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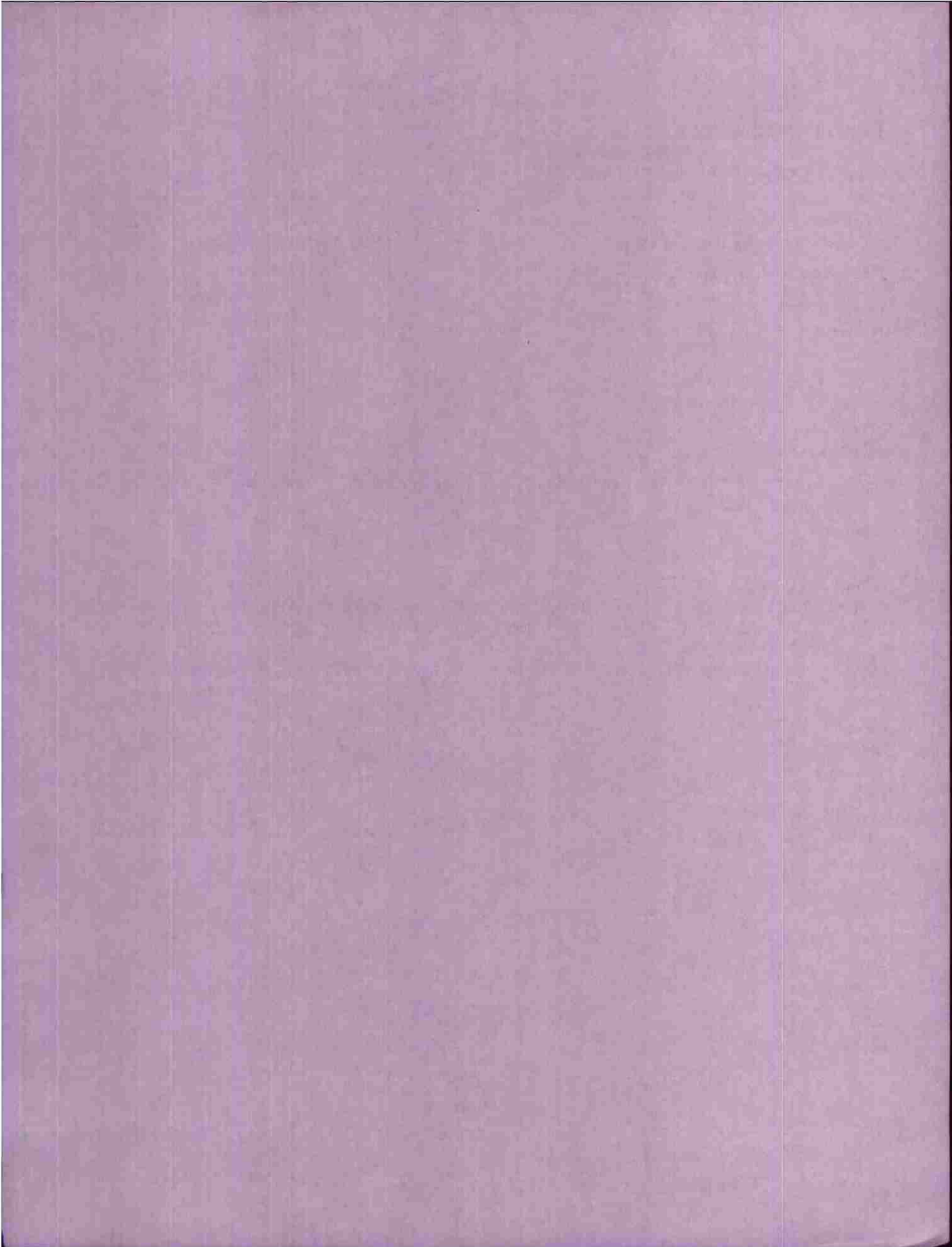
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4 Mar 1944

4/3/44 F.O. 222

R.R.#

P.R.C.

Target:

Z 659. BERNNY St. MARTIN A/D

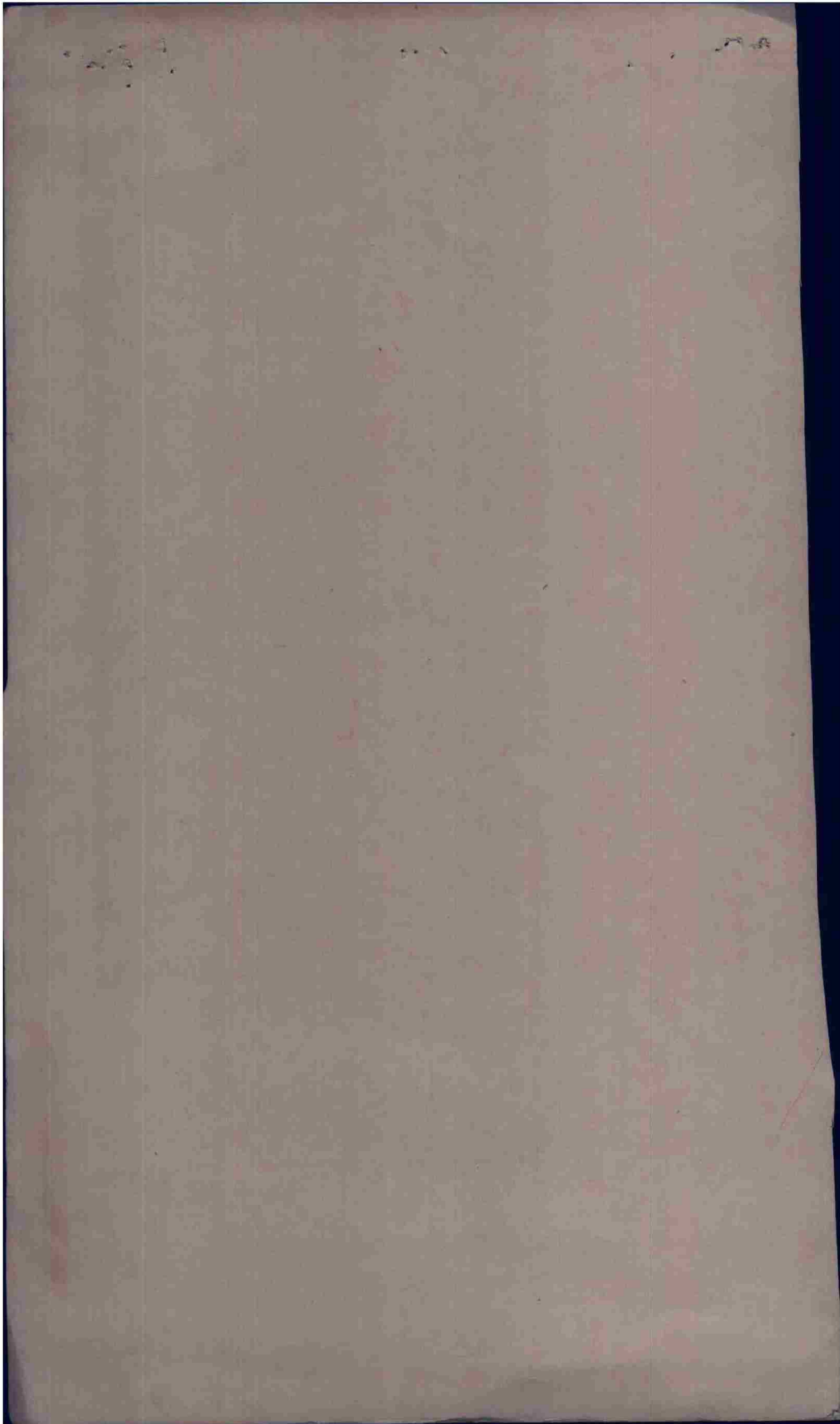
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F.O. NO. _____
 RAMROD NO. _____

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PRE-TAKE-OFF CHECK SHEET

DATE _____

Duty Officers Initial All Items Checked

GROUP _____

Targets (Primary _____ Opa. No. (Primary _____ D.C. _____
 (Secondary _____ (Secondary _____ D.C. _____)

ORDERS RECEIVED

IX B.C.W.O. (V. TTX) _____ IX B.C.F.O. _____
 (Check route, place spellings, Opa. No., Aiming Points, etc., if incorrect
 advise A-3).

KEY TIMES (Keep in touch with A-3 to pick up time changes).

Briefing _____ T.O. _____ R-V Hr. _____ T.O.T. _____

ON RECEIPT OF TARGET, verbal or otherwise, immediately.

Notify P.I. (Give him full information on mission). Time: _____
 Notify Mount Farm (call via Pinetree) Intelligence Officer.

Assemble information for A-3 route planning. Advise Lt. Leweke of mission
 (Anytime before take-off.)

TIME

CHECK THE FOLLOWING

Photo Coverage (Coast Line _____; Target Area _____). From P/I.

Flak ---

_____ A/F Act'v'y Reports A12b (T/F) _____	Faded Maps H.I. 15 (9/3/1)
_____ Official List A12b (T/F) _____	Tracings H.I. 15 (9/3/4)
_____ A/D Infor. Sheets A12b (T/F) _____	Index Cards H.I. 15 (/4)
_____ A/D Tracings A12b (T/F & 9/3/3B) _____	Index Cards F.L.O. (/3)
_____ RAF 2 Group Reports (9/3/16) _____	Maj. Brett Flak Rpt. (9/3/15)
_____ AM on Harbour Vessels (9/3/8) _____	Form White Cards (/1)
_____ Other Sources or VIII B.C./Pinetree NSO.	
_____ Check with Maj. Brett. (Called War Office Yes No).	

Make Flak Overlay showing gun ranges. Determine Tides.

Enemy Fighter A/C (Check W'kly App. (9/1/3a), Sit. Map & latest changes.)

S/S, Dummies, Decoys, Camouflage, B/B, W/T Masts, Etc.

_____ PDIS (T/F) _____ Special 1/250,000 Maps.

Recent Raid Experience. Flak _____ E/L _____ Misc. _____

_____ Analysis Dept. Blue Books and Status & Activity Cards (72).

_____ Check basic sources indicated in Blue Book as required.

_____ IX B.C. Mission Folders. _____ Group Narrative Reports.

_____ RAF 2 Group Mission previous 2 days.

Enemy Convoys, Naval Vessels, Fishing Fleets, Etc. (Use "Scrambler").
 (Call RAF 16 Group - CO, NDO).

_____ Check for latest Target or Int. Material Received & its shipment to Groups.

ON RELEASE OF W.O. OR F.O. (V. or T.W.X.) to Group.

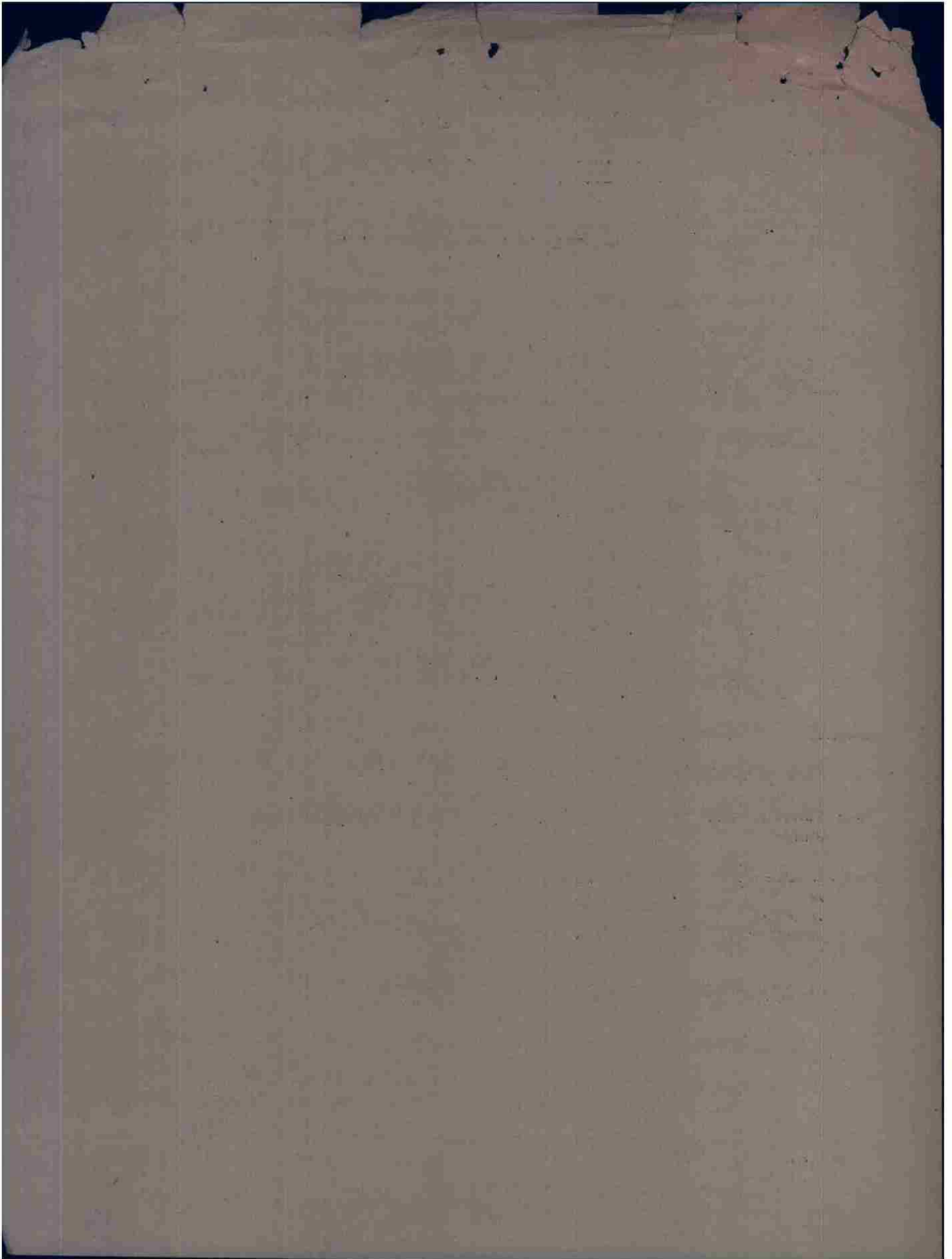
_____ Pass A-Q Check List to Groups (TIX if time permits, if not phono).

TWO HOURS BEFORE TAKE-OFF (call back C.C.N.S.O. - 16 Group).

_____ Enemy Convoys, Etc. Ask new Info. in next 2 hrs. be phoned this B.C.

_____ Pass "Any Changes" to Group.

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

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APO 638, US Army
5 March 1944

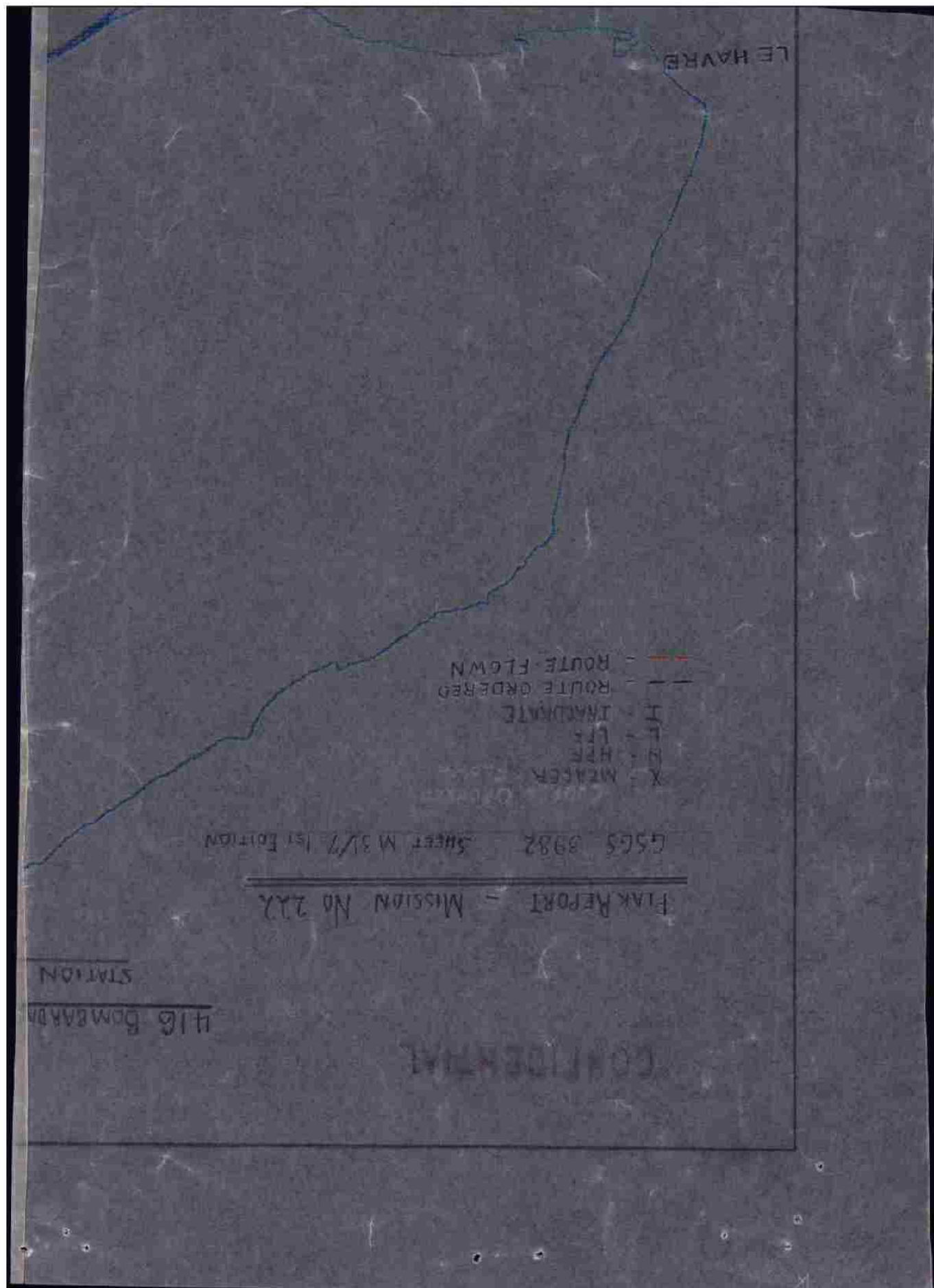
SUBJECT : Flak Report - Mission No. 222.
TO : Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, APO 638.
Attention : Major Brett.

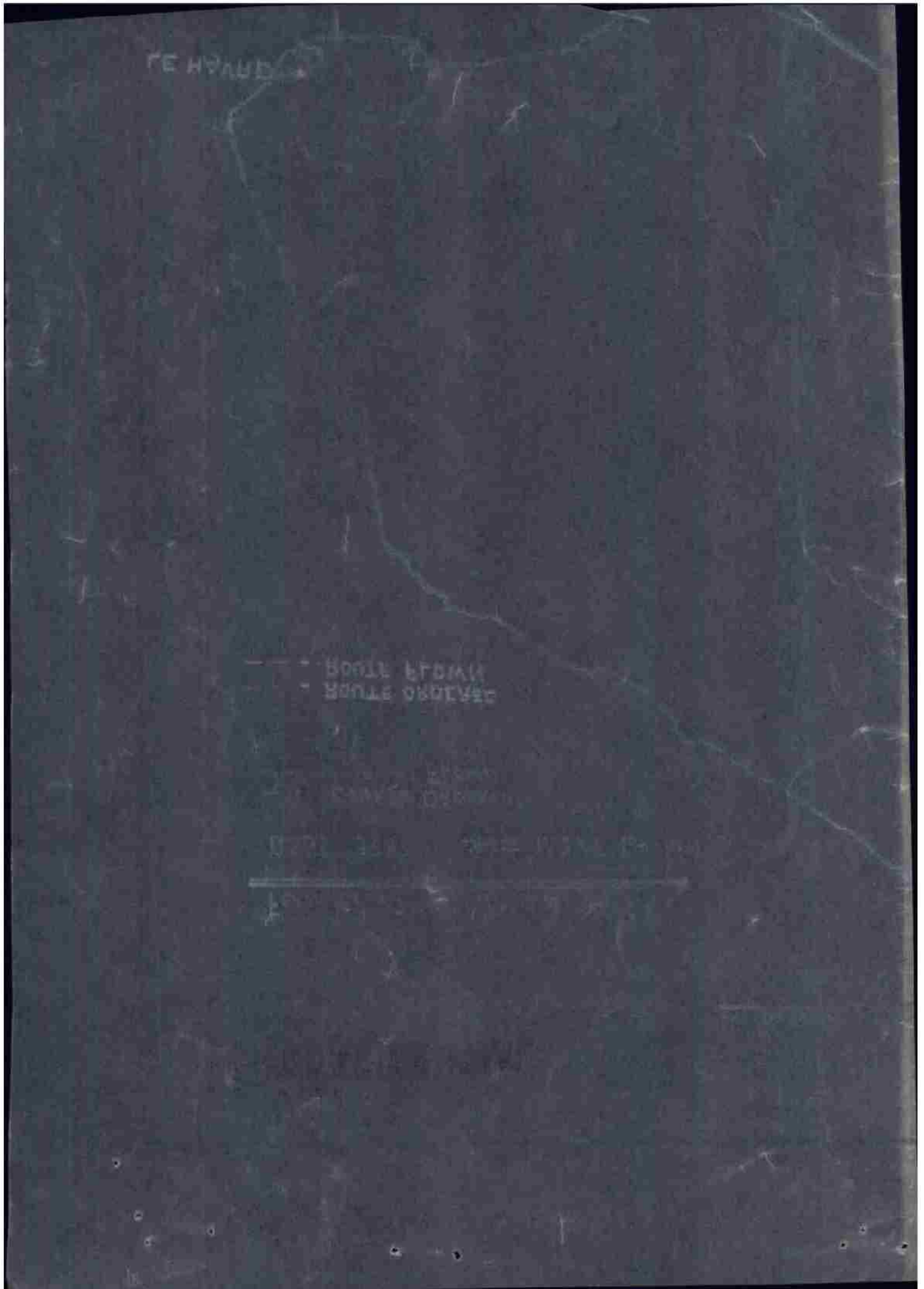
1. Attached is overlay plotting positions of Flak observed as reported in interrogations in connection with Mission No. 222.
2. Due to overcast no ground flashes were seen to indicate gun positions.
3. The overlay plots areas where Puffs were seen.
4. All flak trailing - reported 5 to 7 o'clock and level to 2000 ft under.
5. Position detail :
 - (a) Blangy - 1 Puff - Black - Small 12000 ft
 - (b) Lisieux - 23 Puffs - Black - Small 12000 ft
Thought to be light
4 Puffs - Black 12000 ft thought to be HFF
 - (c) Broglie Forest - (S/W of Bernay) - 23 Puffs
Black - 12000 ft.
 - (d) Pont Audemer - 12 Puffs - Mixed Black and White
12000 ft and below.
Reported to be getting accurate until evasive action taken.
 - (e) Lillebonne - 2 Puffs - Black 10000 ft.
 - (f) Fauville - 1 Puff - Black

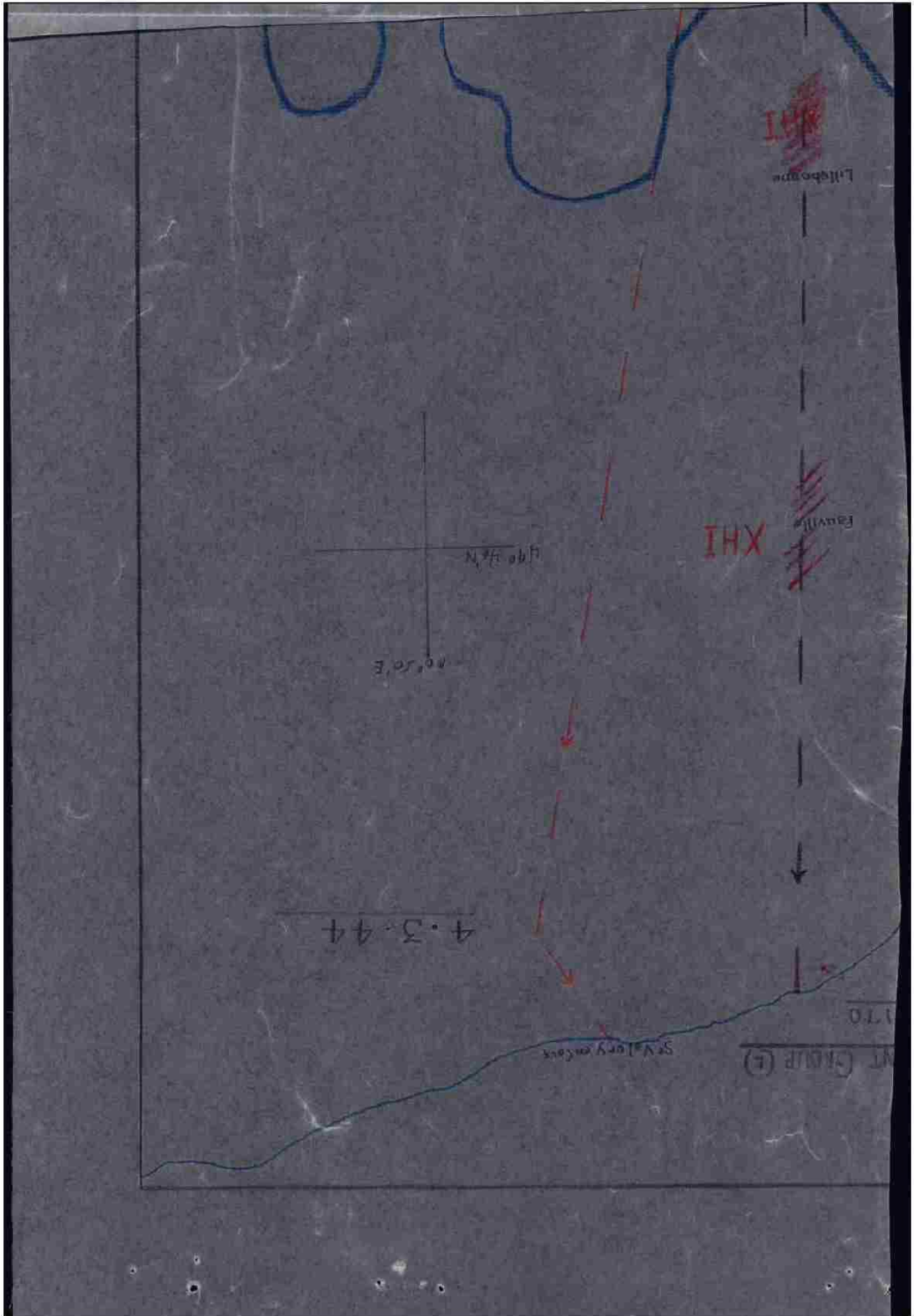
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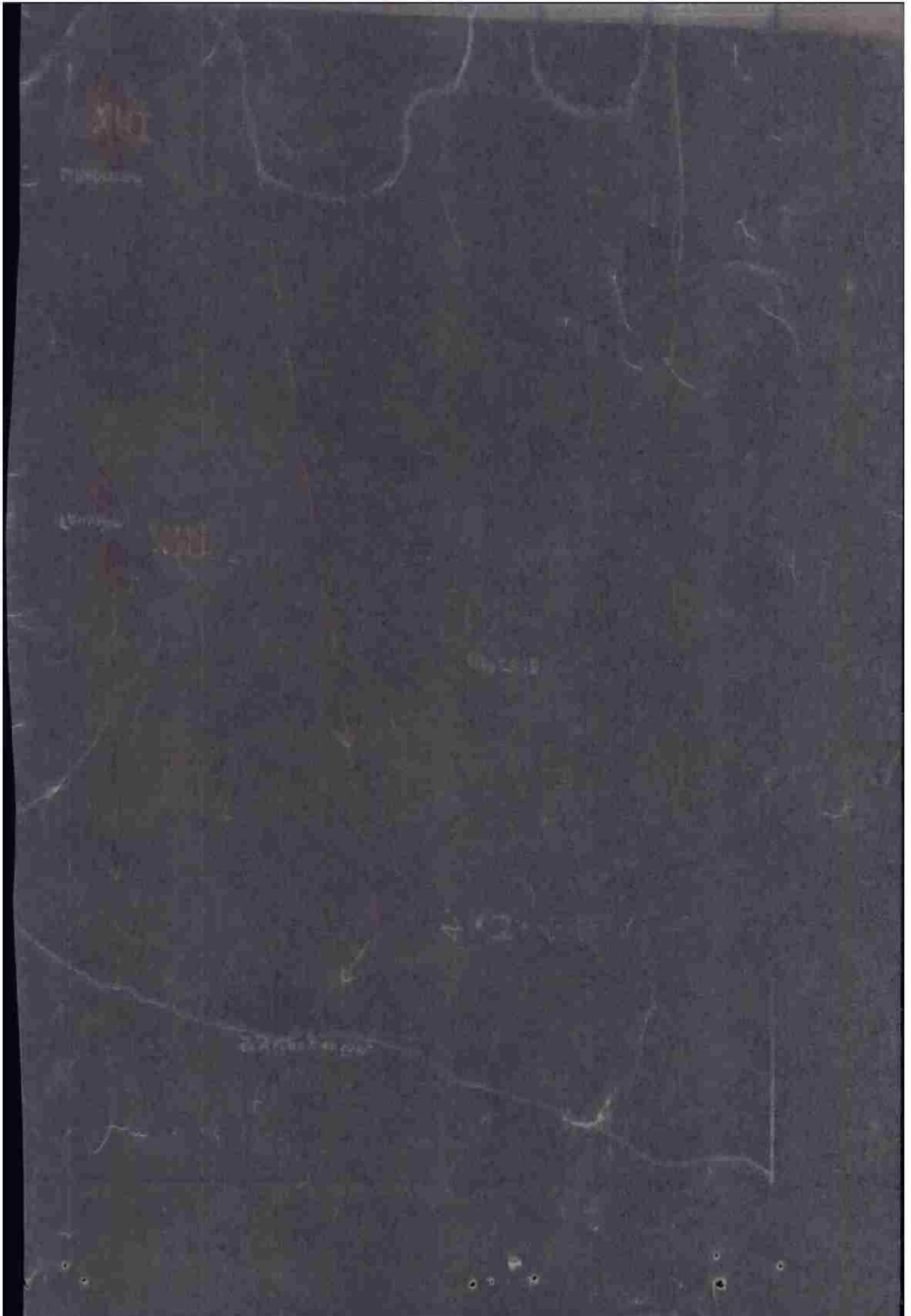
Harold J. Nussbaum
HAROLD J. NUSSBAUM,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
S-2 Flak Officer.

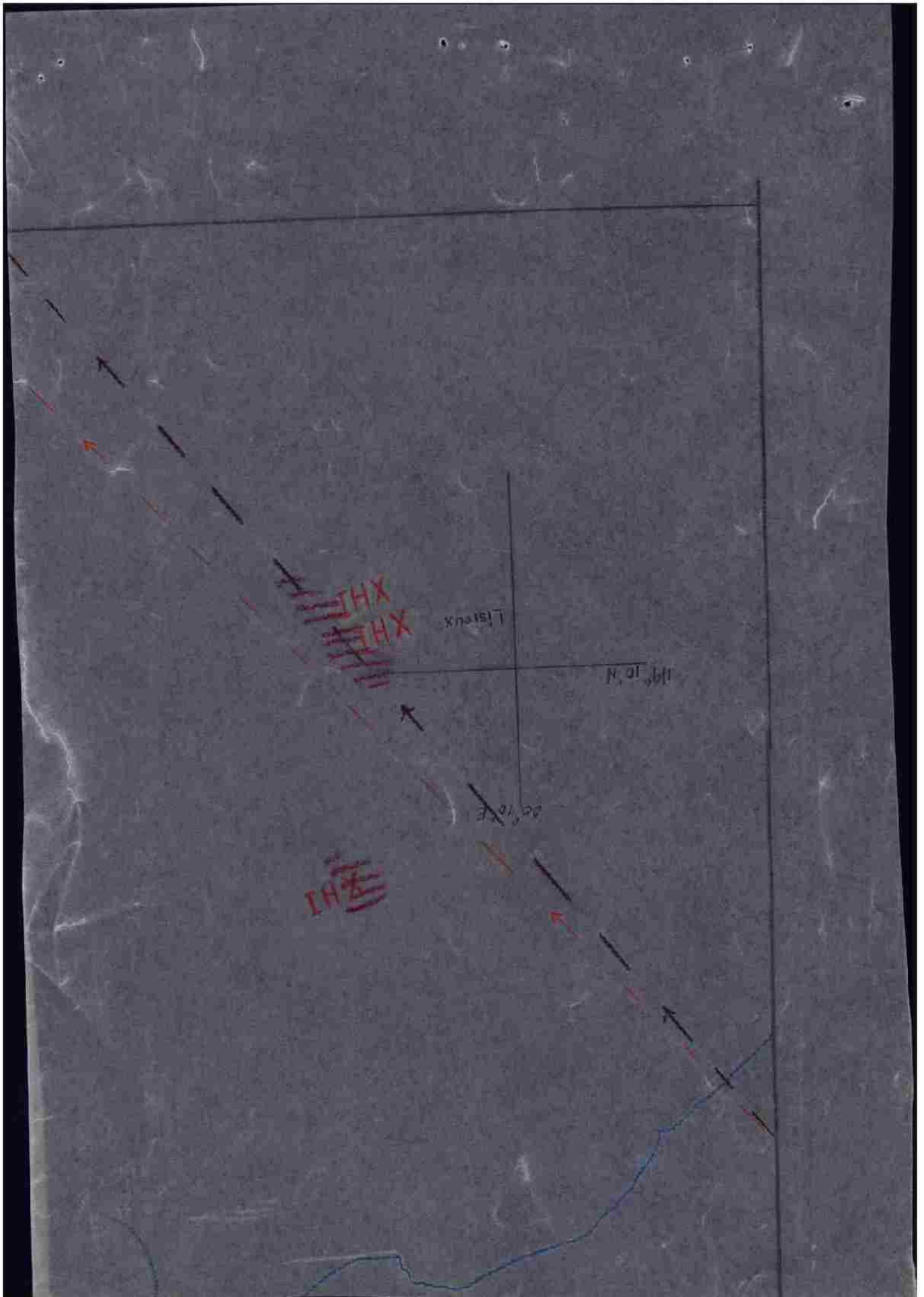
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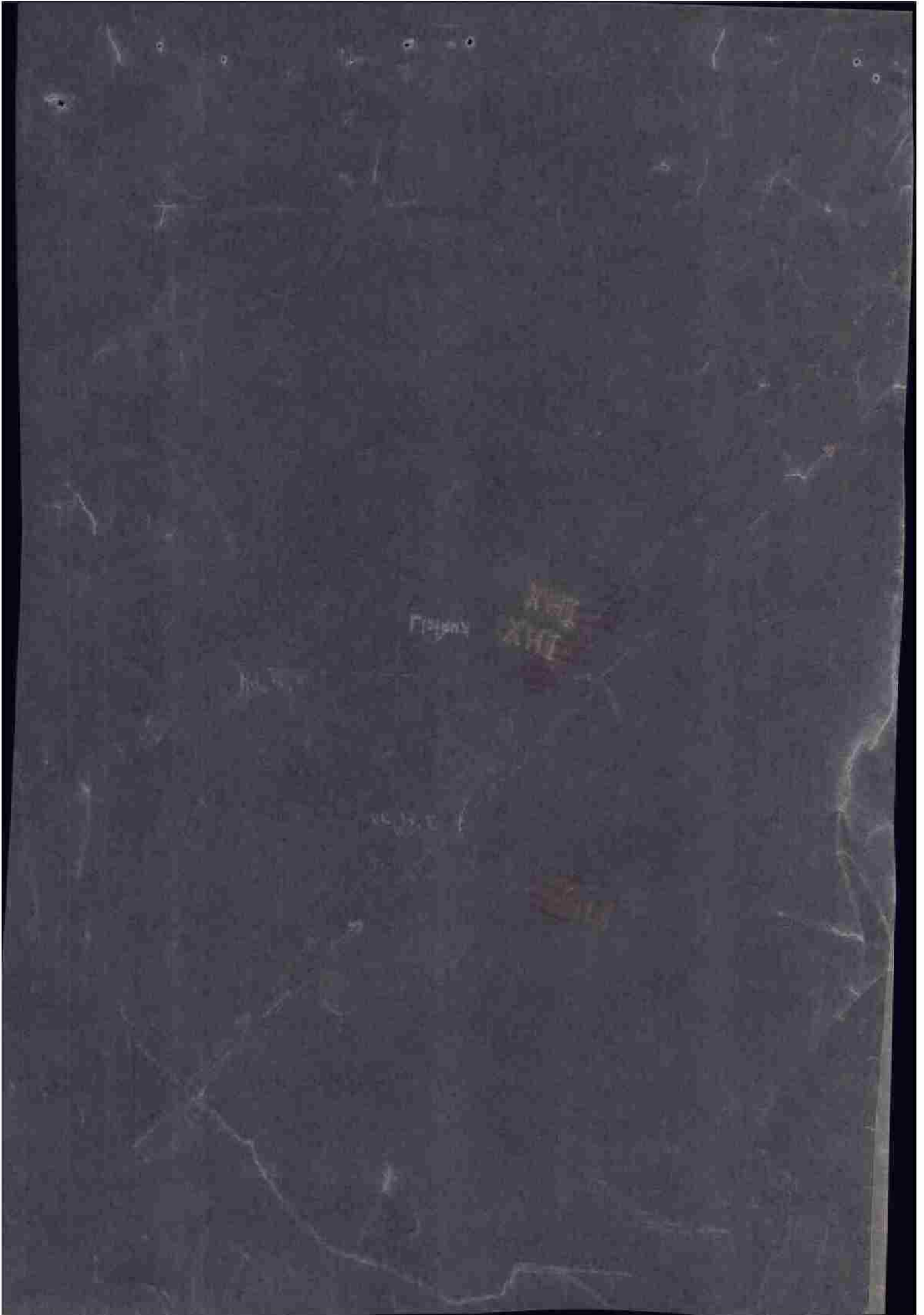


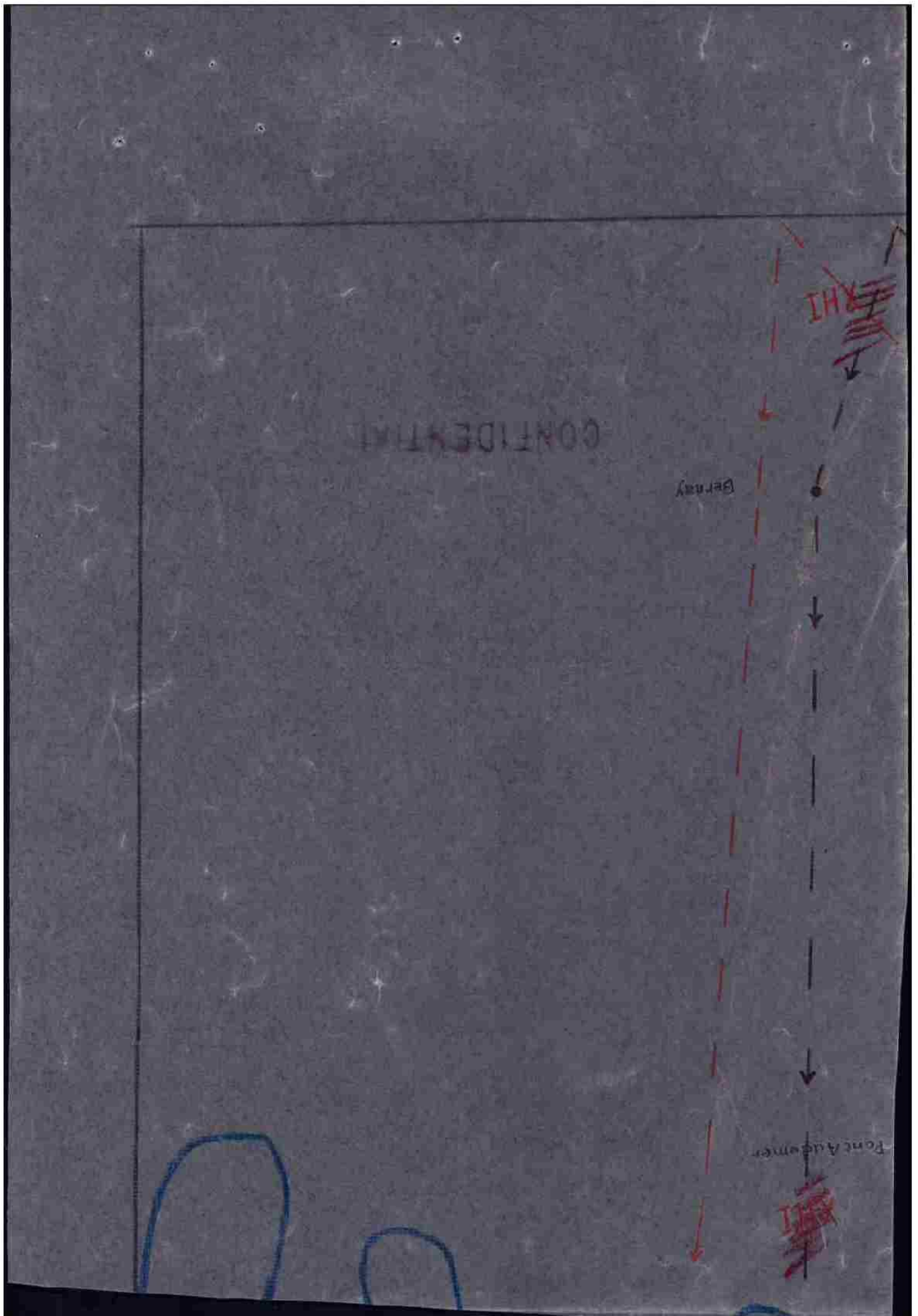


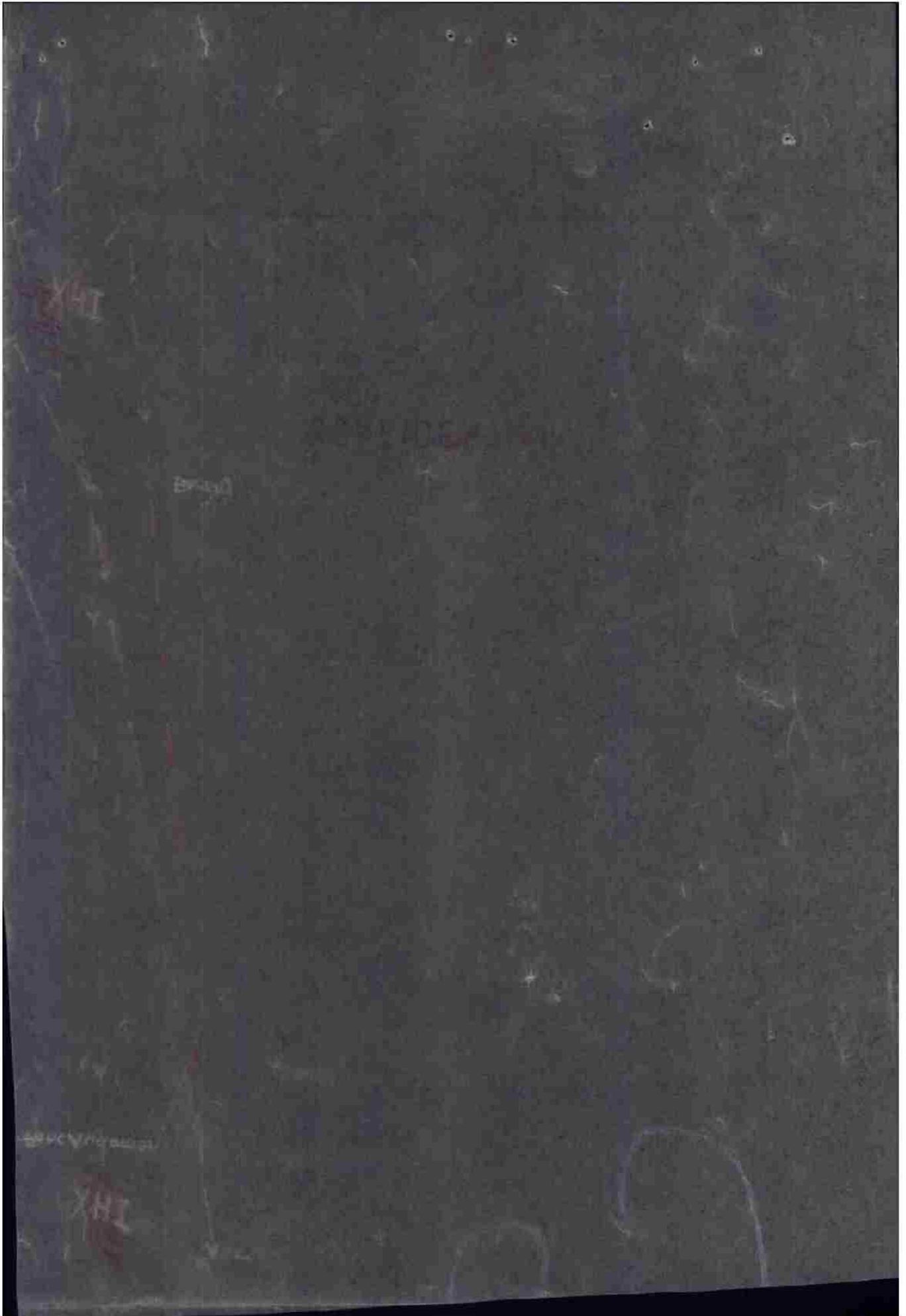












MISSION FOLDER CHECK SHEET

A-Q Check List

Warning Order _____

Field Order ASC _____

Field Order B.C. SEE 322 MALINES M/V, 4/3/44 FO 222

Field Order F.C. _____

Field Order 3BW _____

Field Order GROUP _____

Ramrods _____

Form D _____

Colonel Zoekler's 11 Group Report _____

P.R.U. _____

Hot News _____

Telephone Report (Receipt)

~~Tx Confirmation of Telephone Report~~ _____

Tx Report from Group

Tx Report to Air Support Command _____

Encounter Reports _____

Overlay Weather

DETACHMENT "W"
21ST WEATHER SQUADRON
AAF STATION 160

APO # 638
4 March, 1944

FLASH REPORT -- 416th Target: E 689 4 March, 1944
Time: 1225 Hours

P. R. C.

Base Conditions: .3 to .4 stratocumulus, base 4500 feet, tops 5500 feet.
Visibility 5 miles in light haze.

Route Out: Base to 6000 feet.
.4 to .5 stratocumulus, tops to 5500 feet, south of Thames. .2 to .3 stratocumulus over channel, tops 6000 feet.
On French coast, 1.0, tops 9000 to 10,000 feet.
New breaks over continent, ground covered by snow.

Target: Recalled before reaching target.

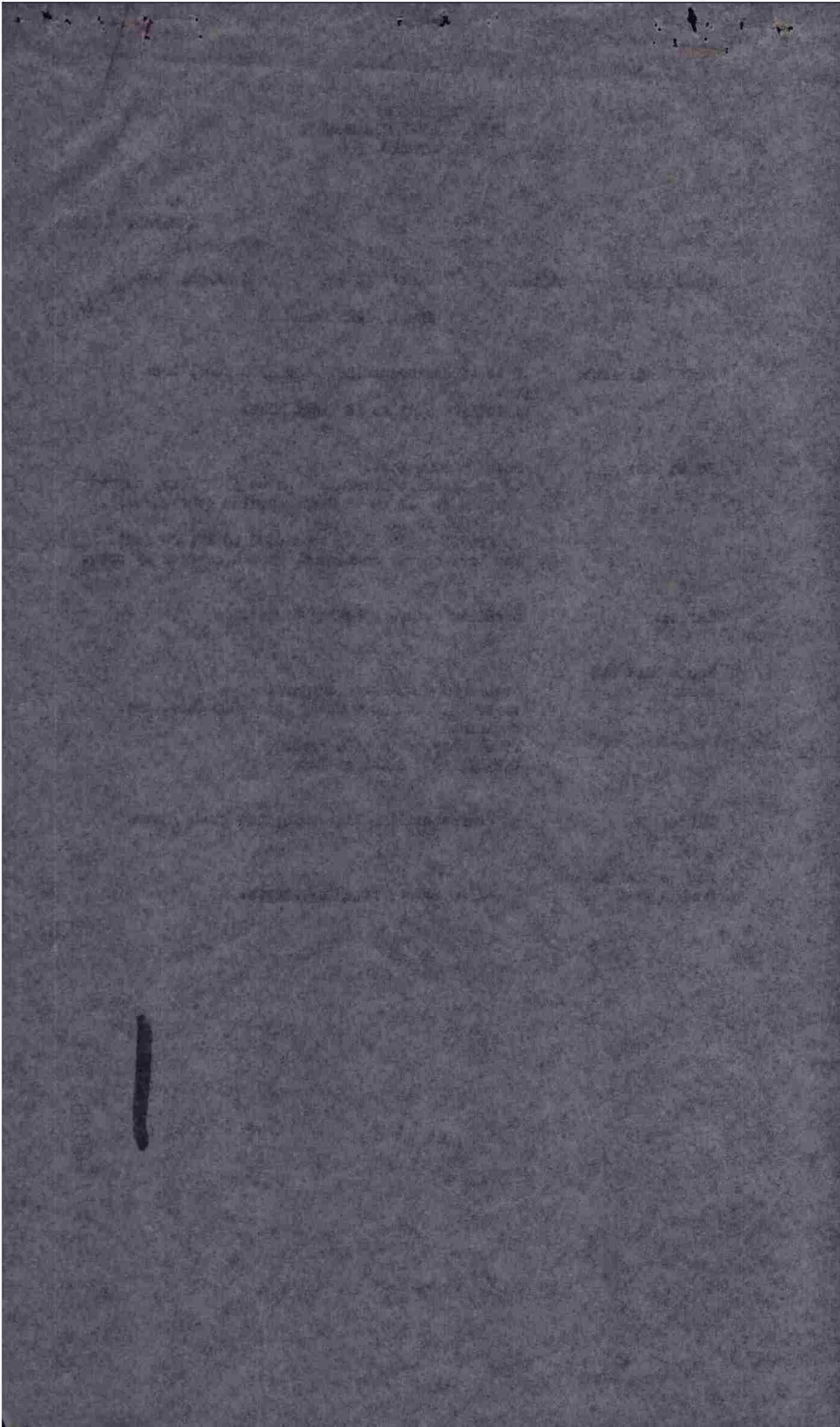
Route Back and Bases: Scattered cloud over channel.
.3 to .4, base 3000 feet, tops 6000 feet, over England.
.5 at base, tops 4500 feet.
Visibility 6 miles at base.

Winds: On course all the time using the winds given.

Did Weather Affect Bombing: Recalled before reaching target.

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T - ADDRESSEE
FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 051750A
TO A-2 9TH BOMBER COMMAND
CONFIDENTIAL BT
R-89-D

CORRECTION TELETYPE REPORT MISSION 4 MARCH. REMARKS ON FIMXXXXXX
FIGHTER SUPPORT SHOULD BE GOOD SUPPORT.

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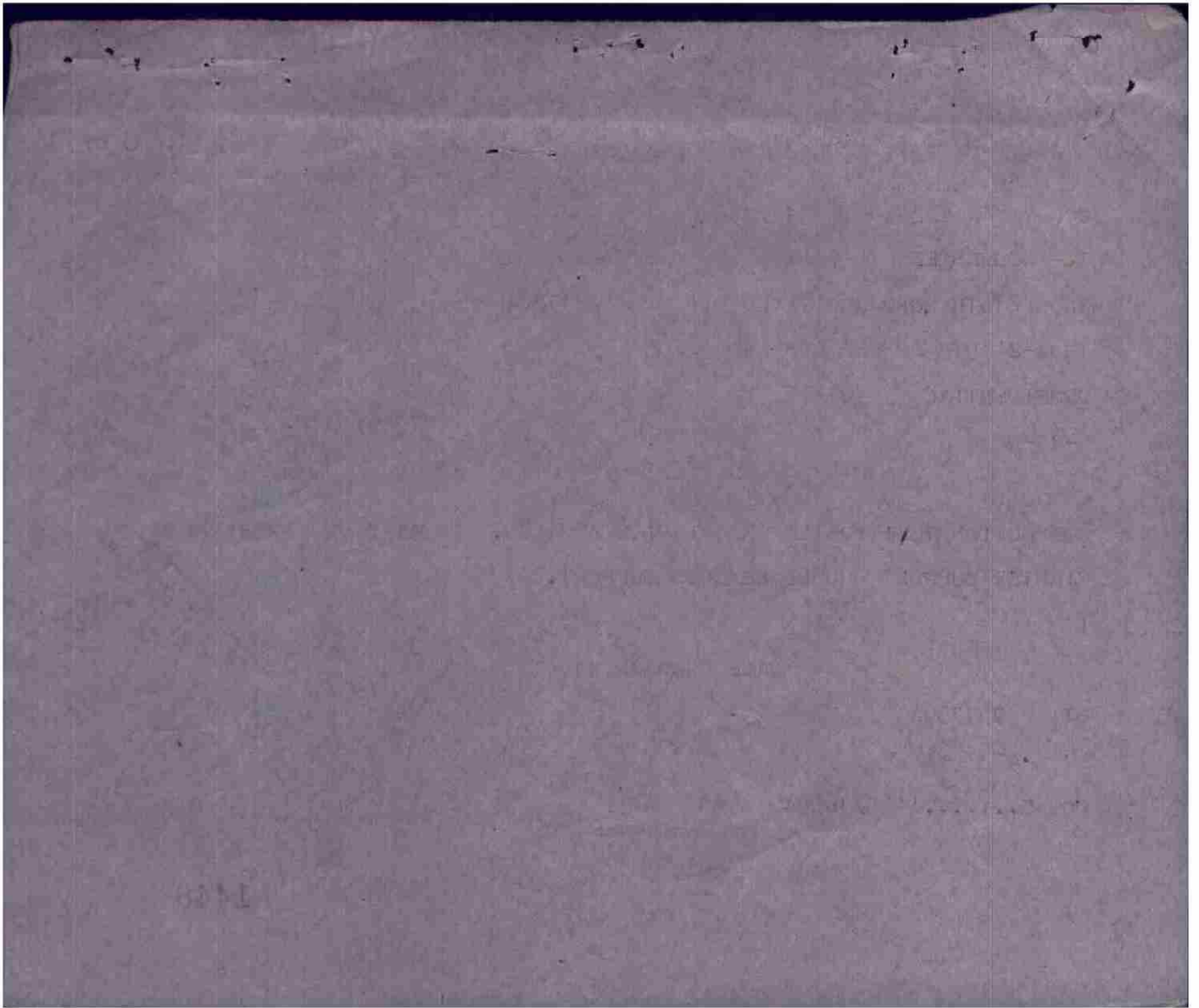
BT 051750A

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COG R.....'05/1659A GS AR

COORDINATION	
C. O.	
C. OF S.	
D. G. OF S.	
A. 1.	
A. 2.	✓
A. 3.	✓
A. 4.	
<i>Smith</i>	

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COG V. YAA YAA 1724

MAR 4 1944 20 33

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FROM 416 ~~XXXX~~

TO IX BOMBER COMMAND

ATTN A-2 DUTY OFFICER

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TELETYPE SYNOPSIS REPORT

A 416TH BG FO 222

~~XXXX~~
B 21 A-20'S

C 0544-0955-1105

D NONE-NONE

E NEGATIVE

F NONE

G 17 X 500 GP *in channel*

H 83X 500 GP

I 21 - WEATHER *recall*

~~XXXX~~ J (ONE A/206 LOST. MECHANICAL FAILURE PREVENTED LANDING AFTER RETURN ~~XXXX~~ OVER BASE FROM MISSION. A/C PROCEEDED TO NORTH SEA TO JETTISON BOMBS. CREW BAILED OUT BY REASON OF GAS SHORTAGE.

K (THREE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING RECOVERED AFTER BAILOUT.) *none*

L NONE

M A NONE

B KM 3 MILES SE ~~XXXX~~ LISIEUX INACC

XH BLANGY INACC

XH 3 MILES SE PONT AUDEMER INACC

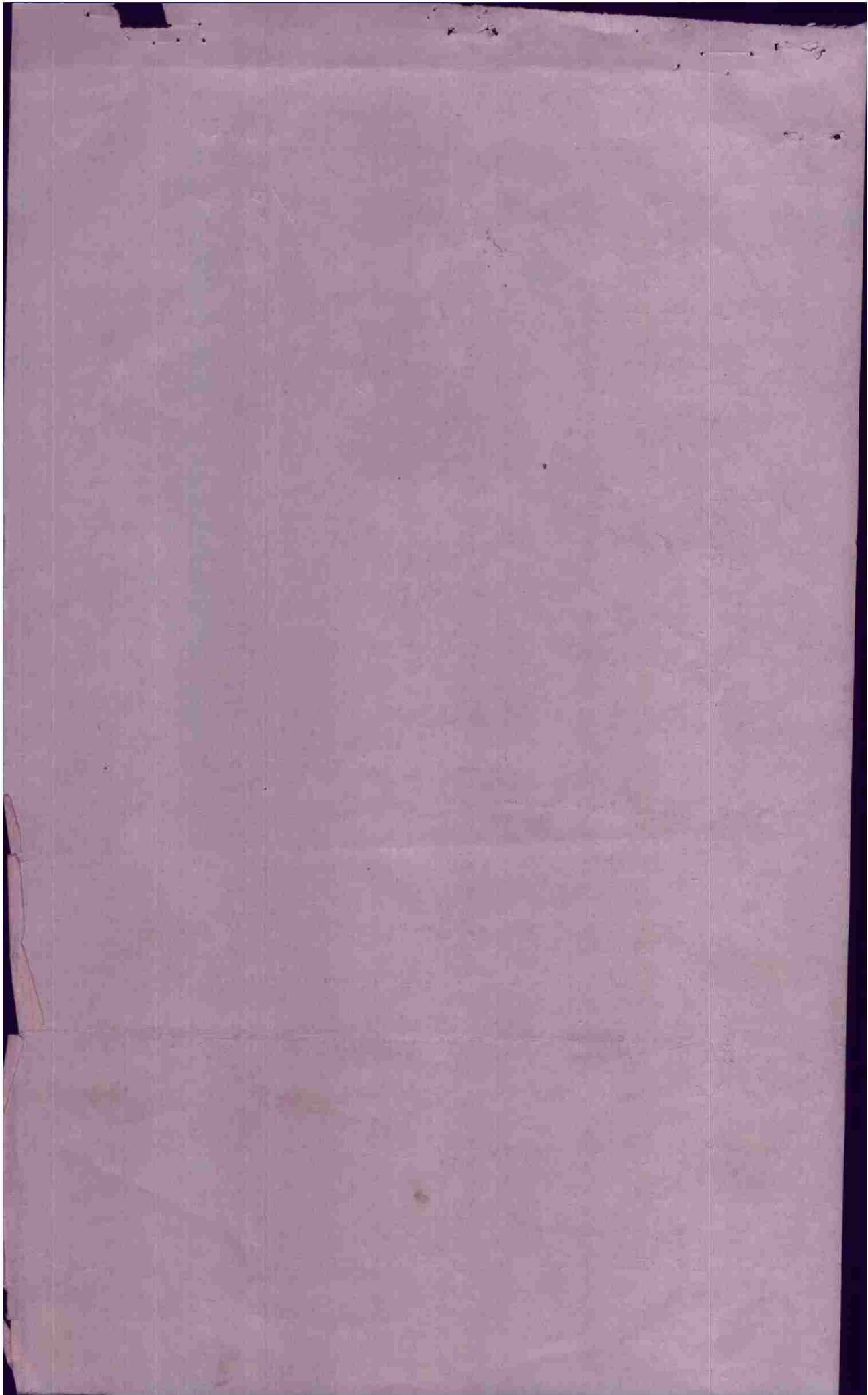
XH 4 MILES SE LILLEBONE INACC

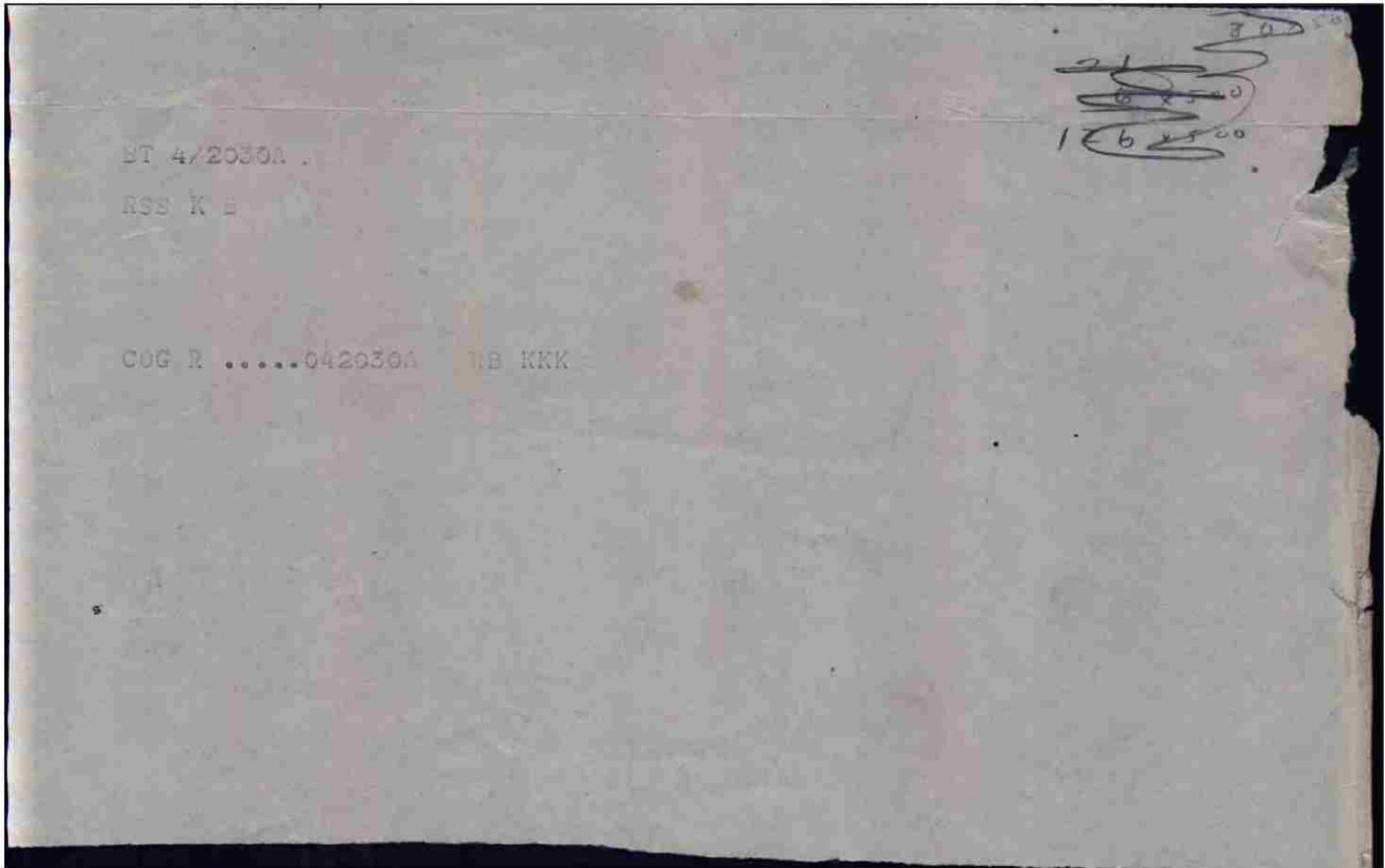
XH 2 MILES SE FAUVILLE INACC

XH BROGLIE

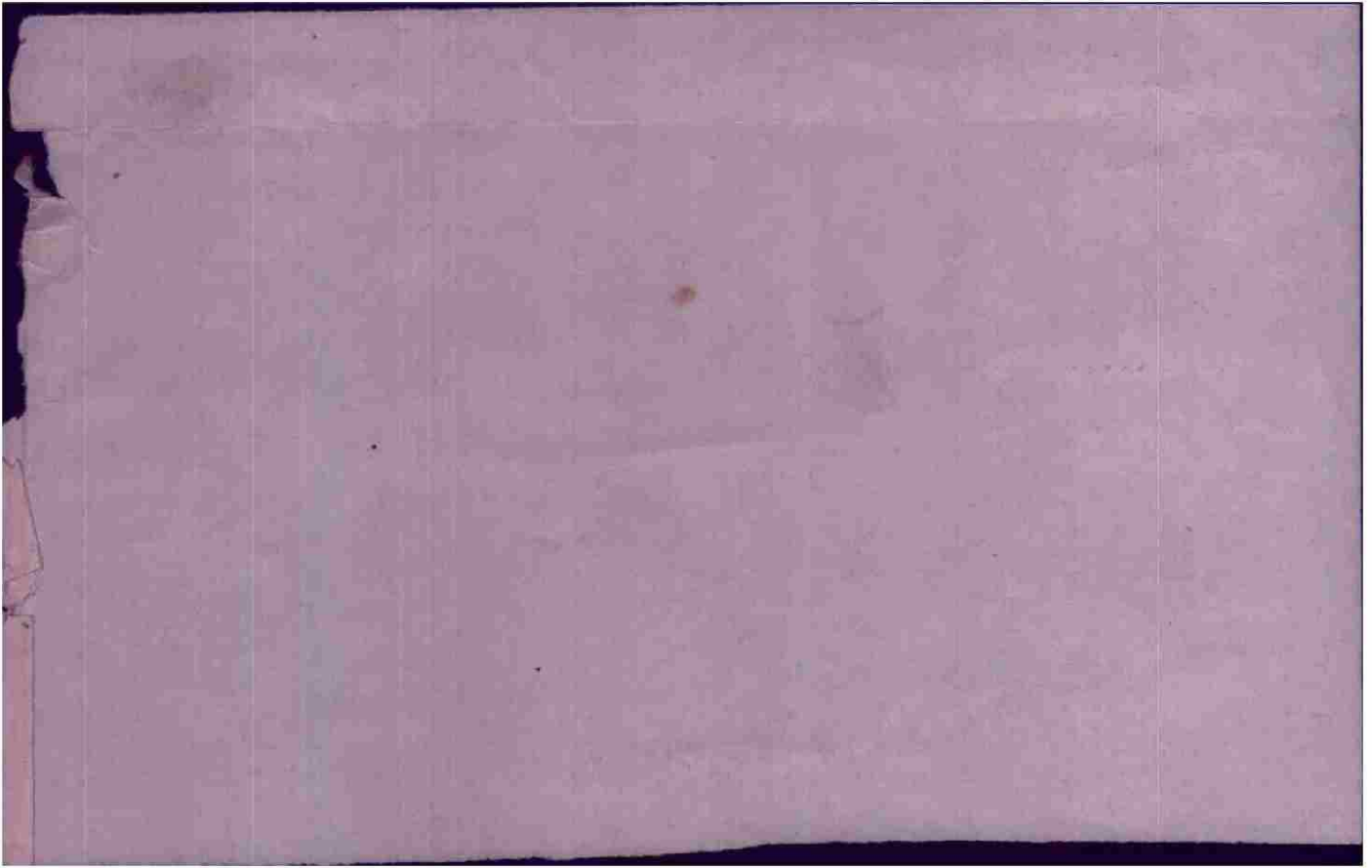
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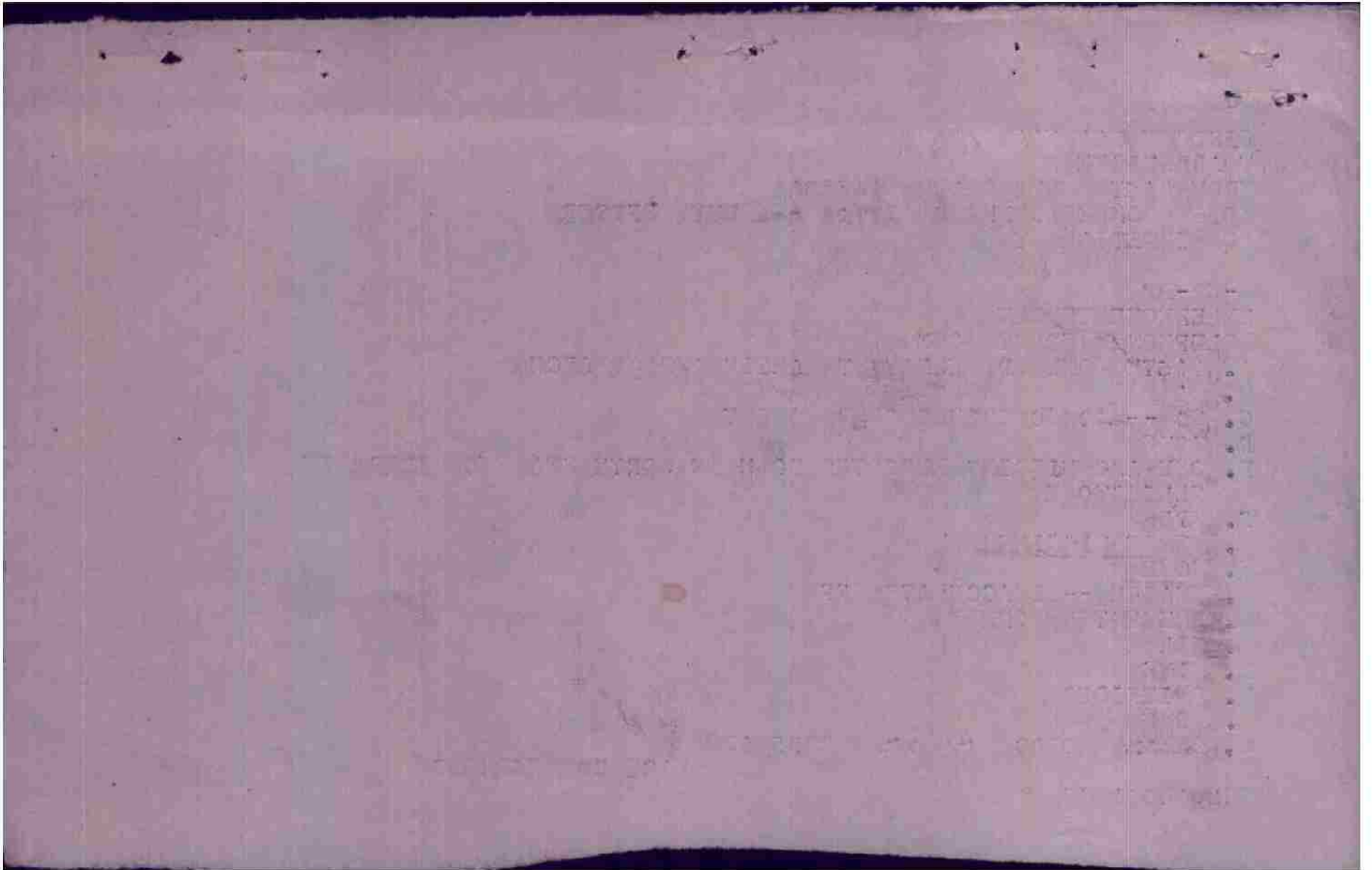
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TO IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER
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TELEPHONE REPORT
TELEPHONE REPORT FORM
A. 416TH BOMB GP BERMAY ST MARTIN A/D 4 MARCH
B. 21
C. 20 -- 10/10 CLOUDS OVER TARGET
D. NONE
E. ONE A/C MISSING REPORTED DOWN IN NORTH SEA TWO MILES OFF
FELIXSTOWE
F. NIL
G. THREE MISSING
H. NONE
I. MEAGRE -- INACCURATE HFF
J. PREVENTED BOMBING
K. NIL
L. NONE
M. SPITFIRES
N. NONE
O. ~~0940~~ 0940 ~~0955~~ 0955 1022

MACE CO 416TH BG

GRL 1405A AS



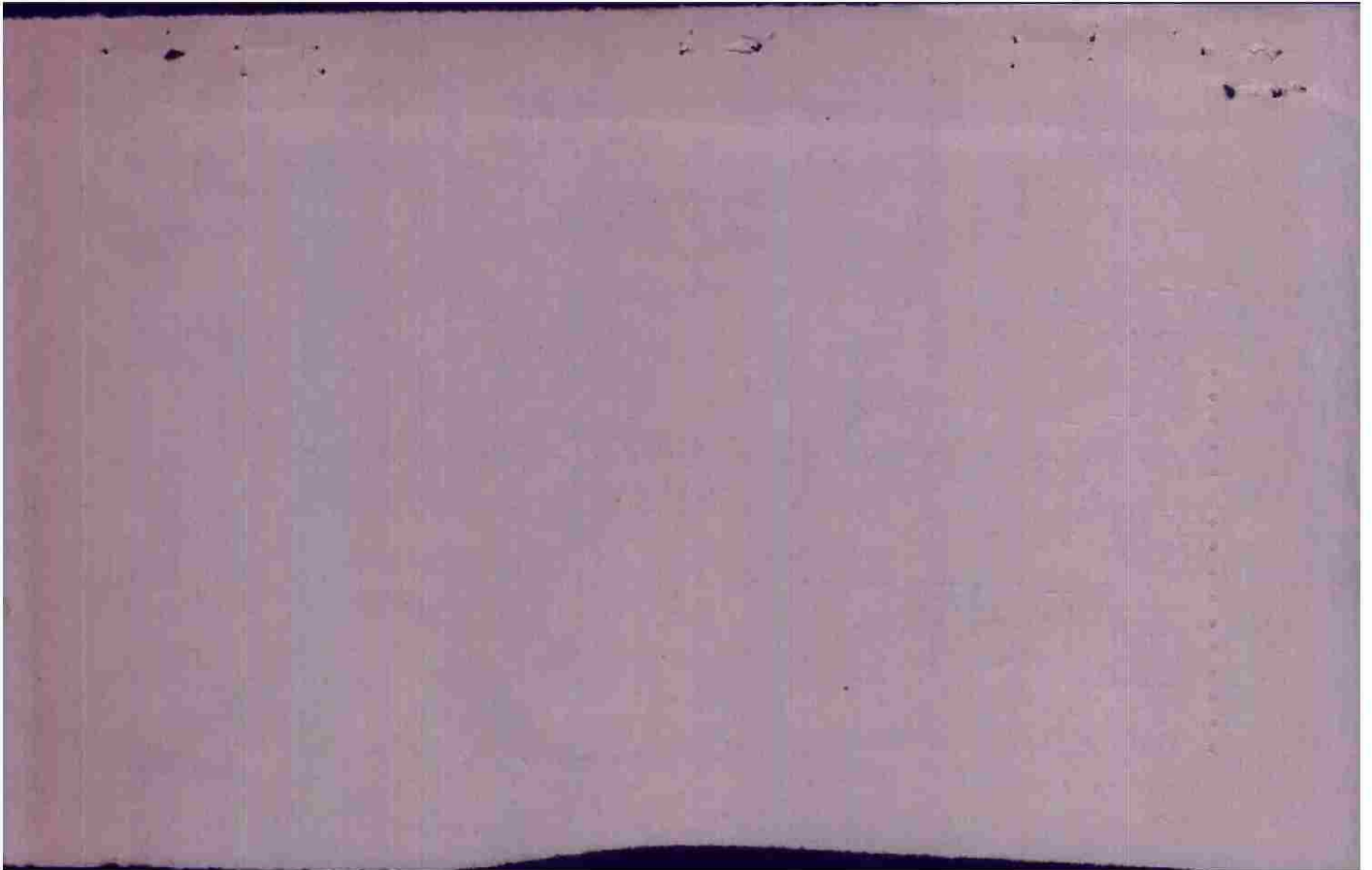
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T ADDRESSEE

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP 041330A

TO IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER

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TELEPHONE REPORT

TELEPHONE REPORT FORM

A. 416TH BOMB GP BERNAY ST MARTIN [REDACTED] NA/D 4 MARCH

B. 21

C. 20 -- 10/10 CLOUDS OVER TARGET

D. NONE

E. ONE A/C MISSING REPORTED DOWN IN NORTH SEA TWO MILES OFF

FELIXSTOWE - *supposedly mechanical - couldn't land - told to jettison -*
went down in channel - crew safe -

F. NIL

G. THREE MISSING

H. NONE

I. MEAGRE -- INACCURATE HFF --

J. PREVENTED BOMBING

K. NIL

L. NONE

M. SPITFIRE

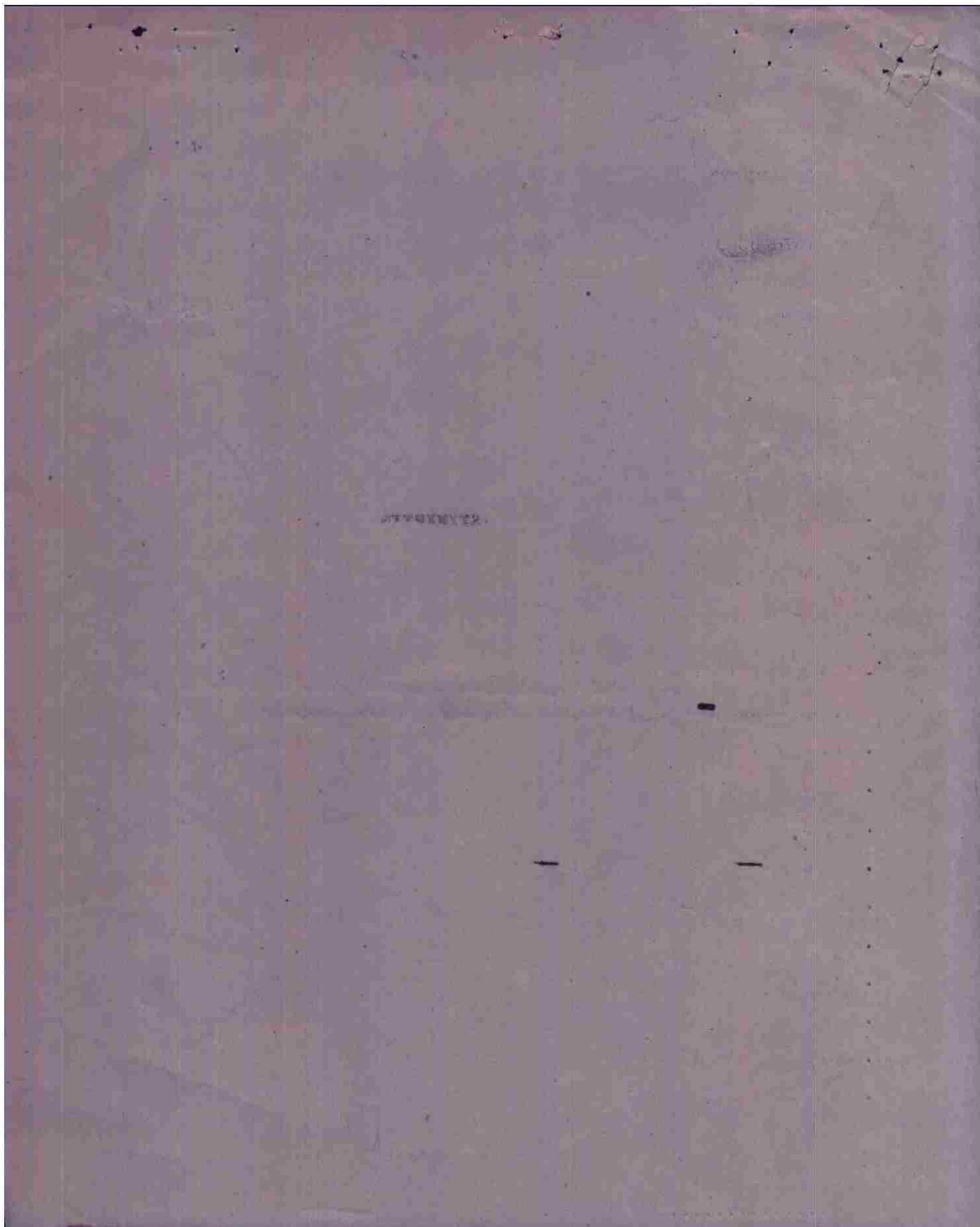
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TELEPHONE REPORT
(For B.C. Use in Receiving)

Target Bermuda St. Martin Estimated Due _____ Hours _____

Received From 416 Bomb Group At 1445 Hours _____ Dat _____

By _____ To _____

A. Group 416 Type _____

B. A/C Off 21 Type _____

C. A/C Failing to Bomb with reasons for each: (weather)
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D. A/C Attacking Primary 0 Secondary _____ Last Resort _____

E. Bombs in Target Area 0 Tons _____
Bombs Jettisoned _____ Where _____
Bombs Returned all brought back

F. Results of Bombing: Good (), Fair (), Poor (), Nil ()

G. A/C Lost or Missing 1 Approx. Location _____

Reasons Down in North Sea 2 miles off Felixstowe
couldn't land - went out jettison and went down 2 miles off Felixstowe - crew safe

H. No. of A/C Suffering Battle Damage 0

I. Personnel Casualties 0 Killed 0 Missing 0 Wounded _____

J. E/A Opposition: Strong (), Mediocre (), Weak (), Nil ()
Destroyed _____ Probably Destroyed _____ Damaged _____

K. Flak: Int. (), Mod. (), Weak () Nil ()

L. Weather as it Affects Mission 10/10 over target

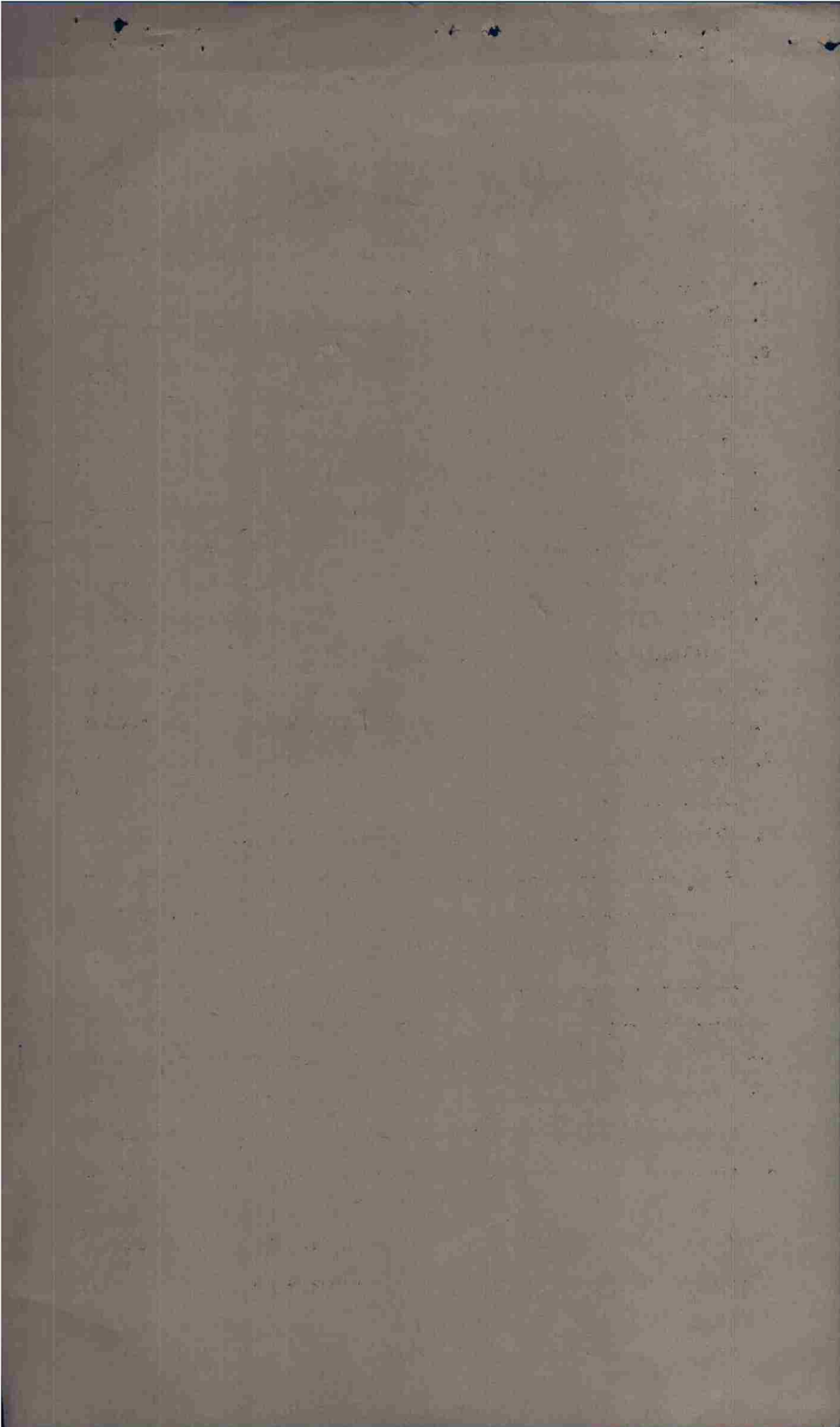
M. Altitude of Attack No

N. Other Information _____

Forwarded to Operations Room, Ninth Air Force _____ Hours _____ Dat _____

By _____ To _____

Hooley



HEADQUARTERS IX BOMBING COMMAND

OUTGOING MESSAGE

YAA

TO: CO BG 416	CLASSIFICATION	COORDINATION	MESSAGE CENTER USE ONLY
ATT : S-2	Urgent	CG	CRIG.
FROM: COMBOMCON NINE	Priority XX	D of S	NO. IX BC 2194
DATE: FILE: SECT:	Routine	DG of S	REF ID: A1
4/3/44 0115 A-2	Deferred	ALL	RECEIVED
SIGNATURE: <i>[Signature]</i>	Secret XX	ALL	CLEAR
	Conf.		
	Ext.		
	Clear		

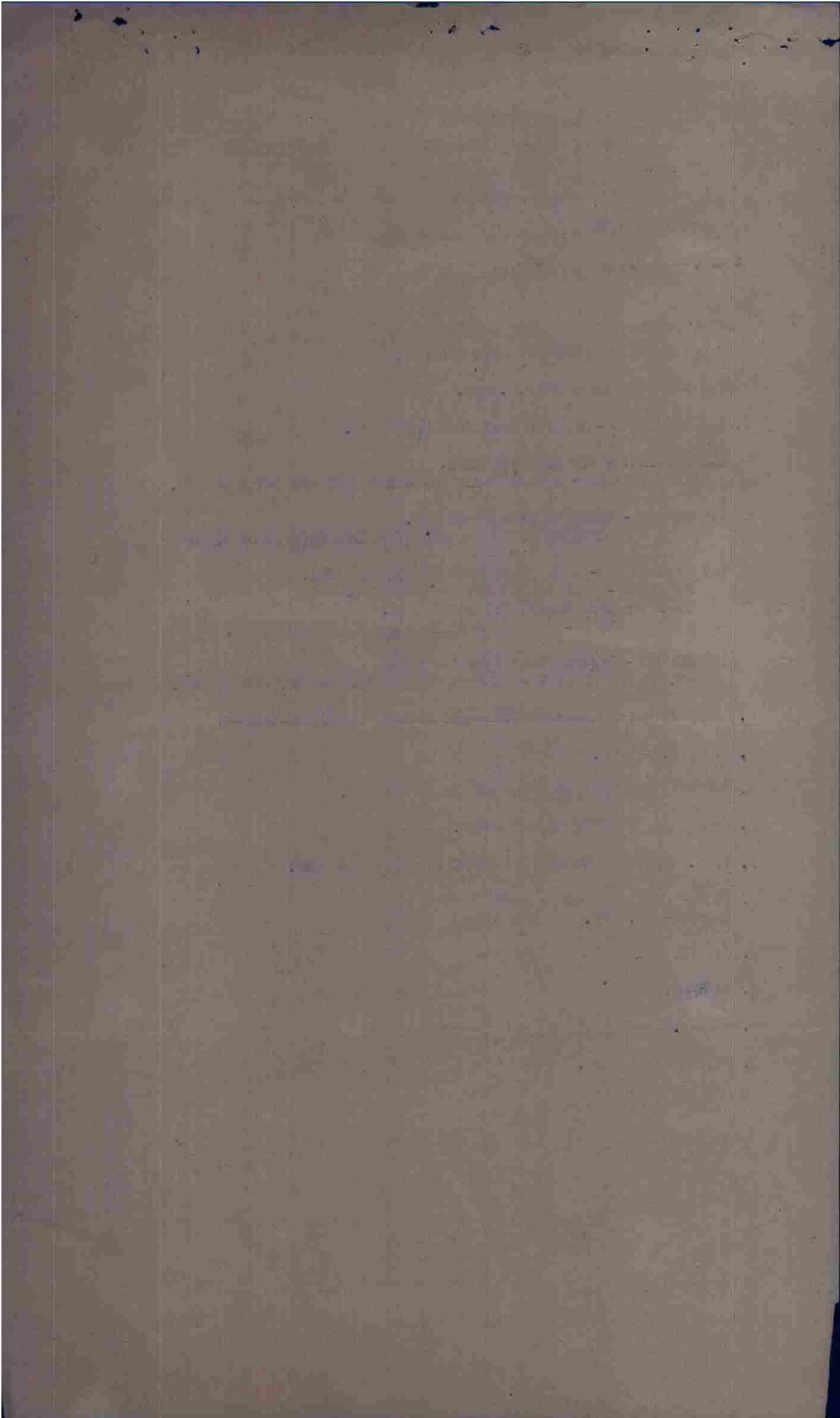
SEND IN THE CLEAR AUTHORITY COL. KILBORN.

TARGET Z 659 REFER TO F.O. 222.

- A. (1) TROUVILLE - 15/2/44 WEAK INACCURATE HFF.
- (2) LIESIEUX - HFF REPORTED HERE.
TRICQUEVILLE - 3/11/43 WEAK INACCURATE HFF AND LFF REPORTED.
- (3) TARGET - MODERATE INACCURATE HFF.
DEFENDED BY ~~FOUR~~ ^{Three} 4 GUN HY POSITIONS (2 UNOCCUPIED)
- (4) QUILLEBEUF - WEAK INACCURATE HFF ON 24/10/43.
NORVILLE - WEAK INACCURATE HFF REPORTED.
YVETOT - LFF ENCOUNTERED ON 30/1/44.
CANY BARVILLE - 3/11/43 WEAK TO MODERATE HFF REPORTED.
- (5) ELETOT - 15/2/44 WEAK INACCURATE LFF.
ST. VALERY EN CAUX - WEAK INACCURATE HFF AND LFF ON 29/1/44.
- B. REFER TO WEEKLY APPRECIATION # 131 AND AMENDMENT OF 26/2/44.
- C, D, E, F, - NONE.
- G. REFER TO INFORMATION SHEET AND ILLUSTRATIONS.
- H. WILL CALL IF ANYTHING DEVELOPES.
- I, J, K. REFER TO INFORMATION SHEET AND ILLUSTRATIONS.
- L. HIGH - 0551 LOW - 1307
CHANGE - 11.6 FT.
- M. /1, /2, /3.
- N. 12/8/43.
- O. 7/6/43
- Q. VOUCHER NUMBER 28.

Checked OK

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17.5*



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PRE-TAKE-OFF CHECK SHEET

F.O. NO. _____ GROUP _____

Duty Officers Initial All Items CheckedTarget _____ Ops. No. _____ Date _____ D.O. _____ AM PM
D.O. _____ AM PMORDERS RECEIVED

ASC _____ 3 BW V.O. (V-TVE) _____ 3 BW F.O. _____

KEY TIMES

Briefing _____ T.O. _____ Zero Hr. _____ T.O.T. _____ ETR _____

(Keep in touch with A-2 to pick up time changes)

ON RECEIPT OF TARGET, verbal or otherwise, immediately.

____ Notify P.I. (Give him full information on mission). Time: _____

____ Assemble information for A-3 route planning.

TIME CHECK THE FOLLOWING:

____ Photo Coverage (Coast Line _____; Target Area _____). From P/I Officers.

Flak ---	Airdromes	Other Areas
____ A/F Act'v'y Reports A12b (T/F)	____ Paded-Maps M.I. 14 (9/3/1)	
____ Official List A12b (T/F)	____ Tracings M.I. 14 (9/3/4)	
____ A/D Infor. Sheets A12b (T/F)	____ Index Cards M.I. 14 (#4)	
____ A/D Tracings A12b (T/F & 9/3/3B)	____ Index Cards F.L.O. (#3)	
____ RAF 2 Group Reports (9/3/16)	____ Maj. Brett Flak Rpt(9/3/15)	
____ AA on Harbour Vessels (9/3/8)		
____ Other Sources or Wing/Pinetree NSO.		
____ Check with Maj. Brett. (Called War Office Yes No).		

____ Make Overlay showing gun ranges.____ Enemy Fighter A/C (Check Weekly App. G.A.F. (9/1/3a) vs. Situation Map)____ S/S, Dummies, Decoys, Camouflage, B/B, W/T Masts, etc.

____ PDIS (T/F). _____ Special 1/250,000 Maps.

____ Recent Raid Experience. _____ Flak _____ E/A _____ Misc.

____ Analysis Dept. Blue Book or Raid Direct In T/F and Status Cards(#2).

____ Check basic sources indicated in Blue Book as required.

____ 3rd Wing Mission Folders _____ Group Narrative Reports.

____ RAF 2 Group Missions previous 2 days, phone if necessary.

____ Enemy Convoys, Naval Vessels, Fishing Fleets, Etc. (Use "Scrambler").

(Call RAF 16 Group--Ask for Coastal Command Naval Duty Officer).

____ Determine Tides____ Call Gangway and Check. (Speak to A-2 Duty Officer--Use "Scrambler").

____ Latest Enemy Fighter Changes.

____ Flak (Advise if Maj. Brett has called War Office).

____ Passive Defenses (S/S, Dummies, Decoys, Camouflage, B/B, etc.).

____ Latest Raids & Results (with particular reference to flak and fighters).

____ ON RELEASE OF V.O. (V. or T.V.X.) to Group.

____ Call Group S-2 Duty Officer and pass on A-Q Check List (soon as possible--not later than 4 hours before briefing).

____ Send Group a Teletype confirming above call immediately.

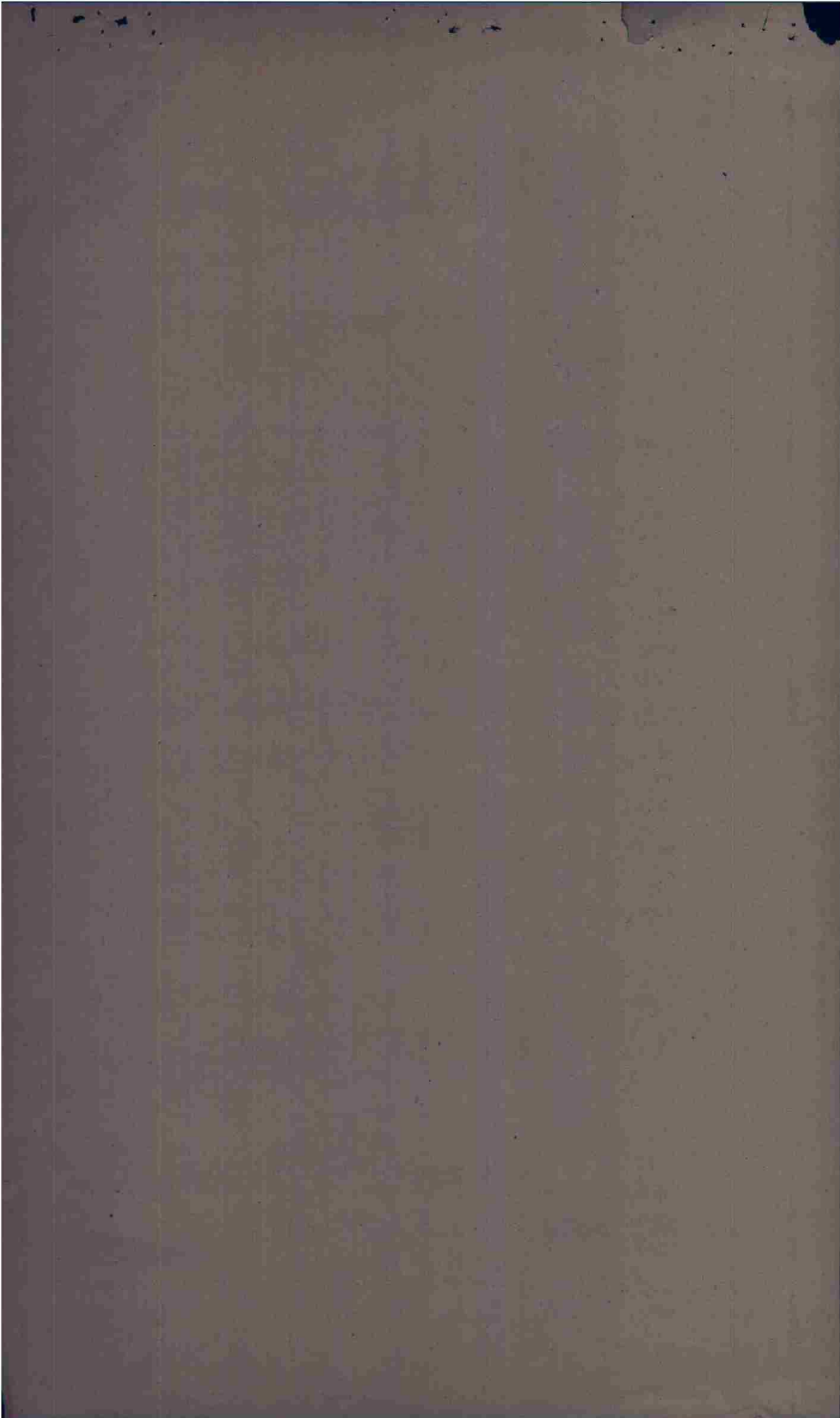
TWO HOURS BEFORE TAKE-OFF

____ Enemy Convoys, Etc. (Coastal Command N.S.O.-16 Group). Request any new information during next two hours be phoned this Wing.

____ Gangway (Changes since original call).

____ Pass "Any Changes" to Group.

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DATE: MAR. 3, 1944

GROUP: 386 -

TARGET: XI/A/88

XI/A/68

XI/D/4

F.O. 218

Scrubbed

