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LOADING LIST  
BOX I  
FLIGHT I

24 April 1945

*43-22*  
1. 609 N  
Major R F Shaefer  
Lt A R Hand  
Lt J F Conner  
S/S A J Burland

*41-39*  
2. 362 Y  
F/O F W Swap  
Sgt M Santandrea

*41-39*  
3. 393 M  
Capt J M Shapard  
S/S J J McGuire

*43-22*  
4. 304 T  
Lt C M Anderson  
Lt N B Dant  
S/S J H Deatherage

*43-22*  
5. 383 V  
Lt C H Housley  
Lt J W Britt  
Sgt P J Block

*41-39*  
6. 271 R  
Lt R E Harper  
Sgt R M Black

FLIGHT II

*43-22*  
1. 498 R  
Capt H F Pair  
Lt J L Corum  
S/S O E Swank

*43-22*  
2. 2352 J  
Lt S Mooney  
Sgt R C Schumacher

*43-22*  
3. 356 C  
Lt T E Graeber  
S/S A H Miller

*41-39*  
4. 223 B  
Lt D A Fero  
S/S T A Skelton  
Lt T W Sampson

*41-39*  
5. 286 D  
Lt A E Hlivko  
Sgt L J Farmer

*41-39*  
6. 205 M  
Lt D L Brice  
S/S F E Barber

FLIGHT III

*43-22*  
1. 497 E  
Capt L J Sutton  
Lt J V Reed  
S/S D C Gilliam

*41-39*  
2. 297 T  
Lt A J P Winn  
S/S G G Stephenson

*41-39*  
3. 564 V  
Lt J B Cocks  
S/S R D Redding  
Capt L P Randles

*43-22*  
4. 313 B  
Lt A Remiszewski  
S/S J H Miguez  
Sgt P A Mirabella

*41-39*  
5. 239 N  
Lt M Wallman  
Sgt M F Hardin

*41-39*  
6. 250 A  
Lt R L Simpson  
S/S P A Pompe

SPARE

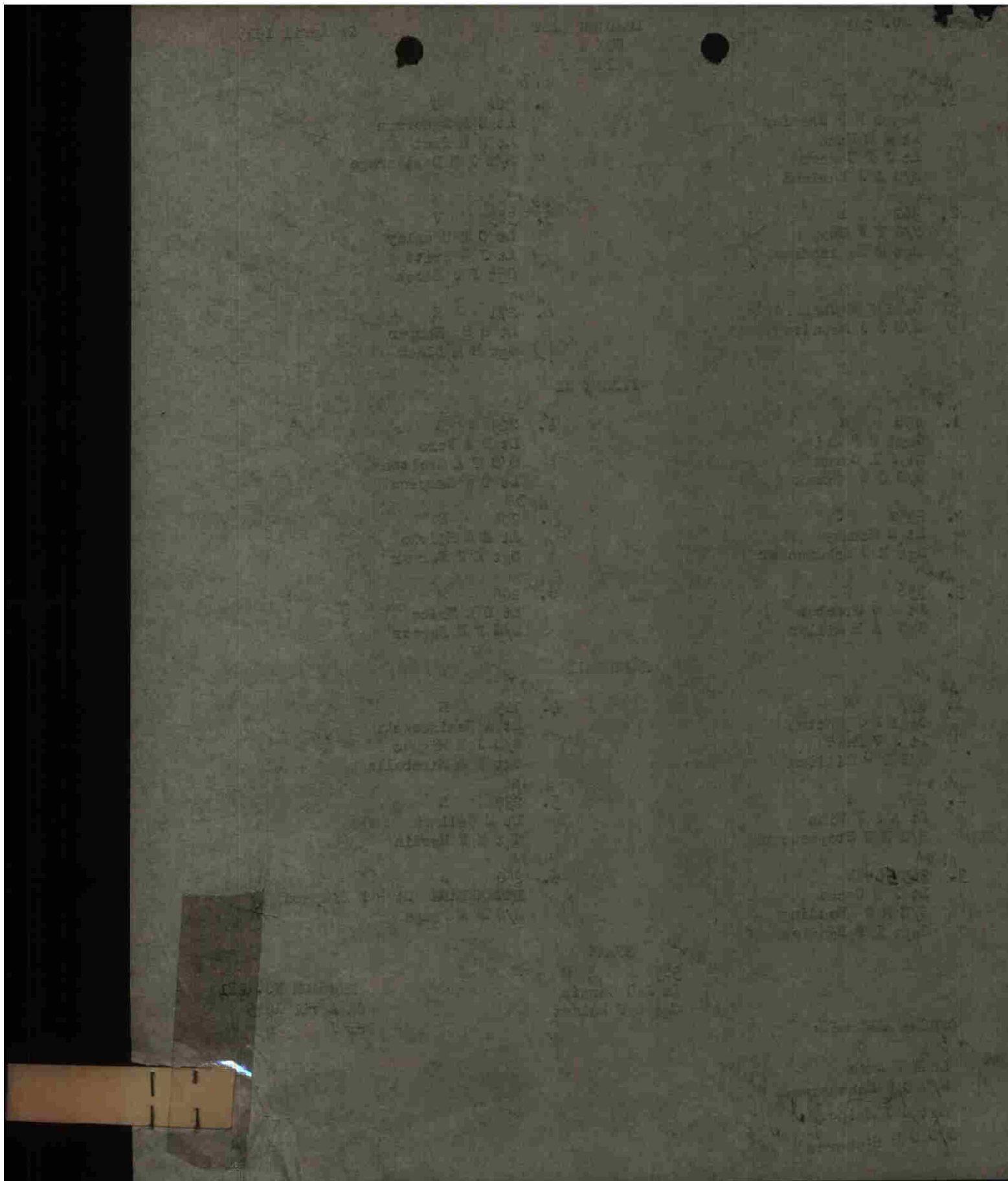
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385 D  
Lt J C Curtis  
Sgt O F Mulzet

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CAMERA AIRCRAFT:

*43-22*  
481 G  
Lt W H Ames  
W/O C E Schenckman  
Sgt C J Snider  
S/S D B Richards

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LOADING LIST  
BOX II  
FLIGHT I

24 April 1945

<sup>43-22</sup>  
1. 487 J  
Lt J E Blomgren ✓  
Lt G G Johnson ✓  
S/S L R Fleming ✓

<sup>41-39</sup>  
2. 338 O  
Lt E C Martin ✓  
S/S L B Draft ✓

<sup>43-22</sup>  
3. 394 G  
Lt F G Dunn ✓  
Sgt L C Stein ✓

<sup>41-39</sup>  
4. 252 D  
Lt J F Allen ✓  
S/S C W Veazey ✓

<sup>41-39</sup>  
5. 229 B  
Lt A W Depner ✓  
S/S G E Reiter ✓

<sup>41-3</sup>  
6. 9315 F  
Lt L E Poundstone ✓  
Sgt W R Sumner ✓

FLIGHT II

<sup>43-22</sup>  
1. 528 T  
Lt M Errotabere ✓  
Lt M F Wilbur ✓  
S/S P R Lynch ✓

<sup>43-22</sup>  
2. 2315 L  
Lt R Ford ✓  
Sgt D J Murro ✓

<sup>41-39</sup>  
3. 233 F  
Lt W Musgrove ✓  
S/S H C Seighman ✓

<sup>43-22</sup>  
4. 320 S  
Lt W R Heinke ✓  
S/S W L Kidd ✓

<sup>41-39</sup>  
5. 224 E  
Major H F Conant ✓  
S/S A P Sgroi ✓

<sup>41-39</sup>  
6. 232 N  
Lt A G Henson ✓  
Sgt R M Homler ✓

FLIGHT III

<sup>43-22</sup>  
1. 505 Y  
Lt O F Jacobsen ✓  
F/O R W Harvest ✓  
S/S H I Gooch ✓

<sup>41-3</sup>  
2. 9352 J  
Lt W H Roberts ✓  
S/S D H Bentzler ✓

<sup>43-22</sup>  
3. 321 T  
Lt J H Carver ✓  
S/S A B Stewart ✓  
Maj. L R Blackhurst (1st AF)

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4. 389 X  
Lt J P Phillips ✓  
S/S W F Fuehrer ✓

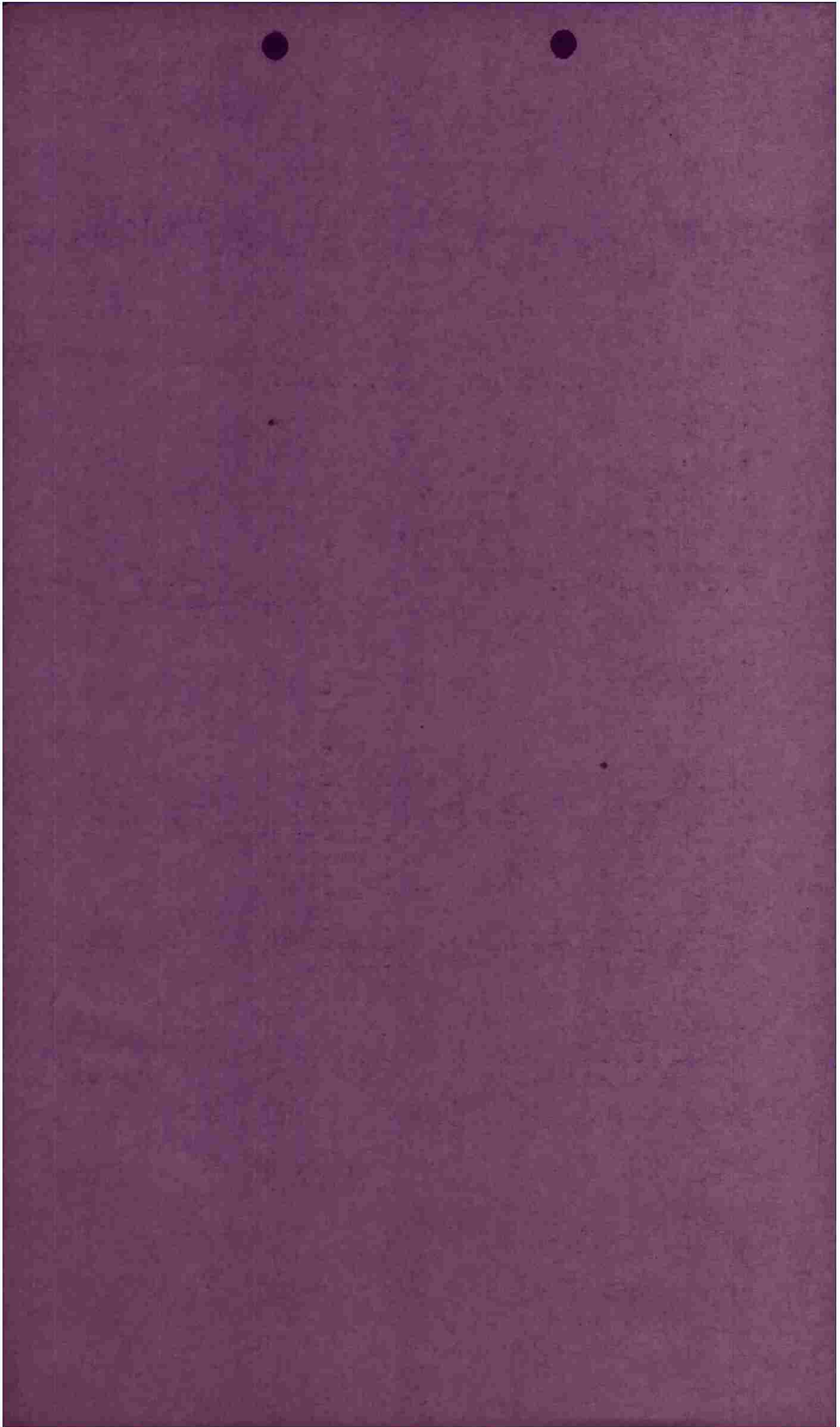
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5. 259 H  
Lt A S Nathanson ✓  
S/S C M Hicks ✓

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6. 188 R  
Lt G J Parkhurst ✓  
Sgt F Newman ✓

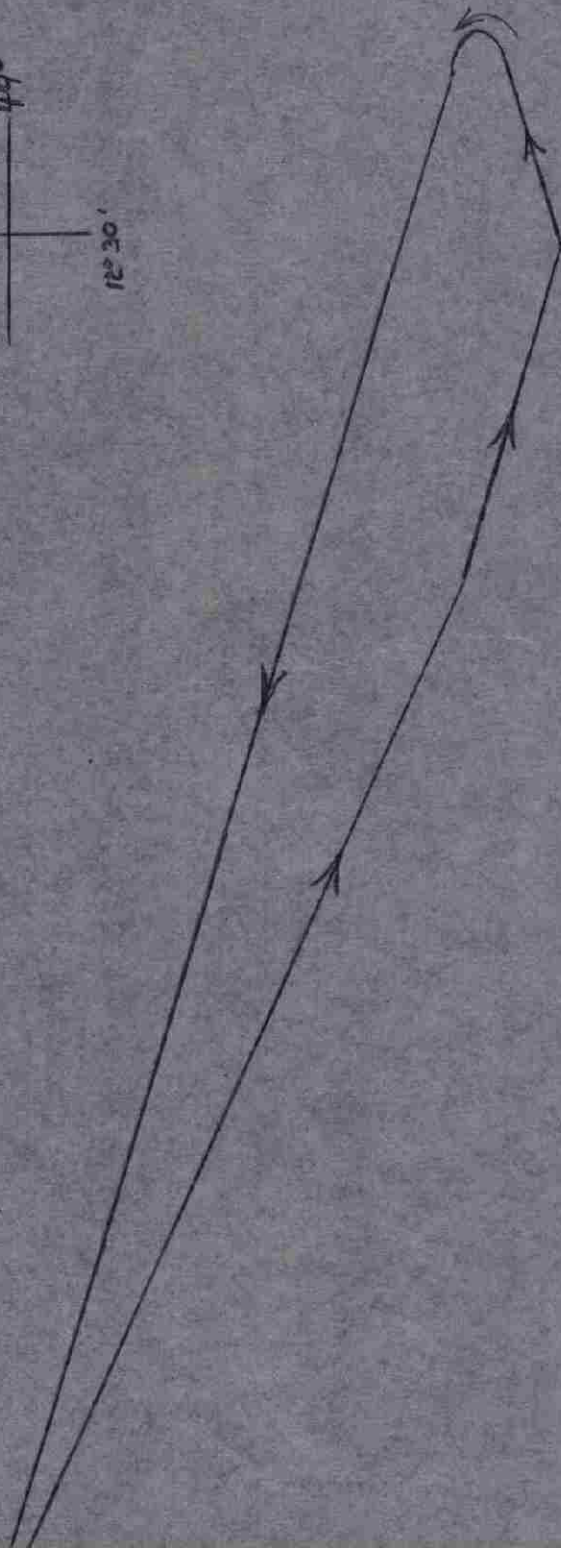
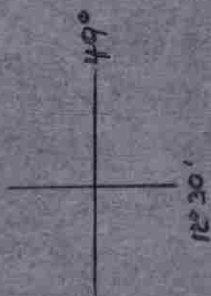
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274 S  
Lt R H Long ✓  
S/S C J McCarthy ✓

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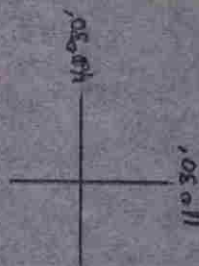




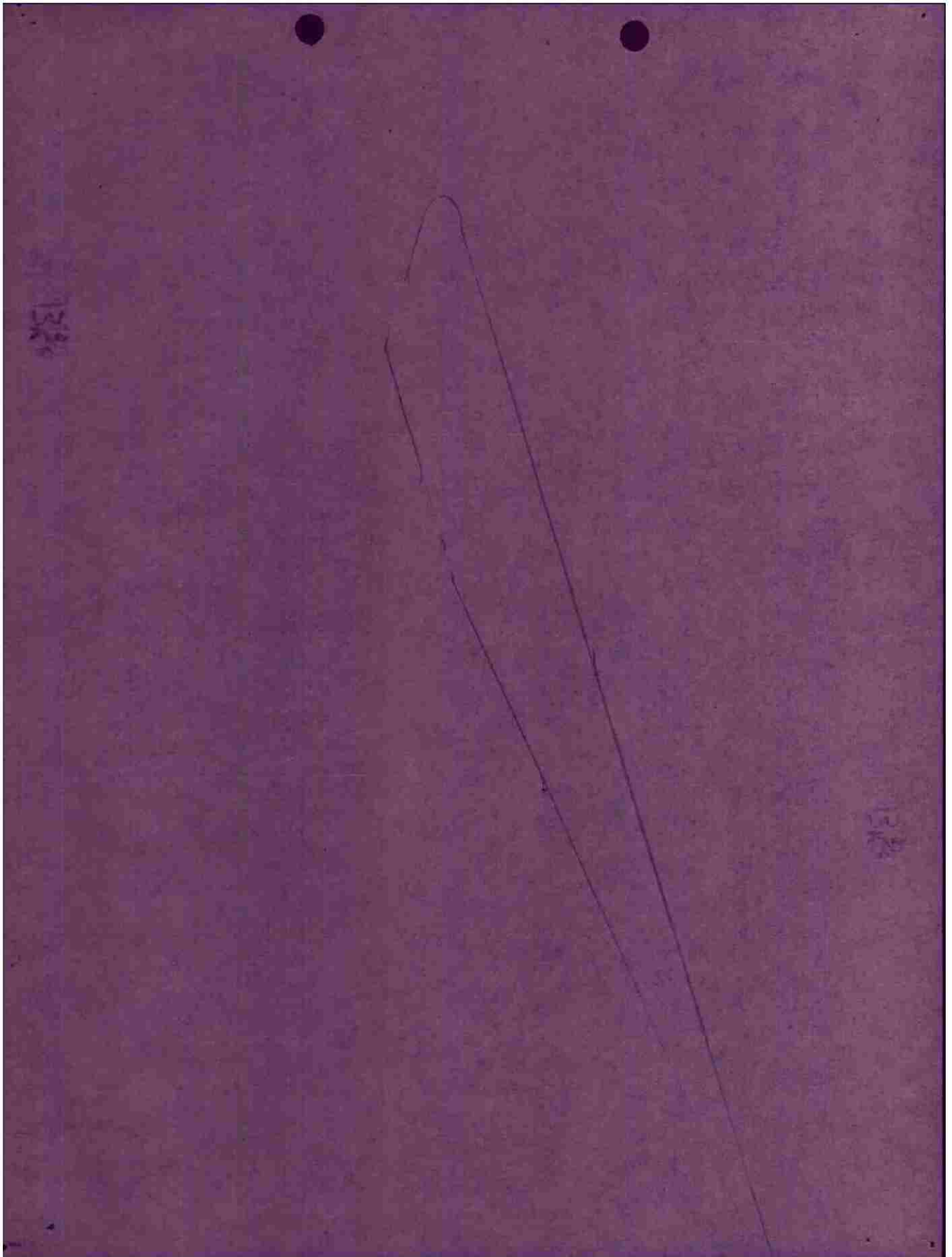
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416 BOMB GROVE (L)
24 APRIL 1945
TARGET: LANDAW A/F
No. WINDOW 1/560
No. FLAK
TOT: 1552-1557 (2 RUNS)
ALTITUDE: 13800
WEATHER: 10/10
F.O. 268-871



SECRET



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FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M) (INFO COPY)  
97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) (INFO COPY)  
COMMANDING OFFICER, FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON (PROV.)

416BG P \_\_\_\_\_ E CONFIDENTIAL 24 APRIL 1945 1900

FIRST SHORAN LEAD EXCELLENT, SECOND SHORAN SPEEDS ERRATIC BUT LEAD GOOD OTHERWISE.  
MISSION ABANDONED DUE TO SHORAN EQUIPMENT FAILURE. GROUP EQUIPMENT ALSO FAILED  
DUE TO EXTREME RANGE.

AYLESWORTH COBOLGR 416

I certify that this is official business:

EDWARD L. MILLER,  
Capt., Air Corps.

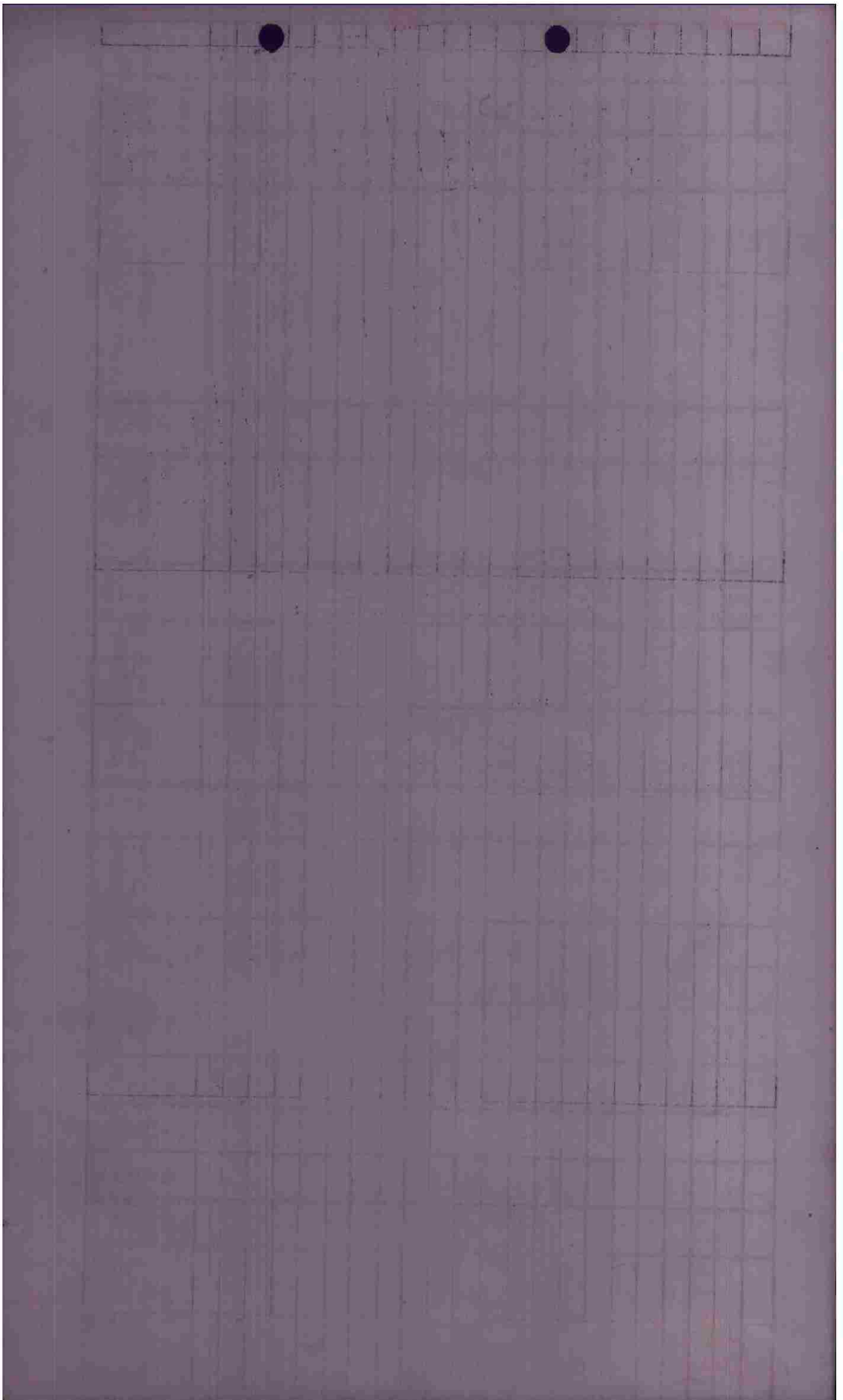
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*Box I*

*24 April 1945*

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B	N	609	Shapiro			1331	1753	4:25									
B	Y	362	Dworkin			1334	1754	4:25									
B	M	393	Shapiro			1337	1753	4:25									
B	T	304	Anderson			1332	1754	4:25									
B	V	383	Hamberg			1332	1756	4:25									
B	R	271	Hartley			1333	1755	4:25									
B	R	498	Park			1333	1757	4:25									
A	R	252	Boasberg			1334	1758	4:25									
A	J	356	Brachuk			1334	1759	4:25									
C	C	223	Zoro			1334	1758	4:25									
C	B	286	Winko			1335	1759	4:25									
C	D	205	Price			1335	1759	4:25									
A	E	497	Hutton			1335	1800	4:25									
●	T	297	Werner			1335	1800	4:25									
●	V	564	Bocher			1413	1759	9:55									
A	B	313	Penningshaki			1336	1801	4:25									
A	N	239	Walsham			1337	1802	4:25									
A	A	250	Leinbaum			1337	1800	4:25									
A	D	385	Quintus			1337	1801	4:25									
A	C	484	Ames			1343											

*General Amerys*  
*Shapiro*  
*Carley*

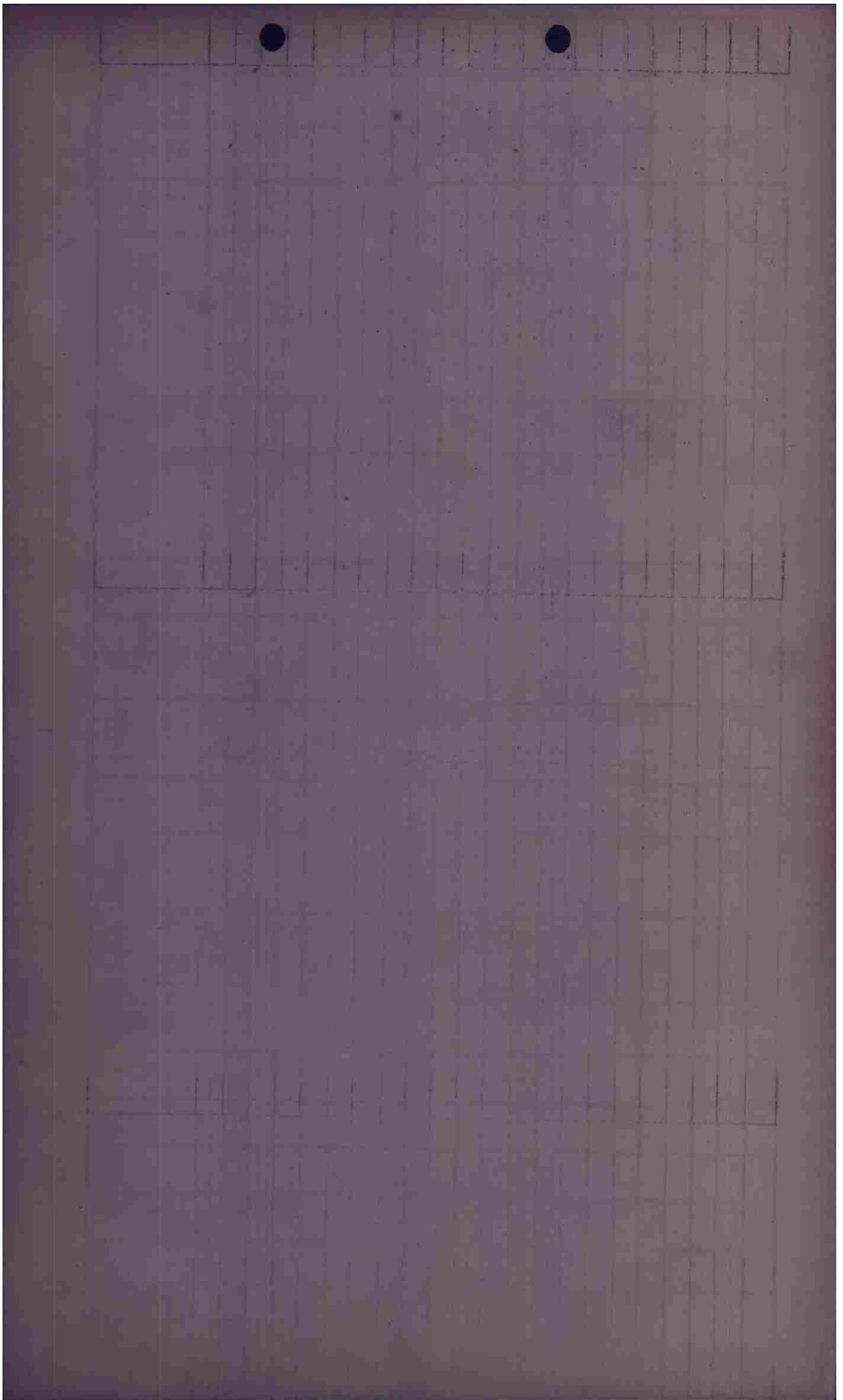


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*Part II*

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B	J	487	Blomgren			1338	1802	4:25									
B	O	338	North			1338	1803	4:25									
B	G	334	Sumner			1338	1803	4:25									
B	D	352	Allen			1339	1804	4:25									
B	B	229	Sturven			1339	1805	4:30									
C	F	9315	Stundolone			1339	1805	4:30									
C	T	528	Studolone			1339	1806	4:30									
C	L	2315	East			1340	1806	4:30									
A	F	233	McGregor			1340	1806	4:30									
C	S	320	Heidke			1340	1807	4:30									
C	E	224	Conant			1341	1807	4:30									
C	N	232	Heenan			1341	1807	4:30									
A	Y	505	McCook			1341	1808	4:30									
●	J	9352	Roberts			1341	1809	4:30									
A	T	321	Carver			1341	1808	4:30									
A	X	389	Thuriga			1342	1810	4:30									
A	H	259	McKoy			1342	1749	4:10									
A	R	188	Parkhurst			1343	1810	4:30									
A	S	274	Lang			1343	1811	4:30									



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FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 23/2230B  
 TO COMBOMDIV IX  
 COBOMGP 409  
 COBOMGP 410  
 COBOMGP 416  
 1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQDN.  
 643RD PATHFINDER SQDN.

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING  
 A P O 140  
 23 APRIL 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 268-871

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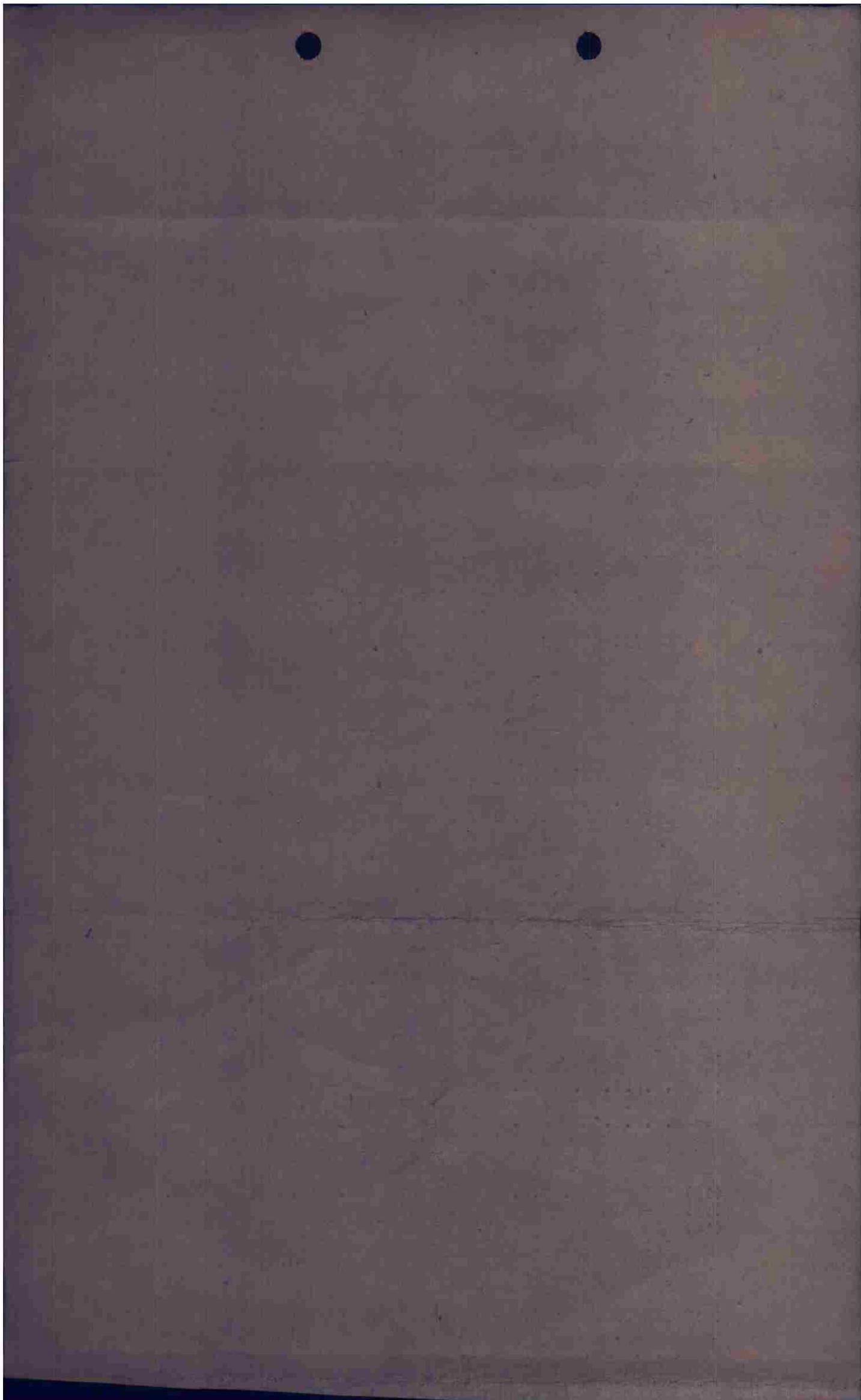
1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMBLINE.  
 (2) THE IX T.A.C. WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 410TH BOMB GROUP. THE XXIX T.A.C. WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 409TH AND 416TH BOMB GROUPS.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY.

ZERO HOUR: PLAN "A" - 24/1200B  
 ZERO HOUR: PLAN "B" - 24/1200B

---PLAN "A" VISUAL---

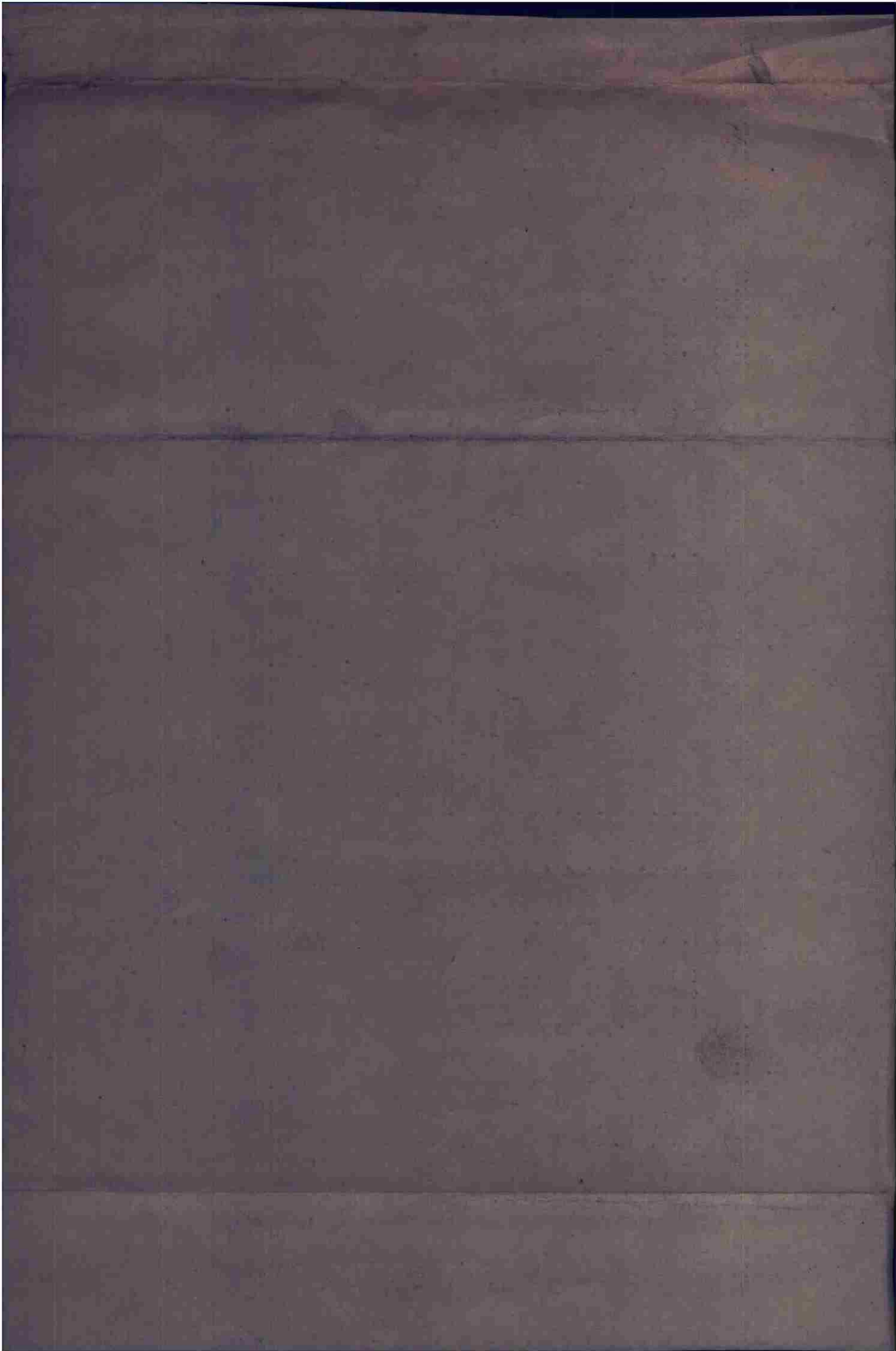
3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.
  - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT M-6642 AT 6,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 30 MIN. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE GREEN FLARES.
  - (9) M.P.I. ILL. 3AIR/34A/2. POSTHOLE AREA BOUNDED BY THE FOLLOWING REF. 034037, 053037, 055024, 035019. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 70 FEET.
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.
  - (1) SCHROBENHAUSEN POL STORAGE AREA WT-571022.
  - (2) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
  - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT R-5398 AT 6,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR. FLIGHT LEADERS FIRE RED FLARES.
  - (4) BASE TO R-5398 TO WT-3652 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
  - (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. TO S-0961 TO BASE.
  - (6) BOMB 9,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUDS DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 4,000 FEET ABOVE THE TERRAIN.
  - (7) WT-7125
  - (8) GENERALLY NE TO SW
  - (9) D.M.P.I. G.S.G.S. 4416 SHEET NO. W-5. AREA BOUNDED BY COORD. 568026, 574026, 573020, 568019. D.M.P.I.'S COORD. 57050215, 57050237. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL SALVO BOMBS, REMAINDER OF FLIGHT WILL TOGGLE 1ST BOMB ON FLIGHT LEADER AND REMAINDER OF BOMBS AT 1/2 SECOND INTERVALS.
  - (10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
  - (11) WT-2418
  - (12) GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
    - (A) PRIMARY VISUALLY
    - (B) PRIMARY ON "GEE" OR RETURN BOMBS TO BASE.
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP
  - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT M-6642 AT 6,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 10 MIN. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE RED FLARES.
  - (9) M.P.I. ILL. 3AIR/34A/2. POSTHOLE AREA BOUNDED BY FOLLOWING REF. 017021, 014036, 034037, 035019. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 70 FEET.



- X. (1) TO (3) NO CHANGE.  
 (4) EMERGENCY SHORT FIELDS FOR REFUELING: A-64, Y-64.  
 EMERGENCY LANDING STRIPS: Y-78, Y-79 FOR THE 409 AND 416 GROUPS.  
 (5) TARGET: LANDAU AIRFIELD WU-642257  
 (6) A/C REQ: MAXIMUM EFFORT BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.  
 (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO M-6642 TO WT-3652 TO NY-9686 TO WZ-5588 TO I.P. TO TARGET.  
 (8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. TO WT-3652 TO M-6642 TO BASE.  
 (9) ALTITUDES: BOMB 9,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUDS DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 4,000 FEET ABOVE THE TERRAIN. LOSE 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.  
 (10) I.P.: WU-7004  
 (11) AXIS OF ATTACK: GENERALLY S TO N  
 (12) BOMBLOAD AND FUSING: 22 X 100 LB. G.P. FUSED: 1/40 SEC. TAIL ONLY.  
 (13) R.P.: WU-2827  
 (14) GROUPS WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:  
 (A) PRIMARY VISUALLY  
 (B) PRIMARY ON "GEE" OR RETURN BOMBS TO BASE.

---PLAN "B" PATHFINDER---

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.  
 (2) 2 BOXES OF 15 A/C BOMBING ON 2 SHORAN A/C.  
 (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT M-6642 AT 9,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 20 MIN. FLIGHT LEADERS FIRE GREEN FLARES.  
 (9) M.P.I. ILL. 3AIR/34A/2. POSTHOLE AREA BOUNDED BY THE FOLLOWING REF. 034037, 053037, 055024, 035019 IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. SHORAN M.P.I. REF. 044029 INTERVALOMETER SETTING 70 FEET.
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP  
 (1) SCHROBENHAUSEN POL STORAGE AREA WT-571022.  
 (2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 2 P.P.F. A/C  
 (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT R-5398 AT 9,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR MINUS 45 MIN. FIRING RED FLARES.  
 (4) BASE TO R-5398 TO WT-6353 AT WT-9346 TO TARGET.  
 (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO WT-2418 TO S-0961 TO BASE.  
 (6) BOMB 1ST BOX 13,500 FEET, 2ND BOX 13,000 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE FOR VISUAL BOMBING 4,000 FEET ABOVE THE TERRAIN.  
 (9) D.M.P.I. G.S.G.S. 4416. SHEET W-5. AREA BOUNDED BY COORD. 568026, 574026, 573020, 568019. COVER THE D.M.P.I.'S 57050215, 57050237 IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. P.P.F. D.M.P.I. 1ST BOX 57050237, 2ND BOX 57050215. A-20'S WILL DROP THEIR 1ST BOMB ON THE P.P.F. A/C THEN TOGGLE REMAINDER AT 1/2 SEC. INTERVAL.  
 (10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.  
 (12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR.  
 (13) GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:  
 (A) PRIMARY ON P.P.F. A/C  
 (B) PRIMRY VISUALLY  
 (C) PRIMARY GROUP "GEE" OR REUTURN BOMBS TO BASE.  
 (14) VISUAL I.P. WILL BE WT-7125
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP  
 (2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 2 SHORAN A/C.  
 (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT M-6642 AT 9,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR. FIRE RED FLARES.  
 (9) M.P.I. ILL. 3AIR/34A/2. POSTHOLE AREA BOUNDED BY THE FOLLOWING REF. 017021, 014036, 034037, 035019 IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. SHORAN M.P.I. REF. 027028 INTERVALOMETER SETTING 70 FT.
- X. (1) - (3) NO CHANGE.  
 (4) EMERGENCY SHORT FIELDS OFR REFUELING: A-64, Y-64,  
 EMERGENCY LANDING STRIPS: Y-78, Y-79.  
 FOR 409TH AND 416TH GROUPS ONLY.  
 (5) TARGET LANDAU AIRFIELD WU-642257  
 (6) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO M-6642 TO WT-3652 TO WU-2919 TO WU-4814



- (7) ROUTE BACK: TARGET LEFT TO WT-3652 TO BASE.
- (8) ALTITUDES: BOMB 1ST BOX 13,500 FEET. 2ND BOX 13,000 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE FOR VISUAL BOMBING 4,000 FEET ABOVE THE TERRAIN. DROP 2,000 FT. AFTER BOMBING
- (9) BOMB LOAD AND FUSING: 22 X 100 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/40 SEC. TAIL ONLY.
- (12) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET, BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-26 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE SHORAN A/C OR NOT. IF BOMBING IS VISUAL GROUPS WILL BOMB BY (A) FLIGHTS (B) BOXES AND USE WU-7004 AS A VISUAL I.P. IF VISUAL CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST GROUPS WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
  - (A) PRIMARY ON SHORAN A/C.
  - (B) PRIMARY ON GROUP "GEE" OR RETURN BOMBS TO BASE.

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

PLAN "A" OR "B"

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (642257)

- (2) MUSKRAT
- (3) POKER
- (4) BABY

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP (571022)

- (2) BREWER
- (3) SHOWDOWN
- (4) BABY

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (642257)

- (2) LANDGIRL
- (3) JUDITH
- (4) BABY

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BT 2230B

CC: PLAN "B" PAR. X. (4) WA FIELDS "FOR" RPT "FOR"

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JW AR

JPO R.....24/0005B

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JKI R.....24/0005B

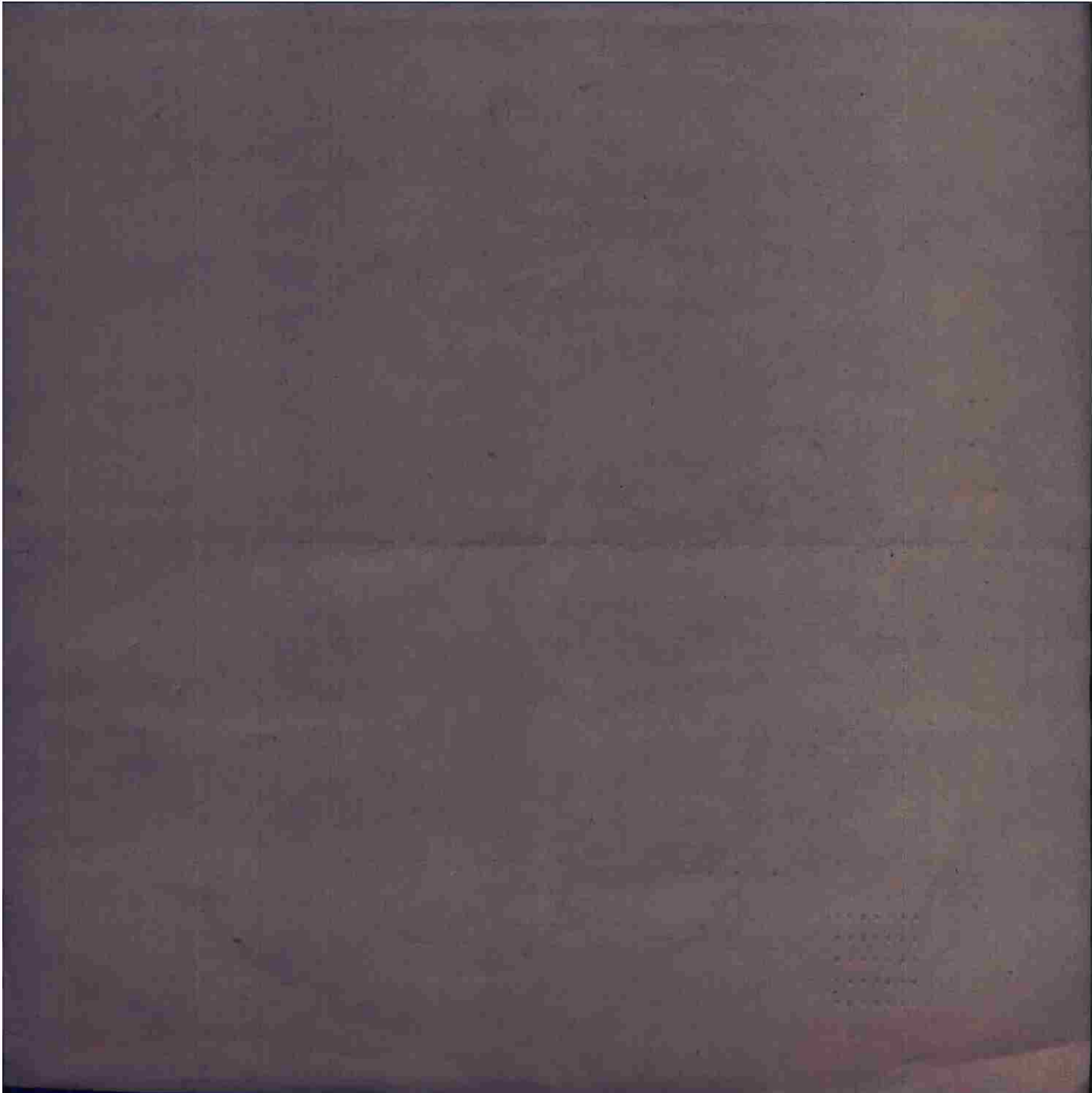
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FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 24/0800B  
TO : IX BOMB DIV.  
COBOMGPS 409, 410, 416  
1ST PPF SQDN.  
643RD PPF SQDN.

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING  
A P O 140  
24 APRIL 1945

P-207-E

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ANNEX NO. 1 TO F.O. 268-371

CHANGE THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS ON PLAN "A" TO READ:

3. B. (4) BASE TO R-5398 TO S-7329 TO IP TO TARGET.  
(5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO RP TO S-7329 TO S-0961 TO BASE.  
(7) T-3416.  
(8) GEN. N W TO S E.  
(11) T-3416.

ADD: TO PARAGRAPH 3. B. (6) ON PLAN "A". DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.

CHANGE THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH ON PLAN "B" TO READ:

3. B. (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT R-5398 AT 9,000 FEET AT ZERO MINUS 47 MIN.  
FLIGHT LEADERS FIRE RED FLARES.

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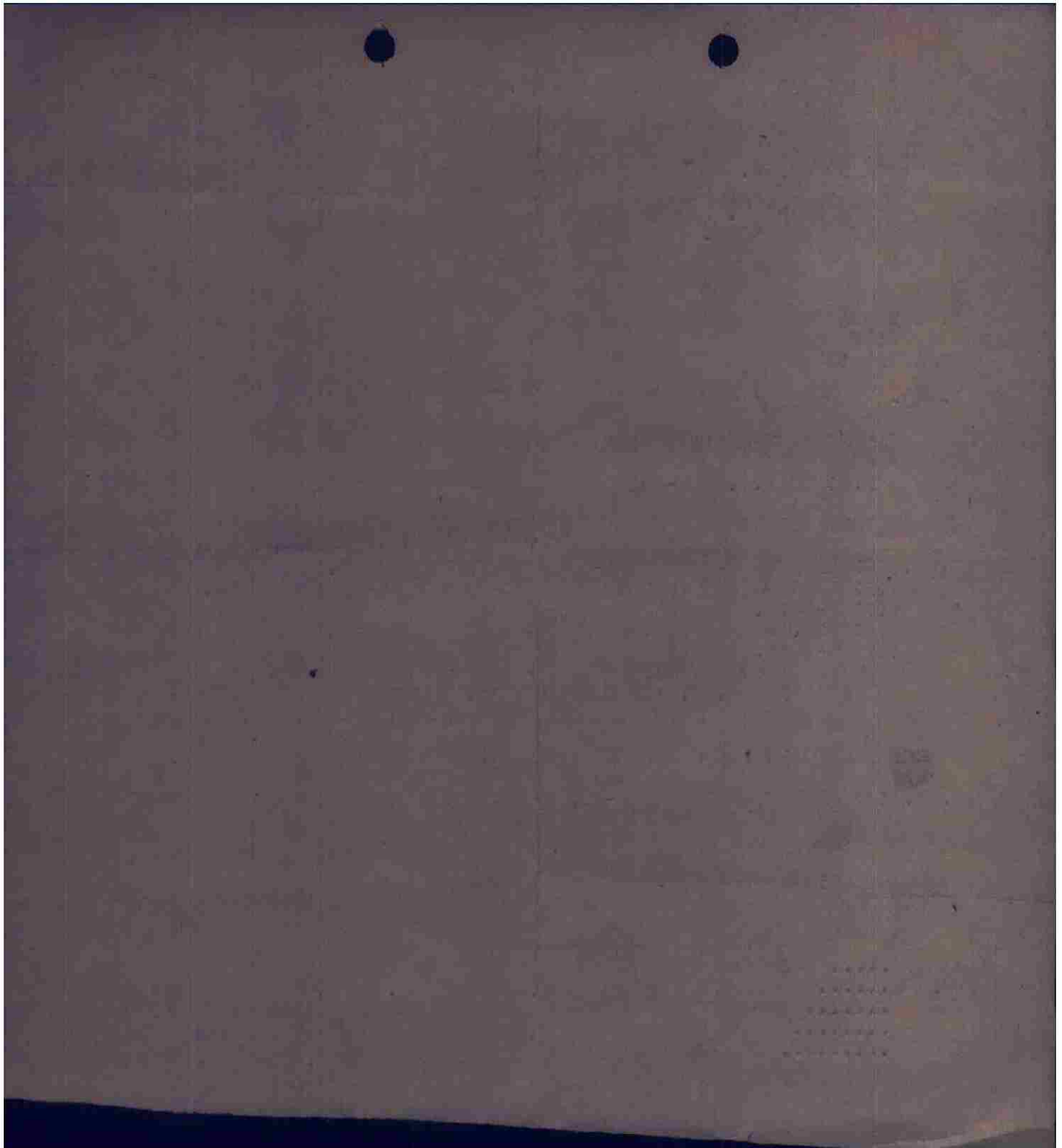
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ITA R ..... 240835B DEG AR  
JPE R ..... 240535B IDR AR  
JES R ..... 24/0835B JNB AR  
JKI R ..... 240835B WJF AR K  
JPO R ..... 240835B LB AR

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ITA JJF JPE JES JKI JPO V JEA JEA 05/24 OP OP  
T (ITA T JJF)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 24/0917B  
TO : COMBOMDIV NINE  
COBOMGPS 409, 410, 416  
1ST PPF SQDN.  
643RD PPF SQDN.

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING  
A P O 140  
24 APRIL 1945

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SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: COL. MC AFEE

ANNEX NO. 2 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 268-871

CANCEL PLAN "A". PLAN "B" IN EFFECT WITH ZERO HOUR TO READ:  
24/1500B

IN PLAN "B" AMMEND PAR. 3. B. (3) TO READ:  
3. B. (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT R-5398 AT 9,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR MINUS 48  
MINUTES FIRING RED FLARES.

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ITA R ..... 241015B MB AR PLSE CLR

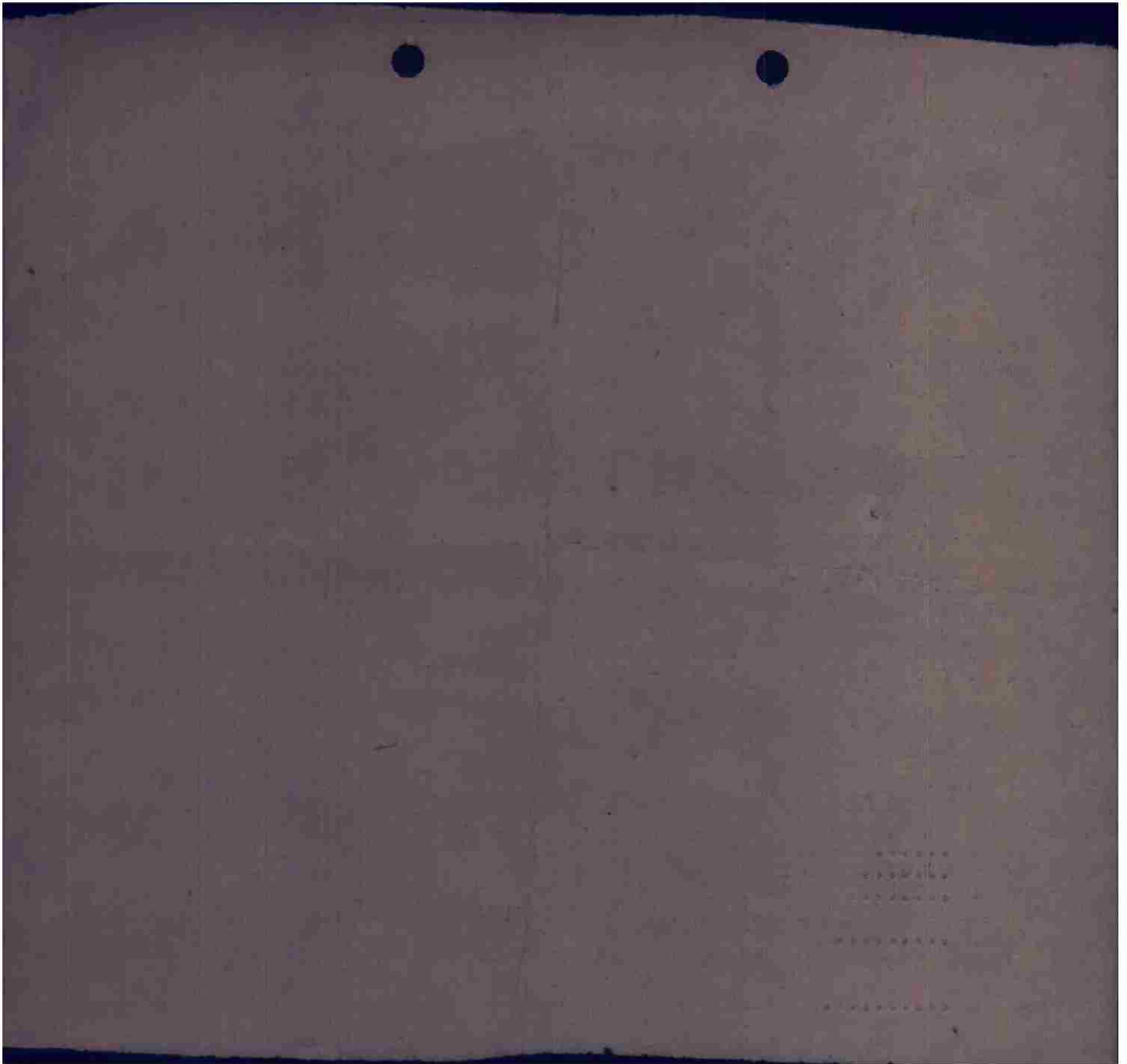
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JPO R ..... 24/1015B SL KKK

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ITA JES JKI JPE V JEA JEA 16/23 OP - OP

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 162300B  
TO : IX BOMB DIV.  
409TH BOMB GROUP.  
466TH BOMB GROUP.  
643RD P.P.F. SQDN.

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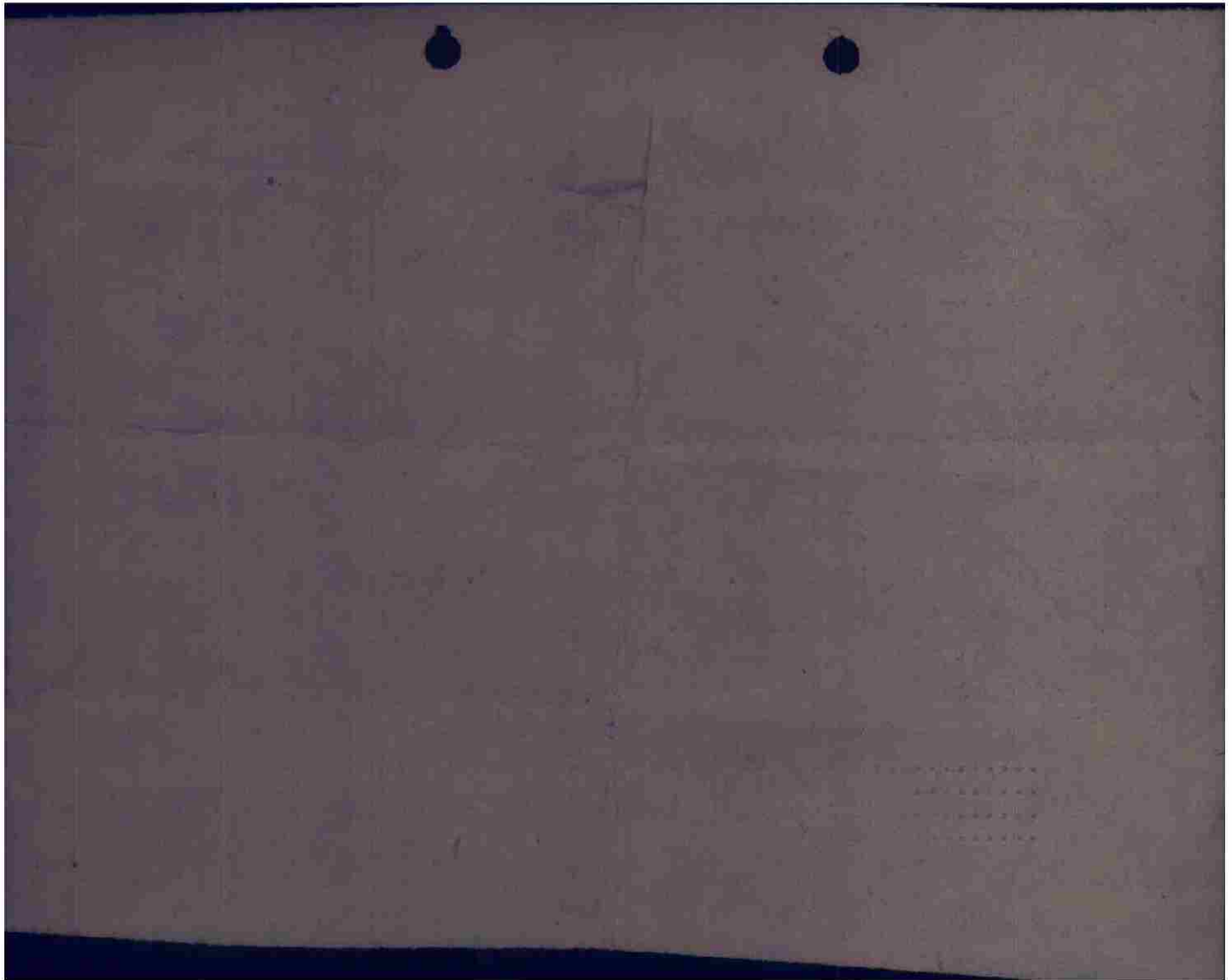
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BT ~~16~~ 232300B  
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ITA R.....232318B AL BBB TO JES  
JES R.....23/2318B JW K  
JKI R.....23/2318B DM AR  
JPE R.....H...23/2318(7B IDR AR

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24/1427D  
1/10/00*

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JEA V JKI JKI 07/24 OP OP

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 24/1423B  
TO : 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING  
BT

SECRET 416TH BG P-432-D PD THE FOLLOWING AIMING POINTS WILL BE USED  
IF BOMBING IS BY FLIGHTS VISUALLY:

ILLUSTRATION NO. 3/AIR/34A/1

- 03100400
- 03360309
- 03690330
- 04050300
- 03750410
- 03400440

THE FOLLOWING AIMING POINTS WILL BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY  
BOXES:

- 03360309 BOX 1
- 03750410 BOX 2

M. B. SHERIDAN,  
CAPT, A.C.

AYLESWORTH COMBGR 416  
DT 24/1423B  
EU AR AR

JEA R.....24/1427D SS AR

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ITA JEA V JKI JKI 14/24 OP OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 24/1908B

TO CG, 9TH BOMB DIVISION ATT: A-2  
CG, 97TH COMBAT WING ATT: A-2

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SECRET 416BG P-440-D OPFLASH FOR 24 APRIL 1945

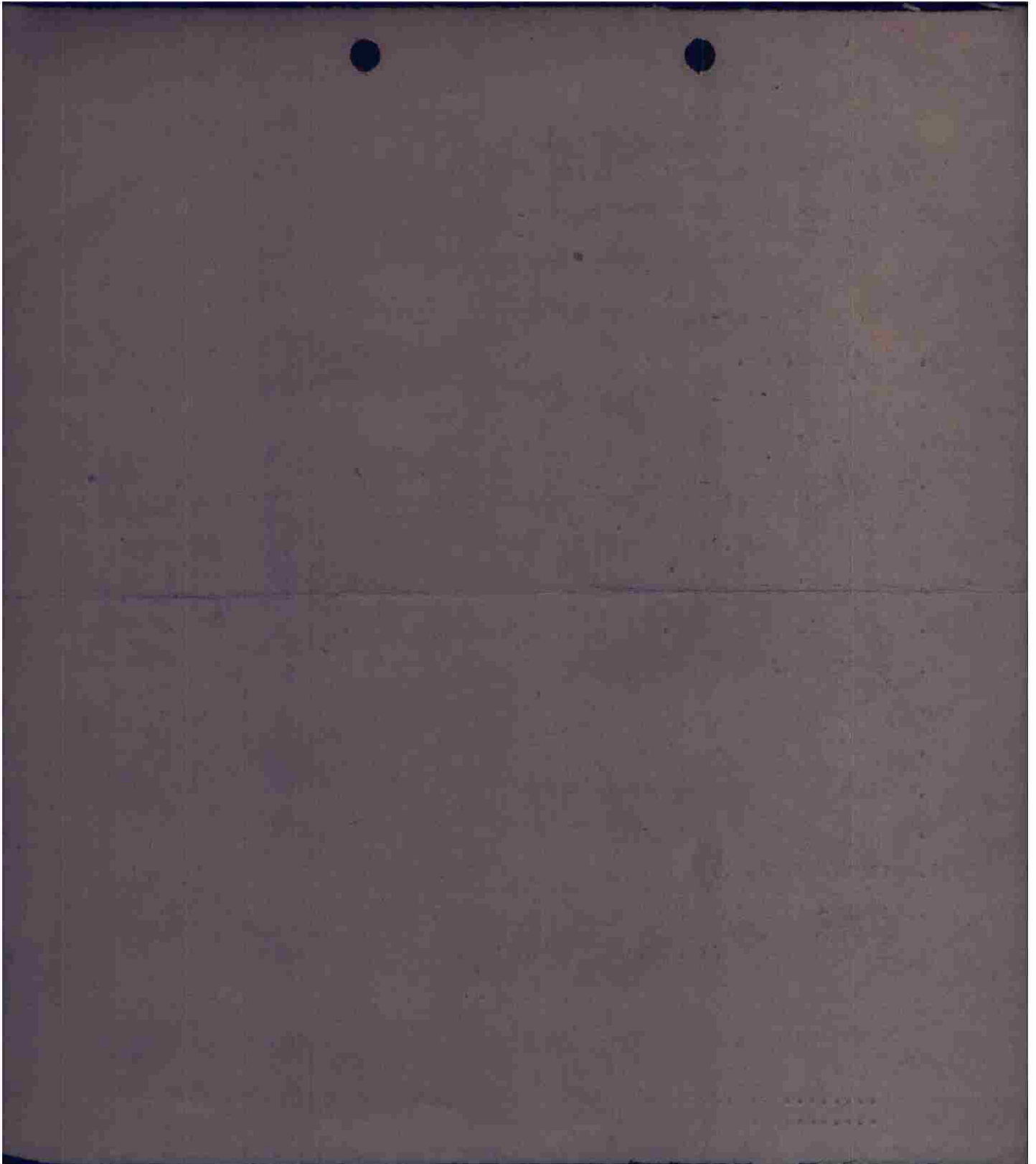
- A. 416 BOMB. GP.
- B. LANDAU A/F (WU-642257)
- C. 38 A-26'S
- D. NONE (NO ATTACK-OPERATIONS ABANDONED AFTER MAKING TWO RUNS. EQUIP-  
MENT FAILED TO FUNCTION FOR SHORAN. GEE SIGNALS FADED TO NON-  
FUNCTIONAL POINT. 10/10 CLOUD IN TARGET AREA PREVENTED VISUAL  
BOMBING.)
- E. 38 A-26'S - NO ATTACK.
- F. 836 X 100 RETURNED.
- G. NO ATTACK.
- H. NIL
- I. NIL
- J. NIL
- K. NIL
- L. 13,800 (BOX I.)
- M. 1552 - 1559 (2RUNS)  
ABANDONED OPERATIONS AFTER COMPLETING TWO RUNS ON TARGET WITHOUT  
BEING ABLE TO ATTACK. SEE PARA, "D".

HAROLD W. ANDERSON CAPTAIN AC.

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WFG BBBB

ITA R.....24/2037B RJS KKK  
JEA R.....24/2037B LCB KKK

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ITA JEA JJK JES JKI V JPE JPE 6/24 R - R  
T JJK (JGA - JKM)

FROM PATHFINDER OPNS 409TH BOMB GP 24/2200B  
TO COMBOMDIV NINE ATTN: MAJ. WILLIAMS  
INFO CG 97TH WIG  
CG 99TH WIG  
409BOMB GP  
386 BOMB GP  
391 BOMB GP  
416 BOMB GP

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BT

SECRET 409BG S. S. P-8872-E

409TH PATHFINDER (SHORAN) WITH 386TH BOMB GP.

1. CREWS - ORTENBURGER, CHESURE
2. BOTH BOXES RELEASED ON SECOND BOX LEADER BY USE OF SHORAN AND GEE
3. BOMBS RELEASED AT 1627
4. RATE SIGNAL FADED ON APPROACH. BOMBARDIER USED DRIFT SIGNAL FOR COURSE AND GEE FOR RATE.
5. FIRST BOX UNABLE TO USE EITHER EQUIPMENT - PATHFINDER RELINQUISHED LEAD, AND GROUP LEADER RELEASED ON SECOND BOX.

409TH PATHFINDER (SHORAN) WITH 391ST BOMB GP

1. CREWS - MARTIN, ARMSTRONG
2. GROUP BOMBED ON ETA AND NORDEN
3. BOMBS RELEASED 1651 & 1653
4. RATE AND DRIFT SIGNALS FADED FROM IP TO TARGET, INDICATING SHADOW EFFECT IN THAT AREA.
5. FIRST BOX BOMBED ETA ON PATHFINDER; SECOND BOX WAS ABLE TO BOMB VISUALLY THROUGH BREAK IN CLOUD DECK.

409TH PATHFINDER (SHORAN) WITH 409TH BOMB GP

1. CREWS - CONNICK, CROSS
2. GROUP BOMBED ON GEE
3. BOMBS RELEASED 1639 & 1610
4. RATE AND DRIFT SIGNALS FADED AT EX TARGET
5. GROUP BOXES BOMBED ON GEE

409TH PATHFINDER (SHORAN) WITH 416TH BOMB GP

1. CREWS - MIDDLEBROOKS, MURPHY
2. OPS INCOMPLETE
3. NO RELEASE
4. SIGNALS RECEIVED SATISFACTORY UP TO THE IP, BUT FADED OUT FROM THERE ON TO TARGET. PATHFINDER TRIED TWO PASSES
5. GROUP ABORTIVE - BOTH GROUP AND PATHFINDER GEE INOPERATIVE

COMBOMGR 409 PATHFINDER OPNS

BT 24/2200B

MG AS AS AR K

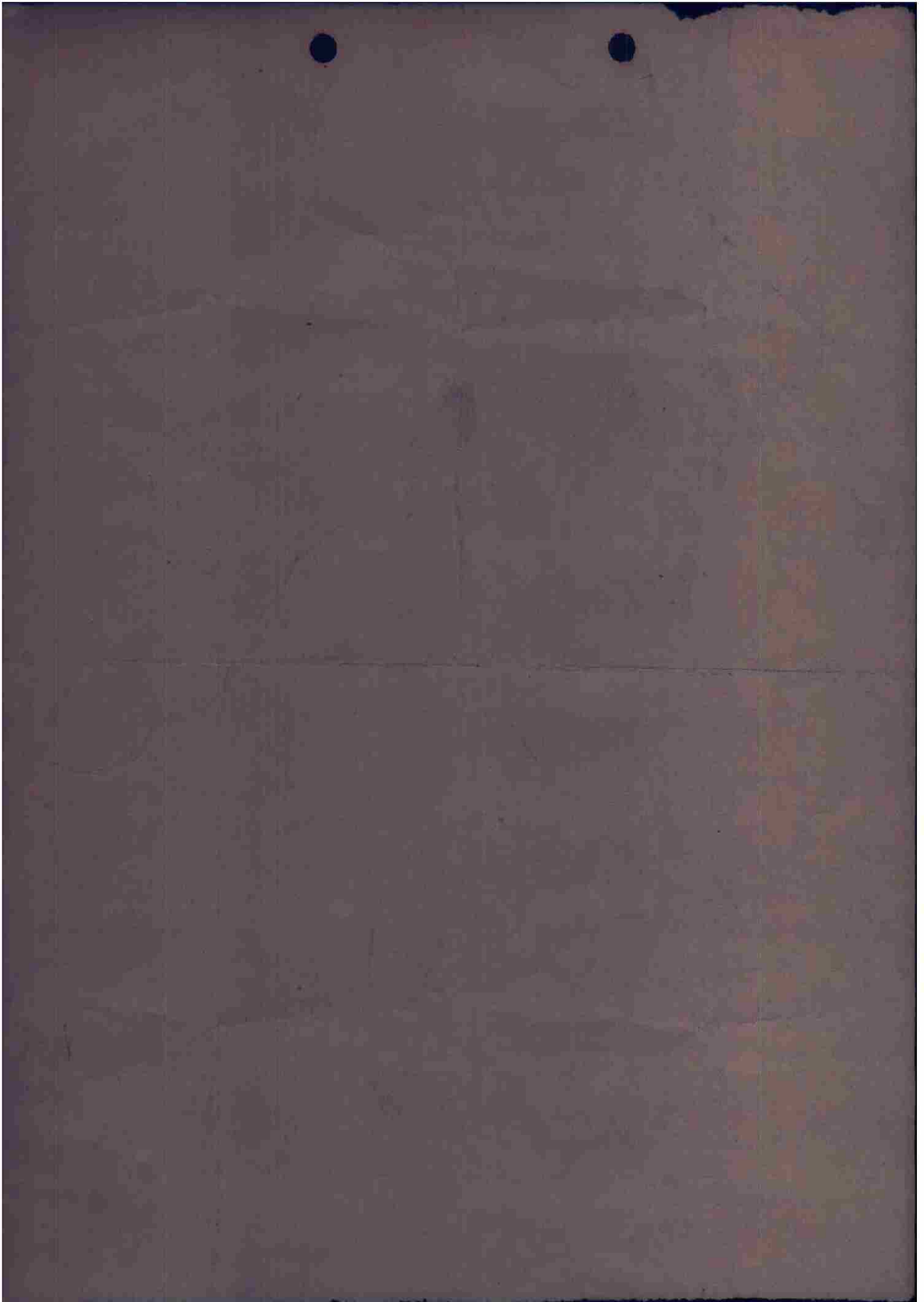
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JEA R.....25/0710B DB AR

JJK R.....25/0710B GC AR

JES R.....25/0710B DC K

JKI R.....25/0710B FD AR



ITA JEA V JRI JRI 12/24 P P

FROM COBONGR 416 24/1859B

TO COMBONDIV NINE ATT: SIGNAL OFFICER  
COMBETWIG D7 (INFO)

BT

CONFIDENTIAL 416DG P-439-J

A - VS -188

B - 24 APRIL 1945 ( 133 - 1738)

C - N-NAN REPORTED "OPS ABANDONED" FOR BOTH BOXES.

D - N-NAN CHECKED IN TO F.G.C. ACCORDING TO SOP.

E - NONE

F - NONE

G - NONE

H - NONE

I - NONE

J - NONE

K - NONE

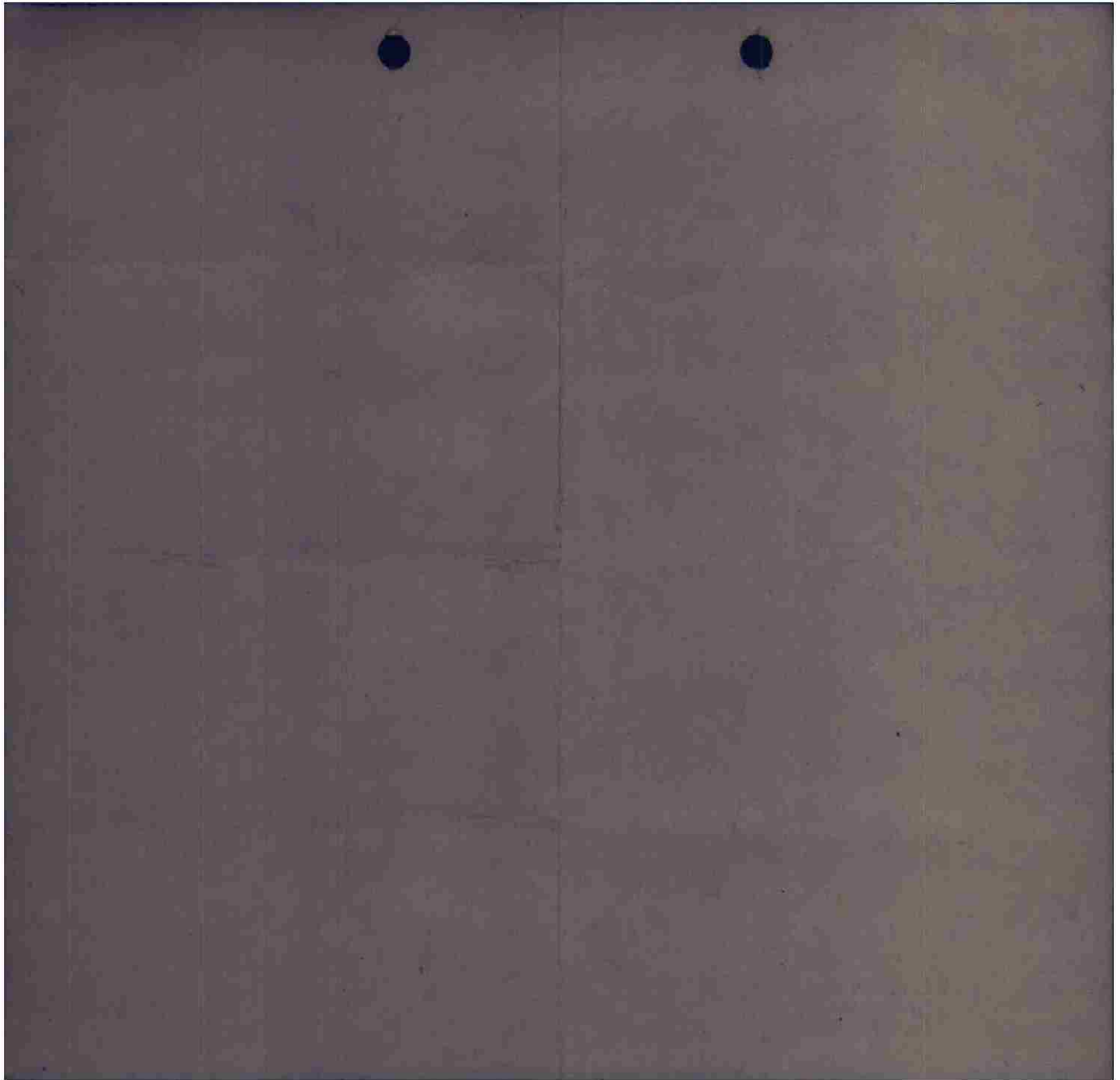
AYLESWORTH COBONGR 416

BT 1859B  
WFG 8888 TO ITA

ITA R.....24/2839B PJS BB JEA

JEA R...../24/2839B SS WXXXX

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