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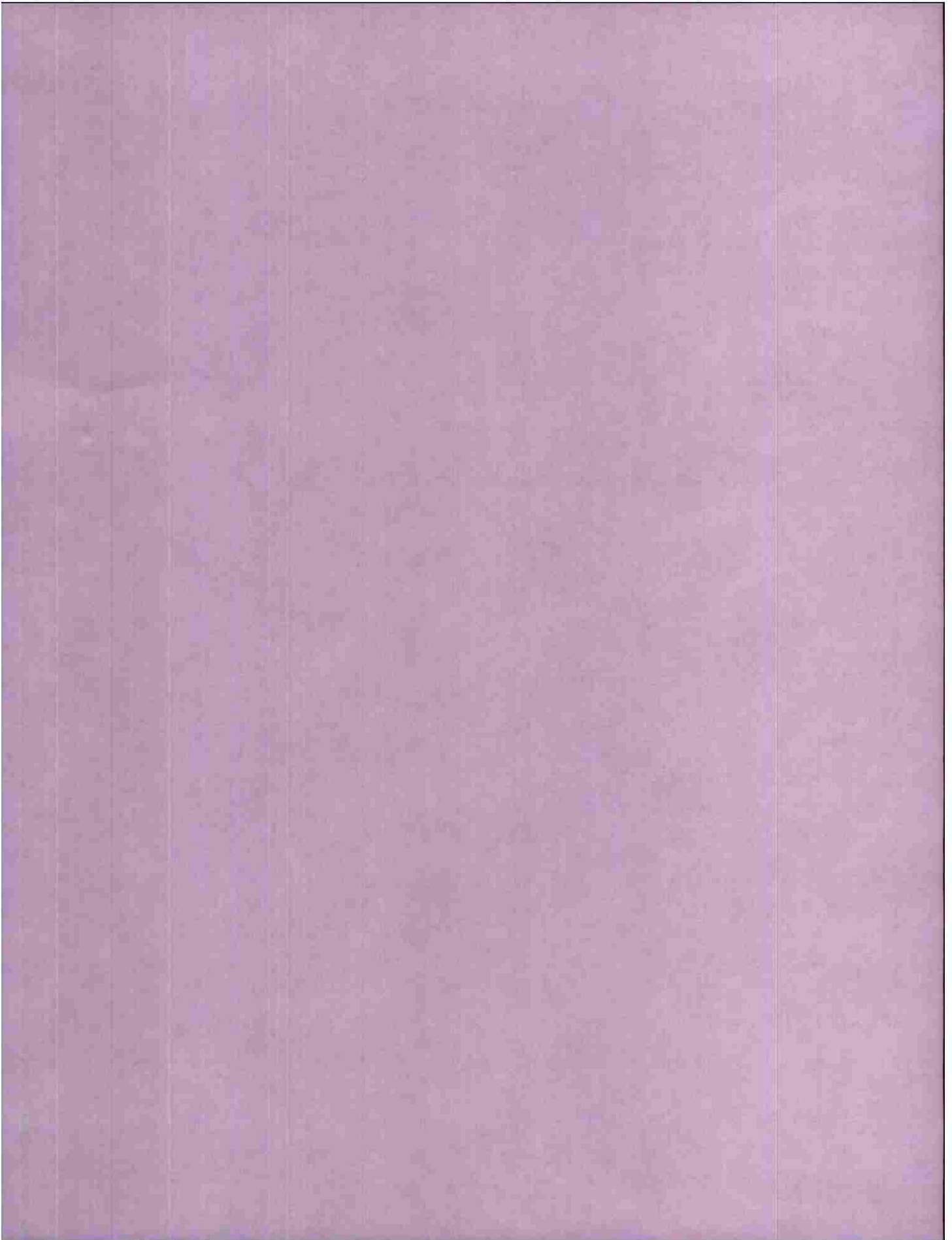
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18 June 1944

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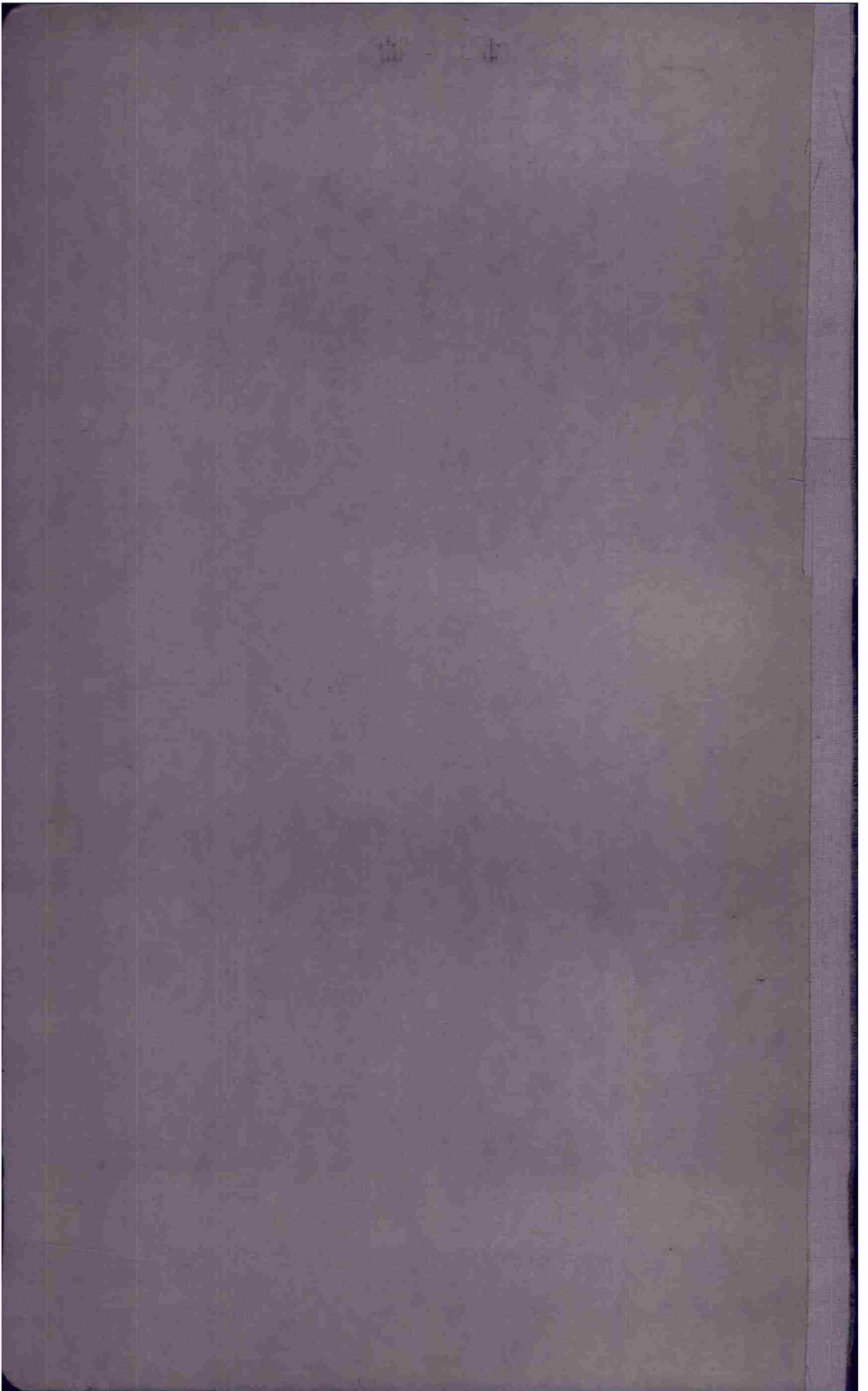
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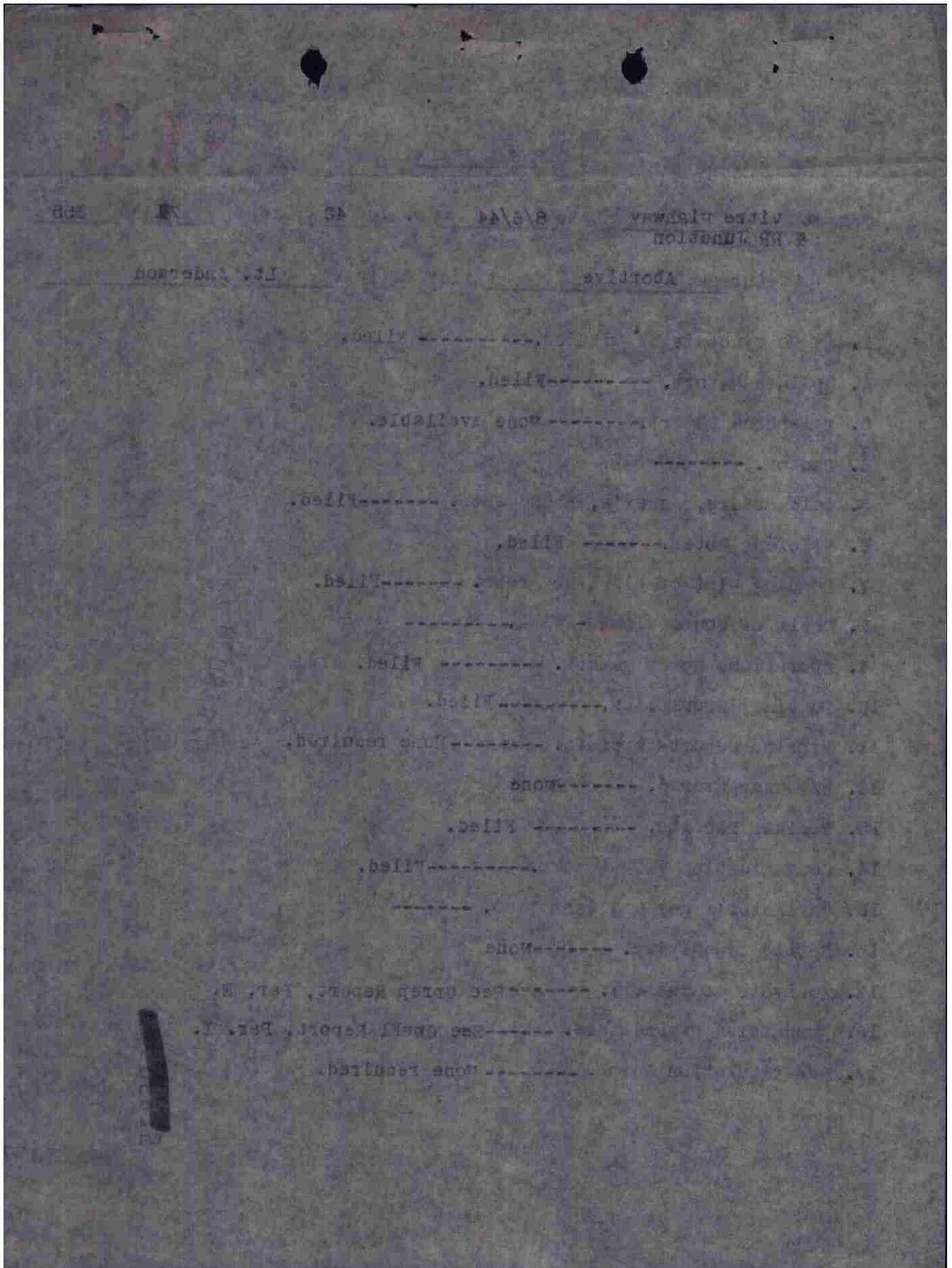
Target Vitre Highway & RR Junction Date 8/6/44 No.A/C 42 Mission # 71 PO 355

Status Abortive Brief Officer Lt. Anderson

1. IX BC Synopsis of Mission.----- Filed.
2. OpFlash Report. -----Filed.
3. Telephone Report.----- None Available.
4. Photos. ----- *NONE*
5. Field Orders, Annex's, Amendments. -----Filed.
6. Briefing Notes.----- Filed.
7. Loading List of Airplane crews. -----Filed.
8. Chart of Route Flown - Flak.----- *NONE*
9. Operations Oprep Report. ----- Filed.
10. Bombing Information.----- Filed.
11. Mission Report-Aircraft. -----None required.
12. E/A Encountered. -----None
13. Weather Reports. ----- Filed.
14. Communication "YS" Report.-----Filed.
15. Navigator's Log & Flight Plan. ----- *NONE*
16. Battle Casualties. -----None
17. Analysis of Gunnery. -----See Oprep Report, Par. E.
18. Ammunition Expenditure. -----See OpsFl Report, Par. I.
19. Recapitulation Forms. ----- None required.

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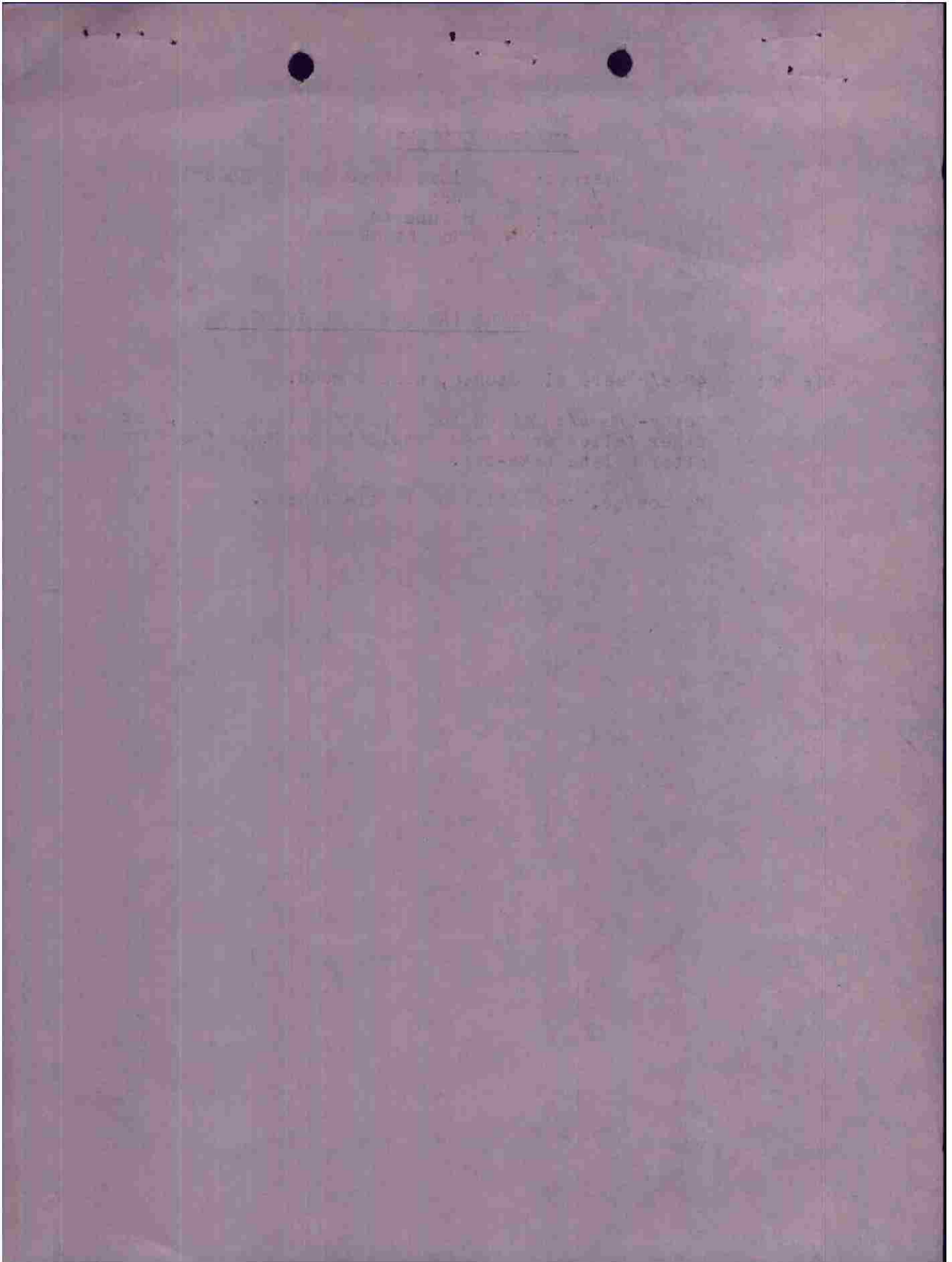
Target: Vitre (Road and RR Junction)
F/O : #355
Date : 8 June 44
Results: No Attack

VITRE (ROAD AND RR JUNCTION)

416 BG: 42 a/c were dispatched, none bombed.

Forty-one a/c failed to attack due to weather, and one other failed as it was unable to overtake the formation after a late take-off.

No losses, casualties or battle damage.



OICOG OILAI V. YAA Y. 2/08 OP
FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 08/1230 B

TO HQ IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN: A-2
HQ 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY CONFIDENTIAL BT U-68-D

OPSFLASH NO. 67 FOR 8 JUNE 1944.

ADD PARAGRAPH B. (3)

THE FORMATION FOUND INCREASING CLOUDS AS IT NEARED ST. LO AND WHEXX
AND WENT DOWN TO MINIMUM ALTITUDE IN ATTEMPT TO REACH TARGET.
CLOUDS EXTENDED SOLID DOWN TO GROUND.

MACE COBOMGR 416

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BT 08/1230B

EW BBBB

OILAI R.....08/1425B SS KKKKKK
OICOG R.....08/1422B MZ KK

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY CONFIDENTIAL BT

U-68-D

OPSFLASH NO. 67 FOR 8 JUNE 1944.

A. (1) VITRE HIGHWAY AND RR JUNCTION
(2) NO ATTACK

B. (1) 416TH BG
(2) 42 A-20'S
(3) 41 A/C FAILED TO BOMB DUE TO WEATHER
1 A/C RETURNED KKKX EARLY DUE TO LATE TAKE OFF. COULD NOT
FINE FORMATION.
(4) NO ATTACK

C. (1) 0728
(2) NO ATTACK
(3) 1052

D. (1) NONE
(2) 0-0-0
(3) 0-0-0

EX E. NO ATTACK

F. (1) (A) NIL
(B) NIL
(2) (A) NIL
(B) NIL

G. TROOPS UNLOADING 3 MILES OFF STE. MERE EGLISE.
FLAK BARRAGE AT 12000 FEET AT ANOTHER FORMATION IN VICINITY OF
VALOGNES.
FIRE AND SMOKE AT ST. LO.
SHELLING OF ST. JORES AND ST. SAUVEAU AREAS BY BB'S LARGE FIRES
IN VICINITY OF ST. JORES
TRANSPORTS OFF ST. MARCOUF. UNLOADING ON TO BARGES.
ARMORED VEHICLES ON OUTSKIRTS OF ST. LO.- TO NORTH AND EAST.
OBSERVATIONS OF ENEMY TROOP AND VEHICULAR CONCENTRATIONS AND
MOVEMENTS LIMITED DUE TO WEATHER

H. (1) 10/10 LOW CLOUDS. TOPS TO 4,000 FEET. BASES TO GROUND.
(2) SAME EXCEPT BASES VARYING TO 2000 - 4000 FEET. 7/10 TO
8/10.
3/10 SCATTERED CLOUD FROM ST. LO NORTH. CLEAR OVER CHANNEL.

I. 163 X 500 GP RETURNED

J. NO ATTACK.

MACE COMOMGE 416

AS

BT 08/1230/77

08/1230B.....EW AR

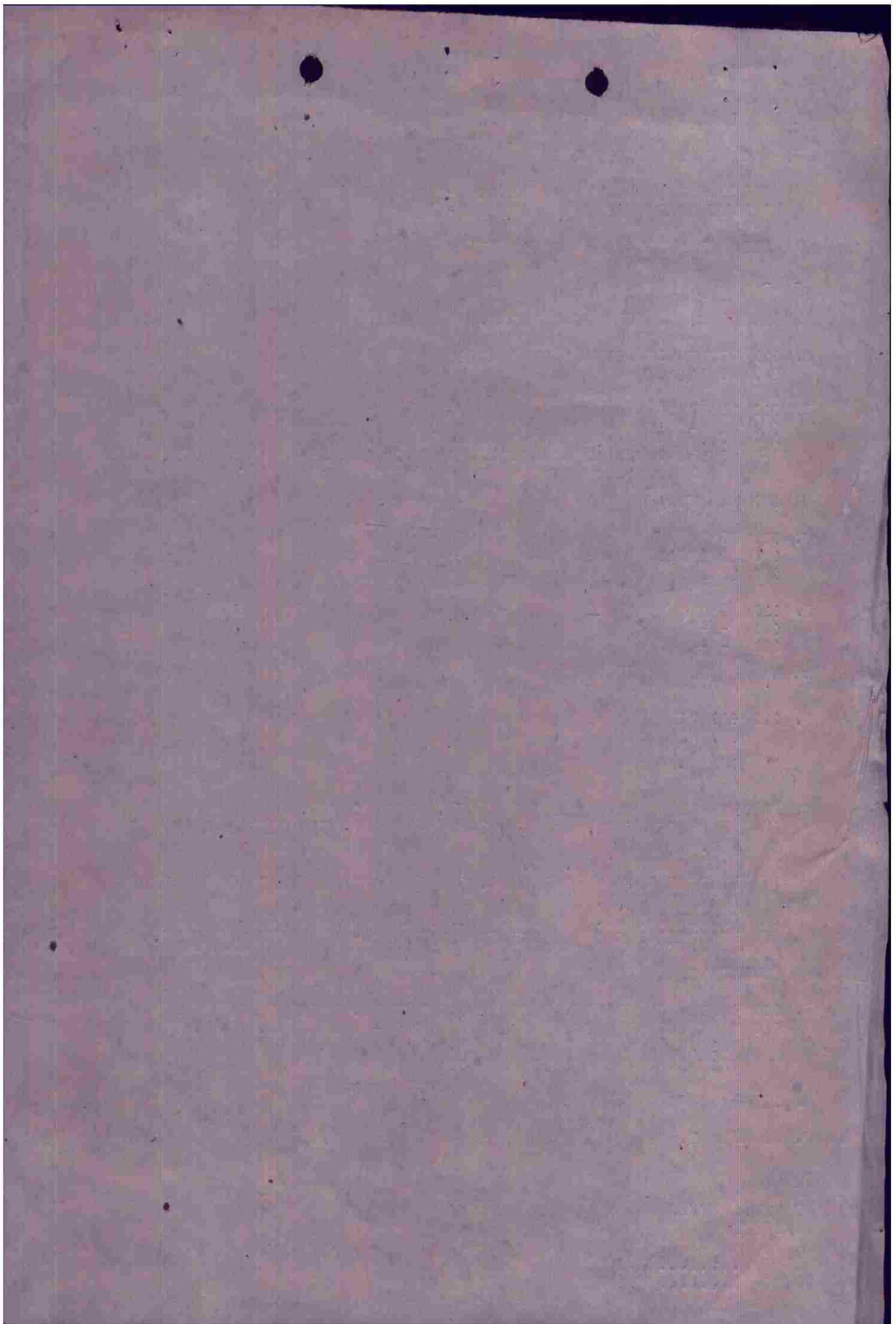
OILAI R.....08/1245B

JME AR

OICOG R.....08/1245B

NZ AR

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99498th Wing 36/2 of B-26 in over
TARGET AREA AT ST. LO - 49°07'N - 01°06'W
THEIR TOT 500 417
BRIEFING / INFO

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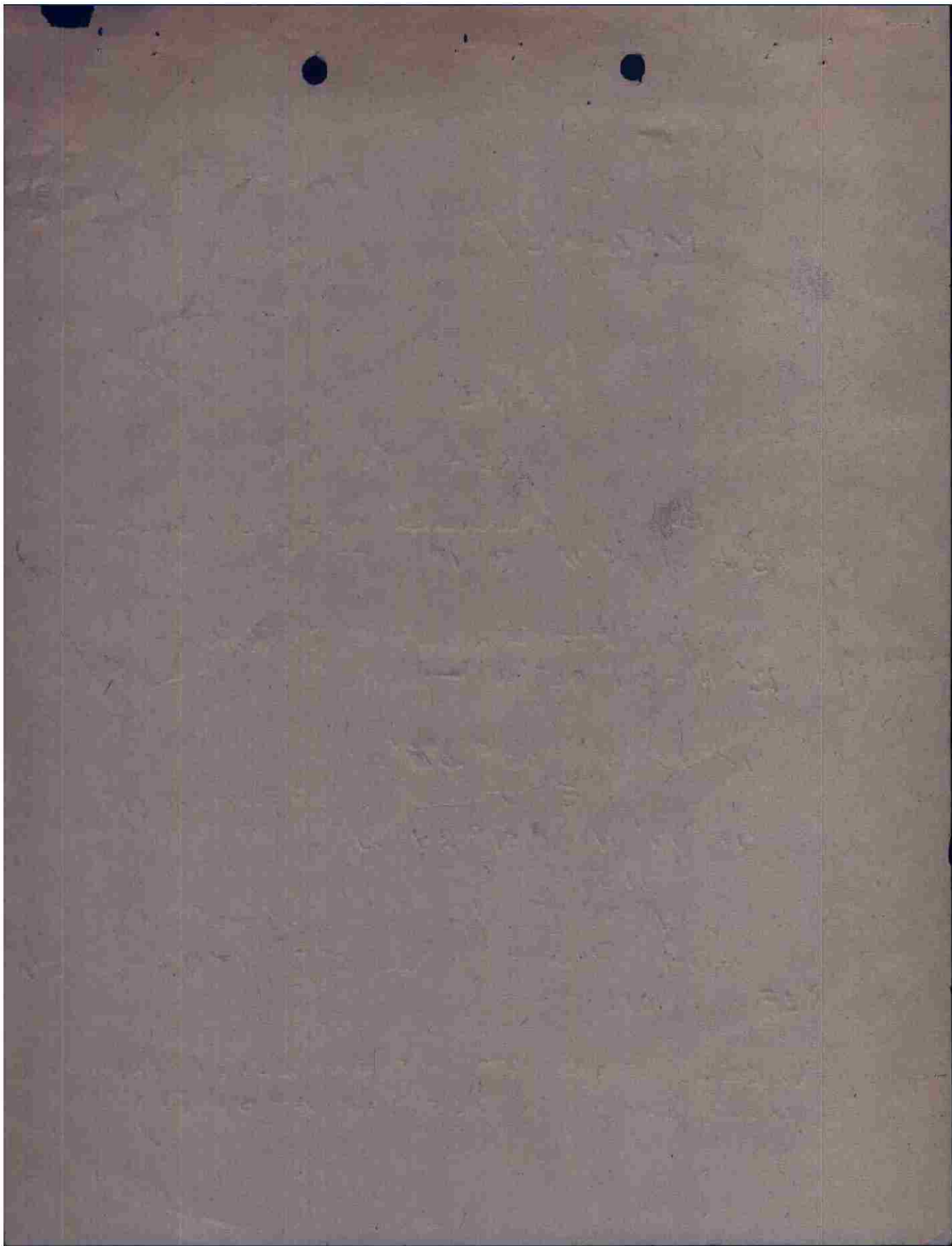
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FIELD ORDER BY TELEPHONE

Zero Hour 0900Aircraft required 42 Formation 3 BOXES 14Target:
Primary: 1202-WK/19 Illustration _____ Reference _____Secondary: _____ Illustration _____ Reference XBomber Rendezvous: _____
Group _____ Place _____ Time _____ Altitude _____Fighter Rendezvous: _____
Type _____ Place _____ Time _____ Altitude _____Route Out: Base - Base - SALSEN BILL -
49° 23' N 01° 05' W TO IP TO TARGETRoute Back: TARGET - RIGHT - TO R.P. -
49° 23' N - 01° 05' W -IP 48° 18' N 01° 56' WAxis of Attack NE TO SW GENERALRP 48° 18' N 01° 24' WBombing Altitude 11500' Altitude Enemy Coast Out _____Bomb Load 4500 Nose 1/2 Tail 1/2REMARKS: AIM POINT 11500' 4802-W/19
REF 101071UNLESS OVERCAST + THEN BELOW CLOUDS
LEAD BASE A PRESENT AT 5000'



OICOG OIHAK OIGOF OIYAA V OILAI 3/08 OP
 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 08/0400B U-44-E
 TO COMBOMCON IX
 COBOMGP 409
 COBOMGP 410
 COBOMGP 416

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 8 JUNE 1944

CANCEL ANNES NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 69-355

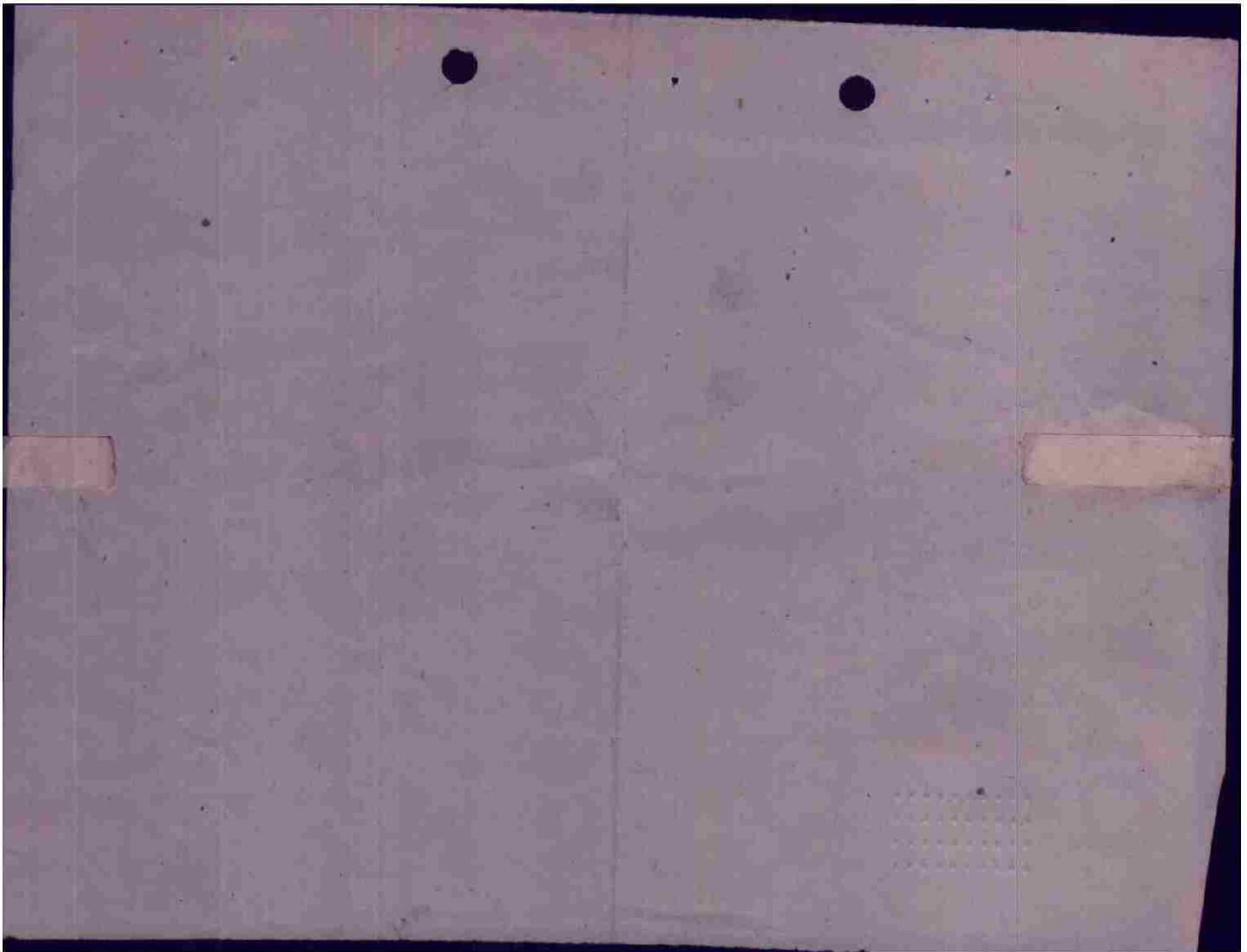
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BT 08/0400B

LEG AR

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OIHAK R	08/0450B	JW	AR
OIGOF R	98/0450B	AG	AR
OIYAA R	08/0450B	LBS	AR
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING

08/0500B

U-45-E

TO COMBOMCOM IX
 COBOMGP 409TH
 COBOMGP 410TH
 COBOMGP 416TH

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING

A P O 140

8 JUNE 1944

ANNEX NO. 2 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 69-355

1. A. REFERENCE CURRENT BOMB LINE

B. (2) VIII A.F. IS ATTACKING COMMUNICATION TARGETS THROUGHOUT
 FRANCE T.O.T. 08/0800B.

98TH AND 99TH WINGS ARE ATTACKING THE MARSHALLING YARD AT
 ST. LO, FRANCE WITH 3 GROUPS OF B-26'S T.O.T. 0900B. THE
 99TH WING IS ATTACKING AN EMBARKMENT TARGET ON THE ROAD
 JUNCTION AT LESSAY, FRANCE, WITH 2 GROUPS OF B-26'S
 T.O.T. 0900B.

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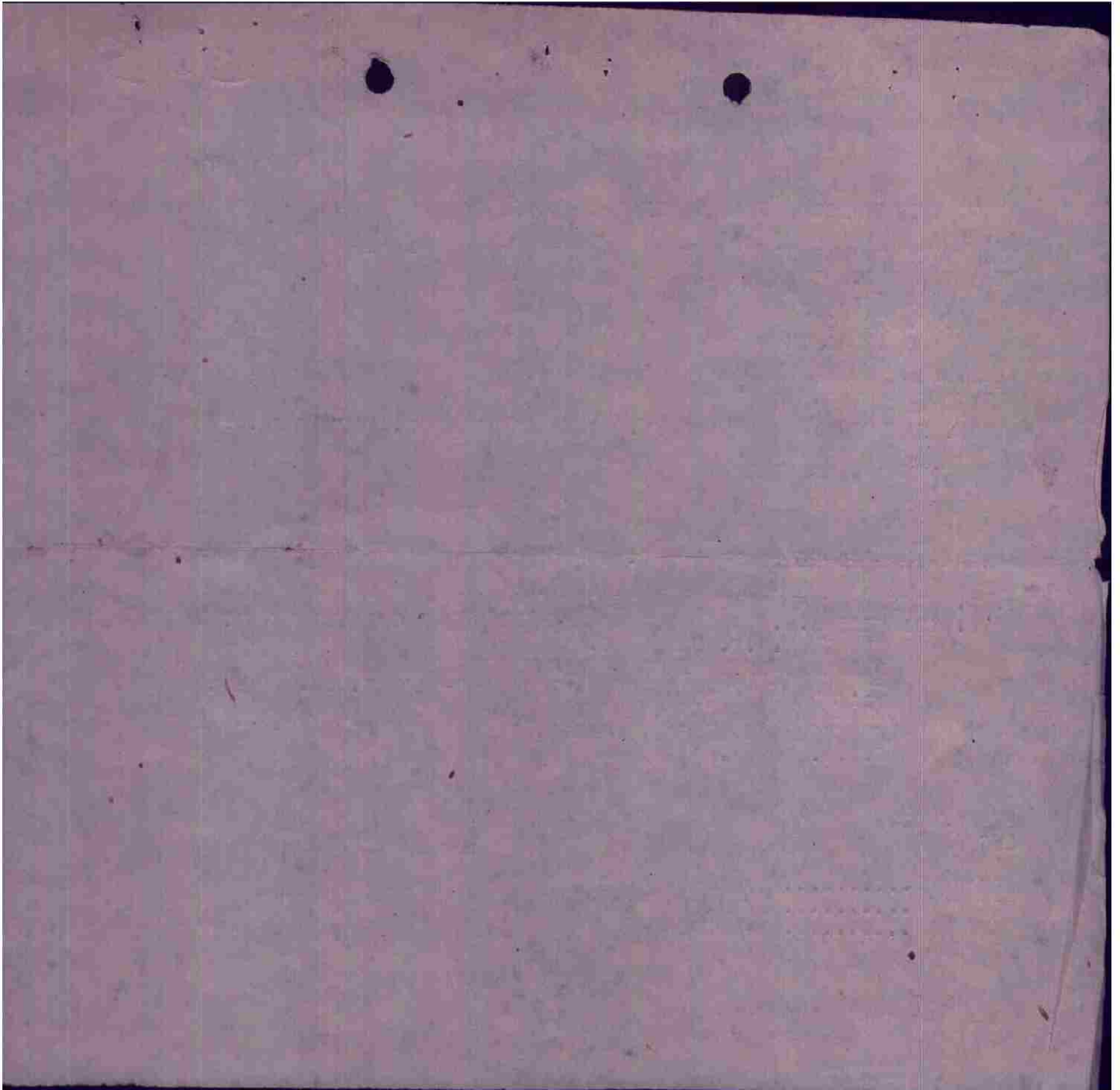
BT 08/0500B

LEG AR

OIHAK R	08/0525B	WS	AR
OIGOF R	08/0525B	AG	AR
OIYAA R	08/0525B	CW	AR
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OICOG OIHAK OIGOF OIYAA V OILAI 1/08 OP
 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING* 08/0315B U-42-E
 TO COMBOMCOM IX
 COBOMGP 409TH
 COBOMGP 410TH
 COBOMGP 416TH

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 5 JUNE 1944

ANNEX NO. 1 FIELD ORDER NO. 69-355

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP
 (2) KITNOSE

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP
 (2) WIDEWATER

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP
 (2) KITNOSE

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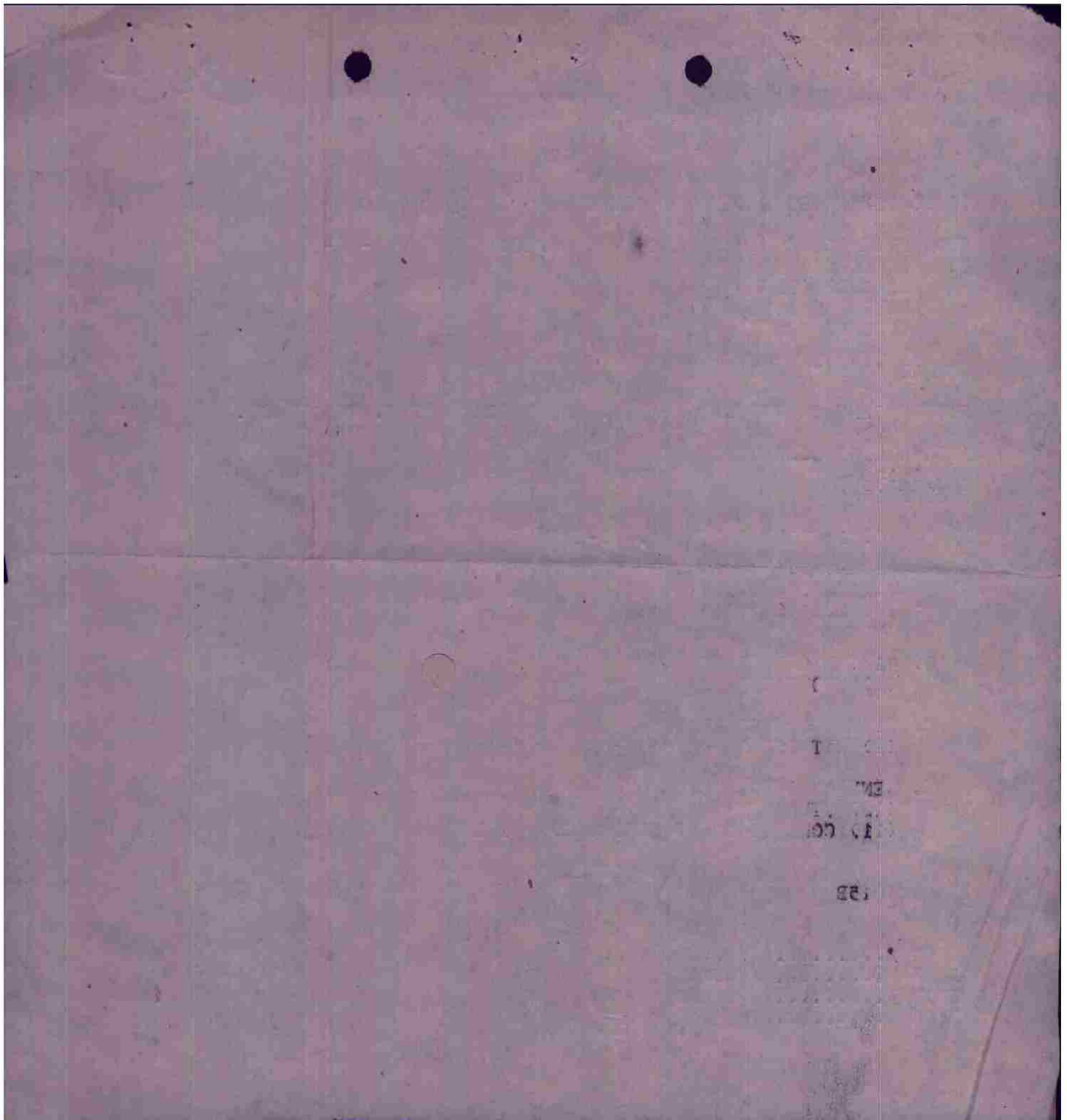
(10) VTBA/VTBA

(11) CONTACT TO FIGHTERS: C/S GIMLET

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BT 08/0315B
 LCB AR

OICOG R.....08/0342B	PJC	AR
OIHAK R.....08/0342B	WS	AR
OIGOF R.....08/0342B	SK	AR
OPIAA 4.....08/0342B	SW	AR
AV	C.W.	



04/5/ 351
 VOILAI
 OICOG OINAK OIGOF OIYAA 2/08 OP
 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 08/0400B U-43-E
 TO COMBOMCOM IX
 COBOMGP 409
 COBOMGP 410
 COBOMGP 416

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT

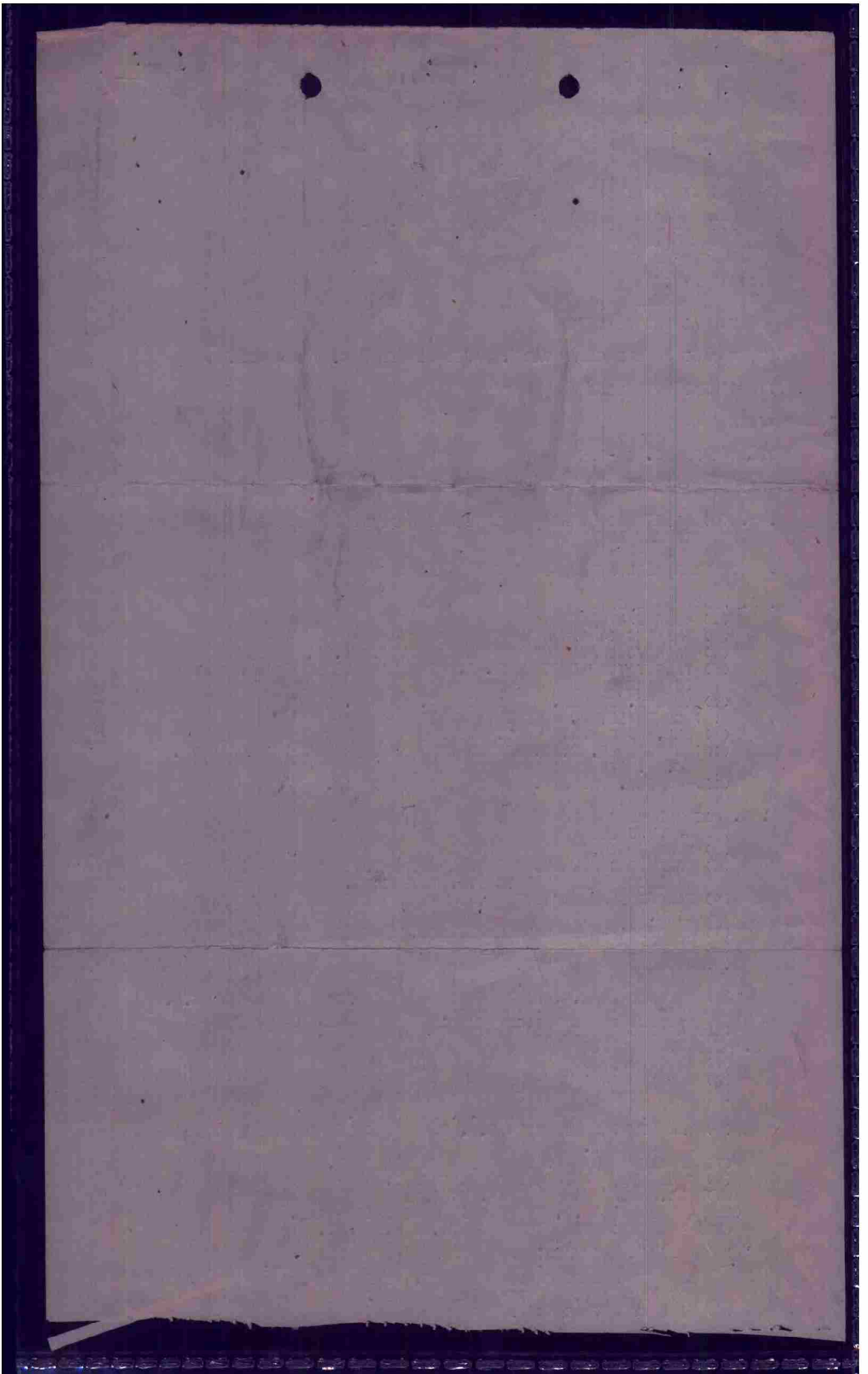
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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 8 JUNE 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 69-355

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (2) ALLIED AIR FORCES WILL FURNISH FIGHTER COVER IN TARGET AREA
2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN FRANCE
3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP
 - (1) 4902 W/47
 - (2) 3 BOXES 14 A/C
 - (4) BASE TO GRAVESEND TO SELSEY BILL TO I. P. TO TARGET
 - (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R. P. TO SELSEY BILL TO GRAVESEND TO BASE
 - (7) 49 DEG. 23 MIN. NORTH 01 DEG. 05 MIN. WEST
 - (8) GENERALLY NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST
 - (9) ILL. 4902 W/47 REF. 025030
 - (10) 4 X 500 LB. G. P. AIRPLANES WITH WING RACKS 6 X 500 LB. G. P. FUSED 1/10 NOSE 1/40 TAIL
 - (11) 49 DEG. 23 MIN. NORTH 01 DEG. 05 MIN. WEST
3. B. 410TH BOMB GROUP
 - (1) 4902W/J/108
 - (2) 2 BOXES 18 A/C
 - (4) BASE TO GRAVESEND TO SELSEY BILL TO 49 DEG 23 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 05 MIN WEST TO I.P. TO TARGET.
 - (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. TO SELSEY BILL TO GRAVESEND TO BASE.
 - (7) 49 DEG 18 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 15 MIN WEST.
 - (8) GENERALLY EAST TO WEST.
 - (9) 4902W/26 REF. 18 A/C 057092
REF. 18 A/C 050099
 - (10) 4 X 500 LB G.P. AIRCRAFT WITH WING RACKS 6 X 500 LB G.P. FUSED 1/10 NOSE 1/100 TAIL.
 - (11) 49 DEG 25 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 10 MIN WEST.
- C. 416TH BOMB GROUP
 - (1) 4802W/C/9
 - (2) 3 BOXES 14 A/C
 - (4) BASE TO GRAVESEND TO SELSEY BILL TO 49 DEG 23 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 05 MIN WEST TO I.P. TO TARGET.
 - (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. TO 49 DEG 23 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 05 MIN WEST.
 - (7) 48 DEG 18 MIN NORTH 00 DEG 56 MIN WEST.
 - (8) GENERALLY NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST.
 - (9) ILL. 4802W/59 REF. 101071
 - (10) 4 X 500 LB G.P. FUSED 1/10 NOSE 1/100 TAIL.
 - (11) 48 DEG 16 MIN NORTH 01 DEG 24 MIN WEST.
- X. (1) TO (4) NO CHANGE.
 - (5) BOMBING ALTITUDE: BOMB AT NORMAL ALTITUDE 12,000 FEET IF LESS THAN 3/10 CLOUD COVERAGE, OTHERWISE UNDER CLOUD BASE NOT BELOW 1,000 FEET ABOVE TERRAIN.
 - (6) TIME OVER TARGET: 0900B



4. NO CHANGE.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP
(2) KITNOSE

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP
(2) WIDEWATER

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP
(2) RESPITE

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. (10) VTBA/VTBA

(11) CONTACT TO FIGHTERS: C/S GIMLET

COCBTWIG 97

BT 08/0400B
LCB/LEG AR

OICOG R.....

PS IMI 3.B. (1) 4902 W/J108

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JLP AR

OIHAK R.....08/0443B

JW AR

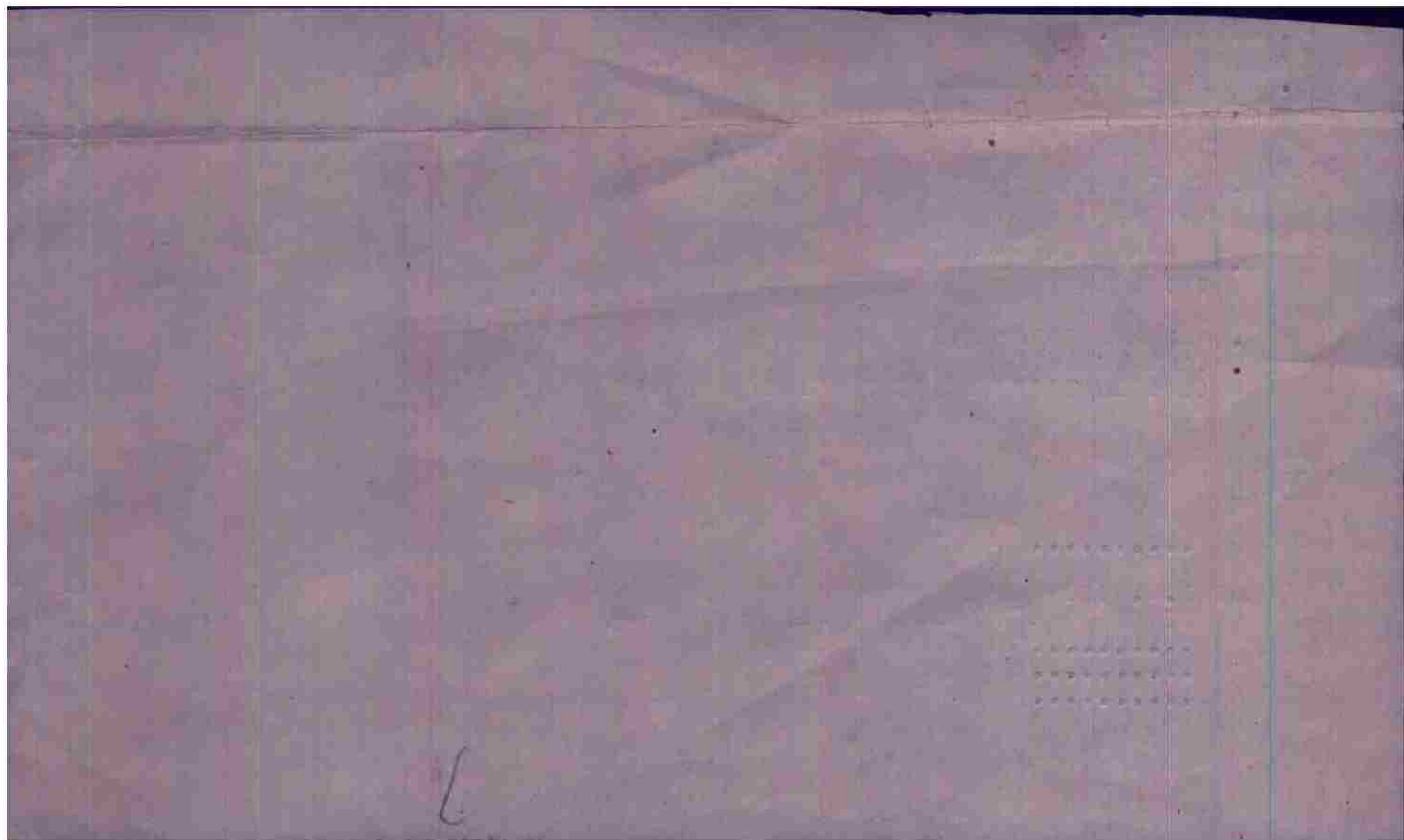
OIGOF R.....08/0443B

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OIYAA R.....08/0443B

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BOX I
FLIGHT I

8 JUNE 1944

1. 455 T
Major W.J. Meng
Lt. V.H. Powell
S/S R.F. Stobert
S/S F.P. Glynn

4. 207 B
Lt. F.J. Harrold
S/S E.L. Griffin
Sgt C.W. Maziasz

2. 467 W
Capt. D.A. Hulse
Lt. R. Conte
S/S F.D. Allred
S/S D.W. Stephens

5. 224 E
Lt. N.G. Brown
S/S J.E. Wilson
S/S I. Binney

3. 227 F
Lt. P.G. Atkinson
S/S J.O. Swafford
S/S P.F. Glynn

6. 157 P
Lt. D.F. Shea
S/S R.E. Lee
S/S F.G. Falk

FLIGHT II

1. 907 C
Lt. G. Ebenstein
Sgt C.P. Newell
Sgt H. Perkins

3. 9194 C
Lt. R.G. Meredith
S/S A.A. Hill
S/S R.W. MacDonald

2. 195 D
Lt. W.E. Downing
S/S K.E. Hornbeck
S/S L.B. Kemper

4. 217 D-1
Lt. T.J. Leonard
S/S O.D. Evans
S/S T.A. Palmer

FLIGHT III

1. 176 T-1
Lt. G.F. Bartmus
S/S J.R. Orr
S/S H.W. Smith

3. 210 Q
Lt. L.G. Peede
S/S L.M. Daugherty
S/S C.W. Hibbs

2. 894 R
Lt. R.D. Lecher
S/S H.R. Hedrick
S/S A.J. Antanaitis

4. 0194 A
Lt. L.E. Hill
S/S C.H. Yost
Sgt R.W. Birch

MISSION NO. 72

LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

8 JUNE 1944

1. 645 R
Capt. G.M. McNulty
Lt. F.H. Bursiel
S/S H.E. White
S/S R.F. Addleman

2. 1711 S
Lt. L.A. Marzolf
Lt. R.J. Bassett
S/S H.E. Weilin
S/S L.G. Kutzer

3. 780 M
Lt. C.L. McGlohn
S/S J.W. Moran
S/S P.B. Driekill

4. 978 S-1
Lt. R.J. Rooney
S/S H.M. McCleary
S/S S.F. DiNapoli

5. 211 O
Lt. D.T. Sommers
Sgt J.L. Johnson
Sgt C.R. Zaklikiewicz

6. 209 K
Lt. J.C. Sewell
Sgt D.L. Burns
Sgt W.J. Daniel

FLIGHT II

1. 214 O
Lt. R.V. Wheeler
S/S J.S. Brower
S/S E. Corrin

2. 363 L
Lt. R.W. York
S/S H.J. Wilde
Sgt L.A. Ashton

3. 221 F
Lt. W.A. Merchant
S/S C.J. Harp
S/S K.F. Brown

4. 202 B
Lt. M.V. Shainberg
Sgt R.W. Rice
Sgt C.E. Young

FLIGHT III

1. 393 K-1
Lt. R.E. Greenley
S/S H.O. Worden
S/S J.J. Rzepka

2. 714 N
Lt. F.W. Henderson
Sgt R.M. Griswold
Sgt P.E. Coulombe

3. 937 B-1
Lt. A.R. Durante
S/S H.T. Best
S/S I.R. DeGiusti

4. 711 M-1
Lt. T.J. Murray
Sgt D.H. DeBower
Sgt P.J. Jones

MISSION NO. 71
8 JUNE 1944
BOX II

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LOADING LIST
BOX III
FLIGHT I

8 JUNE 1944

1. 450 S
Capt. M.F. Huff
Lt. J. Kupits
S/S M. Rosenstein
Sgt H.O. Carney

4. 390 G
Lt. T. Boukamp
S/S R.J. Colosimo
S/S N. Radlich

2. 640 Z
Lt. R.F. Shaefer
Lt. J.J. Burg
S/S E.R. Judd
S/S J.A. Fejes

5. 900 Q
Lt. W.F. Tripp
Sgt J.O. Scott
S/S D.F. Mallory

3. 189 F
Lt. P. Dantas
S/S A.L. Nielsen
S/S W.E. Fields

6. 147 K
Lt. E.R. Hayter
Sgt F.E. Melchoir
S/S R.C. Halloway

FLIGHT II

1. 135 T
Lt. R.J. Morton
Lt. J. Madenford
S/S O.D. LaNave
S/S F.M. Clitty

3. 743 W
Lt. H.B. Clark
Sgt J.W. Sabadosh
Sgt C.F. Floyd

2. 961 E
Lt. J.F. Smith
Sgt C. Vafiadis
Sgt R.C. Hoffman

4. 717 N
Lt. M.S. Street
S/S O.A. Prindle
S/S E.T. Epps

FLIGHT III

1. 929 C
Lt. F.F.E. MacManus
S/S J.L. Rogers
S/S G.I. Fleischman

3. 943 F
Lt. E.J. Renth
Sgt H.C. Rodgers
Sgt J.E. Van Duyne

2. 181 A
Lt. W.H. Land
S/S S.F. Adlen
S/S R.L. Ballinger

4. 680 R
Lt. R.V. Miracle
S/S B.C. Sieg
Sgt V.C. Burkhalter

SPARE

493 V
Lt. A.E. Herman
Sgt J.O. Young
Sgt A.D. Garrett

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BOX III

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HEADQUARTERS
116TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

By Authority
CG, 344.170
9 June 1944
Init. _____

AFG 140, U. S. Army,
9 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Oprep A, USAAF Form 344.

TO : Commanding General, Ninth Air Force, AFG 696, U. S. Army. Attention
26th Statistical Control Unit.

Oprep A Number 69 for 24 hours ending sunset 8 June 1944.

Mission Number 71.

IX Bomber Command Field Order Number 345.

A. Formation consisted of 3 boxes, 14 ships each box. Time of take-off was 0720. Target - Vitre Highway and Railroad Junction. 41 aircraft failed to attack due to weather - 10/10 low clouds with tops to 4000 feet. No anti-aircraft fire experienced. No enemy aircraft encountered. Flares landed at 1053.

B. (i) 35 A-200's and 7 A-203's.
(ii) None
(iii) 1 A-200 returned early due to late take-off - could not find formation.
34 A-200's and 7 A-203's due to weather - 10/10 low clouds, tops to 4000 feet.
(iv) None
(v) None
(vi) None
(vii) None
(viii) 34 A-200's and 7 A-203's.

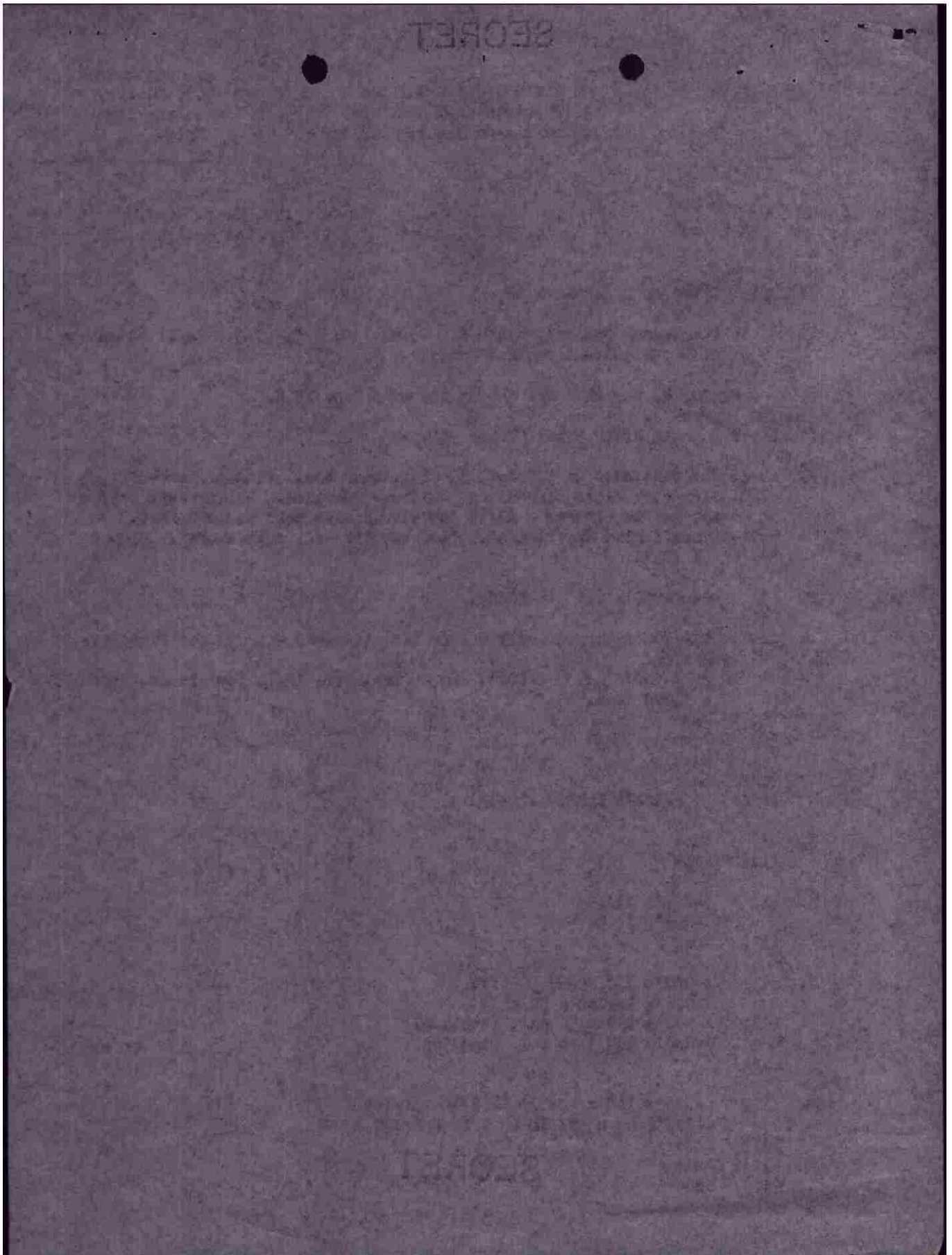
C. (i) None
(ii) None

D. (i) A-200's 111:50
A-203's 22:50
(ii) None

E. (i) A-200's 110,250 x 50 cal.
A-203's 14,700 x 50 cal.
(ii) A-200's 840 x 50 cal. (testing)
A-203's 160 x 50 cal. (testing)
(iii) None

F. (i) A-200's 140 x 500 lb GF 1/10 N 1/100 T
A-203's 20 x 500 lb GF 1/10 N 1/100 T
(ii) None
(iii) None
(iv) None

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Group A, USAAF Form 34A.

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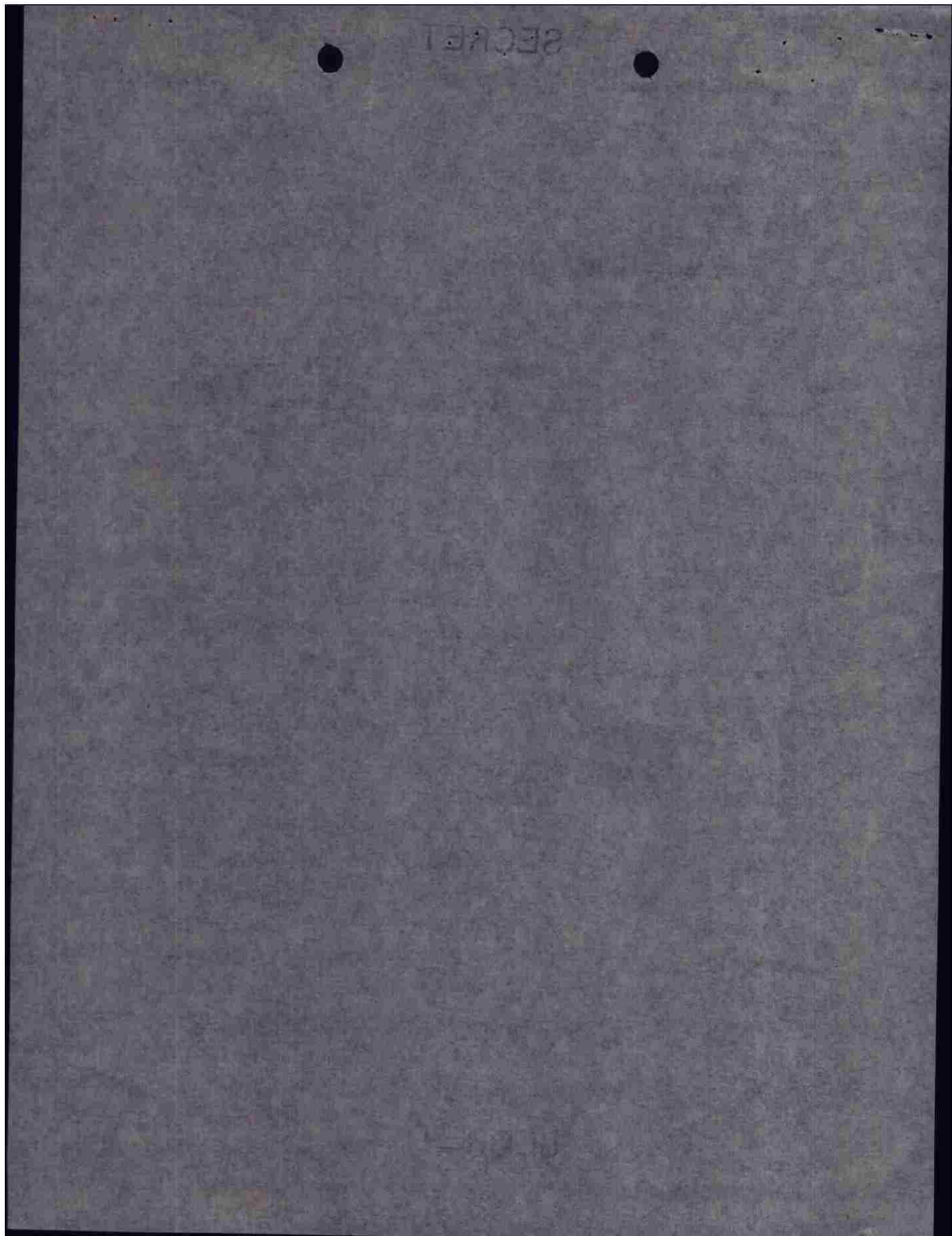
G. None

H. (1) None
(11) None
(111) None

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHMIDT,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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WETHERS FIELD 416TH BOMB GROUP (W)		TAKOFF - 0730 RETURN - 1025		<u>CONFIDENTIAL</u>		DATE <u>8 JUNE 1944</u> PERIOD <u>0500 - 1030</u>		Hq SOS USAPP 9-43/90M/1522			
OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST		A BASE TO TARGET		B TARGET		C TARGET TO BASE		D			
WEATHER		1 LIGHT HAZE		PARTLY CLOUDY		LIGHT HAZE					
CLOUDS		2 2-4/10 CIRRUS ABOVE 20,000 FT 2-4/10 MED CLOUD MED LOW CLOUD NIL TO 9/10 BASE 3-4000 FT TOPS 5000 T-6000 FT OVER ENGLAND NIL OVER CHANNEL		NIL TO 9/10 CIRRUS ABOVE 30,000 FT NIL MED CLOUD 4-5/10 STRATOCUMULUS BASE 2,000 TO 2,500 FT TOPS 3,000 TO 3,500 FT		SAME AS ROUTE OUT EXCEPT NIL MED CLOUD 2-4/10 SMALL CUMULUS BASE 3,000 FT TOPS 4000 TO 5000 FT					
ICING		3 FREEZING LEVEL: 10,000 FT ICING: NIL		SAME		SAME					
VISIBILITY		4 1-3 MILES BASE V LONDON AREA 3-6 MILES OVER S. ENGLAND T. CHANNEL 6-10 MILES OVER CONTINENT		6-10 MILES IN HAZE		3-6 MILES					
HEIGHT SURFACE		DIRECTION VELOCITY		DIRECTION VELOCITY		DIRECTION VELOCITY		DIRECTION		VELOCITY	
5000 FT		300 8									
10,000 FT		320 18									
12,000 FT		320 20									
14,000 FT		330 25									
FT		340 40									
FT											
BASE ALTIMETER SETTING <u>29.88</u>		TARGET SURFACE TEMP <u>+11.2</u>		TARGET MEAN TEMP <u>+5.2</u>		TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT) <u>+870</u>					
		TEMP. AT <u>5000</u> FT. <u>6.2</u>									

AIRCRAFT REPORT

		BASE TO COAST	OVER CHANNEL OR SEA	OVER CONTINENT & TARGET
TIME				
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.				
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!		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		
		FRONTS - 		

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

APO 140
8 June 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report

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

BASE AT TAKEOFF: Overcast of cirrus estimated at
18,000 feet. 4/10 to 5/10 altocumulus
at 7,000 feet. Visibility 3,000 yards.

ROUTE OUT: Same as base over England with very few
scattered low clouds bases 3,000 feet
tops 4,000 to 5,000 feet. Large patches of
low clouds over channel just south of English
coast extending 5 miles into channel. Rest of
channel clear of low clouds with 3/10 to 4/10
cirrus estimated 18,000 feet. France clear
to few miles past St. Lo., there 7/10 to 8/10
low clouds base 2,000 feet tops 4,000 feet.
At Vire clouds increased to 10/10 with bases
on the ground and tops 2,500 feet. Formation
turned back at this point. Visibility 2 to 4
miles over England increasing to 10 miles over
channel and continent.

ROUTE BACK: Same as route out except 4/10 to 5/10 cumulus
and stratocumulus over England at 3,500 feet.
Visibility 5 to 6 miles.

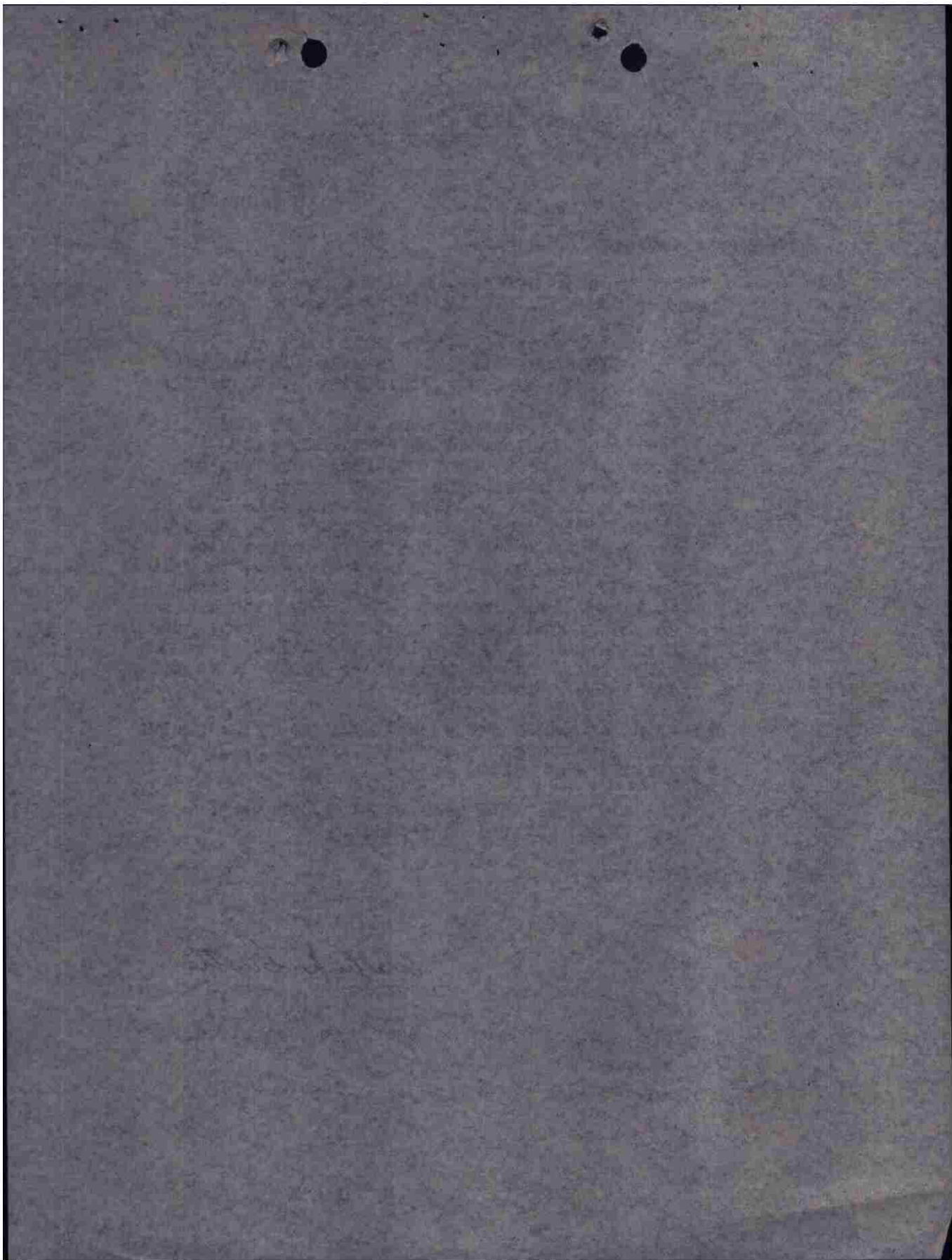
BASE ON RETURN: 5/10 to 6/10 cumulus at 3,500 feet.
Visibility 5 to 6 miles.

WINDS: As forecast.

Walter D. Castle
WALTER D. CASTLE,
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Staff Weather Officer,

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2 Route Forecast Forms.

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FROM COBOMGR 416

TO COMBAT WING 97 ATT: COM O

A - YS - 67

B - 8 JUNE 1944

C - 43 A/C

D - 671 - L - INTERCOM FROM LOWER GUNNER FUZZY; CHANGED THROAT
MIKES AND CHECKED OK.

E - 668 - Z - TWO QDM'S FROM WETHERSFIELD.

F - BOX LEADERS REPORTED TO BOMCOM UPON COMPLETION OF OPS. RADIO
PERFORMANCE EXCELLENT. PILOTS REPORTED PLANES OF OTHER GROUPS
USING CHANNEL A OF THIS GROUP.

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