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

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By authority
CG, SAs.178
1 August 1944
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AF O 140, U. S. Army.
1 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal of A-3 Bombing Information Reports.

TO : Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, APO 140, U. S. Army.

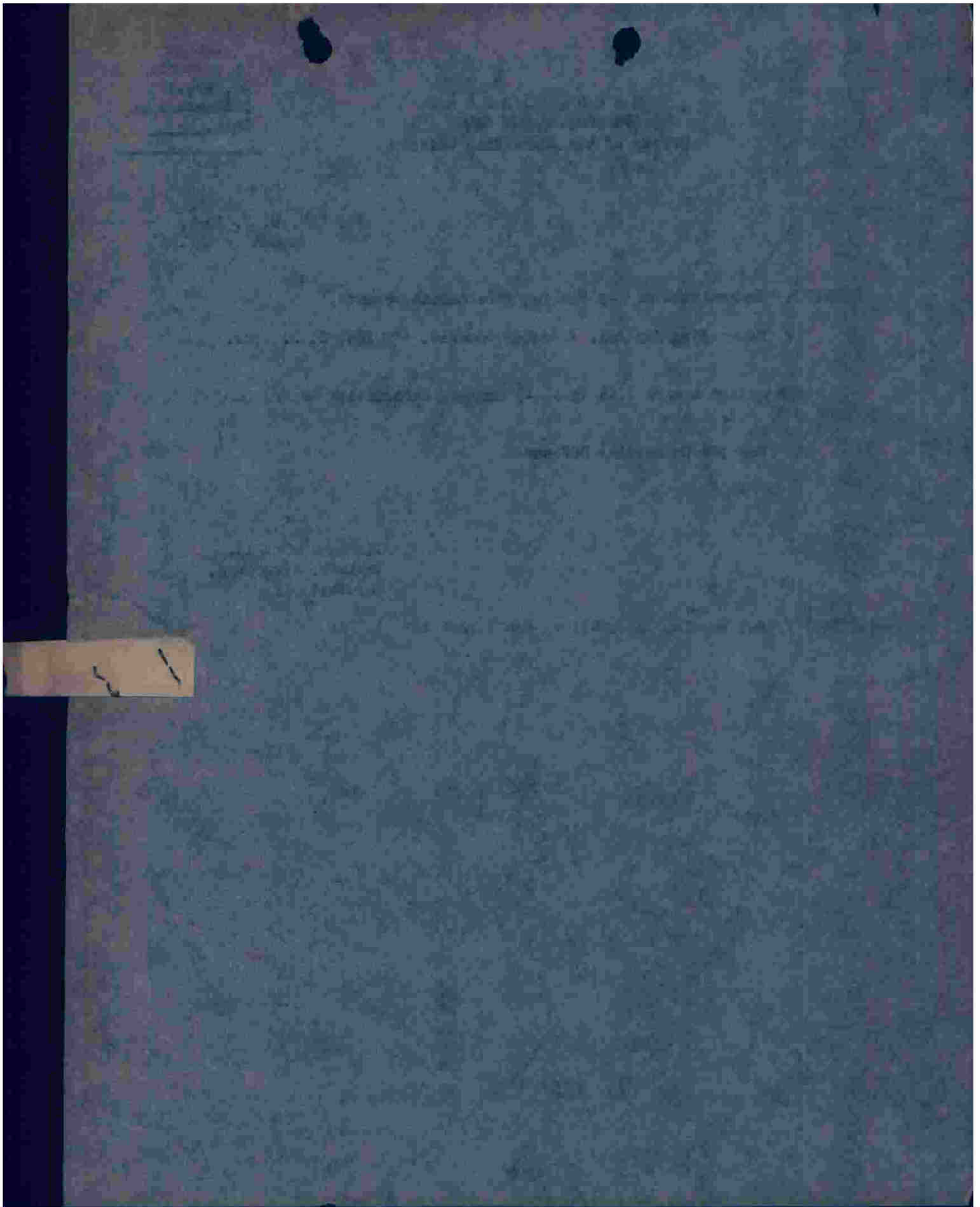
Transmitted herewith is the A-3 Bombing Information Report on operational mission 31 July 1944.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHINDLER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

1 Encl : A-3 Bombing Information Report (Box 1)

31 July 1944
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1 August 1944
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HEADQUARTERS
416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

APO 140, U. S. Army,
1 August 1944

SUBJECT: Report of Materiel and Mechanical Failures.

TO : Commanding Officer, 97th Combat Wing (L), APO 140, U. S. Army.

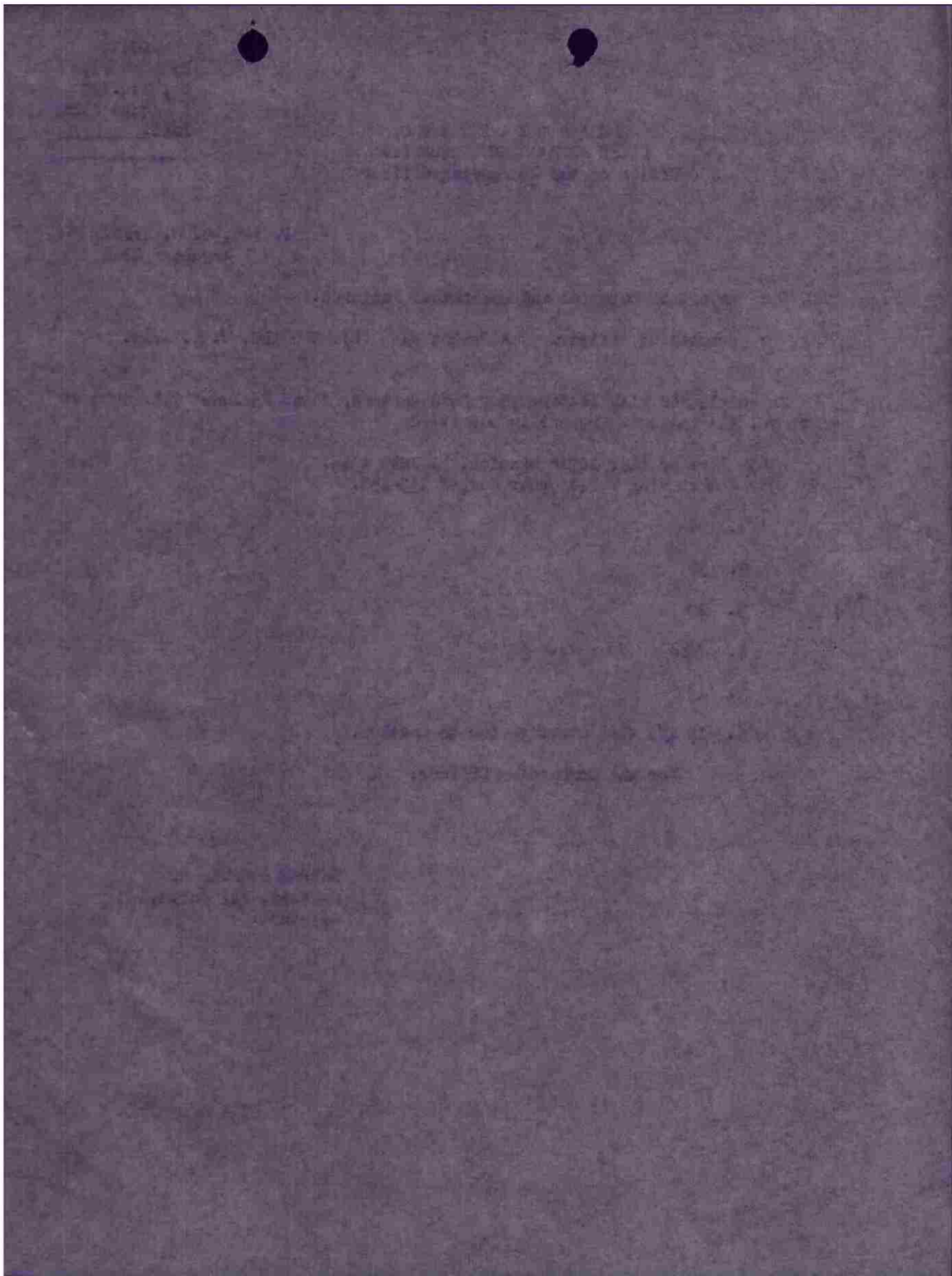
In compliance with letter, your Headquarters, dated 25 June 1944, subject as above, the following report is submitted:

416th Bomb Gp (L), 109th Mission, 31 July 1944.
97th Combat Wing Field Order Number 153-458.

- 1. 38
- 2. 38
- 3. 19
- 4. None
- 5. 19
- 6. 19 a/s were abortive due to weather.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHENKIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.



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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 458BOX I GROUP A16 DATE 31 July 1944 TARGET ATTACKED 140000 H/Y
Primary target - Antes Cassicourt.1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set with corrections.2. Bombing approach: 34003. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO 4. Did entire (box) ~~(mission)~~ 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: Cloud cover 7/10 from primary to alternate causing a very short run. Bombardier saw target area through clouds and used choke point of H/Y as AP.

5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. Jones6. Name of lead Pilot: Major Clark7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 220 Altitude: 12,0009. Length of bomb run: 30 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED 1/10 N 1/100 T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 76

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. Primary and secondary completely covered by clouds. 7/10 clouds on run to alternate caused very short run to be taken.
- (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:
could not see target until very close to it because of clouds.
- (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

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(Over)

MISSION NO. 109

LOADING LIST
BOX I
FLIGHT I

31 JULY 1944

1. ✓ 712 H
MAJOR R A CLARK ✓
LT C W JONES ✓
SGT K HEATH
SGT H A BURLAND

4. ✓ 147 K
LT T BOUKAMP ✓
S/S R J COLOSIMO *
S/S J S WING

2. ✓ 937 B
LT H B CLARK ✓
S/S J W SABADOSH
S/S D F FLOYD

5. ✓ 900 Q
LT E P HALL ✓
SGT R P SHARP
SGT R W CARSTENS

3. ✓ 181 A
LT J S CONNOR ✓
S/S J E VAN DUYNÉ
S/S H C RODGERS

6. ✓ 943 F
LT E J RENTH ✓
S/S O D LANAVE *
S/S G I FLEISCHMAN

FLIGHT II

1. ✓ 1717 P
LT J F MEAGHER ✓
LT J J BURG ✓
T/S L G ROBBINS
S/S D H SIMPSON

4. ✓ 362 L
LT L G PEEDE ✓
SGT F NOTERIANI
S/S C L HIBBS

2. ✓ 907 O
LT W E DOWNING ✓
S/S E S DICKENSON *
S/S K E HORNBECK

5. ✓ 480 B-1
LT J K COLQUITT ✓
S/S J E MCCREERY
S/S D E RAINES

3. ✓ 150 N
LT T CLAUSEN ✓
SGT C FETKO
SGT D M BROWN

6. ✓ 195 D
LT L E CANNON ✓
SGT J W ROBINSON *
SGT E P BRZEZINSKI

FLIGHT III

1. ✓ 724 A
LT F W DEMAND ✓
LT R J HANLON
S/S R J TROYER
S/S C W MIDDLETON

4. ✓ 220 E
LT R D PERKINS ✓
S/S V N SHERRY
S/S R H LINNEMAN

2. ✓ 951 P-1
LT F W HENDERSON ✓
S/S R M GRISWOLD
S/S P E COULOMBE

5. ✓ 925 G
LT D L WITHINGTON ✓
SGT C F HUSS *
SGT L D MC ELHATTAN

3. ✓ 221 F-1
LT A E HERMAN ✓
S/S A D GARRETT *
S/S J O YOUNG

6. ✓ 493 V
LT J H MURRAY ✓
S/S D H DEBOWER
S/S R J JONES

✓ SPARE
719 J
LT H F PAIR ✓
T/S J R L TANNER
S/S V P ADAMS

MISSION NO. 109
BOX I
31 JULY 1944

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READING LIST
BOX 1
FLIGHT I

MISSION NO. 108

1. 715 H
MAJOR R A CLARK
LT G W JONES
SGT K HEATH
SGT H A BURLAND

2. 900 B
LT E P HALL
SGT R P SHARRS
SGT R W CARSTENS

3. 943 F
LT J BENTH
SGT O D LAMAVE
SGT G T FLEISHMAN

1. 715 H
MAJOR R A CLARK
LT G W JONES
SGT K HEATH
SGT H A BURLAND

2. 900 B
LT H B CLARK
SGT J W SABAUDON
SGT D F FLOYD

3. 943 A
LT J S GONNOR
SGT J E VAN BUNNE
SGT H O RODGERS

FLIGHT II

1. 388 F
LT J O PERDIE
SGT F NOTERKAMP
SGT G L HIBBS

2. 490 G
LT J K DOULITT
SGT J E GREGORY
SGT D E RATNER

3. 195 D
LT J E CANNON
SGT J W ROBINSON
SGT E P BRZECZINSKI

1. 1717 P
LT J F MEAGHER
LT J I HUBB
SGT L A ROBERTS
SGT D H SIMPSON

2. 907 O
LT W E DOWNING
SGT E S DICKENSON
SGT K E HORNBERG

3. 150 M
LT T CLASSEN
SGT C FELKO
SGT D W BROWN

FLIGHT III

1. 250 F
LT R D PERKINS
SGT V WISHERY
SGT R H LINNEMAN

2. 925 G
LT B L WILKINSON
SGT G F HUSS
SGT L D MC ELHATTAN

3. 493 V
LT J H MURRAY
SGT D H DEBOWER
SGT R A JONES

1. 154 A
LT F W DEMAND
LT R J HARTON
SGT R J TROYER
SGT G W WIDDLTON

2. 921 P-1
LT F W HENDERSON
SGT R M GRISWOLD
SGT P S GOULOMBE

3. 921 F-1
LT A E HERMAN
SGT A D GARRETT
SGT J O YOUNG

MISS
LT R F PAIR
SGT J R L TANNER
SGT V P ADAMS

MISSION NO. 109
BOX 1
31 JULY 1944

MISSION NO. 109

LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

JULY 1944

1. ✓ 135 T
CAPT M J HUFF
LT J KUPITS
SGT R A CLARK
SGT F P BASFORD

4. ✓ 376 O
LT W A PECK
S/S A E BERGERON
S/S H E KELTON

2. ✓ 9717 N
LT A J VLEGHELS
S/S R W RICE
S/S G E YOUNG

5. ✓ 202 B
LT R B ROBERTSON
SGT J E HAY
SGT J A BUSKIRK

3. ✓ 961 E
LT M S STREET
S/S C A PRINDLE
S/S E P EPPS

6. ✓ 176 T-1
LT W F TRIPP
S/S J O SCOTT
SGT D F MALLORY

FLIGHT II

1. ✓ 452 Q
CAPT D A HULSE
LT R CONTE
S/S F D ALLRED
S/S P B DRISKILL

4. ✓ 750 M
LT D G SHEA
S/S R E LEE
S/S F G FALK

2. ✓ 674 R
LT R B SINGLETARY
SGT A A CIANCIOSI
SGT H G WIGGINS

5. ✓ 217 D
LT J C SEWELL
SGT E F PAULES
SGT L MARTINEZ

3. ✓ 759 G
LT A W NORDSTROM
S/S J D GOSSETT
S/S R L MILLER

6. ✓ 227 F
F/O R T BYRNE
SGT W E DUMMINGS
S/S S F DINAPOLI

FLIGHT III

1. ✓ 467 W
CAPT R S RUDISILL
LT R H JOOST
S/S R K RILEY
S/S A J BONAMO

4. ✓ 211 O-1
LT W J GREENE
S/S J A OCHABA
S/S W F COLBERT

2. ✓ 380 N-1
LT D G GRUNIG
SGT M E DIAS
SGT H J NOWOSIELSKI

5. ✓ 387 H
LT J E SPARLING
SGT L L LEAHIGH
SGT C L SHAW

3. ✓ 209 K
LT R B HALL
SGT D S BLACKFORD
SGT L C BURGER

6. ✓ 978 S
LT P P BARAUSKY
SGT M HALL
SGT B R WILSON

SPARE

363 L
LT J D ADAMS
S/S P L CLEARMAN
S/S A J ZIEKUS

MISSION NO. 109
BOX II
31 JULY 1944

JULY 1944

LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

MISSION NO. 109

376 O
LT W. A. PECK
S/S A. E. BERGERON
S/S H. E. KELTON

508 B
LT R. B. ROBERTSON
SGT J. E. HAY
SGT J. A. BUSKIRK

176 T-1
LT W. F. TRIPP
S/S J. O. SCOTT
SGT D. F. MALLORY

750 M
LT D. G. SHEA
S/S R. E. LEE
S/S F. G. FALK

517 D
LT J. C. SEWELL
SGT E. F. FAULTS
SGT L. MARTINEZ

557 F
S/O R. T. DYRME
SGT W. E. DUMMINS
S/S S. F. DIKAROLI

511 O-1
LT W. J. BRENE
S/S J. A. OCHRA
S/S W. F. COLBERT

387 H
LT J. E. SPARLING
SGT L. LEAHON
SGT C. L. SHAW

579 S
LT R. P. DARASKY
SGT M. HALL
SGT B. R. WILSON

132 T
CAPT M. J. HOFF
LT J. KURITS
SGT R. A. CLARK
SGT F. P. BASFORD

977 N
LT A. J. VLECHTEL
S/S R. W. RICE
S/S O. E. YOUNG

981 E
LT M. S. STREET
S/S G. A. PRINGLE
S/S E. P. EPPS

452 O
CAPT D. A. HULSE
LT R. CONTE
S/S F. D. ALLRED
S/S P. B. DRISKILL

674 B
LT R. G. SIMPNEY
SGT A. CLANCIOSE
SGT H. C. WIGGINS

759 G
LT A. W. WOODSTROM
S/S J. D. GOSSETT
S/S T. J. MILLER

467 W
CAPT R. S. RUDISIL
LT H. JOOST
S/S R. K. RILEY
S/S A. J. SORIANO

280 N-1
LT D. G. BRUNO
SGT W. E. DIAZ
SGT H. J. KOWOSIELSKI

509 K
LT R. B. HALL
SGT D. S. BLACKFORD
SGT L. C. BURGER

363 L
LT J. B. ADAMS
S/S P. E. CLEARMAN
S/S A. J. ZIEKUS

MISSION NO. 109
BOX II
27 JULY 1944

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : IX BOMBER COMMAND

TO: 97TH COMBAT WING

416 BG Y _____ E

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PREPARED BY MAJOR HAROLD A RADETSKY

"J" FORM

OPERATIONAL

CLEARANCE F-2

31 JULY 1944

A.

B. 1100

C. SELBY BILL

D. BOX I R/T CARLOCK ONE

669 . . . 5 . . . H A K Q F

671 . . . 7 . . . B A-1 P-1 F-1 B Q Y

668 . . . 6 . . . P O N L B-1 D

671 . . . 1 . . . SPARE . . . J

GROUP LEADER . . . 669 . . . H

DEPUTY . . . 668 . . . P

BOX II R/T CARLOCK TWO

669 . . . 5 . . . T E N O B

668 . . . 1 . . . T-1

670 . . . 12 . . . Q R G M D F W K H S M-1 C-1

671 . . . 1 . . . SPARE . . . I

SECOND BOX LEADER . . . 669 . . . T

DEPUTY . . . 6 70 . . . Q

E. 12,000

F. DEAUVILLE

G. 1130

59

DEAUVILLE

SELBYBILL

1. 1253

M. 1. T.O. . . 0957 . . . E.T.D. . . 1030 . . E.T.A. . . . 1924

2. 4 x 500 GP

3. 4 HOURS

4. MONTES GASSICOURT

5. NONE

MADE COBOMER 416

I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS OFFICIAL BUSINESS;

JOHN M. BONURA,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Ops. Supt. Officer.

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

FROM: COBDMGR 416

TO : COCBTWIG 97 ATT: SIG 0

A - YS - 109

B - 31 JULY 1944

C - 38 A/C

D - 669 - T - CHANNEL A WEAK - RETUNED AND CHECKED OKAY.

670 - W - VHF WEAK, RETUNED AND CHECKED OK.

688 - S - COMPASS INDICATOR DEFECTIVE - REPAIRED AND CHECKED OKAY.

E - LOCAL BUNCHER BEACON USED.
7 QDM'S FROM BOATDECK.

F - NONE.

MACE COBDMGR 416

OFFICIAL:

JACK B. COONEY,
CAPT, AIR CORPS,
SIG 0.

Ops

CONFIDENTIAL

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

APO 140
31 July 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report

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

BASE AT TAKEOFF: 10/10 Stratus at 1000 feet. Visibility
3500 yards.

ROUTE OUT: 10/10 Stratus over England with bases at 1000 feet
and tops at 2200 feet. Low cloud broke over Southern
England and Channel to 4-6/10 and increased to
6-7/10 over France with tops estimated at 2000 to
3000 feet. Thick haze to 10,000 feet over Channel
and continent. Variable 5-6/10 cirrus estimated
at 20,000 feet over Channel and continent. Visibility
5 miles over continent.

PRIMARY TARGET: 10/10 Stratus with tops estimated at 2000 to
3000 feet.

SECONDARY TARGET: Overcast with breaks of stratus with tops
estimated at 2000 to 3000 feet.

AUXILIARY TARGET: 6-7/10 Stratus and stratocumulus with tops
2000-3000 feet. Visibility 5 miles. Large
break directly over target.

ROUTE BACK: Similar to route out.

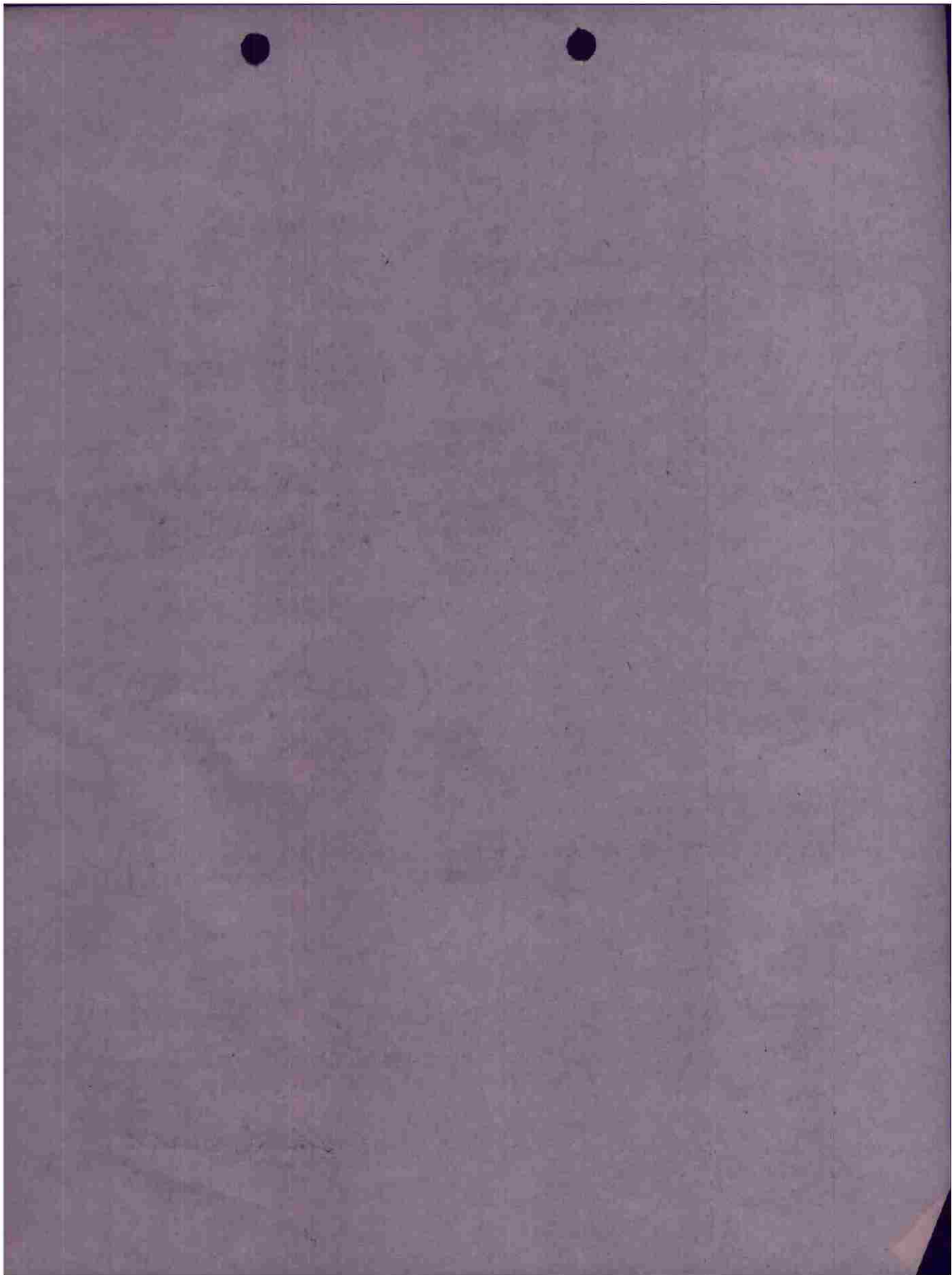
BASE ON RETURN: 10/10 Stratus and stratocumulus with bases at
600-1200 feet and tops to 3000 feet. Visibility
3500 yards.

TIME OVER TARGET: 1232

WINDS: As forecast.

EFFECT OF WEATHER ON BOMBING: Low clouds made bombing of primary
and secondary targets impossible. One box was able
to bomb auxiliary target by taking a very short bomb
run but second box was not able to drop due to clouds.

Walter D. Castle
WALTER D. CASTLE, 1st Lt. AC
Staff Weather Officer



S Q D N	A / C LTR	A / C NO.	PILOT	D I S T A N C E	TARGET	A T O	ENG. COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	T O T	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENG. COAST IN	C A M E R A	F U L L O L O A D	B O M B O A D	E N D U R	L A T I T U D E	R E M A R K S
B	H	712	Clark R.A.	670	MONTEZ	0451	12000	1130	1202	10000	9000	C	715	4100	4	1351	Kilgusville
B	B	937	Clark R.A.		CASIROUET	0451	1100	1130	1200	10000	9000	C				1357	Kilgusville
B	A	181	Cornier			0451	12000	1200		1229	1753	C				1454	Kilgusville
B	X	147	Subbank			0451						C				1357	
B	Q	900	Koel			0458						C				1357	
B	F	943	Pen H.			0458						C				1353	
B	P	1017	Magellan			0458						C				1402	
B	O	927	Rowning			0459						C				1359	
B	N	450	Alvarez			0459						C				1358	
B	N	362	Alvarez			0459						C				1354	
B	N	480	Alvarez			0459						C				1353	
B	D	185	Admiral			0000						C				1415	
B	D	724	Admiral			1000						C				1358	
B	F	951	Henderson			1000						C				1445	Henderson
B	F	921	Henderson			1001						C				1356	
B	E	220	Kellogg			1001						C				1355	
B	B	925	St. George			1001						C				1356	
B	D	493	St. George			1001						C				1358	
B	D	99	Fair			1001						C				1403	Fair

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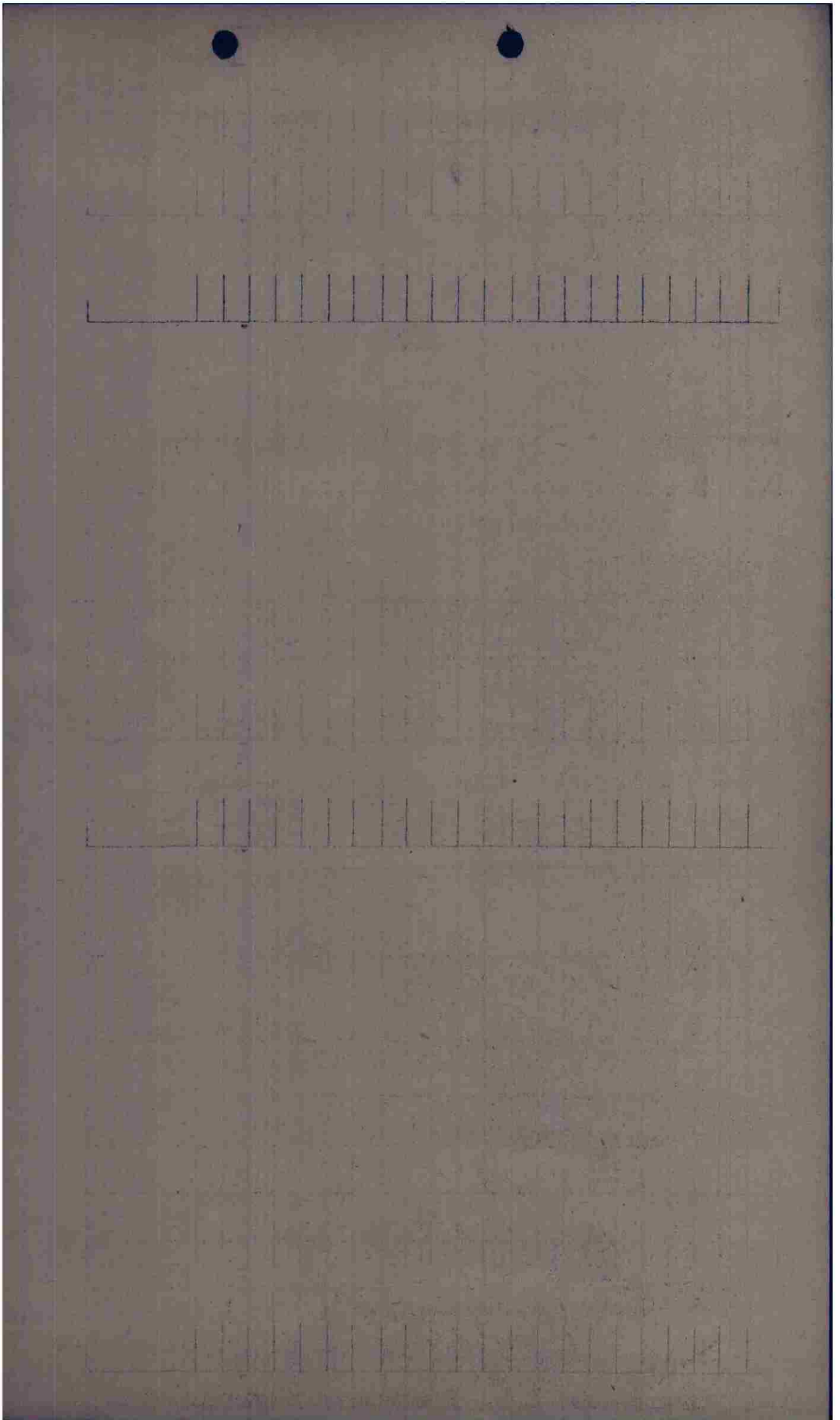
S - Learning formation

S D D N	A / C LTR	A / C NO.	PILOT	D I S T A N C E	TARGET	A T O	ENG. COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	T O T	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENG. COAST IN	C A M E R A	F U L L O L D	B O M B A D	E N D U R	L A N D I M E	R E M A R K S
D	T	135	Thurley			100 ^W						C				1406	
D	N	119	Weghale			100 ^W						C				1400	Shen-tan
D	Z	961	Shoat			1003										1406	Shen-tan
D	O	396	Ford			1003										1406	Shen-tan
D	D	202	Robertson			1003										1403	
D	T	176	Wicks			1004										1401	
D	Q	452	Wicks			1004										1400	
D	R	494	Wicks			1004										1353	
D	B	759	Wicks			1005										1359	
D	M	750	Wicks			1005										1400	
D	D	217	Wicks			1005										1348	
D	F	227	Wicks			1006										1630	Ford
D	W	417	Wicks			1006										1357	
D	N	380	Wicks			1006										1336	
D	N	207	Wicks			1004										1355	
D	O	211	Wicks			1007										1356	
D	H	387	Wicks			1007										1405	
D	S	718	Wicks			1008										1630	Ford
D	Z	263	Wicks			1008										1359	Wicks

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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 31/0245B Y-181-E
 TO COMBOMCOM IX
 409TH BOMB GRP
 410TH BOMB GRP
 416TH BOMB GRP

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
 SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: LT. COL. MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 31 JULY 1944

1303

FIELD ORDER NO. 153-458

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (2) 9 T A C WILL FURNISH ESCORT FOR THIS WING.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN FRANCE.

ZERO HOUR 31/0820

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP:

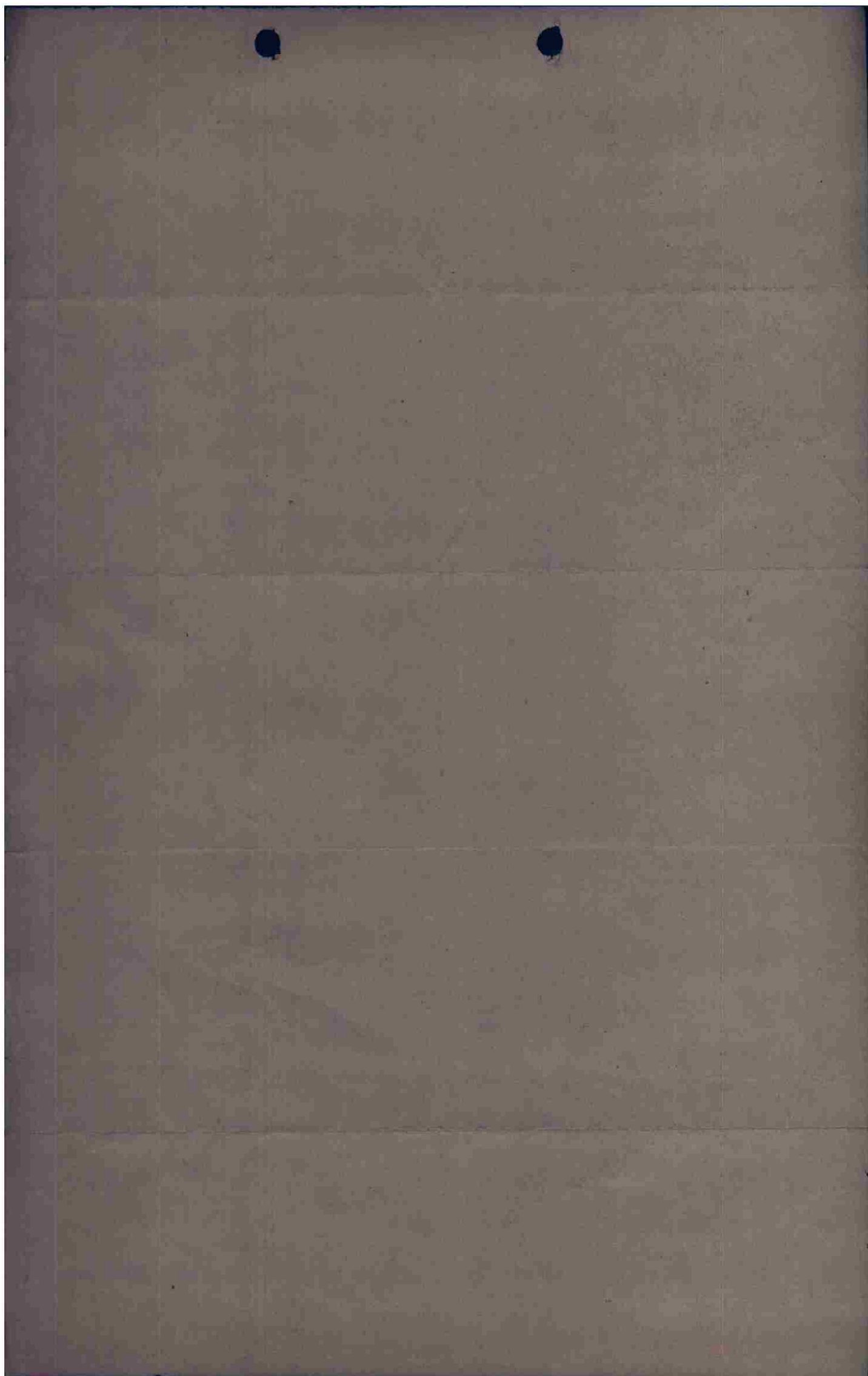
- (1) 4800/B/4
- (2) 2 BOXES OF 15 A/C BOMBING ON PPF A/C
- (3) WITH P-47'S AT 4919N 0000 AT 12,000 FEET
 1ST BOX ZERO PLUS 97 MIN.
 2ND BOX ZERO PLUS 98 MIN.
 WITH PPF A/C OVER BASE.
- (4) BASE TO MAIDEN HEAD TO SELSEY BILL TO 4919N 0000 TO 4854N
 0010E TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TO 4900N 0027E TO 4919N 0000 AND RETRACE ROUTE.
- (6) BOMB AT 1ST BOX 12,500 FEET.
 2ND BOX 12,000 FEET.
 LEAVE ENEMY COAST AT 10,000 FEET.
- (9) M.P.I. ILL. 4800/1 REF. 077043 (FOR VISUAL BOMBING ONLY)
- (10) 6 X 500 G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE 1/40 SEC. TAIL.
- (12) TIME OVER TARGET: 1ST BOX ZERO PLUS 115 MIN.
 2ND BOX ZERO PLUS 116 MIN.
- (13) NO ALTERNATE TARGET WILL BE BOMBED.

3. B. 410TH BOMB GROUP:

- (1) 4800/B/9
- (2) 2 BOXES OF 15 A/C BOMBING ON PPF A/C
- (3) WITH P-47'S AT 4913N 0139W AT 12,000 FEET.
 1ST BOX ZERO PLUS 134 MIN.
 2ND BOX ZERO PLUS 135 MIN.
 WITH PPF A/C OVER FIELD.
- (4) BASE TO MAIDEN HEAD TO ST. CATHERINES POINT TO 4942N 0117W TO
 4913N 0139W TO 4834N 0040W TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TO 4831N 0030E TO 4919N 0000 TO SELSEY BILL TO
 MAIDENHEAD TO BASE
- (6) BOMB AT 1ST BOX 12,500
 2ND BOX 12,000
 LEAVE ENEMY COAST AT 10,000 FEET
- (9) M.P.I. ILL. 4800/21 REF. 056026
 (FOR VISUAL BOMBING ONLY)
- (10) 4 X 500 G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC NOSE 1/40 SEC TAIL
- (12) TIME OVER TARGET 1ST BOX ZERO PLUS 160 MIN
 2ND BOX ZERO PLUS 161 MIN
- (13) NO ALTERNATE TARGET WILL BE BOMBED

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) 4801E/B/7 ALTERNATE TARGET 4800/C/9
- (2) 36 A/C BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C
- (3) WITH P-51'S AT 4919N 0000 AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 10 MIN
- (4) BASE TO MAIDENHEAD TO SELSEY BILL TO 4919 N 0000 TO 4830N
 0100E TO 4837N 0141 E TO I.P. TO TARGET
- (5) TARGET LEFT TO R.P. TO 4902N 0024E TO 4919N 0000 TO SELSEY



- BILL TO WIDENHEAD TO BASE
- (6) 12,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 8,000 FEET
LEAVE ENEMY COAST AT BOMBING ALTITUDE
 - (7) 434SN 0152E
 - (8) GENERALLY SOUTHEAST TO NORTHWEST
 - (9) N.P.I. ILL 4801E/18 REF. 067002 (BRIDGE)
 - (10) 4 X 500 G.P. 1/10 SEC NOSE 1/100 SEC TAIL
 - (11) 4850N 0140E
 - (12) A/C SHORT ON FUEL MAY LAND AT FIELDS LISTED IN PARA. 3. X. (4) TO REFUEL, THEN RETURN TO BASE

X. (1) TO (3) NO CHANGE
(4) LASHAM, ODINAM, HARTFORD BRIDGE, AND DUNSFOLD

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP

- (2) HAIRGRIP
- (3) POKER

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP

- (2) WALL STREET
- (3) MUSTARD

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (2) CARLOCK
- (3) JUDITH

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

- (3) 3A, 4D, 6C, 5D, 7E, 8F, 11H, 13G, 16I
- (10) VATE/VATB
- (11) BOX LEADERS WILL REPORT TO COMMAND CONTROL ON CHANNEL "C" WHEN CLEARING TARGET AREA.

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BT 31/0250B

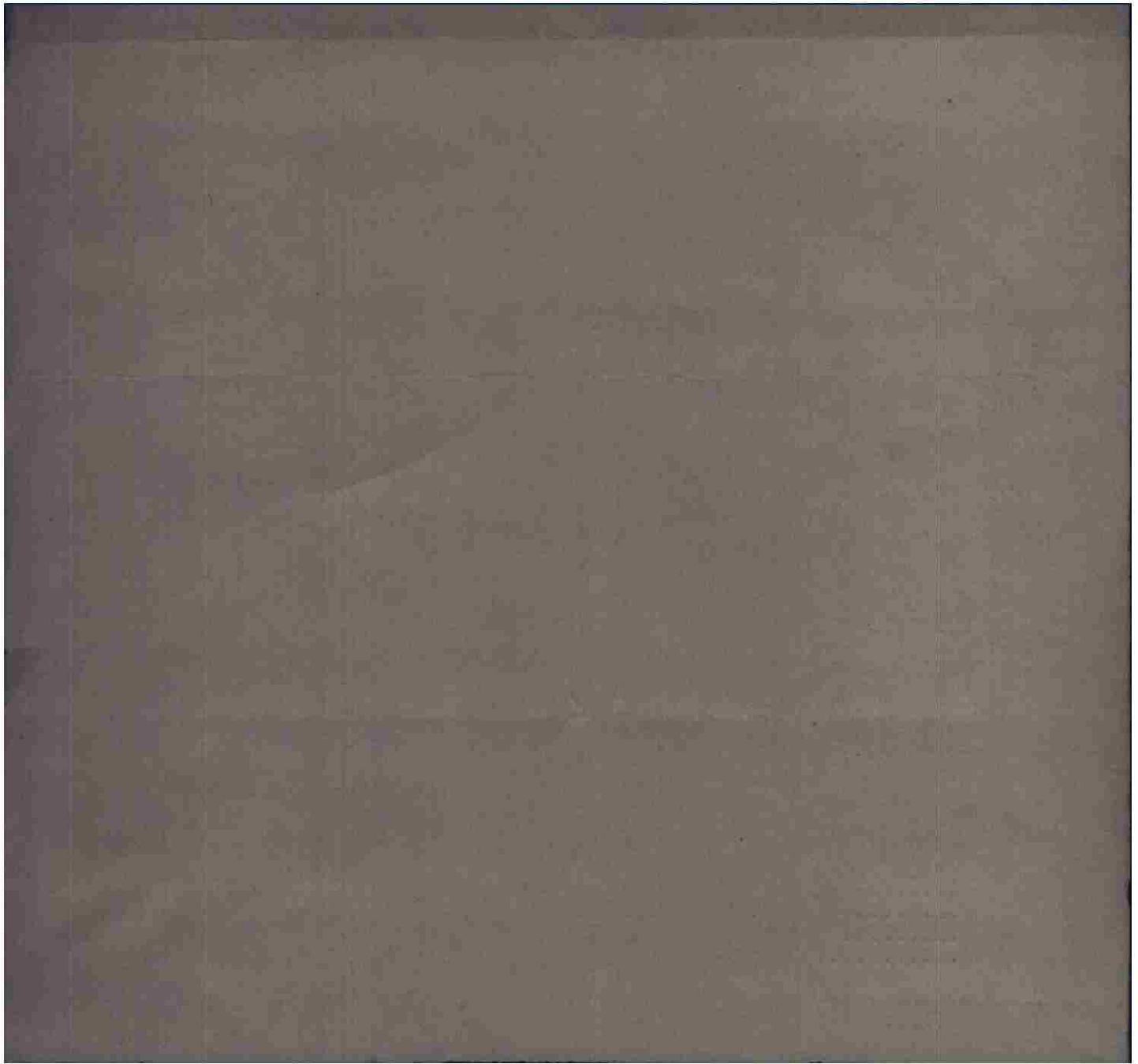
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OIFYAA R.....31/0337B LBS AR
OIGOF R.....31/0337B SL AR

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IPPF R.....31/0340B NET AR

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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
TO 409TH BOMB GROUP
416TH BOMB GROUP
416TH BOMB GROUP

ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER

ADVANCE INFORMATION COPY OF PARA. 5. OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW

5. COMMUNICATIONS

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(2) HAIRGRIP
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B. 416TH BOMB GROUP
(2) WALLSTREET
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(2) CARLOCK
(3) JUDITH

K. GENERAL INFORMATION

(3) 3A, 4B, 6C, 5D, 7E, 8F, 11H, 13G, 16I

(10) VATB/VATB

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

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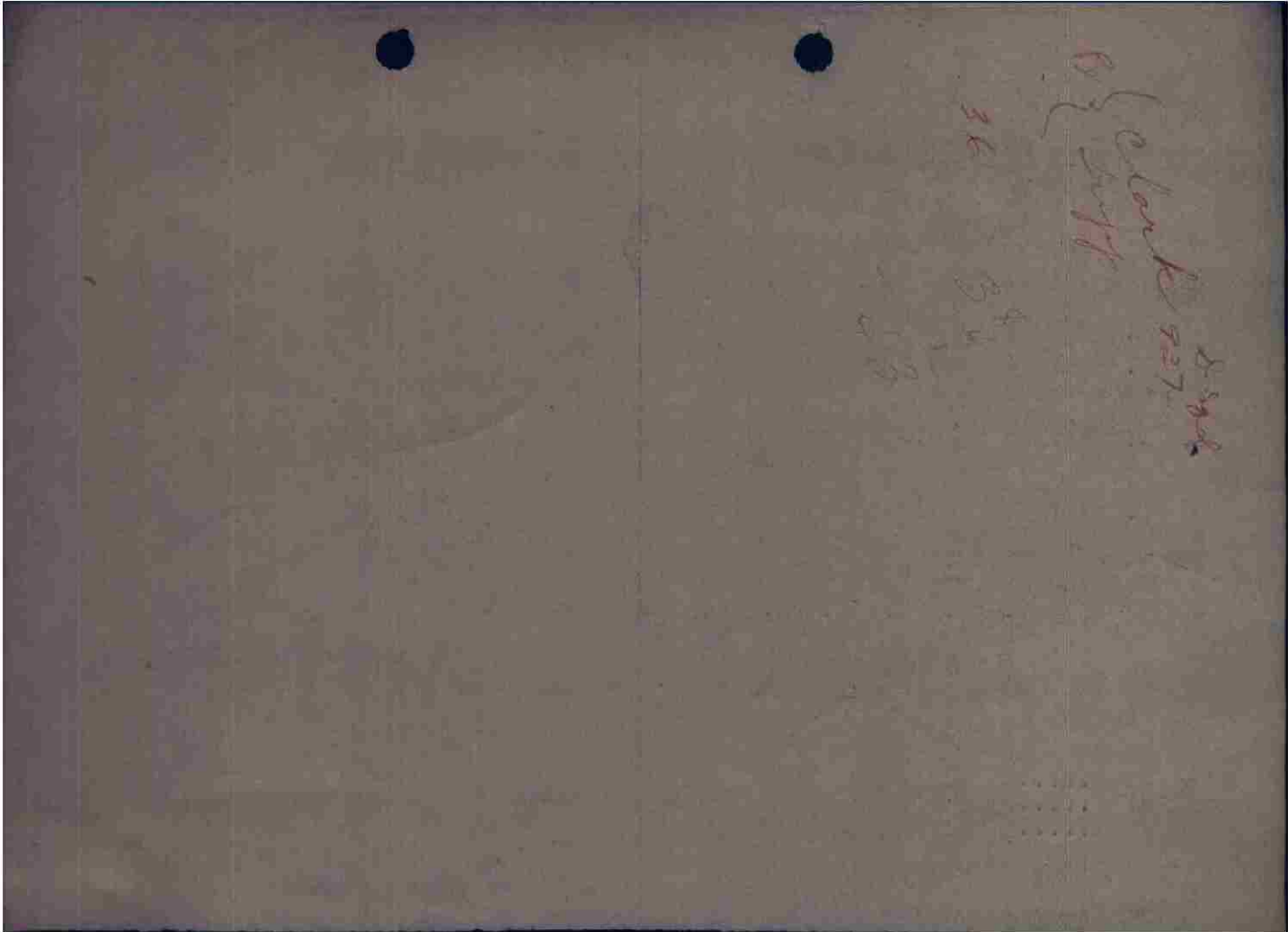
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LBS

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OISCOG OIPPF OIHAK OIGOF OIYAA V OILAI OILAI 02/31 OP

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TO COMBOMCON NINE
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQD.
409TH COBOMGP
410TH COBOMGP
416TH COBOMGP

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SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH. LT. COL. MC AFEE

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 140
31 JULY 1944

ANNEX NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 153-458

DELAY 3. C. 2 HOURS 30 MIN

CHANGE PARAGRAPH 3. C. (7) AND (8) TO READ

- (7) 4843N 0146E
- (8) GENERALLY SOUTH TO NORTH

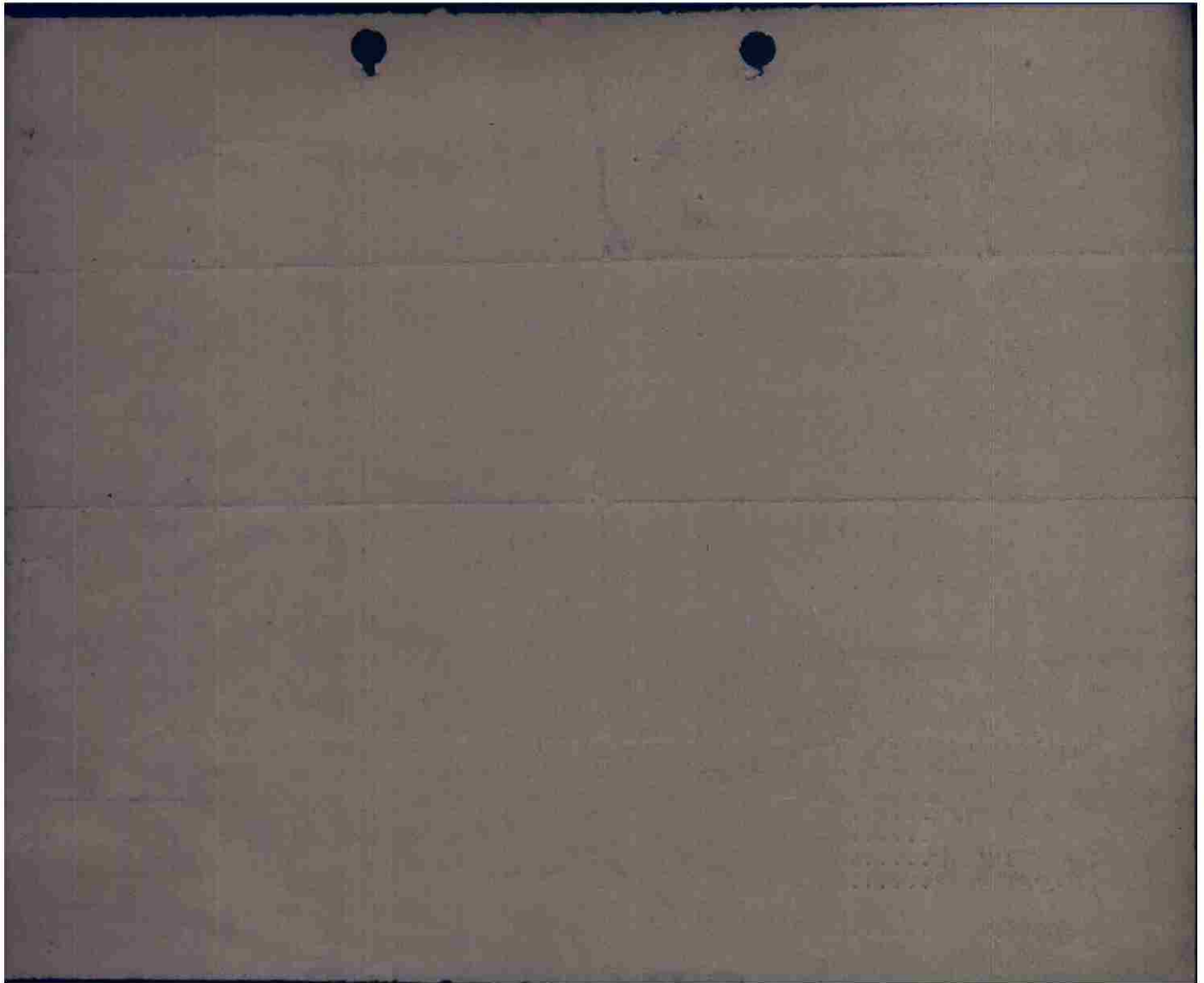
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OISCOG OIPPF R.....	31/0630B	MET	AR
OIHAK OILAI R.....	31/0630B	JAB	AR
OIGOF OILAI R.....	31/0630 B	JHS	AR

OIYAA OILAI R.....31/0630B HCB AR
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OICOG OIPPF OIHAK OIGOF OIYAA V OILAI OILAI 03/31 OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 31/0825B Y-183-E
TO COMBOMCOM IX
COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 410
COBOMGP 416
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQD.

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
APO 140
310 JULY 1944

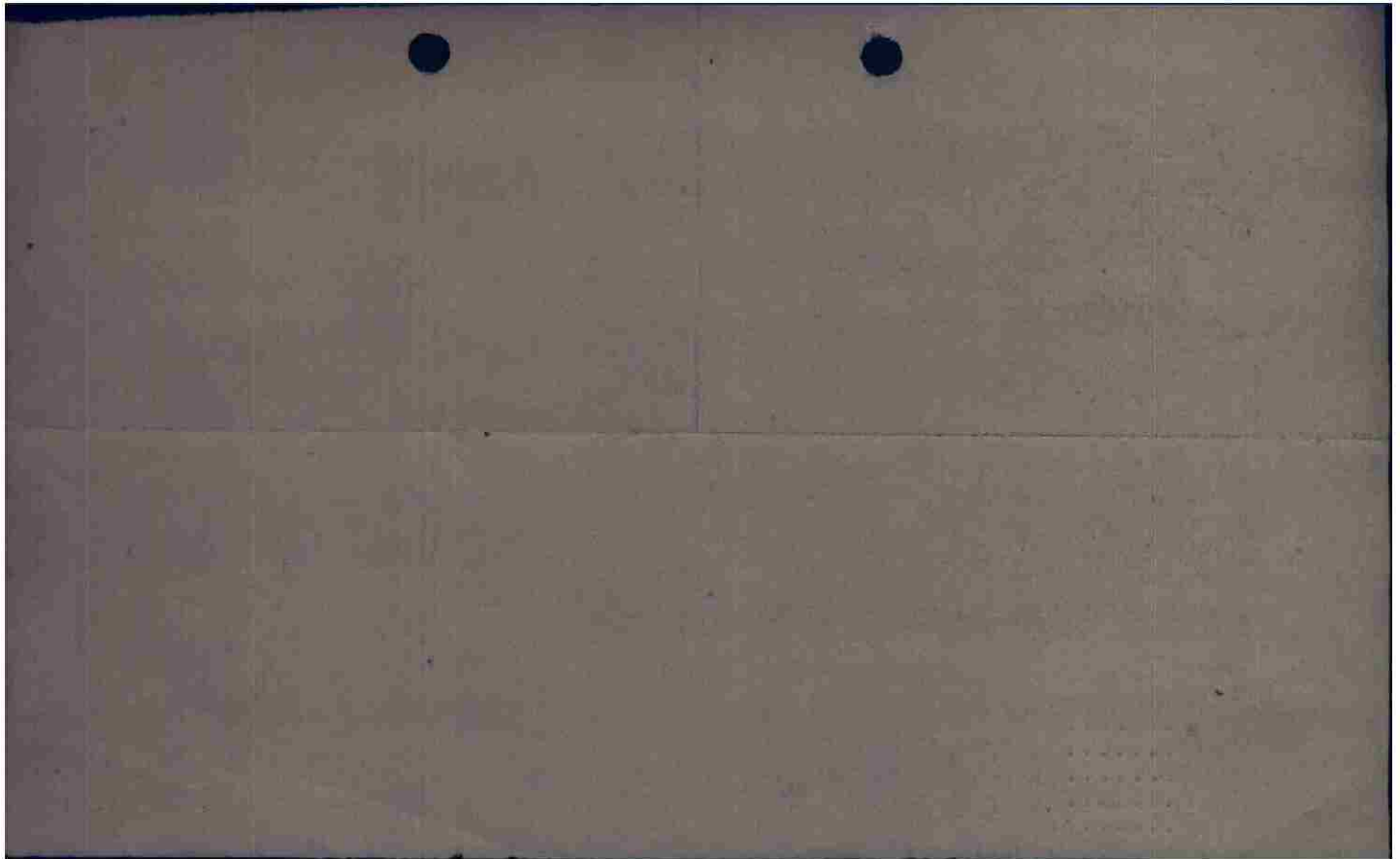
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MAKE ZERO HOUR 31/0920B REPEAT 31/0920B

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BT
BT 31/0825B
RL AR K
OIYAA R.....31/0827B WFG AR
OICOG R.....310823B RPG AR
OIPPF R.....31/0827B JN AR
OIHAK R.....31/0827B MG AR
OIGOF R.....31/0827B JHS
THIS IS OICOG MAY I HAVE GOF AGAIN PLS

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QICOG QIHAK QIGOF QIYAA QIPPF V QILAI 04/31 OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 31/0840B Y-184-E
TO COMBONCOM IX
COBOMGR 409TH
COBOMGR 410TH
COBOMGR 416TH
1ST PROV PATHFINDER SQD.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY DT

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 148
31 JULY 1944

ANNEX NO. 3 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 153-458

WAKE ZERO HOUR 31/0850B REPEAT 31/0850.

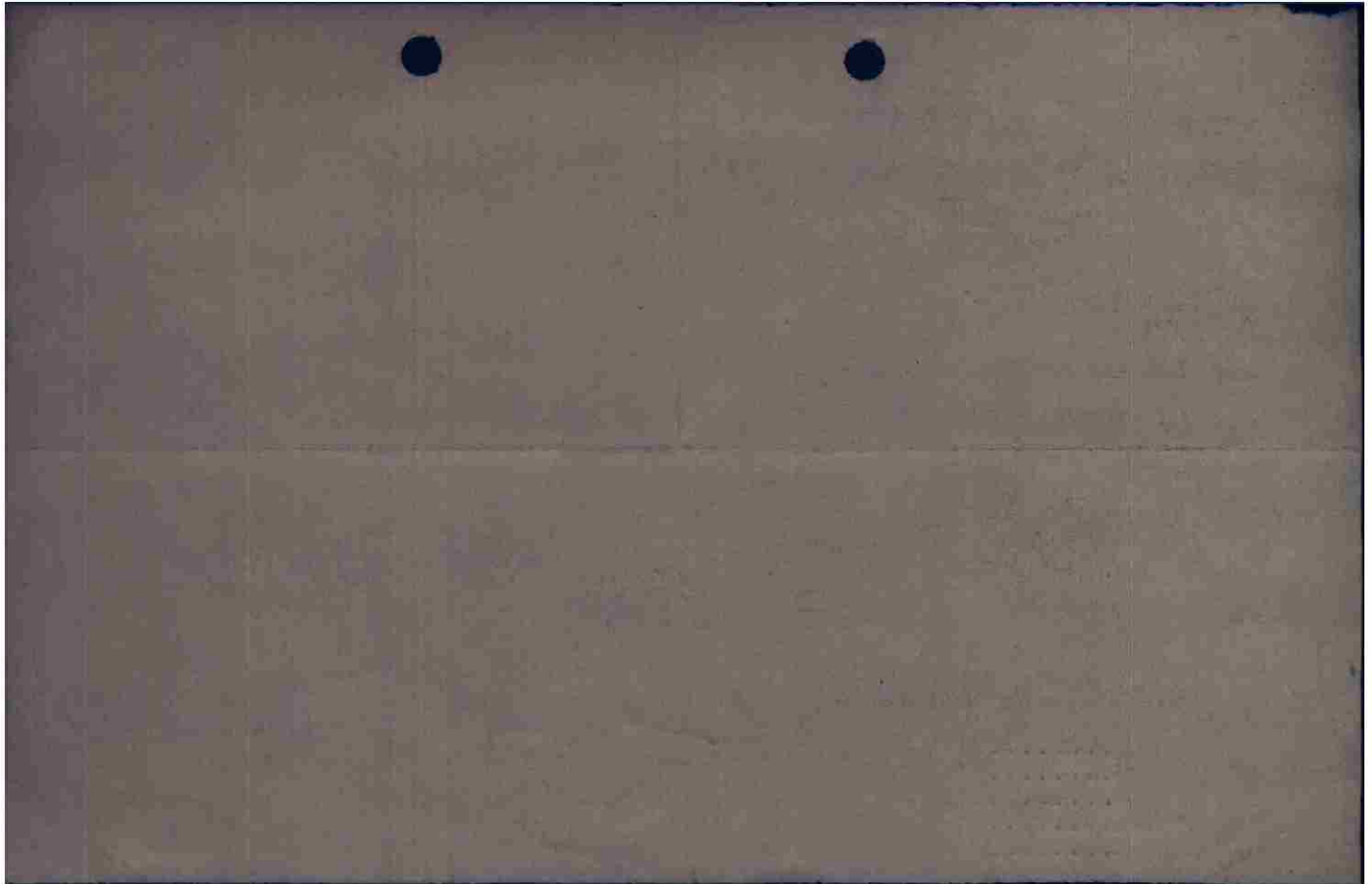
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BT 31/0840B

QIHAK R31/0846B	MG	AR
QIGOF R31/0846B	JHS	BBBBBB
QIYAA R31/0846B	GRL	AR
QIPPF R31/0846B	JN	AR
QICOG R310843B	JLO	AR

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OICOG OILAI V YAA YAA 9/31 OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 311625B

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

CONFIDENTIAL BT
Y-392-D

OPFLASH NO 109 FOR 31 JULY 1944

A. (1) MANTES CASSICOURT/
(2) LISEUX M/Y

B. (1) 416TH BG
(2) 38 A-20'S INCLUDING 6 "J'S" AND 32 "G'S"
(3) 16 KAK FAILED TO BOMB PRIMARY AND SECONDARY OBSCURED BY SOLID CLOUD COVER BREAK IN CLOUD AT ALTERNATE TARGET WAS SO SMALL THAT BOMBARDIER NAVIGATOR OF BOX II COULD NOT BE CERTAIN IT WAS BRIEFED ~~XXXX~~ ALTERNATE SO DID NOT DROP OTHER PLANES IN BOX II (INCLUDING 16/ 15 ACCOUNTED FOR) DID NOT DROP BECAUSE LEADER DID NOT DROP
(4) 17 A/C BOMBED ALTERNATE TARGET

INFORMATION LACKING ON FOUR A/C LANDED AWAY FROM BASE AND ONE A/C MISSING NO REPORT RECEIVED ON THIS A/C FROM FLYING CONTROL AS YET

C. (1) 0957
(2) 1200 1/2
(3) 1353

D. 1 A/C MISSING
NIL DESTROYED
NO NIL DAMAGED
(2) 0-0-0
(3) 0-0-3 (MISSING)

E. GOOD BASED ON LIMITED CREW OBSERVATIONS THROUGH CLOUD BANKS

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

G. AT 1148 FROM 12,000 FEET 30 CARS IN SIDING AT NOGENT(V-8893)
AT 1156 FROM 12,000 FEET 50 CARS ON TRACKS AT LA LOUPE (R-040-)
AT 1224 FROM 12,000 FEET 15 TO 20 CARS AT LA NEUVE ~~XXXX~~ LYRE (Q-8858)
AT 1145 A SMALL TRUCK CONVOY APPROACHING MORTAHNES AU P FROM NE 15 TO 20 BARRAGE BALLOONS AT LOW ~~XX~~ ALTITUDE AT CABOURG ~~XXXX~~ OBSTACLES AND BEACH DEFENSERS ALONG SHORE AT CABOURG CREWS REPORT TRUCKS IN ONES AND TWOS MOVING GENERALLY NORTH AND WEST IN AREA COVERED BY COURSE

H. (1) FIVE-TENTHS AT LISEUX (-) (ALTERNATE TARGET) TEN-TENTHS AT PRIMARY AND SECONDARY
(2) VISIBILITY ABT 3 MILES THICK HAZE TO 10,000 FEET CLOUD TOPS ESTIMATED AT 3500 FEET

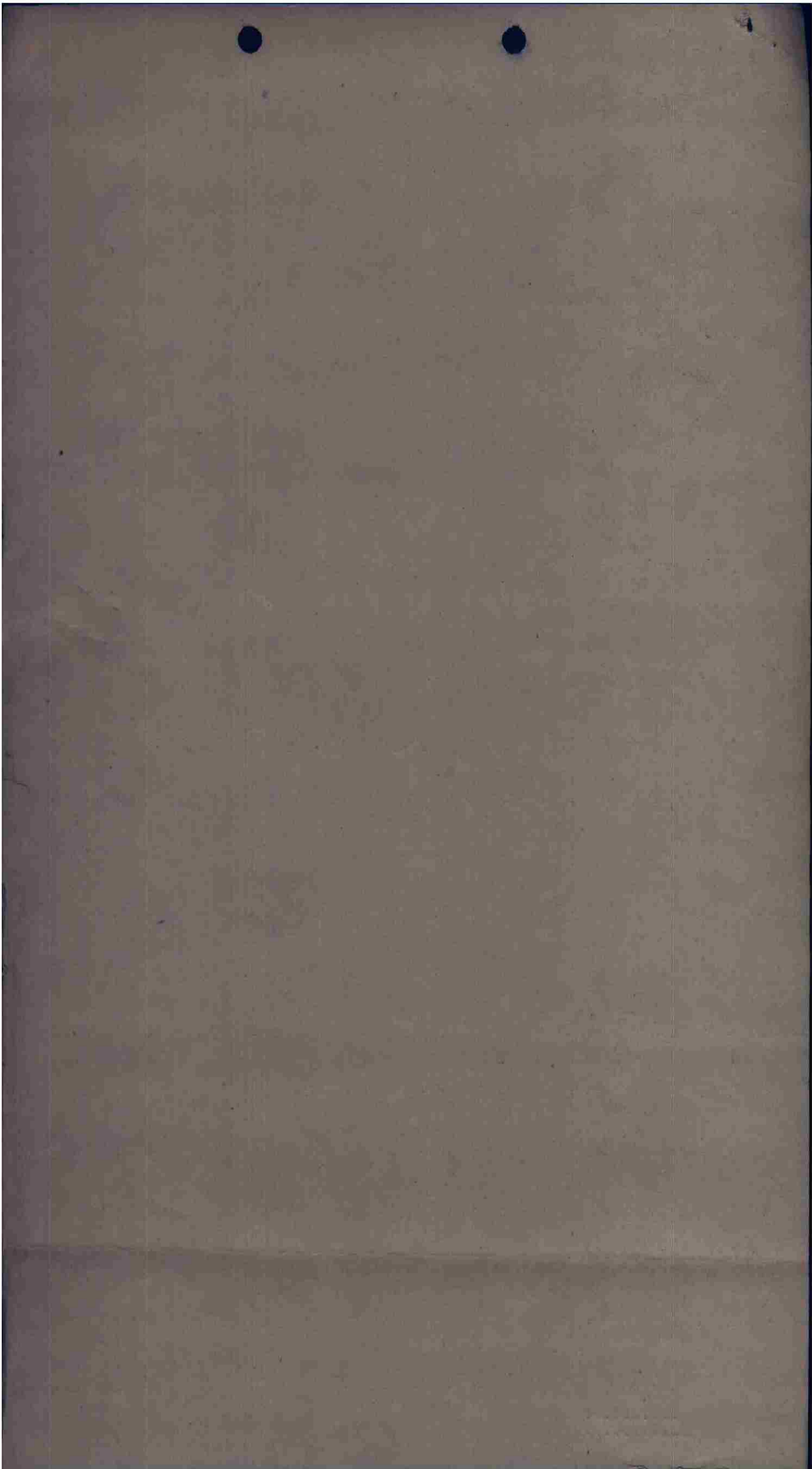
I. 68 X 500 ON ALTERNATE
64 X 500 RETURNED
INFORMATION LACKING ON FOUR A/C LANDED AWAY FROMBASE AND ON ONE A/C NOT ACCOUNTED FOR THROUGH FLYING CONTROL

J. 12,000 FEET

BT1625B
GRL AS PLS

CC LAST WORD IN E. SHD BE BREAKS RPT BREAKS
CC H. (1) FIVE-TENTHS AT LISEUX (ALTERNATE TARGET) TEN-TENTHS AT PRIMARY AND SECONDARY

OICOG R.....31/1635B BAD AR
OIRAI R.....31/1635B CES AR



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FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 51/1730B
TO HQ IX BOMBER COMMAND ATT: A-2
HQ 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2
CONFIDENTIAL DT

SERVICE SIGNAL ----- CORRECTIONS TO OPSFLASH 109 31 JULY 1944

FE Y-592-B

PARAGRAPH B (3) SHOULD READ, " 1B FAILED TO BOMB.."

PARAGRAPH B (A) SHOULD READ, " INFORMATION LACKING FROM TWO BXX
A/C LANDED AWAY FROM BASE.

PARAGRAPH C (2) SHOULD READ 1232

PARAGRAPH I SHOULD READ

68 X 500 ON ALTERNATE

72 X 500 RETURNED

INFORMATION STILL LACKING ON TWO AIRCRAFT LANDED AWAY ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
FROM BASE.

BT 31/1730B

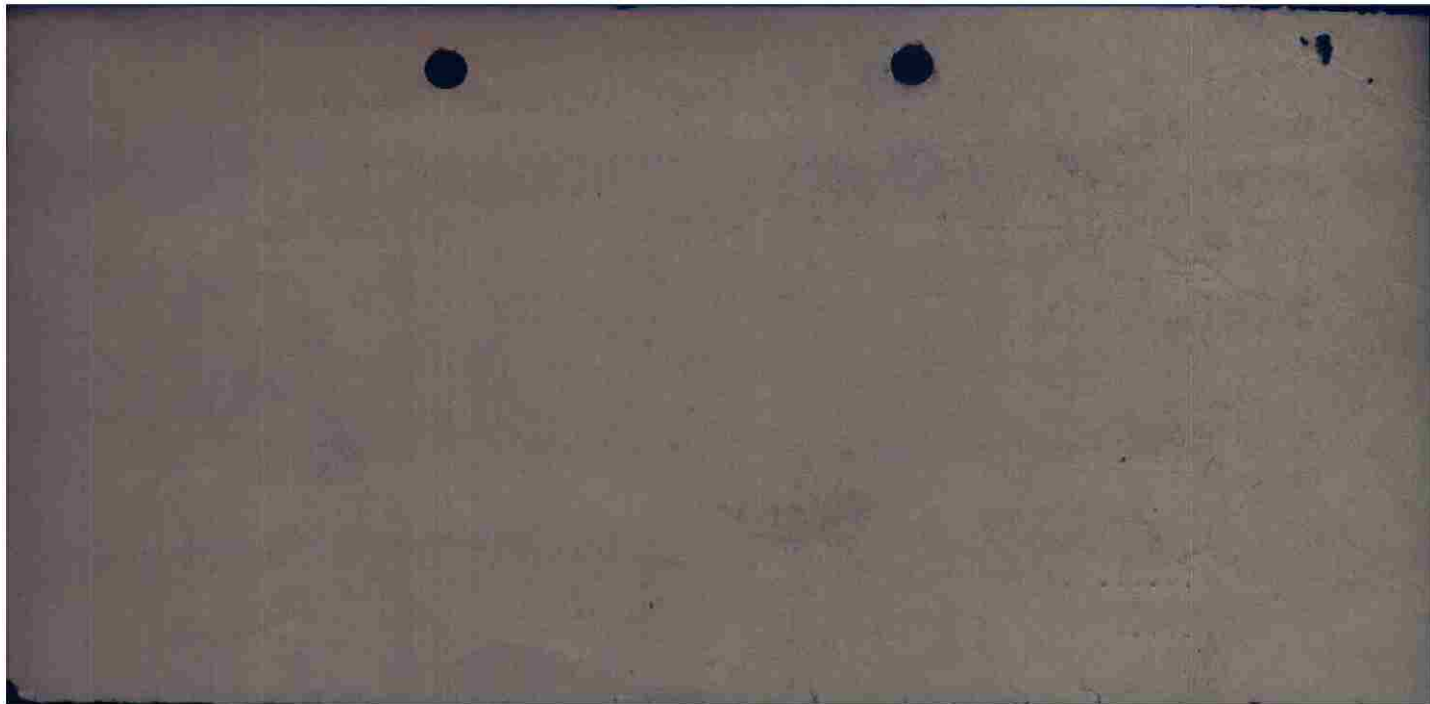
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OILAI R.....31/1750B LCB NK

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FROM HQS. 416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) 31/1745B Y-598-D
TO HQS. IX AIR FORCE
HQS. IX BOMBER COMMAND
HQS. 97TH BOMBER COMBAT WING
ATT: A-2 DUTY OFFICER.
FIRST EXX PHASE REPORT S/A PHOTOS 31/7/44.

SECRET COX DT

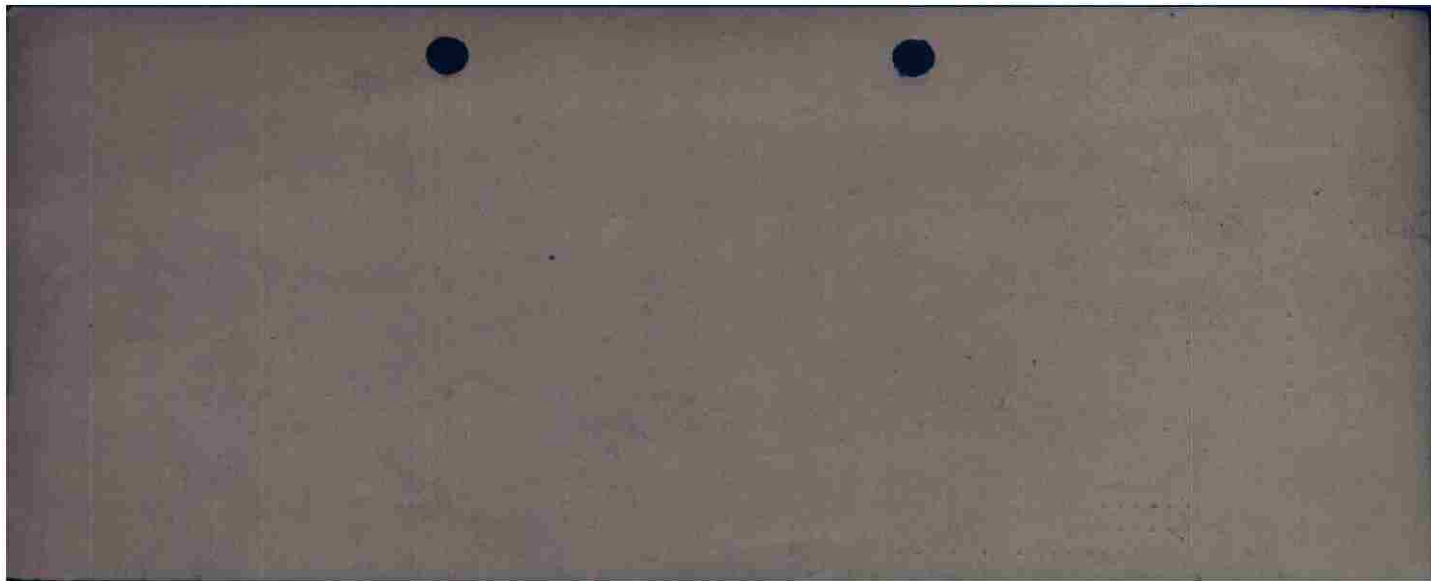
- A. MANTES GASSICOURT
- B. LISIEUX N/Y
- C. BT/1, 1:50,000 - 541868
- D. 1232
- E. CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO TRACKS AND GOODS WAGONS AT CHOKO POINT.
THREE BRIDGES OVER CANAL PROBABLY SEVERELY DAMAGED, POSSIBLY DESTROYED.

BT 31/1745B

UN AP

CICOG R.....
 GILAI R.....~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 31/1800B SS AR
 CICOG R...V.....31/1759B BCD AR

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