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MISSION NO. 290

LOADING LIST  
BOX I  
FLIGHT I

11 CH 1945

- 1. <sup>43-22</sup> 490 X 580  
Major L F Dunn  
Lt. W E Brewer 340  
D Lt J T Beck  
Sgt J W Rose  
Brig. Gen. E. N. Baskins
- 2. <sup>43-22</sup> 497 E 590  
Capt C J Andersen 340  
D Lt W Babbage  
S/S P G Euga
- 3. <sup>43-22</sup> 313 B 600  
Lt A Remiszewski \* 340  
D S/S F DiOrto

- 4. <sup>41-39</sup> 249 F 600  
D Lt W H Ames 340  
S/S H B Messler
- 5. <sup>41-39</sup> 297 T 600  
D Lt J H Wright \* 340  
Sgt V F Gross
- 6. <sup>43-22</sup> 419 Z 600  
D Lt M Wallmen 340  
Sgt A Belt

FLIGHT II

- 1. <sup>43-22</sup> 492 E 475  
Lt Col J G Napier  
D Lt D L Moore 340  
S/S R W Carstens
- 2. <sup>43-22</sup> 351 F 555  
D Lt J A Willard 340  
S/S C V Hinker
- 3. <sup>41-39</sup> 398 O 490  
D Lt M W DuBose 340  
S/S D L Griffin

- 4. <sup>43-22</sup> 383 V 580  
D Lt D O Turner 340  
S/S M R Reyes
- 5. <sup>43-22</sup> 381 Q 521  
D F/O F W Swap 340  
Sgt N Meliniotis
- 6. <sup>43-22</sup> 354 S 560  
D Lt C E Weinert \* 340  
Sgt R D Francis

P.R.C.

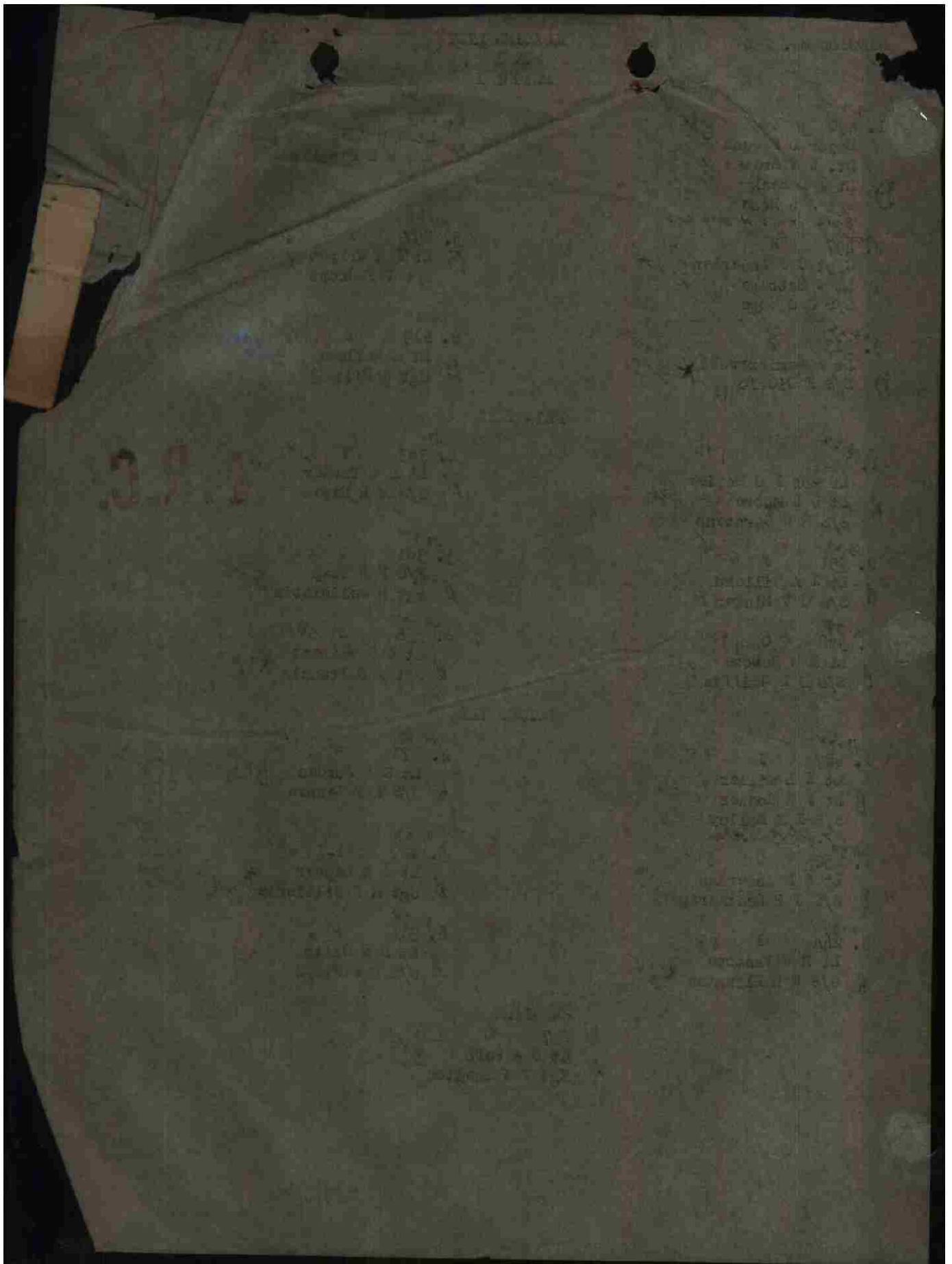
FLIGHT III

- 1. <sup>43-22</sup> 487 J 450  
D Lt E L Miller 345  
Lt J K Conner  
S/S J F Malloy  
Lt. A. Castle
- 2. <sup>41-39</sup> 252 D 545  
D Lt C M Anderson 345  
S/S J H Deatherage
- 3. <sup>41-39</sup> 244 I 629  
D Lt R W VanRope \* 345  
S/S W H Klingman

- 4. <sup>41-39</sup> 271 R 530  
D Lt C S Jordan 345  
S/S K F Jensen
- 5. <sup>41-39</sup> 229 B-1 635  
D Lt A W Deprer \* 345  
Sgt R H Gillispie
- 6. <sup>41-39</sup> 314 H 610  
D Lt D E Smith 345  
S/S C F Floyd

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- 41-39 SPARE  
41-237 D 650  
D Lt D A Fero 340  
Sgt T W Shelton



MISSION NO. 230

LOADING LIST

BOX II  
FLIGHT I

1. <sup>43.22</sup> 499 G  
Lt C J Brown ✓ 560  
Lt J H Kerns ✓ 335  
D Lt R C Muir ✓ 335  
S/S H E Sunderland ✓

2. <sup>43.22</sup> 528 T 670 ✓  
Lt F S Brewster ✓  
C Lt L W Dennis ✓ 335  
S/S W O Clark ✓

3. <sup>41.39</sup> 416 O 610 ✓  
C Lt S Mooney ✓  
Sgt R C Schumacher ✓ 335

<sup>41.39</sup> 4. 209 M 600 ✓  
D Lt T J Murray ✓  
Pvt E R Elliott ✓ 335

<sup>41.39</sup> 5. 300 K 550 ✓  
D Lt J B Cocke ✓  
Sgt R D Redding ✓ 335

<sup>41.39</sup> 6. 392 P 540 ✓  
D Lt A E Hlivko ✓  
Sgt R E Graub ✓ 335

FLIGHT II

1. <sup>43.22</sup> 507 Q 660 ✓  
Lt W R Hainke ✓ 330  
C Lt A E Rosenquist ✓  
S/S G R VanWert ✓

2. <sup>41.39</sup> 286 D 600 ✓  
C Lt W D Chitty ✓ 330  
Sgt P H Riggs ✓

3. <sup>43.22</sup> 394 G 610 ✓  
C Lt J V O'Brien ✓ 340  
Sgt F E Corey ✓

<sup>43.22</sup> 4. 2315 L 560 ✓  
C Lt M Errotabere ✓  
Sgt L R Friday ✓ 330

<sup>41.39</sup> 5. 224 E 600 ✓  
C Lt J F Wallace ✓  
Sgt J G Krantz ✓ 335

<sup>41.39</sup> 6. 223 B 625 ✓  
C Lt J A Green ✓  
Sgt R R Rorbakken ✓ 330

FLIGHT III

1. <sup>43.22</sup> 508 Z 665 ✓  
Lt C C Mish ✓  
A Lt R E Shaft ✓ 335  
S/S J H Roberts ✓

2. <sup>41.39</sup> 325 L 625 ✓  
A Lt W L Hale ✓ 335  
S/S J F Geyer ✓

3. <sup>41.39</sup> 361 M 525 ✓  
A Lt J H Montrose ✓ 335  
S/S J W Felkel ✓

<sup>43.22</sup> 4. 389 K 550 ✓  
A Lt F W Harris ✓  
S/S H I Gooch ✓ 335

<sup>41.39</sup> 5. 274 S 525 ✓  
A Lt E B Drum ✓  
Sgt N M Graham ✓ 335

<sup>41.39</sup> 6. 264 I 700 ✓  
A Lt W H Roberts ✓  
Sgt A R Hood ✓ 335

SPARE

<sup>43.22</sup> 352 J 550 ✓  
Lt J W Spires ✓ 330  
D Sgt R W Messinger ✓

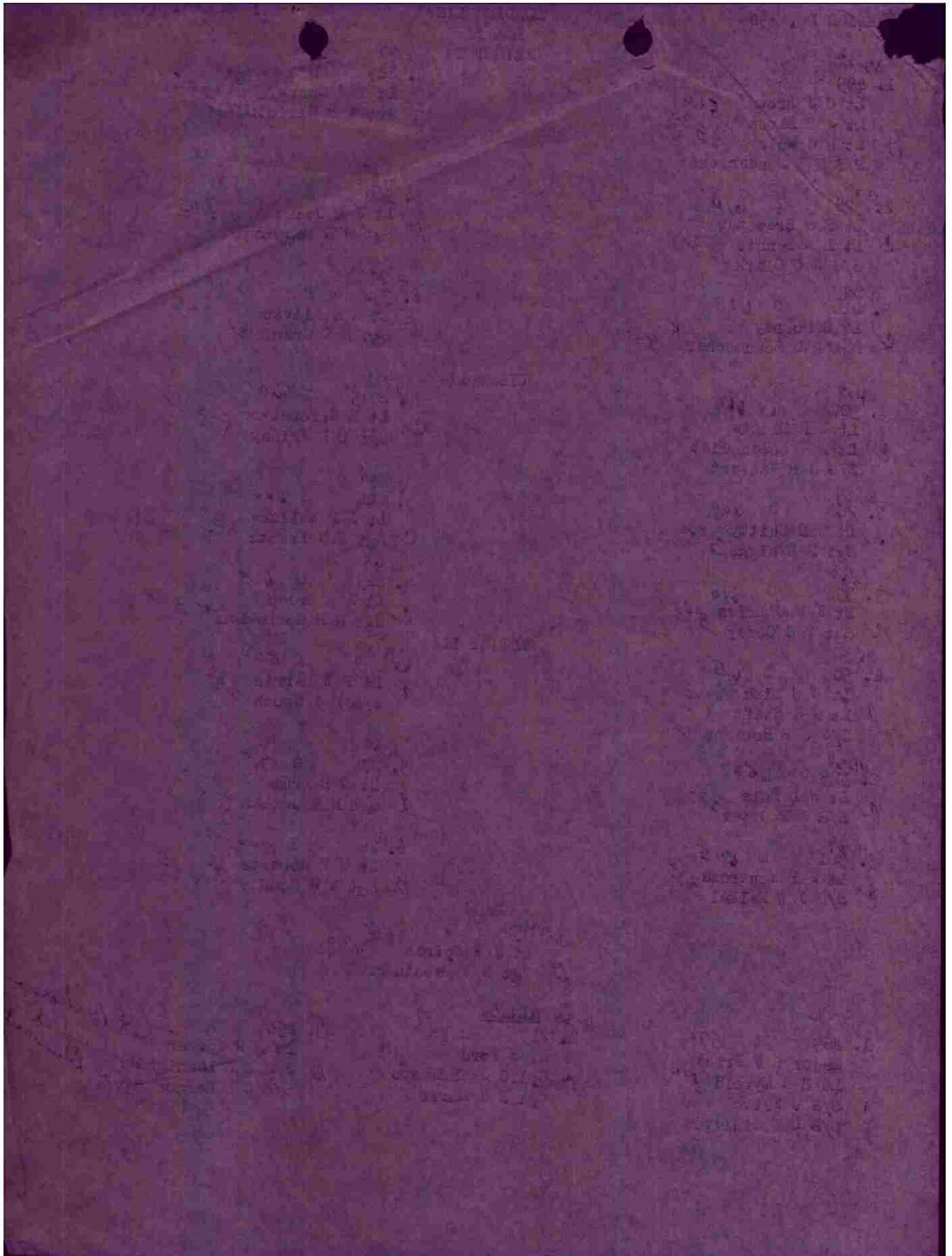
WINDOW

<sup>43.22</sup> 1. 469 A 575 ✓  
Major R F Price ✓  
C Lt H E Myrold ✓ 510  
S/S C Fetko ✓  
S/S L E Sinleton ✓

<sup>41.39</sup> 2. 215 R 525 ✓  
C Lt R Ford ✓  
Cpl. C J Thompson ✓ 310  
Cpl. D J Murro ✓

3. 250 A  
D Lt A R Turman ✓ *hot Airborne*  
S/S L L Leashigh ✓ *nose wheel*  
S/S C D Harmon ✓ *fire blown out*





SECRET  
 AUTH: CO, A-69  
 14 Mar 45  
 INITIAL:

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

R1-M-1

APO 140, U.S. Army,  
 14 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Mission Report.

TO : Commanding General, 9th Bombardment Division (M), APO 140, U.S. Army.  
 (Attn: A-4)

I. 11 March 1945, T.O. 1411, Wulfen Ammunition Dump, F.O. 199-786.

II. None.

III. None.

IV. 43-22381  
 (Lt F.W. Swap)

Pilot salvoed just after  
 turn off target. Inter-  
 valometer ran down at  
 target O.K. Gunner salvoed  
 stations 8A and 6A.

Bomb door safety switch wire was  
 loose at terminal strip.

41-39237  
 (Lt D.A. Ford)

Station 4A failed to  
 release.

Cluster adapter binding between  
 carrying hook on shackle and base  
 carrying lug on bomb, preventing  
 rotation of shackle carrying hooks.

41-39296  
 (Lt W.D. Chitty)

Station 4A failed to release  
 and fell on bomb doors when  
 aircraft landed.

B-7 shackle had a slight warp in  
 side plates. This was a clustered  
 station and both faulty shackles  
 and binding of cluster cable  
 prevented release.

43-22507  
 (Lt W.R. Heinke)

Bombs fell when bomb  
 master switch was turned  
 on at I.P.

Hold in relay in intervalometer  
 was stuck in energized position  
 causing train release operation  
 of intervalometer when bomb  
 master switch was turned on.

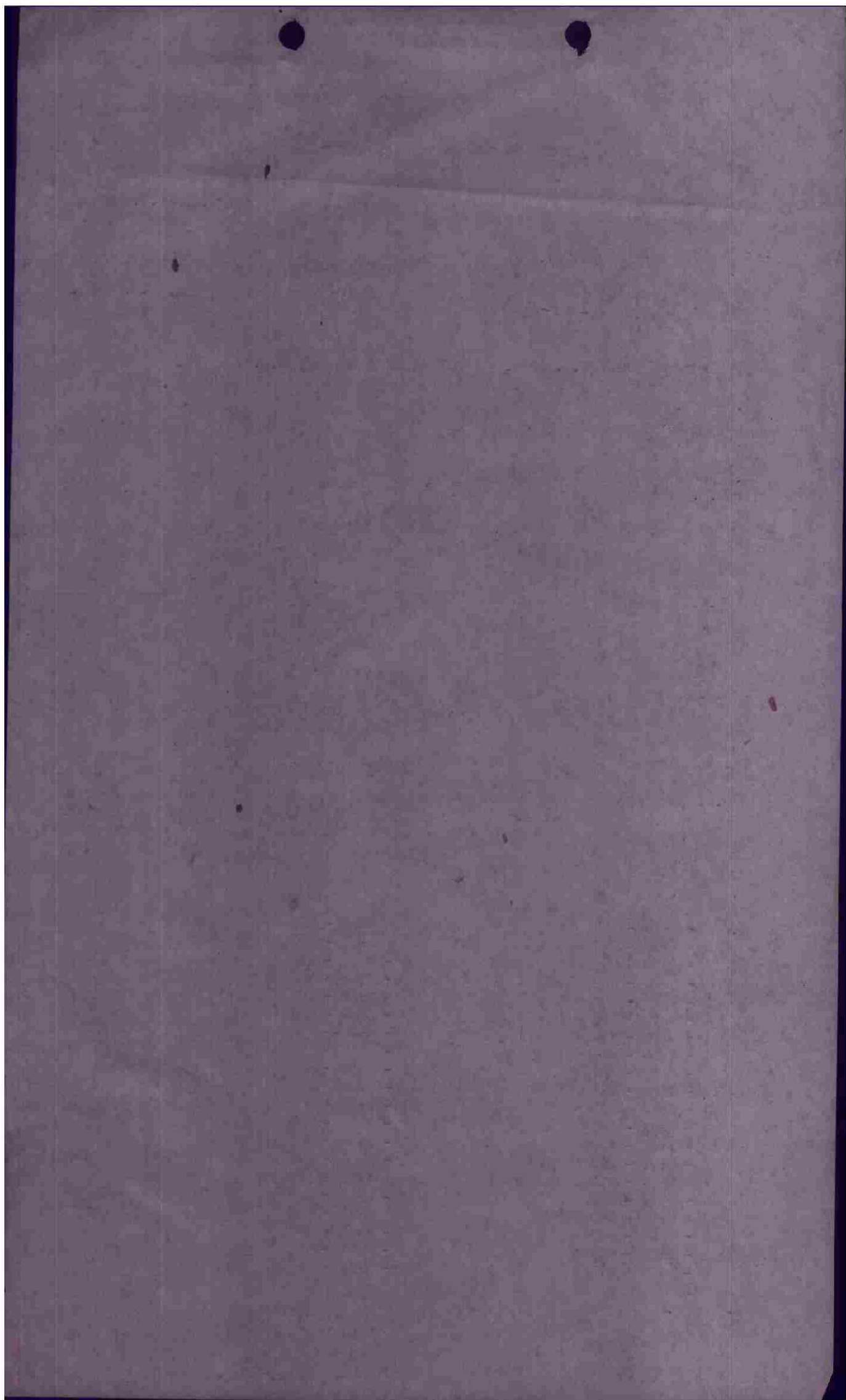
V. None.

VI. 1 - 3:40 - 580  
 2 - 3:40 - 590  
 3 - 3:40 - 600  
 4 - 3:40 - 600  
 5 - 3:40 - 600  
 6 - 3:40 - 600  
 7 - 3:40 - 475  
 8 - 3:30 - 555  
 9 - 3:30 - 490  
 10 - 3:30 - 580  
 11 - 3:30 - 520  
 12 - 3:30 - 560  
 13 - 3:45 - 450  
 14 - 3:45 - 545  
 15 - 3:45 - 620  
 16 - 3:45 - 550  
 17 - 3:45 - 635  
 18 - 3:35 - 610  
 8 - 3:40 - 650  
 W - 3:10 - 575

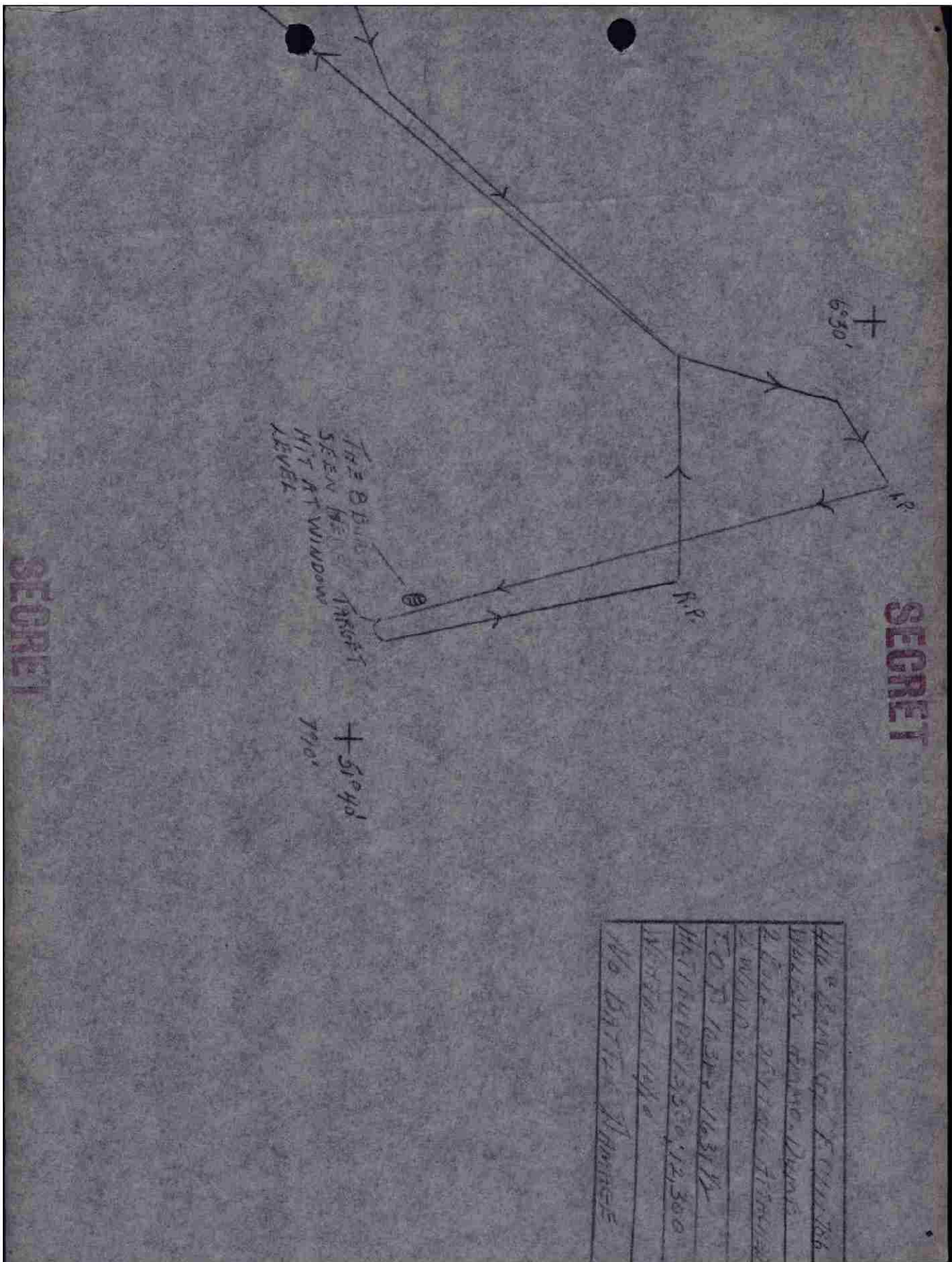
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 8 - 3:30 - 600  
 9 - 3:40 - 610  
 10 - 3:30 - 580  
 11 - 3:35 - 600  
 12 - 3:30 - 625  
 13 - 3:35 - 665  
 14 - 3:35 - 625  
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 W - 3:10 - 525  
 W - 3:10 - 550

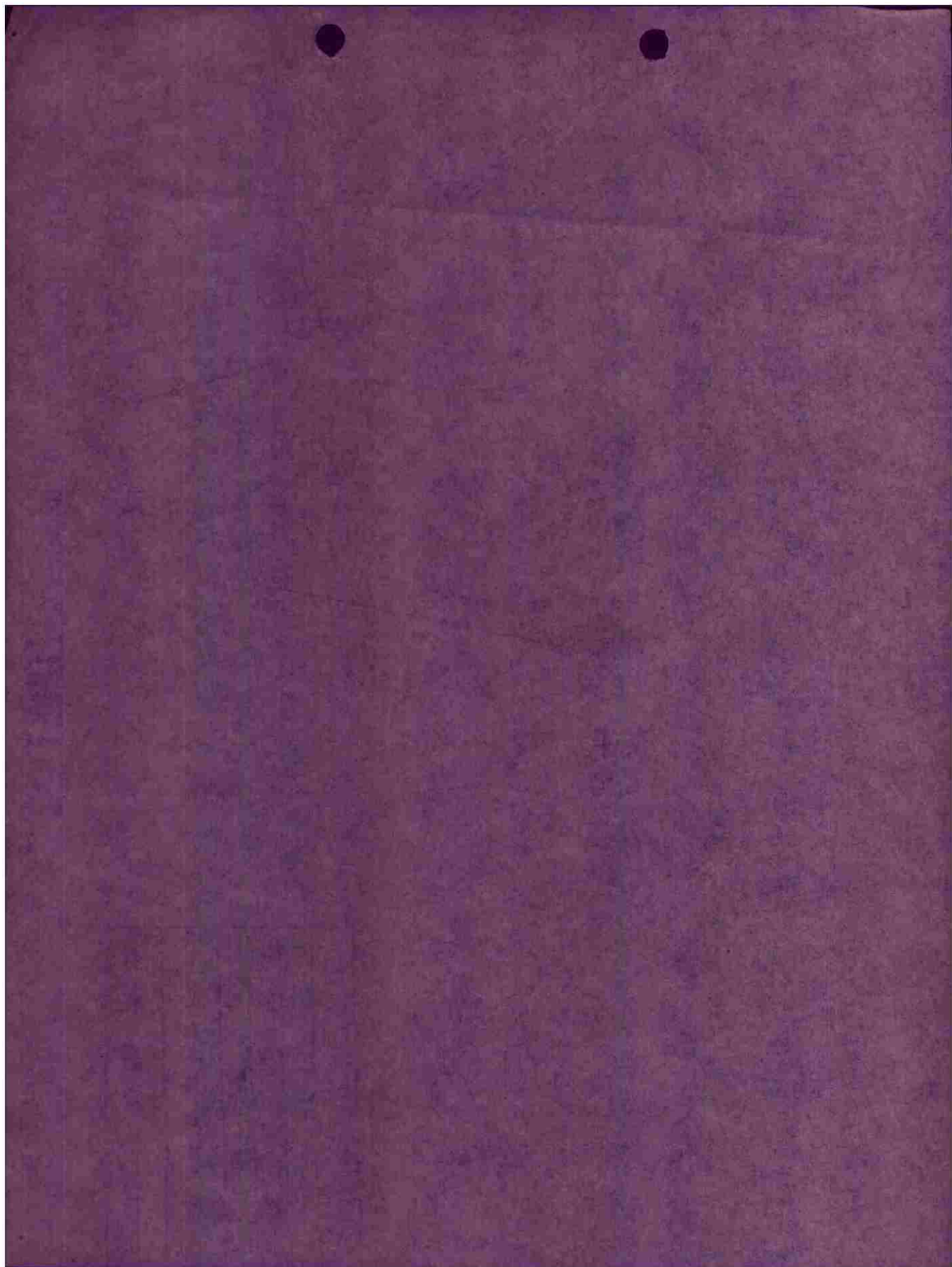
VII. None.

THEODORE R. AYLESWORTH,  
 Colonel, Air Corps,  
 Commanding.









PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M) (INFO COPY)  
97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) (INFO COPY)  
COMMANDING OFFICER, FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON (PROV.)

416BG R \_\_\_\_\_

CONFIDENTIAL

12 MARCH 1945

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PFF LEAD MORNING MISSION 12 MARCH 1945 EXCELLENT. NO COMMENTS. AFTERNOON  
MISSION SATISFACTORY EXCEPT FIRST PFF PORPOISED CONSIDERABLY ALONG ENTIRE  
ROUTE.

AYLESWORTH COBOMER 416

I certify that this is official business:

ROBERT L. BEHLMER,  
Capt., Air Corps.



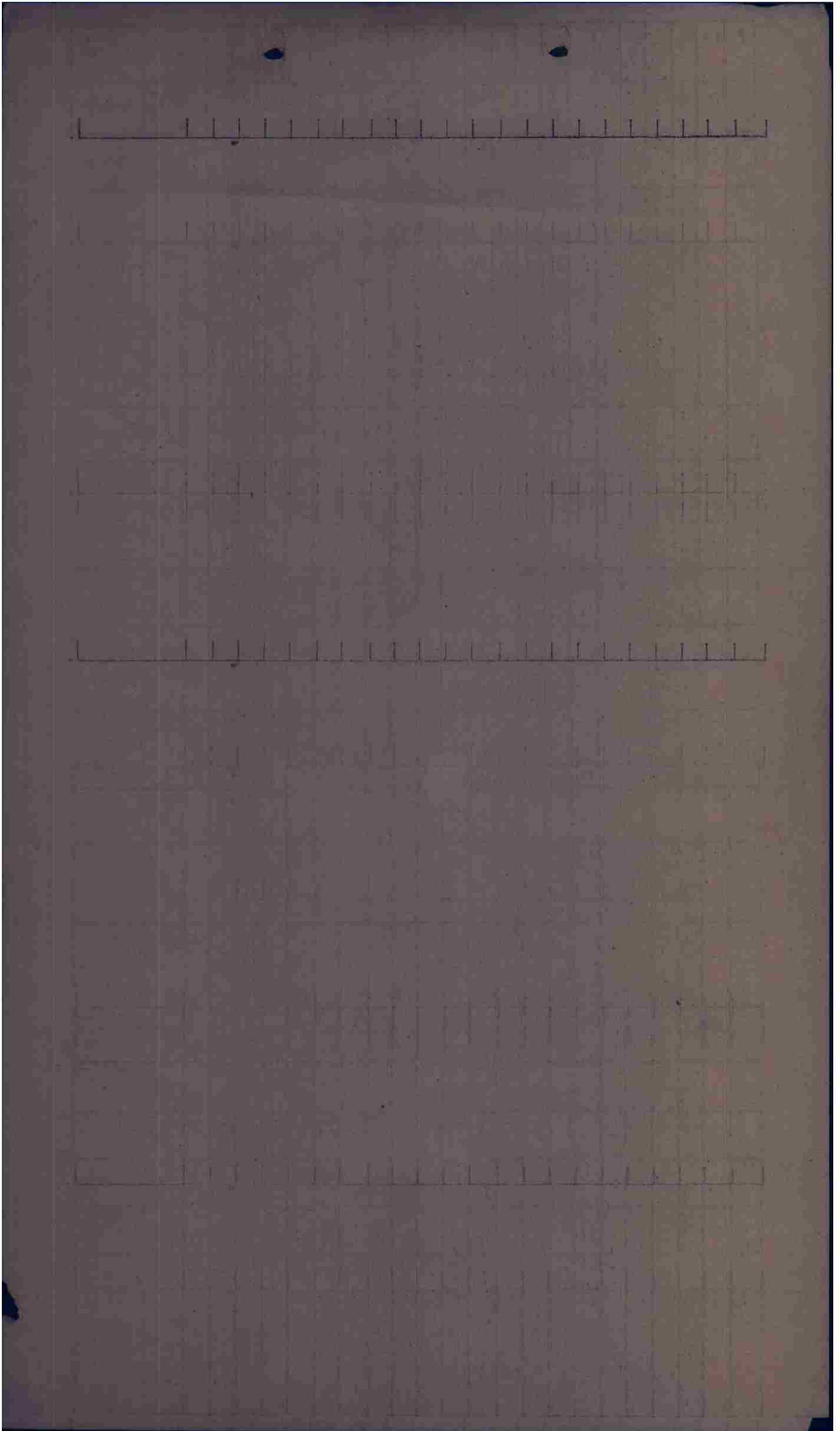
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Box I.

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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 DUTX LANDING TIMES	ENEMY COAST IN FLYING TIME	T O T	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENG. COAST IN	C A M E R A	F U L L O A L O B A D	B O M B A D	E N D U R	L A N D I N G T I M E	R E M A R K S
D	X	490	Bayan			1411	1749	3:40									
D	E	497	Gundersen			1411	1750	3:40									
D	B	313	Penningsen			1411	1750	3:40									
D	F	249	Amel			1412	1750	3:40									
D	T	297	Wright			1412	1751	3:40									
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B	J	489	Weller			1414	1757	3:45									
B	D	252	Anderson			1415	1758	3:45									
B	I	244	Van Ropke			1415	1759	3:45									
B	R	291	Jordahl			1415	1758	3:45									
B	B-1	229	Stephens			1416	1757	3:45									
B	H	314	Sabath			1416	1747	3:35									
D	D	237	Pero.			1416	1752	3:40									
C	A	409	Snice			1429	1736	3:10									27 in down
C	R	215	Paed			1429	1736	3:10									27 in down
D	A	250	Turner			Not	Bin base										27 in down

Not Bin base - 27 in down





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T  
DUST SRI

ITA JES JKI JPO JJF V JEA JEA 08/11 OP - OP  
T-(ITA PASS JJF)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 11/1225A  
TO : IX BOMB DIV  
409TH BOMB GROUP.  
410TH BOMB GROUP.  
416TH BOMB GROUP.  
1ST PATHFINDER SQDN. (PROV.)

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

97CBW R-116-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING  
A P O 140  
11 MARCH 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 199-786

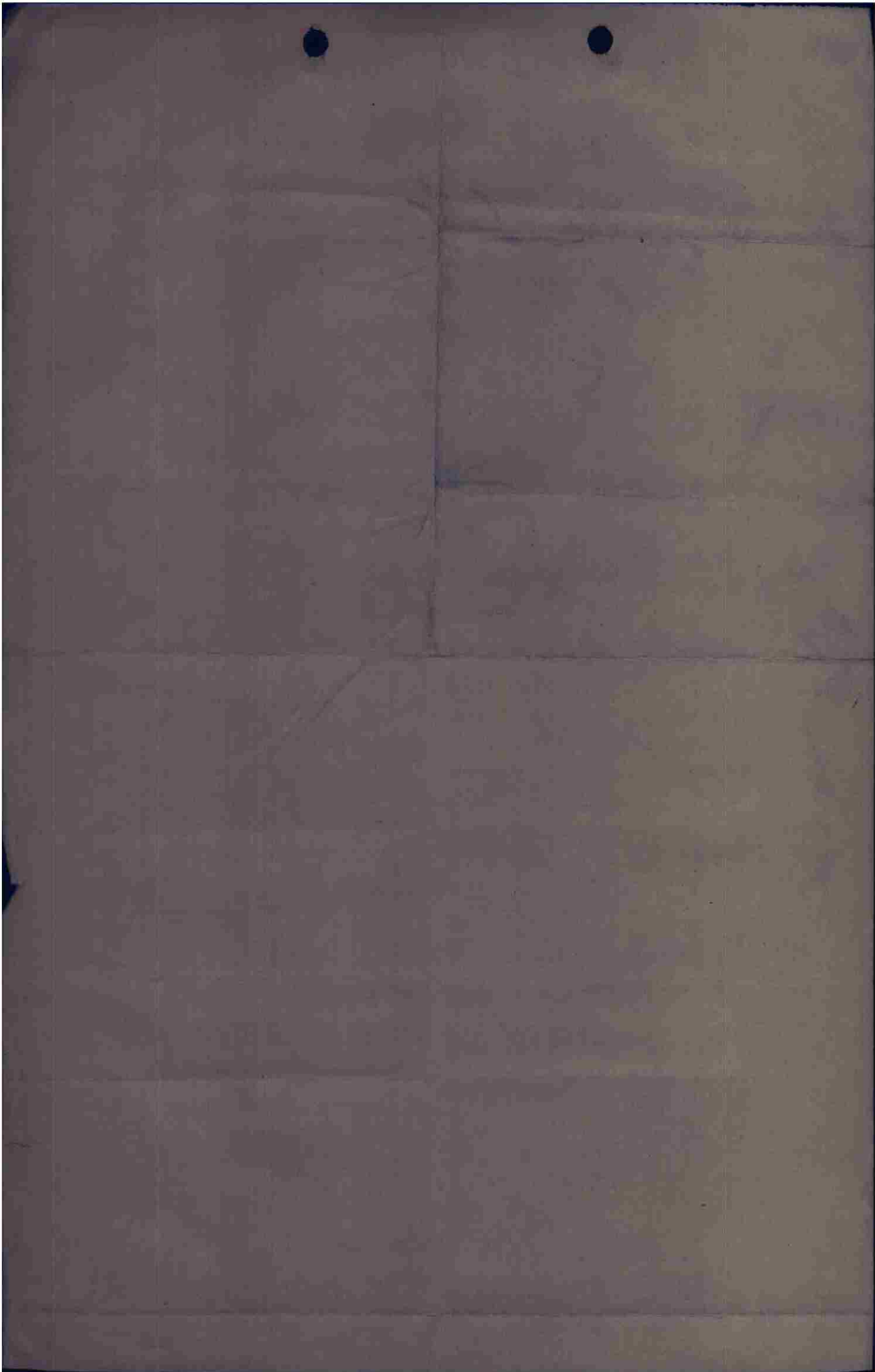
MAPS: NORMAL.

1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT DMBLINE.  
(2) 29 T.A.C. WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THIS WING.
2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK A TARGET IN GERMANY.  
ZERO HOUR: 11/1630A

--- PATHFINDER ---

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.  
(2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 2 P.P.F. A/C.  
(3) WITH P.P.F. A/C OVER THE FIELD. WITH FIGHTERS AT E-4318 AT 12,500 FEET AT ZERO PLUS 7 MIN.  
(6) BOMB AT 1ST BOX 13,500 FEET.  
2ND BOX 13,000 FEET.  
MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL WILL BE 8,000 FEET.  
DROP 2,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.  
(9) M.P.I. ILL. 29 T.A.C. T/77 SUPPLEMENT COVER ANNOTATED AREA "B" TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES.  
P.P.F. M.P.I. GRID. COORD. 48434590  
INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.  
(10) 8 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.  
(12) T.O.T. ZERO PLUS 40 MIN.  
(13) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
- B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.  
(2) 2 BOXES OF 18 A/C BOMBING ON 1 P.P.F. A/C.  
(3) WITH P.P.F. A/C OVER THE FIELD. WITH FIGHTERS AT E-4318 AT 12,500 FEET AT ZERO MINUS 13 MIN.  
(6) BOMB AT 13,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL WILL BE 8,000 FEET. DROP 2,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.  
(9) M.P.I. ILL. 29 T.A.C. T/77 SUPPLEMENT COVER ANNOTATED AREA "B" TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES.  
P.P.F. M.P.I. GRID. COORD. 48594585  
(10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.  
(12) T.O.T. ZERO PLUS 20 MIN.  
(13) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE GREEN FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.





C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

- (2) 3 BOXES OF 12 A/C BOMBING ON P.P.F. A/C.
- (3) WITH P.P.F. A/C OVER THE FIELD. WITH FIGHTERS AT E-4318 AT 12,500 FEET AT ZERO MINUS 33 MIN.
- (4) BOMB AT 1ST BOX 13,500 FEET.  
2ND BOX 13,000 FEET.  
MINIMUM ALTITUDE IF BOMBING IS VISUAL WILL BE 8,000 FEET.  
DROP 2,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
- (9) M.P.I. ILL. 29 T.A.C. T/77 SUPPLEMENT COVER ANNOTATED AREA "B" TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES.  
P.P.F. M.P.I. GRID. 800RB. 48304595  
INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
- (10) 8 X 500 LB. C.F. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
- (12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR.
- (13) FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE RED FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.

X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE.

- (5) TARGET: WULFEN AMMO. DUMP (A-463459)
- (6) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO E-4318 TO E-9143 TO A-2078 TO A-2394 TO A-3397 TO TARGET.
- (7) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN RIGHT TO A-4378 TO A-2078 AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
- (8) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST AT PRIMARY TARGET BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-20 OR A-26 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE P.P.F. A/C OR NOT. IF BOMBING IS VISUAL GROUPS WILL BOMB BY (A) FLIGHTS (B) BOXES AND WILL USE A-4862 AS A VISUAL I.P. IF CLOUD COVER OBSCURES THE PRIMARY TARGET AND P.P.F. EQUIPMENT FAILS, GROUPS WILL NOT BOMB PRIMARY TARGET ON "GEE" OR TARGET E.T.A. DUE TO PROXIMITY OF P/W CAMP TO TARGET.
- (9) IF PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE REACHED AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH IX BOMB. DIV. CIPHER F-976-E (9-2-45) WILL BE ATTACKED.
- (10) EXTREME CAUTION WILL BE EXERCISED THAT ALTERNATE TARGETS WITHIN 5 MILES OF P/W CAMPS WILL NOT BE SELECTED.

4. NO CHANGE.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP

- (2) WORTHY
- (3) EVENING

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (2) GASTIRE
- (3) BISHOP

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (2) TABLESPOON
- (3) CABMAN

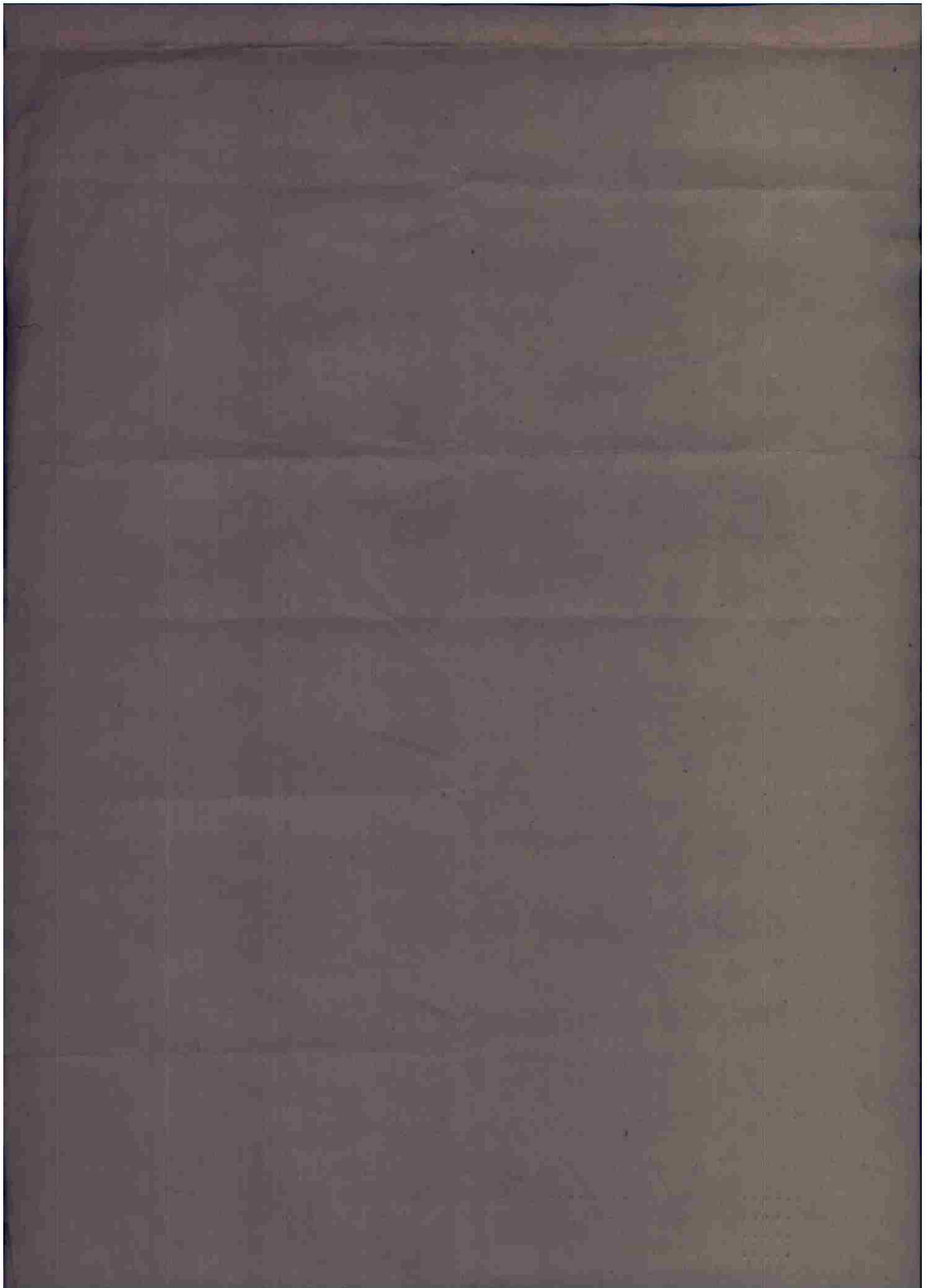
X. GENERAL INFORMATION

- (11) EMERGENCY HOMING: PARADE D/D  
ROSELEE C/C
- (12) REPORTS STILL PERSISTS CONCERNING UNNECESSARY CHATTER ON R/B. ALL GROUP COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS ARE DIRECTED TO EMPHASIZE RADIO DISCIPLINE ON THIS PARTICULAR CHANNEL.

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 11/1225A  
JWB/FK/AR  
STNS HOLD FOR R

ITA R.....(PASS JJF).....11/1330A CLEV AR K  
JES R.....11/1330A WS AR  
JKI R.....11/1330A RSS A R  
JPO R.....11/1330A WAC AR KK





ITA JES JPO JKI JJF V JEA 10/11 OP OP  
T (ITA PASS TO JJF)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 11/1400A  
TO COMBOMDIV IX  
COBOMCP 409TH  
COBOMCP 410TH  
COBOMCP 416TH  
1ST PATHFINDER SQ. (PROV)

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

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING  
A P O - 140  
11 MARCH 1945

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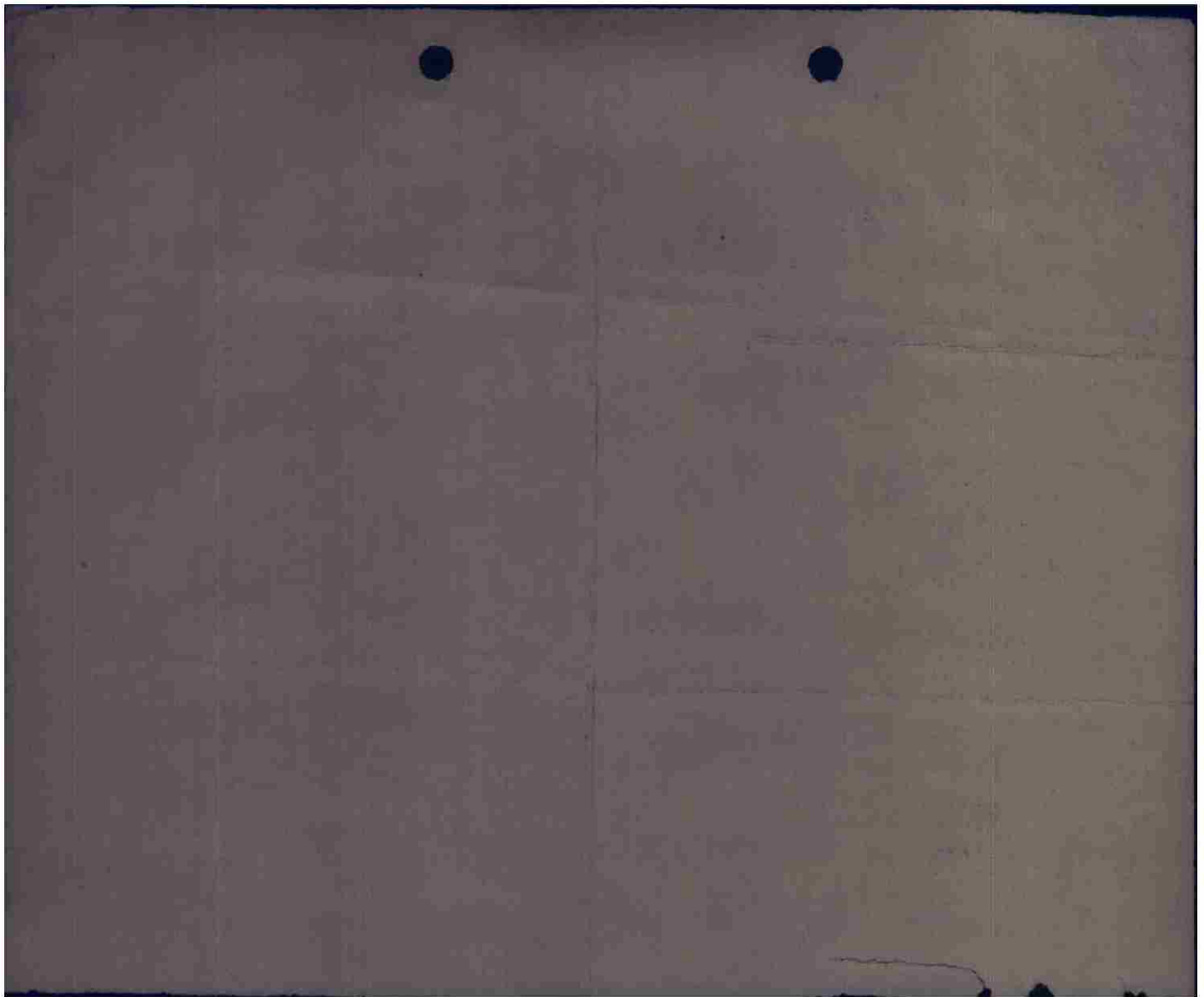
3. B. (3) WITH PPF A/C OVER THE FIELD. WITH FIGHTERS AT E-4318  
AT 12,500 FEET AT ZERO MINUS 10 MIN.

C. (3) WITH PPF A/C OVER THE FIELD. WITH FIGHTERS AT E-4318  
AT 12,500 FEET AT ZERO MINUS 30 MIN.

COMCBTWIG 97  
BT 11/1400A  
LEG AS AR

JES R	.....11/1405A	JMB	AR
JPO R	.....11/1408A	VAC	AR KK
JKI R	.....11/1408A	FD	AR
ITA R	.....111418A	REY	AR BBBB

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ITA JES JPO JKI V JEA JEA 07/11 (INFO) (INFO)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) 11/1150A  
TO COMBOMDIV NINE  
409TH COBOMCP  
410TH COBOMCP  
416TH COBOMCP

R-483

BT

ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER

ADVANCE COPY OF PARA. 5 COMMUNICATIONS OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP  
(2) WORTHY  
(3) EVENING

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP  
(2) GASFIRE  
(3) BISHOP

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP  
(2) TABLESPOON  
(3) CABMAN

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BT 11/1150A

AR JMB

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JES R.....11/1203A WS AR

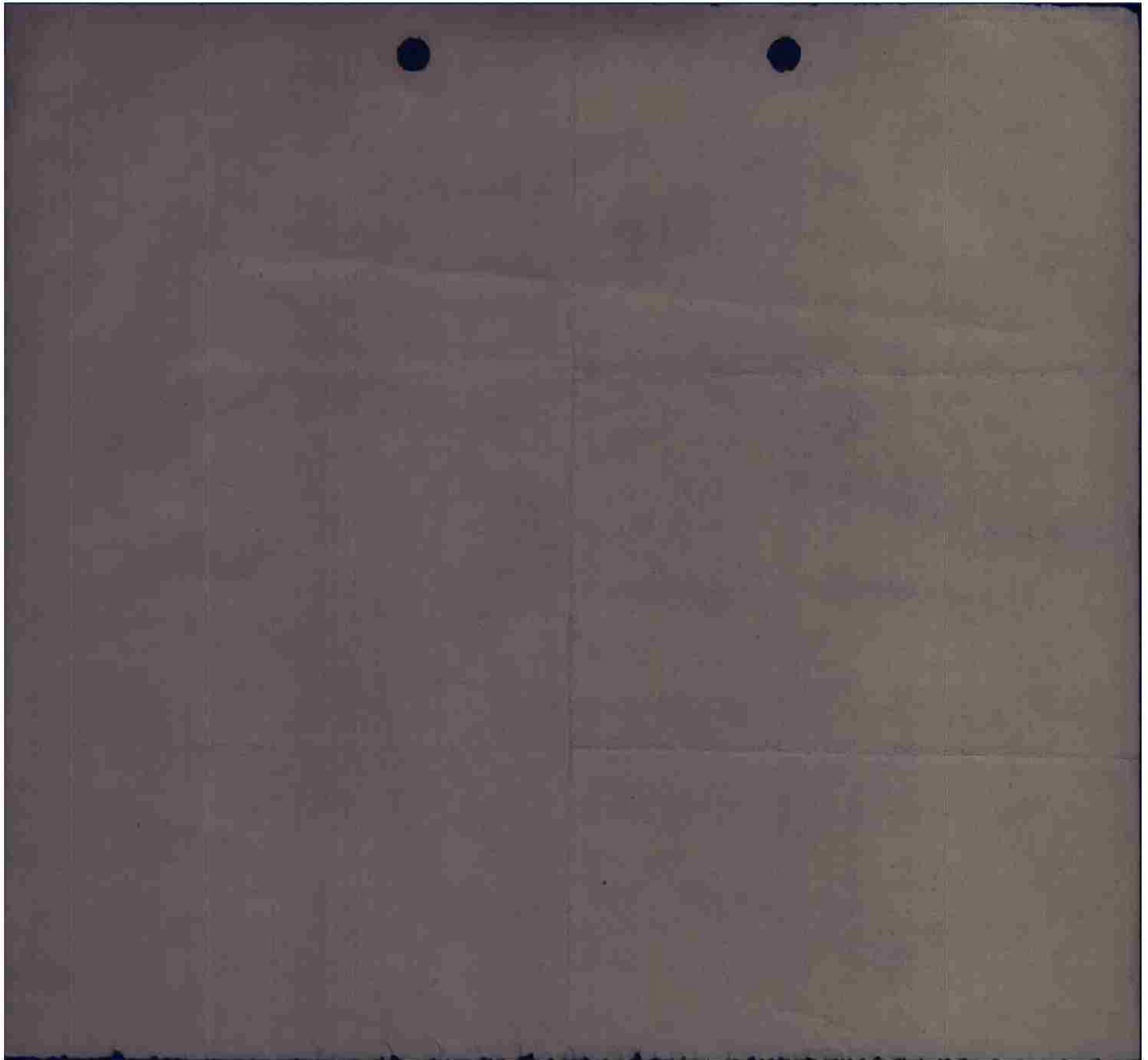
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JKI R.....11/1203A FD AR

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13 '09 -,5 '(8 0) JKI ERE KK  
JES ERE KKK JPO ER KKKK

ITA JES JPO JKI JJF V JEA 06/11 OP OP  
T (ITA PASS TO JJF)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 11/1130A  
TO COMBOMDIV IX  
COBOMGP 409TH  
COBOMGP 410TH  
COBOMGP 416TH  
1ST PATHFINDER SQ. (PROV)

1182

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

97CBW R-109-E

INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 199-786.

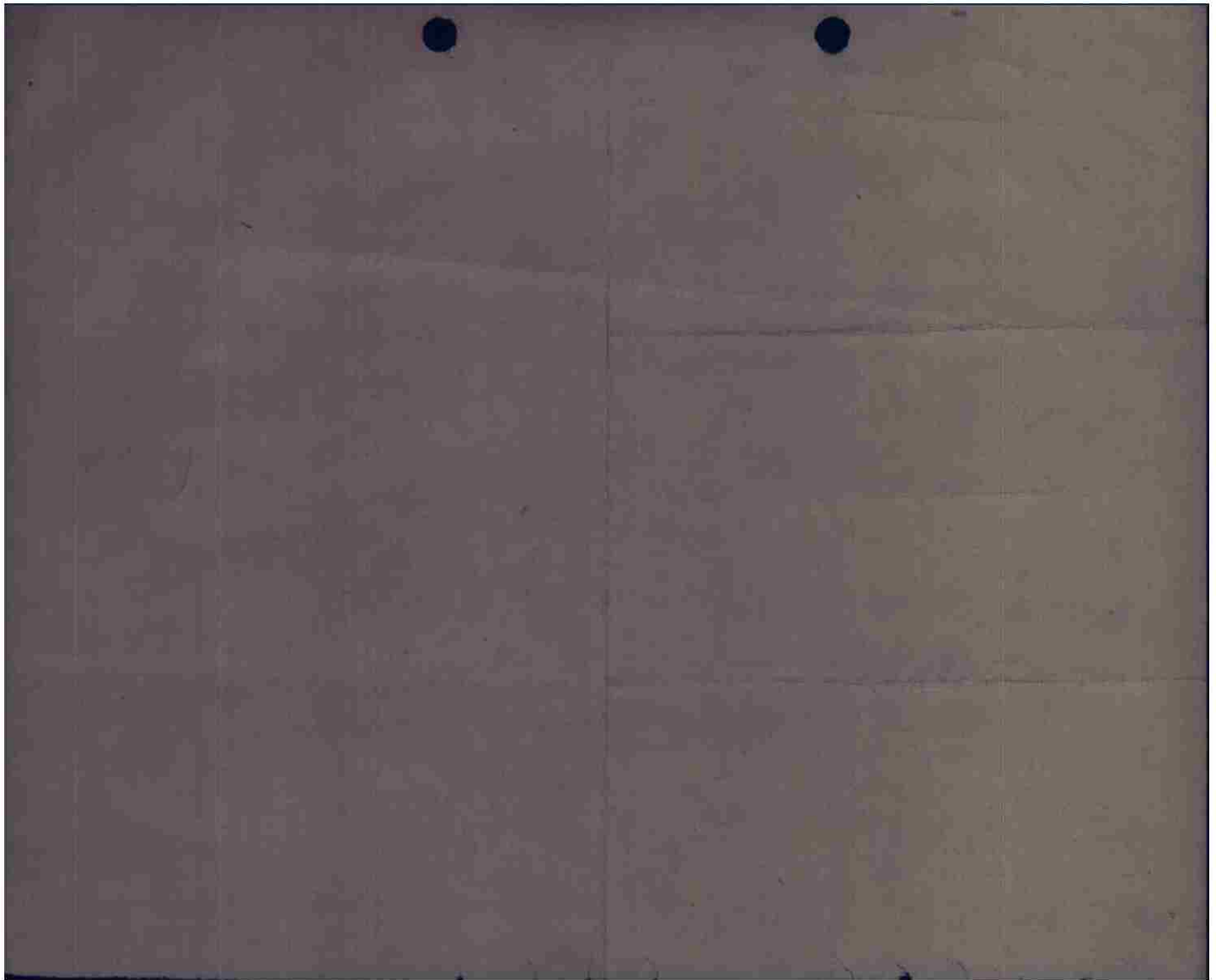
(1) TARGET: WULFEN AMMO DUMP (A-423459)  
REFER TO INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 3, FIELD ORDER  
NO. 196-782.

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BT 11/1130A  
LEG AR

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JPO R .....11//1137A WAC AR KK  
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ITA R .....111140A MB BBBB

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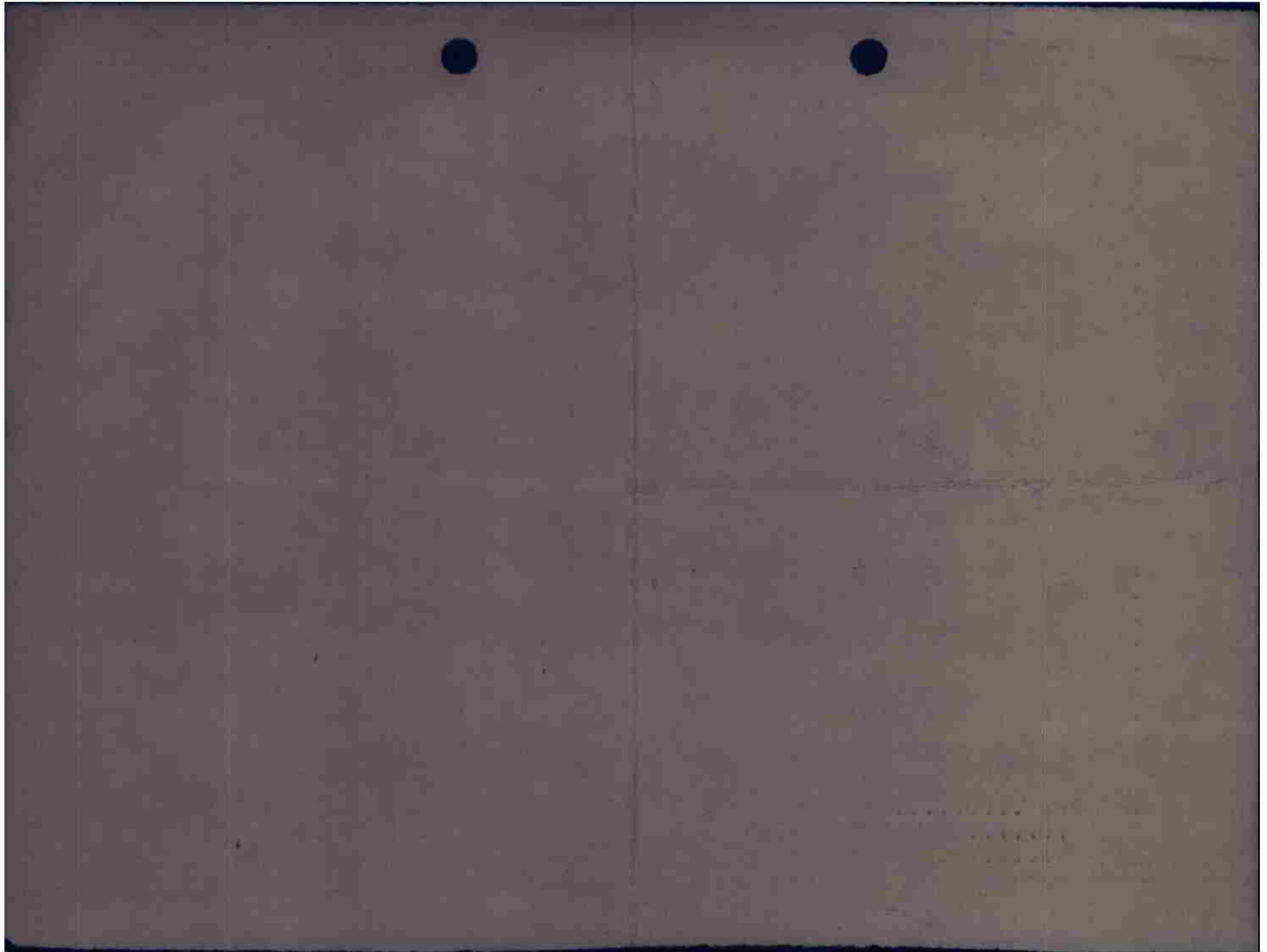
ITA JEA V JKI JKI 25/11 OP - OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 11/1930A  
 TO CG9TH BOMB DIV. (M)  
 CG 9TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L)

BT  
 CONFIDENTIAL 416BG R-234-D OPSFLASH FOR AFTERNOON MISSION OF  
 11 MARCH 1945:

- A. 416TH BOMB GP
  - B. WULFEN AMMO. DUMP (A-483459)
  - C. 40 A-26'S
  - D. 36 A/C ATTACKED PRIMARY ON PFF  
 2 A/C ATTACKED (A-400720) BECAUSE MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION CAUSED  
 PREMATURE RELEASE BY LEADER. ONE A/C IN THE  
 FLIGHT BOMBED ON LEADER'S RELEASE.
  - E. 2 A/C CARRIED WINDOW ONLY.
  - F. 168 X 500 ON PRIMARY TARGET  
 4 X 500 RETURNED  
 16 X 500 GP ON (A-400720) BECAUSE OF MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION OF  
 FLIGHT LEADER AND PREMATURE RELEASE.  
 SEE PARAGRAPH "D"
  - G. UNOBSERVED BECAUSE OF CLOUD COVER (10/10)
  - H. NIL
  - I. NIL
  - J. WEAK INACCURATE HEAVY FLAK AT TARGET. NIL ELSEWHERE.
  - K. NIL
  - L. 13,500 - 12,300
  - M. 1631 - 1631 1/2
- AYELSWORTH  
 BT 11/1930A  
 JF BBBB  
 ITA R.....6  
 ITA R.....11/1953A ELC AR BBB  
 JEA R.....11/1955A RL K

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ITA JEA V JKI JKI 26X11 OP - OP  
FROM HQS 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 11/1956A  
TO HQS 9TH BM DIV. (M) ATT: A-2 PBI:  
HQs 97TH COMBAT WING (L) " A-2 DUTY OFF.  
BT  
SECRET 416BG R-235-D  
B. WULFEN AMMO DUMP  
J. NO PHOTOS DUE TO CLOUD COVER.  
AYLESWORTH  
BT 11/1956A  
JF AR AR  
ITA R.....11/1956A ELC AR  
JEA R.....11/1956A LCB AR

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FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 12/0102A  
TO 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M) (INFO COPY)  
97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) (INFO COPY)  
COMMANDING OFFICER, 1ST PATHFINDER SQDN (PROV.)

BT

CONFIDENTIAL 416TH BG R-241-E PERIOD

PPF LEAD MORNING MISSION 12 MARCH 1945 EXCELLENT. NO COMMENTS.  
AFTERNOON MISSION SATISFACTORY EXCEPT FIRST PPF FEE PORPOISED  
CONSIDERABLY ALONG ENTIRE ROUTE.

AYLESWORTH COBOMCR 416

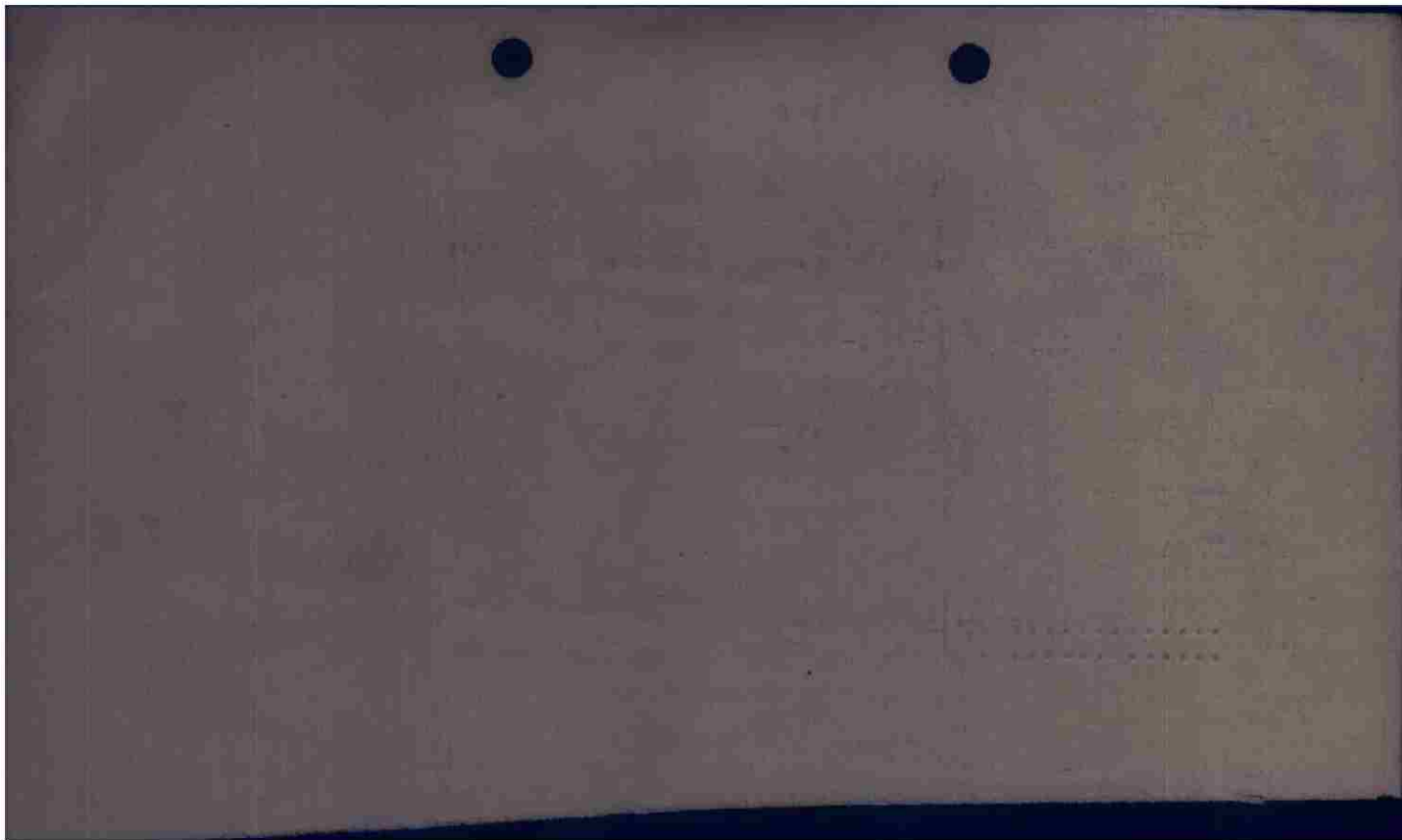
BT 12/0102A  
EW DBBB TO ITA ONLY

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JEA R..... 12/0115A CES AR

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ITA JEA V JKI JKI 27/11 P P

FROM: COMMANDING OFFICER, 416TH BOMB GROUP 11/22A5A  
TO : COMBODIV NINE ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER  
COMBOWIG 97TH (INFO)

BT

CONFIDENTIAL 416TH BG R-236-J PERIOD

- A. YS - 58
- B. 11 MARCH 1945 (1411-1724)
- C. X-XRAY AND G-GEORGE REPORTED "OPS" COMPLETE TO PARADE.
- D. PPF MISSION
- E. NONE
- F. NONE
- G. NONE
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- K. NONE

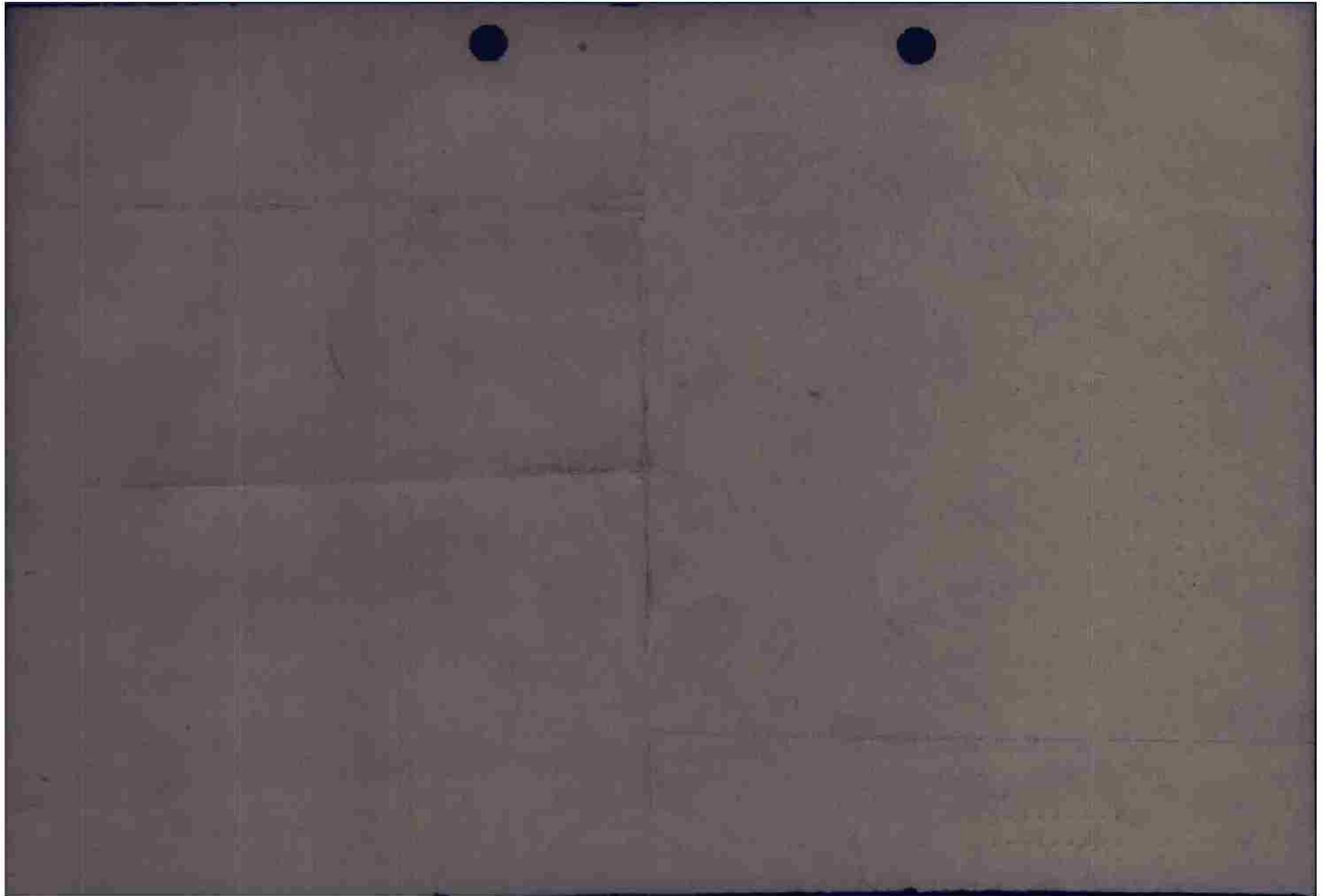
AYLESWORTH COBOMER 416

BT 11/22A5A

EV BBBBBB

ITA B.....11/2317A EH AR K  
JEA B.....11/2317A FK AR  
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JEA JKI V ITA JJF 5/12 CP - CP

FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV 12/0445A  
TO : CG, IX BOMB DIVISION  
CG, 97TH COMBAT WING  
CG, 416TH BOMB GROUP  
SECRET QGX BT

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1ST PFF SQ PROV R-282-E  
3/11/45 PFF PILOT PHILLIPS TIME P.M.

- A. FORMATION :
  - 1. CLASSIFICATION : GOOD
  - 2. REMARKS :
- B. WINDOW SHIPS :
  - 1. CLASSIFICATION : GOOD
  - 2. REMARKS :
- C. NAVIGATION :
  - 1. CLASSIFICATION : GOOD
  - 2. REMARKS :
- D. INTERPLANE COMMUNICATIONS : GOOD
- E. BRIEFING : RENDEZVOUS
- F. MISCELLANEOUS REMARKS :

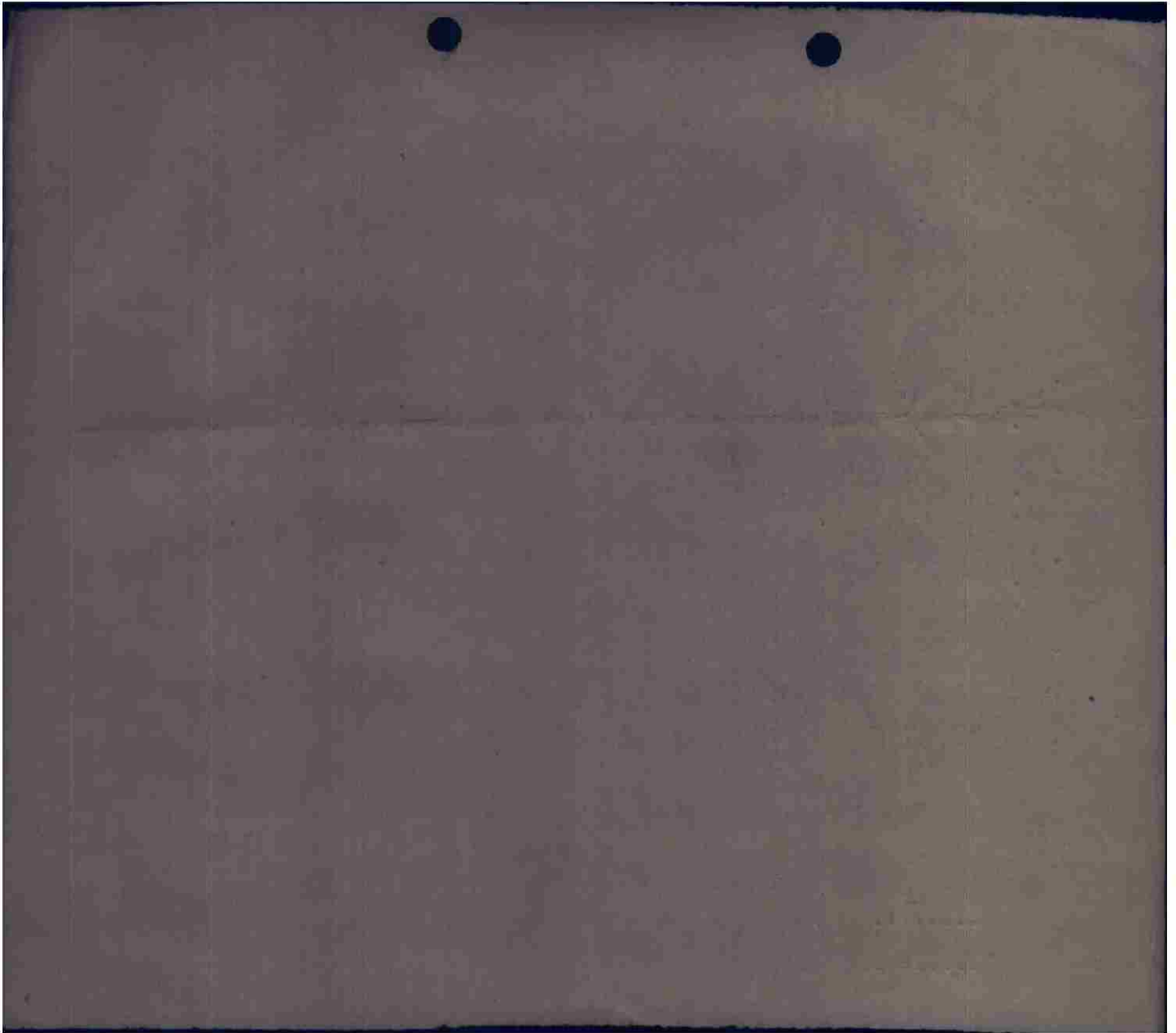
CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV

BT 12/10XX 0445A  
UF BDD K  
XTX/R

JKI	R.....12/0445A	EM	KKK
JEA	R.....12/0445A	SS	KKK



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JEA JKI V ITA JJF 4/12 OP - OP

FROM 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV 12/0430A  
 TO : CG, IX BOMB DIVISION  
 CG, 97TH COMBAT WING  
 CO, 416TH BOMB GROUP  
 SECRET QOX BT

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S-2

S-3

1ST PFF SQ PROV R-281A-E  
 3/11/49 PFF PILOT SHIREY TIME P.M.

- A. FORMATION :
1. CLASSIFICATION : EXCELLENT
  2. REMARKS :
- B. WINDOW SHIPS :
1. CLASSIFICATION : EXCELLENT
  2. REMARKS :
- C. NAVIGATION :
1. CLASSIFICATION : PFF DID ALL
  2. REMARKS :
- D. INTERPLANE COMMUNICATIONS : GOOD
- E. BRIEFING : RENDEZVOUS
- F. MISCELLANEOUS REMARKS :

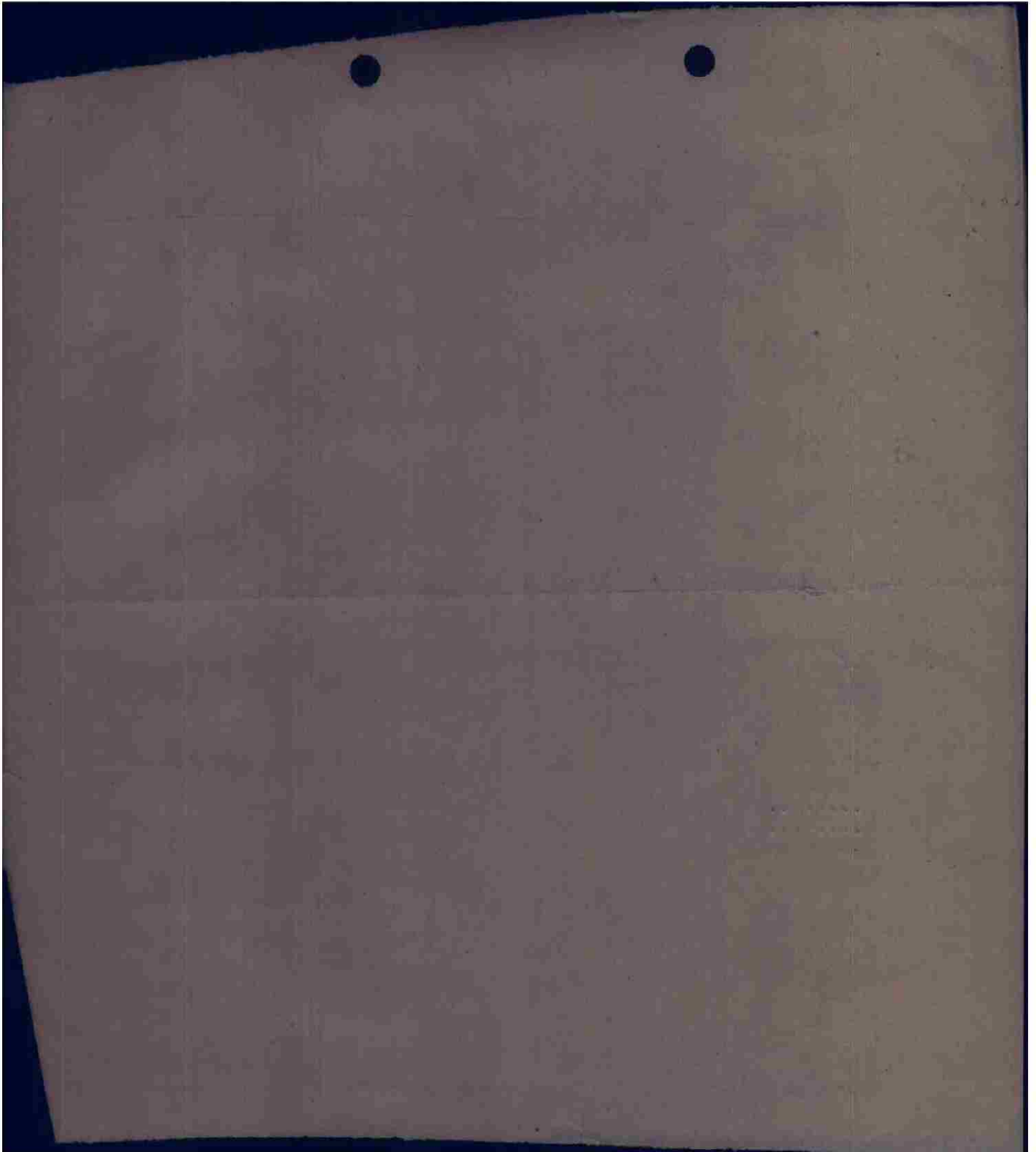
CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ PROV

BT 12/0430A  
 BT BDB K

JKI	R.....12/0440A	EM	MIGK
JEA	R.....12/0440A	SS	IK

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11 Mar*

JES JPO JKI VIA JEA JJF S JF  
 JES JSTJRKITWINDR UQJJE JJF 17/11 OP OP  
 FROM 15511  
 TO CG IX BOMB  
 CG 99 98 97 BOMB WINGS  
 GO 416 410 409 397 387 394 323 391 344 BOMB GRPS  
 SECRET BT

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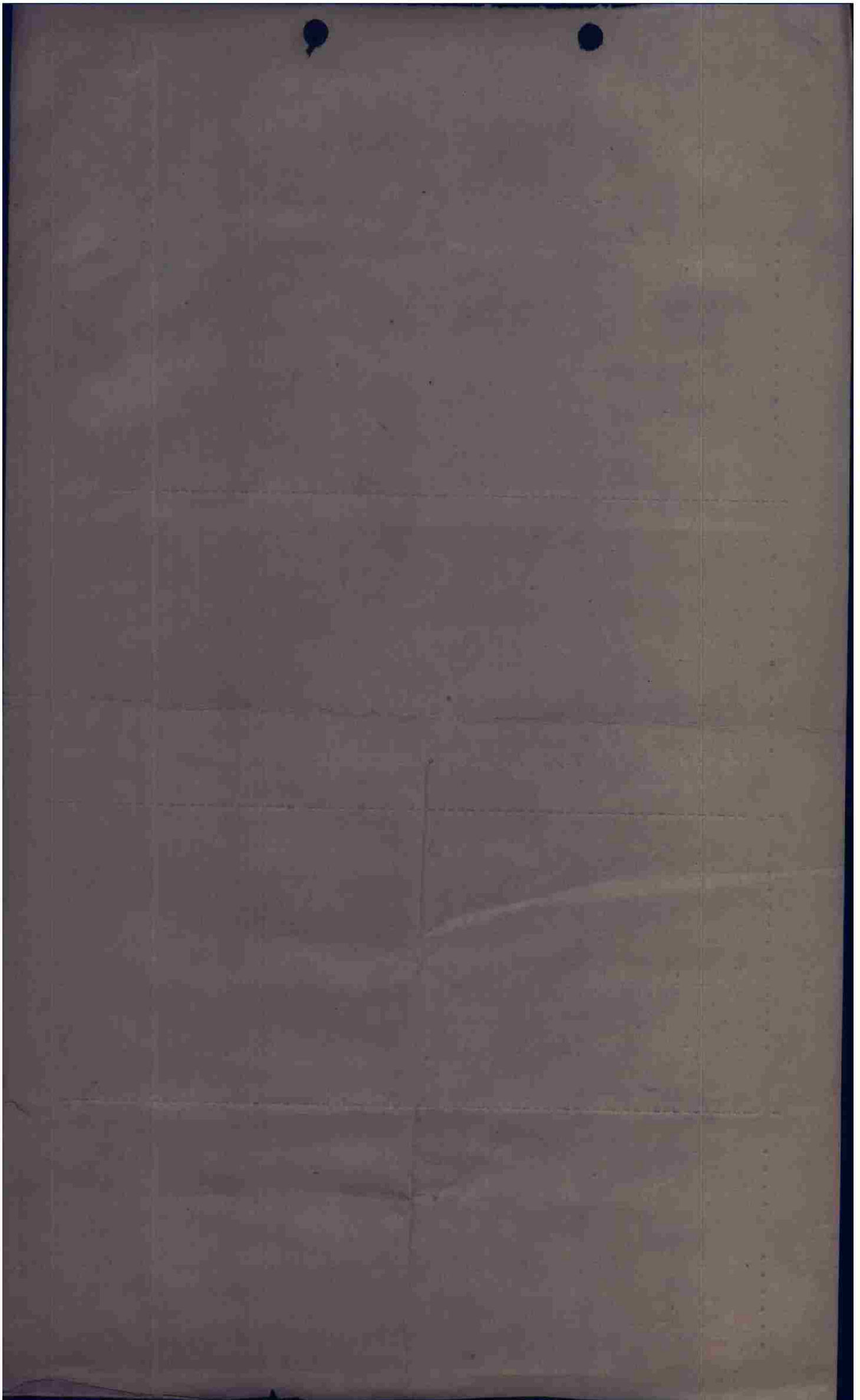
1ST PATHFINDER SQ R-277-D

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 416TH BOMB GROUP
  - B. WULFEN AMMO PLANT RA 483459
  - C. 2 B 26'S
  - D. 2 B 26'S PRIMARY FIRST BOX EQUIPMENT FOR COURSE GEE FOR RELEASE SECOND BOX ON GEE. J OFF BEFORE RELEASE.
  - E. NONE
  - F. EIGHT X FIVE ZERO ZERO GP'S PRIMARY
  - H. THRU I. NONE
  - J. WINTF TASET AREA
  - K. NONE
  - L. 13,55000-130000 PRIMARY
  - M. 1330 1/2 1331 PRIMARY
- REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD. WINDOW SHIPS GOOD.  
 ANNEX : SWEEPSTAKES CALLED PFF FOR FIX SO FIGHTERS COULD BE SENT.

- MA. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 410 BOMB GROUP
  - B. WULFEN AMMO PLANT RA 483459
  - C. 1 B 26
  - D. 1 B 26 PRIMARY ON GEE. EQUIPMENT FAILURE.
  - E. NONE
  - F. FOUR X FIVE ZERO ZERO GP PRIMARY
  - L. UNOBSERVED
  - H. TETHFITNONE  
RCET AREA
  - K. NONE
  - L. ONE THREE FIVE ZERO ZERO PRIM  
RY
  - M. 1165551 PRIMARY
- REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION VERY GOOD. WINDOW SHIPS GOOD  
 ANNEX : NO CALL MADE. 2ND TAF AREA

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 409 BOMB GROUP
  - B. WULFEN AMMO PLANT RA 484459
  - C. 1 B 26
  - D. 1 B 26 PRIMARY
  - E. NONE
  - F. 4/5.00 /// XXX FOUR X FIVE ZERO ZERO PRIMARY
  - G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
  - H. THRU I. NONE
  - J. WINTF TARGET AREA
  - K. NONE
  - L. ONE THREE , ZERO ZERO ZERO PRIMARY
  - M. 1707 1/2 PRIMARY
- REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION VERY GOOD. WINDOW SHIPS GOOD.  
 ANNEXC / NO CALL MADE 2ND TAF AREA.

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 397TH BOMB GROUP
  - B. WEYERBUSCH COMMO CENTER EG WF 870350
  - C. TWO B TWO SIX 'S
  - D. ONE B 26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT. 2ND BOC PFF EQUIPMENT FAILURE FOLLOWED FIRST BOX USING OWN RELEASE SIGNAL. ON PRIMARY
  - E. NONE
  - F. EIGHT X FIVE ZERO ZERO GP GP PRIMARY
  - G. UNOBSERVED
  - H. THRU K. NONE
  - L. 112,000-11,200 PRIMARY
  - M. 1727 1/2 1728 PRIMARY
- REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION GOOD. WINDOW SHIPS GOOD  
 ANNEX: CALLED RIPSAN RECEIVING FIX 30 SECONDS AFTER ENTERING AREA





- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 394 TH BOMB GROUP
- B. SIERSHAMM COMMO CENTER WG 029094
- C. ONE B 26
- D. NONE
- E. ONE B 26 ONE OXX J OFF
- D.XX
- F. FOUR BY FIVE HUNDRED RETURNED
- G. NO ATTACK
- H. THRU K. NONE
- L. THIRTEEN / FIVE HUNDRED NO ATTACK
- M. SEVEN XXX ONE SEVEN THREE EIGHT NO ATTACK

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION EXCELLENT . WINDOW SHIPS GOOD.  
ANNEX : CALLED SWEEPSTAKES RECEIVING FIX 55 FIVE MINUTES AFTER ENTERING AREA

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 323 BOMB GROUP
- B. SIERSHAMM COMMO CENTER WG 029094
- C. 1. B 26
- D. 1. B 26 PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
- E. NONE
- F. 4/55XXX FOUR X FIVE ZERO ZERO GP PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
- H. THRU K. NONE

L. THIRTEEN, FIVE HUNDRED PRIMARY  
M. SEVENTEEN FORTYSEVEN AND HALF PRIMARY  
REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION EXCELLENT WINDOW SHIPS GOOD  
ANNEX: CALLED SWEEPSTAKES RECEIVING FIX 1 MINUTE AFTER ENTERING AREA

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQ WITH THE 391 BOMB GROUP
- B. WISSEN ROAD AND RR JUNCTION WG 003427
- C. 1. B 26
- D. 1 B 26 PRIMARY ON GEE EQUIPMENT FAILURE
- E. NONE
- F. FOUR X FIVE ZERO ZERO GP PRIMARY
- G. UNOBSERVED 10/10'S
- H. THRU K. NONE
- L. TWELVE FIVE ZERO ZERO PRIMARY
- M. 1749 PRIMARY

REMARKS : GROUP FORMATION FAIR  
ANNEX CALLED RIPSAM RECEIVING FIX 1 MINUTE AFTER ENTERING AREA

- A. FIRST PATHFINDER SQUADRON WITH THE 344 BOMB GROUP
- B. WIKESSEN ROAD AND RR JUNCTION 000426
- C. TWO B TWO SIX'S
- D. D. 2 B 26'S PRIMARY ON EQUIPMENT
- E. NONE 59.;55XXX EIGHT X FIVE ZERO ZERO GP PRIMARY
- H. UNOBSERVED
- L. 12,500 12,000 PRIMARY
- M. 1806 1808 PRIMARY

REMARKS : SUPERIOR GROUP FORMATION  
ANNEX CALLED RIPSAM RECEIVING FIX 2 MINUTES AFTER ENTERING AREA

GO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ

BT 1815NV55;5/11  
SSR AR  
RELAYED BY RL AR

JES R VIA JEA.....11/2148A HO AR K  
JPO R VIA JEA.....11/2148.A SL KK

JKI R VIA JEA..... 11/2148A JT AR

TIC PLS THOSE ERRORS ARE JUF FAULT AND I CAN NOT CORRECT THEM  
OK TNKS R B F R

