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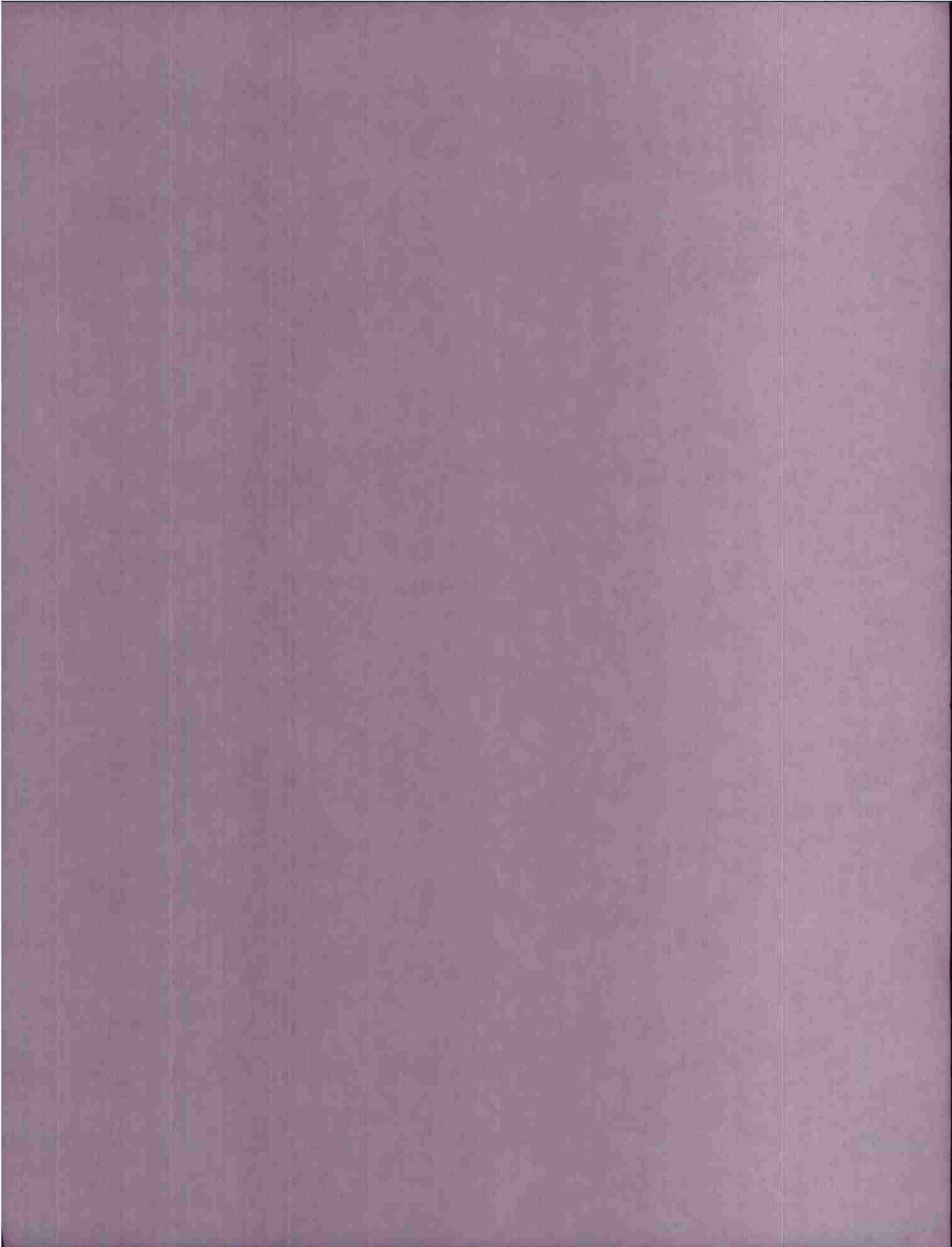
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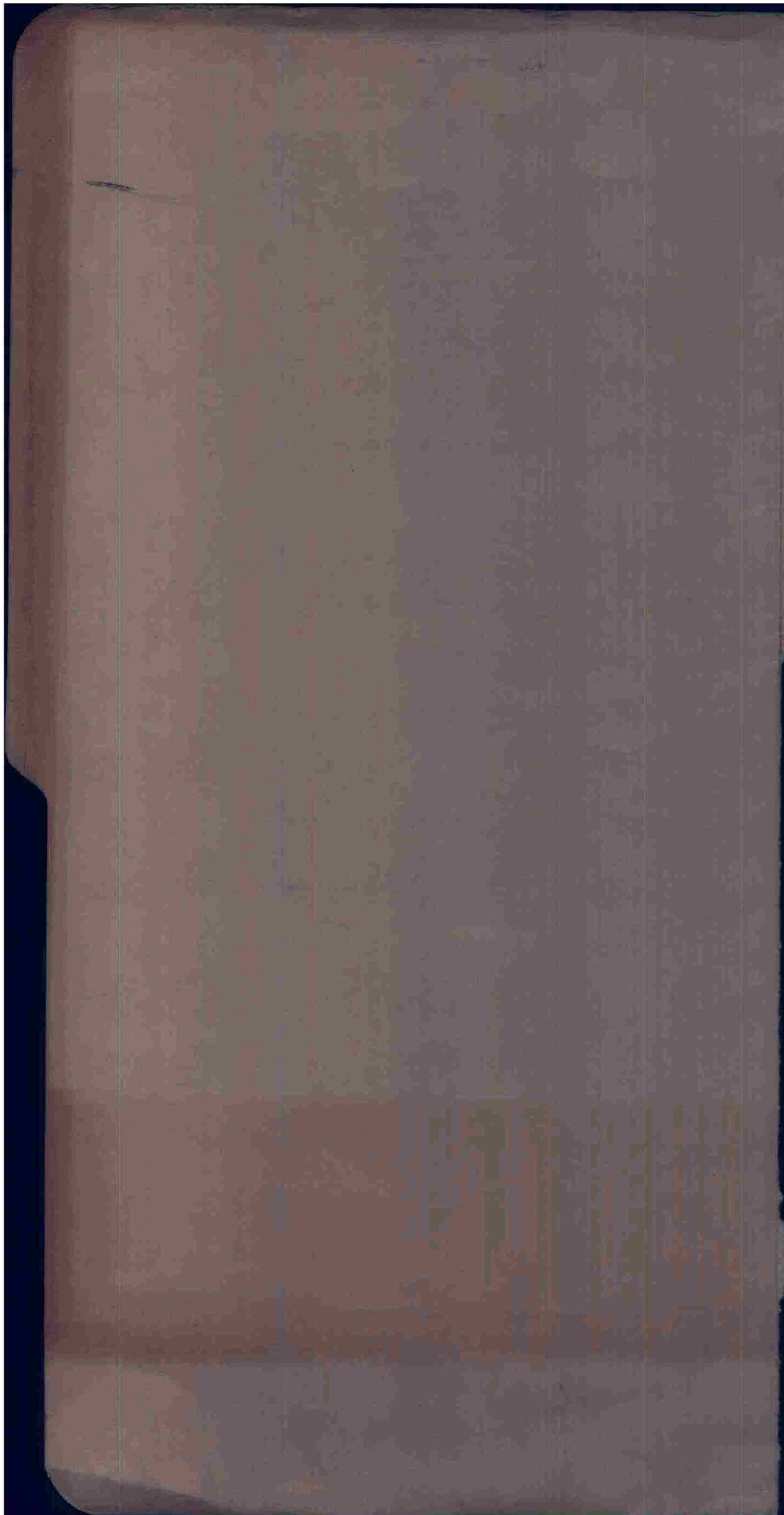
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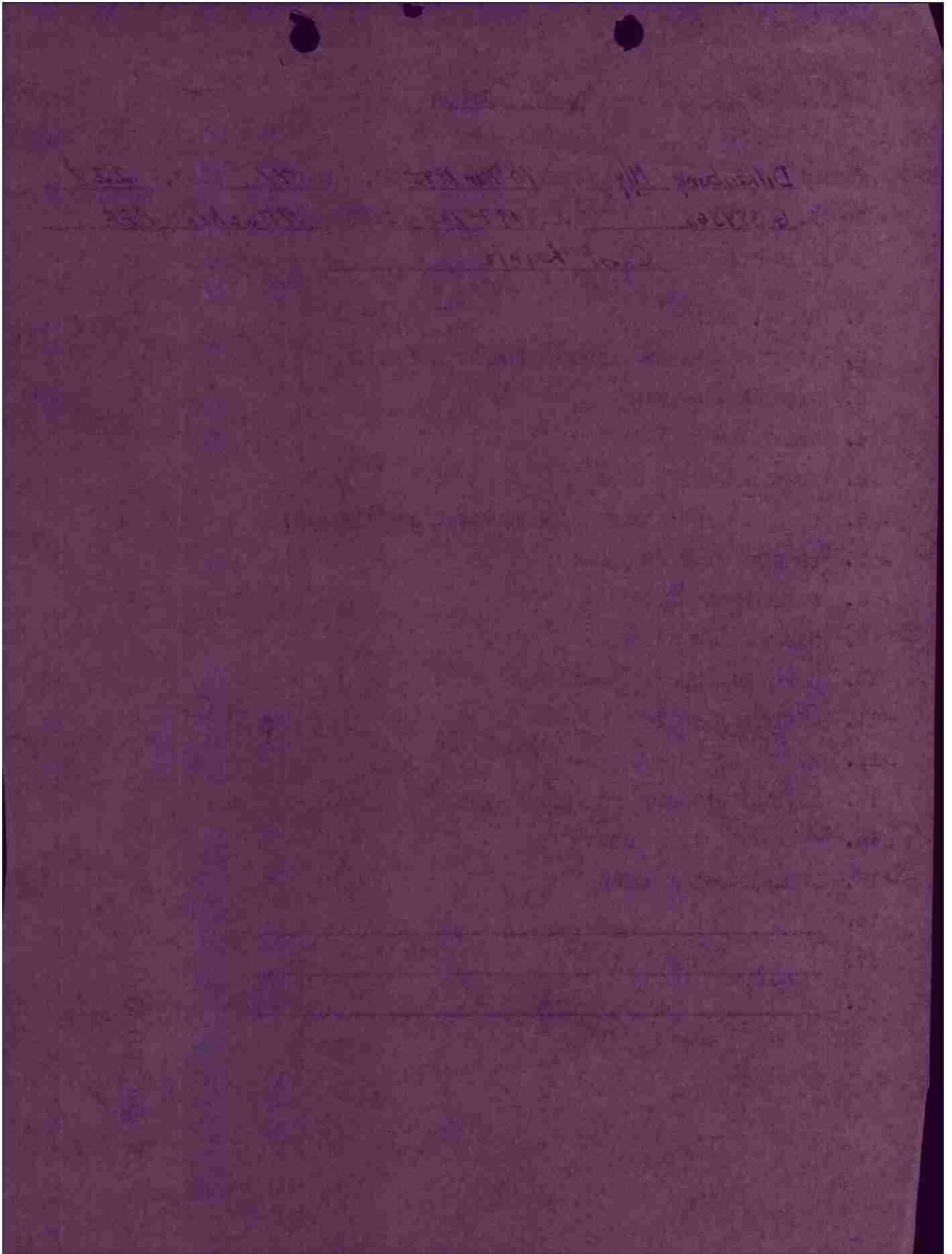
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TARGET Dillenburg M/4 DATE 10 Mar 1945 NO. A/C 41 MISS. # 228
COORD. G. 399362 F.O. # 197-783 STATUS Attacked P.P.F.
BRIEFING OFFICER Capt Kuriz

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HEADQUARTERS
9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M)APO # 140
11 March 1945MISSION SUMMARY NO. 67

10 March 1945

Section IField Order 783
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<u>GROUP</u>	<u>TARGET</u>	<u>MISSION RESULTS</u>
323 BG	Lennepe (F-662880) Marshalling Yard	Undetermined (PFF)
394 BG	Lennepe (F-662880) Marshalling Yard	N.A.O. (PFF Gee)
397 BG	Altenkirchen (F-934320) Communication Center	Undetermined (PFF)
387 BG	Altenkirchen (F-934320) Communication Center	Unsatisfactory (PFF)
409 BG	Niederscheld (G-399362) Marshalling Yard	Undetermined (PFF)
410 BG	Niederscheld (G-399362) Marshalling Yard	Undetermined (PFF)
416 BG	Niederscheld (G-399362) (DIELENBURG) Marshalling Yard	Undetermined (PFF)
386 BG	Lippstadt (B-420415) Marshalling Yard	Undetermined (PFF)
344 BG	Lippstadt (B-420415) Marshalling Yard	N.A.O. (JTA)
322 BG	Erndtebruck (G-365660) Marshalling Yard	Undetermined (PFF)
391 BG	Erndtebruck (G-365660) Marshalling Yard	Undetermined (PFF)
386 BG	Nastatten (M-085775) Marshalling Yard	N.A.O. (Gee)
394 BG	Neuwied (F-810030) Weitersburg (F-900020) Ehrenbreitstein (L-920960) Koblenz (L-900960) Hohr/Grenzhausen (F-960040) Frucht (L-950900) Braubach (L-940860) (Leaflet Mission)	Satisfactory

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No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to cloud cover.
Bombing by boxes on FFF from 12,000 - 12,500 feet.
tained desired fix.
FFW contacted "Ripsaw" 7 minutes after entering tactical area and ob-

No losses, further damage, no casualties.
It lost altitude shortly after take-off and nose wheel struck tree-top.
determined. The other a/c mentioned above sustained Cat. A damage when
it crash-landed 8 miles NW of St. Quentin at N-680585. Reason is un-
The a/c mentioned above as crash-landing sustained Cat. B damage when
minor damage when it struck tree-top.

3 a/c failed to bomb: 1, mechanical; 2, other - 1, crash-landed short-
ly after take-off; 1, lost altitude shortly after take-off and received

397 BG: 35 a/c dispatched (including 2 FFW), 31 dropping 251 X 500 GP, 8 X 500
IB on Primary. 2 window a/c.

Altenkirchen (Communication Center)

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

Feet.
Bombing by boxes on FFW "Gee" (equipment failure) from 11,000 - 12,500
tained desired fix.
FFW contacted "Ripsaw" 9 minutes after entering tactical area and ob-

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

9 a/c failed to bomb: weather.

3 window a/c.
IB on Primary. 1 dropping 8 X 500 GP at F-880750 due to engine trouble.
394 BG: 37 a/c dispatched (including 1 FFW), 24 dropping 184 X 500 GP, 4 X 500

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

Bombing by boxes on FFW from 10,800 - 12,360 feet.

tained desired fix.
FFW contacted "Ripsaw" 1 minute after entering tactical area and ob-

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

2 a/c failed to bomb: 1, mechanical; 1, weather.

IB on Primary. 3 window a/c.
393 BG: 35 a/c dispatched (including 2 FFW), 30 dropping 224 X 500 GP, 8 X 500

Lennep (Marshalling Yard)

Ten full groups plus one flight from an
eleventh group attacked five marshalling
yards and one communication center re-
cording UNDETERMINED
results. One group bombed secondary,
while one flight of another group flew
leaflet missions.

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387 BG: 40 a/c dispatched (including 2 PFF), 37 dropping 280 X 500 GP, 8 X 500 IB on Primary. 3 window a/c.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

PFF contacted "Ripsaw" 4 minutes after entering tactical area and obtained desired fix.

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

Box I & II - PFF - UNSATISFACTORY. 10% of bursts inside 1000 ft. radius in fair pattern. MPT of bursts approximately 1150 ft. SE of DMEI. Pattern blankets built-up area of town, causing fires and explosions, also severing main railroad and highways in several places. Other bursts in open fields and stream bed to S of town.

Niederscheld (Marshalling Yard)

409 BG: 43 a/c dispatched (30 A-26, 11 A-20, 2 PFF), 41 (30 A-26, 9 A-20, 2 PFF) dropping 216 X 500 GP, 8 X 500 IB on Primary. 2 window a/c.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

PFF contacted "Ripsaw" 30 seconds after entering tactical area and obtained desired fix.

Bombing by boxes on PFF from 12,000 - 13,200 feet.

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

410 BG: 38 a/c dispatched (34 A-20, 3 B-26, 1 PFF), 34 (33 A-20, 1 PFF) dropping 198 X 500 GP, 4 X 500 IB on Primary. 3 window a/c.

1 a/c failed to bomb: mechanical.

No losses, 6 a/c battle damaged, no casualties.

PFF failed to make contact with "Ripsaw" because of too crowded channel.

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

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

416 BG: 42 a/c dispatched (41 A-26, 1 PFF), 39 (38 A-26, 1 PFF) dropping 228 X 500 GP, 4 X 500 IB on Primary. 3 window a/c.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

PFF contacted "Ripsaw" 2 minutes after entering tactical area and obtained desired fix.

Bombing by boxes on PFF from 12,800 feet.

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

Lippstadt (Marshalling Yard)

386 BG: 33 a/c dispatched (31 A-26, 2 PFF), 32 (30 A-26, 2 PFF) dropping 179 X 500 Comp B, 8 X 500 IB on Primary. 1 (A-26) dropping 6 X 500 GP on Krombach (G-150670) due to engines cutting out.

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

Bombing by flight on "Goc" from 12,000 feet.

Formation leader contacted "Ripsaw" upon entering tactical area but did not obtain fix as leader was unable to read "Ripsaw".

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

386 BG: 6 a/c dispatched, all dropping 24 X 1000 GP on Primary.

Nastatten (Marshalling Yard)

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

Bombing by boxes on PFW from 12,200 - 12,500 feet.

desired fix.

PFW contacted "Ripsaw" 1 minute after entering tactical area and obtained

No losses, damage, casualties.

IB on Primary.

391 BG: 34 a/c dispatched (including 1 PFW), all dropping 260 X 500 GP, 4 X 500

No photo coverage or visual observations of results due to cloud cover.

Bombing by boxes on PFW from 11,300 - 12,500 feet.

ed desired fix.

PFW contacted "Ripsaw" 3 minutes after entering tactical area and obtain-

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

IB on Primary.

322 BG: 32 a/c dispatched (including 2 PFW), all dropping 240 X 500 GP, 8 X 500

Hendebrock (Marshalling Yard)

cloud cover.

No photo coverage or visual observation of results due to

Stegan (G-210530), and bombed on EFA since "Goc" jammed.

Lighter rendezvous, formation proceeded to secondary.

Box I & II - N.A.O. (Goc). Because no contact was made with escort at

Bombing by boxes on group lead (PFW) from 12,500 feet.

PFW could not contact "Ripsaw" as VME was out.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

unknown of 1 a/c which landed at Flerones/duzaine.

losing altitude. Crews report bombs did not explode. Bomb disposition

field at P-460830 2 miles N of Larosche when 1 engine went out and was

500 IB on secondary. 1 a/c jettisoned 8 X 500 Comp B safe in a plowed

377 BG: 36 a/c dispatched (including 1 PFW), 34 dropping 263 X 500 Comp B, 4 X

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

Bombing by boxes on PFW from 12,400 - 13,500 feet.

ed desired fix.

PFW contacted "Ripsaw" 4 minutes after entering tactical area and obtain-

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

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Koblenz and Vicinity (Leaflet Mission)

394 BG: 7 a/c dispatched, all dropping 140 leaflet bombs on 7 towns in the Koblenz area.

No losses, battle damage, casualties.

The a/c dispatched to Neuwied and Braubach contacted "Ripsaw" at Marche (P-295840) and at Mayen (L-635925), respectively, and obtained desired fix.

Bombing individually on "Gee" and "ETA" from 11,000 - 12,000 feet.

Crews report satisfactory results.

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0	Claims
0	Injured
0	Missing
0	Wounded
0	Killed
6	A/C Battle Damaged
1	A/C Crash-Landed (397 BG)
0	A/C Missing
0	A/C Lost
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121,394.285	Total Bombs to Date
658.25	Bombs on Enemy Territory
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419	TOTAL
20	Bombs of 1 A/C Unaccounted For
	Other
	Window 19
10	A/C Recalled (Weather)
5	A/C Falling to Bomb
387	A/C Bombing
419	A/C CFF

Section II

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FAILURES TO BOMB

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>NO. A/C</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>REASON</u>
323	1	Mechanical	Losing oil.
397	1	Mechanical	Right engine cutting out.
	2	Other	1 - Crash-landed shortly after take-off. 1 - Lost altitude shortly after take-off and struck tree-tops.
410	1	Mechanical	Gas leak in bomb-bay.

S/A PHOTO REPORTS

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>CAMERAS PHOTOGRAPHING</u>	<u>MECHANICAL FAILURES</u>		<u>PERSONNEL FAILURES</u>	
		<u>NO.</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
397	100%	0	0	0	0

OBSERVATIONS

WEATHER: Lennepe

323 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus cloud top 7500 ft. Visibility above cloud unrestricted.

394 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus cloud tops 7500 ft. Visibility 10 miles plus air to air.

Altenkirchen 397 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus cloud tops 7500-8000 ft. with few breaks. Visibility unrestricted above cloud.

387 BG: 9/10 stratocumulus cloud tops 8000 ft. Visibility 5 miles air to ground, unrestricted above cloud.

Niederscheld 409 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus cloud tops 7000 ft. Visibility unrestricted above cloud.

410 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus cloud top 8500 ft. Visibility unrestricted above cloud.

416 BG: 9/10 plus multilayered stratocumulus cloud top 7000 ft. Visibility 10-20 miles above cloud.

Lippstadt 386 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus cloud top 7-8000 ft. Visibility unrestricted above cloud.

344 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus cloud top 8000 ft. Visibility above cloud unrestricted.

Erndtebruck 322 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus cloud tops 65-7000 ft. Visibility unrestricted above cloud.

391 BG: 10/10 stratocumulus cloud top 7000 ft. Visibility unrestricted above cloud.

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The 397th Group observed a target, believed to be No 262, above formation in target (Altenkirchen) area.

L.O.L.'s: 1258 - 1546
1711 - 1726 (Lorjets)

ENEMY AIRCRAFT REACTION

Flak was encountered by only one group (410 Gp.). Gross reported that the flak was weak but accurate and engaged them just as the target was reached. No defenses are plotted within range of the target. However, it is probable that the enemy is relocating some of his defenses in order to give protection to supply lines feeding the front.

410 Gp. Lost to Flak	0
410 Gp. Battle Damaged	6
% 410 Gp. Battle Damaged	7.92%

Niederwald Airfield 409, 410, 416 Gp.

Flak was not encountered on route or at the targets.

410 Gp. Lost to Flak	0
410 Gp. Battle Damaged	0
% 410 Gp. Battle Damaged	0

Losses	397 Gp.
Altenkirchen Communications Center	397, 387 Gp.
Landscheid Airfield	386, 374 Gp.
Frankfurt Airfield	322, 291 Gp.
Wiesbaden Airfield	386 Gp.
Losses	397 Gp.

410 Gp. OVER ENEMY TERRITORY	399
410 Gp. LOST TO FLAK	0
410 Gp. BATTLE DAMAGED	6
% 410 Gp. BATTLE DAMAGED	1.5%

FLAK ANALYSIS SUMMARY

386 BG: 10/10 stratoscumulus cloud top 7000 ft. Visibility unobstructed above cloud.
397 BG: 10/10 stratoscumulus cloud top 7500-8000 ft. Visibility unobstructed above cloud.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

PRESS RELEASE

NINTH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION HEADQUARTERS, France, March 10 --Continuing their campaign to isolate the Rhine river fronts from troops and supplies moving from central Germany, medium and light bombers struck again Saturday at railroad yards and other communications east and north of the Remagen bridge-head.

Marauders began the 375-plane offensive in early afternoon, bombing through cloud to crater roads in the towns of Altenkirchen and Siegen, east of the Rhine bridge-head. Then Havocs and Invaders joined with other B-26 forces to pound railroad yards at Lannep, 20 miles northeast of Cologne, and Lippstadt, 40 miles northeast of Dortmund, both in the Ruhr; and Wiederscheld and Erndtebruck, 18 and 36 miles northeast of Giessen. All bombing was done with the aid of pathfinder technique through dense cloud that prevented observation of results.

The Marauder attacks at Altenkirchen and Siegen were in close coordination with the First Army's Drive to expand their 10-mile-deep bridge-head east of Remagen. The objective was to crater main roads in the towns and thus bar their use to enemy troops and ammunition carriers moving to the bridge-head area.

In the assault on the four important rail yards, the medium and light bombers struck in nine waves to destroy rail lines and military traffic headed Rhine-ward. With Germany's losses in men and equipment already a serious threat to her ability to stem the Allied advances, the bombers' battle-plan called for destruction of traffic in the yards and rail lines to further disrupt the enemy's defenses.

The Luftwaffe failed to appear against the bomber formations, and flak defenses were active only at Wiederscheld. All the bombers returned safely.

A special force of seven Marauders carried out a psychological warfare mission, dropping more than 1,500,000 copies of the German language newspaper "Front Post" to German troops and civilians in seven towns in the vicinity of Koblenz.

-30- NEWS ROOM 1715 PRESS CAMP 1730

NINTH AIR BOMBARDMENT DIVISION HEADQUARTERS, FRANKLIN, 12 FEB 10 - Following are operational statistics, including preliminary damage assessment figures, for combat missions of B-26 Land Raiders, A-20 Havocs and A-26 Invaders of the Ninth Bombardment Division (Tabular):

Aircraft dispatched	419
Aircraft over enemy territory	399
Bomber losses	0
Bomb tonnage	658
Marshalling yards attacked	5
Communications centers attacked	2
Railroad cuts	4
Highway cuts	10
Buildings destroyed or damaged	100
Leaflets dropped	1 1/2 million

Photo coverage was limited to one group which attacked the communications center of Altdorf. Dense clouds prevented photographing the results of other attacks.

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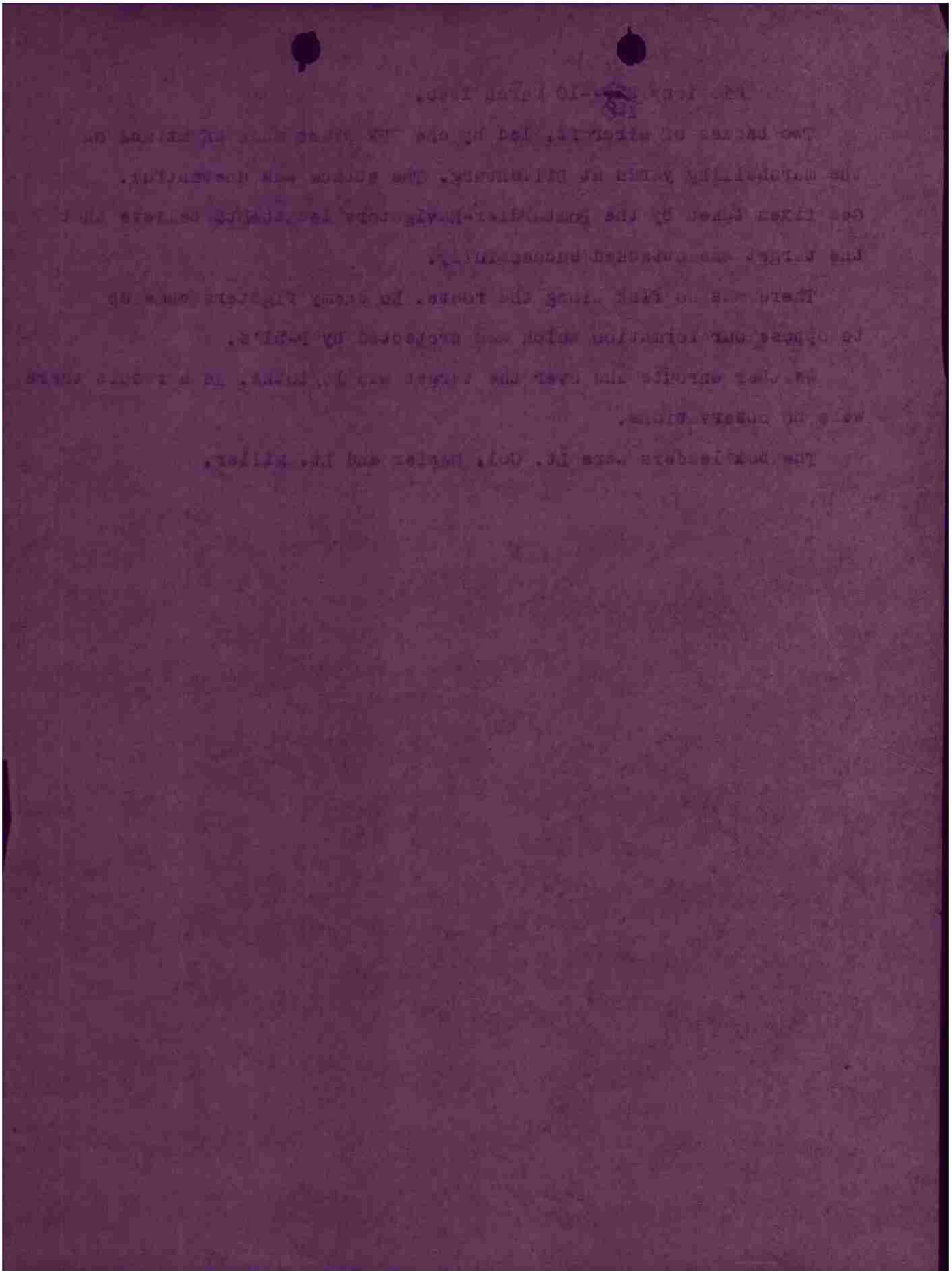
Mission# ~~82~~¹¹⁸--10 March 1945.

Two boxes of aircraft, led by one PPF plane made an attack on the marshalling yards at Dillenburg. The attack was uneventful. Gee fixes taken by the Bombardier-Navigators led them to believe that the target was attacked successfully.

There was no flak along the route. No enemy fighters came up to oppose our formation which was protected by P-51's.

Weather enroute and over the target was 10/10ths. As a result there were no observations.

The box leaders were Lt. Col. Napier and Lt. Miller.



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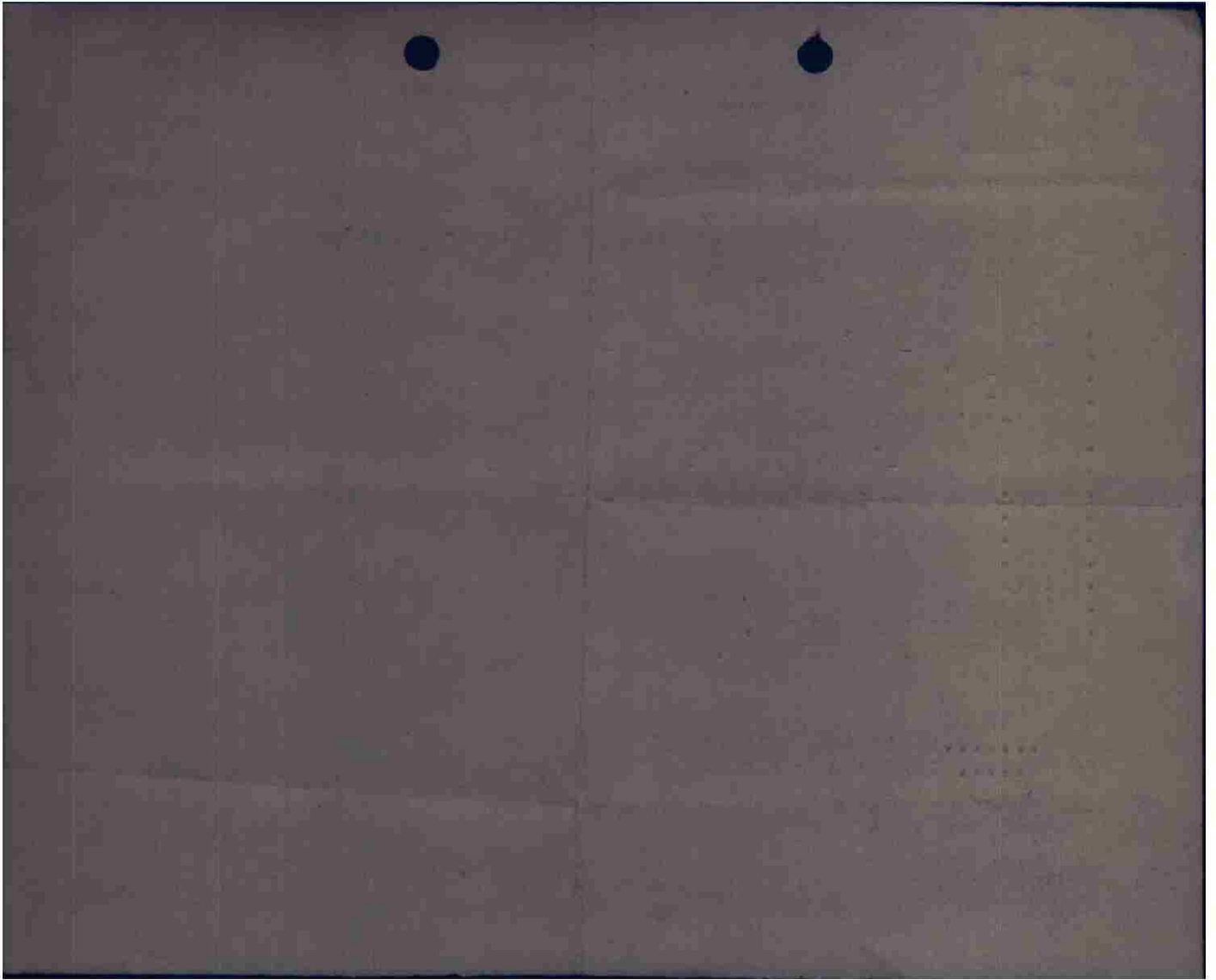
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FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 101700A
TO CG 9TH BOMB DIVISION (N) AAXXX ATTN: A-2
CG 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2

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CONFIDENTIAL 416BG R-206-D OPLASH FOR 10 MAR 1945.

- A. 416 BOMB GROUP.
- B. DILLENBURG-MARSHALLING YARD (G-399362)
- C. 41 A-26'S (INCLUDING 3 WITH WINDOW ONLY)
- D. 38 A-26'S ON PRIMARY TARGET (BOMBED ON PPF)
- E. 3 A-26'S (CARRIED WINDOW ONLY)
- F. 228 X 500 GP. ON PRIMARY.
- G. UNOBSERVED - 10/10 CLOUD - TOPS 7000 FT.
- H. NIL.
- I. NIL.
- J. NIL.
- K. NIL.
- M. 12,800
- N. 1420
- X. EXCELLENT LEAD BY PPF.
FINE ESCORT BY FIGHTERS.

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DN BBBBD
JEA R.....10/1720A SS KKKK
ITA R 10/1720A MDN AR
KKKK



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FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV 14/1830A

TO : CC, IX BOMB DIVISION

CC, 99TH COMBAT WING

CC, 96TH COMBAT WING

CC, 97TH COMBAT WING

CO, 323RD, 394TH 397TH, 387TH, 386TH, 344TH, 410TH, 409TH,
416TH, 322ND, 391ST,.

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1ST PFF SQ PROV R-244-D PFF OPS FLASH

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 323RD BOMB GROUP

B. LENNEP M/Y WF 663880

C. 2 B-26'S

D. 2 B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT

E. NONE

F. 8 X 500 LB'S ON PRIMARY

G. UNOBSERVED. 10/10.

H THRU K. NONE.

L. 12,500 - 11,200 PRIMARY

M. 1300 - 1301 PRIMARY.

REMARKS : WINDOW SHIPS TOO HIGH. BOX 1 FORMATION EXCELLENT. BOX 2
PFF DROPPED 700 FEET BELOW BRIEFED ALTITUDE BECAUSE IT COULD
NOT STAY UP WITH 1ST BOX.

ANNEX : CALLED RIPS AW GETTING FIX ONE MINUTE AFTER ENTERING AREA.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 397TH BOMB GROUP.

B. ALTENKIRCHEN COMM. CENTER. WF 937321.

C. 2 B-26'S

D. 2 B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.

E. NONE

F. 8 X 500 LB'S PRIMARY

G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S.

H. THRU K. NONE

L. 12,500 - 12,000 PRIMARY

M. 1258-1259 PRIMARY

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION AND WINDOW SHIPS EXCELLENT. COVER GOOD.

ANNEX : CALLED RIPS AW GETTING FIX 4 MINUTES AFTER ENTERING AREA.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 394TH BOMB GROUP.

B. LENNEP M/Y WF 663880.

C. 1 B-26

D. 1 B-26 PRIMARY ON GEE. EQUIPMENT FAILURE.

E. NONE

F. 4 X 500 LB'S.

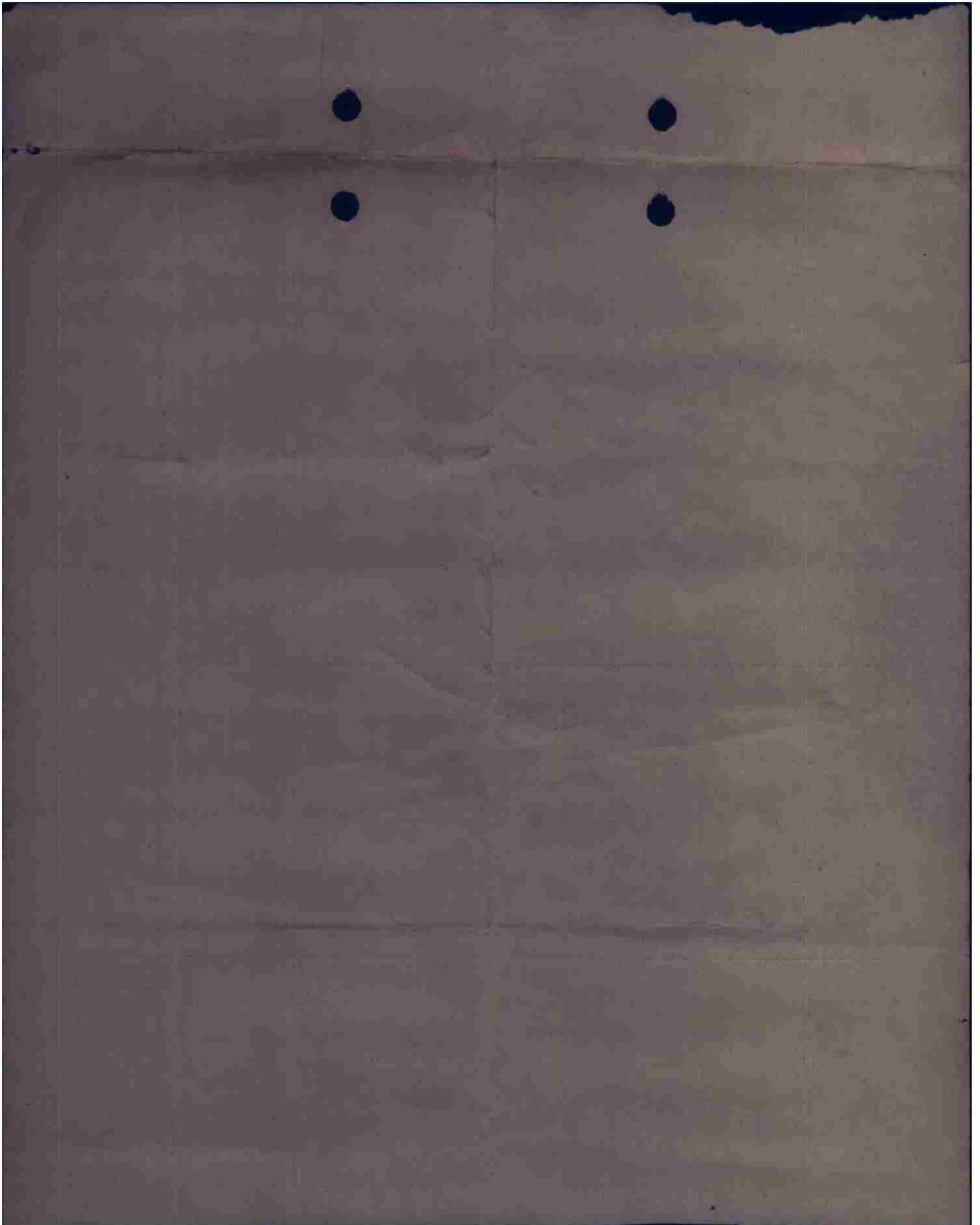
G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S.

H. THRU K. NONE.

L. 12,500 PRIMARY

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD.

ANNEX : CALLED RIPS AW RECEIVING FIX 9 MINUTES AFTER ENTERING AREA.

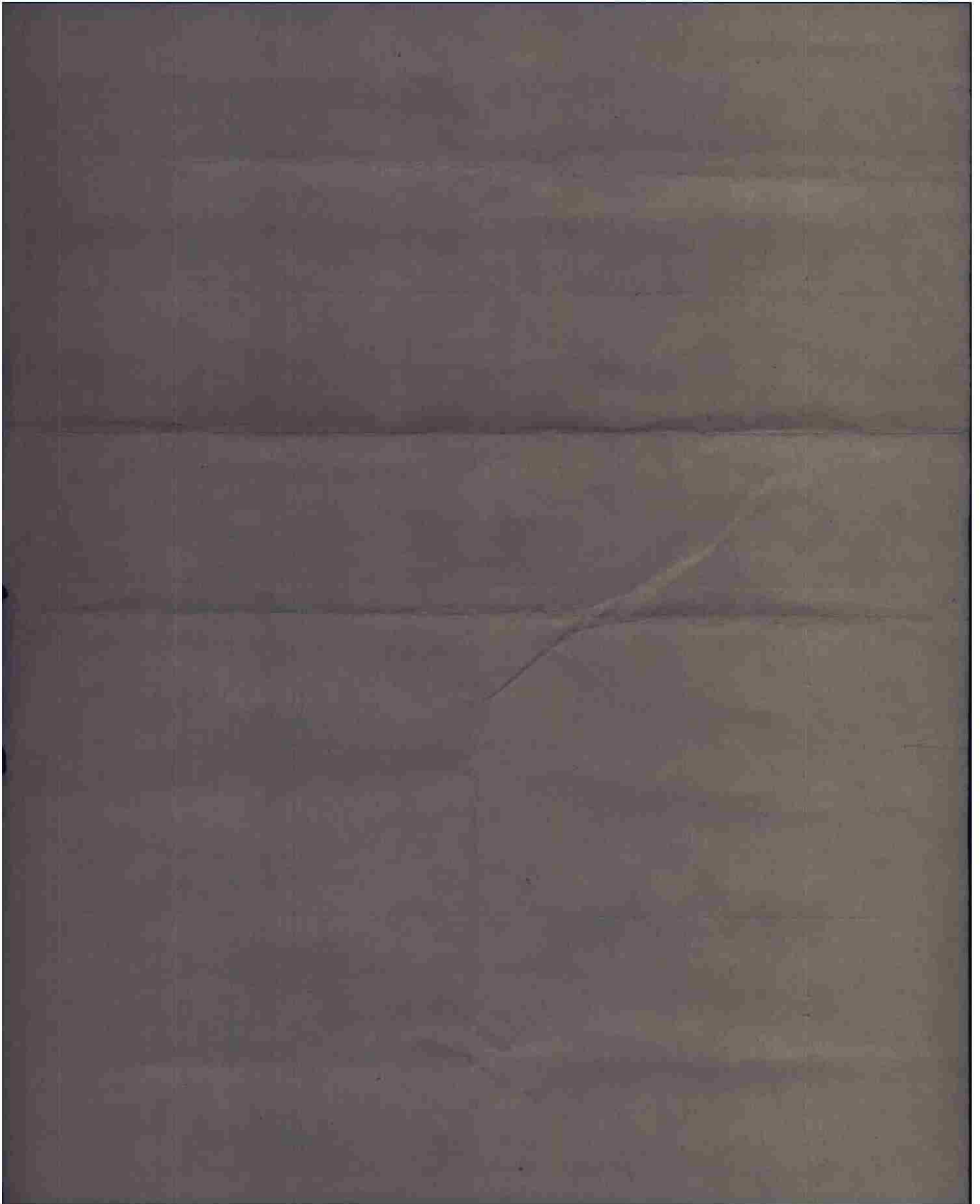


A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 357TH BOMB GROUP
 B. ALTENKIRCHEN COMM. CENTER WF 937321
 C. 2 B-26'S
 D. 2 B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
 E. NONE
 F. 8 X 500 IB'S PRIMARY
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 13,000 - 12,400 PRIMARY
 M. 1338 - 1339 PRIMARY
 REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD.
 ANNEX : CALLED RIPS AW RECEIVING FIX FOUR MINUTES AFTER ENTERING AREA.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 409TH BOMB GROUP
 B. NIEDERSCHIED M/Y WG 397365T
 C. 2 B-26'S
 D. 2 B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
 E. NONE
 F. 8 X 500 IB'S PRIMARY
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 12,500 - 12,000 PRIMARY
 M. 1337 - 1338 PRIMARY
 REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD.
 ANNEX : CALLED RIPS AW RECEIVING FIX 30 SECONDS AFTER ENTERING AREA.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 344TH BOMB GROUP
 B. LIPPSTADT M/Y RB 417416
 C. 1 B-26
 D. 1 B-26 CASUAL ON GEE. (GROUP SECONDARY) GROUP LEADING. SIEGEN
 WG 20059530
 E. NONE
 F. 4 X 500 IB'S CASUAL
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 12,500 CASUAL
 M. 1333 CASUAL
 REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION AND WINDOW SHIPS GOOD. NO FIGHTERS AT R/V.
 GROUP ELECTED TO BOMB SECONDARY.
 ANNEX : CALLED RIPS AW COULD NOT CONTACT. VHF OUT

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 418TH BOMB GROUP
 B. NIEDERSCHIED M/Y WG 397365.5
 C. 1 B-26
 D. 1 B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
 E. NONE
 F. 4 X 500 IB'S PRIMARY
 G. UNOBSERVED
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 12,500 PRIMARY
 M. 1350 1/2 PRIMARY
 REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION EXCELLENT.
 ANNEX : CALLED RIPS AW COULD NOT CONTACT. CHANNEL TOO CROWDED.



A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 416TH BOMB GROUP
 B. NIEDERSCHNEID M/Y WG 39736595
 C. 1 B-26
 D. 1 B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
 E. NONE
 F. 4 X 500 IB'S PRIMARY
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 12,500 PRIMARY
 M. 1420 PRIMARY
 REMARKS : EXCELLENT WINDOW SHIPS AND SUPERIOR GROUP FORMATION.
 ANNEX : CALLED RIPS AW RECEIVING 2 MINUTES AFTER ENTERING AREA.

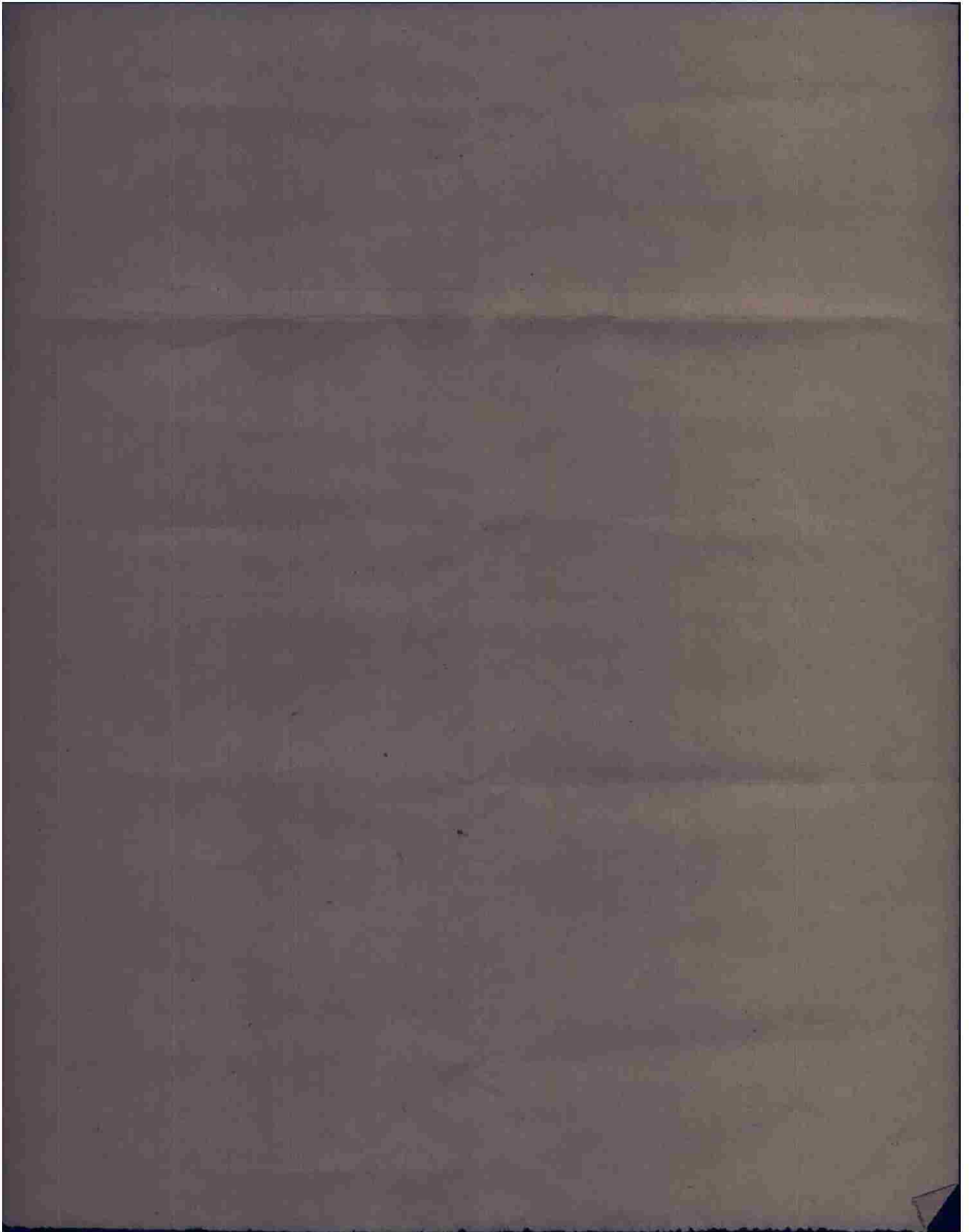
A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 322ND BOMB GROUP
 B. ERNDTEBRUK M/Y WG 36552660
 C. 2 B-26'S
 D. 2 B-26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT. SECOND BOX PFF FOLLOWED FIRST BOX FOR COURSE AND DROPPED ON OWN RELEASE FIX SIG.
 E. NONE
 F. 8 X 500 IB'S PRIMARY
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 12,500 - 11,260 PRIMARY
 M. 1438 1/2 - 1439 1/2 PRIMARY
 REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION SUPERIOR. FIGHTERS CAUGHT UP TO FORMATION AFTER TURN OFF TARGET.
 ANNEX : CALLED RIPS AW RECEIVING FIX 3 MINUTES AFTER ENTERING AREA.

A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 391ST BOMB GROUP
 B. ERNDTEBRUK M/Y WG 365950660
 C. 1 B-26
 D. 1 B-26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT.
 E. NONE
 F. 4 X 500 IB'S PRIMARY
 G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
 H. THRU K. NONE
 L. 12,500 PRIMARY
 M. 159500 PRIMARY
 REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION EXCELLENT.
 ANNEX : CALLED RIPS AW RECEIVING FIX 1 MINUTE AFTER ENTERING AREA.

CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV

BT 10/1830A
 AT BBB 0 0

JEAX
 CC IN B . OF 416TH BOMB GROUP
 B. NIEDERSCHNEID M/Y WG 39736595
 RELAYED BY CES BBBBB
 JES R.....10/2005A HO K
 JPO R.....10/2005A LB KK
 JKI R.....10/2005A FD KK
 JEA THIS JES IS ITA STILL ENGD



ITA JES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 01/10 OP OP
T (ITA PASS TO JJF)

100300
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 10/0052A
TO COMBOMDIV IX
COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 410
COBOMGP 416
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQDN.

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97CBW R-97-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 140
10 MARCH 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 197-783

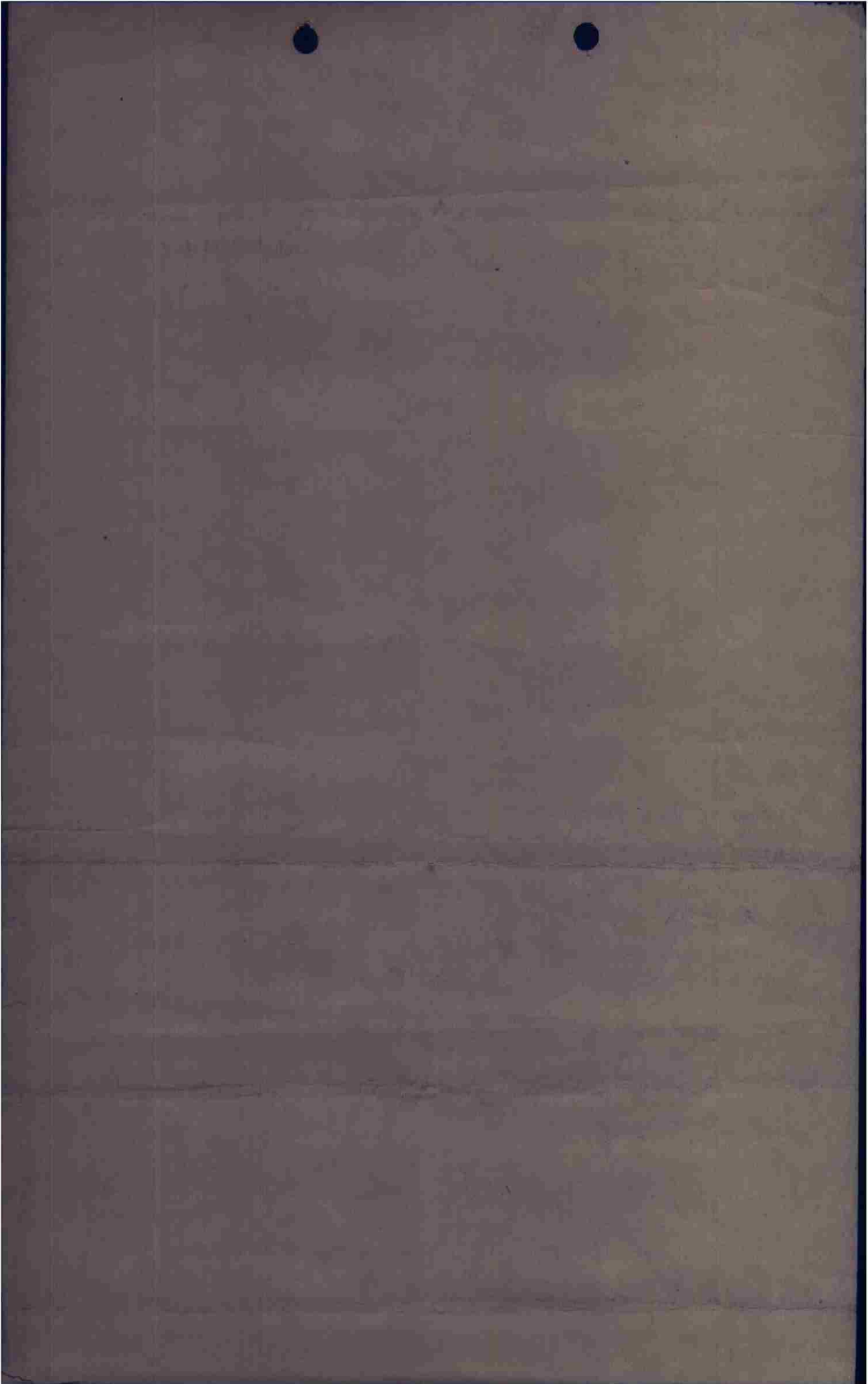
MAPS: NORMAL

- 1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMBLINE.
- (2) 8TH A.F. WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THIS WING.
- 2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK A TARGET IN GERMANY.

ZERO HOUR: PLAN "A" 10/1300A
ZERO HOUR: PLAN "B" 10/1300A

PLAN "A"

- 3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.
 - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5658 AT 11,000 FT AT ZERO PLUS 15 MIN.
 - (12) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES 30 SEC. BEFORE FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS AND WILL DO SO AFTER FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS WHENEVER THE FIGHTER LEADER REQUEST THEM.
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.
 - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5658 AT 11,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 45 MIN.
 - (12) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE RED FLARES 30 SEC. BEFORE FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS AND WILL DO SO AFTER FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS WHENEVER THE FIGHTER LEADER REQUEST THEM
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.
 - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5658 AT 11,000 FT. AT ZERO PLUS 60 MIN.
 - (12) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE GREEN FLARES 30 SEC. BEFORE FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS AND WILL DO SO AFTER FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS WHENEVER THE FIGHTER LEADER REQUEST THEM
- X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE
- (5) TARGET: DILLENBURG - MARSHALLING YARD (G-399362)
- (6) A/C REQUIRED: MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
- (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO P-5658 TO L-6072 TO N-0978 TO G-2704 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
- (8) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
- (9) ALTITUDE: BOMB AT 11,500 FT. OR BELOW THE CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 5,000 FT. DROP 1,000 FT. AFTER BOMBING.
- (10) I.P. G-1027
- (11) AXIS OF ATTACK: GEN SW TO NE
- (12) M.P.I. MAP SERIES G.S.G.S. 4414 SHEET NO 5215 COVER MARSHALLING YARD FROM 39703625 TO 39503710.
- (13) BOMB LOAD: 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FT. FOR THE 409 AND 416 GROUPS.
- (14) R.P. G-1027
- (15) IN THE EVENT VISUAL CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET, GROUPS WILL BOMB TARGET IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY.
 - A. "GEE"
 - B. TARGET # 1



- (16) IN THE EVENT THE PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE REACHED AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH IX BOMB. DIV. CIPHER F-576-E (9-2-45) WILL BE ATTACKED.
- (17) EXTREME CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISE THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITHIN 5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS WILL NOT BE SELECTED.

PLAN "B"

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.

- (2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 2 P.P.F. A/C.
- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5658 AT 12,000 FT. AT ZERO PLUS 03 MIN. WITH P.P.F. A/C OVER THE FIELD.
- (6) BOMB AT 1ST BOX 12,500 FT.
2ND BOX 12,000 FT.
MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL WILL BE 5,000 FT.
DROP 1,000 FT. AFTER BOMBING.
- (9) M.P.I. MAP SERIES G.S.G.S. 4414 SHEET NO 5215 COVER MARSHALLING YARD FROM 39703625 TO 39503710 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. P.P.F. M.P.I. 1ST BOX ON GRID. COORD. 39703645, 2ND BOX ON GRID. COORD. 39653675. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FT.
- (12) T.O.T. ZERO PLUS 40 MIN.
- (13) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES 30 SEC. BEFORE FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS AND WILL DO SO AFTER FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS WHENEVER THE FIGHTER LEADER REQUEST THEM.

3. B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.

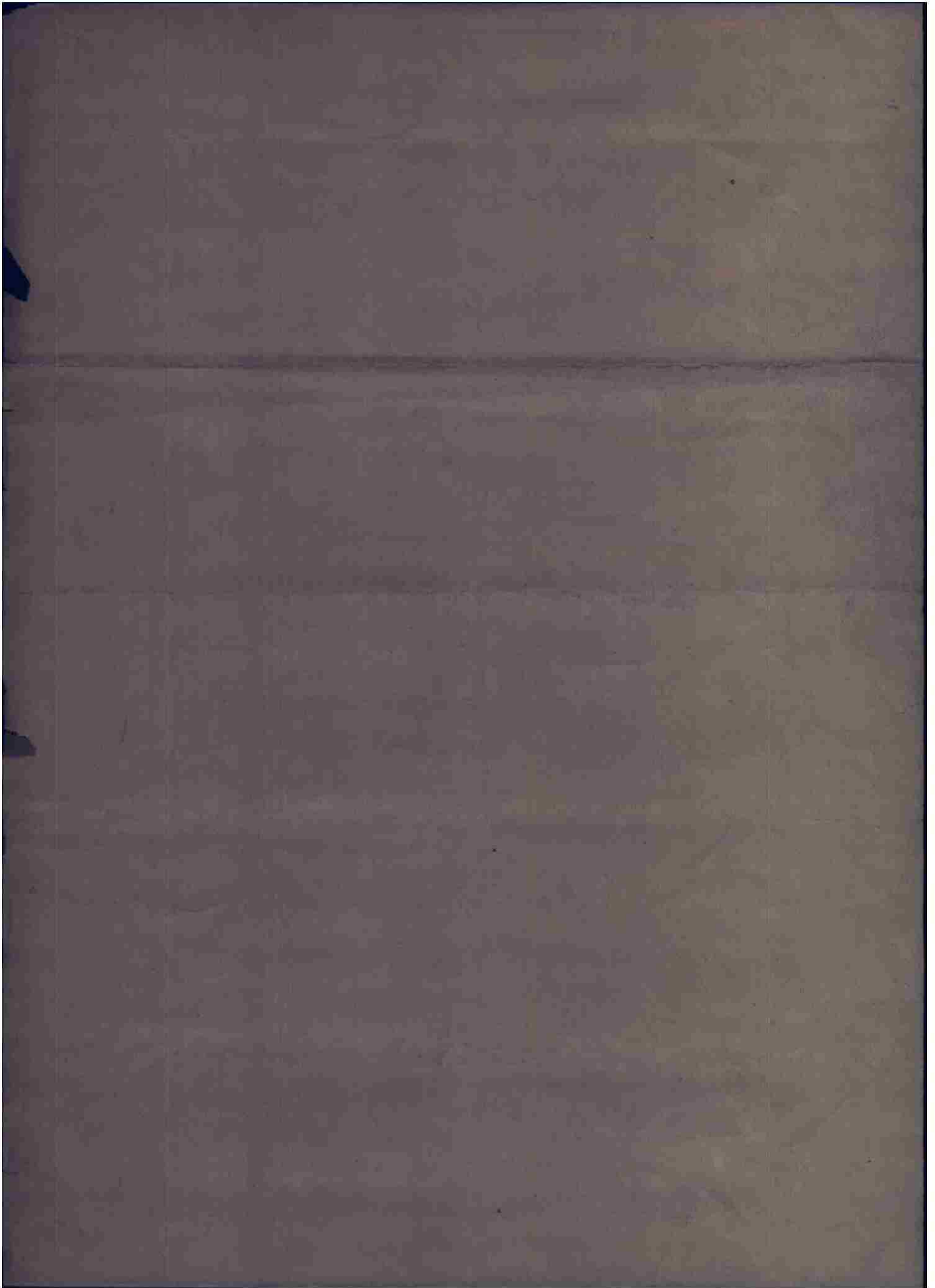
- (2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 1 PPF A/C.
- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5658 AT 12,000 FT. AT ZERO PLUS 23 MIN. WITH PPF A/C OVER THE FIELD.
- (6) BOMB AT 12,500 FT. MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL WILL BE 5,000 FT. DROP 1000 FT. AFTER BOMBING.
- (9) MPI MAP SERIES CSGS 4414 SHEET 5215 COVERING MARSHALLING YARD FROM 39703625 TO 39503710 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. PPF MPI GRID COORD. 39703645.
- (12) T.O.T. ZERO PLUS 60 MIN.
- (13) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE RED FLARES 30 SEC. BEFORE FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS AND WILL DO SO AFTER FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS WHENEVER THE FIGHTER LEADER REQUEST THEM.

3. C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

- (2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 1 PPF A/C.
- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5658 AT 12,000 FT. AT ZERO PLUS 43 MIN. WITH PPF A/C OVER THE FIELD.
- (6) BOMB AT 12,500 FT. MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL WILL BE 5,000 FT. DROP 1,000 FT. AFTER BOMBING.
- (9) MPI MAP SERIES CSGS 4414 SHEET 5215 COVER MARSHALLING YARD FROM 39703625 TO 39503710 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES PPF MPI GRID COORD. 39653675 INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FT.
- (12) T.O.T. ZERO PLUS 80 MIN.
- (13) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE GREEN FLARES 30 SEC. BEFORE FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS AND WILL DO SO AFTER FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS WHENEVER THE FIGHTER LEADER REQUEST THEM.

X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE

- (5) TARGET: DILLENBURG - MARSHALLING YARD (G-399362).
- (6) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO P-5658 TO L-6072 TO L-9475 TO M-1196 TO TARGET.
- (7) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO G-1227 TO G-0704 TO M-0978 TO L-6072 TO P-5658 TO BASE.
- (8) BOMB LOAD: 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
- (9) 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 WILL



TARGET
GROUPS WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY.

- A. PPF
- B. GROUP "CEE"
- C. TARGET E.T.A.

(10) IN THE EVENT THE PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE REACHED AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH IX BOMB DIV, CIPHER F-576-E (9-2-45) WILL BE ATTACKED.

(11) EXTREME CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISED THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITH IN 5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS WILL NOT BE SELECTED.

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

PLAN "A" OR "B"

A. 489TH BOMB GROUP.

- (2) HOTEL
- (4) RIPSAW
- (5) RIPSAW

B. 412TH BOMB GROUP.

- (2) NINEPIN
- (4) RIPSAW
- (5) RIPSAW

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

- (2) BROADCAST
- (4) RIPSAW
- (5) RIPSAW

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 0050A

RL/WCB AR

JES R.....TIC...10/0200A JJV AR

JPO

JKI R.....10/0200A WJF AR

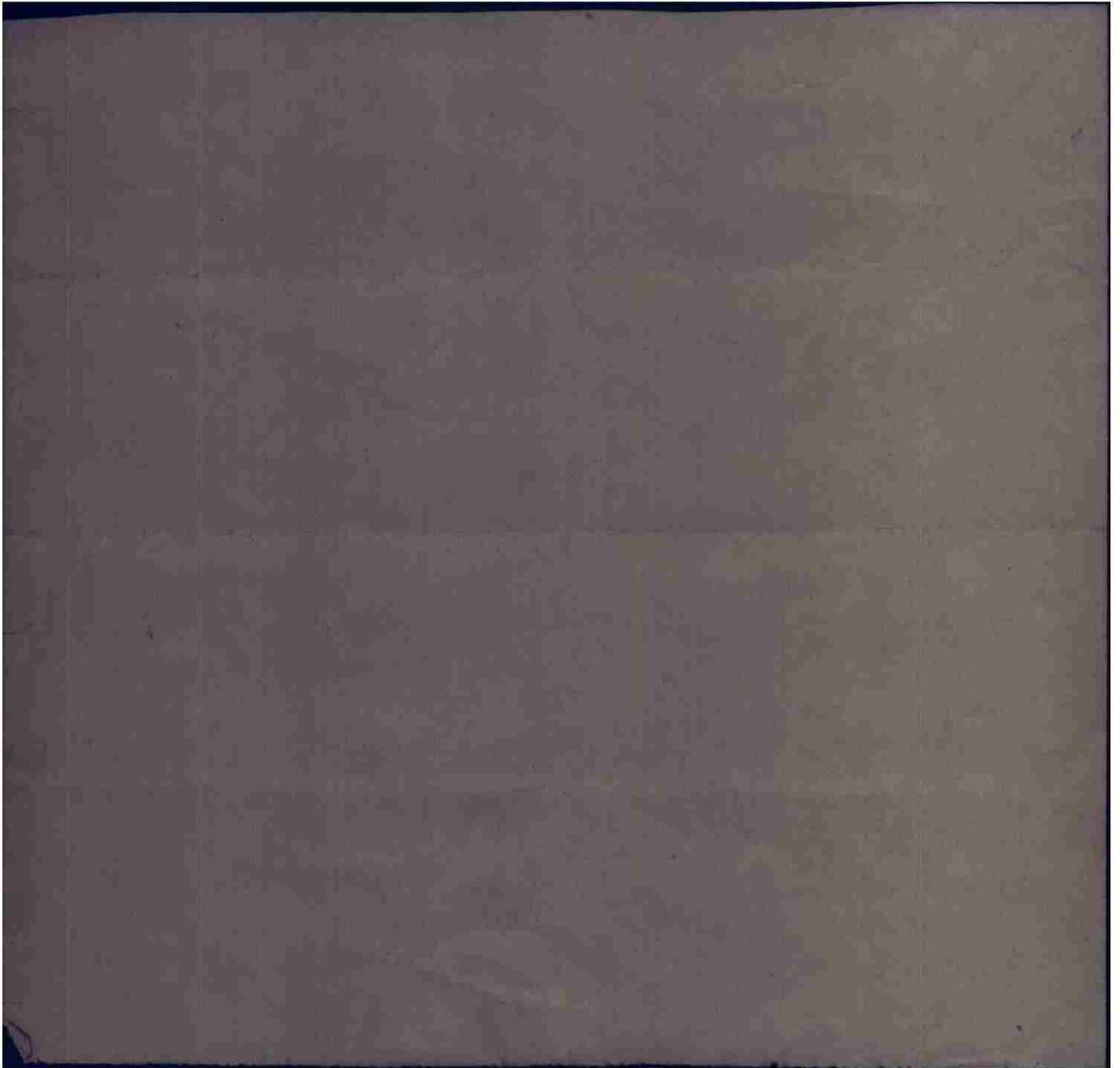
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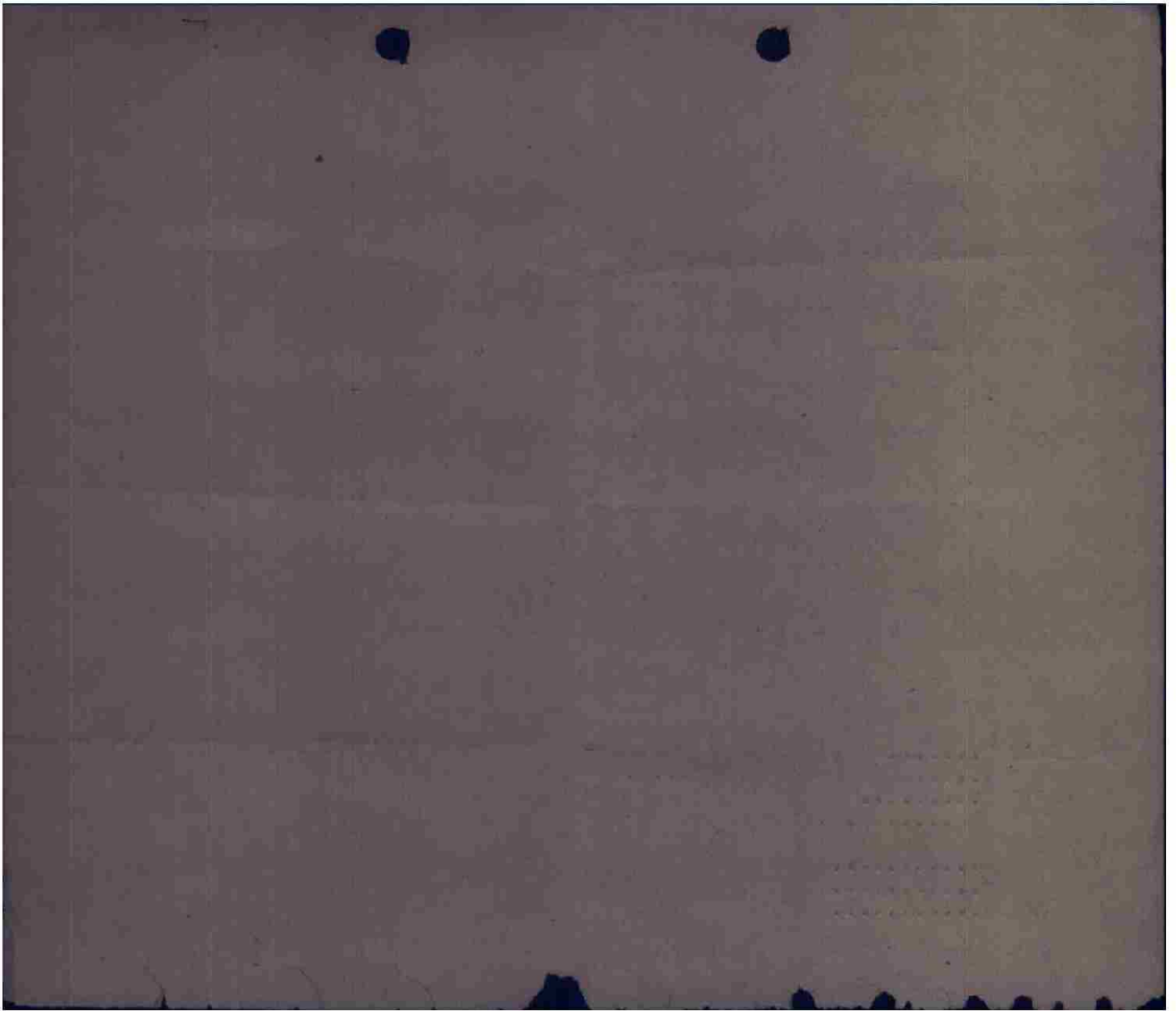
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ITA R.....100200A MJS AR

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Recd
10/21/45

FROM 416TH BOMB GP (L) APO 140 US ARMY
TO HQ 9TH BOMB DIV (M) APO 140 U S ARMY
HQ 97 TH COMBAT WING APO 140 U S ARMY
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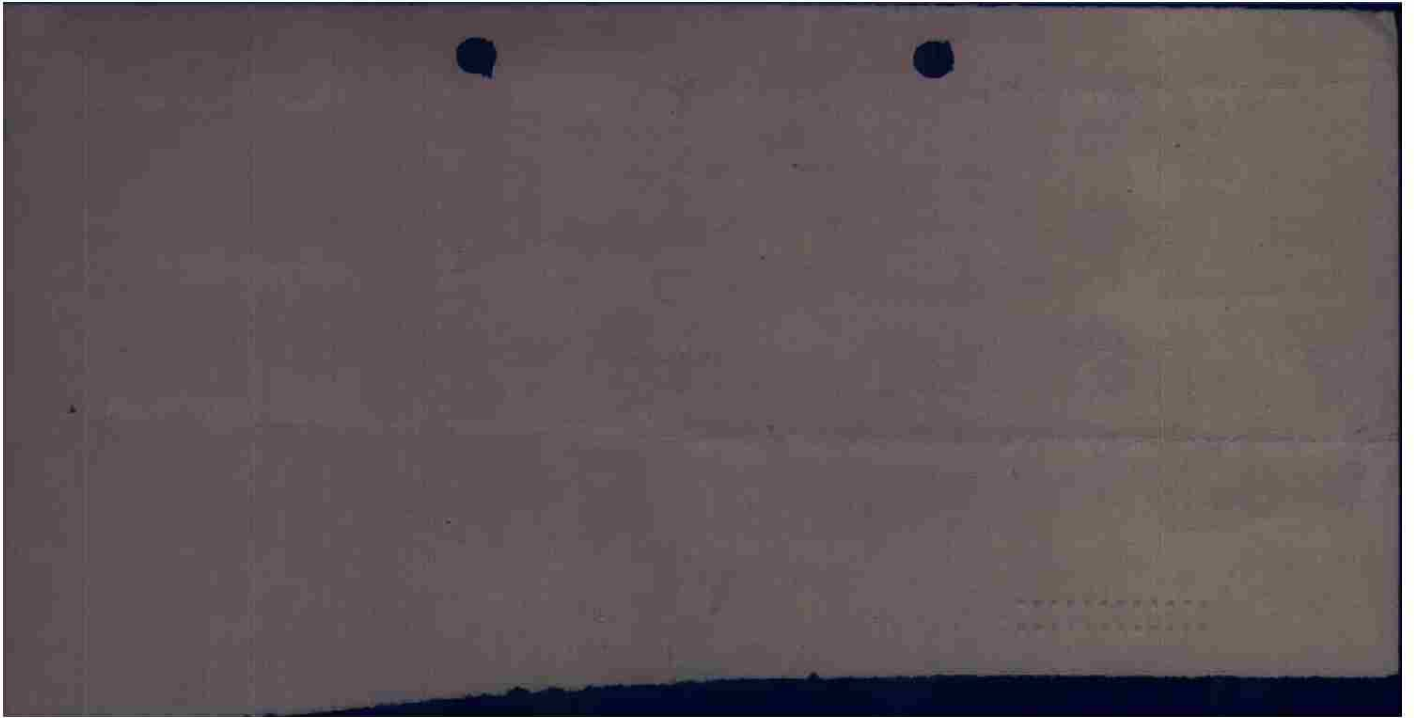
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ATTN: A-2 PI
ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER

416BG R-202-D

B. DILLENBERG MARSHALLING YARD
J. NO PHOTOS DUE TO CLOUD COVER.

AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416
BT 10/1700A
RSS BEB

ITA R.....101730A MB KKKKK
JEA R.....10/1700A SS KKKKK



Draft
S-2
S-3
S-4

ITA JES JKI JPO JJF V JEA JEA 03/10 OP - OP
T-(ITA PASS TO JJF)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 10/1000A
TO : IX BOMBER DIV.
409TH BOMB GROUP.
410TH BOMB GROUP.
416TH BOMB GROUP.
1ST PATHFINDER SQDN. (PROV)

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

97CBW R-99-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 140
10 MARCH 1945

ANNEX NO. 1 TO F.O. NO. 197-783

CANCEL PLAN "A" - PLAN "B" IN EFFECT

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BT10/1000A

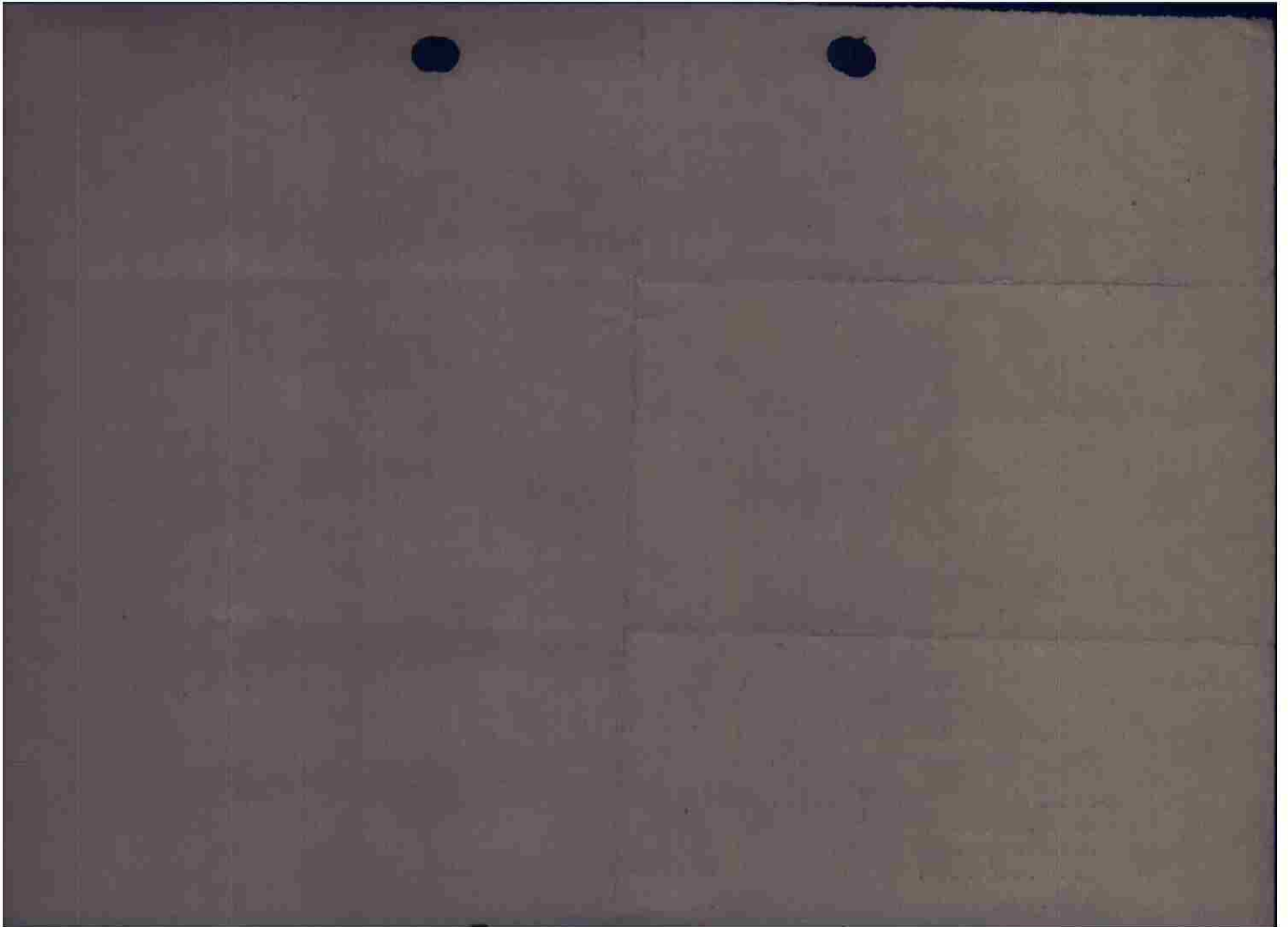
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ITA R...(PASS TO JJF).....10/1020A MILT AR

JES R.....10/1020A IDR AR

JKI R.....10/1020A EJ AR

JPO R.....10/1020A S L AR



*Rec'd
11/2/45*

JEA V JKI 05/10 OP OP

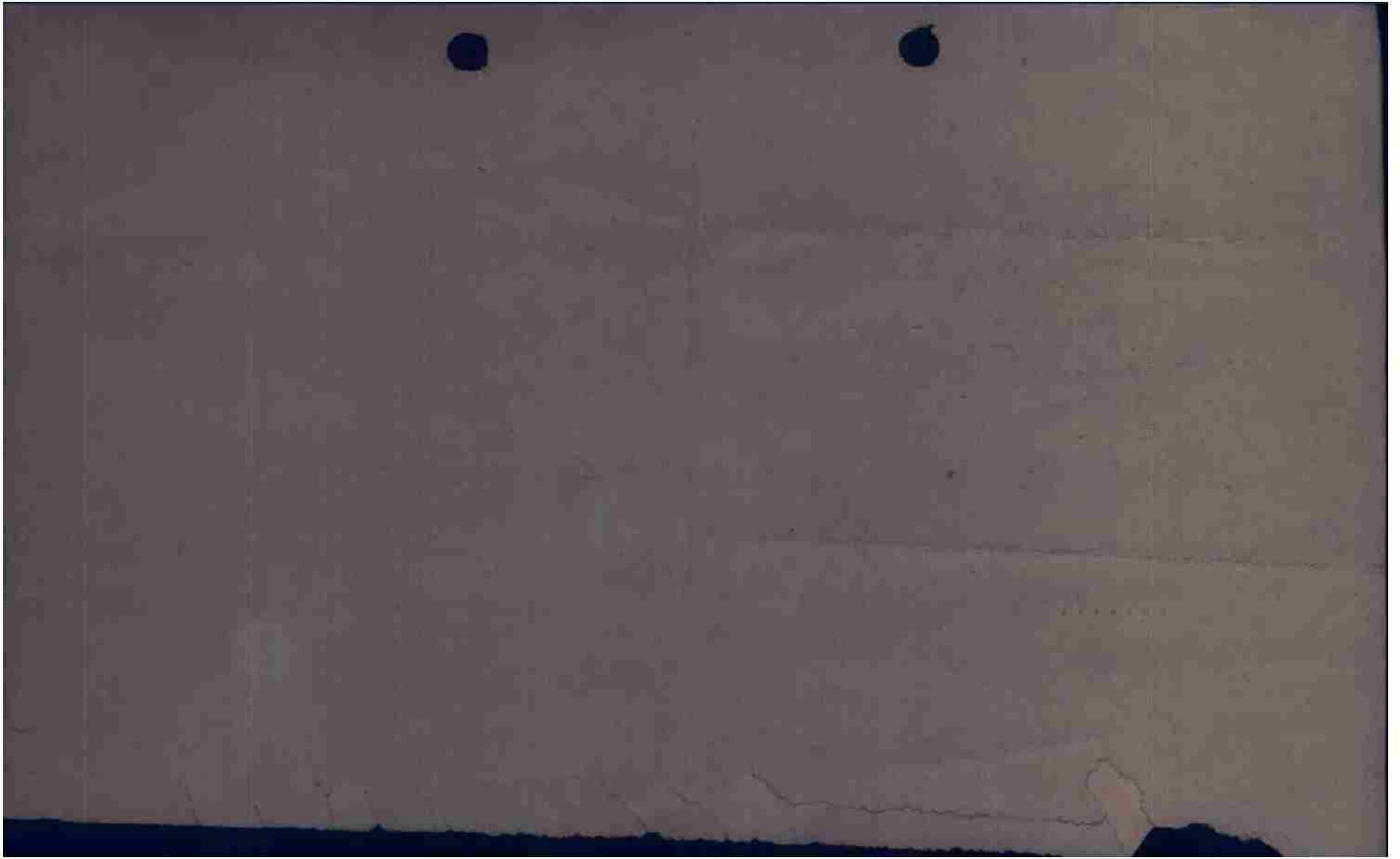
FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 101335A
TO CG 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING ATTN: A-2

BT
CONFIDENTIAL 416BG R-195-D

1. MPI'S IN EVENT PRIMARY IS BOMBED VISUALLY BY FLIGHTS:
ILLUSTRATION 6(D) XE3X (VI)196/2
ONE FLIGHT ON EACH: ANNOTATED POINTS 3,5,4,10,1 AND ALSO REF.
035024.
2. THE SECONDARY TARGET IS NASTATTIN (M-090780).

BT 101335A
DM BBBB G
JEA R.....10/1340A JMB KKKK

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ITA JES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 14/89 (INFO)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 89/2347A
TO COMBOMB DIV IX
COBOMGP 429
COBOMGP 412
COBOMGP 416
ATTN: SIGNALS OFFICER

ADVANCE INFO COPY OF PARA. 5 OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

PLAN "A" OR "B"

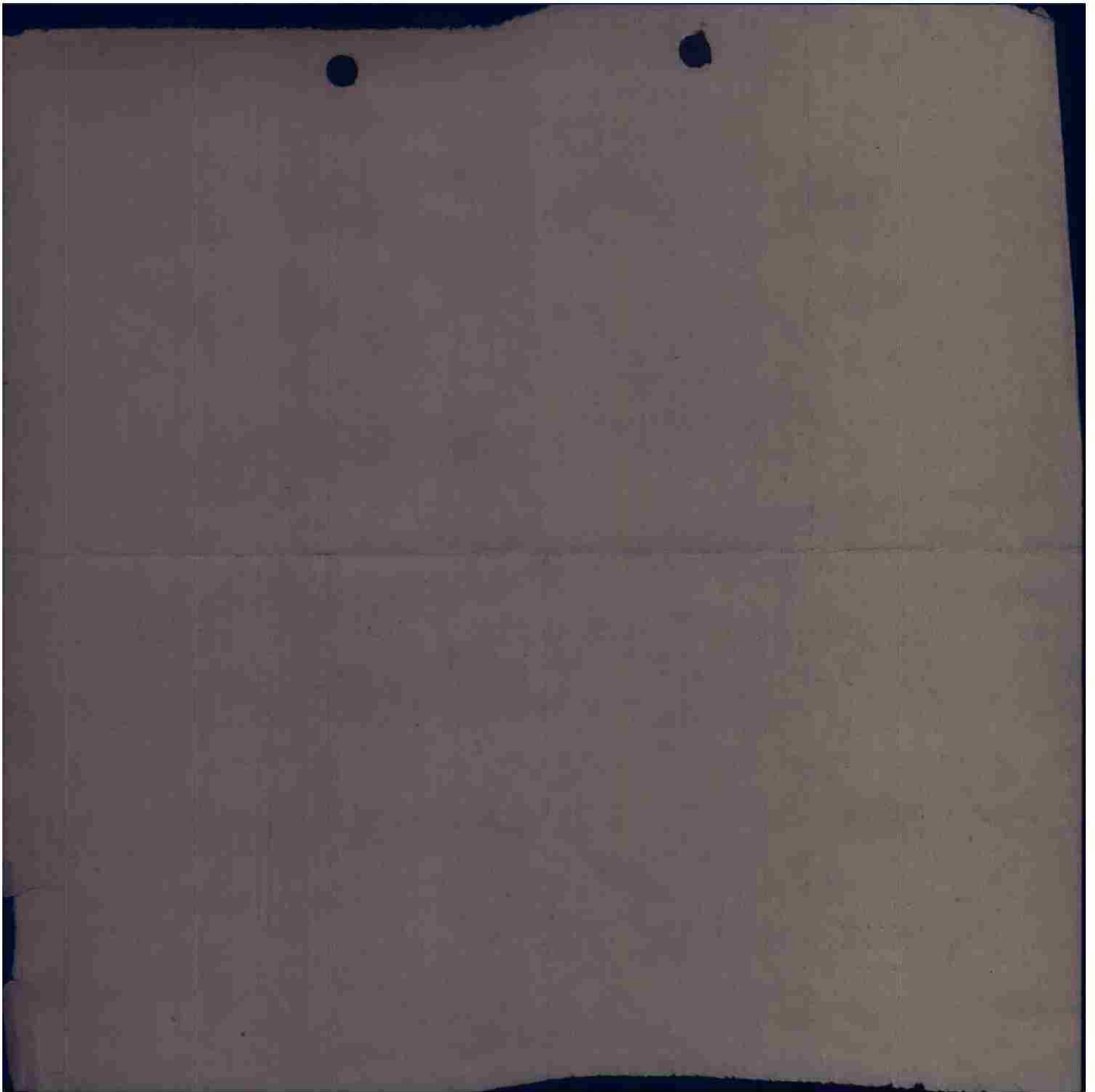
- A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.
 - (2) HOTEL
 - (4) RIPSAW
 - (5) RIPSAW

- B. 412TH BOMB GROUP.
 - (2) NINEPIN
 - (4) RIPSAW
 - (5) RIPSAW

- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.
 - (2) BROADCAST
 - (4) RIPSAW
 - (5) RIPSAW

COMCBTWIG 97
BT 2347A
RL AR K

JES R.....89/2358A	JW	AR		
JPO R.....89/2358A	WAC	A	AR	KK
JKI R.....89/2357A	WJF	AR	K	
ITA R.....89/2357A	CLEV	AR		
V				



R-468
Dust
3-2
5-3
319

ITA JES JPO JKI V JEA EA 01/11 (INFO)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 11/0320A
TO COMBOMDIV IX
COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 410
COBOMGP 416
ATTN: SIGNALS OFFICER

ADVANCE INFO COPY OF PARA. 5 OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. 409TH BOMB GROUP. (4445)
 - (2) FUZZY
 - (3) POKER
 - (4) SWEEPSTAKES
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP (4445)
 - (2) MORTGAGE
 - (3) POKER
 - (4) SWEEPSTAKES
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (4445)
 - (2) CONSUME
 - (3) POKER
 - (4) SWEEPSTAKES

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 0320A
RL AR K

JES R.....11X/0325A	DJP	AR
JPO R.....11/0325A	DB	AR
JKI R.....11/0325A	EW	AR



ITA JEA V JKI JKI 12 P P
FROM COBOMGR 416 10/1705A
TO COMBOMDIV NINE ATT: SIGNAL OFFICER
COMCBTWIC (INFO)
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10/21/55*

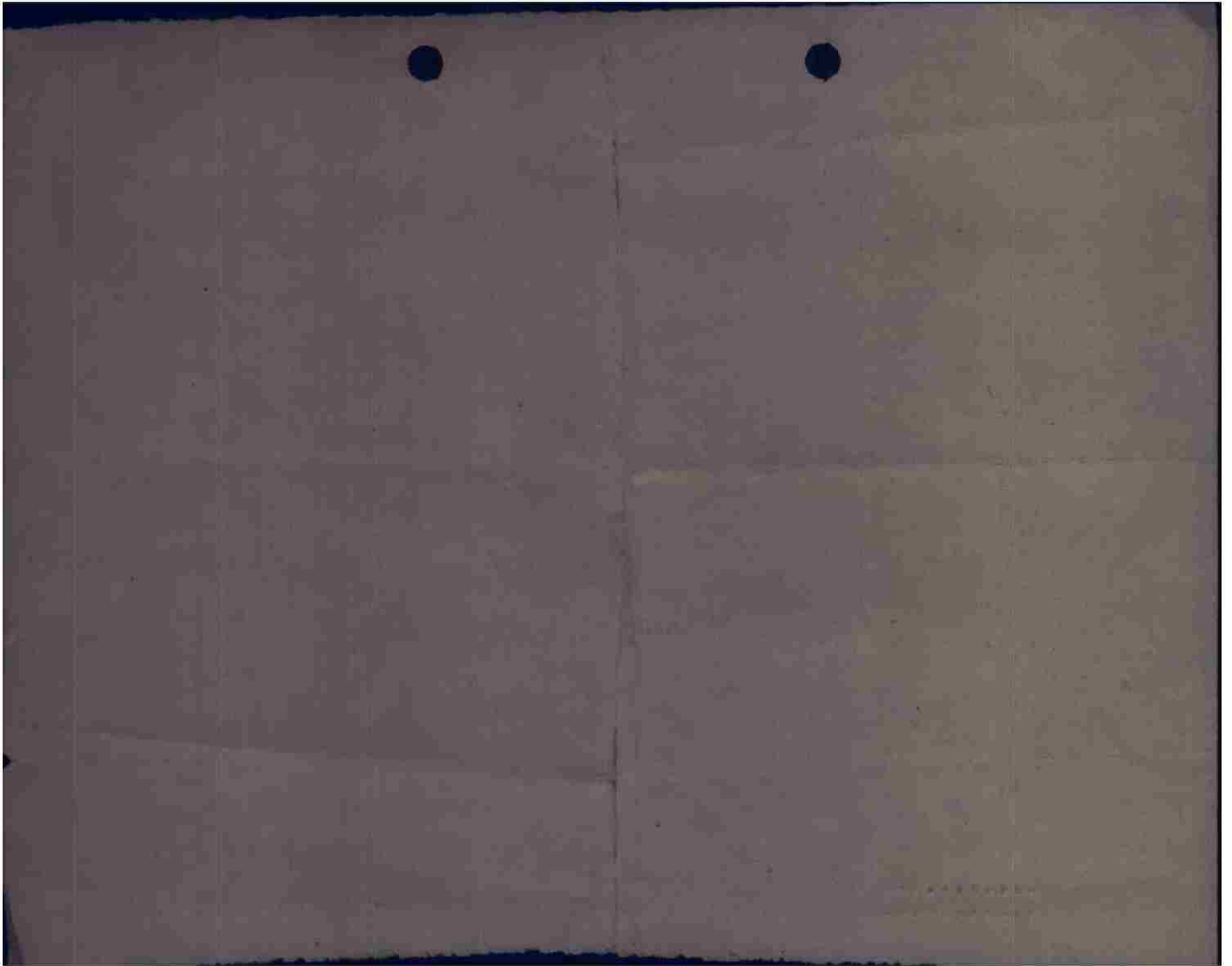
416BG R-201-J

- A - YS - 55
- B - 10 MARCH 1945 (1223-1526)
- C - M N-MAN AND I-ITEM REPORTED OPERATIONS COMPLETED TO PARADE.
- D - PPF MISSION. PILOTS MONITORING CHANNEL C REPORTED THAT THE PATHFINDER SHIP RECEIVED SEVERAL FIXES FROM THE FIGHTER CONTROL CENTER. CONTACT WAS ALSO MADE WITH THE FIGHTERS THROUGH THE FIGHTER GROUND CONTROL CENTER.

- E - NONE
- F 2 - NONE
- G - NONE
- H - NONE
- I - NONE
- J - NONE

K - MOST PILOTS IN THE FORMATION WERE HOMING ON THE BUNCHER BEACON AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. THEY REPORTED A STRONG AUDIO BUT COULD NOT SEEM TO RECEIVE AN ACCURATE READING ON THEIR INDICATORS UNTIL THEY WERE WITHIN 30 TO 40 MILES OF THE FIELD. SEVERAL PILOTS RECEIVED STRONG AUDIO AT A DISTANCE OF 75 MILES BUT NO ACCURATE INDICATOR READING UNTIL THEY WERE WITHIN THE 40 MILE RADIUS.

AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416
BT 10/1705A
RSS DBB
CC F SHOULD BE READ F - NONE
CC THIS SHOULD BE JKI 14/10 REPT 14/10
ITA R.....10/1738A MD K
JEA R.....10/1737A SS KKKK



ITA JEA V JKI JKI 22/16 P P
T - (ITA PASS TO JJF)
FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 16/2146A
TO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ. PROV.
9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION XX (M) (INFO)
97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) (INFO)
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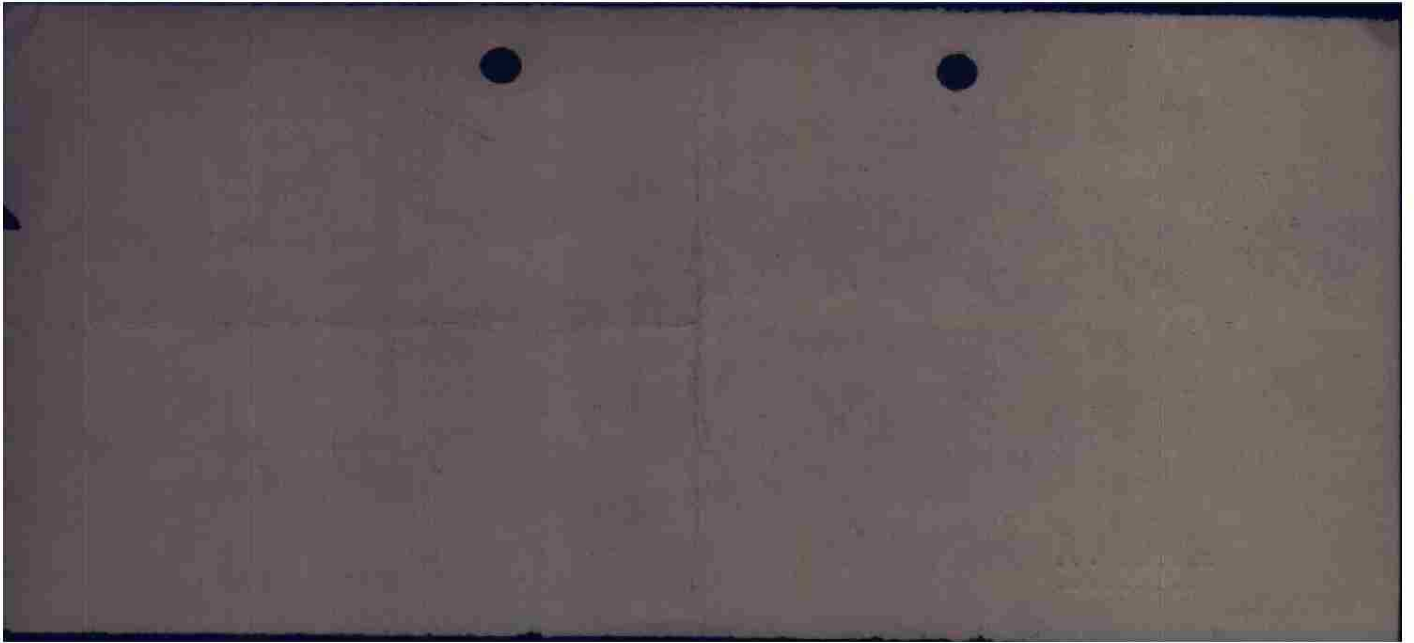
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PPF LEAD EXCELLENT. NO COMMENTS.

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JEA R.....16/2242A EG R

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TO: 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M)
97TH BOMBARDMENT BOMB WING (L)

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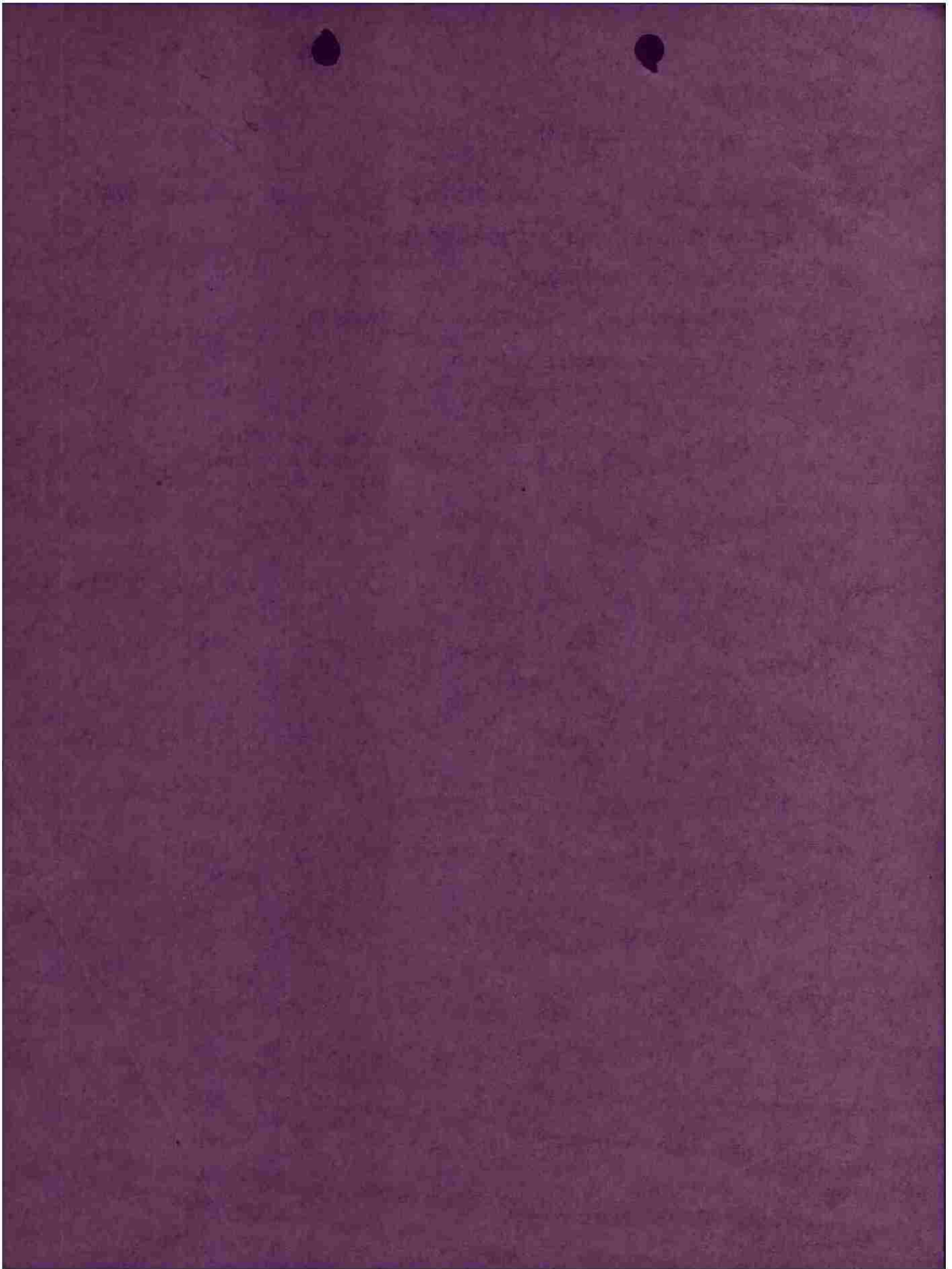
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AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416

I certify that this is official business:

RICHARD V. WHEELER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Base Operations Officer.



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

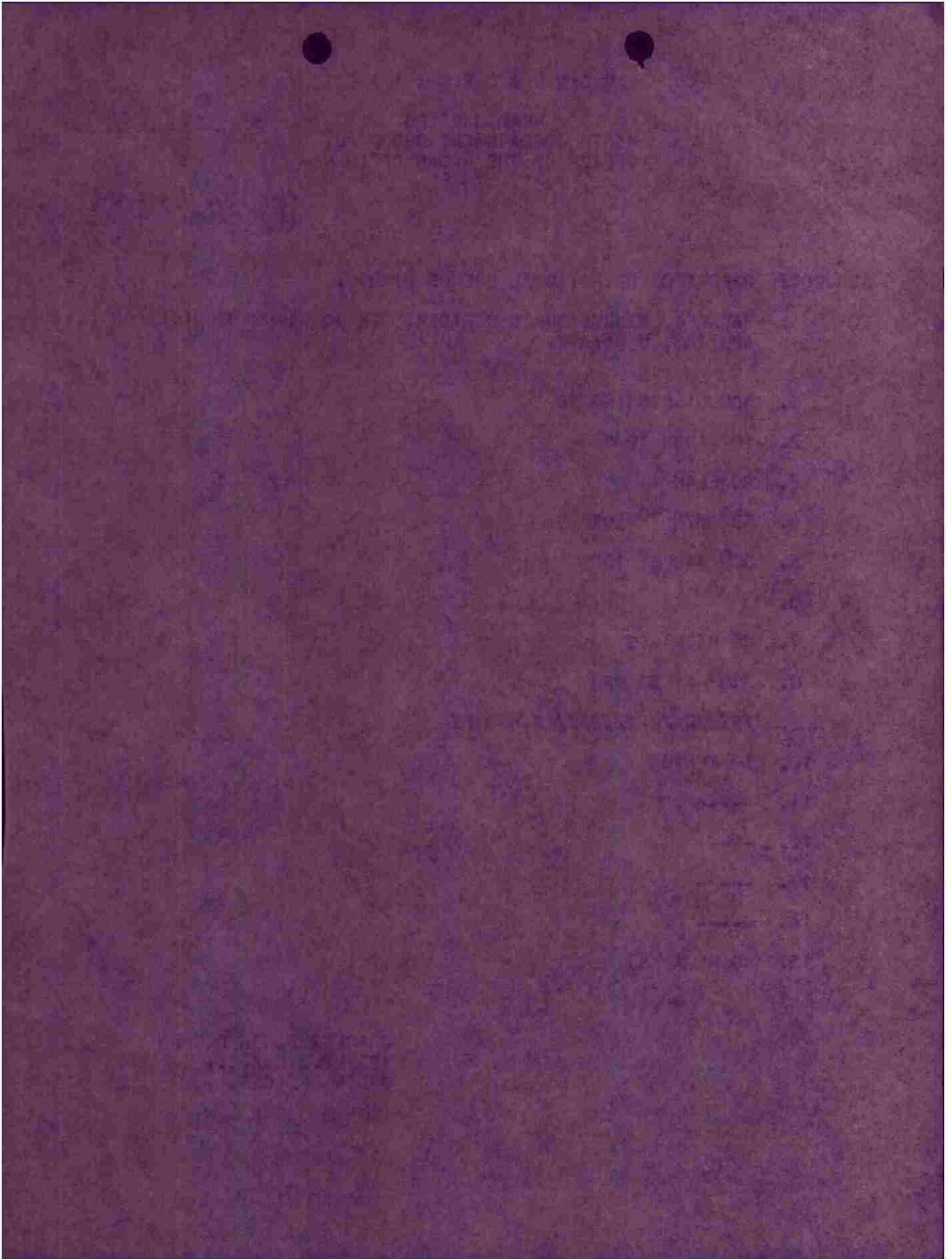
APD 140, U S ARMY,
11 MARCH 1945.

SUBJECT: REPORT OF OPERATIONAL USE OF WINDOW.

TO : RADAR COUNTERMEASURES OFFICER, 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M),
APD 140, U S ARMY.

1. RCM DISPENSING 56
2. 10 MARCH 1945
3. NO FLAK
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15. NO REMARKS.

CHARLES F. GUNDERSON
1ST LT., G.A.C.,
RADAR OFFICER.



MISSION NO. 228

LOADING LIST
BOX I
FLIGHT I

10 MARCH 1945

Inter

1. 521 N
LT COL J G NAPIER
LT D L MOORE
LT R J McQUADE
S/S R P SHARP

4. 338 O
CAPT R L BEHLMER
S/S W S McGAUGHY

2. 508 Z
LT C C MISH
LT R E SLAFT
S/S J H ROBERTS

5. 271 R
F/O F W SWAP
SGT N MELINIOTIS

3. 252 D
LT C M ANDERSON
SGT J H DEATHERAGE

6. 229 B
LT A W DEINER
SGT V F FAIR

FLIGHT II

1. 498 B-1
CAPT H F PAIR
LT J L GORDON
S/S H S FESSLER

4. 239 N01
LT F W HENDERSON
SGT W W MAUPIN

2. 250 A
LT L W EDSTROM
S/S H R DAVIS

5. 352 W
LT G L MILLHORN
SGT D CHEST

3. 419 Z-1
LT J W SPINES
SGT L E DAVIS

6. 237 D-1
LT T E GRAEBER
SGT A H MILLER

FLIGHT III

1. 497 E
LT C J BROWN
LT J E KERNS
S/S L D McELHATTEN

4. 209 M
LT T J MURRAY
SGT E W FIDLER

2. 356 G
LT S MOONEY
SGT W E BUCKLEY

5. 249 F
CAPT L C NIELSEN
CAPT L E LINCOLN (97 WING)
PVT E R ELLIOTT

3. 297 T
CAPT L J SUTTON
S/S A H HINSON

6. 313 B-1
LT A E BLIVED
SGT L J FARMER

SPARE

378 O
CAPT R V WHEELER
S/S F W ELLIOTT

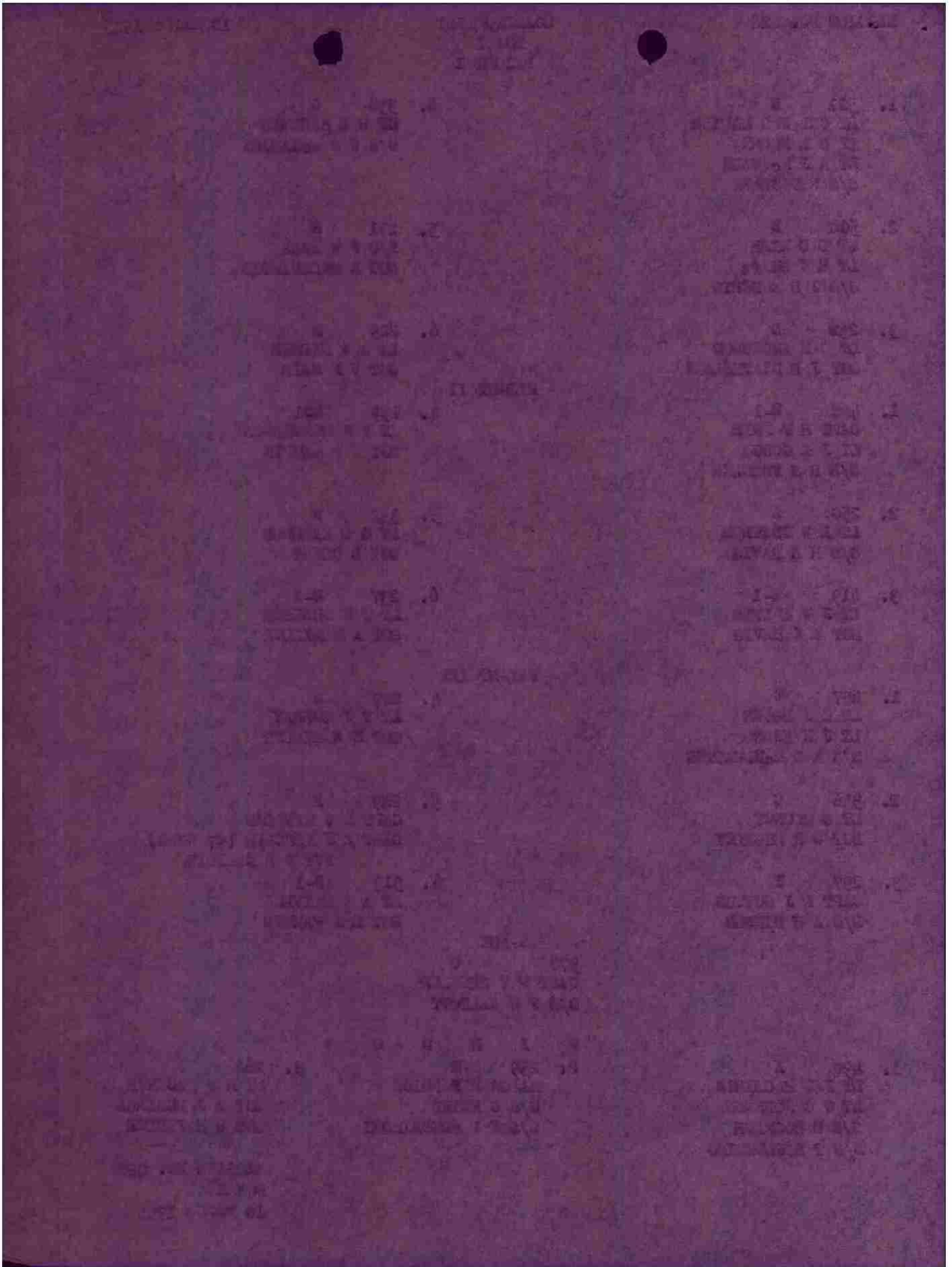
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1. 490 X
LT J E HLOMCHEN
LT G G JOHNSON
S/S M BOOKACH
S/S T R FLEMING

2. 259 H
MAJOR R F PRICE
S/S C FETKO
S/S E P BRZEZINSKI

3. 264 I
LT R V LACENER
SGT A J MISARRA
SGT W H FIDLER

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BOX II
FLIGHT I

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1. 487 J
LT B L MILLER
LT J K CONNER
LT R R ENMAN
S/S J M PEMBERTON

4. 263 G
LT C S JORDAN
S/S K F JENSEN

2. 507 R
LT D B GRUNIG
LT B O MORRIS
S/S H G NOWOSIELSKI

5. 362 Y
LT B A SMITH
SGT R A RICHARDS

3. 244 I
LT R W VAN ROPE
SGT W H KLINGMAN

6. 314 H
LT D E SMITH
SGT S J KILIK

FLIGHT II

1. 501 W
LT W R HEINKE
LT A E ROSENQUIST
S/S W L KIDD

4. 9315 F
LT M BROTHAERE
S/S L R FRIDAY

2. 330 F
LT W D CHITTY
SGT V B RACCIO

5. 224 E
LT J F WALLACE
SGM R PLANT

3. 2315 L
CAPT R O GRUTZEMACHER
S/S J J NIGHTSON
P/O S B BOENNER

6. 223 B
LT J V O'BRIEN
SGT O R MILETT

FLIGHT III

1. 481 R-1
CAPT C J ANDERSON
LT W BARRAGE
S/S P G EUGA

4. 321 T
LT J H MONTROSE
S/S J W FELLEL

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LT W L HALE
S/S D BENTLER

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S/S W F FUEHRER

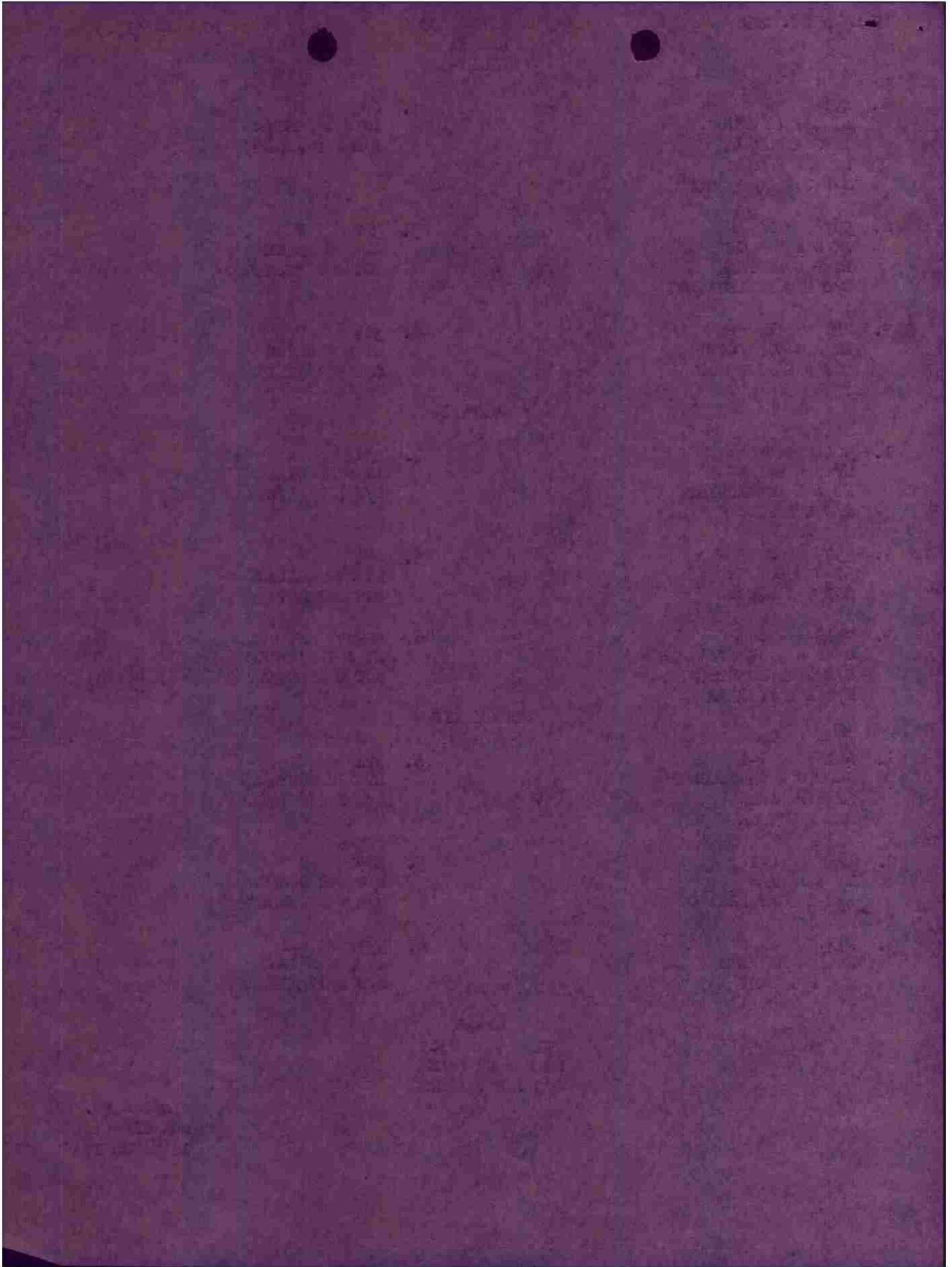
3. 274 S
LT J W BLAVINS
SGT F GRVITY

6. 335 W-1
LT L R ZEIDET
S/S K G LAGERMAN

SPARE

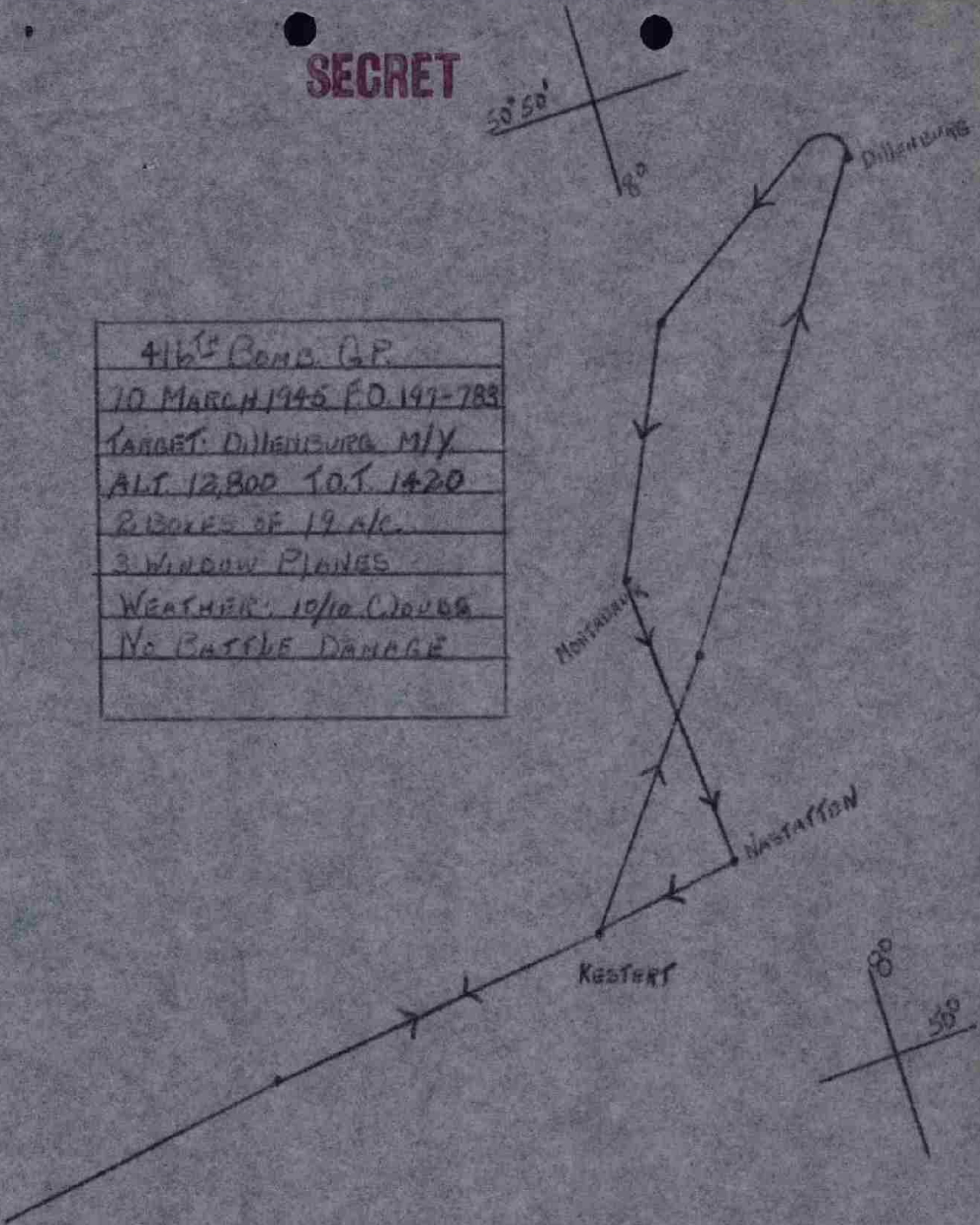
351 R-1
LT M W DU BOSE
S/S J H WALTERS

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BOX II
10 MARCH 1945

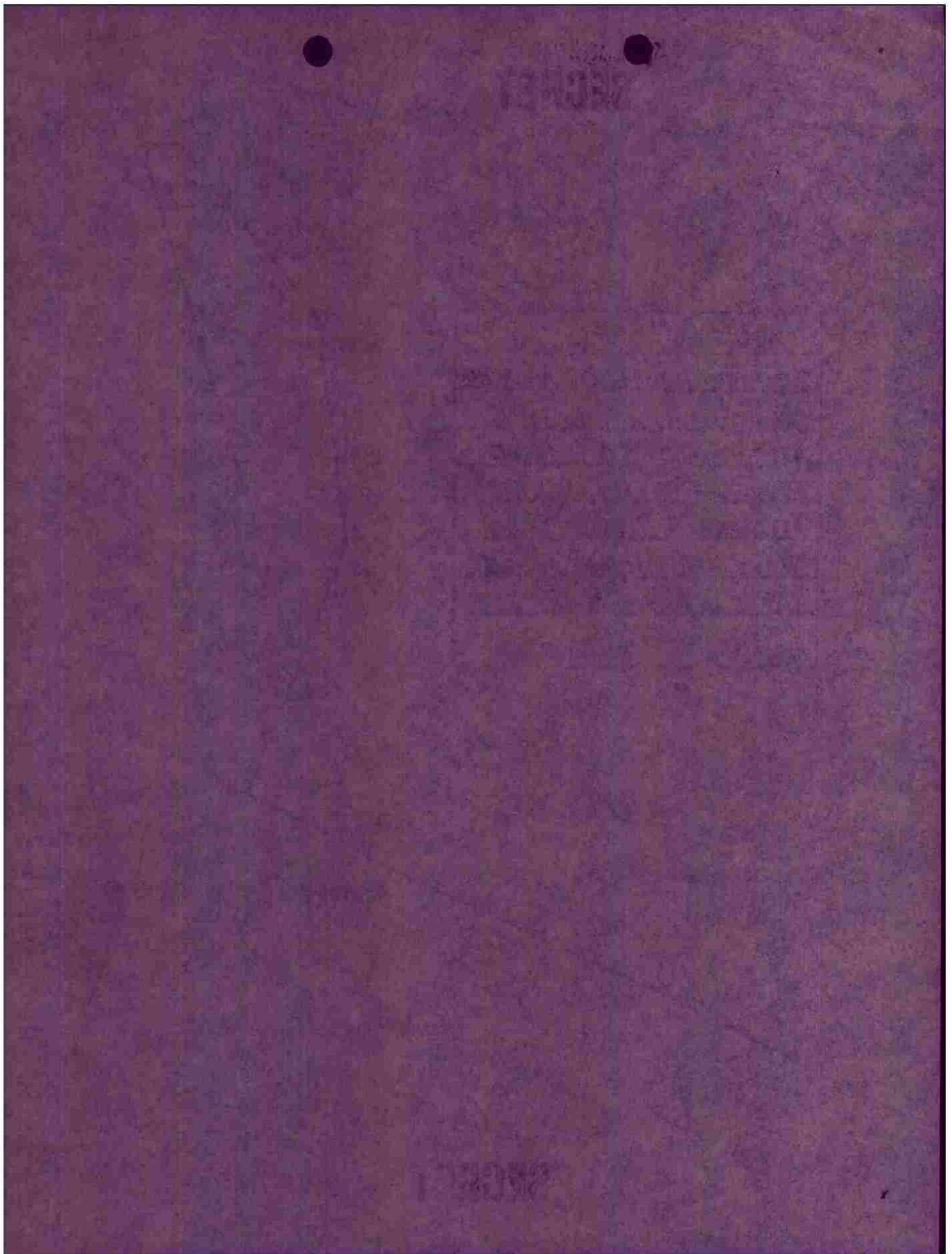


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416 th Bomb. G.P.
10 MARCH 1945 F.O. 147-783
TARGET: DILLERSBURG M/Y.
ALT. 12,800 T.O.T. 1420
2 BOXES OF 19 A/C.
3 WINDOW PLANES
WEATHER: 10/10 CLOUDS
NO BATTLE DAMAGE



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

AUTH: CO STA A-69
DATE: 12 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: Cprep A No. 303 for 24 hrs. ending midnight 20 March 1945
Mission or Operation No. 228 97th GWS POS 197-703

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target Dillonburg Bombing Yard
Place of take-off Station A-69
Place of landing Station A-69
Take-off time 1229 Landing time 1616
Time over target 1450 Bombing Altitude 12000
Nature of mission Bombing Other None
Weather 10/10's clouds.
Results Unobserved due to cloud cover.
Enemy opposition None

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched 41 A-26's

2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission.
3 A-26's None
38 A-26's Dillonburg A/T

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 None

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

7. Damaged (give category & cause) None

8. Sorties 41

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GEORGE SCHENCKEN
 Captain, Air Corps,
 Adjutant.

For the Commanding Officer:

- e. Destroyed
- f. Prob. Destroyed
- g. Destroyed

H. Enemy aircraft by type or description (to include altitude):

Type of	Pilot	Co-pilot	Nav	Bomb	H. Gun	E. Gun	F. Gun
Destroyed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prob. Destroyed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Destroyed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Destroyed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Destroyed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

G. Own Personnel Casualties:

- e. Total Returned
- f. Lost or wrecked on missing a/c
- g. Detained
- h. Expended on operations: (List targets separately)

i. Bombs, Mines, etc. used: Total carried into air: 200 x 500 lb of H. Bomb 1/1000

- j. Total carried into air: 1000 x 50 caliber
- k. Expended on operations: 1000 x 50 caliber (total)
- l. Lost on wrecked or missing a/c

m. Night (Sunset to sunset)

n. Day (Sunrise to sunset)

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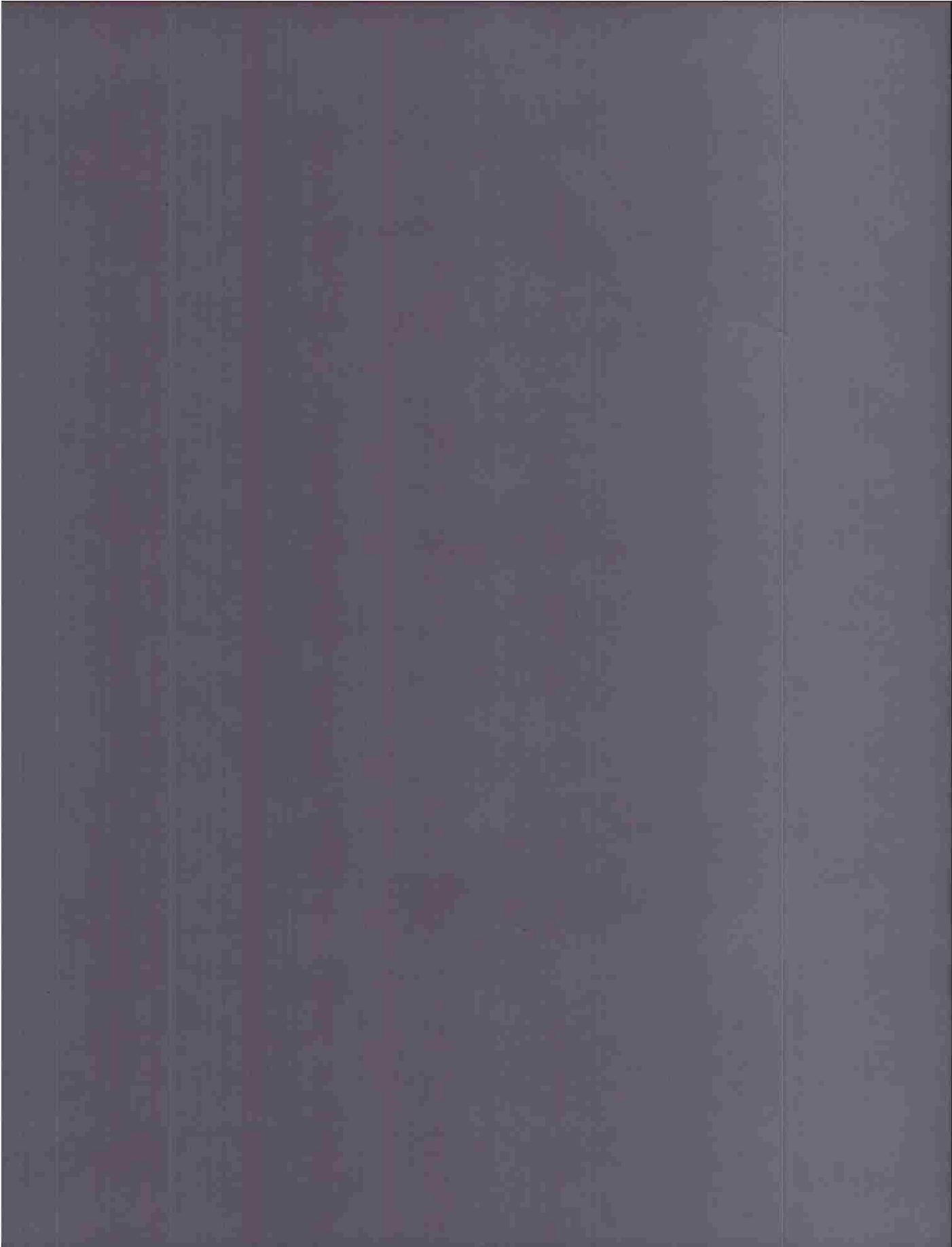
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Description & Date Signal Crops US

Army Chart NL-167

Atmospheric Cross Section

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Box #	Operl	Date	R/O	Target	Alt.	Box Leader	L/O	IS min.
I		3/10/45		Dillenburg		Napier	TOT	
A/C	Fall to Bomb	ATP	Bomb ISS	A/C Dam	E/A	Purs.	L/D	
1 521		P 30	F S T F R					521 Napier
2 508								252 Renderson, M. Mish
3 252								338 Behlmer
4 338								229 Depner
5 271								271 Swamp
6 209								
1 498								498 Parr
2 250								
3 419								497 Brown
4 239								297 Sutton
5 352								352 Mooney
6 237								419 Spires
1 497								209 Murray
2 352								239 Henderson
3 297								313 Minko
4 209								249 Nelson
5 249								237 Graeber
6 313								352 Milhorn
498								378 WHEELER
259								378 WHEELER
244								378 WHEELER

Window

378

6 108

297 Sutton
 352 Mooney
 419 Spires
 209 Murray
 239 Henderson
 313 Minko
 249 Nelson
 237 Graeber
 352 Milhorn

378
WHEELER

Window
 378
 Blomgren
 Beckner
 Price

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(The NCO in charge should fill this out immediately finishing taking the receipts and hand to the Officer making up the Ops Report).

I. Bombs on Primary _____ X
 Bombs on Secondary _____ X
 Bombs on Other _____ X
 Bombs Returned _____ X
 Bombs Retained _____ X
 (Obtained from Receipts) _____
 Type _____
 No. _____
 Where _____

F. Results of Bombing. (Obtained from Group Bomberdier).

(3) No. Crew Killed _____ (Obtained from Receipts).
 Wounded _____
 Missing _____
 (1) No. a/c _____
 Missing _____
 Destroyed _____
 Damaged (cat. B/C) _____
 Damaged _____
 Damaged (cat. A) _____

C. (1) Time up _____
 T.O.T. _____
 Time Down _____
 (Obtained from Tower).

B. (2) No. a/c off by type: _____
 A-201's _____
 A-201's (obtained from Ops) _____
 (3) No. of a/c falling to bomb _____
 explain each failure.
 Recall due to weather _____
 Personnel _____
 Mechanical _____
 Other Reasons _____
 (4) No. a/c bombing. _____
 Primary. _____
 Secondary. _____
 Other. _____
 (Obtained from receipts.) _____

FORMS FOR MISSION

Box #	Opsfl	Date	F/O	Target	Alt.	Box Leader	T/O	15 min.
II		3/10/45		Dillenburg	11,700	Miller	TOT L/D	
A/C	Fail to Bomb	ATT	Bomb Issd	A/C Dam	W/A	Feats.		
Pos. No.	Reason	F S O	T S T F R	M D A M B E D P D K V M				
1 487								
2 507								
3 244								
4 263								
5 362								
6 314								
1 501								
2 330								
3 2315								
4 9315								
5 224								
6 223								
1 481								
2 325								
3 274								
4 321								
5 359								
6 335								

411 Reginald
4/1 241

119
118
64500 222
64500 6

487 Miller
244 Van Roper Gruning
263 Jordan
314 Smith DE Smith B.R.
481 Binderson
305 Hale Guelzemeher Chitty
321 Manztrose
389 Gunn Kel
335 Zelmer

11,700
1920/1-70T
10/10 cleared
30° H...
195 THS

351
Du Bose

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PILOT Price W/C# 259 BOX Window

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

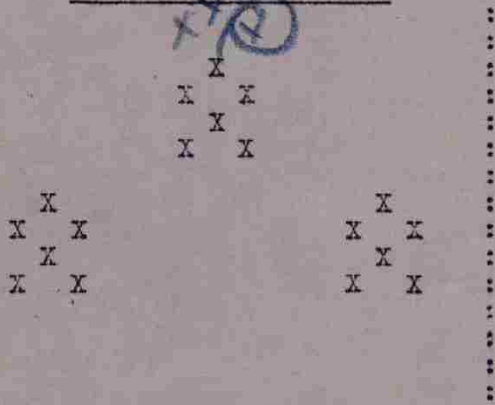
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

low with B4 II
windows going down
below formation
abt 200 ft

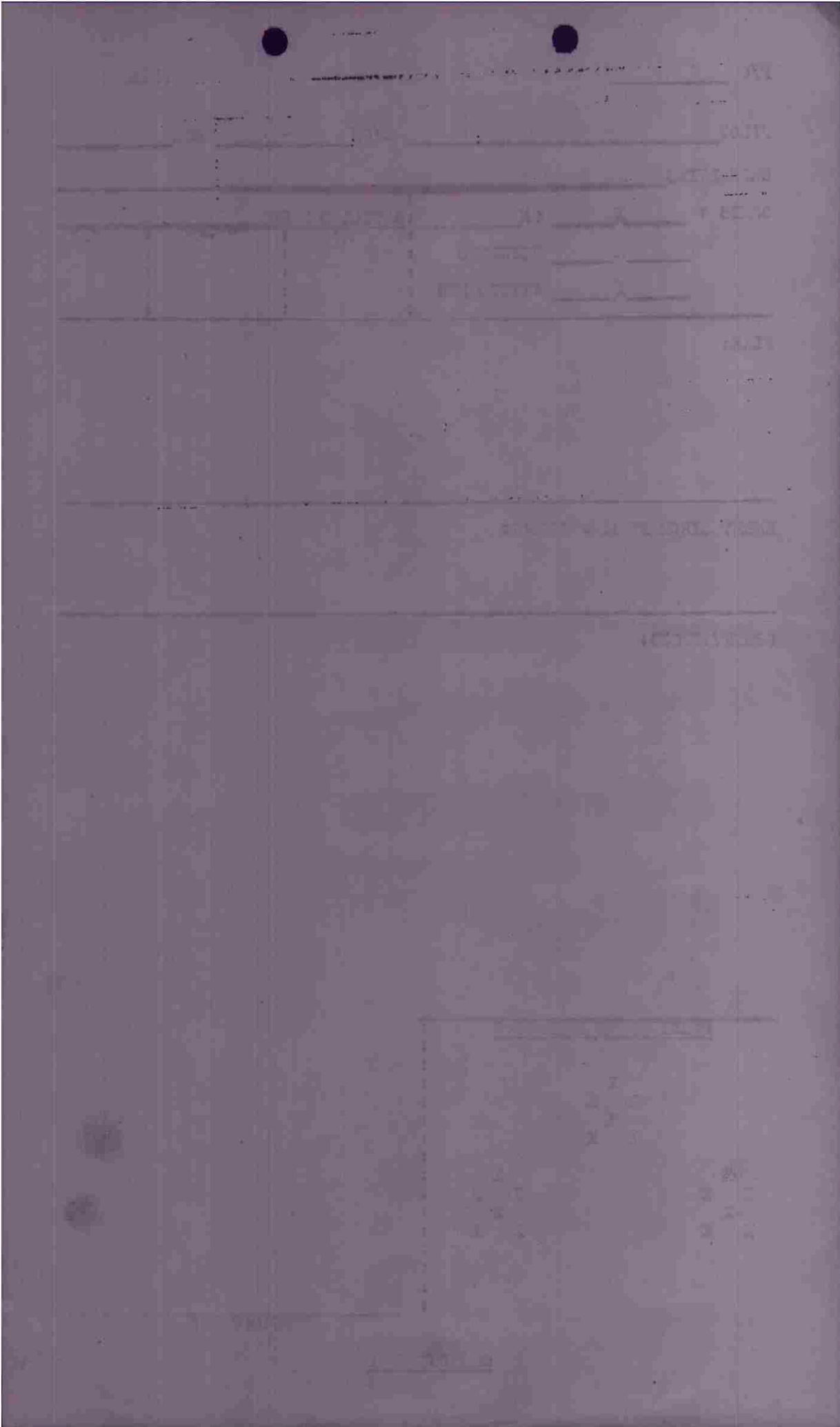
POSITION IN FORMATION



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INTERROG. FORM

PILOT B. Langren A/C# 490 BOX Window

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

11,500

*Window gain
thru Box II low flights
could have been lower*

POSITION IN FORMATION

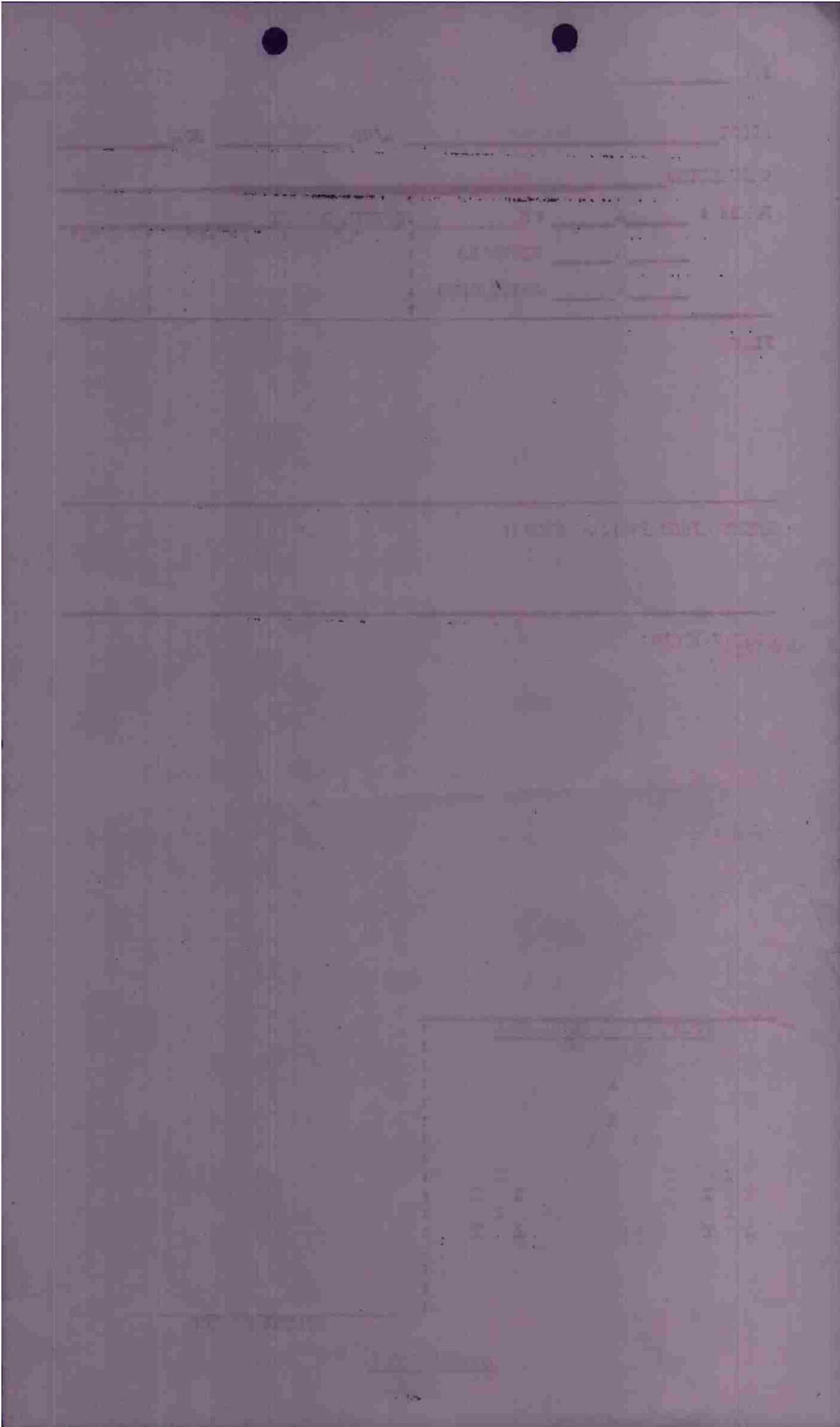
	X	X			
	X				
X	X		X	X	
	X				
X	X		X	X	

*1 Box left
after target
area.*

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INTERR. FORM

PILOT Leckner A/C# 264 BOX Window

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

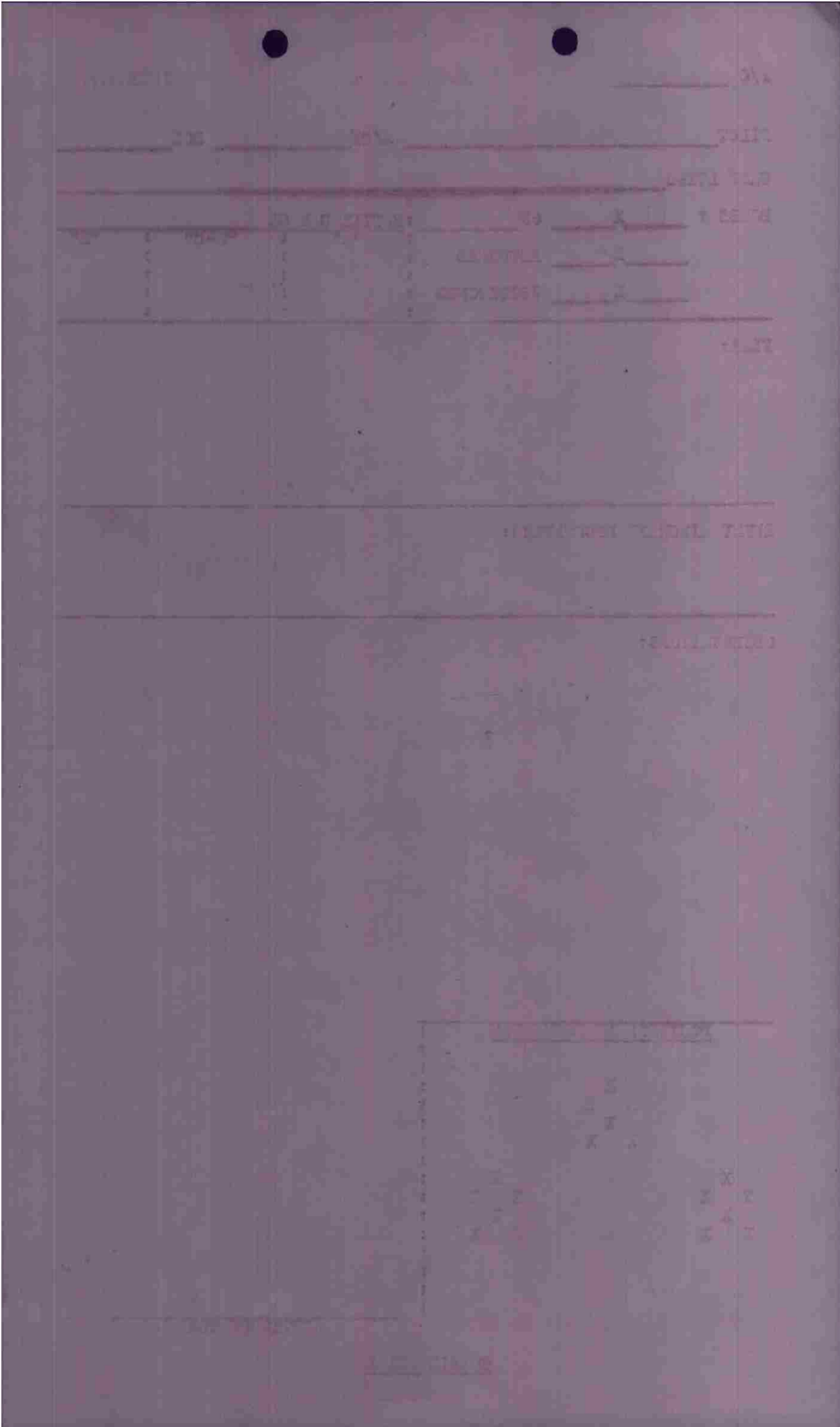
Dropped window from 12000 feet from IP through turn off (1 min after turn).
Window going thru low flts

POSITION IN FORMATION :

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

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PILOT Mish A/C# 508 BOX I

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK: hit

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

hit

OBSERVATIONS:

10/10 - 7,000

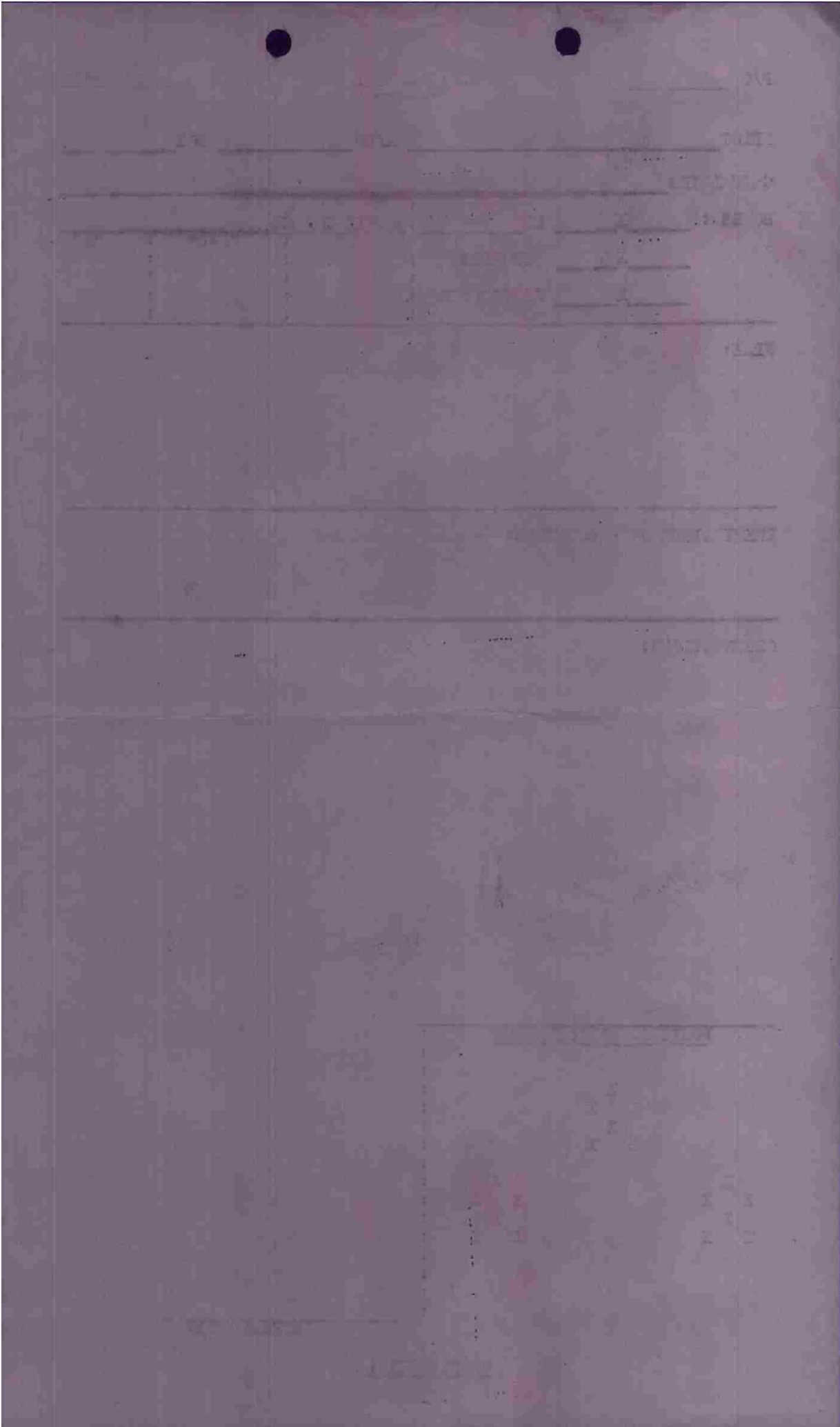
TOT - 1470
ACT - 12,500
30° M

POSITION IN CORRELATION

		X							
		X	(A)						
		X	X						
		X	X						
	X				X				
X	X				X	X			
	X				X				
X	X				X	X			

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PILOT Asper A/C# 501 BOX I

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

TOT 1420
 30°M
 195 MPH
 12,400

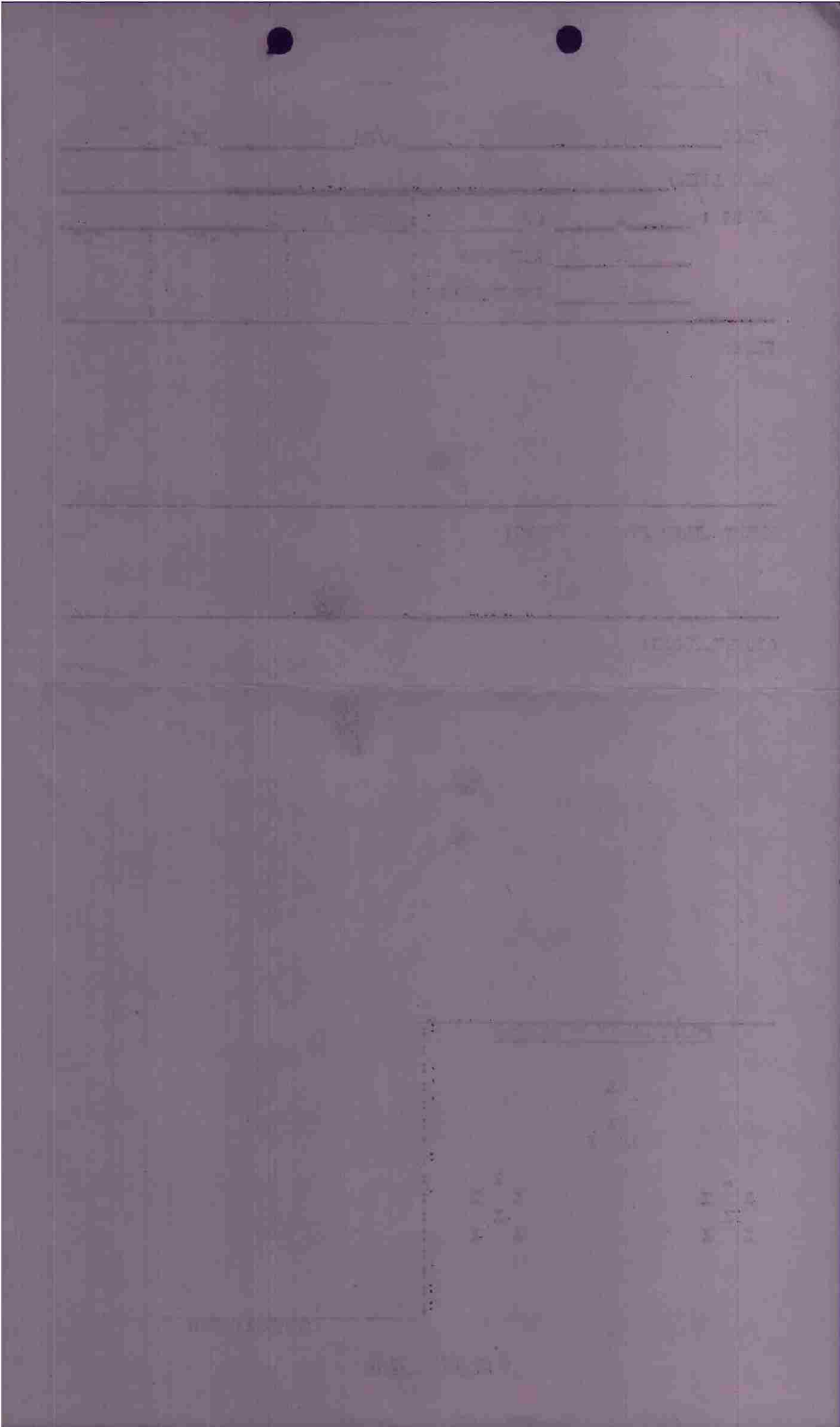
o Dropped on PPF

POSITION BY FORMATION

		(X)		
	X	X		
		X		
	X		X	
X	X		X	X
	X		X	
X	X		X	X

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PILOT Anderson CM. W/C# 252 BOX I

CASUALTIES

none

BOMBS :	<u>6</u> <u>X500</u>	ON	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:		:	
	<u>X</u>	RETURNED	:	" "	:	"A-C"	:	"E"
	<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	:	<i>none</i>	:		:	

FLAK:

none

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

none

OBSERVATIONS:

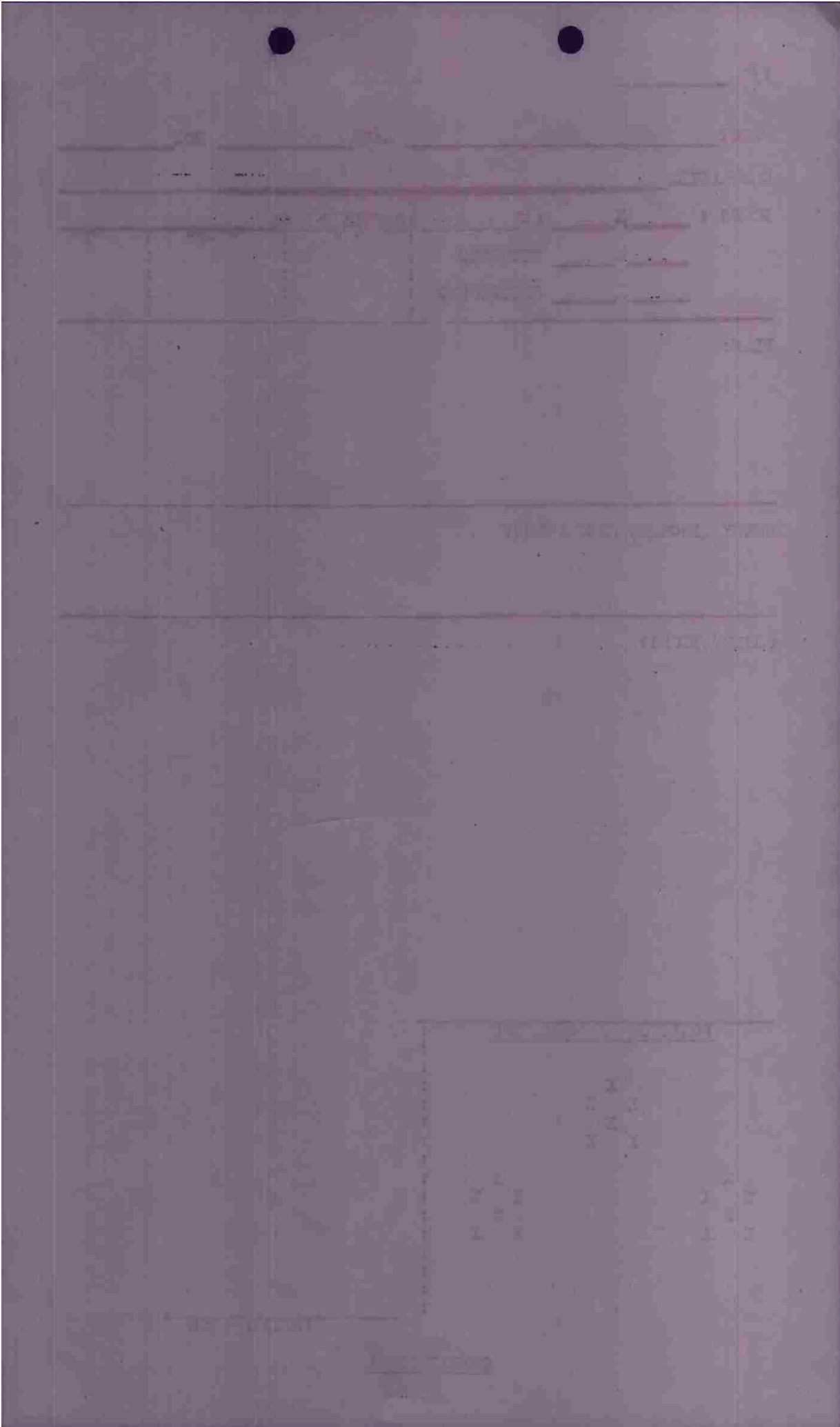
I dropped safe on nose fuses - but all armed & on tail fuses

POSITION IN FORMATION

		X							:
		X	X						:
		X							:
		X	X						:
X	X				X				:
X	X				X	X			:
X	X				X	X			:

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PILOT Behlmer A/C# 338 BOX I

CASUALTIES nil

BOBBS :	<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:

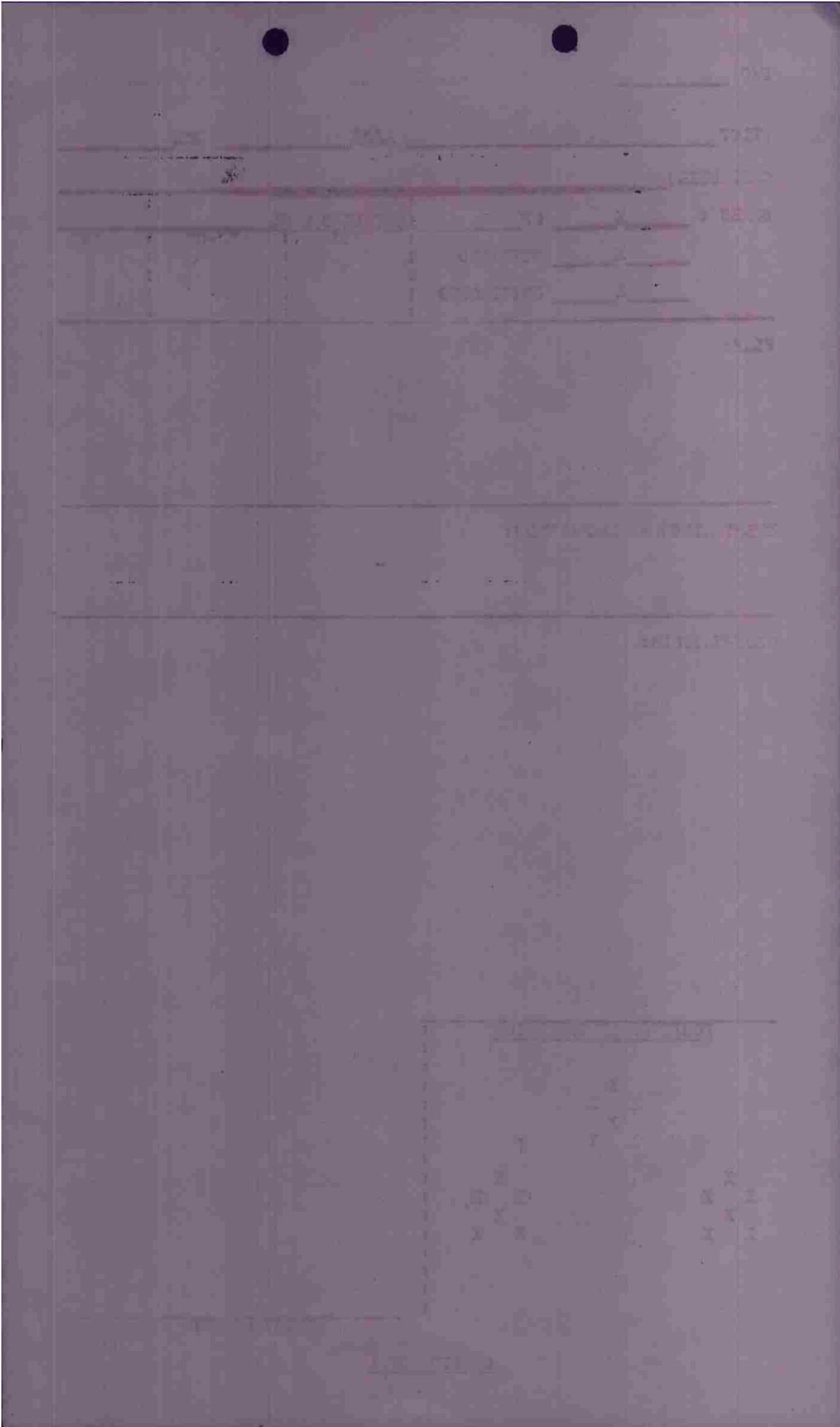
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POSITION IN CORRELATION

		X				:
	X	X	X			:
		X				:
	X	X	X			:
X	X			X		:
				X	X	:
				X	X	:
						:
						:
						:
						:
						:
						:

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PILOT Swap A/C# 271 BOX I

CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS :	<u>6 X 500 ON</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:

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POSITION IN FORMATION

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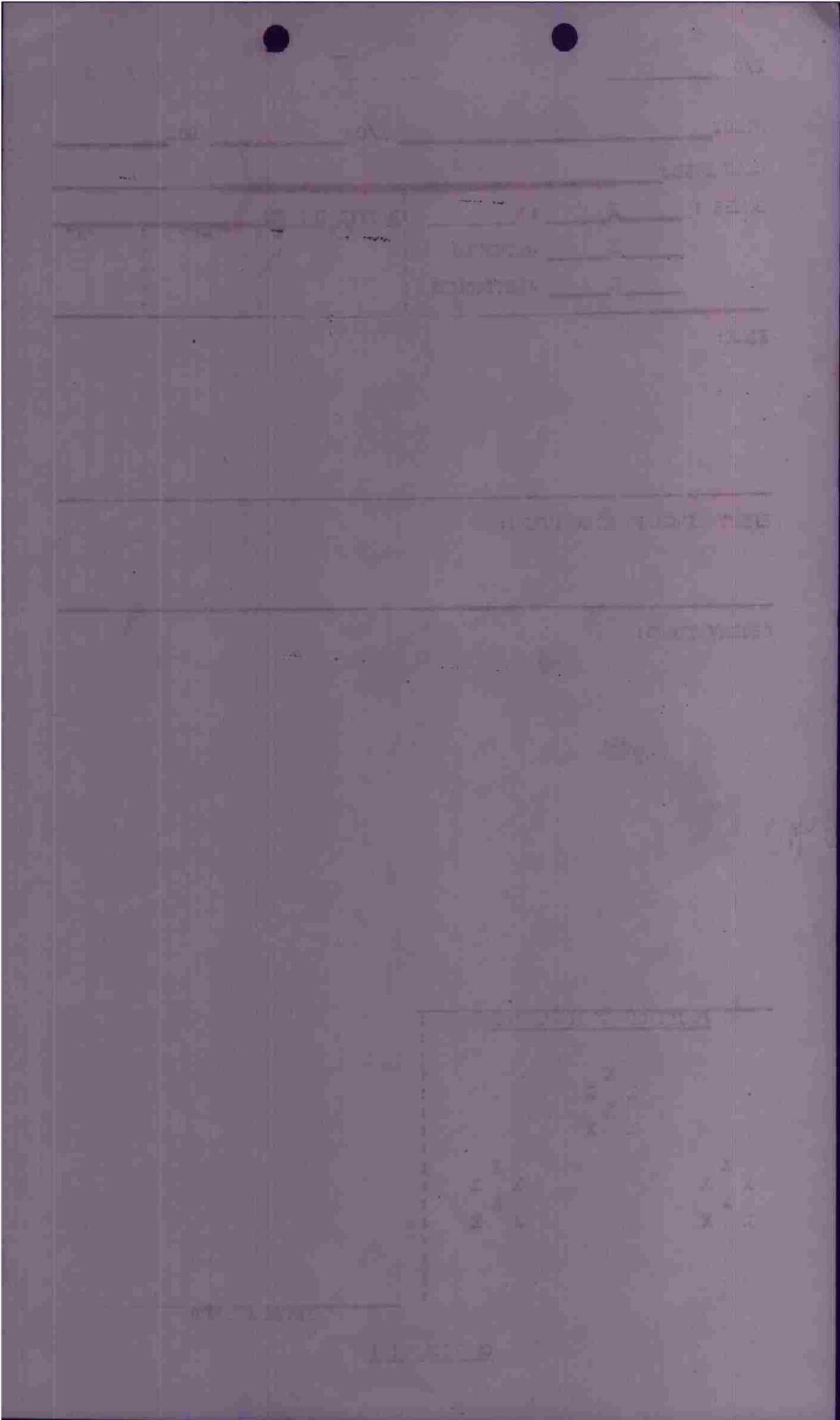
      X
     X X
      X X
     X (X)

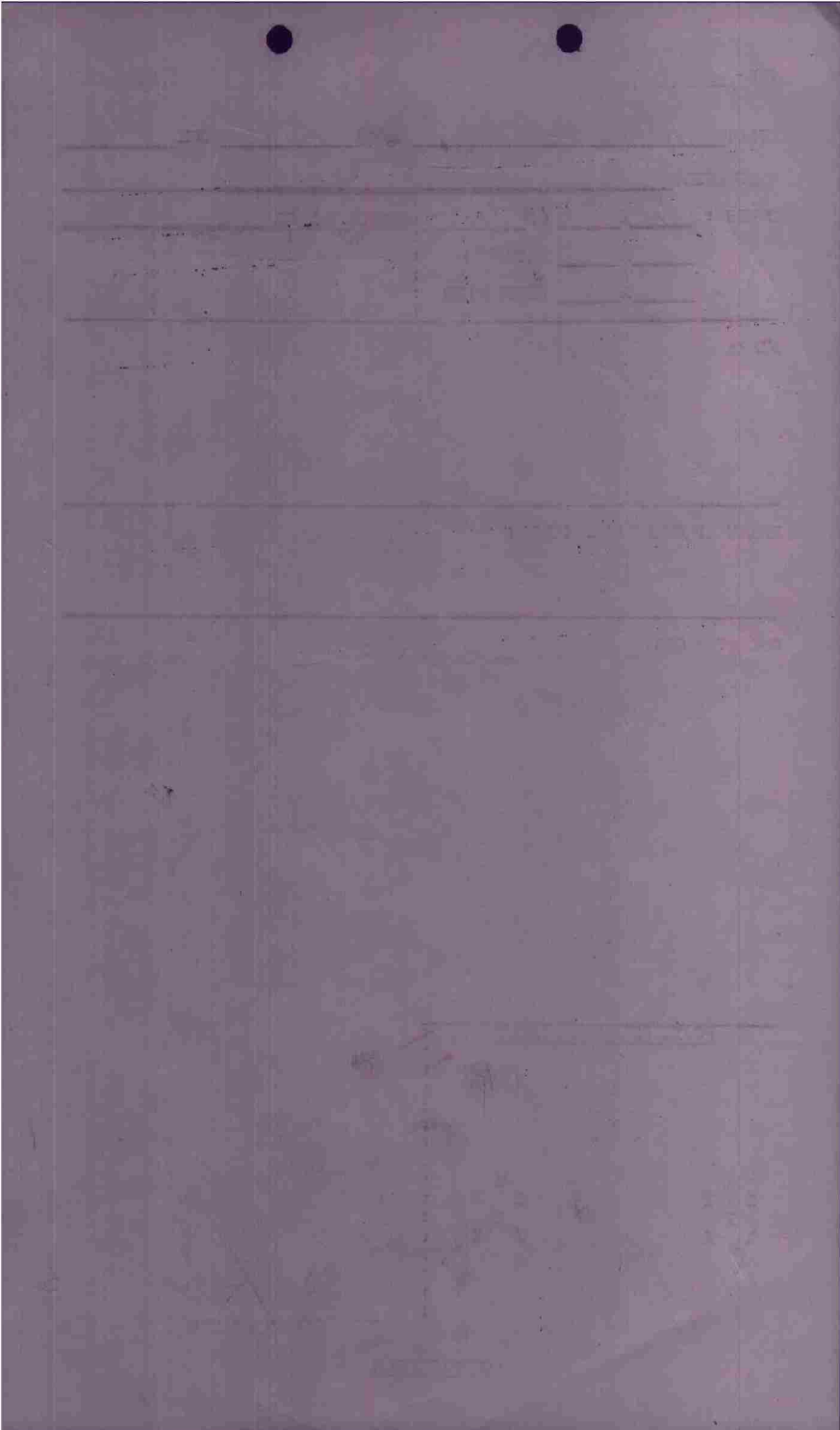
X      X
X X   X
X X   X

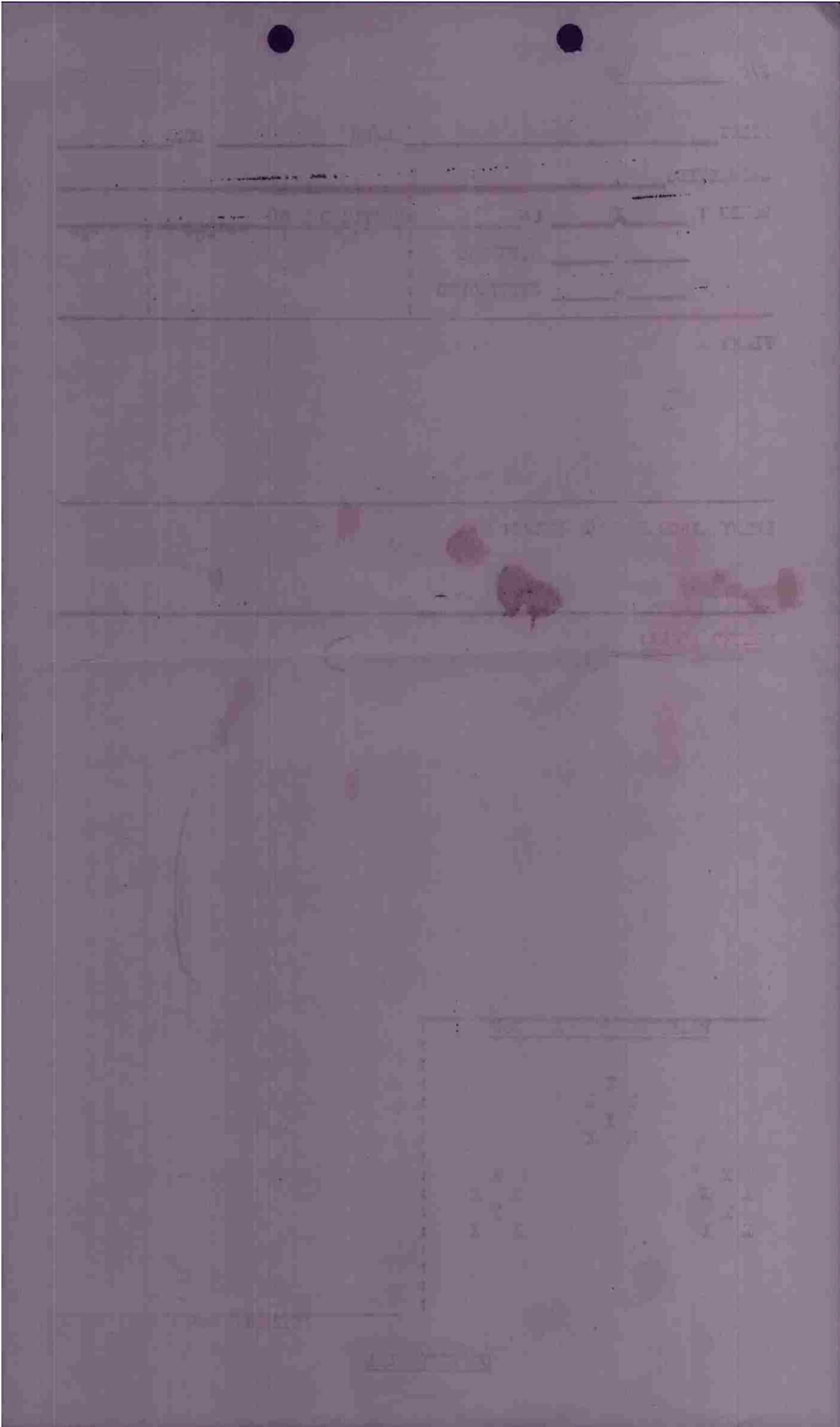
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PILOT Depner A/C# 229 BOX I

CASUALTIES nil

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

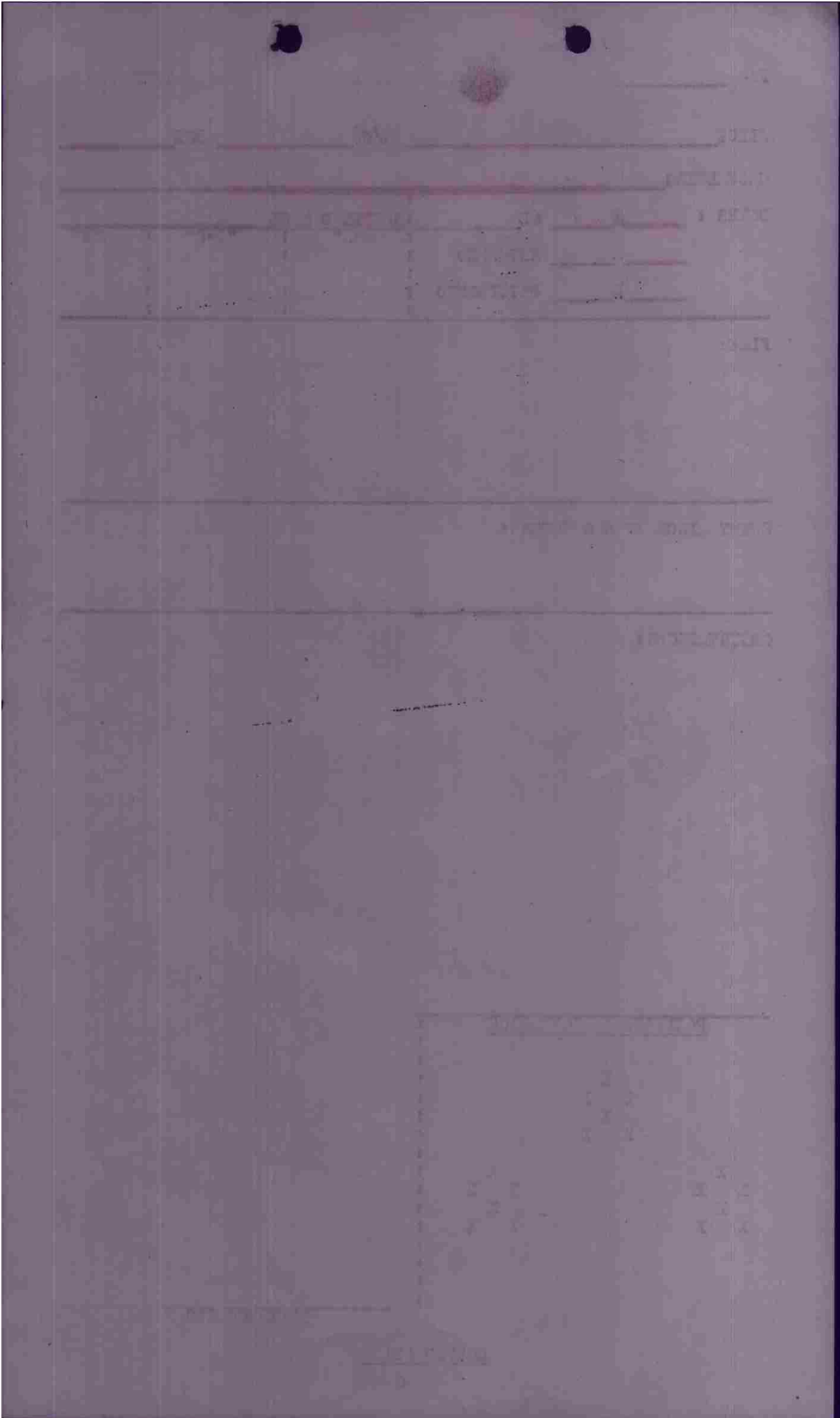
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POSITION IN CORRELATION

			X							
		X		X						
		X		X						
		(X)		X						
	X					X				
X	X					X	X			
	X					X				
X	X					X	X			

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PILOT H/10 Ka A/C# 313 BOX I

CASUALTIES nil

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

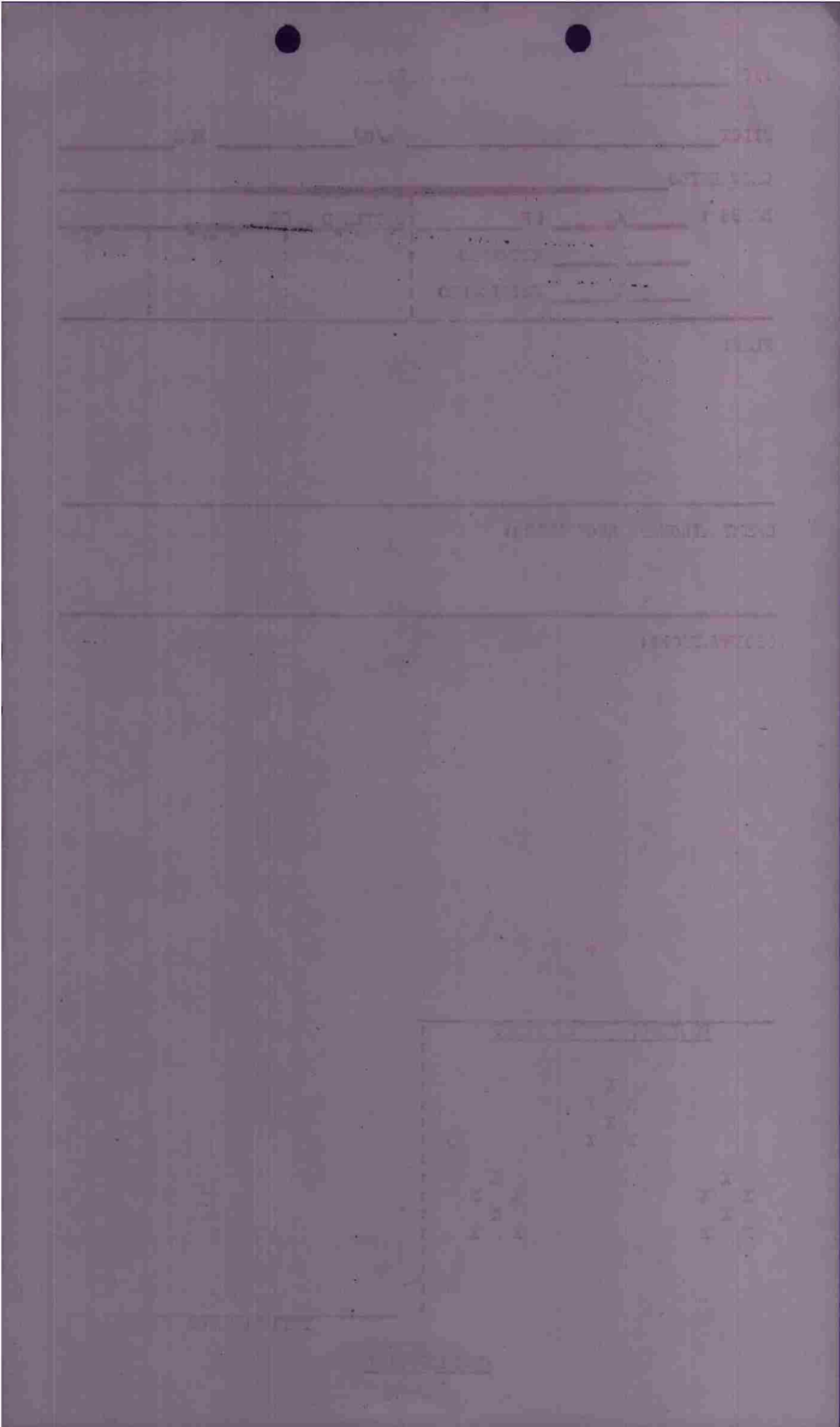
fighter contrails - very high - south of target area

POSITION IN CORRELATION

				:
		X		:
	X		X	:
		X		:
	X		X	:
				:
			X	:
X	X		X	:
X	X		X	:
(X)	X		X	:
				:
				:
				:
				:
				:
				:
				:
				:

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PILOT Edstrom A/C# 250 BOX I

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

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POSITION IN FORMATION

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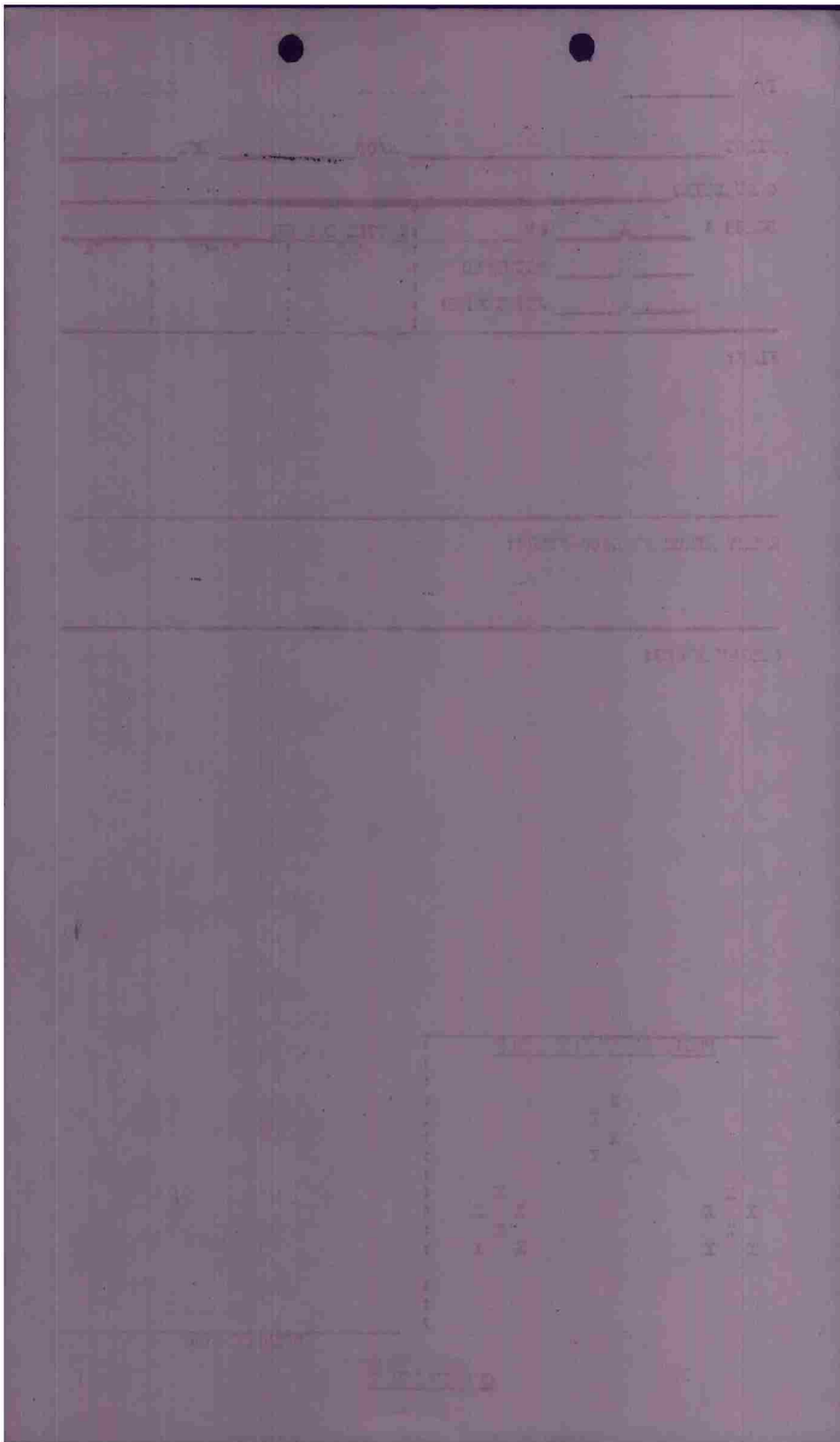
      X
    X  X
      X
    X  X

X  X      X  X
X  X      X  X
X  X      X  X
  
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PILOT Murray W/C# 209 BOX I

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

mi

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

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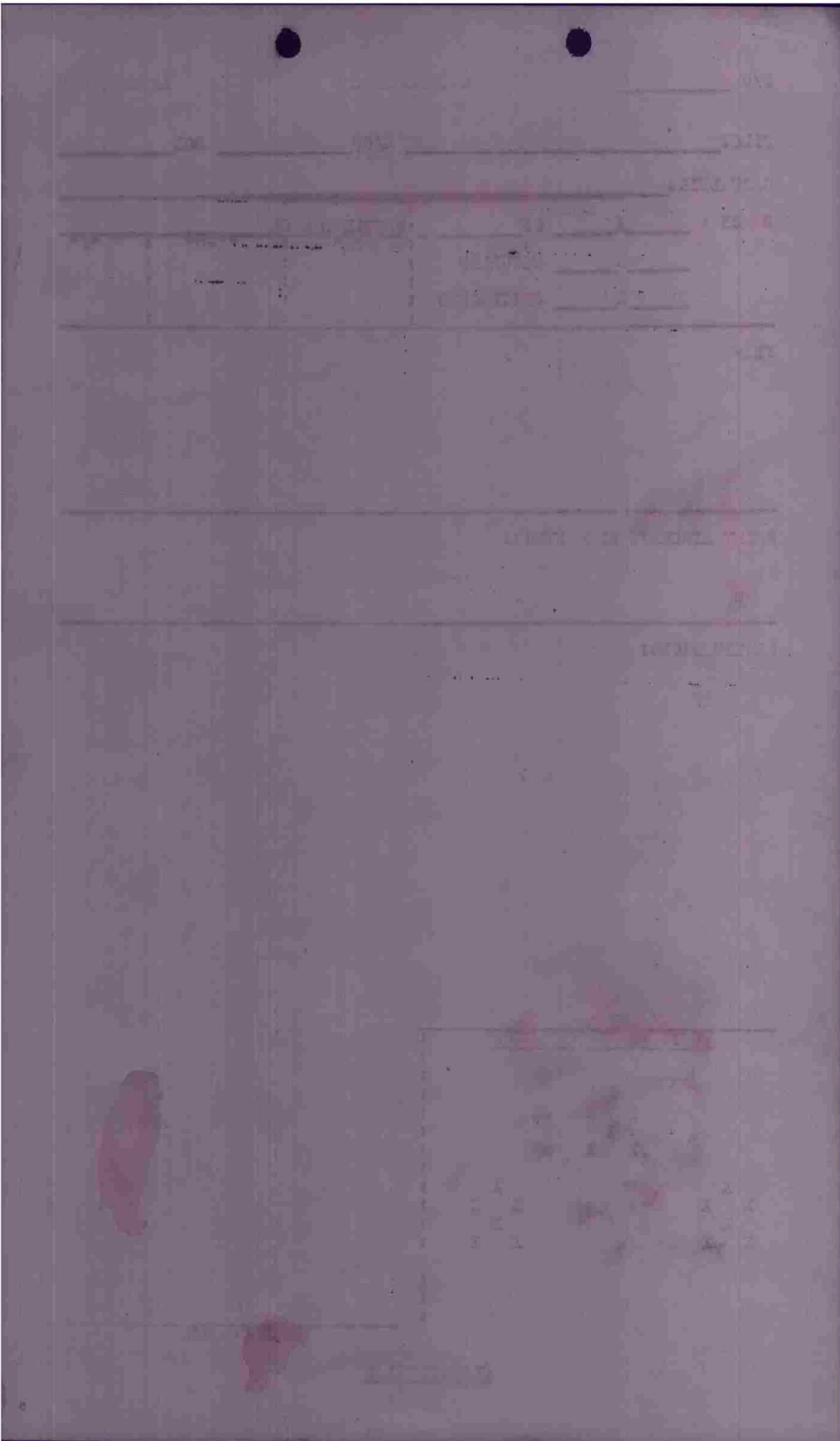
POSITION IN FORMATION

		X								:
	X		X							:
		X								:
	X		X							:
										:
	X				X					:
X	X				X	X				:
	X				X					:
X	X				X	X				:

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PILOT Pair W/O# 498 BOX I

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

tail

OBSERVATIONS:

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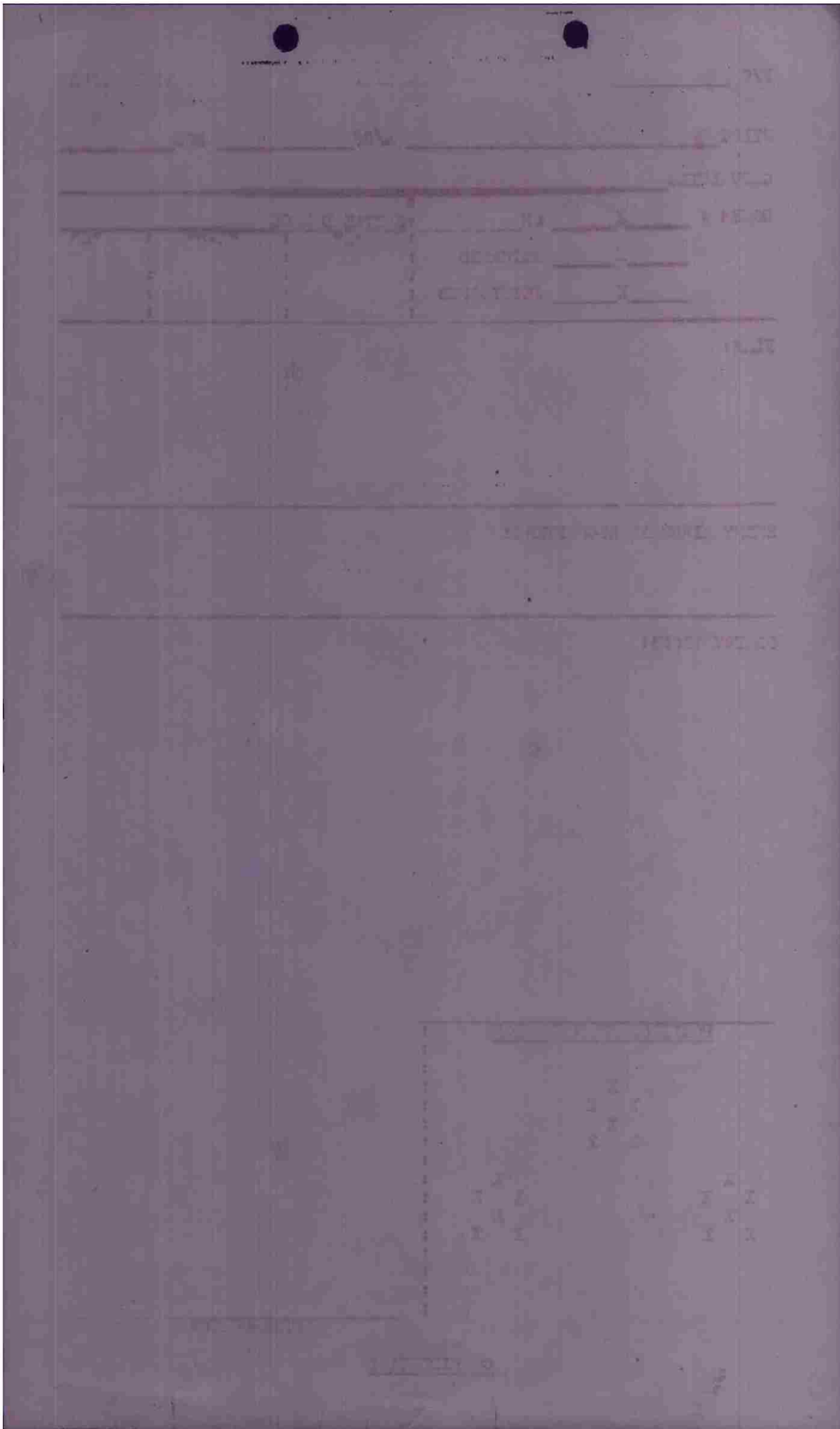
POSITION IN CORRELATION

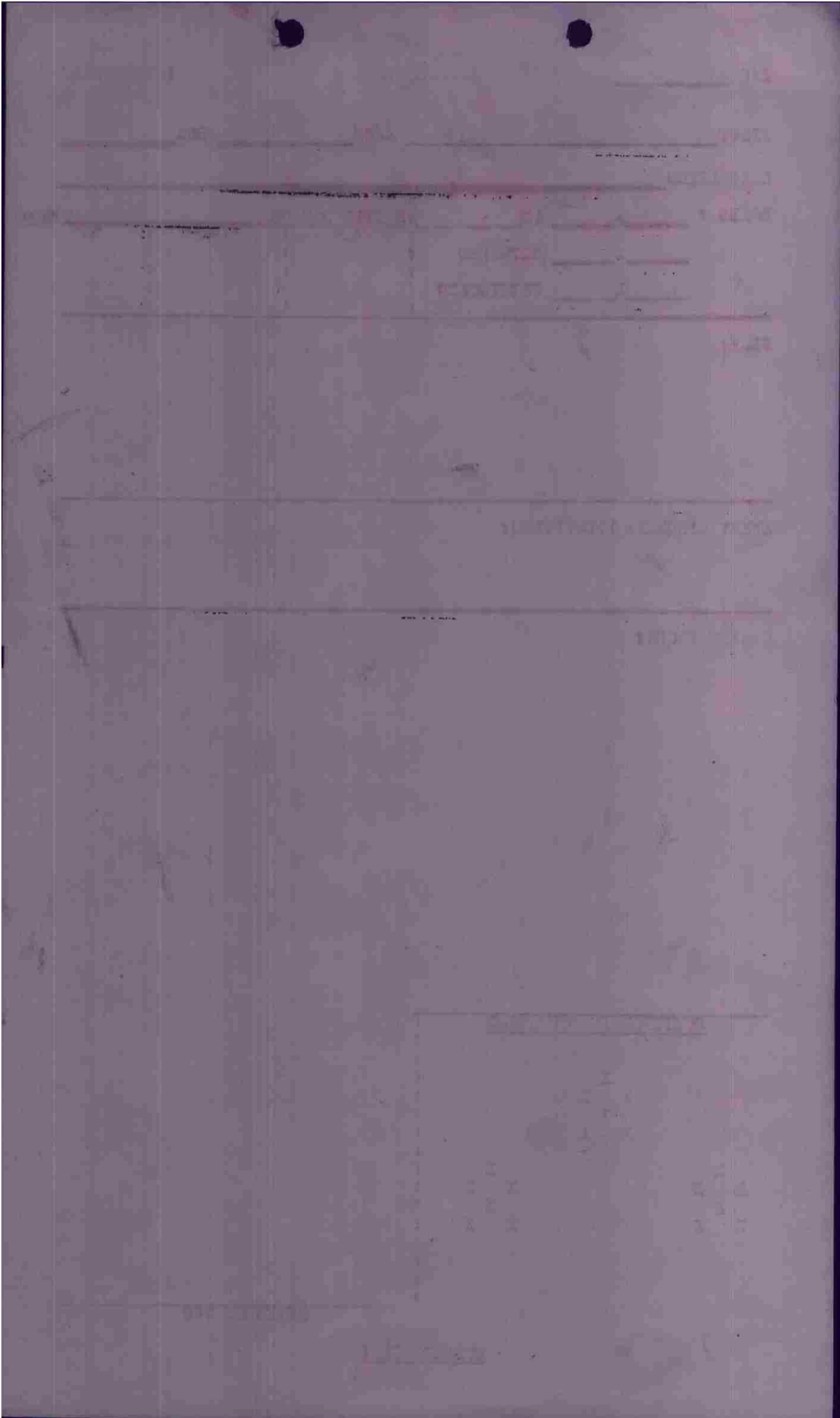
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	X	X		
		X		
	X	X		
X	X		X	
			X	
X	X		X	X

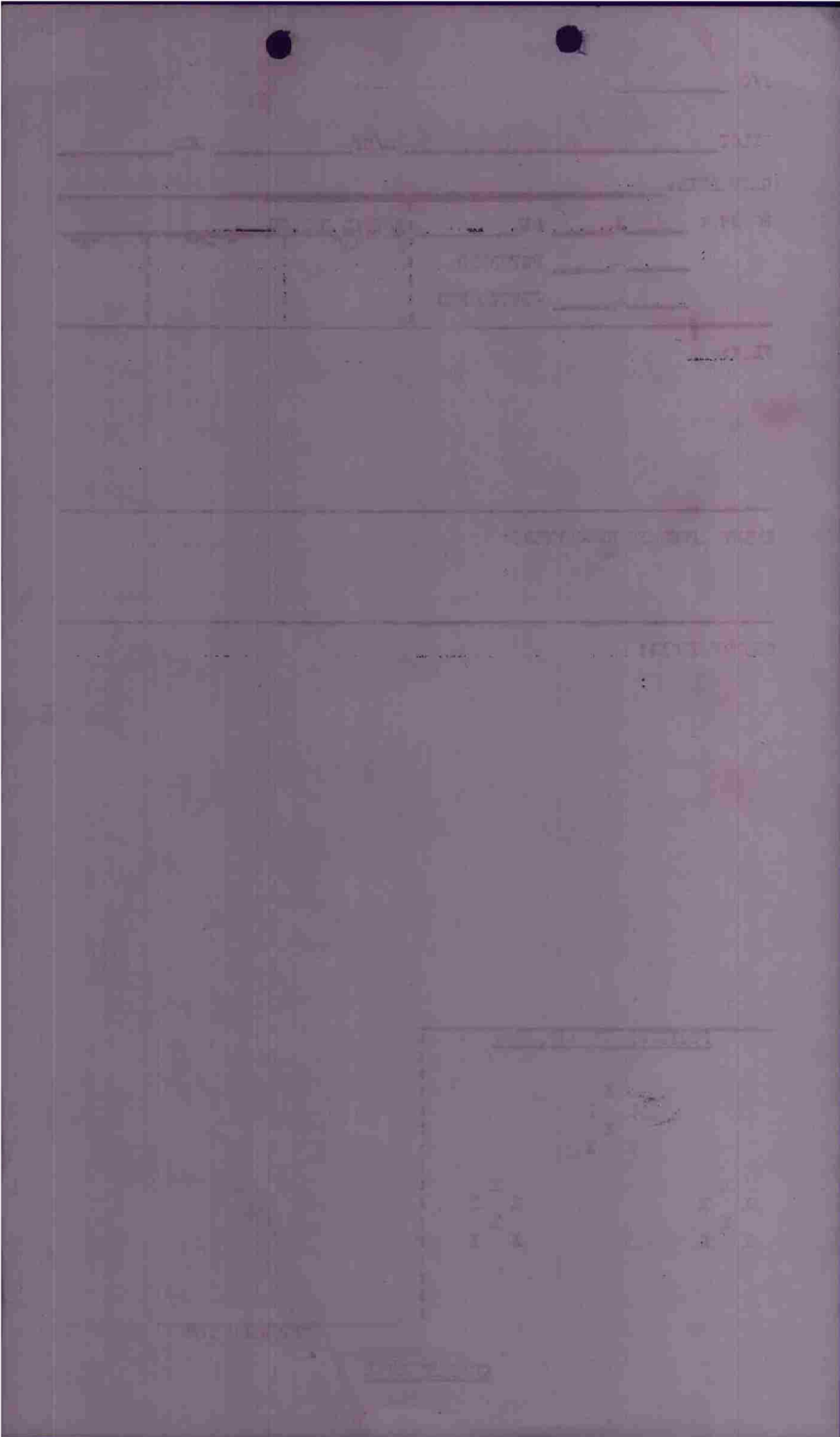
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PILOT Henderson A/C# 239 BOX I

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

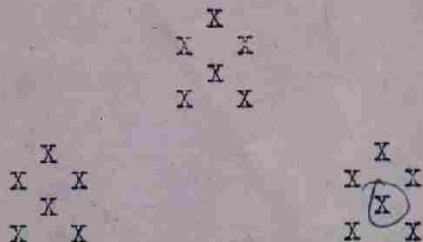
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

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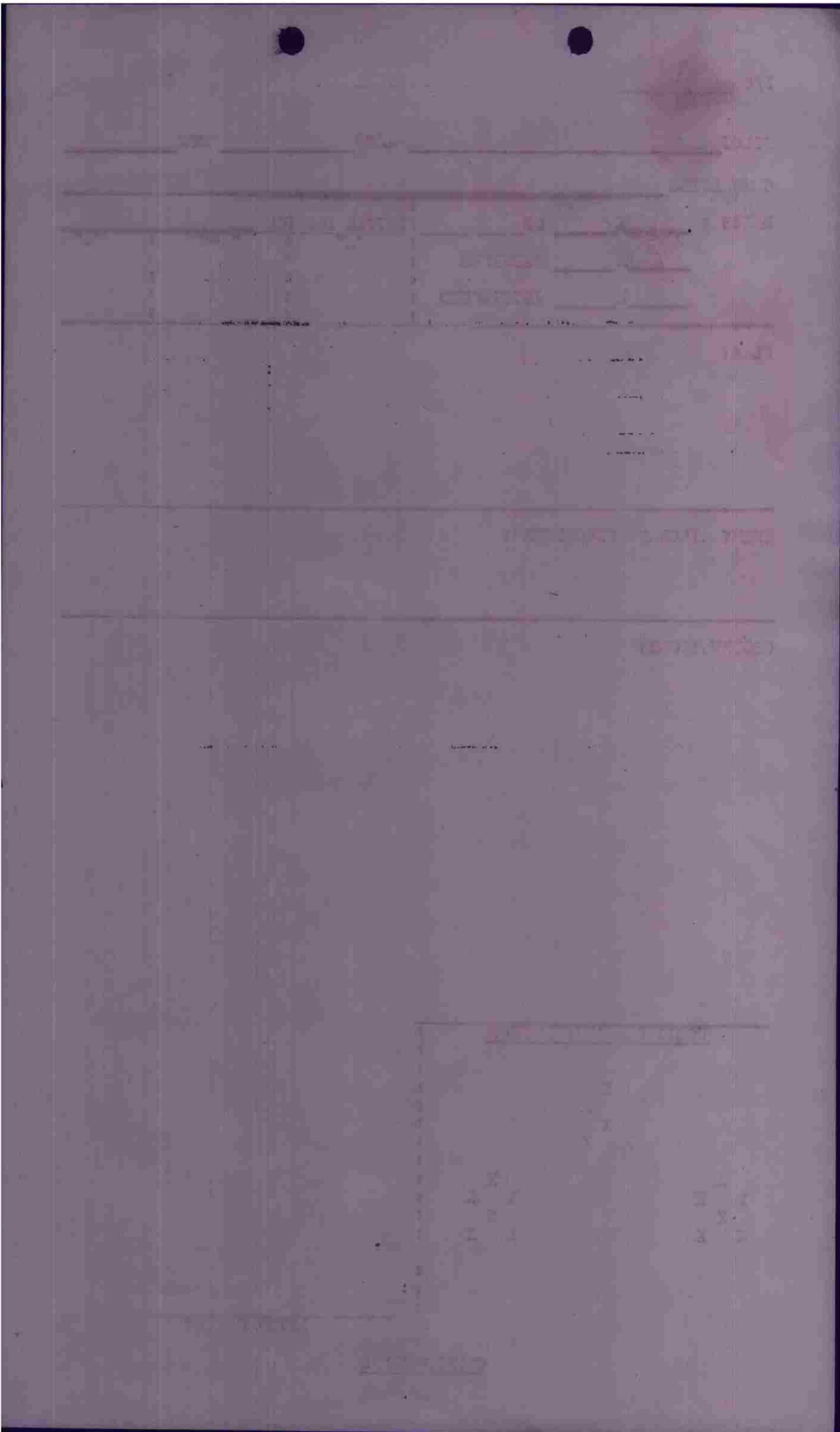
POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT Nielsen W/C# 249 BOX I

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

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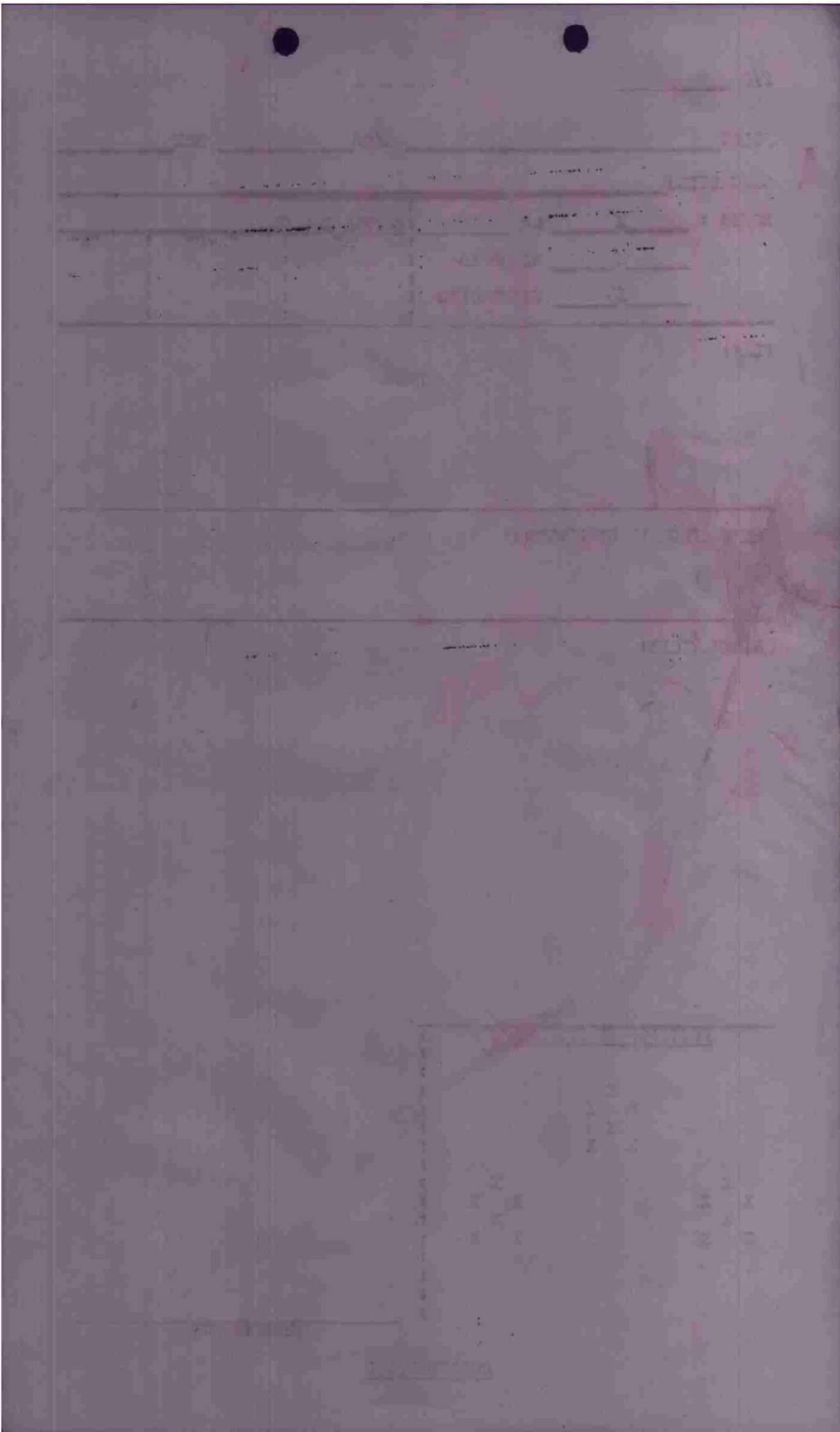
POSITION IN CORRELATION

		X							
	X	X							
		X							
	X	X							
	X			X					
X	X	X		X	X				
X	X	X		X	X				
X	(X)			X	X				

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PILOT Graeb A/O# 237 BOX I

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

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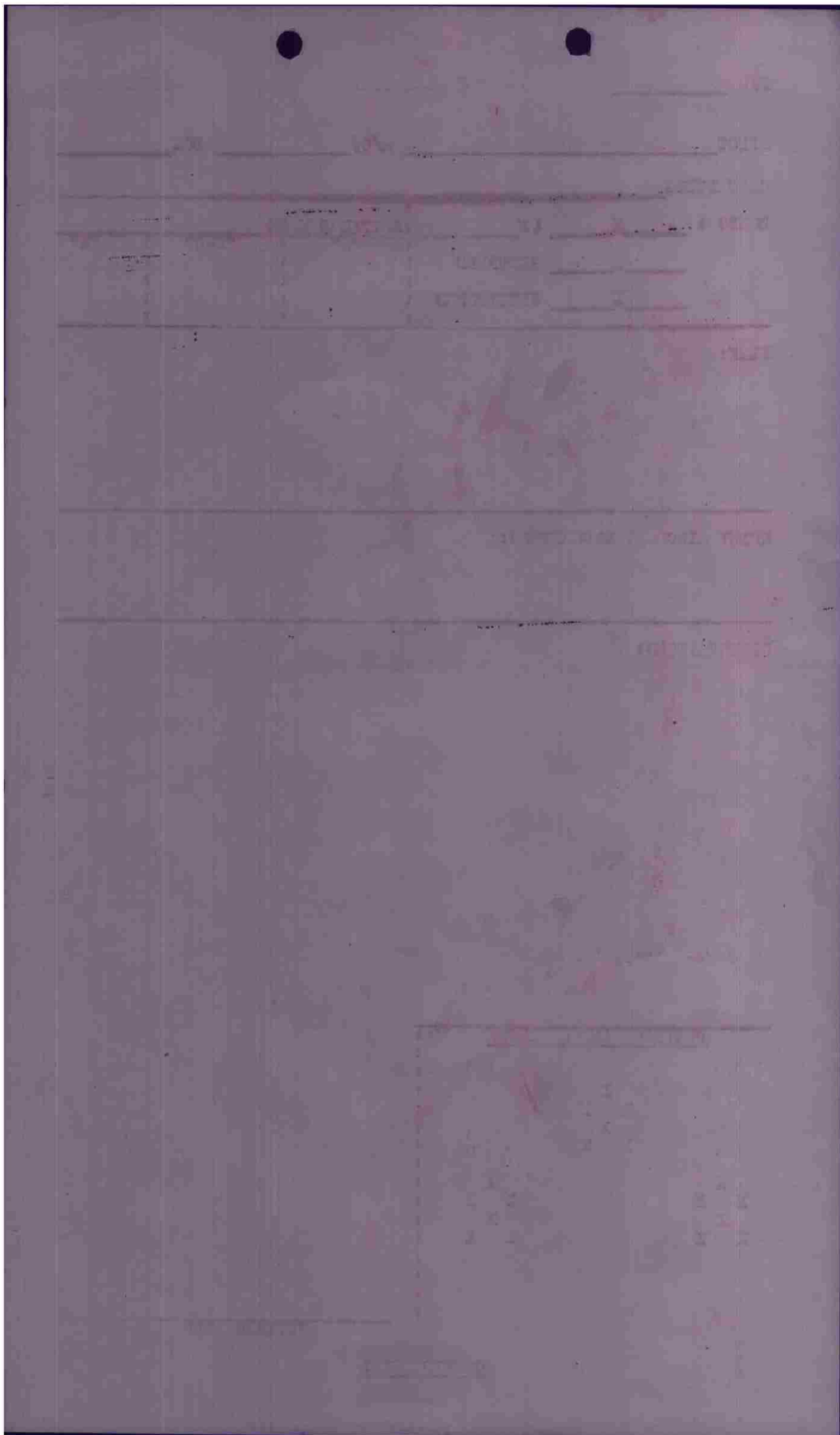
POSITION IN FORMATION

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      X
    X  X
      X
    X  X
  X  X
X  X  X
X  X  X
X  X  X
  
```

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PILOT Brown W/C# 497 BOX I

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

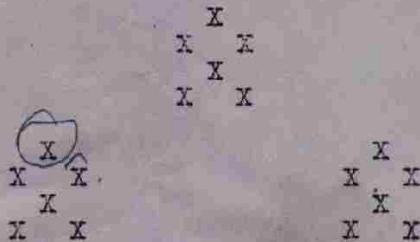
nil

OBSERVATIONS:

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#6 fl 1 Bot I
 dropped 6 bombs 1/2
 way round turn off target

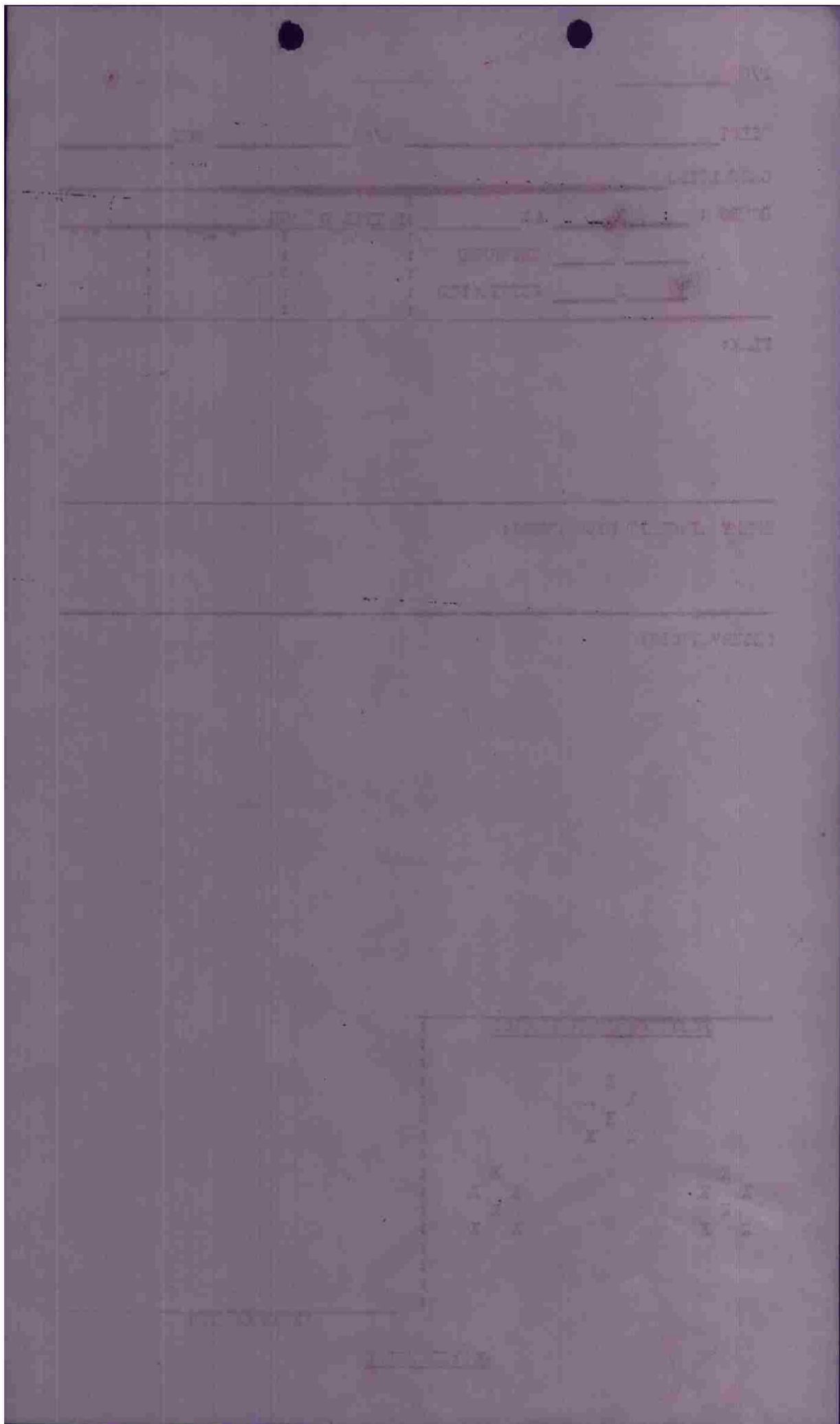
POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT Spires A/C# 419 BOX I

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

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POSITION IN FORMATION

```

          X
        X  X
          X
        X  X

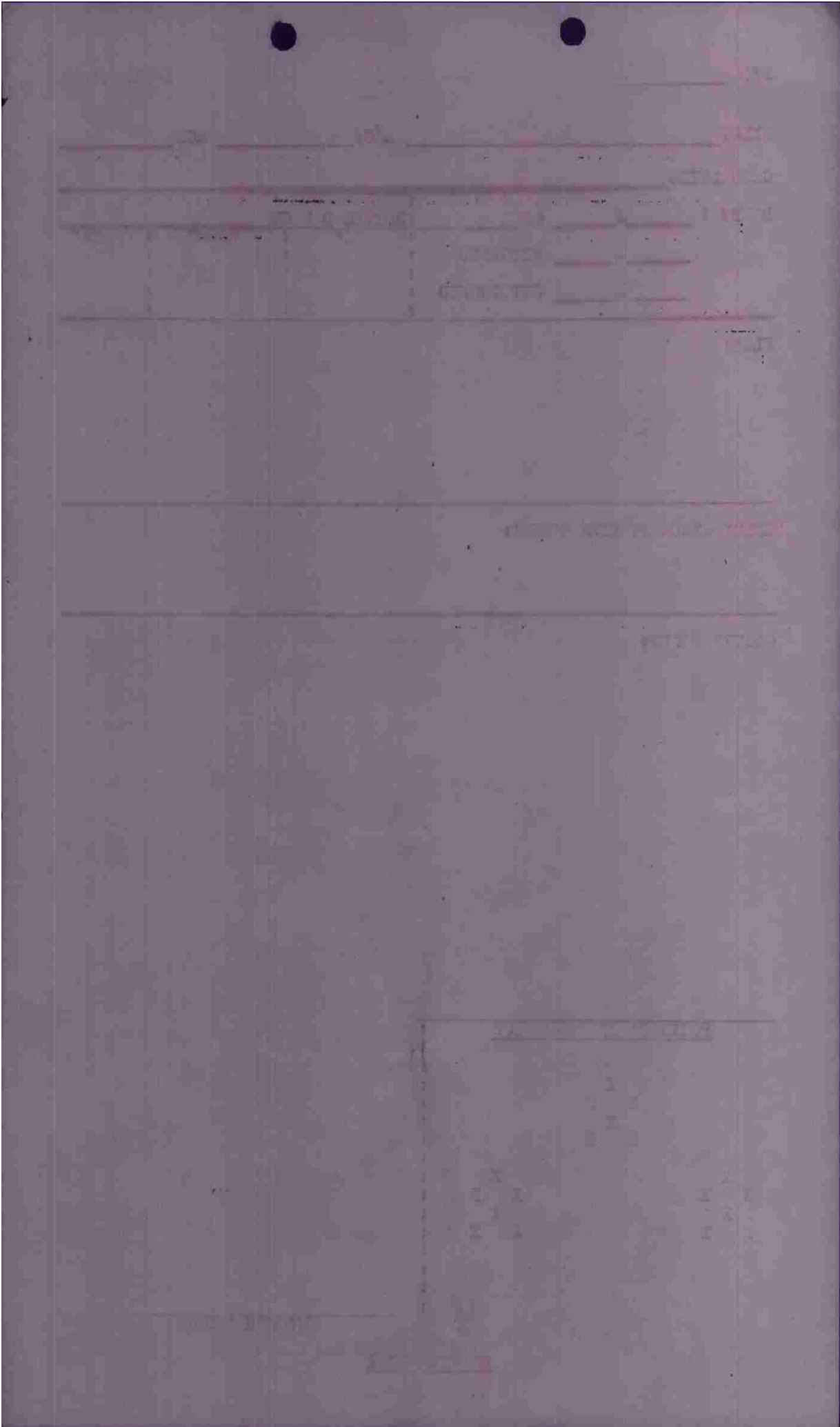
X  X
X  X
X  X

      X
    (X) X
      X  X
      X  X
  
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PILOT B) O M G R E N A/C# 492 BOX II

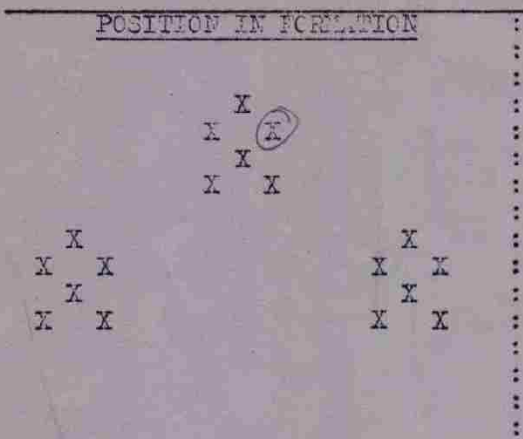
CASUALTIES

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

FLAK: flak tracking around base.
89ms putting by 40 bombs on turn off.
XX #2 on turn off

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:
2 F4U 190 reported following formation
seen by gunners 2 P38's came in for

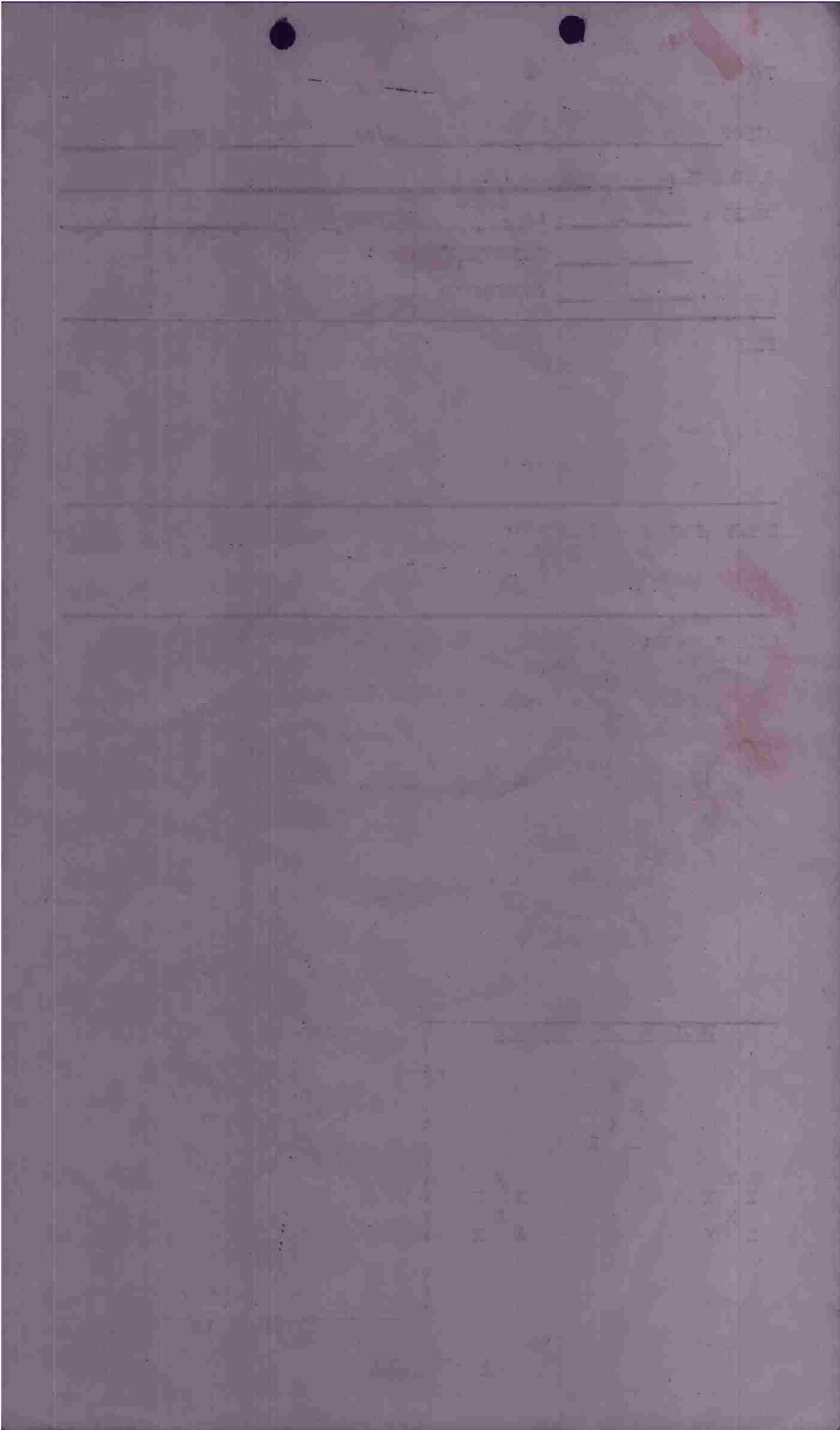
OBSERVATIONS: Propped on box leader. Support
Box II hit in 3 patterns to left of
AP but well in target area. Observed
fire was seen after bomb exploded.
3 patterns in box I bombs at
Dorsten. missed PW camp by
about a mile.



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Alt - 13000
Head - 167
TAS - 195

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PILOT Smith D.E w/c# 314 BOX II

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

me

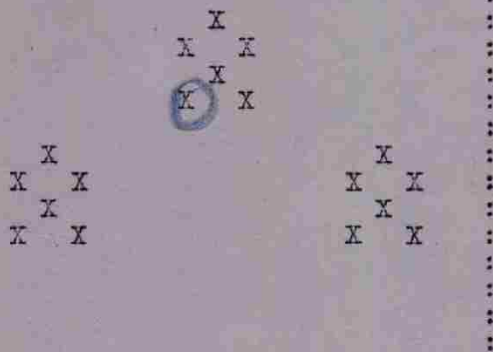
ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

me

OBSERVATIONS:

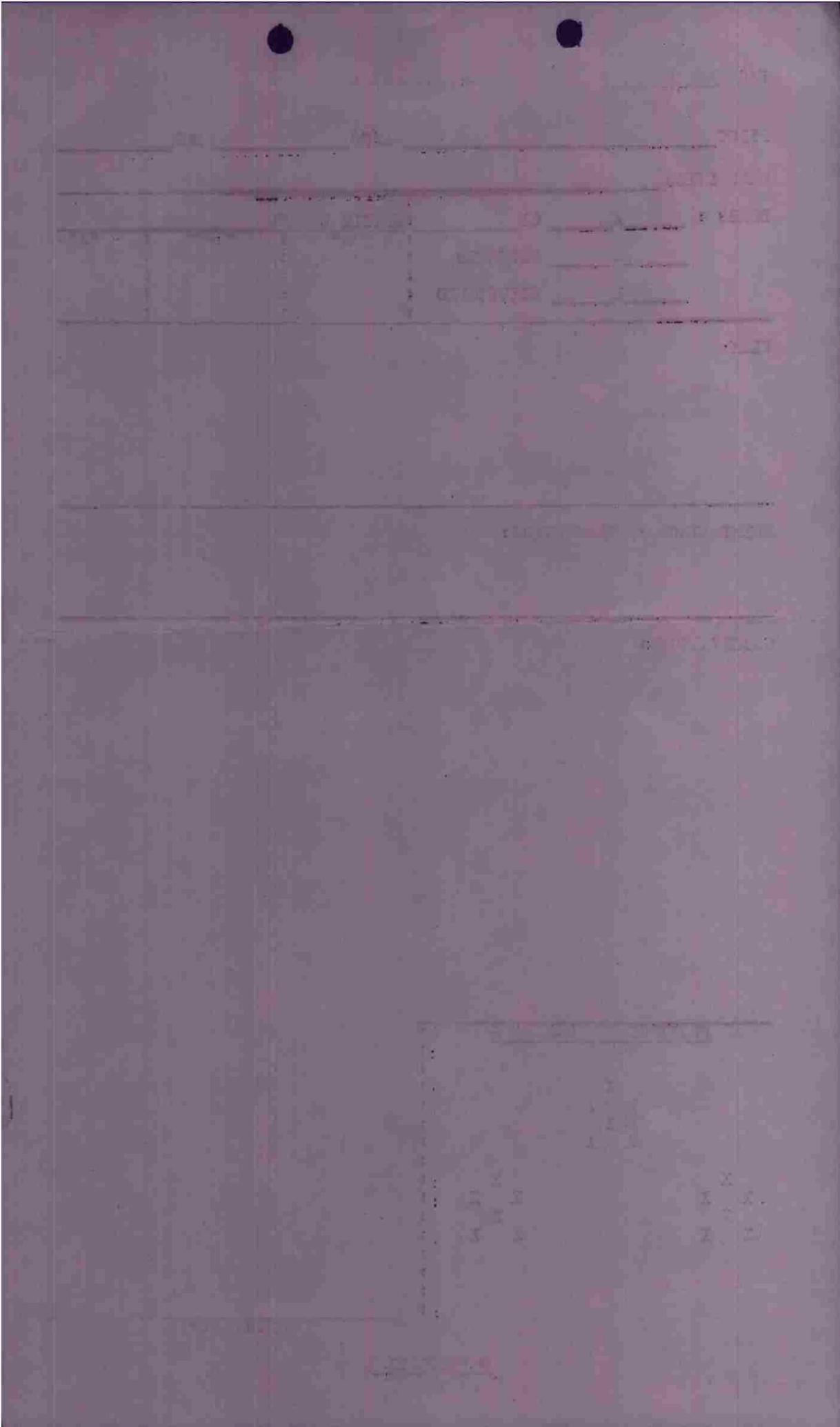
10/10 - 7000 ft.

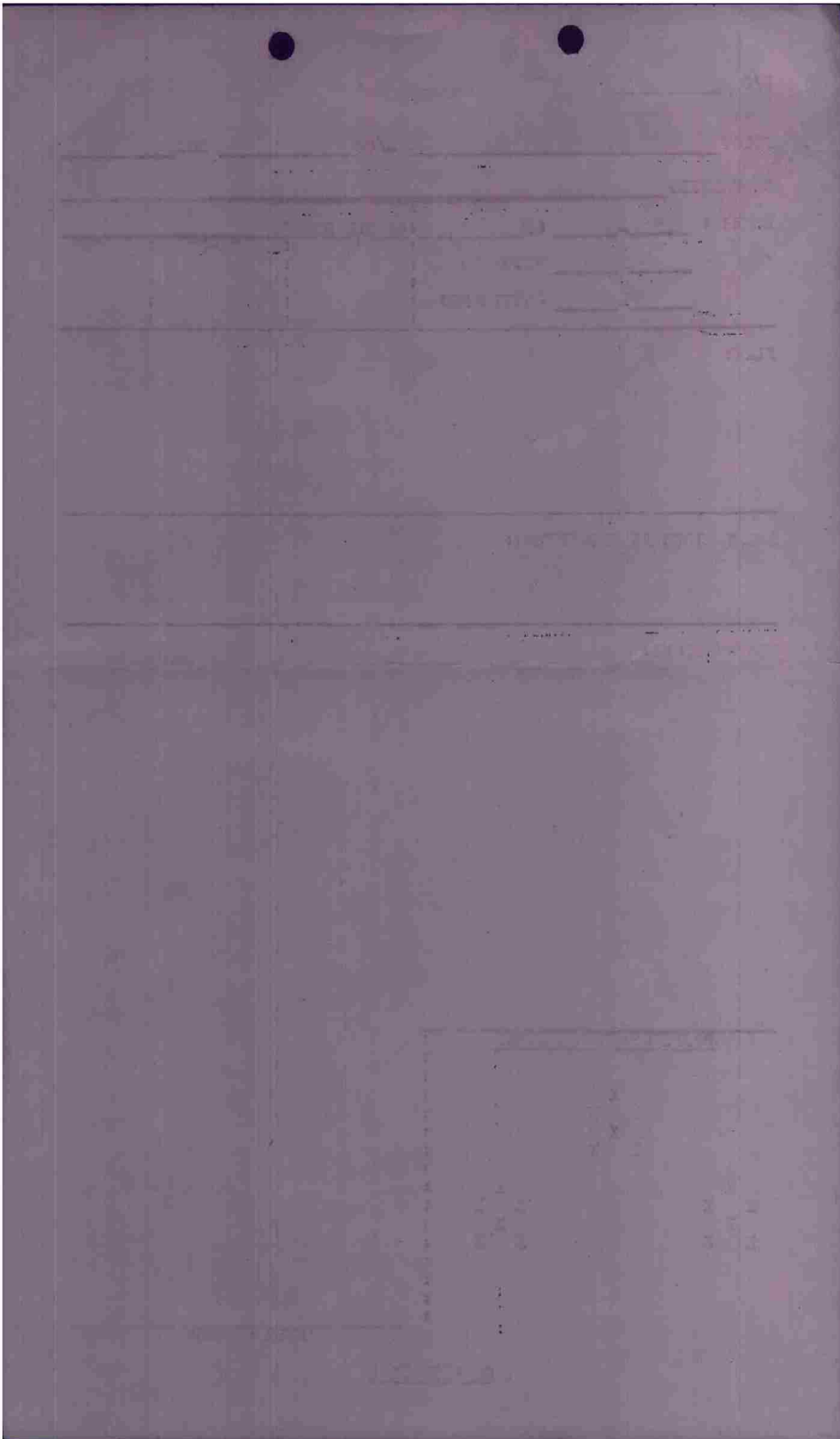
POSITION IN FORMATION



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PILOT Errotz here A/C# 9315 BOX II

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

6500 - 6800 Tops + 010/10

POSITION IN FORMATION

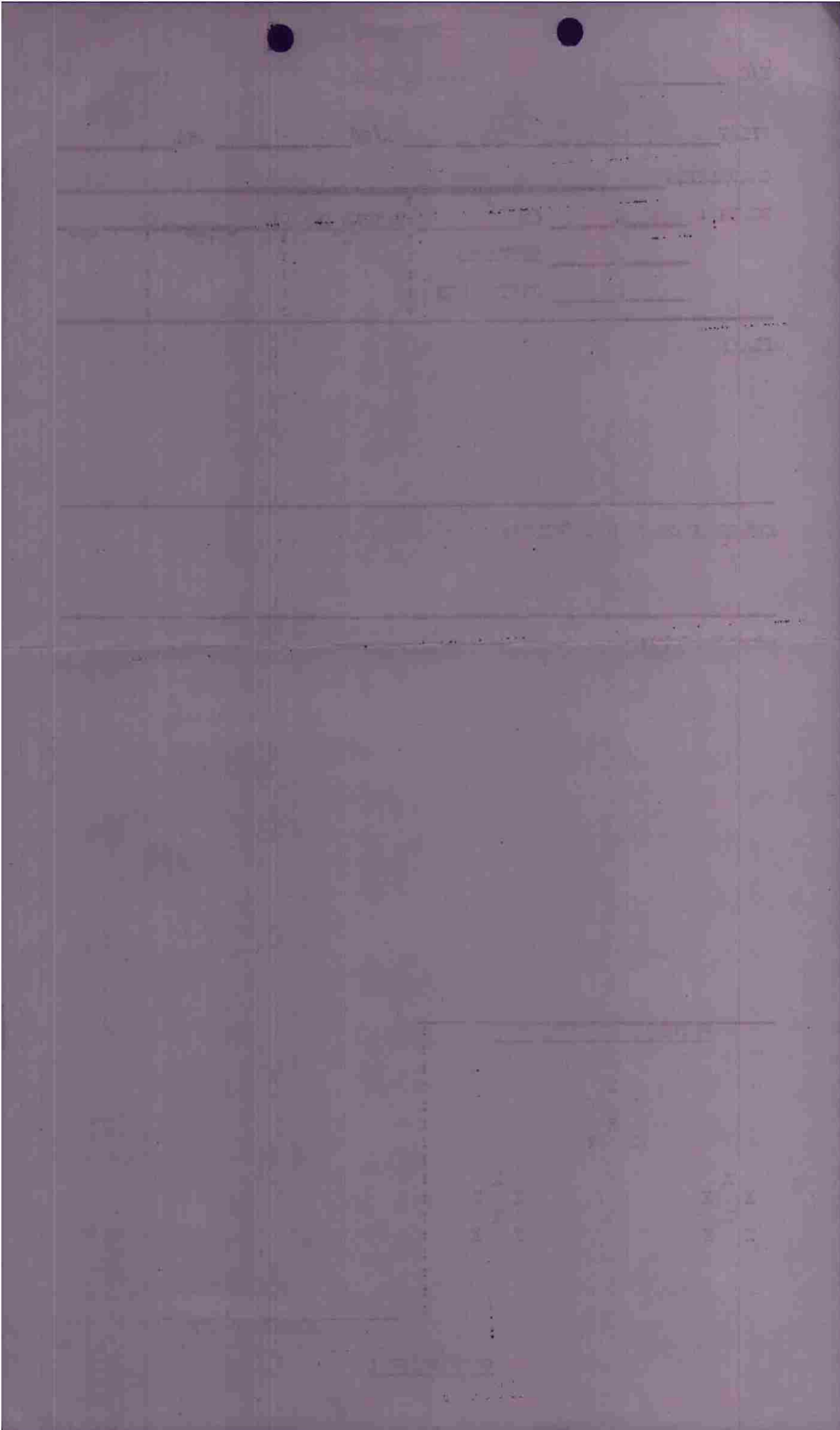
```

      X
     X X
      X
     X X
X   X   X   X
X   X   X   X
X   X   X   X
    
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PILOT O'Brien A/C# 223 BOX II

CASUALTIES

None

BOMBS : 6 X 500 ON PR : BATTLE DAMAGE

_____ X _____	RETURNED	:	"A"	:	"A-C"	:	"E"
_____ X _____	JETTISONED	:		:	<i>me</i>	:	

FLAK:

me

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

me

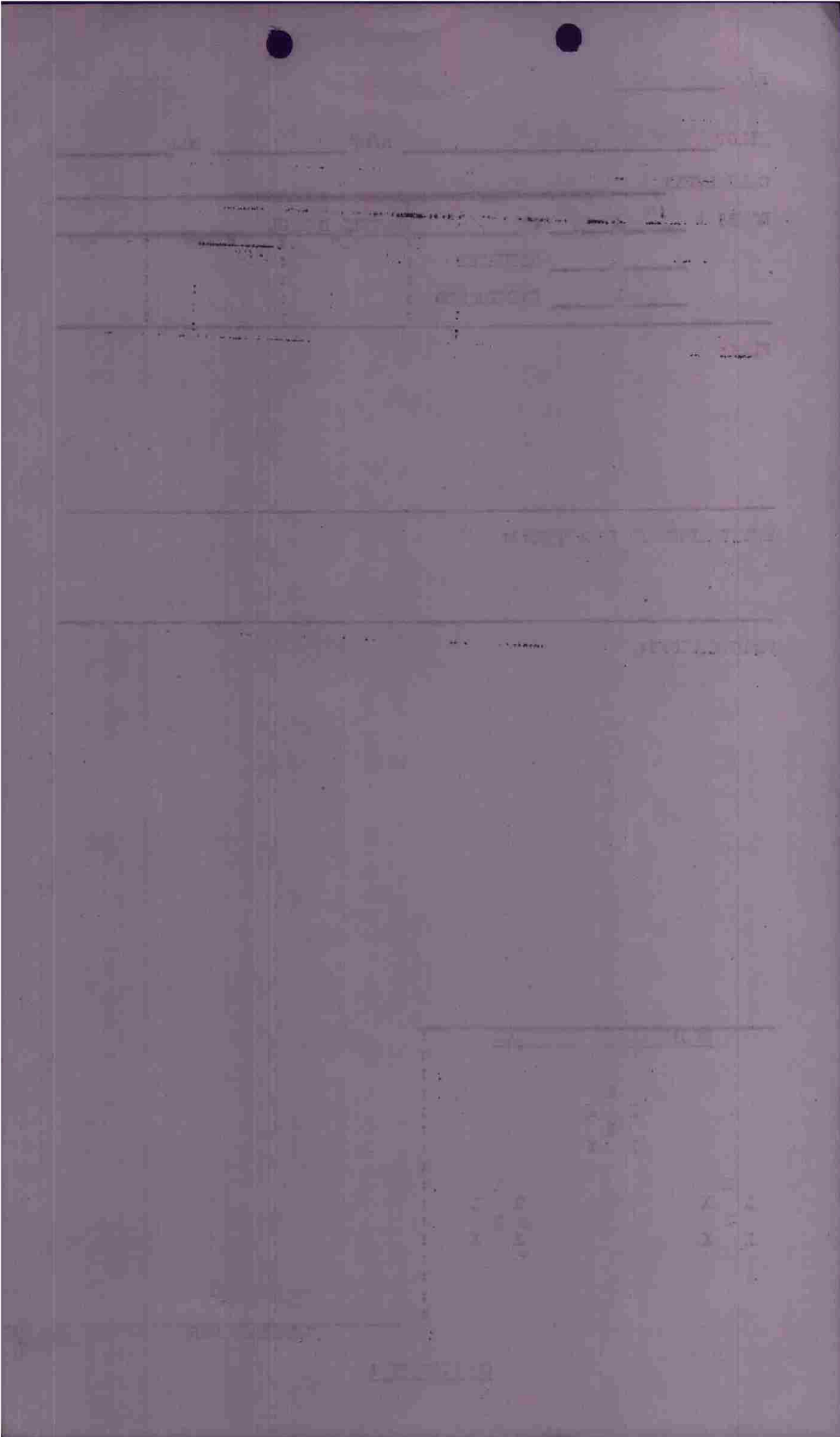
OBSERVATIONS:

POSITION IN CORRELATION

		X							
	X		X						
		X							
	X		X						
X					X				
X	X				X	X			
X					X				
					(X)	X			

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PILOT Wallace A/C# 224 BOX II

CASUALTIES

none

BOMBS :	<u>6</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>200</u>	ON	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:	"A"	:	"I-C"	:	"E"
		<u>X</u>		RETURNED	:		:		:		:	
		<u>X</u>		JETTISONED	:		:	<u>none</u>	:		:	

FLAK:

none

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

none

OBSERVATIONS:

10/10 all the way

POSITION IN CORRELATION

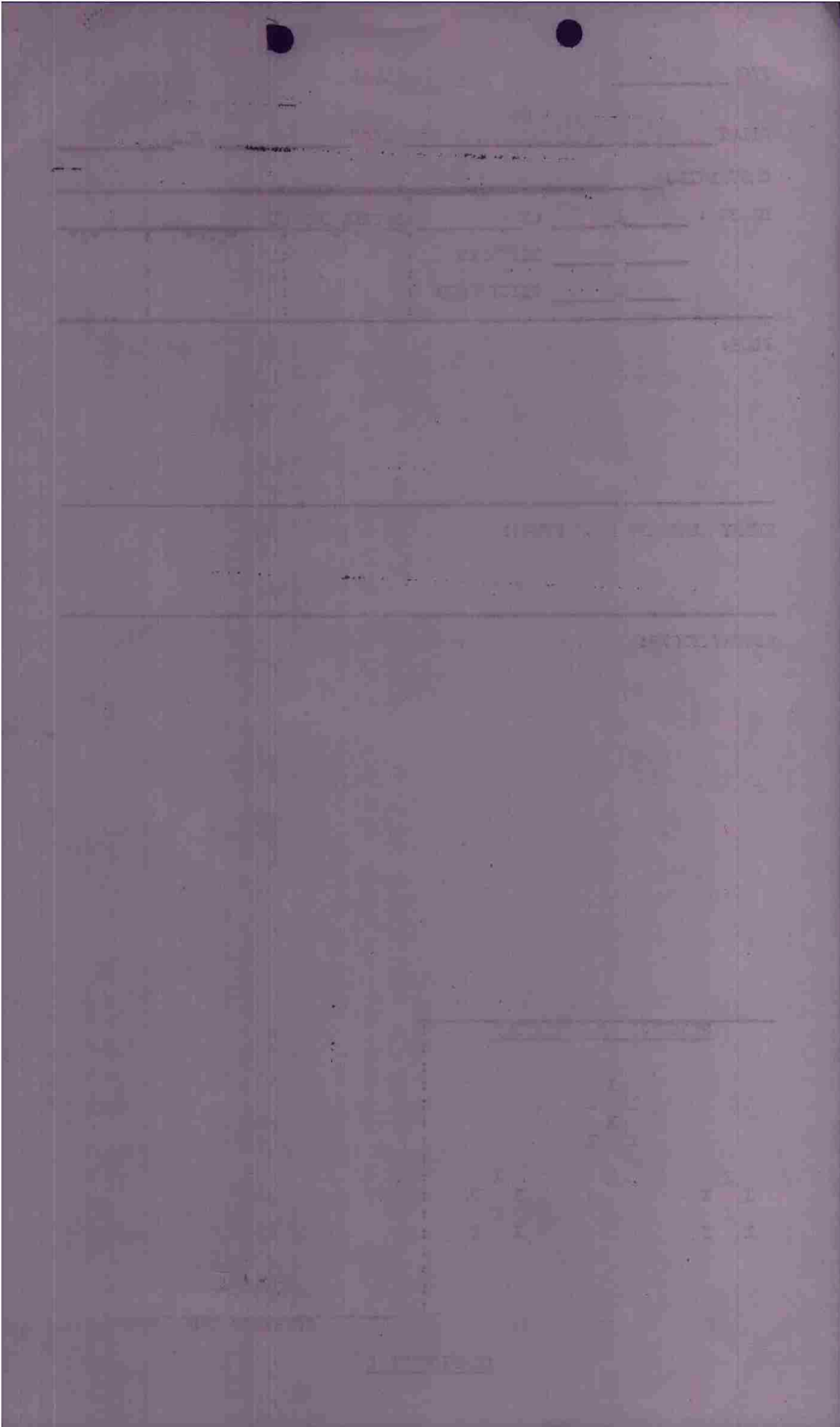
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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
    (X)
X   X   X
X   X   X
X   X   X

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PILOT Heinke W/C# 501 BOX #

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK: Nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

Dropped on Bay beach

TOT 1421
030° M
12,600
200

good report

Equal PFF leads

P51's (8)

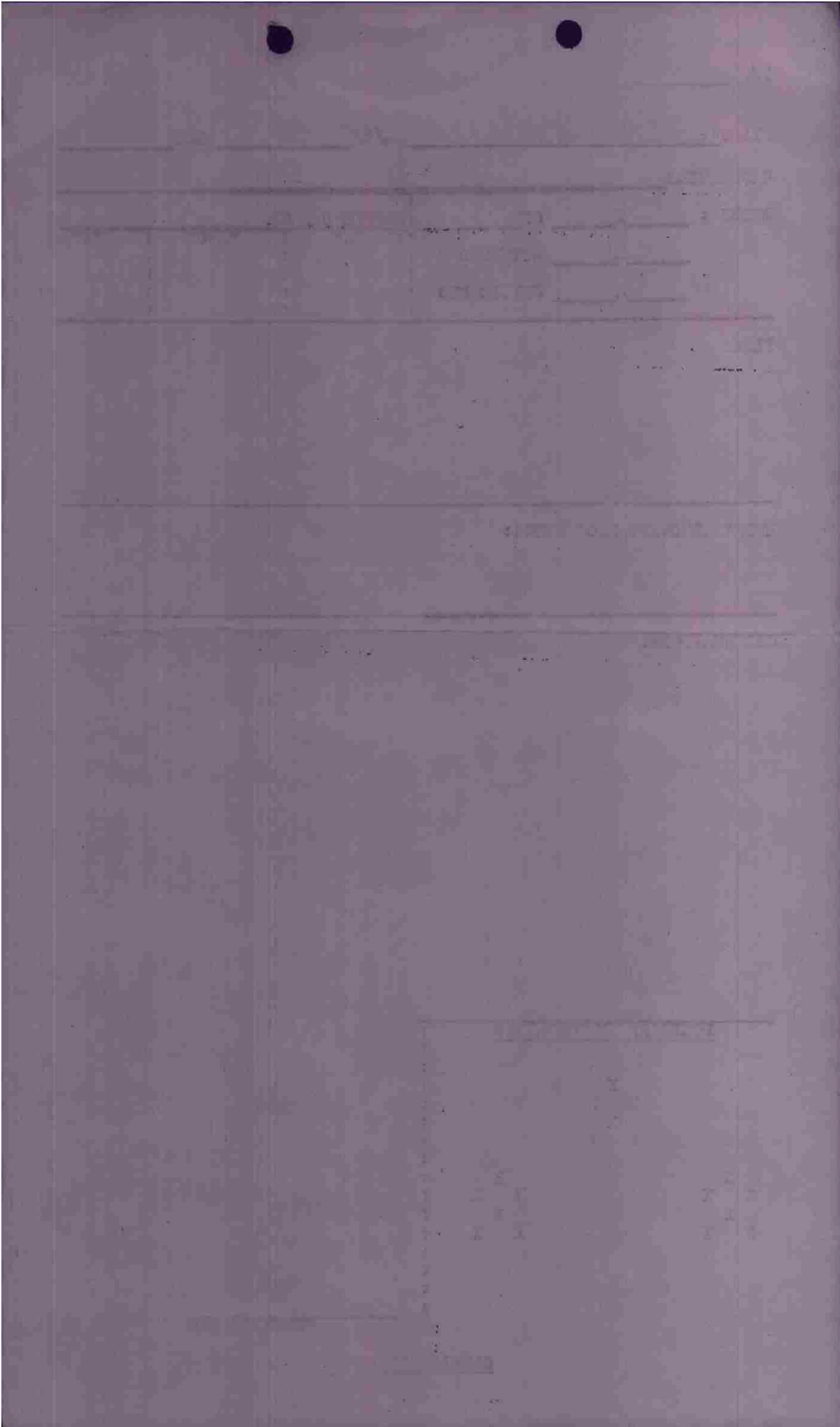
POSITION IN FORMATION

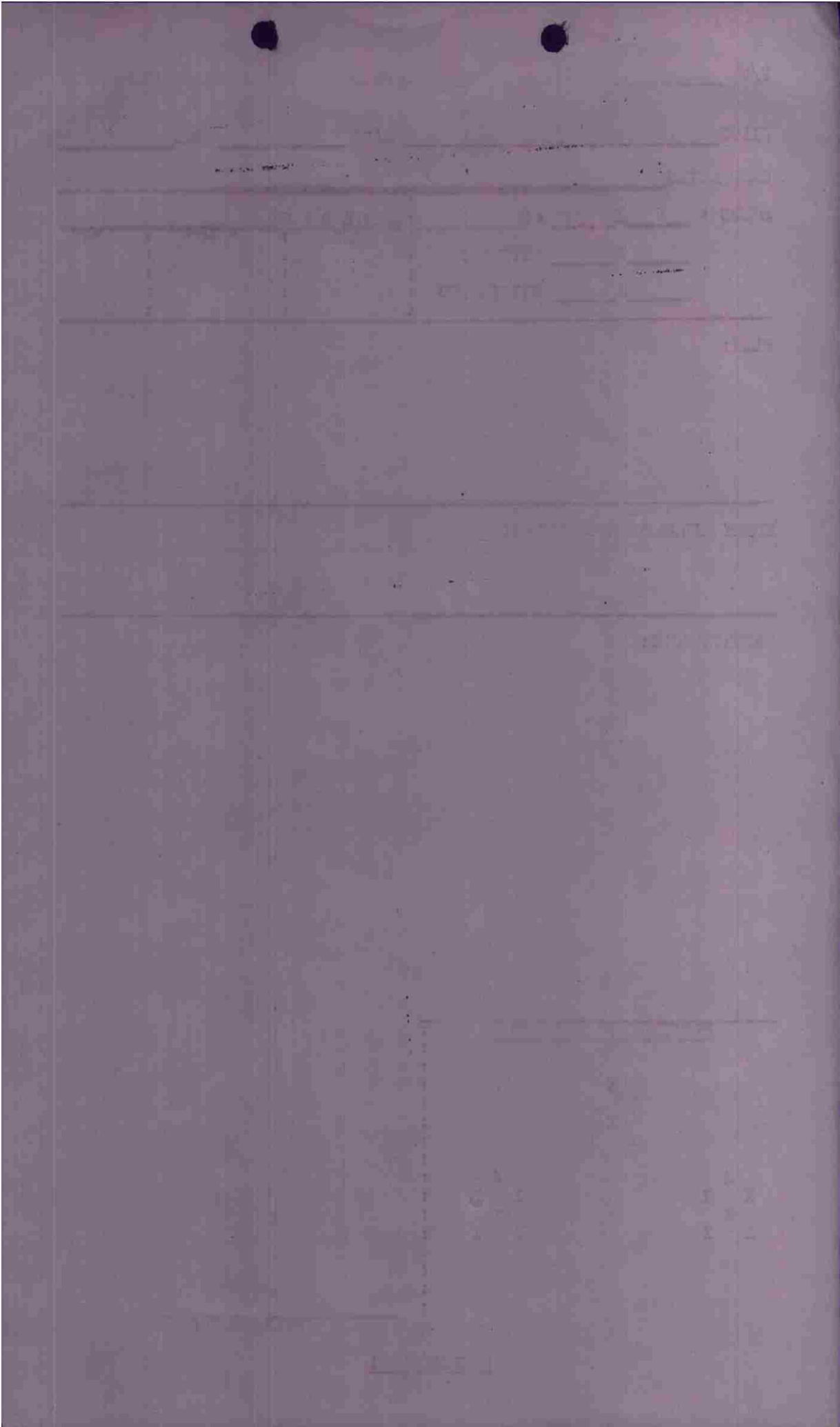
		X		
	X	X		
		X		
	X	X		
X	X		X	
	X		X	
X	X		X	

Suggest window should be lower it was coming into flight.

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PILOT Jordan A/C# 263 BOX II

CASUALTIES

none

BOMBS :	<u>1</u> X <u>500</u> ON <u>R</u>	:	BATTLE DAMAGE	:	"A-C"	:	"E"
	<u>X</u> RETURNED	:	<i>none</i>	:		:	
	<u>X</u> JETTISONED	:		:		:	

FLAK:

none

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

none

OBSERVATIONS:

Looked like good pattern

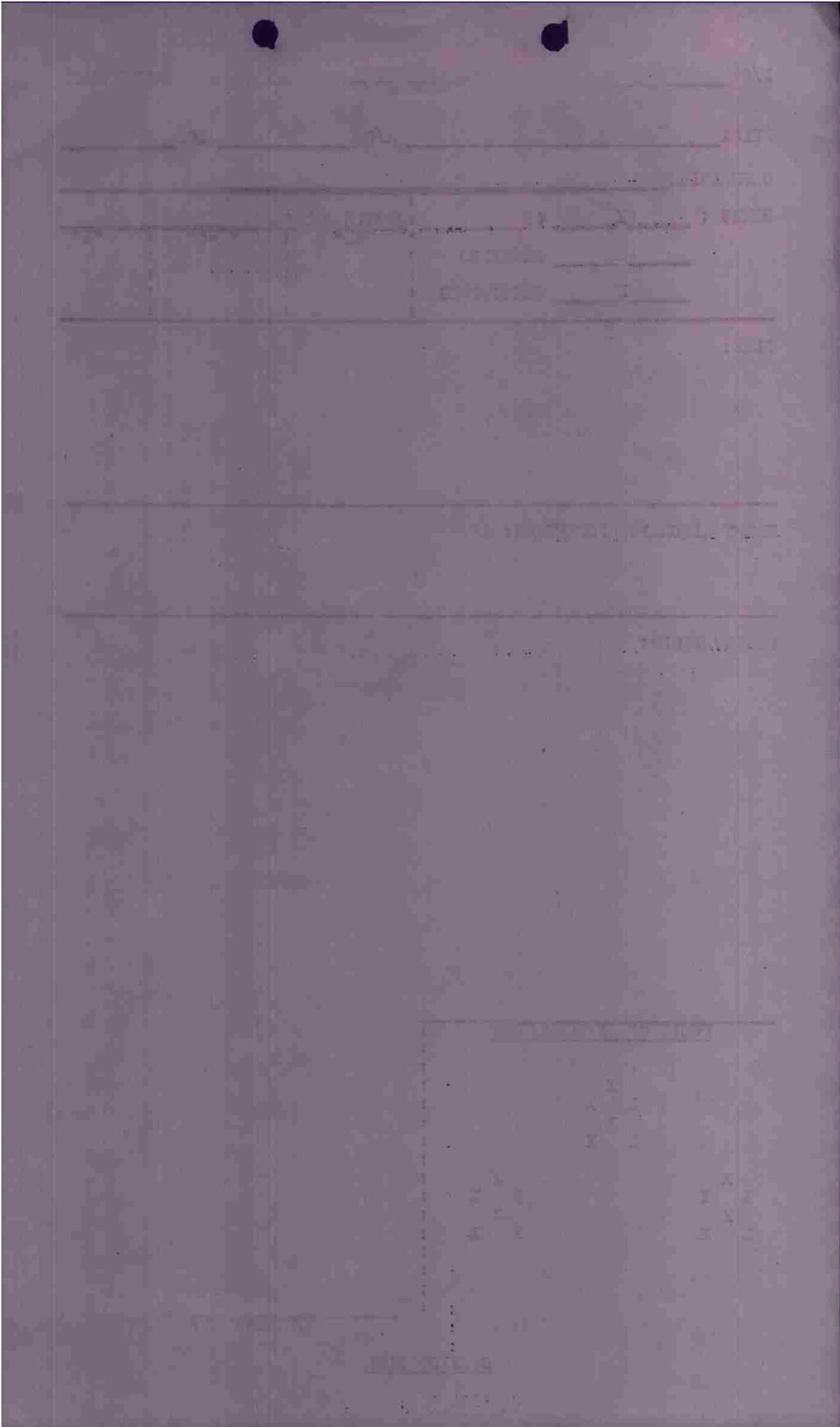
POSITION IN FORMATION

		X							
	X		X						
		(X)							
	X		X						
X				X					
X	X			X	X				
	X			X					
X	X			X	X				

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PILOT Van Rope A/C# 244 BOX II

CASUALTIES _____

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

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: nil

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10

POSITION IN FORMATION

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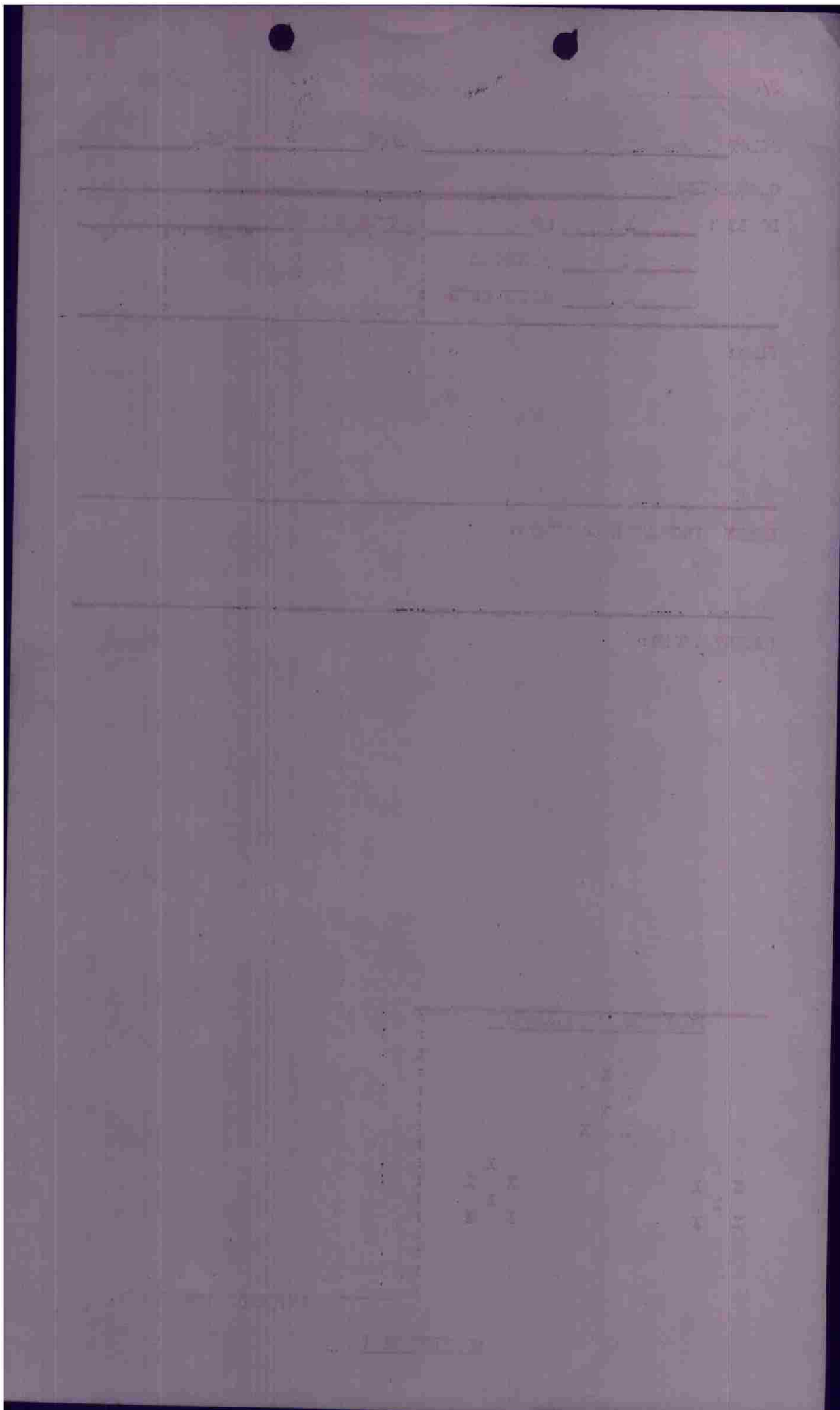
      X
     (X) X
      X X
     X X

X X X
X X X
X X X

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PILOT Gruetzemacher A/C# 2315 BOX II

CASUALTIES

nil

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

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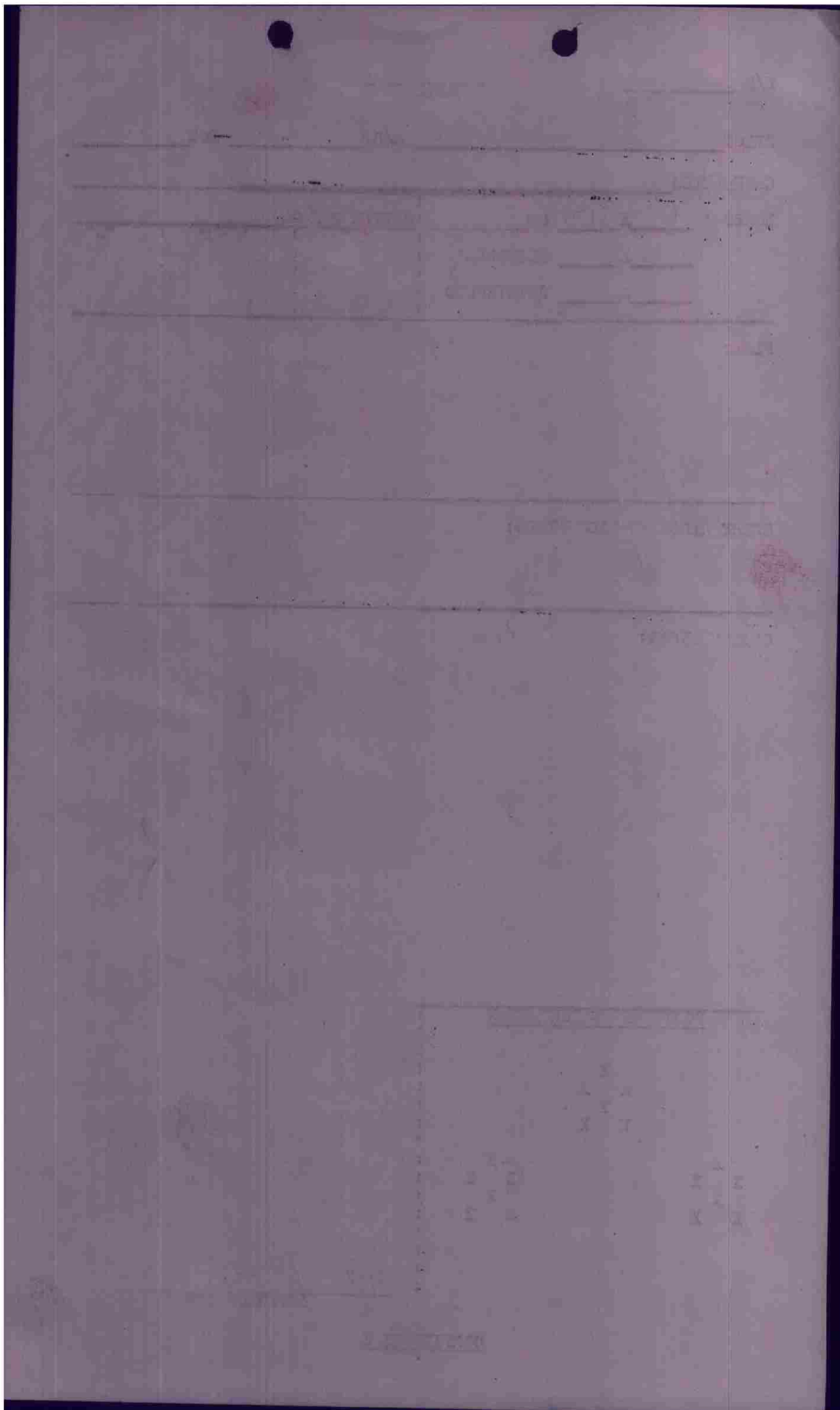
POSITION IN CORRELATION

				:
			X	:
	X		X	:
		X		:
	X		X	:
				:
X			X	:
X	X		X	:
	X		X	:
X		X	X	:
				:
				:
				:
				:
				:

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PILOT Du Bose A/C# 38378 BOX II spare

CASUALTIES nil

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

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

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POSITION IN FORMATION

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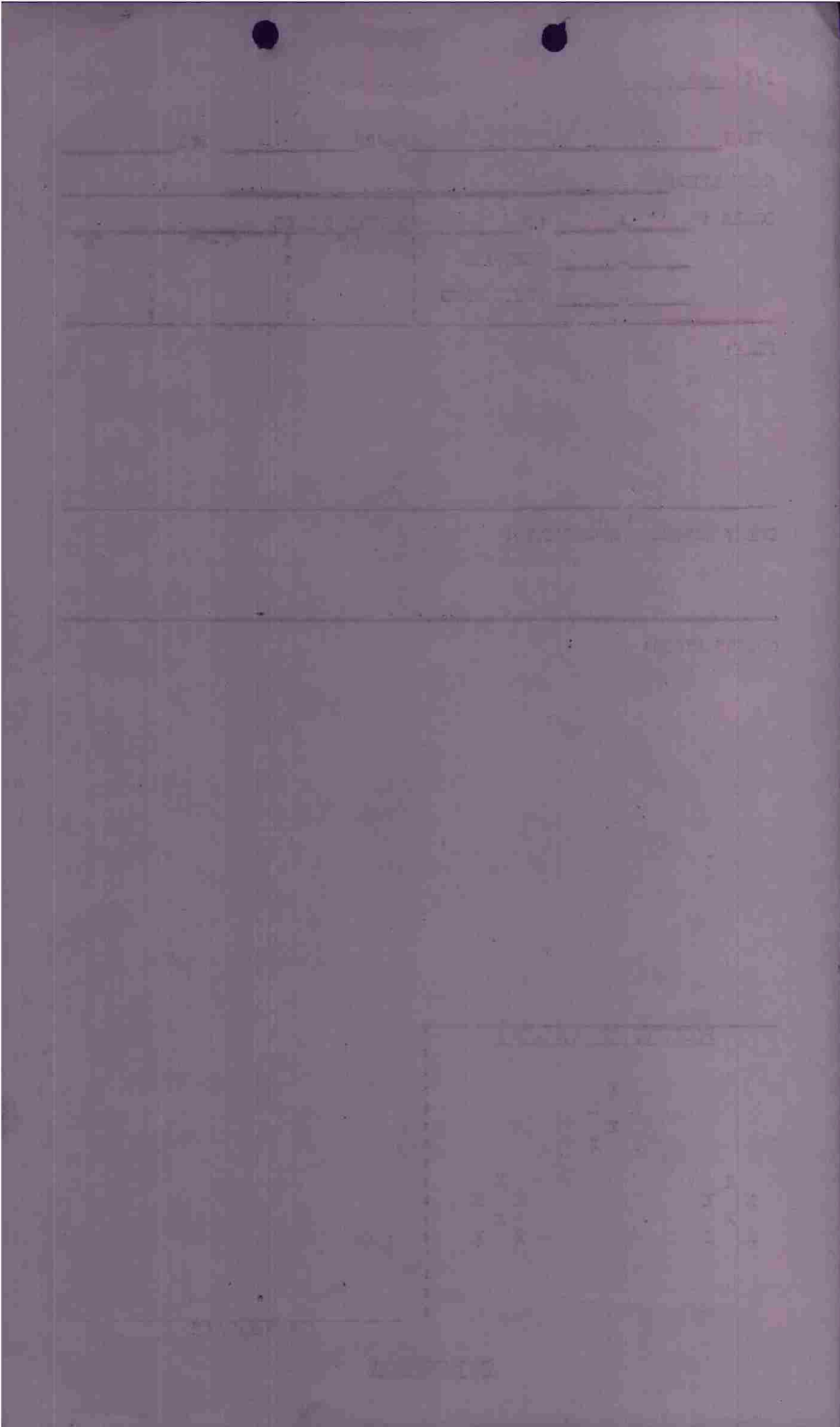
      X
     X X
      X
     X X

X      X
X X   X
X      X

X      X
X X   X
X      X
    
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PILOT Montrose W/C# 321 BOX II

CASUALTIES

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:

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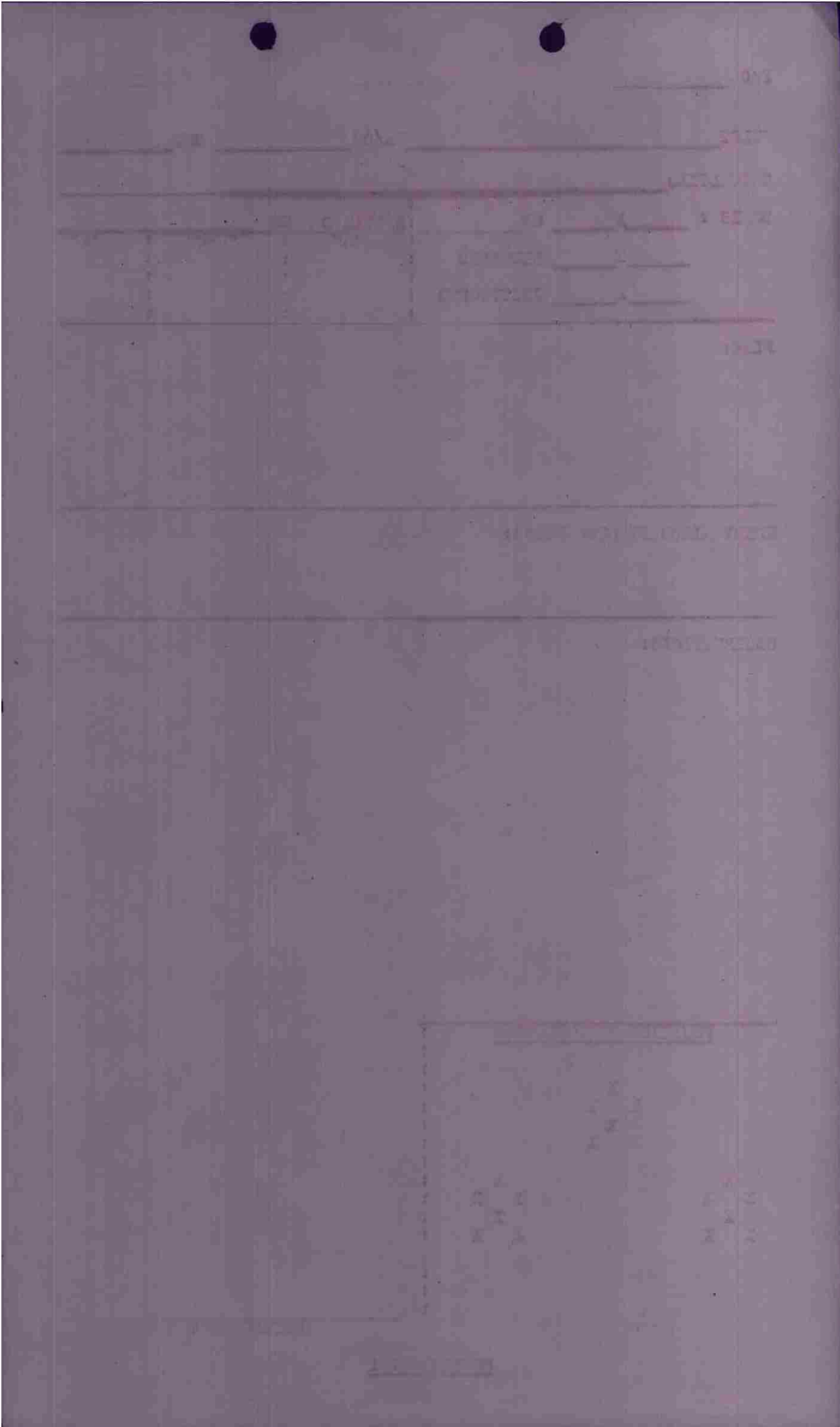
POSITION IN FORMATION

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

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PILOT Zemet A/C# 335 BOX II

CASUALTIES nil

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

OBSERVATIONS:

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POSITION IN FORMATION

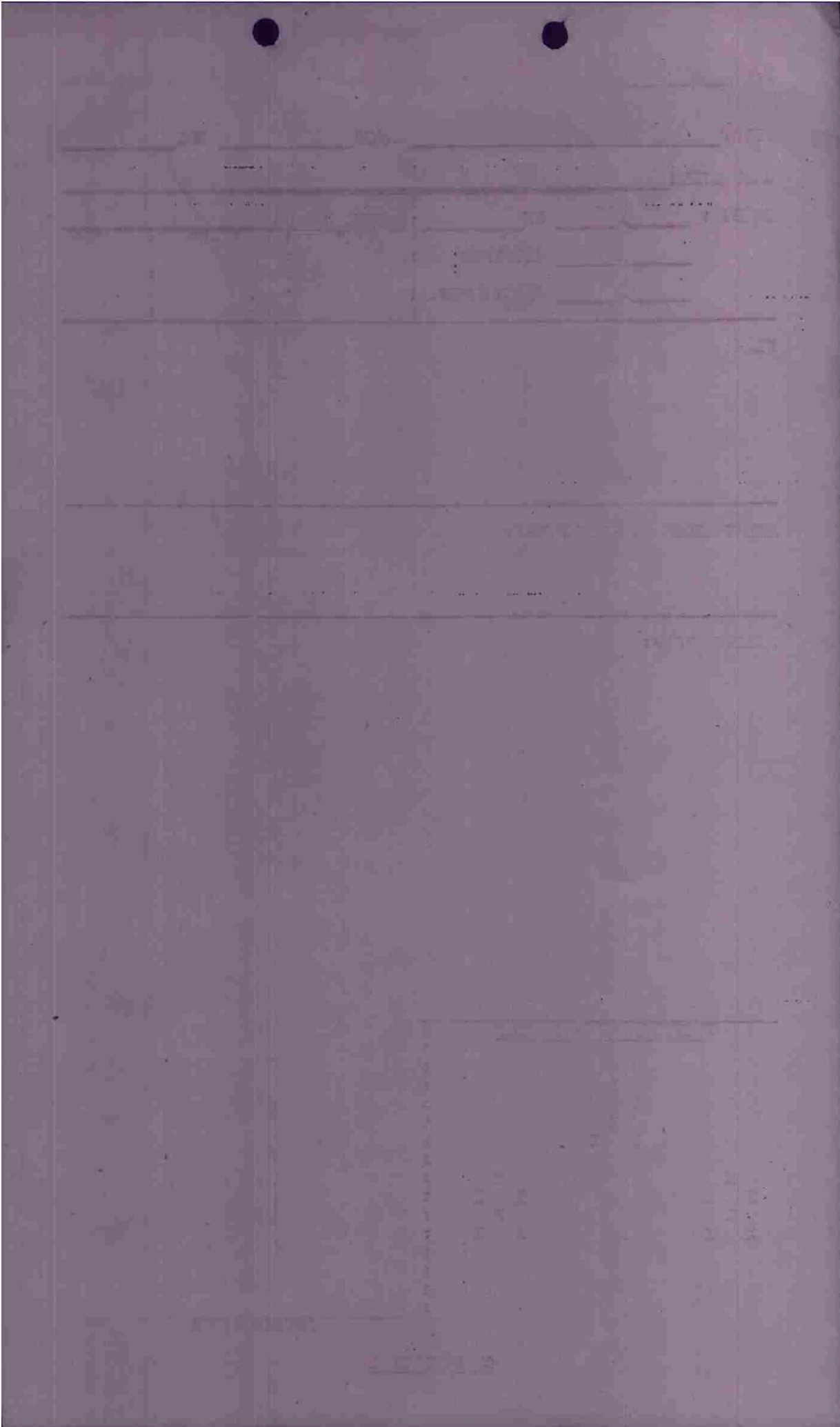
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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
X      X
X      X
(X) X      X X

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PILOT Anderson A/C# 481 BOX II

CASUALTIES nil

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

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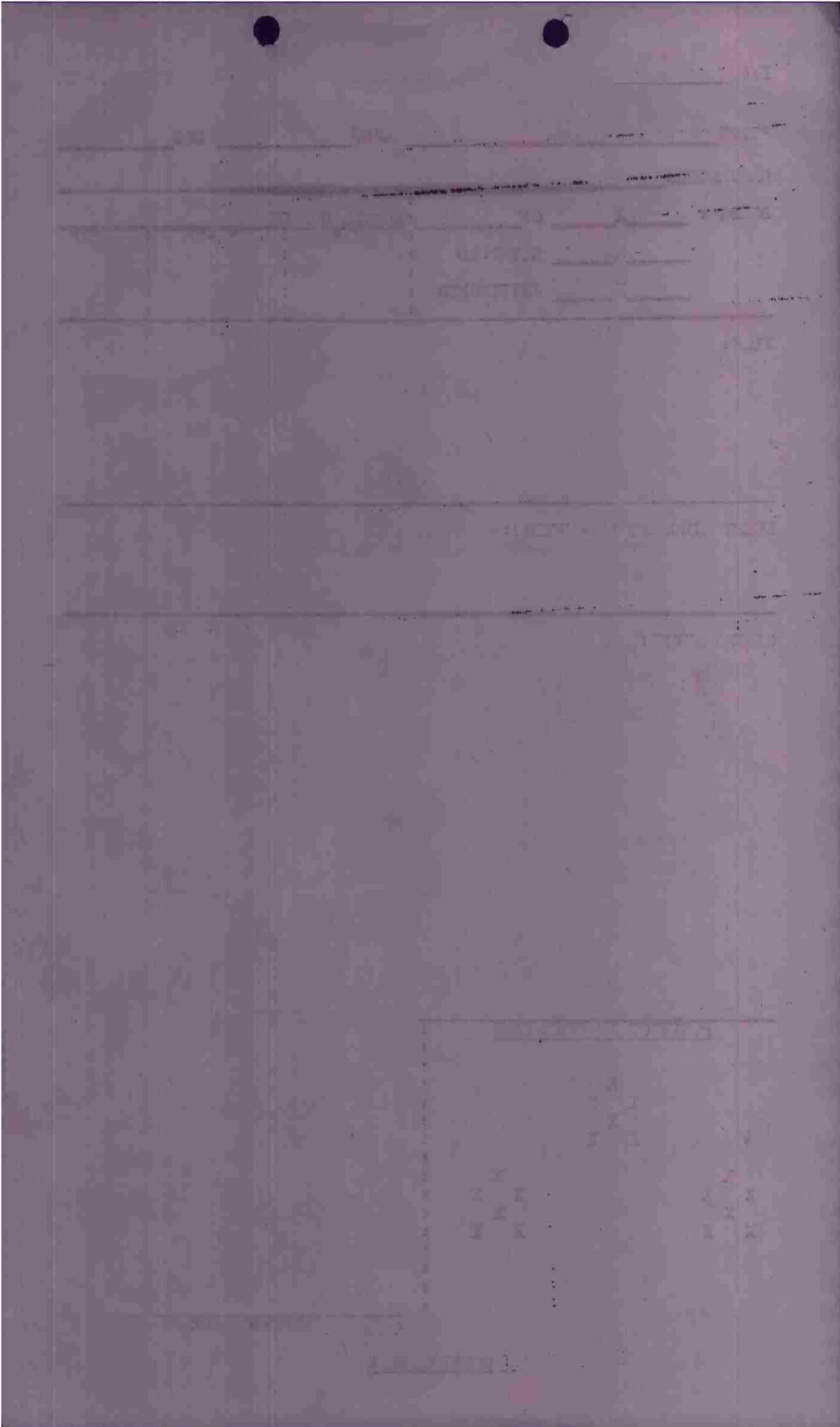
POSITION IN FORMATION

```

      X
     X X
      X
     X X
  (X)
 X  X
   X
 X  X
      X
     X X
      X
     X X
  
```

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PILOT Gunzel A/C# 389 BOX II

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

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POSITION IN FORMATION

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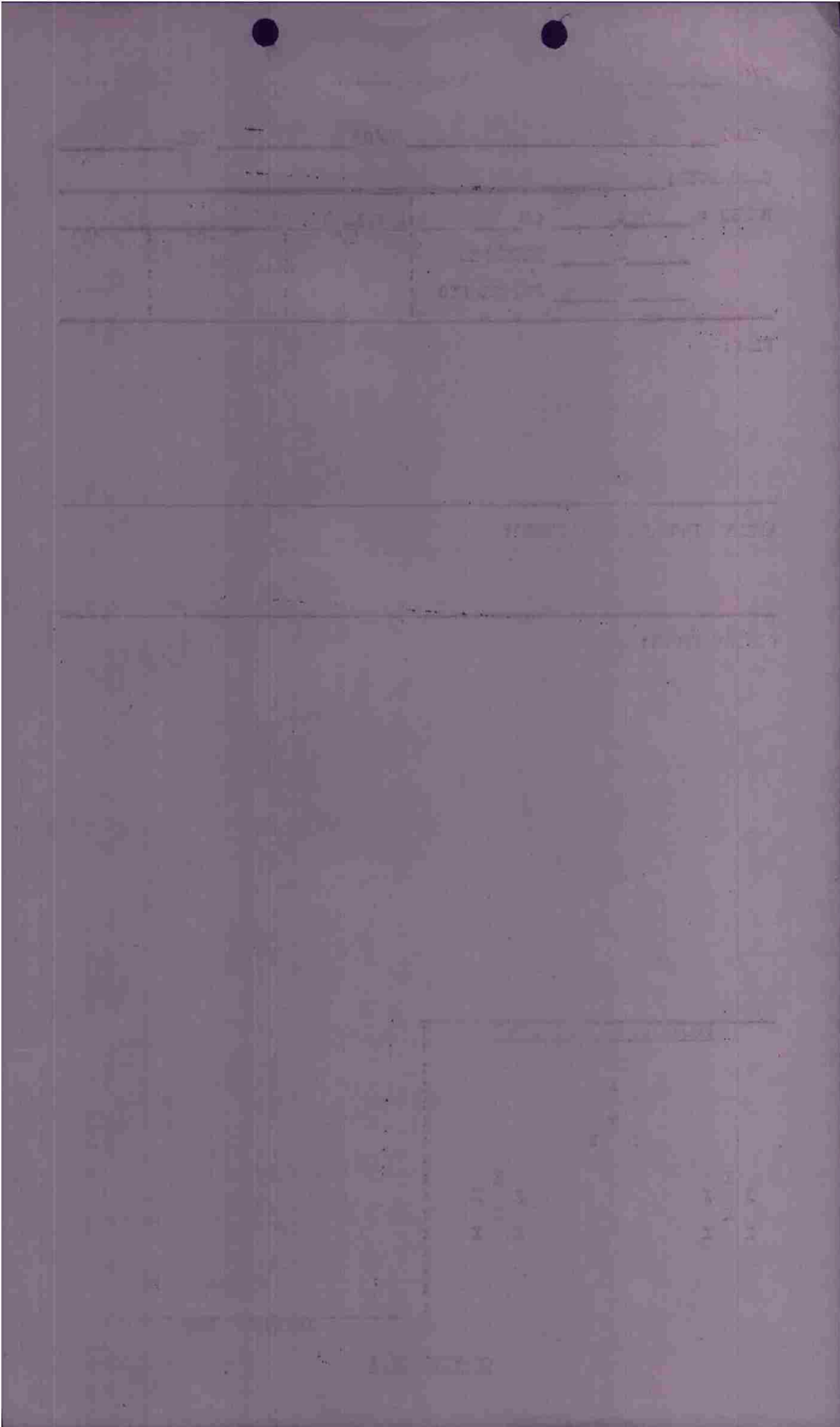
      X
     X X
      X
     X X
X    X
X    X
X  (X)
      X
     X X
      X
     X X

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PILOT Smith B.A. w/c# 362 BOX II

CASUALTIES nil

BOMBS : 6 x 500 BATTLE DAMAGE

<u>X</u>	RETURNED	:""	"A-C"	"E"
<u>X</u>	JETTISONED	<u>nil</u>		

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

nil 10/10

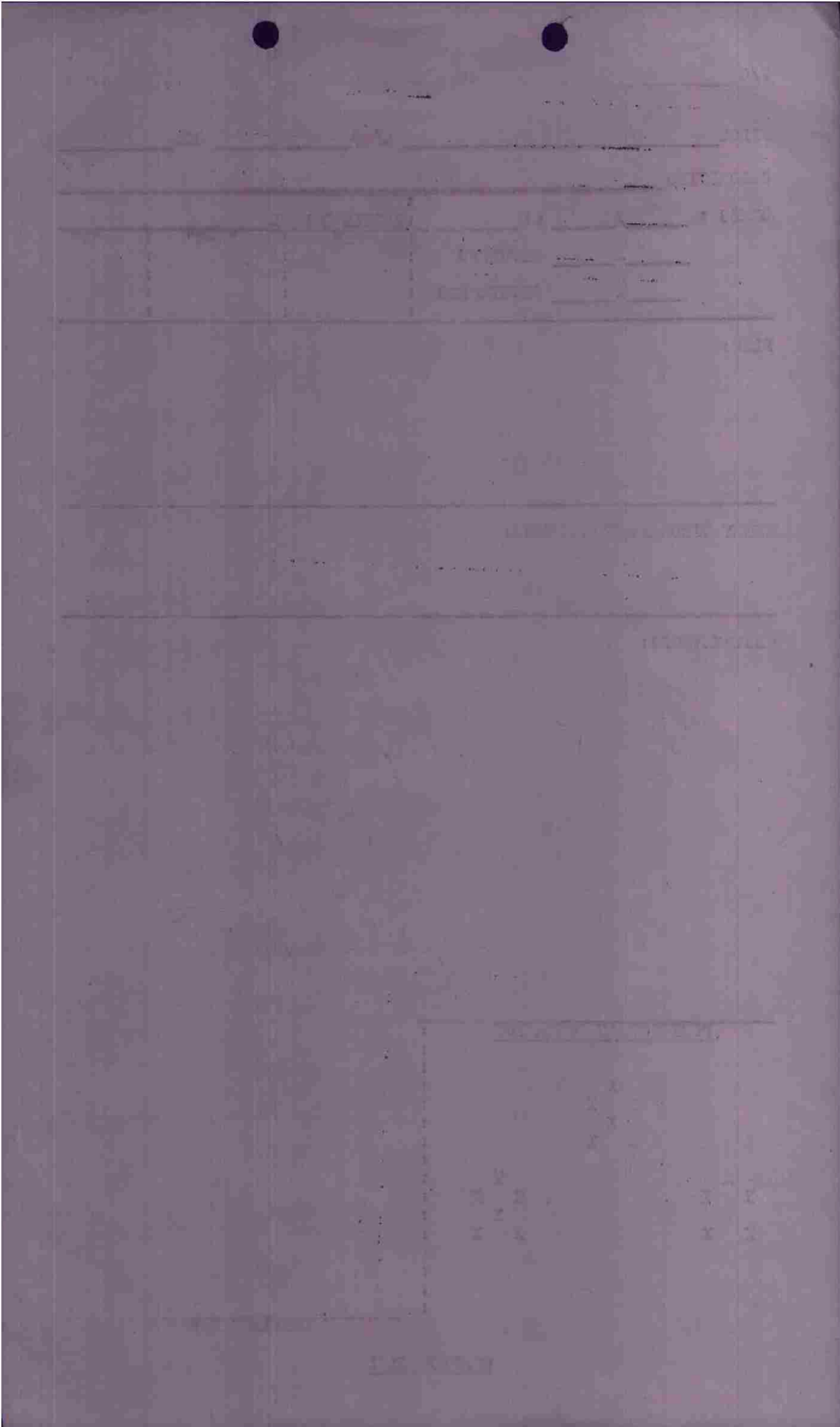
1425 - 1 ship salvaged bombs to side - still in enemy territory - between target + R.P. - called for permission

POSITION IN CORRELATION

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

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PILOT Blevins W/C# 274 BOX II

CASUALTIES nil

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

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

nil

OBSERVATIONS:

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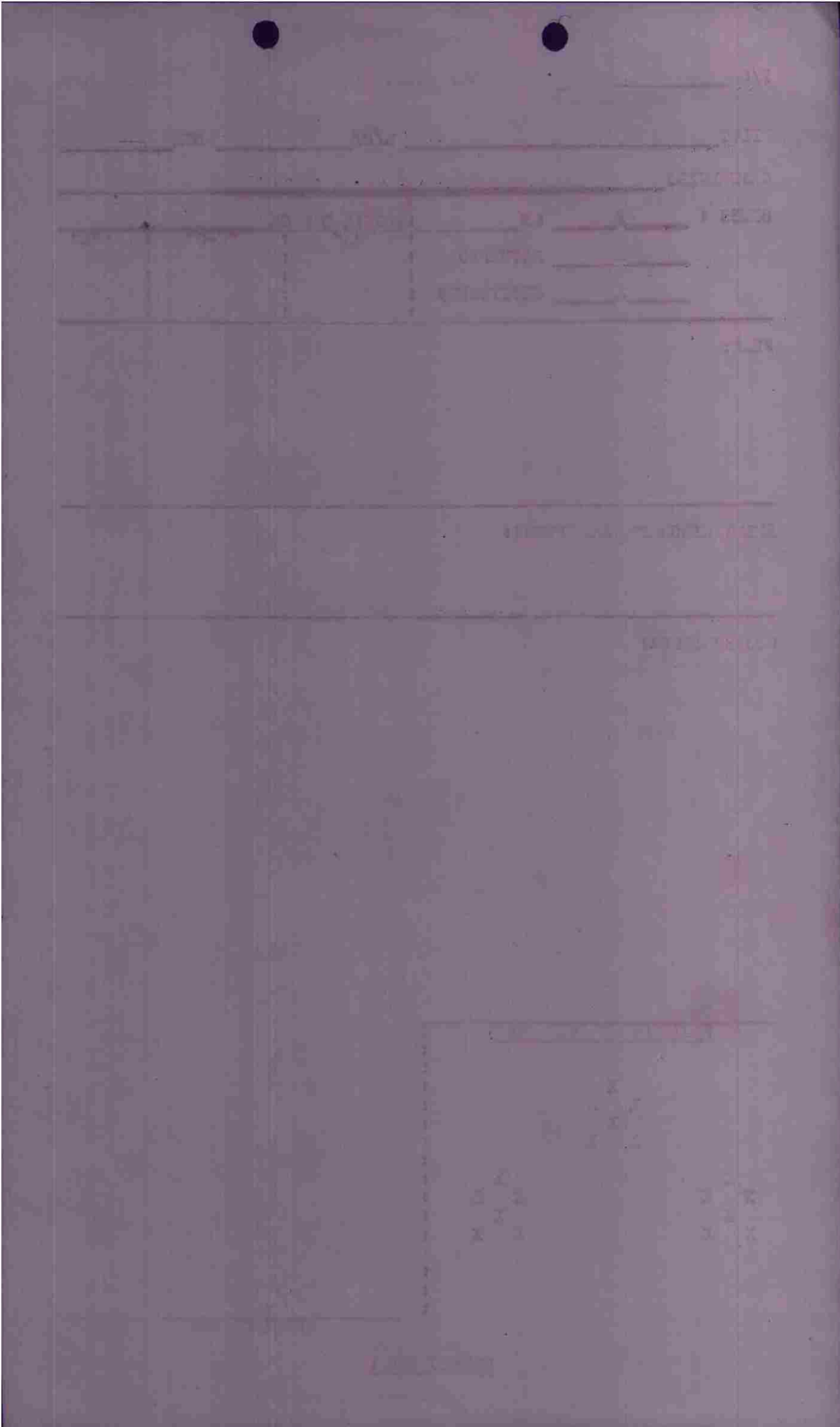
POSITION IN FORMATION

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      X
     X X
      X
     X X
  (X) X X
     X X
     X X
  
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PILOT Hale A/C# 325 BOX II

CASUALTIES nil

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

FLAK: nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS: nil

OBSERVATIONS: 10/10

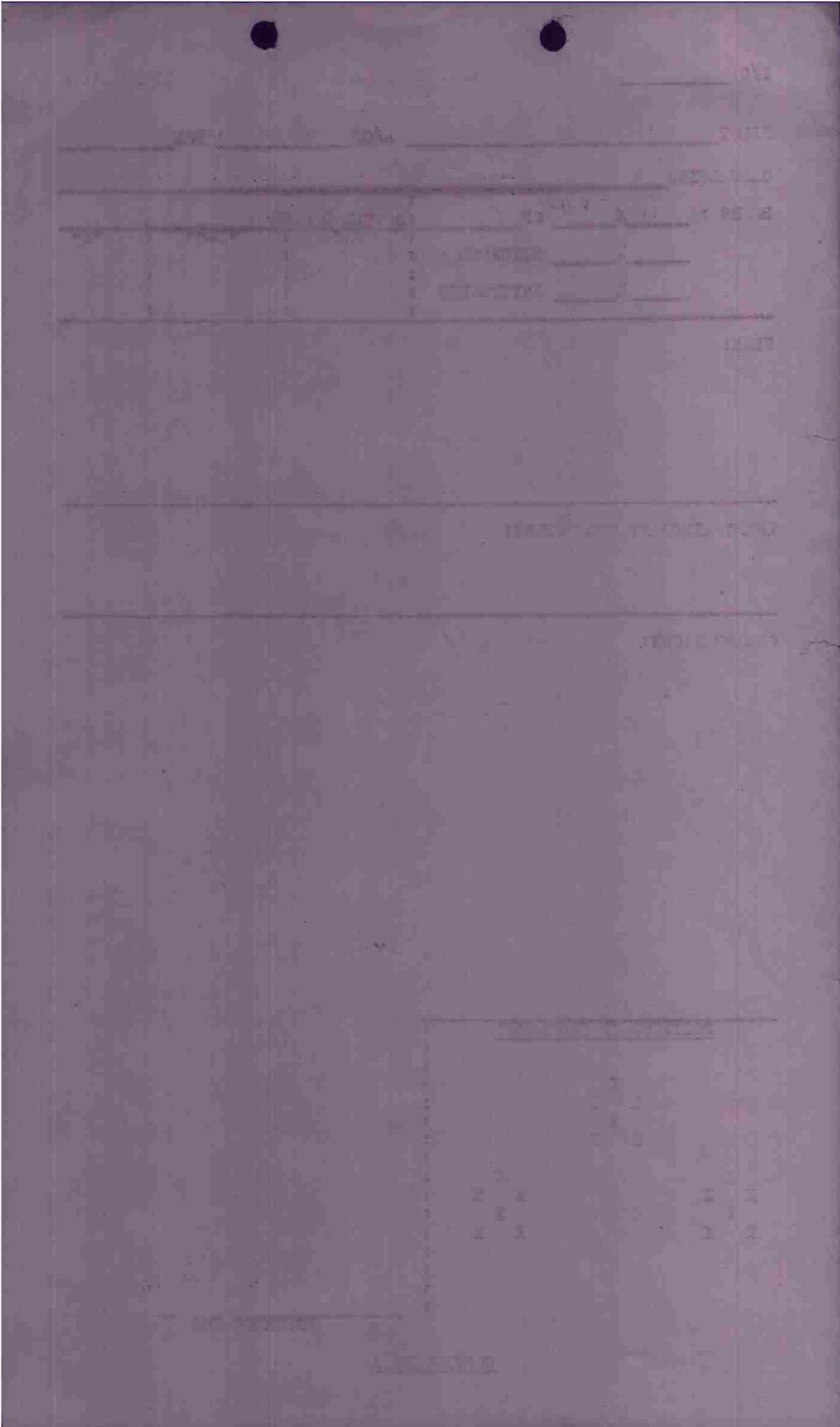
POSITION IN FORMATION

```

      X
     X X
      X
     X X
X  X X X
X  X X
X  X X
  
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PILOT Miller w/c# 487 BOX II

CASUALTIES

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

FLAK:

nil

ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERS:

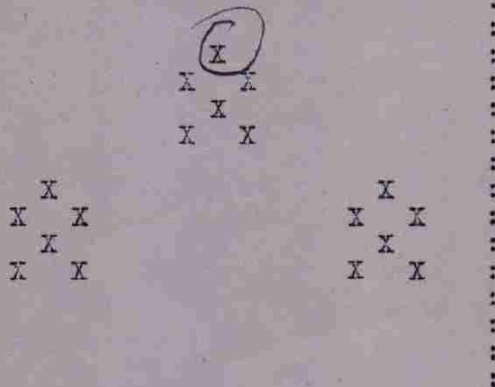
nil

OBSERVATIONS:

TOT 1420 $\frac{1}{2}$
 alt 12,800(I)
 aft is 35° mag
 IAS - 200

Fix indicates
 bombs on
 the slightly
 to right. Pattern
 would cover
 target.

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