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

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8 July 1944
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AFG 140, U. S. Army.
8 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal of A-3 Bombing Information Reports.

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

Transmitted herewith are the A-3 Bombing Information Reports on operational mission 8 July 1944.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHENKEL,
Captain, Air Corps.
Adjutant.

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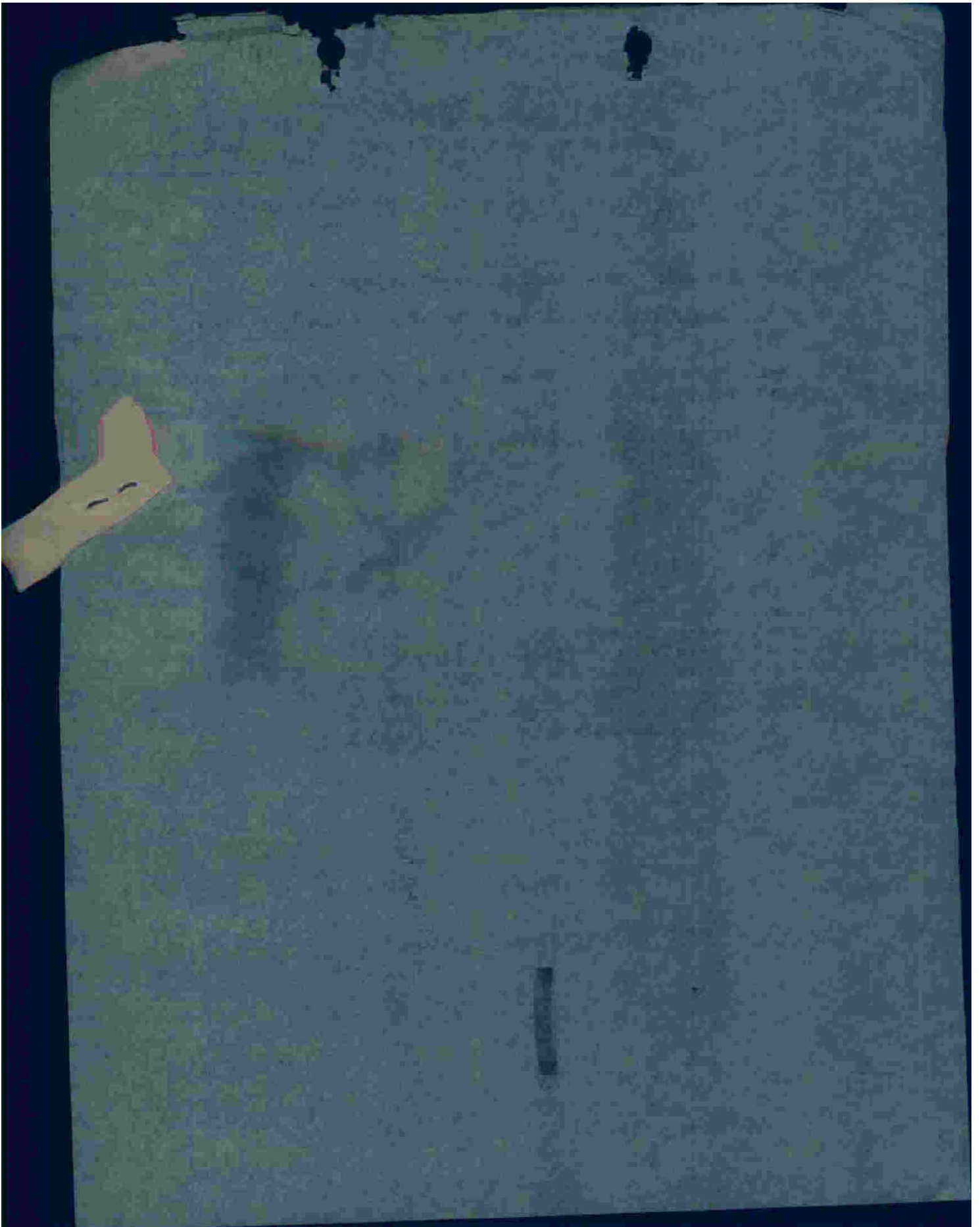
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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 435BOX 1 GROUP 416 DATE 8 July 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Same1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set syn.2. Bombing approach: 250° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO 4. Did entire (box) (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES NO

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used: Pre-set with corrections. NPI used as AP.

5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. Fox6. Name of lead Pilot: Lt. Osborne7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 220 Altitude: 12,5009. Length of bomb run: 60 - 80 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED 1/10 N 1/300 T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 24

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.

(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IF 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: None

(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

* 3 a/c bomb load 6 x 500 lb GP

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(Over)

Formation consisted of 2 boxes, 15 ships each box, preceded by 9 ships dispensing bombs only. Time of take-off was 0545. Time over target 0720 - 0721. Target - Guam. A total of 181 bombs were dropped in the target area with the following results: box 1, flight 1 excellent, box 1, flight 2, good, box 1, flight 3 fair, box 2, flight 1 excellent, box 2, flight 2, excellent, box 2, flight 3 fair. Visibility was 6 to 8 miles in slight haze with 3/10 cover over target at 8000 feet. Heavy moderate to intense inaccurate flak was experienced over target area, 5 ships receiving category A damage and 1 ship receiving category AB damage. No enemy aircraft encountered. Flares landed at 0843.

Description of route from IP to target:

1. 6 to 8 miles in slight haze.
2. 3/10 cover over target at 8000 feet.
3. 2 boxes, 15 ships each, bombing in flights of 6.
4. Very mild from IP.
5. Some itself only identification feature.
6. None.
7. Excellent, good, fair, excellent, excellent, fair.
8. None.

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 215BOX 2 GROUP 416 DATE 2 July 1944 TARGET ATTACKED None

Flight 2

1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set gun.2. Bombing approach: 240° mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO x 4. Did entire (box) (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES x NO

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used: Pre-set with corrections. RT used as AP.

5. Name of lead Bombardier: LT. Baiting6. Name of lead Pilot: Captain Jackson7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 220 Altitude: 12,7009. Length of bomb run: 50 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED 1/30 N 1/100 T11. Total Bombs Dropped:

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 x . If "YES" state conditions and effect.

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

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

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

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: None

(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:
Bombs went away with hairs on target but gun was not level and plane was in slight bank.

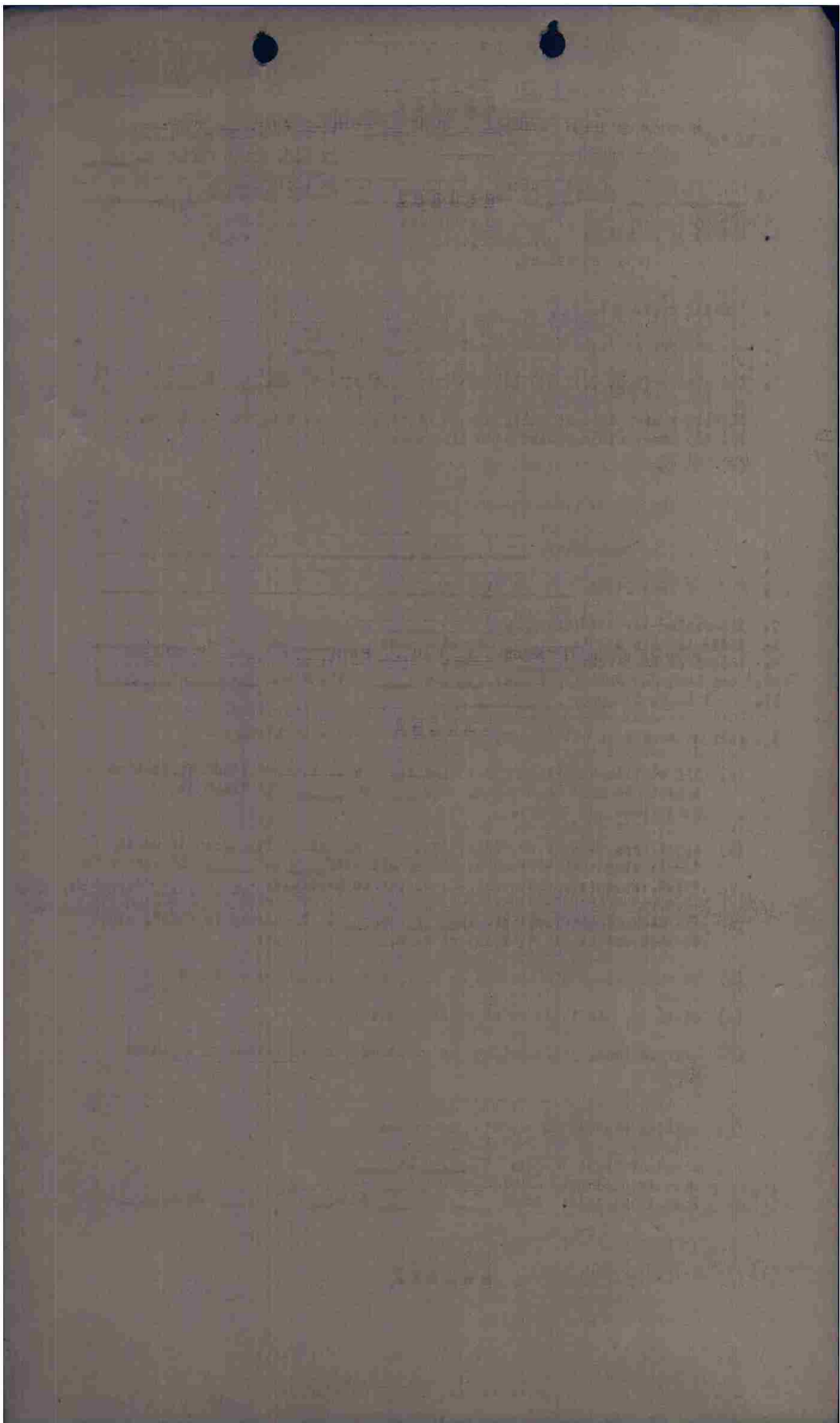
(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES x NO

Results claimed: EXCEL GOOD x FAIR POOR GROSS

* 4 a/c bomb load 4 x 500 lb GP

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 135BOX 1 GROUP 136 DATE 8 July 44 TARGET ATTACKED Yes1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set syn.2. Bombing approach: 210° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO 4. Did entire (box) (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES NO

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used: Pre-set with corrections. HFI used as AP.

5. Name of lead Bombardier: 1st. Captain6. Name of lead Pilot: Captain Hall7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 220 Altitude: 10,0009. 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: 24

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.

(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: Smoke obscured target and a/c

was headed in general direction of target until last minute when target area was picked up -
 no time (a) Did flight affect bombing. YES NO . If answer is "YES", state to what extent did "lak affect bombing or bomb run:

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

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: None

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

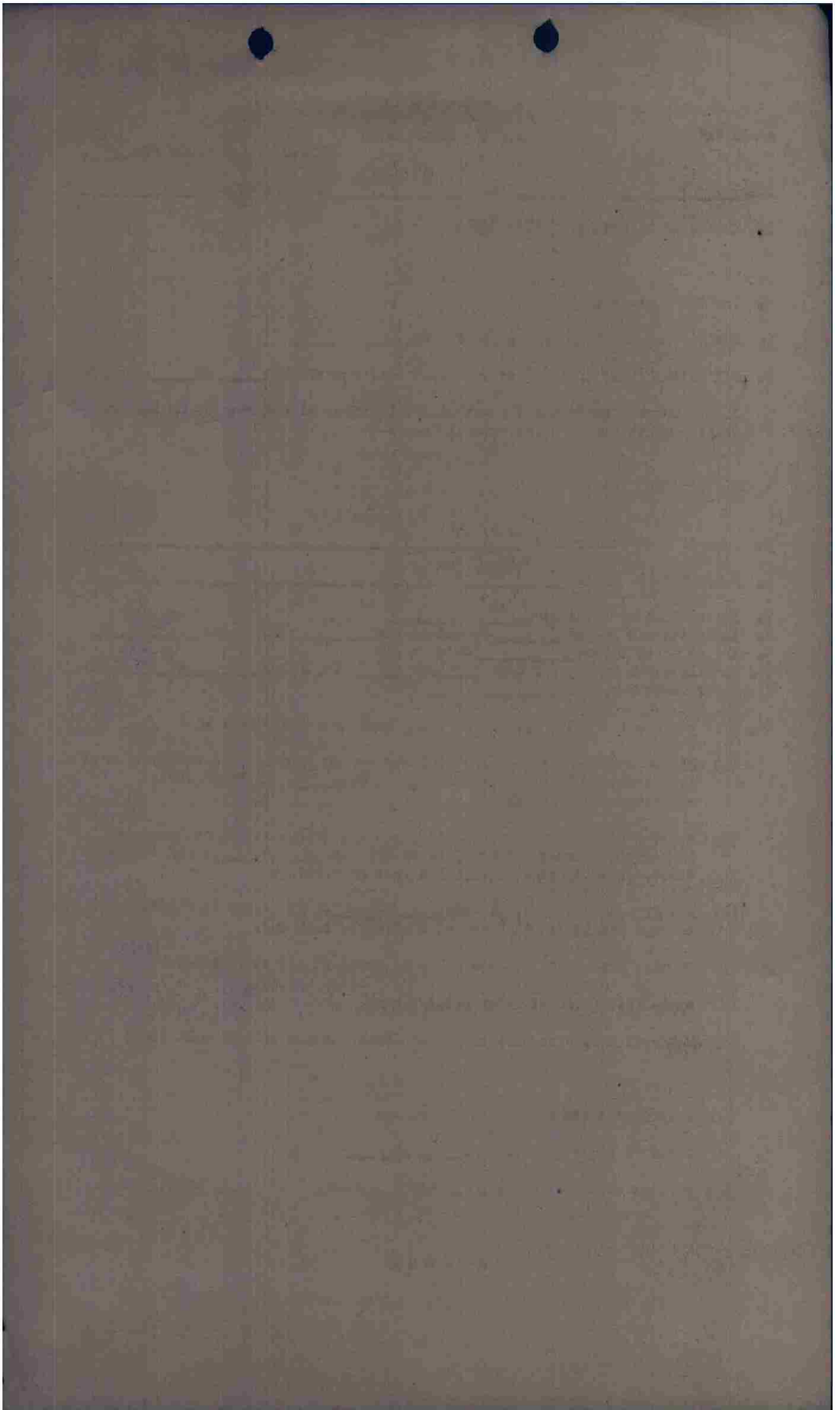
(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES NO

Results claimed: EXCEL GOOD FAIR POOR GROSS

* 3 a/c bomb load 6 x 500 lb or

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. A15BOX 2 GROUP 614 DATE 8 July 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Chen

Flight 1

1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set wgn.2. Bombing approach: 235° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO X4. Did entire (box) (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used: Pre-set with corrections.5. Name of lead Bombardier: 1st. Bond6. Name of lead Pilot: Major Price7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 195 Ground Speed: 220 Altitude: 10,0009. Length of bomb run: 100 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED 1/10 N 1/100 T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 20

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

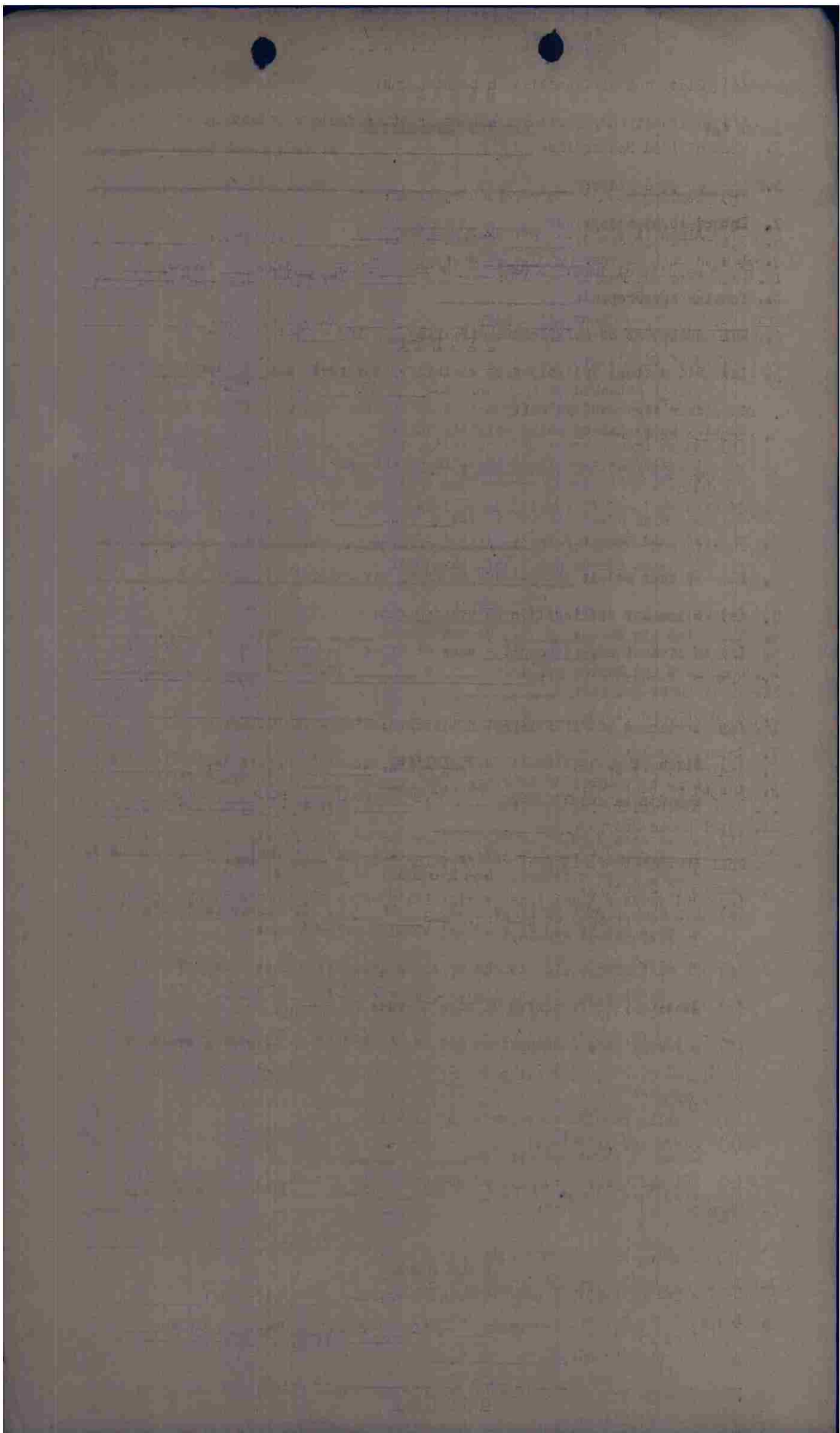
(a) Did weather conditions or visibility adversely affect identification of target attacked or bombing. YES NO X. If "YES" state conditions and effect.(b) Apart from weather or visibility, was any difficulty encountered in identifying target attacked, IP or AP? YES NO X. If answer is "YES", state circumstances and effect on bombing:(c) Did Flak affect bombing? YES NO X. If answer is "YES", state to what extent did flak affect bombing or bomb run:(d) To what extent did attacks by enemy aircraft affect bombing? None(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: Smoke obscured AP last 45 seconds of run - had to estimate AP by road and hedge running into target.(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing: None

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO Results claimed: EXCEL X GOOD FAIR POOR GROSS

* 4 a/c bomb load 6 x 500 lb GP.

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 416BOX 2 GROUP 416 DATE 8 July 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Seen
Flight 21. Method of Sighting: Pre-set syn.2. Bombing approach: 245° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO X4. Did entire (box) (flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used: Pre-set with corrections. IPI used as AP.

5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. Barnett6. Name of lead Pilot: Lt. Cole7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 220 Altitude: 12,0009. Length of bomb run: 75 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED 1/10 N 1/100T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 20

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 X. If "YES" state conditions and effect.

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

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

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

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: None

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

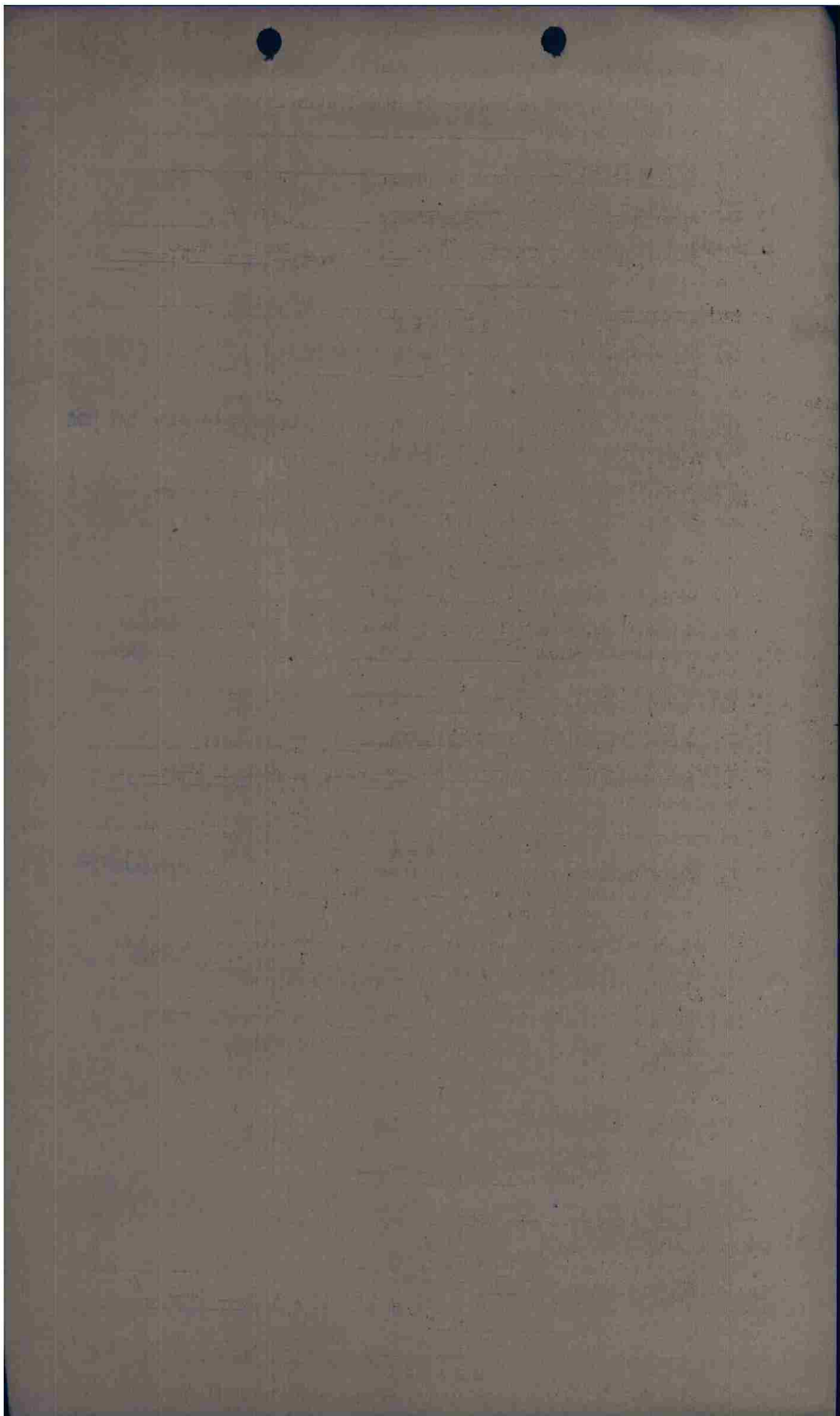
(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES X NO

Results claimed: EXCEL X GOOD FAIR POOR GROSS

* 3 a/c bomb load 6 x 500 lb GP's.

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 435BOX 2 GROUP 416 DATE 8 July 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Good

Flight 3

1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set syn.2. Bombing approach: 245° Mag.3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO X4. Did entire (box) (Flight) drop on lead bombardier? YES X NO

In either case explain fully method of sighting and dropping of bombs, and specify exact aiming point actually used: Pre-set with corrections, MFI used as AP.

5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. Bock6. Name of lead Pilot: Lt. Harvolf7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 220 Altitude: 10,0009. Length of bomb run: 90 Sec: 10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED 1/10 N 1/100 T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 20

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 X. If "YES" state conditions and effect.

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

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

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

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run: None

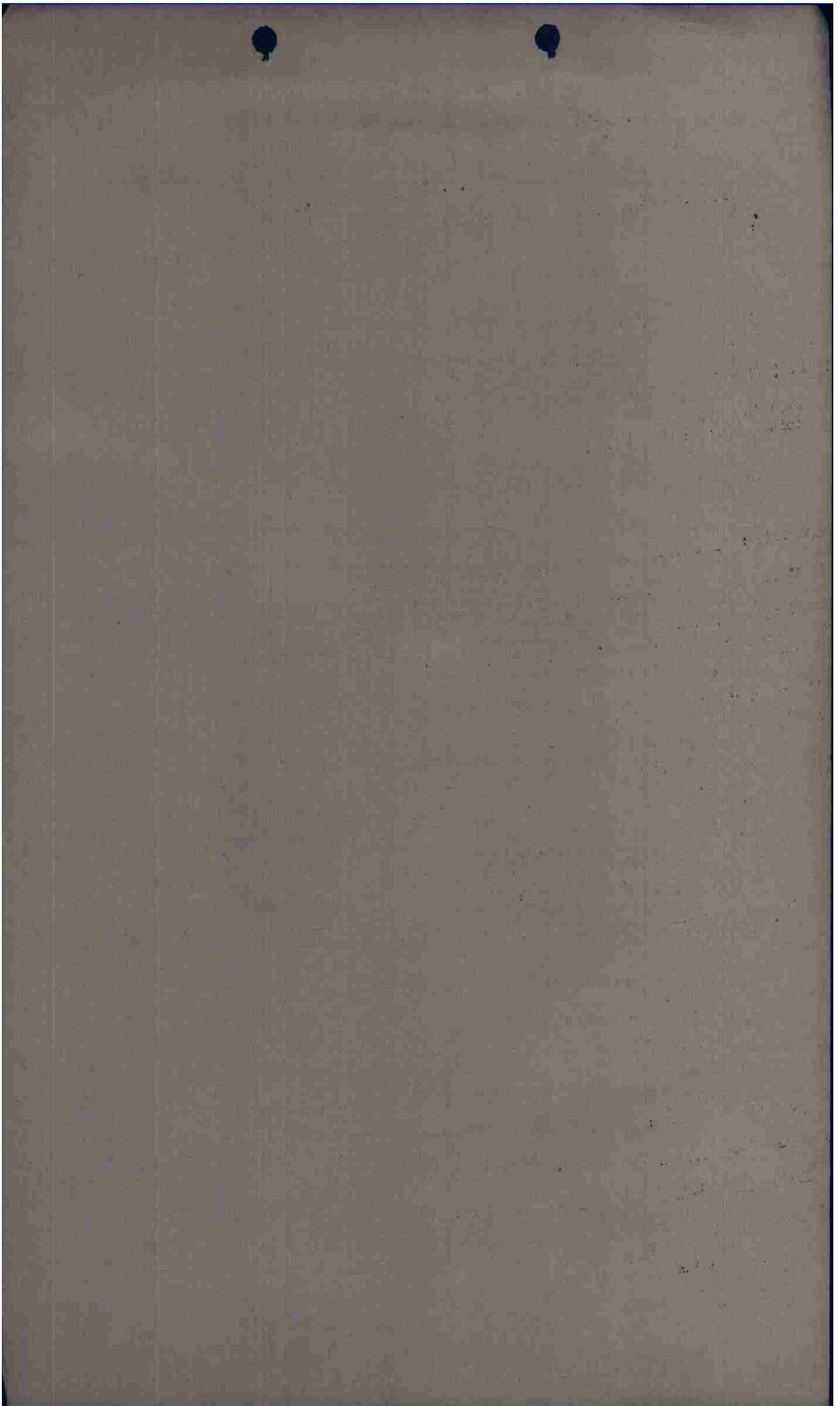
(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing: None

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

Aimed at right Target: YES NO X (target of opportunity)

Results claimed: EXCEL GOOD FAIR X POOR GROSS

* 3 a/c bomb load 6 x 500 lb GP. S E C R E T



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LOADING LIST
BOX I
FLIGHT I

8 JULY 1944

1. 640 Z
Lt. Al E. Osborne ✓
Lt. W. Forma ✓
S/S W.E. Kelly
S/S W.H. Coe

4. 689 I
Lt. G. Ebenstein ✓
Sgt S.P. Newell
Sgt R.E. Wright

2. 210 Q
Lt. R.V. Miracle ✓ *w/r*
Sgt C. Fetko
Sgt D.M. Brown

5. 387 H
Lt. J.K. Colquitt ✓
Sgt S.H. Giesy
Sgt F.E. Cherry

3. 935 F
Lt. R.D. Leshner ✓ *w/r*
S/S J.C. McCreery
S/S H.J. Sylva

6. 176 T
Lt. L.G. Peede ✓ *w/r*
S/S C.L. Hibbs
S/S L.M. Daugherty

FLIGHT II

1. 467 W
Capt. C.R. Jackson ✓
Lt. A.H. Maltby ✓ *w/r*
Sgt D.E. Burns
Sgt W.J. Daniel

4. 211 O
Lt. W.J. Greene ✓
S/S J.A. Ochaba *w/r*
S/S W.F. Colbert

2. 209 K
Lt. R.B. Hall ✓
Sgt D.S. Blackford
Sgt L.D. Burger

5. 759 G-1
Lt. A.W. Nordstrom ✓ *w/r*
Sgt S.R. Zaklikiewicz
Sgt J.L. Johnson

3. 978 S
Lt. E.L. Johnson ✓ *w/r*
S/S W.J. Donahue
S/S M.R. Brayn

6. 680 R
Lt. C.R. Galkins ✓
S/S H.E. White
S/S R.F. Addleman

FLIGHT III

1. 135 T-1
Capt. M.J. Huff ✓ *w/r*
Lt. J. Kupits ✓
Sgt R.A. Clark
Sgt F.P. Basford

4. 961 E
Lt. R.L. Behlmer ✓ *w/r*
T/S W.J. Kelly
S/S W.G. Ferguson

2. 376 O-1 ✓
Lt. E.J. Renth
S/S O.D. LaNave
Pvt. L. Moskowitz

5. 189 P
Lt. W.L. Penttila
Sgt J.D. Dugan
Sgt L.B. Curtis

3. 929 C
Major J.G. Napier ✓ *w/r*
S/S C. Vafiadis
S/S R.C. Hoffman

6. 717 N
Lt. A.J. Vlegghels ✓
S/S R.W. Rice
S/S C.E. Young

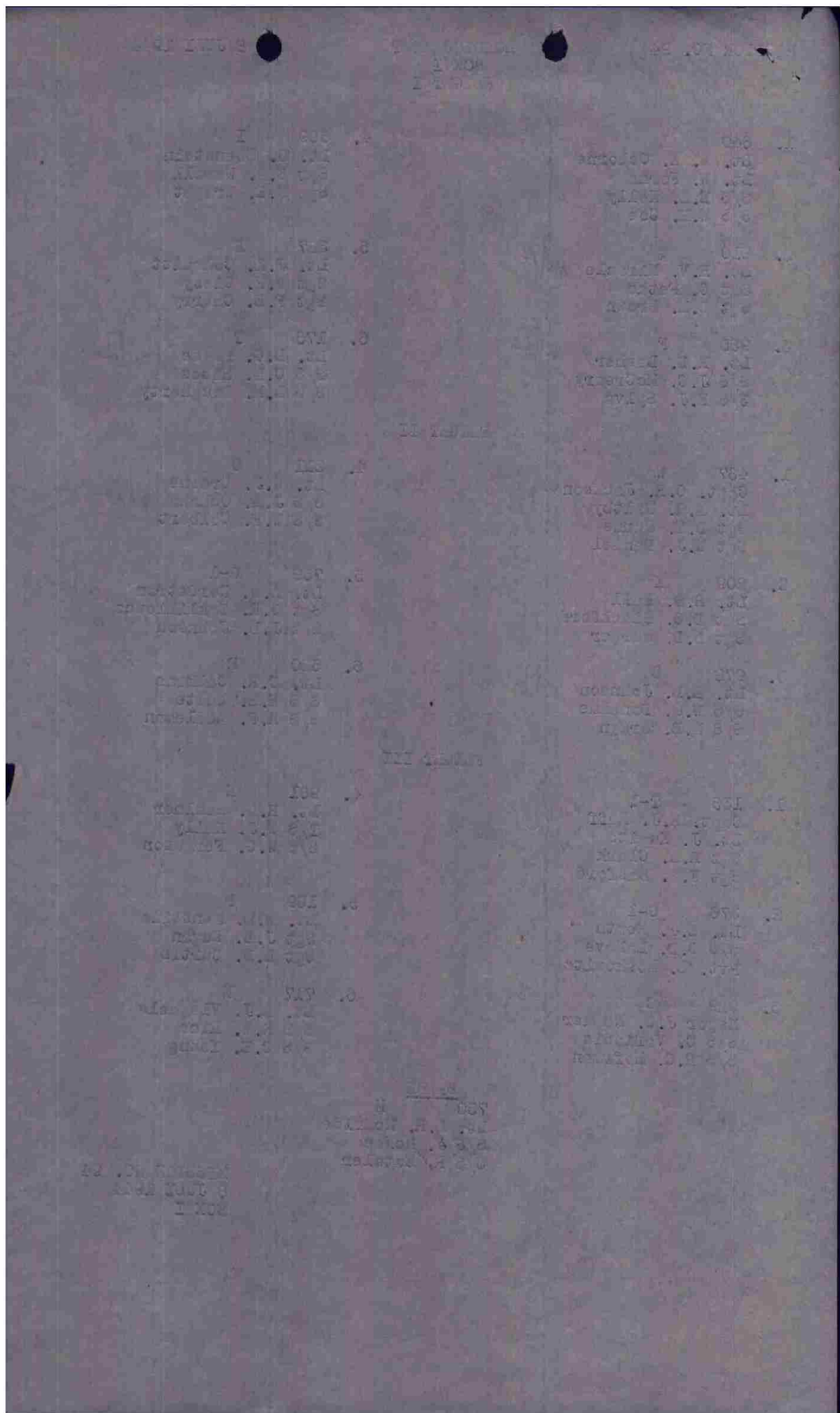
SPARE

750 M
Lt. J.R. McBride
S/S P. McKee
S/S R. Eutsler

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LOADING LIST
BOX II
FLIGHT I

8 JULY 1944

1. 444 J
Major R F Price ✓
Lt A R Hand ✓
T/S L G Robbins
S/S D H Simpson

2. 226 E
Lt R G Meredith
S/S R W MacDonald
Sgt S G Novak

3. 819 K
Lt C C Mish
S/S C J Clark
S/S R F Chustz

4. 764 X
Lt L E Hill
S/S C H Yes t
S/S R W Burch

5. 195 D
Lt R R Svenson
S/S P G Fild
S/S G H Pfenning

6. 975 W
Lt F W Harris
S/S D Hantske
S/S C F Love

FLIGHT II

1. 1724 A
Lt H P Cole
Lt R J Bassett
S/S F R Chvatal
S/S B G Fandre

2. 165 H
Lt H F Pair
S/S W C Russell
T/S J R L Tanner

3. 714 N
Lt F W Henderson
S/S R M Griswold
S/S P E Coulombe

4. 493 V
Lt R H Smith
S/S R J Mahoney
S/S J O Young

5. 363 L
Lt C L Estes
S/S C R Orvold
S/S A E DiMartino

6. 951 Q
Lt W H Ames
Sgt H S Fessler
Sgt R J Brown

FLIGHT III

1. 1711 S
Lt L A Marzolf
Lt J T Beck
S/S H E Wellin
S/S L G Kutzer

2. 220 E-1
Lt J H Miller
S/S R G Schrom
S/S J Galender

3. 219 D-1
Lt R C Morehouse
S/S A J Burgess
S/S L A Zygiel

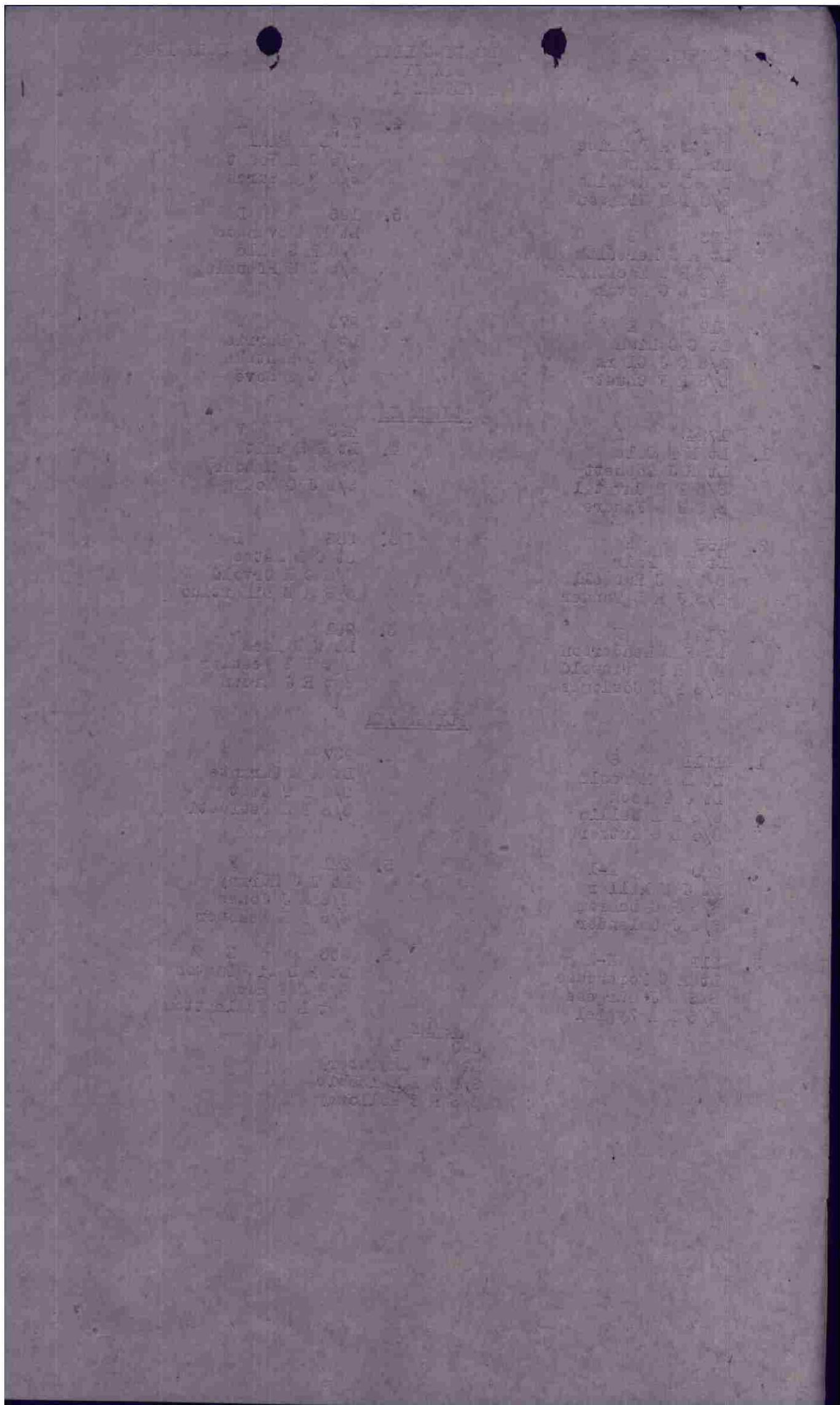
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Lt A R Durante
S/S H T Best
S/S I R DeGiusti

5. 221 F
Lt T J Murray
S/S R J Jones
S/S D H DeBower

6. 956 Z
Lt D L Withington
S/S C F Huss
Sgt L D McElhatten

SPARE

390 L
Lt N V Shainberg
S/S E M
S/S R C Holloway



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WINDOW FLIGHT
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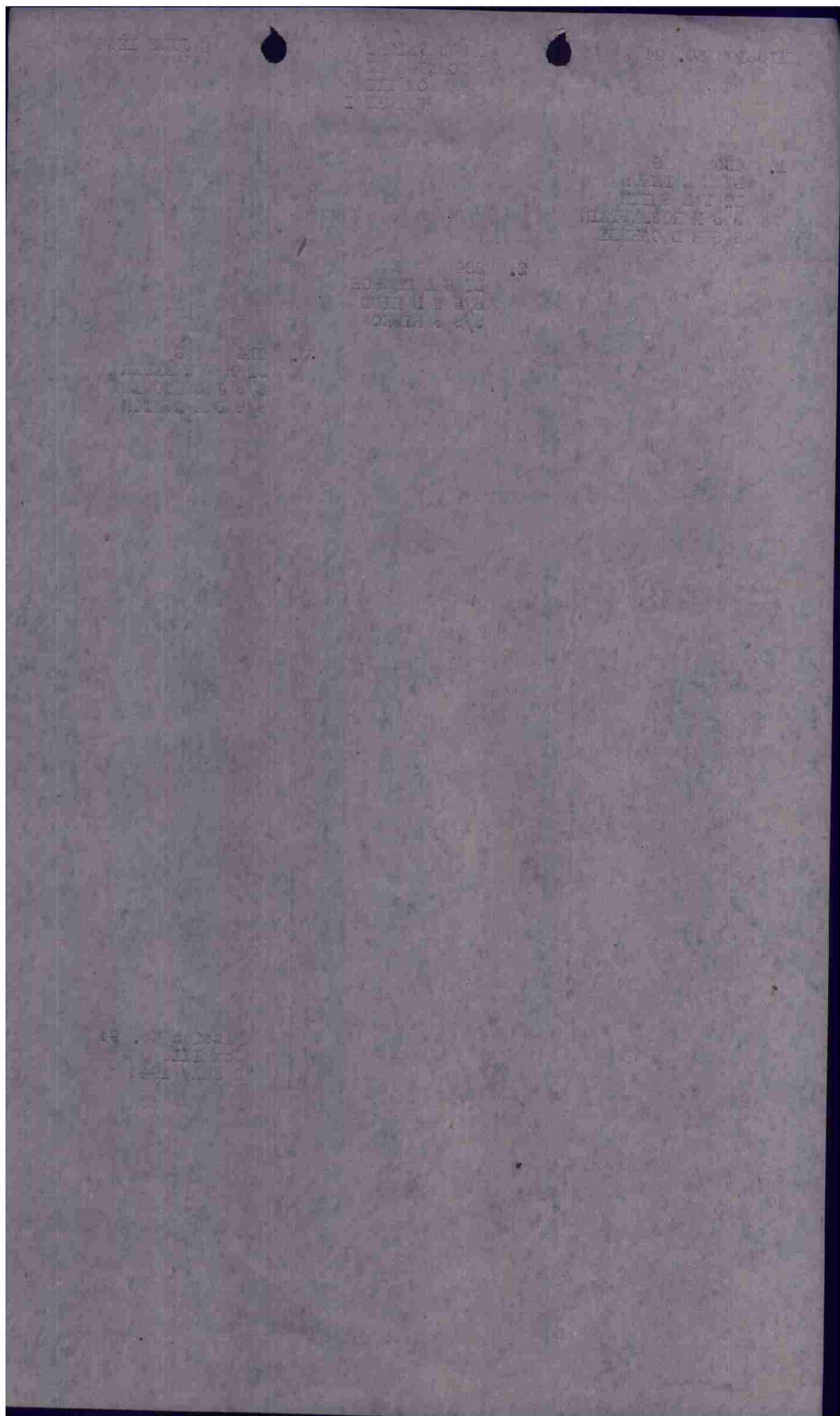
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1. 450 S
LT E E DEMUN ✓
LT W L SMITH ✓
S/S M ROSENSTEIN
S/S H L CARNEY

2. 224 E
LT H A MONROE ✓
S/S W L KIDD
S/S S RISKO

3. 214 C
LT R V WHEELER ✓
S/S J S BROWER
S/S L A ASHTON

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FROM: XKS 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : IX BOMBER COMMAND
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PREPARED BY MAJOR HAROLD A RADETSKY

A.

B. 0643

C. WORTHING

D. BOX I R/T QUENTIN ONE

668 . . . 4 . . . Z Q F T

670 . . . 8 . . . I H W K S O G-1 R

669 . . . 6 . . . T-1 O-1 C E P N

670 . . . 1 . . . (SPARE) M

GROUP LEADER . . . 668 . . . Z

DEPUTY 670 . . . C

BOX II R/T QUENTIN TWO

668 . . . 6 . . . J E K X D W

671 . . . 12 . . . A H N V L P S E-1 D-1 B F Z

669 . . . 1 . . . (SPARE) G

SECOND BOX LEADER . . . 668 . . . J

DEPUTY 671 . . . A

BOX III R/T QUENTIN THREE

669 1 . . . S

670 1 . . . E

671 1 . . . C

THIRD BOX LEADER . . . 669 . . . S

E. 12,500

F. CABOURG

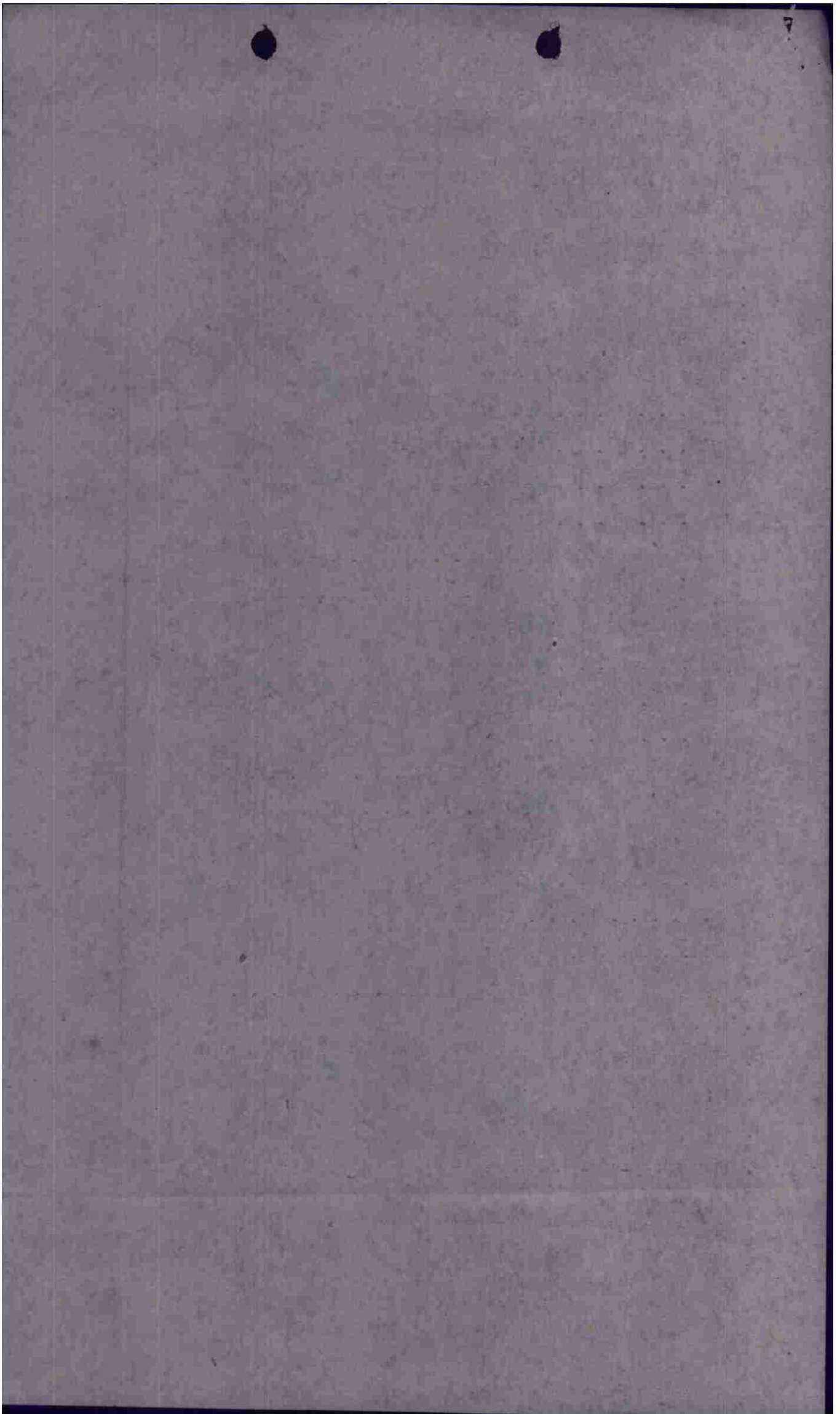
G. 0714

H. 11

J. CARCUELLES-SUR-MER

K. SELSEY BILL

L. 0746



M. 1. XXXX T/O . . . 0548 . . . SET COURSE . . 0608 . . E.T.A. . 0815

2. XXXX 4 AND 6 X 500 GP

3. 4 HOURS

4. BOX I } . { 4901/W/65
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BOX II } . { 4901/W/60

5. NONE

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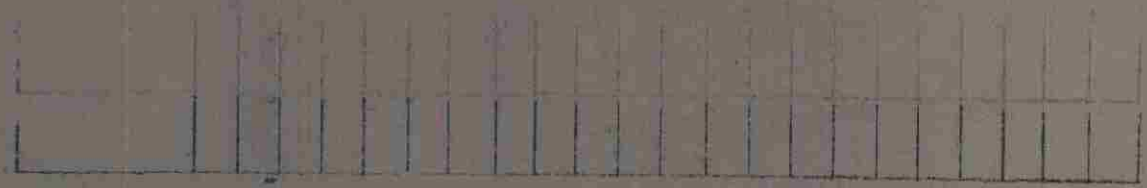
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1ST LT, AC,
OPNS STAT O.

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A	Z	640	Shorne			0548										0819	
A	Q	710	Nixie			0548										0820	
A	F	935	Leshner			0548										0820	
C	I	689	Evensstein			0548										0820	
C	H	387	Colquhitt			0549	0549									0821	
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C	W	467	Jackson			0549										0820	
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B	0-1	376	Penh			0551										0823	
B	C	929	Napier			0551										0826	
B	E	961	Behlmer			0551										0827	
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first bank to bridge - no data





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HEADQUARTERS
SIXTH BOMB GROUP (L)
OFFICE OF THE WEATHER OFFICERAPO 140
8 July 1944

SUBJECT: Interruption Report

TO : Staff Weather Officer, Headquarters IX
Bomber Command, APO 140, U. S. Army.BASE AT TAKEOFF: 8/10 stratocumulus at 5,000 feet. 5/10
altocumulus and altostratus at 10,000 feet.
Visibility 6 miles.ROUTE OUT: 9/10 cloud over southern England at 5,000 feet
breaking to 5/10 over continent. Visibility
8 miles over England and channel decreasing to
6 miles over continent.TARGET: 3/10 cloud with tops at 10,000 feet, bases
unknown. Visibility 6 miles, clear to south of target.

ROUTE BACK: Same as route out.

BASE ON RETURN: Trace of cirrus above 20,000 feet. Visibility
6 miles.

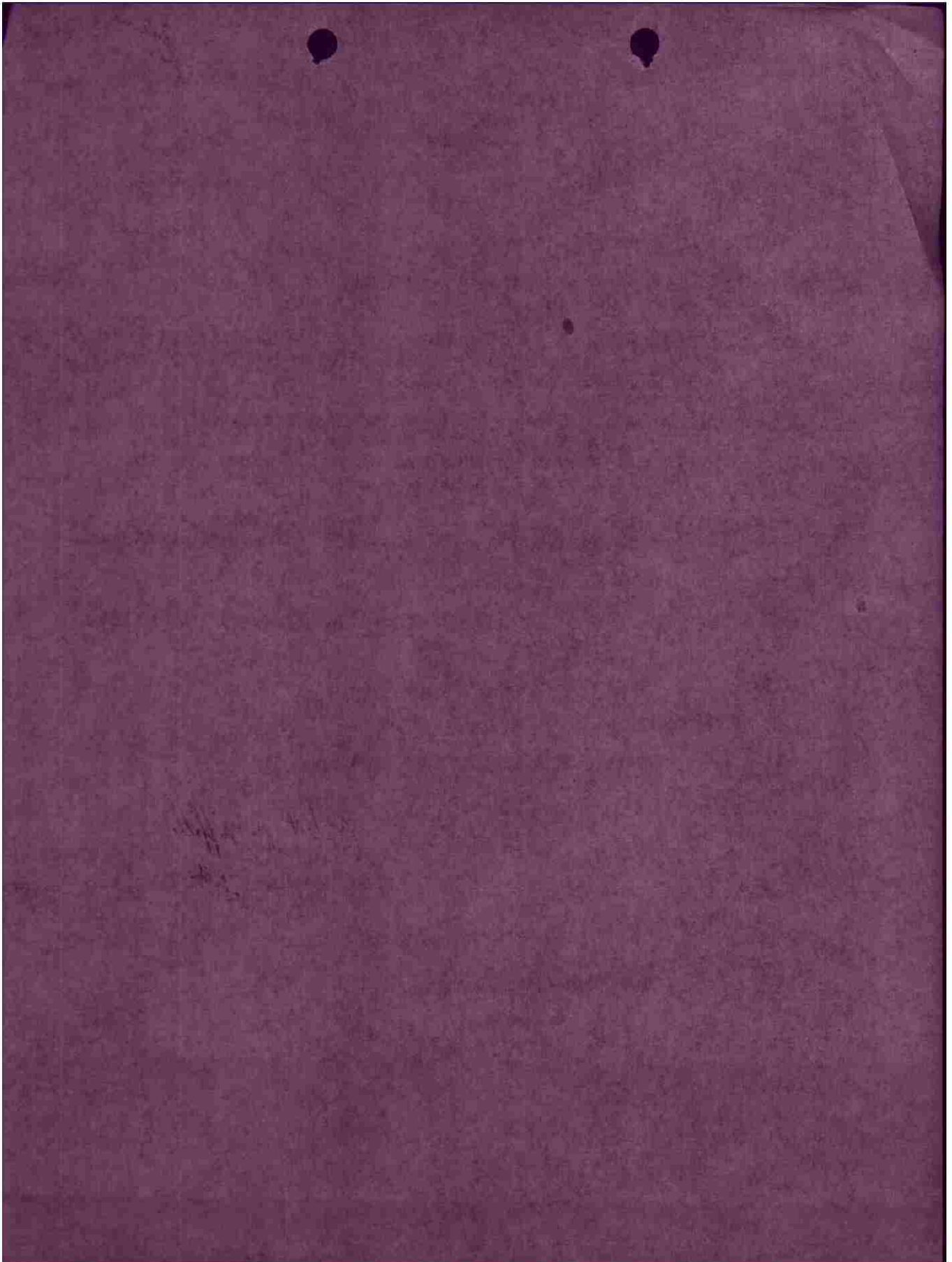
WINDS: As forecast.

TIME OVER TARGET: 0720

Weather did not affect bombing.

*Robert D. Griffith*ROBERT D. GRIFFITH
2nd Lt., Air Corps.1 Incl
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OPERATIONAL ROUTE FORECAST

WEATHER FIELD
416TH BOMB GRP(A)

TARGET - 0545
RETURN - 0815

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DATE 8 JULY 1944
PERIOD 0500 - 1100

Hq SOS USAFP 9-43/90M/15027

	A BASE TO TARGET	B TARGET	C TARGET TO BASE	D
1 WEATHER	PARTLY CLOUDY	PARTLY CLOUDY	PARTLY CLOUDY	
2 CLOUDS	4-6/10 CUMULUS AND STRATOCUMULUS BASE 2,000 TO 3,000 FT TOPS 8,000 FT SCATTERED SHEPHERD CLOUD BEARING 6-8/10 STRATOCUMULUS OF ALONG SOUTH COAST OF ENGLAND 3-5/10 MEDIUM CLOUD AT 6-8,000 FT 4-6/10 CIRRUS ABOVE 20,000 FT.	NIL TO 3/10 CUMULUS BASE 2,000 FT TOPS 8,000 FT. SMALL AMOUNTS OF MEDIUM CLOUD AT 8,000 FT 4-6/10 CIRRUS OVER 20,000 FT.	SIMILAR TO ROUTE OUT EXCEPT CUMULUS BEARING 6-8/10 BASE 2,000 FT TOPS 10,000 FT	
3 ICING	HIGH IN SNOW CLOUD	SAME	SAME	
4 VISIBILITY	6 MILES PLUS	6 MILES PLUS	6 MILES PLUS	
HEIGHT	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY	DIRECTION VELOCITY
SURFACE	160 10			
5,000 FT	160 49			
10,000 FT	170 35			
12,000 FT	180 39			
16,000 FT	170 48			
FT			CONFIDENTIAL	
FT				
BASE ALTIMETER SETTING <u>29.83</u>	TARGET SURFACE TEMP <u>10°C</u>	TARGET MEAN TEMP <u>+3</u>		
	TEMP. AT <u>12,000</u> FT. <u>-7°C</u>	TARGET SURFACE (PRESSURE-ALT) <u>+3.8</u>		

AIRCRAFT REPORT

TIME		BASE TO COAST	OVER CHANNEL OR SEA	OVER CONTINENT & TARGET
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.		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 —		

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!

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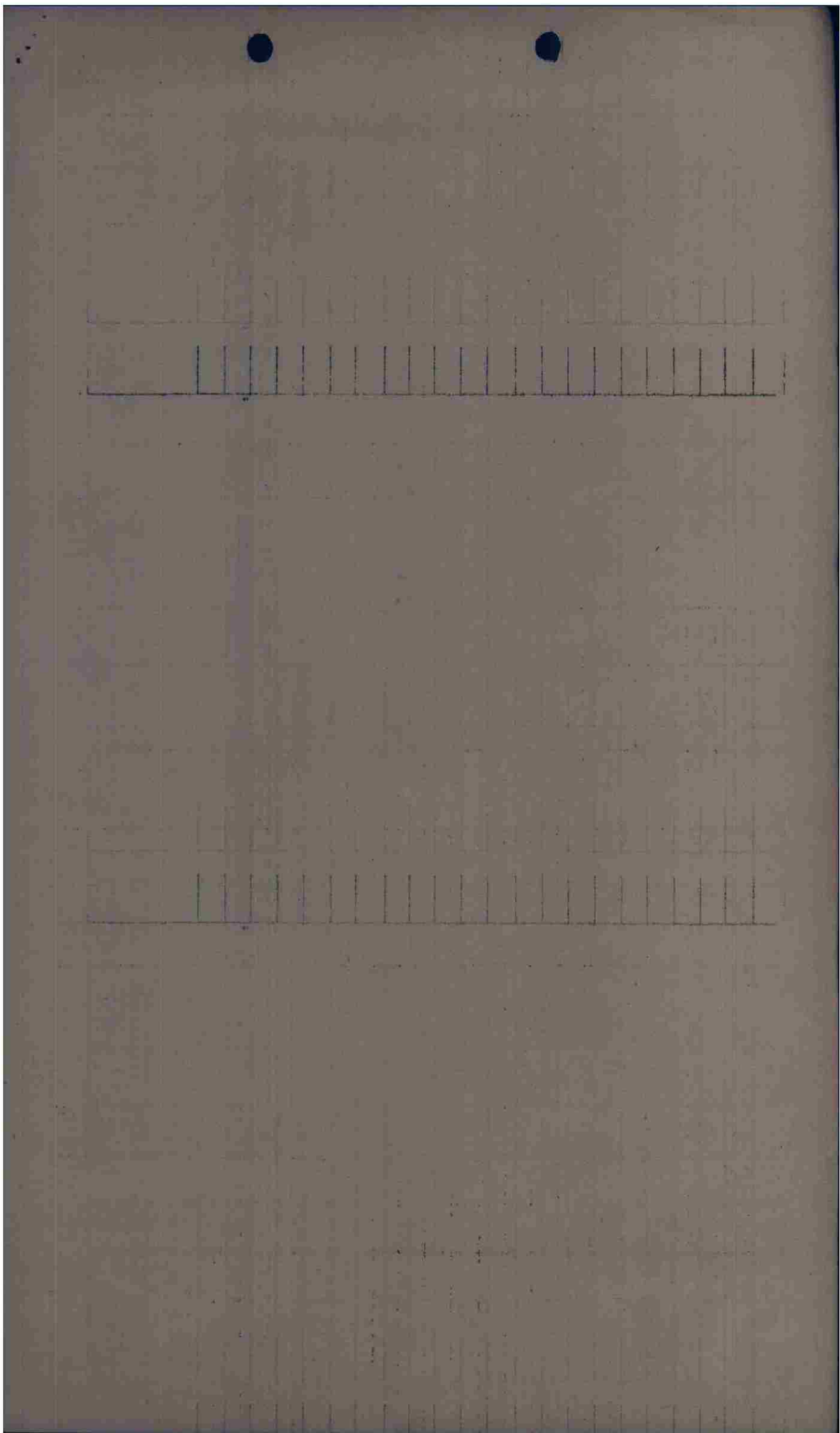
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A	H	165	Pair			0555										0843	
A	N	714	Henderson			0555										0841	
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A	L	363	Estes			0555										0841	
A	P	951	Ames			0556										0843	
A	S	1711	Marzolf			0556										0845	
A	E-1	210	Miller			0556										0837	
A	D	419	Morehouse			0556										0836	
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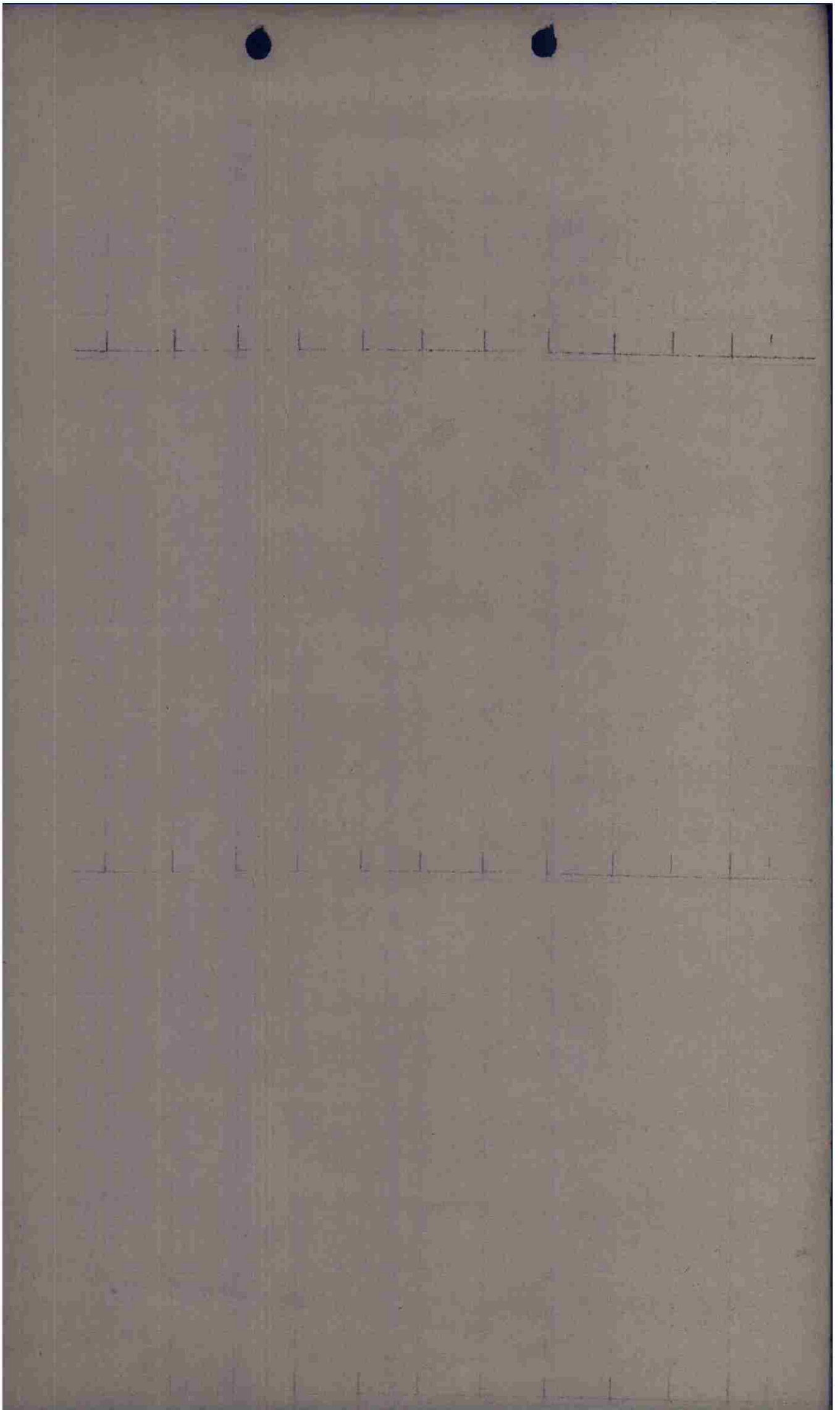
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 08/0300B Y-31-E
TO COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 410
COBOMGP 416

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SECR T SENT IN CLEAR AUTH LT COL MC AFEE

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

FIELD ORDER NO. 116-415

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REFER TO CURRENT BOMB LINE
(2) ALLIED FIGHTERS WILL FURNISH AREA COVER FOR THIS WING
2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN FRANCE IN SUPPORT OF THE BRITISH TROOPS

ZERO HOUR: 080700B

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) 1/2 GROUP ON 4901W/E48E
1/2 GROUP ON ILL. 4901W/64 REF. 009014
- (2) TWO BOXES OF 18 ONE BOX BOMBING AS A BOX, ONE BOX BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6
- (6) BOMB 12,000 FEET OR UNDER CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 10,000 FEET
- (9) ONE BOX ILL. 4901W/64 AREA E LEAD BOMBARDIER SALVO BOMES ON A.P. REF. 033010 REMAINDER OF BOX DROP FIRST BOMB ON LEADER AND REMAINDER AT TWO SECOND INTERVALS
THREE FLIGHTS M.P.I. ILL. 4901W/64 REF. 009014
- (10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE AND 1/100 SEC. TAIL
- (12) TIME OVER TARGET: ZERO HOUR PLUS 10 MINUTES

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.

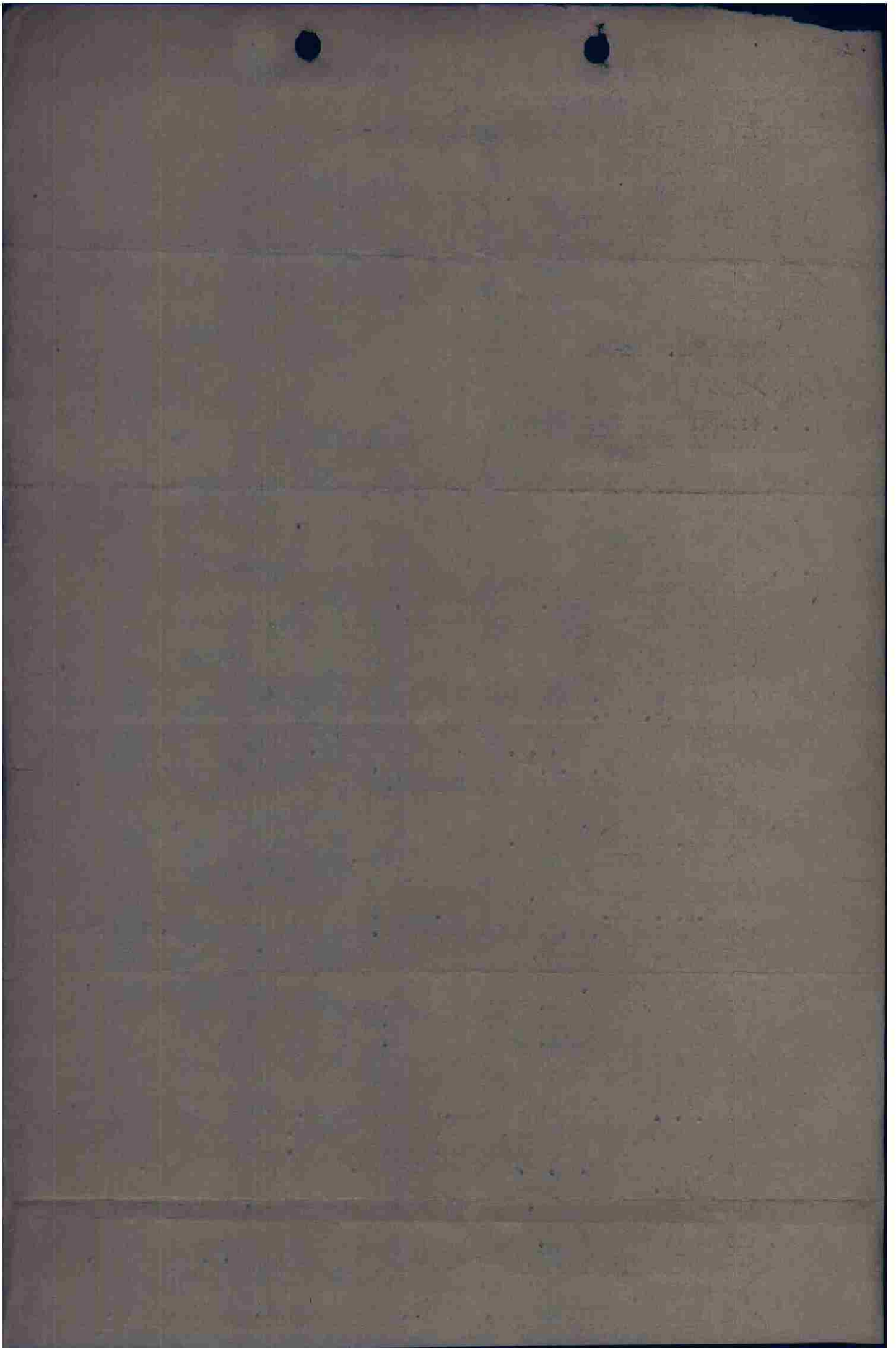
- (1) ILL. 4901W/60 REF. 012032
- (2) 36 A/C BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
- (6) BOMB 12,000 FEET OR UNDER CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 10NPPP FEET.
- (9) M.P.I. ILL. 4901W/60 REF. 012032
- (10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE AND 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
- (12) TIME OVER TARGET: ZERO HOUR PLUS 90 MINUTES.

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

- (1) 1/3 GROUP ON ILL. 4901W/65 REF. 074025
1/3 GROUP ON ILL. 4901W/60 REF. 010070
1/3 GROUP ON ILL. 4901W/60 REF. 045079
- (2) 36 A/C BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C
- (6) BOMB 12,500 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 10,000 FEET.
- (9) M.P.I. TWO FLIGHTS ON ILL. 4901W/65 REF. 074025
TWO FLIGHTS ON ILL. 4901W/60 REF. 010070
TWO FLIGHTS ON ILL. 4901W/60 REF. 045079
- (10) 6 X 500 LB. G. P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE AND 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
- (12) TIME OVER TARGET. ZERO HOUR PLUS 20 MINUTES.

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

- (5) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO MAIDENHEAD TO WORTHING TO I.P. TO TARGET.
- (6) ROUTE BACK: TARGETS TURN RIGHT TO SELSEY BILL TO MAIDENHEAD TO BASE.
- (7) INITIAL POINT: 49 DEG. 17 MIN. NORTH 00 DEG. 05 MIN. WEST.
- (8) AXIS OF ATTACK: GENERALLY EAST NORTHEAST TO WEST SOUTHWEST.



4. NO CHANGE.

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.

- (2) INFORM

(3) NIGHTFALL B/B

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.

(2) EROSS

(3) NIGHTFALL B/B

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

(2) QUENTIN

(3) NIGHTFALL B/B

X. GENERAL INFORMATION.

(3) 10A, 6B, 5C, 8D, 13E, 7F, 15G, 11H, 16I

(10) BVTA/BVTA

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

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BT 08/0300B

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CC: 3. B. (6) SHOULD READ

(6) BOMB 12,000 FEET OR UNDER CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT
BELOW 10,000 FEET.

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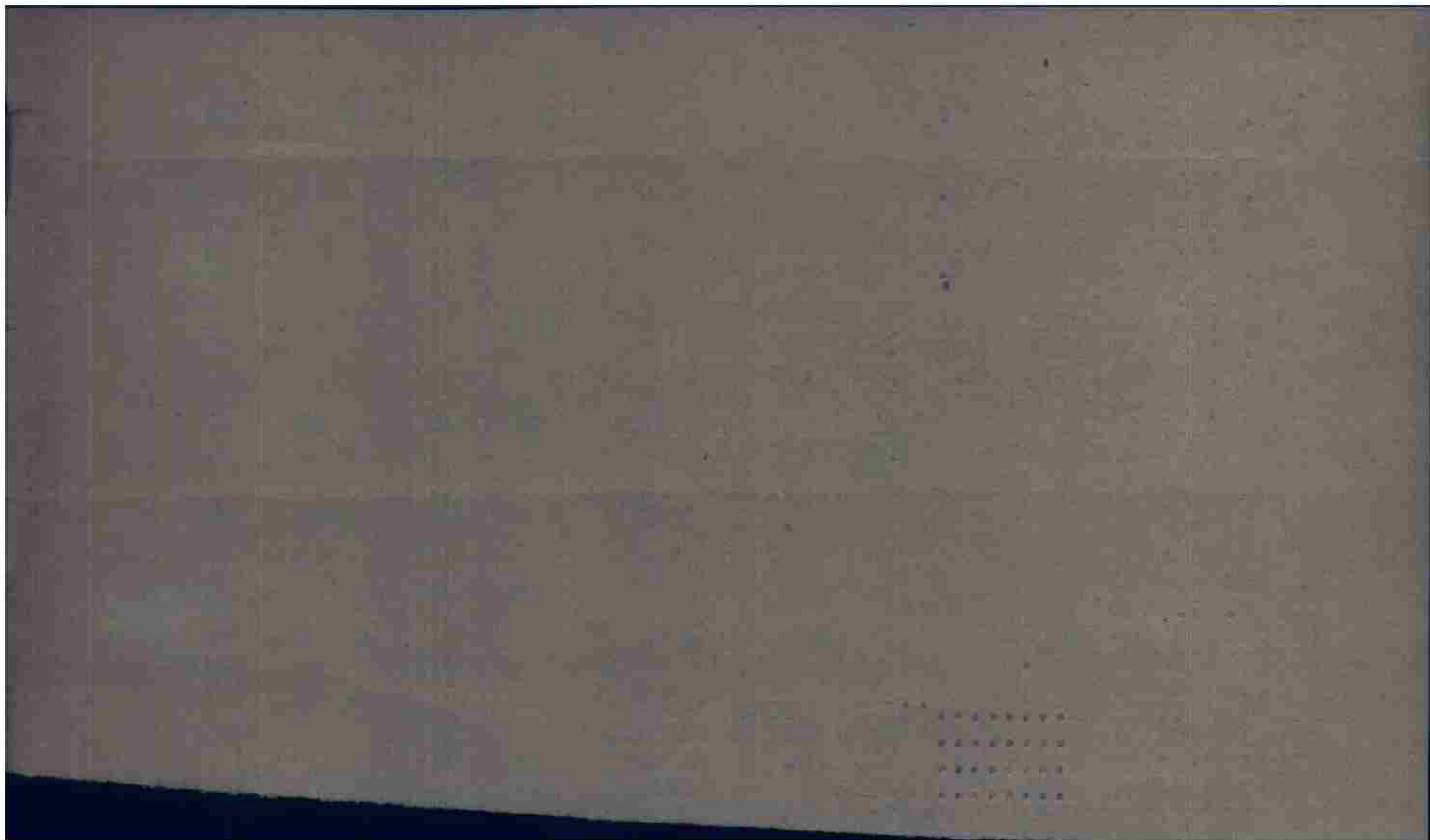
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 08/0200B
TO 409TH BOMB GROUP.
416TH BOMB GROUP.
410TH BOMB GROUP.

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SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: LT COL MC AFEE

ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER

ADVANCE COPY OF COMMUNICATIONS TO F.O.

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.

(2) INFORM

(3) NIGHTFALL B/B

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.

(2) CROSS

(3) NIGHTFALL B/B

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

(2) QUENTIN

(3) NIGHTFALL B/B

X. GENERAL INFORMATION.

(3) 10A, 6B, 5C, 8D, 13E, 7F, 15G, 11H, 16I

(10) BVTA/BVTA

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

COCETWIG 97

BT 08:0200B

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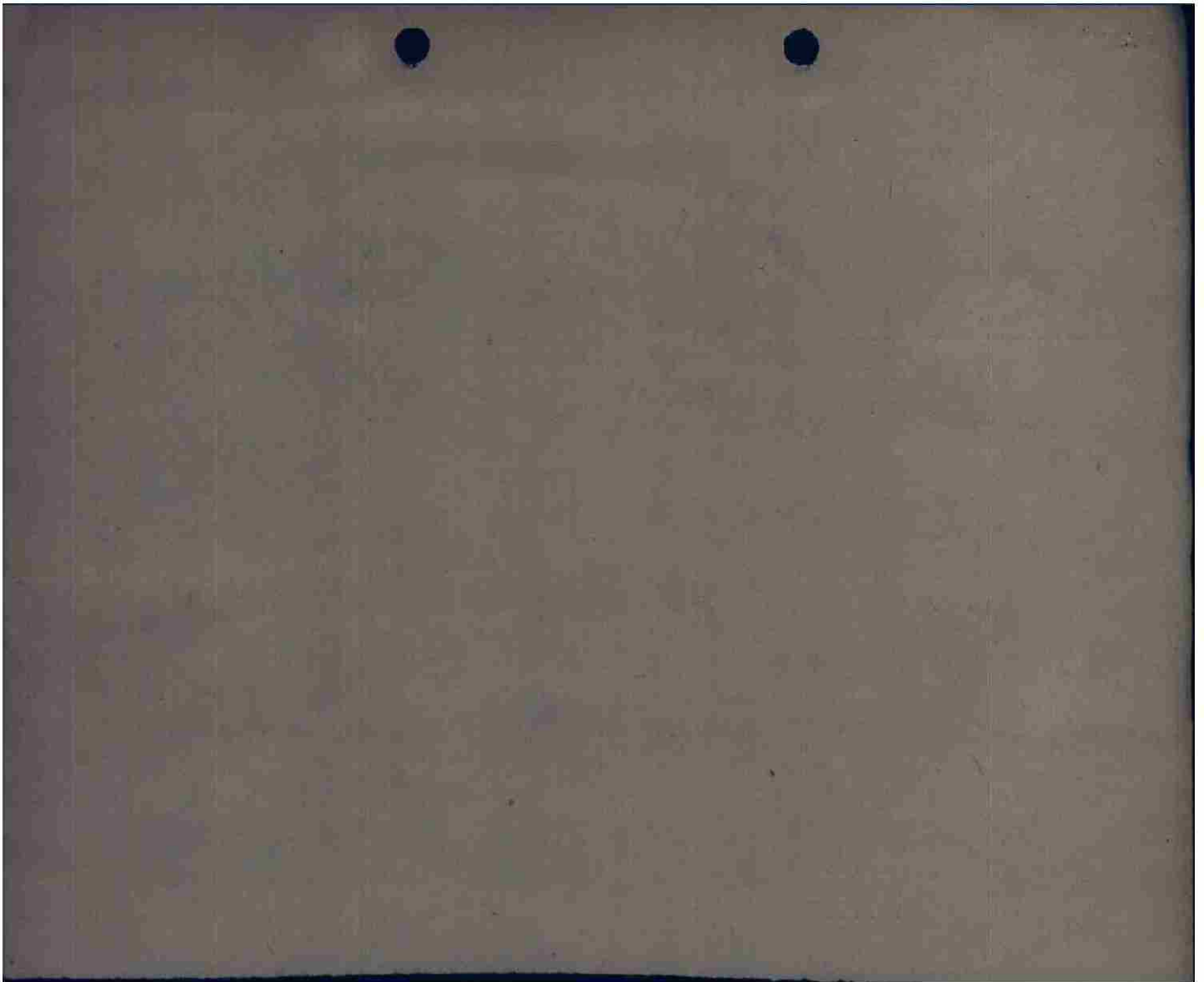
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING

08/0250B

Y-32-E

TO COMBOMCOM IX

409TH BOMB GROUP.

410TH BOMB GROUP.

416TH BOMB GROUP.

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING

A P O 140

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AMNEX 1 TO F.O. NO. 116-415

MAKE PARAGRAPH 3. B. (10) READ:

6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED 1/10 SEC. NOSE AND 1/40 SEC. TAIL.

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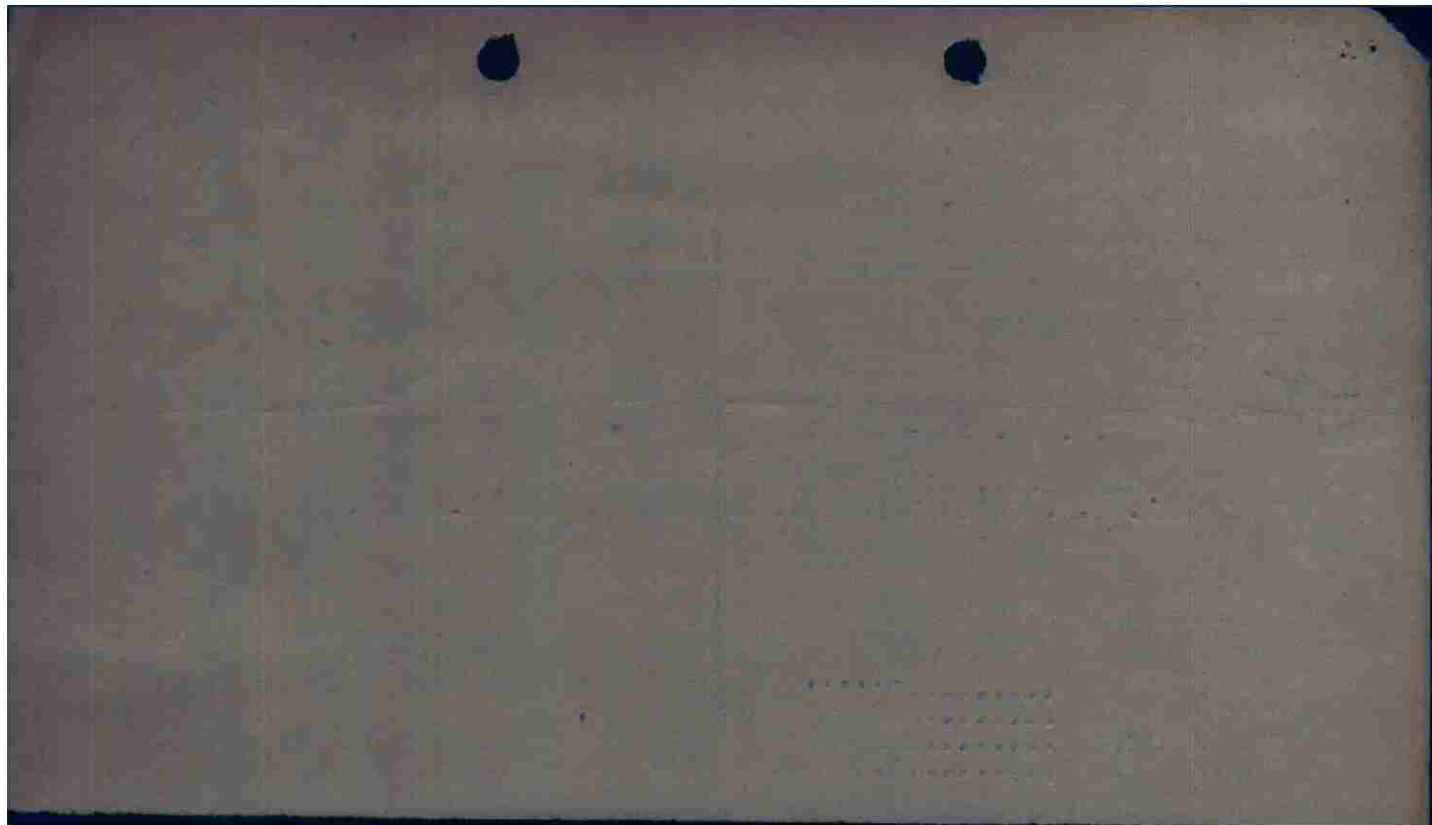
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 FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) Ø8/1115B Y-127-D
 TO IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTEN: A-2
 97TH COMBAT WING ATTEN: A-2

SECRET QXX BT

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

OPFLASH NO. 93 FOR 8 JULY 1944.

- A. ~~IX~~ (1) CAEN
 (2) CAEN (1) U-Ø13693 (2) U-ØØ369Ø (3) U-Ø27697
- B. (1) 416TH BG
 (2) 39 A-2Ø'S 3 A/C CARRYING WINDOWS.
 (3) NIL
 (4) U-Ø13693 - 12 A/C ATTACKED 3 A/C CARRIED WINDOWS
 U-ØØ369Ø - 12 A/C ATTACKED
 U-Ø27697 - 12 A/C ATTACKED
- C. (1) Ø548
 (2) FLT. 1 & 4 - Ø72Ø
 FLT. 2 & 5 - Ø721
 FLT. 3 & 6 Ø721
 (3) Ø843
- D. 6 A/C DAMAGED CAT. "A"
 1 A/C DAMAGED CAT. "AC"
 II Ø-Ø-Ø
 III Ø-Ø-Ø
- E. U-Ø13693 - EXCELLENT - FLT 1 & 4
 U-ØØ369Ø - GOOD - FLT 2 & 5
 U-Ø27697 - PROBABLY GOOD - FLT. 3 & 6
- F. (1) (A) NIL
 (B) NIL
 (2) (A) HEAVY MODERATE TO INTENSE INACCURATE FLAK
 (B) NIL
- G. CREWS BELIEVE THAT WINDOW WAS EFFECTIVE
- H. (1) 3/1Ø COVER OVER TARGET AT 8ØØØ FT. VISIBILITY
 6 - 8 MILES SLIGHT HAZE
 (2) 9/1Ø OVER S. ENGLAND. FROM LE HAVRE TO SOUTH OF TARGET
- X APPEARED TO BE CLEAR. CLOUD BANK OF CUMULOUS CLOUDS FROM 9
 TO 15 THOUSAND FEET S W OF TARGET.
- I. 179 X 5ØØ GP ON PRIMARY
 3 X 5ØØ GP RETURNED
- J. 115ØØ FEET TO 12ØØØ FT FOR ALL FLIGHTS.

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CC IN PARA H. (1) 3/1Ø COVER OVER TARGET AT 8ØØØ FT

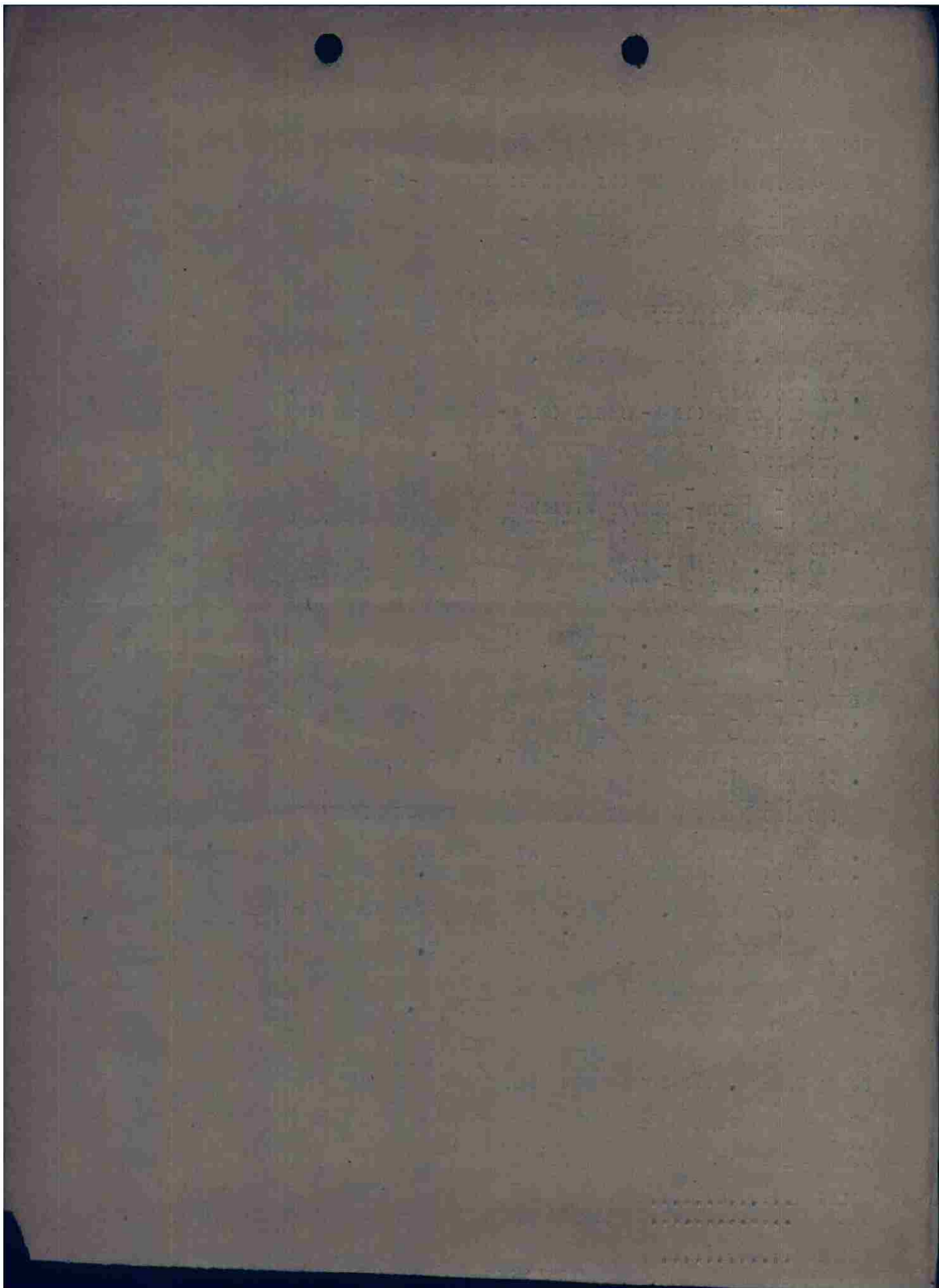
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OILAI R.....



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FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP, IX BOMBER COMMAND 05/1500B
TO ADV. HQS, 9TH AIR FORCE ATT: A-2

SECRET QGX
Y-140-D

FIRST PHASE REPORT S/A PHOTOS I 8/6/44

A. CAEN (1) V-913683 (2) V-003680 (3) V-027697

B. SAME AS A.

K. TWO HEAVY CONCENTRATIONS OF BOMBS ON STRONG POINT ILL. 4901W/60
(010070)

HEAVY CONCENTRATION OF BOMBS ON AND NEAR DESIRED M.P.I, HITS ON
BUILDINGS AND MAIN HIGHWAY PROBABLY SEVERELY DAMAGING AND BLOCKING
THE HIGHWAY. ILL. 4901W/65 (074025)

O GOOD CONCENTRATION OF BOMBS ON BUILDINGS AND ROADS 8 700 FT.
SOUTH OF DESIRED M.P.I, ILL. 4901W/60 (045079).

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FROM COSOMGR 416

TO COCBTWIG 97 ATT: SIG O

A - YS - 90

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C - 39 A/O

D - 668 - J - INTERPHONE AND COMMAND SET OUT, REPAIRED, CHECKED OK.
669 - E - INTERPHONE OUT, LOOSE CONNECTION, REPAIRED, CHECKED OK.
670 - G - INTERPHONE WEAK, LOOSE CONNECTION IN SWIVEL JOINT,
CHECKED OK.

E - NONE

F - NONE

MACE COSOMGR 416

OFFICIAL:

JACK B. COONEY
CAPT., AC,
SIGNAL OFFICER.

