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FOUR HUNDRED SIXTYSEVEN BOMBARDMENT GP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

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10 May 1944
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APC 140, U. S. Army.
10 May 1944.

Subject: Transmittal of A-3 Bombing Information Reports.

To : Commanding General, IX Bomber Command, APC 140, U. S. Army.

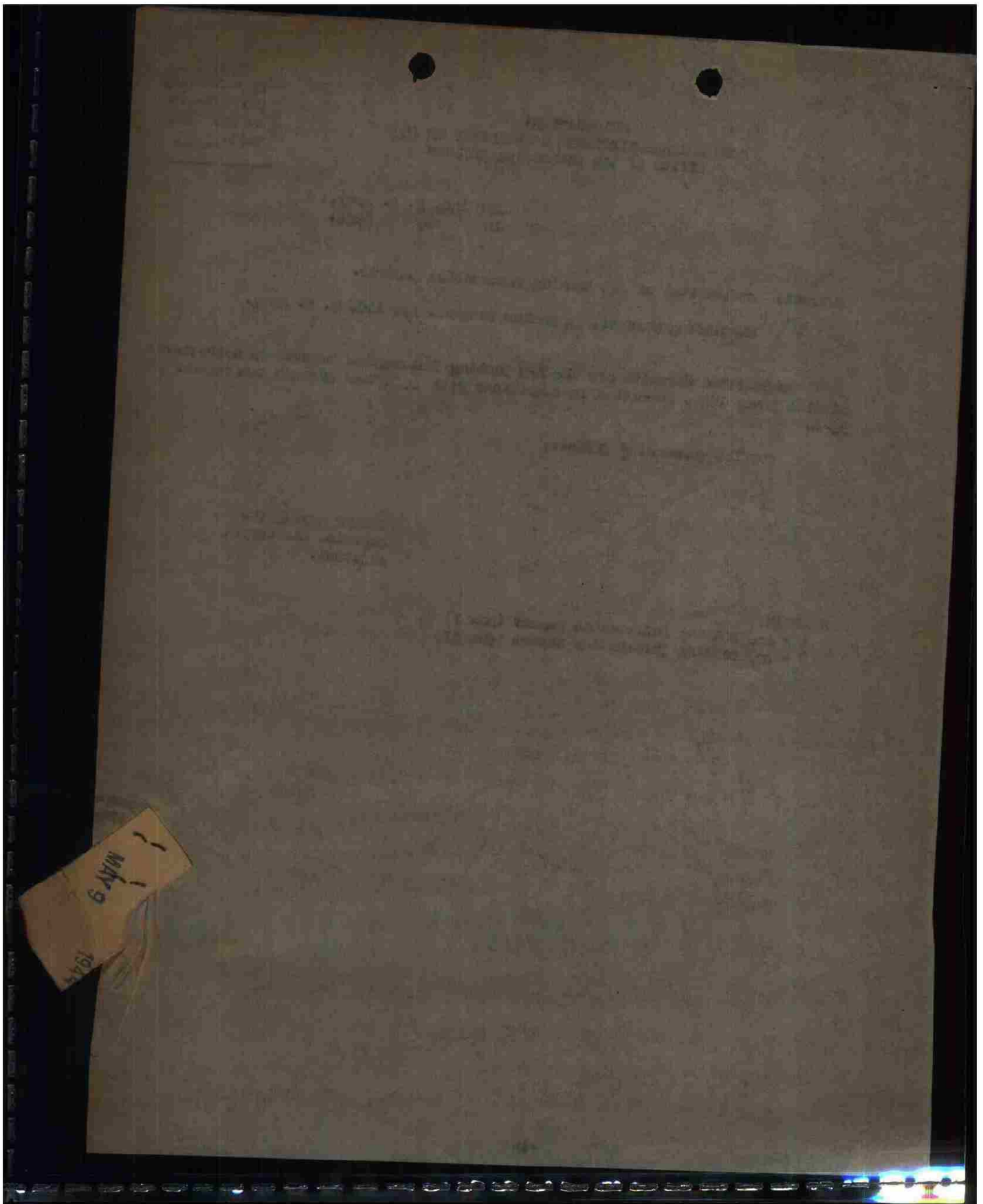
Transmitted herewith are the A-3 Bombing Information Reports on operational mission 9 May 1944, submitted in compliance with IX Bomber Command Instruction 55-2.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHREIBER.
Captain, Air Corps.
Adjutant.

- 2 Incls:
1 - A-3 Bombing Information Report (Box I)
2 - A-3 Bombing Information Report (Box II)

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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 305BOX 1 GROUP 416 DATE May 45 TARGET ATTACHED Isaiah (usball)1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set sign.2. Bombing approach: 50° ang.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire box 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 sign. No I used as AP. No trail subtracted.

5. Name of lead bombardier: Lt. Isbell6. Name of lead pilot: Major King7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 220 Ground Speed: 257 Altitude: 12,0009. Length of bomb run: 45 Sec: _____10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 X 500 lb FUSED Delay N 1/10 T 1/4011. Total Bombs Dropped: 36

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

(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attached or bombing. YES X NO _____. If "YES" state conditions and effect. None made it difficult to identify target.

(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attached, IP or A? 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 Flak affected 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: GOOD X FAIR _____ POOR _____ BAD MISS _____

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- V. Description of route from I.P. to target:
1. 8 to 10 miles down sun - up sun 4 to 5 miles.
 2. No clouds.
 3. 3 boxes, 14 each.
 4. Left of Mountain - right at Mountain.
 5. Wooded areas.
 6. Have made it difficult to identify target.
 7. Good
 8. None

Formation consisted of 3 boxes, 14 ships each box. Time of take off was 1809. Time over target 1917. Target Box D (Hobart). Box I, at 12,000 feet, dropped a total of 50 bombs in the target area with good results. Box 2, at 11,500 feet, dropped a total of 50 bombs with poor results. Box 3, due to haze preventing recognition of target, did not bomb. Have observed entire target area. Anti-aircraft fire was weak and fairly accurate H/A on turn off target. 1 ship receiving category A damage. No enemy aircraft encountered. Planes landed at 2025.

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BOMBING INFORMATION

ANNEX "A"

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 303BOX 11 GROUP 415 DATE 9 May 44 TARGET ATTACHED Bois d'Amour (Mabell)

1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set syn.
2. Bombing approach: 85° mag.
3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X
4. Did entire box 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 syn. not used as AP.
No trail subtracted. gyro was left open - poor level attained crossing channel. lateral bubbles off to right at time of release.

5. Name of lead bombardier: Lt. Burdick
6. Name of lead pilot: Capt. McNulty
7. Intervalometer setting: none
8. Indicated Air Speed: 250 Ground Speed: 250 Altitude: 11,000
9. Length of bomb run: 5 Sec:
10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 X 500 1b FUSED Delay N 1/10 T 1/10
11. Total Bombs Dropped: 50
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. Base affected visibility
- (b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IF 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 Flak affected 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:
Malfunctions in timing, length of run.

- (g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO _____Results claimed: GOOD _____ FAIR _____ POOR X BAD MISS _____~~SECRET~~

(over)

- Description of route from I.R. to target:
1. 5 to 10 miles down run - up over 2 to 3 miles.
 2. No clouds.
 3. 3 hours, 15 each.
 4. 1110.
 5. loaded areas.
 6. None affected visibility.
 7. 1000.
 8. None.

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DATE 10 MAY 1944
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HEADQUARTERS
416TH COMBATTANT GROUP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

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AFD 140, U.S. Army,
10 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Mission Report--aircraft.

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

PART I.

- (1) 9 May 1944--1809--Solo--P. Sauer (McBoll)
- (2) 42
- (3) 42

PART II.

None

PART III (1).

None

PART III (2).

<u>AAF SERIAL NO</u>	<u>CASE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>NOTES</u>
43-10214	No bombs dropped.	Short in bomb bay indicator light causing circuit breaker to trip.	Yes
43-9195	1 bomb fell on return.	Sway braces too tight.	Yes
43-9216	1 bomb fell on return.	Sway braces too tight.	Yes

PART III (3).

14 airplanes failed to drop bombs because haze prevented recognition of target.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHENKIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

MISSION NO. 42

LOADING LIST

9 MAY 1944

BOX I
FLIGHT I

1. 439 "J"
MAJOR W J MENG ✓
LT V H POWELL ✓
S/S R F STOBERT
CPL RAPACZ

4. 390 "G"
LT W C SIGGS ✓
SGT R W NICKS
S/S N RADLICH

2. 135 "T"
CAPT D A HULSE ✓
LT R CONTE ✓
S/S R E LEE
SGT F G FALK

5. 900 "Q"
LT R H BEHLMER ✓
S/S W G FERGUSON
S/S W J KELLY

3. 781 "H"
COL R E MACE ✓
T/S J R TANNER ✓
S/S W C RUSSELL

6. 840 "V"
LT T BOUKAMP ✓
S/S R J COLOSIMO
S/S J S WING

FLIGHT II

1. 983 "J-1"
LT P F E MACMANUS ✓
S/S J B THOMPSON
S/S H F HATCH

4. 189 "P"
LT A W GULLION ✓
S/S G L COFFEY
S/S C L WEBB

2. 673 "I"
Lt. J S CONNOR ✓
S/S J F KASPER
S/S H E BOYER

3. 696 "G-1"
LT. W H LAND ✓
S/S S F ALDEN
S/S R L BALLINGER

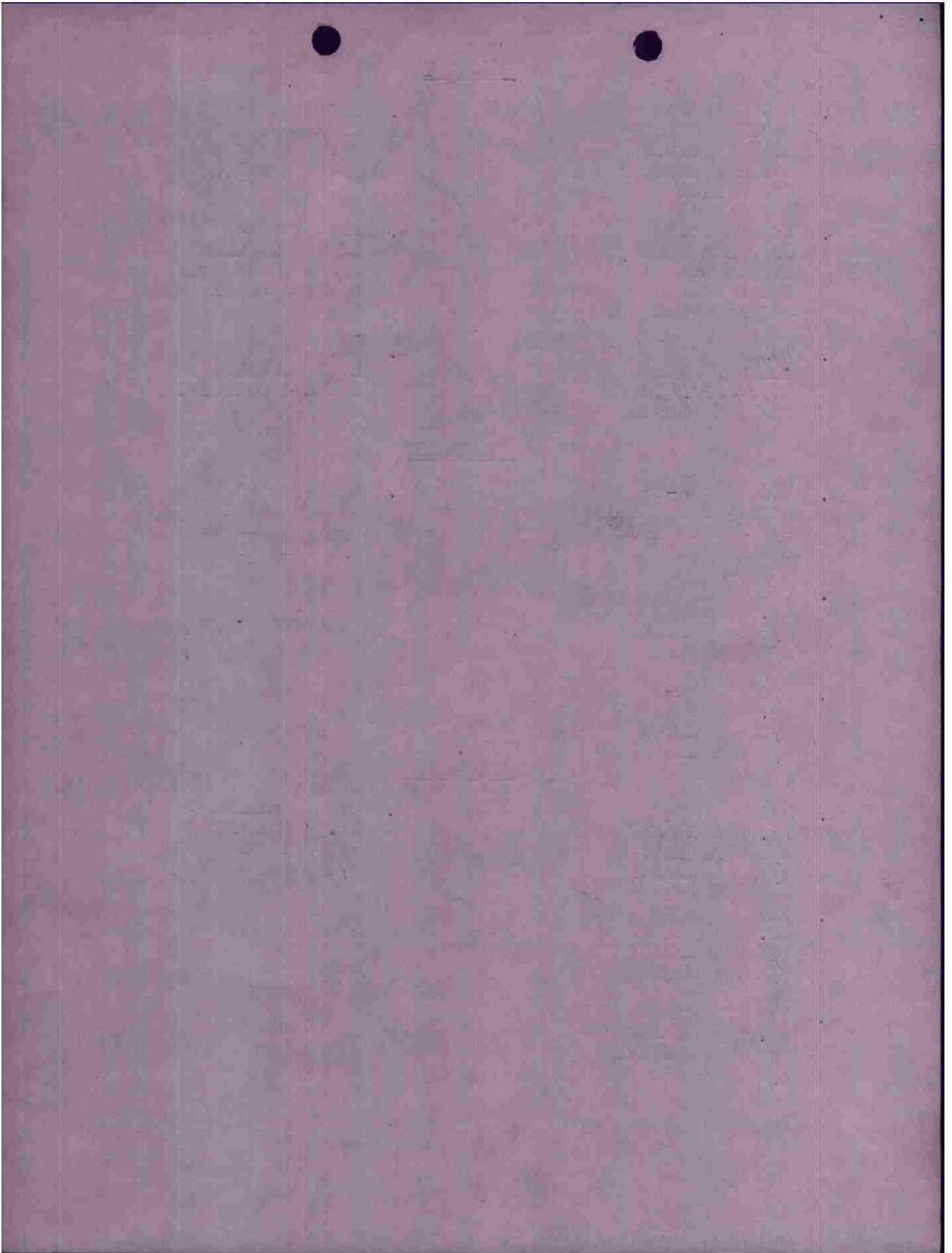
FLIGHT III

1. 743 "W"
LT. E E DEMUN ✓
S/S M ROSENSTEIN
S/S H O CARNEY

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

2. 717 "N"
LT. E J RENTH ✓
S/S O D LANAVE
S/S G F COPE

3. 679 "R"
LT. M S STREET ✓
S/S C A PRINDLE
S/S E T EPPS



MISSION NO. 42

LOADING LISTBOX 11FLIGHT 1

1. 640 "Z"
CAPT. G M MC NULTY ✓
LT. F H BURSTEL ✓
S/S H F WHITE
S/S R F ADDLEMAN

2. 125 "M"
LT CIL W W FARMER ✓
LT M A PAPE ✓
S/S J A OCHABA
S/S W F COLBERT

3. 689 "I"
LT P G ATKINSON ✓
SGT J O SWAFFORD
S/S P F GLYNN

4. 214 C
LT R V WHEELER ✓
S/S J S BROWER
S/S E CORRIN

5. 393 K
LT R F GREENLEY ✓
S/S H J WORDEN
S/S J J RZEPKA

6. 220 E
LT R D PERKINS ✓
S/S V N SHERRY
S/S R H LINNEMAN

FLIGHT 11

1. 227 F
LT W B OSTRANDER ✓
S/S J E WILSON
S/S I BINNEY

2. 200 A
LT N G BROWN ✓
S/S J D GOSSETT
S/S R L MILLER

3. 207 B
LT J P HILLERMAN ✓
S/S R K RILEY
S/S S RISCO

4. 217 D
LT T J LEONARD ✓
S/S O D EVANS
SGT T A PALMER

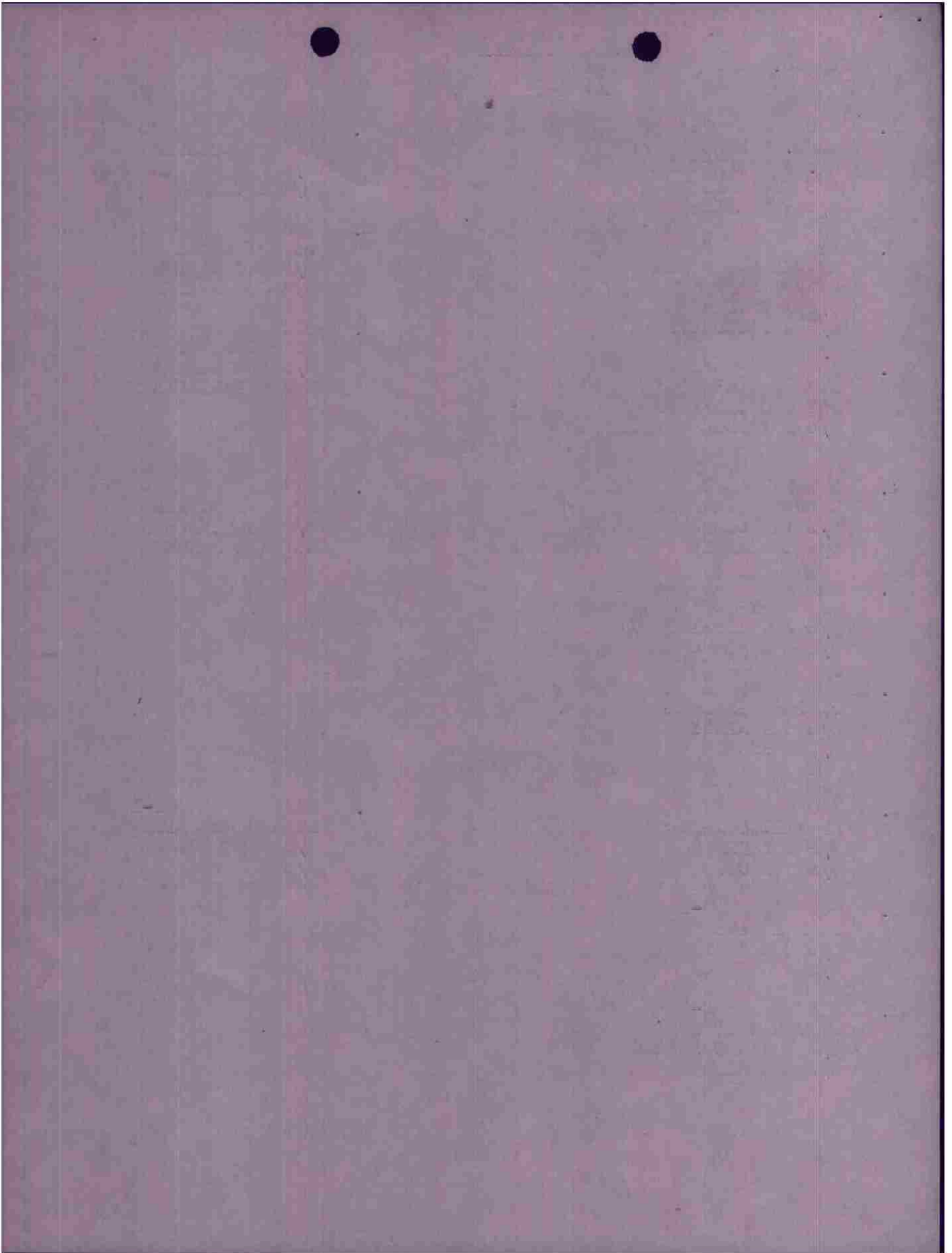
FLIGHT 111

1. 380 N
LT A E OSBORNE ✓
S/S E E KELLY
S/S W F BOE

2. 963 N-1
LT L E HILL ✓
S/S G H YOST
S/S R W BURCH

3. 195 D-1 ✓
LT B H BRADFORD
S/S R W MAC DONALD
S/S A A HILL

4. 216 E-1
LT R G MEREDITH ✓
S/S V E MOLVER
S/S C M GRAY



MISSION NO. 42

LOADING LIST
BOX 111
FLIGHT 1

1. 129 I ✓
 CAPT. L F DUNN ✓
 LT H T ARRINGTON ✓
 T/S F H LARRONDE
 S/S H A LEMPKA

2. 914 X ✓
 LT R E STOCKWELL ✓
 LT A JEDINAK ✓
 S/S H A FOSTER
 S/S E W RUST

3. 493 V ✓
 LT R H SMITH ✓
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 S/S F R CHVATAL
 S/S B G FANDRE

4. 951 P ✓
 LT F W DEMAND ✓
 S/S C W MIDDLETON
 SGT R J TROYER

5. 219 D ✓
 LT H D ANDREWS ✓
 S/S G M COOK
 S/S E R WERLEY

6. 221 F ✓
 LT A R DURANTE ✓
 S/S H T BEST
 S/S I R DEQUISTI

FLIGHT 11

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1. 379 G ✓
 LT G EBENSTEIN
 S/S C L HIBBS
 S/S H PERKINS

2. 680 R ✓
 LT R D LESHER ✓
 S/S A J ANTANAITIS
 S/S H R HENDRICK

3. 362 L ✓
 LT M E KLEOPFEL ✓
 S/S L R SHAW
 S/S R BANKSTON

4. 893 P-1 ✓
 LT R D POINDEXTER ✓
 S/S D H SIMPSON
 S/S L E ROBBINS

FLIGHT 111

1. 745 I-1 ✓
 LT L J SIRACUSA ✓
 S/S J N HUME
 S/S F E BROWN

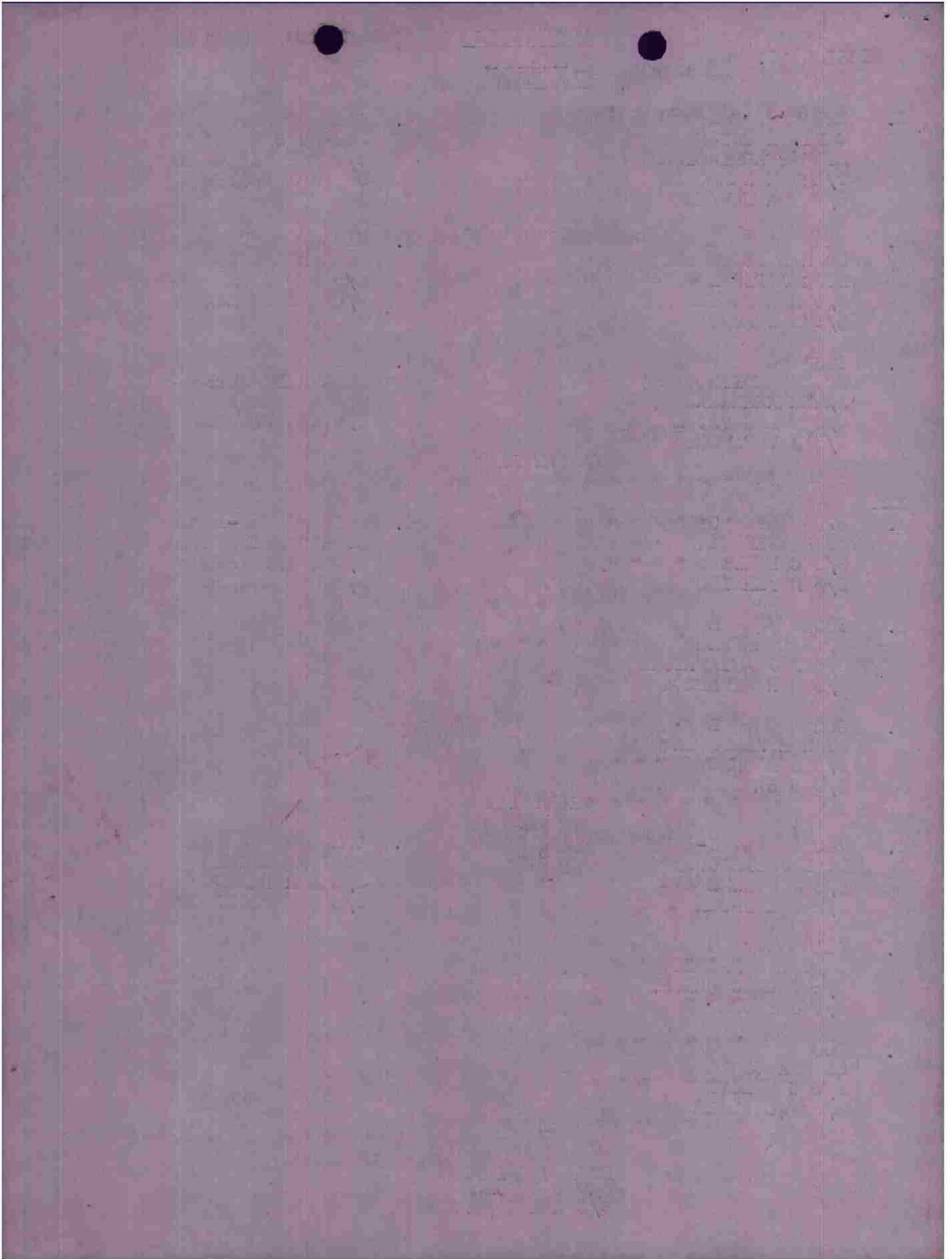
2. 211 C ✓
 CAPT R B PRENTISS ✓
 S/S J E MC GREERY
 S/S J R ORR

3. 360 S ✓
 LT R K CRUZE
 S/S C F LOVE
 S/S F L ADAIR

4. 182 B ✓
 LT J F MEAGHER ✓
 S/S E A DAMICO
 S/S E S DICKINSON

SPARE

209 K ✓
 LT J C CRISPINO ✓
 S/S T I WALSH
 S/S R E CONOPASH



OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP(L)

TO : IX BOMBER COMMAND

To: 97th CW

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"J" FORM CLEARANCE F-3 9 MAY 1944

PREPARED BY MAJOR HAROLD A RADETSKY

A.

B. 1855

C. HASTINGS

D. BOX I R/T DIGUP ONE

670 . . . 2 . . . J G-1

669 . . . 11 . . . T G V J-1 I P W N R O A

668 . . . 1 . . . ~~H~~

GROUP LEADER . . . 670 . . . J

DEPUTY . . . 669 . . . T

BOX II R/T DIGUP TWO

668 . . . 5 . . . Z M N-1 D-1 E-1

670 . . . 6 . . . I F A B D N

671 . . . 3 . . . C K E

SECOND BOX LEADER . . . 668 . . . Z

DEPUTY . . . 668 . . . M

BOX III R/T DIGUP THREE

671 . . . 6 . . . I X V P D F

669 . . . 6 . . . G L P-1 I-1 S B

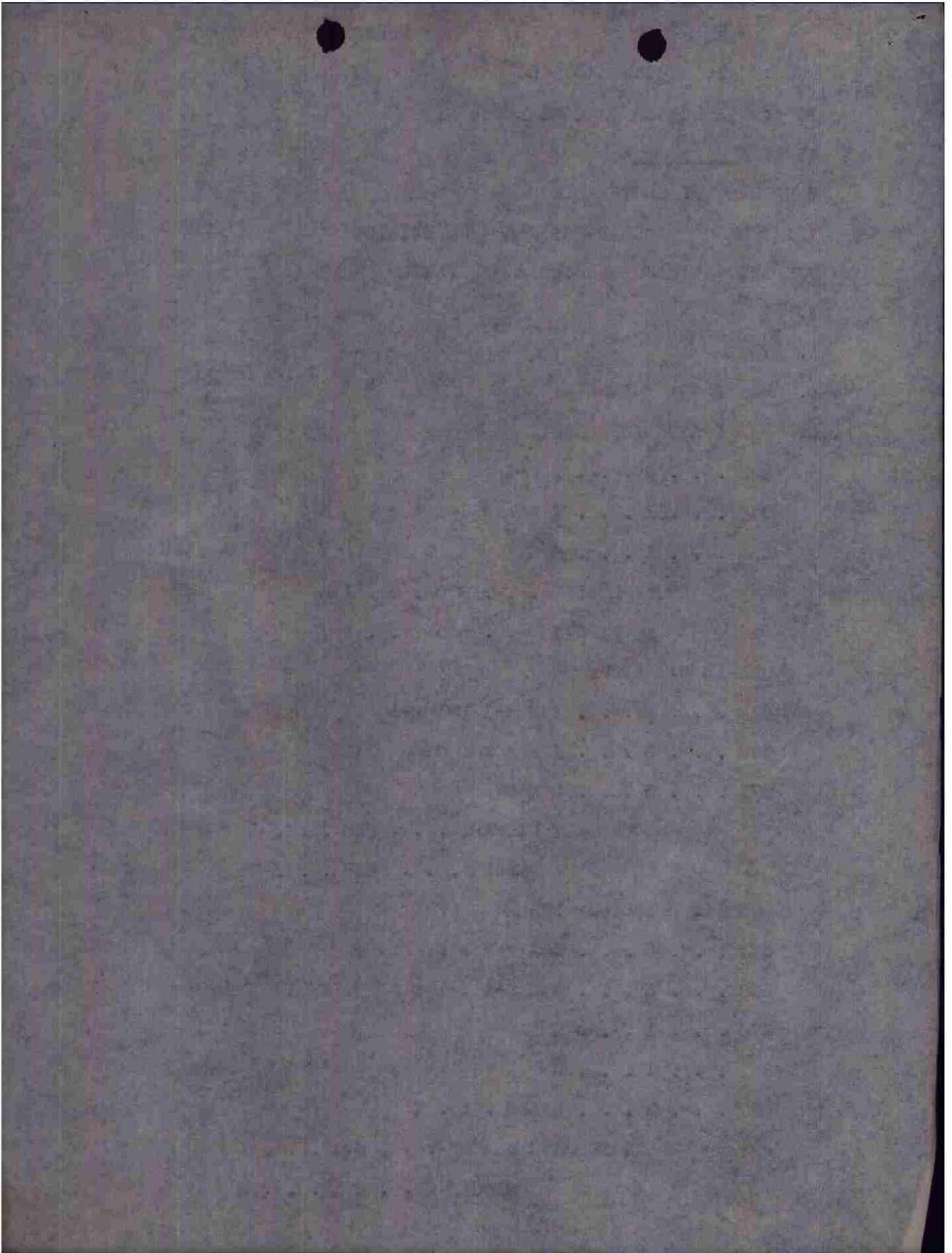
670 . . . 1 . . . R

669 . . . 1 . . . G

670 . . . 1 . . . SPARE . . . X

THIRD BOX LEADER . . . 671 . . . I

DEPUTY . . . 671 . . . X

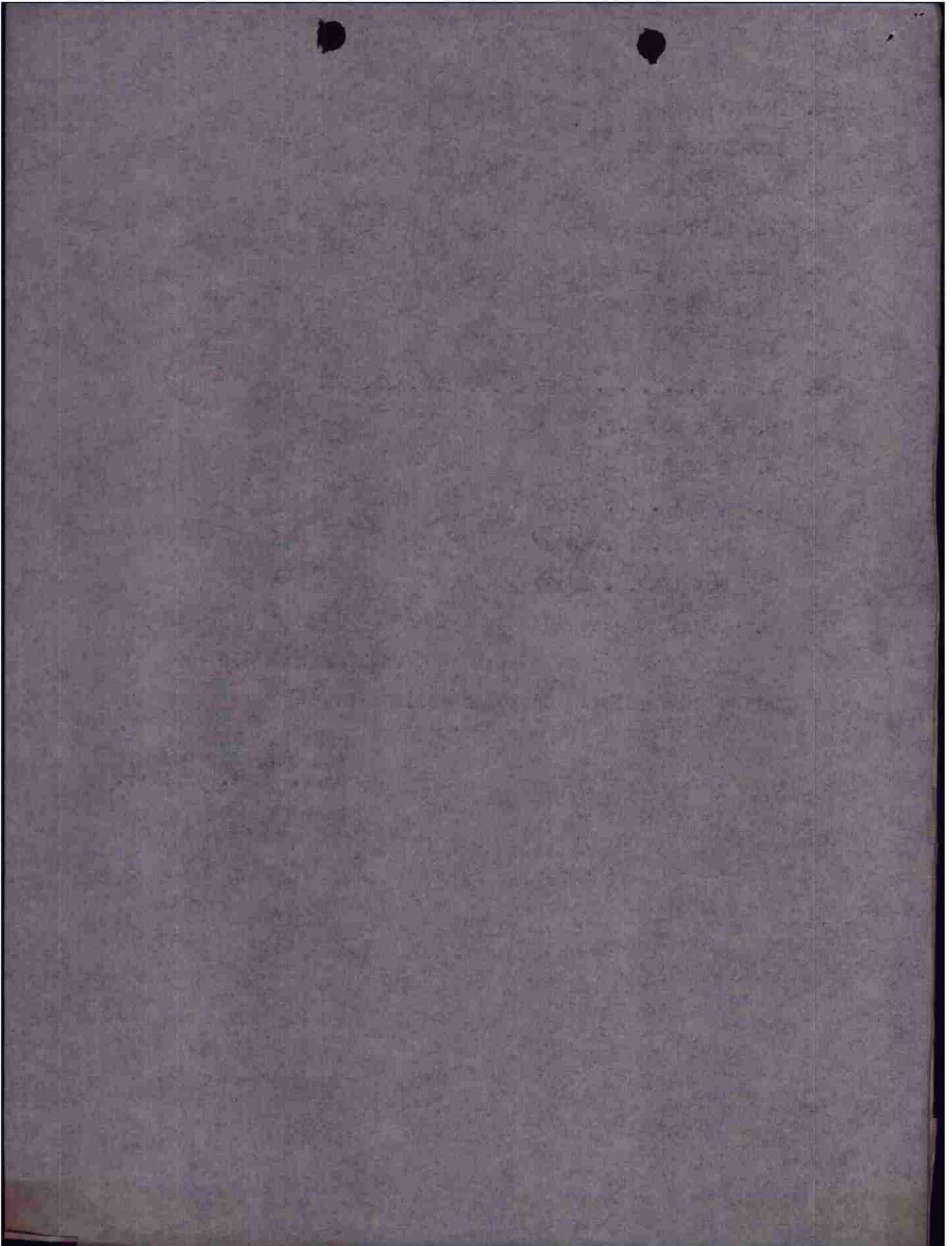


- E. 12000
- F. BERCK SUR MER
- G. 1907
- H. 15½ MINUTES
- J. BERCK SUR MER
- K. HASTINGS
- L. 1935
- M. 1. E.T.D. . . . 1829 . . . E.T.A. . . . 1954
- 2. 4 x 500 G.P.
- 3. 4 HOURS
- 4. BOX I . . . Z3097
- BOX II. . . Z3097
- BOX III . . Z3097
- 5. NONE

MACE COBONGR 416

I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

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



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

APO 140
9 May 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report

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

BASE AT TAKEOFF: Visibility 8 miles. 8/10 Cirrus
at 20000 feet.

ROUTE OUT: Visibility 6-8 miles over England with
haze to 10000 feet. Visibility lowered
to 4 miles in London area. Cirrus
decreased southward with 4/10 at the
Thames and 1/10 over the channel with
nil over continent. Visibility 8-10
miles over channel and France. No low
clouds on route.

TARGET: Clear with 8-10 miles visibility down sun
and 4-5 miles up sun.

ROUTE BACK: Same as route out with visibility 4-6
miles over England on return.

BASE ON RETURN: 7-8/10 cirrus at 20000 feet. Visibility
5-6 miles.

WINDS: As forecast.

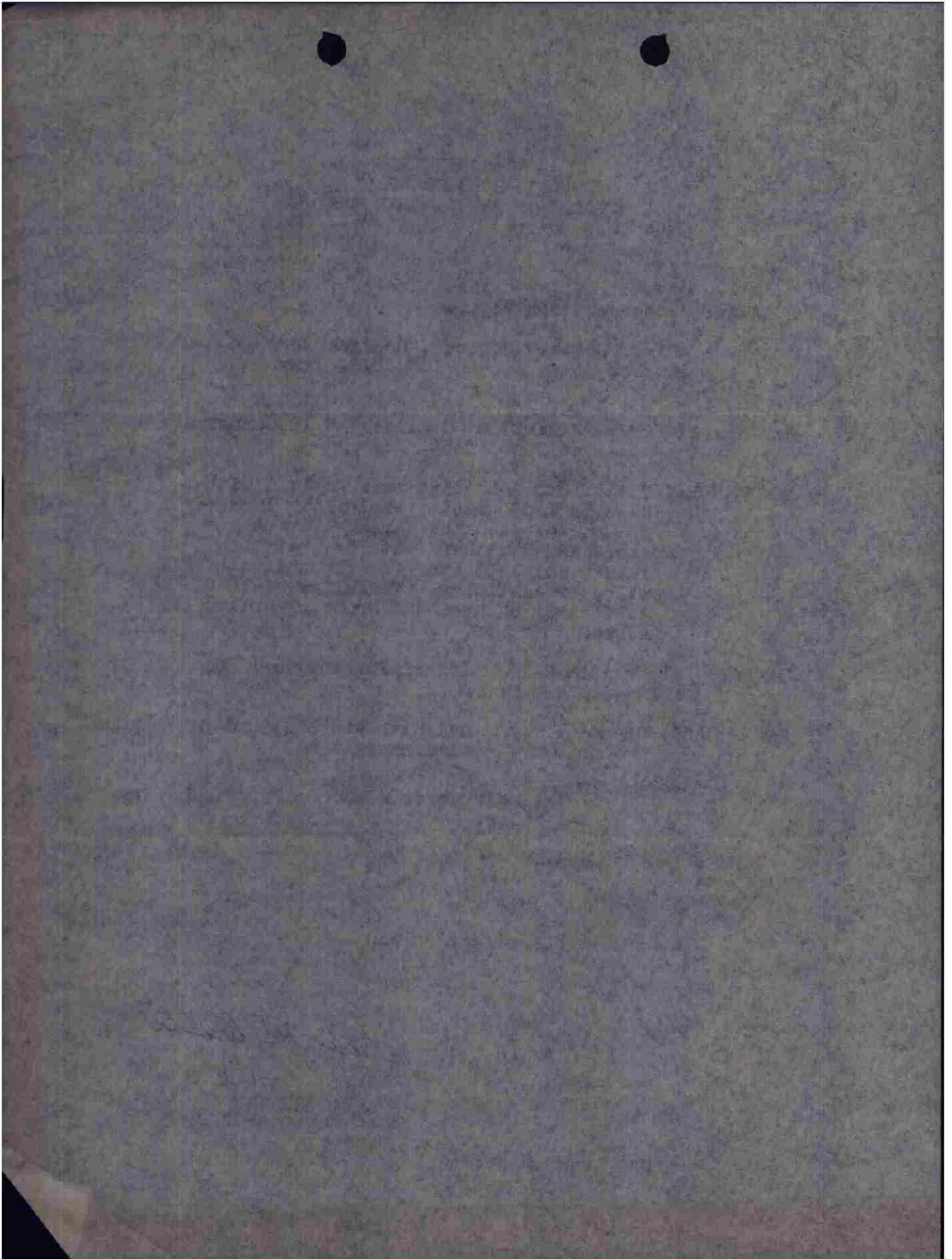
TIME OVER TARGET: 19:17

Weather did not effect bombing.

Walter D. Castle

Walter D. Castle
1st Lt. Air Corps
Staff Weather Officer

1 Incl.
2 Route Forecast Forms



OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST

WETHERSFIELD
416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TAKE-OFF: 1800
RETURN : 2000

DATE 9 MAY 1944
PERIOD 1800 - 2100

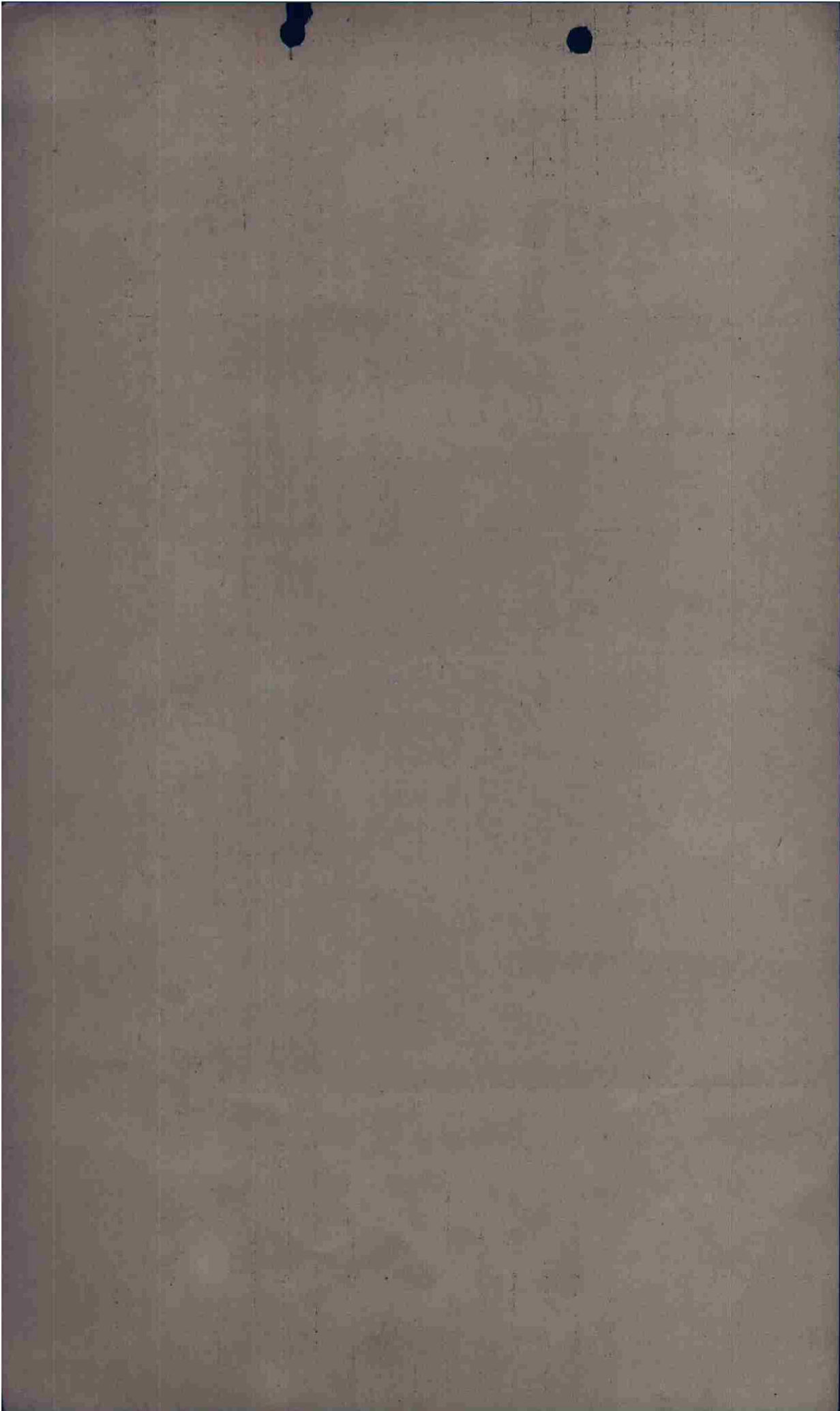
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	A BASE TO TARGET	B TARGET	C TARGET TO BASE	D
1 WEATHER	PARTLY CLOUDY HAZE TO 6,000	PARTLY CLOUDY	PARTLY CLOUDY HAZE TO 6,000	
2 CLOUDS	NIL - 2/10 CUMULUS BASE 4,500 TOPS 5,000 8-10/10 CIRRUS OVER ENGLAND BECOMING 6-8/10 OVER TARGET.	NIL - 2/10 CUMULUS BASE 4,500 TOPS 5,000 6-8/10 CIRRUS AT 20,000	SIMILAR TO ROUTE OUT	
3 ICING	NIL FREEZING LEVEL 6,000	SAME	SAME	
4 VISIBILITY	5-10 MILES AT BASE 10-15 MILES OVER CHANNEL AND CONTINENT	10-15 MILES	4-5 MILES AT BASE ON RETURN.	
HEIGHT SURFACE	DIRECTION VELOCITY SSW 5-8	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY
0,000 FT	020 08			
0,000 FT	020 09			
2,000 FT	020 11			
5,000 FT	020 13			
FT				
FT				
BASE ALTIMETER SETTING <u>30.39</u>	TARGET SURFACE TEMP <u>+15°C</u>	TARGET MEAN TEMP <u>+2°C</u>		
	TEMP. AT <u>12,000</u> FT. <u>-7°C</u>	TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT)		
		-180		

AIRCRAFT REPORT

BASE TO COAST		OVER CHANNEL OR SEA	OVER CONTINENT & TARGET
TIME			
POSITION			
ALTITUDE			
CLOUD BELOW AIRCRAFT	AMOUNTS AND TYPE		
	HEIGHT OF BASE AND TOP		
CLOUD ABOVE AIRCRAFT	AMOUNTS AND TYPE		
	HEIGHT OF BASE AND TOP		
VISIBILITY			
TEMPERATURE			
WINDS			
REMARKS: AS WEATHER ENCOUNTERED, FRONTAL POSITIONS, ETC.			
NOTE: AT LEAST ONE COMPLETE OBSERVATION SHOULD BE ENTERED IN EACH COLUMN. THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS CARD HELPED YOU - WON'T YOU GIVE THE NEXT FELLOW A BREAK!		CLOUD TYPES AND ABBREVIATIONS LOW CLOUDS = ST-STRATUS SC-STRATOCUMULUS MIDDLE CLOUDS = AS-ALTOSTRATUS AC-ALTOCUMULUS HIGH CLOUDS = CI-CIRRUS CS-CIRROSTRATUS CLOUDS OF VERTICAL EXTENT = CU-CUMULUS CB-CUMULONIMBUS	FRONTS -  COLD FRONT WARM FRONT

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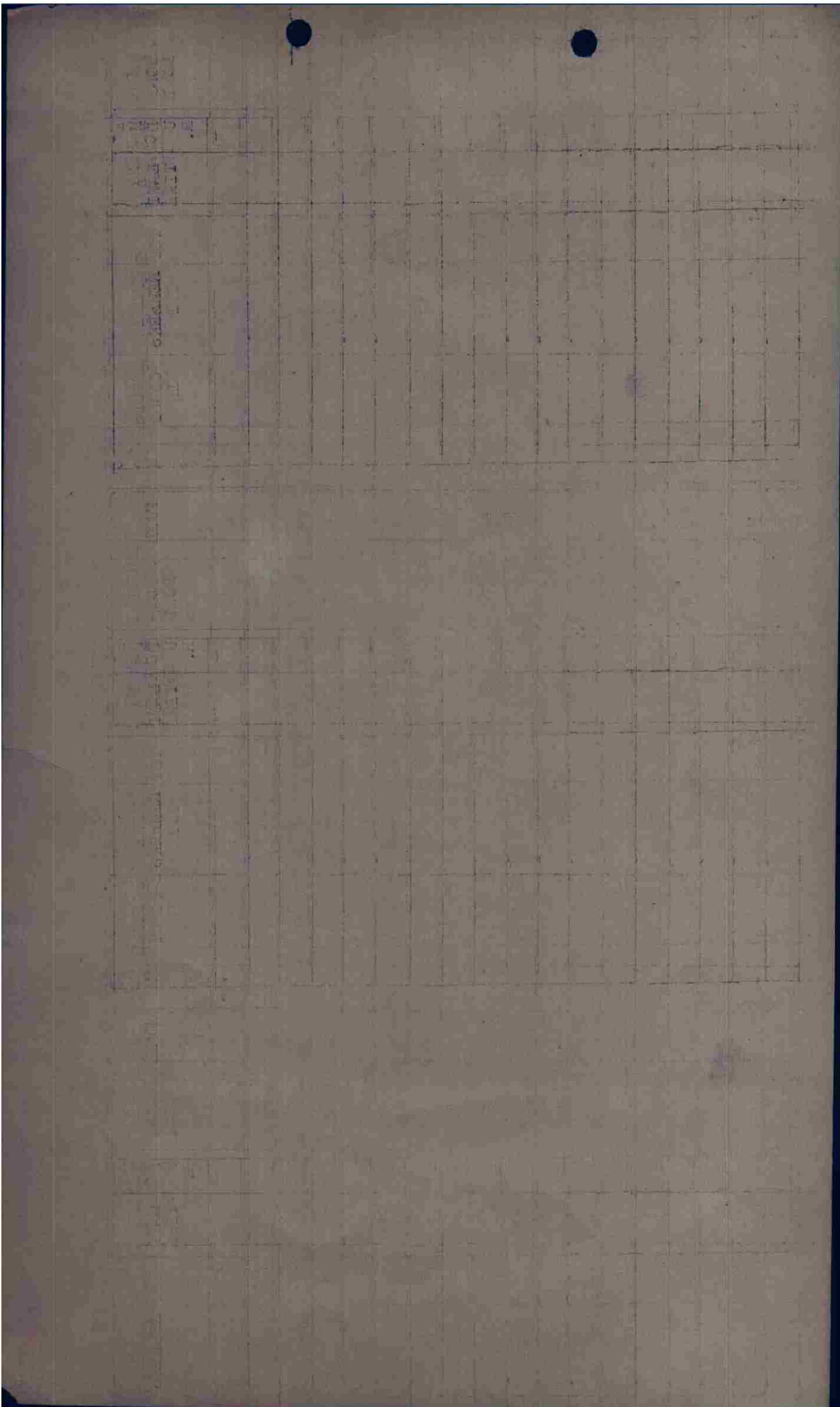


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Ball II
Mission No. 42

A/C Ltr	A/C No.	SQDN.	PILOT	BOIS A R G E T D'ENFER	AD	ENGLISH COAST OUT HASTINGS	ENEMY COAST IN BERCK-SUR-MER	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT BERCK-SUR-MER	ENGLISH COAST IN HASTINGS	A M E R A	FUEL	BOMB LOAD	A D D U P R.	LAND TIME	REMARKS
Z	640	A	McNULTY	1812	1855	1907	1812	1922 1/2	1925	HC		725	4X500		2010	
M	125	A	FARMER	1812			1812								2011	
I	689	C	ATKINSON	1813			1813				C				2011	
C	214	D	WHEELER	1813			1813								2012	
K	393	D	GREENLEY	1813			1813								2013	
E	220	D	PERKINS	1814			1814								2013	
F	227	C	OSTRANDER	1814			1814								2016	
A	200	C	BROWN	1814			1814								2018	
B	209	C	HILKEMAN	1814			1814				C				2016	
D	217	C	AEONARD	1815			1815								2017	
N	380	C	OSBORNE	1816			1816								2014	
N	963	A	HILL	1819			1819								2015	
D-1	195	A	BRADFORD	1815			1815				C				2014	
E-1	216	A	MEREDITH	1816			1816				C				2015	

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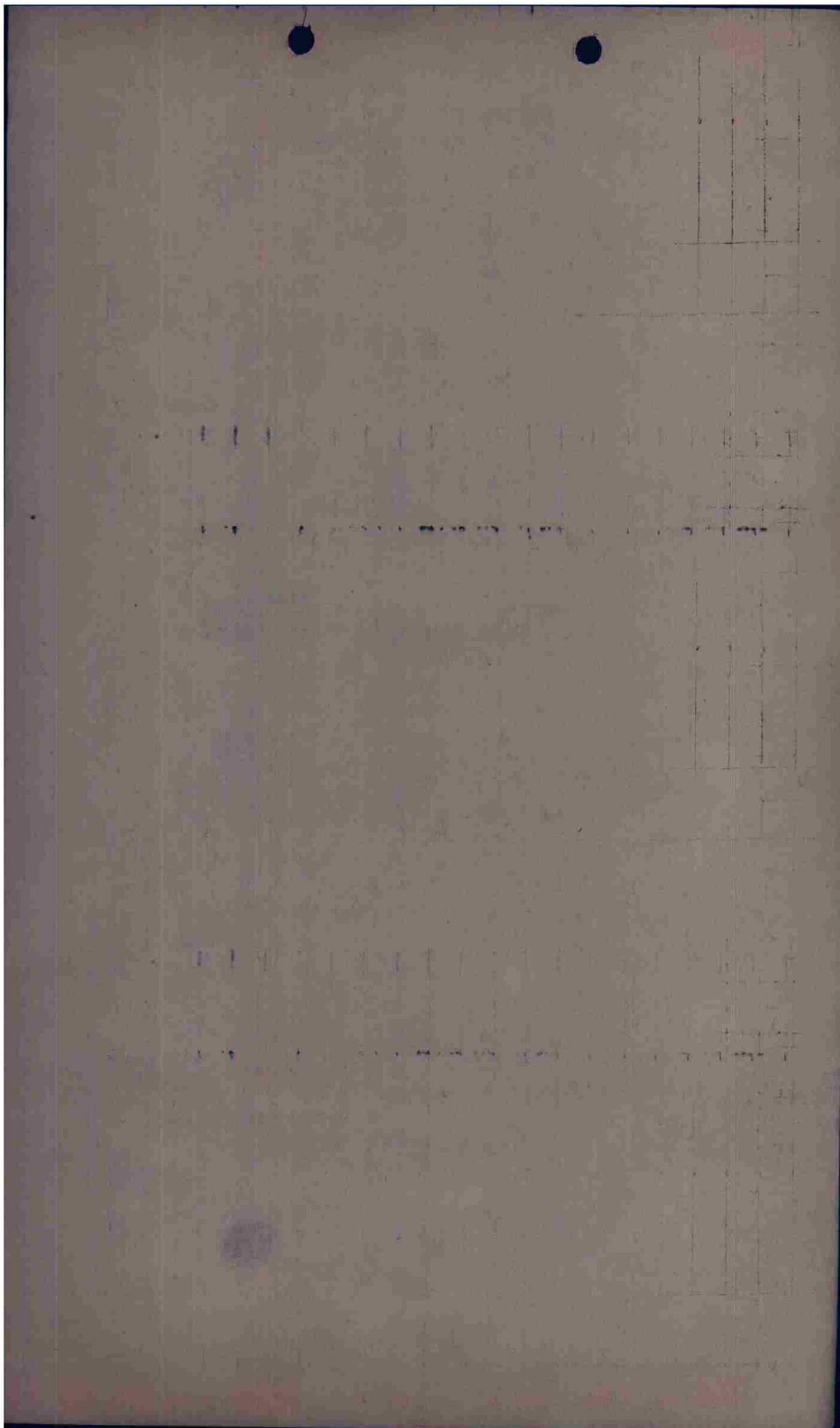


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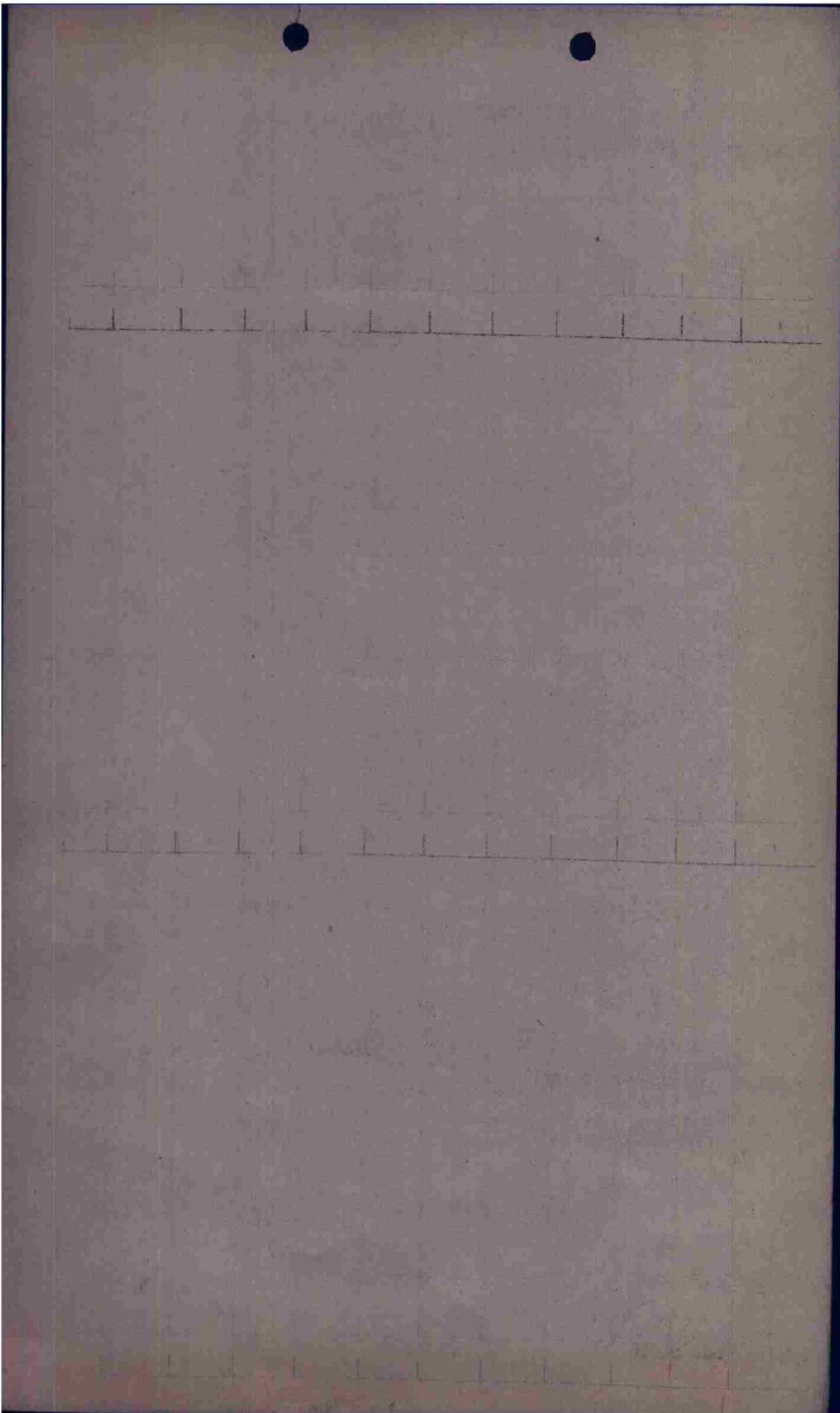
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Mission No. 42

MAY 9 1944

A/C NO.	SQDN	PILOT	BOIS ARRE D'ENTER	ATO	ENGLISH COAST OUT 13,000 HASTINGS	ENEMY COAST IN 13,000 K	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT 11,000 K	ENGLISH COAST IN 9,000 HASTINGS	AA M F R A	FUEL	BOMB LOAD	END U R.	LAND TIME	REMARKS
I 129	D	DUNN	1816	1816	1855	1907	1915	1922	1935	HC	725	4X500		2019	
X 914	D	STOCKWELL		1816			1816							2020	
Y 493	D	SMITH		1816			1816							2020	
P 951	D	DEMAND		1817			1817							2022	
D 219	D	ANDREWS		1817			1817							2023	
E 221	D	DURANTE		1817			1817			C				2023	
G 379	A	EBENSTEIN		1817			1817			HC				2018	
R 680	C	LESHER		1818			1818							2020	
L 362	A	KHEOPEEL		1818			1818							2021	
P-1 893	A	POINDEXTER		1818			1818							2021	
T-1 745	A	SIRACUSA		1818			1818							2023	
C 211	B	PRENTISS		1819			1819			C				2024	
S 360	A	CRUZE		1819			1819							2024	
B 182	A	MERGER		1819			1819			HC				2045	
K 209	C	CRISPINO		1820			1820							2004	



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 409TH COBOMGP
 410TH COBOMGP
 416TH COBOMGP

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97TH COMBAT BOMB. WING
 A P O 140
 9 MAY 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 33-305

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (2) 98TH AND 99TH WINGS ARE ATTACKING TARGETS IN THE SAME GENERAL AREA AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME. RAF II GROUP WILL FURNISH SPIT-FIRE ESCORT FOR THE 98TH AND 99TH WINGS. NINTH FIGHTER COMMAND P-47'S WILL FURNISH ESCORT FOR THIS WING.
2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK NOBALL TARGETS IN FRANCE.

ZERO HOUR: 091830B

3. A. 409TH GROUP
 - (1) Z3096
 - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT BEACHY HEAD AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 30 MINUTES AT 12,000 FEET
 - (4) BASE TO BEACHY HEAD TO I.P. TO TARGET
 - (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. TO BEACHY HEAD TO BASE
 - (7) 5 MILES SOUTH OF BERCK-SUR-MER
 - (8) GENERALLY WEST TO EAST
 - (9) ILL. A/85/5 REF. 027038
 - (11) 5 MILES SOUTH OF BERCK-SUR-MER
- B. 410TH GROUP
 - (1) Z3073
 - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT HASTINGS AT ZERO HOUR AT 12,000 FEET.
 - (4) BASE TO HASTINGS TO I.P. TO TARGET
 - (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. TO HASTINGS TO BASE.
 - (7) BERCK-SUR-MER
 - (8) GENERALLY WEST TO EAST.
 - (9) ILL. A/55/1 REF. 020023
 - (11) BERCK-SUR-MER
- C. 416TH GROUP
 - (1) Z3097
 - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT HASTINGS AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 25 MIN AT 12,000 FEET
 - (4) BASE TO HASTINGS TO I.P. TO TARGET
 - (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. TO HASTINGS TO BASE
 - (7) BERCK-SUR-MER
 - (8) GENERALLY SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST
 - (9) ILL. A/99/3 REF. 035045
 - (11) BERCK-SUR-MER
- X. (1) TO (4) NO CHANGE
 - (5) THREE BOXES OF 14 A/C EACH GROUP
 - (6) BOMB 12,000 FEET CROSS ENEMY COAST OUT 11,000 FEET
 - (7) 4 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SECOND NOSE AND 1/100 SECOND TAIL

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP

(2) FEETACHE

(3) WAYMAN

(9) 95/95

(10) 188/188

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP

(2) ENCOT

(3) ANKLE

(9) 94/94

(10) 187/187

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP

(2) DIGUP

(3) CHOPPER

(9) 93/93

(10) 186/186

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

(2) WEST MALLING D/D

(3) NO CHANGE

(10) ABVT

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

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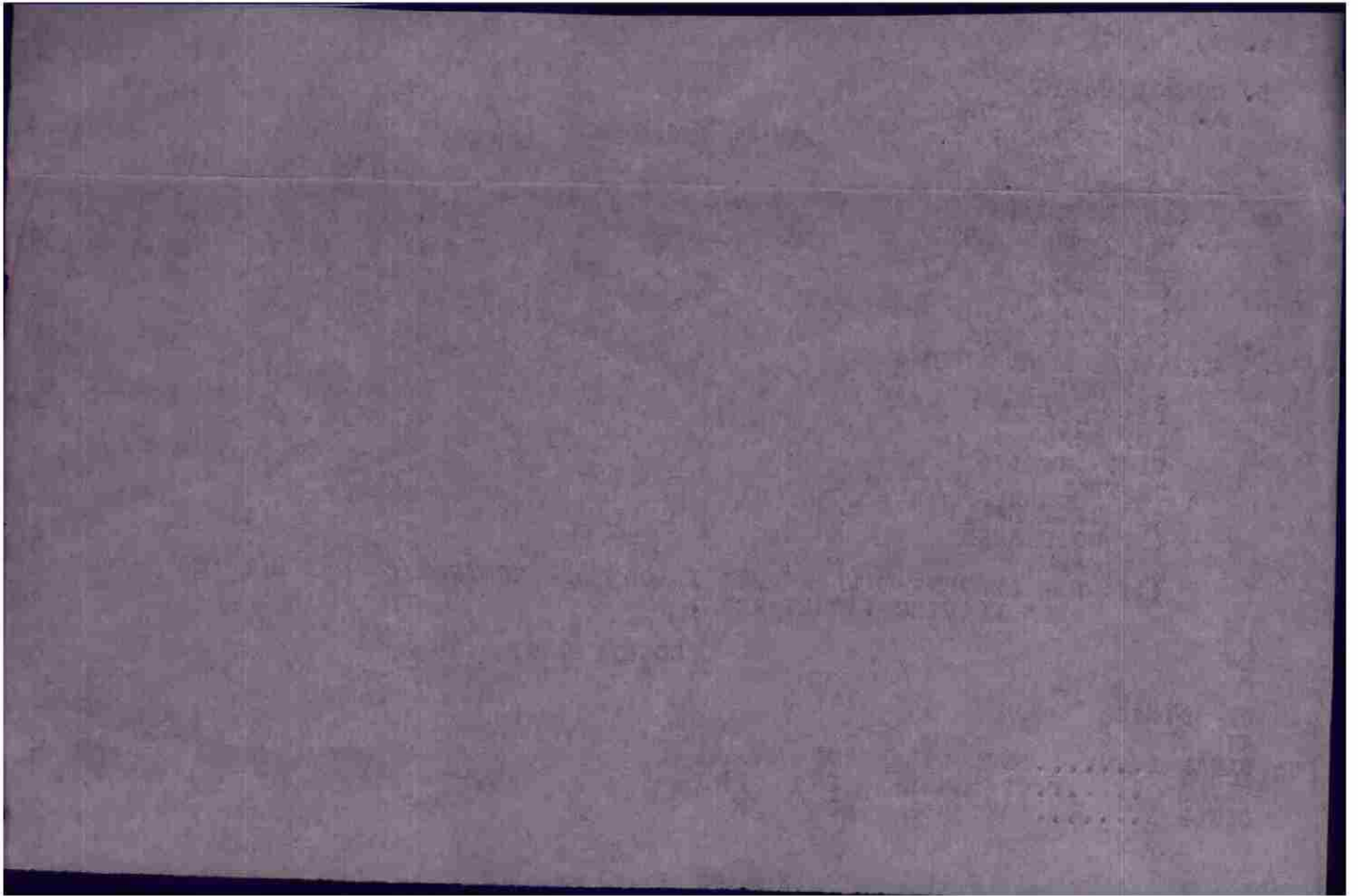
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB. WING 09/1600B

TO 409TH COBOMGP

410TH COBOMGP

416TH COBOMGP

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT

SECRET SENT IN CLEAR AUTH. MAJOR CLARENCE S. TOWLES JR.

97TH COMBAT BOMB. WING

A P O 140

9 MAY 1944

ANNEX NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER 33-305

CHANGE PARA 3 X (7) TO READ 1/40 SECOND TAIL

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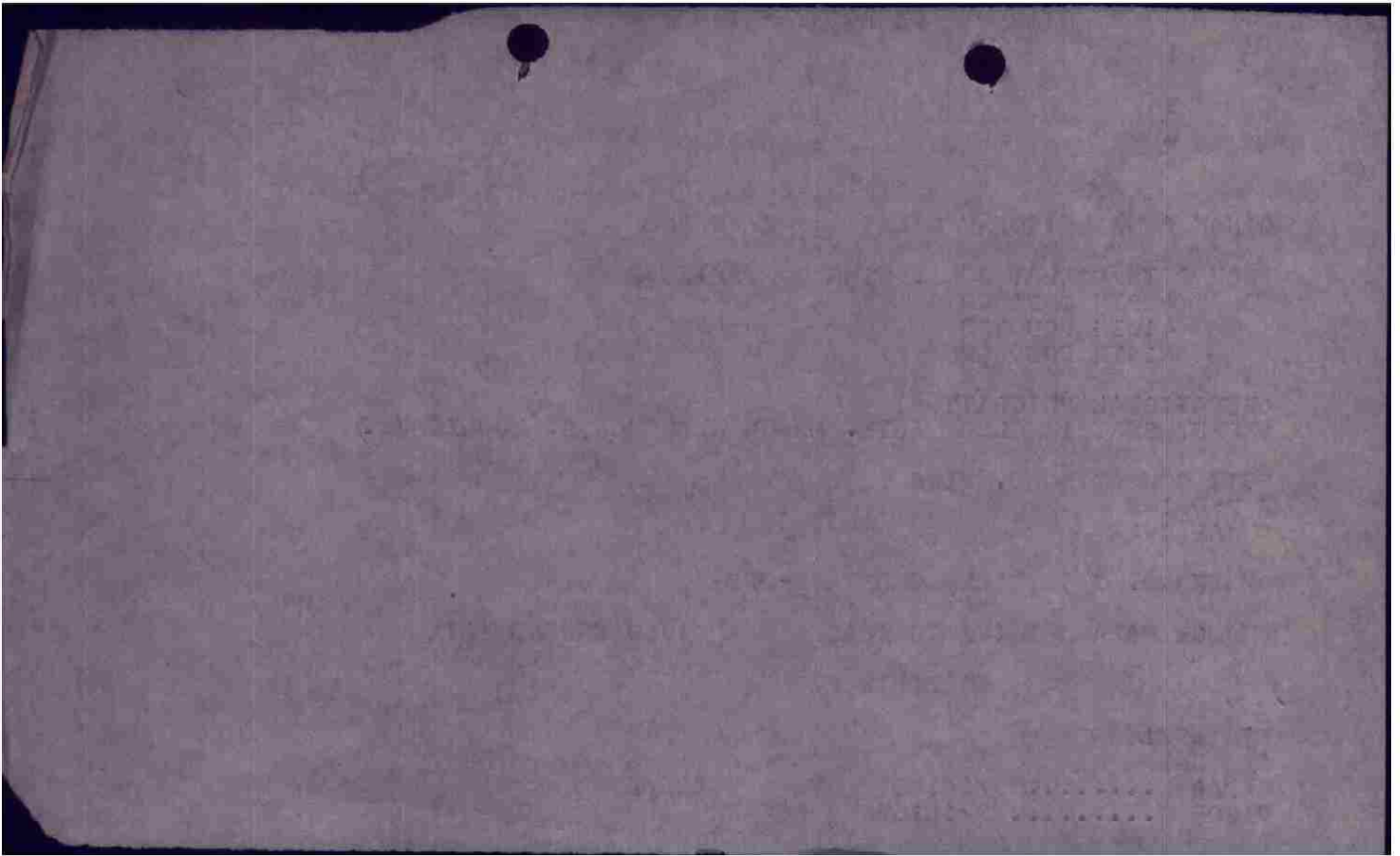
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LAI V YAA YAA 16/9
 FROM: COBOMGR 416 09/2145
 TO: COBOMCOBATWG 97
 CONFIDENTIAL BT

A - YS - 40

B - 9 MAY 1944 (1829--1954)

C - 668 (11) Z M N-1 D-1 E-1 G L P-1 I-1 S B
 669 (12) T G V J-1 I P W N R O A C
 670 (10) J G-1 F A B D N R K
 671 (9) I X V P D F C K E
 TOTAL - 42

D - 670-B-TUNNEL INTERPHONE OUT, FAULTY SWITCH

E - NONE

F - NOT APPLICABLE

G - NOT APPLICABLE

H - NOT APPLICABLE

I - NONE

J - BOX LEADERS USED FOR LANDING AND FLIGHT INSTRUCTIONS.

K - NONE

L - 670-J REPORTED TO BOMCOM AFTER LEAVING TARGET AREA.
 668-Z REPORTED TO BOMCOM AFTER LEAVING TARGET AREA.
 671-I REPORTED TO BOMCOM THAT BOX DIDN'T DROP BOMBS.

M - NONE

N - NOT APPLICABLE

O - RADIO PERFORMANCE EXCELLENT, BUT INTERFERENCE CONTINUES ON CHANNEL A

XMGXXX MACE COBOMGR 416

BT 09/2145B

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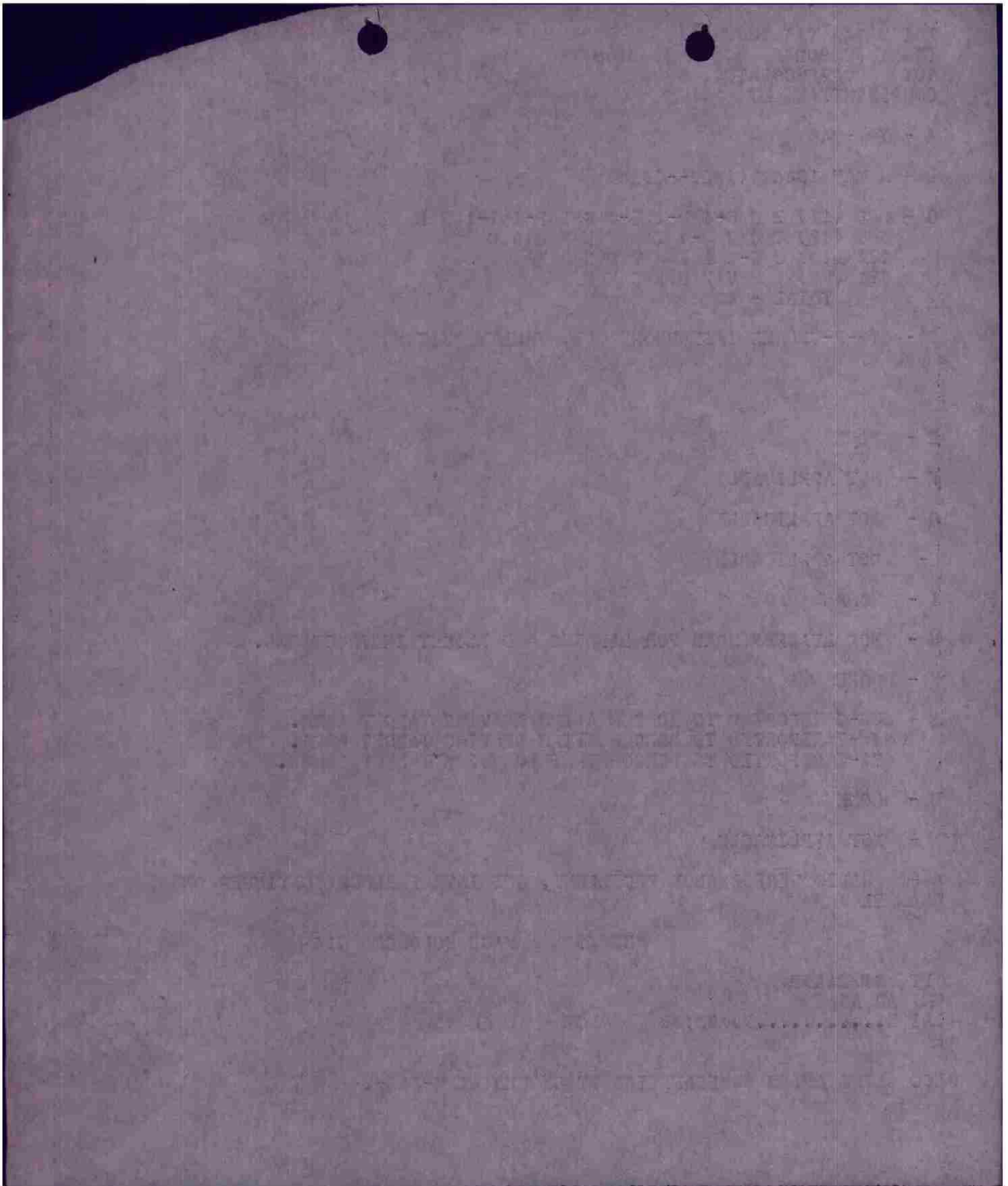
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CCC LINE AFTER CONFIDENTIAL BT SHOULD BE M-342-J T B



OICOG OILAI V YAA YAA 16/09 OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 092200B

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

CONFIDENTIAL BT

M344D OPFLASH NO. 36 FOR 9 MA Y 194

- A. (I) BOIS D'ENFER-NOBALL
(II) BOIS D'ENFER
- B. (I) 416TH BG
(II) 42 A-20'S
(III) 14 A/C THIRD BOX. HAZE PREVENTED TARGET RECOGNITION.
1 A/C DUE TO BOMBAY DOOR MALFUNCTION.
(IV) 27 A/C ON PRIMARY
- C. (I) 1309
(II) 1917
(III) 2025
- D. (I) 7 A/C DAMAGED BY FLAK. CATEGORY "A"
FIVE IN THIRD BOX, ONE IN SECOND, ONE IN FIRST.
(II) 0-0-0
(III) 0-0-0
- E. GOOD CONCENTRATION IN TARGET AREA BY FISXXX FIRST AND SECOND BOXES. THIRD BOX DID NOT BOMB.
- F. (I) (A) NIL
(B) NIL
(II) (A) WEAK FAIRLY ACCURATE HKTZIR HFF ON TURN OFF TARGET.
(B) WEAK INACCURATE FXXX HFF FROM FRUGES-MONTREUIL-
POINTE HAUT BLANC AREA.
- G. TRENCHES IN WOODS BEHIND BERCK-SUR-MER. ROWS OF
BARRACKS 10 MILES SOUTH OF LUMBRES. 50 TO 100 CIRCULAR
CONSTRUCTION TO SOUTH OF POINTE HAUT BLANC. WERE NOT CRATERS
AND CAST NO SHADOWS. LARGE TRUCK CONVOY AT 50 DEG 35' N 02 EG
05' E.
40 CAR FREIGHT TRAIN WITH TWO ENGINES HEADED NORTH FROM RUE
TO ETAPLES.
- H. (I) HAZE OBSCURED TARGET AREA.
(II) HAZE TO 10,000 FEET. VISIBILITY DOWN SU N 8 TO 10 MILES
VISIBILITY UP SUN 4 TO 5 MILES.
- I. 106 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY
61 X 500 GP RETURNED
1 X 500 GP FELL IN CHANNET ON BOMB BAY CHECK
- J. FIRST BOX 12,000 FEET
SECOND BOX 11,500
THIRD BOX 12,500 FEET

BT 092200B

AS CC UNDER I. WA FELL IN CHANNEL

EJ AR K

OICOG R.....09/0

OICOG R.....09/2234B BCD AR

OILAIR 4.R.....09/2234B

LCB AR