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10 AUG 1944**MISSION REPORTS**FOLDER NO.10

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

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16 Aug 1944
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AFG 140, U. S. Army.
16 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Combat Mission.

TO : Commanding Officer, 97th Combat Wing, AFG 140, U. S. Army.

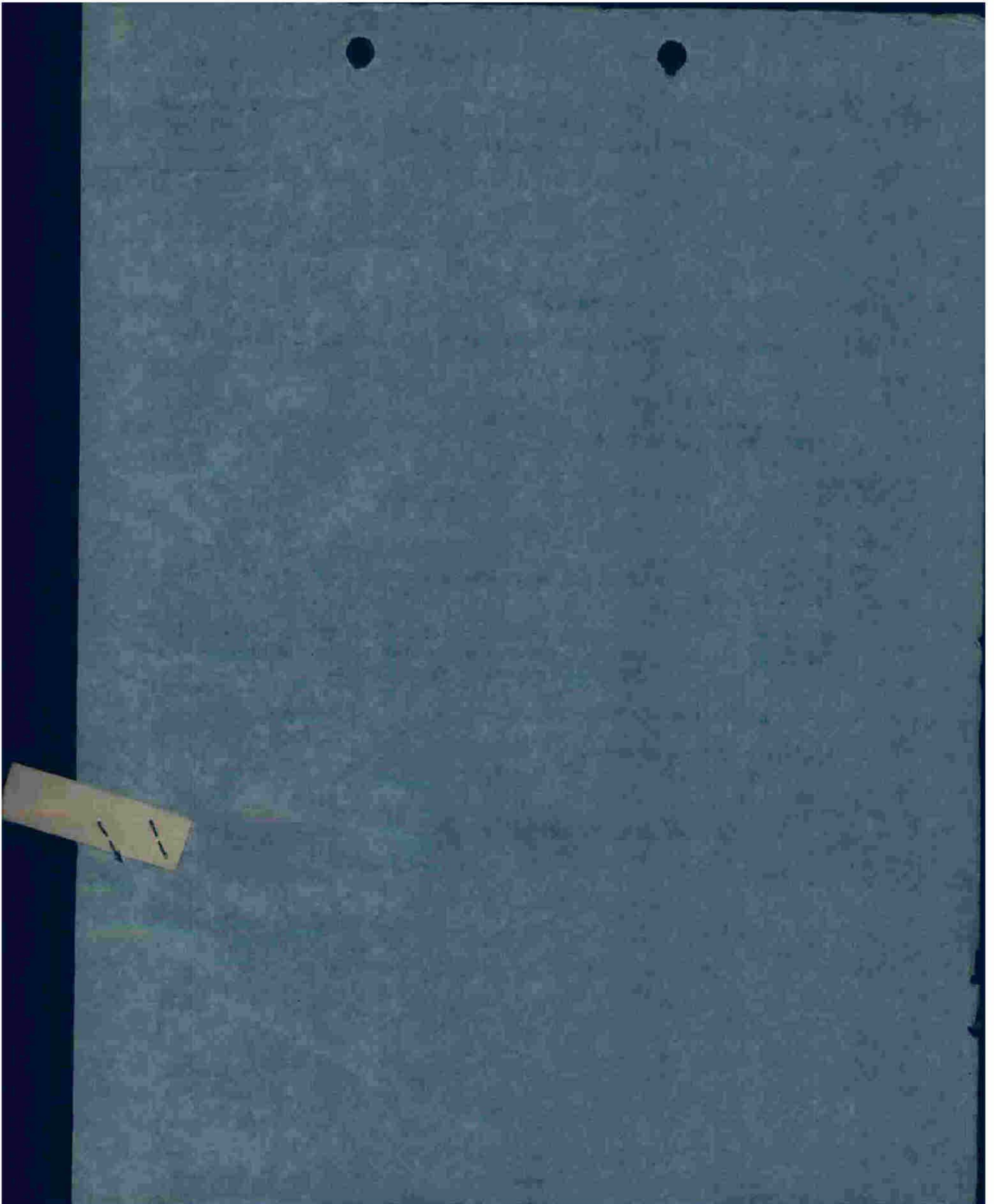
416th Bombardment Group (L)
127th Combat Mission, 15 August 1944.
97th Combat Wing FO 182-496

1. 41
2. 80
3. 98
4. 1 (spare)
5. 2
6. 43-21724 Returned 4 bombs. Bomb master switch in "off" position.
L. H. P. Cole
- 43-21717 4 bombs jettisoned in channel on return trip. Pilot
L. J. F. Neigher failed to release bombs over target. Ship checked and
found OK upon return from mission.
7. 43-21734 Same as above.
- 43-21717 Same as above.
8. None

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHENKIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

AUG 15 1944
#127



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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IN B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 49BOX 1 GROUP 416 DATE 15 August 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Forêt de Chantilly
Fuel Dump

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set with corrections.2. Bombing approach: 330°3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO X4. Did entire (box) ~~(entire)~~ drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Pre-set with corrections. Aimed at briefed point in target area.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. R. Gento6. Name of lead Pilot: Capt. D. A. Hulse7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 280 Ground Speed: 255 Altitude: 110009. Length of bomb run: 50 Sec: 11-35 frag clusters fused for separ-10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED N T 11. Total Bombs Dropped: 44 ation 10 secs. after release.

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

- (a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES
- X
- NO
-
- . If "YES" state conditions and effect.

None in target area.

- (b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES
-
- NO
- X
- . If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:

- (c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES
-
- NO
- X
- . If answer is "YES", state to what extent did Flak affect bombing or bomb run:

- (d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing?
- None

- (e) State any difficulties on bombing run:
- None

- (f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:
- None

- (g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO Results claimed: EXCEL GOOD FAIR POOR GROSS Area Bombing: In target area.

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(over)

1. 1 to 2 miles.
2. No low clouds. Heavy cloud in target area.
3. 3 bombs, 15 ships each.
4. Very little for IP.
5. Little, river, wooded area and lake in target area used to identify area.
6. None.
7. Area bombing.
8. None.

Direction of route from IP to target:

Formation consisted of 3 bombs, 15 ships each, preceded by a flight of 3 ships. Bombing under only. Time of take-off was 1545. Time over target 1750-1751. Target - Forest of Chantilly Fuel Dump. A total of 150 bombs were dropped in the target area. Anti-aircraft fire was heavier to moderate immediate hit in turn off target. Altitude was 1-2 miles with extreme haze and a heavy cloud in target area. No enemy aircraft encountered. Times landed at 1745.

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 496BOX 11 GROUP 416 DATE 15 August 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Forêt de Chantilly
Fuel Dump

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set with corrections.2. Bombing approach: 342°3. Was mercury erection system used? YES ☐ NO ☒4. Did entire (box) ~~(cluster)~~ drop on lead bombardier? YES ☒ NO ☐

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Pre-set with corrections. Aimed at briefed A.P. in target area.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. G. W. Jones6. Name of lead Pilot: Major J. G. Nader7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 250 Altitude: 114009. Length of bomb run: 30 Sec: 11-26 Frag clusters fused for10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED ☐ N ☐ T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 48 separation 10 secs. after release.

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

- (a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES ☒ NO ☐. If "YES" state conditions and effect.

None in target area.

- (b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES ☐ NO ☒. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:

- (c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES ☐ NO ☒. If answer is "YES", state to what extent did flak affect bombing or bomb run:

- (d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing? None

- (e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

Gyro in sight tumbled on run.

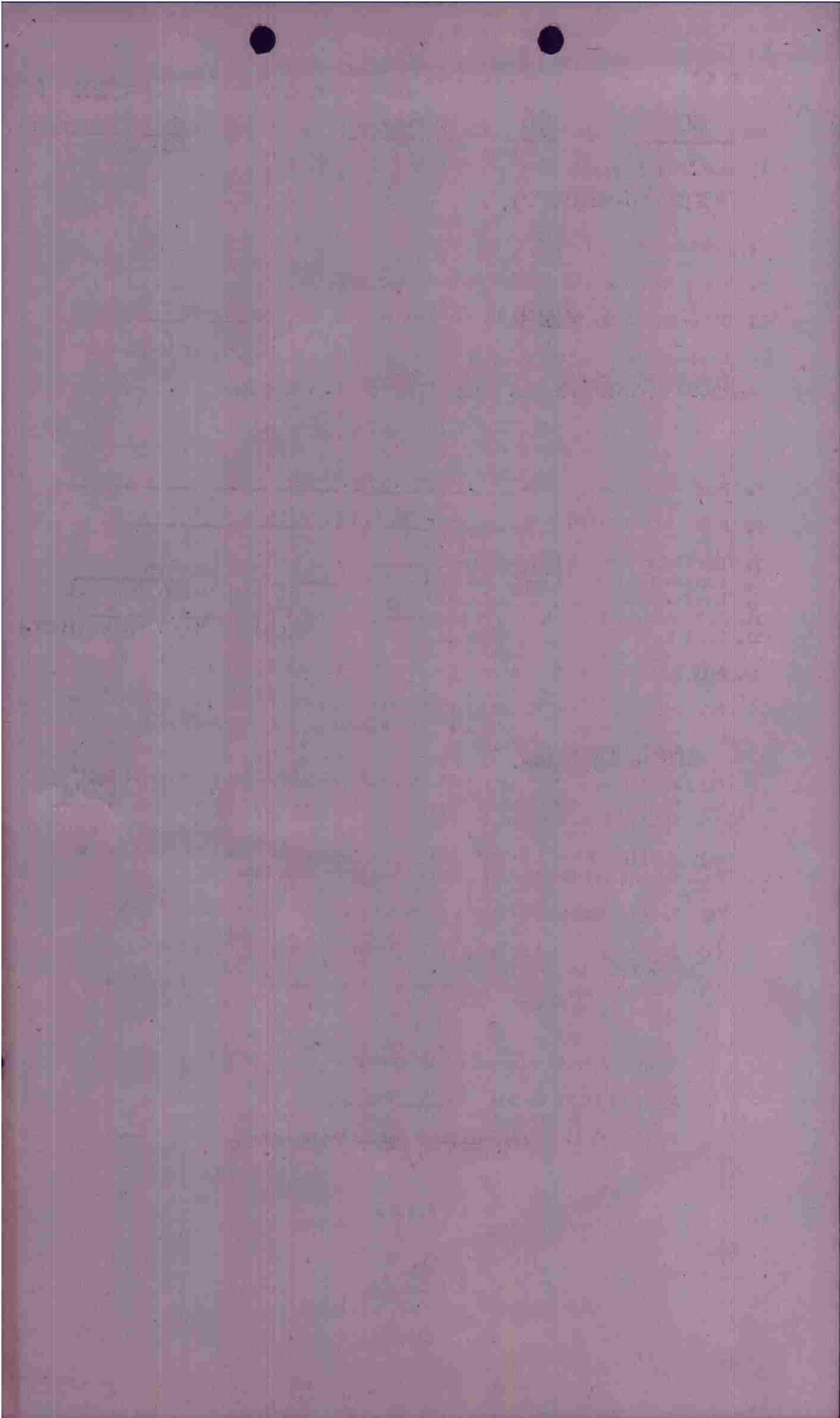
- (f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

None

- (g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES ☒ NO ☐Results claimed: EXCEL ☐ GOOD ☐ FAIR ☐ POOR ☐ GROSS ☐Axon Bombing: Out of target area.

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 496BOX III GROUP A16 DATE 15 August 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Porte de Chantilly Fuel Dump

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set with corrections.2. Bombing approach: 345°3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO x 4. Did entire (box) ~~(entire)~~ drop on lead bombardier? YES NO

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used:

Pre-set with corrections. Aimed at briefed point in area.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. A. H. Hally6. Name of lead Pilot: Capt. G. B. Jackson7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 262 Altitude: 125009. Length of bomb run: 20 Sec: 10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED M-26 Frag Clusters fused for11. Total Bombs Dropped: 48 separation 10 secs after release.

12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

- (a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES x NO . If "YES" state conditions and effect.

None in target area.

- (b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES NO x . If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:

- (c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES NO x . If answer is "YES", state to what extent did flak affect bombing or bomb run:

- (d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing? None

- (e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

Bombs went away before B/N was aware of it.

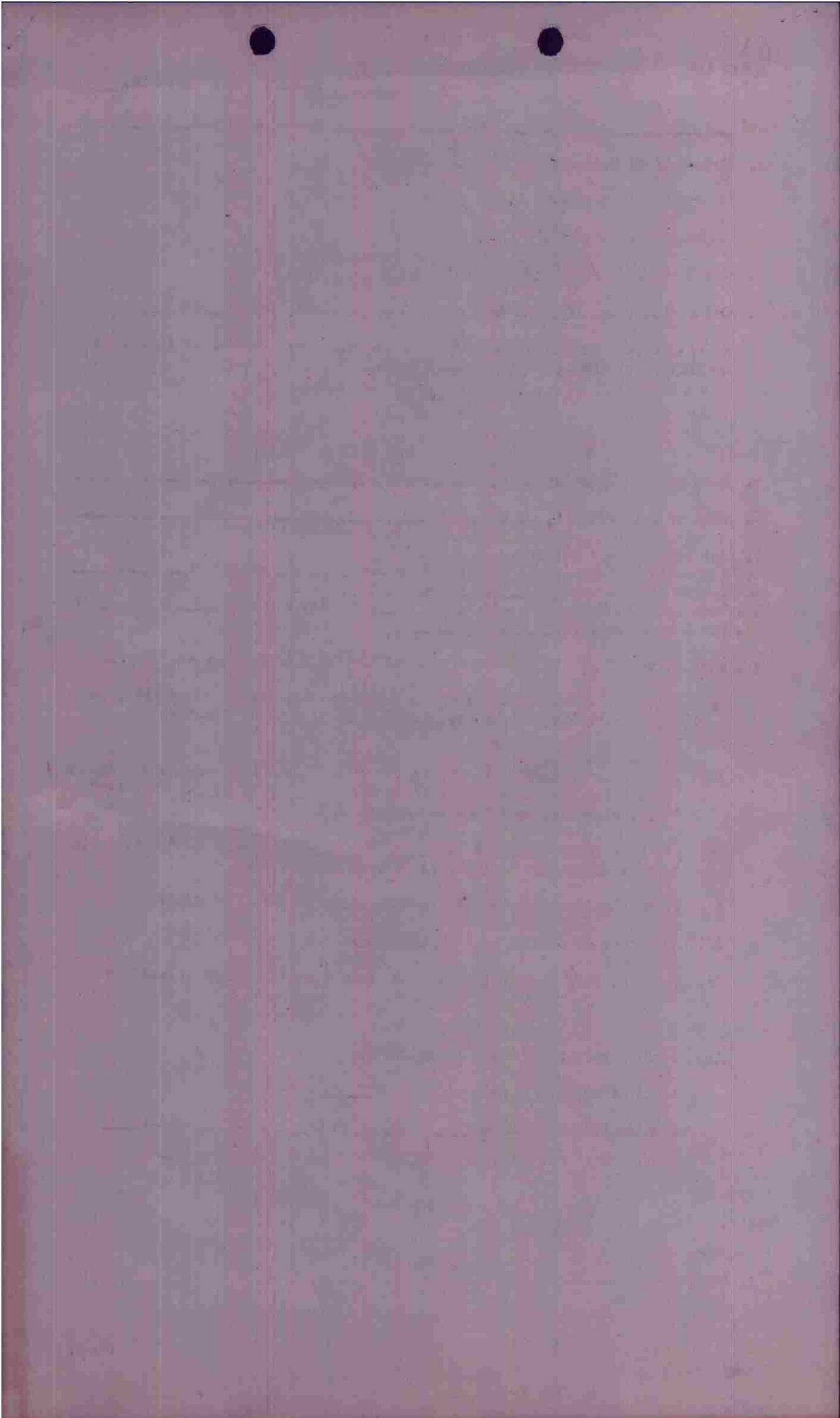
- (f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

None

- (g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES x NO Results claimed: EXCEL GOOD FAIR POOR GROSS Area bombings Out of target area.

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LOADING LIST
BOX I
FLIGHT I

15 AUGUST 1944

1. 469 J
CAPT D A HULSE ✓
LT R CONTE ✓
SGT A J BURLAND ✓
SGT K HEATH ✓

2. 724 A
LT H P COLE ✓
LT R J BASNETT ✓
S/S B G FANDRE ✓
S/S F R CHVATAL ✓

3. 442 D
LT W J GREENE ✓
LT J E NICHOLS ✓
SGT G RHEIMER ✓
S/S M W CHENEY ✓

195 D-1
4. LT P F E MACMANUS ✓
S/S J L ROGERS ✓
S/S G I FLEISCHMAN ✓

5. 1961 P
LT J S CONNOR ✓
S/S H C RODGERS ✓
S/S R W NICKS ✓

6. 214 C
LT E R HAYTER ✓
S/S F E MELCHIOR ✓
S/S R S HEDDE HOLLOWAY ✓

FLIGHT II

1. 194 C-1
LT R V MIRACLE ✓
S/S B C SIEG ✓
S/S J C BURKHALTER ✓

2. 907 C-1
LT L G FERDE ✓
S/S L M DAUGHERTY ✓
S/S C H HIBES ✓

3. 819 K
LT C J ANDERSEN ✓
SGT T G EUGA ✓
SGT E L SCHAFER ✓

FLIGHT III

1. 480 B
LT R G MEREDITH ✓
S/S A A HILL ✓
S/S R W MACDONALD ✓

2. 760 Z
LT T D MCCREARY ✓
SGT W F FUERNER ✓
SGT J F GEYER ✓

4. 379 G
LT J H MONTROSE ✓
SGT R S GANDY ✓
SGT J W FELKEL ✓

WINDOW MISSION

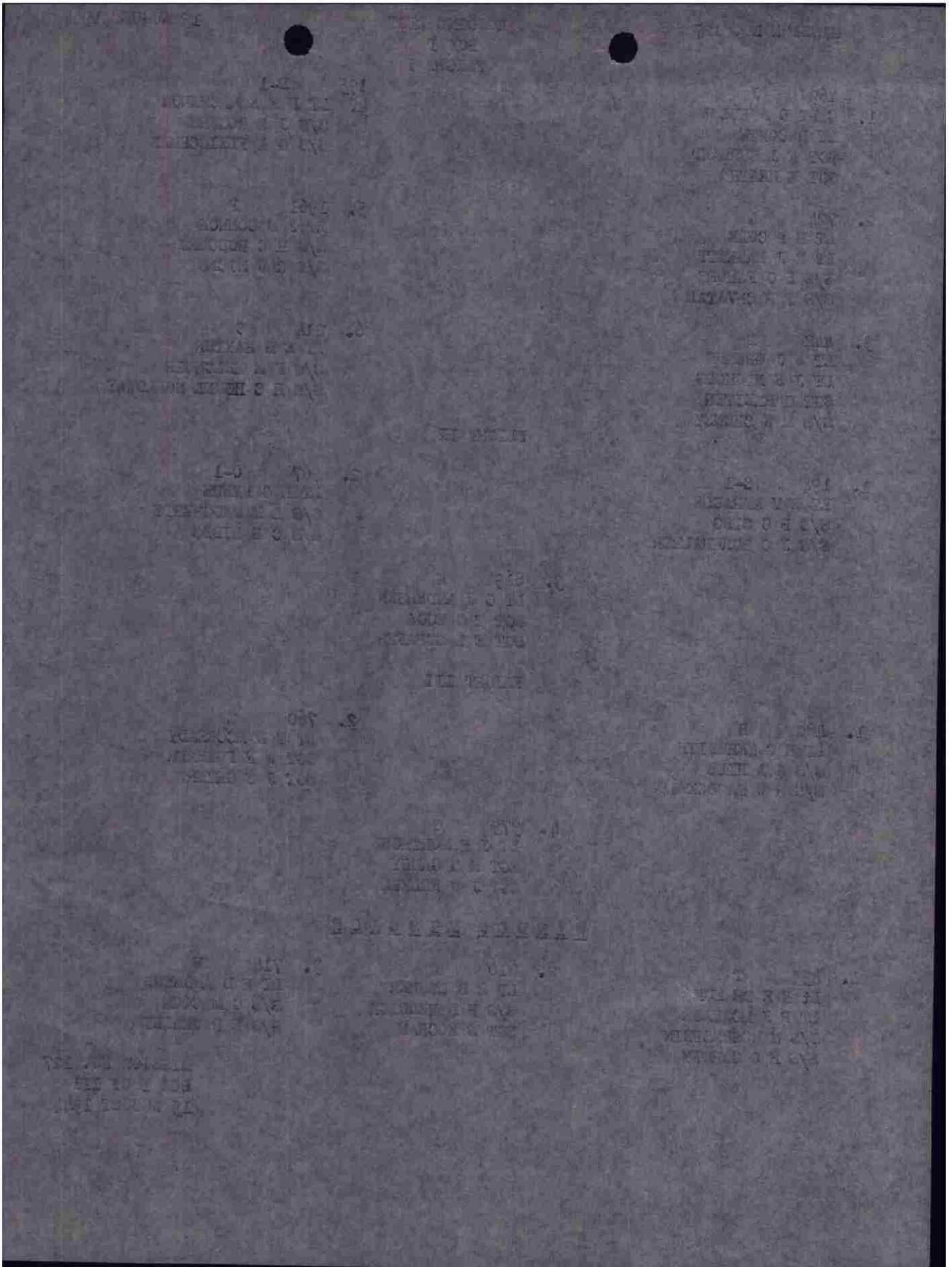
1. 455 T
LT E E DE MUN ✓
LT R J MCQUADE ✓
S/S M ROSENSTEIN ✓
S/S H O CARNEY ✓

2. 210 Q
LT R D LESHAR ✓
S/S H R HEDRICK ✓
SGT S KOCHAN ✓

3. 714 N
LT H D ANDREWS ✓
S/S G M COOK ✓
S/S E R WERLEY ✓

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LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

15 AUGUST 1944

1. 712 H
MAJOR J G NAPIER ✓
LT C W JONES ✓
PVT G E PERKINS ✓
SGT L R GETZEN ✓

4. 190 I
LT T BOUKAMP ✓
S/S R J COLOSIMO ✓
S/S J S WING ✓

2. 645 R
LT J D ADAMS ✓
LT R J HANLON ✓
S/S P L CLEAFMAN ✓
S/S A J ZEIKUS ✓

5. 483 L
LT M S STREET ✓
S/S C A PRINDLE ✓
S/S E T EPPS ✓

3. 197 F
LT H B CLARK ✓
S/S J W SABADOSH ✓
S/S C F FLOYD ✓

6. 767 N
LT E J RENTH ✓
S/S O D LA NAVE ✓
CPL L MOSKOWITZ ✓

FLIGHT II

1. 221 F-1
LT W A MERCHANT ✓
S/S C J HARP ✓
S/S K P BROWN ✓

2. 9711 M
LT T J MURRAY ✓
S/S R M GRISWOLD ✓
S/S R J JONES ✓

3. 165 H-1
LT R C MOREHOUSE ✓
S/S L A ZYGIEL ✓
S/S A J BURGESS ✓

FLIGHT III

1. 956 Z
LT A R DURANTE ✓
S/S H T BEST ✓
S/S I R DE GULISTI ✓

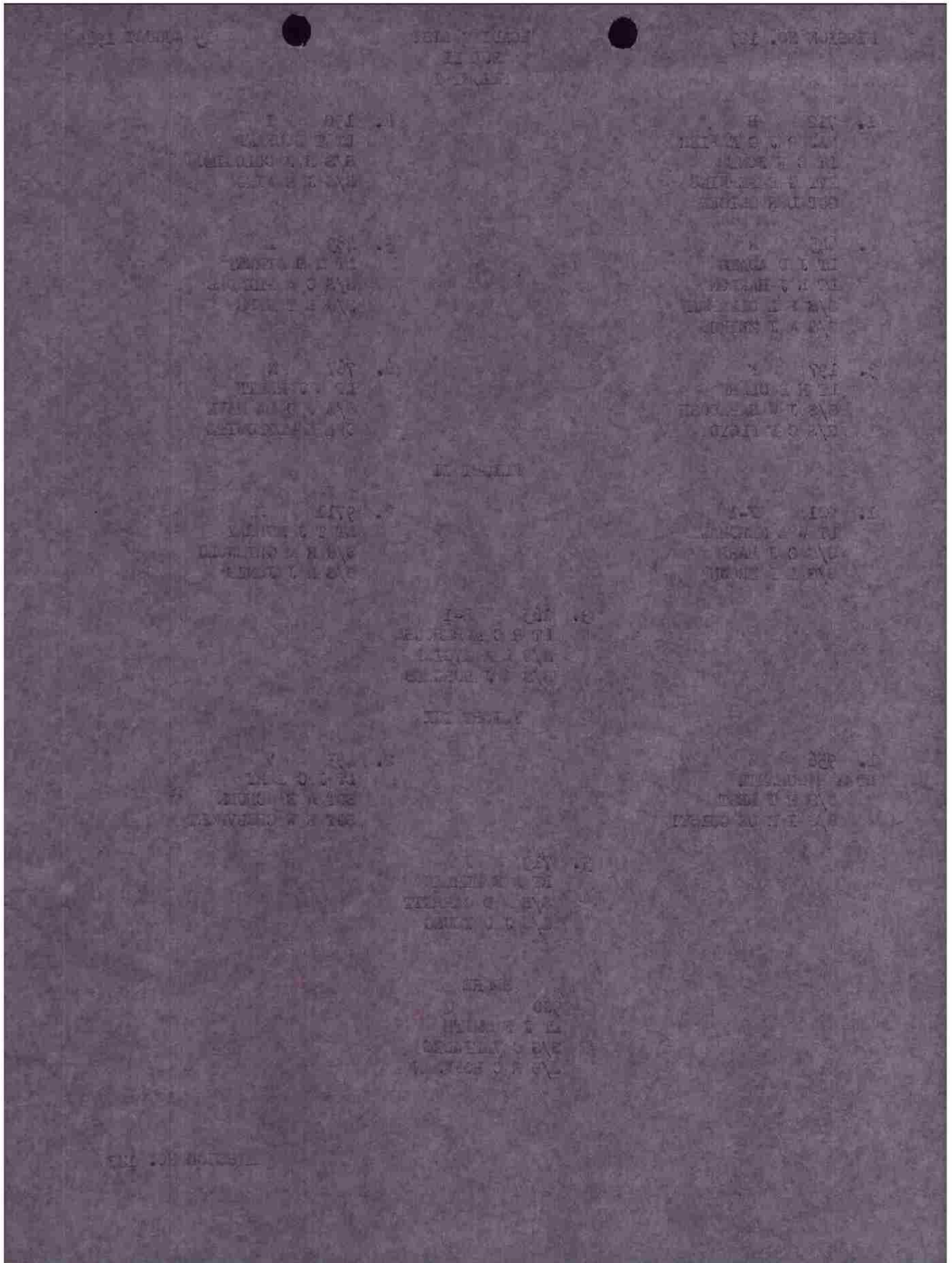
2. 493 V
LT J C GARY ✓
SGT A E SCHOEN ✓
SGT R W CHEUVRONT ✓

3. 719 J
LT A E HERMAN ✓
S/S A D GARRETT ✓
S/S J O YOUNG ✓

SPARE

900 Q
LT J F SMITH ✓
S/S C VAFIADIS ✓
S/S R C HOFFMAN ✓

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LOADING LIST
BOX III
FLIGHT I

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1. 452 Q
CAPT C R JACKSON ✓
LT A H MALTEY ✓
C SGT D E BURNS 460
SGT W J DANIEL

2. 1717 P
LT J F MEAGHER ✓
a LT J J BURG ✓
S/S C F LOVE *510
S/S F L ADAIR

3. 217 D ✓
C LT R B HALL ✓
SGT D S BLACKFORD 530
SGT L C BURGER

4. 759 G
e LT E L JOHNSON ✓
S/S W J DONAHUE 470
S/S J F GOGGIN

5. 674 R
C LT P P BARAUSKY ✓
SGT M HALL *535
SGT B R WILSON

6. 750 M
C LT W MUSGROVE ✓
S/S J D GOSSETT 555
S/S R L MILLER

FLIGHT II

1. 219 D-1 ✓
LT R D PERKINS ✓
D SGT R J BROWN 550
SGT A H HINSON

2. 363 L
D LT D L WITHINGTON ✓
SGT C F HUSS 370
SGT L D MC ELHATTAN

3. 951 P-1 ✓
D LT C L ESTES H*
S/S C R ORVOLD 420
S/S A E DIMARTINO

FLIGHT III

1. 207 B ✓
C LT F J HARROLD H*
S/S E L GRIFFIN 510
S/S C W MAZIASZ

2. 224 E ✓
C LT J C SEWELL ✓
SGT J A HUMMER 520
SGT D A SAMPSON

3. 689 I ✓
C LT A J VLEGHELS H*
S/S R W RICE 510
S/S C E YOUNG

SPARE

444 J
a LT COL T R AYLESWORTH ✓
LT M A PAPE ✓
SGT M E DIAS 525
SGT H J NOWOSIELSKI

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15 AUGUST 1944

POST MISSION REPORT

MISSION NO.

127

DATE

15 Aug. 1944

1. Number of men wounded (Medics & 16)

None

2. Bombing Malfunctions (Armament - 92)

3

724 - Sq. D. - Cole - 4 bombs returned - Bomb Master Switch in "Off" Position.

219 - Sq. D. - Perkins - 1 Bomb. Returned - Light Sway braces.

1717 - Sq. A. - Meagher - 4 Bomb. returned - Slips checked out O.K. on returned.

3. Camera Malfunctions (Photo Lab - 24)

3.

819 - Sq. A. - Anderson - Switch not turned on.

~~219 - Sq. D. - Perkins - Turned off too soon~~

363 - Sq. D. - Withington - Defective wiring

207 - Sq. C. - Harold - Turned off camera too soon.

4. Number of Planes Operational: Bomb Group

43.

Service Group

3

Called to Wing

5. Percent of Battle Damage (Intelligence - 66 or 17)

3 cat A

7.5%

6. Planes failing to become airborne or returning early - reason

None

Spence - Box II Returned Early.

7. Planes lost or landing away from base - reason

None

(SUBMITTED BY

M/Sgt. C. R. Young.

Open

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

APO 140
16 August 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report.

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

BASE AT TAKEOFF: 5-6/10 cirrus estimated at 20,000 feet.
Visibility, 3 miles.

ROUTE OUT: 5-6/10 cirrus over England estimated 20,000 feet.
Visibility 2-3 miles up sun and 6-8 miles down
sun. A few miles from French coast, clouds became
multi-layered altostratus and altocumulus with
tops and bottoms unknown. Flight turned back at
this point.

ROUTE BACK: Same as route out.

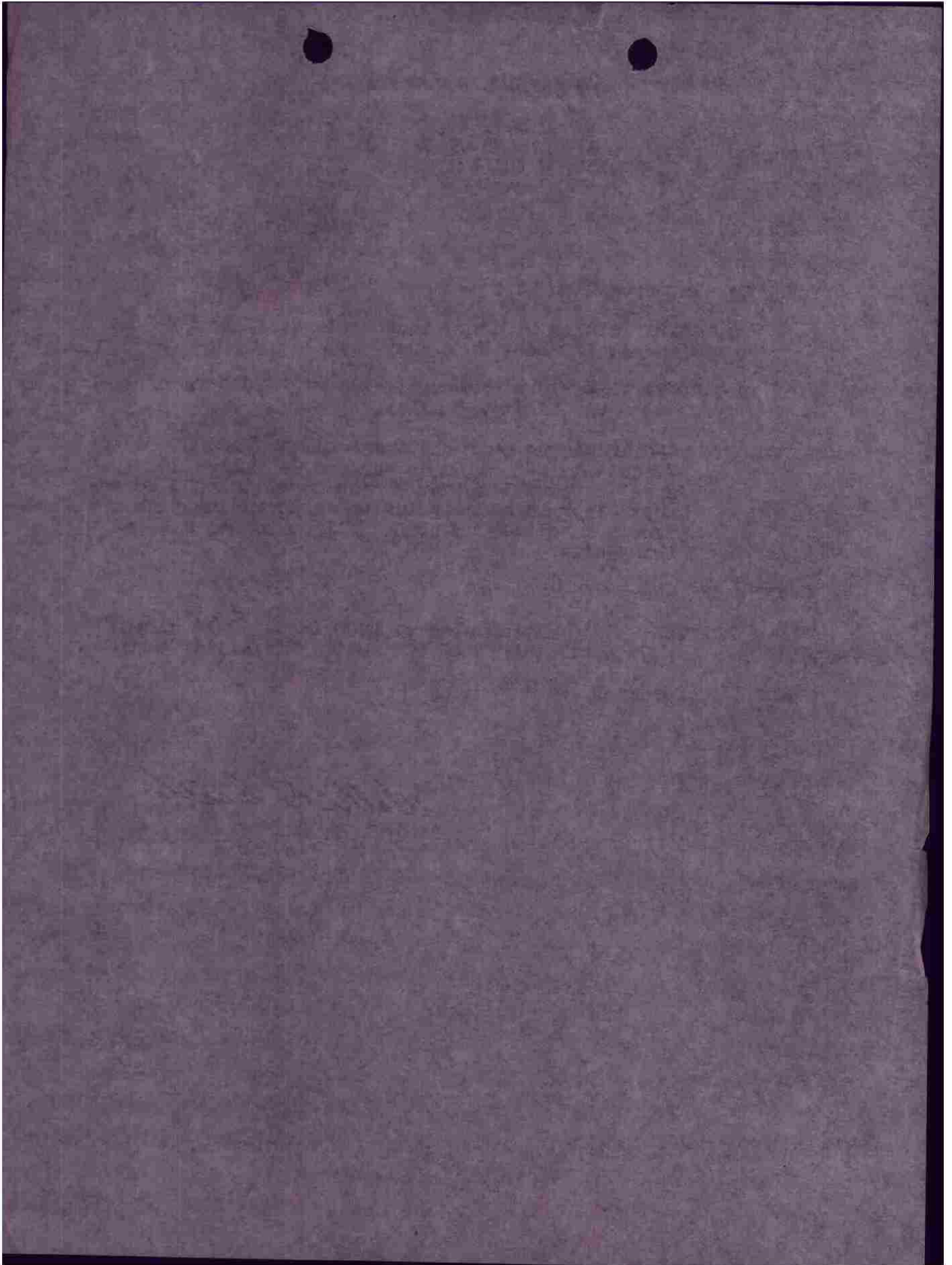
BASE ON RETURN: 2/10 altocumulus at 8000 feet. 2/10 cirrus
estimated at 20,000 feet. Visibility 4 miles.

WINDS: As forecast.

Walter D. Castle

WALTER D. CASTLE
1st Lt., Air Corps
Staff Weather Officer

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OPERATION PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP

TO: IX BOMBER COMMAND

TO: 97TH COMBAT WING

416 BG A _____ E

SECRET IN THE CLEAR

'J' FORM OPERATIONAL

CLEARANCE F-10

15 AUGUST 1 944

PREPARED BY LT M A PAPE

A.

B. NOTHING

C. 1647

D. BOX I R/T JAYWALK ONE

669 5 J D V P O

671 1 A

668 6 G O*1 K B Z G

GROUP LEADER 669 J

DEPUTY 671 A

BOX II R/T JAYWALK TWO

669 6 H F I L N (SPARE .. Q)

671 7 R F-1 M H-1 Z V J

SECOND BOX LEADER 669 H

DEPUTY 671 R

BOX III R/T JAYWALK THREE

670 8 Q D G R M B E I

671 3 D-1 L P-1

668 2 P (SPARE .. J)

THIRD BOX LEADER 670 Q

DEPUTY 668 P

E. 12,000

F. MALLEVILLE

G. 1710

H. 70 MINUTES

J. MALLEVILLE

K. NOTHING

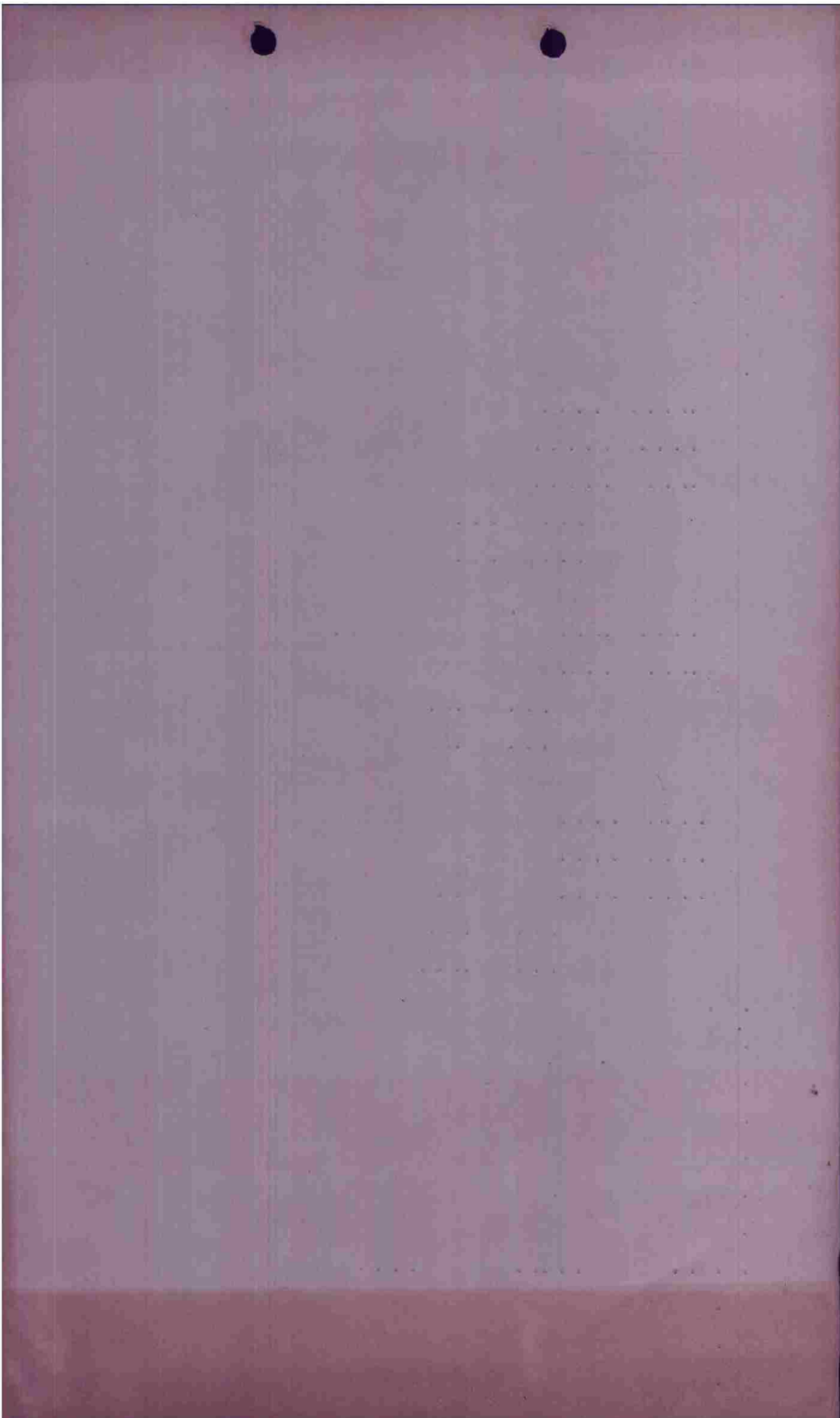
L. 1838

M. 1. T.O. 1554 E.T.D... 1614 E.T.A. . 1907

2. 4 X 500 M-26 FRAGMENTATION

3. 4 HOURS

4. 4902E/71



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

FROM COBOMGR 416

TO COCBTWIG 97 ATT: SIG O

A - YS - 127

B - 15 AUGUST 1944

C - 36 A/C

D - 668 - J - VHF OFF, RETUNED AND CHECKED OK.
668 - K - INTERPHONE TO TURRET GUNNER OUT, REPAIRED AND
CHECKED OK.
670 - T - TRANSMITTER WEAK, RETUNED AND CHECKED OK.

E - NO QDM'S. LOCAL BUNCHER BEACON USED.

F - NONE

AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416

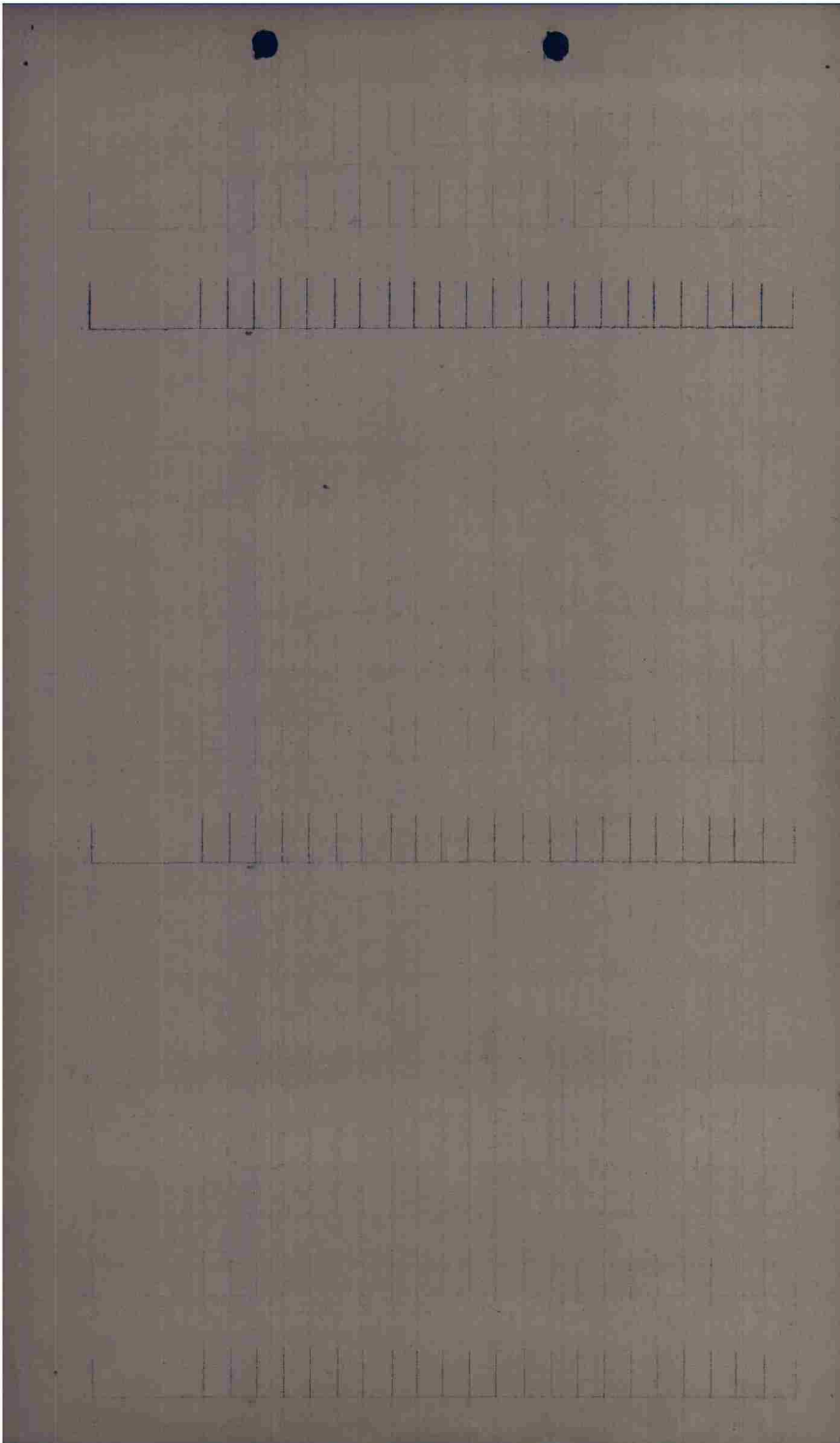
OFFICIAL:

DANIEL J. NOLAN
1ST LT., AIR CORPS,
SIGNAL OFFICER.

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B	A	469	Hulse	1089		1554	1647	1710	752	1810	1838		745	4	1931	
D	A	714	Cole			1554						X	M-26		1931	
B	D	449	Greene			1554							"Frag"		1931	
A	D-1	195	Mac Manus		Window	1534						X			1931	
B	P	1961	Comor		Window	1535									1933	
D	C	714	Hayer		Window	1535									1932	
A	C-1	194	Mitacle		Window	1535									1935	
A	O-1	907	Peede		Window	1535									1936	
A	K	819	Anderson		Window	1536						X			1935	
A	B	480	Meredith		Window	1536						X			1935	
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A	G	379	Antrose		Window	1536									1934	

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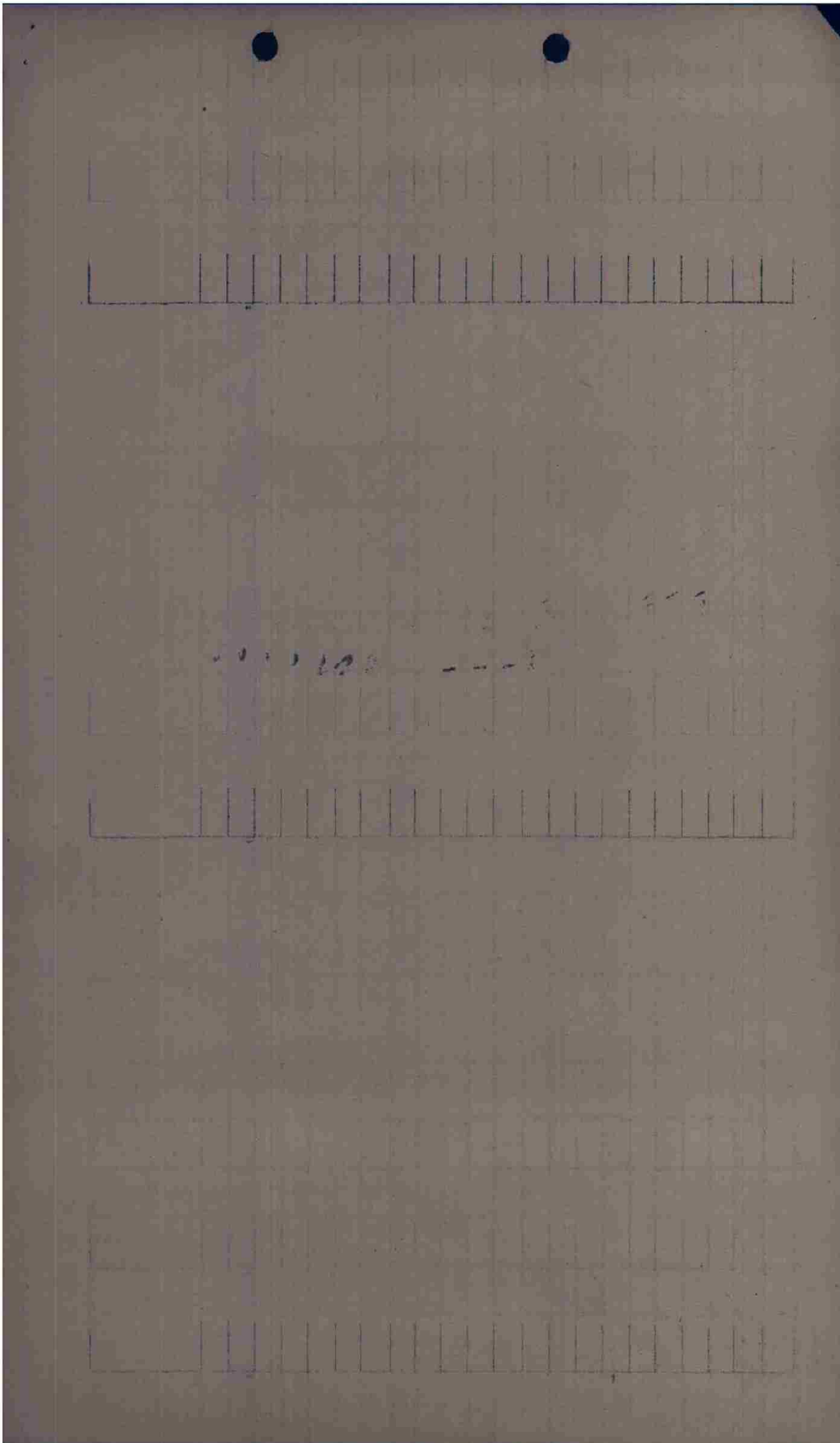
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B	H	714	Napier			1603						*				1943	
D	R	645	Adams			1603										1944	
B	F	197	Clark			1604										1944	
B	E	190	Boakamp		Window	1604										1944	
B	L	483	Street		Window	1604										1945	
B	N	767	Renth		Window	1604						H*				1945	
D	E-1	221	Merchant		Window	1605						*				1947	
D	M	9711	Murray		Window	1605										1948	
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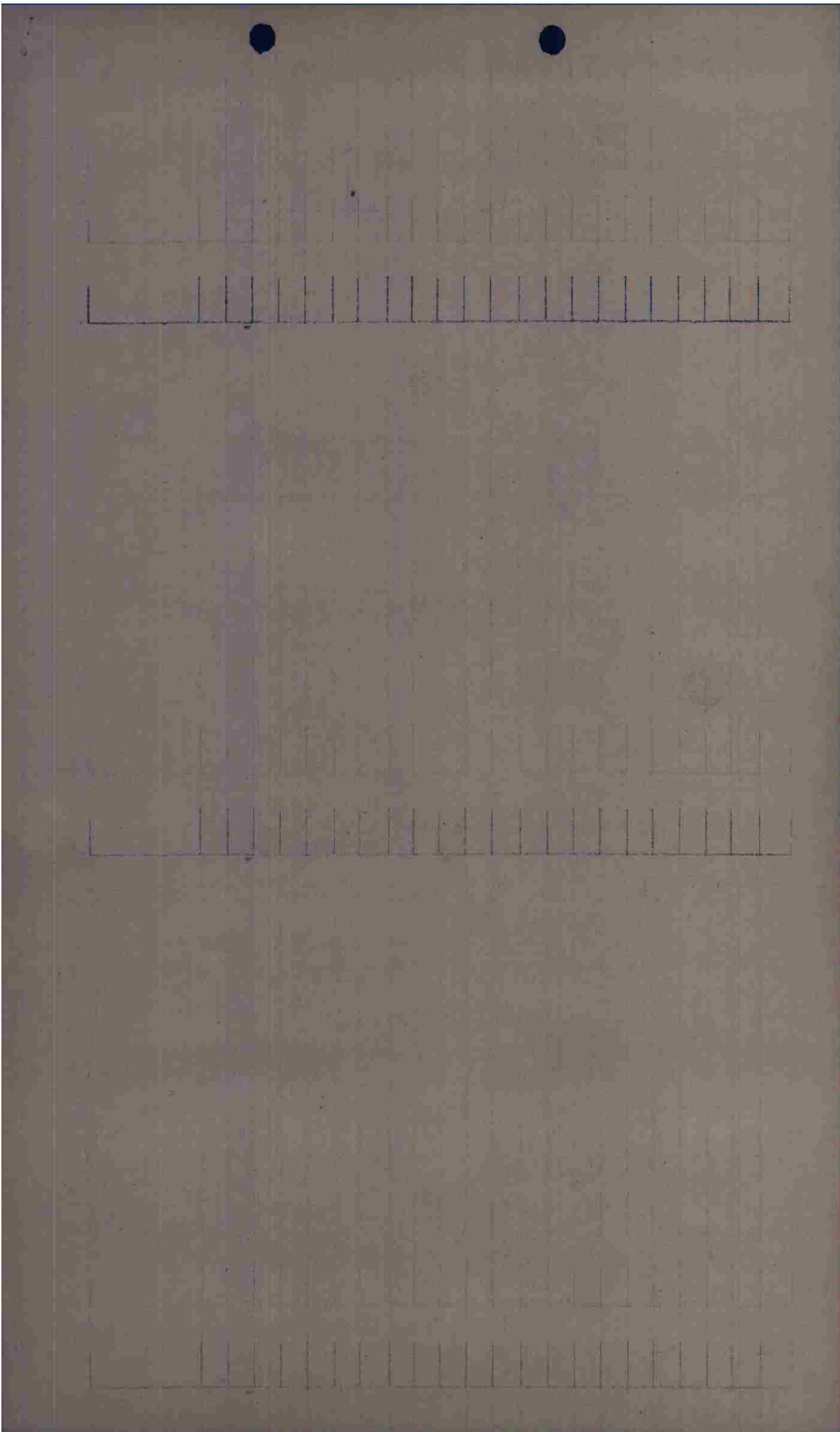
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A	P	1717	Meagher			1558						X				1939	
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C	G	759	Johnson			1559										1940	
C	R	674	Baryashy			1559						X				1940	
C	M	740	Musgrave			1600										1940	
D	D-1	219	Perryins			1600										1942	
D	L	363	Whittington			1600						*				1942	
D	P-1	951	Estes			1600						X				1942	
C	B	207	Harold			1601						X				1944	
C	E	224	Sewell			1601						X				1942	
C	F	689	Viegnels			1601						X				1934	
A	J	444	Aylesworth			1544										1924	Spare
C	T	455	Wimond			1607										1925	
A	Q	210	Lesher			1607										1926	
D	N	714	Anders			1607										1926	

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Box 711 and "Wimond" flight
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Box 711



15 Aug 1944

William A. McDonald
Capt, H.C.
Armament Officer.

724 - About Aug.
819 - Smith not on.
412 - Summ of the room
363 - Referring writing

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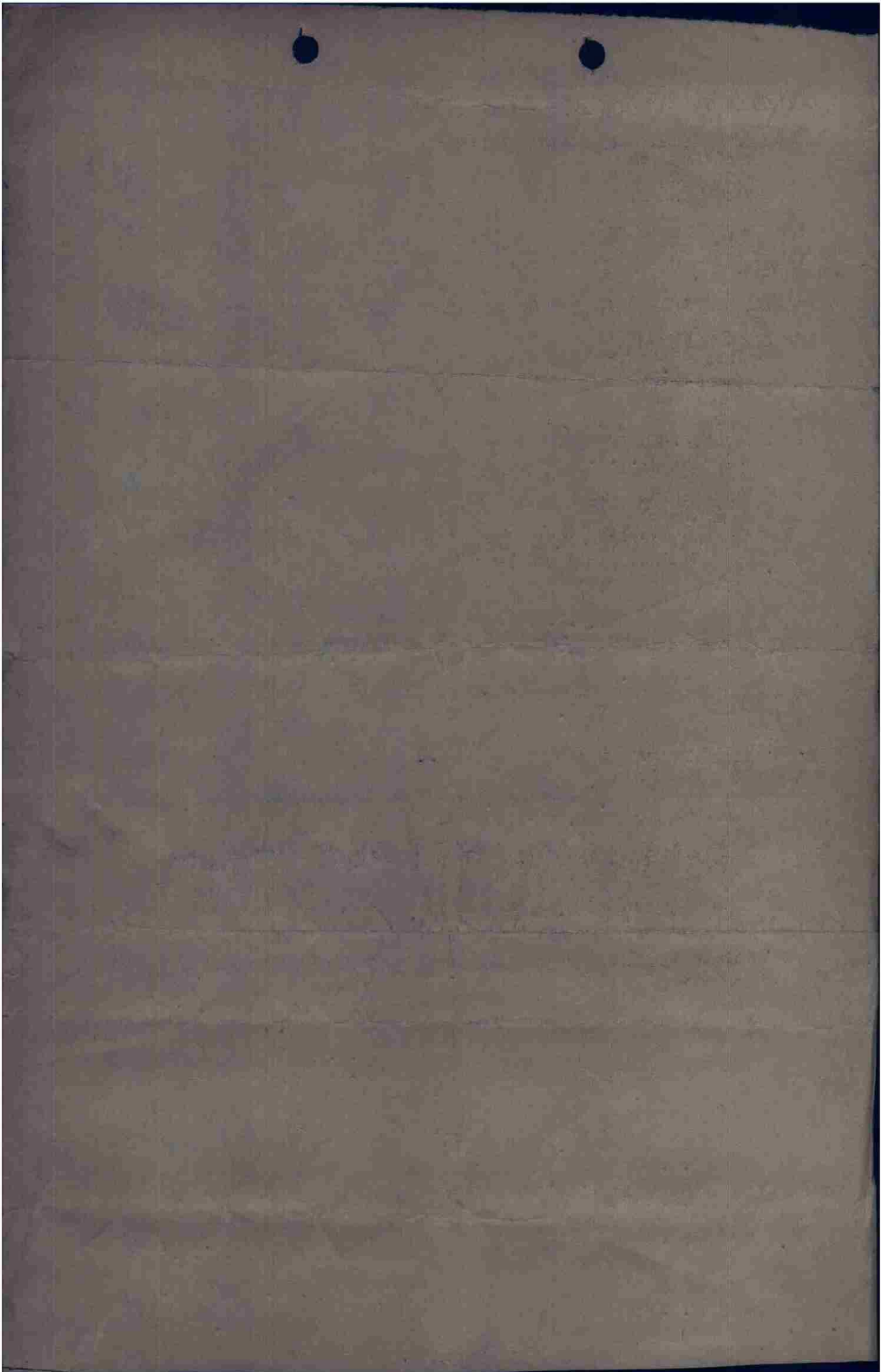
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 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 15/1425B A-108-E
 TO COMBOMCOM IX
 409TH BOMB GROUP (INFO ONLY)
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 416TH BOMB GROUP
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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 15 AUGUST 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 182-496

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMB LINE
 (2) NINTH T.A.C. WILL FURNISH FIGHTER ESCORT FOR THIS WING.
2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK A TARGET IN FRANCE.
 ZERO HOUR: 15/1700B
3. A. 410TH GROUP:
 - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 4951N 0036E
 AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 30 MIN.
 - (10) 4 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED INSTANTANEOUS NOSE. NON-DELAY TAIL.
 - (12) THIS GROUP IS AUTHORIZED TO PICK ALTERNATE TARGETS. IF
 ALTERNATE TARGETS ARE SELECTED M.P.I.'S FOR THEM MUST BE
 SELECTED.
 - (13) A/C RETURNING LOW ON GAS MAY LAND AT FORD TO REFUEL THEN
 RETURN TO BASE.
3. B. 416TH GROUP:
 - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 4951N 0036E AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR
 PLUS 10 MIN.
 - (10) 4 X 500 LB. M-26 FRAG. CLUSTERS FUSED FOR SEPARATION 10 SEC.
 AFTER RELEASE. EXXXX
 - (12) THIS GROUP IS NOT AUTHORIZED TO ATTACK ANY ADDITIONAL TARGETS.
 IF PRIMARY TARGET IS NOT ATTACKED, THEY WILL RETURN THEIR
 BOMBS TO BASE.
 - (13) A/C RETURNING LOW ON FUEL MAY LAND AT TANGMERE TO REFUEL THEN
 RETURN TO BASE.
- X. (1) NO CHANGE
 (4) FORD AND TANGMERE
 (5) TARGET: 4902E/H/1 CHANTILLY FOREST
 (6) A/C REQUIRED: 3 BOXES OF 12 A/C EACH GROUP
 (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO MAIDENHEAD TO WORTHING (10,000 FEET)
 TO 4951N 0036E TO 4945N 0111E TO 4933N 0131E TO 4936N 0204E
 TO 4925N 0230E TO 4858N 0252E TO I.P. TO TARGET
 (8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. TO 4925N 0250E
 THEN RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
 (9) ALTITUDES: BOMB 12,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO
 BUT NOT BELOW 10,000 FEET. DROP 2,000 FEET IMMEDIATELY AFTER
 LEAVING TARGET. CROSS FRENCH COAST OUT AT THAT ALTITUDE.
 (10) I.P. 4858N 0238E
 (11) AXIS OF ATTACK: SSE TO NNN
 (12) A.P. ILL. 4902E/71 ONE BOX EACH GROUP ON EACH OF THE
 FOLLOWING REFERENCES: ONE BOX ON REF. 038045 ONE BOX ON
 REF. 043044 ONE BOX ON REF. 049043 LEAD BOMBARDIERS OF
 EACH BOX WILL SALVO THEIR BOMBS ON THEIR RESP. A.P.'S
 REMAINDER OF A/C WILL DROP THEIR FIRST BOMB ON INKER THE LEAD
 BOMBARDIER THEN TOGGLE REMAINDER AT 3 SEC. INTERVAL.
 (13) R.P. 4906N 0248E
 (14) 416TH BOMB GROUP WILL TAKE OFF AT LEAST 10 MIN. BEFORE
 410TH BOMB GROUP.



5. COMMUNICATIONS:

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP

(2) GOLDWAY

(3) CARBOT

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP

(2) JAYWALK

(3) MUSTARD

X. GENERAL INFORMATION.

(10) BTVA/BTVA

(11) BOX LEADERS WILL REPORT TO COMMAND CONTROL ON CHANNEL -C-
WHEN CLEARING TARGET AREA.

-----COCBTWIG 97-----

BT 15/1425B

(RRR) (SS) AR

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OIHAK OILAI R.....15/1450 MH BBBB

OIGOF OILAI R.....15/1450B MC BB

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A P O 140
15 AUGUST 1944

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B. 410TH BOMB GROUP:

- (2) GOLDWAY
- (3) CARROT

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP:

- (2) JAYWALK
- (3) MUSTARD

K. GENERAL INFORMATION:

- (10) B T V A/D T V A
- (11) BOX LEADERS WILL REPORT TO COMMAND CONTROL ON CHANNEL "C" WHEN CLEARING TARGET AREA.

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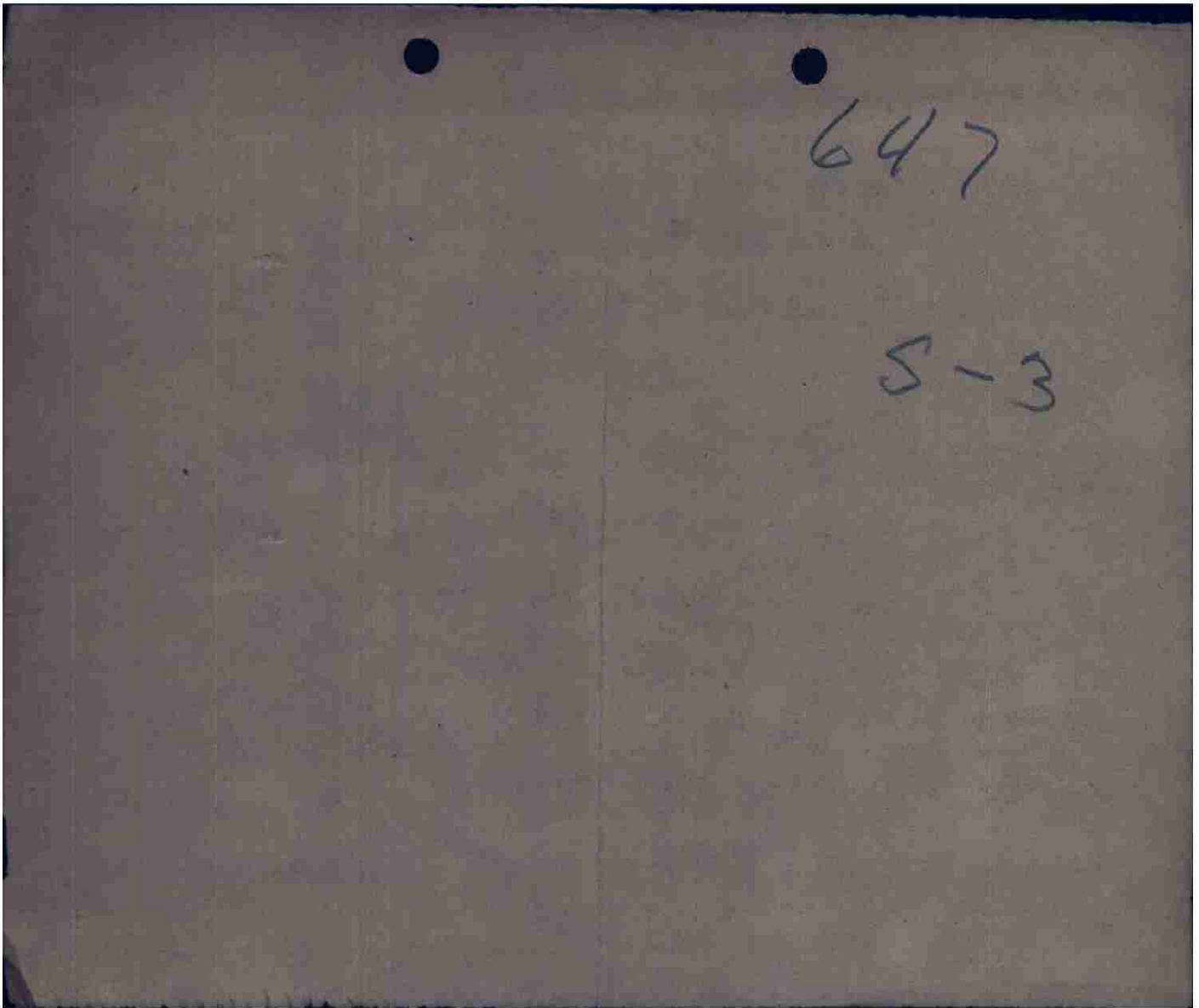
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GECOG OIHAK OIYAA OIGOF V OILAI OILAI 3/15 -OP-
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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 APO 143
 15 AUG. 1944

ANNEX NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 182-496

ATTEND. PAR. 3. A. (3) TO READ:

(3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 495M 8836E AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 20 MIN.

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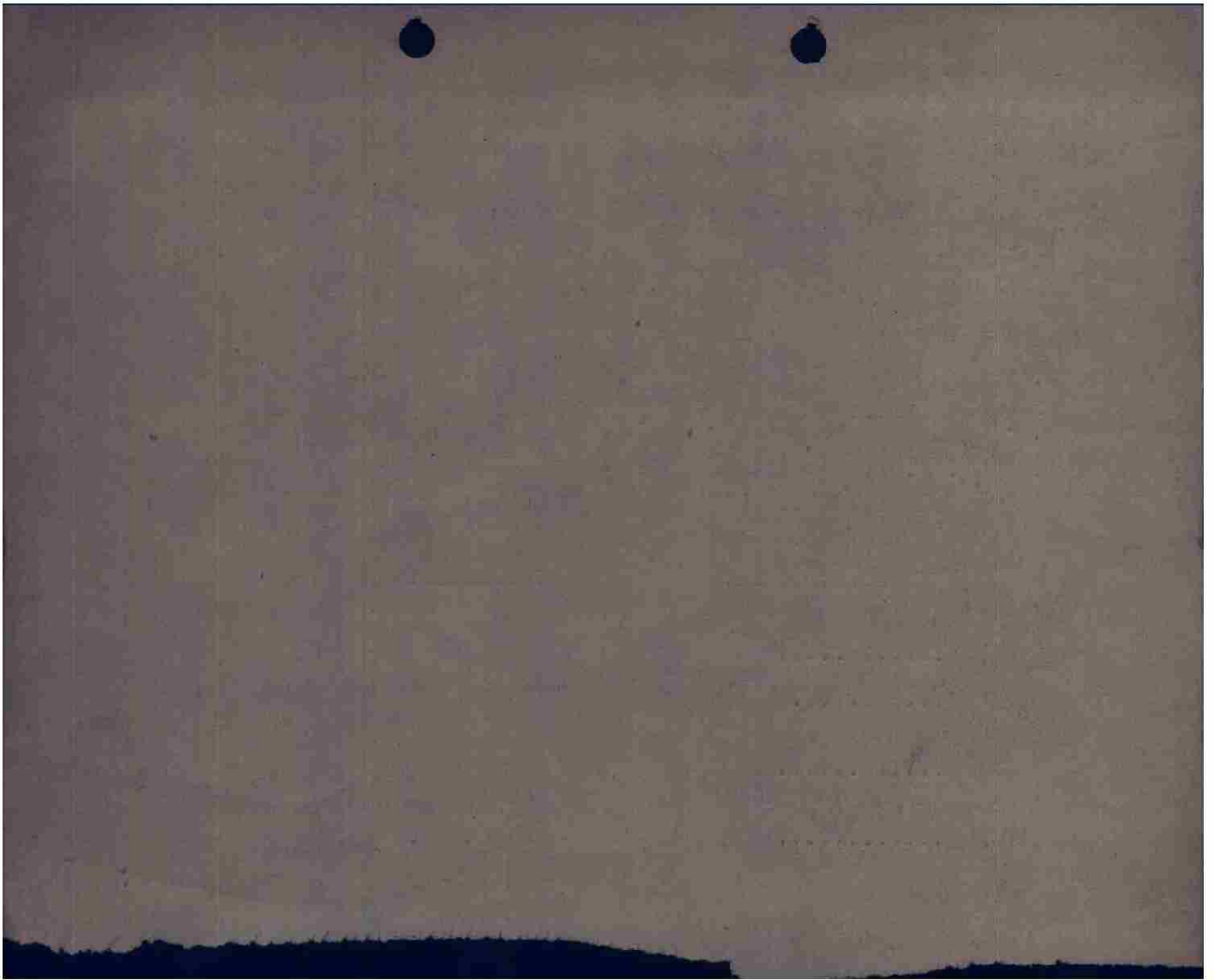
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OICOG OILAI V OIYAA OIYAA 28/15 OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 15/2155B
TO HQ IX BOMBER COMMAND
HQ 97TH CBW

416BG A-446-D

SECRET QGX BT

OPFLASH NO 132 FOR 15 AUGUST 1944.

- A. (1) FORET DE CHANTILLY - FUEL DUMP
- (2) FORET DE CHANTILLY - FUEL DUMP
- B. (1) 416TH BG
- (2) 31 A-20'S G'S PLUS 9 A-20J'S, INCLUDING 3 A/C CARRYING WINDOW.
- (3) 2 A/C FAILED TO BOMB DUE TO PERSONNEL ERROR.
- 3 A/C CARRYING WINDOW DID NOT CARRY BOMBS.
- (4) 35 A-20'S BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET.
- C. (1) 1544.
- (2) 1750-1751.
- (3) 1949.
- D. (1) 3 CAT. "A"
- (2) 0-0-0
- (3) 0-0-0
- E. GOOD MAJORITY OF BOMBS BELIEVED TO HAVE HIT SLIGHTLY OVER A.P.'S.
- F. (1) (A) NIL
- (B) NIL
- (2) (A) MEAGER TO MODERATE INACCURATE HFF IN TURN OFF TARGET.
- (B) MEAGER, INACCURATE HFF AT 49 DEGREES 38 MIN N., 01 DEGREES 07 MIN E.
- G. (1) CONCRETE RAMPS APPEARING TO RUN INTO GROUND AT S-4589

CRASHED B-17 OBSERVED AT M-2536.

1 S/E A/C ON A/F AT N-4809, ONE RUNWAY SERVICEABLE.

1800 HRS. 2 TRAINS STOPPED AT S-4552 ONE APPEARED TO BE LOADED WITH MILITARY VEHICLES.

25 TANK CARS OBSERVED STOPPED ON TRACK AT S-5290. FROM 20 TO 40 FREIGHT CARS OBSERVED AT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING LOCALITIES: L-9056, M-6227, M-7552, M-9228, N-1715, N-2913, S-4172, S-5082, S-5273, S-4877, N-5900, M/Y AT N-4330 HALF FULL, M/Y AT N-4809 3/4 FULL.

25 TO 30 TRUCKS PARKED AT M-2533, 10 TRUCKS PARKED AT S-4172

VEHICULAR TRAFFIC FROM HIGHWAY EAST OF COMPEIGNE INTO COMPEIGNE FORREST.

- H. (1) EXTREME HAZE, HORIZONTAL VISIBILITY 1 TO 2 MILES, HEAVY CLOUD IN TARGET AREA NO LOW CLOUDS, CLEAR OVER ENGLAND AND CHANNEL
- (2) AND FOR 15 MILES IN FRANCE. THEN CUMULUS CLOUDS WITH TOPS AT 12,000 FT. FOR 20 MILES, THEN BREAKING TO TARGET.
- I. 140 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY TARGET M-26 FRAG CLUSTERS
- 4 X 500 JETTISONED IN CHANNEL
- 4 X 500 RETURNED
- J. 11,500 - 12,000 FT.

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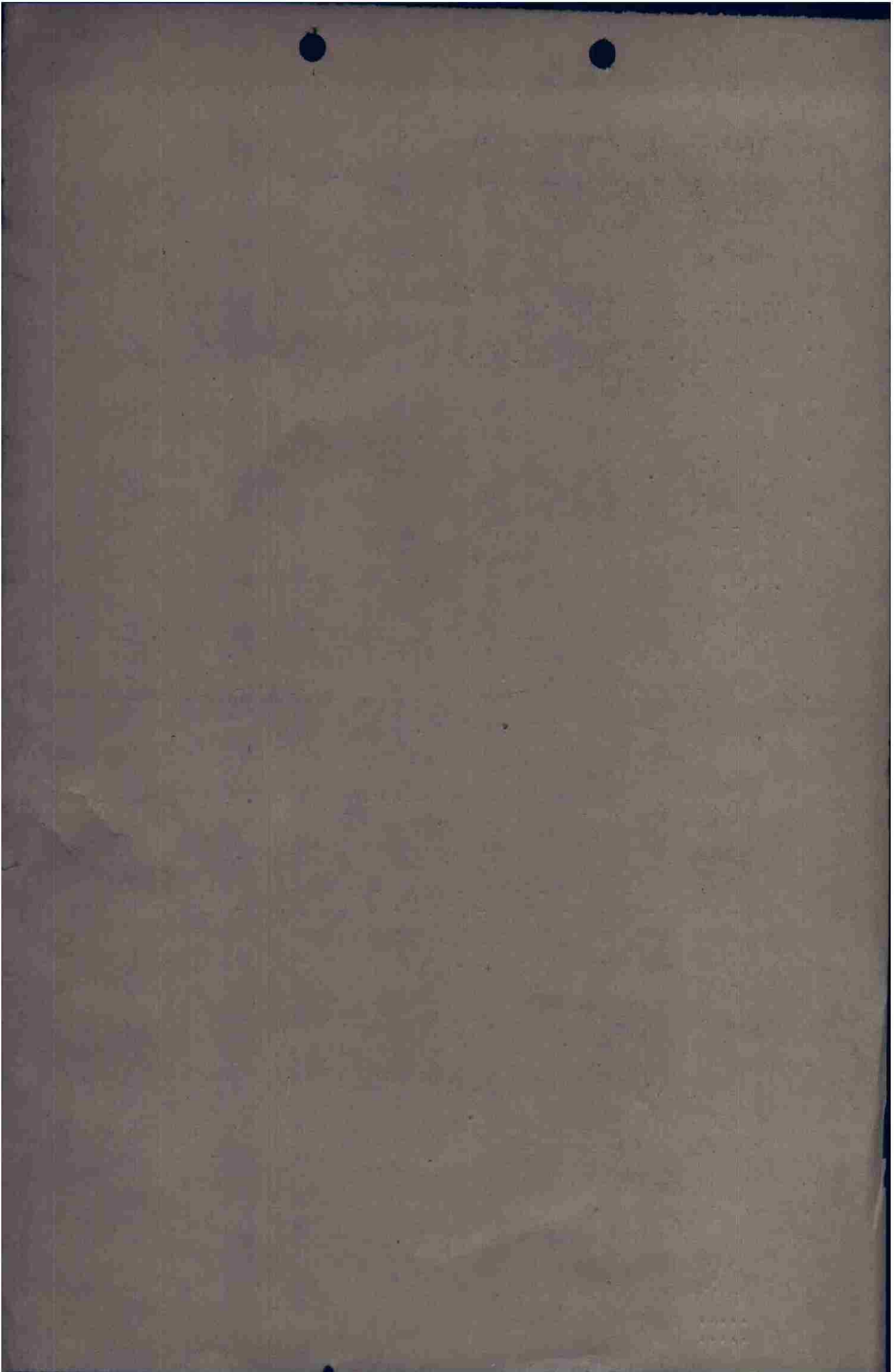
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CRG.*



OICOG OILAI V OIYAA OIYAA 36/15 OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 15/2350B 416BG A-447-D
TO HQ IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN: A-2
HQ 97TH CBW ATTN: A-2

SECRET QGX BT

REF OUR TWX A-446-D OPFLASH NO 132 FOR 15 AUG., 1944.
PAR. I SHOULD READ AS FOLLOWS:

I. 140 X 500 M-26 FRAGMENTATION CLUSTERS ON PRIMARY TARGET.
4 X 500 JETTISONED IN CHANNEL
4 X 500 RETURNED

BT 15/2350B

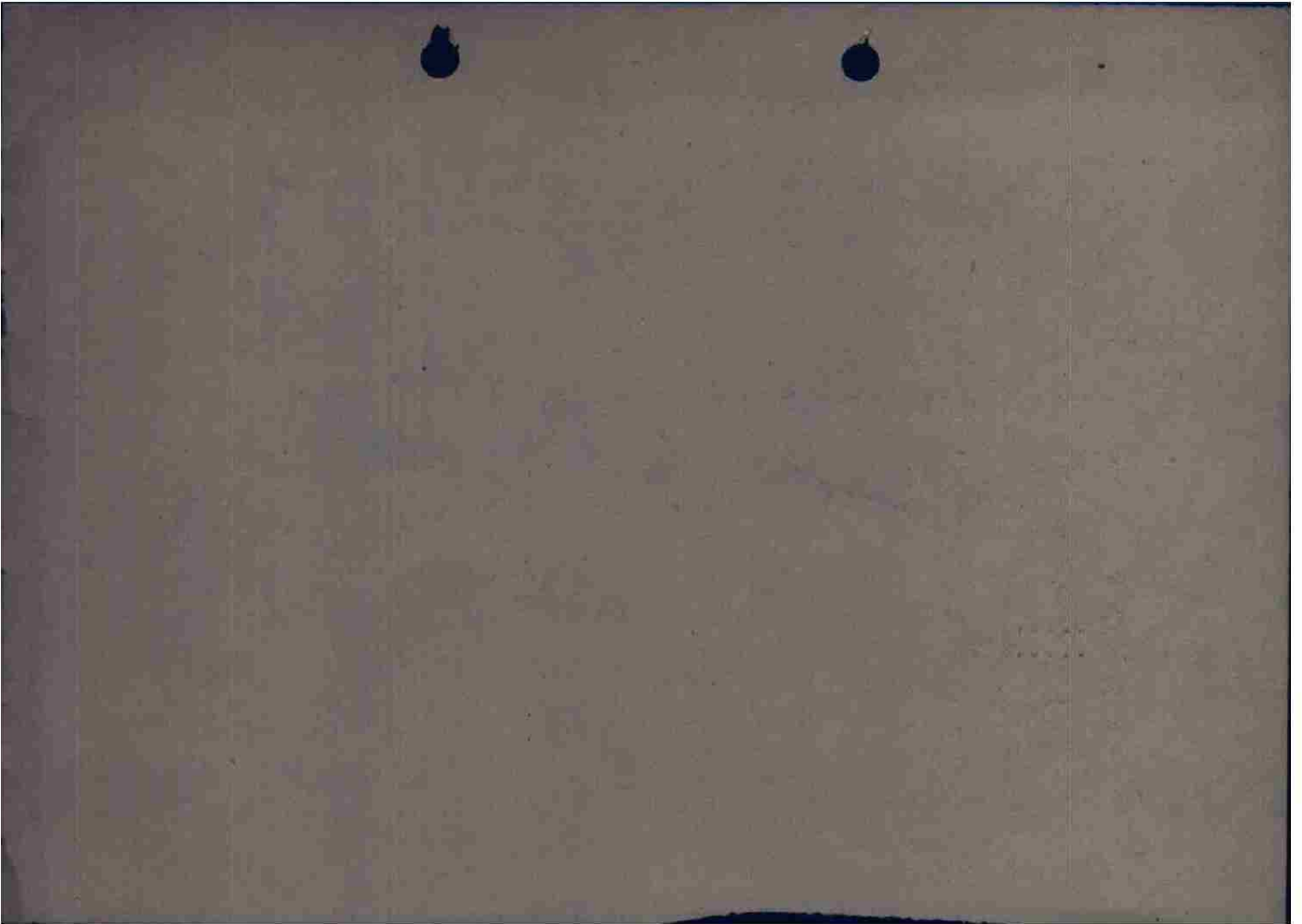
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