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10 AUG 1944**MISSION REPORTS**FOLDER NO.10

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121	480	10 AUGUST 1944
122	481	10 AUGUST 1944
123	482	11 AUGUST 1944
124	483	11 AUGUST 1944
125	486	12 AUGUST 1944
126	488	13 AUGUST 1944
127	496	15 AUGUST 1944
128	501	17 AUGUST 1944
129	511	25 AUGUST 1944
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131	513	26 AUGUST 1944
132	515	27 AUGUST 1944
133	517	28 AUGUST 1944
134	522	1 SEPT. 1944
135	526	3 SEPT. 1944
136	527	3 SEPT. 1944
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138	532	6 SEPT. 1944
139	533	6 SEPT. 1944

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

By authority
CO, Sta. 170
11 August 1944
Init. _____

APO 110, U. S. Army.
11 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Combat Mission.

TO : Commanding Officer, 97th Combat Wing, APO 110, U. S. Army.

416th Bombardment Group (L)
122nd Combat Mission, 10 August 1944.
97th Combat Wing, TO 171 - 401

1. 37
2. 37
3. None
4. 1
5. 36
6. 43-9840

Crash landed at Kirby Hall near Castle Bredingham shortly after take-off. Left engine failure, caused by failure of front master rod, piston pin failure, blown cylinder head (no. 12 cylinder).

36 a/s abortive due to weather - 0/10 stratocumulus cloud cover up to 5000 ft.

7. 1 a/s crash landed as shown above.
- 36 a/s due to weather

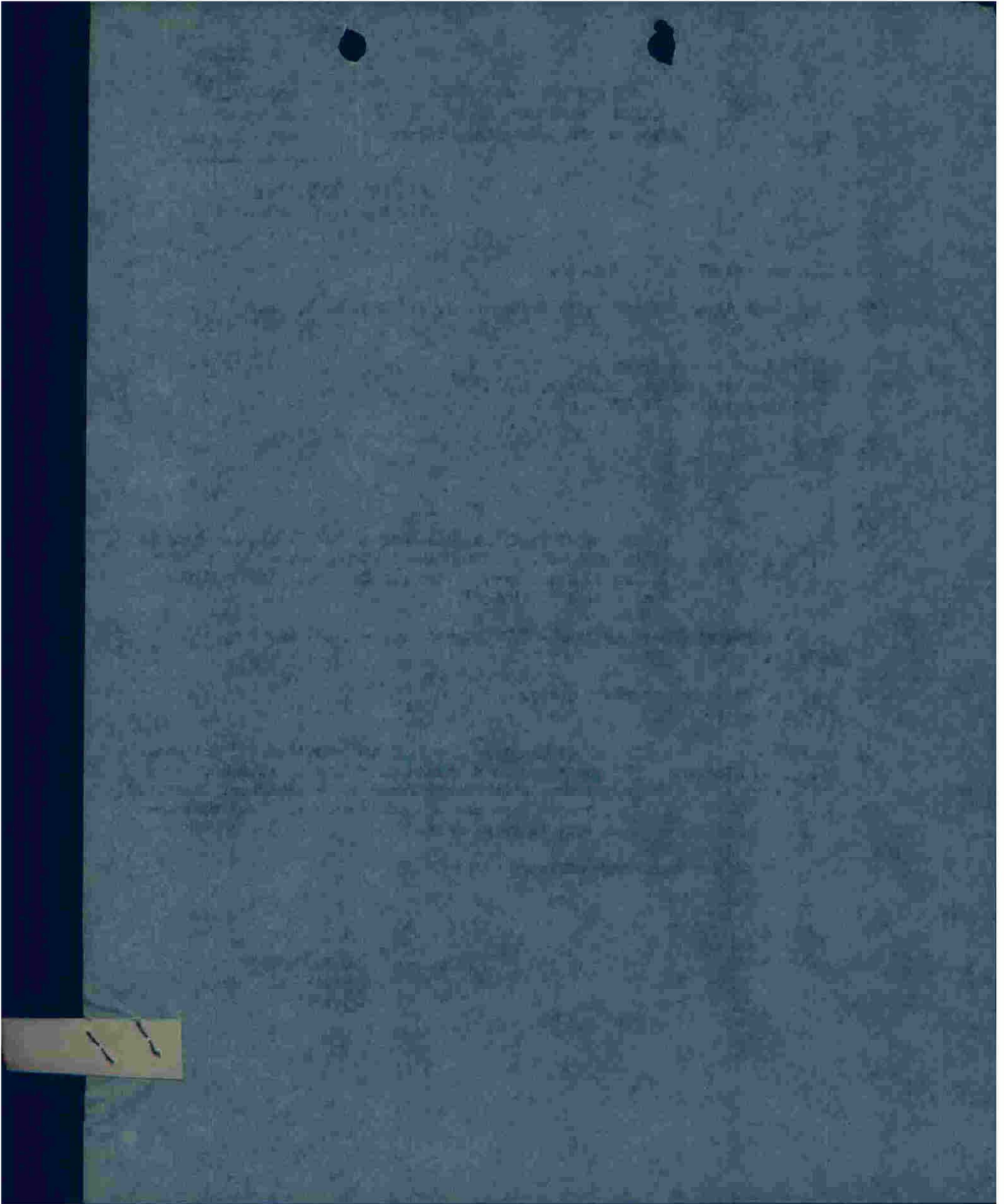
8. 43-10159

Landed at Tangare for fuel and serviced 257 gallons. 363 gallons were serviced on return to station. Fuel gauges were checked and found to be accurate. Previous fuel consumption was not above normal. Fuel consumption test is being made.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHERERIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

#124
AUG 10 1944



MISSION NO. 122

LOADING LIST

19 AUGUST 1944

BOX I
FLIGHT I

1. ✓ 442 D
CAPT M J HUFF
Lt J Kupite
Sgt R A Clark
Sgt F P Basford

4. ✓ 159 G
LT J E BLONGREN
Sgt. M. Bookach
Sgt. L.R. Fleming

2. ✓ 645 R
Lt R V Wheeler
Lt H T Arrington
S/Sgt K L Johnson
S/Sgt J L Czech

5. ✓ 900 Q
Lt. W.C. Siggs
Sgt. A.J. Burland
Sgt. K. Heath

3. ✓ 194 P
Lt. W.H. Land
S/Sgt. S.F. Alden
S/Sgt. H.L. Ballinger

6. ✓ 719 J
Lt. C.L. Estes
S/Sgt. C.R. Orvold
S/Sgt. E.A. DiMartino

FLIGHT II

1. ✓ 714 N
Lt. J.D. Adams
S/Sgt. P.L. Clearman
S/Sgt. A.J. Zeikus

3. ✓ 221 F
Lt. E.P. Hall
Sgt. R.W. Carstens
Sgt. R.P. Sharp

2. ✓ 951 P-1
Lt. J.H. Miller
S/Sgt. R.G. Schrom
S/Sgt. J. Galender

FLIGHT III

1. ✓ 914 X
Lt. R.E. Greenley
Lt. R.H. Mitchell
S/Sgt. H.C. Worden
S/Sgt. J.J. Rzepka

3. ✓ 956 Z
Lt. J.C. Gary
Sgt. A.E. Schoen
Sgt. R.W. Chevront

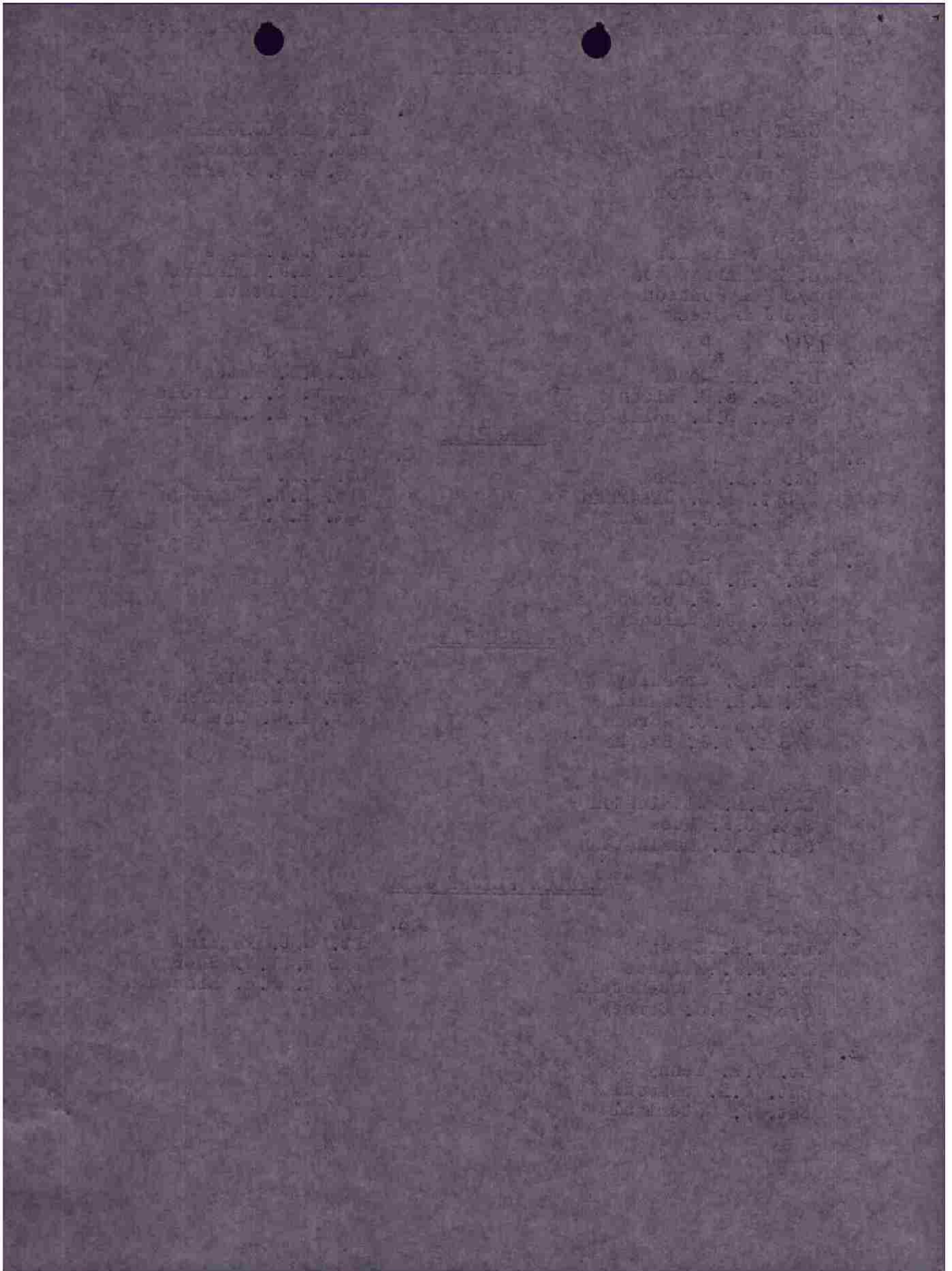
2. ✓ 165 H
Lt. D.L. Withington
Sgt. C.F. Huss
Sgt. L.D. McElhattan

WINDOW FLIGHT ONLY

1. ✓ 450 S
Lt. E.E. DeMun
Lt. R.J. McQuade
S/Sgt. M. Rosenstein
S/Sgt. H.O. Carney

2. ✓ 207 B
Lt. R.D. Perkins
S/Sgt. V.N. Sherry
S/Sgt. R.H. Linneman

2. ✓ 840 V
Lt. J.P. Kenny
Sgt. J.K. Spadoni
Sgt. P. Noteriani



MISSION NO. 122

LOADING LIST

10 AUGUST 1944.

BOX II
FLIGHT I

1. 1711 S
Lt. R.J. Morton
Lt. D.L. Moore
S/Sgt. F.E. Malchoir
S/Sgt. F.M. Citty

4. 937 B
Lt. W.A. Peck
S/Sgt. A.E. Bergeron
S/Sgt. H.E. Kalton

2. 1717 F
Lt. J.F. Meagher
Lt. M.J. Burg
T/Sgt. L.G. Robbins
Sgt. S.L. Heitell

5. 929 C
Lt. D.W. Elliott
Sgt. J.J. McGuire
Sgt. J. Mani

3. 767 N
Lt. R.B. Robertson
S/Sgt. M.W. Cheney
S/Sgt. G.E. Reiter

6. 219 D
Lt. J.F. Allen
Sgt. L.R. Getgen
Sgt. C.W. Veazey

FLIGHT II

1. 210 Q
Lt. G.F. Bartmus
S/Sgt. J.R. Orr
S/Sgt. D.E. Raines

3. 760 Z
Lt. G. Ebensteih
Sgt. J.H. Roberts
Sgt. E.L. Schafer

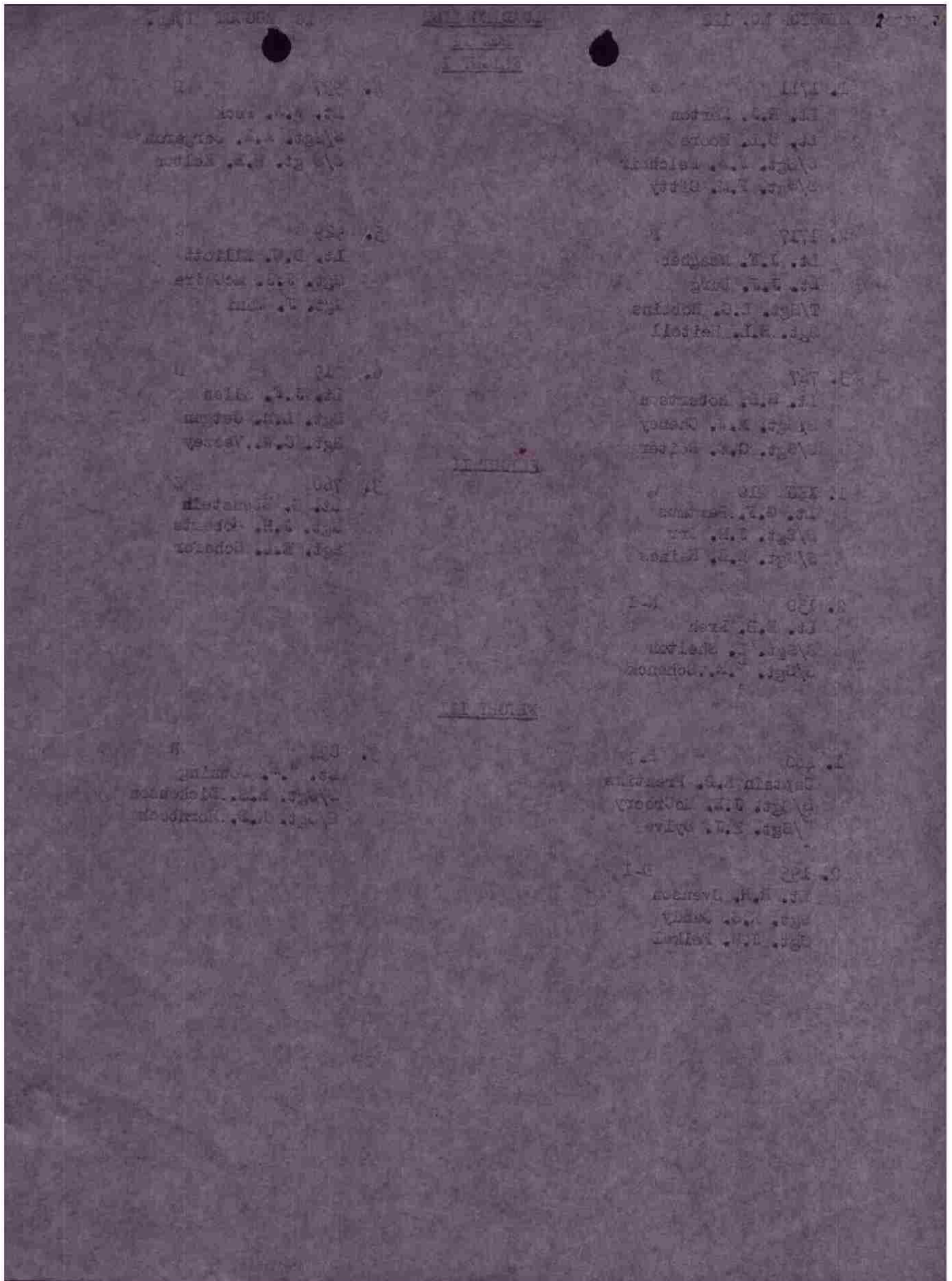
2. 150 N-1
Lt. E.B. Kreh
S/Sgt. E. Shelton
S/Sgt. R. Schenck

FLIGHT III

1. 480 R-1
Captain R.B. Prentiss
S/Sgt. J.E. McCreery
Sgt. H.J. Sylva

3. 894 R
Lt. W.E. Downing
S/Sgt. E.S. Dickenson
S/Sgt. K.E. Hornbeck

2. 195 D-1
Lt. R.R. Svenson
Sgt. R.S. Gandy
Sgt. J.W. Felkel



MISSION NO. 122

LOADING LIST

10 AUGUST 1944

BOX III
FLIGHT I

1. ✓ 452 Q
 Captain R.S. Rudisill ✓
 Lt. R.H. Joost ✓
 S/Sgt. R.K. Riley ✓
 S/Sgt. A.J. Benamo ✓

H*
 500
 3:50

4. ✓ 387 H
 Lt. C.L. McGlohn ✓
 S/Sgt. E.L. Griffin ✓
 S/Sgt. P.B. Driskill ✓

640
 3:50

2. ✓ 444 J
 Lt. H.A. Monroe ✓
 Lt. R.L. Kirk ✓
 S/Sgt. R.E. Lee ✓
 S/Sgt. S. Risko ✓

545
 3:50

3. ✓ 759 G
 Lt. D.B. Grunig ✓
 Sgt. M.E. Dias ✓
 Sgt. H.J. Nowosielski ✓

* 500
 3:50

FLIGHT II

1. ✓ 227 F
 Lt. P.G. Atkinson ✓
 S/Sgt. J.O. Swafford ✓
 S/Sgt. P.F. Glynn ✓

640
 3:50

3. ✓ 562 L-1
 Lt. P.P. Barausky ✓
 Sgt. B.R. Wilson ✓
 Sgt. M. Hall ✓

565
 H* 3:50

2. ✓ 892 L
 Lt. R.O. Gruetzemacher ✓
 S/Sgt. R.F. Stobert ✓
 S/Sgt. F.P. Glynn ✓

560
 3:50

FLIGHT III

1. ✓ 674 R
 Lt. J.P. Hillerman ✓
 Sgt. L. Martinez ✓
 Sgt. E.F. Paules ✓

* 530
 3:50

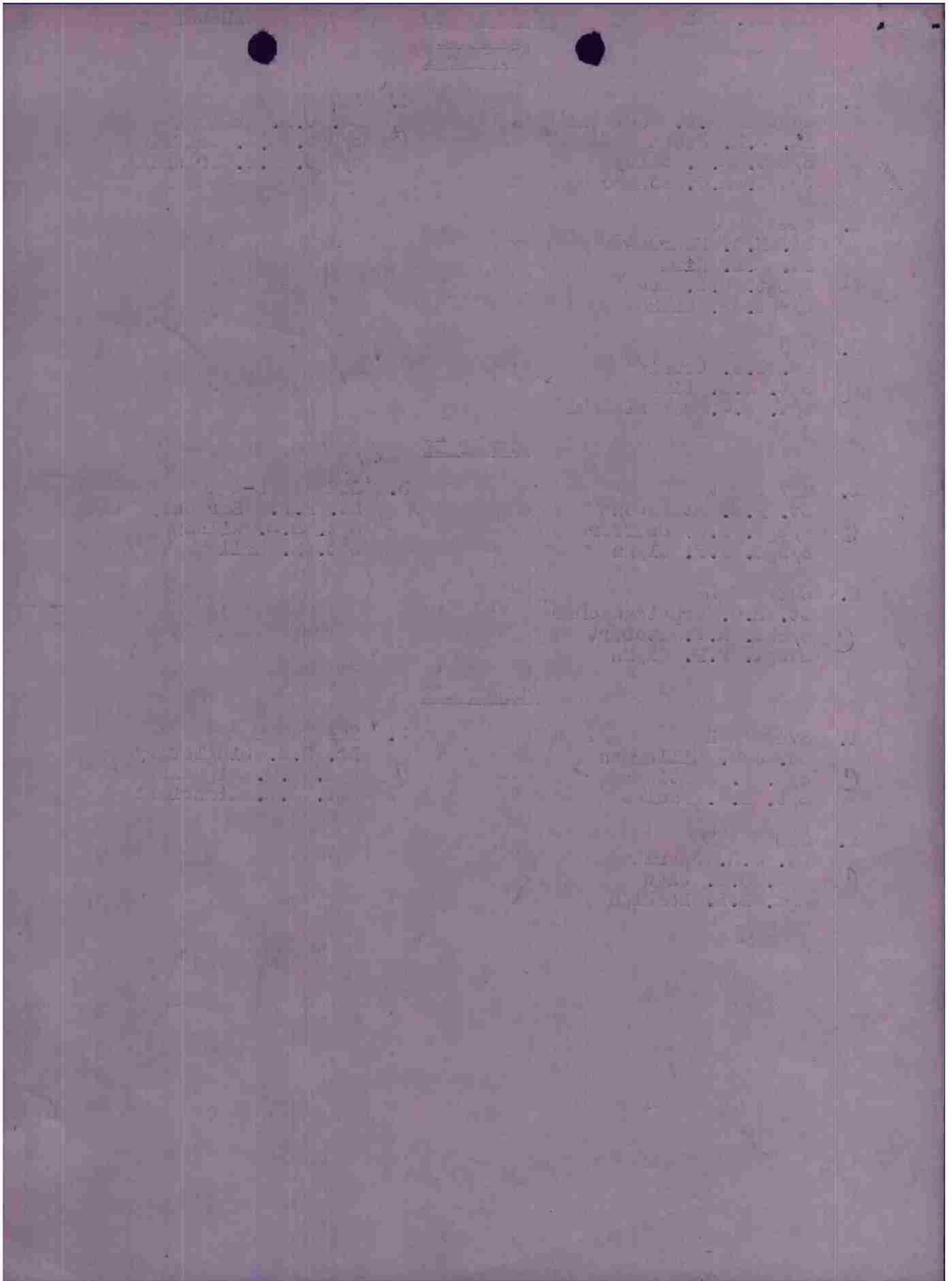
3. ✓ 224 E
 Lt. R.B. Singletary ✓
 Sgt. H.C. Wiggins ✓
 Sgt. A.A. Cianciosi ✓

570
 H* 3:50

2. ✓ 380 N
 Lt. J.R. Sparling ✓
 Sgt. C.L. Shaw ✓
 Sgt. L.L. Leahigh ✓

600
 3:55

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HEADQUARTERS
 415th BOMB GROUP (L)
 OFFICE OF THE STAFF OFFICER

APC 140
 10 August 1944

SUBJECT: Interrogation Report

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

BASE AT WAREHOPE: 6-7/10 stratocumulus at 2500 feet
 with 10/10 at 3000 feet. Visibility
 8 miles.

ROUTE OUT: Stratocumulus broke to 3-6/10 over southern
 England with bases 3000-3500 and tops to
 5000 feet. Visibility over England 8-10
 miles. 8/10 stratus over the channel
 with tops estimated 5000 feet. 8-10/10
 stratocumulus over the Cherbourg peninsula
 with tops estimated 5000 feet. Low clouds
 broke to clear in the Granville area and
 remained clear until 10-15 miles from the
 target. Visibility over France 8-10 miles.

TARGET: 8-9/10 stratocumulus with tops estimated 5000
 feet. Visibility 8-10 miles.

ROUTE BACK: Similar to route out but the stratus over
 the channel broke to 4-6/10 near the
 English coast. 3/10 cumulus and stratocumulus
 over England with bases 3000 and tops 4000.

BASE ON RETURN: 3-4/10 stratocumulus at 3000 feet.
 Visibility 7 miles.

TIME OVER TARGET: 1910

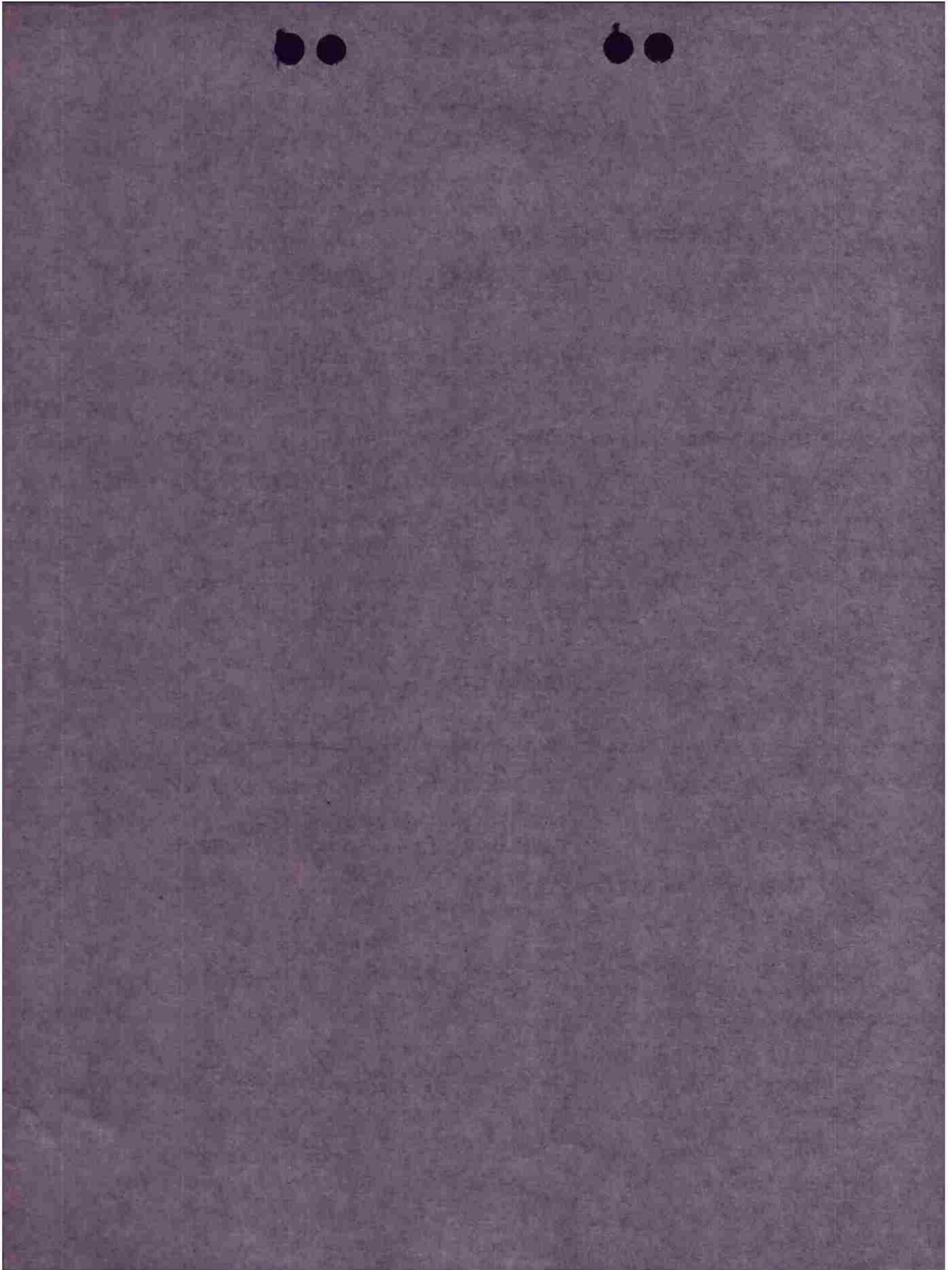
WINDS: as forecast.

EFFECT OF WEATHER ON BOMBING: Bombs were not dropped
 due to cloud cover over the target.

Walter D. Castle

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

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POST MISSION REPORT

MISSION NO. 122DATE 10 AUG 44

1. Number of men wounded (Medics - 16) 3 - INJURED IN CRASH LANDING.
2. Bombing Malfunctions (Armament - 92) NONE
3. Camera Malfunctions (Photo Lab - 84) NONE
4. Number of Planes Operational: Bomb Group 42 G
14 J Service Group 2 G
1 J
Called to Wing 44 G 15 J
5. Percent of Battle Damage (Intelligence - 68 or 17) 11 A/C) 3%
6. Planes failing to become airborne or returning early - reason NONE
7. Planes lost or landing away from base - reason ONE
SQ B: #840 - LT KENNY - CRASHED LANDED NEAR BASE. - LEFT ENGINE FAILURE.

(SUBMITTED BY Sgt Jm Byrne)

OF VOL. III

[illegible]

3. Camera Resolution and Frame Rate

Number of Names: 10000

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO: IX BOMBER COMMAND

TO: 97TH COMBAT WING

416 A _____ E

SECRET IN THE CLEAR

"J" FORM OPERATIONAL

CLEARANCE F-3

10 AUGUST 1944

PREPARED BY LT M A PAPE

A.

B. SELSEY BILL

C. 1819

D. BOX I R/T LANDGIRL ONE

669 4 D G Q P

671 8 R J N P-1 F X H Z

GROUP LEADER . . . 669 D

DEPUTY . . . 671 R

BOX II R/T LANDGIRL TWO

671 3 S B D

668 7 P N-1 Z B-1 D-1 R Q

669 2 N C

SECOND BOX LEADER . . . 671 S

DEPUTY . . . 668 P

BOX III R/T LANDGIRL THREE

670 8 Q G H F L R N E

668 2 J 4-1

THIRD BOX LEADER . . . 670 Q

DEPUTY . . . 668 J

BOX IV R/T LANDGIRL FOUR

669 2 S V

670 1 B

LEADER . . . 669 S

E. 12,000

F. PTE DE BAR FLEUR

G. 1840

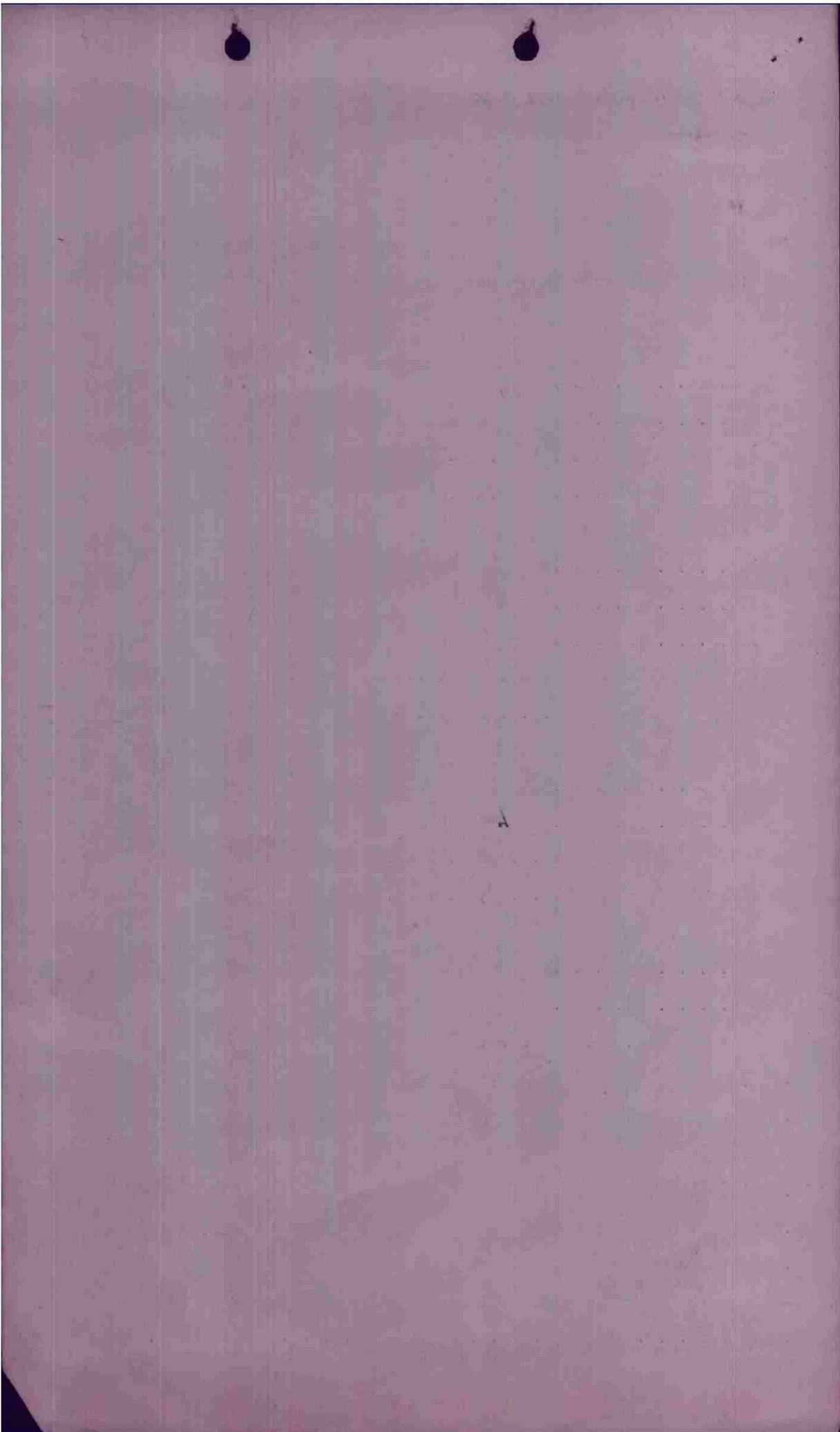
H. 62 MINUTES

J. PTE DE BAR FLUER

K. SELSEY BILL

L. 2000

M. 1. E.T.D. . . 1746 E.T.A. . . 2029 T.O. . . 1705



2. 4 X 500 FRAGMENTATION M-26

3. 4 HOURS

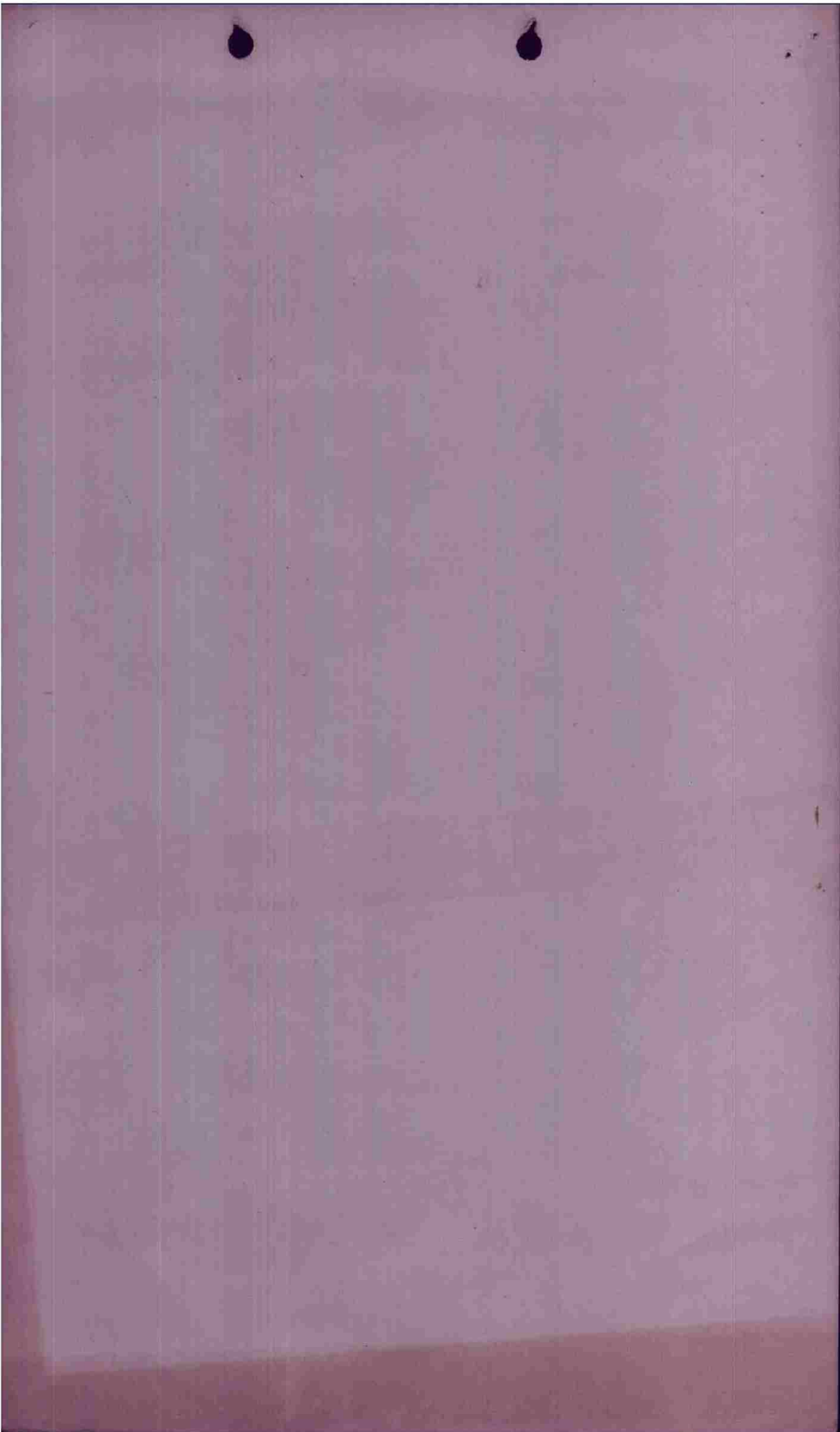
4. 4801W/G/4

5. NONE

AXLESWORTH COBOMGR 416

I certify that this is official business:

JOHN M. BONURA,
1st Lieut., Air Corps,
Opns Stat Officer.

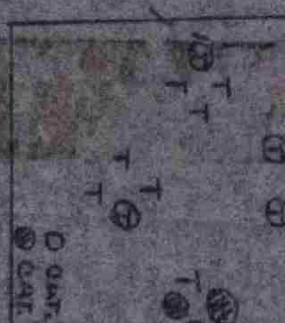
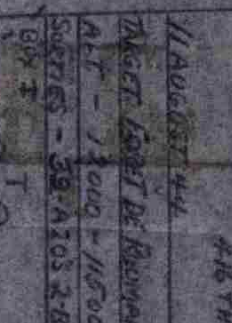


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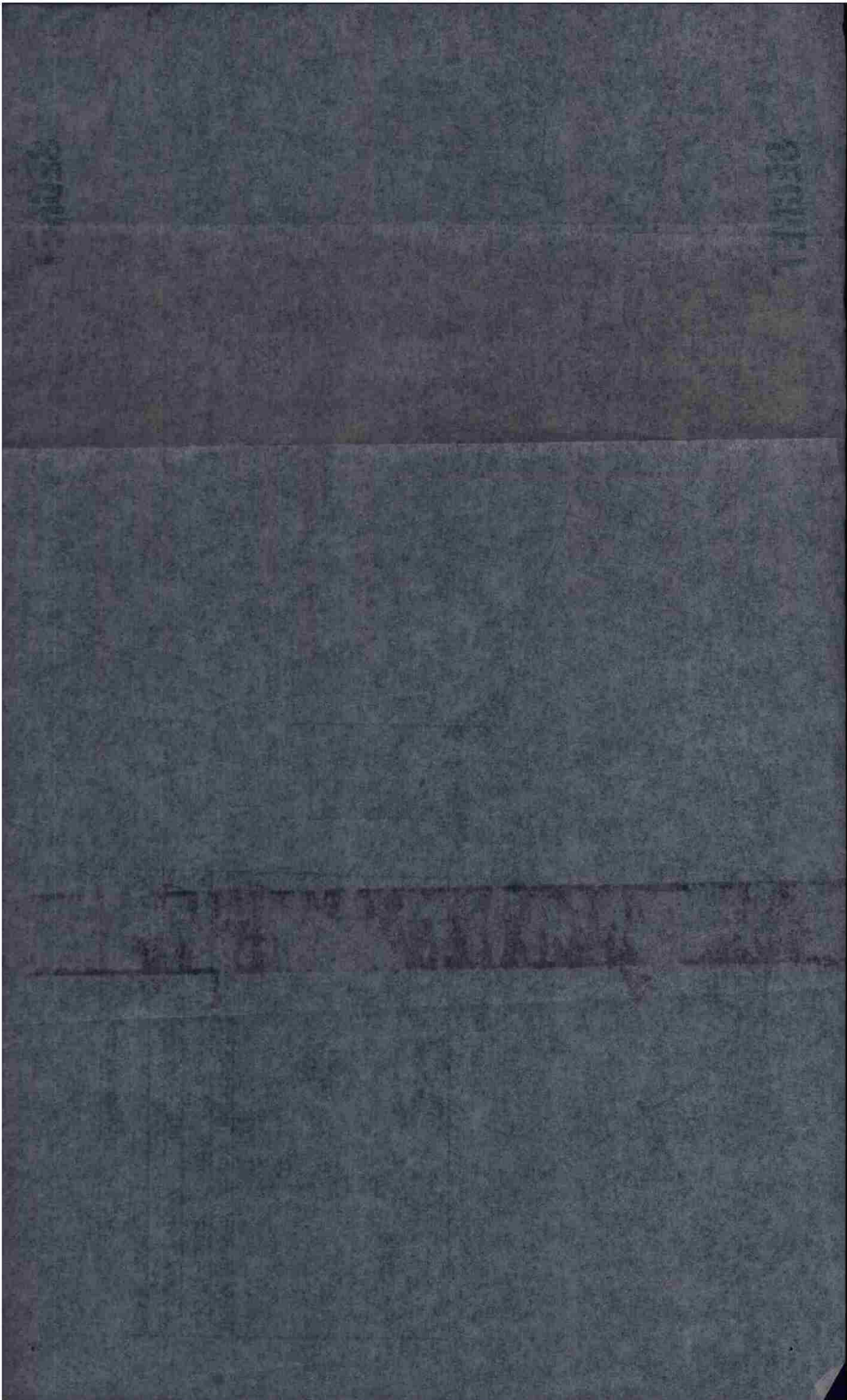
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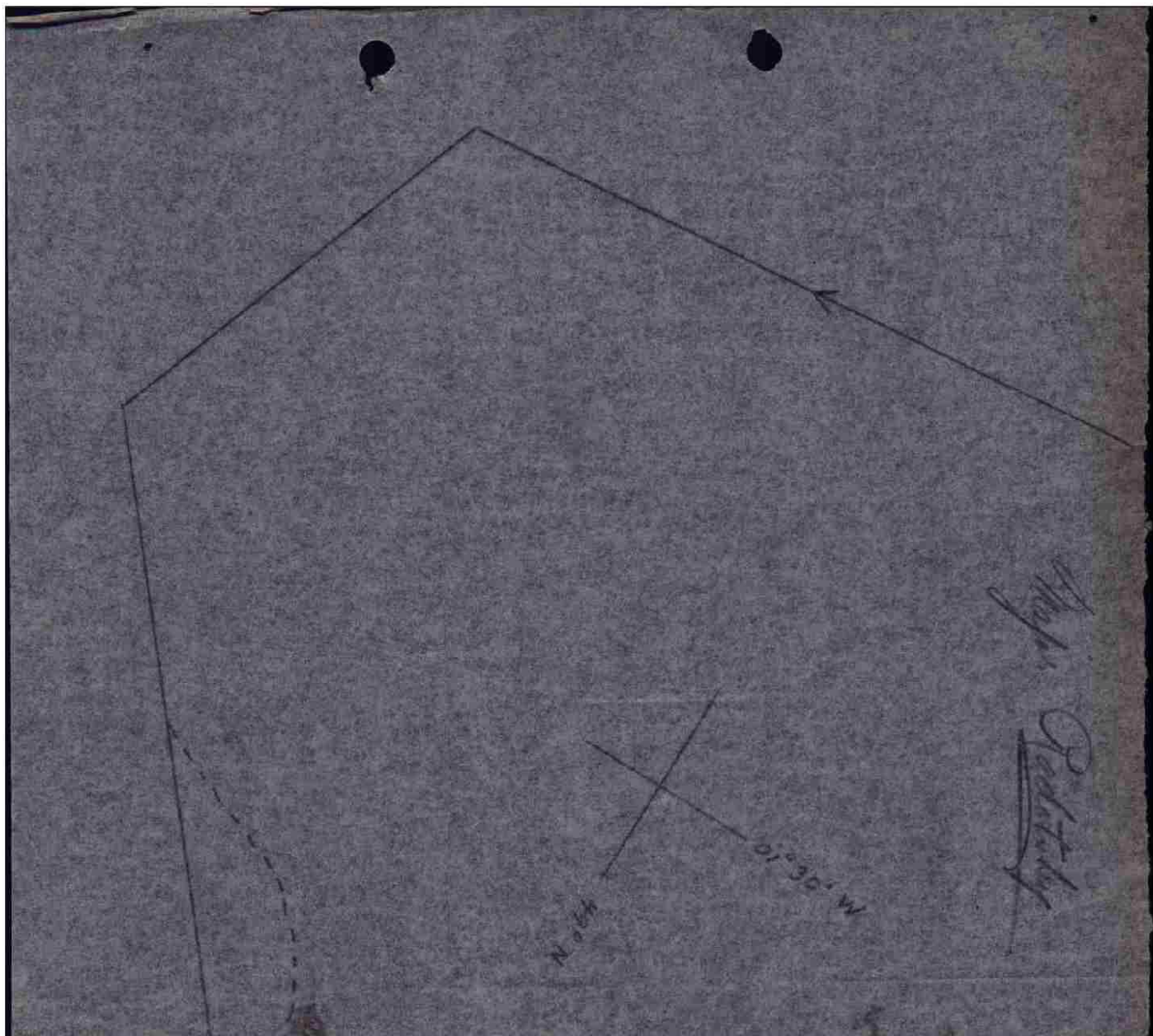
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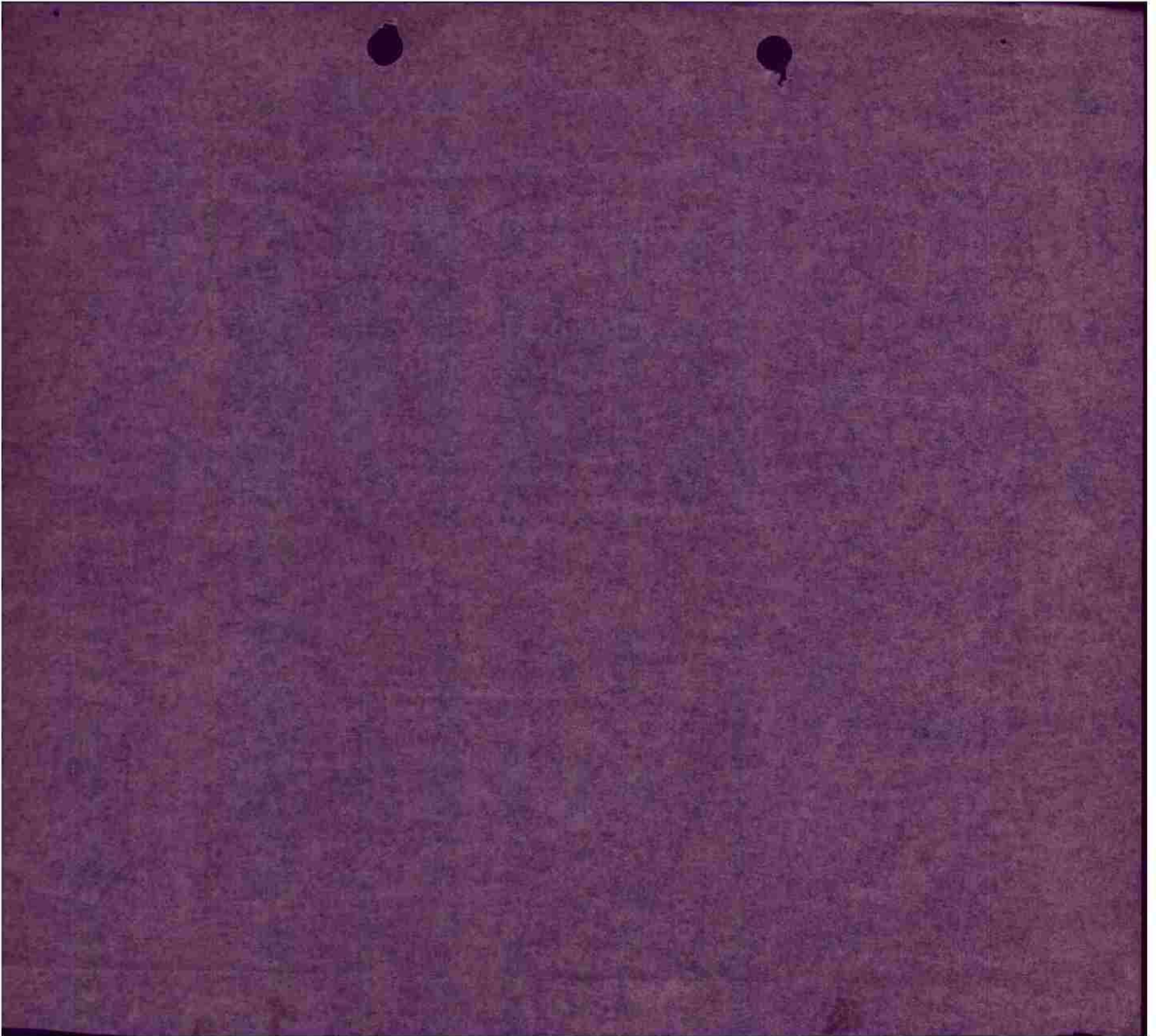
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 TARGET

11 AUGUST 44	416 TH BOMB GRP	FB 173-482
TARGET: LAKE DE REUNION	TOT: 1159-1160	
ALT - 1400 - 14500	WINDOM - YES - 24	
SURFES - 39-A203 & B36	VISIBILITY - 10 MI @ 2-3000	
BOX I	BOX II	
		
D. GAT "A" GAT "AC"	BOX II WINDOM	

01° 40' E
 49° 30' N







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

FROM COBOMGR 416

TO COCBTWIG 97 ATT: SIG O

A - YS - 122

B - 10 AUGUST 1944

C - 36 A/C

D - 671 - P - INTERPHONE CALL OUT, REPAIRED AND CHECKED OK.
670 - E - CHANNEL A OUT, RETUNED AND CHECKED OK.

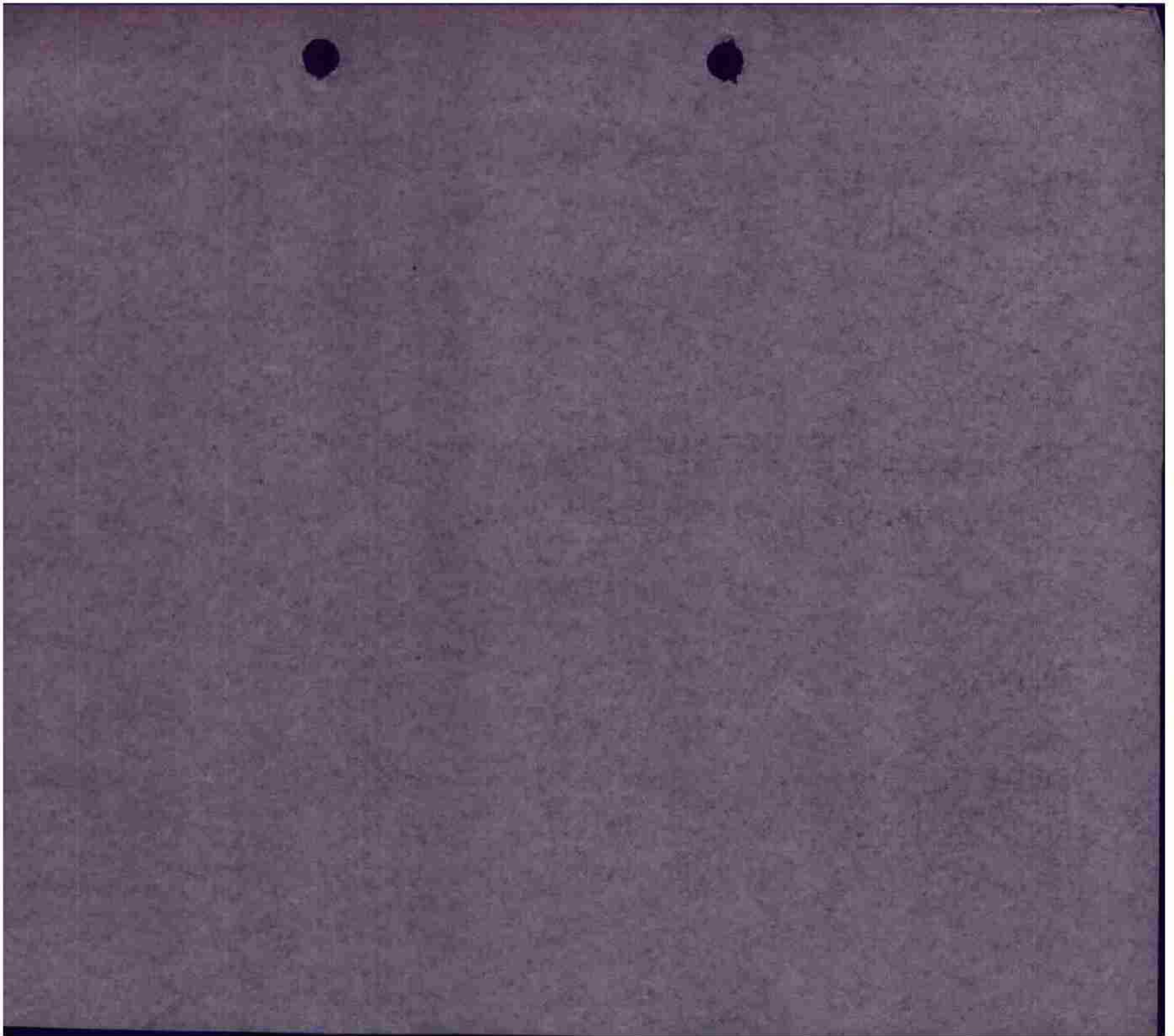
E - NO QDM18. LOCAL BUNCHER BEACON USED.

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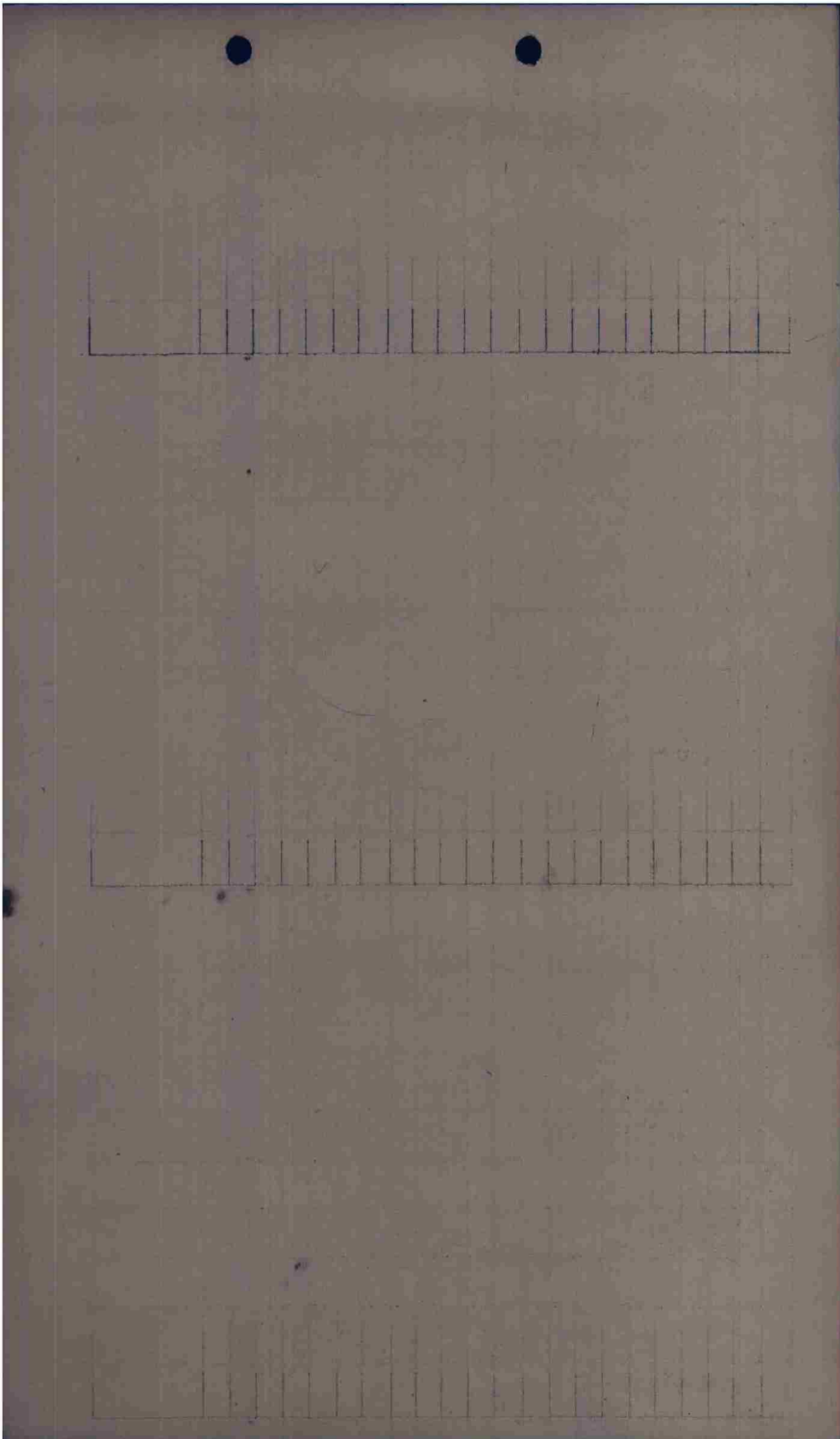
DANIEL J. NOLAN
1ST LT., AIR CORPS,
SIGNAL OFFICER.

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13	D	442	Shuf	628		1715	Delany	1400	1400	Delany	1400	HC	705	4800	✓	2046																																					
13	R	645	Shuf			1705	Beil	1200	1200	Beil	1200	C				2047																																					
13	P	1961	Land			1705	1819	1200	1200	1200	9000	C				2046	3115																																				
13	G	189	Alamgren			1705	2000	1940	1940	1940	9000	found at Tangmer				2046	3115																																				
13	Q	900	Shuf			1706										2047	✓																																				
13	J	719	Shuf			1707						C				2049	✓																																				
13	N	714	Adams			1706										2049	✓																																				
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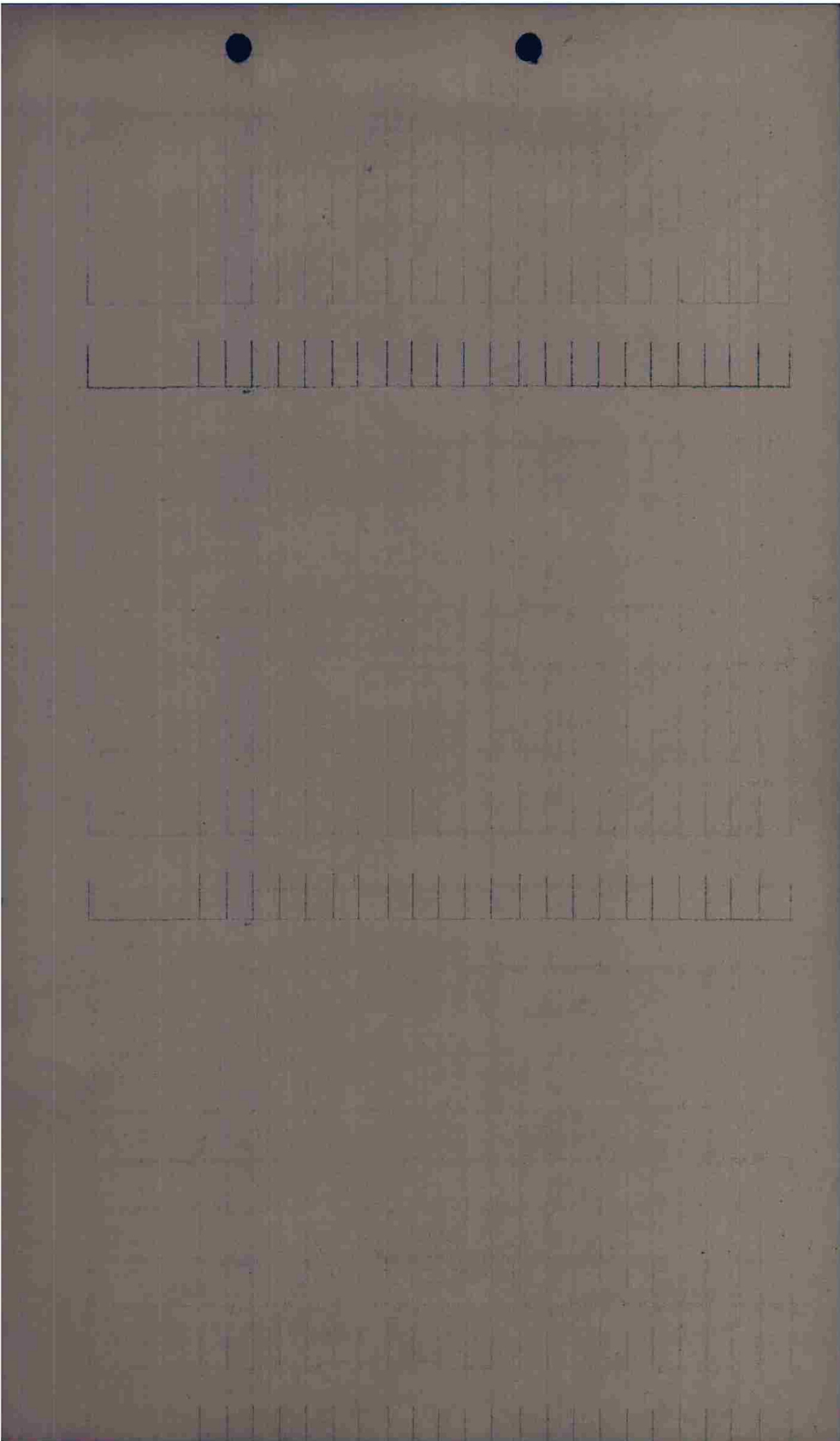


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D	S	1711	Proctor 37			1708					HQ				2052	
A	P	1717	Quagmire			1708					C				2053	
B	N	767	Agulhas			1714									2052	
D	B	937	Piche			1709									2053	
B	C	924	Belmont			1704									2054	
O	D	219	Allen, J.F.			1709									2053	
A	Q	146	Battman			1709									2055	
A	N-1	150	Thick			1700					C				2056	
A	Z	760	Chenethin			1710									2056	
A	B-1	480	Yugatae			1710									2057	
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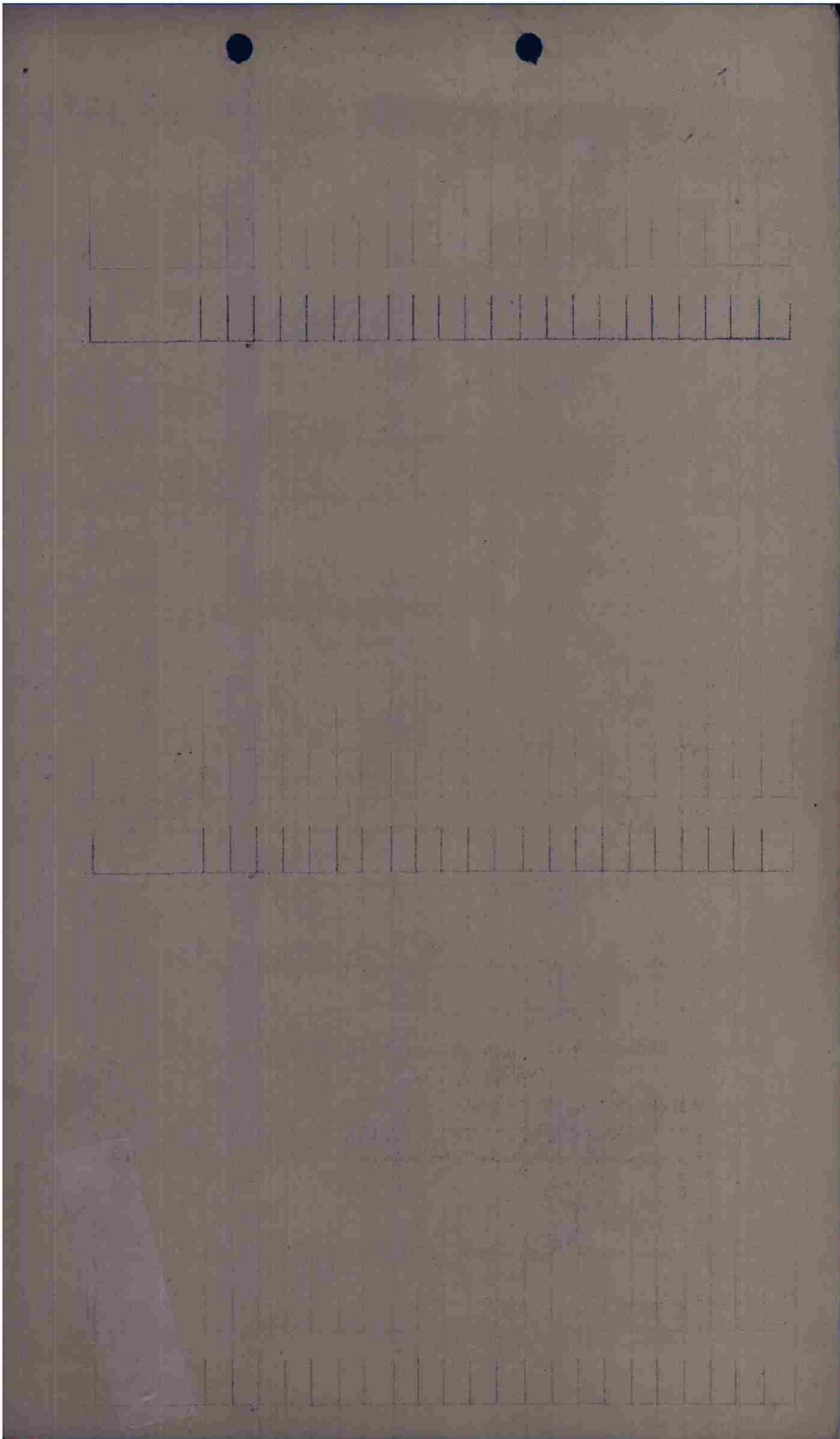
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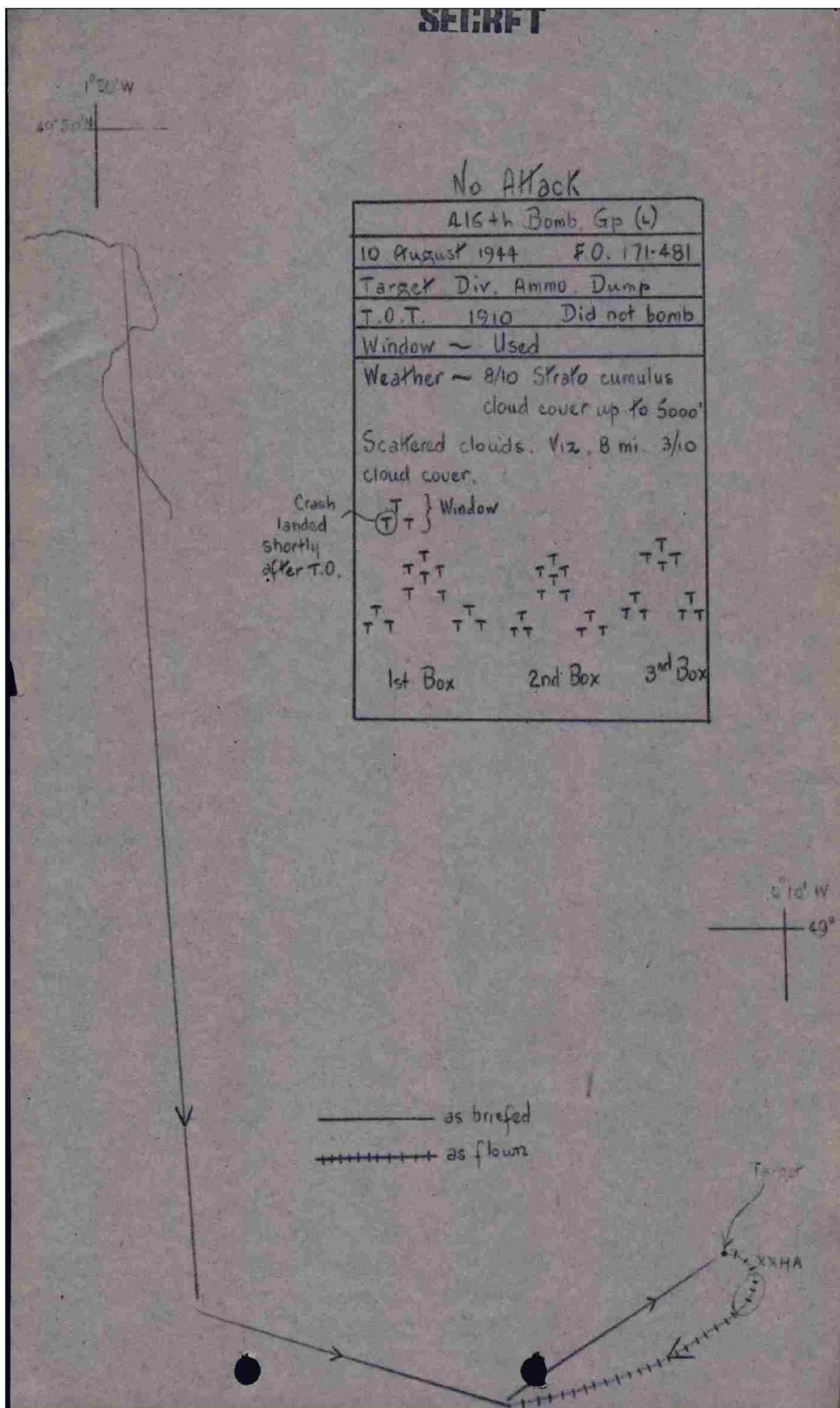
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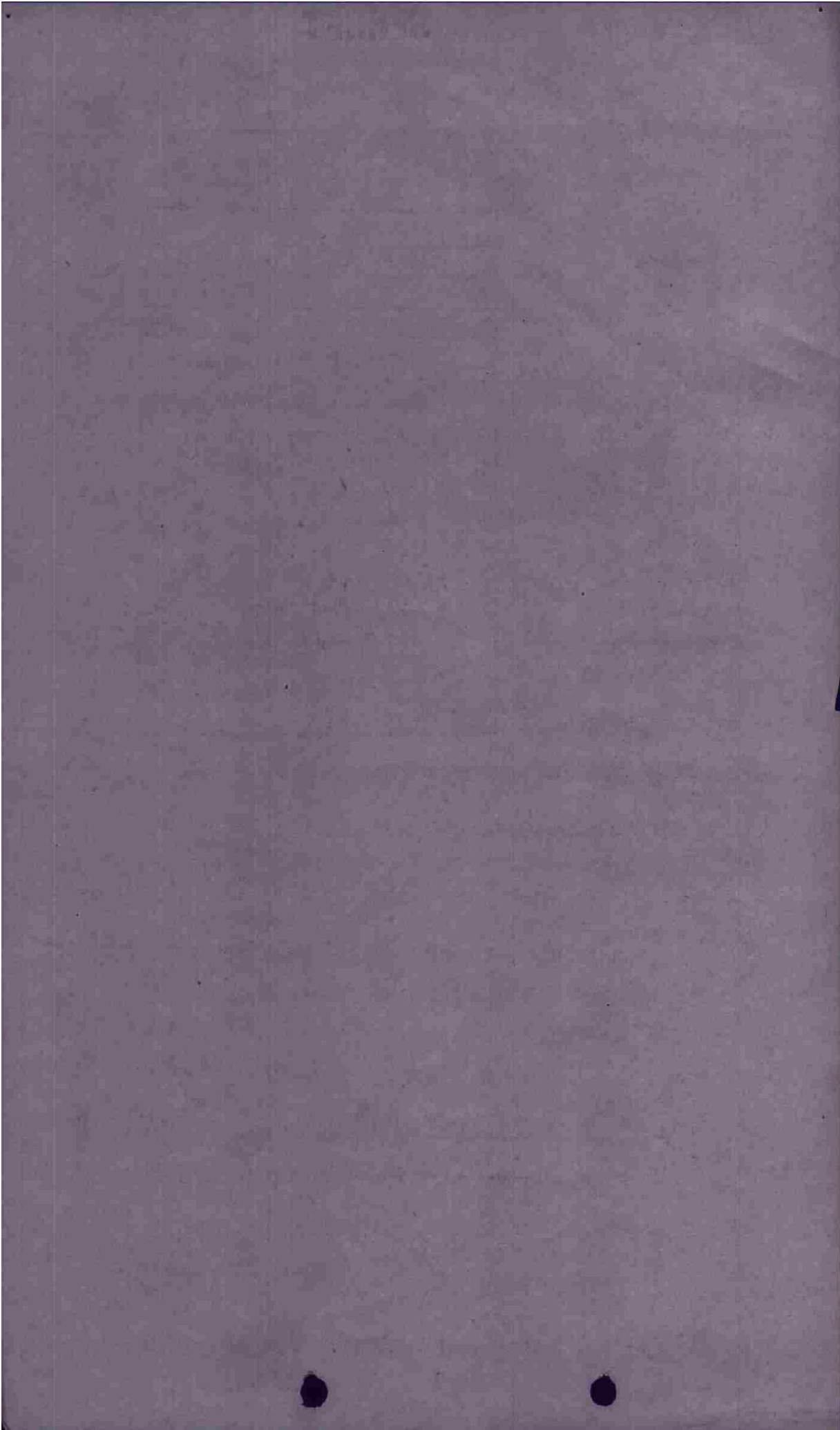


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Box II



SECRET



OICOG OIHAK OIGOF OIYAA V OILAI OILAI 5/10 CP
 FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 10/1415B A-65-E
 TO COMBOMCOM NINE
 409TH COBOMGP (INFO)
 416TH COBOMGP
 416TH COBOMGP

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

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 A P O 140
 10 AUGUST 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 171-481

MAPS : NORMAL

1. B. (2) NINTH T.A.C. WILL FURNISH ESCORT FOR THIS WING
2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK A TARGET IN FRANCE.

ZERO HOUR : 10/1830B

3. A. 416TH BOMB GROUP
 - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 4942N 0117W AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 30 MIN
 - (10) 4 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED INST NOTE NON-DELAY TAIL
- B. 416TH BOMB GROUP
 - (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT 4942N 0117W AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 10 MIN
 - (10) 4 X 500 LB M-26 FRAG CLUSTERS IMEX FUSED INST
- X. (1) TO (4) NO CHANGE
 - (5) TARGET 4801W/G/4
 - (6) A/C REQUIRED 3 BOXES OF 12 A/C
 - (7) ROUTE OUT BASE TO MAIDENHEAD TO SELSEY HILL TO 4942N 0117W TO 4835N 0106 W TO I.P. TO TARGET
 - (8) ROUTE BACK TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE
 - (9) ALTITUDES BOMB AT 12,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 8,000 FEET LEAVE FRENCH COAST AT BOMBING ALTITUDE
 - (10) I.P. 4830N 0030W
 - (11) AXIS OF ATTACK GENERALLY SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST
 - (12) A.P. ILL. 4801W/19 LEAD BOMBARDIER WILL SALVO BOMBS ON A.P. REST OF A/C WILL DROP FIRST BOMB ON LEADLINE BOMBARDIER THEN TOGGLE REMAINDER AT 1 SECOND INTERVAL ON REF. 036003 AND AT 2 SECOND INTERVAL ON REF. 026007 AND 031004
 - TR (13) R.P. 4830N 0030W
 - (14) NO ALTERNATE TARGET WILL BE ATTACKED ON THIS MISSION
 - (15) 416TH GROUP WILL TAKE OFF AT LEAST 10 MIN AHEAD OF 416TH GROUP

4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. 416TH BOMB GROUP
 - (2) BANKBOOK
 - (3) CAYLIFE

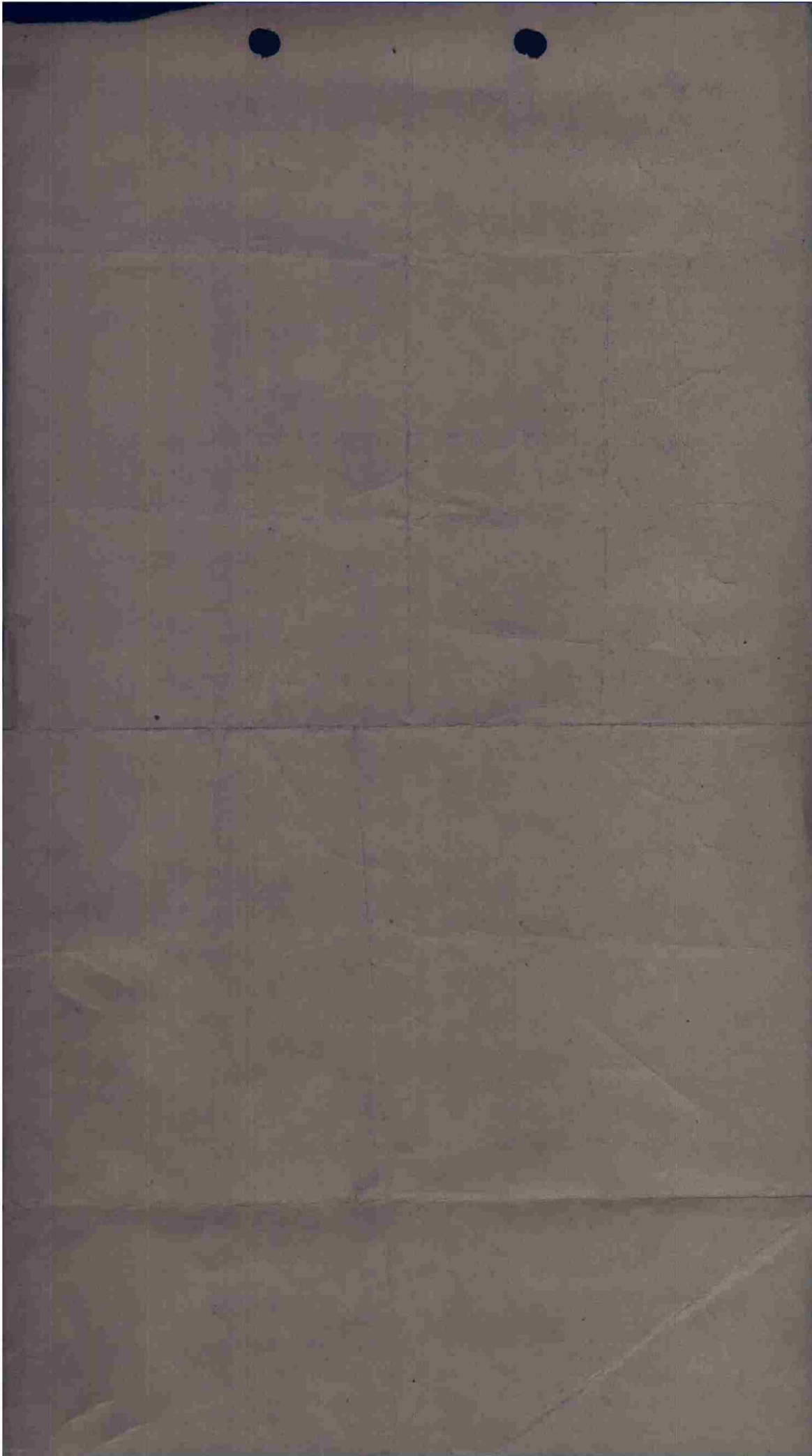
- B. 416TH BOMB GROUP
 - (2) LANDGIRL
 - (3) BISHOP

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

- (3) NO CHANGE
- (10) VABT/VABT
- (11) BOX LEADERS WILL REPORT TO COMMAND CONTROL ON CHANNEL "C" WHEN CLEARING TARGET AREA.

COCBTWIG 97

BT 101415B
 AR JMB
 OICOG OILAI R.....10/1445B BCD AR
 OIHAK OILAI R.....10/1445B SM AR
 OIGOF OILAI R.....10/1447B WAC AR
 OIYAA OILAI R.....10/1447B J F AR



V

OIGOF OIYAA V OILAI (INFO)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
TO 410TH BOMB GROUP
416TH BOMB GROUP

411

ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER

ADVANCED INFORMATION COPY OF PARA. 5. OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.

(2) BANKBOOK

(3) GAYLIFE

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.

(2) LANDGIRL

(3) BISHOP

X. GENERAL INFORMATION.

(3) AFTER 1500 HOURS, DELETE 4A/4A ADD 15A/15A

(10) VABT/VABT

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

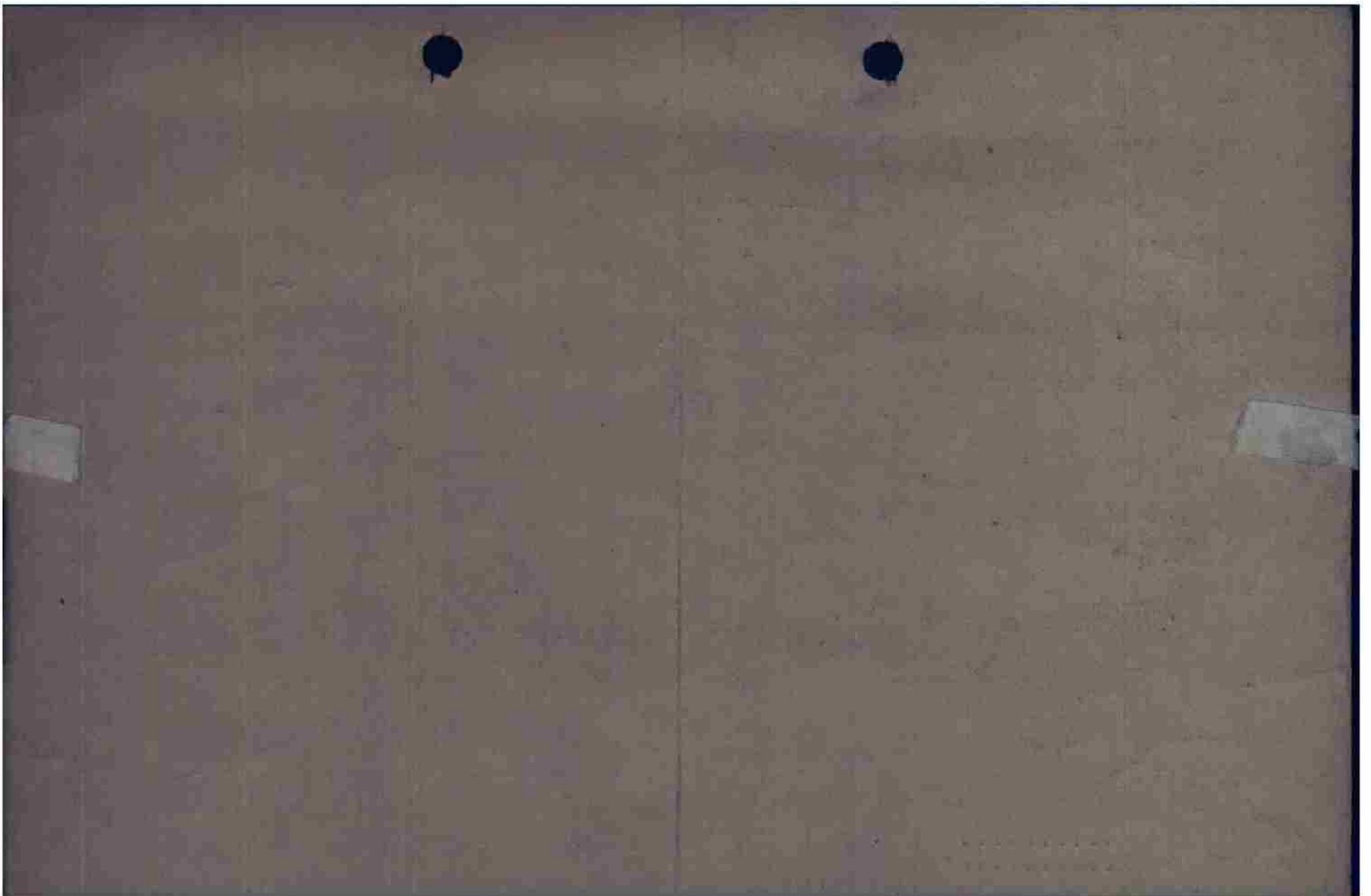
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TO HQ IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN A-2
HQ 97TH CBW ATTN A-2

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OFFLASH NO 122 FOR 10 AUGUST 1944.

A. (1) LA LOUDE DE LOUGE AMMO DUMP.
(2) NO ATTACK

B. (1) 416TH BOMB GP
(2) 29 A-28 G'S AND 5 A-28J'S (3 A/C CARRIED WOXXXXXX WINDOW ONLY)
(3) NO ATTACK
(4) NO ATTCK

C. (1) 1705
(2) 1910
(3) 2105

D. (1) 1 A/C DAMAGED BY FLAK - CAT "A"
(2) E-2-0
(3) 3 CREW MEMBERS INJURED WHEN A/C CRASHED AFTER TAKE-OFF.
DUE TO ENGINE FAILURE ONE A/C CARRYING WINDOW CRASHED SHORTLY AFTER TAKE-OFF.

E. NO ATTACK

F. (1) (A) NIL
(B) NIL
(2) (A) NIL
(B) WEAK INACCURATE FLAK AT U-9605.

B//

G. 18-20 TRUCK CONVOY SEEN AT 1906 FROM 12000 FT GOING NW AT Y-8697 .

AT T-7606, SIX VEHICLES WERE SEEN MOVING EAST. OBSERVED FROM 12000 FT AT 1915.

VEHICLES ON HIGHWAYS IN ENEMY TERRITORY FROM ECOUCHE U-1916 TO BRIOUZE U-0115 MOVING SOUTH.

H. (1) 8/10 STRATO CUMULUS CLOUD COVER UP TO 5000 FEET.
(2) SCATTERED CLOUDS. VISIBILITY ABOUT 8 MILES. 3/10 CLOUD COVER.

I. NO ATTACK. ALL BOMBS RETURNED.

J. NO ATTACK.

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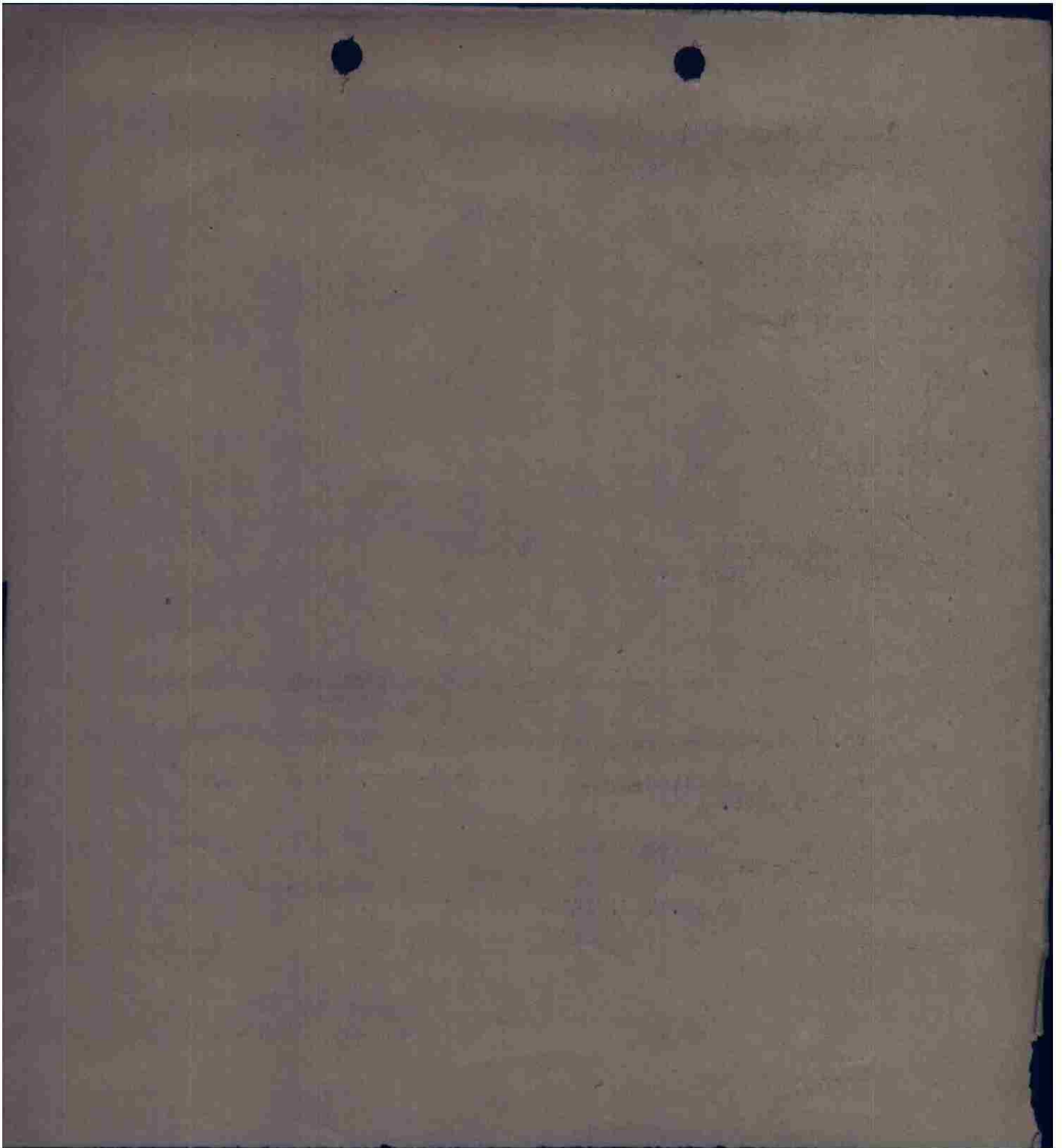
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T (OICO G PASS TO IX AIR FORCE)

FROM 416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) 10/2145B
TO HQS IX AIR FORCE
HQS IX BOMBER COMMAND
HQS 97TH CBW

ATT: A-2 DUTY OFFICER

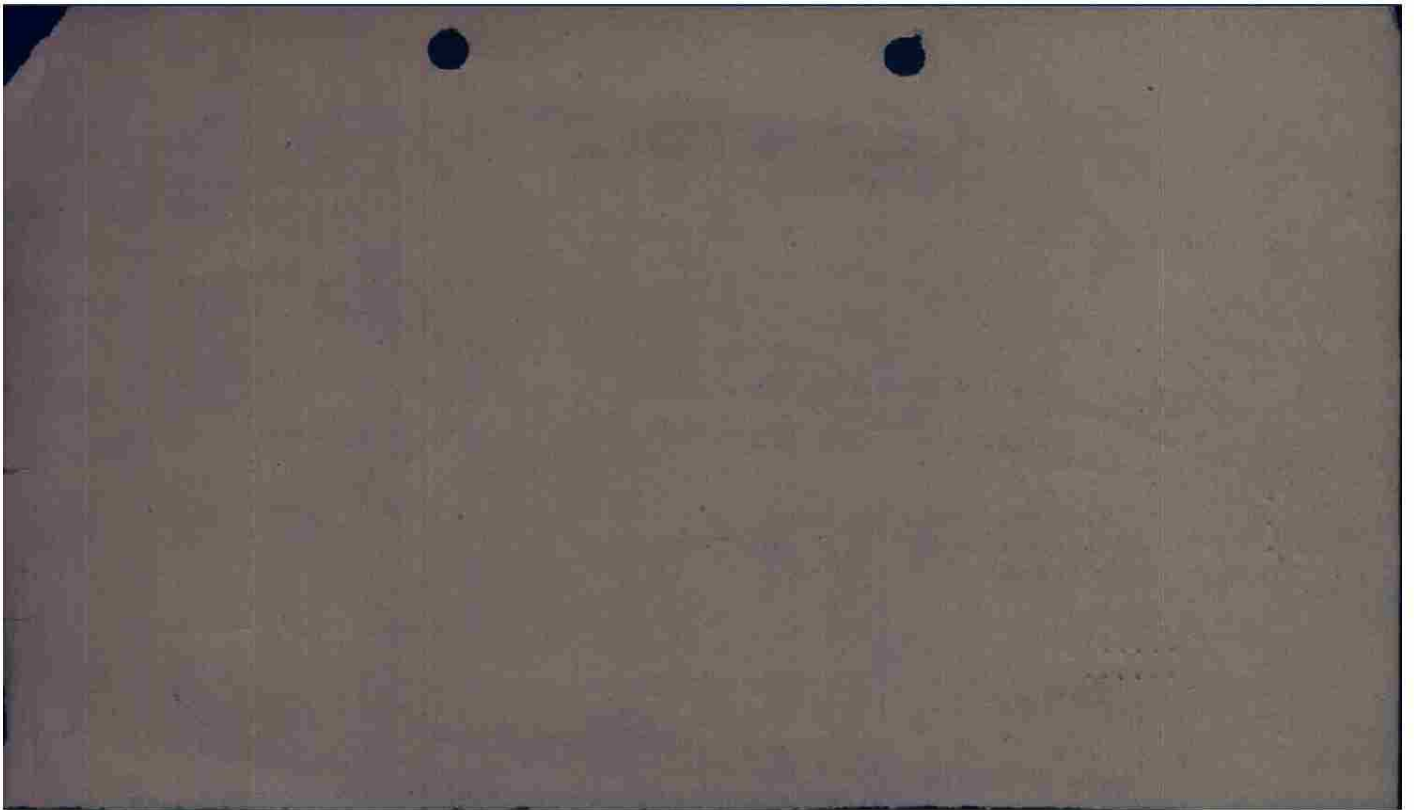
416BG A-279-D
SECRET QOX BT

A. LA LANDE DE LOUGE
B. SAME AS ABOVE
K. NO BOMBS DROPPED, NO PHOTO TAKEN.

BT10/2145B
CW AR K
OILAI R.....10/2205B RRR AR
OICOG R.....10/2202B CLEV AR K

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