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MISSIONS

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HEADQUARTERS
 415TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
 Office of the Commanding Officer

AFB 140, U.S. Army,
 6 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Mission Report--Aircraft.

TO : Commanding General, II Bomber Command, AFB 140, U.S. Army.

PART I.

- (1) 7 May 1944-IEE-5-Seen
- (2) 42
- (3) 42

PART II.

None

PART III (1)

None

PART III (2)

None

PART III (3)

42 aircraft returned because of weather.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE COWLEY,
 Captain, Air Corps,
 Adjutant.

#38

MISSION NO. 38

LOADING LIST

7 MAY 1944

BOX 1
FLIGHT I

1. A/C 914 "X"
Major M. W. Campbell ✓
Lt. W. H. Palin ✓
S/S J. B. Thompson
S/S H. L. Hatch
2. A/C 129 "I"
Lt. H. L. Sommers ✓
Lt. R. J. McQuade ✓
S/S A. E. Bergeron
S/S H. E. Kelton
3. A/C 743 "W"
Lt. W. C. Siggs ✓
Sgt R. W. Nicks
S/S N. Radlich
4. A/C 211 "C"
Lt. T. Boukamp ✓
S/S R. J. Colosimo
S/S J. S. Wing
5. A/C 900 "Q"
Lt. M. S. Street ✓
S/S C. L. Prindle
S/S E. T. Epps
6. A/C 679 "R"
Lt. E. E. Demun ✓
S/S J. F. Kasper
S/S H. E. Boyer

*Loaded
to
mission
loaded*FLIGHT II

1. A/C 717 "N"
Lt. R. J. Morton ✓
S/S M. Rosenstein
S/S H. O. Carney
3. A/C 181 "A"
Lt. E. J. Renth ✓
S/S O. D. LaNave
S/S G. F. Cope
2. A/C 673 "I-1"
Lt. J. S. Connor ✓
S/S A. L. Nielsen
S/S W. E. Fields
4. A/C 951 "P"
Lt. J. D. Adams ✓
Sgt A. J. Ziekus
S/S P. L. Clearman

FLIGHT III

1. A/C 182 "B"
Lt. G. Ebenstein ✓
S/S H. S. Perkins
S/S J. A. Fejes
3. A/C 360 "S"
Lt. R. K. Cruze ✓
S/S E. A. Damico
S/S E. S. Dickenson
2. A/C 362 "L"
Lt. E. B. Kreh ✓
S/S C. H. Yost
S/S R. W. Burch
4. A/C 207 "C"
S/S T. I. Walsh
S/S R. E. Conopask
Lt. J. C. Crispino ✓

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7 MAY 1944

BOX II
FLIGHT I

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1. A/C 640 "Z"
Capt. R. A. Clark ✓
Lt. C. W. Jones ✓
S/S G. L. Coffey
S/S C. L. Webb | 4. A/C 223 "F"
Capt. R. B. Prentiss ✓
S/S B. C. Sieg
S/S J. C. Burkhalter |
| 2. A/C 125 "M"
Major H. A. Radetsky ✓
Lt. M. A. Pape ✓
T/S J. R. L. Tanner
S/S W. C. Russell | 5. A/C 840 "V"
Lt. G. F. Bartmus ✓
S/S E. E. Kelly
S/S W. H. Coe |
| 3. A/C 189 "P"
Lt. R. L. Behlmer ✓
T/S W. J. Kelly
S/S W. G. Ferguson | 6. A/C 379 "G"
Lt. W. E. Downing ✓
S/S V. E. Molver
S/S C. M. Gray |

FLIGHT II

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. A/C 225 "G-1"
Lt. E. T. Platter ✓
S/S K. L. Johnson
S/S J. L. Czech | 2. A/C 221 "F-1"
Lt. W. A. Merchant ✓
S/S C. J. Harp
S/S V. P. Adams |
| 3. A/C 393 "K"
Lt. R. E. Greenley ✓
S/S H. C. Worden
S/S J. J. Rzepka | 4. A/C 493 "V-1"
Lt. R. H. Smith ✓
S/S B. G. Fandre
S/S F. R. Chvatal |

FLIGHT III

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. A/C 211 "M-1"
Lt. L. A. Marzolf ✓
S/S H. E. Wellin
S/S L. G. Kutzer | 2. A/C 937 "B"
Lt. A. R. Durante ✓
S/S H. T. Best
S/S I. R. DeGuisti |
| 3. A/C 165 "H"
Lt. H. D. Andrews ✓
S/S G. M. Cook
S/S E. R. Werley | 4. A/C 220 "E"
Lt. R. D. Perkins ✓
S/S V. N. Sherry
S/S R. H. Linneman |

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BOX III
FLIGHT I

1. A/C 455 "T"
Lt. G. M. McNulty ✓
Lt. F. H. Bursiel ✓
S/S H. E. White
S/S R. F. Addleman

2. A/C 439 "J"
Capt. C. R. Jackson ✓
Lt. A. Maltby ✓
S/S R. K. Riley
S/S A. J. Bonamo

3. A/C 224 "E"
Lt. H. A. Monroe ✓
S/S W. L. Kidd
S/S S. Risko

4. A/C 380 "N"
Lt. W. B. Ostrander ✓
S/S J. E. Wilson
S/S I. Binney

5. A/C 387 "H"
Lt. C. L. McGlohn ✓
S/S J. W. Moran
S/S P. B. Driskill

6. A/C 892 "L"
Capt. Z. R. Moore ✓
S/S H. M. McCleary
S/S S. F. DiNapoli

FLIGHT II

1. A/C 689 "I"
Capt. H. R. Conant ✓
S/S J. E. McCreery
S/S J. E. Orr

3. A/C 745 "I-1"
Lt. R. D. Leshner ✓
S/S L. R. Shaw
S/S R. Bankston

2. A/C 194 "C"
Lt. S. B. Ritchie ✓
S/S C. L. Hibbs
S/S L. M. Daugherty

4. A/C 217 "D"
Lt. W. J. Greene ✓
S/S R. F. Stobert
S/S W. F. Colbert

FLIGHT III

1. A/C 963 "N-1"
Lt. L. J. Siracusa ✓
S/S J. N. Hume
S/S F. E. Brown

3. A/C 195 "D-1"
Lt. B. H. Bradford ✓
S/S R. W. MacDonald
S/S A. A. Hill

2. A/C 893 "P"
Lt. R. D. Poindexter ✓
S/S D. H. Simpson
T/S L. E. Robbins

4. A/C 200 "A"
Lt. J. C. Sewell ✓
S/S F. D. Allred
S/S D. W. Stephens

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : IX BOMBER COMMAND

TO: 97TH COMBAT WING

416 BG M _____ E

CONFIDENTIAL IN THE CLEAR

"J" FORM

CLEARANCE F-4

7 MAY 1944

PREPARED BY MAJOR HAROLD A. RADETSKY

A.

B. 1912

C. HASTINGS

D. BOX I R/T MULLET ONE

671 3 X I P

668 7 W C Q R N I-1 A

668 3 B L S

670 1 B-1

GROUP LEADER 671 X

DEPUTY 671 I

BOX II R/T MULLET TWO

668 4 Z M F G

668 2 B V

671 8 G-1 F-1 K V-1 M-1 H E B-1

SECOND BOX LEADER 668 Z

DEPUTY 668 M

BOX III R/T MULLET THREE

670 9 9 ^{J T} ~~W~~ E N H L I D A

668 5 C I-1 N-1 P D-1

THIRD BOX LEADER 670 T

DEPUTY 670 J

E. 12,000

F. LE TREPORT

G. 1928

H. 7½

J. GAYLUX

K. DUNGENESS

L. 1948

M. 1. E.T.D. 1847 E.T.A. 2004½

2. 4 x 500 G.P.

3. 4 HOURS

4. BOX I 23114

BOX II 23114

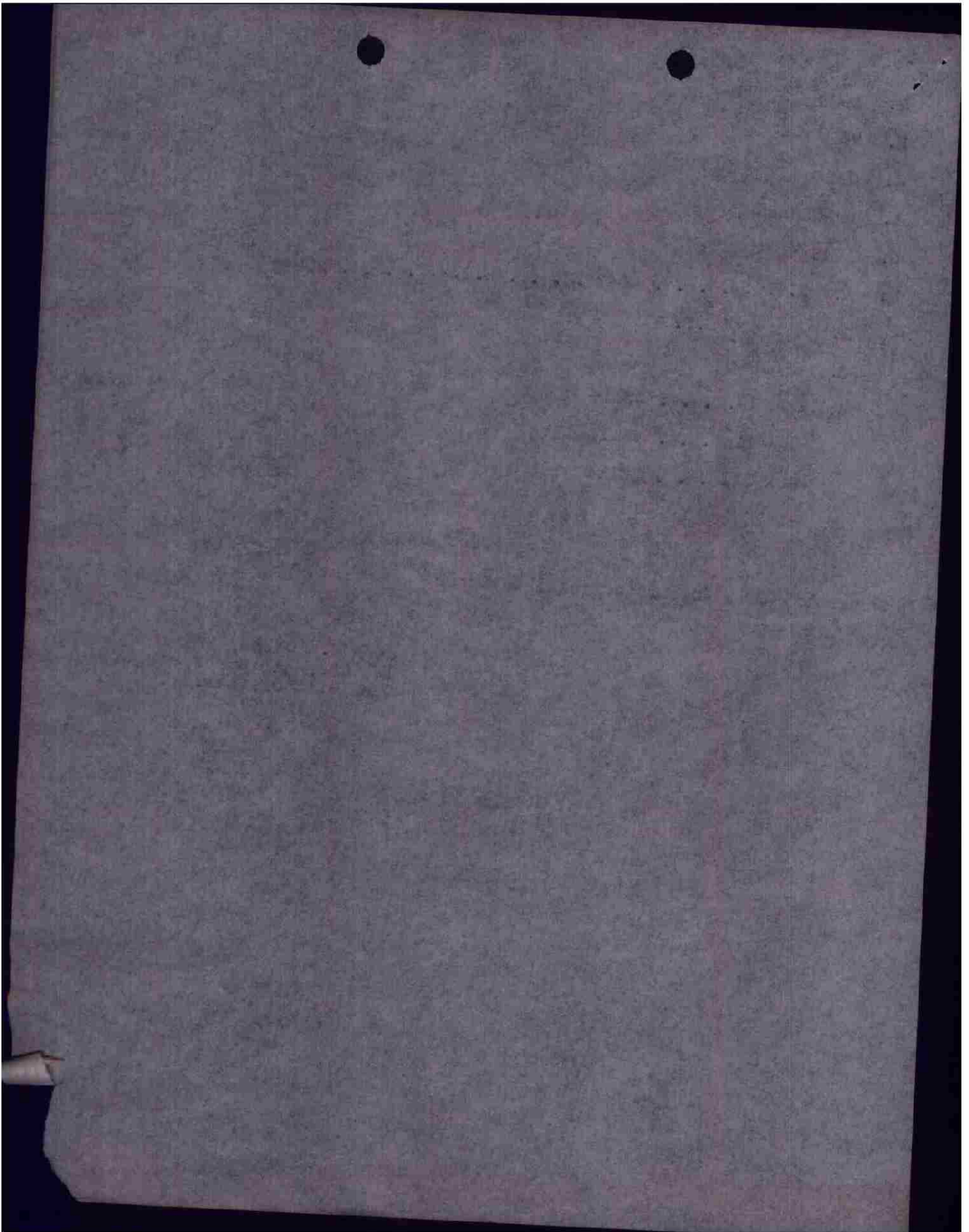
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5. NONE

MADE COBOMGR 416

I certify that this is official business:

JOHN M. SONURA,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Opns Stat Officer.



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

APC 140
7 April 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report

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

BASE AT TAKEOFF: 4/10 Cumulus at 4500 feet.
Visibility 10 miles.

ROUTE OUT: 2-5/10 cumulus to the Thames with bases
4500 and tops 5000 feet. Clouds increased
between Thames and south coast to 6-7/10
with tops to 6500 and extended 4-5 miles
into channel. Rest of channel was clear.
Coast of France was clear with 4-6/10
cumulus and stratocumulus 15 miles inland.
Visibility 10 miles plus over entire route.

TARGET: 4-6/10 low clouds with tops to 6000 feet.
Visibility 10 miles plus.

ROUTE BACK: Channel was clear with 1-2/10 low clouds
over England at 4500 feet. Clouds were
very thin. Visibility 10 miles plus
over entire route.

BASE ON RETURN: Visibility 10 miles with 3/10
stratocumulus at 4500 feet.

WINDS: As forecast.

TIME OVER TARGET: 19:31

EFFECT OF WEATHER ON BOMBING: Bombing was impossible
due to clouds directly over target.

Walter D. Castle
Walter D. Castle
1st Lt. Air Corps
Staff Weather Officer

1 Incl.

2 Route Forecast Forms

OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST

DATE 7 May 48
 PERIOD 1800-2100
 HQ SOS USAFP 9-43/90M/15221

	A Route Out	B Target	C Route Back	D
WEATHER	Partly to Cloudy	Same	Same	
2	5-7/10 Cumulus BASE 25-3500 TOPS 5000 Becoming 6-8/10 Over Channel AND BECOMING INCAND TO 3-5/10 WITH TOPS 6-7000.	3-5/10 Cumulus BASE 2500-3500 TOPS 6-7000.	Similar To Route Out With Cumulus Over Channel 1-3/10 With TOPS 4-5000 FEET.	
CLOUDS				
3	Light Ice In Clouds Above 3500.	Same	Same	
ICING				
4	5-10 Miles	10 Miles	5-10 Miles	
VISIBILITY				
HEIGHT	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY
SURFACE	NE 6-10			
5000 FT	035 15			
10000 FT	035 20			
12000 FT	030 26			
15000 FT	020 35			
FT				
FT				
BASE ALTIMETER SETTING <u>30.39</u>	TARGET SURFACE TEMP <u>HE °C</u>	TARGET MEAN TEMP <u>-4 °C</u>		
	TEMP. AT <u>12000 FT. -13 °C</u>	TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT) <u>-20</u>		

AIRCRAFT REPORT

TIME		BASE TO COAST		OVER CHANNEL OR SEA		OVER CONTINENT & TARGET	
POSITION							
ALTITUDE							
CLOUD BELOW AIRCRAFT	AMOUNTS AND TYPE						
	HEIGHT OF BASE AND TOP						
CLOUD ABOVE AIRCRAFT	AMOUNTS AND TYPE						
	HEIGHT OF BASE AND TOP						
VISIBILITY							
TEMPERATURE							
WINDS							
REMARKS: AS WEATHER ENCOUNTERED, FRONTAL POSITIONS, ETC.						CLOUD TYPES AND ABBREVIATIONS LOW CLOUDS = ST-STRATUS SC-STRATOCUMULUS MIDDLE CLOUDS = AS-ALTOSTRATUS AC-ALTOCUMULUS HIGH CLOUDS = CI-CIRRUS CS-CIRROSTRATUS CLOUDS OF VERTICAL EXTENT = CU-CUMULUS CB-CUMULONIMBUS	
NOTE: AT LEAST ONE COMPLETE OBSERVATION SHOULD BE ENTERED IN EACH COLUMN. THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS CARD HELPED YOU - WON'T YOU GIVE THE NEXT FELLOW A BREAK!							

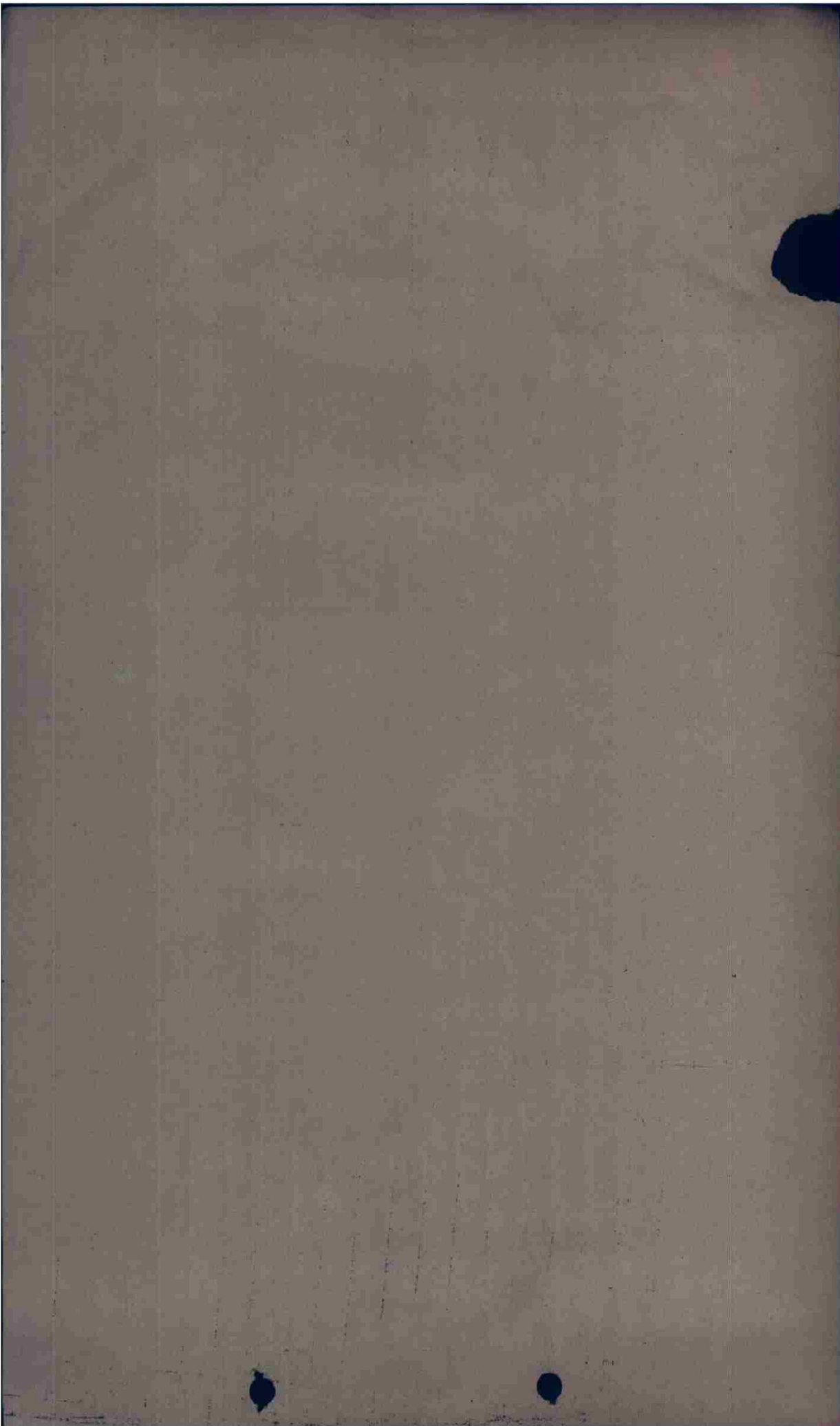
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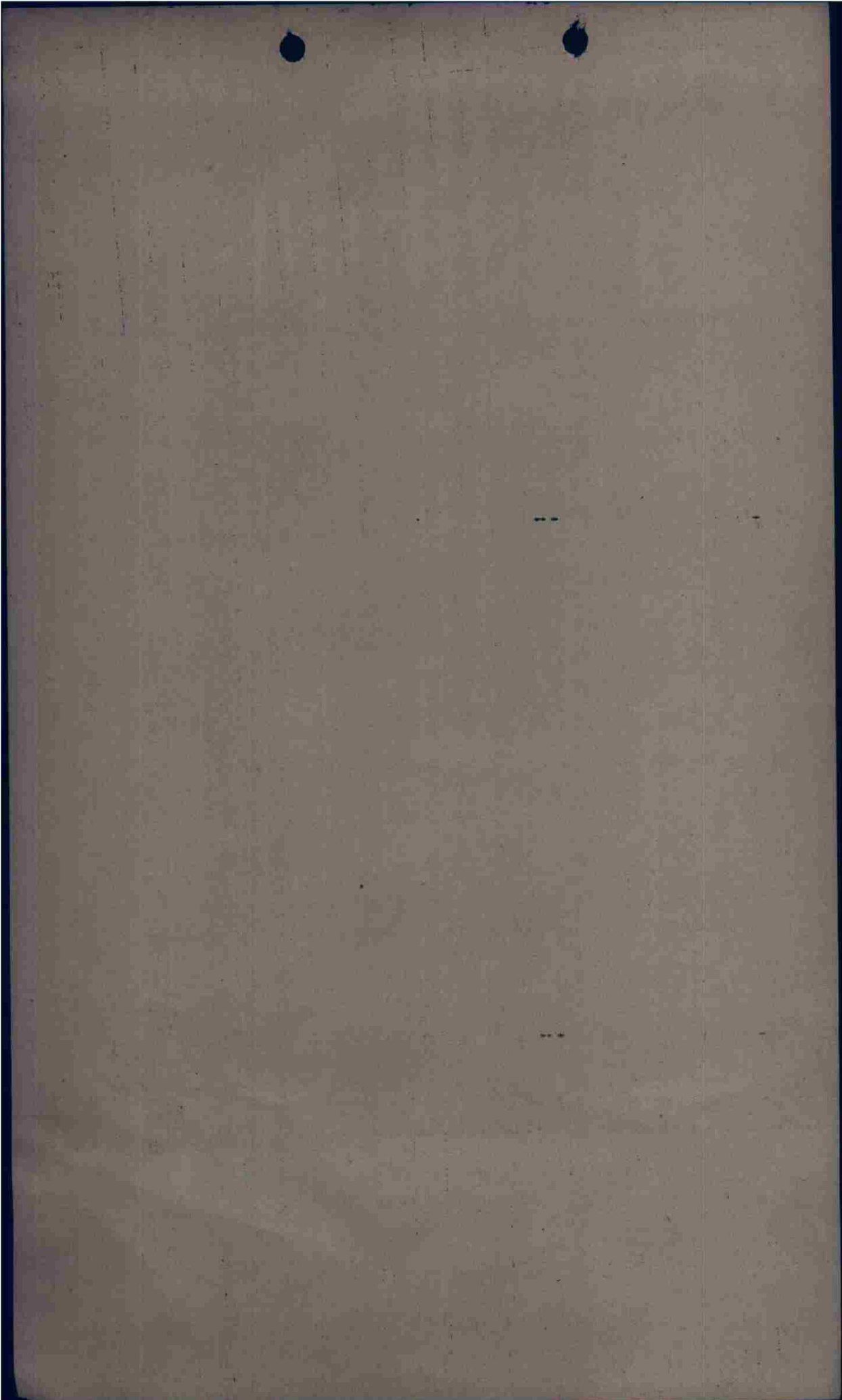
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MAY 7 - 1944 P.M.

A/C LTR	A/C NO.	SQDN.	PILOT	1500	1600	ENGLISH COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENGLISH COAST IN	C A M E R A	FUEL	BOMB LOAD	E N D U R.	LAND TIME	REMARKS
Z	640	A	Clark	1528	1528	1412	1926	1930	1933 1/2	1946	HC	125	4500	4	2024	
M	125	A	Roditsky	1828	1828	12,000	12,000		CAYEX	9,000				2023		
B	189	B	Buhlman	1829	1829	Hastings	LF 1000		11,500	Dulgent	C			2023		
F	223	A	Quatrin	1829	1829									2024		
V	840	B	Bortman	1829	1829									2025		
G	379	A	Novinsky	1829	1829									2025		
I-1	225	O	Plattner	1830	1830									2026		
F-1	221	O	Mundt	1830	1830						C			2026		
K	393	O	Greening	1830	1830									2028		
V-1	493	O	Smith	1830	1830									2027		
M-1	711	O	Thompson	1831	1831									2028		
B	937	O	Quatrin	1831	1831									2029		
H	165	D	Andrews	1831	1831									2030		
E	220	D	Parkinson	1832	1832									2030		



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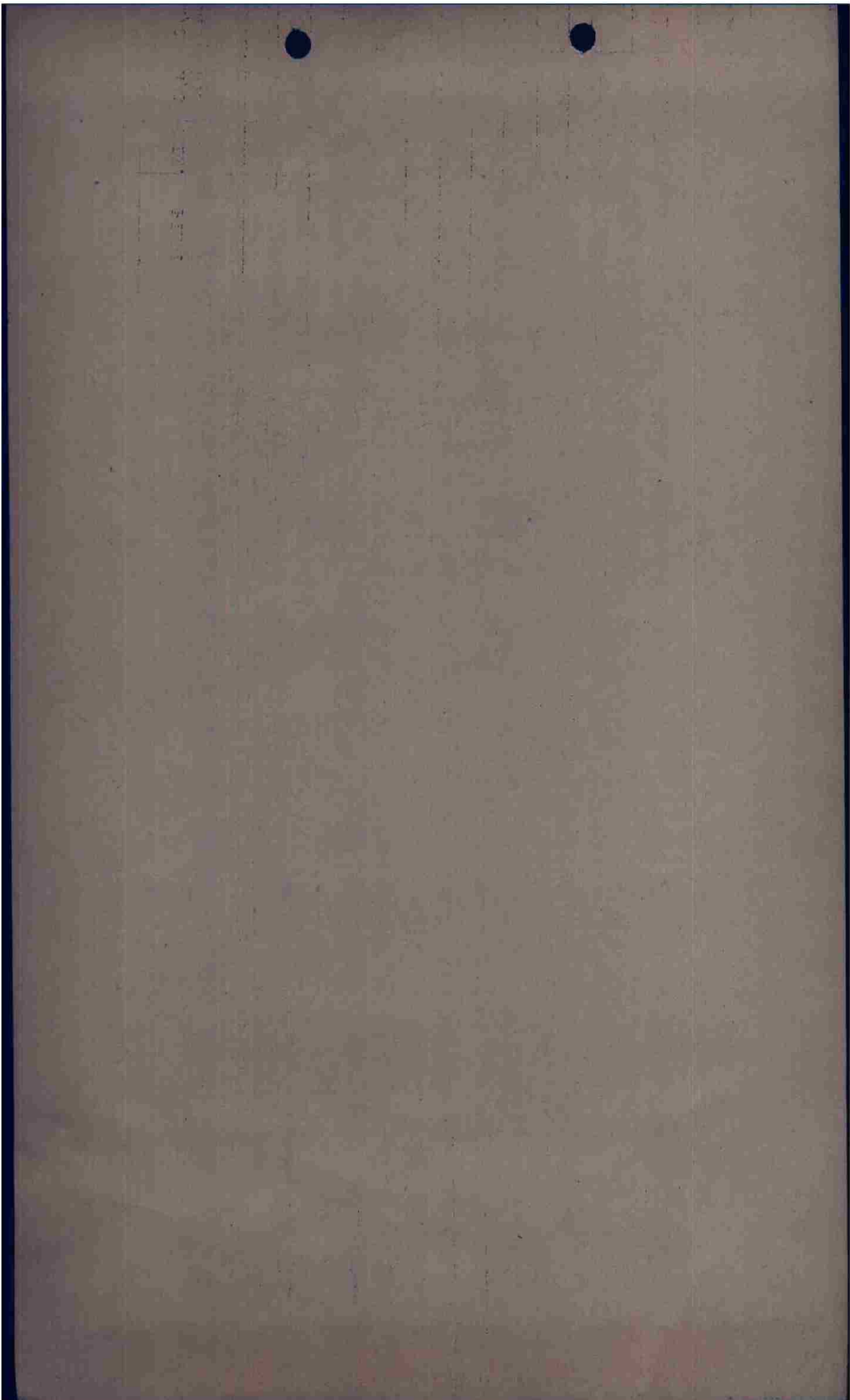


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MAY 7 - 1944 PM

Box I

MAY 7 - 1944 PM

A/C No.	SQDN.	PILOT	AFO	ENGLISH COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENGLISH COAST IN	C A M E R A	FUEL	BOMB LOAD	E N D U R.	LAND TIME	REMARKS
X 914	0	Campbell	1825	1912	1926	1930	1939 1/2	MC	925	4500	4	2014	
I 129	0	Simmons	1825	1800	1800	1850	900					2014	
W 743	B	Wagge	1825	Hastings de Trean		COTYEUR Dufrenoy		C				2015	
E 711	B	Burkhardt	1825									2015	
Q 900	B	Abut	1826									2016	
R 619	B	Abut Adams	1826									2016	
N 717	B	Montar	1826					C				2017	
I-1 673	B	Conner	1826									2018	
A 181	B	Bentk	1827									2019	
P 451	D	Adams	1837									2020	
B 152	A	Chouston	1837									2020	
L 362	A	Rich	1838									2021	
S 360	A	Guy	1838									2022	
B-1 207	C	Carpino	1828					C				2021	



OICOV OIHAK OIGOF OIYAA V OILAI 01/07 OP
 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMBATTMENT WING 07/1430B M-29-E
 TO COMBOMCOM IX
 COBOMGP 409
 COBOMGP 410
 COBOMGP 416

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
 SECERT SENT IN CLEAR AUTH. MAJOR CLARENCE S. TOWLES, JR.

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 7 MAY 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 29-301

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (2) RAF 11 GROUP WILL FURNISH AREA COVER FOR ALL GROUPS OF THIS WING.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK NOBALL TARGETS IN FRANCE.

ZERO HOUR: 071900B

3.A. 409TH GROUP

- (1) Z 3021
- (4) BASE TO HASTINGS TO TOCQUEVILLE TO 49 DEG 46 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 45 MIN EAST TO 49 DEG 56 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 57 MIN EAST TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO 49 DEG 56 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 57 MIN EAST TO 49 DEG 46 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 45 MIN EAST TOCQUEVILLE TO HASTINGS TO BASE.
- (6) BOMB 11,500 CROSS ENEMY COAST OUT 11,000 FEET.
- (7) 49 DEG 56 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 57 MIN EAST
- (8) GENERALLY SOUTH TO NORTH.
- (9) ILL A/38/1 REF. 046029
- (11) 49 DEG. 56 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 57 MIN EAST
- (12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 30 MIN.

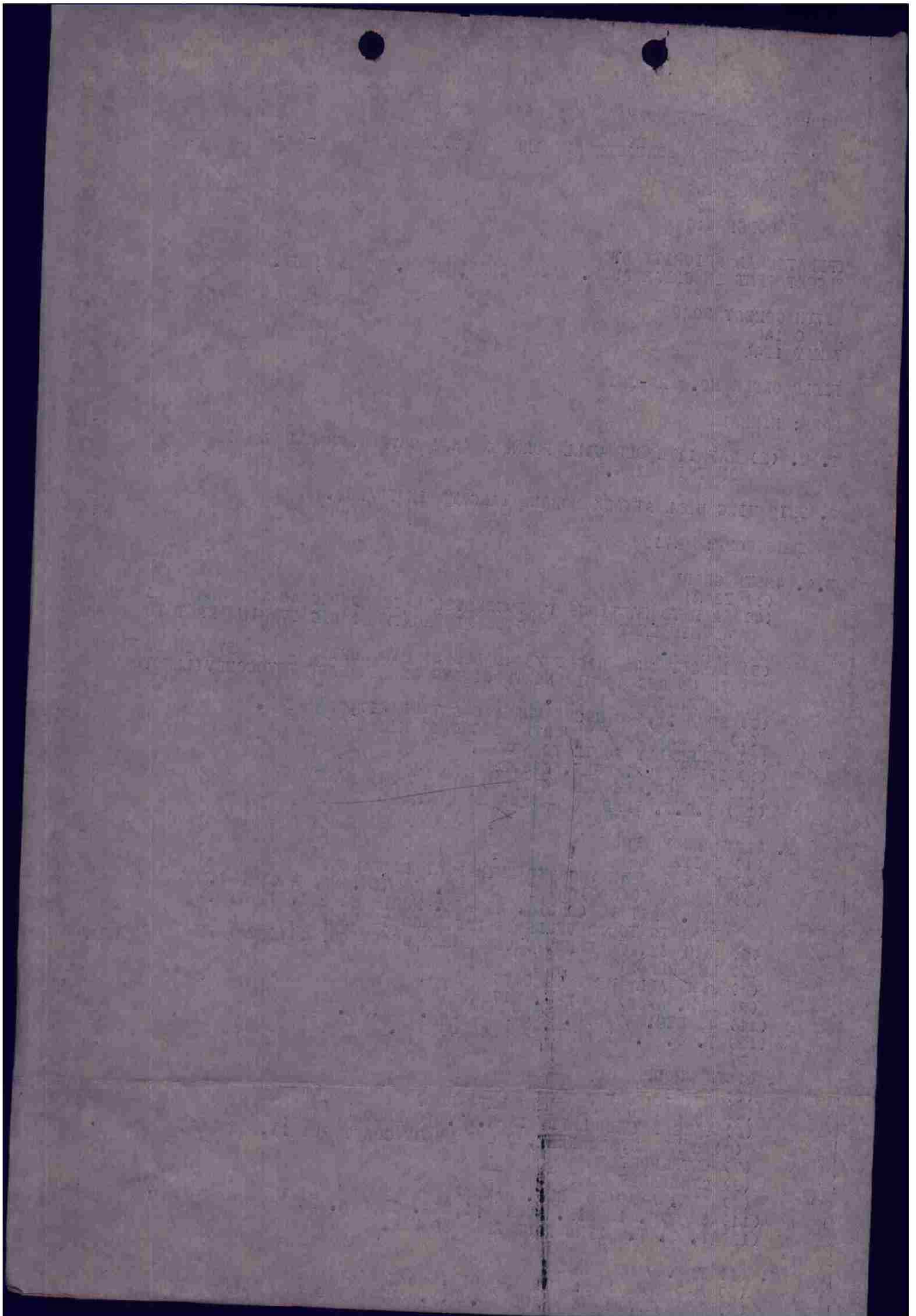
B. 410TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) Z 3123
- (4) BASE TO HASTINGS TO LETREPORT TO TARGET
- (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO 49 DEG. 59 MIN. NORTH 01 DEG. 57 MIN. EAST TO 49 DEG. 47 MIN. NORTH 01 DEG. 44 MIN. EAST TO TOCQUEVILLE TO HASTINGS TO BASE
- (6) BOMB 12,000 FEET, CROSS ENEMY COAST OUT 11,500 FEET
- (7) LE TREPORT
- (8) GENERALLY WEST TO EAST
- (9) ILL. A/60/3 REF. 017021
- (11) 49 DEG. 47 MIN. NORTH 01 DEG. 44 MIN. EAST
- (12) T. O. T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 45 MIN.

C. 416TH GROUP

- (1) Z 3114
- (4) BASE TO HASTINGS TO LETREPORT TO TARGET
- (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R. P. TO DUNGENESS TO BASE
- (6) BOMB 12,000 FEET, CROSS ENEMY COAST OUT 11,500 FEET
- (7) LETREPORT
- (8) GENERALLY WEST TO EAST
- (9) ILL. A/59/3 REF. 032032
- (11) 50 DEG. 13 MIN. NORTH 01 DEG. 33 MIN. EAST
- (12) T. O. T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 30 MIN.

- X. (1) TO (4) NO CHANGE
 (5) A/C REQUIRED: 3BOXES OF 14 A/C EACH GROUP
 (6) BOMB LOAD: 4 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 NOSE 1/40 TAIL



4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 409TH GROUP
 (2) MAINPART
 (9) 28/28
 (10) 228/228

B. 410TH GROUP
 (2) GLENDOW
 (9) 27/27
 (10) 227/227

C. 416TH GROUP
 (2) MULLET
 (9) 26/26
 (10) 226/226

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

(2) WEST MALLING D/D

(3) NO CHANGE

(10) TBVA

(11) HOMING FACILITIES TO SOUTH COAST AVAILABLE ON COMMAND
 CONTROL, CHANNEL C, C/S PARADE

(12) BOX LEADERS WILL REPORT TO COMMAND CONTROL ON
 CHANNEL "C" WHEN LEAVING TARGET AREA

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BT 1430B

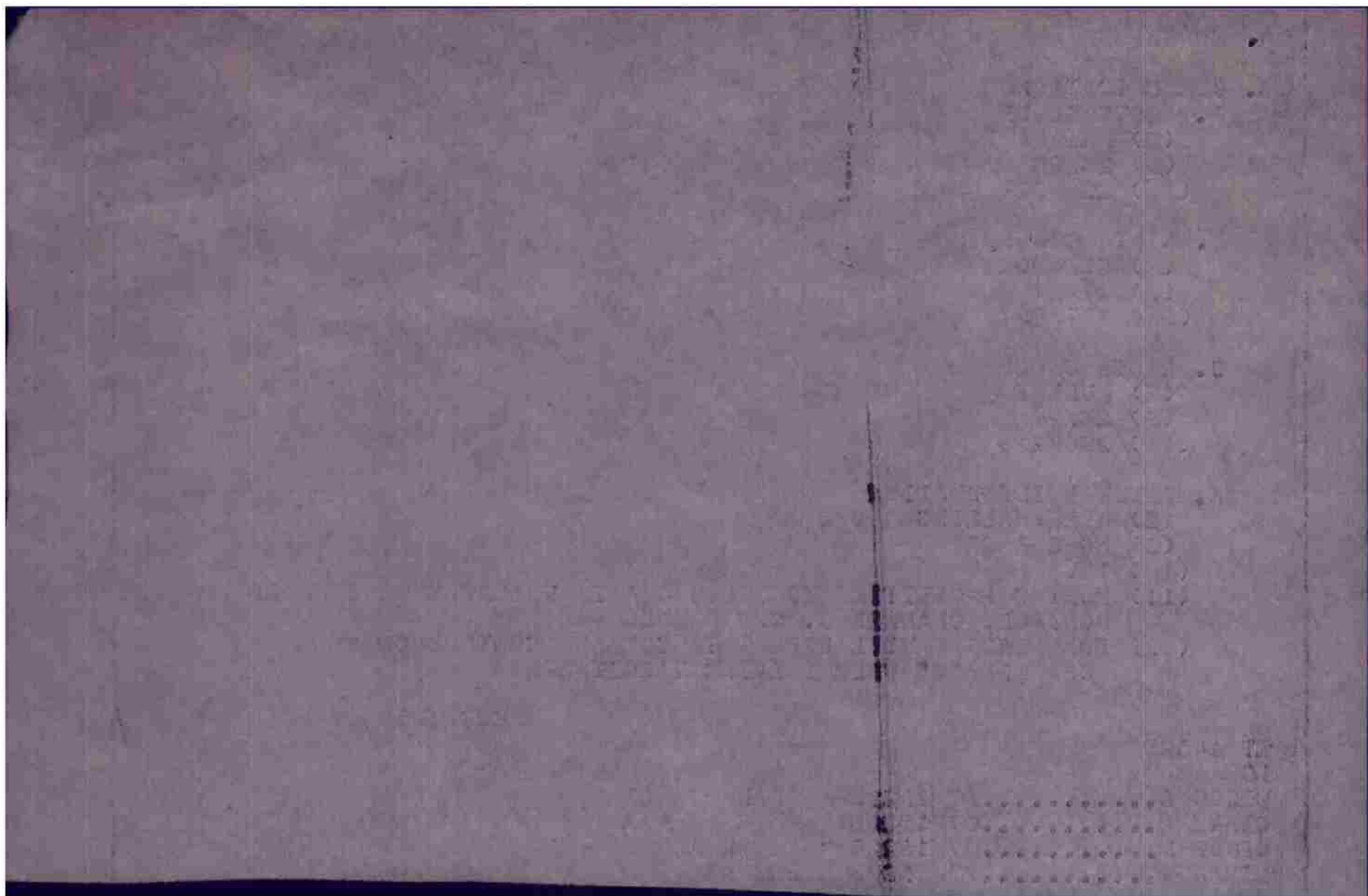
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OICOG R.....07/1520B BAD AR

OIHAK R.....07/1520B MC AR

OIGOF R.....07/1520B SK AR

OIYAA R.....07/1520B RSS AR



A - YSV SORRY TIC MIN M OR PLS START OVER

LAI V YAA YAA 24/07

FROM COBOMGR 416 7/2140B
TO 97TH CBW ATT: COM O

CONFIDENTIAL BT

M-185-J

A - YS - 36

B - 7 MAY 1944 (1847 - 2004)

C - 668 (12) B L S Z M F G C I-1 N-1 P D -1

669 (9) W C Q R N I-1 A B V

670 (10) B-1 J T E N H L I D A

671 (11) X R P G-1 F-1 K V-1 M-1 H E B-1

//TOTAL//K3//

TOTAL 42

D - 668 - M - INTERPHONE "CALL" POSITION OUT IN BOMBARDIER'S
COMPARTMENT

E - NONE

F - NOT APPLICABLE

G - NOT APPLICABLE

H - NOT APPLICABLE

I - NONE

J - 671 - X -, 668 - Z -, 670 - T - USED FOR LANDING AND FLIGHT
INSTRUCTIONS.

K - NONE

L - 671 - X -, 668 - Z -, 670 - T - REPORTED TO BOMBER COMMAND AND
RECEIVED RECEIPT AFTER LEAVING
TARGET AREA.

M - NONE

N - NOT APPLICABLE

O - EXCELLENT RADIO PERFORMANCE.

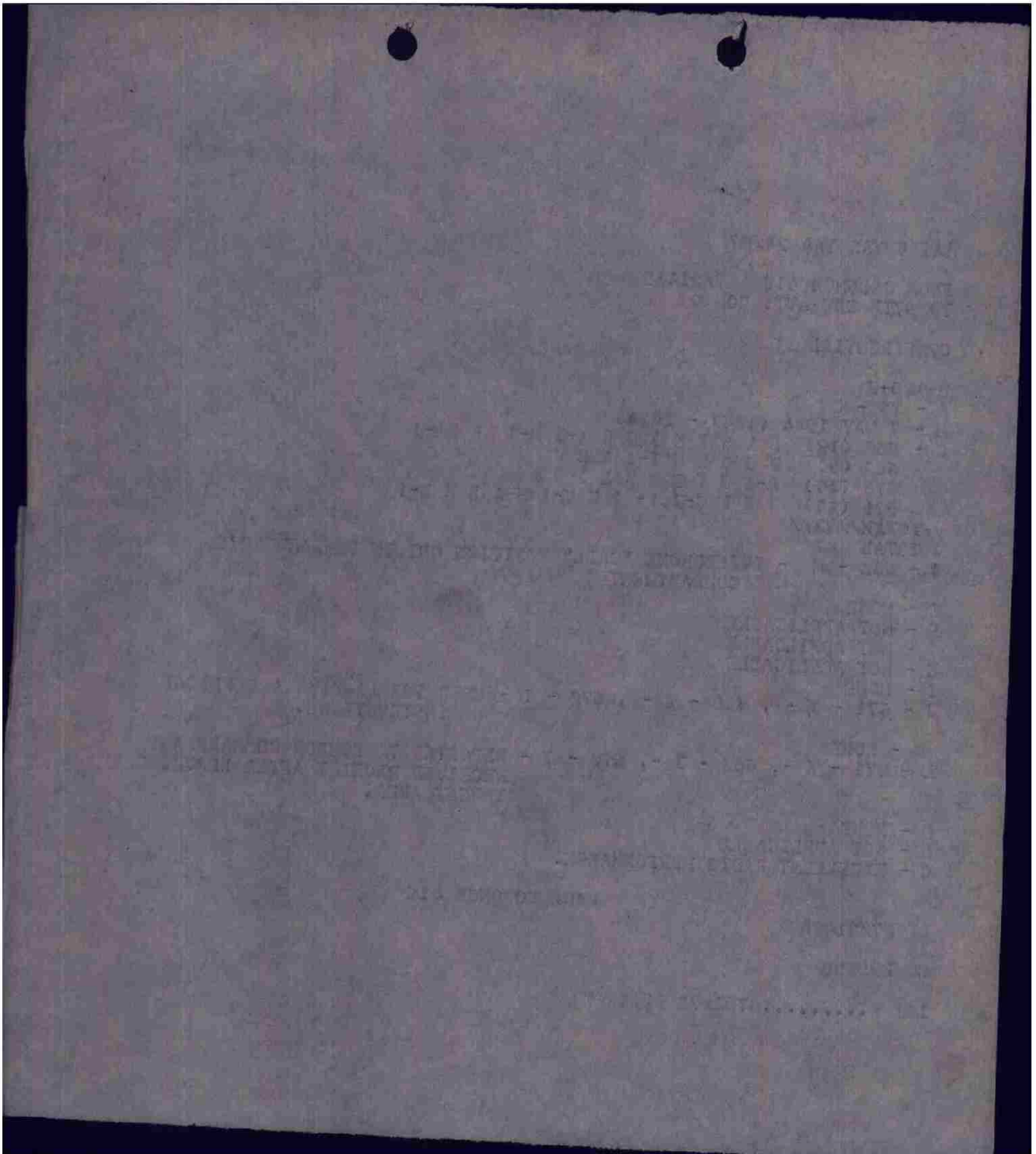
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FROM 416TH BG 07/2200B
TO HQ IX BC AATTN A-2
97TH CBW ATTN A-2
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M-188-D

OPFLASH NO 32 FOR 7 MAY 1944

- A. (I) BEHEN NOBALL
(II) NO ATTACK
- B. (I) 416TH BG
(II) 42 A-20'S
(III) 42 A/C DUE TO WEATHER
(IV) NONE
- C. (I) 1825
(II) NO ATTACK
(III) 2039
- D. (I) 11 A/C DAMAGED BY FLAK. CATEGORY "A"
(II) 0-0-0
(III) /PK// 0-0-0
- E. NO ATTACK DUE TO WEATHER. CLOUDS COVERED TARGET.
- F. (I) (A) NIL
(B) NIL
(II) (A) MODERATE ACCURATE HFF FROM ABBEVILLE. POSSIBLY UNSEEN
FIRE
(B) NIL
- G. DINGHY AT 50 DEG 45 MIN N 01 DEG 00 MIN E AT 1950 HOURS.
AIR SEA RESCUE BOATS HEADED TOWARD DINGHY.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS HOT NEWS.
4 ENGINE A/C DOWN IN CHANNEL AT 1952 HOURS AT 50 DEG 52 MIN N
00 DEG 55 MIN E. PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS HOT NEWS.
20 TO 30 CAR TRAIN MOVING FROM ABBEVILLE TO LE TREPORT.
- H. (I) .4 TO .6 CUMULUS WITH TOPS TO 6,000 FEET. VISIBILITY 10
MILES. CLOUDS COVERED TARGET.
(II) CLEAR AT FRENCH COAST WITH .4 TO .6 CUMULUS 15 MILES
INLAND. TOPS TO 6,000 FEET. VISIBILITY 10 MILES.
- I. 168 X 500 GP RETURNED.
- J. NO ATTACK

BT 07/2200 B

ASA S

AS AS

CW BBBB

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LAI R.....072230B RL AR K

01XK1/R444//

OICOG R.....07/2230B MZ AR KKK

