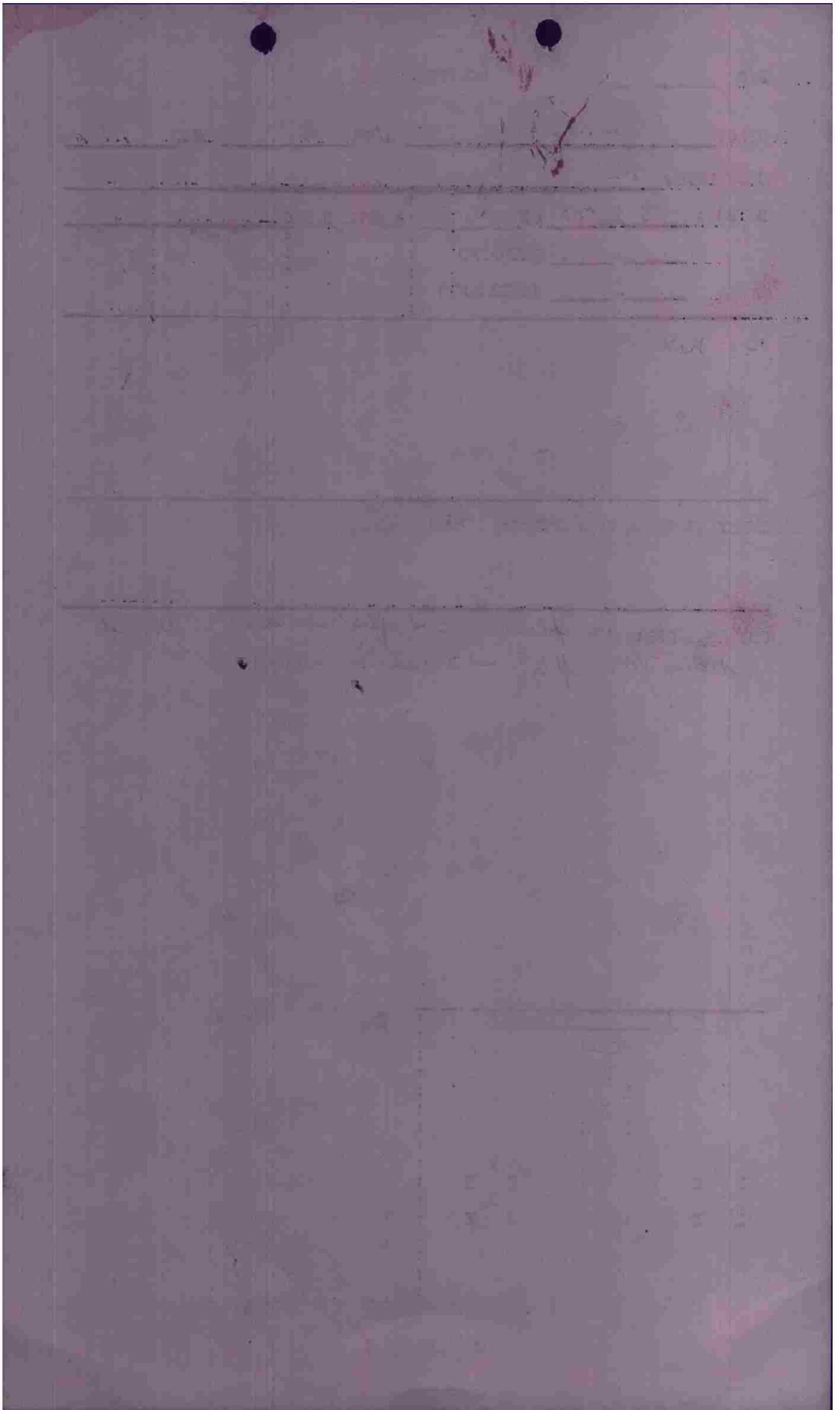
POSITION IN FORMATION



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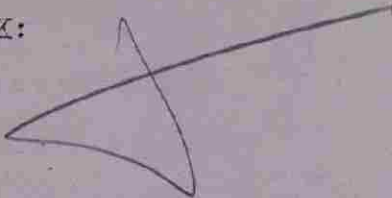
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PILOT ANDERSON A/C# 250 BOX II-c

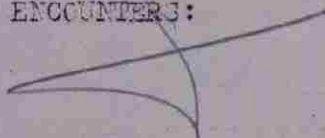
CASUALTIES \_\_\_\_\_

BOMBS :	<u>6 X 500</u>	ON <u>P.P.F.</u>	BATTLE DAMAGE	"A-C"	"E"
	<u>X</u>	RETURNED			
	<u>X</u>	JETTISONED			

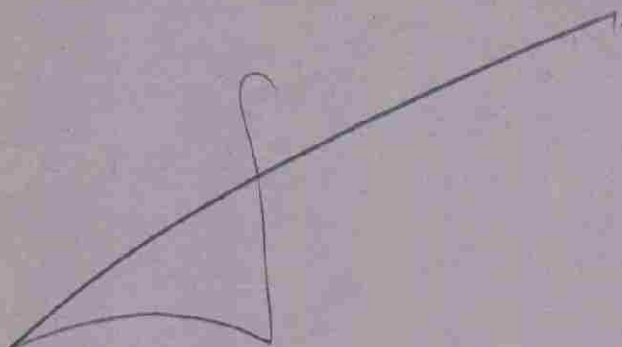
FLAK:



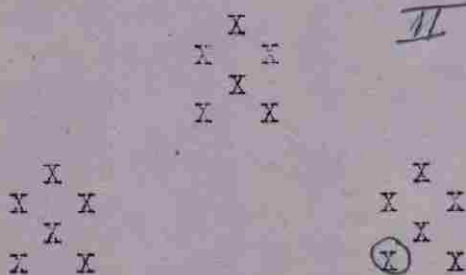
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:



OBSERVATIONS:



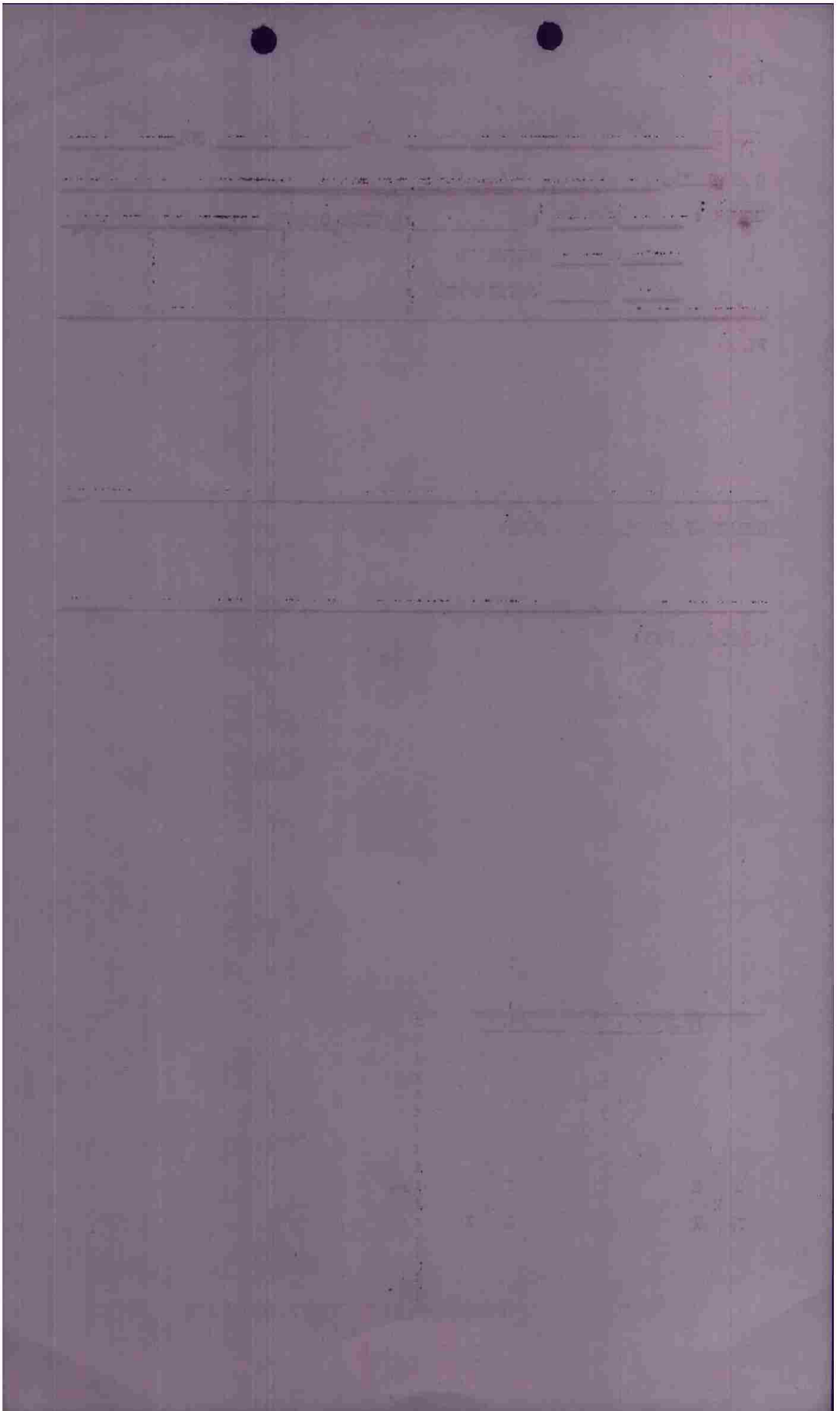
POSITION IN FORMATION



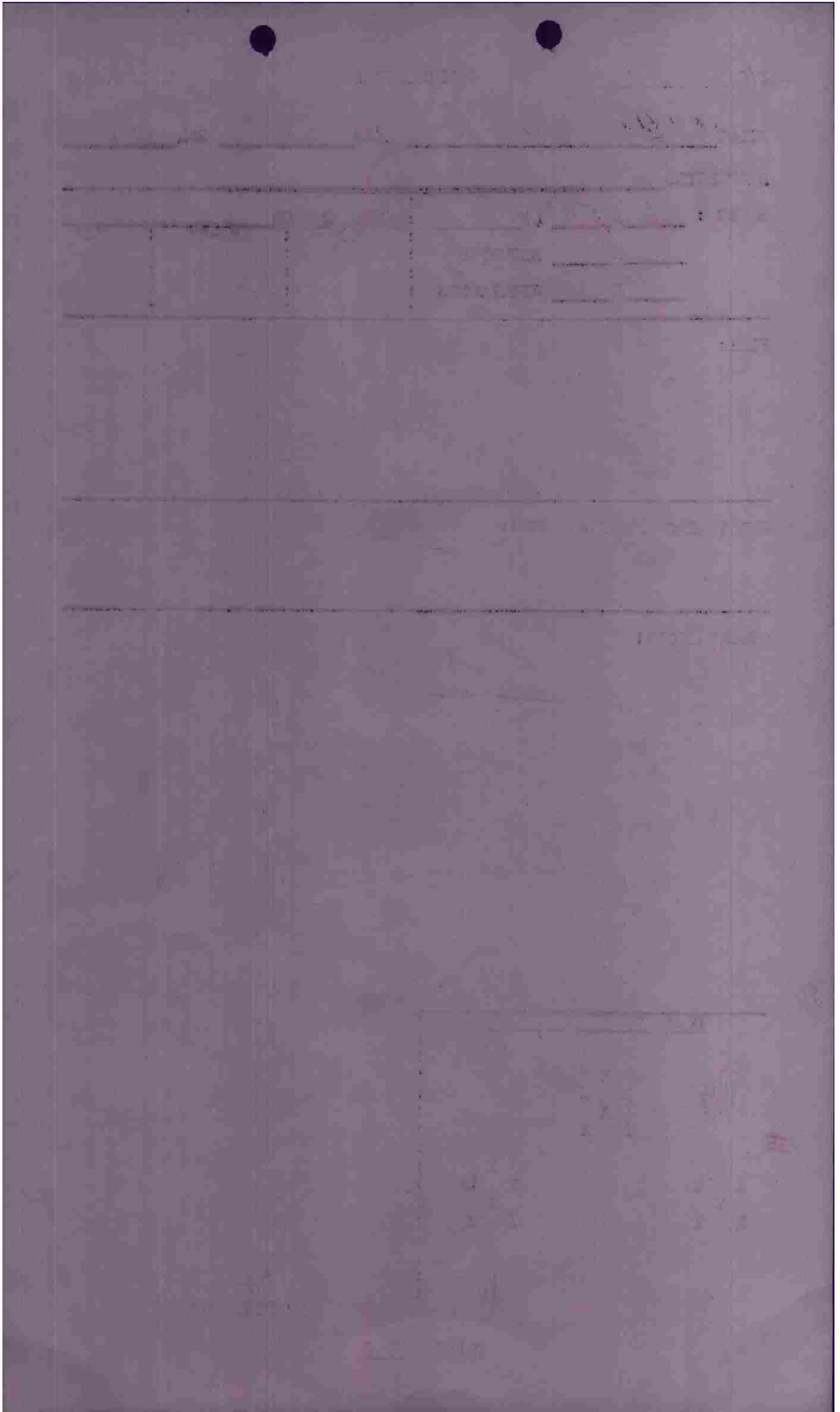
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PILOT ZEMET A/C# 335 BOX II-C

CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS :	<u>6</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>500</u>	ON	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:		:	
		<u>X</u>		RETURNED	:	"A"	:	"A-C"	:	"E"
		<u>X</u>		JETTISONED	:		:	<u>nil</u>	:	

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

nil

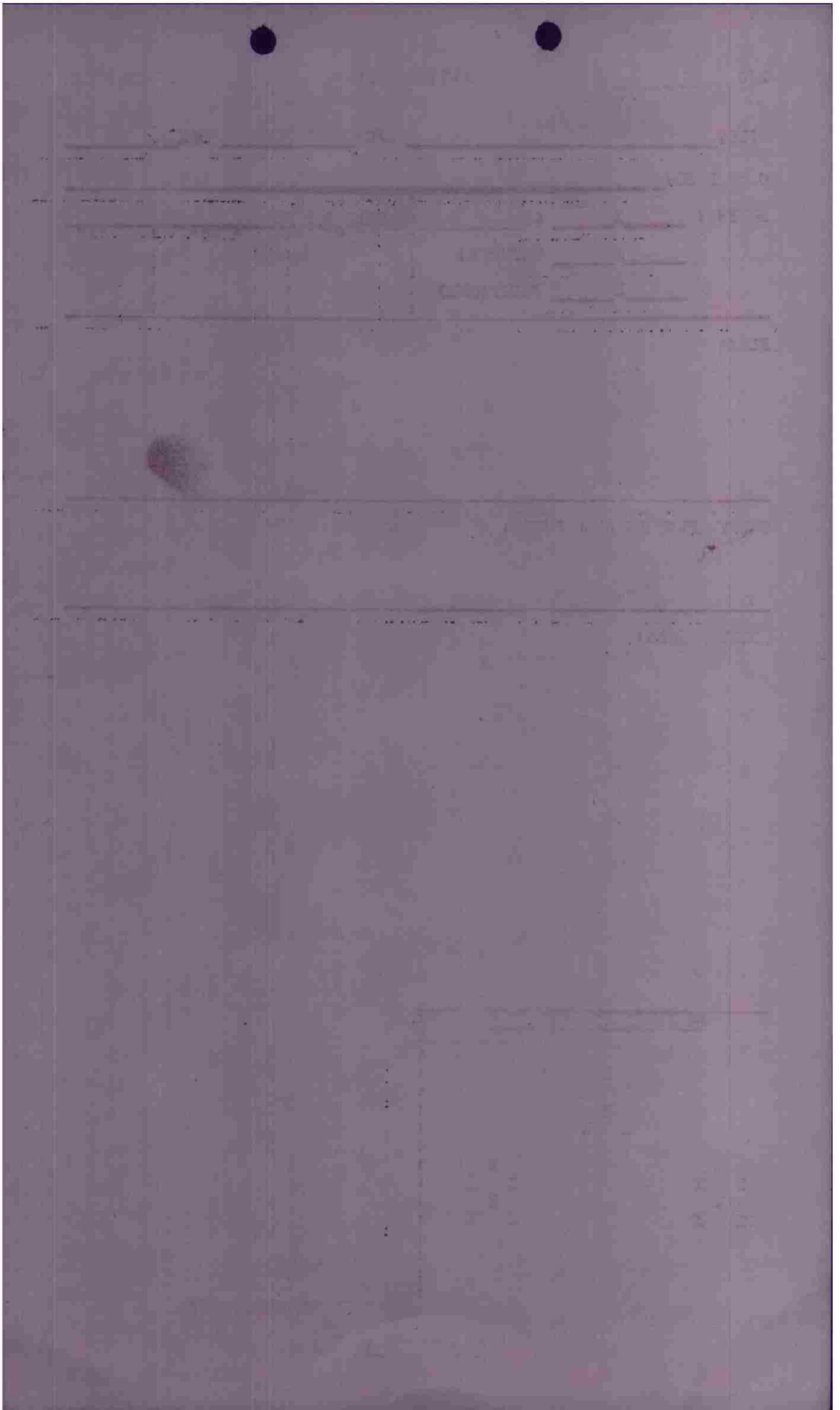
POSITION IN FORMATION

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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
X   X   X
X   X   X
X   X   X
  
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INTERCOM FORM

PILOT MCCREARY w/c# 213 BOX II-C

CASUALTIES

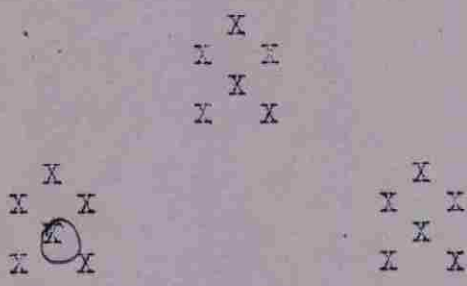
BOMBS :	<u>6</u> X <u>5000N</u>	:	BATTLE DAMAGE		
	X _____	:	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	RETURNED	:			
	X _____	:		<u>nil</u>	
	JETTISONED	:			

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: nil

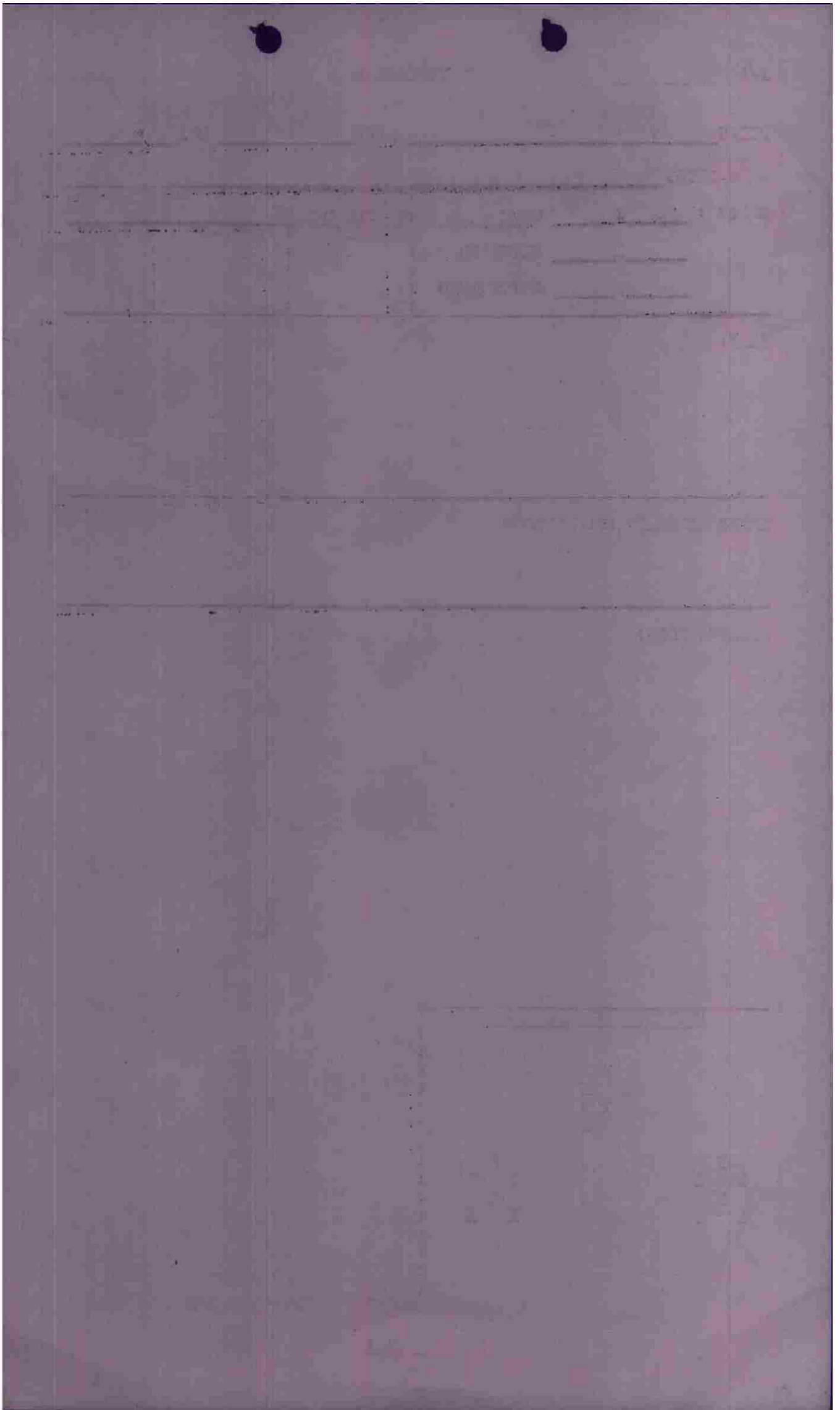
OBSERVATIONS: nil 10/10

POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT BLEVINS W/C# 274 BOX II-c

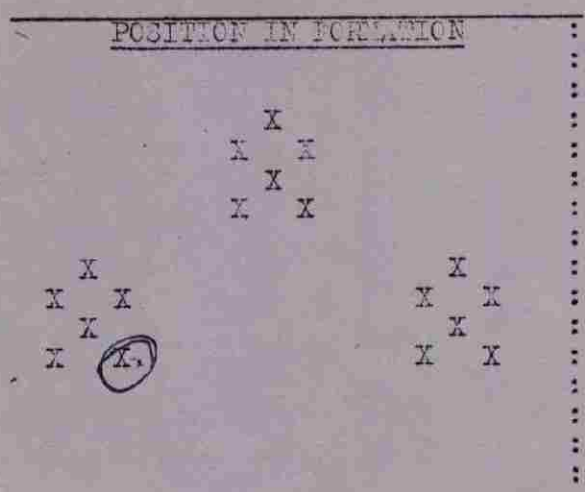
CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS :	<u>6</u>	X	<u>500</u>	ON	BATTLE DAMAGE			
		X		RETURNED	<u>nil</u>	"A-C"	"E"	
		X		JETTISONED				

FLAK: nil

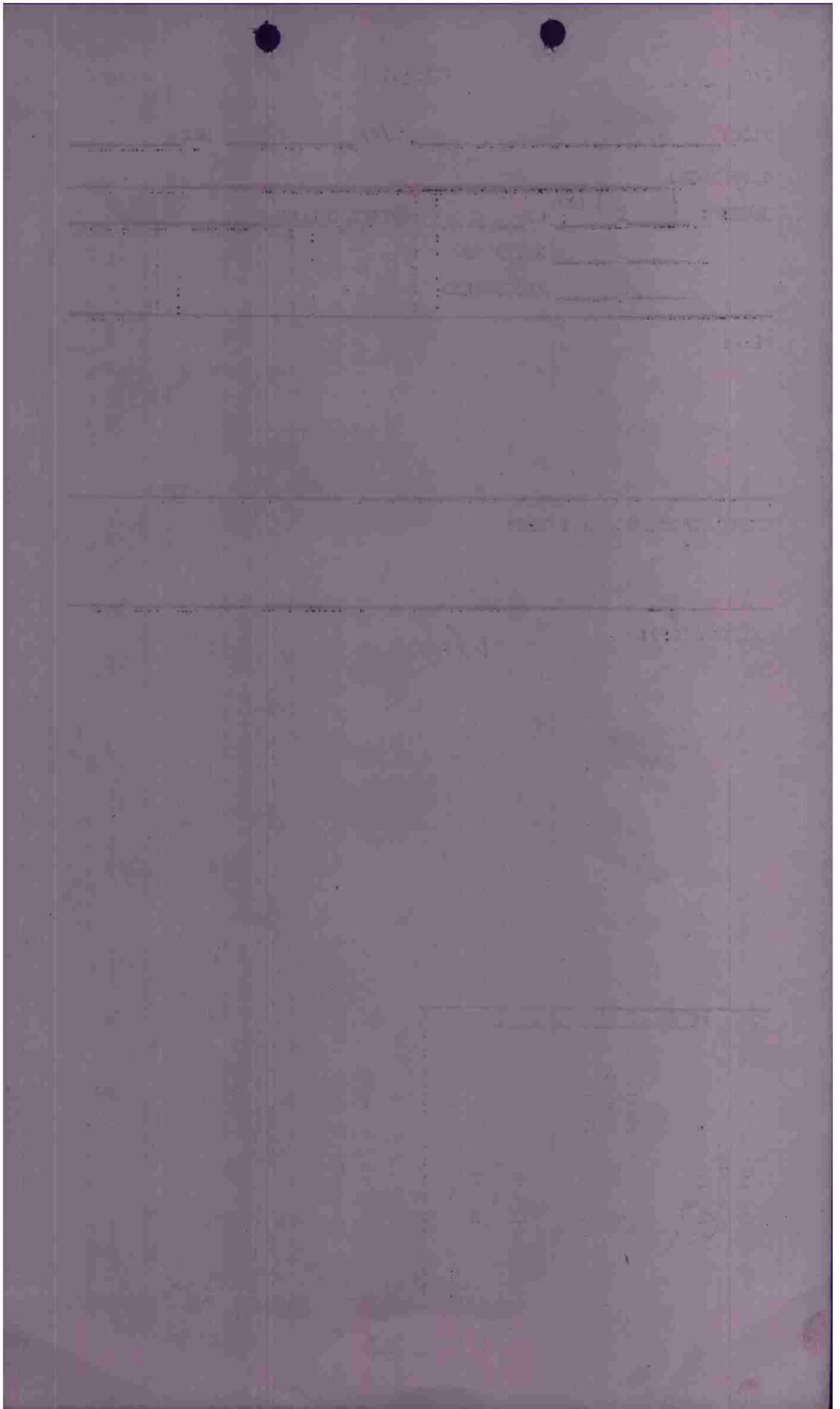
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: nil

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10



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INTERR. FORM

PILOT ERROTABERE - A/C# 416 BOX II-B

CASUALTIES

BOBBS :	X	300 ON	PFS	BATTLE DAMAGE		
				"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	X		RETURNED	:	:	:
	X		JETTISONED	:	:	:

FLAK:

*[Handwritten scribble]*

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

*[Handwritten scribble]*

OBSERVATIONS:

*00/50*

POSITION IN FORMATION

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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
      X X
  
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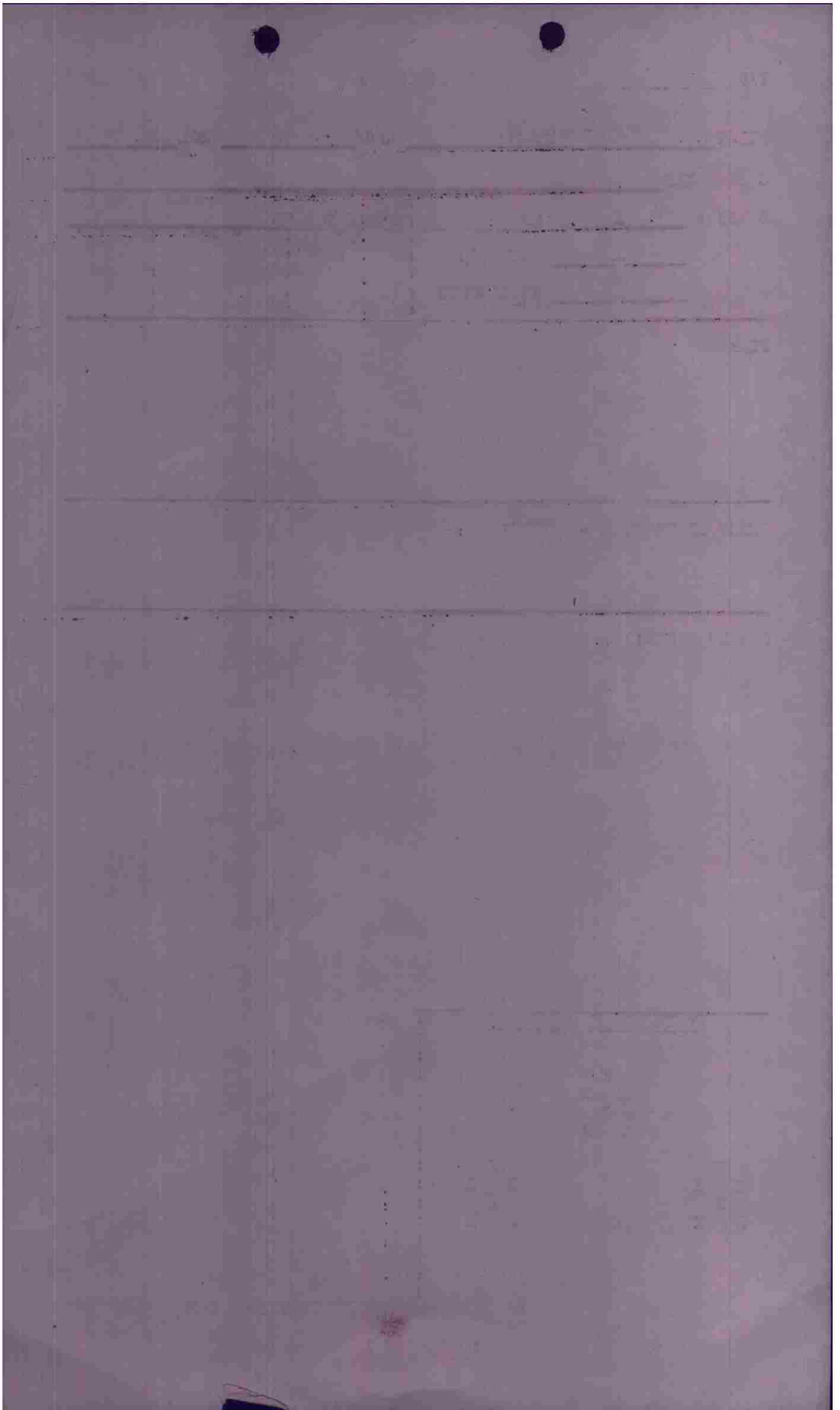
*II*

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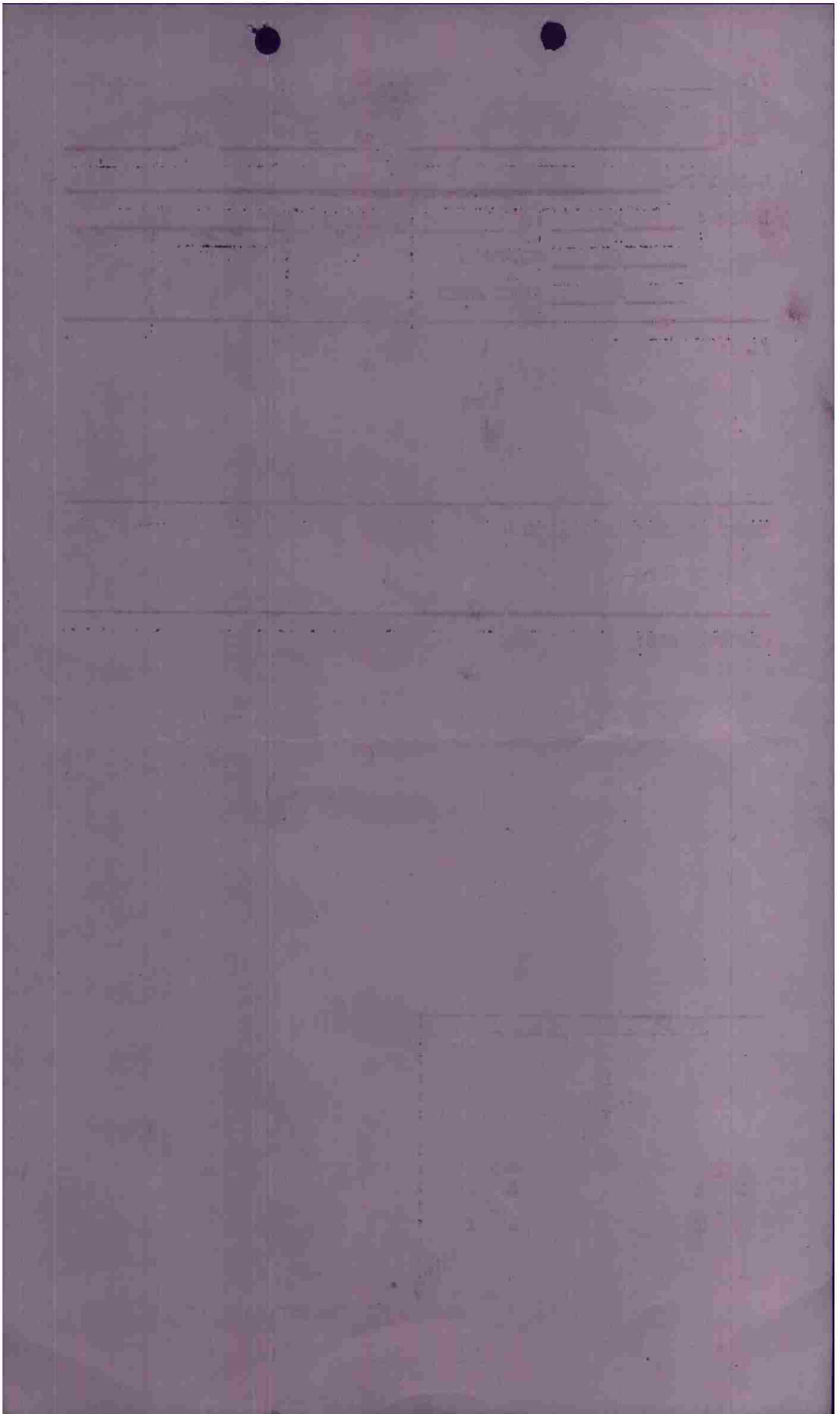
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     X X
      X
     X X
      X X
  
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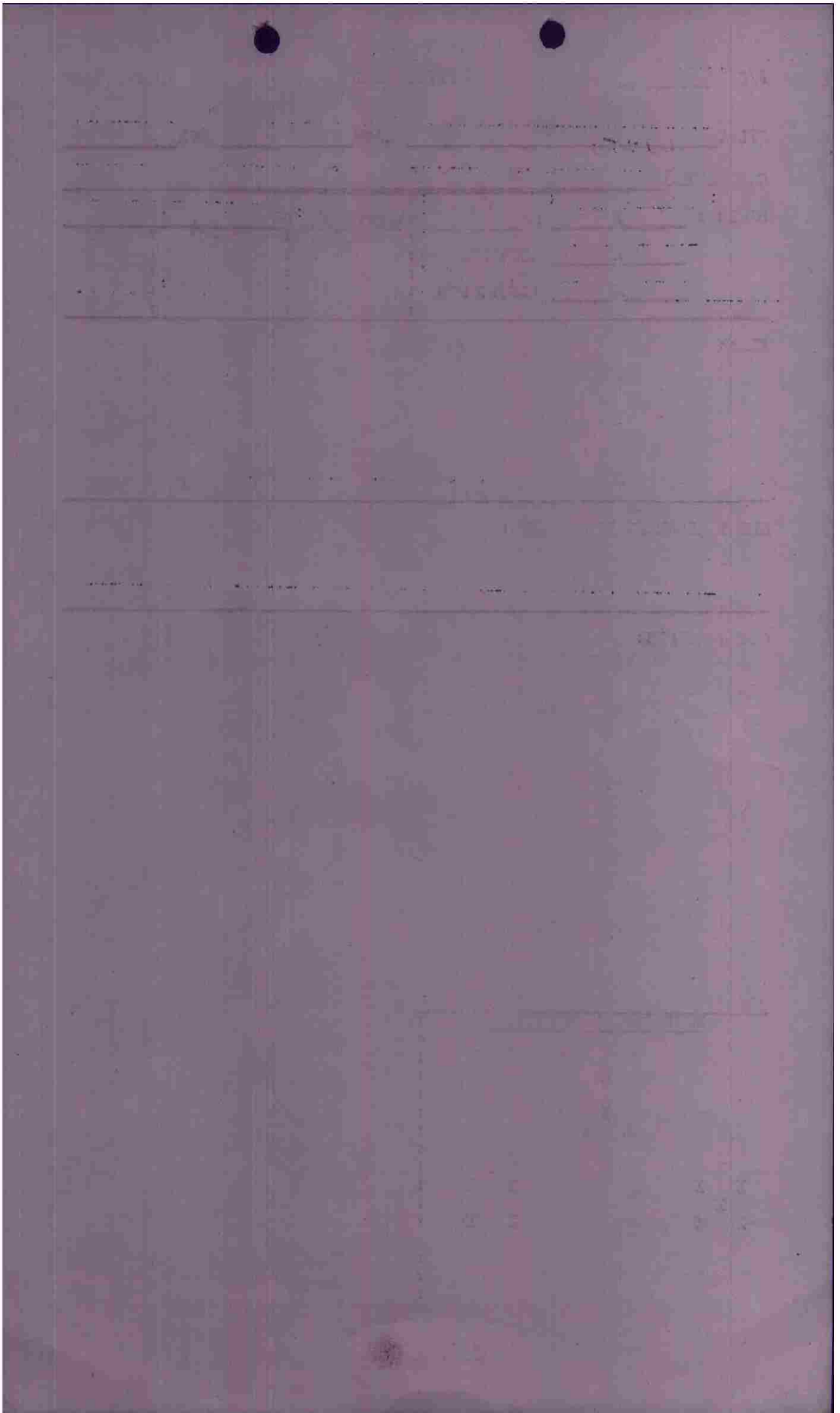
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PILOT JORDAN A/C# 362 BOX II-A

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	G	X	500	ON	BATTLE DAMAGE		
					"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	X			RETURNED			
	X			JETTISONED			

FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

*no obs.  
1400 clouds*

POSITION IN FORMATION :

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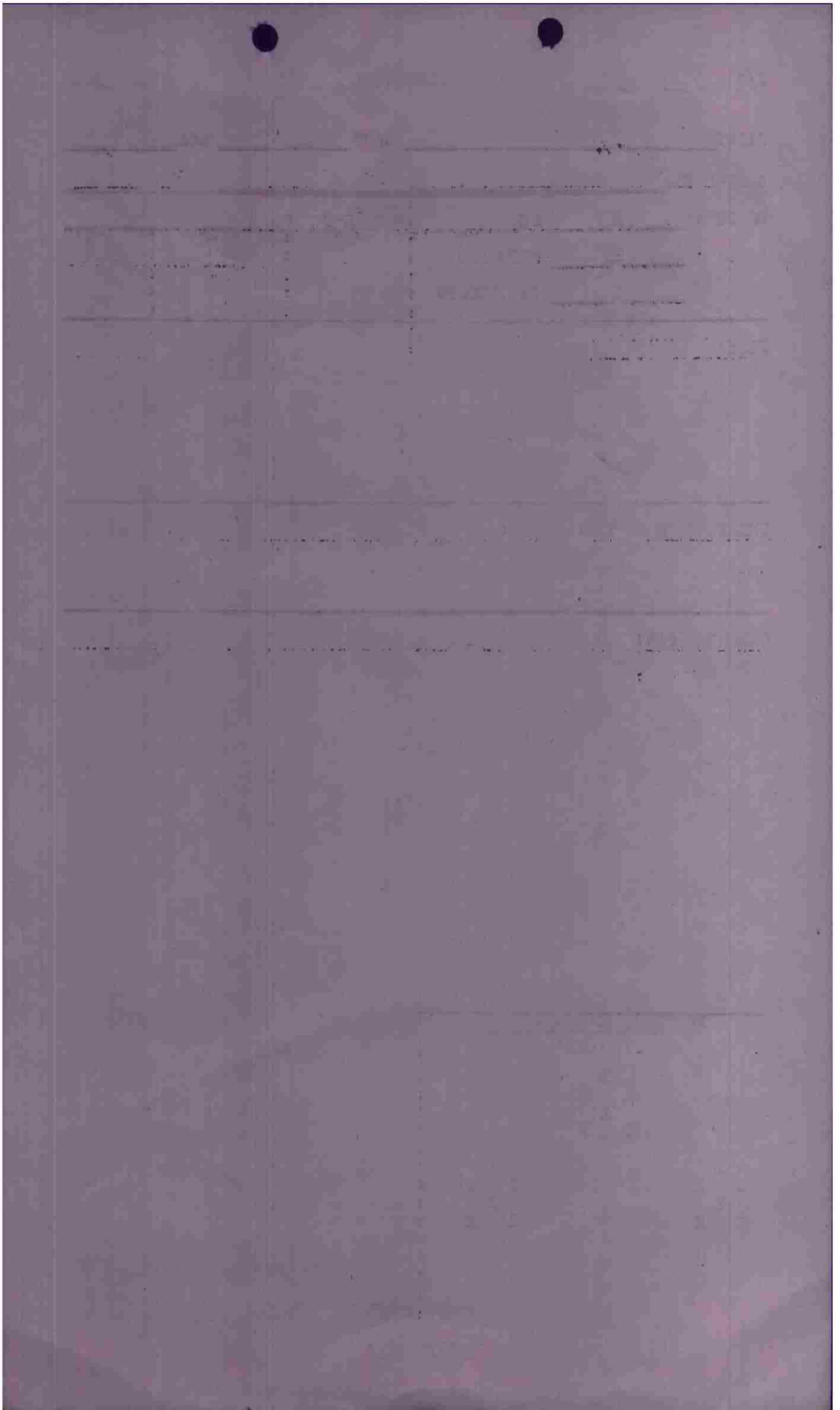
      X
     X X
    (X)
     X X

X   X   X
X   X   X
X   X   X

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PILOT WEINERT A/C# 354 BOX II-41

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	X <u>5</u> ON	:	BATTLE DAMAGE		
			:"A" :	"I-C" :	"E" :
	X RETURNED	:			
	X JETTISONED	:			

FLAK:

*[Handwritten scribble]*

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

*[Handwritten scribble]*

OBSERVATIONS:

*2 bombs returned hung up on my  
shoulder. released on way home and  
were on bombay doors*

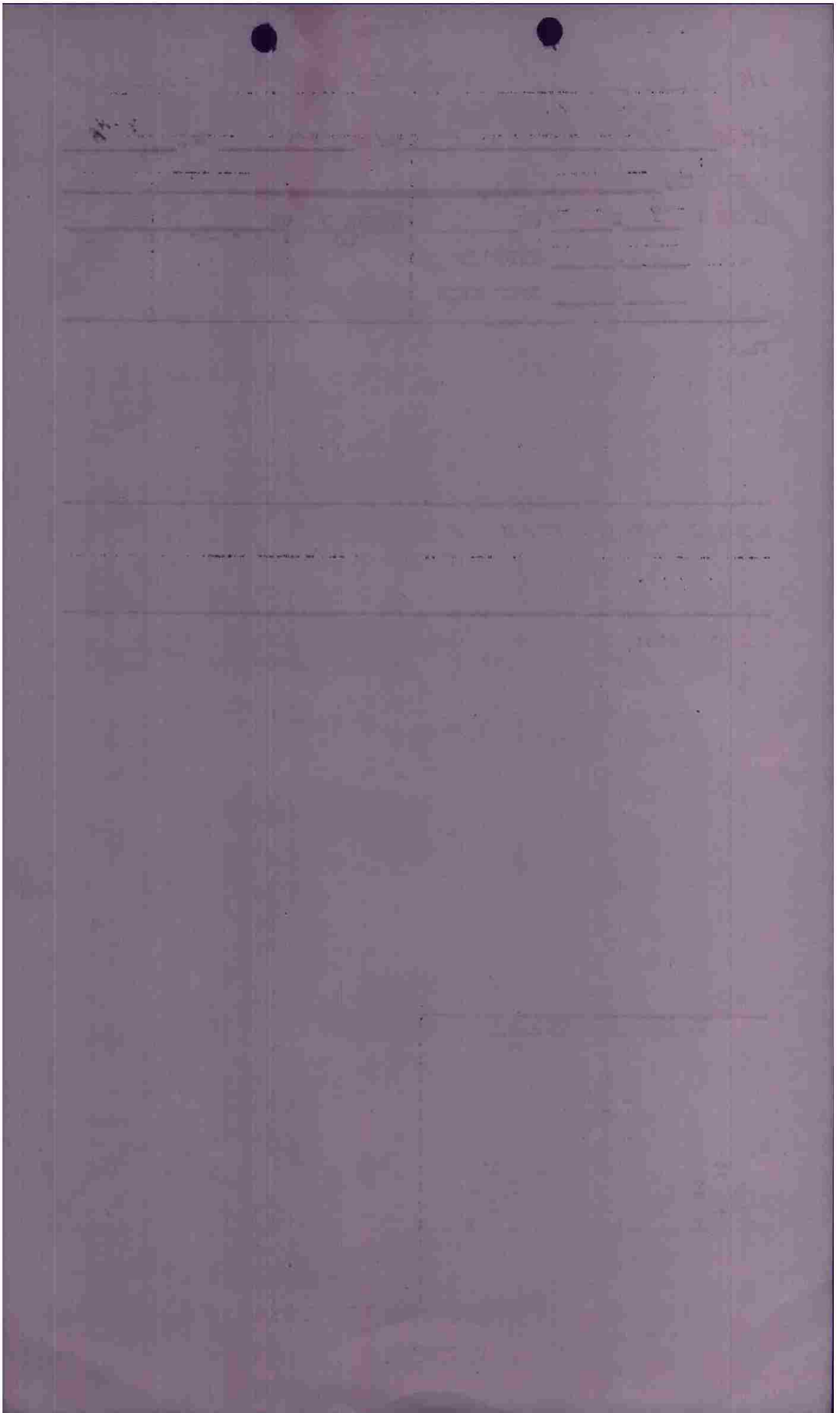
POSITION IN FORMATION :

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      (X) X
        X
      X X
X X X
X X
X X
X X
  
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PILOT

*DEFAULT*

A/C#

*244*

BOX

*II-A*

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :

*6*  *500* ON *PFF*

BATTLE DAMAGE

	RETURNED	"A"	"A-C"	"E"
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

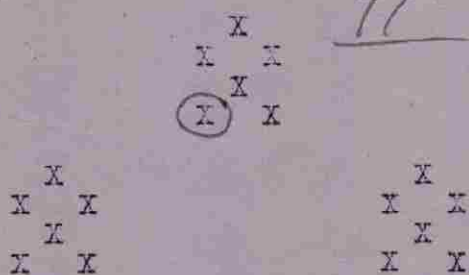
FLAK:

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

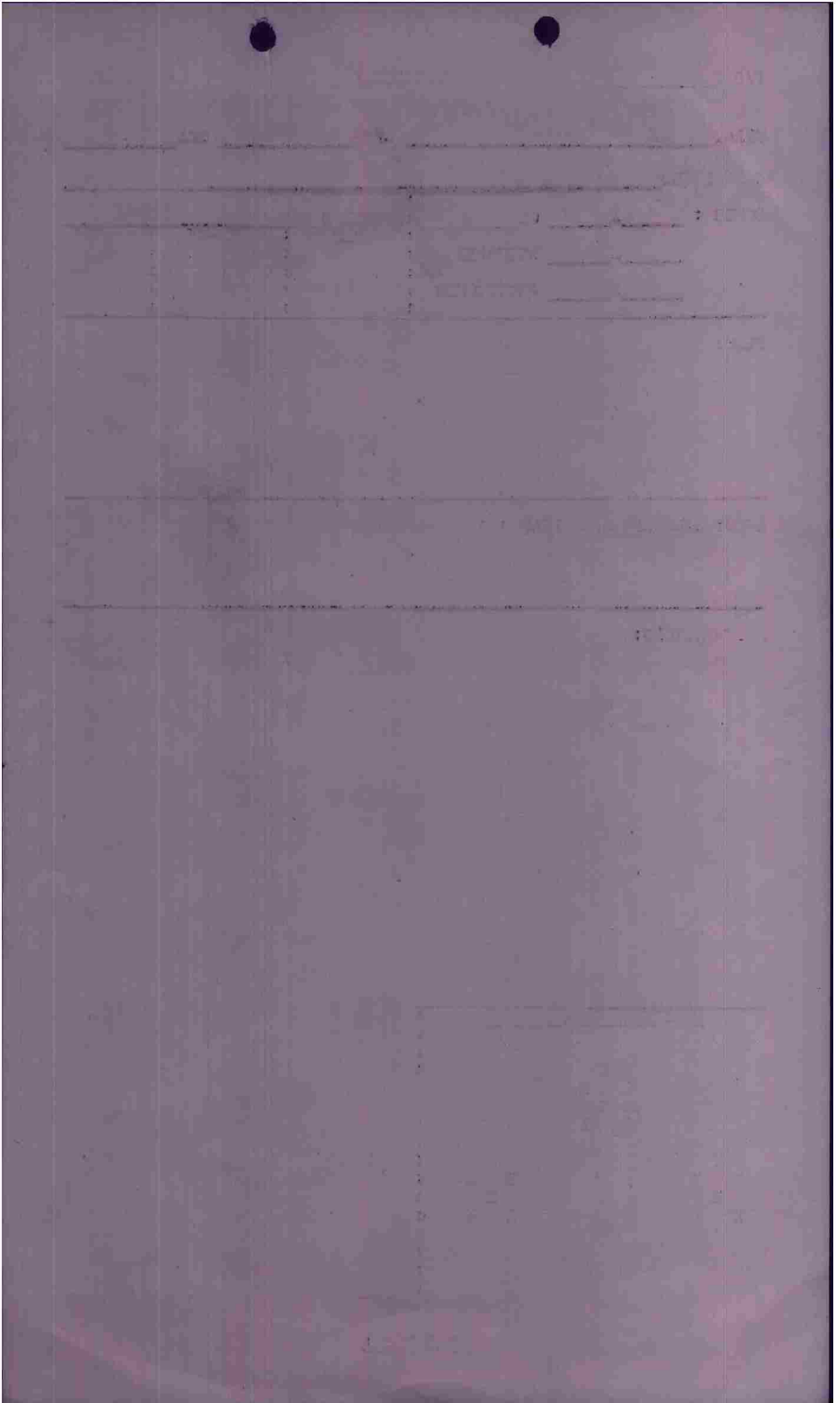
*10/10 clouds - break near target. couldn't see bomb burst*

POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT MILLER W/C# 487 BOX II-A

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	X	5700	ON	BATTLE DAMAGE		
				"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	X		RETURNED	:	:	:
	X		JETTISONED	:	:	:

FLAK:

*nil*

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

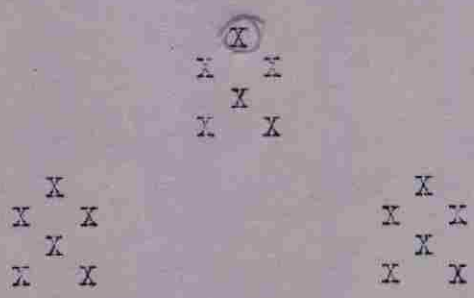
*16/6  
11700  
120  
200*

*Bombs dropped*

*57° 9'  
7° 13'*

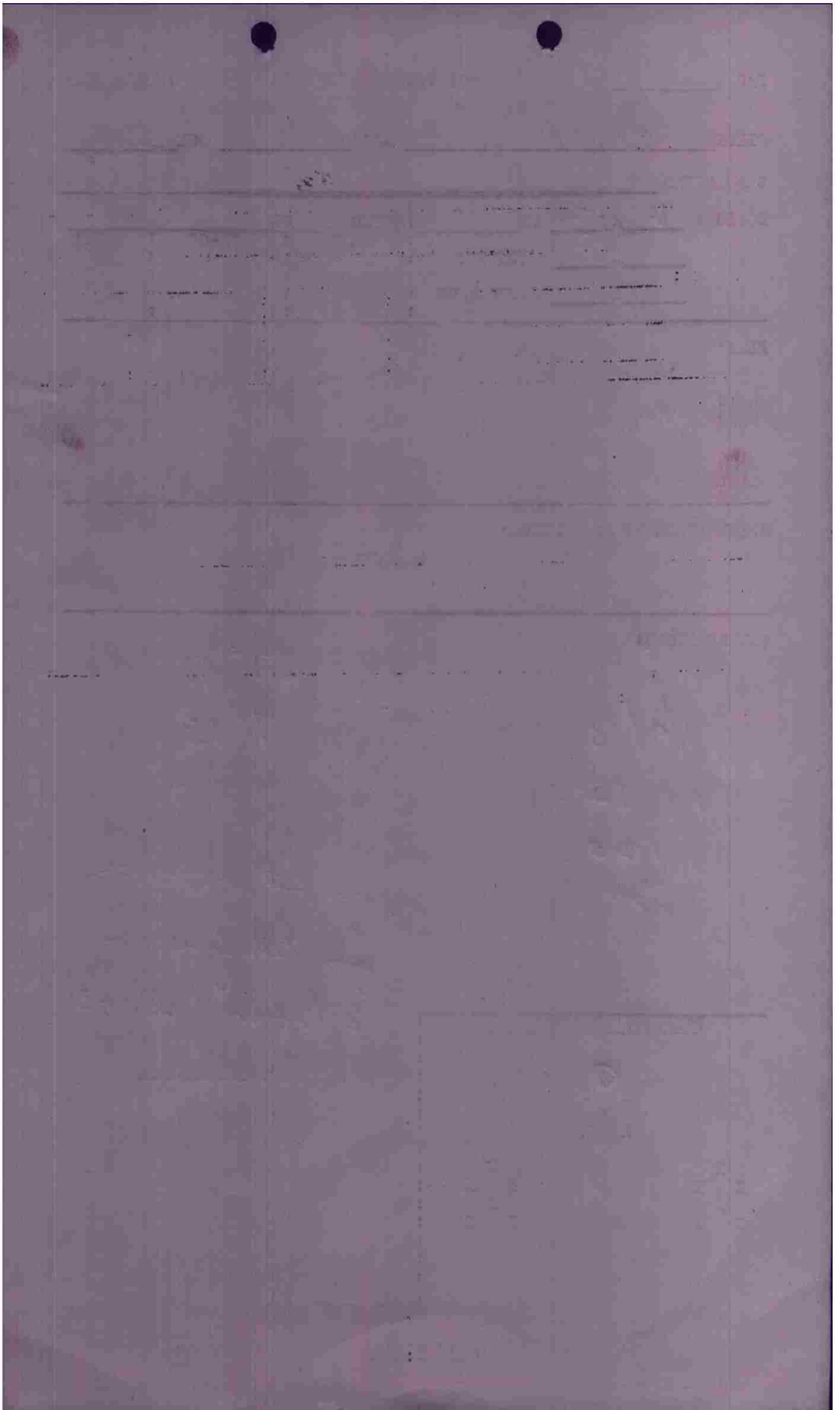
*See Lt Johnson  
for see fire on  
2 Bombs fell out*

POSITION IN FORMATION

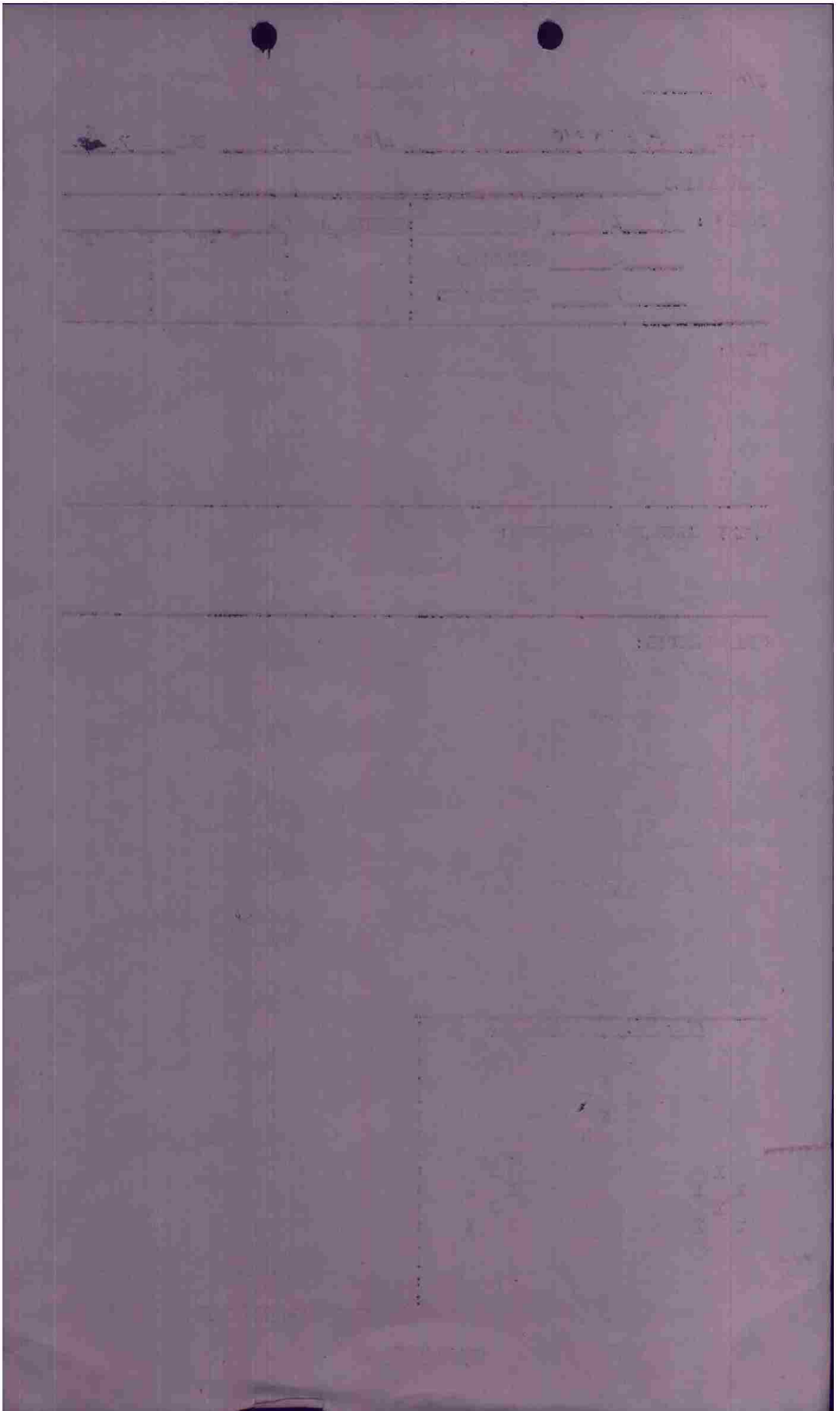


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PILOT EVANS A/C# 523 - BOX II-c

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	COUNT	STATUS	BATTLE DAMAGE		
			"A"	"A-C"	"E"
X	500	ON P.			
X		RETURNED			
X		JETTISONED			

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

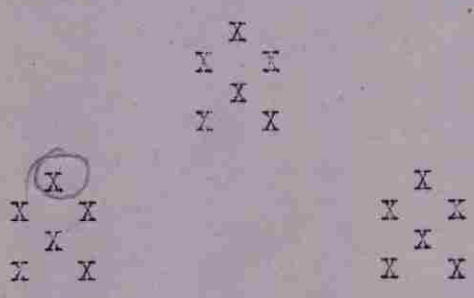
nil

OBSERVATIONS:

Bombers in Rhine -  
 Dropped OK (may be slightly  
 short) ETA.

TOT - 1616  
 alt - 11,500

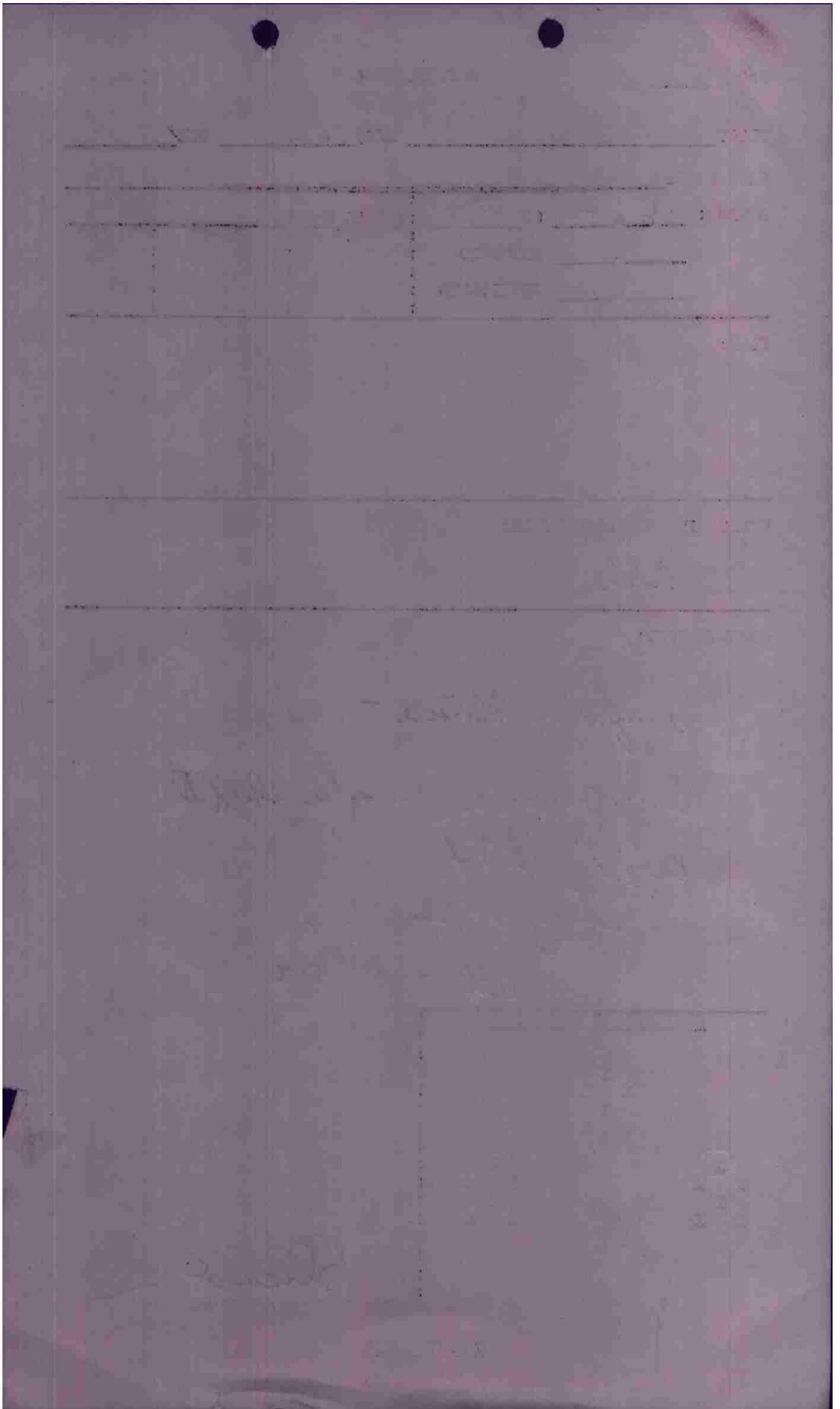
POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT KREH A/C# 2601 BOX \_\_\_\_\_

CASUALTIES \_\_\_\_\_

BOLEBS :	X	ON	BATTLE DAMAGE		
			"A"	"A-C"	"E"
	X	RETURNED	:	:	:
	X	JETTISONED	:	:	:

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS: nil

POSITION IN FORMATION

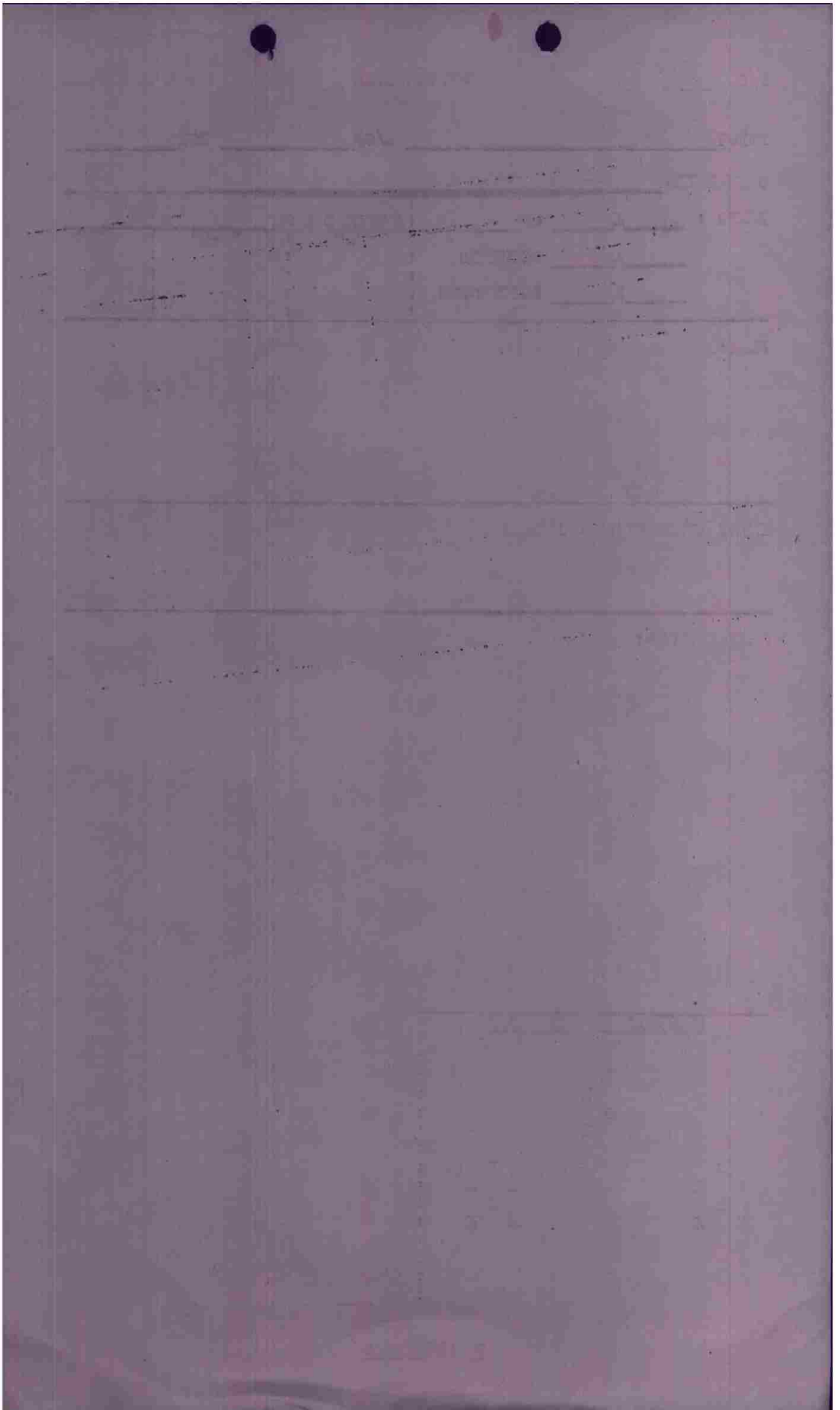
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     X X
      X
     X X
X   X   X           X
X   X   X           X X
X   X   X           X X

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PILOT BARAUSKY W/C# 205 BOX \_\_\_\_\_

CASUALTIES none

BOMBS :	<u>X</u>	ON	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:	"A-C"	:	"E"
	<u>X</u>	RETURNED	:		:		:	
	<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	:	<u>nil</u>	:		:	

FLAK: none observed

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: 12 unidentified in form air

OBSERVATIONS: one A-26 apparently in good shape flying directly into Germany just after bombs dropped

window dropped 3 minutes after FP to left & back to friendly territory - 1/2 mile in front - same course & approximately 1000 ft below

POSITION IN FORMATION

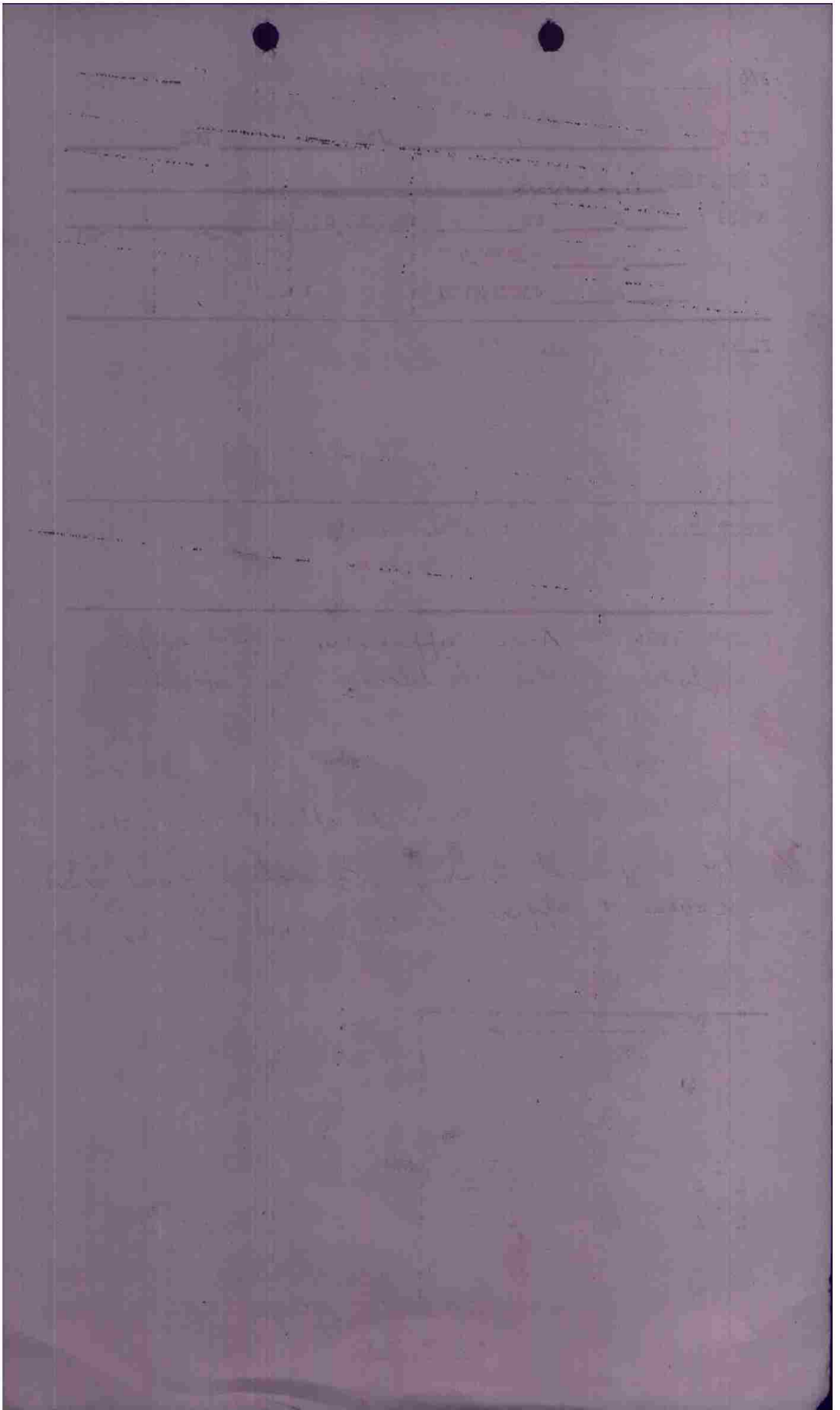
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      X
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      X
     X X
X   X   X
X   X   X
X   X   X

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PILOT LACKOVICH W/C# 409 BOX \_\_\_\_\_

CASUALTIES

BOMBS :	<u>X</u>	<u>DOWN</u>	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:	"A-C"	:	"E"
	<u>X</u>	RETURNED	:		:		:	
	<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	:		:		:	

FLAK: 30 bursts to rear.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

see out  
 flock 2 1/2 miles behind. behind  
 firing at window.  
 window out about 4 min. before B or point  
 window went OK, went below  
 formation. flock was low,  
 was below 2nd box (about 10600 ft)  
 & about 3/4 to 1 mile ahead

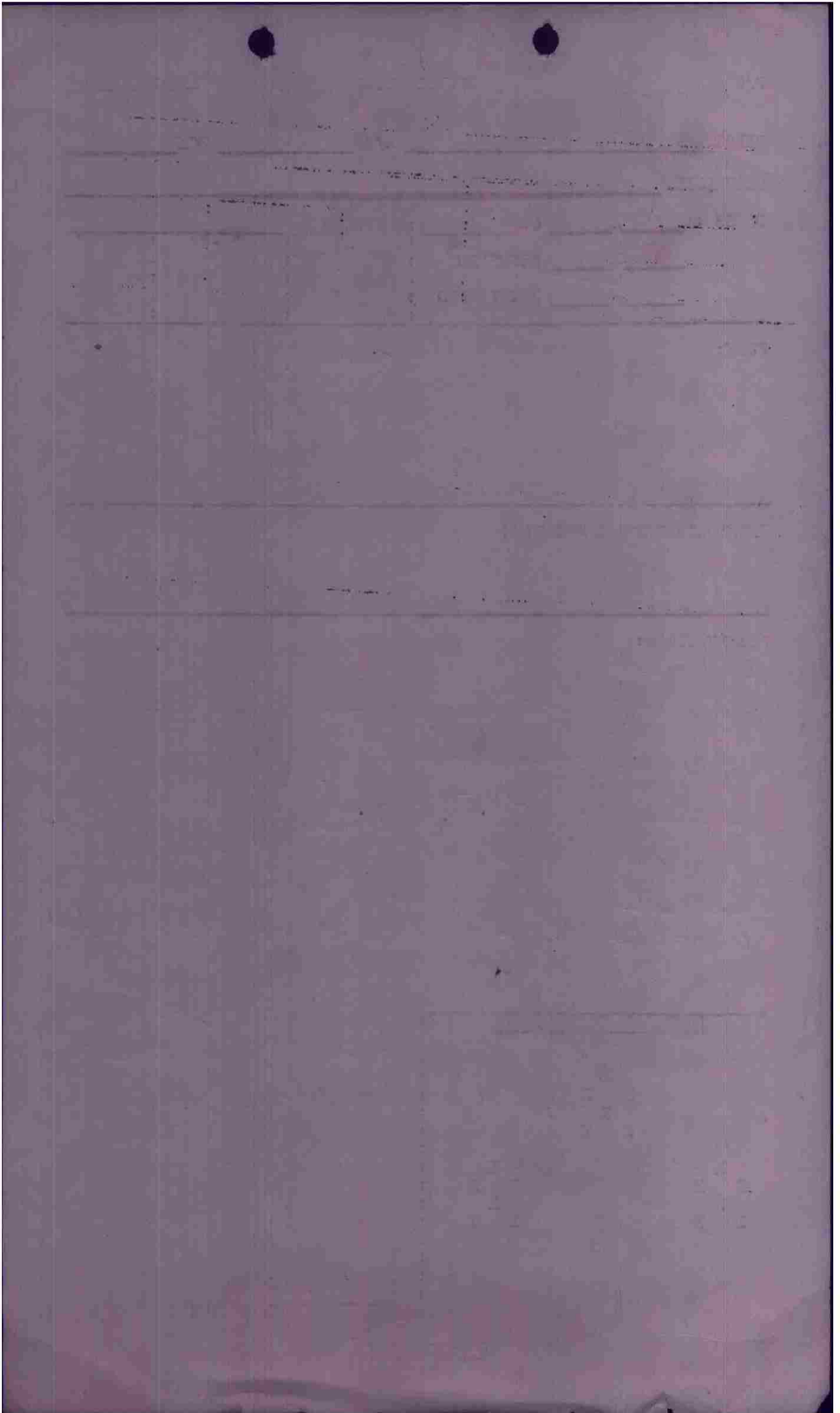
POSITION IN FORMATION

		X			
	X		X		
		X			
	X		X		
X	X			X	
	X			X	X
X	X			X	X

through window  
out till reached  
bombline

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